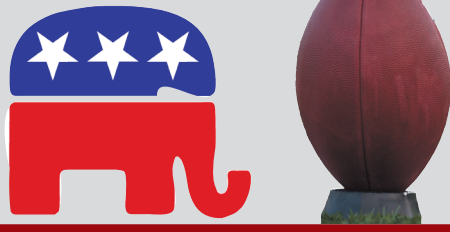


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Go to the game. We'll update you on the Republican National Convention in the morning on InsideVandy.

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DARKNESS BECOMES THEM

By ERIC SINGLE
Editor-in-chief

The college football season opens on a ball and a tee and the Nashville dusk. The most eagerly anticipated second act in Vanderbilt football history has arrived at last – James Franklin has the undivided attention of the college football world and a golden opportunity to alter the way people look at his program for the long term.

Tonight, with the eyes of the nation upon the team in all black, the lights finally come on.



MICHAEL FRASCELLA / THE VANDERBILT HUSTLER

The Commodores await an SEC East power that brings its be-visored head coach, Heisman front-runner, top-10 ranking and veritable sandstorm of preseason momentum into Vanderbilt Stadium, and the hosts have never been more prepared to defend their turf. Thursday night's game will be Vanderbilt's first on ESPN's primary network in four years, but the team has taken advantage of its limited opportunities as the marquee primetime college football game of the night.

YOUR GAME DAY

1:30 p.m.
Tailgates open in the Greek area

4 p.m.
Vanderbilt Stadium gates open

4:30 p.m.
VTV Gameday broadcasts live from the first-year 12th Man Tailgate on Olin Lawn, with special appearances by Tim Corbin and others

4:51 p.m.
Star Walk, team enters stadium

5:46 p.m.
Class of 2016 freshman run

6 p.m.
Kickoff

SOUTH CAROLINA, 2008



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Sept. 4, 2008
Vanderbilt 24,
South Carolina 17

Chris Nickson threw for a touchdown and ran for another, and the Commodores sacked Chris Smelley four times to upset the Gamecocks in another Thursday night SEC opener.

AUBURN, 2008



JOHN RUSSELL / VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY

Oct. 4, 2008 – Vanderbilt 14, Auburn 13

Vanderbilt capped off a visit from College Gameday in style with a 14-13 victory that improved the Commodores' record to 5-0 for the first time since 1943.

MUSIC CITY BOWL, 2008



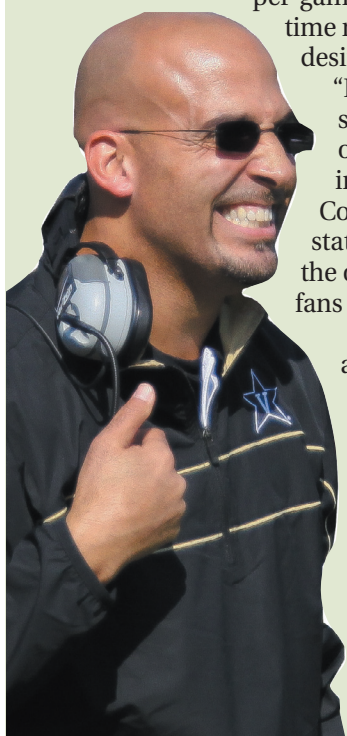
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Dec. 31, 2008
Music City Bowl:
Vanderbilt 16,
Boston College 14

A late Bryant Hahnfeldt field goal gave Vanderbilt its first bowl victory in 53 years at LP Field in downtown Nashville. At the time, the Commodores had only ever played in four bowl games in the team's history.

Football in the digital age

Fans angry over stadium replay rules need not fret: the SEC has officially relaxed the previous one-replay-per-game rule to permit as many real-time replays within the stadium as desired.



"Fans in the stadium now can see many of the same views of a play seen by fans watching on television," said SEC Commissioner Mike Silve in a statement. "This should add to the overall game experience for fans inside our stadiums."

The SEC has also permitted all officials on the field to wear wireless mics during games, as opposed to previous years where only the referee wore a mic.

"Not only does it help with the officials communicating with each other quickly, but it improves communication with the coaches," said SEC supervisor of officials Steve Shaw.

KEVIN BARNETT / THE VANDERBILT HUSTLER

This is why we can have nice things

Vanderbilt has met its fundraising goal for the construction of a new multipurpose facility and addition to its recreation center. The more than \$30 million project is being funded by a combination of philanthropy and university investment.

The university is marking the milestone during halftime of the Commodores' football home opener tonight against the South Carolina Gamecocks. Facility renderings will be shown on Dudley Field's new video board and Chancellor Nicholas S. Zeppos will recognize key donors to the project on the field.

Construction will involve enhancing the Rec Center so that it can serve the entire Vanderbilt community as well as building a multipurpose facility, which will include a 120-yard-long indoor practice field, surrounded by a 300-meter indoor track.

Construction is scheduled to begin in September 2012.

HE'LL STEAL YOUR HEART – AND YOUR LIVER

A former medical examiner in Florida is now under scrutiny after human organs — contained within drink cups and Tupperware containers — were found in a storage unit rented in the man's name.

The discovery was made when someone purchased the contents at a storage auction last week and smelled formaldehyde leaking from a container while searching through boxes.

Michael Berkland, the former medical examiner, was employed by the Pensacola Medical Examiner's Office between 1997 and 2003 but was fired for failing to complete autopsy reports. Representatives of the Medical Examiner's Office are currently investigating whether or not the organs from the storage unit were taken from Berkland's time as an examiner.

Before working in Pensacola, Berkland had also been fired from his position as a contract medical examiner in Jackson City, Mo., over a debate about his autopsy reports.



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VANDER BITS

PLAN YOUR WEEKEND

By **MADDIE HUGHES**
News reporter

Trying to avoid studying but bored with all your usual forms of procrastination? We've got you covered.

THURSDAY

Mind Reader and the Other Side Exhibit Opening

4 p.m. - 6 p.m.
Space 204 Gallery - E. Bronson Ingram Studio Art Center

The Vanderbilt Department of Art begins the fall season with two new exhibits: Mind Reader by Sarah Applebaum and The Other Side by Nick DeFord. Come check out the show and see artwork produced by nationally recognized artists, with subjects spanning from psychology and the psychedelic to mysticism and the occult. Admission is free.

FRIDAY

Vanderbilt Gives Back Blood Drive

8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Vanderbilt Children's Hospital

Stop by the Children's Hospital to learn about registering for bone marrow, organ and tissue donation and to participate in a Red Cross Blood Drive. Appointments are recommended because walk-in space is limited. Sign-up by logging on to www.givelife.org and enter sponsor code vandy19. ID is required.

Art Exhibit Opening Reception

12 p.m. - 1 p.m.
Bishop Joseph Johnson Black Cultural Center Auditorium

The reception will include a discussion and question and answer session with the artist. The event is free, and refreshments will be served.

SATURDAY

First Annual Nashville Street Food Awards

11 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Centennial Park

Don't let the judges have all the fun! Head over to nearby Centennial Park to sample food from over 20 of the city's best food trucks. The event is free, but trucks will sell regular menu items in addition to the free samples, so customers can decide on their favorite to win the People's Choice Award. In recognition of Hunger Action Month, a portion of the proceeds from the event will go towards the Second Harvest Food Bank. The band The Blind Boys of Alabama will perform at the event from 3-6 p.m.

SUNDAY

Black Student Alliance Back to School Carnival

1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Alumni Lawn

Join the Black Student Alliance in welcoming the Class of 2016 with a carnival featuring a bounce house, dunk tanks, music and much more.

Yes, she went there

By **TYLER BISHOP**
Senior News Assistant

Vanderbilt's Stella Flores, assistant professor in Peabody College, ventured into a highly debated area in politics when she, along with 21 other researchers, submitted an amicus brief to the Supreme Court in the case Fisher v. University of Texas, which will address the issue of affirmative action in higher education.

The case centers around the suit brought by Abigail Fisher asking the Court to rule the university's admissions policy inconsistent with Grutter v. Bollinger, a case decided in 2003 giving colleges the ability to use race as a limiting factor in the admissions process, or to overrule Grutter v. Bollinger completely. The amicus brief submitted by Flores and her colleagues focuses primarily on research showing that the University of Texas would lose both intellectual prowess and educational diversity if it were to end the process of using race as an admissions factor to improve diversity on campus.

Flores' specific contributions to the field of college access include investigations on immigrant, low-income and other underrepresented groups. The Court's decision in Fisher v. University of Texas could change the way selective universities in the United States build their student bodies. The case is set to begin in October.



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Battle of the smartphones



YUTAKA TSUTANO / FLICKR



DOUG SCHMIDT is a professor of computer science at Vanderbilt University.

Vanderbilt professors **Doug Schmidt** and **Daniel Gervais** weigh in on the recent patent-infringement **verdict against Samsung**.

By **SAM MCBRIDE**
Senior news reporter

A California jury last week awarded \$1.049 billion in damages to Apple, concluding that Samsung Electronics violated several of Apple's patents in the design and user interface of several of Samsung's phones and tablets.

The patents in question fell into two different categories: utility and design. The utility patents covered functions such as pinch to zoom and bounce back, which occurs when one scrolls to the bottom of a page on an Apple device. The design patents covered visual characteristics such as the layout of icons on the screen and the shape of the actual phone itself.

While the litigation is far from over — Samsung will undoubtedly appeal the verdict, and legal action continues between the two companies in a number of international courts — Vanderbilt professors Doug Schmidt and Daniel Gervais weighed in with their opinions on the case.

Samsung copied Apple

Schmidt, a professor of computer science, believes Samsung clearly tried to copy Apple after the iPhone came out.

"They slavishly took everything Apple was doing and copied it," Schmidt said.

In support of this position, Schmidt referenced photos, which Apple used as evidence in its case, showing a drastic change in the design of Samsung devices after the iPhone was announced in January 2007.

Samsung had the opportunity to pay for the rights to these patents but instead chose to make what are essentially copies of Apple products without paying for the right, Schmidt argued.

"Samsung gambled that they could do knock-offs without paying the price," he said.

In the end, Schmidt believes, the fallout from the case will be minimal. For companies of this size, \$1 billion is not a massive amount, and he believes working around the patents will be easy

for designers and software developers.

"This was Apple sending a message: Copy our products, and we'll make life very difficult for you," Schmidt said.

Apple's patents too complex

Gervais, a professor of law and co-director of the Vanderbilt Intellectual Property Program, had a different view of the case.

Gervais thinks the case revealed significant issues in the current U.S. patent system. Specifically, he commented on the complexity and confusion that comes from tech companies owning thousands of patents.

"When one phone, one device, has hundreds of patents or more, and all these patents are owned by different entities, the system starts to break down," Gervais said.

Gervais also criticized the current trend of companies such as Apple, Google and Microsoft buying up thousands of patents solely for their use as leverage in legal proceedings, arguing that this runs counter to the purpose of the patent system.

He worries that the verdict could reduce competitiveness in the market and lead more companies to pursue litigation to drive out competition.

"I see it as an encouragement to sue, not just for Apple but for other companies in this field," Gervais said.

However, Gervais thinks the impact of the case will go far beyond the verdict. He believes it will encourage Americans to examine the effectiveness of our current patent system.

"When Chinese companies file patent lawsuits now, they file them not in China or the United States, but in Europe. This indicates that they believe the European courts have the best system for dealing with these cases," Schmidt said. "People are aware that there's a problem now with the patent system."

"People are aware now there's a problem," Gervais said. "A solution such as patent pooling or another solution that rewards innovation but also maximizes competition might emerge."



DANIEL GERVAIS is a professor of law and serves as the co-director of the Vanderbilt Intellectual Property Program.

Kickoff Cookoff 2012



KENNETH KHOO / THE VANDERBILT HUSTLER

Seniors **Joe Foster** and **Steven Cohen** play jump rope with a child from Fannie Battle Day Home for Children during Kickoff Cookoff on Olin Lawn Aug. 29, 2012.

Going Greek?

Check out these upcoming NPHC events, both hosted at the Black Cultural Center.

By **TYLER BISHOP**
Senior news assistant

FRIDAY, AUG. 31

Phi Beta Sigma/Zeta Phi Beta Fish Fry
4 - 7 p.m.

The Fish Fry is a welcome event co-hosted by Phi Beta Sigma and Zeta Phi Beta. The event is open to the entire campus, but it is aimed at first-year students so that they can meet upperclassmen.

Bolton's Spicy Fish and Chicken will be catering the event.

"We want as many freshmen as possible to come out to meet the upperclassmen," Phi Beta Sigma President Richard Thompson said.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 1

Kappa Alpha Psi Kickback
12 - 2:30 p.m.

Kickback is an event aimed to welcome new and returning students to campus.

There will be music, football gear raffles, games and free Knockout wings and biscuits. All students are welcome.

"I encourage everyone to come out and 'Kickback' with the NuPes," President Phillip Branch said.

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Who's ready to rename Greek Row "The No-Fun Zone?"

Branscomb smells bad, but at least it's not Blakemore.

I can't tell if it's cold and damp because there's fungus in Vandy Barnard, or if there's fungus because it's cold and damp in Vandy Barnard.

Why is the Quiznos in Towers significantly more terrible than the one in Morgan?

Football season is here. Why do we have class?

I plan to enjoy J. Cole about 500 percent more than I did when I was still pre-gaming for Jay-Z.

The bookstore doesn't have a handicapped entrance. This the 21st century, people.

Where did Thai Wednesdays (and all of the seating in Rand) go?

Since when do we have opossums on campus?

WISH WE'D SAID THAT

A tweet from @totalvandymove:
"Vanderbilt College Republicans serving Chick-fil-a at a meeting @totalvandymove #TVM"

A tweet from @johnnycashVU:
"She said she not a Vandy fan I said YUCK!"

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True the Vote



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T rue the Vote: Equipping Citizens to Take a Stand for Free and Fair Elections." I like the way that sounds. It seems like most Americans do, too; at truethevote.org, they list the percentage of Americans who support their tagline for "fair elections" at 67 percent. However, I wish I could say that the activists at True the Vote and I had the same definition of the word "fair."

In an election, people should have plenty of time to register to vote. They should probably have at least a few days before the election to vote. They should have accurate data about where to vote. If they are registered voters, they should not be prevented from voting for arbitrary reasons. Finally, the task of voting should be something that we're proud to do; it shouldn't be an hours-long wait followed by confusion that might involve a ballot. That's what I think, and that's what I'd call true voting if I had to define that term. Unfortunately, that's not the mission of True the Vote.

To name their organization accurately, they should have branded themselves "Redden the Vote" or "Bleach the Vote." They do really want white Republicans to get out there and cast ballots. But what about the rest of us? For those that aren't political junkies, you might be surprised at the lengths this organization and others like it are going to in order to stop what they call "voter fraud."

Before we talk about how to stop this "fraud," maybe I should tell you how rampant it is. There have been 10 cases of in-person voter fraud since the year 2000. All 10 of those might have been stopped with the types of legislation that True the Vote pushes for. The percentage of all votes that that number represents is laugh-

able. Think about all the elections going on all the time for 300 million people.

So, to prevent cases like these 10 from ever happening again, True the Vote and its allies have offered some creative solutions. People should have a photo ID to vote; you'll have to suck it up if there's no DMV for 150 miles or if your birth certificate was lost in a fire. Next, early voting should be eliminated (especially on Sundays when African-Americans are likely to vote after church). Polling centers should only be open from 9 to 5 ... sorry if you work a blue-collar job. People should not be allowed to help each other register to vote outside of government buildings (No more Rock the Vote, etc.). Voters whose ballots are placed in the wrong "box" should not be recognized. There is of course my favorite, that we should be able to challenge the validity of one another's votes. I'd love to be standing in line and have the guy behind me accuse me of using a fake ID to vote. The poll workers would have to take the accusation seriously.

To sum up what's going on here with a little more sarcasm, I'd like to paraphrase Jon Stewart: Wouldn't it be worth treating our food with hydrochloric acid for the assurance that we would no longer find harmful dragon bones in it?

We're fighting a problem that doesn't exist with some extreme measures.

Luckily, True the Vote hasn't gotten every single one of its ideas implemented in every state, but it has gotten some of its ideas implemented in some states. That may be enough to change the outcome of elections across the country in November.

- Skylar Hutto

A niche called Vanderbilt



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I 've got a jar of blue Manic Panic hair dye sitting on my desk, unopened. Sometimes, I toss it between my hands like a ball or read the instructions printed on the side. And sometimes, I just hold it and take notice of how bright the hue is. In the midst of all this fidgeting, I weigh my parents' likely reactions to having a blue-haired deviant for a daughter against the realization that now — college — is perhaps the only time I can have blue hair without too many consequences.

But what about the inevitable looks I'd get from strangers while walking to class? Is the sheer prospect of cerulean locks clashing with one's tailgating dress too much for Vanderbilt to handle?

Ladies whose eyes have grown weary of Vera Bradley bags, boat shoes and pastel colors — you needn't worry. It is indeed possible to be a girl at Vandy without being a "Vandy Girl." You won't be ostracized for your race, your sexual orientation, your tattoos, your Black Sabbath t-shirt, your basketball shorts. Vanderbilt, though small enough to seem homey, has over 6,800 undergraduates to its name — a generous sampling of dynamic folk from which you could easily find a friend or two or several.

That said, I'm hesitant to impart that wretched maxim you've likely heard from VUceptors, faculty and parents alike: "You'll find your niche."

Defined by Merriam-Webster as "a place, employment, status or activity for which a person or thing is best fitted," the term "niche" implies the singular — it suggests that each of us belongs squarely in one

environment, engaging in one sort of activity, interacting with one type of person.

Yes, finding like-minded people is extremely fulfilling and even necessary at a place as overwhelming as Vanderbilt can often be. I'll argue, however, that making that unexpected friend who seems worlds different is just as fulfilling. And just as necessary.

What endeared me most to Vandy life is that students here don't fit too neatly into archetypes.

The football guy used to play League of Legends and listens to The Temptations when he studies. The girl who looks like a J. Crew ad genuinely wants to go to a Rocky Horror Picture Show viewing someday. The lax bro volunteers for Habitat for Humanity. The feminist enjoys a good frat party now and then. People here are surprising, and you'll be missing out on a good time and a great deal of perspective if you don't let your fellow Commodores surprise you.

And don't be afraid to do some of the surprising yourself: You're here at this university because someone at admissions thought you'd bring something new to the table. Don't hide whatever that is — extreme beer pong abilities, mad capoeira skills, a collection of NCAA video games, a deep fascination with bat watching or otherwise — in the deep recesses of your dorm closet. Meet some strangers, and see what gets their blood pumping. Go to a football game. Dress up if you feel like it, don't if you don't. Chill at McGill the next week. Find a niche, maybe. Transcend the idea of "niche," definitely.

- Angelica Lasala

The term "niche" implies the singular — it suggests that each of us belongs squarely in one environment.

Undoing due process



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O n Aug. 24, Associate Provost and Dean of Students Mark Bandas sent an email to all Vanderbilt students notifying them of revisions to the university's sexual misconduct policy. The university made these changes in response to a "Dear Colleague" letter sent by the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights in April 2011. Last September, I penned an article in *The Vanderbilt Torch* discussing how the OCR guidance letter threatens due process for college students nationwide. It now seems fitting to revisit the concerns I highlighted in that article.

First, the OCR letter requires any college or university that accepts federal funding to adjudicate cases of sexual misconduct using the "preponderance of the evidence" or "more likely than not" standard. Under such a low evidentiary standard, a student accused of rape could be found guilty even if 49.99 percent of the evidence suggests that that student is innocent.

However, this part of the letter has not caused any policy changes because Vanderbilt has been operating with a "preponderance of the evidence" standard since December 2008. Prior to that, Vanderbilt had been using the "clear and convincing evidence" standard, which requires more evidence against the accused than the "preponderance of the evidence" standard but less evidence than the "beyond a reasonable doubt" standard used by the criminal justice system. The editor of *The Vanderbilt Hustler* at that time, Michael Warren, wrote an editorial petitioning the university to reconsider the change. Mr. Warren warned that the newer standard offered "less protection for the accused from potential false accusations of sexual misconduct in exchange for easier convictions for alleged sexual aggressors."

Unfortunately, it appears that the OCR letter has legitimized this lower standard. Schools are now unlikely to operate using a standard any higher than "preponderance of the evidence." Under the eyes of the OCR, a school using a higher standard is potentially in violation of Title IX and risks losing federal funding.

Secondly, the letter also requires institutions to provide

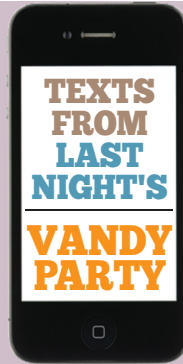
the accuser the right to appeal if the accused is also provided that right. As I mentioned in my *Torch* article, this means that a student already proven innocent could be forced to endure the emotional distress of another hearing. Again, "the procedure resembles a clear violation of the Fifth Amendment right against being 'subject for the same offense to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb,' also known as 'double jeopardy.'"

Fortunately, the revised sexual misconduct policy retains the limited specific grounds for appeal contained in the original misconduct policy. These grounds were "Procedural irregularities sufficient to affect the determination of the original hearing authority," "Insufficient evidence to support the decision of the original hearing authority," "Harshness of the penalty imposed by the original hearing authority sufficient to show an abuse of discretion by that authority," and "New evidence that was not reasonably available for presentation to the original hearing authority, the introduction of which would reasonably be expected to affect the decision of the original hearing authority." At least these specific grounds are reasonable and prevent accusers from demanding a new hearing simply based on a whim.

While the worst case scenario has not occurred at Vanderbilt, the OCR letter still poses a dangerous threat to students' due process rights at Vanderbilt and at hundreds of other American institutions. The "preponderance of the evidence" standard will undoubtedly make it easier to falsely convict innocent students. This, combined with the ability to appeal verdicts that find accused students not guilty, will result in even worse consequences. National organizations including the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education have done a great job highlighting the problems with the OCR letter and petitioning the OCR to reverse course and take steps to protect students' rights. To learn more about this ongoing issue, readers can check out the comprehensive list of Frequently Asked Questions and in-depth answers published by FIRE.

- Kenny Tan

Life



WHEN'S THE LAST TIME YOU WOKE UP WITH A PHONE FULL OF TEXT MESSAGES YOU MIGHT NOT REMEMBER?

Let your friends and professors know by submitting your most regrettable text messages to InsideVandy.Com/Life. By submitting anonymously online, you can allow the rest of campus to share in your pain or victory. After we get your submissions, Texts From Last Night's Vandy Party will run in The Vanderbilt Hustler's next issue and online at InsideVandy.com.



WATCH THIS!

September

CALENDAR OF EVENTS & SHOWS

SHAKESPEARE IN THE PARK: MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING, Thursday-Sunday, Aug. 16-Sept. 16 at Centennial Park Bandshell

NASHVILLE STREET FOOD AWARDS, Sept. 1 at Centennial Park

KISS AND MOTLEY CRUE, Sept. 4 at Bridgestone Arena

OWL CITY, Sept. 5 at Cannery Ballroom

106TH TENNESSEE STATE FAIR, Sept. 7-16 at Tennessee State Fairgrounds

FEASTIVAL NASHVILLE

AMERICANA MUSIC FESTIVAL, Sept. 12-15 in various venues throughout Nashville

BOYZ II MEN, Sept. 13-15 at Schermerhorn Symphony Center

METRIC, Sept. 14 at the Ryman Auditorium

AFRICAN STREET FESTIVAL, Sept. 14-16 at Hadley Park

WINE ON THE RIVER, Sept. 15 at Shelby Street Pedestrian Bridge

KELLY CLARKSON, THE FRAY, CAROLINA LIAR, Sept. 15 at Bridgestone Arena

AL GREEN, Sept. 17 at Schermerhorn Symphony Center

DIERKS BENTLEY, Sept. 18 at the Grand Ole Opry House

NASHVILLE WHISKEY FESTIVAL, Sept. 20-22 at War Memorial Auditorium

ZAC BROWN BAND'S SOUTHERN GROUND MUSIC & FOOD FESTIVAL



Zac Brown Band's Southern Ground Music and Food Festival

showcases an array of musical artists such as Zac Brown Band, Sheryl Crow, Amos Lee, The Lumineers, Edward Sharpe and the Magnetic Zeros and many more. In addition to the incredible live music, the festival will feature gourmet food produced by award-winning chefs.

The festival will take place from **Sept. 21-22 at Riverfront Park**. For more information about the event, visit: <http://www.southerngroundfestival.com>.

BOYS LIKE GIRLS, ALL-AMERICAN REJECTS, THE READY SET Sept. 27 at Marathon Music Works

TENNESSEE ASSOCIATION OF CRAFT ARTISTS FALL CRAFT FAIR, Sept. 28-30 at Centennial Park

SOUTHERN HOT WING FESTIVAL, Sept. 29 at Walk of Fame Park in downtown Nashville



FEASTIVAL is an annual event in East Nashville that combines the community's most talented entertainment, restaurants and artists for a day of cultural exploration.

Bring lawn chairs and blankets to listen to live music in East Park, which will also be filled with different local food vendors and artist showcases. At night, East Nashville will put on a fashion runway show, highlighting local designers in the area.

FEASTIVAL is a free event and is held in **East Park from 12 p.m. - 11p.m. on Sept. 8**. For more information, check out: <http://feastivalnashville.com>.



KEVIN BARNETT / THE VANDERBILT HUSTLER

Kristin Shorter, director of Greek Life and **Felix Urquia**, president of IFC, explain policies governing Greek Row. Read on to learn about how you can have a **successful first tailgate**.

By **EMILY TORRES**
Staff Writer

When getting ready for the first tailgate of the year, you might want to take notice of the new policies affecting Greek Row. In response to various liability issues, IFC, the Office of Greek Life and Vanderbilt administration have collaborated on various modifications to tailgating and party policy for the upcoming season. Unlike years past, the opening football game will take place on

Thursday, Aug. 30. So before you run out of class to Greek Row, make sure you take notice of these important changes, courtesy of Kristin Shorter, director of Greek Life, and Felix Urquia, president of IFC.

ARE FIRST-YEARS ALLOWED TO ATTEND TAILGATES FOR THE FIRST FOOTBALL GAME?

First-years are strictly prohibited from attending the first tailgate on Aug. 30. This rule encourages first-year participation in the traditional

12th Man Tailgate. First-years are not allowed to attend a Greek social function where alcohol is present until registered parties begin the weekend following the second weekend of school, beginning this Friday, Aug. 31. They can attend tailgates following this date. If first-years are found at a fraternity tailgate this Thursday, men will not be allowed to accept a bid from any IFC organization, while women will not be allowed to attend any fraternity social functions for eight weeks.

HOW ARE THIS YEAR'S TAILGATES DIFFERENT FROM LAST YEAR'S TAILGATES?

Unlike last year, tailgates will be modified to include one entrance and exit and various sober monitors.

WHEN CAN TAILGATES OCCUR?

The first tailgate is this Thursday, Aug. 30 prior to the 6 p.m. football game against the University of South Carolina. Tailgates can begin four and a half hours before kickoff. As a sign of Greek support for the Vanderbilt football team, tailgates will close thirty minutes before kickoff, a more recent rule that was implemented in 2011.

ARE THERE ANY CHANGES TO REGISTERED GREEK PARTIES ON CAMPUS?

Members and guests will only be permitted to bring six 12-oz. beers into any BYOB function. Additionally, check-in for on-campus fraternity parties will now occur via Commadore Card, where students will use their IDs to swipe into parties.



Fake it till you Quake it

Even if the **Quake lineup announcement** didn't mean anything to you on Friday, you can still use this **Childish Gambino** and **J. Cole** playlist as the perfect way to prepare for the highly anticipated show.

Quake tickets go on sale Thursday, **Aug. 30**. Get student tickets now for **\$15** — they will be **\$25** the week of the show.

J. Cole raps, "I blew up singlehandedly." Given his coming-of-age lyrics and honest musicianship, it's no surprise why.

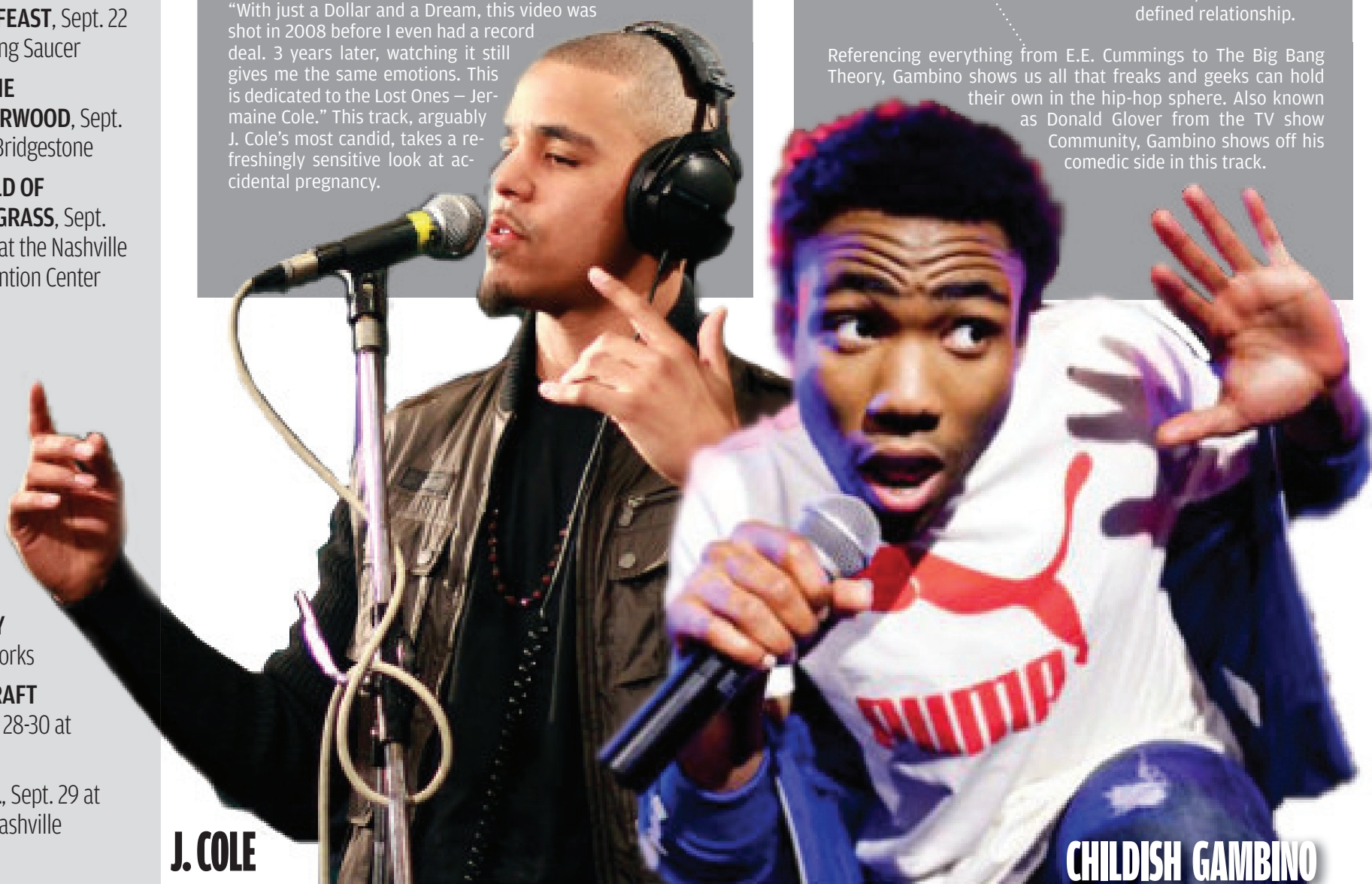
Paying tribute to Paula Abdul's "Straight Up," J. Cole puts an introspective spin on a 1980s classic.

The first frame of the music video for "Lost Ones" reads, "With just a Dollar and a Dream, this video was shot in 2008 before I even had a record deal. 3 years later, watching it still gives me the same emotions. This is dedicated to the Lost Ones — Jermaine Cole." This track, arguably J. Cole's most candid, takes a refreshingly sensitive look at accidental pregnancy.

The music video for "Bonfire" begins with a clip of Gambino with a noose around his neck. Expect similar intensity and hard-hitting historical allusions out of this song.

With well-crafted electronic music backing Gambino's flows, "Heartbeat" is at once a match made in hip-hop heaven and a not-so-cliché commentary about an ill-defined relationship.

Referencing everything from E.E. Cummings to The Big Bang Theory, Gambino shows us all that freaks and geeks can hold their own in the hip-hop sphere. Also known as Donald Glover from the TV show Community, Gambino shows off his comedic side in this track.



J. COLE

CHILDISH GAMBINO

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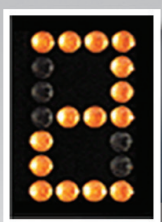
THE BIG STAT

The exact time that the 2012 college football season will kick off with the start of the Vanderbilt vs. South Carolina game tonight

6 p.m.

Interrogating the enemy

The sports editors from **The Vanderbilt Hustler** and **The Daily Gamecock** answered each other's questions about Thursday's game between **Vanderbilt** and **South Carolina**.



MINUTE DRILL

What's on Tap Thursday



Chris Phare/ The Vanderbilt Hustler

THURSDAY, AUGUST 30

6 p.m.

South Carolina at Vanderbilt
TV: ESPN

6:15 p.m.

North Colorado at Utah
TV: Pac-12 Network

6:30 p.m.

UCLA at Rice
TV: CBS Sports Network

9:15 p.m.

Washington St. at BYU
TV: ESPN

9:30 p.m.

North Arizona at Arizona St.
TV: Pac-12 Network

10 p.m.

Minnesota at UNLV
TV: CBS Sports Network

3 matchups to watch Thursday

By **JAKE KEARNS**
Sports Writer

James Franklin vs. Steve Spurrier

After the Commodores' defeat in the Liberty Bowl on New Year's Eve, it's a safe bet that Coach Franklin has had many sleepless nights in anticipation of the 2012 season opener against the No. 9-ranked South Carolina Gamecocks. On the other sideline stands Steve Spurrier, who possesses decades of coaching experience and a trademarked visor look. In just Franklin's second year as the head coach at Vanderbilt, he looks to lead the Commodores to consecutive bowl games for the first time in school history and turn them into legitimate contenders in the SEC East. Spurrier returns an experienced team with his eyes set on an SEC championship and maybe more. Franklin is sure to have his Commodores fired up come 6 p.m. Thursday. If he has his way, Spurrier may have some serious grass stains on that white visor by the time it's all said and done.

Connor Shaw vs. the Commodore Secondary

A staple of the 2011 Commodore defense was its ability to take the ball from the other team. The secondary accounted for 19 interceptions, ranking No. 6 in the nation. However, the defense lost two crucial components in Sean Richardson and Casey Heyward (2nd-round pick of Green Bay Packers). Heyward contributed seven of those interceptions and was responsible for covering several of the best wide receivers in the nation. The 2012 Commodores will look to Trey Wilson and Andre Hal to make sure the defense is a strong point once again.

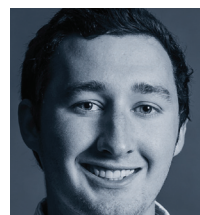
As for the man they will be trying to take the ball from, Connor Shaw enters his first season as the Gamecocks' starting signal caller, but he does not lack experience. Shaw took over the starting position after Stephen Garcia was dismissed from the team last year, eventually leading them to a No. 9 ranking and a Capitol One Bowl victory in 2011. The dual-threat quarterback is certain to provide an early test for the Vanderbilt defense.

Lattimore vs. Vanderbilt's RB by committee

There is no secret when it comes to South Carolina's offensive strategy. The Gamecocks are going to give the ball to Heisman hopeful Marcus Lattimore early and often. Lattimore, the former No. 1 running back recruit in the nation, returns in 2012 after being sidelined for the second half of last season with a torn ACL. His style of play consists of an impressive combination of power and finesse. The Commodore defense may have to hope to contain Lattimore rather than stop him.

However, the Vanderbilt running attack is nothing to scoff at either. The Commodores return All-SEC performer Zac Stacy, former SEC freshman of the year Warren Norman and Jeron Seymour at tailback. Additionally, 4-star recruit Brian Kimbrow brings an element of explosiveness to the Vanderbilt offense. There may not be enough touches to go around for the Commodore's extremely deep ground attack.

With inclement weather in the forecast for kickoff, this game is likely to come down to who can run the ball more effectively.



Jackson Martin,
sports editor of
the Vanderbilt
Hustler

THE DAILY GAMECOCK: What kind of national prominence has James Franklin brought to Vanderbilt?

THE VANDERBILT HUSTLER: I've been watching Vanderbilt football my entire life, and never has there been more excitement and energy around the program than there is right now. The fact that James Franklin has brought any kind of national prominence to Vanderbilt is a minor miracle in and of itself. He is incredibly charismatic and has not turned down a media request that has come across his desk since arriving in Nashville.

Through his recruiting and PR efforts, the school is actually becoming a story in college football circles for the right reasons — not just as the punching bag of the SEC.

The difference this season is that Franklin's current success actually feels sustainable. Even in 2008, when the Commodores rose as high as No. 13 in the polls and hosted ESPN's College GameDay, everyone knew that the next year would be a falling back to earth. It was, as Bobby Johnson's team went 2-10 and 0-8 in SEC play. This year anything less than a second straight bowl game (which would be the first time Vanderbilt has ever done that) would be considered a major disappointment. No longer is the goal to win a few games and play someone good close — the goal is (don't laugh) to win the SEC East.

DG: How will Jordan Rodgers fare against South Carolina's defensive line? What's his strength as quarterback?

VH: Jordan Rodgers is fairly similar to Connor Shaw from my observations. Both are decent passers but better runners. Rodgers is going to need to use every bit of his scrambling ability Thursday against South Carolina's terrifying defensive line. Last year South Carolina sacked Vanderbilt quarterbacks six times in a 21-3 loss for the Commodores that wasn't really that close. Rodgers is going to need to halve that number if Vanderbilt is going to win this game.

DG: Can the Vanderbilt defense stop the combo of a healthy Marcus Lattimore with quarterback Connor Shaw?

VH: Can anyone really stop a healthy Marcus Lattimore? Vanderbilt's defense actually did a relatively good job containing Lattimore on the ground last year, allowing only 77 yards on 20 rushes. Where Lattimore killed the Commodores was in the passing game, taking three receptions for 73 yards and a touchdown. The Commodores return seven starters on defense but lose last year's biggest playmakers in Casey Hayward and Chris Marve (who combined for three of Stephen Garcia's four interceptions last year).

Connor Shaw scares me because he isn't the turnover liability that Garcia was, so if he can effectively manage the game while getting the ball to Lattimore early and often, the Commodores might be in trouble.

DG: Prediction time — who ya got?

VH: I've been known to make wildly optimistic predictions about Vanderbilt in the past, and this week won't be any different. I think that the combination of Vanderbilt's most raucous atmosphere in recent memory and the thrill of opening up the college football season in Nashville will be enough to lift the home team in what should be a close game anyways. Give me Vanderbilt winning 24-17.

THE VANDERBILT HUSTLER: How healthy is Marcus Lattimore's knee? Will he be 100 percent for the game?

THE DAILY GAMECOCK: Lattimore and the coaches have all declared him 100 percent, but how sure can anyone be until he plays his first full game? He's seen limited action in scrimmage, but Spurrier said he'll get 25 to 30 carries per game, with senior Kenny Miles getting 10 to 15.

VH: Does Steve Spurrier trust Connor Shaw to throw the ball? How will he fare without Alshon Jeffery as a target?

DG: Spurrier has said time and time again that he wants to see Shaw throw the ball more, but receiving corps and offensive line are the two big question marks for the offense heading into the season. The Gamecocks have to replace two senior offensive linemen, while Ace Sanders is the only proven wide receiver on the squad. Shaw might get some help from a very highly-touted group of tight ends, but if he can't find rhythm early, look for the play calling to be run heavy.

VH: Who will step up to replace Stephon Gilmore at cornerback and cover Jordan Matthews on Thursday?

DG: Entering the season, that role unquestionably belonged to senior Akeem Auguste, who missed all of last season with an injury, but a groin injury is expected to sideline him for four to five weeks. The most experienced cornerback with Auguste out is redshirt sophomore Victor Hampton, and he will likely take on that role over Jimmy Legree, who started just two games last season. I'd expect a lot of safety help for Matthews, too.

VH: With Ellis Johnson leaving to become the head coach at Southern Miss, what changes to the defense can we expect in Lorenzo Ward's first season at defensive coordinator?

DG: The word the defensive players have been using is "fun." Ward has said that things will look the same as last season, but there will be more blitzing and it'll be a more attacking defense using the 4-2-5 scheme.

VH: Give me your prediction for the game. Who's going to win?

DG: I'm unbelievably impressed with what James Franklin has been able to do at Vanderbilt in such a short time, but the Gamecocks have had months to prepare for this game, and it isn't lost on them that Vanderbilt is a legitimate contender in the SEC East. South Carolina just has too much at stake with too much talent to drop the season opener, so I've got the Gamecocks winning 24-17.

ATHLETE of the WEEK

Trey Wilson Football

Senior

Hometown: Shreveport, La.

Position: Defensive Back

Tackles last year: 24

Interceptions last year: 3

Starts last year: All 13 games

Best game last season: Was named SEC Defensive Player of the Week after 2-interception game vs. Ole Miss

Last year you got the opportunity to play opposite a great player in Casey Hayward. What did he teach you that you think you can pass on to the younger guys? "Just to stay with your fundamentals. Like you said, he's a great playmaker, but the thing he told me is to just stay consistent. Stay consistent with your fundamentals and your discipline and big plays will come to you. If you try to force big plays, you start making mistakes and getting complacent. That's how you get scored on, that's how you give up touchdowns. So I just tell them to stay consistent and stay focused on their fundamentals and discipline."

You had a breakout season last year and because of that, quarterbacks know who you are this year. As a result, do you think you'll have to adjust your game any, now that you have a bit of a target on your back? "No, I don't think I need to adjust my game. I'm going to be the same Trey Wilson I've been since I got

just keep pushing each practice and each game and the results will speak for themselves."

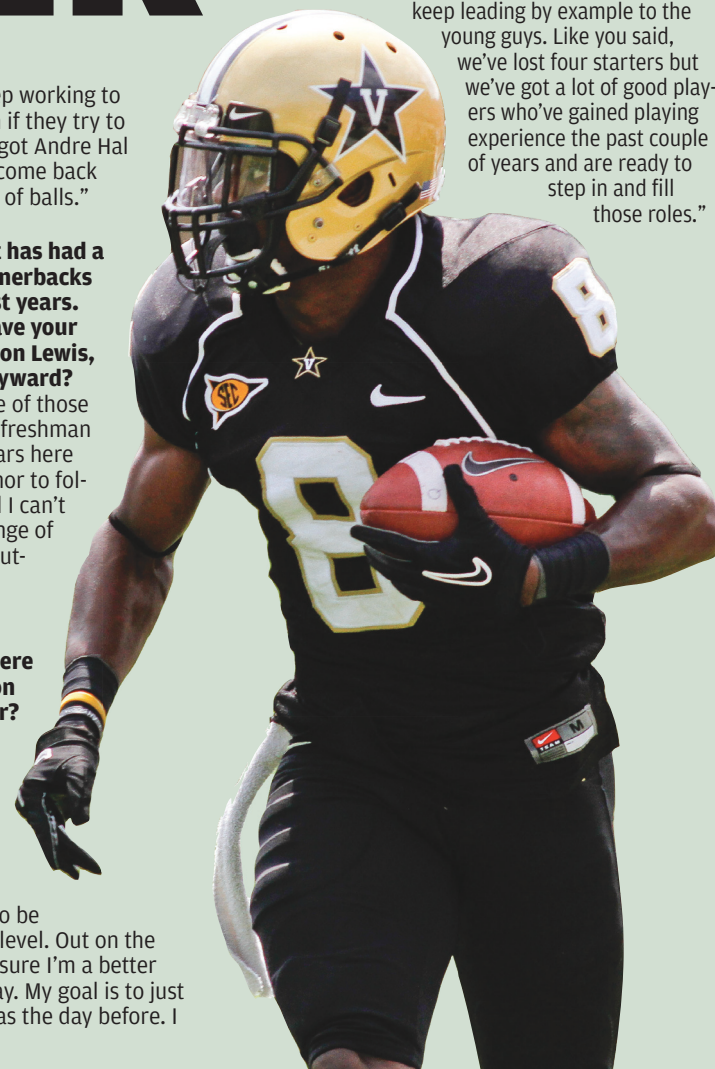
You lost four starters off a defense that was near the top of the SEC. What role do you, as a senior, have to take to allow this defense to continue to improve? "I need to take a big leadership role. I'm not necessarily a big rah-rah leader type, my rah-rah is in my business. It's in what I do on the field. I've just got to keep leading by example to the young guys. Like you said, we've lost four starters but we've got a lot of good players who've gained playing experience the past couple of years and are ready to step in and fill those roles."

here, and I'm going to keep working to get better every day. Even if they try to shy away from me, we've got Andre Hal on the other side. They'll come back once he picks off a couple of balls."

As you know, Vanderbilt has had a pretty strong line of cornerbacks come through in the past years. What does it mean to have your name up there with Myron Lewis, DJ Moore, and Casey Hayward? "It's great. I know all three of those guys. Myron was here my freshman year, and I spent three years here with Casey. It's just an honor to follow in their footsteps, and I can't wait to take on the challenge of being Vanderbilt's next shutdown corner."

In order to become that shutdown corner, are there any things you worked on with your game this year?

"I've been working on my overall game in general. I try not to put too much focus into one area because then you start slacking in other areas. I try to do my best daily to work on my whole game to be able to take it to the next level. Out on the practice field just making sure I'm a better player than I was yesterday. My goal is to just be a better No. 8 than I was the day before. I





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Vanderbilt Stadium fills up

By JACK KUHLENSCHMIDT
Sports Writer

The Vanderbilt football season is upon us, and with this year's team comes possibly the most optimism Commodore football has had in recent history.

James Franklin's first year as Vanderbilt's head coach ended with a 6-7 record (2-6 in SEC play), but five of those losses were decided by a touchdown or less, and Franklin was able to reload his roster with the No. 29 recruiting class in the country, according to Rivals.com.

The football tradition at Vanderbilt has been shaky at best when compared to the SEC powers, but Franklin continues to make strides towards turning the university into a football school rather than a tailgating school.

The growing hope regarding Franklin's team is directly visible at the box office. There will be 6,200 more season ticket holders in Vanderbilt Stadium this year than there were last year, an increase of almost 50 percent.

The Commodores' first game has already sold 37,000 tickets (Vanderbilt Stadium holds 40,550) despite possible weather concerns and the fact that the game will be played on a Thursday night rather than the traditional Saturday.

Student attendance is also expected to rise this season. There is enough room in the stadium to fit virtually every Vanderbilt undergraduate, and the first game of the year is usually a popular one in terms of student attendance as a result of the 12th Man Tailgate before the game.

Despite the student body's spotty attendance record in years past, the football program is optimistic that the hype surrounding Thursday's game against the Gamecocks will draw a high percentage of the undergraduate population.

The key difference between box office numbers this season and successful ticket sales from years past is that there is a steadily growing fan base loyal to Vanderbilt and Vanderbilt alone.

The two most successful seasons in recent memory by ticket sales were 2008 and 1996, and in both instances, those successes could be attributed to the fact that there were some marquee names on the Commodores' home schedule.

The 1996 calendar featured home games against Notre Dame and the University of Tennessee, two schools with die-hard fan bases that are known to bring large numbers of fans on the road with them.

The 2008 season was similarly filled with popular home games, as the Commodores played on ESPN against South Carolina (also on a Thursday night) as well as against Auburn. This upcoming season, however, should be a groundbreaking one in terms of how many supporters fill the stadium in Commodore black and gold.

Coach Franklin's plan is far from complete, but after just one full year on the job, the culture surrounding Vanderbilt football is noticeably different.

HOW TO ANCHOR DOWN

THE FOOTBALL TEAM HAS DESIGNED A NEW CHEER TO BE PERFORMED DURING KICKOFFS. THE VANDERBILT HUSTLER SHOWS YOU HOW TO PERFORM "THE ANCHOR DOWN" IN FOUR EASY STEPS. PRACTICE AT HOME BEFORE THURSDAY NIGHT'S GAME.



Step One: Raise your right hand above your head, throwing up the "VU" sign. Yell "Ahhhhhhhhhh" as loud as you can.



Step Two: When the ball is kicked, throw your hand down and yell "ANCHOR!" at an appropriately obnoxious decibel level.



Step Three: Raise your hand back to your shoulders, pausing momentarily. Collect your thoughts and find your center. It'll be important for the next step.



Step Four: Throw your right hand back down, only harder than the first time. Shout "DOWN!" Congratulations, you just anchored down.

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*It's what you wear, not what you do. - CJF

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*looking for answers?

Aren't we all? They will be **right here** in Monday's paper.

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk

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TODAY'S CROSSWORD

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 - 14 With good cheer
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By Bruce Venzke 8/27/12

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 - 10 Knickknack holder
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 - 12 "Close, but no cigar"
 - 13 Like Alfred E. Neuman's grin
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*ditto.

Spotlight on Spotlight

The BhangraDores perform at Vanderbilt Performing Arts Council's Spotlight on Friday, Aug. 24, 2012.

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