



PEABODY

Changes made in Peabody College to improve staff, student performance

Assessment test, stricter grading described as minor policy adjustments.

By Dewi Billano
CONTRIBUTING REPORTER

New developments in Peabody College, such as more stringent grading policies and a new standardized assessment for education majors, are underway to ensure top performance from both students and faculty members.

Dean Camilla Benbow, who declined to comment, has called upon professors to pay meticulous attention to their grading policies in order to ensure fairness within the school's evaluation system, according to Associate Dean for Faculty and Programs James H. Hogge.

"We have been asking faculty to look carefully at how they assign grades, so as to differentiate between good work, which corresponds to a B, and excellent work, which corresponds to an A," Hogge said. "We want to make sure we reward the students that perform to their utmost potential."

However, Hogge refused to designate any particular problem areas within Peabody that may have initiated such action.

"It's a concern that we've raised with faculty across the entire college, so I wouldn't want to single out any department for finger wagging or criticism," Hogge said. "At the same time, I wouldn't single out any department for any particular rigor demonstrated."

As reported in U.S. World News & Report, Peabody has been ranked in the top five graduate education schools for the past three years.

Some students said they believe the new emphasis on grading is a means of securing the college's already prestigious reputation.

"Smarter and smarter people are coming to Peabody each year," said sophomore Ashley Harcrow, an early childhood development major. "It's kind of a catch-22 because then the Peabody name won't mean as much if most people are getting As."

Harcrow denied that the Peabody curriculum is easy, but pinpointed ample professor involvement and availability as reasons why so many in Peabody succeed.

"The professors are a lot more

involved with their students," she said. "I feel like it's a mini-environment within Vanderbilt, and so you can't lump all the schools together and observe that because the Peabody GPA is higher overall, we should have grade deflation."

Sophomore Elizabeth Benjamin gave an example of typical grade deflation.

"For one of my education classes last year, there was a certain point system. It didn't matter if you got an A percentage-wise; you still wouldn't get it unless you received X amount of points," she said.

The Peabody administration is keeping a vigilant eye on teacher performance as well as student performance.

A new assessment test, named the Core Content Assessment, will be distributed to those elementary education majors entering the student teaching phase of their program at Vanderbilt.

Dr. Catherine McTamane, lecturer in education, said that students should not feel apprehensive about this test.

"There will be no impact on the student regardless of how he or she performs, but an impact on the faculty," McTamane said.

In other words, the test is currently an evaluation of the effectiveness of the curriculum for elementary education majors. McTamane said that the new test is "not an assessment of student performance, but of university performance."

Students who are at the end of their junior year or beginning of their senior year, or even advanced students pursuing their masters, will be taking the test. McTamane explained that even though this is a new initiative, it should cause no alarm or anxiety since students should already expect to fulfill certain requirements in order to earn their degree.

Hogge said the test is necessary, not just for evaluation but practical purposes as well.

"Programs at Vandy that lead to licensure as a teacher—they have to be responsive to regulations and requirements that are necessitated by many universities," he said. "There are a lot of external drivers of internal policy." ■

SOCCER

Griffin records 29th shut-out in Dores' 0-0 draw



MASON HENSLEY / The Vanderbilt Hustler

Vanderbilt's Sarah Dennis chases down Auburn's Kori Hoelscher in yesterday's contest. The Commodores went 1-0-1 against two Southeastern Conference opponents over the weekend to improve to 6-1-5 overall and 2-0-2 in conference play. Senior goalkeeper Tyler Griffin broke the school record with her 29th shut-out.

HEALTH

Vaccination against HPV currently available at Student Health Center

Vaccine guards against four most harmful strains of the virus.

By Darcy Newell
ASST NEWS EDITOR

The Student Health Center now offers the vaccine against the Human Papillomavirus, commonly known as Gardasil.

HPV is a sexually transmitted disease that can manifest itself in over 100 different forms.

It is the most common S.T.D. seen in the Student Health Center and is likely the most common in the general population, said Dr. John Greene, director of Student Health.

HPV can cause warts on the hand or face but is most known for its sexual implications. Between 2005 and 2006, there have been 3,700 deaths in the United States related to HPV, Greene said.

The Center for Disease Control recommends distributing the vaccine to women as young as 11 or 12 years old. Specialists recommend getting the vaccination as routinely as one is treated for measles, mumps or rubella, Greene said.

"The vaccine is also very effective for women ages 13 to 26, which of course covers the majority of Vanderbilt's students," he said.

For older patients, Gardasil is given in three doses, the first at "zero months," the second at two months and the third at six months.

"There are many different types of HPV," Greene said. "Common types 16 and 18 lead to an abnormal pap smear, which, if persistent, can lead to cervical cancer. Types six and 11 cause genital warts. These four different types of infection are covered by the vaccine."

Scientists first made the association between HPV and cervical cancer in the 1980s, when cervical cancer patients began to test

positive for the DNA in HPV. Now, the correlation is clear, Greene said, because almost all cervical cancer patients have an HPV infection.

Vanderbilt participated in the worldwide "Phase Three Clinical Trial" of Gardasil for the past four years. The trial has proven Gardasil effective and safe, and the health center now offers each shot at \$150, making the total price \$450.

"Unfortunately, it's pretty expensive, but doctors' offices would probably be much more than that," Greene said.

Recently, there has been an onslaught of advertisements publicizing the correlation between HPV and cervical cancer, most notably Merck's "Tell Someone" campaign that appears frequently on television and in print.

Greene believes that the advertisements are necessary, saying, "HPV hasn't gotten the attention it deserves for a while. The ads also suggest frequent pap smears, which are good because they can find irregularities pretty early. If precancerous cells aren't found and are left untreated, the immune system can't fight it off, and cervical cancer will develop."

"Studies show that 70-80 percent of the population will have one form of HPV or another in his or her lifetime," Greene said.

Although HPV affects men and women, the vaccine is only available for women at this time.

"It will probably work well in boys and men as well but is not yet on the market," Greene said.

For more information about the vaccine and other Student Health Center services, visit http://www.vanderbilt.edu/student_health/index.html. ■

INTERNET

2006 grad creates Facebook alternative

MyBlotto.com to launch at Duke and Boston University in coming weeks.

By Kristen Chmielewski
SENIOR REPORTER

Sam Epstein, a 2006 Vanderbilt graduate, seeks to provide college students with a useful alternative to Facebook.com with the creation of MyBlotto.com.

Premiering recently at Vanderbilt University and Dartmouth College, MyBlotto is a "non-arrogant, non-Ivy League alternative" to similar sites, Epstein said.

The site will debut within the next two weeks at several other universities, including Duke and Boston University.

MyBlotto allows users to accumulate and network friends similar to Facebook. However, according to Epstein, the site expands on these features by attempting to become "the college student's ultimate homepage."

According to Epstein, the most important aspect of MyBlotto is its convenience and utility.

"MyBlotto is not attempting to replace Facebook for looking up information on friends, and I certainly don't expect people to quit using Facebook, but what MyBlotto offers is usefulness as a perfect way to start your day," he said.

Aside from offering a list of one's friends, MyBlotto includes the current weather, a listing of useful Vanderbilt links, CNN daily headline news, a Google search box, classified ads, available housing in the area and a variety of editorials relating to world events and college-related themes.

Each user can opt to customize and rearrange the different features or change the color scheme and patterns on the page.

Epstein said his two goals are to learn how to run a business and to create a Web site that college

students can actually use.

"I'm not in this business to use college students or make millions," he said.

Epstein began his work in Web site creation when he contacted his friend Jamie Coffin, who attended Dartmouth College. Together, the two created the site CollegePostings.com.

Epstein said that despite the 1,200 students who joined within one month, CollegePostings was not very well done.

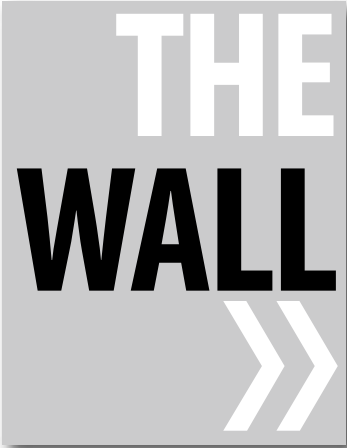
"We were in classes and busy," Epstein said. "CollegePostings was more of a hobby than anything."

However, after the two friends graduated, they utilized the statistics gathered from CollegePostings and traveled to New York City in hopes of networking and raising money to initiate MyBlotto.com. ■



PHOTO PROVIDED

MyBlotto users can customize their member pages to include news feeds, useful Vanderbilt links, weather and Sudoku.



NOTABLE

- Oprah Winfrey is the highest paid person on television.
- Janet Jackson and Brad Pitt are the two most-Googleed celebrities.
- Nicole Kidman broke the record for the most money paid per minute of screen time for an actor—\$3.71 million for a four-minute Chanel perfume commercial.

These statistics are featured in the recently released 2007 Guinness Book of World Records.

QUOTABLE

“The improper communications between Congressman Mark Foley and former House congressional pages is unacceptable and abhorrent. It is an obscene breach of trust. His immediate resignation must now be followed by the full weight of the criminal justice system.”

—House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Illinois, Majority Leader John Boehner, R-Ohio, and Majority Whip Roy Blunt, R-Ohio, in a joint statement

Foley, a Republican from Florida, resigned Friday after his alleged exchanges with the young man were made public, and the House voted to launch an investigation.

Source: CNN

WEATHER FORECAST

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TUESDAY

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WEDNESDAY

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TODAY IN THE BUBBLE

Compiled by Nicole Floyd

Sign up to be a Dance Marathon Dancer

Sign up to be a dancer for Dance Marathon 2007. Dance Marathon is a 14-hour fundraising event that benefits the Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt. Last year, Dance Marathon raised \$112,432.70, and they are looking for student volunteers to help them raise more this year. For more information or to register, visit www.vudm.org.

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month! Starting Oct. 2, please join Project Safe for all of the activities that support domestic violence awareness.

LEAD Interest Meeting to be held Thursday

Leaders Engaged for an Active Democracy will have an interest meeting at the Community Partnership House on Thursday, Oct. 5, at 5 p.m. Session will cover getting Vanderbilt students involved in Election '06, engaging area middle and high schools in civic education and leadership, issues/voter education for the Vanderbilt campus, brainstorming for ways to bring a polling place to the Vanderbilt campus in time for Election 2008, and efforts to begin raising awareness/interest on campus for the upcoming 2008 presidential campaign. Pizza and drinks provided. Contact Dr. Mark Dalhouse, mark.t.dalhouse@vanderbilt.edu, 322-3127.

Information session to be held for D.C. Maymester

Study recent American political history in Washington, D.C. this Maymester. History 294, Introduction to Active Citizenship and Public Service, offers you the opportunity to live in a Vanderbilt residential community in D.C. while engaging in daily seminar roundtables at the Vanderbilt Office of Federal Relations with national leaders in politics, journalism, the foreign service, religion and the arts. Dr. Mark Dalhouse teaches the course and will be holding an information session for students at the Community Partnership House on Thursday, Oct. 5 at 6 p.m.

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

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There was no crime to report.

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GRADUATE SCHOOL

AAMC announces changes to MCAT effective January 2007

MCAT now administered by computers, shortened by three hours.

By Ellic Atkins
STAFF REPORTER

The Association of American Medical Colleges has changed the Medical College Admission Test in order to expedite the administration process behind the exam.

Beginning in January 2007, the test time will be three hours shorter, and 30 percent of the questions will be removed. The test will also be administered on a computer, as opposed to the current paper and pencil exam.

“I believe that these changes will help to ease the stress for those students who are worried about standardized testing,” said Jessica Elizabeth Campbell-Morrison, a pre-med sophomore. “It will become a fair process because it will test how much the student knows as opposed to how long they can sit still.”

The length of the test will be reduced from eight and a half hours to five and a half hours; yet, the MCAT still remains the longest graduate level exam.

“It used to be a real marathon,” said Amjed Mustafa, the program manager for the MCAT at Kaplan Test Prep. “By the end of the exam, students were really drained, but now the test is slightly more manageable.”

The new exam will only be given at specific Prometric testing centers, which are able to accommodate just 16 to 20 students. However, to account for the large number of students who wish

to take the exam, there will be 22 separate testing dates. Under the previous system, the exam was offered twice per year.

Mustafa warned that the students should not see the increased amount of testing dates as opportunities to re-take the exam.

“We do expect that students will be a little bit more adventurous as to how many times they take the MCATs, but that's dangerous because all of the student's scores are sent to the schools that they apply to,” Mustafa said. “Students should try to take the exam once and make sure they do well. The MCAT provides the last opportunity for students to make an impression on the medical schools.”

In a study conducted by Kaplan, 80 percent of students reported that they have not taken an exam administered on a computer. Also in another study, advisors predicted that the new format will require more preparation.

However, Mustafa said that Kaplan is fully prepared to help students. All of the preparation for the exam will be given on the computer in order to adequately prepare the students for the new format of the exam.

“More so than ever, there's an added layer of complexity with computer-based testing, Mustafa said. “To alleviate that anxiety, we administer practice in computer form. Over the months of practice, it will just become second nature for the students.”

For more information about the revised MCAT, go to www.kaptest.com/mcat. ■

The Writing Studio hosted Writers' Night to showcase local talent



English professor Tony Earley read selections from his forthcoming novel on Friday night at the Writing Studio. The event featured readings by creative writers in the Vanderbilt community, including students.

SERVICE

New initiative offers Winter Break service opportunities

Alternative Winter Break will send participants to four sites.

By Sara Tabor
STAFF REPORTER

A new service-learning program will provide students the opportunity to contribute a week of service to four communities across the nation during Winter Break.

Alternative Winter Break will kick off its first year at four site locations: Orlando, Fla., Atlanta, Ga., Kansas City, Mo. and Hillsboro, W.Va.

Program applications are due Oct. 6 at 5 p.m. in the Community Partnership House.

Co-chairs Brittany Perkins and Taylor Sewell, both juniors, said they are excited about the programs and the great response that they have gotten from the student body so far.

“We have had enormous interest and overwhelming support from the student body,” Sewell said.

The program is a partner organization

to Alternative Spring Break, and although it comes at a different time of year, the programs offer very similar experiences.

“AWB is a really great idea because it gives people who are going abroad or unable to partake of the spring break program the opportunity to take advantage of service learning,” Perkins said.

Junior Carrie Pytynia, a former ASB participant, said that the creation of AWB provides students with a much-needed additional opportunity to serve communities nationwide.

“I am really excited that AWB provides another opportunity to experience the rewards of service that previously only ASB could provide,” she said. “The creation of such an organization is a true testament to the selfless and caring attitude of the Vanderbilt community.”

Perkins said that one distinctive feature of the AWB program is the increased level of site leader involvement. Site leaders were selected over the summer and were allowed

to choose a site and create a program that was in line with their own vision.

“We wanted to give the site leaders a little more freedom and the opportunity to create something that is uniquely theirs,” she said. “A lot of them are accomplishing a lot. They are encompassing things that they are really passionate about.”

Perkins and Sewell said that they view service-learning trips as an opportunity to meet new people and learn from fellow participants and the service itself.

“Service learning trips as a whole - ASB, AWB and Habitat for Humanity - are great because you spend so much time with other people that you didn't know before, and you learn so much about the issue that you're working with,” Sewell said.

Perkins agreed, saying, “I learned equally as much from the people that went on the trip with me as from the actual service.”

Applications and detailed site descriptions can be found on the AWB Web site, www.vanderbilt.edu/awb. ■

Family Weekend provides parents with opportunity to relive their college years



Members of Alpha Epsilon Pi fraternity tailgate before Saturday's football game with their families as part of the fraternity's Family Weekend activities.

MASON HENSLEY / The Vanderbilt Hustler

HEALTH

Controversy over extreme thinness ignited by Madrid fashion show

Thirty percent of models banned for low body mass index.

By Emily Schweickhardt
CONTRIBUTING REPORTER

Controversy ignited when Fashion Week in Madrid banned the use of underweight models.

To enforce new standards, Madrid used the body mass index based on calculations of height and weight to ensure that the models were in the healthy range. If the models did not meet the healthy weight range requirements, they were dismissed from the show. More than 30% of the models were dismissed.

Allison Erwin, a member of Vandy Fems, the feminist organization at Vanderbilt, said, "Body mass index below the lowest healthy BMI cannot be good for anyone. It is to these models' benefit that they were taken out of the Madrid fashion show so that they can take a break from that world and get healthy."

A debate over whether models were too thin raised London Fashion Week in the headlines, with a government minister's calls to follow Madrid's lead and ban extremely thin models from the catwalk.

"The fashion industry's promotion of beauty as meaning stick-thin is damaging to young girls' self-image and to their health," Culture Secretary Tessa Jowell said.

Stuart Rose, chairman of the British Fashion Council, which



Models display a spring/summer designs by Lydia Delgado during the Pasarela Cibeles fashion show in Madrid, Wednesday, Sept. 20, 2006.

DANIEL OCHOA DE OLZA / AP Photo

organizes London's twice-yearly Fashion Week dismissed calls for a ban as "a knee-jerk reaction," but said the debate was a legitimate one and that he would discuss the issue with colleagues.

"I think that it's a debate that will happen all in good time, and all opinions are welcome," said supermodel Erin O'Connor.

The event, which runs through Friday, has long been known as a venue for seeing cutting-edge work from creative, young British

designers, while the big fashion houses tend to showcase their wares in New York, Paris or Milan.

"Models are supposed to be modeling what consumers are buying," Erwin said. "I think it's a good business step for designers to realize that healthy, normal-sized women are buying their clothes, so they should use healthy, normal-sized models so that customers can relate to them."

Students, such as Erwin and sophomore Nicole Nash, said

that the Madrid decision did not represent a solution to the problem of underweight models.

"Taking people out isn't going to alleviate the problem," Nash said. "The root of the problem is the current trend in fashion. The trends are going to have to change."

"The fashion industry is there to sell clothes- they shouldn't be selling a body type," Erwin said.

—Associated Press contributed reporting for this article. ■

SPEAKER

Anti-nuclear power activist, Nobel prize nominee to address Vanderbilt students

Speech expected to spark alternative energy discussion on campus.

By Harish Krishnamoorthi
STAFF REPORTER



CALDICOTT

Nobel prize nominee Dr. Helen Caldicott will speak Tuesday at 7 p.m. in Ingram Hall about her newest work, entitled "Nuclear Power Is Not The Answer."

The speech is sponsored by Students Promoting Environmental Awareness and Recycling, the Vanderbilt Office of Active Citizenship and Service, and various Middle Tennessee environmental groups.

"Dr. Caldicott is an internationally renowned speaker and activist," said senior Jenny Magill, president of SPEAR. "She's a wonderful author who is very knowledgeable about nuclear power and its risks."

"As SPEAR, we have no official position on nuclear power," she said. "We bring speakers who promote discussion about environmental issues, including alternative energy research. The local Nashville environmental groups contacted SPEAR, and we support Dr. Caldicott's speech here because she will do just that."

Caldicott has created numerous organizations, such as Physicians for Social Responsibility and Women's Action for Nuclear Disarmament, to bring others to her cause and persuade them of the dangers of nuclear power, weapons and war.

"Renewable energy needs to be focused on and have more effort put into research," Magill said. "The government is focusing on nuclear power, and Dr. Caldicott reminds us that there are human health risks as well as other alternatives."

Caldicott has stirred controversy with her passionate anti-nuclear power activism, however. In particular, her critics take issue with her belief that nuclear power contributes to global warming.

"She's known in the industry for being forthright about her opinions but not entirely fair with her facts all the time," said Dr. Michael Stabin, an associate professor in the department of radiology and radiological sciences.

"In the arguments she presents in her book, Caldicott stretched the facts dramatically about carbon dioxide emissions in an end-around argument," Stabin said.

"It's pretty well agreed upon by energy experts that the use of nuclear power would reduce greenhouse gas emissions. In general, I think it's a safe technology. I think it should be part of the next technology we will be relying on for the next 50 years."

Regardless, Stabin advised all his students to attend the speech and said he believes that everyone can benefit from Caldicott's appearance.

"I don't necessarily agree with her and the way she presents her facts, but it's good for the community to hear such points of view and discuss them," he said. ■

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OUR VIEW

No excuse for apathy

“And I am at least as let down by the fact that Vanderbilt’s apathetic student body still doesn’t seem to care,” concluded Vanderbilt alumna Elizabeth TeSelle, Class of 1984, in her letter to the editor last Friday. In the wake of the Wall Street Journal article criticizing Chancellor Gee’s spending, the assertion that Vanderbilt’s student body is apathetic has been a repeated refrain.

Vanderbilt should be anything but apathetic. In 1873, Cornelius Vanderbilt gave a million dollars to create a university that, he hoped, would “contribute to strengthening the ties that should exist between all sections of our common country.” A look at the statistics compiled by the Vanderbilt Institutional Research Group indicates that Vanderbilt’s vision has been realized. While 46 percent of students come from the South, another 46 percent comes from the rest of the country, and eight percent of students are international. According to the VIRG’s spring survey, approximately 34 percent of students considered themselves “liberal” or “far left,” 30 percent considered themselves “conservative” or “far right,” while the remaining 36 percent considered themselves “middle of the road.”

With all regions of the nation and all points along the political spectrum well represented, Vanderbilt could easily be expected to be a hotbed of debate and clashing ideologies. It has all the tools necessary to enable this dialogue: a tri-weekly student newspaper, a variety of politically oriented student magazines, an interactive online community, a television station, an active student governing system and many other platforms.

The student body could not be accused of being lazy, however. Vanderbilt is included on the Princeton Review’s list of “colleges with a conscience,” acknowledging a commitment to community service. According to Vanderbilt’s Web site, there are 320 clubs and organizations. This number does not even include the very active Greek system, consisting of 14 sororities and 20 fraternities.

A prestigious university campus filled with active, intelligent students from all over the globe, with diverse opinions and perspectives should not be a place noted for its apathy. Yet, TeSelle’s remark does not ring false. Perhaps this is because last week’s WSJ article, Daryl Holton’s stayed execution, the ongoing living wage debate and many other seemingly significant issues failed to elicit the same student response as a columnist making an inappropriate, yet ultimately more embarrassing than noteworthy, analogy of homeless people to hangovers. Perhaps Vanderbilt students should reexamine their priorities, put more consideration into which battles are worth fighting and start taking advantage of the opportunities for discussion that Vanderbilt presents.

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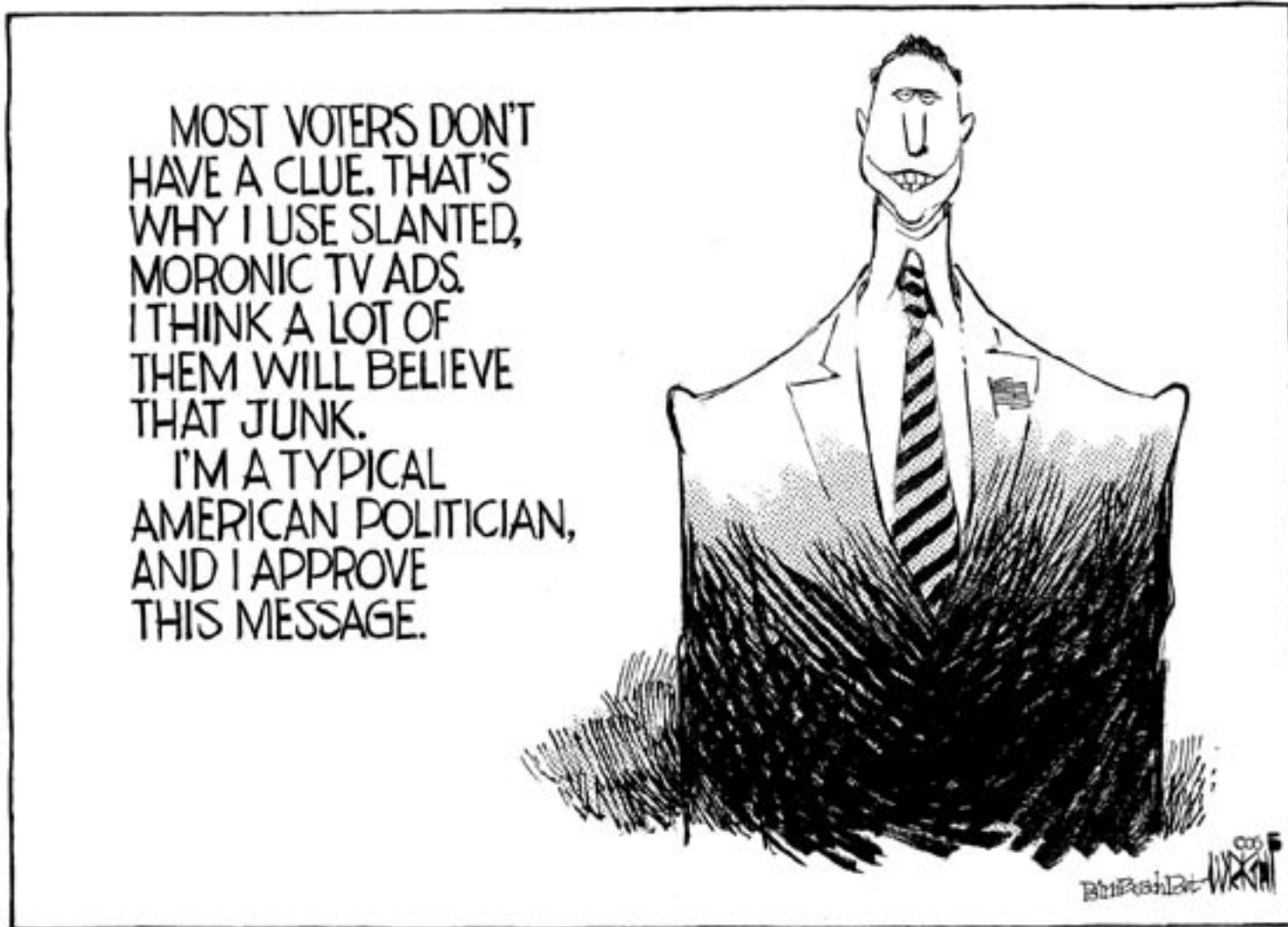
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Immature pranks threaten community

To the Editor:

One night last week, as I was walking away from the rec center, I noticed a girl walking in the other direction rubbing her arm and crying. Still in my post-workout daze, I thought it was odd, but did not think to stop and ask her if she was OK until well after we had passed each other. As I walked, I started to become angry with myself for not taking the time to stop and ask this girl, a fellow student, why she was crying and what was causing her pain. I began to consider turning back as, on the ground, I noticed a

shattered egg. I couldn’t believe it. Someone had driven through campus and thrown an egg at this girl. As I continued to walk back towards Towers, I searched for a VUPD car. None were in sight at the moment, but I did notice that there were plenty more egg shells on the ground, indicating that someone had decided to make a night of driving through campus throwing eggs for fun!

I am still angry with myself for not stopping to talk to that girl. I am also angry at the mere thought that the “egggers” might be Vanderbilt students. The administration

has done a lot lately to stress the idea of a Vanderbilt community. It often seems more like propaganda than an effective idea. That night, I did not feel a sense of community, and that is a shame. I would entreat the “egggers,” if they were in fact Vanderbilt students, to make themselves known. We all deserve to know who among us is immature enough to send a fellow Vanderbilt student to tears just for fun.

Brennan McMahon
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COLUMN

University leaders are presented with opportunity

To the probable chagrin of our administration, the recent Wall Street Journal article about Chancellor Gee and the lack

Guest Columnist

TIM BOWLES

of board oversight has revealed both some sensationalist and significant news about the workings of Vanderbilt at the highest level.

While the allegations of Constance Gee’s marijuana use at Braeburn reek of gratuitous personal attack, the information provided about Gee’s salary and lifestyle and the renovations at Braeburn reveal in stark terms the great divide that exists at Vanderbilt. The article also exposed hypocrisy that Gee and the Board of Trustees should be ashamed of—hypocrisy for which we should demand remedy.

The millions spent on Braeburn and Gee’s parties are not inherently unethical or necessarily unfair. They could be construed as excessive, but there is likely validity in Gee’s assertion that such entertaining space is a vital part of fundraising for the university. However, Gee’s assertions are not quantifiable or falsifiable. We will never know what portion of the multi-billion dollar endowment Gee raised as a result of the \$6 million expenditures to renovate Braeburn, nor how much a \$50,000-per-year personal chef is really necessary.

Likewise, it would be impossible to verify how many of Vanderbilt’s advances over

the past years can be attributable directly to Gee. The ascent of Vanderbilt is a result of the contributions of faculty members, students, staff and administrators alike, so whether Gee deserves his enormous compensation package is another question without a clear answer.

But there is one assertion that can be made from the Wall Street Journal article and the barrage of public relations efforts that followed: Vanderbilt has a lot of money.

And that is the essence of our administration’s naked hypocrisy.

Repeatedly, Gee and the administration claim a lack of money as an excuse for not implementing practices that would make this university a just and downright good place all-around. Vanderbilt has refused to make recycling bins as available as trash cans because administrators say the cost is too great. Worse, Vanderbilt has repeatedly refused and actively resisted paying sufficient wages that would enable all its employees to feed, to clothe, to educate, to care for and to raise their families adequately. Both in public and in personal conversation, Gee and Vice Chancellor for Public Affairs Michael Schoenfeld have cited budget limitations again and again as their primary objections to expanded recycling and decent wages. Yet, it is clear that our budget is neither cash-strapped nor closely monitored.

The Board’s investment in Gee and Braeburn is thus made unethical and immoral because they have used the return on

that investment partly to lavish further benefits on its wealthiest administrators instead of lifting up the whole Vanderbilt community.

Rather, it has perpetuated a system where 300 Vanderbilt employees must work two and three jobs to pay bills while sacrificing time with their children, where 300 Vanderbilt employees must make choices among necessities of food, childcare, healthcare, housing and transportation, where 300 Vanderbilt employees have little hope of ever making more than \$10 per hour—even if they work here for 13 years.

It is estimated that \$2 million annually would provide all Vanderbilt employees with an hourly rate that would allow them to make ends meet without extra jobs or government assistance. That amount of money is less than 0.05 percent of Vanderbilt’s annual budget and less than 0.08 percent of the money raised on Gee’s watch.

Gee and his administration fight tooth and nail over every penny and pittance allotted to Vanderbilt workers and even demand from them fees to park (in spaces owned by a Board of Trust member), but then brag about the billions they have raised. These billions have done a tremendous amount of good for our university, but they remain tainted by the gross divide between the lowest- and highest-paid employees of this university—a divide that is so large because this administration’s priorities do not lie with the livelihood of all Vanderbilt workers.

Gee wrote to us “the Journal’s

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It is clear that our budget is neither cash-strapped nor closely monitored... A lack of money is no longer a legitimate justification for the status quo.”

report on this important issue presented an incomplete portrait of Vanderbilt.” It was indeed incomplete. It failed to mention the hypocrisy that is a greater issue than board oversight, marijuana use or lavish spending.

It is essential that Gee, the administration and the Board of Trustees treat this as an opportunity to make this the best university it can be, not as an inconvenience to be contained through public relations jargon.

A lack of money is no longer a legitimate justification for the status quo.

The leaders of our university have an opportunity and the resources to make a significant, positive impact on 300 employees and the Nashville community. Dropping their excuses and fixing the employment inequities would be the best public relations strategy the university could adopt.

—Tim Bowles is a senior in the College of Arts and Science.

COLUMN

Donnelly underestimates importance of civil liberties

As a student of art history, I often find my eyes drawn to small details that help expand upon the meaning of a particular visual text. In the issue of The Hustler that hit racks Sept. 27, 2006, I noticed

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KEVIN McNISH

a most curious juxtaposition in the Opinion section. Immediately next to the text of the First Amendment, I found the headline to Chris Donnelly's column: "Wartime calls for limits on civil liberties."

That very amendment to the United States Constitution, however, is what allows Donnelly to write newspaper columns that suggest that abridging constitutional freedoms in wartime is acceptable policy. That very amendment is what allows Donnelly to indicate his implicit support for the use of torture against terrorism suspects, and that very amendment is what allows Donnelly to put his fear-mongering into print.

Fortunately, that very amendment also allows me to return fire in the war of ideas, so to speak.

Donnelly opens and closes his column by showing his belief that the possible threat of a future terrorist attack justifies the use of torture. Writing of the dispute over the use of torture, he states, "There is a reasonable argument to be made for both sides, but I believe that right now, we are fighting a war against ruthless Islamo-fascists who want nothing more than to attack the United States again." Don't get me wrong; I support our troops, and I support a safe and free United States. However, if the United States is fighting the war in Iraq in the name of human rights, it should remember to respect them at home first. As Nietzsche writes, "He who fights with monsters might take care lest he thereby become a monster."

Perhaps the most egregious portion of Donnelly's article, however, lies in his third paragraph, which opens with an extremely cursory treatment of the presidencies of Abraham Lincoln, Woodrow Wilson and Franklin Roosevelt. He trivializes the various atrocities committed against the Constitution by selectively ignoring the most heinous deeds of Wilson, who imposed brutal restrictions on speech and print during World War I, and Roosevelt, the mastermind behind

America's own World War II concentration camps for over 110,000 Japanese-Americans, thousands of whom were American citizens. I suspect that knowing that these three men were "viewed by many not just in the United States, but around the world" as great presidents was of scant comfort to those interned during the Second World War due to Executive Order 9066.

Not one to settle for even these offenses, however, Donnelly manages to top himself later in the same paragraph, sailing into a veritable Scylla of rhetorical fallacies as he manages at once to bungle both form and reason. Of the presidents he mentioned previously, Donnelly writes, "During their respective wars, they took some measures that limited the civil liberties of individuals, but they both won those wars for the United States." To declare the suspension of civil freedoms as requisite to these particular military successes is to stumble into the fallacious trap of correlation implying causation. To declare that all heads of state must limit civil freedoms in all wars as a condition of victory—the fallacy of composition—is patently irresponsible and downright silly, and gives far too little credit to the people that actually fight in wars. The Napoleonic Code, for example, was a surprisingly progressive document for its time, especially with its emphasis on the due process of law and the right to counsel. I suspect that nobody would attribute Napoleon's success to his previous dissolution of the bloated and ineffective French Directory and his concentration of power in the executive.

A few pages before I stumbled upon Donnelly's reactionary column, I noticed that The Hustler ran a story detailing his appearance on Fox News, an appearance in which he condemned the comments of several Vanderbilt faculty members as "anti-American." I would like to remind Donnelly that America is comprised of Americans, and to encourage and support the wholesale theft of their most precious freedoms and rights at the hands of a wartime government is to betray the ideals of liberty and justice for which this country stands.

In my mind, there is no difference between being "anti-Americans" and being "anti-American."

—Kevin McNish is a junior in the College of Arts and Science and is the secretary of Vanderbilt College Libertarians.

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How many men's soccer teams can \$6 million buy? Rather, how much dope can one buy with \$6 million?

Why don't the Vanderbilt Police spend a little less time patrolling students' alcohol use and a little more time preventing the huge number of robberies and car-jackings that have occurred lately?

The front section of Wednesday's Wall Street Journal is missing from the library. Give it back, Gee; we're going to see it eventually.

Pot is the devil's drug!

Will Osama Bin Laden's presumed death hinder President Bush's ability to use fear to manipulate the American people? Or will Bush capitalize on the event to bolster the effectiveness of the "War on Terror"?

COLUMN

SAT should not determine fate

For decades, students, teachers and admission officers have objected to the SAT, but the majority of the academic world dismissed the protesters as "sour grapes" or as members of "less rigorous"

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KATIE VICK

institutions. Recently, however, an increasing number of colleges have abandoned traditional reliance on the SAT to adopt a new admission process where SAT scores play little, if any, part.

Despite the SAT's recent addition of the writing section, and especially in light of the College Board's scoring errors on the October 2005 test, more schools, academically prestigious or not, are making the SAT optional. While this decision of "testing-optional" is not appropriate for every school, some schools may benefit from the policy.

Currently, the National Center for Fair & Open Testing (FairTest) records over 700 colleges that do not require the SAT. Although many of these colleges have mediocre academic programs at best, 24 of them rank among the top 100 liberal arts colleges as listed by U.S. News, according to Robert A. Schaeffer of FairTest. Of the 24, seven changed their policies within the last 18 months.

The issues at stake — accurate representation of student abilities, diversity in admissions, colleges' academic integrity and rankings — stir emotions and present ethical difficulties.

Supporters of testing-optional admissions argue that the SAT indicates only a narrow spectrum of a student's abilities, particularly verbal and math.

"We in colleges and universities must choose our applicants with a less blunt instrument of selection," said Joanne V. Creighton, president of the Mount Holyoke College, which is concluding an extensive three-year experiment with the testing-optional policy.

Since years of studies show the SAT favors students from wealthier backgrounds over those from lower income and minority backgrounds, supporters believe that by adopting testing-optional admissions, they may increase diversity.

The creator of the SAT, Carl Brigham, eventually rejected the test himself, saying it was "one of the most glorious fallacies in the history of science. ... The test scores very definitely are a composite including schooling, family background, familiarity with English and everything else, relevant and irrelevant."

Schools who have used testing-optional policies for some years report that diversity of applicants has increased as predicted. At Drew University, 54 black students will matriculate this fall, a dramatic increase from the 12 who did last year. Many of these schools also report that students who did not submit SAT scores are doing equally well as student who submitted scores.

The opposing camp argues that SAT scores act as an important standard of student ability, since grades and level of challenge of coursework vary from school to school.


After trying testing-optional admissions during the 1990s, Lafayette College has since returned to a mandatory policy. Barry McCartney, dean of enrollment services at Lafayette, said that the SAT does not turn students into numbers, since admissions officers place more or less emphasis on an individual's SAT score based on other aspects of the student's profile, like family background and recommendation letters. One of McCartney's major concerns with testing-optional admissions is that it leads to inaccurate reports of average SAT scores, since only those students with high scores would submit them.

Colin S. Driver, president of Reed College, shares this concern, saying that schools who drop mandatory SATs want to increase rank and prestige by artificially inflating average scores rather than improving the admission process.

"I sometimes think I should write a handbook for college admission officials titled 'How to Play the U.S. News & World Report Ranking Game, and Win!' I would devote the first chapter to a tactic called 'SAT optional,'" Driver said.

While colleges should not purposefully misrepresent scores, the concern over testing-optional's effect on rank is insignificant compared with effects on fairness, applicant number and diversity. Research by colleges such as Mount Holyoke provides valuable information about the effects of mandatory versus optional SAT reporting, which other schools should note. Yet each school must decide which method will create the best student body possible; whether an optional SAT will increase much-needed diversity, or a mandatory SAT will maintain a standard of achievement. The SAT is not an uncontrollable, fate-determining monster, but a tool to be used, or not, at the discretion of each college admission board.

—Katie Vick is a junior in the College of Arts and Science.

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SPORTS

FOOTBALL

Commodores have way with helpless Owls

By Jarred Amato
SPORTS EDITOR

Although Vanderbilt left tackle Chris Williams has never scored a touchdown, he gets more than enough satisfaction from watching teammates run through holes that he has created and continue on toward the end zone.

"I love seeing running backs blow by me," Williams said. "That's the best feeling in the world. It means I did my job real well."

Williams and the rest of the offensive line certainly did their job well Saturday night as the Commodores rushed for 279 yards in their 43-14 victory over winless Temple in front of 34,319 fans at Vanderbilt Stadium.

Cassen Jackson-Garrison ran 43 yards untouched on Vanderbilt's second offensive play and the team never looked back. The junior running back, who finished with a career-high 142 yards on 13 carries (good for a 10.9 average) and two scores, had high praise for the men up front.

"They're beasts," he said. "That's what we like to call them, and that's the way they play."

Count coach Bobby Johnson among the impressed, as well.

"We had some good holes, some gaping holes, and that's a good thing to be able to do," Johnson said.

Perhaps the biggest strength of the offensive line is its depth. Williams said that players can go a lot harder knowing that if they come off the field, there is someone else who can step in and do the job, which is why redshirt freshman Jared Hawkins was able to run for 28 yards and two touchdowns and true freshman Gaston Miller gained 58 yards on eight carries.

"I feel like we gained a lot of confidence, just being able to run the football successfully and kind of do what we want to do basically," Williams said. "It's a long way to go, but we feel like we're getting there, slowly but surely."

After Jackson-Garrison's first touchdown, Williams said he wanted the team to score 100.

"I ain't never scored nothing personally, but I love scoring points," he said.

While the Commodores (2-3, 0-2 Southeastern Conference) came up short of Williams's goal, their 29-point margin of victory was the largest against a Division I opponent in nearly 10 years.

In the passing game, Vanderbilt quarterback Chris Nickson struggled with his accuracy early on, but finished 9-20 for 162 yards and two touchdowns to go along with 43 yards on the ground.

"I wouldn't consider it a bad day passing," Nickson said. "I was a little inaccurate in the beginning, and it's something to work on."

Nickson's favorite target was Steven Bright, a former quarterback himself, who caught four passes for 92 yards and two touchdowns.

Nickson connected with Bright over the middle for a 29-yard touchdown to give the Commodores a 24-0 lead. It was Bright's first career receiving touchdown. In the third quarter, Nickson managed to deliver the ball to Bright despite facing a corner blitz and the senior caught the pass and raced the final 20 yards for a 38-yard score.

"I'm one of his biggest fans," Johnson said of Bright. "He does a great job for us, he's a very good receiver, and he showed that when he gets the ball in his hands, he can run with it."

Playing a Temple team that had not won since 2004 and had scored just 10 points all season, Vanderbilt did what it was supposed to do from the get-go, especially defensively. On their first seven possessions, the Owls were forced to punt five times and threw two interceptions.

"I think the defense played a great game," said defensive tackle Theo Horrocks, who forced two fumbles while recording one sack and six tackles. "We shut down their run game and basically shut down their passing game as well."

While the Commodores saw their hopes for a shutout disappear when Temple's Tim Brown ran for a 78-yard touchdown on the last play of the first half, they nonetheless came away satisfied with their performance.

"Every week, I feel like the defense is getting a lot better," Horrocks said. "If you know the game like our defense is starting to, people start flying around fast and making big plays."

Vanderbilt, which has won two consecutive games, travels to Ole Miss next weekend and to Georgia after that. Johnson said his team is up for the challenge.

"We got a little confidence with a couple of wins," he said. "We're ready to go on the road again and test ourself. It's time to step up and do it." ■



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Vanderbilt senior Steven Bright caught four passes for 92 yards and two touchdowns in the Commodores' 43-14 victory over Temple Saturday night. Bright came to Nashville as a quarterback but switched to fullback to make room for Jay Cutler and has thrived in his new position.

FOOTBALL

From Bright to Miller, Vandy's backfield shines

By Jambu Palaniappan
ASST SPORTS EDITOR

Saturday night was what most would call a morale-boosting day for the Vanderbilt football team. The Dores took an early lead, racked up offensive numbers, almost pitched a defensive shutout, and allowed some of the back-ups to see the field. Nowhere was the Dores' supremacy felt more than in the running game.

Cassen Jackson-Garrison continued his upward swing, racking up 142 yards on just 13 carries. On just the Commodores' second play from scrimmage, Jackson-Garrison sprinted 43 yards through the anemic Temple defense for the first of his two touchdowns on the day.

"Cassen has always been capable of that kind of run," said Vanderbilt coach Bobby Johnson said. "He's got everything we want in a running back. He's got the power, he's got the speed."

Jackson-Garrison, who had an emergency

appendectomy just two weeks before the start of the season, came full circle by running for a career high against the Owls.

He showed the lethal combination of power and speed that was lacking much of last season, averaging an impressive 10.9 yards per carry.

"Ever since the first game, we've gotten better," Jackson-Garrison said. "Each week we get a lot better. I feel great. I couldn't feel any better right now. Hopefully I can remain healthy."

The Commodores running attack also included a large dose of back-up Jared Hawkins, who found the end zone twice on three carries.

While Hawkins was impressive with just a few touches, it was freshman Gaston Miller who ignited the spirits of the Commodore faithful and gave hope for the future.

Miller entered the game in the fourth quarter with the second-string offense, but impressed many with his vision and quick feet. A 5 foot 7 inch tailback from just down the road in Murfreesboro,

Miller's coronation as the Dores offensive star of the future came with an impressive 58 yards on eight carries and the cheers of his many admirers in the stands.

"Gaston is an exciting player," Johnson said. "We did not plan on redshirting him this season. We knew he had something to contribute to help us win. He can definitely help us out a lot."

Perhaps the most impressive performance of the night came from Steven Bright. The senior fullback, who came to Vanderbilt to play quarterback but converted when the coaches wanted to see him on the field during the Jay Cutler era, caught the first touchdown passes of his career.

"It felt great to get into the end zone," Bright said. "It has been almost three years since I've scored. Hopefully this will give us some momentum going back into SEC play."

Bright caught four passes for 92 yards and two touchdowns. Johnson said that part of his game plan was to get Bright involved early and often.

"He's extremely talented, and we can use him at fullback or tight end," Johnson said. "He's become a much better blocker, and he showed off his skills today."

Throughout the evening, the Commodores' power and speed manhandled an undersized and overworked Temple team in such a way that the Dores' many mistakes and miscues came much too late to affect the outcome.

Vanderbilt missed two extra points and quarterback Chris Nickson misfired on several passes where he had open targets. These errors were magnified by the strength of the Commodores' running game and a margin of victory not familiar to Vanderbilt.

"It was just one of those nights," Nickson said. "The running game found its comfort zone, and it opened it up for me to throw the ball. I'm not disappointed; I just need to improve."

With a myriad of weapons in the offensive backfield, the Commodores are certainly going back to the SEC with a full head of steam. ■

SEC East Standings

Team	Conf. Record	Overall	Next Opp.
 FLORIDA	2-0	5-0	LSU
 GEORGIA	1-0	5-0	TENNESSEE
 S. CAROLINA	1-1	3-2	@ KENTUCKY
 KENTUCKY	1-1	3-2	SOUTH CAROLINA
 TENNESSEE	0-1	4-1	@ GEORGIA
 VANDY	0-2	2-3	@ OLE MISS

GAME BREAKDOWN

Player of the game

While Cassen Jackson-Garrison could take home this honor, we'll recognize the men up front for giving the Vanderbilt tailback the holes to run through. The offensive line dominated from start to finish and after struggling against Michigan in week one, it appears as though the unit is finding its groove at the most important time of the year. As Jackson-Garrison said, "they're beasts. That's what we like to call them, and that's the way they play."

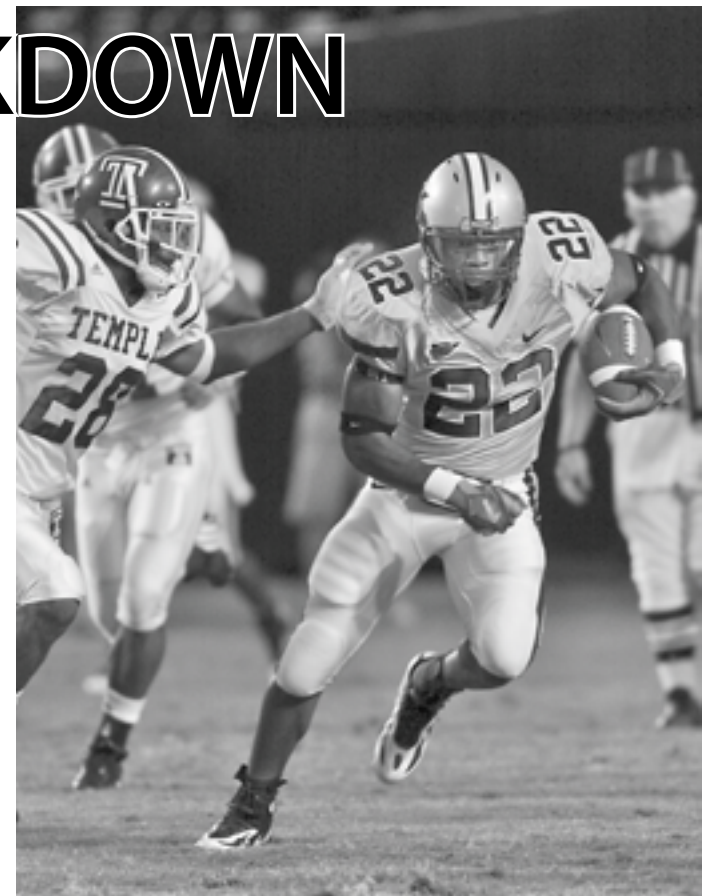
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Behind a talented offensive line, Vanderbilt averaged a whopping nine yards per carry in its 43-14 victory Saturday night. The Commodores rushed for 279 on 31 carries. Cassen Jackson-Garrison led the way with 142 yards and two touchdowns, Gaston Miller gained 58 yards in his first career game, Chris Nickson ran for 51 yards and the ever-efficient Jared Hawkins scored two touchdowns on just three carries.

Quote of the game

"It was wide open. I mean, you probably could have run through that hole."

-Junior running back Cassen Jackson-Garrison describing to sports editor Jarred Amato how much room he had to run on his 43-yard touchdown run on the offense's second play of the game. We'll take his word for it.



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From the
**CHEAP
SEATS**Are the Commodores
bowl-bound?By Jarred Amato and Jambu Palaniappan
HUSTLER SPORTS

The Vanderbilt football team has won two games in a row and will get back into SEC play Saturday. Given its recent performances and projected improvements, The Vanderbilt Hustler thinks that a 6-6 record and subsequent bowl berth is more than probable. Don't believe us? Here's how we think the final seven weeks will play out:

At Ole Miss, Oct. 7**Our take: WIN**

The Rebels have struggled mightily this season, opening with a 1-4 record. They were dismantled by a mediocre Kentucky team and have been plagued by a lack of experience on both sides of the ball. Although the trip to Oxford may provide a tough road test, count this one in the win column.

At #9 Georgia, Oct. 14**Our take: LOSS**

Last year's SEC champs are not nearly as strong as most expected. Quarterback Joe Tereshinski's injury has forced the Bulldogs to turn to true freshman Matthew Stafford. But, UGA's impressive defense has posted two shutouts and should prove to be too much for the inexperienced Vanderbilt offense.

At Duke, Oct. 21**Our take: WIN**

While Duke may be the only school on the Commodores' schedule with a higher average SAT score, the Blue Devils are terrible on the football field. Unless Mike Kryzewski takes over the football program within the next month, the Dores should leave Durham victorious in their last non-league contest of the season.

South Carolina, Oct. 28**Our take: WIN**

The Commodores should be fired up coming back to Nashville for

Homecoming weekend. This game could decide the Dores' postseason fate. A win versus the Gamecocks would put Vanderbilt within one victory of reaching the needed six-win mark. Last year, South Carolina edged out a victory in Columbia, but the Dores should have the edge in Nashville.

#5 Florida, Nov. 4**Our take: LOSS**

The Gators have already won in Knoxville and are considered a strong contender for the national championship. Quarterback Chris Leak has taken his share of heat over the course of the past four seasons for not performing up to expectations, but this season he has reversed the trend. Look for Florida to overwhelm the Commodores with their hefty offensive line and control the time of possession en route to a victory.

At Kentucky, Nov. 11**Our take: WIN**

UK has improved tremendously from last season when they came to Nashville and simply outplayed the Commodores. Quarterback Andre Woodson and running back Rafael Little lead a potent Wildcat offense, while the defense has been suspect at times. The Dores cannot look ahead to the showdown with UT, especially since this game could be the difference between a season mark of 5-7 or 6-6.

#15 Tennessee, Nov. 18**Our take: LOSS**

The Vols will be angry after Vanderbilt defeated them for the first time in two decades last year. Quarterback Erik Ainge has found his groove, and receiver Robert Meachem is considered one of the best in the nation. Tennessee nearly defeated Florida and destroyed a strong Cal team early in the season. A victory for the Commodores in this game is unlikely.

SOCCER

Griffin sets school record
Goalie records 29th shutout as team draws 0-0.By Max Franklin
SPORTS REPORTER

Yesterday afternoon Vanderbilt played through two overtimes to a scoreless tie with Southeastern Conference foe Auburn. With the draw, senior goalkeeper Tyler Griffin now has 29 career shutouts, breaking the previous Vanderbilt record of 28.5.

"It definitely means a lot," Griffin said. "Hopefully to the team as well because they worked really hard for it. I only had three saves today, the other keeper had 11. Our team just outplayed them today. It's unfortunate that we didn't score but I didn't have a lot of pressure either."

Vanderbilt (6-1-5, 2-0-2 SEC) dominated the game both statistically and on the field, but was unable to come away with a goal. The Commodores out-shot Auburn 31-8 and didn't allow a shot in either overtime, but produced only 11 shots on goal and were unable to get one into the net.

"It's very frustrating when you produce 31 shots and don't score," said coach Ronnie Coveleskie. "We had some really great looks on goal, and the problem is that we understand as a group that you can't keep tying games and be invited to the NCAA tournament. We have to make sure that if we play well as a unit, like we did, that we find a way to win the game."

Griffin is now the Commodore record holder in most goalkeeping statistical categories. Along with the career shutout record, she hold the single season records for most shutouts and fewest goals-against-average from last season, and is moving up the list for career saves. Ever the humble player, she is eager to deflect credit to her teammates.

"Obviously (defenders) Monica Buff and Kari Boersma have been playing with me the last three years and have been instrumental in everything we've done," Griffin said. "Without their efforts and the play of the rest of the team we wouldn't have done anything that we've been able to do over the last few years."

The Dores had plenty of chances to score late in the game but luck wasn't with them. Junior forward Amy Baumann, who led the team with seven shots, had a shot miss just wide with less than 30 seconds remaining in the



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Vanderbilt goalkeeper Tyler Griffin recorded her school-record 29th shutout yesterday as her team played Auburn to a 0-0 draw. The Commodores are 6-1-5 overall and 2-0-2 in Southeastern Conference play.

first overtime, and had several other crosses late in the game that her teammates were unable to finish.

"Overall I'm thrilled," Coveleskie said. "I'm excited and proud of Tyler Griffin and I know that she gets credit for the entire team as a unit with the record, and I'm thrilled that the team contributed to her shutout record."

Friday night, the Commodores made sure the Alabama Crimson Tide didn't roll. Senior defender Monica Buff, fresh off her game-winning goal the weekend before, once more got a head on a ball off a corner kick.

This time the ball went right to Baumann, who headed it in herself for her first goal of the season and a 1-0 lead.

In the second half Lafield took charge, as she dribbled through the entire Alabama defense before launching a shot into the net for her fourth goal of the season and a 2-0 lead. A defensive miscue led to an Alabama goal, but the Dores bounced right back minutes later as freshman forward Nicole Lukens scored on a diving header off a cross from Lafield.

"I think it's probably more important to us that it was to Tyler to break that record," Coveleskie said. "She's a very humble goalkeeper and she really just wants a good result for the team. The team is incredibly focused and will do whatever they can to not give up goals. The important thing for this team is winning, and making a statement and continuing to climb the SEC ladder is what's important for these girls." ■

CROSS COUNTRY

Cross country performs well
at Louisville Invitational

HUSTLER STAFF REPORT

Vanderbilt cross country took sixth and 11th places at the Louisville Invitational Saturday in Kentucky. The Commodores will take next week off competition before heading to the Blue Ridge Open in North Carolina on Oct. 13.

Senior Brittany Sizer helped the women's team seal a sixth place team finish when she finished fifth overall at the Louisville Invitational, a race featuring over 250 runners.

"Brittany really had a great race," said Vanderbilt coach Steve Keith. "She set a personal record (17:56), and she looked strong; it's just the kind of thing you want to see."

Junior Julie Eckerly (18:50), sophomore Amanda Scott (18:55), senior Ashleigh Wetzel (19:00) and junior Val Kazmer (19:08) rounded out the Vanderbilt top five.

The Commodores placed just behind Southeastern Conference opponent Kentucky with 205 points and an average time of 18:46.

On the men's side, senior Austin Weaver led the



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team to an 11th place finish out of 27 competing squads.

The 8k race was Weaver's first finish as the Commodore's top runner with a time of 25:16. Junior Austin Williamson was the next Commodore to cross the line with an overall time of 25:26.

Vanderbilt finished with 366 points and an average time of 25:56 while freshman Thomas Davis, junior Chris Noel and sophomore Rob Whiting rounded out the top five. ■

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FUN & GAMES

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TO SOLVE:
Fill in the blanks so the numbers 1-9 appear just once in each horizontal row, vertical column and 3x3 box.

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NAKED PAIRS:

If two cells in a group contain an identical pair of candidates and only those two candidates, then no other cells in that group could be those values. These 2 candidates can be excluded from other cells in the group.

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SWORDFISH:

Given a particular puzzle that has three rows where a given candidate 'C' is restricted to the same three columns, and since

1. candidate C must be assigned once in each of these three rows
 2. no column can contain more than one of candidate C then candidate C must be assigned exactly once in each of these three columns within these three rows. Therefore, it's not possible for any other cells in these three columns to contain candidate C.
- This same logic applies when a puzzle that has three columns where candidate C is restricted to exactly the same three rows.

Source: <http://www.angusj.com/sudoku/hints.php>

CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
- 1 Speaker's platform
 - 5 La Scala cheer
 - 10 Vigoda and Burrows
 - 14 Minuscule
 - 15 Take it easy
 - 16 Take it easy
 - 17 Headliner
 - 18 No later than
 - 19 Bear dad
 - 20 Actress Sara
 - 21 Candidate for cement boots
 - 23 Coffee server
 - 24 Major aluminum producer
 - 26 Chattered
 - 28 Final
 - 33 Faulty
 - 34 Holiday harmonizer
 - 36 Cancun cash
 - 37 Homburg or fedora
 - 40 Discontinuity
 - 42 Male offspring
 - 43 Actor Alda
 - 45 Eared seal
 - 47 Muddle
 - 49 Foundry
 - 53 Group of seven
 - 55 Chris of tennis
 - 56 Actress Balin
 - 57 Thumbs down on both
 - 62 Black goo
 - 63 Actor Diggs
 - 65 Angler's basket
 - 66 H.H. Munro
 - 67 Shoshones
 - 68 Damages
 - 69 Grp. with energy
 - 70 Saucy and spirited
 - 71 Shoot from shelter
 - 72 Camp shelter
- DOWN**
- 1 Dreary
 - 5th-century leader
 - 3 Newton and Asimov
 - 4 Isr. neighbor
 - 5 Champagne designation
 - 6 Vegas rival

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- 7 Choral voice
- 8 Colorado resort
- 9 Eurasian primrose
- 10 Avant-garde French sculptor
- 11 Pretty ones
- 12 Coffee choice
- 13 Insists upon observance of
- 21 Anwar of Egypt
- 22 Period
- 25 Pharmacy abbr.
- 27 Stereo part, briefly
- 29 Garden dandy
- 30 Actress Marisa
- 31 Brighten up
- 32 Conversation starter
- 35 April forecast
- 37 Overacts
- 38 Disaffect
- 39 John Q. Public, e.g.
- 41 One of the Champions
- 44 Loon
- 46 11th month

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- 48 Female swan
- 50 Seal for reshipping
- 51 Norse sea monster
- 52 Rigorous
- 54 Support-line
- employees
- 58 Land of Isfahan
- 59 Actress Polo
- 60 Coarse fiber
- 61 Different
- 64 NYC hrs.
- 66 Drunkard



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