

Students protest for and against all-comers policy

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The university's "all-comers" policy continues to be a source of disagreement within the Vanderbilt community, as students, faculty and alumni Friday expressed their feelings in an early morning demonstration ahead of the Board of Trust meeting.

A group of around 15 students arrived in front of the Student Life Center around 7:30 a.m., wielding signs praising the Board of Trust and Provost Richard McCarty for standing by the all-comers policy.

Lambda Association President

and sophomore Sarah Smith said she was there to give the Board of Trust "positive feedback" on the controversial policy. Smith, along with other members of Lambda, downplayed concerns voiced by multiple religious groups opposing the university's position.

"The policy is pretty straightforward," said sophomore Josiah Foster. "Groups don't have to vote for people who disagree with their beliefs."

Senior Meryem Dede said the policy would have little impact on the everyday activities of religious organizations.

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Suspect arrested in connection to sexual assaults

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Tyrone Batts, 25, was charged Saturday with two counts of rape, attempted rape and robbery concerning an incident taking place Friday in the Terrace Place Garage at 2016 Terrace Place, according to a press release from Metro Nashville.

Batts was arrested Saturday morning after he was spotted walking on Leslie Avenue near Centennial Medical Center. Centennial security took him into custody at 8:30 a.m. and held him for Metro police.

Batts is also suspected in three incidents that took place Saturday morning, two of them in the Baptist Hospital parking garages and one in the Vanderbilt University Medical Center

garage. The three victims Saturday morning were all hospital employees.

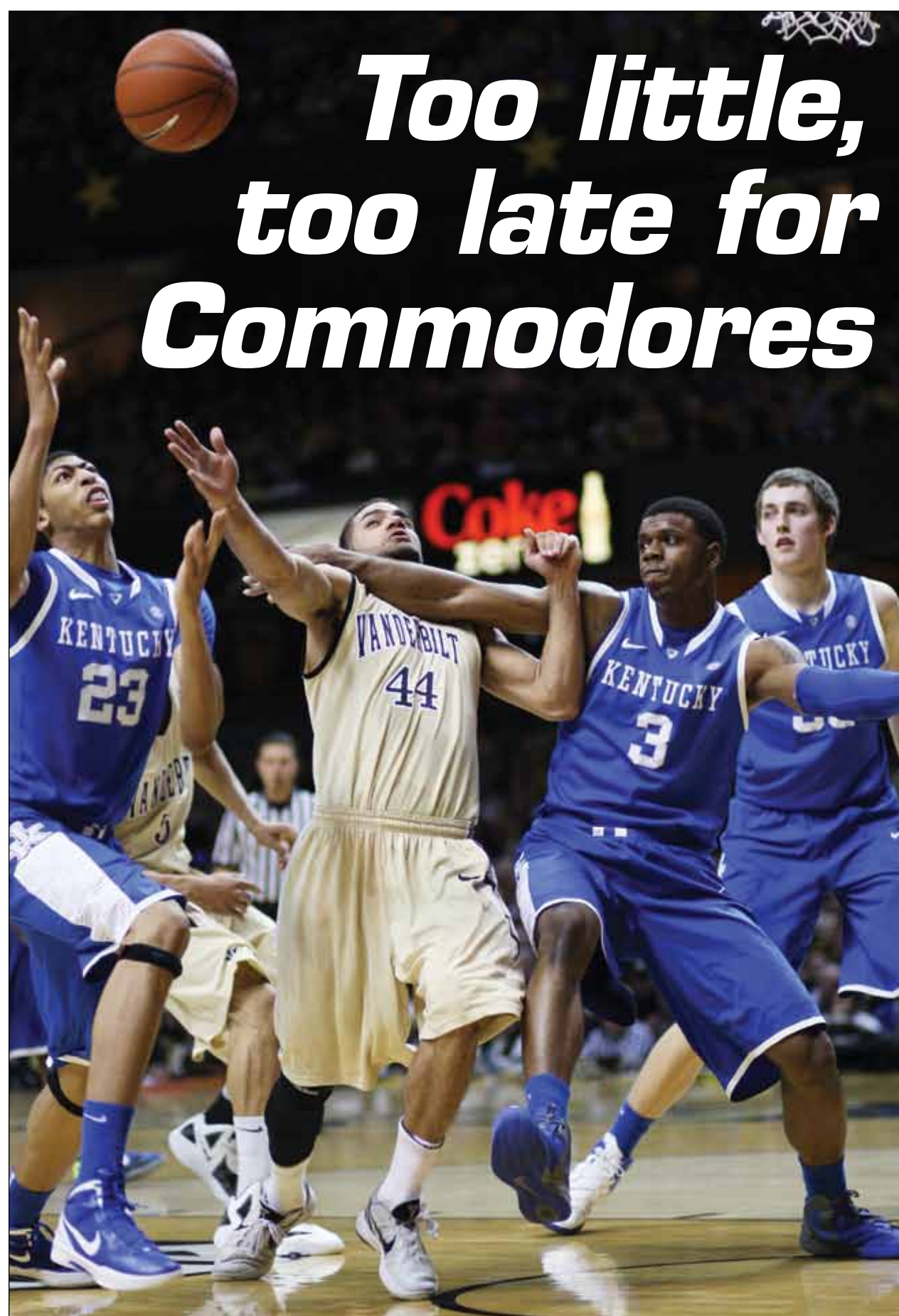
At the time of his arrest, Batts was on \$50,000 bond for aggravated robbery and felon in possession of a weapon charges. He was also convicted of indecent exposure in July 2011, and was sentenced to three years for cocaine possession in 2008.

Vanderbilt University Police Department released a security notice at approximately 12:35 a.m. Saturday morning concerning the incident in Terrace Place Garage.

An update to the alert was sent at approximately 5:08 p.m. Sunday stating that a suspect had been taken into custody. This followed press releases from Metro Nashville concerning the arrest. ★

VANDERBILT 63

UK NO. 1 KENTUCKY 69



Senior Jeff Taylor (44) and the Commodores were silenced for the final four minutes of Saturday's game against No. 1 Kentucky, falling 69-63 in front of a sellout crowd in Memorial Gym.

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Security cameras serve as deterrent, not actively monitored

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SENIOR PRODUCER

Who's watching you?

Have you ever seen those little black cameras on the ceilings and wondered, "Who's on the other side of that thing?"

Usually, according to Senior Director of Housing Operations Jim Kramka, the answer is nobody.

The security cameras in and around student dorms and in some Dean of Students buildings are controlled by the Office of Housing and Residential Education.

The footage is not viewed live, but is instead recorded and stored in digital form.

According to Kramka, OHARE worked with the Vanderbilt University Police Department and the International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators in 2006 to review the security measures in use on Vanderbilt's campus.

"Research shows that people who do that sort of thing (monitor live security footage) can't pay attention for more than about 15 minutes," Kramka said.

People wishing to view security footage from dorm security cameras, including students and VUPD officers, must seek approval from one of six university officials. The officials

who can grant access to the footage are the senior director of housing operations, the dean of students, the assistant dean of students, the senior director of residential education and the three associate directors of residential education.

The digital footage archive is maintained by three full-time staff members and is protected by "lots of safeguards against hackers," Kramka said.

Other security cameras on campus, such as those in academic buildings, are controlled by Plant Operations.

How are they watching you?

There are over 1228 security cameras that monitor activity

in and around student residential buildings.

The cameras monitor all building entrances and stairwell landings as well as lounges, seminar rooms and other common areas. Some cameras, such as those outside Mayfield lodges and Chaffin apartments, are mounted outside of residential buildings.

Currently, there are cameras in some residential hallways, but OHARE's long-term goal, according to Kramka, is to install cameras in every residential hallway.

The cameras in residential hallways, however, do not look into individual residences.

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The security cameras around campus are not actively monitored, but rather serve as a deterrent against crime.



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On the presidential election: The birth control mandate

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President Obama Friday announced an accommodation from a birth control mandate for religiously affiliated healthcare providers, which will excuse organizations in opposition to the current ruling based on religious reasons from the mandate.

However, women employed by these organizations would still be able to receive free contraceptives and morning after pills directly from their insurance companies. This accommodation has not been accepted by the pro-life camp or by Catholic bishops.

According to Dr. Carol Swain, a professor of political science and law at Vanderbilt, the birth control mandate “violates a freedom of conscience, and many people believe they should have the right to not violate these rights when it comes to religion.”

“The impact that this is-

sue will have on the election depends on how the media frames the issue, and whether this is seen as a real accommodation or as a way (for Obama) to change the conversation,” Swain said. “This is significant in the context of a broader attack on religious freedom that many people feel. In isolation, it does not amount to much; however, because the American people view this as an infringement on religious freedom, it impacts how people now view the President, Republicans and Democrats.”

With only seven months remaining until the 2012 Presidential Election, the issue has refocused the campaign on social issues and reignited the Religious Right’s fervent opposition to the Obama administration.

The Obama administration passed the birth control mandate last month. Effective on Aug. 1, the bill ensures access to birth control pills and the Plan B morning after pill.

This mandate legislates that all employers, universities and hospitals must supply contraception and morning after pills in their employees’ health insurance plans. According to religious leaders, specifically Catholic bishops, the mandate conflicts with fundamental beliefs against contraception held by Catholic universities and hospitals.

President Obama passed the legislation as a part of his 2010 healthcare plan.

In response to the Catholic uproar against this act, Press Secretary Jay Carney defended the new mandate during a press conference at the White House this week maintaining, “The administration believes that this strikes the appropriate balance between respecting religious beliefs and increasing access to important preventive services.”

The next Republican debate will be on Wednesday, Feb. 22 in Mesa, Ariz. The debate will be broadcast on CNN at 7 p.m. CT. ★

THE CANDIDATES’ RESPONSES

While the Obama administration views this mandate as giving women more control over their own bodies by allowing them the option of the morning after pill and other contraceptives free of charge, many of the Republican candidates view this as an infringement upon the religious freedoms guaranteed by the First Amendment.



MITT ROMNEY

Mitt Romney, the Republican winner of the Maine, Florida, New Hampshire and Nevada primaries, has voiced his opposition toward the provision. On Monday, Romney explained that this mandate is a “violation of conscience” and that “we must have a president who is willing to protect America’s first right, our right to worship God according to the dictates of our own conscience.”

Carney has criticized Romney for inconsistency, claiming that Obama’s policy is identical to the one in place in Massachusetts while Romney was governor, according to the Associated Press.



RON PAUL

Ron Paul, a congressman from Texas, goes a step further from other Republican candidates opposed to the law by claiming he is “the only choice for Americans seeking a candidate they can trust to reverse the Obama administration’s assault on their religious and other liberties” in a statement on Thursday.

Paul has presented his “Plan to Restore America,” which would repeal all aspects of Obama’s government-funded healthcare plan.



RICK SANTORUM

Rick Santorum, the Republican primary winner of Colorado, Iowa, Minnesota and Missouri and a member of the Catholic Church, has used this as an opportunity to attack Romney, as well as Obama, in the same vein as Carney.

In an op-ed featured in Politico on Tuesday, Santorum wrote: “The actions of President Obama — as well as the actions of then-Governor Romney — raise some questions. From where do we receive our fundamental human rights? Are they given to us by the government — whether that be State or Federal? Or, as the American Founders insisted, are these rights endowed upon us by a Creator?”



NEWT GINGRICH

Unlike the other Republican candidates, Newt Gingrich, the winner of the South Carolina Republican primary and also a Catholic, supports Obama’s birth control mandate. Gingrich explained at a campaign event in Cleveland, Ohio on Wednesday that he believes “the regulation itself is a good idea ... birth control plays an important role in modern society, and I’ve come to the realization that more women should have access to it.”

Nationwide conservation challenge begins

SAM McBRIDE
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RecycleMania officially kicked off last week, as Vanderbilt competes against schools around the U.S. and Canada in an effort to increase recycling and reduce waste.

The competition, which began in 2001 between Ohio University and Miami (Ohio) University, has grown to encompass over 600 schools. Last year the schools participating in RecycleMania recycled 91 million pounds over the course of the two-month long challenge.

Last year, in its first year in the competition division, Vanderbilt finished around the middle of the pack. This year, the Vanderbilt University Sustainability and Environmental Management Office, along with student environmental organizations such as SPEAR, will try to improve on that result.

Campus Recycling Coordinator Lindsay Walker urged students to do the little things to help Vanderbilt reduce its waste.

“Recycle everything that can be recycled,” Walker said. “Paper, aluminum, tin, plastic, glass and cardboard.” Walker also encouraged students to visit the SustainVU website to learn more ways to reduce their waste.

Students wishing to learn more about the competition and Vanderbilt’s recycling efforts can come to The Wall outside of Rand on Feb. 24, where a table will be set up with information about the competition and recycling around campus. Students will also have the opportunity to suggest other waste-reducing initiatives and (potentially) win some prizes.

The competition runs from Feb. 5 to March 31. ★

VUPD CRIME LOG

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FEB. 5, 2 A.M.

A liquor law violation was issued at Gillette House after an intoxicated student was transported to the ED.

FEB. 5, 6:55 P.M.

An aggravated assault citation was issued at 23rd Avenue South and Children’s Way after a report of a possible vehicular assault.

FEB. 6, 5:20 P.M.

A student reported a bicycle theft at Rand Hall.

FEB. 7, 2:34 A.M.

A person was cited for trespassing at the Vanderbilt University Hospital.

FEB. 7, 11 P.M.

A drug/narcotics violation was issued at North Hall after marijuana was found in the dorm room.

FEB. 9, 6:30 P.M.

An all other larceny citation was issued at the Barnes & Noble on West End Avenue after VUPD received a report of a person screaming regarding the purchasing of tickets in front of the store.

FEB. 10, 1:05 A.M.

A liquor law violation was issued at Carmichael Towers II after an intoxicated student was taken to the ED.

NEWS BRIEFS

GREEN FUND RECIPIENTS

The following projects received Green Fund sponsorship this year:

1. Purchase of three Solstice solar charging stations: This project comprises the purchase of three Solstice unit from Enerfusion Inc., a company that produces solar panel products. This unit is used for charging laptops and cell phones as well as raising awareness about green energy through its visibility. Skyler Hutto is the VU student.
2. Purchase of one Solar Dok picnic charging station: The Solar Dok is a self-contained power charging station produced by EnerFusion located in Lansing, Mich. It consists of a picnic table, umbrella with solar panels attached and battery pack underneath the table providing renewable power supply for recharging portable electronics such as PCs, tablets and phones for up to six devices at one time. Morgan Goldberg is the VU student.
3. Conversion of one Vandy Van to a hybrid: Specifically, the project, “Vandy Van Green Route”, will receive funding in order to implement a parallel hybrid electric system on a Vandy Van shuttle. This system is expected to improve fuel economy by 30 to 45 percent and serve as a visual representation for environmental awareness. Scott Nill and Philip Ingram were the VU students who submitted the project.
4. Re(Cycle): re(cycle) is a bike share program that provides efficient transportation, allows students to access the entire Vanderbilt campus and greater Nashville Community and promotes healthy living. Moreover, re(cycle) is the recent (and inaugural) winner of Vanderbilt Ventures. Nissa Ostroff and Juliette Cilia were the Vanderbilt students who submitted the project.
5. \$5000 to the Bio Gas Digestion System: Research funding will be provided for an anaerobic digestion system on Vanderbilt’s campus that consumes all of the post-consumer food waste produced in the dining halls, digests it and outputs biogas. Anaerobic digestion is a process in which bacteria break down organic material and produce biogas consist-

ing of 60-70 percent methane, 30-40 percent carbon dioxide, and trace amounts of hydrogen sulfide. Biogas can be used for cooking, heating, or it can be run through a generator to produce electricity. Our plan is to fuel Commons cooking with the natural gas produced by our system thus making Commons dining more self-sustaining. Kevin Bush, Madeline Holtzman, Christopher Twedell and Octavio Roscioli are the VU students.

RADLEY BALKO: THE MILITARIZATION OF MAIN STREET Monday 6:30-8 p.m. Buttrick Hall 206

Young Americans for Liberty will be hosting its next dinner discussion with Radley Balko. The topic of the discussion will be the “The Militarization of Main Street.”

Radley Balko is an American libertarian journalist, blogger and speaker. He earned a B.A. in journalism and political science in 1997 from Indiana University. Balko is senior writer and investigative reporter for The Huffington Post.

The Department of Education has a SWAT team. So does NASA. Your town probably has one, too. Once reserved for emergency situations in which lives were in immediate danger, SWAT teams today are used to bust pot smokers, poker games and even to perform regulatory inspections. Radley Balko looks at the rise of SWAT teams and America’s increasingly reactionary, militaristic approach to policing.

MCGILL HOUR TUNNEL TOURS

Wednesday 6 p.m. at the corner of 25th Avenue and Children’s Way. You can also meet in the McGill lounge at 5:30 p.m. to walk over together.

The Hours continues with Plant Operations conducting a tour of the tunnels underneath campus. The tunnels will be wet (possibly several inches of standing water) dirty and tight in some places, so wear casual clothing, rubber boots and bring a flashlight. ★

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PROTEST: University unlikely to change position

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"These organizations can still uphold their principles off-campus or unofficially," Dede said.

Supporters of the policy were quickly outnumbered by 75 to 80 members of campus Christian groups, which have been vocal about their opposition to the university's policy requiring them to allow any undergraduate student to be a member and a leader of their organizations, regardless of race, religion, gender or sexual orientation.

Protesters held up signs that read "We are Vanderbilt," and asked the Board of Trust to protect religious freedom on campus.

Senior Brant Bonetti is the former president of Beta Upsilon Chi, the Christian fraternity accused of asking an openly gay member to leave the brotherhood due to his sexual orientation. According to Bonetti, the issues surrounding the all-comers policy are less clear after the town hall meeting held last week.

"The more we find out, the more we disagree because we're seeing that it will affect more and more of the Vanderbilt community," Bonetti said.

Junior Pieter Valk voiced some of the concerns he has about the policy. "I'm here to make sure the Board of Trust gets the complete picture from students and administration about how this policy will affect sports teams, cultural groups and Greek Life," Valk said.

Those against the policy have criticized the university with what they see as hypocritical statements regarding the policy's application to Greek Life — saying they refuse to carve out exceptions to the policy for religious groups but drawing on Title IX to justify exceptions for social fraternities and sororities. Opponents contend that its logical end would render Greek Life unable to operate in its current form.

However, Greek leaders were informed early this week that the policy would not affect Greek Life. No members of the Greek community were willing to go on the record to discuss the policy. The Hustler has learned that Greek chapters were informed not to discuss the policy with the media.

Peabody Alumni Bill Campbell is a father of two other Vanderbilt alum-

ni, and said he was concerned about the direction the university was taking regarding the policy.

"The university is inadvertently overstepping its bounds," Campbell said. "In the process, they are discriminating against Christian organizations."

Former Student Body President and Class of 2010 alumnus Wyatt Smith is a Young Alumni Trustee. He walked through the demonstrations, but when asked about his thoughts on the issue, he declined to comment.

Multiple sources close to the Board of Trust meeting told The Hustler that the Board was unlikely to revisit the all-comers policy during the course of its deliberations. According to these sources, the university will not change course on the position they articulated at the town hall.

The reapplication date to obtain registered student organization status is set for mid-April. Groups not in compliance with the university non-discrimination policy will not be able to obtain RSO status, limiting their ability to obtain funds, university recognition and reserve space on campus. ★

SECURITY: All normal cameras visible

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"We don't have cameras that look directly into students' rooms," Kramka said, "We have no interest in looking inside student rooms."

According to Kramka, all of the normally-operating cameras are visible.

"We don't try to hide them," Kramka said, "We want people to see them."

Occasionally, however, OHARE installs what Kramka calls "low-visibility cameras."

"That will happen only when we are investigating a crime," Kramka said, adding, "As soon as that incident's over, that camera comes down."

According to Kramka, many of these low-visibility cameras are placed in response to students' complaints about issues such as repeated harassment. In these cases, the student who brought the complaint would be aware of the presence of the camera.

All of the OHARE security cameras record in color, and some have audio capacities.

Why are they watching you?

There were very few, if any, security cameras on Vanderbilt's campus when Kramka started working at OHARE in 2000.

According to Kramka, OHARE began to install security cameras in response to vandalism and crime in residential areas.

In the 2002-2003 academic year, one freshman floor in particular had problems with vandalism. After numerous efforts to curb the vandalism by resident advisors and Kyle Southern, a freshman who would later become interhall president, OHARE installed security cameras.



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Kramka said that vandalism decreased after the installation.

According to Kramka, the most important purpose of the cameras is as a crime deterrent.

"The purpose is not to monitor student behavior or to catch people," Kramka said, "The purpose is to keep people safe, help us learn about criminal behavior and to help us solve crimes."

According to Kramka, ways in which the cameras have contributed to security efforts include revealing "piggybacking thieves," who enter dorms behind students, and solving a shooting in Lewis a few years ago.

"To keep students and staff safe, to protect belongings — in all these regards, it's been very useful," Kramka said. Although students were initially concerned about privacy when the cameras were installed, Kramka said that he believes most students trust OHARE now. "It's gone from 'Why would you want to do that?' to 'Why haven't you done that?'" Kramka said. ★

ESPN GameDay comes to Memorial



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On Saturday morning, ESPN College GameDay broadcasted live from Memorial Gym for the first time in Vanderbilt men's basketball history. Over 2,200 fans turned out for the program's filming.

Out in Front Leadership retreat addresses justice, inequality

MATT MILLER
STAFF REPORTER

Yolo Akili, the keynote speaker for the Out in Front Leadership retreat Saturday, discussed the related ideas of intellectual supremacy and emotional justice and explored how they relate to LGBTQI leadership.

A self-described wellness educator, poet and activist, Akili is well known for his work with LGBTQI rights and other sexual and social issues. With works like "Poems in the Key of Green" and "Purple Galaxy," he draws attention to the unique challenges facing the LGBTQI community today.

Those challenges, particularly the issues involved in the HIV/AIDS epidemic, were featured topics in the undergraduate-targeted Out in Front Leadership retreat, an event hosted annually by Vanderbilt's Office of LG-BTQI Life.

Akili focused his address on the topic "Oppression is emotional trauma," the description for the keynote on Akili's website.

"When we talk about all these forms of oppression, we're talking about a suppression of wellness," Akili said.

Associate Director of LGBTQI Life for the Dean of Students Office Michael Brown said that Akili opened his presentation with poetry and incorporated it later in the discussion as a way of highlighting some of his themes around emotional justice.

"I think it was a unique way of providing a keynote," Brown said. The retreat also featured several afternoon workshops centered on LGBT issues. Both types of workshops, educational outreach and organizational leadership, were held in small groups. Akili said that discussion is a crucial piece of LGBTQI leadership and emphasized turning that discourse into action.

Brown said that as a result of these workshops, he hopes to see a lot more students engaging with the LGBTQI

and Allied community off-campus.

Attendees also had the chance to become certified as a member of Safe Zone, a program which "aims to create a visible network of support for LGBTQI individuals and their allies," according to the Office of LG-BTQI's website.

"By placing the Safe Zone symbol on doors or showing the symbol to others, Safe Zone members signify a space is safe to discuss LG-BTQI issues," the website said.

In the two years since it began, the retreat, which is free for attendees, has grown significantly, according to Brown.

"We started with 30 (students) two years ago," said Brown, "and our numbers increased to 50 last year."

This year, nearly 70 students attended.

At the end of the retreat, Brown reflected on the address, saying that it is important for student leaders "to find emotional balance while focusing on intellectual pursuits." ★

BUDGET BREAKDOWN

HOW MUCH DOES ALL THIS COST?

\$500 Annual combined maintenance fee for all OHARE security cameras

\$800 Typical cost of each camera

\$400 Typical installation cost per camera
Cost of a data port

\$200 Other fees include a data fee for the routers, an annual fee for the software and the salaries of the three full-time staff members.

DO YOU FEEL SAFE?

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OPINION

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Policy reflections

HUDSON TODD
COLUMNIST

There is a very important distinction to be made between material wellbeing and psychological wellbeing that is seldom recognized by political advocates. The right and left focus on GDP per capita and the Gini coefficient respectively, and both are important material measures of success for developing nations. However, this analysis ignores how happy citizens are in their day-to-day lives.

In "The Rational Optimist," Matt Ridley espouses a fairly standard view of how human society has progressed materially over the last 200 years. He uses statistics to show that we are far wealthier, healthier and smarter than we were two centuries ago. For instance, life expectancy in England has gone from 40 years in 1800 to 80 years in 2000, and the average American today has an IQ 20 points higher than the average American 80 years ago. Only six countries are poorer now than they were in 1955, and the total number of people living in poverty has halved since 1950 despite unprecedented population growth.

Indeed, contrary to the insistence of movements like Occupy Wall Street that the last few decades have yielded little for the "poor" in the U.S., it is worth not-

ing that 99 percent of low-income Americans now have running water, electricity, a refrigerator and toilets, while 95 percent have a television, 88 percent a phone, and 71 percent a car. In 1970, 36 percent of all Americans had air-conditioning, while in 2005, 79 percent of poor households did.

This is one of my main gripes with many of my fellow leftists. They fail to acknowledge that income inequality, while undesirable due to diminishing marginal utility and relative deprivation (as opposed to baseless intuitions of "fairness"), takes a backseat to inequality of purchasing power, which has continually fallen. Occupy Wall Street claims to speak on behalf of the bottom 99 percent of Americans, which actually indicates that they advocate for the wealthy. For if we take the bottom 99 percent of Americans, millions of these people are actually in the top 1 percent globally — a very myopic view of who constitute "the people."

The left has erected a false barrier in which taking care of the denizens within our borders is a moral obligation, while providing for the truly impoverished around the world is not, as evidenced by the minuscule amount of charitable aid given to foreigners by these self-ordained altruists. At the same time, they advocate boycotting goods made in sweatshops (roughly 0 percent of them actually do so), as if depriving workers in developing countries of their jobs were a desirable outcome.

A more logically coherent leftist movement would mind the fact that, despite our increased wealth, a number of studies suggest that U.S. citizens are only slightly happier today than they were half a century ago. This is a rather startling finding, as I believe the entire point of growing the economy is to improve human wellbeing, and these findings suggest that the general happiness of the citizens of developed nations is little affected by material gains once the basic needs are met. Sacrificing some growth for more free time and fewer but smarter purchases could be a worthy tradeoff.

Jonathan Haidt, in "The Happiness Hypothesis," explores this research and concludes that money can make people happier — they just have to use it properly. Instead of squandering it in an arms race to look pretty, witty and wise by purchasing luxury goods that simply serve as a sign of one's wealth (and speak volumes about the character of those who buy such absurdities), people should primarily expend their newly acquired wealth on cutting back work and spending more time with family and friends. If taking time off makes you worry about falling behind, know that spending every waking moment in a rat race to succeed is one of the surest ways to fail.

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COLUMN

Let's talk about love, baby

ALLENA BERRY
COLUMNIST

Never before in my entire four years (three and a half, if we're being accurate) at Vanderbilt have I seen the campus so preoccupied with sex. Although only a few have defined the campus-wide debates in such explicit terms, I have heard more than a few lunchtime conversations — and participated in my fair-share thereof — about sex, who should be having it and whether or not someone should be asked to leave an organization because they're having it or want to have it with someone the group doesn't approve of.

With the exception of some public forums, The Hustler has been the print theatre in which this drama continues to unfold. But for all our talk of sex, and whom we chose to orient it towards, there has been a shocking absence of the word "love." As college students, it may seem taboo to throw the "L" word around. It's generally accepted that if you are under a certain age, you can safely omit the word from your vocabulary without being considered atypical. With the omission of the "L" word, though, the relationship conversation tends to devolve into classifying people by their actions, effectively creating caricatures based upon supposed behaviors. I've observed that when an individual only has caricatures to work from, it becomes increasingly difficult to imagine people as the complex organisms they are.

It's about time that love made a comeback on Vanderbilt's campus, if only for the fact that this Tuesday is the oft-mocked, pseudo-celebrated Valentine's Day. If Hallmark can commemorate it, then goodness, we should be able to have some sort of conversation about it here.

There's only one problem with this declaration of mine: I have no clue what it is.

Thankfully, for the sake of whatever pride I have managed to salvage over the years, I don't seem to be the only one who's trying to figure it out in new, nontraditional ways, no less.

A friend of mine, who shall remain nameless, casually brought up her creation of an online dating profile at lunch not too long ago. This, however, was antithesis of casual as far as I was concerned. "Isn't that for middle-aged divorcés?" I blurted

out, lacking about as much couth as one can in polite society. She quickly informed me that online dating is the wave of the future, as an individual can find "the one" based on the websites claims to matching mates across a spectrum of compatibility measures.

"They use like, a love algorithm," she explained. I suppose the mathletes found a way to get some after all.

But what about those of us who are less technologically inclined? If we forego the web-based option, are we doomed to a life of virtual love lost? The thought of Twitter stresses me out; finding a mate via the World Wide Web is enough to send me into catatonic shock.

Shock or not, the left-brained STEM-types are throwing their hats into the love game a lot as of late. A recent article in O Magazine entitled, "The Latest Science on Love," cited Syracuse University findings, one of which that stated political compatibility is a key factor in a successful relationship. Even one of my fellow columnists used science as a base for his rhetorical question: "Why in the name of science would anyone actually oppose gay marriage?"

Love has even crept into the world of marginal costs and benefits, championed by power couple economists Betsey Stevenson and Justin Wolfers. In what the New York Times called "lovenomics," Ms. Stevenson and Mr. Wolfers have put their relationship on the map, calculating the fungibility of household chores and the costs and benefits of a marriage proposal ("It's the Economy, Honey," The New York Times, Feb. 12, 2012).

While understanding the well-meaning perspective all of these individuals are coming from, I can't help but wonder: Is love really as simple as you + me = us? Or maybe it's just another lens through which to make bewildering emotions more digestible — and seemingly attainable — for those of us who can't seem to figure it out.

My right-brained, free-spirited side would like to believe that it's more than sex, it's more than science; it's love, which includes a variety of indefinable, but wonderfully mysterious, set of factors.

Personally, I find our shared quest for an illusive definition deeply humanizing.

And worthy of celebration.

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COLUMN

America's military police

KENNY TAN
COLUMNIST

Unknown to many Americans, Ronald Reagan's presidency led to one of the greatest ongoing erosions of individual liberties in our history. Though it was President Nixon that declared the War on Drugs, it was under President Reagan's leadership that the United States launched a renewed offensive in the battle. The results were the growth of the military-industrial complex into civilian police forces and a dramatic increase in military-style policing.

During the 1980s, legislation was passed to create drug war exceptions to the Posse Comitatus Act, a federal law limiting the ability of the military to act as civilian police. In 1981, the Military Cooperation with Law Enforcement Act was passed, further blurring the line between military and police by granting local law enforcement access to military equipment, training and assistance to combat drugs. Later legislation and policies granted local law enforcement access to military equipment through various giveaway programs run by the Pentagon. By 1997, this easy access to mili-

tary-grade firearms, grenade launchers, tanks, helicopters and the like had led to 90 percent of U.S. cities with populations of over 50,000 having at least one paramilitary police unit.

Once reserved for extraordinary emergencies, paramilitary police units, known commonly as Special Weapons and Tactics or "SWAT" teams, have been used with increasing frequency in the United States to bust pot smokers, break up poker games and even to perform regulatory inspections. Simple crimes that were once easily and safely handled by civilian police forces are now being handled by militarized SWAT teams.

Last August, armed federal marshals raided the Gibson Guitar Corporation in Nashville as part of an investigation into illegally imported wood. In 2007, a federal SWAT team assisted the Recording Industry Association of America in a raid on an Atlanta DJ's studio as part of an investigation into piracy. In 2006, immigration officials showed up with a SWAT team to arrest a group of Tibetan monks that had accidentally overstayed their visas while on a peace mission trip.

Approximately 150 drug warrants are served every day in the United States, often using military-style tactics. The result has been numer-

ous botched raids, in which the wrong residences are targeted and innocent civilians are terrorized and intimidated. The raids have also caused dozens of unnecessary deaths and injuries, not only to nonviolent drug offenders, but also to police officers, children, bystanders and innocent suspects. In addition, the increased usage of SWAT teams and militarized police has promoted a culture of police brutality clearly evident in recent incidents involving Occupy protestors.

The persistent growth of police militarization moves the United States one step closer to a police state. To further educate members of the Vanderbilt community about this critical issue, Young Americans for Liberty at Vanderbilt University, a student organization of which I currently serve as president, will be hosting a dinner discussion entitled "The Militarization of Main Street" with Radley Balko, an American libertarian journalist, blogger and speaker specializing in drug policy, police misconduct, obesity, alcohol, tobacco and civil liberties. This event will occur tonight at 6:30 p.m. in Buttrick 206.

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Homosexuality and the Bible

Why Christians actually *can* be gay



BEN WYATT
COLUMNIST

I didn't want to write about religion for this issue. After the town hall meeting last week, I figured that everyone would want to move on to something else.

Then I read Justin Poythress's letter. His assertion that "Christian" and "gay" are mutually exclusive categories is one that I feel an obligation to answer, both as a Christian who takes issues of doctrine very seriously, and as someone who has seen his gay and lesbian friends suffer exclusion and abuse in the name of Christ. I confess that his confidence that such a view is blatantly obvious to anyone who reads the Bible is particularly irritating to those of us who apparently lack Poythress's perspicacity.

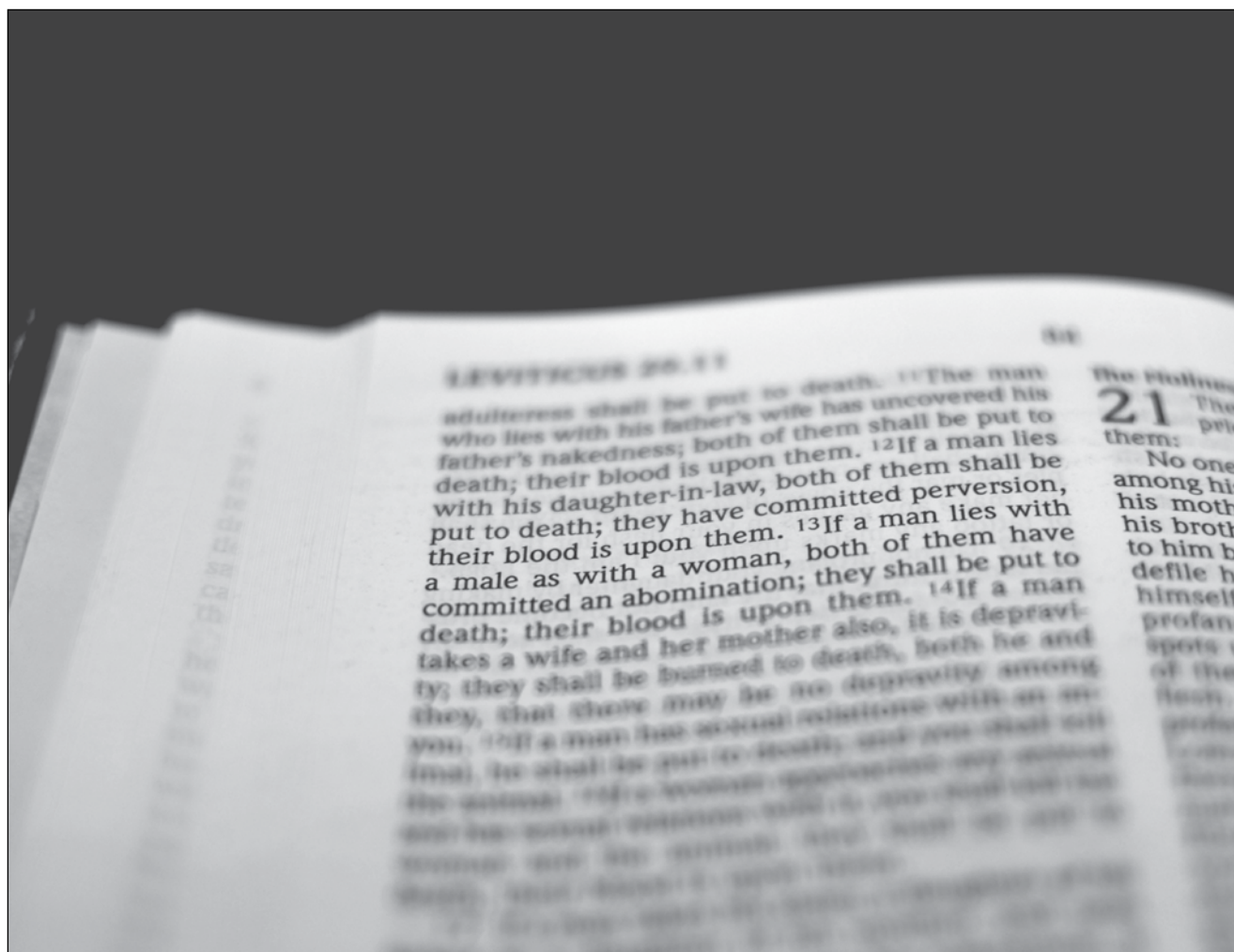
However, I can't help but think that the Biblical evidence against homosexuality is more ambiguous than Poythress assumes. For example, the Greek word "arsenokoitai," which is rendered as "homosexual" in the translation of 1 Corinthians 6:9-10 that Poythress supplies, is notoriously difficult to translate. As far as we know, Paul coined the term, which means that no contemporaneous sources exist to help us determine its meaning. In later sources, "arsenokoitai" takes on various meanings, including economic exploitation of sex and homosexual rape, but never consensual same-sex intercourse.

The primary justification for translating "arsenokoitai" as "homosexual" is that it is a neologism of the words "arsen," meaning "man," and "koitai," which refers to the sexual act. Putting them together, one would get a

word referring to men having sex with each other. As nice as this model may seem, it is invalid; as biblical scholar Dale Martin has noted, "understanding" has nothing to do with standing under something. No doubt Poythress's stance looks much more credible if we share his implicit assumption that divine moral truths will spring out, like a fully-formed Athena from the head of Zeus, of a cursory reading of a two-millennia old text in a language and culture utterly alien to its authors. The unhappy truth, however, is that matters are not so simple.

Of course, biblical scholarship is an ever-changing field, and even today there are talented biblical scholars who translate "arsenokoitai" as "homosexual." Nevertheless, given the difficulties of translation, I think I am within my moral and intellectual rights to doubt whether Paul, writing at a time when the concept of sexual orientation did not exist and when the most prominent form of a same-sex relationship was the sexual exploitation of a young boy by an older man, meant to suggest that a monogamous, committed relationship between two men or two women was an abomination in God's eyes. It may be that, in the end, I am wrong. But at least at the moment, I am not demonstrably wrong, and I think I am entitled to ask Poythress that he not conflate his particular interpretation of the Bible with the clearly revealed will of God. His opinion is not the only one available to Christians.

In any case, Poythress's interpretation is of secondary importance; I disagree only with its alleged obviousness, not its legitimacy. His assertion that Christians cannot be gay, however, is deeply flawed. It is one thing to say that people, insofar as they



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A bible in Benton Chapel is opened to Leviticus 20:13, a Bible verse often interpreted to prohibit homosexuality, at the morning service Sunday, Jan. 29.

are in same-sex relationships, are bad Christians; that follows from his interpretation of the Bible. It is quite another to say that homosexuality completely erases one's Christian identity.

And this statement places Poythress in an uncomfortable position. If other habitual sins do not incur a similar penalty, his statement implies that homosexuality, his protests to the contrary notwithstanding, is in fact a "deeper realm of sin." It is precisely this attitude that has marginalized the LGBTIQ community and turned them into an acceptable target for hatred and ridicule. On the other hand, if all habitual sins efface Chris-

tian identity, then Poythress will quickly discover that no one at all is a Christian. In short, Poythress is either guilty of abetting some of the most despicable elements of human nature or a mindless error of classification. In neither case does his naïve confidence that his thesis should be "crystal clear to all professing Christians" hold any water.

Let me conclude by agreeing with Poythress that many parts of the Gospel message are scandalous in today's world. But one of its scandals is that it reminds us that when we become too comfortable with our own presuppositions, when we blithely assume that we possess the fullness of di-

vine truth, we often end up causing immeasurable harm to our fellow human beings. It is a truth the LGBTIQ community knows all too well, and I deeply regret that they are continually subjected to it.

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A Valentine's guide for all

Agenda for lovebirds, love-seekers, or those inbetween

Whether you're in a committed relationship or leave that section of your Facebook page blank, the Life staff offers a guide for your day of love

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LIFE EDITOR

Lovebirds:

For all of you out there that are head over heels in romantic bliss, don't hesitate to head on over to Holland House for a little Valentine's Day celebration. Not only would I generally recommend this restaurant for an exceptional meal (who knew chocolate vinaigrette could be so edible?), but they have also so kindly created a special V-Day menu that will surely exceed all your wildest dreams.

Perhaps you're looking for something a little more, shall we say, binding? Matrimonial? If so, don't miss the walk-in weddings at Belmont Mansion. No appointment necessary, the Reverend Rich is ready to hitch anyone looking to say yes to more than just a candy gram on this Valentine's Day.

Soundtrack: "You Got What I Need" by Joshua Radin is slow and sensual enough to get you and your significant other in the Valentine's mood. If sensuality isn't your goal this holiday, James Taylor's "How Sweet It Is To Be Loved By You" can express all those emotions that are too cheesy to be anything but sung.

Casual friends/Hookin' up: On the prowl:

But hey, maybe you're "just friends" and are searching for a simple and entertaining, yet platonic activity. Luckily, the Preds kept you all in mind by scheduling a game versus the Chicago Blackhawks on the very night of the 14th! Hockey + Hearts = Happiness.

Soundtrack: Marvin Gaye's "Sexual Healing" is the epitome of getting it on without any strings attached, with Gaye even singing "don't procrastinate, it's not good to masturbate." For the slightly less old-school-inclined, Mariah Carey leaves all subtlety behind in "Touch My Body," inviting your own "friend" to do the same.

Going out with the girls:

Ladies, throw away those pints of ice cream and your DVD of The Notebook. This Valentine's Day brings a new meaning to S.A.D. — Singles Awareness Day! It's about time the world starts celebrating all those waiting for love, or at least those waiting for it to be February 15th. Make to sure to stop by Midtown Tavern (conveniently close to campus) to celebrate this new national holiday with all-night \$5 drink specials, music, and many new "S.A.D." memories to be made.

Soundtrack: This Valentine's, ditch the stereotypical Beyoncé "Single Ladies" and instead pay tribute to the late, great Whitney Houston with "I Wanna Dance with Somebody." If, on the other hand, you're picking up the pint of ice cream (any maybe a pint of something else) with the girls, listen to "I Can't Make You Love Me" by Bonnie Raitt and have a good cry session.

Not tied down? Check out McFadden's "World Famed Valentine's Day Party" (the world-famed is still pending) for a chance to meet your soul mate or let's be honest, just meet someone in general. Be aware, however, that dress code is required — red if you're taken, yellow if it's complicated, green if you're single, and all other colors if you plan to disregard this message and be an individual. With \$4 dollar drinks and no cover, just make sure not to get too drunk; love drunk that is.

Soundtrack: If you're truly on the prowl, "Love in this Club" by Usher (featuring Young Jeezy) is the perfect soundtrack to your night to get you in the mood. For anyone who's looking for emotional attachment, "To Whom It May Concern" by the Civil Wars expresses the perfect mix of loneliness and hopefulness, especially with lines like "I miss you but I haven't met you," and "Dear whoever you might be, I'll be waiting patiently." ★

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5 sickeningly sweet films to avoid



The Notebook, often a romantic favorite, tops the list for movies to avoid this Valentine's Day.

NISSA OSTROFF
ASST. LIFE EDITOR

1. "The Notebook"

The Notebook is the crown jewel of the Valentine's day binge list. Anybody who has spent any time on a college campus knows that love at Vanderbilt is far more complicated than it looks in The Notebook. If someone mailed you 365 letters now you'd be more inclined to call the police than fall in love with him or her (thought if it were Ryan Gosling an exception could be made).

2. "Titanic"

With the senior cruise coming up, it is tempting to watch Titanic and dream that maybe you might fall in love on the Norwegian Star with Leonardo DiCaprio. The odds are slim.

3. "Grease"

While John Travolta bears the hubris of many of the men here at Vanderbilt and the "pink ladies" say things that belong in "shit sorority girls say," Grease is a definite "no-no" on Valentine's day.

4. Any movie with Meg Ryan.

From Sleepless in Seattle to You've Got Mail to When Harry Met Sally, Meg Ryan is annoying. Avoid at all costs.

5. "The Vow"

Watching a movie in your bed with a pint of Ben and Jerry's is one thing, sitting down in a theatre while couples hold hands is a different ballgame, especially when it is rated 27 percent on Rotten Tomatoes. ★

Pa. vending machine dispenses 'morning after' pill to students

KEVIN BEGOS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Students at Shippensburg University in Pennsylvania can get the "morning after" pill by sliding \$25 into a vending machine, an idea that has drawn the attention of federal authorities and raised questions about how accessible emergency contraception should be.

The student health center at Shippensburg, a secluded public institution of 8,300 students tucked between mountain ridges in the Cumberland Valley, provides the Plan B One Step emergency contraceptive in the vending machine along with condoms, decongestants and pregnancy tests. "I think it's great that the school is giving us this option," junior Chelsea Wehking said Tuesday. "I've heard some kids say they'd be too embarrassed" to go into town (Shippensburg, permanent population of about 6,000) and buy Plan B.

Federal law makes the pill available without a prescription to anyone 17 or older, and the school checked records and found that all current students are that age or older, a spokesman

said. It doesn't appear that any other vending machine in the U.S. dispenses the contraceptive, which can prevent pregnancy if taken soon after sexual intercourse.

The machine has been in place for about two years, and its existence wasn't widely known until recent news reports. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration is contacting state authorities and the university to gather facts, agency spokeswoman Stephanie Yao said Tuesday.

Consumers have long been able to insert a few coins for the likes of aspirin, ibuprofen, antacids and other common over-the-counter remedies. But some experts see a worrisome trend in making drugs like Plan B, which is kept behind the pharmacy counter, available in a vending machine. Alexandra Stern, a professor of the history of medicine at the University of Michigan, said she wasn't questioning a woman's right to have access to Plan B, but whether making it so easily available is a good idea.

"Perhaps it is personalized medicine taken too far," she said. "It's part of the general trend that drugs

are available for consumers without interface with a pharmacist or doctors. This trend has serious pitfalls."

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Taking Plan B within 72 hours of rape, condom failure or just forgetting regular contraception can cut the chances of pregnancy by up to 89 percent. It works best if taken within 24 hours. Some religious conservatives consider the emergency contraceptive tantamount to an abortion drug.

The idea for a vending machine started at Shippensburg after a survey about health center services several years ago. Eighty-five percent of the respondents supported making Plan B available, school spokesman Peter Gigliotti said. The student govern-

ment endorsed the idea.

The machine is in the school's Etter Health Center, which only students and university employees can access, Gigliotti said in a statement. In addition, "no one can walk in off the street and go into the health center," he said; students must check in at a lobby desk before being allowed in.

Matthew Kanzler, a senior at Shippensburg, said a lot of students at the school weren't even aware of the vending machine until recently. Most students do support the idea, he said, but not all.

"It's a way for students to get the help or care they need," he said, adding that students appreciate the on-campus health care because the school, about 130 miles from either Philadelphia or Pittsburgh, is so isolated.

In December, the Obama administration's top health official overruled her own drug regulators and stopped the Plan B pill from moving onto drugstore shelves next to condoms and other items. It remains available behind pharmacy counters.

Denise Bradley, a spokeswoman for Teva Pharmaceuticals, which makes

Plan B, said in a statement that it sells the product only to "licensed pharmacies or other licensed healthcare clinics, which are required to follow federal guidelines for the distribution of pharmaceutical products."

On whether the machine might violate the law, "I don't have a definite yes or no," said Ron Ruman, a spokesman for the Pennsylvania Department of State, which oversees the state pharmacy board. If a person younger than 17 used the machine, it "potentially could be a violation," he said.

The drug isn't covered or subsidized by the school. Its price at the vending machine is set by the school's cost to the pharmaceutical company and is less than at off-campus pharmacies.

Deanne Hall, a professor at the University of Pittsburgh School of Pharmacy, noted that the ease of access to such a machine could be positive for many women, but wondered whether self-treatment might deter sexual assault victims from seeking medical attention.

"This does open up a different door," she said.

Rob Maher, a professor at the Duquesne Univer-

sity School of Pharmacy in Pittsburgh, said he had never heard of a vending machine dispensing Plan B, but noted that there have been vending machines in doctor's offices, and even a specialized machine designed to fill prescriptions.

Still, he questioned whether the machine would make it possible for a young person to buy the drug without discussing their risk factors with a health care professional.

"That's the big risk with a vending machine like this," he said.

Carol Tobias, president of the anti-abortion group National Right to Life, said other services would be more appropriate.

"It would be a much more productive use of funds if universities would partner with local pregnancy resource centers where students can get real help if they need it," Tobias said.

Said Anna Franzonello, counsel to Americans United For Life: "Students at Shippensburg University deserve better than to have their administration represent the potent drug with life-ending potential as no more harmful than any other vending machine item. ★

With 'Innkeepers,' stick with the Sheraton

BEN RIES
SENIOR PRODUCER

Effective horror requires a proper balance between build-up and payoff — the shark in *Jaws*, for instance, is made all the more scary by the fact that it hardly ever appears on screen. Director Ti West delivers in “The Innkeepers” a restrained thriller in this tradition and in the same vein of his previous film, *House of the Devil*, that takes its time establishing its setting — the gorgeously-photographed Yankee Pedlar Inn in Massachusetts — and its central characters — employees Claire, played by Sara Paxton, and Luke, played by Pat Healy.

Claire and Luke pass the time at the nearly-empty hotel searching for proof of the existence of the ghost of Madeline O'Malley, a suicidal bride rumored to haunt the premises. Luke, a grumpy nerd, makes a perfect foil for the plucky Claire (portrayed affably by Paxton), and the interactions between the likeable pair as they survive the boredom of their jobs supply an amusing foundation for the story.

However, West overestimates the patience of the viewer and the power of the underwhelming dénouement the film finally offers. To call *The Innkeepers* a “slow-burner” implies that it ever burns; instead, *The Innkeepers* conveys little sense of mystery or mounting dread as it lumbers down a predictable path. There is nothing inherently wrong with a straightforward ghost story, but West's minimalist treatment robs the film of real horror and makes the audience as bored as the characters.



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Among the few guests at the hotel, one deserves mention: Kelly McGillis as a former television star whom Claire adores. McGillis, who decades ago coupled with Tom Cruise in *Top Gun*, inhabits the role convincingly. She projects a stuck-up demeanor in her early interactions with the hotel staff but turns into an unlikely source of wisdom — and caution — about contacting the dead.

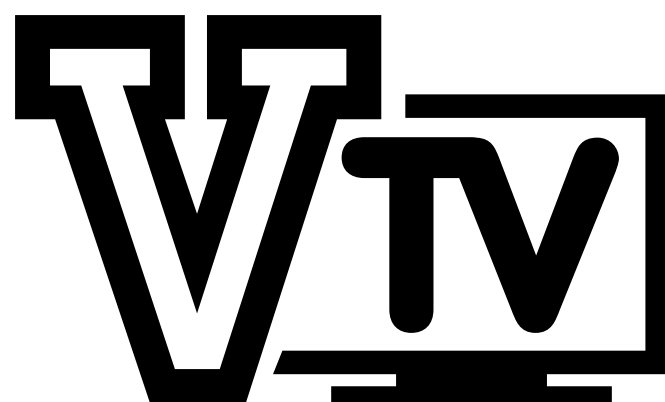
Otherwise, West stays firmly within the conventions of the genre: ghostly breezes, piano chords that go off without reason, whispers in dark corners and of course many scenes of characters creeping around the dimly-lit cellar. But West repeats the “false alarm” trick too many times, and the film even ends with an ill-advised reference to YouTube videos that ask the viewer to look closely only to have a monster suddenly jump out. *The Innkeepers* aims to exploit the high-on-suspense, low-on-gore strategy employed by the

“The Innkeepers,” which will continue playing at the Belcourt until Thursday, only barely succeeds at thrilling audiences, stretching on predictably.

Paranormal Activity movies, but it ultimately only celebrates the low-brow “boo” concept of those videos.

Professor Claire King of the Department of Communication Studies led the post-screening discussion at a Feb. 7 FLiCX event at the Belcourt theatre, connecting the film's approach with the recent wave of more stripped-down horror films. The audience expressed an appreciation for the creepy mise-en-scene of the hotel but universal disappointment with the film's turgid pacing and anticlimactic resolution. *The Innkeepers* will be playing at the Belcourt Theatre at 9:30 p.m. this Monday through Thursday. ★

VTV PREVIEW: SEX RX



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SUMMARY

In the words of Salt-n-Pepa, let's talk about sex baby. Sex Rx is an interactive program hosted by Vandy students that peers into the realm of relationships and explores topics like cheating, monogamy, hooking up ... just about anything that has to do with coupling. Call in a question during the show and watch as the gang discusses whatever you want to hear.

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“We'll talk about the pros and cons of being sexually active or abstaining,” said Sex Rx producer Justin Smith. “We'll also talk about the effects of the two options on dating and relationships, as well as alternative options when not having sex in a relationship.”

ON SEX AT VANDERBILT

“Sex life on Vanderbilt's campus is interesting, we will actually have a show about the hookup culture here later this semester,” Smith said. “Of course you have those people on campus that aren't sexually active, but among those that are I think the predominant lifestyle is be single, hook up with whoever you please and keep little to no strings attached until you actually find someone you like. I think it really serves the purpose for people getting their sexual needs satisfied without sacrificing the time and effort that a relationship demands.”

VALENTINE'S ADVICE

“For anybody that's not already booped up for the holiday, they should definitely treat themselves to something nice in the early evening,” Smith said. “Maybe a nice meal, cheesecake, a stuffed animal from Walgreens, whatever. But they should also go out for the night. Most people that are out will be in the same predicament, lonely and out looking to get some.” ★

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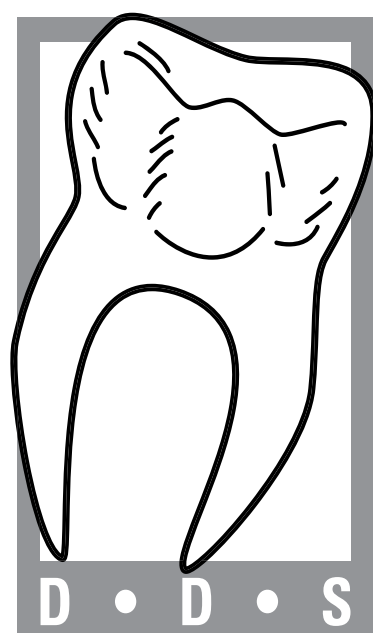
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Memorial Magic spell broken, late rally propels No. 1 Kentucky

Poor shooting in first half, last four minutes dooms Vandy in 69-63 loss to Wildcats

MEGHAN ROSE
SPORTS EDITOR

Last season, a total of six points decided Vanderbilt's pair of games against Kentucky, as the teams split the series. With College GameDay in town for Saturday's primetime ESPN matchup in Nashville, six would prove to be the Wildcats' lucky number — and margin of victory — in the first matchup pitting the squads in 2012.

The Wildcats secured a 69-63 victory over the Commodores with scrappy defense down the stretch, holding Vanderbilt scoreless for the final four minutes of the game.

With the win, Kentucky becomes the first top-ranked team to leave Memorial Gym victorious in 15 years. The Commodores' home court proved too much for the last four No. 1 squads to visit Nashville.

Sophomore Doron Lamb led Kentucky (25-1, 11-0 Southeastern Conference) with 16 points, while freshman Anthony Davis turned in 15 points, seven blocks and eight rebounds for John Calipari's squad.

"Obviously, it was a great opportunity for us to come out and get a signature win," said Vanderbilt senior Jeff Taylor. "We're all competitors here, and it's disappointing on a number of fronts."

Despite outscoring Kentucky 40-33 in the second half and leading by as many as four points with 8:42 remaining in the game, Vanderbilt couldn't execute on offense in the game's waning minutes.

The Commodores missed their final nine attempts from the field.

A three from Lamb with 3:19 left on the clock gave the Wildcats a one-point advantage over the Commodores, as Kentucky closed out the game on another 8-0 run.

"(Kentucky) made some great defensive plays — some blocks here and there — being in the right place," said senior Brad Tinsley. "For the most part we executed what (Stallings) told us to do and they just made some plays."

Vanderbilt (17-8, 6-4) shot a dismal 27.6 percent from the field in the first half, as Kentucky outscored the Commodores 26-6 in the paint.

The Commodores were held scoreless for a five-minute stretch midway through the first half, as Kentucky



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built its lead with an 8-0 run. By halftime, the Wildcats held a 13-point, 36-23 lead over Vanderbilt.

"I never thought we were going to lose, not even at halftime," said head coach Kevin Stallings. "I thought we'd come out in the second half like we did and get on top of the game."

Junior John Jenkins finished 3-of-9 from behind the arc, scoring 15 points to lead the Vanderbilt offensive effort. Seniors Festus Ezeli, Tinsley and Taylor finished the game with 13 points each.

Approximately 2,200 fans attended Saturday morning's filming of College

GameDay, lining up early to be a part of the broadcast airing live from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. CT on ESPN networks.

"There were people that were out at five in the morning and I feel bad for them," Taylor said. "I feel like we let our fans down tonight."

The Commodores travel to Ole Miss for a matchup against the Rebels on Thursday, Feb. 16. Tipoff is scheduled for 8 p.m. CT.

"The most important thing is not what happens to you, but how you respond to what happens to you," Stallings said. "It will motivate us to prepare harder on Monday." ★

History of the rivalry

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A 69-63 loss to Kentucky on Saturday ended the Commodores' four game winning streak against No. 1 teams and dropped Vanderbilt to 44-135 against the Wildcats overall. Despite the loss, the history between the two teams has been memorable, so The Hustler decided to revisit important games in the series.

1947
Feb. 27, 1947

The Commodores are crushed, 98-29, by Adolph Rupp's Kentucky Wildcats in the SEC Tournament. Soon afterwards, Vanderbilt hired its first basketball-only coach, scholarships would be awarded to basketball players and the plans for Memorial Gymnasium were drawn up.

March 3, 1951

After two losses to the No. 1 Wildcats already that season, coach Bob Polk and captain George Kelley led Vanderbilt to a victory in the SEC Tournament Championship Game over Kentucky in Louisville. Legend has it that "Kentucky" was already inscribed on the tournament trophy when the Commodores pulled out the 61-57 win.

Jan. 28, 1974

For the last time until 2006, the Commodores defeated the Wildcats in Lexington. Led by future Vanderbilt coach Jan Van Breda Kolff, who played all five positions in this game, the No. 7 Commodores won 82-65 en route to their second SEC championship season.

March 5, 2003

The No. 2 Wildcats rolled to a 106-44 win, the program's largest margin of victory in conference play since 1956. This Kentucky team became just the second to go through conference play undefeated, and the only one to do so while winning the SEC tournament.

Jan. 31, 2004

Matt Freiji led the Commodores in points, rebounds, assists and steals in a 66-60 victory over the No. 4 Wildcats. The win likely propelled Vanderbilt to the 2004 NCAA tournament, where it advanced to the Sweet Sixteen for just the fifth time in school history.

Jan. 10, 2006

Vanderbilt all-time leading scorer Shan Foster had 16 points as the Commodores won 57-54, the first time Vanderbilt had won in Rupp Arena and the first win in Lexington for the Commodores since 1974.

Jan. 12, 2008

Kentucky handed No. 12 Vanderbilt its first loss of the season, snapping a 16 game win streak. The 79-73 double overtime loss also prevented the Commodores from building a three game winning streak in Rupp Arena.

Feb. 20, 2010

John Wall gave No. 2 Kentucky its first win in Nashville since 2005 by blocking John Jenkins' potential game-winning three pointer with under four seconds to play. The Commodores finished just 2-20 from three-point range in the 58-56 loss, their worst shooting performance since 2002.

Feb. 12, 2011

John Jenkins scored 32 points to lead the Commodores to an 81-77 victory over No. 18 Kentucky, who would go on to make the Final Four. Jenkins' mom texted him before the game, telling him to score 25 points or more, a command he more than followed through on.

Southeastern Conference Power Rankings: Men's Basketball

BY JACKSON MARTIN
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1. No. 1 KENTUCKY (25-1, 11-0)

The only way to beat the Wildcats might be to make Anthony Davis foul out. Even then, they'd still have a good shot at beating anyone in the country. The 78-58 victory over Florida may have been the most impressive win anyone in the SEC has had all season. Winning on the road in Nashville was just as important of a victory for the Wildcats on the road to an SEC regular season title and No. 1 seed in the NCAA tournament.

2. No. 7 FLORIDA (19-6, 7-3)

As ugly as a blowout loss to Kentucky was, losing to Tennessee at home was even worse. Upcoming road dates with Alabama and Arkansas must be wins if this Gator team is going to keep its season moving in the right direction.

3. No. 18 MISS. STATE (19-6, 6-4)

The Bulldogs managed to avoid being swept by Ole Miss with a 70-60 victory at home this week, but losing at home to Georgia is a bad loss for a team struggling to stay in the top 25.

4. VANDERBILT (17-8, 6-4)

Commodore fans shouldn't feel too bad about a home loss to Kentucky Saturday. It says more about the team that they were able to come back from a 13-point halftime deficit than whether they won the game or not. Expect the Commodores to get back on track against Ole Miss this week.

5. OLE MISS (15-9, 5-5)

A win over Auburn gets the Rebels going in the right direction again, but this week they must face Vanderbilt and Kentucky in succession. Andy Kennedy's team must win one of the two to truly be taken seriously as a bubble team.

6. ARKANSAS (17-8, 5-5)

Until the Razorbacks can win a game on the road, they won't advance in these rankings or in the bubble watch for the NCAA tournament. Beating Tennessee on the road would be a nice start for Mike Anderson's team, who is starting to evoke memories of the early '90s "40 minutes of hell offense" that propelled the Razorbacks to a Final Four in 1990.

7. TENNESSEE (13-12, 5-5)

I still don't know what to think about this Tennessee team. A three game win streak, including a great win on the road against Florida looks like they can be a serious threat to anyone in the conference, but the team has yet to be consistent this season so there's no reason to believe they'll start now. Johnell Stokes is the X-factor for this team going forward.

8. GEORGIA (12-12, 3-7)

The Bulldogs had a great week, topping Arkansas at home and defeating Mississippi State in overtime on the road. Mark Fox finally has his team playing up to its potential, and Kentavious Caldwell-Pope is one of the most dynamic players in the league. Georgia could go far in the NIT or the CBI, depending on how they finish the season.

9. LSU (14-10, 4-6)

Beating Alabama at home could not have been less impressive, as the Tide were without Andrew Steele, Trevor Releford or leading scorer JaMychal Green. The Tigers face Mississippi State next, who they almost upended on the road earlier this year.

10. AUBURN (13-12, 3-8)

The Tigers are on a three game losing streak with games against Mississippi State and on the road against Florida this week. What I'm trying to say is that spring football practice starts next month.

11. SOUTH CAROLINA (9-15, 1-9)

Five game losing streaks are bad. So is South Carolina. Like really, really bad.

NOT RANKED THIS WEEK (NR). ALABAMA (16-8, 5-5)

For at least this week I won't rank the Crimson Tide because of the unexpected suspensions of JaMychal Green, Andrew Steele and Trevor Releford for unspecified team rules violations. A loss to LSU gives us an indication of how Anthony Grant's team will be after the suspensions, but we need a slightly bigger sample size. ★

Women prevail, men falter in Nashville



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TOP: Festus Ezeli and the Vanderbilt Commodores hosted the top-ranked Kentucky Wildcats in front of a sellout crowd in Memorial Gym on Saturday night. The Commodores battled back from a 13-point half-time deficit to challenge the Wildcats in the second half. Vanderbilt led by four points with 8:42 remaining in the contest, but were silenced for the final four minutes of the game as Kentucky prevailed, 69-63.

MIDDLE: Jasmine Lister scored her first career double-double as the Commodores topped the Lady Vols in Memorial on Thursday night, 93-79. Vanderbilt was led by 23 points from Tiffany Clarke, as the Commodores snapped a seven-game losing streak against Tennessee.

BOTTOM: Approximately 1,200 Vanderbilt students were on hand Saturday morning for the filming of ESPN College GameDay in Memorial Gym.

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Carey, Falcone selected for Team USA lacrosse squad

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Vanderbilt women's lacrosse is starting off this season in the spotlight.

Senior Ally Carey and assistant coach Amber Falcone were recently named to Team USA's summer tour roster, making them two of the top 24 women's lacrosse players in the country.

This honor will take them to Canada in July for the North American Challenge Cup, where they will compete against international teams. A few weeks later, they will try out again for the 2012-2013 women's national senior team, and eventually, the 18-player Federation of International Lacrosse World Cup team.

As members of Team USA, Carey and Falcone also participated in the US Lacrosse Champion Challenge in January, held at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex in Florida. They finished the weekend with a 5-0 record.

The team faced No. 1 Northwestern and came away with a victory.

"The last time I played (Northwestern) in college, we lost in the National Championship, so to get back on the field against them was awesome," Falcone said.

Falcone, an alumna of the University of North Carolina, was the first Tarheel to win All-America honors four times.

While this is her fifth year with Team USA, she still sees



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Senior Ally Carey (2) scored one goal in Vanderbilt's 7-5 win over the No. 5 Duke Blue Devils on Sunday.

it as an incredible privilege to be a part of the program.

"I'm really excited for Canada and I'm really excited Ally and I get to play together," Falcone said.

Carey, a senior midfielder for Vanderbilt, has made First-Team All-America honors two years in a row, and has been a dominant player on the field since her freshman year.

She is Vanderbilt's career leader in draw controls, with 183, and is ranked eighth in points and fourth in assists.

"Ally is, hands-down, one of the most extraordinary athletes I've ever coached," said head coach Cathy Swezey. "She just knows how to get it done all over the field."

The Vanderbilt Commo-

dores are coming off a major 7-5 win over No. 5 Duke on Sunday. Carey scored a goal on a free position shot just over a minute into the game. This put the Commodores in the lead, one they would never hand over to the Blue Devils.

"We have so much potential and I'm so excited that people saw it (on Sunday)," Carey said.

On Feb. 26, the Commodores will travel to Chapel Hill, N.C. for their second game of the season against UNC — Falcone's alma mater. It will be a crucial game for Vanderbilt; but after their win against Duke, it's nothing they can't handle.

"We're going to make a lot of people really work to beat us," Swezey said. ★

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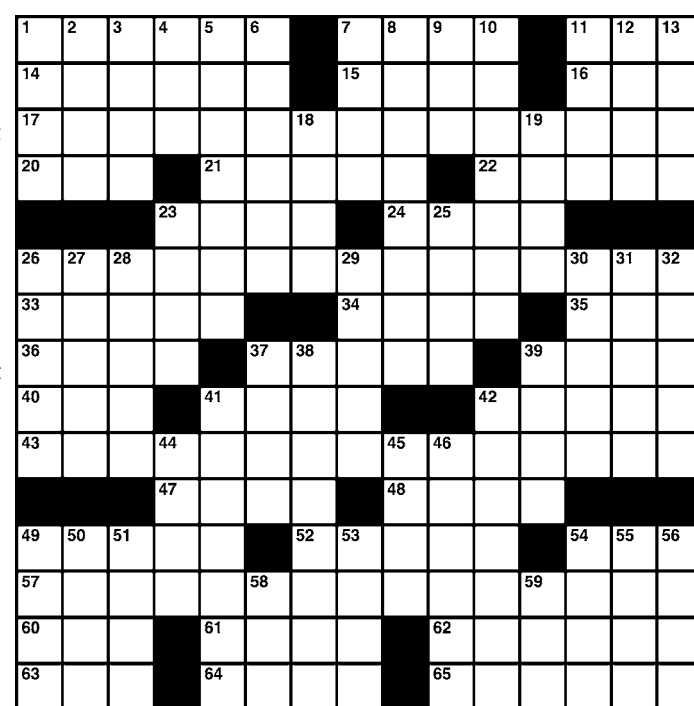
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- 24 "Twittering Machine" artist Paul
- 26 Cinnamon blend for a Thanksgiving recipe
- 33 "The Sheik of ___": 1920s song
- 34 "Poor me!"
- 35 Carpenter's cutter
- 36 Places for compost
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- 39 Israel's Netanyahu, familiarly
- 40 Took a load off
- 41 Writing implements
- 42 Elegant dress material
- 43 "All finished!"
- 47 Make less difficult
- 48 Ages upon ages
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- 52 The devil
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- 60 Sick
- 61 ___ pro quo: substitute
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- 1 Old Roman garment
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- 4 Fellow
- 5 Feature of a clear day
- 6 Dog also called a Persian Greyhound
- 7 Garden entrance
- 8 Too much of a good thing
- 9 Little wagon's color
- 10 Have in one's hands
- 11 Classic competitor
- 12 Norwegian royal name
- 13 Indoor ball brand
- 18 Shepard who hit golf balls on the moon
- 19 Lone Star State sch.
- 23 LAPD alerts
- 25 Grazing lands
- 26 Blue Ribbon beer
- 27 Dickens villain Heep
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- 30 Last Supper query
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- 49 Boo-boo, to tots
- 50 Turn at the casino
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