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## THE WALL

compiled by EVE ATTERMANN

### TODAY Law and Behavioral Biology Speaker Series

A talk entitled "Sexual Aversions, Moral Sentiments, and Altruism: The Evolution of Kin Detection in Humans" will be held today at 3 p.m. in the Moore Room at the Vanderbilt Law School. Speaking will be Dr. Debra Lieberman, an assistant professor of psychology at the University of Hawaii.

### TUESDAY, JAN. 30 Guest Artist Lecture: Beauvais Lyons

A lecture featuring Beauvais Lyons, an artist who is the self-appointed Director of the Hokes Archives and a teacher at University of Tennessee, will take place Tuesday, Jan. 30 at 3 p.m. in the Ingram Studio Art Center.

### TUESDAY, JAN. 30 GI Data Club Guest Seminar

The GI Data Club will host a seminar entitled "The Mucosal Barrier in Disease: All in All It's just Another Break in the Wall" on Tuesday, Jan. 30 at 5 p.m. in the MRB III, Room 313. Speaking will be Dr. Jerrold R. Turner, an associate professor of pathology at the University of Chicago.

### WEDNESDAY, JAN. 31 'Undercurrent' group exhibition

The Zetigeist Gallery and Vanderbilt Law School are hosting a group exhibition named "Undercurrent" on Wednesday, Jan. 31 from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. The exhibition will feature works by artist-educators Jessica Marvin, Christie Nuell, Sisavanh Phouthayong and Libby Rowe. It will be available to the public until May 3.

### ONGOING 'American Reflections: Recent Works' by Kate McSpadden

An exhibition featuring new work by Kate McSpadden, the 2005 Margaret Stonewall Wooldridge Hamblet Award winner, will be held until Feb. 15 at the Fine Arts Gallery. In her recent paintings, McSpadden explores the American landscape juxtaposed against changing cityscapes, and how contemporary conceptions of space both build upon and challenge what are widely considered archetypal American environments.

Compiled by staff from various sources. Check out <http://calendar.vanderbilt.edu> for more events.

## Freedom Rides inspire students



Freshman Laura Nemer asks C.T. Vivian, one of the original Freedom Riders on the trip, to sign Ray Arsenault's 2006 book "Freedom Riders."

by **CHRISTINA ENGLAND**  
Senior Reporter

**ALLISON SMITH**  
News Editor

**BIRMINGHAM, Ala.**—Chancellor Gordon Gee said Saturday night Freedom Ride 2007 was the most powerful and spiritual experience he has participated in his seven years at Vanderbilt.

Nearly four bus loads of 200 students, administrators and professors from Vanderbilt, Fisk University, American Baptist Bible College and Tennessee State University traveled down Interstate 65 to Montgomery and Birmingham, Ala., with 1961 Freedom Riders and John Seigenthaler, who worked to negotiate safe passage for the riders on behalf of Attorney General Robert Kennedy.

Though many of the students, such as senior Ashley Bassel, had studied the civil rights movement, witnessing the sites in context with the activists themselves made the civil rights movement seem more "real" than reading a textbook.

"The (speakers) we have been listening to today were our age when they were doing these things," Bassel said. "We can learn so much from their courage, and, literally, their revolutionary characters. I just think they can give us a little bit more bravery to stand up for what we believe in."

Sophomore Alyse Andalman said she was deeply moved and inspired by the Freedom Riders' testimonies.

Please see **FREEDOM RIDE**, page 3

## The Hustler brings home five first-place awards

The Vanderbilt Hustler and its staff took home numerous awards at the annual Southeast Journalism Conference, which concluded Saturday in Birmingham, Ala.

The SEJC is a collegiate journalism consortium that includes some 40 colleges and universities in seven Southeastern states. The Best in the South contest honors college journalists with awards in 24 categories.

The Hustler as a whole placed sixth out of the 27 newspapers that entered the competition. In addition, the Vanderbilt paper won or tied for first place in five categories.

Editor-in-Chief Glenna DeRoy was named College Journalist of the Year, along with co-winner Megan Voelkel of Samford University.

InsideVandy.com, Vanderbilt University's online student community, was voted Best College Web site above 11 others.

News Editor Allison Smith and several other reporters won in the Best Public Service Journalism category for the package of living wage stories that appeared in the Nov. 8 issue, and reporter Monika Blackwell won in the Best Special Event Reporter category for her story about Vanderbilt engineering students who left Tulane after their department dissolved in the wake of Hurricane Katrina. This year, all special event stories were supposed to involve the 2005 hurricane.

Former Opinion Editor Reeve Hamilton also won Best Opinion-Editorial Writer along with Jed Pressgrove of Mississippi State University.

Other honors went to Alex Chrisope, who took home fourth place in the Best Arts and Entertainment Writer category, and Jonathan Dietz, who won second place in the Best Press Photographer category. ■

## Historic VSG elections held today online, in Sarratt

by **KRISTEN CHMIELEWSKI**  
Asst News Editor

The newly formed Vanderbilt Student Government will hold its first general election for president and executive vice president tomorrow, Jan. 30, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The candidates are Cara Bilotta and Perry Gragg on one ticket and Krish Vigneswaran and Ashley Holmes on the other.

VSG is the collaborative merger of

Interhall and the Student Government Association into one organization that will continue to perform the functions of both groups.

Interhall Attorney General Chris Skene said students will receive an e-mail the morning of the election reminding them to vote. The e-mail will also include a link to the voting Web site and instructions.

Barring any technical difficulty or complaints with the voting, results will be announced in Sarratt and via

a campus-wide e-mail shortly after 8 p.m.

While he believes that both tickets have great experience and platforms, after careful consideration SGA President Boone Lancaster has decided to publicly endorse the Bilotta-Gragg ticket.

"After working with Cara closely for nearly a year now I have every confidence in her dedication and ability to make sure this first year of the new Vanderbilt Student

Government is a success," Lancaster said.

Similarly, Donovan also believes that both tickets are capable leaders but has decided to endorse Bilotta.

"I support Cara Bilotta and Perry Gragg because I think the team that will be most successful would be the team that has one member of Interhall and one member from SGA in order to ensure a smooth transition into a new era of student representation," she said. ■

### CARA BILOTTA Presidential Candidate



**Class:** Junior  
**Major:** Spanish  
Medicine, Health and Society  
**Previous Position Held:**  
• SGA Executive Vice President  
• SGA Student Services and Technology Co-chair  
• SGA Special Events Committee Member

### PERRY GRAGG Executive Vice Presidential Candidate



**Class:** Junior  
**Major:** Engineering Science  
Mathematics  
Human and Organizational Development  
**Previous Position Held:**  
• Interhall Security Secretary

### BILOTTA/ GRAGG PLATFORM

#### ACADEMIC LIFE

- Develop a more technologically advanced online course registration system than OASIS, whereby students could access course syllabi before enrolling
- Establish a minimum of 200 free prints per semester for VUPrint

#### STUDENT SERVICES

- Purchase additional 25-passenger Vandy Vans
- Bring national newspapers such as The New York Times and The Washington Post to campus
- Replace the Social Security number with a unique student identifier
- Update the Vanderbilt Card to include emergency and other pertinent Vanderbilt phone numbers
- Promote and expand the use of the DoreWalks

#### CAMPUS LIFE

- Modify the tentative 2007-2008 academic calendar to increase the duration of winter break
- Improve resource and energy conservation on campus
- Expand the student tailgating lot for football season and move the location closer to Dudley Field
- Develop collaborative programming among organizational councils that will encourage cooperation among diverse student groups

#### DINING AND HOUSING

- Provide educational information sessions within each residence hall to improve communication between students and administration with regards to College Halls
- Expand the use of the Vanderbilt Card to include more off-campus vendors, such as grocery stores
- Create new dining options for first-year students that allow for flexible meal plans

### KRISH VIGNESWARAN Presidential Candidate



**Class:** Junior  
**Major:** Neuroscience  
English  
**Previous Position Held:**  
• SGA Multicultural Affairs Co-chair  
• SGA Executive Board Chief of Staff

### ASHLEY HOLMES Executive Vice Presidential Candidate



**Class:** Junior  
**Major:** Human and Organizational Development  
**Previous Position Held:**  
• SGA Vice President of Finance  
• AcFee Committee Member  
• Peabody Senator

### VIGNESWARAN/ HOLMES PLATFORM

#### ACADEMIC LIFE

- Give student-athletes the opportunity to study abroad over the summer
- Improve the new VSG Web site that is already being updated with course syllabi and Vandy Swap by adding a discussion board so students can always dialogue with the members of student government
- Extend the hours of entry to buildings for added study space

#### STUDENT SERVICES

- Improve existing GPS on Vandy Vans to real time so students can track vans online
- Expand student services by implementing podcasts rather than a Collegiate Readership Program to protect student media

#### CAMPUS LIFE

- Add a live feed to the auxiliary gym for additional viewing of home basketball games
- Begin discussions on adding more real estate for multicultural organizations and NPHC members to bring Vanderbilt up to par with other universities
- Add additional practice areas for student performing arts groups
- Move the student tailgate area closer to Dudley Field
- Continue to encourage the integration of various councils for new and dynamic programming by being involved in the process

#### DINING AND HOUSING

- Work out a way for the seniors in the class of '09 and '10 to live off campus if forced to live in Kissam Quadrangle
- Cut back the requirement of the freshman meal plan to 14 meals and expand the Taste of Nashville service
- Encourage the Office of Greek Life to have events on The Commons by co-sponsoring these events with VSG
- Create a liaison program between the Vanderbilt University Police Department and residence halls

**WEATHER**  
compiled by EVE ATTERMANN

**TODAY**



Mostly Sunny, 42/28

**TUESDAY**



Partly Cloudy, 38/19

**WEDNESDAY**



Partly Cloudy, 42/31

**THURSDAY**



Mostly Cloudy, 44/35

**VUPD CRIME LOG**  
compiled by EVE ATTERMANN

There is no crime to report.

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compiled by EVE ATTERMANN

**WORLD**

**Iranian nuclear agency official denies country installing 3,000 centrifuges**

An Iranian nuclear agency official has denied claims made by a top lawmaker that the Islamic Republic began installing 3,000 centrifuges at a uranium enrichment plant, Iran's state-run news agency reported late Saturday.

Hossein Simorgh, spokesman of Iran's Atomic Energy Organization public relations department, said "no new centrifuges have been installed in Natanz," referring to the nuclear facility in central Iran, the official Islamic Republic News Agency reported.

Earlier Saturday, lawmaker Alaeddin Boroujerdi said Iran was currently installing the 3,000 centrifuges, underlining that the country would continue to develop its disputed nuclear program despite U.N. sanctions.

It was not immediately clear why the two officials made contradicting statements. Iranian officials have in recent weeks said the country was moving toward large-scale enrichment involving 3,000 centrifuges, which spin uranium gas into enriched material.

Iran's Foreign Ministry spokesman Mohammad Ali Hosseini refused to elaborate on the discrepancy Sunday, saying only that the contradicting remarks were a "technical matter."

The U.N. Security Council last month voted unanimously in favor of imposing limited sanctions on Iran after it ignored earlier demands to halt enrichment. Iran faces the prospect of additional sanctions unless it stops enrichment by the end of a 60-day period that ends next month.

Source: AP

**Pelosi, Afghan president discuss troop strength in Afghanistan**

The Afghan president told House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., that his security forces need to be stronger as the two discussed possible U.S. troop increases on Sunday, days after the Pentagon extended the tour of 3,200 soldiers, an Afghan official said.

President Hamid Karzai stressed his desire for increased training and equipment for Afghanistan's fledgling army and police forces, the Afghan official said on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to release the information publicly.

Pelosi and Karzai discussed plans announced last week by the Bush administration to ask Congress for \$10.6 billion for Afghanistan, a major increase aimed at rebuilding the country and strengthening government security forces still fighting the Taliban five years after the U.S.-led invasion.

About \$8.6 billion would be for training and equipping Afghan police and soldiers; \$2 billion would go toward reconstruction.

Pelosi led a delegation of six other congressional Democrats to Afghanistan to meet with military and government leaders after traveling to Iraq and Pakistan.

The Pentagon last week said a brigade of U.S. soldiers would stay in Afghanistan four months longer than planned, an effective troop increase of 3,200 soldiers.

That announcement came only days after a visit here by Secretary of Defense Robert Gates.

Source: AP

**NATION**

**Suit against Yosemite to protect Merced River could affect access to national parks**

The plunging waterfalls and soaring crags chiseled by the Merced River draw millions of visitors each year, but the crowds are precisely what threatens the waterway and the park.

Efforts to safeguard the Merced have spawned a court battle over the future of development in Yosemite National Park's most popular stretch. The case may come down to the challenge facing all of America's parks: should they remain open to everyone, or should access be limited in the interest of protecting them?

In November, a federal judge barred crews from finishing \$60 million in construction projects in Yosemite Valley, siding with a small group of environmentalists who sued the federal government, saying further commercial development would bring greater numbers of visitors, thus threatening the Merced's fragile ecosystem.

"The park's plans for commercialization could damage Yosemite for future generations," said Bridget Kerr, a member of Friends of Yosemite Valley, one of two local environmental groups that filed the suit.

The government is appealing, fearing the ruling could force the National Park Service to limit the number of people allowed into Yosemite each day, a precedent it does not want to see echoed in other parks.

Source: AP

**Marcheline Bertrand, mother of Angelina Jolie, dies of cancer in Los Angeles**

Marcheline Bertrand, actress and mother of Angelina Jolie, has died of cancer, her daughter said Sunday.

Bertrand died Saturday afternoon at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, Jolie said in a news release. No age was provided.

Jolie, her older brother, James Haven, and her boyfriend, Brad Pitt, were at the hospital Saturday, according to the news release.

Bertrand, who had small roles in the movies "Lookin' to Get Out" in 1982 and "The Man Who Loved Women" in 1983, raised Jolie and her brother after divorcing their father, Oscar-winning actor Jon Voight, when Jolie was a toddler. A private funeral was planned.

In lieu of flowers, the family asked that donations be made to the Women's Cancer Research Institute at Cedars-Sinai.

Source: AP

**CAMPUS**

**Vanderbilt license plate now available to Tennessee drivers**

Vanderbilt is featured on a new Tennessee license plate, now available for purchase. The plate may be ordered at the Metropolitan Clerk's Office or through the mail. Available to any Tennessee resident registering a private-passenger motor vehicle, the annual fee for the new plate is \$56.50, or \$91.50 if personalized.

Source: VANDERBILT REGISTER

**Princeton tuition to remain constant next academic year**

Price of education to continue rise at Vanderbilt.

by EVE ATTERMANN  
Asst News Editor

Vanderbilt will continue to raise its tuition in the coming year, despite Princeton University's announcement that it will not.

Princeton's decision was bolstered by a 20 percent increase in the university's endowment, mostly due to good investments, donations from alumni and an increase in the size of the student body.

Their endowment now totals about \$13 billion.

Dean of Admissions Douglas Christiansen said the rising cost of salaries, insurance, supplies, heating and air conditioning contributes to Vanderbilt's annual rise in tuition but added that the school does all it can to keep costs at a reasonable level.

Vanderbilt's endowment, which is currently around \$3 billion, rises steadily every year due to alumni donations and contributions from the Capital Fund.

"Tuition is something that will go up," Christiansen said. "We constantly are concerned with this. We're doing everything we can to keep it as reasonable as we can."

Christiansen said the vast difference between the size of the two universities' endowments is one of the main reasons why Princeton does not need to raise tuition and Vanderbilt does.

While the endowment continues to

increase, Christiansen said it would be years before Vanderbilt would be able to keep tuition static and it is impossible to predict when that would happen.

"I wish tuition didn't have to go up, but it will," he said.

As for the concern that increases in tuition will lead to a decrease in the diversity of Vanderbilt's student body, Christiansen said that for the first time in Vanderbilt's history the number of students in the undergraduate class receiving need-based financial aid outnumbers those who are not.

"We have grown from about 51 percent to about 60 percent of students receiving need-based aid in three years alone," Christiansen said. "We are 100 percent 'need blind' and meet full demonstrated need."

Christiansen also said that despite the increase in tuition, diversity of the student body continues to increase, mostly due to the ability of the school to provide need-based aid.

"More students in the lower income brackets attend Vanderbilt than we've ever had," he said. "There are a higher proportion of low-income families in underrepresented populations than in majority populations. Almost 30 percent of our freshman class this past year were from the four federally impacted unrepresented groups, up from 18 percent five years ago." ■

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## LIVE holds candlelight vigil, march



Juniors Mark Blaser and Melissa Rymer stand in support of a living wage for Vanderbilt employees at a candlelight vigil on Library Lawn Friday. Participants marched from the library to Kirkland Hall during the event. MASON HENSLEY / The Vanderbilt Hustler

## Teach For America to hold panel discussion on bridging the country's education gap

by KELSEY PENDLETON  
Contributing Reporter

Teach for America will hold a question panel for interested students on Tuesday focusing on the program requirements and application process.

The panel, consisting of six former Teach for America participants — two Vanderbilt alumni, two Vanderbilt graduate school students, one Vanderbilt professor and one participant from the Nashville area — will be held in Sarratt Cinema at 5:45 p.m.

The Teach for America program recruits college students to teach in underperforming schools across the nation for a two-year period.

Christin Friley, a Teach for America member, said Teach for America exists because "the gap that exists between low and

high performing schools should be a call to action."

Many would think the most important factor for Teach for America participants would be majoring in education, but according to Friley, the most important quality for students in the program is the desire to be a leader.

"The program puts them in a situation where they can make a significant impact in the classroom," she said.

Ninety-five percent of participants held some leadership position during college, averaging a 3.5 GPA.

Last year, eight Vanderbilt students decided to join the program, while two years ago, 19 signed up, making Teach for America the No. 1 employer of Vanderbilt graduates for that year.

Applications for the program are due Feb. 18. ■

# New student organization to partner with Children's Hospital in service

Freshman organizer wastes no time in making a difference.

by SYDNEY WILMER  
Senior Reporter

Freshman Laura Binford came to Vanderbilt to make a difference.

Basing her decision to attend Vanderbilt on the existence of the Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital, Binford said she had hoped to create a year-round student board to help raise funds for the hospital upon her arrival.

"The fact that Vanderbilt had a children's hospital was one of the reasons I decided to come," she said. "I also knew it didn't already have an organization like the kind of organization I wanted to create."

Less than a year later, Binford finds her organization, The College Board, partnered with the philanthropic arm of the Children's Hospital and poised to contribute.

Binford said she hopes more students will become involved with her organization as it begins to gain momentum, as just 15 students attended a Jan. 18 meeting.

She said members of the group have become enthusiastic about an upcoming project, still in the planning phase, that will benefit Friends, a group dedicated to providing non-medical services to hospital patients.

Freshman Chante Stubbs, a member of The College Board, said she joined the group because she liked the idea of social work but was especially interested in the Friends project.

"I feel like a lot of money should be put towards machinery, but it's good that we can also get other things," she said. "They also need things that are cute and cuddly."

Binford said the biggest obstacle she faced

in organizing the board was ensuring that she did not interfere with Dance Marathon, which benefits the Children's Hospital as well.

"I just didn't want to step on anyone's toes with this," Binford said. "We are a board that focuses on year-round stuff."

Dance Marathon President Nicole Rossi said she plans to become a member of Binford's organization, hoping to create opportunities for collaboration.

"At the moment we aren't working together, but I think, because it is a common cause, we will collaborate at some point in the future," she said. "In fact, we are actually trying to make Dance Marathon a year-round service project. I think it is great, and it is great to see students from The College Board working with Dance Marathon as well."

Freshman Luis Vallejo, a College Board member, said he joined the group because he hoped that it would bring the undergraduate community closer to the hospital.

Stubbs said she agreed, but added that the program also has a larger vision.

"I feel like it has the potential to grow into a nationwide thing," she said. "The hope is that as Vandy becomes involved, we can do something that will spread to other states and even regions."

Binford said she would love to see the program grow as well. Although the organization is currently accepting members of the Vanderbilt community, Binford hopes that college students throughout the city will contribute.

Students who are interested in joining the group may contact Binford by e-mail. ■

## FREEDOM RIDE: Participants honor, reflect on leaders' accounts

From FREEDOM RIDE, page 1

"Just the desire of these individuals to influence us in our current contexts, the way in which they don't really see themselves as special, but they tell us that we can be just like them in our own environment and in our own way, whether it's through activism on campus or just something personal to us," Andalman said.

During the trips to and from Alabama, Freedom Riders stood at the front of the bus and gave testimonies of their experiences.

The Rev. James Zwerg, a white exchange student at Fisk during the civil rights movement, described his experience as a Freedom Rider and as a participant in nonviolent demonstrations around Nashville.

"It was suggested that each

of us put something in writing for each of our loved ones in the event of our death," Zwerg said. "To put thoughts in a sealed envelope and give them to Diane (Nash) in the event of our death to be sent to our families."

Zwerg, who suffered extensive wounds during the riot at the Montgomery Bus Terminal, said they were told to prepare for three things.

"The first was jail, the second was extreme violence and the third was death," he said.

The Freedom Riders' extreme dedication to the cause struck freshman Jackie Seidl.

"I don't know many student organizations where every single person on the leadership hasn't missed a meeting, has never not done something and not been

like, 'Oh, well you know, I kind of want to sleep in, or well, there's this cool party,'" Seidl said. "I feel that kind of dedication is something we can take out of that. I don't think that people appreciate the type of dedication that is required for that type of change to actually occur."

Director of the Office of Active Citizenship and Service Mark Dalhouse, who developed the idea for the trip, said it all came together for him when he witnessed Zwerg talking and singing with participants at the Birmingham Civil Rights Museum in front of a picture taken after his brutal beating at the bus terminal.

"We were all students at that moment," Dalhouse said.

Go to InsideVandy for complete coverage of Freedom Ride 2007. ■

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### OUR VIEW

## The Hustler endorses Krish and Ashley

Elections for new offices tend to set precedents for every election thereafter. For example, George Washington declined to run for a third term and every president followed suit for nearly 150 years. It follows that the upcoming Vanderbilt Student Government election will be similar in its ability to set precedent, albeit on a much smaller scale. It therefore behooves every student to think about what sort of student government Vanderbilt deserves for the foreseeable future.

The Student Government Association and, to a lesser extent, Interhall have been criticized for their impenetrability; both organizations have proven quite unfriendly to "outsider" reform candidates, and as a result true innovation has been stifled. To paraphrase a recent letter to the editor, "What has SGA done that a concerned group of students could not have done?" SGA presidential tickets demand something extraordinary of the student body when they ask to represent the Vanderbilt undergraduate community as a whole. Extraordinary demands, of course, require extraordinary vision and extraordinary results.

In the absence of a very compelling reason, one should not be promoted to a top post simply for holding the post slightly below it. If voters have trusted a candidate

to deliver results, and those results are postponed until said candidate has acquired a higher office, why does this candidate deserve to represent us? When it comes to public service, performance should not be contingent upon further rewards in the future. Cara Bilotta served as executive vice president of SGA for a year. Given her experience in a powerful position, one would expect that her platform would be something much more daring. Bilotta's official platform, however, is one that could have been achieved easily during the past year. We must not set a precedent that a vice president deserves a promotion simply by virtue of having been a vice president, as opposed to basing our re-election decisions on both potential and impressive results.

Turnover within Vanderbilt's highest student offices can only benefit the undergraduate community. Krish Vigneswaran served in less powerful posts during his tenure in SGA, and therefore it is more understandable that his agenda has not been implemented already. In addition, his experience with multicultural affairs would serve an increasingly diverse Vanderbilt well. For these reasons and others, The Hustler's editorial board voted unanimously to endorse Krish Vigneswaran and Ashley Holmes.

### LETTER

## Student government leaders defend experience requirement

#### To the Editor:

The Vanderbilt Student Government was created by and for the students. It will bring you better and more cohesive representation, a more navigable and focused structure, and the continuation of all the services and programs you now enjoy. The idea to merge was initiated by Interhall and Student Government Association members, but VSG is a product of the student voice: you participated in the process of creating the organization, you contributed to the constitution, and you attended the forums held to garner student input and opinion. Ultimately, however, VSG is a product of the student vote, which ratified the Vanderbilt Student Government Constitution at 92 percent approval Nov. 27, 2006. Interhall, SGA and the student body voted for this new organization, with the trust that one united government could produce real reform and real results.

That said, nothing in its inception is perfect. While some leaders might take Friday's editorial to heart or feel attacked, we are renewed. It is encouraging that students care enough about student representation and governance to challenge it. VSG and its constitution will grow and change like any other entity, and we encourage all students to get involved with VSG and to voice their concerns to student leaders.

Finally, Interhall and SGA feel the experience requirement for the student body president and executive vice president will ensure a smooth transition into a new era of student representation. Because we pledge to continue all of the services and programs Interhall and SGA currently offer, including VandyVans, Dinner Discussions, shuttle services and so many more, we wanted to make sure that meaningful initiatives did not get lost in the transition. We stand behind the clause, as outlined in the constitution, to require experience for this year's student body president and executive vice president. We also assure you that the VSG was created to better represent student voice and opinion and to establish a stronger, more streamlined organization that could better serve your interests. Vanderbilt belongs to all of us; let's work together to make it better.

**Devin Donovan, Interhall President**  
**Boone Lancaster, SGA President**



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### LETTER

## VSG flubs undemocratic elections

#### To the Editor:

I, Nils Carstens Grimm, and my vice presidential candidate, Simmons Strother Frazier, are outraged by the student government's decision to thwart our dream of student leadership. Although we may not be the best qualified for the position when it comes to experience, I am confident we best represent our constituency. Also, we want the student body to know its government has a stranglehold on the candidates it allows to run, and therefore the winner of this election

will not be legitimate. If we are truly a democratic university, then all students should have the ability to participate. Whoever wins this election will not be the actual winner, but instead a puppet of the current tyrannical student government.

**Nils Carstens Grimm**  
**Sophomore, A&S**  
**Simmons Strother Frazier**  
**Freshman, Engineering**

### COLUMN

# Conservatives must embrace universal health care coverage policy

**CHART WESTCOTT**  
*Columnist*

I will admit that the prospect of more government scares me. As a conservative, I consider individuals operating in their own interests to be far more effective and ethical in accomplishing tasks and offering services than are bureaucrats whose only concern is expanding their budgets and staying in power. I equate more government with more invasion of my life, higher taxes and, ultimately, a loss of freedom. When it comes to health care, however, favoring a leaner government does not excuse the plight for the 46 million Americans who have no health insurance. Our health care system is not only unfair to American citizens but also to American corporations. Our largest corporations, the economic base for millions of American jobs, pay billions of dollars in employee and retiree health care costs while many of their foreign competitors are not required to do so. The

United States needs universal health care to remain a nation devoted to freedom and to remain competitive in a globalized world.

The above is far from the only reason conservatives must embrace universal health care. From a moral standpoint, it is a shame and an outrage that in the wealthiest country in the world, almost 15 percent of our population has no health insurance. It becomes even more outrageous when leaving people without coverage is costing the government as well as the American taxpayer more money than it would to provide a reasonable standard of care. American consumers spend \$5,711 dollars per capita on health care. That number is by far the highest in the world, nearly doubling the expenditures of the many countries that have universal health care. Over a year and a half ago, a bipartisan group of 150 major corporations, unions, health care organizations, religious groups and pension providers presented an analysis to Congress, which found that switching to a universal health care program

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# WESTCOTT: Health care costs cripple industry

From WESTCOTT, page 4  
could save the U.S. government \$125 billion annually by 2010.

Providing health care as a basic service is also in line with conservative ideology concerning personal responsibility and merit. Not worrying about escalating health care costs will allow individuals to hold steady jobs and make ends meet more easily. Uninsured families would be free to engage in private enterprise without the burden of paying for health care. They might choose to spend more money on consumer goods, thereby stimulating the economy, or to save money so they can send their kids to better schools and universities, thus making our workforce more competitive.

The American taxpayer and the uninsured will not be the only beneficiaries of universal health care. Corporations like General Motors, Boeing, Ford and Exxon that employ millions of Americans might save billions of dollars. By reducing health care costs to our businesses, we are creating excess capital, which in turn aids corporate growth and global competitiveness. GM currently spends \$1,525 per car on health care costs while its Japanese rival Toyota spends only \$201 — and Japan has universal health care. In other words, globalization renders it impossible for American corporations to compete as long as they must pay for employee health care. Lowering health care costs would make American corporations more profitable and could save thousands of American jobs.

To ease the minds of skeptics like me, universal health care does not mean that the American taxpayer is going to foot the bill for 100 percent of all health care costs for all Americans. That is socialized health care, which is vastly different from universal health care. Universal health care only means that everyone is covered. Depending on the program we put in place, the government could be paying only for those who cannot afford health insurance on their own. I am not advocating a 100 percent government controlled and managed health care plan. I believe letting insurance companies compete to provide insurance to Americans will help to lower costs. I simply oppose the denial of care to anyone born or naturalized as an American citizen.

This nation so blessed with wealth and power unmatched in history must provide health care for all its citizens. It must not fail its corporations by forcing them to compete against foreign rivals whose governments help them remain competitive. Universal health care can benefit both the American working establishment and corporate America, and it is uncommon for such different interests to align so perfectly. We conservatives must not let our reflexive opposition to big government blind us from the economic and social reality that is the necessity of health care for all Americans.

—Chart Westcott is a senior in the College of Arts and Science.

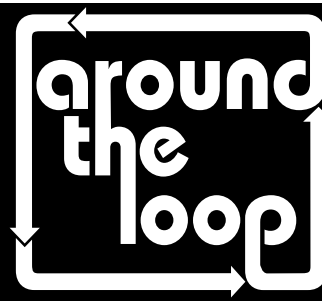
## LETTER

# Hills declares write-in candidacy for vice president

**To the Editor:**  
Although I have every confidence that Krish or that girl could run Vanderbilt Student Government, I think we all know that the VSG presidential race is going to belong to massively popular write-in candidate Kevin McNish. While I in no way endorse McNish or his libertarian agenda, I want to encourage voters to write me in as his executive vice president. I have not

spoken to McNish yet on this matter, but I believe that your voices, the voices of the student body, should be left to make the final decision of who will control our new monolithic government.

**Joseph Hills**  
Junior, A&S  
Editor-in-Chief, The Slant




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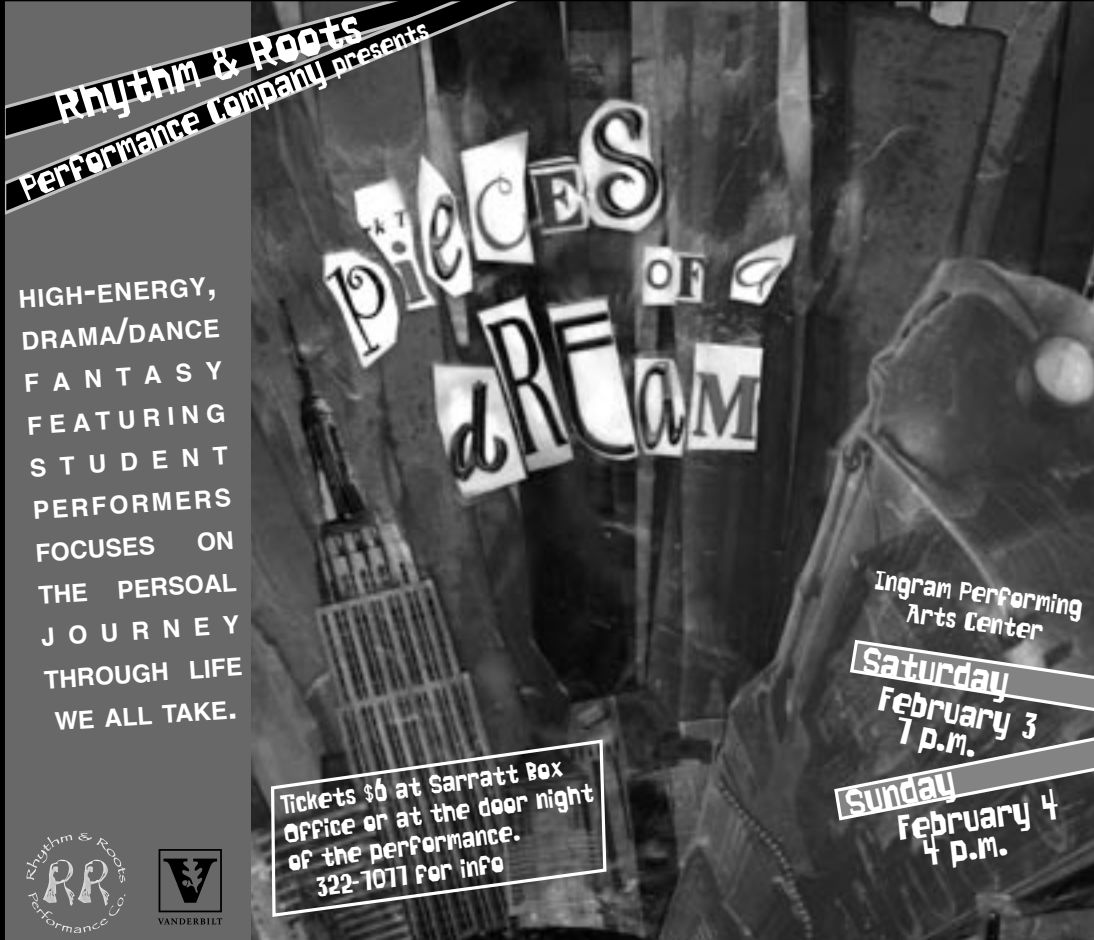

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## SPORTS

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## Upcoming Events

**Men's Basketball**  
**No. 9 Pittsburgh at Villanova**  
**Monday**  
**6 p.m. CT**

Pittsburgh has established itself as best team in the Big East, while Villanova needs to get on a roll to contend for a ticket to the Big Dance. The Wildcats, who are coming off a loss at Notre Dame, will be losers of two straight after hosting the Panthers.

*Prediction: Pittsburgh 72, Villanova 63*

**Men's Basketball**  
**No. 21 Notre Dame at Syracuse**  
**Tuesday**  
**6 p.m. CT**  
**ESPN**

Syracuse has lost two in a row, but both were away from the Carrier Dome. Meanwhile, Notre Dame is coming off a solid victory over Villanova. The Irish are a lot better at home and should struggle to beat Jim Boheim's squad in this one.

*Prediction: Syracuse 75, Notre Dame 73*

**Men's Basketball**  
**Maryland at Florida State**  
**Tuesday**  
**7 p.m. CT**

Both teams have struggled in ACC play as Maryland is 2-4 and Florida State is 3-4. It's safe to say that this is as close to a "must-win" game as you can play this early in the season. Maryland is coming off a win over a struggling Georgia Tech, while the Seminoles just beat an awful Wake Forest team. The Terps should prevail here, even though they're on the road.

*Prediction: Maryland 84, Florida State 79*

**Men's Basketball**  
**Wichita State at Northern Iowa**  
**Tuesday**  
**6:05 p.m. CT**  
**ESPN2**

While Northern Iowa is ahead of Wichita State in the standings, it is the loser of two straight. The Cyclones, on the other hand, have won two in a row. Still, Wichita State has won just one league game away from home and should falter in this one.

*Prediction: Northern Iowa 68, Wichita State 63*

**Men's Basketball**  
**Michigan State at Illinois**  
**Tuesday**  
**8:00 p.m. CT**  
**ESPN**

While Wisconsin and Ohio State are the leaders of the Big 10, this is a matchup between two of the conference's bubble teams. Michigan State is more talented, but Illinois is at home.

*Prediction: Illinois 65, Michigan State 61*

**OVERALL RECORD: 24-16**

## Commodores feeling rebellious

Vandy riding high after fourth straight win.

by JARRED AMATO  
Sports Editor

It was a game that Vanderbilt easily could have, and in recent years, probably would have lost.

After winning three consecutive games, all against ranked opponents — two of which were on the road — the Commodores returned home to face Ole Miss in the ideal "trap game."

While it certainly was not easy, Vanderbilt (15-6, 5-2 Southeastern Conference) converted down the stretch to defeat a pesky Rebel squad 85-80 Saturday and is now off to its best league start in coach Kevin Stallings' era.

"This is actually the game we've lost here the last couple of years, and fortunately we were able to gut it out and get a victory," said Stallings, whose team has won four straight SEC games for the first time since the 1996-97 season.

Saturday's victory may not have garnered as much attention as the one in Lexington or Baton Rouge, but for the Commodores, it was equally significant.

"Coach said this was as important of a win, if not the most important win, of our season up until this point," said senior Dan Cage. "To have a few big wins and then come back verse a team that everybody says we're supposed to beat and actually follow through and perform and execute and get it done. We feel just as good about this win as we have the past week and half or two."

For 20 minutes, it looked like Vanderbilt would have no trouble dismantling Ole Miss (13-8, 2-5 SEC) as it led 44-29 on 63 percent shooting, including five-for-nine from 3-point range.

The second half was a different story. Ole Miss scored 31 points in less than 10 minutes and took a 61-60 lead on a 3-pointer from Clarence Sanders.

"They play real tough and you start to maybe sleep on them a little bit, and they'll just come up and smack you in

the mouth a little bit," said Cage, who scored 18 points. "Luckily, we were able to look at each other in the eye and say, 'Come on fellas, let's get it going. Let's get back to what we do well.'"

Although the game remained close until the end, the Commodores did not trail after junior Shan Foster's highlight-reel dunk off a missed jumper from JeJuan Brown gave the hosts a 64-63 lead.

Foster, who landed hard on his back in the first half, played through the pain to score 14 points, grab five rebounds and dish out four assists.

"Shan gave us some good momentum plays and really trucked it out," Stallings said. "He took a hard fall. I'm guessing he's going to be very sore. He really came through and played well for us."

The game was tied twice more following Foster's dunk, but the Commodores went ahead for good when junior Ross Neltner hit two free throws with 2:22 remaining.

"They were 18-for-21 from the foul line; we were nine-for-18," said Ole Miss coach Andy Kennedy. "That's it right there. Game. Set. Match."

Senior Derrick Byars led the Commodores with 19 points, while junior Ross Neltner turned in a solid all-around performance with 10 points, eight rebounds and six assists.

"Six assists, no turnovers for your five man is an outstanding way to play," Stallings said. "He has such good vision, plus he can make shots so when the defense extends on him, if we're cutting when he's got the ball, then there's a good chance that he can find people."

As Vanderbilt prepares to play No. 1 Florida in Gainesville on Wednesday, Stallings said he was pleased with his team's ability to handle its recent success and pull out a victory against the Rebels.

"This is a game in past years we've lost because either we couldn't handle success or we didn't get ready to play and these guys did a nice job of getting themselves ready to play," he said. ■



MASON HENSLEY / The Vanderbilt Hustler  
Junior Shan Foster skies for one of his two dunks in Vanderbilt's 85-80 victory over Ole Miss Saturday at Memorial Gymnasium. The Commodores have now won four straight SEC games for the first time since the 1996-97 season.

Vandy stifles  
Razorbacks

HUSTLER STAFF REPORT

After losing a close one to Tennessee Thursday, the Vanderbilt women's basketball team bounced back in a big way Sunday, defeating Arkansas 61-34.

The No. 15 Commodores (18-4, 4-3 Southeastern Conference) jumped out to a 16-0 lead as they held Arkansas (17-5, 3-4 SEC) scoreless for more than nine minutes. The Razorbacks missed their first 13 shots and made just 10 field goals in the game, a record low in SEC play. Arkansas also set a record low in conference play, shooting 21.7 percent from the floor and tying its mark for fewest points in a half with 14.

Carla Thomas led the way for the Commodores as she scored 18 points to go along with 10 rebounds, the 12th double-double of her career. The senior also moved ahead of former All-American Heidi Gillingham into eighth place on Vanderbilt's all-time scoring list. Thomas has 1,595 points for her career.

Junior Liz Sherwood added eight points and six rebounds for Vanderbilt, while senior Dee Davis had six points, seven rebounds and four assists.

Laura Ervin and Donica Cosby scored 10 points each to lead the Lady Razorbacks. Arkansas hit just two of 13 3-pointers and made only 12 of 27 from the free-throw line. ■

One year makes  
quite the difference

by ANDREW BARGE  
Sports Reporter

The Southeastern Conference is one of college basketball's most competitive conferences, so even the best teams have to play in close games.

The difference between an elite program and a bubble team is the ability to pull out games that are decided at the very end. Nobody knows this better than Vanderbilt.

This time last year, the men's basketball team was in the midst of a four-game losing streak. The slump included a one-point loss to Georgia and a three-point loss at Alabama. Finishing with a 7-9 record in the SEC, the Commodores ended the season a few conference victories shy of the Big Dance.

What a difference a year makes.

Vandy has won five of its last six contests, with three of those games decided in the final minute. On Saturday, the Commodores withstood an Ole Miss rally to defeat the Rebels 85-80. As a result, they are 5-2 in SEC play for the first time in 10 years.

So what's changed? One noticeable difference this year is team unity. When a game gets down to the wire, these players are confident in their respective abilities but unselfishly understand their role on the team at the same time.

"The maturity of our team has progressed a lot," said senior guard Dan Cage. "We have a lot of older guys, a lot of guys willing to sacrifice. Every player on the team from the freshmen to the seniors are looking to come in and do whatever they can for however long they are in there. Nobody is worried about minutes or stats, and it's especially important (in close games)."

Coach Kevin Stallings agrees.

"I think it's chemistry and togetherness," he said. "It's a team that tries hard to do what we ask them to do. When they believe in each other and they believe in us as a staff, then pretty good things happen."

Against Ole Miss, Vanderbilt never lost its cool, even as it saw its 16-point lead evaporate.

"Being in those situations before has taught us to learn from those previous experiences," said senior Derrick Byars. "Guys like us, we tend not to get rattled like that when it's a close margin."

These close victories have started to get Vanderbilt recognition on a national scale, but that hasn't affected the modesty of this team. If you ask a Vanderbilt men's basketball player about top-25 polls, he'll assure you that it's the last thing on his mind.

Ask a fan and you might get a different answer. ■

SEC NOTEBOOK  
News and notes from the SEC and Vanderbilt hoops

by JARRED AMATO  
Sports Editor

## • SENIOR LEADERS:

On Saturday, Derrick Byars scored 19 points, Dan Cage added 18 on five-for-six shooting and Ted Skuchas chipped in with nine points and three rebounds.

"I think our three seniors are playing up a storm, and I've been saying that all week," said coach Kevin Stallings. "The reason that we're having the success we're having is because of Ted and Dan and Derrick."

## • BACK DOOR:

Since the Rebels were not going let Vanderbilt beat them from the outside, the Commodores took advantage by going backdoor.

"We only took 18 3-point attempts and if people are going to get up on us, we certainly have a number of backdoor things in our system, and we're going to try to utilize them," Stallings said.

## • TOP 25 BOUND?

Whether the Commodores are ranked in this week's poll is of little concern to senior Dan Cage.

"At this point, we're trying to get better every single day and that kind of stuff takes care of itself," he said.

Ole Miss coach Andy Kennedy gave Vanderbilt his endorsement.

"They should move into the top 25. Absolutely," he said. "Kevin (Stallings) does a good job with his players. He puts those kids where they can play to their strengths."

## • POINT-CENTER:

Vanderbilt's Ross Neltner had a solid afternoon with 10 points, eight rebounds and six assists.

"My passing ability is something I feel I bring to the team," Neltner said. "Those guys know whenever I get the ball, coach is always emphasizing cutting to the paint and trying to get an open layup. I'm just hitting open guys. They're the ones doing all the work."

## • SCARY MOMENT:

Junior Shan Foster landed hard on his back in the first half after going up for a rebound. Although he left the game briefly, Foster came back with two emphatic dunks, including one on a put-back from a JeJuan Brown miss.

## • CATS AND DOGS:

The Commodores remain in a tie for second place in the SEC East with Kentucky and Georgia.

Vols coach Bruce Pearl wore his orange blazer in Lexington, but the Wildcats still won, 76-57. The Bulldogs beat LSU 57-54 on a Levi Stukes' 3-pointer with 0.6 seconds remaining.

# Future in good hands with freshmen Blatt, Newman

by FRANKLIN PETR  
Sports Reporter

Life can be hard for freshmen. You're finally in charge of your own life, yet here you are thrust into an unknown world. Responsibility and time management are learned but hopefully not the hard way. And if that wasn't enough, now you're being called on to compete against the best in the country.

Well that's the situation for two Vanderbilt students at least. Tennis newcomers Catherine Newman and Hannah Blatt have the same burdens as nearly 1,600 other freshmen, but their first-year strains do not end there. Instead they are looked upon to make a contribution to one of the top tennis teams in the country. And as the fall season showed, they are up to the challenge.

"Catherine and Hannah have been so hard working," said coach Geoff Macdonald. "I've been so pleased with the freshmen; they had such a brilliant fall."

Newman begins the spring semester as Vanderbilt's highest ranked player by the Intercollegiate Tennis Association. The South Carolina native had a tremendous fall, highlighted by a straight set win over seventh-ranked Jenna Long of North Carolina. She also captured three singles flight titles.

Blatt also had a highly productive first semester at Vanderbilt. In October's June Stewart Invitational, Blatt went undefeated through three rounds, dropping only one set en route to taking her flight. Along with her singles win, the freshman netter played consistently well in doubles play teaming with junior Taka Bertrand.

But tennis is only one aspect of these multi-faceted freshmen.

Newman was drawn to Vanderbilt for myriad reasons, summing it up as a "perfect fit." As her high school valedictorian, she was drawn to Nashville in part to the elite status Vanderbilt holds in the academic ranks.

"I wanted to study engineering, and Vanderbilt's program seemed like a good choice," Newman said. "I had heard coach Macdonald was a great developer, and Vanderbilt just seemed to fit everything."

While Vanderbilt was far enough away, yet close enough to home, it was Neman's talks with assistant coach Meike Babel that made

the decision easy."

Meike was a big part of my decision to come here," Newman said.

Hannah Blatt comes to Vanderbilt with a slightly different perspective. As a Nashville native, Blatt played locally at Father Ryan, capturing the Mid-State Player of the Year award twice. And as the stepdaughter of baseball head coach Tim Corbin, it's been a little different seeing Vanderbilt from this side of the campus.

"I was so used to driving through campus," Blatt said. "It's been different doing all the same things, yet this time as a student"

And even though they're just freshmen, these two already have an eye out for the future. In a few short years, they'll be the leaders of this team, and they're already excited about the successes that are in store. Yet they are focused on the here and now, too. They are looking forward to their matches with Georgia Tech and Florida, Vanderbilt's two biggest losses a year ago. They're seeking some retaliation, not for themselves, but for the girls who Newman calls her "closest friends."

"Life wouldn't be nearly so great without them," Newman said.

And so the future looks bright for Vanderbilt tennis. Expectations are high once again. The hope they will be able to bring in Vanderbilt's first national championship is still thought about.

But they've got plenty of time. As we know, they're only freshmen. ■

## Vandy drops two over weekend

No. 12 Vanderbilt (2-2) dropped its second match of the weekend to No. 4 Notre Dame in South Bend.

The Irish pulled ahead early in the dual match by sweeping the doubles point and went on to win 4-3.

No. 24 Catherine Newman helped the Commodores' cause by defeating Christian Thompson in straight sets (6-4, 6-1). It was Newman's third consecutive singles victory.

On Saturday, No. 29 Michigan upset the Commodores, 4-3. Vanderbilt will have a few days off before traveling to Wisconsin for the ITA National Indoors Tournament, Feb. 1-4.

# Men's tennis prevails over Tigers

## Doubles play excels as Commodores rebound from loss.

by CHIP ROBIE  
Sports Reporter

After losing to Western Michigan on Saturday, the No. 63 Vanderbilt Commodores (2-1) responded nicely by scoring a hard-fought 6-1 victory over a spirited Memphis Tigers (0-2) squad.

The Commodores swept the doubles point as the Dorets welcomed Evan Dufaux back to the court.

"The doubles was about as good as I've seen it since I've been here, and I'm really happy with that. We got Evan Dufaux back, which helped," said Vanderbilt coach Ian Duvenhage.

There was no smooth sailing in singles, however.

"In singles for a while there it looked really bad for us because the only match we were clearly in control of was Nathan Sachs' match, but the guys competed great," Duvenhage said.

Andy Mack at No. 5 and Nathan Sachs at No. 4 were first off the court after dispatching their Tiger opponents in convincing two-set victories.

Memphis' hard-hitting Amrit Narasimhan won a close one over Vanderbilt's Nik Cromydas.

The Tigers were still in contention until freshman V.J. Paul overcame a break in the third set with a few spectacular shots to secure the victory.

Dufaux, playing No. 1, kept his composure and outlasted a feisty Tiger in a three-set victory. At

No. 5, Scott Lieberman played well enough to defeat a fellow freshman in a super-tiebreaker after splitting sets.

While it was a good victory, Duvenhage said he sees plenty of room for improvement.

"I like the way we competed," he said. "It's momentum in the right

direction. I still feel, maybe, in general that our guys are too up-and-down. If you're really going to be a great team then you perform consistently on the same level. You don't ride this roller coaster ride."

Men's tennis is off until Saturday when it hosts Florida Atlantic. ■



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Freshman James Moye in action in the Commodores' match against Western Michigan on Saturday. Vanderbilt went on to lose the contest 5-2, but rebounded with a 6-1 win Sunday.

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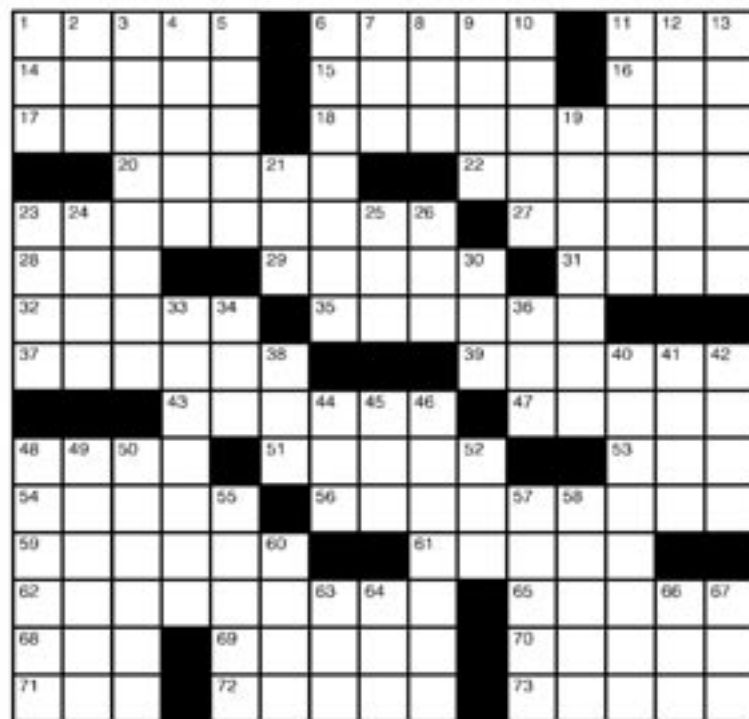
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