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TODAY Media/communications Total Access

Students can learn and network with industry-specific experts from 4 to 7 p.m. in the Student Life Center Ballrooms B and C.

TODAY World on Wednesdays

The last World on Wednesday of the semester will feature Barbie Green detailing her three years of experience as a teacher in Takasaki, Japan. Japanese lunch will be provided in the Student Life Center lower level meeting rooms 1 and 2 from 12:10 to 1 p.m.

TODAY 'War or Civilization?'

Seven faculty members will discuss the legal, political, historical, philosophical, religious and spiritual dimensions of human conflict and war from 4 to 6 p.m. in Flynn Auditorium in Vanderbilt Law School.

TODAY Vanderbilt Wishmakers

Vanderbilt Wishmakers will be granting the wish of one child with the Make a Wish Foundation and Chi Omega sorority at the Chi Omega house at 8 p.m.

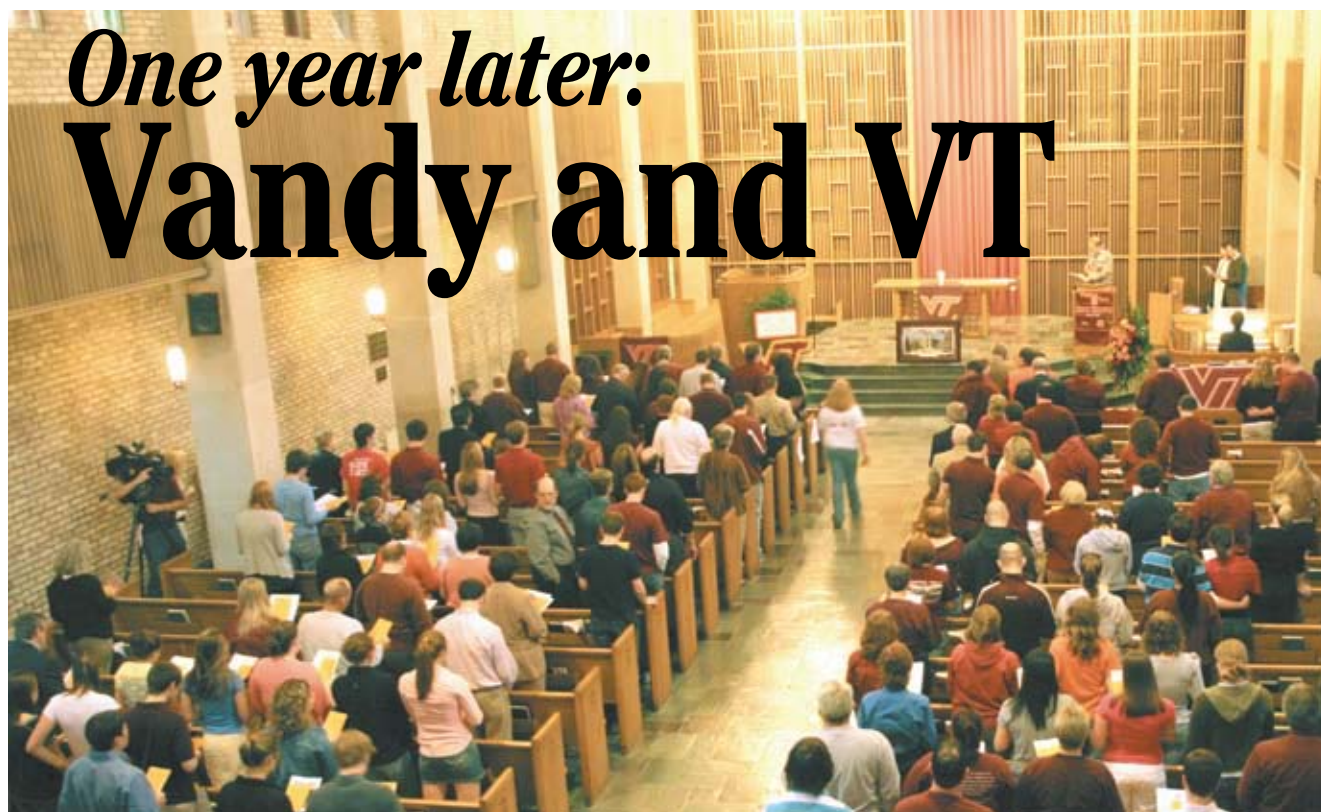
THURSDAY, APRIL 17 Kissam plans revealed

College Halls and Vanderbilt Student Government will introduce the preliminary plans for the new dormitories that will replace Kissam. There will be an info session from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sarratt Promenade. Pizza will be served.

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY Bookstore sale

Tents will be set up on Rand Terrace from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. for students to save an additional 25 percent off clearance merchandise at the Vanderbilt Bookstore's annual crazy sale.

See <http://calendar.vanderbilt.edu> for more events.



Students gathered in Benton Chapel on April 19, 2007, for a vigil honoring those who were killed in the Virginia Tech shootings.

One year later: Vandy and VT

by ADAM WEINSTEIN
Asst News Editor

Vanderbilt reviews safety measures taken in the wake of last year's school shootings.

Today marks the one-year anniversary of the Virginia Tech shootings, in which a student killed 32 people in an on-campus shooting spree.

In its aftermath, schools nationwide revisited their safety procedures, and Vanderbilt was no exception.

"We have a number of emergency plans that we constantly refine and practice," said Vice Chancellor for Public Affairs Mike Schoenfeld. "What occurred at Virginia Tech can happen anywhere, though, and even college campuses, which are among the safest places around, can become victims of horrible tragedies."

As Marlon Lynch, chief of Vanderbilt Police Department, pointed out, the university took steps as soon as reports of the shooting were made available.

"As the situation developed, we took that time to review our own procedures for similar incidents," Lynch said. "We took the opportunity to access our existing plans and make upgrades where they were needed."

According to Lynch, three federal agencies, the departments of Education, Justice, and Health and Human Services, came up with five key steps for VUPD to better their protocol: eliminating obstacles to sharing critical information, documenting accurate and complete information on individuals prohibited from possessing bombs or guns, improving awareness, providing people with mental illness the care they need, and improving existing protocol.

Last Friday, Vanderbilt's new alert system, AlertVU, was utilized for the first time, providing a live test of the program for VUPD that used not only sirens, phone calls and text messages, but also mobilization of the police force to warn and protect students.

"Our mass notification system now relies upon redundancy of warnings, rather than just text messages," Lynch said. "We have a few things we need

to work out with the system, such as making sure everyone receives their warning in a timely fashion, but for the most part everyone was close enough to someone who did receive a warning."

Students' reactions to the new system were generally positive. "It worked fine for me," said freshman Daniel Ohngemach. "There were some people in my lecture hall class who didn't get the message immediately, but since we were all in one place, it turned out OK."

How safe students perceive their campus to be is, no doubt, of utmost concern to the Vanderbilt administration, especially at a time when the community will stop to remember Virginia Tech.

"I feel like I know where to go and what to do to keep myself out of danger here, but Vanderbilt hasn't really helped me with that directly," said freshman Brian Linhares. "The real stuff that keeps you safe gets to you by word of mouth." ■

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CAMPUS NEWS BRIEF

VSC selects Versus, WRVU division heads

by ELIZABETH MIDDLEBROOKS
Editor in Chief

The Vanderbilt Student Communications Inc. Board hired division heads Tuesday evening for Versus Magazine and WRVU. The position for division head of The Vanderbilt Hustler remains open.

Rising senior Darcy Newell will be editor in chief of Versus, a position she held during the current semester, and rising senior Sam Parler will be the station manager of WRVU.

Newell said she is pleased with the way Versus has been received this semester and said she hopes to continue the magazine's success.

"I'm looking forward to serving in this capacity again this semester," she said. "I think the Versus staff has laid a strong foundation for a great publication. Next semester I look forward to expanding on the success we've already had and getting the magazine out there to more and more students."

Parler said he plans to maintain the current programming on WRVU and increasing the station's presence on campus and in the community with concerts and different programming.

"We hope to continue with our programming, keep our current deejays as members and keep coming out with good programming and keep up our involvement in the community," Parler said.

WRVU will begin WRVU In The Commons in the fall, which will take place in the form of "dance parties," Parler said.

The board chose not to hire a division head for The Hustler because only a single candidate applied for the position, said board Chairman Bruce Barry.

A committee will conduct a second interview with the candidate by Friday.

The candidacy for the position remains open, and interested students may still submit applications. ■



NEWELL



PARLER

Graduate students focus efforts to alleviate poverty in Bangladesh

by LILY CHEN
Staff Reporter

They went on a mission to alleviate poverty.

Twenty-eight Vanderbilt graduate students and faculty traveled to Bangladesh over their spring break to help discover and create financial opportunities for local villages.

"We wanted to use for-profit business to alleviate poverty and not just provide charity funding," said Ryan Igleheart, a first-year student at Owen Graduate School of Management and an organizer of the trip. "We're trying to find working business models to help the life of the poor, to provide access to information, goods and services."

The group worked with Project Pyramid to engage in a variety of activities including interviewing borrowers of micro-finance loans, visiting garment and textile facilities, meeting heads of organizations in charge of health care and education and attending

a speech by alumnus Muhammad Yunus, who received the 2006 Nobel Peace Prize.

The trip even took on a personal context for Asif Shah Mohammed, a second-year Owen student and native of Jamalpur, a village in Bangladesh.

"We had the opportunity to go to my own village and speak with actual micro-finance borrowers and villagers," Mohammed said.

Mohammed's family had done previous poverty alleviation work in his village, but he said this visit changed his view of Bangladesh.

"I look at Bangladesh differently now than prior to the trip because the greatest thing I saw was the work all the organizations working in Bangladesh had done to alleviate poverty," Mohammed said. "I saw a lot of opportunity for people like us in developing long-term solutions."

The group participants were able to have discussions with leaders from two of the largest non-governmental organizations in Bangladesh, Bangladesh Rural Advancement Committee and Grameen Bank, including Yunus.

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Groups of women line up in columns of five to pay back part of their loaned money at a BRAC lending meeting in Bangladesh. Five women comprise a lending group and back each other's loans, acting as a community collateral.

—To view a slideshow of photos from the trip to Bangladesh, go to: [insidevandy](#)

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THURSDAY



Partly Cloudy, 73/50

FRIDAY



Isolated T-storms, 65/47

SATURDAY



T-showers, 64/50

VUPD CRIME LOG
compiled by SARA GAST

Sunday, April 13, 12:12 a.m.:
A liquor law was violated at 19th and West End avenues.

Sunday, April 12, 2:10 p.m.:
There was a theft of vehicle parts at Carmichael Towers.

Sunday, April 13, 9:52 p.m.:
A male suspect robbed a student on Rand Terrace.

Check out <http://police.vanderbilt.edu/crimelog.htm> for complete listings.

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compiled by SARA GAST

1 Pope Benedict XVI lands in America
ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE, Md. — Pope Benedict XVI arrived Tuesday in the United States to a presidential handshake and enthusiastic cheering, a warm welcome that followed the pontiff's candid admission hours earlier that he is "deeply ashamed" of the clergy sex abuse scandal that has rocked the American church.
On his first papal trip to the U.S., Benedict gave hundreds of spectators a two-handed wave as he stepped off a special Alitalia airliner that brought him from Rome, The Associated Press reported, shaking hands with President Bush, first lady Laura Bush and their daughter, Jenna on the tarmac.

2 Bombings kill nearly 60 in Sunni areas of Iraq
BAGHDAD — The Associated Press reported that bombings blamed on al-Qaida in Iraq tore through market areas in Baghdad and outside the capital on Tuesday, killing nearly 60 people and shattering weeks of relative calm in Sunni-dominated areas.
The bloodshed — in four cities as far north as Mosul and as far west as Ramadi — struck directly at U.S. claims that the Sunni insurgency is waning and being replaced by Shiite militia violence as a major threat.

3 State Department warns diplomats of compulsory Iraq duty
WASHINGTON — The State Department is warning U.S. diplomats they may be forced to serve in Iraq next year and says it will soon start identifying prime candidates for jobs at the Baghdad embassy and outlying provinces, according to a cable obtained Tuesday by The Associated Press.
A similar call-up notice last year caused an uproar among foreign service officers, although in the end the State Department found enough volunteers to fill the jobs.
Now, the State Department anticipates another staffing crisis.

4 Plane veers off runway in Congo, bursts into flames
GOMA, Congo — A Congolese jetliner with about 85 people aboard crashed on takeoff Tuesday, careening off a runway into a busy neighborhood and bursting into flames, officials said.
Witnesses reported dozens of bodies at the crash site in this city in eastern Congo, according to The Associated Press. Rescue workers with tractors, trucks and shovels searched for survivors as U.N. peacekeepers sprayed the wreckage with hoses. Smoke and flames engulfed the charred debris.

5 A former nanny for Rob Lowe claims abuse
LOS ANGELES — One of three former employees being sued by Rob Lowe says the actor sexually abused her for years but she continued to work for him and his wife because she loved their two boys and needed the job, according to The Associated Press.
In legal papers filed in Santa Barbara, Jessica Gibson says Lowe touched her inappropriately several times between September 2005 and January 2008.

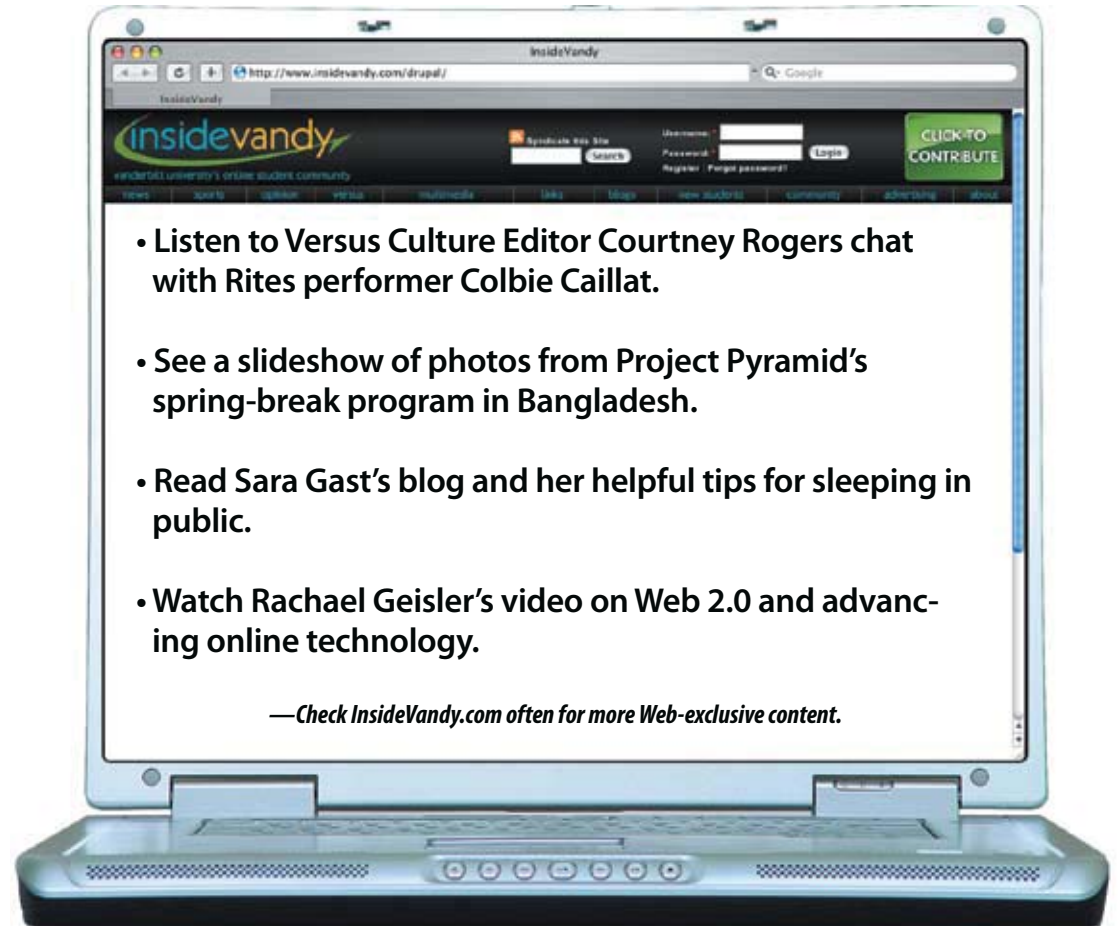
6 Alexander raised \$1 million in first quarter, Tuke with \$225,000
NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Republican Sen. Lamar Alexander says his re-election campaign raised nearly \$1 million in the first quarter.
Alexander, who is unopposed in the Republican primary, now has about \$2.9 million on hand, according to The Associated Press.
Former state Democratic Party Chairman Bob Tuke says he has raised nearly \$265,000 since beginning his U.S. Senate campaign last month.
Tuke says he raised about \$225,000 by the end of the quarter on March 31. He has raised the remainder since then.

7 Notary public would have to be U.S. citizen under proposal
NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Legislation that would require a person to be a U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident before becoming a notary public is advancing in the Senate.
The measure sponsored by Murfreesboro Republican Bill Ketron unanimously passed the Senate Judiciary Committee on Tuesday, The Associated Press reported.
The companion bill unanimously passed the House last month.

8 Texas defends separation of polygamist sect kids from moms
ELDORADO, Texas — State officials Tuesday defended their decision to suddenly separate mothers from many of the children taken in a raid on a polygamist ranch in West Texas, The Associated Press reported.
Texas Children's Protective Services spokeswoman Marleigh Meisner said the separation was made Monday after they decided that children are more truthful in interviews about possible abuse if their parents are not around.

9 Nashville Mayor Karl Dean to join experts discussing climate change, consumption
NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Issues of environmental policy and chance will be debated by experts in environmental law, the humanities, and natural, social and behavioral sciences at the Climate Change and Consumption Conference being held at Vanderbilt Law School April 18 and 19, Vanderbilt News Service reported.
Michael Maniates, professor of political science and environmental science at Allegheny College, will give the keynote at 1:30 p.m. Friday. Nashville Mayor Karl Dean will give the closing address at the conference at 12:15 p.m. on Saturday. Both will speak in Flynn Auditorium at Vanderbilt Law School.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY ISRAEL



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BANGLADESH: Work promising

From BANGLADESH, page 1

"It was extraordinary seeing Dr. Yunus talk about micro-lending and spending time in the villages," said Cal Turner Professor of Moral Leadership Bart Victor. "He's an extraordinarily inspirational leader and was very generous with his time and values Vanderbilt connections."

According to Igleheart, Project Pyramid hopes to return to Bangladesh next year and utilize the connections already made to further develop working business models to help stop poverty.

Project Pyramid is a student-founded initiative

that began two years ago and includes students from each of the graduate schools. The purpose of Project Pyramid is to use business tools to work toward financially sustainable methods for poverty alleviation.

And the group is working to address issues globally and locally.

"There is a lot of poverty in Nashville that we can develop models to address," Igleheart said. "We look at both local and international opportunities to learn and create solutions because the same solutions that work overseas might not apply locally."

The graduate students, who

came from Owen, the Divinity School, Law School, Peabody College and the College of Arts and Science, said they were encouraged by the work they and others were doing.

"This project has the promise of being successful because we're tackling poverty not just from the eyes of a business person," Igleheart said, "but from people of all backgrounds with different views working toward a common goal." ■

—For more from the trip, follow the link on InsideVandy.com

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Bennett nominated as Young Alumni Trustee

by ALLIE MORRIS
Staff Reporter

The classes of 2007, 2008 and 2009 have chosen senior Elizabeth Bennett to represent the Class of 2008 on the Board of Trust as the newest Young Alumni Trustee.

Bennett will be recommended to the board, which will discuss her nomination at their May 16 meeting.

"At the first meeting I am expecting to be absolutely overwhelmed. It is a big responsibility, but I am excited ...

and ready to get my hands dirty," said Bennett, who was initially shocked about receiving the position.

She beat fellow seniors Taylor Imboden and Cara Bilotta with 232 of the 559 votes cast in the election, although Christina Barnes of Alumni Relations predicted 1,200 votes. Bennett says the small number may be due to the fact that she, Imboden and Bilotta met after being nominated and decided not to campaign because they agreed it would take away from the integrity of the position.

However, Bennett says she hopes in the future the YAT position can be publicized by emphasizing the position's potential on campus and e-mailing alumni to keep better communication.

Bennett, who plans to work in Washington D.C. doing public policy after graduation, said she thinks Vanderbilt's best days are ahead and can't wait to contribute.

"We get better and better by the day," she said. ■

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Rites lineup loses Kool, gains Cupid

by ELIZABETH MIDDLEBROOKS
Editor in Chief

Instead of clearing their throats, this year's Rites-goers will do the "Cupid Shuffle."

DJ Kool will not perform at Rites of Spring this weekend due to a scheduling conflict, said Dave Silverstein, co-chair of The Music Group.

R&B and hip-hop performer Cupid

will fill the open time slot on Friday night.

Cupid released his debut album this past September and is best known for his first single, "Cupid Shuffle," and its accompanying dance.

Other recent additions to the lineup include Wild Sweet Orange and Lady Antebellum on Friday and Alana Grace and Lord T and Eloise on Saturday.

Wild Sweet Orange hails from

Birmingham, Ala., and has a Southern alternative-rock style, while Nashvillians Lady Antebellum will bring a modern-country sound to Alumni Lawn.

Lord T and Eloise play a combination of "rap/hip-hop/crunk," according to their MySpace, and are known for their creative stage costumes.

Alana Grace is best known for her song "Black Roses Red" on the soundtrack to the movie "Sisterhood of the Traveling

Pants."

Rites of Spring will take place this Friday and Saturday on Alumni Lawn. ■

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—For a complete festival guide, go to:



rites of spring details

FRIDAY, APRIL 18
Gates: 4 p.m.
Battle of the Bands Winner: 4:15 to 4:45 p.m.
Wild Sweet Orange: 5:05 to 5:35 p.m.
Jeremy Lister: 5:55 to 6:25 p.m.
The Avett Brothers: 6:45 to 7:45 p.m.
Lady Antebellum: 8:05 to 8:50 p.m.
Cupid: 9:10 to 9:55 p.m.
Colbie Caillat: 10:15 to 11:15 p.m.
Spoon: 11:45 p.m. to 1 a.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 19
Gates: 3 p.m.
H-Beam: 4:05 to 4:35 p.m.
Alana Grace: 4:55 to 5:25 p.m.
Lord T and Eloise: 5:45 to 6:15 p.m.
Hill Country Revue: 6:35 to 7:05 p.m.
Randy Rogers Band: 7:25 to 7:55 p.m.
Grace Potter: 8:15 to 9 p.m.
Old Crowe Medicine Show: 9:20 to 10:20 p.m.
Feist: 10:45 to 11:45 p.m.
Lil Jon: 12:15 to 1 a.m.

TICKETS
• Student tickets: \$15, one ticket per Vanderbilt student
• Faculty/staff weekend pass: \$20, one ticket per faculty/staff member
• General public weekend pass (purchased in advance): \$45
• General public weekend pass (purchased day of show): \$55
• General public one-day pass: \$35
• The tickets will be exchanged at the gate for a wristband each day. Each student will be allowed to purchase one ticket at this price on his or her Vanderbilt card. Vanderbilt students will be required to show their student ID with their ticket for entry.

ALCOHOL POLICY
• 21-year-old guests will be allowed to bring six 12-ounce cans of beer to Rites of Spring one time each day.
• Coolers are allowed. Guests may combine their beer into one cooler if they enter together. No one is allowed to bring more than 12 beers together.
• All guests may bring one unopened bottled water and may bring small snacks if there is a special dietary need.
• Vanderbilt Dining will provide water, soda and snacks for purchase when gates open each day.
• The alcohol policy will be posted on the Rites of Spring Web site.
• No glass bottles will be allowed inside the venue.

GREAT BIG SHOWS PRESENTS

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Steve Earle w/ Allison Moorer TUE 4/22 @ City Hall
Sonic Youth w/ Leslie Keffer & Valerie Martino FRI 4/25 @ City Hall
Brett Dennen & Mason Jennings w/ Missy Higgins SUN 5/4 @ City Hall
M.I.A. w/ Holy F*ck MON 5/5 @ City Hall
Musical Portraits from Heber Springs: Bill Frisell's Disfarmer Project feat. Greg Leisz & Jenny Scheinman TUE 5/20 @ Belcourt
Augustana w/ Wild Sweet Orange & Five Times August TUE 5/27 @ City Hall
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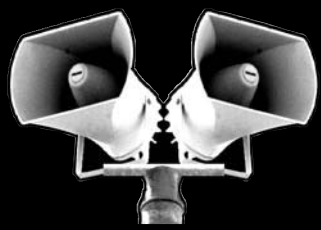
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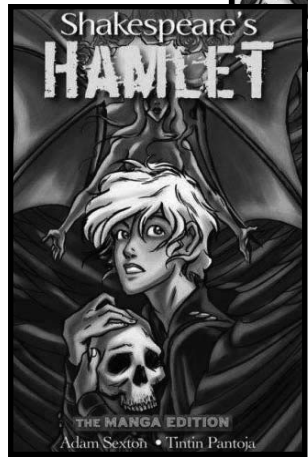
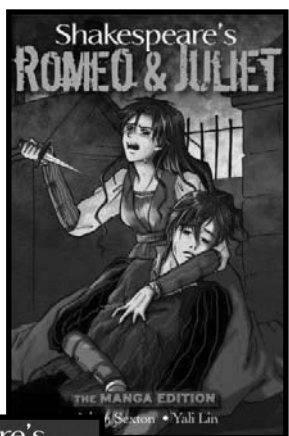
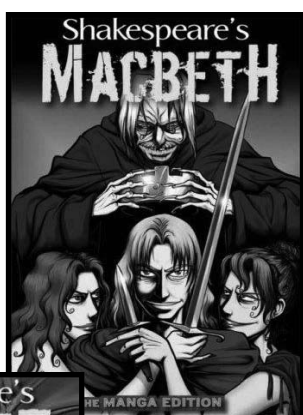
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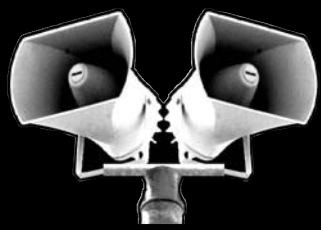
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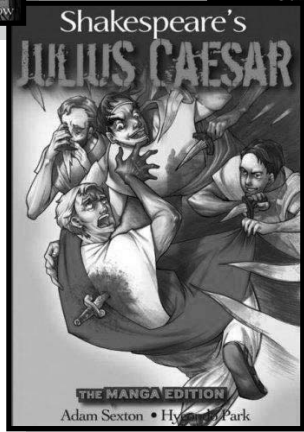
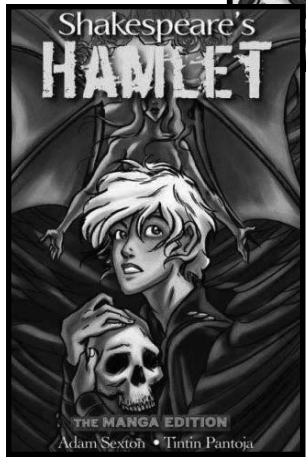
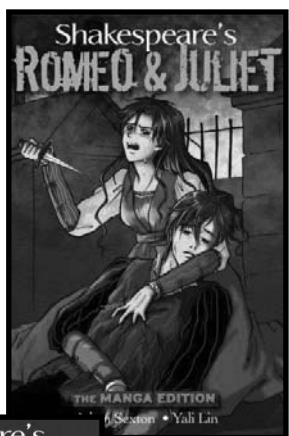
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SPORTS

Baseball team defeats Lipscomb; extends streak to 6



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Senior and Southeastern Conference Hitter of the Week David Macias had three hits in Tuesday's home game against neighboring Lipscomb. The Commodores maintained their winning streak, improving to 25-10 on the season with six victories in a row. Vanderbilt will next face off against the Hilltoppers on the road at Western Kentucky before returning to Hawkins field on Friday.

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Brian Harris' three-run homer in the sixth inning broke a 1-1 tie and catapulted Vanderbilt to an 8-1 win over Lipscomb on Tuesday night at Ken Dugan Field.

Curt Casali and Parker Hanks had back-to-back singles with one out in the sixth and after a fly-out, Harris blasted a 1-2 pitch by reliever Taylor Merry over the wall in left field. It was his first career home run in his 136th at-bat.

"It was a fastball up and in," said Harris. "I just tried to put the barrel on it and put the ball in play. I am just glad the homer happened and I was able to hit one before I got out of here."

The Commodores won its season best sixth straight to improve to 25-10 on the year, while the Bison fell to 20-16.

Vanderbilt added two more runs in the seventh when Dominic de la Osa roped an RBI triple to left-center and scored on a wild pitch by Kyle Tognazini.

The Commodores closed out the scoring in the ninth, scoring a couple of runs on RBI singles by Pedro Alvarez and Casali.

"I thought there were two big hits in the game that actually separated it, and that was Brian's two-strike, two-out home-run and Dominic's triple. At the time it was very important because the game was close and it was a two-strike, two-out RBI hit as well," said head coach Tim Corbin.

Vanderbilt starter Taylor Hill (4-2) gave up one run on four hits in five innings with two walks and two strikeouts in the winning effort.

Richie Goodenow came on and struck out two in an inning, and Drew Hayes followed with 1.2

innings of one-hit scoreless relief. Sean Bierman struck out a batter with the bases loaded with two outs in the eighth, and Brett Jacobson struck out two in a scoreless ninth to end the game.

"The guys we sent out there today were all first-timers except for Jacobson," said Corbin about the pitching staff's performance. "You put them in tight situations, and I like what I see. The more we run them out there in those situations, the better they will be. So far, so good. It hasn't been ugly and that is all that really matters."

The Commodores struck first in the fourth, scoring on an RBI single by Casali. Shortstop Ryan Flaherty doubled to lead off the inning and moved to third on a balk by Lipscomb starter Paul Piennette (1-2). The Bisons struck back in the bottom half, tying the game on Shane Simpkins' RBI double off of Hill.

Casali had three hits and two RBI, with David Macias adding three hits and a run scored. Flaherty and Hanks had two hits as well in helping lead the Commodore 13-hit attack.

"I thought Curt did a nice job behind the plate," added Corbin. "He catches like an older person, when he is back there, there is not a lot of hiccups in what he does. He had a couple of RBI hits as well, a pretty good day of work." ■

UP NEXT FOR THE DORES

Vanderbilt will be back in action tomorrow night at Western Kentucky at 6 p.m. The Dorees will then return home for a three-game series against Auburn starting on Friday at 6 p.m. The teams will play on Saturday at noon in a game televised regionally by CSS. Sunday's game is set for a 1 p.m. first pitch.

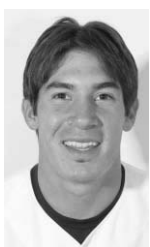
Macias named SEC Hitter of the Week

Senior centerfielder serves as catalyst for Commodores' 5-0 week.

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Senior outfielder David Macias was named the Southeastern Conference Hitter of the Week today by the league office.

Macias was the catalyst for Vanderbilt's 5-0 week and first sweep over Mississippi State in Starkville since 1914. The Commodore lead-off



MACIAS

hitter went 13-for-23 (.565) with a double, triple, homer and four RBI with nine runs scored in five games overall. He was 8-for-15 (.533) against State with a .933 slugging percentage and .588 on base percentage.

The Woodlands, Texas, native tripled in the ninth on Sunday against Mississippi State relief ace Aaron Weatherford and scored what would be the deciding run in a 4-3 win. He currently leads the team in hitting at .386 (third in the SEC) and has a career-high six homers this season

from the leadoff spot.

It is the first weekly honor for Vanderbilt this season and the first for Macias in his career.

The Commodores will take on Lipscomb tomorrow at 6 p.m. at Ken Dugan Field. The Bisons are 20-15 overall and 14-7 in Atlantic Sun play after taking two of three from Florida Gulf Coast at home over the weekend. Catcher Caleb Joseph leads the team with a .399 batting average with 11 homers and 45 RBI. ■

COLUMN

Pro Dorees defy Vandy stereotype of 'doormat'

NICHOLAS HUDSON

Sports Editor

Not too long ago, Vanderbilt was referred to as "The Doormat of the Southeastern Conference." Without harping on my own alma mater too much, there was probably some truth to that statement. But in recent years Vanderbilt has experienced something of a revival.

I was reminded this weekend by the success of Brandt Snedeker at the Masters that we have graduated a lot of very talented athletes in the past few years. Not many would have guessed the same Vanderbilt student you could be sitting in class with then might be playing for a green jacket, the Lombardi Trophy, a World Series or in the NBA Finals just a few years later.

I think the same is true today. If you look at all the great talent Vanderbilt has graduated in the last few years, and the fact that almost all of our sports teams are at their all-time highs right now, I am sure there are plenty of All-Americans among us.

In case you haven't read this section in the last 16 months (which may be more than likely), David Price, our all-star pitcher last year, was the overall number one draft pick in the MLB. After being named first team All-American and winning the Dick Howser Trophy, it came as no surprise that he went to the Tampa Devil Rays. Right now he is learning the ropes in the minor leagues, but he will move into the starting rotation this season.

If Price hadn't been the pitcher in the spotlight, it certainly would have been Casey Weathers. He was the overall eighth pick in the first round of the MLB draft last year and went to the Colorado Rockies, who had quite a season themselves. Between the two of them, I wouldn't be at all surprised to see a Vanderbilt graduate pitching in the World Series sometime soon.

Even today, there are future all-stars right here on campus. Pedro Alvarez has had a very promising college career, and had it not been for his early season injury, would probably be the best third baseman in the league. Even while he was sitting out injured in February, having played less than five games, he was still ranked in the top ten in the country. Many teams have their eye on him, and if his performance in the last few games is any indication, he will definitely impress them too.

The basketball team has been the source of a lot of excitement the past few years. This year's graduating class will certainly see at least one player move on to the NBA. Last year's SEC player of the year, Derrick Byars, was picked up in the draft by the Portland Trailblazers. Unfortunately he was optioned to the 76ers, which fell through. I bet that if the Trailblazers had known that Oden would become useless thanks to an early injury, they would have held onto Byars. And while you may never have heard of the defending basketball champions of France, the Chorale Roanne, they are the current home of Vanderbilt's Derrick Byars, but not for long. When the scouts see his potential and attitude, he might just experience a Gilbert Arenas-style resurrection.

Everybody who was here in 2005 remembers Jay Cutler and the amazing season he had. He was another first round pick, going to the Denver Broncos as the 11th overall pick. Coach Mike Shanahan felt so confident in Cutler that he began starting him his rookie season. And unlike his peers Vince Young and Matt Lineart, he began setting records in his first appearance with the best performance of any Denver QB in their NFL debut. The Broncos are always a strong team, and with Cutler maturing and improving his timing in the offseason, they will certainly make a run for the playoffs this season on the broad shoulders of a Vanderbilt graduate.

Even though Earl Bennett smashed the SEC receiving record last year, there is another Vanderbilt player who is likely to be picked earlier in this year's draft. Chris Williams is being closely watched by the Houston Texans, who have the 18th pick. Most scouts think he will be picked up by Houston if he isn't snatched up sooner than that. With Jonathan Goff and Curtis Gatewood also being looked at closely in the draft, Vanderbilt will see at least four of last year's starters move on to the NFL. Only Virginia and USC have more players projected to get snatched in the top 25 picks.

Someone to look for in the near future is golfer Luke List. Not long ago he was playing here at Vanderbilt, and now he is one of the most promising new players in the golf world. He is one breakout performance away from being a household name, like Snedeker is now.

In the world of college sports, strong performances lead to good recruiting. With all the high-profile players being sent to the professional leagues, it won't be long before this exposure pays dividends to future Vanderbilt squads.

While we may never get South Carolina's Steve Spurrier to sing the praises of Vanderbilt, the pro scouts already are.

So my advice to you is, go out and watch them play now, enjoy the free tickets, and maybe even get an autograph. Because in a few years, when all of us have moved on from Vanderbilt, those experiences, and that signed baseball cap, will probably seem a whole lot more valuable. ■

THE RUN DOWN

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TODAY Lacrosse at Notre Dame 3:30 p.m.

The 13th-ranked women's lacrosse squad travels to South Bend to square off against eighth-ranked Notre Dame, whom they haven't beaten at home since 2000. The Commodores (10-4, 3-1 American Lacrosse Conference) are on a hot streak, having won three straight games, including a 17-7 conference win over Ohio State during which senior Margie Curran became the school's all-time leader in points and assists.

The Fighting Irish (10-4) are streaking as well, with two wins in the past week over top-10 schools. The Irish upset Big East rival Georgetown, 10-8, in their most recent match on Saturday.

Following today's matchup, the Dorees return to Nashville for the regular season finale against Duke.

THURSDAY Men's tennis at SEC tournament All day

The eighth-seeded Black and Gold will face ninth-seeded Arkansas in first-round action of the Southeastern Conference tournament. The Razorbacks, who finished the regular season 12-12 and 3-8 in the SEC, will feel right at home in Fayetteville, Ark., where the four-day tournament will take place.

Vanderbilt, led by Ryan Preston at the number one singles position, has enjoyed a bit of a respite after a grueling two-match road trip against Georgia and Kentucky. The Dorees will use the momentum from their only road SEC win of the season against No. 40 Kentucky last Saturday to propel them into the tournament.

THEY SAID IT...

"It's just a whole lot of fun for these kids to spend a Sunday at the ballpark. There are so many positive aspects to this arrangement."

REGGIE WHITEMORE

Executive director of Nashville RBI (Reviving Baseball in Inner Cities), on Sunday's RBI program that brought in almost 100 inner-city kids to the Vanderbilt campus to watch the baseball game. The kids were allowed to stand on the field with the players during the National Anthem and received free T-shirts.

DAILY

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Freshmen honored at Black and Gold banquet

Jorgensen named Newcomer of Year; DiRaddo wins Comeback Player of Year.

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Freshmen Rita Jorgensen and Adrienne DiRaddo were honored at the 2007-2008 Black and Gold Banquet Monday evening. Jorgensen was the recipient of the Female Newcomer of the Year award, while DiRaddo was recognized as the Female Comeback Player of the Year.

The Newcomer of the Year is awarded to the student-athlete who is either a freshman or a first-year transfer who had the most significant impact on their team. Jorgensen, a Memphis, Tenn., native, made an immediate impact to the women's cross country and track teams the moment she stepped onto Vanderbilt's campus.

Last fall, in only her second collegiate race, Jorgensen won the Commodore Classic and was named Southeastern Conference Female Freshman of the Week for her performance. During the cross country season, she finished first on the team in five of six races in which she participated. Jorgensen took home the Most Valuable Performer award at the Vanderbilt cross

country postseason banquet.

This spring, Jorgensen has also excelled on the track as a distance runner, finishing sixth in the one-mile run at the SEC Indoor Track and Field Championships. Jorgensen opened the outdoor season in impressive fashion, picking up three race victories in the first two meets.

"I didn't expect to win but was honored to get the award," Jorgensen said. "It's an honor because there are so many good athletes in so many different sports."

"Obviously, it's quite an honor," head cross country and track distance coach Steve Keith commented, adding, "Every program looks to bring in newcomers of the year. We're fortunate enough to have Rita win this year."

The Comeback Player of the Year is awarded to a student-athlete who has either triumphed over physical adversity or a student-athlete who has persevered to achieve their goals in their respected sport. During her senior year of high school, it was discovered that DiRaddo, a product of The Woodlands, Texas, had a hole in her heart, and she underwent surgery in April

of 2007 to close the hole. She returned to cross country competition this past fall but was unable to finish the Chile Pepper Festival race and was admitted to a hospital in Arkansas.

This past January, she again experienced migraines and a few fainting spells. She was admitted to Vanderbilt Medical Center to make sure that the plug in her heart was intact and was then implanted with an Inner Loop Recorder, which continuously records her cardiac activity.

Despite her medical complications, DiRaddo has excelled tremendously in both cross country and track. She showed her best cross country performance in 2007 finishing in first place for the women's team at the NCAA South Regional Championship race. In addition to her finish at the regional, DiRaddo also placed second on the team and ninth overall at the Belmont/Vanderbilt Opener, fourth on the team and 13th overall at the Commodore Classic, and third on the team and 20th overall at the Colonial Inter-Regional Challenge against nationally ranked competition. Her stellar fall season led to the Best Newcomer award at the cross country postseason banquet.

On the track in 2008, DiRaddo has been sharp, finishing seventh in the 3,000 meters at the Big Ten/SEC Challenge. Her time of 10:04.70 in the event was a season-best by nearly 10 seconds. Also, her time of 17:15 in the 5k at the Stanford Invitational ranks eighth all-time on the Vanderbilt lists.

"I was very surprised but was honored to be recognized for my season after overcoming some tough medical issues," DiRaddo remarked. "I am very happy with the support of my coaches and teammates. The Vanderbilt Medical Center has also been helpful. They have done a great job."

"About this time last year, I gave her family a call after her surgery," Keith said. "I told them that things were going to be all right. Since then, we have moved forward and turned the corner. She has such a great attitude. The kids love her, and she's a real asset to the team."

The track and field season continues for Jorgensen, DiRaddo and the rest of the squad this Friday and Saturday as the Commodores host the Vanderbilt Invite. ■

Ulery garners Freshman of the Week honors

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Freshman tennis player Keilly Ulery was named Southeastern Conference Freshman of the Week, as announced by the league office in Birmingham, Ala., on Tuesday morning. The weekly honor is the first for Ulery in her career and the fourth for a Vanderbilt tennis player this season.

Ulery closed out the regular season with a comeback victory over Kentucky's Megan Broderick. Ulery dropped the opening set 7-5 but came back to win the second set 6-1. Ulery was down 5-2 in the third set, but won the next five games to claim a 7-5 win in the final set and claim the match. The victory extended

her winning streak to five matches.

The win improved Ulery's singles record in conference matches to 9-2, which ties her with Taka Bertrand for the best conference record on the team. The Wellington, Fla., native has a 14-5 dual match record in her first year as a Commodore.

Ulery becomes the fourth Commodore to be honored with a weekly award from the SEC. Bertrand, Amanda Taylor and Courtney Ulery have all been named SEC Player of the Week earlier in the season. This is the first freshman of the week honor for Ulery in her career.

The Vanderbilt women's tennis team returns to action on Friday in the quarterfinals of the SEC Women's Tennis Tournament in Auburn, Ala. The No. 4 Dores will face either fifth-seed Tennessee or No. 12 Mississippi State at 2 p.m. ■



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CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
- 1 Cocoyams
 - 6 Org.
 - 10 Mosque prayer leader
 - 14 Popeye's girl
 - 15 Key pie ingredient
 - 16 Allied org.
 - 17 Hollow tubes
 - 18 Chills and fever
 - 19 Shortest distance flier?
 - 20 Shocking
 - 22 Threesome
 - 23 Long time
 - 24 Like neighbor's lawn?
 - 26 Card game
 - 30 Swerved
 - 31 Alleviates
 - 32 Guitarist Atkins
 - 33 Distinctive doctrines
 - 37 Part of B.A.
 - 38 Burns slightly
 - 39 Sad
 - 40 Land chart
 - 41 Collides intentionally
 - 42 List of candidates
 - 43 Does Virginia's dance
 - 45 Wobble
 - 46 Contract and wrinkle
 - 49 _ Diego
 - 50 Dove's desire
 - 51 Ways in
 - 57 Declaim violently
 - 58 Patella's place
 - 59 Small crown
 - 60 Transition point
 - 61 Borodin's prince
 - 62 "Miami Vice" co-star
 - 63 Gazed at
 - 64 Ark. neighbor
 - 65 Actress
 - WITHERSPOON

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- DOWN**
- 1 Outscores
 - 2 Touched the tarmac
 - 3 Philbin's co-host
 - 4 Concluded
 - 5 Six-line stanzas of poems
 - 6 French actor Delon
 - 7 Portent
 - 8 Contraband carriers
 - 9 Born as
 - 10 Amazing
 - 11 Cheech of "Nash Bridges"
 - 12 Make amends
 - 13 Lawn tool
 - 21 _ Angeles
 - 22 Golfer's peg
 - 25 Furrows
 - 26 Big pile
 - 27 Nobleman
 - 28 Dog star?
 - 29 Limited
 - 30 Counterfeits
 - 32 Dare
 - 34 Venetian blind strip
 - 35 Like a mime
 - 36 Fortuneteller
 - 38 Native Canadian
 - 42 Figure in the Forum
 - 44 Actress Arden
 - 45 Black goo
 - 46 Binge
 - 47 Intoxicating
 - 48 Extent
 - 49 Severe
 - 52 Bright sign
 - 53 Cairo's river
 - 54 Showed up
 - 55 Son of Aphrodite
 - 56 Enclosure with a ms.
 - 58 Hobbyist's buy

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