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ART

Artist displays historically conscious work in BCC

Visual historian Charly Palmer's exhibit will remain until Dec. 1.

By Sydney Wilmer
STAFF REPORTER

Charly Palmer answered community members' questions related to his artwork Friday at the opening of his exhibit in the Bishop Joseph Johnson Black Cultural Center.

Palmer, a visual historian whose provocative artwork is nationally renowned, will show his work in the BCC until Dec. 1. The exhibit explores black, Native American and Jewish struggles and experiences, he said.

Palmer said that his multimedia works combine his passion for history and art.

"Before I began painting historical subjects, I painted romantic and spiritual pieces, but they lacked the emotion that these have," he said.

Students in attendance, such as freshmen Kelli Sims and Michelle Wijaya, said that Palmer's use of history was helpful to them.

"I was moved by it because it put historical events in a visual context," Sims said.

She said that while she had read about the historical images depicted in his paintings, these inspired more emotion.

"He is basically telling history with his art," Wijaya said.

The layers of paint and use of mixed media reflect the layers of history his painting represent, Palmer said.

"On several of my pieces there are advertisements for slave auctions on the canvas," he said. "Without the mixed media, my paintings feel two-dimensional."

Palmer, a classically trained artist who typically works on anywhere from 10-30 pieces at a time, said that his "chaotic and frenzied" approach to artwork is what works for him.

"I am constantly painting," he said. "I produce over 100 works a year. My advice for other artists is: find your own voice. For me, I am expressing through a vehicle, and it is an ongoing process."

Palmer said that his artwork is meant to encourage discussion among community members.

"It would be great for students to see my artwork and want to know more," he said. "I want it to open up dialogue."

Dr. Frank Dobson, director of the BCC, said that he saw the artwork as a means to raise awareness about the historical struggles of past generations.

"This exhibit means a historical look at images that represent this nation's past," he said.

"I encourage the entire campus to come. I don't know if it will affect college students because they did not experience these events, and they don't represent their generation. I hope that it says to them, though, this was a part of our heritage."

In his opening remarks
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HOMECOMING

Quake your Moneymaker



Ludacris headlined Friday's Commodore Quake, performing many of his hit songs for the crowd in Memorial Gym. His performance was preceded by rappers Common and Shareefa.

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ACTIVISM

Fashion for a Cause paints the campus pink

Students raise breast cancer awareness Tuesday by wearing pink.

By Mary Alice Williams
CONTRIBUTING REPORTER

Vanderbilt will celebrate Passionately Pink Day, a day designed to support Breast Cancer Awareness Month, for the first time Tuesday.

The day is sponsored by Fashion for a Cause, a student philanthropic organization dedicated to raising awareness about breast cancer through fashion. The group holds events all year long, culminating with their annual spring fashion show featuring a variety of designer labels, a reception and a silent auction.

Fashion for a Cause has raised over \$15,000 for the Vanderbilt Ingram Cancer Center's campaign to Imagine a World Without Cancer.

Passionately Pink Day is a nationwide endeavor affiliated with the Susan G. Komen Foundation. Created in 1982, the foundation seeks the eventual eradication of breast cancer by raising money for research, education, and screening and testing projects.

Here on campus, Fashion for a Cause will be selling pink ribbons to raise money. Individuals can show their support by wearing these ribbons and their 'pinkest' outfit.

Fraternities and sororities will show their support tonight at chapter meetings, where they will pass a jar around to collect money and buy ribbons.

According to the Komen foundation, breast cancer is an increasingly national health concern. It is estimated that over 212,000 American women will be diagnosed with it in 2006 alone.

Throughout the month of October, groups across America will be holding their own Passionately Pink Day. Participants include schools, offices and even neighborhoods.

Find out more about Passionately Pink Day and breast cancer prevention by visiting www.komen.org. ■

Jay Salato elected 2006 Outstanding Senior



Jay Salato was chosen from 10 finalists as the 2006 Homecoming Outstanding Senior by the student body. Salato was announced as the winner at halftime of the homecoming game and was presented with a gold medal and commemorative silver cup.

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SERVICE

Manna Project application deadline approaches

Spring Break trips planned for a variety of international sites.

By Kristen Chmielewski
SENIOR REPORTER

Spring Break may seem far away, but the application deadline for Manna Project International's service learning trip is quickly approaching.

Applications, which will be due in mid-November, are available via e-mail from Mark Blaser or Erin Duncan, and paper copies can be obtained in the CPH.

Last year, Manna Project sponsored three international Spring Break service trips: Nicaragua, El Salvador and Mexico.

"I saw more of the world in those 10 days than I'd ever seen before," Blaser, vice president for international development, said of his experience at the Nicaragua site.

"My eyes opened to a region in need of some kind of impact the rest of the world hadn't been delivering. More importantly, however, I saw that this impact was finally being made, and it was being made under the name Manna Project."

Manna Project offers students the flexibility to come together in a group of their choice and to participate in service both in the United States and abroad.

"One of the contrasts between Manna and other organizations is that with Manna, you could go with friends, plan a trip and make an impact together," said Erin Duncan, president of the Vanderbilt Manna chapter. "Those friends could be sorority sisters, fraternity brothers, your religious group, your dorm hall or even just yourself—it doesn't matter."

Because Manna allows such flexibility, Duncan characterized the experience as "empowering, rewarding and doable."

Students who would like to participate in Manna's service trips must pay for their own plane tickets and room and board, as equipment and supply costs are usually defrayed by letter-writing campaigns and fundraising events, such as the annual Mannafit. Room and board costs generally come to about \$135 a week, Duncan said.

According to the organization's mission statement, its aim is to provide students an opportunity to "offer their passions and skills to a new community in a remote place in the world."

"To put it simply, Manna's goal is to cure myopia, to make students aware of the positive, social impact they have the opportunity and moral obligation to bring to the developing world," Blaser said.

In that spirit, there is always room for new applicants, ideas and service suggestions, Blaser said.

"We base what we do on student interest," he said. "We can design and customize the trip you want for you and your friends. It can be to anywhere. You can do what you want, as long as you are implementing your skills and talents to make a positive difference in the world."

Manna Project's primary service site is the Manna House in Managua, Nicaragua. There, students perform a variety of services, ranging from helping with adult literacy to providing

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THE WALL

NOTABLE

Apple's iPod celebrates its fifth birthday today, marking a milestone for the music player that reinvented Apple.

The iPod and Apple's iTunes music store has incited change in the music industry, giving people a legal way to download music.



Source: Apple

QUOTABLE

"People might think it's kind of weird, crazy. It is a practical thing; it's something you can do. It might be a way to deflect those bullets until police go there."

—Republican Bill Crozier

The candidate for state superintendent of schools from Union City, Okla. said Thursday he wants thick used textbooks placed under every student's desk so they can use them for self-defense during school shootings.

Source: AP

WEATHER FORECAST

TODAY
Mostly Sunny, 55/33

TUESDAY
Sunny, 58/37

WEDNESDAY
Showers, 64/52

CORRECTION

In the Friday, Oct. 20 issue, Vibe was incorrectly identified as a dance team in the article "Vibe dance team reflects diversity of Vanderbilt." More accurately, it is a hip-hop dance crew. Further, Abby Mintz and Akua Hill are co-presidents, not co-captains.

TODAY IN THE BUBBLE

Compiled by Nicole Floyd

Students take back the night in tonight's march

Join Project Safe tonight at the Vanderbilt University Margaret Cuninggim Women's Center in a community rally and march against domestic and sexual violence. The event will feature displays of the "Clothesline Project," vocal performances, information and a keynote speaker. The keynote will be given by Byron Hurt, acclaimed director and producer of "Beyond Beats and Rhymes: A Hip-Hop Head Weighs in on Manhood in Hip-Hop Culture." The event will begin at Olin Field and conclude at Centennial Park.

Liver Appreciation Week begins today

Liver Appreciation Week activities start today. There will be a table on the Wall where you can take a quiz and earn a prize. Also sign up to be an organ donor, enter the coloring contest and watch Tequila Man chase Liver Man. Come hear about your liver and organ donation on Tuesday, Oct. 24 at 7 p.m. in Sarratt Cinema, and meet the Heart and Liver Man on Oct. 26 on Alumni Lawn.

STAND visits Sudanese Community Center today

STAND will be leading a group of students to the Sudanese Community Center today. Please contact Alexa Rabin at alexa.s.rabin@vanderbilt.edu or come to the Community Partnership House at 3 p.m. if you are interested in participating.

Dance Marathon holds pep rally at 8 p.m.

Students will have the opportunity to learn more about Dance Marathon at the Dance Marathon Pep Rally on Monday, Oct. 30 at 8 p.m. in the Student Life Center Ballroom. Register to be a dancer, pick up your t-shirt and learn about how you can get involved. Visit <http://vudm.org> for more information.

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

VUPD CRIME LOG

Compiled by Nicole Floyd

Oct. 20, 2:15 a.m.—An arrest was made at 2500 Kensington Place for trespass of real property.

Oct. 20, 4:47 a.m.—An arrest was made at 1211 Medical Center Drive for trespass of real property.

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

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MANNA: Experience includes post-trip follow-up meetings



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Junior Mary Newcomb interacts with local children during her Manna Project trip last year.

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food and supplies to a landfill community.

"Nicaragua is the second poorest country in the Western Hemisphere, next to Haiti," Duncan said. "In such a setting, students can really make a difference."

Aside from the Manna House, however, there are several alternative sites.

For example, EcuadDores, the Ecuadorian student group, is planning to travel to Ecuador and work directly with a community. Additionally, the Vanderbilt Crew Team is tentatively planning to teach rowing classes in southeast Texas.

Blaser said the Manna Project experience can be divided into three equally important parts, the first of which is pre-Spring Break training in Nashville.

During this time, "students participate in community action training in whichever field interests them because we want them to be prepared and capable in March to accomplish what they want to accomplish," Blaser said.

The experience also consists of the Spring Break trip itself and the post-trip follow-up.

Manna Project sets up the post-trip meetings to discuss the experience and what it meant to each participant.

Manna Project organizers hope that the trips benefit the student participants as much as the underprivileged communities they serve.

"The overarching goal is to take something you're passionate about or know a lot about and apply it to those who are underprivileged," Duncan said. "Not only are you teaching them and learning about them, but you also learn a lot about yourself as well." ■

NATION

Obama acknowledges he's considering run for president in 2008

The Democratic senator from Illinois retracts previous statement.

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sen. Barack Obama acknowledged Sunday he was considering a run for president in 2008, backing off previous statements that he would not do so.

The Illinois Democrat said he could no longer stand by the statements he made after his 2004 election and earlier this year that he would serve a full six-year term in Congress. He said he would not make a decision until after the Nov. 7 elections.

"That was how I was thinking at that time," said Obama, when asked on NBC's "Meet the Press" about his previous statements.

"Given the responses that I've been getting over the last several months, I have thought about the possibility" although not with the seriousness or depth required, he said. "My main focus right now is in the '06. ... After November 7, I'll sit down, I'll sit down and consider, and if at some point I change my mind, I will make a public announcement and everybody will be able to go at me."

Obama was largely unknown outside Illinois when he burst onto the national scene with a widely acclaimed address at the 2004 Democratic National Convention.

In recent weeks, his political stock has been rising as a potentially viable centrist candidate for president in 2008 after former Virginia Gov. Mark Warner announced earlier this month that he was bowing out of the race.

In a recent issue of Time magazine, Obama's face fills the cover next to the headline, "Why Barack Obama Could Be The Next President." He is currently on a tour promoting his latest book, "The Audacity of Hope: Thoughts on Reclaiming the American Dream."

On Sunday, Obama dismissed notions that he might not be ready to run for president because of his limited experience in national politics. He agreed the job requires a "certain soberness and seriousness" and "can't be something you pursue on the basis of vanity and ambition."

"I'm not sure anyone is ready to be president before they're president," Obama said. "I trust the judgment of the American people."

"We have a long and rigorous process. Should I decide to run, if I ever did decide to run, I'll be confident that I'll be run through the paces pretty good," Obama said. ■

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Visual historian Charly Palmer will display historically based, multimedia artwork in the Bishop Joseph Johnson Black Cultural Center until Dec. 1.

BCC ART: Zeppos says exhibit promotes diversity through art

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at the reception, Provost Nicholas Zeppos said that bringing Palmer's work to Vanderbilt is part of a larger initiative to bring more diversity to the campus's walls through artwork.

"We can't rewrite history, but let's change Vanderbilt," he said.

The definition of diversity "can also be what is on your walls. We have to consider, what do people see on the walls at Vanderbilt?" he said.

John Davis, owner of Dragon Fine Arts, the consulting firm representing Palmer, said that the BCC is not the only building currently housing Palmer's work.

"The ethics building has pieces of his work, and several professors have purchased his pieces," he said. "In fact, Bishop Johnson bought two." ■

NATION

Bush urged by lawmakers to press Iraqi government harder to thwart militias

President expresses complete confidence in Iraqi prime minister.

By Deb Riechmann
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Republicans and Democrats urged the White House on Sunday to increase the pressure on Iraq's prime minister to crush militias blamed for the rising bloodshed.

President Bush expressed unwavering confidence in Nouri al-Maliki's ability to come to grips with the sectarian violence. Yet continued instability and rising casualties have led to calls, growing louder as the Nov. 7 elections near, for Bush to overhaul his war plan.

"I don't believe that a shift in tactics ought to wait until after the election," said Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., the chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee. "There are too many casualties there. If we have a better course, we ought to adopt it sooner rather than later."

Two U.S. troops were killed in fighting, the military said Sunday, raising the death toll in October to 80, the highest of any month this year. The overall U.S. death toll has surpassed 2,780.

Sen. Jack Reed, a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, said the Bush administration's Iraq policy was failure. "What we have is a situation where this government over the last few months is deteriorating,"

said Reed, D-R.I.

While agreeing al-Maliki is the best leader to support in Iraq right now, lawmakers from both parties said he must do more to find a political solution between warring Shiite and Sunni sects, or peace will remain out of reach.

Bush said in his judgment, "Maliki has got what it takes to lead a unity government." But the president noted the urgency the new government faces to stop the killing. "I'm patient. I'm not patient forever, and I'm not patient with dawdling," Bush said. "But I recognize the degree of difficulty of the task, and therefore, say to the American people, we won't cut and run."

He added it would be a sign of surrender "if you pull the troops out before the job is done. Absolutely."

Sen. John Kerry, Bush's opponent in the 2004 presidential race, said a political rather than military solution is needed.

"Either they resolve the political differences within this year because they want to or they don't want to. If they don't want to, there's nothing American troops can do," said Kerry, D-Mass.

Sen. John Warner, chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, said setting a withdrawal timetable could leave a security vacuum that terrorists would fill.

But Warner, R-Va., has said a change in course may be necessary if the security situation does not improve soon.

He urged the Iraqi prime minister to give the Iraqi army more authority to improve security. "It is their job, not the U.S. coalition forces' to subdue and get rid of these private militias," Warner said.

Sen. Carl Levin of Michigan, the leading Democrat on the Senate Armed Services Committee, said the administration must pressure the Iraqis to make political compromises on power and oil resources.

"If they don't want to do that, if they're going to have a civil war, we have to tell them, 'You're going to do that without us,'" said Levin, who wants to see U.S. troops begin to leave Iraq by the end of the year.

The White House took issue with a report in Sunday's New York Times that said the head of the U.S.-led Multinational Forces in Iraq and the U.S. ambassador to Iraq were working on a plan that probably would for the first time outline milestones for disarming sectarian militias and meeting other political and economic goals. The newspaper said the blueprint to be presented to al-Maliki by the end of this year would not threaten Iraq with a withdrawal of U.S. troops.

The White House said the article was not accurate. It said the administration was constantly developing new tactics to help the new Iraqi government sustain, defend and govern itself.

Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld said Friday that U.S. officials are working with the Iraqi government to develop projections as to when they can take over various areas of responsibility so the Iraqis do not grow dependent on U.S. troops.

Democrats say it's past time for a change. Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., said the administration was hinting at doing so because Democrats were threatening to capture control of Congress in the upcoming election.

"Let's hope that at long last we'll have a true change of policy by the administration and not just a political feint to get by in a tight election," Kennedy said.

To Kerry, a decorated Vietnam veteran, "It's immoral to have the lives of young Americans being put on the line, waiting for an election day event or strategy. If you've got a better strategy, Mr. President, we deserve to have it now."

Bush and Kerry appeared on ABC's "This Week." Reed and Specter were on CNN's "Late Edition," while Warner and Levin spoke on "Fox News Sunday." ■

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Homecoming 2006

A look back at last weekend's homecoming activities



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Clockwise from top left: The 2006 Homecoming Court poses after the announcement of this year's Outstanding Senior Jay Salato; Common performs in Memorial Gym during the Commodore Quake Friday night; Tie One On with the Chancellor winner sophomore Aziz Malik poses with Chancellor Gordon Gee after beating out fellow students in a bowtie tying contest; Seniors Andrea Moss and Stephanie Gates cheer on Vanderbilt in the student section at the football game on Saturday.



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Clockwise from top left: Vanderbilt Stadium filled up with students, fans and over 5,000 alumni for Saturday's game against South Carolina; Interhall's float travels down 24th Avenue Saturday morning in the Homecoming Parade; The Dudley Defenders, Vandy's most enthusiastic fans, cheered on the Dores; The Spirit of Gold Marching Band played classic music from the 60s and 70s at halftime of the homecoming game; The Danceline performed a routine to the song "Superstitious" by Stevie Wonder at halftime.

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OUR VIEW

President does not inspire trust

It is a sorry state of affairs when America finds itself incapable of trusting its leaders, especially when we are relying on these same leaders to steer us through a war of indeterminate length.

On Sunday, President George W. Bush was interviewed on ABC's "This Week" by George Stephanopoulos. When asked about former Secretary of State James A. Baker's findings on the Iraq war, which reported that more options existed in Iraq than simply "stay the course" or "cut and run," Bush said, "Well, hey, listen, we've never been 'stay the course,' George."

During the 2004 presidential campaign, however, Bush was very determined to "stay the course," as he demonstrated on April 5, 2004, when he said, in a speech to Central Piedmont Community College in Charlotte, N.C., "These killers don't have values. They want to shake our will. So we've got tough action in Iraq. But, we will stay the course."

In a primetime address to the nation on April 13, 2004, Bush said, "And my message today to those in Iraq is: We'll stay the course... My message to our troops is: We will stay the course and complete the job, and you'll have what you need."

Three days later, in remarks given in the Rose Garden with British Prime Minister Tony Blair on April 16, 2005, Bush said, "It's a wonderful feeling to have a strong ally in believing in the power of free societies and liberty. And that's why we're going to stay the course in Iraq."

"Stay the course" was not merely a rhetorical staple of election year. It has continued to be part of the Bush administration's stated policy for the war in Iraq since getting re-elected.

In the last press conference of the year on Dec. 15, 2003, Bush answered a reporter's question regarding the possibility of establishing a timetable for American troop withdrawal in an effort to stimulate foreign troop support. Bush replied, "We will stay the course until the job is done, Steve. And the temptation is to try to get the President or somebody to put a timetable on the definition of getting the job done. We're just going to stay the course."

As recently as Aug. 30, 2006, Bush told the Utah National Guard, "We will stay the course, we will help this young Iraqi democracy succeed, and victory in Iraq will be a major ideological triumph in the struggle of the 21st century."

For the president to say that "we have never been 'stay the course'" requires a level of amnesia so crippling, a memory so selective or an overt denial of truth so brazen as to make trusting him impossible. If we cannot trust our president to speak truthfully of his policies, then we have no reason to trust that he can succeed in his efforts.

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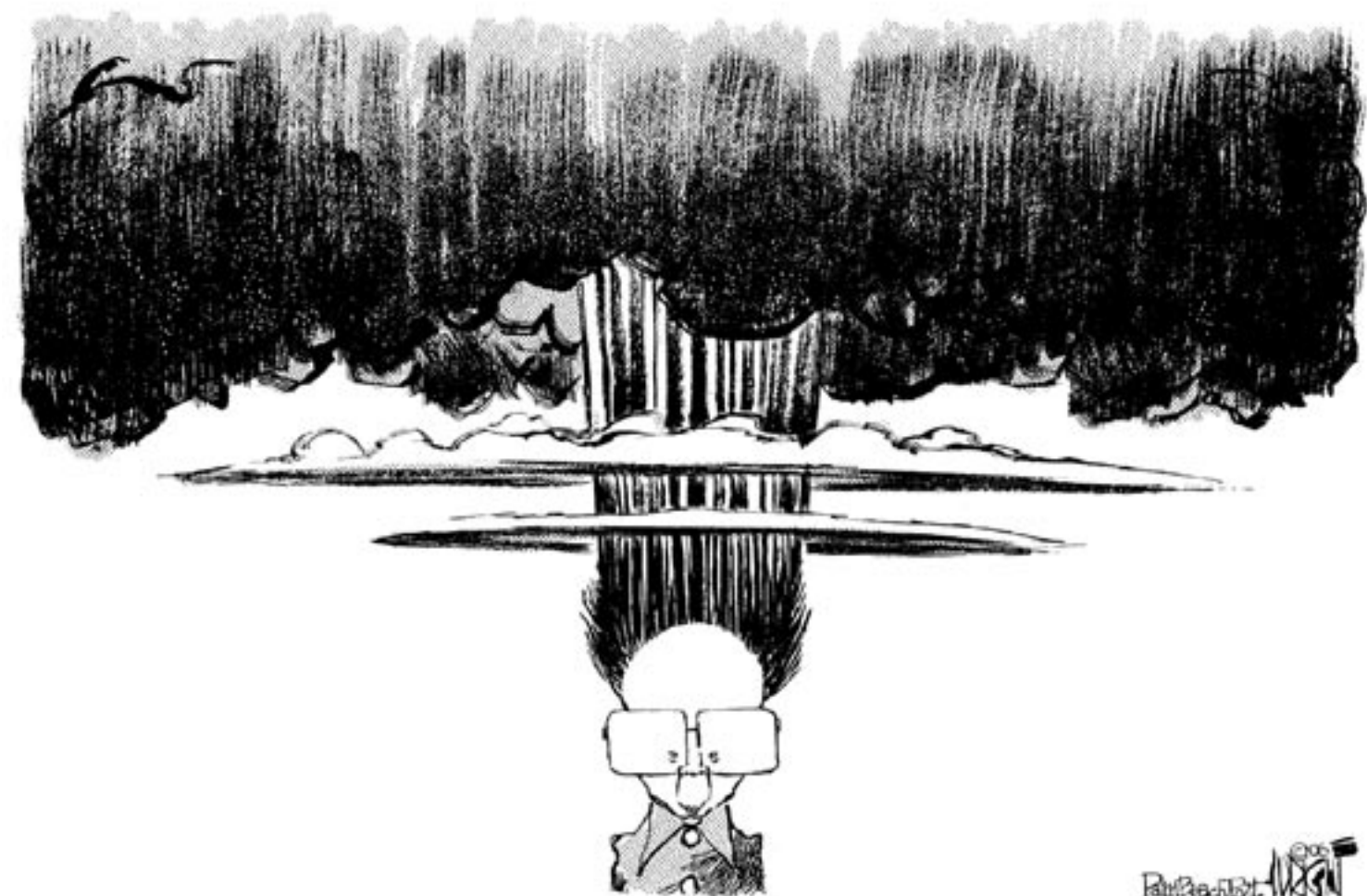
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Homeless families get ignored in Hustler article

To the Editor:

The Hustler recently did an exposé on homelessness in Nashville, but there was an entire aspect of homelessness completely missing. Yes, there are a lot of single homeless people in the city who do beg around campus, and, as the paper tried to point out, they are just people like everyone else. But there are also families that experience homelessness.

There is a great problem that occurs within families when they are forced into homelessness. What usually happens is that one parent will lose his or her job, and the family is forced to split, often causing children to be separated from their parents and forcing them to grow up in what are commonly delinquent households. This is the aspect of homelessness that is never talked about: the families split apart by homelessness and the children that are affected by it.

There is often little hope for these broken families, and they are usually destined to stay in the bottom of the barrel because the government will not recognize that there is a problem and does little to help them. The problem is that the government does not recognize entire families as

a unit, and therefore misses an entire section of the population. But just like the Nashville Rescue Mission offers hope for individuals, there is also a place in Nashville that offers hope for homeless families.

Although this place gets very little attention, it provides a great service to homeless families. It is one of only two very special kinds of homeless shelters in the state. It is called Safe Haven, and it takes in the entire family unit that is homeless and helps them get back on their feet. Safe Haven's story is one of success after success. By keeping the families together, helping and making the parents get back to work and teaching them how to properly manage their money, they are able to get families off the street, back into homes and paying taxes like every other citizen within a few months to a year. Safe Haven provides a unique service that truly helps people, although their recognition in Nashville is almost nonexistent. It is time that it receives the recognition and support it deserves.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Medical procedures do not make death penalty humane

To the Editor:

The opinion piece of Samantha Schreiber in last Friday's Hustler made for interesting reading. In her article, Schreiber described the procedures different states use to put prisoners to death.

I find it telling that people have gone to great lengths to "sanitize" capital punishment. Sterile IV needles are used, ordinary anesthesia is given – just as if the death candidate was a patient being prepared for surgery at any given hospital. Several people in a separate room have to push several buttons – nobody wants to know it was him or her who gave the deadly poison.

As it has become obvious by now, I am a strict opponent of capital punishment. I hold it a cruel and most unusual form of punishment. Many countries around the world and 12 states have abolished it, and the per capita murder rates in these countries or states are usually lower than in those states that retain capital punishment. The American Medical Association urges its members not to participate in executions. But this is not the point I want to discuss here.



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Ultimately, it is up to the citizens of Tennessee and other states to decide whether they want to have capital punishment as part of their criminal code. However, once that decision has been made, its consequences have to be borne. The death penalty does not become any more human by trying to convert it into some sort of medical procedure.

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COLUMN

No clear definition of "Tennessee values" exists

I had my first experience of being racially profiled last week (not counting the repeated experience at U.S. customs, where my British passport leads to an automatic "random"

who asks for "tom-ah-toes" on his sandwiches and pronounces "alumin-i-um" correctly. On the one hand, this seemed an irrational response. Would Tennessee voters really think that because there was an English person asking them to vote for a certain candidate, that this candidate, if elected, would revoke the Declaration of Independence, require Americans to drive on the proper side of the road and eliminate their dental care? (When you think about it, would that really be so bad a platform? I'd vote for it.)

search of my luggage for evidence of mad cow disease). This time, however, it occurred after I had volunteered to help out with one of the senatorial campaigns in the upcoming election in Tennessee. Having offered to help, I was told that while they would be happy for me to stuff envelopes, enter data from canvassing and do other things around the campaign office, I would not be taking part in the major activity that volunteers were being enlisted to do – calling voters on the phone.

The reason was very straightforward – Tennessee voters would not take kindly to being contacted during an election by someone

On the other hand, though, it made perfect sense. While the particular merits of an idea or a policy position shouldn't be altered by the accent they are delivered in, study after study has shown that when it comes to electing a local representative, there is a strong desire to elect "someone like me" to the position. Were I to be contacted during a British general election by an American, Australian or South African, it would also feel slightly out of place. However much we would like elections to be decided by voters who have

carefully balanced the policy proposals of the competing candidates and cast their ballot based on their preferences, realistically, we cannot expect that to happen.

Instead, one of the most powerful cues that voters use to determine their decision is, "Am I comfortable with this person representing my views?" From this, it is a short step to preferring, in Tennessee, a person who has "Tennessee values." However, while everybody can probably agree that these values do not include a limey accent and a desire to evangelize about cricket, there remains a real problem in defining what these values are, or if they exist at all.

Evidently, both Harold Ford Jr. and Bob Corker would like such a concept to exist and would argue that they embody it. Ford's ads show him, variously, driving an SUV, walking around in a cornfield or standing in the pews of a church. The Corker campaign has a radio ad in which Ford's career is contrasted with the "Tennessee life" Corker has led. Media pundits

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Guest Columnist

TIM BOYD

BOYD: Neither candidate represents average voter

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(including a recent column in The Hustler) talk repeatedly about the importance of voting for "Tennessee values" and claim that whichever candidate they support possesses them.

And yet, even the slightest examination of the suggestions made by Ford and Corker about what these values are shows how the very concept of "Tennessee values" is as vacuous as it is powerful, especially when it is used, as it regularly is, to imply that one or other candidates represents the "true" Tennessee. Is someone who drives a small car, lives in a city and doesn't go to church not a real Tennessean? If Corker has led a regular "Tennessee life," why isn't everyone in the state a multi-millionaire construction magnate? Is it not the case that each of these two candidates has

led a life that is very far from typical for the average voter in Tennessee?

This is, in fact, the main problem with talking of an election in terms of local "values." It's utterly understandable that voters should feel uncomfortable at having foreigners try to sway their support. It becomes very dangerous, however, to try and lay claim to an absolutist set of "values" that a real Tennessean would hold, just as it is dangerous to lay claim to a rigidly defined set of "American values." The implication is always that unless you think a certain way, you're not really part of the group.

In reality, though, whether one is for or against abortion should not determine whether you are a genuine Tennessean. Neither should whether you are for or against gun control, same-sex marriage, went to school out

of state, believe in God, or work in business or on a farm. By all means, vote for the candidate who represents your position on these issues, or who simply appeals to you most as a good person, even if you don't know where they stand on everything. But it's disturbing to see how many people fall into the trap of asserting that their personal values, whether the majority or minority view, are the real values of their community.

Having said all that, if your personal values happen to be the restoration of British rule in America, driving on the left and a ban on flossing, vote for me on Nov. 7 - I won't let you down.

—Tim Boyd is graduate student in the Department of History.

THE RANT



What is on your mind? The Rant is your place to anonymously sound off on any issue you want. Send in your rants to with the subject "Rant" to: opinion@vanderbilthustler.com

Compiled by Reeve Hamilton

Just because you live in Kissam doesn't mean that other students don't need bikes to get to classes. Ever thought about those who live in Highland? How about those who live off-campus? And don't forget the environmentally conscious professors that bike to work.

Can someone get rid of the rusty bikes that haven't been moved in years?

I have always told my boyfriend that if I'm mad at him, he should probably come over and work it out. So why is it that he STILL claims ignorance?

Why doesn't Vandy have more ecologically sound policies? There are no purchasing provisions making sure that the various departments purchase recycled materials. The recycling system is, frankly, completely inadequate. We don't recycle glass, and we are not currently even attempting to move away from our dependence on our coal and natural gas plant. Granted, progress is being made (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design-certified buildings, the appearance of Nectar, etc.), but even a cursory glance at other universities shows that we are way behind. Even the University of Tennessee is showing initiative by using biodiesel in their campus vehicles. Hopefully we will see change soon ... but probably not soon enough.

I don't think being involved in a bunch of organizations that all do the same thing really qualifies you as "outstanding."

COLUMN

Democratic Congress would result in bad policies, gridlock

With the midterm elections only two weeks away, it looks more and more as if the Democrats will take control of Congress for the first time in over a decade. Even more interestingly, many Republicans are saying

The Right Angle

CHRIS DONNELLY

that it will be a good thing for the party because it will allow the GOP to re-evaluate the way it is been doing business recently, with spending bills that would nearly make some Soviet central planners proud as well as some corruption scandals that have roiled the party.

There is no doubt that the current republican Congress is far from perfect. Passing a bloated Medicare bill, an immigration amnesty bill (at least in the Senate), as well as an energy bill that was nothing less than a goody bag for corporations are all disappointments, and that's just to name a few. However, we have to look at what exactly would be in store if Democrats did indeed take control of the U.S. Congress.

In 1994, as Republicans successfully campaigned

to take over Congress, they actually had a message that they used to rally around - Newt Gingrich's Contract with America. In the case of the Democrats this year, they have not agreed on any kind of national platform. The only thing that the party has done is use an unpopular president and an unpopular war, not to mention the sexual improprieties of one former Congressman, to ride their way to victory. When Gingrich and the Republicans took over Congress, they were able to pull Clinton away from his far-left agenda of 1993-94 and move him towards the center by passing welfare reform, balancing budgets and cutting spending, all of which Clinton resisted.

It is more difficult to see how Democrats could positively affect change if they gained control of Congress. They give vague talk about fixing the economy, but how? Rolling back tax cuts that have helped stimulate it? This past week, the Dow just broke 12,000 for the first time, hardly a sign of a bad economy.

Spending by this Congress is out of control, so perhaps Democrats want to fix that? Well, from recent votes, this doesn't seem to be the case, either. For all the complaining Democrats have been doing about the deficit, when House Republicans, in a shocking

act of fiscal responsibility, brought up a December 2005 measure that would have slowed the rate of growth for some government programs in health care and education that had been receiving increases every year since dinosaurs roamed the Earth, not one Democrat - not one - voted for it. How about Iraq? Perhaps a democratic Congress would be able to help the President change the course. Again, that is unlikely, since they have articulated no unified plan for what to do about the war.

My prediction is this: if Democrats retake Congress, they will simply overlay their hand, and people who voted Democrat would soon regret it. Radical liberal John Conyers, D-Mich., who has vowed to bring impeachment proceedings against the president, would become head of the Judiciary Committee. Barney Frank, D-Mass., would chair the Financial Services Committee and would no doubt attempt to put into place all sorts of financial regulations that would stifle the economic growth we have seen for the past few years. Harlem Democrat Charlie Rangel, D-N.Y., would chair the Ways and Means Committee and has said that he would immediately roll back all of Bush's tax cuts, another way in which to hamper economic growth. Finally, Rep. Henry Waxman, D-Calif., an avid

partisan, would chair the House Government Reform Committee, which has subpoena power, which would thus bog down the Bush administration in a series of frivolous investigations.

There is no question that there are problems with the current republican Congress, and, even for conservatives, I can see how it is tempting to vote Democrat this election, just as a protest. It is clear that we need change, but what kind of change? Change should come through new, more reform-minded, 1995-style conservative House leaders and less establishment-type leadership that we have now with Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., and Speaker of the House Denny Hastert, R-Ill., the first of whom will be replaced for sure and the second of whom is likely to be replaced. However, change should not come from Democrats taking over Congress, resulting in bad policies and gridlock. Therefore, in November, I plan to vote Republican, and I urge other moderate and conservative-minded people to do the same.

—Chris Donnelly is a junior in the College of Arts and Science.

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SPORTS

FOOTBALL

Gamecocks outplay Dores as they spoil Homecoming

By Franklin Petr
SPORTS REPORTER

There were no last minute heroics, no bated breath and no fourth-quarter comeback.

The Commodores fell well short of defeating South Carolina in their attempt to earn consecutive Southeastern Conference wins Saturday. Vanderbilt (3-5, 1-4 SEC) has now lost four straight homecoming contests.

In a game that was considered a "must win" for the Commodores, they came out flat. South Carolina played with a much higher intensity, outplaying Vanderbilt on both sides of the ball en route to a 31-13 victory.

"I didn't think we played a very sharp game today," said coach Bobby Johnson. "South Carolina played a very aggressive game. They got after it a little bit harder than we did."

After trading punts on the first two drives, Vanderbilt was able to move the football as running backs Cassen Jackson-Garrison and Jared Hawkins combined for 33 yards and quarterback Chris Nickson gained 22 yards on three carries. Nickson's last rush, however, came with a great price for the Commodores.

Facing second-and-14 from the South Carolina 30-yard line, the fleet-footed Nickson was able to scramble for 21 yards, but redshirt senior fullback Steven Bright was injured on the play while blocking. It was immediately clear to the Vanderbilt faithful that the injury was serious as mere moments after the athletic staff had arrived a medical cart was being driven onto the field.

"Steven was really pumped about the game," said offensive tackle Chris Williams.

"I talked to him right before the game and he said it was the most excited he'd ever been for a football game."

Bright suffered a lower-leg fracture and left the game, but his emotional farewell brought the crowd to its feet. The Commodore offense was unable to capitalize inside the 10-yard line, however, and was forced to settle for a Bryant Hahnfeldt field goal.

The lead did not last long, as South Carolina was able to drive for its own field goal on the very next drive. The Gamecocks have now won a school-record five straight SEC road games.

"We set a record today so shoot, we're pretty excited,"

said South Carolina coach Steve Spurrier. "Obviously we picked some of the right teams with Mississippi State, Kentucky and now Vanderbilt. This is the best that we have played out of all of them."

Vanderbilt did not recapture the lead again. Instead, it gave up 14 straight points before finding the end zone as time expired in the first half on a 13-yard run by Nickson.

But, as effective as Nickson was on the ground (70 yards), he was anemic in the passing game, completing just four of 15 passes to go along with two interceptions.

"I didn't get into a groove early in the game, and that was big," Nickson said. "It's something I have to go through personally, fight through it and keep playing."

Johnson stated the obvious, as well.

"Chris struggled throwing the ball today," Johnson said. "That's no secret if you watched the game. I can't say any more than that."

At the start of the second half, Vanderbilt was poised to make a comeback as the defense pressured South Carolina quarterback Syvelle Newton into a bad pass that was intercepted near midfield by Curtis Gatewood. The junior defensive end had a strong afternoon, also forcing a key fumble and recording five tackles.

Despite the great field position and momentum carried over from halftime, Vanderbilt was once again unable to capitalize, and the South Carolina defense held the Commodores to a field goal, maintaining a 17-13 lead.

Vanderbilt would not score again.

"South Carolina did a great job with us defensively," said sophomore wide receiver Earl Bennett. "We came out and didn't play as well as we should have and didn't execute."

The Commodores' defense was inconsistent Saturday, allowing 31 points yet recording four takeaways. The offense's inability to convert those turnovers into points put a lot of pressure on the defense, and South Carolina was able to amass 327 yards, including almost 200 on the ground. The 31 points by the Gamecocks is the most given up by Vanderbilt all season.

"We didn't get the job done today and didn't perform well," said linebacker and defensive captain Jonathan Goff. "We had some bright spots and made tackles for losses, but had breakdowns to give the game away." ■



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Wide receiver Earl Bennett and the rest of the Commodore offense were held in check by the Gamecock defense Saturday.

COLUMN

No excuse for uninspired effort

Quarterback Nickson calls 31-13 loss 'sickening.'

By Jarred Amato
SPORTS EDITOR

Oh, how quickly things can change.

Vanderbilt played uninspired and unimpressive football Saturday, losing 31-13 to South Carolina, just a week after upsetting then No. 16 Georgia in Athens. What made the game so disturbing was not the fact that the Commodores lost on Homecoming, but how they went about doing it.

"It's just sickening for me personally," said quarterback Chris Nickson, who was 4-for-15 for 76 yards and two interceptions. "We saw how good we could be on several occasions against Georgia, and we came out (Saturday) and didn't bring our 'A' game."

Vanderbilt, 3-5 overall and 1-4 in the Southeastern Conference, had everything riding on Saturday's game. A victory would have put the team at 4-4, and with lowly Duke on the schedule next week, Vanderbilt would have needed to win just one of its final three games to become bowl eligible. A victory would have had the campus buzzing.

Yet, the Dores came out and played their worst game of the season. Meanwhile, Steve Spurrier's Gamecocks came into Nashville focused. They were hungrier. They blocked better, hit harder and ran faster.

"South Carolina played a very aggressive game," said coach Bobby Johnson. "They took us out of a lot things that we wanted to do and just got after it harder than we did."

The players' comments were even more telling.

"We didn't have the enthusiasm, we didn't have the fire like we had last week, and that's what we've got to have all the time," said junior running back Cassen Jackson-Garrison.

"They just completely outplayed us. I can't really say too much else about it," he said. "Next time we've just got to come ready to play. We can't take any plays off."

It'd be easy to blame Johnson for not getting his team pumped up or for questionable play-calling. However, that would be letting his players off the hook.

A middle-aged man shouldn't have to scream and yell to get guys to play with a sense of urgency – that should come from within. And it wasn't offensive coordinator Ted Cain who threw a pass five feet over Earl Bennett's head on a slant or constantly missed blocking assignments.

In the SEC, no team is good enough to just show up and win, especially Vanderbilt. Each week requires the same amount of focus and preparation.

"For the most part, we know that we can compete, and we know that we are a good team, but sometimes we get complacent and that complacency shows up in the game, and it causes us to be inconsistent," said junior defensive end Curtis Gatewood, who had a forced fumble and interception.

The Vanderbilt football program is at an interesting crossroads. With increased depth, athleticism and overall talent, the Commodores can compete with the conference's elite and do not even have to play



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Defensive end Chris Booker walks off the field following Vanderbilt's 31-13 Saturday.

their best to beat them.

But, the stigma surrounding the program still exists and rightfully so. Vanderbilt has now lost five consecutive SEC home games, dating back to last year. Teams still want to play the Commodores – do you think Steve Spurrier thought for one second that he was going to lose that game? Not a chance.

The question then becomes: when, if ever, will it change?

"I told my guys that we're trying to build a program where you're going to be consistent every week and play hard," Johnson said. "We played hard; we just didn't play smart and hard at the same time. That's unacceptable if you want to be a consistent program in this league."

No offense, Coach, but your team did not even play hard. Players admitted that the fire wasn't there. If the Commodores couldn't leave it all on the field in a make-or-break game, it's hard to imagine a time when they would.

Still, we should not give up on this team, as things change quickly, for better and for worse. With that said, we must be extremely cautious. We cannot place high expectations, guarantee victories or look past anybody, nor can we ever talk about a bowl game until we've been invited. Saturday was the last straw.

As Nickson said, it was sickening. ■

GAME BREAKDOWN

Player of the game

Defensive end Curtis Gatewood was one of the few Commodores to show any life on Saturday. The redshirt junior forced South Carolina quarterback Syvelle Newton to fumble, setting up Chris Nickson's touchdown run. Then, Gatewood leaped for an interception on the first series of the second half, which led to a Bryant Hahnfeldt field goal.

Stat of the game

4-for-15, 76 yards, 2 interceptions

- Quarterback Chris Nickson struggled mightily Saturday, failing to get into any sort of a rhythm. But, as coach Bobby Johnson pointed out, "Some of it wasn't Chris's fault. He got hit just about every time."

Quote of the game

"We didn't have the enthusiasm, we didn't have the fire like we had last week, and that's what we've got to have all the time."

- Junior running back Cassen Jackson-Garrison talking about the team's inability to play with the needed intensity. Last week the Commodores upset then No. 16 Georgia in Athens.

SEC East Standings

Team	Conf. Record	Overall	Next Opp.
 FLORIDA	4-1	6-1	GEORGIA
 TENNESSEE	2-1	6-1	@ SOUTH CAROLINA
 GEORGIA	3-2	5-2	@ FLORIDA
 S. CAROLINA	2-1	6-1	TENNESSEE
 KENTUCKY	1-3	3-4	@ MISS. STATE
 VANDY	1-4	3-5	@ DUKE

SOCCER

Vandy beats Rebels on Senior Night

Griffin among five seniors to win home finale.

By Max Franklin
SPORTS REPORTER

On what could have been a very emotional Senior Night, the Vanderbilt women's soccer team was all business. The Commodores beat the Ole Miss Rebels, 2-0, Friday night in the final regular season home game for the Class of 2007.

"Playing in the SEC is always a challenge, and you get such a small window of time to prepare for your next match," said coach Ronnie Coveleskie. "We were very enthusiastic going into (Friday's) game, mainly because it was a big match for us against Ole Miss, and we always have good matches against them. But it was also our Senior Day, and that makes it more special."

Prior to the game, the five senior players were honored. Defender Kari Boersma, part of Coveleskie's first recruiting class and a three-year captain, and goalkeeper Tyler Griffin, both fifth year seniors, are the eldest members of that core. Griffin had four saves en route to her 31st career shutout.

"You always want to win on Senior Night," Griffin said. "I think we needed this win; the SEC is such a tough conference right now that we just had to get ahead in the standings and make sure we hold our spot going into the tournament. That was our main concern tonight, and winning on Senior Night was an added bonus."

Defender Monica Buff, midfielder Susan McAlevey, and forward Lea Lafield, all true seniors, were the other players honored. Buff and Lafield were both second team All-SEC selections last season.

"It was great getting a win on Senior Night," Buff said. "Obviously this was our last game at home, so leaving with such a good memory was important. The whole team did a great scavenger hunt for us, and gave us great senior gifts, and it's just been amazing. The saddest part is leaving the girls, not leaving the soccer, but it was great having a win. I'm just really proud of our class. We've just accomplished so much, and I'm really proud of everyone."



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Seniors Kari Boersma, Monica Buff, Tyler Griffin, Lea Lafield and Susan McAlevey have been instrumental in the Dores' success.

While the seniors were the focus off the field, it was junior forward Amy Baumann who was the offensive player of the game. Baumann's first goal came after she stole the ball from a Rebel defender at the top of the box and launched a shot past the goalie for the first score.

Minutes later, the keeper came out to block a header attempt by junior forward Sarah Dennis. The ball deflected to Baumann, who settled and scored on the empty net for her second goal and sixth of the season. The defense took charge from there, holding Ole Miss to only four shots on goal for the entire game.

"This group is so close, and one of the things I take a lot of pride in is that this is a player-driven team," Coveleskie said. "I told them in the pre-game speech that there was no doubt in my mind that the seniors were going to end on a win, because of the commitment that the rest of the team has for them. Of course that statement adds emotion to everything, and everyone wanted to win so badly for our senior class, that they worked hard to get it. Amy Baumann

finished two fabulous goals."

The Dores followed up their Senior Night win with a 4-0 victory at Mississippi State. Baumann and Dennis each scored goals, along with sophomore midfielder Katie Schulz and freshman forward Nicole Lukens. Junior midfielder Meredith Kohn, Baumann, and freshman defender Abby Jones all recorded assists, and Griffin made one save while shutting out the Bulldogs.

The team played without Boersma, who was injured on a high tackle late on Friday night but should be available when the Dores travel to Kentucky next weekend. Vandy jumped into second place in the SEC with the win, trailing Florida by one win going into the final game of the season.

"In my opinion, this senior class is what began the vision of Vanderbilt soccer," Coveleskie said. "They started the tradition, they believed in the tradition, and they have helped bring us to the next level. I really credit them for an awful lot of the success, and the future success, of this program, due to their commitment to us. What a special group of girls they are." ■

TENNIS

Tennis enjoying successful fall

By Franklin Petr
SPORTS REPORTER

Although it will not start the official season until January, the women's tennis team is staying busy. After a summer break where most players spent time improving on their own, coach Geoff Macdonald is bringing his team back together.

"Tennis is a year-long sport," Macdonald said. "The fall is so key for us. It allows us to play teams we aren't normally able to see and so we get some different looks."

Unlike the spring season, which is primarily team-based match play, the fall consists of round robin style singles and doubles tournaments against many different teams.

"It's good for us," Macdonald said. "These tournaments help teach us so much. Each tournament is like a month or more of practice in terms of experience."

And Vanderbilt has done very well this fall. In their three tournaments, the Dores have taken a majority of the singles flights with senior Amanda Fish leading the way. The second-year captain has only lost one match all fall.

"The biggest thing about these fall tournaments is coming together as a team," Fish said. "Some people get caught up in the rankings and the win-lose, but after being here for four years, I know how important it is for us to come together and prepare for the spring."

One of the brightest spots of the fall season has been the development and play of the Commodores' youngest players. Freshmen Catherine Newman and Hannah Blatt have both performed spectacularly, taking four singles flights between the two of them.

"Both of our freshman have done really well so far," Macdonald said. "They're both super players. They've adjusted well and it's a good sign for our future."

The Commodores last hurdle of the fall season will be the SEC Coaches' Classic.

"Everybody has gotten better this year," Macdonald said. "Last year was kind of a weak year for the SEC, but this year everybody has seen improvement, so it should be a good test for us." ■

Golf wins another tourney

Ninth-ranked Vanderbilt shot a school-record final-round 9-under par 275 and rallied from a 16-stroke deficit to claim medalist honors at the Stanford Women's Intercollegiate Sunday at the Stanford Golf Course in Palo Alto, Calif.

The Commodores' three-round score of 3-over par 855 also set a school record and finished five strokes ahead of second-place and 12th-ranked Arizona. Top-ranked Georgia (292) was third. Sunday also marked the second consecutive tournament victory for Vanderbilt, who won the Lady Tar Heel Invitational earlier this month.

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