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Jasmine Lister drives to the basket during Thursday night's 83-75 loss to Tennessee.

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While the men's basketball team is still **smarting from the 32-2 run that cratered its chances in Columbia on Saturday** (see page 6), the women's team scored in bunches at just the right times. The Commodores' **15-0 scoring run on Thursday night** came up short against Vanderbilt's archrivals, but **Sunday afternoon's 14-4 run against Alabama** secured a critical victory that the Commodores hope to build off of midway through their SEC slate.

## A GAME OF RUNS

By **ALLISON MAST**  
Sports reporter

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**T**iffany Clarke cut back towards Christina Foggie's inbounds pass and immediately pivoted to hit a streaking Jasmine Lister, who had caught Alabama's pressing defense flat-footed and out of position. Without breaking stride, Lister reached behind her to reel in the pass with one hand and broke free toward the basket and, with a hard pump-fake that sent the trailing defender flying past her, put Vanderbilt ahead 61-52 with an easy layup. The play capped off a 14-4 run that helped ice the Commodores' 67-58 win in Tuscaloosa on Sunday afternoon and got the Commodores back in the wins column after the team dropped 3 of its last 4 SEC games, including an emotional 83-75 loss to Tennessee on Thursday night. It also marked the second consecutive game where Vanderbilt took advantage of one of the all-important momentum-swinging scoring runs that set the flowing style of basketball apart from other sports.

it more difficult for them," Balcomb said. "We made them turn the ball over a little bit and caught up." The Lady Vols quickly regained the momentum and brought the visitors' lead back out to multiple possessions, but senior Tiffany Clarke and junior Christina Foggie made some crucial buckets to keep Vandy in the game.

"We got every look we could possibly get from every shooter," Balcomb said. "We didn't knock them down when we needed to, but we got every look we needed to get, some wide-open looks."

Down the stretch on Thursday, fouls killed the Commodores. UT's Taber Spani, who scored a career-high 24 points during the game, picked up five of those points at the foul line. Spani hasn't missed a free throw since Nov. 18, and her teammates were also near perfect in the final stretch.

"We can't celebrate when we get runs, and defensively we can't get away from the game plan," Foggie said.

There was no easing off on defense Sunday — Alabama hit just four shots from the field in the game's final 13 minutes. Tiffany Clarke finished with 27 points, 15 rebounds and three blocks, and freshman Heather Bowe pulled down 11 of her 13 rebounds in the second half.

Bowe scored the first five points of Vanderbilt's late-game run that emphatically broke the 13th tie score of the afternoon, hitting layups in traffic on consecutive possessions and drawing contact on her second for a three-point play. Meanwhile, the Crimson Tide could not help their own cause from the line, shooting 11-of-17 on their second-half free throws, and shot just 32.8 percent from the field.

And Lister, third on the team in points per game, overcame a quiet shooting night and 11 turnovers to get open for that final basket that punctuated the run and secured a victory that the Commodores hope can start a run of their own up the SEC standings.

*"We can't celebrate when we get runs, and defensively we can't get away from the game plan."*

**CHRISTINA FOGGIE**, Junior and Vanderbilt women's basketball guard, who finished with 22 points in Vandy's loss to Tennessee on Thursday night

In the opening minutes of Thursday night's game against Tennessee, it appeared as though not much had changed from when the Lady Vols dominated the rivalry for the majority of Summitt's tenure: Vanderbilt struggled to penetrate against the length of the Tennessee interior, and the Lady Vols took what they wanted on the offensive end.

That history-laden narrative was put in doubt by a 15-0 Vanderbilt run that spanned the halftime break, fired up the Memorial Gymnasium crowd and tied up the score at 41 at the 16:09 of the second half.

"We fought back and started to make some shots and made

### TIMELINE: A RUN FOR THEIR MONEY

#### TUESDAY: VANDY VS. TENNESSEE

**Start: 1:50 left in first half, Tennessee 41, Vanderbilt 26**  
**1:50** - 3-pointer made by Lister (29-41)  
**19:48** - layup made by Foggie (31-41)  
**19:13** - layup made by Foggie (33-41)  
**18:01** - 1 of 2 free throws made by Clarke (34-41)  
**17:41** - layup made by Foggie (36-41)  
**17:07** - layup made by Clarke (38-41)  
**16:09** - 3-pointer made by Lister (41-41)  
**End: 16:09 left in game, score tied at 41**

#### SUNDAY: VANDY VS. ALABAMA

**Start: 6:35 left in game, Vanderbilt 49, Alabama 48**  
**6:35** - Bowe makes two-point jumper, 51-48  
**6:09** - Bowe makes two-point jumper, 53-48  
**6:09** - Bowe makes free throw, 54-48  
**5:36** - Simmons makes both free throws, 54-50  
**5:15** - Clarke makes two free throws, 56-50  
**4:36** - Clarke makes two-point jumper, 58-50  
**4:06** - Simmons makes two-point jumper, 58-52  
**3:21** - Bowe makes two-point jumper, 60-52  
**2:57** - Foggie makes 1 of 2 free throws, 61-52  
**2:27** - Jasmine Lister makes layup, 63-52  
**End: 2:27 left in game, Vanderbilt 63, Alabama 52**

## Crikey! Crocs on the lam

JOHANNESBURG (AP) — Calling all crocodile experts — South African police say you're needed to help capture thousands of crocs out on the lam.

Thousands of crocodiles escaped a breeding farm along a river on the South Africa-Botswana border when the farms' gates were opened earlier this week to alleviate pressure caused by rising flood waters.

Efforts are now being made to wrangle the reptiles and get them back to the Rakwena Crocodile Farm, from where the vast majority escaped. Hangwani Mulaudzi, a spokesman for the police in Limpopo Province, said Friday that experts are needed right away to help sort out the crocodile crisis.

Donald Strydom, a wildlife expert at South Africa's Khamai Reptile Centre, said he doesn't think the croc release will lead to a loss of human life. People are aware of the situation, he said, and crocodiles don't naturally hunt humans.

"People must not go into a monster hunt and think these crocodiles are out to eat them,"

Strydom told South Africa's eNews Channel Africa.

## Killed bill

### No plans to reintroduce anti-all comers bill in TN

Tennessee state representative Mark Pody, R-Tenn., told The Tennessean he has no plans to reintroduce a bill that would cut off support to Vanderbilt due to its all-comers policy.

The bill, which was passed by both houses last year before being vetoed by Governor Bill Haslam, was deemed to be "constitutionally suspect" by State Attorney General Bob Cooper earlier this month. Cooper was replying to Pody's request for an opinion on the bill.

Due to the opinion of the Attorney General, Pody says he doesn't plan to reintroduce the bill.

"We don't want to pass legislation that's unconstitutional," he told The Tennessean.

In the meantime, Pody says he plans to meet with Vanderbilt officials to discuss the policy.

"The best way to resolve this is to meet with Vanderbilt and work it out," he said. "I am looking forward to those meetings."

## NEW GRANT FUNDS MALNUTRITION RESEARCH AT VANDY MED

A \$100,000 grant from Grand Challenges Explorations, an initiative of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, is funding the research of Vanderbilt Pediatric Surgeon John Pietsch and fourth-year medical student Katherine Allen.

Pietsch and Allen are working with the Vanderbilt Biomedical Engineering Department and the Vanderbilt Institute for Global Health to develop a handheld instrument that can provide early detection of malnutrition in children and infants.

"Smart and mobile technologies are currently underutilized and provide a cost-effective opportunity to access and improve health care, as well as enable more independent living," said Franz Baudenbacher, associate professor of biomedical engineering and physics.

The device would measure body water and overall body composition, as well as plot and analyze changes in nutrition following nutritional support, using Vanderbilt's existing Smart Health Care Technology Platform.

Grand Challenges Explorations is a \$100-million initiative funded by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. Launched in 2008, more than 700 people in 45 countries have received the grants.



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## QUOTE OF THE DAY

"There is no going back on freedom, democracy and the supremacy of the law."  
**MOHAMMED MORSI**, EGYPTIAN PRESIDENT



## VANDERBITS

### PLAN YOUR WEEK

By **SAM MCBRIDE**  
*News manager*

#### MONDAY

##### 'Mark di Suvero-Affinities' Exhibit

*Cohen Memorial Hall*  
 12-4 p.m.

Presented on the occasion of Vanderbilt University's acquisition of a major work of outdoor sculpture by Mark di Suvero, this exhibition will highlight a selection of drawings by this seminal American artist, along with a 1985 documentary film that illuminates the artist's working methods.

#### TUESDAY

##### International Lens: 'La Camioneta'

*Sarratt Cinema*  
 7:30 p.m.

Every day, dozens of decommissioned school buses leave the United States to Guatemala, where they are repaired, repainted and resurrected as the brightly colored camionetas that bring the majority of Guatemalans to work each day. Since 2006, nearly 1,000 camioneta drivers and fare-collectors have been killed for either refusing or being unable to pay the extortion money demanded by local gangs.

#### WEDNESDAY

##### Wind Symphony and Orchestra with Berlin Philharmonic

*Blair School of Music — Ingram Hall*  
 8-9:30 p.m.

The Vanderbilt University Orchestra, under direction of Berlin Philharmonic Wind Quintet flutist Michael Hasel, performs Brahms' "Tragic Overture." Orchestra director Robin Fountain then leads the ensemble in Mozart's Symphony No. 39. Free and open to the public.



#### THURSDAY

##### Vanderbilt Visiting Writers presents author Madison Smartt Bell

*Wilson Hall 126*  
 7-8 p.m.

Nashville-born author Madison Smartt Bell, best known for his trilogy of novels about Haitian revolutionary Toussaint Louverture, will do a public reading as part of the Vanderbilt Creative Writing program's Visiting Writers series.

#### CORRECTION:

The article "(Drug) Busted" that appeared in last Thursday's edition of The Hustler reported MNPD Officer Gbewa Mustapha testified that Josh Nzewi told Simon Chung within a text to get the vehicle of a Kappa Sigma pledge so they could transport drugs. However, the specific fraternity to whom the pledge belonged was never mentioned within the testimony, and the article has been changed on InsideVandy.com to reflect this fact.

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## Egyptians riot over death sentences

CAIRO (AP) — Egypt's president declared a state of emergency and curfew in three Suez Canal provinces hit hardest by a weekend wave of unrest that left more than 50 dead, using tactics of the ousted regime to get a grip on discontent over his Islamist policies and the slow pace of change.

Angry and almost screaming, Mohammed Morsi vowed in a televised address on Sunday night that he would not hesitate to take even more action to stem the latest eruption of violence across much of the country. But at the same time, he sought to reassure Egyptians that his latest moves would not plunge the country back into authoritarianism.

"There is no going back on freedom, democracy and the supremacy of the law," he said.

The worst violence this weekend was in the

## POPPING the VANDERBUBBLE

Mediterranean coastal city of Port Said, where seven people were killed on Sunday, pushing the toll for two days of clashes to at least 44. The unrest was sparked on Saturday by a court conviction and death sentence for 21 defendants involved in a mass soccer riot in the city's main stadium on Feb. 1, 2012, that left 74 dead.

Most of those sentenced to death were local soccer fans from Port Said, deepening a sense of persecution that Port Said's residents have felt since the stadium disaster, the worst soccer violence ever in Egypt.

The curfew and state of emergency, both in force for 30 days, affect the provinces of Port Said, Ismailiya and Suez. The curfew takes effect

Monday from 9 p.m.-6 a.m. every day.

Morsi, in office since June, also invited the nation's political forces to a dialogue starting Monday to resolve the country's latest crisis. A statement issued later by his office said that among those invited were the country's top reform leader, Nobel peace Laureate Mohammed ElBaradei, former Arab League chief Amr Moussa and Hamdeen Sabahi, a leftist politician who finished third in last year's presidential race.

The three are leaders of the National Salvation Front, an umbrella for the main opposition parties.

In many ways, Morsi's decree and his call for a dialogue betrayed his despair in the face of wave after wave of political unrest, violence and man-made disasters that at times made the country look like it was about to come unglued.

In Cairo, clashes broke out for the fourth straight day on Sunday, with protesters and police outside two landmark, Nile-side hotels near central Tahrir Square, birthplace of the 2011 uprising. Police fired tear gas while protesters pelted them with rocks.

## College students among the dead in Brazilian club fire

By **TYLER BISHOP**  
*News manager*

At least 233 club-goers perished in a nightclub fire in Santa Maria, Brazil early Sunday morning. An additional 90 were hospitalized, 14 with severe burns. According to officials, the club was more than 1,000 people over capacity.

"This overcrowding made it difficult for people to leave, and according to the information we have, the security guards kept people from leaving the building," state fire official Guido de Melo told CNN.

Santa Maria is home to the Federal University of Santa Maria as well as a number of other private universities and colleges. Some local college students were among the dead.

According to eyewitnesses, the fire seemed to start out of nowhere and spread extremely quickly. Many said that friends who were inside the club struggled to find the way to exits in the dark.

Officials also said that the club's license had expired in August and had not been renewed.

## Vanderbilt professor at forefront of discussion on financial aid reform

(AP) — The Committee for Economic Development (CED) held a meeting on Thursday to discuss reforms to Federal and State Financial Aid. Dr. William Doyle, a professor at Vanderbilt University's Peabody College, served as the keynote speaker. The luncheon centered on discussion of Doyle's policy brief: "A New Partnership: The Road to Reshaping Federal & State Financial Aid." The brief centers on the premise that simply through an overall increase in efficiency, the system of higher education will result in increased educational entertainment for undeserved populations.

"Student financial aid should ensure that individuals who can benefit from college and would not otherwise attend, are able to enroll, this policy brief lays the ground work for policymakers to design a student financial aid system that works at every level — federal, state and institutional — in order to accomplish this goal," said Doyle.

CED Co-Chair Carl Camden expressed his believe in the importance and relevancy of Dr. Doyle's brief.

"Dr. Doyle's analysis comes at a critically important time as the U.S. system of higher education continues to fall behind the rest of the world in the production of postsecondary degrees and certificates. College prices continue to rise faster than prices in other sectors ... low-income students continue to struggle to pay for and at-



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tain an advanced degree ... We do need to think about how to use our dollars more effectively," said Camden.

The CED is a nonprofit, nonpartisan business-led public policy organization, which conducts research on major economic and social issues. The CED has long been invested in promoting education reform in this county.

## FEATURE PHOTO: RED PANDA



KEVIN BARNETT / THE VANDERBILT HUSTLER

Acrobat and juggler Red Panda performs at halftime of the Vanderbilt-Tennessee women's basketball game at Memorial Gym on Thursday, Jan. 24.

## Weather Forecast

### MONDAY



HIGH  
64°

30 percent chance of rain in the afternoon

LOW  
56°

### TUESDAY



HIGH  
69°

Mostly cloudy

LOW  
58°

### WEDNESDAY



HIGH  
62°

Thunderstorms

LOW  
31°

### THURSDAY



HIGH  
46°

Mostly sunny

LOW  
24°

# opinion



## THE RANT

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**1. Does Hillary Rosenjack support my religious freedom to perform ritual human sacrifice?**

**2. I get an excused absence to my 9 a.m. class if the construction across from Towers kept me up until 5 in the morning, right?**

**3. It makes me so mad to see the Vandy student apathy in basketball attendance. I have been attending since I was a freshman in 1979 and these students are pathetic in their support for their teams. If you want great recruits, you need to show more support!**

**4. Is it just me or do we spend an excessive amount of money trying to bribe students to attend athletic events?**

**5. If freshman pledges would still like to have a house after they finish pledging, then they should probably stop talking loudly about how they're being hazed by members of said house while on the Vandy Van.**

**6. Abby Sutton: Morulas and blastulas neither feel pain nor do they have toes.**

**7. Apparently corporations and fetuses have more civil rights than workers or women. Didn't realize that our opinion page was now a forum for Fox News contributors.**

**8. After that drug bust, looks like no one will be poppin' a molly and sweatin' for a while. Woo!**

**9. WHY are all the sockets in the library stacks 2-pronged instead of 3?? Do they even make 2-pronged laptop chargers?!? (Editor's note: 4 out of 6 editors have 2-pronged chargers. Sorry.)**

**10. Yeah, if we could stop pretending that Christians are being oppressed, that'd be great.**

**11. Abortion should be just as accessible as guns and bullets.**

**12. Really, Franklin? I love everything you've done, but you tweet like a 4th grader. Know your target audience.**

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## VSG: Vanderbilt's sloppy government

Despite its accomplishments, the current administration's inability to follow basic regulations is troubling



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Like many of us, student politicians are looking forward to the spring. Not only does the season afford these students the opportunity to escape the surprising chill that has gripped campus as of late; it also gets them ever closer to VSG spring elections, which carry with them the pomp and circumstance of — gasp! — the presidential election. Such campaigns have historically centered on questions of VSG services, and as of late, we've seen some nice new services. Food trucks, anyone? And what about access to other students' class evaluations? While services such as these are nice, VSG's recent successes do little to paper over an enormous failure: a total lapse in actually acting like a true student government.

Consider, for example, VSG's shambolic treatment of its minutes. Based on VSG statute, the General Secretary is required to take and keep accurate minutes of all Senate sessions, and based on Statute 2.8.2 — a shiny, new statute passed in late 2011 — the General Secretary and the Director of Public Relations "shall publish these minutes to the VSG website within 24 hours of the legislative session."

Current VSG officials, however, seem to have mistaken "shall" with "probably won't." Regrettably, VSG only published two copies of Senate session minutes all last semester: those from Sept. 19 and Oct. 2. Not only that — they couldn't even get the Oct. 2 minutes on the appropriate portion of the website. Check the "Minutes" section off of the "Records" tab of the VSG website; they're not there, lurking instead in the depths of the VSGblog.

Let me be clear: From the beginning of October to now, VSG has somehow managed to bungle the simple task of uploading text onto a webpage a full day after the text was written. Middle school students with a minimal grasp of copy-and-paste could probably manage this feat; why can't a collegiate student government?

And it's not like VSG can hide behind the simultaneous management of its website and Anchor Link as an excuse for slow upload times. Last time I checked, nothing has been added to the "Documents" section of VSG's Anchor Link page since last March. What kind of message does it send to other student organizations if VSG — Anchor Link's now and forever champion — cannot upload documents to its Anchor Link page with any kind of regularity?

Then again, at least the statutes governing minutes were minimally followed; after all, the two copies of minutes on VSG's website were uploaded within the 24-hour window required by VSG itself.

Other statutes, however, don't even enjoy this momentary attention. For those who don't know, VSG maintains six standing committees, each of which is charged with discussing issues and delivering services related to their specific focuses. Given the presumed importance of their work and the services they render — Academic Affairs, Campus Life and Student Services are but a few of the committees — it seems that their discussions and efforts should be made public. VSG has rules in place for just that: According to Statute 3.10.1, all committees are required to publish

monthly reports online under the offices of the Executive Vice President and the Attorney General. Funny enough, when the resolution containing this statute passed, one Maryclaire Manard was executive vice president.

Strangely, these monthly committee reports are totally nonexistent this academic year, despite the fact that President Manard presumably knows — or ought to have known — of this obligation as a byproduct of being the then-incumbent Executive Vice President. If you can find me a single copy of a publicly available report from a VSG standing committee from this academic year, I will ... Well, there's no point in floating out an offer.

Because you won't find them anywhere.

While you're at it, check to see if copies of the five resolutions VSG has passed this academic year are online, too. Because you won't find them online, either, despite the fact that resolutions from all other academic years are available online.

To review: VSG can't seem to upload secretarial minutes, publish committee reports or publish resolutions online, despite the fact that VSG itself says these are major no-nos. If there were several cabinet members all named Lennay Kekua, I'd be sympathetic to VSG's inaction; however, there aren't. Such failures seem to indicate a lack of either knowledge of or interest in the process of upholding current VSG statute and the resolutions that crafted said statutes.

To take a step back, it's probably true that few students know and even fewer students actually care about these issues. But if we are going to sit through yet another round of VSG elections this spring — if we are going to tolerate the grandstanding, the signs, the retinues of campaign staffers, the debates in which candidates refuse to take stances on divisive, university-wide issues — then our student politicians had better fulfill their end of the bargain. Before candidates "drive themselves toward making a difference," to borrow from Manard and Company, and trumpet their success at bringing XYZ to campus or to the Commodore Card, they need to be able to handle the basics of the governmental structure they have inherited.

How, then, has President Manard handled the reins? Frankly, we don't know; we are more than halfway through the academic year, and it's almost impossible to see what the Senate and committees have done because there is hardly any public documentation of it. Sure, we got food trucks and access to peer evaluations of classes. Movie nights kept on coming. Angel Tree was an unqualified success. And thanks to the efforts of SPEAR and Reinvest Vanderbilt, VSG recently manned up and decided to take a stand on broader university policies like investment practices.

But this is not a question of services won; this is a question of a government administered.

By that standard, the Manard administration is floundering.

— Michael Greshko

## What's the big deal?



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Last week, The Vanderbilt Hustler reported on the recent arrest of two Vanderbilt students for possession with intent to distribute marijuana, cocaine and MDMA (ecstasy). I was disappointed to learn of these events, not solely because of the potential impact on Vanderbilt's reputation, but because the police should be concerned with more important and actual threats to the community. Additionally, Vanderbilt's response to this incident perpetuated discredited myths about the dangers of illegal drugs.

Lastly, based on the news report, it seems that Vanderbilt students need to be more aware of their rights during encounters with police. As I have expressed in previous columns, I am strongly in favor of ending the war on drugs. According to the Drug Policy Alliance, more than \$51 billion is spent annually in the U.S. on this effort, and as result of the drug war, the U.S. has the highest incarceration rate in the world with approximately 1 in every 99 adults in federal, state and local prisons and jails. Looking at this, the war on drugs has become a terrible waste of taxpayer dollars and labor potential. Furthermore, individuals should be free to make their own choices regarding what they wish to consume; it is not the government's proper role to protect adults from themselves.

In an email sent on Jan. 23, Dean of Students Mark Bandas wrote: "The sale and consumption of illegal drugs is a high risk activity. It undermines learning and personal development, endangers the health and safety of the user and other students and is potentially life-threatening." True, the sale of illegal drugs is a high-risk activity, but only because it's illegal. If drugs were legalized, the sale of drugs could be just as safe as the dispensing of prescriptions at pharmacies. In addition, the consumption of most illegal drugs is no more high-risk than the consumption of alcohol, legal or otherwise. A well-respected study in 2010 published in the British peer-reviewed

journal *Lancet* ranked 20 drugs, from alcohol to marijuana to mushrooms, by overall harm, taking into account both harm to users (e.g. dependence, mortality and impairment of mental functioning) and harm to others (e.g. crime, environmental damage and loss of relationships). Top-ranked was alcohol at 72 out of 100 possible points, with powder cocaine at 27 out of 100, marijuana at 20 out of 100, and ecstasy at 9 out of 100. In other words, these two Vanderbilt students, our peers, were arrested for possession with intent to distribute substances all less dangerous than alcohol.

According to the news report in The Hustler, the charged students and the third student involved in the investigation displayed a disturbing lack of comprehension of their legal rights. When dealing with police, you should always exercise your rights, whether or not you have committed a crime. The Fourth Amendment protects against illegal searches. In general, you should never consent to any searches. The Fifth Amendment provides protection against self-incrimination. Anything you say can and will be used against you in court; exercise your right to remain silent, and ask for a lawyer if you are arrested. If stopped by police, remember that unless you are being detained or arrested, you are free to leave or terminate the encounter at anytime; just ask the officer if you are free to go.

Vanderbilt Young Americans for Liberty will be hosting a lecture by Pete Eyre, co-founder of Cop Block, an organization that promotes police accountability and believes that badges do not grant extraordinary rights. Members of the Vanderbilt community who wish to learn more about exercising their legal rights are strongly encouraged to attend. The lecture will be held at 6 p.m. this Tuesday in Calhoun 104.

— Kenny Tan

## The perks of dating a wallflower



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Back when I was in high school, a girl I was into named Lauren convinced me to watch the entire first season of the TV show "Roswell." Roswell was a teen drama on The WB that ran for three seasons from 1999 to 2002. The story revolved around high school students from Roswell, N.M., the site of the alleged UFO crash in 1947. The plot picks up when super-cute main character Liz discovers that male lead Max is not just her teenage peer; he is actually an alien whose ancestor was on the alien aircraft that crashed in 1947 disguised carefully as a high school student.

The plotline was actually pretty interesting for a show whose target audience was adolescent girls. But the one major problem I had with it was that I couldn't understand why Liz eventually ended up crushing hardcore on Max. Besides his supernaturalism, he shows no realistic common characteristics that would be intriguing or attractive to a teen girl. He comes nowhere close to the confident socially-powerful hunk that most high school girls write about in their diaries. Strange, quiet and timid, Max possesses the opposite qualities of what most young women tend to crush on.

I actually brought up this concern with Lauren, but she argued for Roswell's case by saying "Chicks dig the broody type!" But it still didn't settle with me. I had never seen nor heard of any real-life cases of a girl crushing hard on such a polarized introvert.

Having been a romantic since I was young, I had long asked the age-old question: "Why do girls only chase the cocky assholes?" And whether I was being consulted by female friends in college, high school or even middle school, the common underlying theme in every answer was "confidence."

I never knew one single quality could hold so much influence in young dating life. It was hard for me to comprehend that teen girls tend to be wooed so easily by a guy with social power, while the more timid guys seem to have so much more to offer in terms of fostering a sincere and emotionally stable relationship.

Looking retrospectively at the motives of middle school and high

school girls, social status seems to play a big part in pursuing the popular guy. Even in college, the prospect of landing the big-man-on-campus extrovert seems to be an attention-grabbing technique. Think about it: A girl gets more attention when everyone starts to see that she's dating a frat star, which is not the same attention she would get for dating the thoughtful and genuine introverted English major whose highlight of the week is catching up on sleep every Friday night.

Now of course I'm not going to say girls are all to blame for this social dilemma. Clearly society's double standards for gender takes a significant role in pushing us to think less of a girl with obnoxious party-animal boyfriend than we would a guy dating a girl with a sketchy hook-up background. And on a similar note, potential relationships may be bogged down by a self-confidence issue in which the introverted English major needs to believe that he is even worthy enough for someone to chase after him.

But my call to action is targeted for anyone who uses "confidence" as an over-justification for whom they consider to be dating material. Being in college, we need to start coming to the mature realization that your Facebook relationship status is not a billboard advertising your social standing. Besides, that attractive bratty girl on your hall who you're trying to make jealous isn't the one who is going to be bringing you flowers on Valentine's Day or sending you those heartwarming "goodnight" texts.

So please, take a moment in admiration for Liz and Max's relationship, and consider that cute introvert in your class who maybe flashes you a smile or waves to you every once in a while. He may not drunkenly make out with you on an elevated surface during a Saturday-night rager, but if you give him the chance to step out of his shell, you could end up the luckiest girl in the world. Let's see what the bratty girl on your hall thinks of that.

— Charlie Schwartz

# Life



**GO DO THIS!**

## THINK BOUTIQUE

By **BRITTANY MATTHEWS**  
Asst. life editor

If you're looking for a boutique that offers a shopping experience past what you would normally get at the mall, The Hustler offers a list of the best places in Nashville for upscale shopping outside of the Posh and Muse.

### H. Audrey

**Location:** 4027 Hillsboro Pike, Nashville, Tenn.  
**Hours:** Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Sunday 12 p.m.-6 p.m.

H. Audrey is an upscale boutique in the Green Hills area. Holly Williams — daughter of famous country singer Hank Williams, Jr. — opened the store in 2007. After spending time touring around the United States and Europe, Williams saw a chance to expose Nashville to the upscale designers and fashion trends that were otherwise missing from the clothing scene. Since then, H. Audrey has been a shopping destination for trendy Nashville civilians and celebrities alike, including Sheryl Crow, Gwyneth Paltrow, Nicole Kidman, Kelly Clarkson, Faith Hill and others. Williams looked to designers such as Rag & Bone, Current/Elliott, Helmut Lang and Alexander McQueen to fill her racks. H. Audrey also holds unique images and photographs, such as rare portraits of the Beatles.

### Blush Boutique

**Locations:**  
782 Old Hickory Blvd. Suite 103, Brentwood, Tenn.  
4326 Harding Pike Suite 104, Belle Meade, Tenn. **Hours:** Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Sunday 12 p.m.-6 p.m.

Unlike other boutiques of its caliber, Blush Boutique offers shoppers brand-name pieces for almost a third of the retail price. They also offer free personal styling to all of their customers, but that's not even the best thing about the Blush experience. Blush never orders more than 6 of an item, which makes it that much harder to find someone with the same outfit as you. At the same time, they order 80-plus new styles every week, which means there's something new every time you enter the store. As a result, Blush Boutique has won recognition as one of the Top Women's Boutiques by the Nashville Scene, as well as winning the "Toast of Music City" Award from The Tennessean's Reader's Choice Awards. They have multiple locations, one off of Harding Road in Belle Meade and another in Brentwood.

### Hemline

**Location:** 4025 Hillsboro Pike, Suite 504, Nashville, Tenn.  
**Hours:** Monday-Thursday 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Friday-Sat 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Sunday 12 p.m.-6 p.m.

Hemline started as a boutique established in 1994 in the French Quarter in New Orleans that grew to include locations in Texas, Missouri and now Tennessee. Today, Hemline holds over 200 lines of clothing, shoes and accessories, with each store offering a unique shopping experience. Hemline Nashville is a boutique in the Hill Place in Green Hills that offers a wide range of prices and carries popular designers like French Connection, Free People, Karlie and more.

### Jamie

**Location:** 4317 Harding Pike, Nashville, Tenn.  
**Hours:** Monday-Friday 10-5:30, Saturday 10-5

Jamie is a favorite among Nashville's most fashion forward. It was recently voted one of the "Nation's Top Specialty Stores and Style Leaders" by the prestigious women's fashion magazine Harper's Bazaar. Jamie carries designers and styles that you'd normally have to travel to Chicago or New York to find — it is truly a designer shopping stop. Among designers available at Jamie are Prada, Lanvin, J. Mendel, Oscar de la Renta, Vera Wang, Jason Wu and many, many others. Besides clothing, their Shoe Salon carries styles from high-end labels like Bottega Veneta and Tory Burch. They also have a Fine Jewelry Salon that has its own jewelry experts and they offer facial and makeup consultations from their skin specialist at The Beauty Lab. On top of all that, they recently opened a full service salon that offers hair styling, blowouts and treatments. Jamie is truly the ultimate one-stop shopping experience.

## 'YOLO' Video of the Week

The Lonely Island recently released a video for the first single off their third album titled "YOLO (feat. Adam Levine & Kendrick Lamar)." Kendrick Lamar stresses the importance of investing in real estate while The Lonely Island trio plus Adam Levine teach you how to keep safe in the dangerous world we live in. After all, you only live once, so — as the Lonely Island would say — "you oughta look out."



# Giving back to Vanderbilt

The **Senior Class Fund** is trying to make it **more convenient** for seniors to **give back** to the university. **Overall Chair of the organization Aladine Elsamadicy** speaks on how to give back and why you **should**.

By **KELLY HALOM**  
Life editor

Having received donations from just 50 percent of seniors last year, the Senior Class Fund is attempting to brand itself on campus and make it more convenient for students to give back. Overall Chair of the organization Aladine Elsamadicy stresses that the fund is a way of giving back to what truly impacts your time on campus, from donating to your scholarship fund to your fraternity to your academic department.

Compared to its peer institutions, which typically have over 90 percent involvement, Vanderbilt's senior contribution is severely lacking. Elsamadicy finds that this disparity makes very little sense in light of Vanderbilt's financial aid packages. "Sixty-four percent of Vanderbilt students do receive funding — some sort of money from Vanderbilt — so at least 64 percent should be giving back, automatically," Elsamadicy said. "With the new initiative of no loans with financial aid, it really now stresses for people to give back."

While involvement has not always been high, the Senior Class Fund is making huge strides this year in getting early participants. Last year at this time, only 12 people had donated; this year, 285 students have contributed to the fund.

This gain is likely due to the new initiatives to make giving much simpler and accessible for students. Students are able to swipe their Commodore Card whenever the Sarratt Box Office is open in order to donate, and the Senior Class Fund will be putting stamped envelopes



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The Senior Class Fund will be celebrating "100 Days Until Graduation" this week, by giving away free wristbands, sunglasses and the official senior class T-shirts on Sarratt Promenade from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. each day. Students can pick up some free gear and make a contribution to the fund.

in every senior's mail box, so they can add a cash contribution and immediately mail it back to the fund.

"We are trying to make it very convenient for people to give and there's no reason for our goal not to be 1,600 (seniors donating)," Elsamadicy said.

The Senior Class Fund also implicitly aids in degree quality by improving Vanderbilt's college ranking. Senior contribution is a factor that U.S. News and World Report uses in determining college rankings. "It also does affect our image as well, our degree quality," Elsamadicy said.

One of the many misconceptions that many seniors have is that they must give big contributions, but any amount will be taken and counted towards participation. "You don't have to give \$100, you don't have to give \$50. Heck, you don't even have to give \$5. You can give \$2 or \$3 if you want. Give anything," Elsamadicy said.

If you give with cash or online, you are able to dictate where the money goes, and it is processed to go there immediately. "Senior Class Fund as a board and as an organization, we do not hold the money. The money will get

processed as a senior making his gift and then it will go straight to the organization. I think the big thing we are trying to push out is we're not trying to collect money," Elsamadicy said. "We just want you to give back to a certain aspect of Vanderbilt. Let's say you like ASB and you really enjoyed your experience, then give back to ASB."

While the fund is doing much better this year than in years past, Elsamadicy recognizes that they still have a long way to go. "We try our best, but you'd be surprised," Elsamadicy said. "This culture shift that we're trying to build of people to start think of giving back while they're still in school is where the challenge is."

The Senior Class Fund will be in Sarratt Promenade from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. all this week to celebrate "100 Days Until Graduation." They will be handing out free wristbands, sunglasses and the official senior class T-shirts. On Friday, there will be the official senior class breakfast from 9-11 a.m. in Sarratt 220. At all of these events, there will be an opportunity to donate to the fund. For more information, check out [www.vanderbilt.edu/seniorclassfund](http://www.vanderbilt.edu/seniorclassfund).

# In the mix: multicultural sororities

Without a **Multicultural Greek Council** at Vanderbilt, the two multicultural sororities on campus have become **affiliate members of Panhellenic Council**. Lambda Theta Alpha's Vice President **Vanessa Fuentes** and Sigma Lambda Gamma's President **Jewel Davis** speak about their experience **without a council** and the potential benefits of having one.

By **CIERRA LOCKETT**  
Life reporter

Among the many sororities and fraternities on Vanderbilt's campus, you will find Sigma Lambda Gamma National Sorority, Inc. and Lambda Theta Alpha Latin Sorority, Inc. — multicultural sororities trying to stay afloat. While SLG and LTA are currently affiliate members of Vanderbilt's Panhellenic Council, these organizations' chapters on other campuses normally fall under a Multicultural Greek Council. Lambda Theta Alpha's Vice President Vanessa Fuentes and Sigma Lambda Gamma's President Jewel Davis speak out on the struggle of maintaining numbers on campus without a council to unite their distinct mission.

Fuentes and Davis stated that it is important to know the differences between their respective groups and the sororities that belong to Panhellenic and NPHC, as multicultural sororities tend to embody a distinct purpose that is showcased in their programming as well as their membership. As of now, Vanderbilt does not have a Multicultural Greek Council — due to there being so few multicultural Greek organizations at the university — and both sororities believe that, despite Vanderbilt's push to wait for more multicultural organizations to join Vanderbilt's Greek community, such a council would be beneficial for their chapters.

"(A Multicultural Greek Council) would be tailored more to our needs. It's not ideal to be associates of (Panhellenic) because it's not the same," Fuentes said. "Our requirements, like for chapter numbers,

are different, and having our own council would make standards more reasonable."

Davis also feels there is a need for a council on the campus, as the multicultural sororities are distinctly different from both Panhellenic groups and NPHC groups. "I definitely think it would benefit us to have one because it can be difficult being on Vanderbilt's campus when there isn't really this push for multiculturalism. There's a push for one way of life or another, but we have different traditions and do things different ways," Davis said. "It would definitely help with publicity and being established on campus."

Some might wonder how, if the sororities are so diverse, they are able to exemplify any particular cultural identity together or meet all of their sisters' needs. Both Davis and Fuentes said that they endeavor to create programming that touches on groups of all different backgrounds.

"For LTA, our principles are unity, love and respect," Fuentes said. "When someone goes Greek, I think they have to be specific in why they're joining a sorority and see that they fit in. When I joined LTA, I felt like I could be myself and identify with the principles and values."

"Our programming is geared towards diverse populations, such as our religious open mic last year and our relationship panel that included students of mixed race and different sexual orientations," Davis said. "We're looking for women who not only appreciate multiculturalism but are open-minded. We're looking for women who aren't afraid to be different. We (SLG) call ourselves 'women of distinction,' so



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ABOVE: Lambda Theta Alpha Latin Sorority, Inc. poses on the steps of Cohen in April 2012. BELOW: Current members of Sigma Lambda Gamma National Sorority, Inc. pose together, by throwing up their hand sign.

we're looking for you to be comfortable with surrounding yourself with people who don't act, think or look like you."

Involved in a more unique part of Greek Life, Fuentes and Davis have expressed difficulties in maintaining numbers due to lack of awareness on campus. Their tactics so far include attending other organizations' events, wearing letters frequently, meeting new people and promoting their events via social media and word-of-mouth. This is also how they spread the word about their informational meetings for potential new members to learn

more about the two sororities and meet current sisters.

"We have informationals and we're trying to work on promoting to different people," Fuentes said. "A lot of what goes on with LTA is done by word-of-mouth. I learned that way, and it was fortunate, but what if no one had ever told me? I would've never known that LTA was an option here on campus."

"Girls should definitely ask questions and try to come out to events. That's how you'd get to know us and see what we're all about, and they should feel free to contact any of us," Davis said.



# New sounds on campus

By **KELLY HALOM**  
Life editor

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The four founding members of VUHarmonics pose together before they resume auditions for their new a cappella group. The VUHarmonics hope to become a competitive co-ed a cappella group.

After holding auditions last Monday and Tuesday, VUHarmonics — pronounced “view-harmonics” — is the latest to join Vanderbilt’s thriving a cappella scene. Though the addition of yet another group might seem superfluous, President Ian Saylor discredits that claim.

“There are a lot of groups on campus already, but there’s also a lot of people auditioning that aren’t in groups,” Saylor said. “We saw an opportunity for a lot more people to have an outlet to sing a cappella, because there are lots and lots of talented people on this campus who are interested. We had the inspiration to get started and took off.”

A cappella has definitely become a much more accessible genre in recent years after being showcased on the hit show “Glee” and in the hit movie “Pitch Perfect.” Addition-

ally, the reality TV show “The Sing-Off” has helped popularize the genre by displaying competitive a cappella.

A cappella’s newfound trendiness seems to coincide with its rampant growth on college campuses. And while the a cappella movement has definitely sparked students’ interest, the music remains the underlying reason for student fervor. “A cappella offers a completely different style than you would get from, say, a choir or another group,” Saylor said. “In smaller groups, like the VUHarmonics, the musicianship of each individual singer becomes really important. With the right arrangements, every individual is given the chance to shine.”

Even more than the love of music, Saylor says that a cappella creates a love for the group, emphasizing the bond that is created by singing together. “When you make music with other people, it really brings everyone

together in a way that’s hard to understand,” he said.

Saylor hopes that VUHarmonics will distinguish itself by its drive to be the best. “Our focus is being a competitive co-ed a cappella group,” he said. “We really want to get involved with ICCA and other festivals and competitions and things of that nature.”

Saylor was especially excited to see such a diverse range of singers come out to audition. “There’s a wide range of people’s vocal ranges and different styles and those types of things. I guess it’s a cliché thing to say, but you really can’t tell what somebody’s going to sound like until they start singing, so it’s really cool to see how different people start opening up when they start singing.”

Out of 33 people that auditioned, nine were selected to join the four founders. The group hopes to have their first concert by April.

MOVIE REVIEW

# DO NOT SEE ‘MOVIE 43’. NO, REALLY.

‘Movie 43’ pieces together a **series of interconnected short films** that follow three kids as they search the internet for the **most banned movie in the world**. In their search, they uncover some of the most **horrifying, disgusting, revolting images** that should never be seen.

By **STACEY OSWALD**  
Life reporter

“Warning: This movie is not for the weak-stomached, or easily offended.”

The above statement is the first thing you’ll likely see when you Google “Movie 43,” but it’s an understatement.

“Movie 43” is hideous. It’s disgusting, it’s repulsive and it’s leagues beyond “Superbad” and “The Hangover” in lewdness. It deserves restrictions stronger than its R rating.

An entire scene is devoted to a character (Anna Faris) wanting her boyfriend to poop on her. The result is more disturbing than the scene in “Bridsmaids” — you know which one.

Another scene shows a couple (Liev Schreiber and Naomi Watts) homeschooling their child, while trying to expose him to the horrors of high school. At one point, Naomi Watts gives her son his first kiss, adding a nice dose of incest to the film.

Later in the movie, a character decides to give his best friend a leprechaun for his birthday, only to find out that the leprechaun (Gerard Butler) is actually a vulgar bastard with a killing machine for a brother (also Gerard Butler). The unfortunate birth-

day boy ends up getting shot in the eye by the leprechaun’s brother before both leprechauns get killed. But it’s okay — the birthday boy later receives a fairy that exchanges oral sex for gold coins as a second gift.

So why did Academy Award winner Kate Winslet agree to be a part of this film? How could Hugh Jackman follow up his heart-wrenching performance in “Les Mis” as a guy with balls hanging from his neck? What would possess Jason Sudeikis, a consistently hilarious performer, to partake in such a flop? In “Movie 43” these otherwise reputable actors lose their credibility.

It is certainly interesting to note that these actors and actresses haven’t promoted this movie through talk shows or magazines at all — do they perhaps anticipate what a hit it will take on their careers?

“Movie 43,” at its core, is a pathetic attempt to shock the American populace and show them just how far the envelope can be pushed, which, apparently, can be quite far.

American culture has hit another low. We are better than this horrific film. So, do our generation a favor and see something else at Green Hills this weekend. You’ll be thankful that you did.

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Nick Augspurger (2015 and Vice President)  
Riley Crabtree (2014 and Musical Director),  
Kevin Zeillmann (2014 and Treasurer)

**Members:**

Siham Mouahid (2016)  
Stephen Zaksewicz (2016)  
Laura Green (2016)  
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# sports

**THE BIG STAT**  
Number of freshmen on the 2012-2013 Vanderbilt Baseball team selected in the 2012 MLB Draft.

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## MINUTE DRILL

### SEC POWER RANKINGS

The best get better, the rest get routed

By **ERIC SINGLE**  
Editor-in-chief

#### 1. No. 8 Florida (16-2 overall, 6-0 SEC)

The Gators clowned Mississippi State by 35 on the road and have not won by less than 17 points all month. They could very well ride the easiest closing stretch of any top team in the country to a No. 1 seed in the tournament.

#### 2. No. 23 Ole Miss (17-2, 6-0)

Marshall Henderson hit two free throws with seven seconds left to ruin Auburn's upset bid on Saturday and kept the Rebels' roll going. It's gut-check week for Ole Miss, with a visit from Kentucky and a trip to Florida looming. If they're still undefeated in conference play by the next power rankings, we can all go ahead and crown Henderson SEC Player of the Year.

#### 3. Missouri (15-4, 4-2)

If playing against Vanderbilt really did unlock Alex Oriakhi's full potential within the Missouri offense, and if senior forward and leading scorer Laurence Bowers really is healthy enough to get back out on the floor whenever he's needed, the Commodores won't be the last team to fall behind by 31 in Columbia this year.

#### 4. Alabama (12-7, 4-2)

The Crimson Tide were denied a final shot in Saturday's 54-53 loss to Tennessee by a no-call that left head coach Anthony Grant laughing in disbelief as he left the floor. Alabama has shown a propensity for playing close games, but Arkansas could be in for an anger beating when they arrive in Tuscaloosa on Thursday.

#### 5. Kentucky (13-6, 4-2)

There's no escaping the Wildcats' mediocrity now, after they blew a big lead against one of the SEC's worst teams and just barely escaped Rupp Arena with a win in front of their horrified supporters. The defending national champions are squarely on the NCAA Tournament bubble.

#### 6. Arkansas (12-7, 3-3)

Losing by 21 points to South Carolina is not a good look for any team. The Razorbacks need to refocus for the next two weeks of their schedule, which feature four entirely losable games against Alabama, Tennessee, Florida and Vanderbilt.

#### 7. Tennessee (10-8, 2-4)

The Volunteers will take their gift win over Alabama and move forward hoping that Jarnell Stokes plays up to the level he did on Saturday. The sophomore finished with 15 points, 18 rebounds and one egregious hack of Trevor Lacey in the dying seconds that somehow went unpunished by the referees. Fine, we'll let it go.

#### 8. Vanderbilt (8-10, 2-4)

It would be irresponsible to mention how well Vanderbilt played in the opening minutes of the second half in the face of how completely the Commodores were dominated outside and inside for the majority of Saturday's 81-59 loss to Missouri.

#### 9. Auburn (8-11, 2-4)

Auburn heads to Athens on Wednesday hoping to stop its freefall down the conference standings. A fifth straight SEC loss at the hands of the Bulldogs heading into a brutal February would crater any fleeting hope the Tigers have of breaking .500 this year.

#### 10. Texas A&M (12-7, 2-4)

Speaking of four-game SEC losing streaks, the Aggies have hit the skids ever since Elston Turner dropped 40 points in Rupp Arena to take down Kentucky on Jan. 12. Their two losses this past week to LSU and Georgia were especially disturbing.

#### 11. South Carolina (12-7, 2-4)

Maybe the Gamecocks are rounding into form. They nearly caught Missouri sleeping on Tuesday and throttled Arkansas to tread water among the crowded ranks of the 2-4 SEC teams.

#### 12. Georgia (8-11, 2-4)

Time for another installment of Athens' one-man show: Sophomore Kentavious Caldwell-Pope has played 198 more minutes than his next-closest teammate. In head coach Mark Fox's defense, Caldwell-Pope scored 22 points for the second time in three games on Saturday in a 59-52 win over Texas A&M.

#### 13. Mississippi State (7-11, 2-4)

The coming week's slate — home games against Texas A&M and LSU — should mark the last time the Bulldogs can be even remotely expected to win back-to-back games this season, but with both the Aggies and Tigers looking to rebound from frustrating losses, even that goal might seem a little too far off.

#### 14. LSU (10-7, 1-5)

The Tigers gave Kentucky all it could handle in the second half of Saturday's 75-70 loss, and the Wildcats narrowly avoided a technical foul for six men on the court that would've made things even more interesting. There are enough games left in the schedule for Johnny Jones to come out of his first season in Baton Rouge with a more than respectable record.

## Commodores mauled in Missouri



By **ANTHONY TRIPODORO**  
Sports reporter

The Vanderbilt men's basketball team had no idea what hit them.

After jumping out to an early lead in a road matchup with No. 22 Missouri on Saturday, the Commodores suddenly went ice cold from the field and stopped playing any sort of defense. At the 15-minute mark, the Tigers had been held in check, and they trailed 11-8. Then, over the next 12 minutes, the Tigers went on a 32-2 run.

That's right. A 32-2 run.

Missouri entered halftime with a 49-20 lead and the win essentially in the bag. Just like in the first half, the Commodores won the first five minutes of the second half, cutting Missouri's lead to 17 by going on a 16-4 run.

After that, the Tigers settled in, and the blowout resumed. Missouri led by as much as 30 in the second half before winning by a final score of 81-59.

The Tigers played once again without star forward Laurence Bowers, but it did not seem to matter against the Commodores. Forward Alex Oriakhi filled the void nicely, scoring 18 points and 12 rebounds, six of which came on the offensive glass. Guard Jabari Brown led the Tigers with 21 points, and guards Keion Bell and Phil Pressey chipped in with 12 points each.

Vanderbilt forward Rod Odom proved to be the lone star for the Commodores, scoring a team-high 17 points on 3-of-5 shooting from beyond the arc and 2-of-2 from the free throw line.

The Commodores struggled in all of the usual areas. They were outrebounded 39-17, and Oriakhi grabbed more rebounds in the first half than the entire Vanderbilt team. After a good night from the line against Auburn, Vanderbilt regressed against the Tigers, making just three free throws in 10 attempts. In addition, the Commodores struggled from the 3-point line, going 8-for-24.

The Commodores now sit at 8-10 overall and 2-4 in the SEC. Vanderbilt head coach Kevin Stallings, who said after the game that his team was "completely outplayed," will need to correct the multitude of problems his team displayed both on offense and on defense against Missouri quickly if the Commodores are to have any hope in Tuesday's road matchup with in-state rival Tennessee.

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One of the fastest players in the nation, junior Missouri guard Phil Pressey finished with 12 points and six assists to help the Tigers sprint by Vanderbilt on Saturday night. The 81-59 loss to Missouri dropped the Commodores to 2-4 in SEC play, ahead of Tuesday night's trip to Knoxville.

## I-40 rivalry highlights in-state ineptitude

Tuesday's Vanderbilt-Tennessee matchup features two struggling SEC teams

By **GEORGE BARCLAY**  
Asst. sports editor

Sometimes facing an old enemy can serve as a reminder of who you are. On Tuesday, Vanderbilt (8-10, 2-4 SEC) will travel to Knoxville for the first of two games against Tennessee (10-8, 2-4 SEC) in a game that will serve notice as to who the best team in the state is, no matter how little weight that term may carry this season.

After two straight wins, the Commodores found themselves doing some more soul searching after an 81-59 beating at the hands of Missouri on Saturday. In four out of the last six games, Vanderbilt has failed to score above 60 points. And while the Commodores have relied heavily on Kedren Johnson's offensive production (14 ppg, 3.3 apg), they have labored to find consistent scoring options other than the sophomore guard.

The Volunteers have had an equally difficult trip through SEC play. After getting through non-conference play with an 8-4 record, Tennessee dropped its first three SEC games before earning its first victory over Mississippi State on Jan. 19. On Saturday, the Volunteers defeated Alabama

54-53 in Knoxville.

Like the Commodores, Tennessee has three players averaging in double figures. Junior guard Jordan McRae leads the Volunteers with 14.7 points per game. An athletic shooting guard who can step out for the occasional 3-pointer, McRae has scored at least 20 points in five of his last seven games.

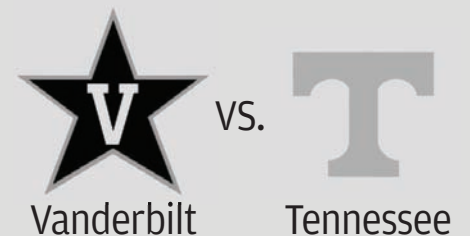
In the post, Tennessee's main target is sophomore forward Jarnell Stokes. Listed at 6 feet 8 inches and 270 pounds, Stokes is a double-double threat, scoring 11.1 points per game and pulling down 8.1 rebounds. Against a small Vanderbilt team lacking a strong post-presence, look for Tennessee to give Stokes multiple touches on every possession.

At the point guard position, junior Trae Golden runs the Volunteer offense. In his second year as a starter, Golden is averaging 10.4 points per game and 4.1 assists. With the emergence of McRae, Golden's scoring and 3-point shooting have dipped this season. Last year, Golden finished the season averaging 13.6 points per game and shooting 38.8 percent from behind the arc. Golden is currently shooting 24 percent from 3-point range.

For Vanderbilt to win, the Commodores will need to contain Stokes inside and for players

besides Kedren Johnson to score. If Vanderbilt can perform these two tasks, the Commodores will get one step closer to a .500 record and remain a factor in the SEC, where parity and unpredictability reign beyond the two undefeated teams at the top of the standings.

### NEXT UP



Vanderbilt

Tennessee

Tuesday, Jan. 29  
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6 p.m. CT  
ESPNU

LAST GAME FOR EACH TEAM:  
VANDERBILT LOST TO MISSOURI 81-59  
TENNESSEE DEFEATED ALABAMA 54-53



### Worst men's basketball losses of the season

It's been a difficult season thus far for men's basketball. Less than a year after winning the first SEC Championship in program history, the Commodores find themselves buried under the weight of an inexperienced roster and an 8-10 record. However, not all of the losses have hurt equally.

Compiled by Jesse Golomb,  
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#### 5 Dec. 21, 56-52 vs. Middle Tennessee

Losing to the team from Knoxville is never fun for Vanderbilt fans, but this December, the in-state heart-break got even worse. The Blue Raiders traveled down I-24 for a matchup in Bridgestone Arena and returned to Murfreesboro with their first win against the Commodores in the 21st century. Vandy may have to wait a while to get a chance to avenge the defeat, which was the final installment of a five-game scheduling agreement between the two teams.

#### 4 Jan. 15, 89-79 OT vs. Ole Miss

Fresh off two discouraging conference losses to Arkansas and Kentucky, the Commodores found themselves up 13 with 8:39 to play against the Rebels, who were 13-2 at the time and are now ranked No. 23 in the nation. Yet, it was not to be: Following a furious comeback and a miracle heave at the end of regulation, Ole Miss ran Vanderbilt out of Memorial Gym in overtime.

#### 3 Jan. 10, 60-58 vs. Kentucky

Vanderbilt may have played its best game of the season against the defending national champion Wildcats, but it was still not enough. An excellent fourth quarter and a standout performance from sophomore Shelby Moats were eventually rendered null thanks to a few tough bounces and one big missed call.

#### 2 Jan. 12, 56-33 at Arkansas

Mid-January was a particularly difficult time for Kevin Stallings and his team. In a particularly inept performance against the Razorbacks, Vanderbilt shot just 10-40 from the field and 2-15 from beyond the arc.

#### 1 Nov. 23, 50-33 vs. Marist

The Commodores' third loss of the season came in an early-season tournament against Marist. Marist plays in the MAAC. They are currently 5-16, and have dropped contests to Colgate, Bucknell, Hartford, Canisius, Niagara and Charleston. Last Thursday, they fell to the fearsome Fairfield Stags by a score of 71-37.



## Baseball just warming up

After a long winter, Vanderbilt baseball opened practice on Friday as the preseason No. 2 team in the nation with their eyes on Omaha.

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By ERIC SINGLE  
Editor-in-chief

The opponent, the starting lineup and the external expectations will change over the course of a long season, but the Vanderbilt baseball team took to Hawkins Field for its first official day of practice Friday with at least one variable under control.

A windy, overcast afternoon that hovered menacingly in the 30s provided the perfect backdrop for head coach Tim Corbin and a handful of his upperclassmen to discuss the new Hawkins Field turf. The turf, installed over the offseason, will help the Commodores conquer the unpredictable Nashville winter, as they prepare for their season opener against Long Beach State on Feb. 15.

"I'm sorry about your (TV) stations," Corbin told the assembled media. "I mean, I just don't look at the (weather) report because it's a nonfactor because of what we have here. It just enables us to get out every day, and we don't really think twice unless there's a deluge of water."

Of course, somewhere in the conversation, the implications of Corbin's team entering the season regarded as one of the best in the country came up as well. The Commodores earned a pair of top-5 rankings last week by Baseball America (No. 2) and Perfect Game (No. 3). The 2013 squad features Baseball America's top-ranked recruiting class, as well as the return of outfielders Connor Harrell and Mike Yastrzemski for their senior seasons. The combination of youth and experience recalls memories of the deep, experienced 2011 team that earned the program's first trip to Omaha.

### INDIVIDUAL ACCOLADES, TEAM GOALS

Like that team, this year's Commodores boast multiple preseason All-Americans: A trio of juniors — catcher Spencer Navin, first baseman Conrad Gregor and outfielder-turned-second-baseman Tony Kemp — were recognized by Collegiate Baseball in December.

After moving to the infield mid-season following a slow start, Kemp has adapted well to his new position. According to his coach, a full offseason of preparation has helped Kemp make the transition.

"He's really comfortable over there, he can make plays, he's more cosmetic than he was last year in terms of how he looks when he plays the position," Corbin said.

Kemp's team mirrored his struggles out of the gate last year. Swept by third-ranked Stanford to open the 2012 season, the Commodores stumbled out to a 7-15 start and lost the first four games of their Southeastern Conference schedule. It took a midseason turnaround and a run to the finals of the SEC tournament to ensure Vanderbilt a spot in the postseason at all, but by the time they made it there, they were one of the toughest outs in the country.

"You saw the way we grew last year, we started to taste the potential that we could have for this year, especially with another class of freshmen," said Harrell, who led the team with seven home runs in 2012 and was selected in the 31st round of the MLB Draft by Detroit. "You kept hearing about how talented the freshmen were and start feeling how much better these guys are going to be."

That process of renewal has become more and more important all around college baseball — especially in Nashville, where Vanderbilt has built a welcome tradition of absorbing draft-related turnover.

"It's fun because you get to see new guys come in every year and build new relationships," Yastrzemski said. "You build a new team essentially, and knowing it's the last time to do it, it's a little tough, but it's exciting."

"We've got kids on our team that may not be factors right now, they're going to be factors you hope in late May and June," Corbin said. "I like what we have and I like what we've done up to this point, and I certainly like the maturity of the kids as a whole, how they go about their day-by-day business."

### ROOM TO GROW

For all the optimism, there are still plenty of questions to be answered. Corbin was non-committal about the exact makeup of the left side of the infield, where all eyes will be on the successor to shortstop Anthony Gomez. Gomez had started 177 straight games for the Commodores, and his departure for the Marlins leaves a leadership void in the infield that the head coach is in no particular rush to fill.

"Right now, we're not even putting a lineup on the board," Corbin said. "There's not a whole lot of mood swings. Really, everyone's having a good time when they come out to the field. There's no win and loss at the end of the day, and that can affect people's personalities. And how our personalities unify and contribute to one another and connect and become an extension of one another is a big deal in the growth and the success of your team."

As has become commonplace, the Commodores will not be feeling out their new identity in a vacuum. Eight SEC teams in all were tabbed for the preseason Top 25 by Baseball America, and Vanderbilt will travel out west to take on No. 15 Oregon right before the conference slate begins. The Ducks swept Vanderbilt in Nashville last February.

"There's a lot of growing that goes on for a period of four to five months, and it doesn't always go the way you want to," Corbin said. "We know where the destination is, but if we're going to Omaha, we might go up to Orono, Maine, first before we go this way."

In just a few weeks, the results will begin to play themselves out on the Hawkins Field turf, rain or shine.



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Junior second baseman Tony Kemp and senior outfielder Connor Harrell sign baseballs during halftime of the men's basketball game against Kentucky. Kemp is one of three preseason All-Americans on the Vanderbilt roster.

### COACH TIM CORBIN DISCUSSES THE NEW SEASON

**“We did have a very tough beginning (to 2012) because of the schedule and our immaturity, so to speak, from a baseball standpoint, but in retrospect you looked at that team and saw how far they came, and there were certainly some moments where you probably could’ve collapsed. We weren’t as good as the competition in the beginning, and the competition was good, but at the same time we were just as good as the competition, if not better at the end of the year. And I think that’s what you want, you just want growth out of your club, and we got that.”**

**“We had to climb a steep mountain, and I think in the middle of the year, there were probably people inside our clubhouse saying ‘Can**

**we do this?’ It was a surviving group, they very much stuck together and got through some tough periods and put themselves in position to be in the national championship at the end of the year, even though it ended in the Super Regional.”**

**I think we’ve got a good mix of kids. Sixteen different states. We’re diverse. I like the maturity of the seniors. I like the growth of last year’s freshmen. I like the freshmen now. We’ve got some very talented juniors. I think all the way around, I really like our group. I’ve said this before, but they’re mature. They handle themselves well. They handle themselves like men. And even though they’re boys, when they come out here, there’s a purpose to what they do.”**

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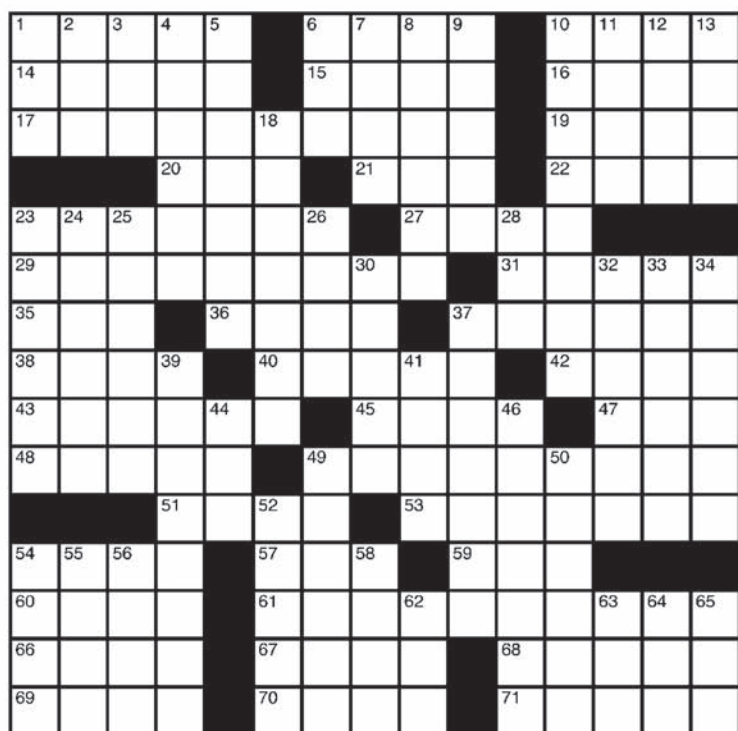
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  - Early Democrat's foe
  - Diary closer
  - Pump name
  - Premoistened cloth
  - Still-life subject
  - Luminous Spanish king?
  - Practitioner of meditation
  - Lassie's "In a pig's eye!"
  - Monopolize
  - Seed source of omega-3
  - Back-of-the-book items
  - Bloodhound's 48-Across
  - Chart containing only threes?
  - Salt's "Halt!"
  - Flat hat
  - Like a comics Pea?
  - Close tightly, as one's hand
  - Groggy response
  - "Welcome to Maui!"
  - Seldom seen, to Seneca
  - Grinch portrayer
  - Myrna's "Thin Man" role
  - KoKo or Yum-Yum, in Lilian Jackson Braun mysteries
  - Plus
  - Turkish sty leader?
  - Bulldogs' home
  - Seven-time MLB All-Star Soriano
  - Fair
  - Sighing sounds
  - Consume
  - Bee's charge
  - Rock in actress Susan's path, perhaps?
  - Hon
  - Lang of Smallville
  - "Monster" (2003) co-star
  - Like many LAX flights
  - First place?
  - Trap



By Michael Sharp 1/24/13

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- Large body of eau
  - Dismiss
  - Acne treatment brand
  - Longtime "60 Minutes" pundit
  - Babies
  - Teens conflict, briefly
  - Up in the air
  - Droid alternative
  - Day one, informally
  - Casual greeting craze?
  - One who might get caught off base
  - Company with a hedgehog mascot
  - fixe
  - Took out in handcuffs, say
  - 1971 prison riot site
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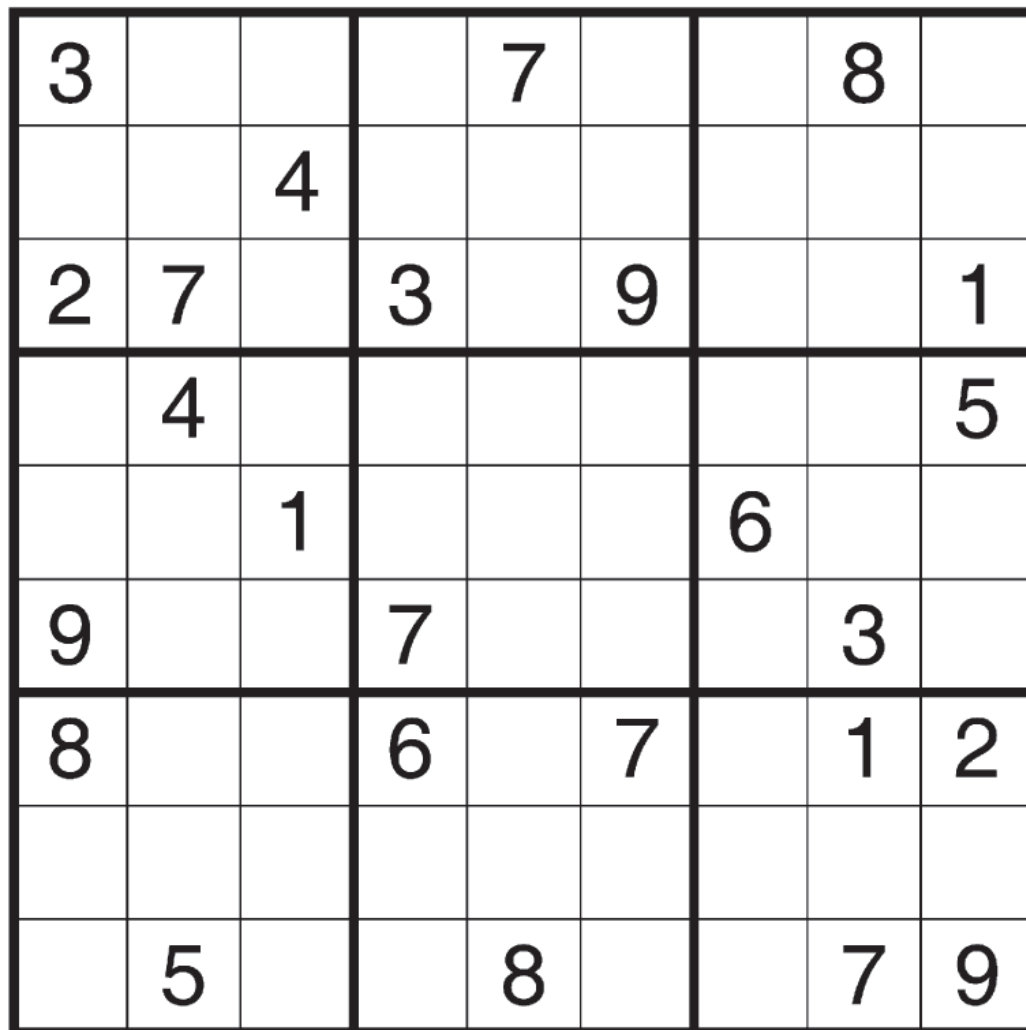
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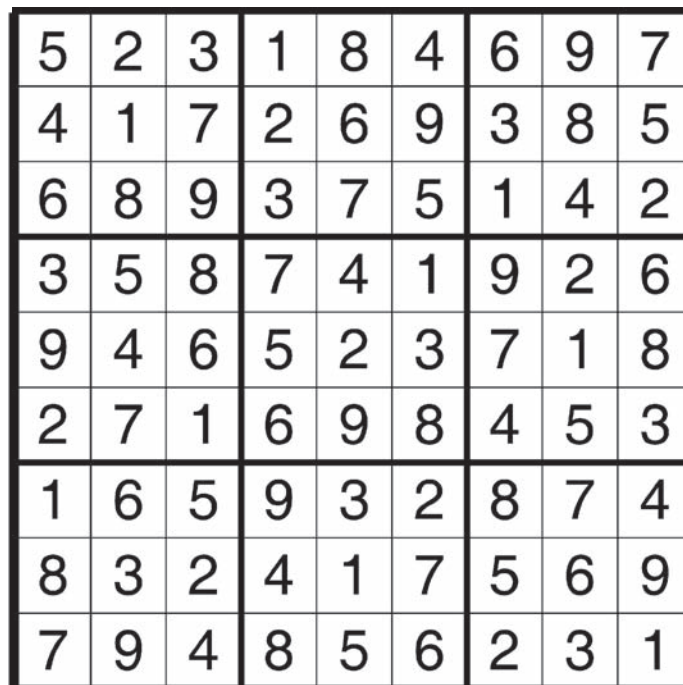
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## TODAY'S SUDOKU



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