



SPECIAL REPORT

diversity at vanderbilt

Diversity at Vanderbilt is an eight-part series appearing in every Monday and Friday issue in September.

With this series, we are attempting to bring diversity to the forefront of campus discussion.

The profiles are not meant to showcase one group over another but to demonstrate the depth of the Vanderbilt community.

While the series will officially last for one month, it is meant to demonstrate The Hustler's commitment to consistently represent the entire Vanderbilt community.

MLK Day of Service achieves integration through common interests

Program's founders hope to make event university-wide.

By Levy Nguyen
CONTRIBUTING REPORTER

Vanderbilt students have created a new way for the community to celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

By founding the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service, Donna Rizzo, Amy Silverman, Amber Herber and Samora Lagros seek to join together campus groups with similar interests but different points of view to participate in a service project in celebration of the January holiday.

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FOOTBALL

VANDY GAMEDAY: TENNESSEE STATE 9 VANDERBILT 38

Vanderbilt tames Tigers for first win



MASON HENSLEY / The Vanderbilt Hustler

Freshman D.J. Moore blocks a 40-yard field goal attempt midway through the third quarter, securing Vanderbilt's 10-3 lead at the time.

Historic meeting between Nashville universities ends with Vanderbilt on the winning side.

By Andrew Hard
SPORTS REPORTER

Linebacker Marcus Buggs didn't know where the ball came from. All he knew was that he needed to grab it. And keep his feet in bounds.

Buggs intercepted Tennessee State quarterback Antonio Heffner in the end zone with 1:35 remaining in the third quarter, giving Vanderbilt a 17-3 lead en route to its first victory of the season, a 38-9 triumph over the Tigers Saturday at Vanderbilt Stadium.

"[The ball] flew out of his hands and just came

through the air," Buggs said of the interception. "It popped in my face, and I grabbed it and made sure I stayed in bounds. It was probably the easiest touchdown I've scored in my career."

For the first two-and-a-half quarters, though, there

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GREEK LIFE

Sigma Nu to recolonize chapter after six years of probation

Semester's focus is recruitment.

By Eve Atterman
CONTRIBUTING REPORTER

Sigma Nu is currently undergoing the process of recolonization with the help of two of its national members after six years of off-campus probation.

Sigma Nu was removed from campus in 2000 after a student was injured during one of the fraternity's events. Many of the members from the old chapter have since started their own off-campus organization, Nu Society, and the two have become distinctly separate organizations.

The two national members, Christopher Healy and Jacob Welshans, both work for the fraternity's Department of Expansion and Recruitment and are both Sigma Nu alums. With recolonization, they face the task of recruiting new members, fixing up the house and setting up a new fraternity infrastructure.

"The recruitment is very referral-based," Healy explained. "We try to get referrals from alumni, we go around to all the sororities, we get lists of names from the university of

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GREEK LIFE

Chi Omega raises funds for the Make-A-Wish Foundation at annual benefit



JONATHAN DIETZ / The Vanderbilt Hustler

Kevin Hritz and Regan Lackey work the runway at the Chi-O Fashion Show in the Student Life Center Sunday night. Chi Omega's fall benefit raised \$7,796 for the Make-A-Wish Foundation this year.

HEALTH

Poor in Peru, Bolivia to receive long-distance eye exams from Vanderbilt professor

Merin will use fundus cameras to treat patients from Nashville office.

By Allison Smith
ASST NEWS EDITOR

The poor in Bolivia and Peru will soon receive screening for diabetic retinopathy from Vanderbilt clinics in Nashville, but no one will ever have to leave their country—or office.

The exams are made possible by the use of fundus cameras.

Medical workers based in the South American clinics will be trained to use the cameras, which can take pictures of the inside of the eye. They will then e-mail the images to the Vanderbilt Ophthalmic Imaging Center, where specialists will evaluate them for abnormalities. Once abnormalities have been identified, the specialists will contact doctors in the foreign countries and arrange for laser treatment in their home countries.

This is not the first time Vanderbilt has offered this sort of Internet screening, but when the program begins by the first of next year, it will be the first time the university offers the exams outside of the United States.

Although the programs are based in the urban areas of Cochabamba, Bolivia and Lima, Peru, Larry Merin, assistant professor of ophthalmology, said they will bring the fundus cameras to other surrounding rural areas.

"This is the kind of place where telemedicine can make a huge difference in improving health care for local populations," Merin said. "We will be screening in both urban and rural areas. Some members of our work group will be examining cultural influences, discovering barriers and coming up with solutions to improve people's knowledge about health issues."

Diabetic retinopathy is a progressive disorder that, if left untreated, can lead to permanent blindness. According to Vera M. Kutzinski, director of the Center for the Americas, the poor populations in both countries, a large percentage of which are indigenous peoples or of indigenous descent, are at high risk for diabetes and thus at high risk for developing diabetic eye disease.

"As the capabilities of our colleagues in Peru and Bolivia improve, our role here at Vanderbilt will slowly diminish," Merin said.

"We hope that this telemedicine program will be sustainable and that the Bolivian and Peruvian screening programs will become fully integrated into their respective health care systems. Essentially, Vanderbilt will pass the ball to them and trust that they will run with it," he said.

The program is being funded in its first year by the Vanderbilt Center for the Americas, which works to build better relationships with South America. The center, in turn, is supported through the Provost's Office's Academic Venture Capital Fund.

The Washington-based Pan American Health Organization, an international agency that works to improve health in the Western Hemisphere, is also involved, making government contacts and providing technical assistance.

"Projects like this one are also exciting because they make Vanderbilt more visible in Latin America, in countries with which the U.S. has a history of often difficult political relations," Kutzinski said.

"In a sense, our researchers are cultural ambassadors that add to the intellectual credibility of both Vanderbilt and the U.S. in Latin America," she said. ■

THE WALL

NOTABLE

The season premiere of "Grey's Anatomy," a newcomer to the Thursday schedule, topped the night with 25 million viewers overall—3 million more than "CSI"—and scored the No. 1 rating among adults aged 18 to 49, the group most prized by advertisers, Nielsen Media Research reported Friday.

The show's robust performance, up 6 million viewers from its season debut last year, led the Walt Disney Co.-owned ABC network to a rare ratings victory over long-dominant CBS on the most competitive night of primetime TV.

Source: CNN

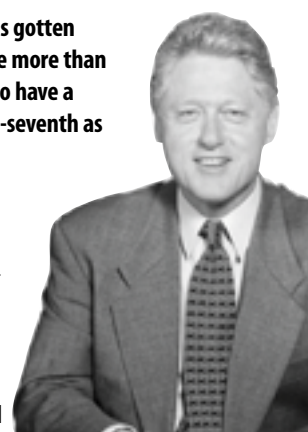
QUOTABLE

"I got closer to killing him than anybody has gotten since, and if I were still president, we'd have more than 20,000 troops there trying to kill him. We do have a government that thinks Afghanistan is one-seventh as important as Iraq."

—Bill Clinton, former president

Clinton vigorously defended his efforts as president to capture and kill al Qaeda leader Osama bin Ladin in an interview that aired on "Fox News Sunday."

Source: CNN



WEATHER FORECAST

TODAY
Mostly Sunny, 76/53

TUESDAY
Sunny, 79/55

WEDNESDAY
Sunny, 82/62

CORRECTION

The caption under the photo "Sean Curran Dance Company puts on a show at Blair" in Friday's issue incorrectly stated that the Blair School of Music sponsors the Great Performances at Vanderbilt programs. The Hustler regrets this error.

TODAY IN THE BUBBLE

Compiled by Nicole Floyd

VU Speakers Committee and the 29th Annual Holocaust Lecture Series present Paul Rusesabagina

Tonight at 7 p.m., the VU Speakers Committee and the 29th Annual Holocaust Lecture Series present Paul Rusesabagina. The movie "Hotel Rwanda" was based on the experience of Paul Rusesabagina, a hotel manager in Kigali who took in over 1,000 refugees at his elegant hotel to save their lives at great risk to himself and his family. The event will take place at the Student Life Center and is free to Vanderbilt faculty, staff and students. Limit one ticket to Vanderbilt community members per valid ID.

Blair's "Nightcap Series" Opens Tonight

The popular "Nightcap Series" at the Blair School of Music opens for the Fall 2006 season tonight with pianist Melissa Rose celebrating "100 Years of Shostakovich" - songs and music by and in honor of the Russian composer's 100th birthday. A Lobby Talk with Belmont history professor Daniel Schafer begins at 8 p.m. in Turner Recital Hall, with coffee and desserts provided in the lobby. Performing with Rose are guest artists Sari Reist, cello; and fellow Blair faculty members Denise Baker, violin; Amy Jarman, soprano; Gayle Shay, mezzo soprano; and Jonathan Retzlaff, baritone.

Fall Career Fair begins Tuesday

The Fall Career Fair begins on Tuesday, Sept. 26 from 4 to 7 p.m. The Fair is Vanderbilt's largest on-campus recruiting event for the 2006-2007 year. It will be held in the Commodore Ball Room of the Student Life Center.

VUDM: Miracle Game

VU Dance Marathon invites Vanderbilt students to its Miracle Game—the VU vs. Temple football game—on Saturday, Sept. 30. VUDM asks that the community join them in the celebration of the lives of many children who have been impacted by the Monroe Carrell, Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt. There will be a presentation of the game ball to a Miracle Family and donation sites around the stadium. Visit www.vudm.org for more information.

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

VUPD CRIME LOG

Compiled by Nicole Floyd

Sept. 22, 12:15 a.m. — An arrest was made on West End Avenue and 24th Avenue South for drunkenness.

Sept. 22, 2:30-2:45 a.m. — A simple assault occurred at 2401 West End Ave. (Carmichael Towers West) between a student and an unknown subject after a verbal altercation.

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

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DIVERSITY: Service Day idea stems from class project

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"This isn't just about cultural issues; it's about unity among all people—Republicans and Democrats, blacks and whites, freshmen and seniors, East and West," Rizzo, the student who came up with the idea, said.

"The point is for everyone in the Vanderbilt community to recognize that we have a higher purpose to serve the Nashville community regardless of who we are associated with. We need people to register with a group for organization's sake, but it's not really about who you are serving with," said junior Amy Silverman.

Junior Anna Lehmann, a student who worked for a fair housing center over the summer and is pursuing a career as a civil rights lawyer, said that the event is important because it encourages different groups to interact.

As she had seen from her experiences this summer, "whether or not people of different groups can get along affects every aspect of their lives."

Rizzo said that she thought of the idea for a class paper and was planning on expanding it to a service project when Herber brought the Web site www.mlkday.gov to her attention. The site is the official Web site for the MLK Day of Service, and since the project was nearly identical to her original idea, Rizzo decided to bring the MLK Day of Service to Vanderbilt.

At this point, participation in the program is voluntary, but Rizzo's proposal calls for university-wide involvement. Rizzo said that she hopes the university will grant students the day off in order to allow them to engage in programs of remembrance and activism.

Because the university cannot mandate service projects, however, Rizzo said that students who do not wish to participate could be

marked absent from their classes. She said that this might create a powerful incentive for students to become a part of the program.

Rizzo believes that the university is more likely to adopt a school-wide policy for the project due to the backing of the government Web site.

"The administration loves .gov Web sites," she said.

Rizzo also said that she hopes the day of service begun at Vanderbilt will spread to other universities.

"I hope it will stretch across all universities in hopes of increasing integration, unity and community activism, but it must start with one, and why not let it be Vanderbilt University?" she said.

The hope of the event is that the groups will cooperate with each other due to their similar goal, which in turn will warm up the groups to each other. After completing their service projects, groups will head to the Student Life Center for a ceremony of reflection. Reverend James Lawson, who was expelled from Vanderbilt in 1960 for organizing a peaceful sit-in, will speak to the participants on the importance of acceptance. Student leaders from some of the participating organizations will also read sections of King's "I Have a Dream" speech.

"Especially with organizations on campus there is a tendency to keep to ourselves, and there is a sense of competition. We need to recognize that we are a community, and if we all work on a community service project, we can bring people together over a common purpose," Silverman said.

Currently, the project is scheduled to take place on Jan. 16, since many service organizations will be closed for the Jan. 15 national holiday. The group will also hold informational meetings on Oct. 4 and 5 for those who are interested. ■

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TEACHING POSITIONS

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SPEAKER

Architect to speak on green design movement

Talk promotes environmental consciousness.

By Harish Krishnamoorthi
STAFF REPORTER

Architect William McDonough will speak about environmental conservation and the sustainable design movement in Benton Chapel on Tuesday.

The sustainability movement began in the early 1960s, but at that time, the mentality was mostly targeted toward promoting recycling. As technology has improved, the movement has shifted toward applying environmentally beneficial principles to construction, architecture, products and waste.

"Sustainability is essentially trying to make a community grow in a way that does not jeopardize the community based on current needs," said Roe Elam, a founding member of the Tennessee Fund For Sustainability, a sponsor of McDonough's speech. "This means not polluting the area so that later we do not pollute the rivers and destroy the landscape for the future."

McDonough is a pioneer of the sustainability movement in architecture. As a former dean of the University of Virginia School of Architecture and now, in the private sector, McDonough has worked with companies such as Ford, Nike and Gap in an attempt to make their products more environmentally friendly.

Concern for the environment

has been a cornerstone of Vanderbilt's new construction on the Commons. The new residence halls have already been created with "green building" principles, such as using more natural light for better energy conservation in mind.

However, Elam said that McDonough's speech will cover more than recycling and green buildings.

"McDonough will talk about the issue of sustainability in general, how to build a sustainable community and his vision for the world. He will also talk about how we can create products that can be thrown away easily in the backyard and provide nourishment for the environment," Elam said.

Shelby White, a member of Seigenthaler Public Relations, said that McDonough's speech is meant show where Nashville stands environmentally and how that stance should be directed.

"One of the main objectives is to bring together Nashville, the region and new corporations coming to the area and find out how we can have the people after us live as we do," White said. "We need to make sure we keep a watchful eye on the environment now so that it will be there for those to come. It's fine to meet our needs, but we need to make sure that those after us can also meet their needs." ■

Dores and Tigers march to the beat of the same drum



KATHERINE MILLER / The Vanderbilt Hustler

Vanderbilt and Tennessee State University bands practice together before their joint performance at halftime of Saturday's game. The schools performed their respective fight songs as well as "Love Train," a classic O'Jays hit.

SIGMA NU: New members drawn to unique opportunity

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guys that have gone through recruitment and just have not joined a fraternity."

Due to Vanderbilt's deferred recruitment policy, Healy and Welshans said that they have been focusing on extending bids to upperclassmen. Thus far, 21 upperclassmen have accepted those bids. However, they said that they will continue to recruit freshmen throughout the semester and will be prepared to offer bids to them in January.

New members said that they have joined for a variety of reasons.

"I am really into building the fraternity and fixing the house," said sophomore Michael Cohn. "A lot of my friends are joining, so it's great to have a house to go along with the friendship."

Students such as sophomore Scott Simontacchi and junior Graham Thompson, the first student to accept a bid from Sigma Nu, see the recolonization as

an opportunity to bring something unique to Vanderbilt.

"I'm looking for an alternative to the fraternity style that we associate with Vanderbilt," Simontacchi said. "Sigma Nu is not based around parties; it will be a stronger, more positive influence. I am confident that it will turn out well because we have a great, great group of guys."

"What I saw in Sigma Nu is that it gives all of us, the new member class, a chance to do something new that has never been done at Vanderbilt before," Thompson said. "To start a new fraternity that fits us better as a group of friends that we get to form around us, rather than us fitting to it."

Healy and Welshans plan to stay at Vanderbilt until the end of the semester. By then, they will have installed a board of student officers, along with a board of local Sigma Nu alumni whose purpose will be to serve as guides and mentors to the

undergraduate colony.

"Next semester, we will be operating as a fraternity," Healy said. "We will be doing philanthropy events, community service and social events, athletics, fundraisers and having our colony meetings—everything that goes into a fraternity."

While Nu Society will continue to operate as a separate organization despite the recolonization of Sigma Nu, Healy stresses that there is no animosity between the two.

"We treat them as their own separate organization, and we will be operating as two separate organizations," Healy said.

Healy explained that they are not treating Nu Society any differently than they would any other fraternity.

"We're not trying to recruit them, just like we wouldn't recruit guys from Pi Kappa Alpha or Kappa Sigma, Sigma Chi or any other fraternity," Healy said. ■

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INTERHALL

Interhall hosts first installment of Dinner Discussions program

Initiative similar to future Commons programming options.

By Darcy Newell
ASST NEWS EDITOR

The first installment of Interhall's new Dinner Discussions program will take place Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the Rand Function Room.

The program, sponsored by Interhall with the assistance of the SGA issue awareness chairs, consists of a series of dinners to be held every other Wednesday night in which students, professors and student life professionals are able to discuss a variety of different topics.

"We are really encouraging interaction between students and professors outside the classroom as Vanderbilt moves to a more integrated campus of residence, academic and student life," said Interhall president Devin Donovan.

The program is open to all undergraduate and graduate students. Students that would like to attend should e-mail interhall@vanderbilt.edu with their names and the name of the discussion they would like to attend.

Sociology professor Katherine Donato and political science professor John Hiskey will talk about immigration issues during the first Dinner Discussion.

The program, which has been in the works since May, will be funded by a grant Interhall earned from the Provost's Office. Vanderbilt Catering will provide the food.

To maintain an informal discussion atmosphere, a maximum of 25 students can

attend each installment. The topics were chosen and voted on by Interhall Cabinet members, on the basis of which would be the most interesting to both faculty and students.

"It definitely won't feel like a lecture," Donovan said. "The professors won't be leading the discussion, and there won't be any handouts distributed."

Donovan said that this type of program is similar to those that will become an integral part of student life once the Commons opens.

"The program is an opportunity for students and professors to interact outside the classroom and to help students and professors to help prepare for the programming we will have in the Commons," she said.

"Depending on the success of this event, it will be used as a model for future programs in the Commons," Donovan said.

Thus far, she said that the student response to the program has been positive. "We already have more responses than we can entertain for this first installment so we will be picking students at random," she said.

Upcoming topics for this semester are History of Islam and Conflict in the Middle East, which will take place Oct. 11, and Sociology of College and College Students on Oct. 25. The rest of the topics for the semester can be found online at <http://www.vanderbilt.edu/interhall>. ■

AWARD

Senior Corey Ponder receives Accolade Award at TSU game



MASON HENSLEY / The Vanderbilt Hustler

Chancellor Gordon Gee presents senior Corey Ponder, pictured with his parents Catherine and Clarence Ponder, with the Accolade Award, in recognition of Ponder's campus involvement.

Honor recognizes Ponder's involvement in several student organizations, contributing to the diversification of university.

By Nicole Floyd
ASST NEWS EDITOR

Chancellor Gordon Gee presented senior Corey Ponder with this year's Accolade Award during a timeout at Saturday's football game.

The Accolade Award, established in 1987 to acknowledge the intent and effort of the Accolade, a formal dance that raises funds for minority scholarships, is a \$5,000 scholarship that is awarded annually to a senior whose academic achievement and participation in extracurricular activities contribute to the diversification of the Vanderbilt student body.

The award is a testament to Ponder's involvement in various

student organizations. He currently serves as president of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., head resident of Towers East, campus progress student representative, associate editor of *Talented Tenth* and a contributing reporter for *The Vanderbilt Hustler*. He is also an active member of the Black Student Alliance, Voices of Praise and the Chancellor's Scholarship Program.

Ponder said that he could not have been happier about being chosen as the recipient of the award.

"I feel it was definitely a great experience," Ponder said. "I couldn't have been happier, not only because of what the scholarship stands for, but also because the committee felt I possessed the qualities that spoke to the scholarship and that I was making a difference at Vanderbilt." ■

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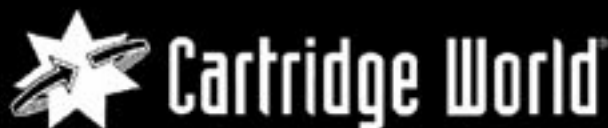


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OUR VIEW

Hustler to take closer look at homelessness

Recently, the issue of homelessness has elicited more letters to the editor than any other matter this semester. Perhaps this is because, unlike the death penalty or the war in Iraq, all students can see for themselves the ramifications of homelessness almost every time they step off campus. However, just because we see homelessness, does not mean we really understand it.

According to the National Alliance to End Homelessness, approximately 750,000 people in the United States experience homelessness each night, which is more than the entire population of Washington, D.C. The number of individuals that experience homelessness for some period of time during an entire year is between 2.5 and 3.5 million.

Each of these people has a different story. According to the National Law Center on Homelessness and Poverty, 44 percent of the homeless population is employed. Twenty-three percent of homeless adults and 33 percent of homeless adult males are veterans. Eighty-six percent of homeless people report having experienced an alcohol, drug and/or mental health problem. Sixty-two percent of the homeless have high school diplomas.

Many causes of homelessness are systematic and not easily solved. For example, there is not enough affordable housing in the country. Over 10 years ago, the number of low-income renters exceeded the number of low-cost housing units by 4.4 million, and that trend still continues to this day. Also, many people's incomes are too low to pay for basic living expenses. According to the NLCHP, "there is no jurisdiction in the United States in which a full-time job at the prevailing minimum wage (either federal or state) provides enough income to allow a household to afford a two-bedroom home at the regions fair market rent." For many people with low incomes, it is difficult to access many basic services. Also, many homeless individuals have personal challenges that impair their ability to live independently.

We cannot pretend to know the reasons for certain individuals' homelessness or the specific help they need without actually taking time to talk with them at length. Nor can we simply corral these people out of our sight and into homeless shelters and believe we have satisfactorily dealt with the problem. The issue is much larger, much more complicated and, at the same time, much more personal than is possible to sum up briefly. As it is clearly an issue that has caught the attention of Vanderbilt students, The Vanderbilt Hustler will be taking an in-depth look at homelessness in a special issue in the middle of next month.

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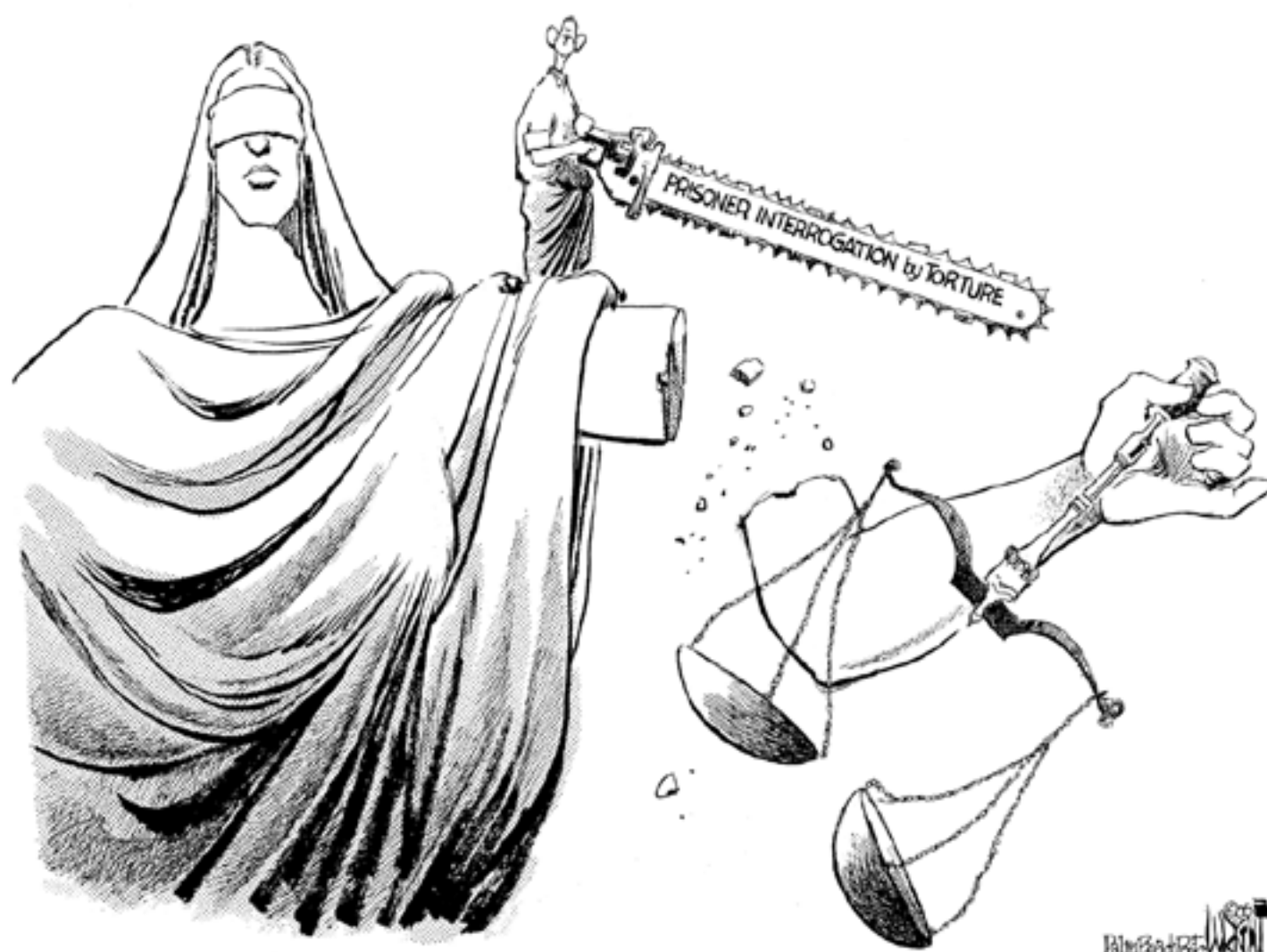
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Fleischman apologizes for hangover comment

To the Editor:

In light of the responses to my recent article, "Homeless inconvenience students daily," I wanted to make some clarifications. My purpose in writing the article was to bring some awareness to the problem of the homeless around our campus and to suggest ways we can help provide a better means for them to get what they need. The reason I started off my article with a comparison

to a hangover wasn't to imply the homeless are subhuman, but instead to come up with a way to relate to the students to get them interested in reading the article. I now realize this may have come off as crass or tasteless, so I apologize if I offended anybody; it was by no means my intent. I hope you will look at this article not as an attack on the homeless, but as a suggestion to improve the quality of life around here for both students

at Vanderbilt and the homeless in the area. At the very least, I am glad this article has sparked some dialogue, as this is hopefully the start of some positive change for the Vanderbilt and Nashville communities.

Stephanie Fleischman
Junior, Peabody College

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Experience supports Fleischman's view

To the Editor:

Unlike previous letters to the editor, I sympathize with Fleischman's point of view. Although I would have used more tact in getting the point across, her opinion is valid. I substantiate my point of view with a piece of experience that I gained in high school.

When I was in high school, I participated in a service project with a local homeless shelter called Hope Haven. What first shocked me was that Hope Haven actually had more room than the current demand for homeless shelter. I had always been coaxed to believe that not enough was being done to solve the homeless problem. So I asked the director of the program why this was the case. It turns out that to be admitted into

Hope Haven you have to agree to a certain set of rules.

The rules are simple. You have to stay clean and you have to obtain a job within six months of your arrival. In return, you get a place to stay and food to eat. They provide you with proper clothes to wear for interviews and a phone line for possible employers to call.

In order to fill their haven, the organization goes out and finds as many homeless people as it can and gives them this offer. As it turns out, only around one person out of every 20 is willing to abide by these simple rules. The rest would rather live on the street.

There are two types of homeless people. There are those who sincerely have mental

problems—and these probably make up the majority. I genuinely feel sorry for these people because their condition is not their fault. The government should do something more for these people. If their mental condition is so bad that it renders them unfit to hold a job, then they should be institutionalized.

The second type of homeless person is the person who is either lazy or substance dependent. I have minimal sympathy for these people. When organizations such as Hope Haven offer so much, the only people that they have to blame are themselves.

Sam Garza
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COLUMN

Pro-death penalty column ignores key points

I would like to respond to Kyle Larson's column, "State has right to execute murderers," which was a response to my initial plea for help in deterring the execution

couple of facts.

According to the Death Penalty Information Center, more than 123 people have been exonerated from death row since 1972. Since 1977, the overwhelming majority of death row defendants (over 80 percent) have been executed for killing white victims, although African-Americans make up about 50 percent of all homicide victims. Ninety-five percent of death row inmates cannot afford an attorney. Poor people are being subjected to convictions and death sentences that equally or more culpable, but more affluent, people would not receive. Over the past 30 years, the number of people with mental illness and other mental disabilities on death row has steadily increased.

Why didn't Larson address these injustices? He essentially stated that society has agreed to implement the death penalty, so it is fine. But does that make these problems go away?

Also missing from the column was any mention of mental insanity, which was a large reason many people opposed the death penalty being applied to Holton. Larson's emphasis on a person understanding laws

and consequences of the land is not a valid assumption when dealing with mental illness.

Larson repeatedly insinuated that abolishing the death penalty would in some way make society less safe. However, recent studies in Oklahoma and California failed to find that capital punishment had a deterrent effect on violent crime and, in fact, found a significant increase in stranger killings and homicide rates after the death penalty had been reinstated. According to Amnesty International, the murder rate in Canada has dropped by 40 percent since the death penalty was abolished in that country in 1976. A Texas study determined in 1999 that there was no relation between the number of executions and murder rates in general. A New York Times survey demonstrated that homicide rates in states with capital punishment have been 48 percent to 101 percent higher than those without the death penalty. According to the United Nations Development Program, the five countries with the highest homicide rates that do not impose the death penalty average 21.6

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Guest Columnist

PAUL FLEMING

of a mentally ill man, which was stayed.

I was most upset because Larson essentially responded to arguments I did not make, and ignored the ones that I did. I never said that murderers and sociopaths should be indiscriminately released into the public, as Larson implied. His wisecrack about a "corrected" registered murderer moving in next to my family is ludicrous. This scenario does not logically follow from not executing people. Not executing people does not imply immediate release from prison.

The column said not one word about the main point of my article: that the death penalty should not be used because it is flawed, unjust, expensive and ineffective. I would like to emphasize this point with a

FLEMING: Death Penalty is costly, futile

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murders per 100,000 people. The five countries with the highest homicide rate that do impose the death penalty average 41.6 murders for every 100,000 people.

The death penalty is a costly indulgence, which in all likelihood makes us less safe. When we realize this, Larson's argument becomes: "So what if state murder is pointless, dangerous and additionally is applied in an unfair way? The majority currently supports it!" This only says to me that it is essential to let more people know of the futility and cruelty of the death penalty.

Larson also stated that the majority of U.S. citizens support the death penalty. However, it is also true that when people are given the choice between the death penalty and life without the possibility of parole as the ultimate punishment (like in Tennessee), LWOP wins 48 percent to 47 percent. If restitution to the victim's family is included, support for the death penalty dwindles to 38 percent. The more people learn about the death penalty, the less they support it. So Larson's implication that only a small minority opposes the

death penalty is not clear. It seems to me that if everyone knew of the problems associated with the death penalty and the alternatives, support would plummet.

And finally, Larson characterized those who oppose the death penalty as a "loud, clamoring" minority. I would like to conclude with a short list of voices included in this group: the Catholic Church, the United Methodist Church, the Presbyterian Church, Unitarian Universalist Association, American Friends Service Committee, American Jewish Committee, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, General Conference Mennonite Church, Amnesty International, the European Union, all First World western nations besides the United States, the United Nations Commission on Human Rights, the National Alliance on Mental Illness, the International War Crimes Tribunal, the United Nations General Assembly and the General Assembly of the Organization of American States.

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"How is a 48-yard field goal attempt into the wind by a kicker who tore his ACL last year a better option than trying for the first on 4th and 2?"

"Why were the concessions near the student section so incompetent at the Arkansas game? I spent all of halftime and half of the third quarter waiting in line to be informed that they were out of pizza and fountain drinks and were cooking hot dogs. I bought a bottled drink, which was hot, and was then told upon asking for a souvenir cup to put it in that it would be an extra three dollars, without a drink in it. Interestingly, I got through the concession line over twice as long at Alabama in less than half that time. Surely there can be better service for the exorbitant prices of food at a game."

"Why don't the homeless people around campus just use the money their parents give them like I do?"

COLUMN

New Las Vegas laws are cruel to homeless population

On July 19, 2006, the Las Vegas City Council unanimously passed a law making it a crime to feed homeless people in city parks. Anyone caught giving food or drink to a homeless person could suffer a

Assistant Opinion Editor

KATIE VICK

\$1000 fine and six months in jail.

While many U.S. cities have laws that prohibit homeless people from congregating in certain areas, no city until now explicitly prohibited sharing food with the poor. Las Vegas now ranks as the No. 1 "Meanest City for the Homeless," according to the August 2006 report by the National Coalition for the Homeless.

Nashville, which became the 13th "Meanest City" in 2004, has since fallen from the top 20 list. The improvement is due in part to the united efforts of Metro Police, homeless outreach workers and local business owners. In March 2005, the Homeless-

Police Relations Working Group formally proposed suggestions to improve cooperation between homeless outreach workers and the Metro Police. In May 2005, Metro Police and business owners began a joint campaign to address panhandling downtown.

The Las Vegas legislation arose from complaints by neighbors of the downtown Huntridge Circle Park area who said that soup kitchens distributing food in the parks attracted homeless people and made the parks unsuitable places for families. The city argues that offering food in the parks only draws homeless away from social service providers who can try to eliminate the causes of homelessness as well as provide meals.

"This is not a punishment; this is to help people," said Las Vegas Mayor Oscar Goodman. "The people who provide sandwiches have good intentions, but they're enabling people not to get the help that is needed."

Granted, distributing meals to the homeless in parks will not solve the problem of homelessness. According to the 2003 Annual Performance Plan by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban

Development, the first goal in the process to end homelessness is to "make the homebuying process less complicated, the paperwork less demanding and the mortgage process less expensive."

Currently, this first step of providing enough inexpensive housing presents a serious problem in Las Vegas since there is a severe shortage of safe, affordable housing for low-income people. Many minimum wage workers and others with limited incomes must live in places not considered habitable. Housing units often close immediately upon failing to meet standards, leaving the former inhabitants on the streets.

Las Vegas Sun reporter Timothy Pratt interviewed residents with incomes who were worried about ending up homeless. If minimum wage earners are in danger of losing a home, consider how much more desperate those without jobs are. Recall that 46 percent of homeless adults report long-term physical illness or disabilities, according to 2001 research published by the Urban Institute. From 2000 to 2001, 75 percent of homeless people reported some kind of mental health or substance abuse problem, increasing

the challenge of keeping a job.

The homeless must be temporarily provided for until the city creates enough inexpensive and well-kept housing. Soup kitchens such as the local Las Vegas organization Food Not Bombs prove lifesaving as they fill in the resource gaps of social services.

On Aug. 10, Food Not Bombs gathered at City Hall to protest before moving on to Frank Wright Park, where they openly defied the law by offering food. The American Civil Liberties Union of Nevada filed a federal lawsuit against the city and police officials, saying that the law violates free speech, free assembly and other rights.

"I don't want (the homeless) there," Goodman said. "They think I'm mean now; wait until the homeless try to go over there."

Yes, he is mean. Until Las Vegas social services can provide enough housing and services to solve the homeless problem, refusing to allow people to give food to the poor and hungry is cruel.

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



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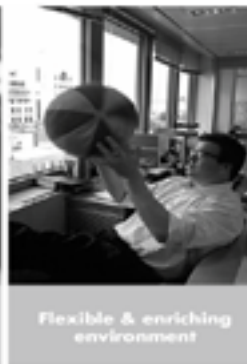
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FOOTBALL

For Vandy, two minutes makes all the difference

By Franklin Petr
SPORTS REPORTER

What a difference two minutes can make. The Tennessee State Tigers had stayed with the Commodores for much of the night. Down 10-3 at halftime, TSU managed to maintain that score for most of the third quarter.

And then there was the play of the game that changed everything for the Commodores: a 32-yard punt.

But this wasn't just any punt. It was the best 32-yard punt you can kick. Faced with a fourth-and-seven from the 33-yard line, coach Bobby Johnson felt pinning the Tigers back deep was the thing to do.

"Seven yards is difficult to pick up anytime," Johnson said. "Brett (Upson) went in their and made a great kick."

That great kick was coupled with a spectacular play by cornerback D.J. Moore to down it at the one-yard line. In a situation that might normally get the defense two points and a safety, Vanderbilt's linebacker core wanted more.

Under intense pressure from Jonathan Goff, TSU's Antonio Heffner tried to get a quick pass out to one of his receivers. Unfortunately for him, his pass was deflected at the line of scrimmage. Unfortunately for the Tigers, it bounced right into the hands of linebacker Marcus Buggs.

"I just saw it in the air so I grabbed it," Buggs said. "It just popped into my face, and then I just wanted to make sure that I was in bounds."

Buggs was able to maintain possession and keep a foot in bounds, and Vanderbilt was granted a little breathing room late in the third quarter.

"That play really got us out of the doldrums,"

Johnson said. "It was a big momentum changer and gave us a little breathing room. Marcus really did a great job of getting his foot down for the touchdown."

But Vanderbilt's above-mentioned two minutes is not yet over. On the ensuing kickoff Vanderbilt's Funtaine Hunter managed to force a fumble that was recovered by Jared Hawkins on the TSU seven-yard line.

"(Those turnovers) changed the whole momentum of the game," Goff said. "And once we had the momentum, we were able to take advantage of it and take control of the game. We really were able to take control of the game after making some plays on defense."

Two plays later quarterback Chris Nickson crossed the goal line for Vanderbilt's second touchdown in four plays. The Tigers' next possession did not bode well for the Tennessee State faithful, as Heffner was intercepted by safety Reshard Langford on the TSU 33.

"Last week's (dropped interception) was frustrating," Langford said. "I felt like I let my team down. I worked all week to make sure I wouldn't drop another one all season."

Vanderbilt was able to round out the two-minute flurry on the very next offensive play when Nickson was able to find fellow sophomore Earl Bennett in the endzone for a 33-yard strike.

So in two minutes Vanderbilt was able to completely turn around a game. They turned what was becoming a nail biter into a rout in less than 10 plays.

Maybe this is what the Commodores have needed all along — that one thing to jumpstart the season. ■



Junior linebacker Jonathan Goff knocks the ball loose from TSU quarterback Antonio Heffner in the third quarter of the Commodores' 38-9 victory Saturday at Vanderbilt Stadium. Moments later, Marcus Buggs (27) grabs the football out of the air for an interception and touchdown.

FOOTBALL

Football: Solid second half lifts VU

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was nothing easy about the Tennessee State Tigers, who were making their first ever trip to Dudley Field. The Commodores struggled mightily on offense, scoring only 10 points before Buggs's pick despite five trips to the red zone.

"There was a little bit of frustration in the locker room at halftime because of our missed opportunities," Vanderbilt coach Bobby Johnson said of the first half. "Buggs's play was a momentum changer; those kinds of plays get you out of the doldrums a little bit."

The Commodores certainly pounced on the momentum. TSU receiver Jarrett Morrow fumbled the ensuing kickoff, which was recovered by Jared Hawkins, who also had his first career touchdown later in the game.

That gave Vanderbilt the ball at the 7 and set up a 6-yard touchdown run by quarterback Chris Nickson, his third of the season.

Safety Reshard Langford then intercepted Heffner, a week after dropping a potential game-winning pick against Arkansas.

"I took last week real personally," Langford said. "This interception was a relief; I knew I wasn't going to drop the ball after what happened last week."

The Dores iced the game on the next play, as Nickson hooked up with receiver Earl Bennett for a 33-yard touchdown to put them ahead 31-3 early.

Content to run the ball for most of the game, Nickson made the most of his passing opportunities, converting nine of 13 attempts for 108 yards and two touchdowns.

The Dores improve to 1-3 (0-2 Southeastern Conference) going into next week's home game against Division I-A independent Temple. TSU falls to 2-2, though it won't be hanging its head about the lopsided score.

"I think there's a lot our players can take away from this game," said TSU coach James Webster. "Our players played with Vanderbilt, but they did what they needed to do to win."

Vanderbilt's defense started fast, forcing TSU into three first-quarter punts and one turnover. The Dores'

offense could not capitalize, though, as kicker Bryant Hahnfeldt missed a 19-yard field goal on the first possession. After TSU gave the ball back on a botched lateral, tailback Cassen Jackson-Garrison appeared to reach the goal line on a screen pass from Nickson. Replay officials overturned the call, though, and TSU stopped the Dores on fourth down.

Although the TSU offense controlled the ball for more than 10 minutes in the second quarter, it was held to just three points.

"We knew what they wanted to do on offense, and we took a different approach on defense. We didn't hold anything back today," said Langford.

TSU was regularly backed up inside its own 10-yard line thanks to the outstanding pressure on Heffner by defensive ends Chris Booker and Curtis Gatewood, who combined for 11 tackles and 1.5 sacks.

Freshman punter Brett Upson also had an outstanding day, pinning the Tigers at their own 1 to set up Buggs's game-changing interception, which came when linebacker Jonathan Goff pressured Heffner.

Johnson elected to punt from the TSU 33 on fourth and 7, and Upson responded perfectly.

"Fourth and 7 is not a high-percentage conversion. We had the lead, and we figured we'd back them up," Johnson said. "Upson did a great job of punting it down there, and [D.J. Moore] downed it where we wanted to."

Though TSU and the Dores won't play next year, the game will give the Vanderbilt players bragging rights over some of their friends from across town.

"A lot of the guys on these teams know each other really well," said Buggs, whose cousin, Chris Johnson, is a wideout for the Tigers. "You don't need to make T-shirts or anything, though. All you have to do is say '38-9' and they'll know what you mean."

Despite its record, Vanderbilt has the highest of aspirations this season.

"I definitely believe we're going to a bowl game," Bennett said. "We're getting better with each week, so hopefully this win will help put us over the top." ■

CROSS COUNTRY

Dores enjoy success at home meet

HUSTLER STAFF REPORTS

In its final home meet of the season, the Vanderbilt cross country program had quite the showing, as both the men's and women's squads finished first at the Commodore Classic Saturday.

Despite rainy conditions, the women took the first four places. Erika Schneble finished first in 18:19, followed by Brittany Sizer (18:30), Julie Eckerly (18:55) and Val Kazmer (19:15). Other runners in the top 10 were Amanda Scott (sixth) and Ashleigh Wetzel (seventh).

"We wanted to run in groups and in a progressive manor by relaxing early and building with each mile," said Vanderbilt coach Steve Keith. "And we did a good job of that."

On the men's side, the Commodores, led by Austin Williamson, placed four runners in the top 10. Williamson took the lead early and never looked back, winning the 8k race with a time of 26:32.

Teammate Austin Weaver finished second at 26:59, while Michael Nordlund and Rob Whiting came in sixth and seventh, respectively.

The two teams travel to Kentucky for the Louisville Invitational next weekend. ■

SEC East Standings

Team	Conf. Record	Overall	Next Opp.
 FLORIDA	2-0	4-0	ALABAMA
 GEORGIA	1-0	4-0	@ OLE MISS
 S. CAROLINA	1-1	3-1	AUBURN
 KENTUCKY	1-1	2-2	CENTRAL MICHIGAN
 TENNESSEE	0-1	3-1	@ MEMPHIS
 VANDY	0-2	1-3	TEMPLE

GAME BREAKDOWN

Player of the game

While the entire Vanderbilt defense performed well, it was defensive end Curtis Gatewood who stood out. Gatewood had a team-high nine tackles, two tackles for loss and 1.5 sacks. As a whole, the Commodore "d" forced four turnovers and put constant pressure on TSU quarterback Antonio Heffner. No. 48 always seemed to be in the middle of it.

Stat of the game

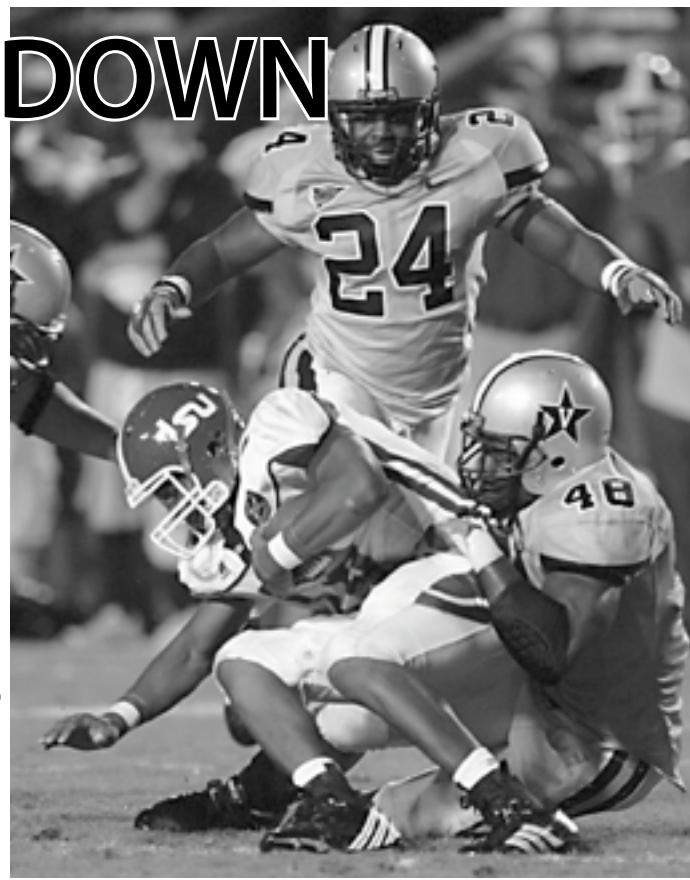
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Vanderbilt took advantage of three TSU turnovers to score 21 points in a quick two minutes and 15 seconds and put the game out of reach. Marcus Buggs intercepted a pass in the end zone for a touchdown, and Jared Hawkins recovered a fumble on the ensuing kickoff to set up a Chris Nickson touchdown run. Reshard Langford then intercepted a pass, leading to Earl Bennett's 33-yard touchdown catch.

Quote of the game

"You don't need to make T-shirts or anything, though. All you have to do is say '38-9,' and they'll know what you mean."

-Linebacker Marcus Buggs on the rivalry between Vanderbilt and TSU. Buggs's interception for a touchdown gave the Commodores a 17-3 lead in their eventual 38-9 victory.



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SAILING

Sailing club hosts regatta

By Allison Malone
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

The Vanderbilt Sailing Club hosted the third South Atlantic Intercollegiate Sailing Association North Points Regatta of the semester Saturday at Percy Priest Lake.

College of Charleston, a perennial powerhouse in the division, took first place in the event. Vanderbilt finished fourth behind the University of Tennessee and North Carolina State University.

"It was a fantastic regatta," said Ian Cotton, commodore of the Vanderbilt Sailing Club. "We ran eight races before calling the regatta early due to severe weather conditions."

For each of the four points regattas, the top scoring teams earn points to qualify for the SAISA Fall Dinghy Championship at Eckerd College in Florida Oct. 29.

"We didn't make it to the championship last semester, but we went in the fall," Cotton said. "If we

sail well in our last regatta at UNC-Wilmington, we will have a great chance at qualifying for Champs."

Six people competed for Vanderbilt: Matthew Berg and Alex Alm sailed A division, while Becca Denny, Matt Snyder, Benn Hartwell and Lindsey Carroll sailed B division.

Within SAISA, there is a north division and and south division. Vanderbilt is a part of the north division along with other schools in the southeast. Six teams competed in the Vanderbilt regatta: Vanderbilt, University of Tennessee, University of Georgia, University of North Carolina- Chapel Hill, College of Charleston, and North Carolina State University.

Also in the north division are Citadel, Clemson, University of North Carolina- Wilmington, Davidson, and Duke.

Percy Priest Yacht Club helped the club host the event. The next regatta is Oct. 14 at UNC-Wilmington. ■



NATHALIE MIQUEL-ELCANO/The Vanderbilt Hustler

Two members of the Vanderbilt sailing club on the water during the third South Atlantic Intercollegiate Sailing Association North Points Regatta Saturday at Percy Priest Lake. College of Charleston won the event, while Vanderbilt finished fourth.

SOCCER

Roommates want SEC championship

By Max Franklin
SPORTS REPORTER

Most college roommates are just trying to pass their classes, maybe play some intramural games and have some fun along the way. Sarah Dennis, Meredith Kohn and Amy Baumann, all juniors on the women's soccer team, have a slightly different goal in mind: they're trying to win a Southeastern Conference championship.

"Without a doubt, Sarah, Meredith and Amy are some of the most committed women's soccer players that I've ever seen," head coach Ronnie Coveleskie said. "They are not only committed to their soccer performance, but to their athletic improvement as well as their academics. I think they're really well rounded, hard working girls."

This unlikely trio of roommates has played a key role in the resurgence of the Commodore soccer program over the last three years, and that

starts with their personalities off the field, where they not only help the team stay motivated but keep it laughing as well.

"We are really different," Kohn said. "It works perfectly. We all balance each other out, and I think that's why our friendship works so well."

That sentiment was echoed by the others. "We all kind of make up for each other's 'lack' of qualities," Dennis said. "When it comes to supporting each other off the field, our differences help each one of us succeed, with criticisms and things like that. We just look to each other mainly for personal support, and that helps our game as well."

Vanderbilt this season has switched their alignment at times to a 3-5-2 that emphasizes each one of these players' strengths. Dennis, a natural forward, and Kohn, a central midfielder, are free to roam the field and play off each other and the rest of the offense to capitalize on scoring chances.

"I think all three of them are irreplaceable," Coveleskie said. "I think that their work rate, their technical ability and their overall desire to win make us a better team."

Baumann, who was named a captain this season as a junior, made the biggest transition of the three, switching from forward to outside midfielder despite a stress fracture in her foot. Seemingly always smiling and soft-spoken, her roommates are quick to point out the presence she has on the team.

"I feel like Baumann has done a real great job of being a junior captain," Dennis said. "She still has two years to lead the team and be a positive influence. She's an overall great person, leader and soccer player."

It seems as though that description could be used for any of these student athletes. All three remained on campus over the summer to improve their athleticism and playmaking, and they take pride in being positive

examples of what a Vanderbilt soccer player should be.

"Now we're the upperclassmen, and there's pressure on us to lead the team," Kohn said. "The younger girls look up to the older players, just like we did, and we want to be good role models. We can pick the team up when we're down and be the players people can look to when when we need a big goal or play."

The growth from a primarily defensive team to an evenly balanced offensive and defensive squad seems to have coincided with the development of this trio of juniors, and more big plays should be in store for the Does.

"I think if we don't win the SEC this year, it'll be a huge letdown because that's what we've had our sights on," Kohn said. "From the beginning, we knew we wanted to win the SEC, make the Sweet 16 of the NCAA tournament and really establish ourselves as a top 20 school — show that we belong." ■

Soccer opens 1-0-1 in league play

Senior Monica Buff's first collegiate goal came in the 100th minute of overtime to give the Commodores a 2-1 win over Arkansas in Southeastern Conference soccer action yesterday afternoon at Razorback Field.

Vanderbilt, playing in its third straight overtime contest and sixth of the season, improved to 5-1-4 on the year and 1-0-1 in SEC play.

Arkansas scored at the 25:33 mark in the first half and held the lead for fifty minutes, before the Commodores tied the game in the 76th minute. The teams then battled into overtime, where the Razorbacks had a couple of shots on goal in the first OT period, but were denied by VU goalkeeper Tyler Griffin.

Buff, playing in her 68th game as a Commodore, scored the gamewinner at the start of the second overtime period, as she took a feed from Lea Lafield and kicked it in from the right wing into the far post.

It was the first goal given up by Tyler Griffin in 434 minutes, dating back to the second half of the Dartmouth match on Sept. 3.

The overtime win came after the Does drew 0-0 against LSU in Baton Rouge on Friday.

The Commodores have gone 5-0-2 in their last seven contests and return home for a four-game homestand starting with Alabama on Friday at 7 p.m. at the VU Soccer Complex. ■

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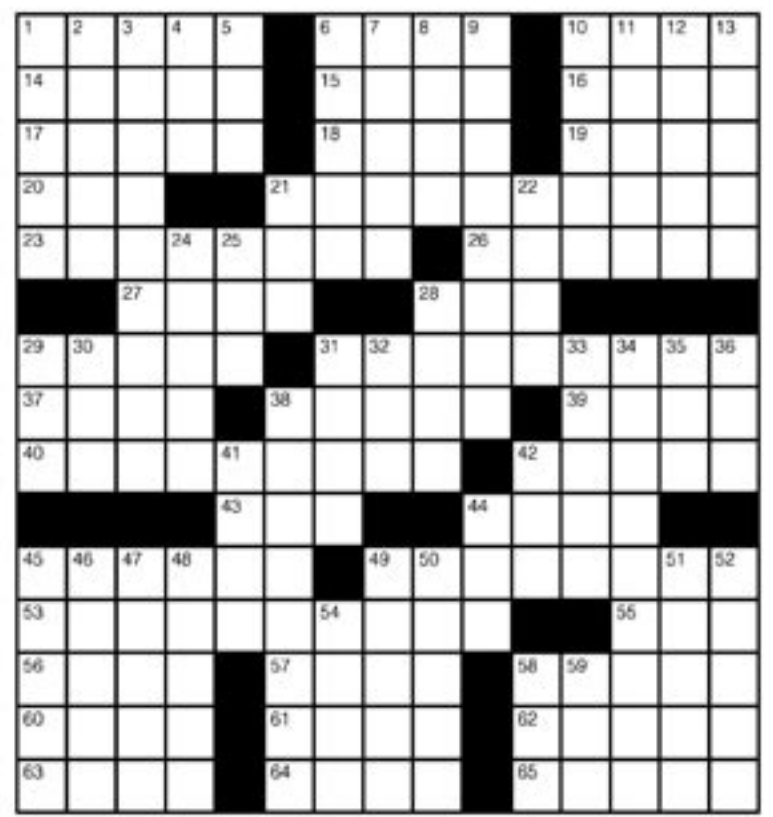


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