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Coming off the finest season in school history and the loss of National Player of the Year David Price, one could assume that the expectations would not be great for Vanderbilt baseball in 2008.

Yet, with eight position starters returning, highlighted by three preseason All-Americans, this season's team looks to build upon 2007 and set Vanderbilt up as a perennial power and national title contender in college baseball.

The definite strength of this team will be its offense with All-Americans Pedro Alvarez, Dominic de la Osa and Ryan Flaherty back along with experienced starters in Alex Feinberg, David Macias, Shea Robin and Brad French.

Sophomore southpaw Mike Minor anchors a pitching staff that may lack previous time on the mound, but makes up for in raw talent. One thing the Vanderbilt coaching staff has placed a premium on under sixth-year head coach Tim Corbin is pitching and this team has the potential to develop into one of the best staffs in the country.

This fall the coaching staff noticed a new dynamic as the veterans took control of the club and taught the newcomers what the expectations are from them as a Vanderbilt baseball player.

"They have kind of taken the reigns from me in some ways," said Corbin, the 2007 Southeastern Conference Coach of the Year. "The things we established back in 2004-2005 I no longer have to teach and in addition I think what they're doing are establishing their own ideals. They're putting their own signature on the program. It's tough to put out a piece of paper explaining what those things are, but I think you'll see them as we play. That's exciting for me. I think every year that goes by, as a coach, and you have older guys in the program, the program is one step better to building a tradition."

The Commodores enter the season set at eight spots in the field with talented performers vying for playing time wherever they can find it.

"Offensively, I think we'll be strong," added Corbin. "I think we have a chance to get many more extra base hits because we're a more mature group. We're stronger and a little bit faster. I would say we have the capability to score a lot of runs. When you bring back guys who have already had 600-plus at bats in a college season, then you're bringing back kids who have been there before and know how to do it. I'd like to think that's going to have something to do with success for the upcoming season. They are driven to continue to get better has been just as good if not better than in years past. They're a very hungry group."

Catcher

Senior Shea Robin started in 61 of 63 games played last season and the coaches believe he is the top returning defensive catcher in the country. In addition to batting .286 with two homers and 35 RBI with the occasional clutch hit a year ago, the Woodlands, Texas, product also adeptly handled a pitching staff that boasted the top ERA in the league at 3.55.

Sophomore Andrew Giobbi will serve as the backup behind the plate and could also see time in the field and at the designated hitter spot. Giobbi always made hard contact as a redshirt freshman and finished the year with a .312 batting average to go with 10 doubles, a homer and 25 RBI.

Freshman Curt Casali, one of the top prospects out of New England and the future starter at catcher, should get some playing time as well.

Another freshman, Drew Fann from Murfreesboro, Tenn., will spend the year getting stronger and challenge for time in 2009.

"Nobody is going to move Shea (Robin) from behind the plate, but we have guys like (Andrew) Giobbi who are going to have to play because of their bat," said Corbin. "He has also developed into a very good number two catcher and could be a number one catcher on most teams."

Shea Robin



First Base

Senior Brad French and his stellar defensive skills return to man first base. The Nashville native hit .267 with two homers, eight doubles and 23 RBI last season, while also flashing a stellar glove with just three errors in 441 chances at first. He looks to build upon his offensive numbers after battling through a case of mono a year ago.

Redshirt freshman Steven Liddle will likely see some time at first as well as in the outfield and at DH. The Franklin, Tenn., native has displayed a knack for hitting and should be a future starter at a position still to be determined. Another potential starter down the road is freshman Aaron Westlake who has power in his bat and solid defensive skills. Senior Adam Cronk should also get playing time and provides veteran knowledge and leadership.

Second Base

Senior Alex Feinberg returns for his third year as a starter and his second year manning second base. The Orinda, Calif., product showed more offensive punch last season, setting a career high with four homers, 17 doubles and 44 RBI while batting .317. He also showed a steady glove, with just six errors in 246 chances.

Sophomore Brian Harris will serve as the backup at the middle infield positions and should see plenty of action in a variety of roles. He batted .283 in 29 games a year ago with eight starts and has consistently improved his game in three years at VU.

Shortstop

Junior Ryan Flaherty is back for his third season as a starter and is the lynchpin of the infield. A steady fielder who makes all of the routine plays, Flaherty is also one of the most consistent bats in the lineup. He batted .381 with four homers, 23 doubles and 57 RBI en route to All-American honors last year and ended the season with a 35 game hitting streak still intact.

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Freshman Gabe Ortiz is a slick fielding infielder and a player of the future for the Commodores. He could see playing time this year, but will most definitely make his impact on the program in years to come.

Third Base

Junior Pedro Alvarez returns as the top power producer in the lineup. The New York City native has certainly lived up to everyone's expectations when he arrived on campus in the fall of 2005 as one of the top recruits in the nation. He was the National Freshman of the Year in 2006 and built upon that with an even better 2007 in which he hit a team best .386 with 18 homers and 68 RBI. He walked a team high 40 times and also had 21 doubles and three triples en route to unanimous All-American plaudits.

"I think the infield is going to be very steady," said Corbin. "We've got a good athlete at first base (Brad French), we've got a guy who doesn't make mistakes at second base (Alex Feinberg), we've got a very consistent guy at shortstop (Ryan Flaherty), and we've got a good athlete at third base (Pedro Alvarez). The key is going to be for our pitchers to get the ball in play so that we can pick it up and throw it over to first and keep people from scoring. If we keep the ball in the infield, we're not going to make mistakes.

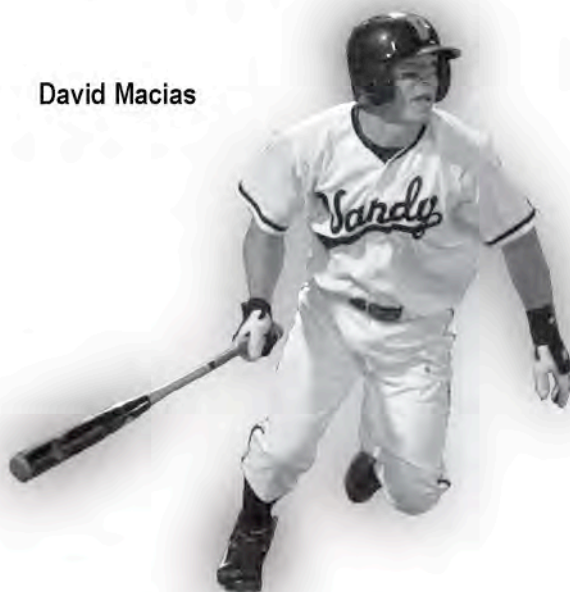
Rightfield

Senior Dominic de la Osa is back for his final season as a Commodore and looks to build upon his breakout junior campaign. De la Osa batted .378 with a team-high 20 homers to go with 23 doubles and 62 RBI. He also stole 20 bases and was one of just three players nationally to hit 20 homers with 20 swipes as well.

Freshman Joey Manning is a physical specimen who proved in the fall practice season that he could contribute this season if called upon. The 6-foot-5 inch outfielder has all of the tools to be a star for years to come.

Redshirt freshman Jordan Wormsley is a very talented defensive player that could also see time in right.

David Macias



Centerfield

Senior David Macias returns for his third season as a starter in center and could be the top player at his position in the conference according to the coaches. Macias batted .300 with 10 stolen bases and was hit by pitch a team high 20 times a year ago. He possesses a very strong and accurate arm with 10 outfield assists a year ago.

Redshirt freshman Alex Hilliard made the transition from the infield a year ago and will get some playing time this year. He is a very athletic performer that continues to develop his game.

Leftfield

The one position that is still up in the air is left due to the departure of Matt Meingasner who finished his eligibility a year ago. Senior Parker Hanks and junior Jonathan White will split time at the spot, as will Steven Liddle.

Hanks hit .265 with three homers and 14 RBI in limited duty as an injury sidelined him for the middle part of the year.

White is the fastest guy on the team and continued his development as a sophomore, batting .289 with three homers, seven doubles and 14 RBI. The fourth-year junior has all of the tools to be an impact player and will get an opportunity to show that this year.

"The outfield is steady," said Corbin. "In my mind, we have one of the best centerfielders (David Macias) playing out there in terms of going after balls and throwing people out. We've got a right fielder that's very capable of doing the same thing. I feel good about each left fielder but they're different. We've got a guy who can run the ball down (Jonathan White), a guy who excels at catching then throwing the ball (Parker Hanks), and then a guy in Steven Liddle who can do a mix of everything. Defensively, I think we'll secure the ball well."

Pitchers

Sophomore Mike Minor returns as the team's ace this season after rising through the ranks to the No. 2 spot in the rotation a year ago. The Chapel Hill, Tenn., native went 9-1 with a 3.09 ERA in 2007, capturing Freshman All-American honors in the process. Minor repeated the process over the summer with the USA National Team as he was one of the last members added to the team in June, and by the end of the summer he had become the staff ace.

Only three other members from last year's staff returns in juniors Brett Jacobson and Nick Christiani and sophomore Jason Cunningham.

Jacobson went 6-3 with a 3.15 ERA in 21 games, including 13 starts. He showed the ability to pitch effectively in relief as well, logging time in critical situations in NCAA play. The righthander's role on this year's team could be as a weekend starter or as a closer.

Nick Christiani went 5-3 with a 4.11 ERA in 17 games, including 11 starts. The New Jersey native will be in the weekend rotation and also has the ability to pitch in relief with two years of experience behind him.

Redshirt freshman Caleb Cotham is also a candidate for a rotation spot after a stellar fall. The righthander is one of several talented players that did not see action a year ago that will play important roles on this staff.

Junior righthander Steven Schwartz redshirted last season after transferring from Penn and is a guy the coaches believe will get an opportunity to make an impact in middle relief.

Redshirt freshman Richie Goodenow will get a chance to pitch out of the pen as will southpaw Jason Cunningham, who shined in relief against Ole Miss in a game that propelled the Commodores into the SEC tournament.

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Brett Jacobson

championship contest. The Atlanta, Ga., product spent his first year with the baseball team as a student assistant and then made the team in the fall of 2006 by showing the ability to get Commodore hitters out. He finished the season with a 1.23 ERA in four appearances.

Redshirt freshman Russell Brewer made the transition from the infield to being a pitcher exclusively and will pitch in middle relief.

Sophomore transfer Drew Hayes along with redshirt freshman Mark Lamm will see significant action from the bullpen with opportunities to close out games this year. Hayes, a righthander from McKenzie, Tenn., was originally recruited by Vanderbilt out of high school but decided to pitch for his dad at Bethel. He possesses a power arm and recorded 86 strikeouts in 72.0 innings last season.

Lamm, a righthander from Loretto, Tenn., was almost brought out of redshirt in the NCAA regionals last year and will get an opportunity early to pitch in relief.

True freshmen Taylor Hill, Chase Reid, Sean Bierman, Ben Blanton, Kellen St. Luce and Jared Cohen round out the staff and could have roles in relief with an eye towards the future.

Hill, a righthander from Mt. Juliet, Tenn., showed the coaches in the fall that he could be a factor with his advanced pitching skills.

Reid, a righthander from Dallas, Texas, was limited in the fall due to an injury but should be able to pitch this year with his ability to throw strikes with a good breaking ball.

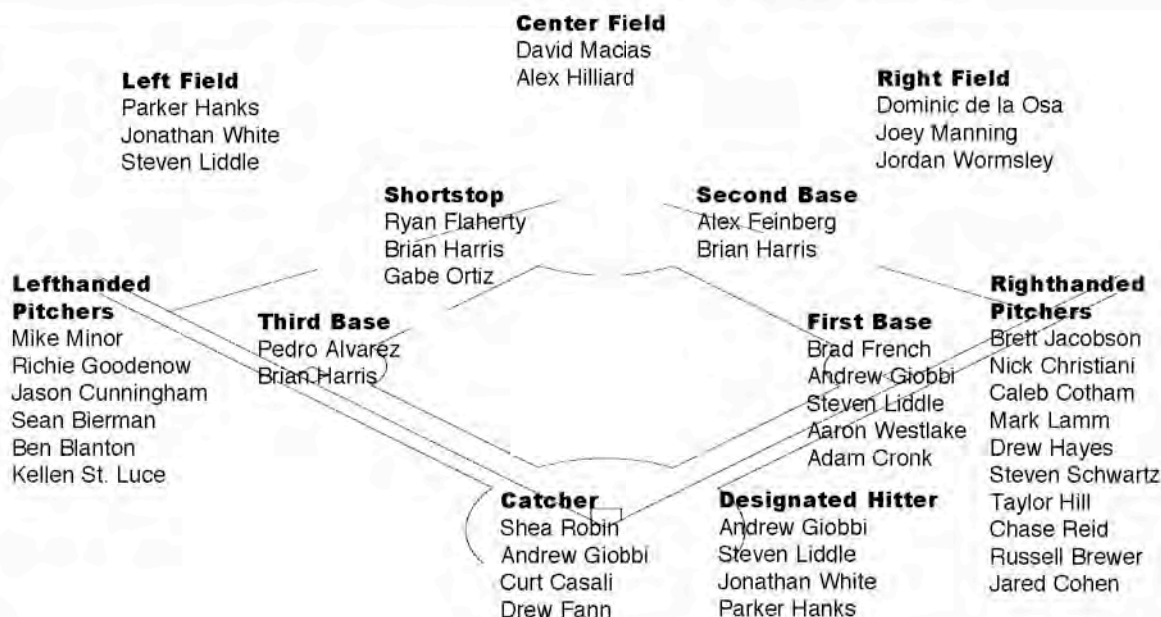
Bierman, a lefthander from Kinnelon, N.J., has control of three pitches and could pitch early.

Two more southpaws, Blanton from Atlanta, Ga., and St. Luce from The Virgin Islands, are talented hurlers whose impact will be felt on future squads as they develop their skills this year.

Cohen, a righthander from Pennsylvania, impressed the coaches with his work ethic and strength in the weight room. He most likely will get an opportunity in seasons to come.

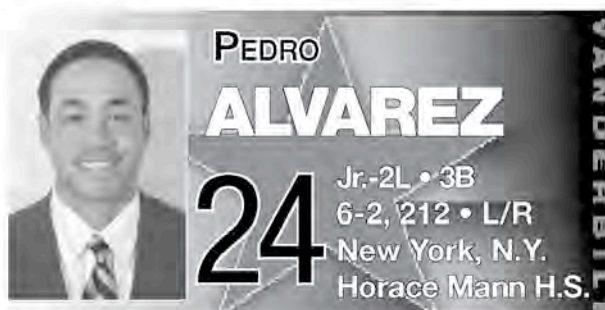
"Pitching is tough to figure right now just because I don't believe most people have defined roles," said Corbin. "The roles in the middle and at the end are kind of undetermined at this point, but if you look at the pitching for what it is, I feel comfortable with it. We've got some good ability out there. We've got three kids with a lot of experience that can start for anyone. We have SEC type pitchers that haven't pitched yet in the conference. I'd like to think that pitching in March will be a whole lot different than the pitching in April. These kids will get better day-by-day."

2008 Preseason Commodore Depth Chart



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National and SEC Player of the Year Candidate First Team Preseason All-American

Coach Corbin Quote: *I think he's the best third baseman in the country. He might be the best player in the country. He flashes five tools. He runs very well. He is a great teammate and cares about other people which goes a long way when you're talking about leadership.*

2007: A first-team All-American by *Baseball America*, *Rivals.com* and the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association ... A second-team All-American by *Collegiate Baseball* and the American Baseball Coaches Association ... A first-team ABCA South Region and All-Southeastern Conference selection ... Finished the year with a .386 batting average to go with 18 homers and 68 RBI ... 40 career homers, tied for sixth best in school history ... Posted 29 multi-hit and 20 multi-RBI games ... Had a 24-game hit streak from April 20 to June 2 ... Had a hit in 58 of 66 games ... Named the SEC Tournament Most Valuable Player after going 13-for-24 (.524) in the tournament with two homers, three doubles and eight RBI ... Was 4-for-4 with two RBI in the first of two games against Ole Miss (5/26). At one point had six consecutive hits ... Went 4-for-10 with a double and two RBI in the LSU series ... Hit 6-for-12 (.500) with two homers, four runs scored and two RBI in the Auburn series ... Went 9-for-14 (.643) with three doubles, seven RBI and five runs scored in the Florida series. Had three hits in all three games ... Tied career high with four hits against Kentucky (4/14) ... Had game winning two-run triple against Austin Peay (4/4) ... Hit go-ahead three-run inside the park homer (first in career) in eighth inning of 6-3 win against Arkansas (3/24) ... 6-for-12, double, two homers and three RBI in the Xavier series ... 4-for-5 with two doubles, triple and three runs scored against Austin Peay (2/27) ... 5-for-13 (.385), a homer, two doubles and five runs scored in the Music City Classic ... 5-for-13 (.385), two homers, four RBI and five runs scored in the Ohio series ... named National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association Hitter of the Week (2/12) after hitting .500 (7-for-14) with two doubles, a triple and homer and five RBI in the Houston College Classic. Also named SEC Hitter of the Week ... Led USA National Team with a .315 batting average, seven homers and 30 RBI.

2006: Named the National Freshman of the Year by *Baseball America*, *Collegiate Baseball* and *Rivals.com* ... Also named the SEC Freshman of the Year after finishing the season with a .329 batting average to go along

with a Vanderbilt school record 22 homers and 64 RBI ... Finished with a .361 average with seven homers and 27 RBI in SEC play ... starter in 63 of 64 games played, all at third base ... Had 22 multi-hit and 13 multi-RBI games ... Efficient on the base paths with seven stolen bases in 10 attempts ... Walked a team high 57 times with an on-base percentage of .456 ... Named to SEC Freshman Academic Honor Roll ... Named to the NCAA Atlanta Regional All-Tourney team after going 5-for-15 with three homers, three RBI and four runs scored ... Named to the SEC All-Tourney team after hitting two homers with six RBI and five runs scored in five games ... Named the second best prospect on the USA National Team by *Baseball America* after leading the team with a .379 batting average to go along with five homers, 12 doubles and 43 RBI ... Walked three times in a game five times: South Carolina (5/18), Brown (3/12 & 3/10), Creighton (3/7) and Kansas (2/19) ... Intentionally walked seven times on the year ... Blasted seven homers in the last 11 games of the year, including five in the postseason ... Hit a homer in the last two games against South Carolina (5/19&20) ... Notched five RBI in three games: Georgia (4/14), at Lipscomb (4/12) and at Austin Peay (4/5) ... Named *Collegiate Baseball*, Rosenblatt Report and National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association Player of the Week (4/17) after knocking six homers in four games. In addition, Alvarez was named SEC Hitter of the Week, marking the first time a Commodore hitter received the award. Alvarez was 9-for-18 (.500) on the week with seven runs scored. Of his nine hits, six were homers, one was a double and the other two were singles for a 1.556 slugging percentage ... Went 5-for-12 (.417) with two doubles and three runs scored in the Auburn series ... Named SEC Freshman of the Week (3/20) for his performance against in the conference opening series against Ole Miss and two midweek games against Butler. He went 7-for-18 (.389) on the week with two homers, two doubles and five RBI. He was 5-for-12 (.417) with two doubles, a homer and two RBI against Ole Miss. His two-run homer sparked the Commodores to a 5-0 win in the series finale ... Was 1-for-3 with two RBI against Brown (3/12), including first career homerun ... First career hit came in 6-2 win over then Top 25 ranked USC (2/18) ... First career stolen base and triple came against Murray State (2/28).

High School: One of the top baseball prospects in the nation at Horace Mann High School ... Was a 2005 Louisville Slugger All-American ... Was the Gatorade and Louisville Slugger New York High School Player of the Year ... Was the 97th ranked pro prospect in the country by *Baseball America* ... Drafted by the Boston Red Sox in the 14th round of the 2005 draft ... Was the Perfect Game World Wood Bat Tourney MVP in Marietta, Ga. ... Helped lead Horace Mann to 2004 Ivy League Championship and finished in second place in the US ... Helped lead club team (Bayside Yankees) to 2005 NABF National Championship ... Holds Horace Mann's school and career records in batting average, homers, RBI, slugging percentage, base on balls and on base percentage ... Lettered in baseball ... Captained the baseball teams for three years and was a four-year starter.

Personal: Pedro Manuel Alvarez ... Born 2/6/87 in New York ... Son of Pedro and Luz Alvarez ... Has a sister, Yolayna ... Nicknames are "El Toro and El Matatan" ... An economics major ... Favorite Meal: Rice, Beans and Chicken ... Favorite baseball players are Manny Ramirez and David Ortiz ... Ten years from now he wants to be playing in the Majors.

Alvarez Career Stats

Year	Avg	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SP	SH	SB	ATT
2006	.329	64	63	240	70	79	15	1	22	64	162	.675	57	0	64	3	.456	1	0	7	10
2007	.386	66	65	272	76	105	21	3	18	68	186	.684	40	1	65	9	.463	2	0	6	8
TOTAL	.359	130	128	512	146	184	36	4	40	132	348	.680	97	1	129	12	.460	3	0	13	18

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RUSSELL

BREWER

31

Fr.-RS • RHP
6-0, 190 • R/R
Norwood, N.C.
South Stanly H.S.

Coach Corbin Quote: *Russell made the transition from infielder to pitcher quite well. I think he stands to pitch a lot for us in middle relief. He has good aim and throws a lot of strikes and is developing his pitches.*

2007: Redshirted ... Played for the Waynesboro Generals of the Valley League over the summer. Was 4-2 with a 2.15 ERA in 11 appearances, eight of them starts. Had two complete games and two shutouts with 54 strikeouts and just 10 walks in 54.1 innings. Also hit .226 with three homers and 20 RBI in 41 games, including 26 starts.

High School: Three-year captain of South Stanly High School ... Was a three-time all-conference pick and the team MVP his junior and senior years ... Played in the North Carolina State games ... Helped lead team to district championship as a sophomore ... Also lettered in basketball, cross country and soccer ... Excelled in the classroom as well, was National Honor Society Vice President, President of the Spanish Club and a member of the Vica Club and Student Democracy.

Personal: Robert Russell Brewer ... Born 2/25/88 ... Son of Pam and Keith Brewer ... Has two brothers, Adam and Ethan ... Majoring in Human and Organizational Development ... Favorites include Scott Rolen, Carolina Panthers receiver Steve Smith, SportsCenter, and home-cooking ... One person he would like to have dinner with (living or dead) is Mickey Mantle ... Chose Vanderbilt because of strong academics and the quality baseball program ... Considers Nolan Ryan to be the greatest baseball player of all-time.



NICK

CHRISTIANI

11

Jr.-2L • RHP
6-0, 195 • R/R
Linden, N.J.
Seton Hall Prep

Coach Corbin Quote: *Nick will be a major factor this year. He'll be in the pitching rotation and we are counting on him heavily. He's a very good athlete. He can do a lot of different things on the field and has improved his secondary pitches a great deal.*

2007: 5-3 with 4.11 ERA and 57 strikeouts in 70.0 innings ... 36 walks given up, most on team ... Pitched in the weekend rotation to start the year and ended it as a top reliever ... Started against Michigan (6/3) and gave up five runs on seven hits in four innings of work with four strikeouts and two walks in 10-7 VU win ... Allowed two runs on six hits in four innings of relief work against Tennessee (5/23) in the SEC tourney. Struck out five and walked one ... Tagged with the loss after giving up one run on two hits in three innings of work against Auburn (5/13) ... Gave up one run on two hits in 1.1 innings with two strikeouts and a walk against Florida (4/29) ... Allowed just one run on two hits in five innings of relief against Tennessee (4/22) with four strikeouts and two walks ... Recorded an out and gave up a hit in relief appearance against Middle Tennessee (4/18) ... Pitched 1.1 innings of one-hit scoreless relief against Lipscomb (4/17) with two strikeouts and a walk ... Lasted just an inning in start against Kentucky (4/15), allowing two runs on two hits with three walks and a strikeout ... Gave up one run on five hits in 6.1 innings against Alabama (4/8). Left the game with the lead after striking out six and walking five ... Took the loss against South Carolina (4/1) after giving up five runs on four hits with two walks in 2.1 innings (shortest start of the year) ... Picked up win with 7.1 innings of work against Arkansas (3/25). Gave up two runs on five hits with three strikeouts and five walks ... Gave up five runs and a career-high seven hits in 3.1 innings in loss to Ole Miss (3/17) ... Pitched 7.1 innings of shutout baseball in win over Illinois-Chicago (3/10). Struck out eight with one walk and gave up six hits in picking up fourth win ... Picked up third win after giving up three runs on six hits in 5.2 innings against Xavier. Struck out five and walked two ... Threw six innings of four-hit shutout ball in win over Ball State (2/24). Struck out a career-best nine batters with four walks against the Cardinals ... Gave up an unearned run in a career-high eight innings in win over Ohio (2/18). Struck out six with a walk while allowing six hits against the Bobcats ... Gave up four runs on five hits in 3.2 innings with four walks in no-decision against Arizona State (2/10) ... Had an outstanding summer with Orleans in the Cape Cod League, going 3-3 with a 1.88 ERA in 19 relief appearances. Picked up four saves while striking out 22 batters in 28.2 innings of work.

2006: Had the most appearances on the team with 25, including three mid-week starts ... went 3-4 with a 4.79 ERA overall and 0-1 with a 5.06 ERA in 10 SEC games ... Picked up the win against Michigan (6/4) in the NCAA Atlanta Regional. Held the Wolverines scoreless in 1.2 innings of work with two strikeouts ... Took the loss in the first game against Georgia (5/27) at the SEC tourney ... Allowed a run on two hits to end the game ... Gave up one run on three hits in two innings of relief against South Carolina (5/20) in the regular season finale ... Pitched 3.2 scoreless innings against LSU (5/12-5/14), struck out three and ceded one hit ... Gave up two runs on three hits in two innings of relief against Lipscomb (5/10) ... Allowed three runs on a career high four walks in two innings against Kentucky (4/30) ... Threw 4.1 innings in a start against Austin Peay (4/25). Scattered five hits and gave up two runs and tied a career high with four strikeouts ... Charged with the loss after giving up a season high six runs on five hits in 1.1 innings in a starting effort at Middle Tennessee (4/18) ... Picked up the loss after giving up four runs in 0.2 innings of work against Georgia (4/14) ... Set a then career high with 4.1 innings of two hit scoreless relief against Arkansas (4/9) ... Pitched a scoreless inning against Arkansas (4/8) ... Threw a shutout inning against Austin Peay (4/5) ... Pitched a scoreless inning against Florida (3/31) ... Allowed one unearned run in two innings of relief against Western Kentucky (3/28) and struck out a career best four ... Picked up first career save against Ole Miss (3/17). Gave up two runs, one earned, on three hits in an inning.

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... Threw one inning of scoreless relief against Butler (3/15), Creighton (3/7) and Ball State (3/3) ... Threw two innings of scoreless ball in win against Brown (3/12) and in his first career start against Tennessee Tech (2/22), where he picked up his first career win ... First career loss came against Kent State (2/25) when he allowed two runs in 3.2 innings ... Went 2-0 with a 2.29 ERA in 11 appearances, four starts, for the Manchester Silk Worms of the New England Collegiate Baseball League in the summer. Struck out 39 with 16 walks in 35.1 innings with two saves.

High School: Was the Gatorade New Jersey High School Player of the Year as a senior at Seton Hall Prep ... Was the 128th ranked pro prospect in the country by Baseball America ... Two-time all-state, all-county and all-conference selection in 2004 and 2005 ... Helped lead school to No. 1 state ranking and state championship in 2005 ... Were ranked No. 22 nationally by *USA Today* ... Team was also the state champions in 2003 and went 60-3 in the two trophy winning years ... Lettered in baseball for three years...Captained the baseball teams for two seasons and was a three-year starter...Played with the Bayside Yankees club team in 2003-04 and with the Bergen Saints in 2005.

Personal: Nicholas John Christiani... Born 7/17/87 in Linden, N.J.... Son of Roger and Lorraine Christiani ... Has two sisters, Andrea and Elizabeth ... Nickname is "Nasty" ... An economics major ... Favorites include the movies *The Rock*, *There Will Be Blood*; Derek Jeter, Daniel Day Lewis ... One thing he would change about his sport is to make metal bats illegal at all levels.



CALEB

COTHAM

27

Fr.-RS • RHP
6-3, 210 • R/R
Mt. Juliet, Tenn.
Mt. Juliet H.S.

Coach Corbin Quote: *Caleb is one of our most improved pitchers and probably worked himself into a starting role. I like the way he's matured and I believe he will stabilize our pitching core the next three years.*

2007: Appeared in three games, did not allow a run while striking out one and walking two in 2.2 innings ... Received Redshirt ... Played for the Keane Swampbats of the New England Collegiate League over the summer. Made eight starts and went 2-3 with a 4.53 ERA with 37 strikeouts and 15 walks in 37.2 innings

High School: Four-year letterwinner at Mt. Juliet High ... Was a three-time all-district selection ... Was the 9-AAA tournament MVP as a senior ... Was the district MVP and also earned all-region and all-state honors as a junior in 2005 ... Earned all-region honors in 2004 ... Helped lead the team to the sectional playoffs in 2006, district championships in 2005-06 and regionals in 2004 ... Two-year captain on the baseball team ... Also lettered one season in basketball ... Was the junior class president and member of the National Honor Society.

Personal: Caleb Kent Cotham ... Born 11/6/87 ... Son of Dave and Melinda Cotham ... Has a brother, Josh ... An economics major... Favorites include Tiger Woods, movies *Blow* and *Batman Begins*, Daniel Day-Lewis, Christian Bale, Family Guy, Johnny Depp and John Mayer ... One person, living or dead, he would like to have dinner with is Thomas Jefferson.



ADAM

CRONK

46

Sr.-3L • 1B
6-4, 275 • R/R
Athens, Ga.
Athens Academy

Coach Corbin Quote: *Although Adam has not played much in the past, he's had a large role as an unselfish teammate. He cares about the program. He hit a big home run for us last year and may do some key things for us again this year.*

2007: Played in 13 games as a reserve ... Hit a three-run homer in lone at-bat against Illinois-Chicago (3/11).

2006: Played in 13 games, including four starts and finished with a .150 average and an RBI ... Was 1-for-1 with an RBI against Butler (3/15) ... Went 1-for-3 against the Panthers and Jayhawks ... Teamed with photographer Neil Brake to win the Media Day Homerun Derby in the fall for the second straight year ... Hit .227 with a homer and eight RBI in 20 games (17 starts) for Winchester of the Valley League over the summer.

2005: Played in four games and had three at-bats ... Teamed with then FOX 17's Jesse Blanco to win the Media Day Homerun/Hitting Derby after hitting four home runs ... He hit .331 with four homers and 26 RBIs in 37 games for the Saratoga Phillies of the New York Baseball League in the summer ... Also named a league all-star.

Christiani Career Stats

Year	ERA	W	L	App	GS	CG	SHO	CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP
2006	4.79	3	4	25	3	0	0	1	3	41.1	44	24	22	16	31	15	1	2	190	.277	3	9
2007	4.11	5	3	17	11	1	0	1	0	70.0	71	33	32	36	57	16	2	6	315	.271	4	10
TOTAL	4.37	8	7	42	14	1	0	2	3	111.1	115	57	54	52	94	30	3	8	507	.273	7	19

Cotham Career Stats

Year	ERA	W	L	App	GS	CG	SHO	CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP
2007	0.00	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	2.2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	12	.000	1	0



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High School: Helped lead Athens Academy to a Class A State runner-up finish and 28-9 record with a .500 batting average in the state playoff games...Owned a .439 batting average, five home runs and 22 RBI... Member of the *Athens Banner-Herald* All-Northeast Georgia team and AAU 18U national championship team (Savannah)...Coached by Casey Kane.

Personal: Shanler Adam Cronk... Majoring in human & organizational development ... Born 2/16/86...Son of Shanler and Susan Cronk...Brothers Justin and Taylor; Sisters Whitney and Hadley...Favorites include: The movie *Braveheart*, *Lost*, *Bon Jovi*, *Bo Jackson*, *Brad Pitt* and *David Ortiz* ... Nickname is "Donkey" ... Craziest ambition is to go sky diving...Lists Jackie Robinson as the greatest baseball player of all time ... Chose Vanderbilt because of its great academics and baseball program.



JASON CUNNINGHAM
2 So.-1L • LHP
6-2, 200 • L/L
Decatur, Ga.
Greater Atlanta Christian

Coach Corbin Quote: Jason went from student manager to pitcher a year ago. He was put in some difficult situations and did very well. He works off of deception and continues to get better.

2007: Former team manager who tried out and made the team in the fall ... Pitched 4.2 innings of two-hit scoreless relief against Ole Miss (5/26) at the SEC tournament in a win that pushed the Commodores into the tourney finale. Walked three and struck out two in longest performance of his career ... Gave up a run on two hits in 0.1 innings against Tennessee Tech (4/25) ... Pitched two scoreless innings of three-hit relief against Arkansas (3/25) with a strikeout ... Made first collegiate appearance against Western Kentucky (3/20) and recorded an out.

2006: Served as a team manager ... On Deeg Sezna Scholarship.

High School: A four-year letterwinner in baseball at Greater Atlanta Christian School ... Was the school's Male Scholar-Athlete of the Year during his senior year in 2005 ... Earned the Baseball Spartan Spirit Award as a senior and also named to the Gwinnett Dugout Club Academic All-County team ... Helped lead team to the state Final Four in 2002 and 2004 and to the state runner-up finish in 2003 ... Also lettered one season in basketball ... Was an exceptional student, earning salutatorian plaudits at graduation

and was a National Merit Finalist ... Also a member of the National Honor Society, Beta Club and earned star student recognition for registering the highest SAT score in the school.

Personal: Jason Bayer Cunningham ... Majoring in mathematics ... Born 9/26/86 in Decatur, Ga. ... Son of Ed and Patricia Cunningham ... Has a brother Doug, who played baseball for Birmingham Southern ... Mother was on the golf team at Florida while father played tennis for Williams College ... Favorites include: Tom Glavine, Danny Wuerfel, movie *Gangs of New York*, TV Show: *Heroes*, Denzel Washington and *Waffle House*...Lists Ty Cobb as the greatest baseball player of all time ... If he could change one thing about his sport it would be to get rid of radar guns ... His advice to youngsters is to not take no for an answer and if you want it, to make it happen.



DOMINIC de la OSA
3 Sr.-3L • OF
6-0, 205 • R/R
Miami, Fla.
Archbishop Carroll

National and SEC Player of the Year Candidate First Team Preseason All-American

Coach Corbin Quote: Dom was probably our best recruit this off-season since he didn't sign with a pro team. I really appreciate him coming back as he's one of the best players in the country. He's a five-tool kid and plays the game very hard and with a lot of passion.

2007: First team All-American by *Collegiate Baseball*, American Baseball Coaches Association and *Rivals.com*. Received second team All-American plaudits by *Baseball America* and the National Baseball Writers Association ... First-team ABCA All-Region and All-SEC ... Finished the year with a .378 batting average with 20 homers, 23 doubles and 62 RBI, all career highs ... Has 26 multiple hit and 17 multiple RBI games ... Started in 64 of 66 games ... Led team with 20 stolen bases in 26 attempts ... One of only three players nationally to finish with 20 homers and 20 stolen bases ... Reached base safely in 60 of 66 games ... Voted to the SEC All-Tourney team after going 9-for-24 (.375) with two homers, two doubles and seven RBI ... Solo homer in the bottom of the 10th started four-run rally in Commodores 7-6 win over Ole Miss (5/26) that put the team in the championship game ... Went 3-for-5 with

Cronk Career Stats

Year	Avg	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB	ATT
2005	.000	4	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	1	0	.250	0	0	0	0
2006	.150	13	4	20	0	3	0	0	0	1	3	.150	0	0	9	0	.150	0	0	0	0
2007	.091	13	0	11	1	1	0	0	1	3	4	.364	0	0	1	0	.091	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	.118	30	4	34	2	4	0	0	1	4	7	.206	1	0	11	0	.143	0	0	0	0

Cunningham Career Stats

Year	ERA	W	L	App	GS	CG	SHO	CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP
2007	0.000	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	2.2	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	12	.000	1	3

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two RBI against Tennessee (5/25) ... Named SEC Hitter of the Week (5/21) after hitting go ahead homers in the final two games against LSU. He was 5-for-11 with two homers, a double and three RBI in the series ... Went 6-for-13 (.462) with a homer, three doubles and three RBI in the Auburn series ... Was 6-for-13 in the Georgia series with two doubles, a triple, a homer and eight RBI. He had five RBI, including a game-winning three run double in the top of the ninth in the series opener against Georgia (5/4) ... Named SEC Hitter of the Week (4/30) after going 11-for-17 (.647) with five doubles, three homers, nine RBI and 11 runs scored in the four games. He went 9-for-14 (.643) with four doubles, two homers, seven RBI and nine runs scored as the catalyst for VU's sweep of Florida over the weekend ... Went 5-for-11 (.455) in the Tennessee series with a homer and four RBI ... Was 4-for-12 (.333) with two homers and two RBI in the Alabama series ... Came through with pinch hit game-tying RBI double in the top of the ninth of the 4-1 win over Austin Peay (4/4) ... Went 3-for-3 in 12-1 win over South Carolina (3/31) ... Had to leave game early with strained hamstring and did not play in the series finale ... Was 3-for-4 with an RBI against Arkansas (3/25) ... Enjoyed a 13-game hitting streak (2/11 - 3/09) hitting .442 with 11 runs scored, 11 RBI, nine walks, nine stolen bases while hitting three homeruns ... 3-for-4 game versus Western Kentucky (3/20) with two runs and two RBI while launching his fifth homerun ... Hit his first SEC homerun versus Ole Miss (3/16) ... Also hit a homerun against Belmont (3/14) to highlight a 1-for-3 day with two walks and two runs ... Notched three-hit game against Illinois-Chicago (3/09) going 3-for-4 with a solo homerun, a stolen base, and an RBI ... Was 2-for-3 with a homerun, two RBI, two runs scored and two stolen bases ... Turned in his first three hit performance of the season versus Lipscomb (2/21) with a 3-for-5 day including two runs, two RBI, a walk, a stolen base and hit his first homerun ... Collected his first extra-base hit off of Ohio (2/18), doubling as part of a 1-for-2 day with a run scored, two walks and a stolen base ... Broke through with his first hit of the season going 1-for-5 with a run scored and two RBI ... Drafted by the Detroit Tigers in the 10th round of the Major League Draft ... Played for the Wareham Gateman in the Cape Cod League over the summer.

2006: Finished the season with a .319 batting average with a career high nine homers, 14 doubles and 46 RBI ... Homer total was second best on the team ... Led the team with 14 stolen bases in 21 attempts ... Played in 62 games with 61 starts ... Made 46 starts at short, 13 in leftfield and two as the designated hitter. 13 outfield starts came at the end of the year ... Had 21 multi-hit and nine multi-RBI games ... Hit .294 with two homers, seven doubles and 19 RBI in 28 SEC games ... Closed out the season with 4-for-4 showing with a homer and two runs scored against Georgia Tech (6/4) in the championship round of the NCAA Atlanta Regional ... Named to the SEC All-Tourney team after going 9-for-19 (.474) with a double, triple, homer, five RBI and five runs scored ... Was 3-for-4 with a triple and run scored against Georgia (5/27) in the semifinal of the conference tourney ... Went 3-for-4 with a homer and three RBI against South Carolina (5/25) ... Opened the SEC tourney with 2-for-4 showing with three runs scored ... Had 12 two-hit games on the season ... Was 3-for-5 with two runs scored in second game of doubleheader against Alabama (4/22) ... Recorded a career best seven RBI on 3-for-5 showing against Georgia (4/16). Had two doubles and a homer against the Bulldogs ... Went 3-for-5 with a double and homer against

Western Kentucky (4/11) ... Went 6-for-13 with a homer, two RBI and two runs scored in three-game series against Florida in return to home state ... Scored a season high four runs against Auburn (3/25) ... Went 3-for-4 with four RBI against Butler (3/14) ... Went 3-for-4 with four RBI against Brown (3/10) ... Hit walk-off two-run homer in 7-6 win over Ball State (3/4) ... Was named to Cape Cod All-League team after hitting .270 with eight doubles and two triples in 41 games for Wareham.

2005: Finished second on the team with seven homers ... Batted .271 with 12 doubles and 30 RBI in 52 games (50 starts) ... Was 7 of 8 in stolen bases ... Best game of the year was 3-for-4 showing against UT-Martin (2/23) ... Had four RBI in that game ... Six of seven homers came in non-conference action ... Lone SEC homer came against Tennessee (4/23) ... Scored career high three runs against LSU (4/30) ... Eight hit by pitches tied for second best on the team.

High School: Hit .520 with seven home runs and 60 RBI...2004 All-State Third Team and All-Dade County First Team... Set the team's individual season runs scored record with 60 (2003)...2003 All-State Second Team and All-Dade County First Team...2001 and 2002 All-Dade County Honorable Mention selection...Selected to play summer ball with the Miami Thunderstorms who were ranked 4th in the state and 12th in the nation (2003)...Invited to the Area Code Games in Long Beach, Calif., by the Chicago White Sox (2003)...Played with Team Powerhouse in the summer of 2004...Invited to the Diamond Classic in Seabring, Fla., by the Seattle Mariners (2004)...Drafted by the Detroit Tigers in the 2004 MLB draft...Member of the National Honor Society for four years and served as treasurer... High School coach was Lazaro Clanes.

Personal: Dominic de la Osa...Major is economics ... Nickname is "Mash" ... Born 1/13/86...Son of Catherine Valdes and Carlos de la Osa...Brothers Carlos, Nicolas, Matthew and sisters Catherine and Brianna ...Favorites include: Wedding Crashers, Super Bikes, R. Kelly, Michael Jordan, Audioslave Denzel Washington and the Florida Marlins...Lists Alex Rodriguez as the greatest baseball player of all time.



de la Osa Career Stats

Year	Avg	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB	ATT
2005	.271	52	50	192	26	52	12	0	7	30	85	.443	8	8	40	3	.324	2	0	7	8
2006	.319	62	61	251	48	80	14	1	9	46	123	.490	12	7	36	5	.363	3	4	14	21
2007	.378	66	64	249	65	94	23	2	20	62	181	.727	21	17	47	5	.452	5	5	20	26
TOTAL	.327	180	175	692	139	226	49	3	36	138	389	.562	41	32	123	13	.386	10	9	41	55



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ALEX

FEINBERG

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Sr.-3L • 2B
5-11, 185 • R/R
Orinda, Calif.
Miramonte H.S.

Coach Corbin Quote: *Alex is one of the most motivated kids I've ever been around. He's very determined to excel. He's an unorthodox player, but he doesn't make mistakes. He's a key ingredient to our team.*

2007: Hit .317 with four homers and 44 RBI in 66 games (62 starts) ... RBI and homers both new career highs, surpassing 23 and one he had in 2006 ... Was 5-for-9 (.556) with a double and three runs scored in the LSU series ... Recorded three hits against the Tigers (5/19) and made game-saving diving play in the eighth to preserve a one run lead ... Hit fourth homer against Auburn (5/11) ... Went 7-for-11 in the Georgia series including a career high 5-for-5 game with six RBI in the finale (5/6) ... Had three hits in final game of Florida series (4/29) ... Went 2-for-4 in the first two games of the Tennessee series (4/20 & 4/21) ... Was 3-for-4 with two RBI and two runs scored against Middle Tennessee (4/18) ... Had two hits, including second homer of the year, with three RBI against Kentucky (4/13) ... Went 2-for-5 with a double and RBI against Alabama (4/8) ... Was 2-for-3 with an RBI against Middle Tennessee (3/28) ... Was 2-for-4 with two runs scored against Western Kentucky (3/20) ... Went 4-for-11 (.364) with a double and a run scored in the Ole Miss series ... Moved to leadoff spot in the order for first time this season and responded with 3-for-5 day against Ole Miss (3/18) ... Was 2-for-3 with a double and run scored against Belmont (3/14) ... scored a season-high three runs against Illinois-Chicago (3/10) ... Had a career day with 4-for-4 showing against Illinois-Chicago (3/9) ... Scored three runs against Xavier (3/2) ... Went 2-for-4 with two RBI against Ohio (2/18) in first game of doubleheader ... Had two hits, including first career homer at Hawkins Field, and an RBI against Ohio (2/17) ... Had three hits and two RBI against Arizona State (2/10) ... Opened the season with 2-for-5 day with a double, two RBI and two runs scored in win over then No. 1 Rice (2/9) ... Academic All-District IV member and SEC Scholar Athlete.

2006: Hit .322 with a homer, 10 doubles and 23 RBI in 56 games (54 starts) ... Made the move from third to second where he made all of his starts ... Only made three errors all season (.985 fielding percentage) ... Finished with 18 multi-hit and four multi-RBI games ... Batted .327 with eight doubles and 14 RBI in 29 starts in SEC play ... Named to the SEC Academic Honor Roll ... Lone homer of the year came in the final game of the year against Georgia Tech (6/4) ... Went 6-for-14 (.429) during the NCAA Atlanta Regional and ended the season with a six game hitting streak ... Went 3-

for-4 against Georgia (5/24) in the SEC tourney ... Had a solid series against Kentucky (4/28-4/30), going 6-for-10 with five runs scored. Went 3-for-3 in the opening and closing game of the three game series against the Wildcats ... Was 3-for-5 with career best four RBI in series clinching win over Florida (4/2) ... Went 6-for-13 (.462) in Ole Miss series with a double and four RBI ... Had a 3-for-4 showing against Brown (3/11) ... Missed nine games due to injury before returning to the lineup against Creighton (3/7) ... Led off the Commodores season with a base hit against San Diego (2/17).

2005: Hit .335 with four doubles in 46 games (40 starts) ... Best game was 3-for-3 showing against Connecticut (2/27) with two doubles ... Also had three hits against LSU (4/30) and Ohio (5/18) ... Had 16 multi-hit games on the year ... Was 3-for-3 in stolen bases ... named to SEBaseball.com's SEC All-Freshman team ... Also garnered SEC Academic All-Freshman honors ... Played for the Hyannis Mets of the Cape Cod League over the summer ... Hit .224 with 11 runs scored in 36 games.

High School: Ranked as the #154 overall prospect and the #18 middle infielder in the nation by Team One Baseball ... Regarded as one of the top shortstop prospects in the country ... Played for the elite NorCal Baseball Program ... Helped NorCal to a runner-up finish in the Perfect Game WWBA Championship (Marietta, Ga.) ... Named to the Sunbelt Classic all-tournament team ... Played for the Milwaukee Brewers in the Area Code Games (Long Beach, Calif.) ... High School Coach was Vince Dell'Aquila

Personal: Alexander Eugene Feinberg ... born 4/29/86 ... Son of Seth and Suzanne Feinberg ... An economics major ... Favorites include: the movie Scarface, TV show The Daily Show, Paul Simon, Will Ferrell and the Oakland A's ... Craziest ambition is to be a 70's glam rock star ... Lists Babe Ruth as the greatest baseball player of all time.



RYAN

FLAHERTY

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Jr.-2L • SS
6-3, 210 • L/R
Portland, Maine
Deering H.S.

First Team Preseason All-American

Coach Corbin Quote: *Ryan is a model of consistency. He has great leadership abilities and is a very good teammate. I think he's the best shortstop in the country.*

2007: Second-team All-America selection by the American Baseball Coaches Association and Rivals.com ... Named to ABCA All-South Region team and

Feinberg Career Stats

Year	Avg	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB	ATT
2005	.335	46	40	158	23	53	4	1	0	14	59	.373	14	5	18	2	.402	2	3	3	3
2006	.322	56	54	199	28	68	10	1	1	28	79	.397	10	5	23	2	.367	1	4	2	4
2007	.317	66	62	252	50	80	17	1	4	44	111	.440	20	5	23	5	.375	3	6	1	1
TOTAL	.323	168	156	609	111	197	31	3	5	81	249	.409	44	15	64	9	.380	6	13	6	8

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second-team All-SEC ... Batted .381 with 23 doubles, four homers and 57 RBI ... Finished the year with a school single season record 35-game hitting streak ... 23 doubles tied for most on the team ... Led the team with 33 multi-hit and 20 multi RBI games on the year ... Went 13-for-24 (.542) with four RBI and five runs scored in the NCAA Nashville Regional ... Went 5-for-5 with a double, homer and three RBI against Austin Peay (6/3) in NCAA tourney ... Went 11-for-29 (.379) with five doubles and nine RBI in six games at the SEC tournament, earning All-Tournament honors ... Broke the school single season record with 28th straight game with a hit against Ole Miss (5/26) ... Went 5-for-10 with three doubles and five RBI in the two games against the Rebels in the SEC semifinals ... Was 5-for-9 (.556) in the LSU series with two RBI and four runs scored ... Batted 5-for-12 (.417) with a double, triple and RBI in the Auburn series ... Went 7-for-14 (.500) with two doubles and two RBI in the Georgia series ... Went 9-for-16 (.563) with two doubles, a triple, a homer and eight RBI in four games ... Notched third homer of the year and first in 36 games in 2-for-3 day with three runs scored against Florida (4/29). Also stole two bases ... Had three hits in five at bats against Florida (4/28) with two RBI ... Was 4-for-11 (.364) with a double in the Tennessee series ... Was 6-for-14 (.428) with five RBI and four runs scored in the Kentucky series ... Went 3-for-6 with three runs and two RBI against UK (4/13) ... Was 2-for-5 with an RBI against Alabama (4/8) ... Had three RBI in 12-1 win over South Carolina (3/31) ... Was 2-for-5 with a run scored against Middle Tennessee (3/28) ... Was 2-for-3 with a double and two RBI in series clinching win over Ole Miss (3/18) ... Recorded 3-for-4 day with two doubles and two RBI against Xavier (3/4) ... Hit walk-off two-run homer in the bottom of the ninth against Boston College (2/25) ... Was 2-for-4 with three RBI and two runs scored against Ball State (2/24) ... Went 3-for-4 with a homer, double and two RBI against Lipscomb (2/21) ... 5-for-13 (.385) with five RBI in Ohio series ... Had three hits with a triple and a RBI against Baylor (2/11) ... Started predominantly at second base for the USA National Team over the summer. Played with Vanderbilt teammates Pedro Alvarez and Mike Minor on the team that won a silver medal at the Pan American Games in Rio de Janeiro. Batted .270 with two homers, seven doubles and 14 RBI in 34 games (30 starts).

2006: Named an honorable mention Freshman All-American by *Collegiate Baseball* after leading the Commodores with a .339 batting average and 19 doubles (second on team) ... Had two homers, 49 RBI and a .421 on base percentage in 62 games played ... Made 61 starts, 39 at first base, 19 at shortstop and three as the designated hitter. He finished the season making 13 starts at short ... Led the team with 22 multi-hit and 15 multi-RBI games ... Hit .330 with six doubles, a homer and 24 RBI in 30 SEC starts ... Named to the SEC All-Tournament team after going 8-for-23 (.348) with three doubles, four runs scored and seven RBI in five games ... Had three hit games in doubleheader against Georgia (5/27) in the semifinal round of the tourney. Tied a career best with three RBI in the second game against the Bulldogs to help send Vanderbilt into the SEC tourney final ... Named SEC Freshman of the Week (5/22) after going 6-for-13 (.462) with four RBI and three runs scored in the regular season final series against South Carolina (5/18-5/20) ... Had 16 two-hit games during the year ... Went 3-for-5 with two RBI in second game of doubleheader against Tennessee (5/6) ... Was 3-for-5 with a RBI against Middle Tennessee (4/18) ... Best game of season was 4-for-4 showing against Lipscomb (4/12) with four runs scored ... Notched a career

high three RBI in 2-for-4 showing against Brown (3/12) with first career homer ... Went 3-for-3 against Brown (3/11) with three runs scored and two RBI ... First career hit came against USC (2/18). Was named the 30th top prospect in the Cape Cod League by *Baseball America* after hitting .250 with six doubles, two triples and 18 RBI in 38 games for Hyannis.

High School: Was the Gatorade Maine High School Player of the Year as a senior at Deering High School ... Was the 141th ranked pro prospect in the country by *Baseball America* ... Was a 2005 ABCA Preseason All-American ... Also named Maine's Mr. Baseball Player of the Year ... Won the Telegram League batting title in 2004 ... School won 2002 and 2003 state championship ... Was also a finalist for the 2005 Fitzpatrick Trophy in Football ... Lettered in baseball, football and basketball ... Captained the football team in 2005 ... Teammates with Andrew Giobbi who is also at Vanderbilt ... Helped lead Nova to the 2004 American Legion World Series Championship ... Was the Legion Tournament MVP in 2003.

Personal: Ryan Edward Flaherty ... Born 7/27/86 ... Nickname is "Flash" ... Son of Edward and Deborah Flaherty ... Has a sister, Regina and a brother, Regan ... Majoring in human & organizational development ... Father, Ed, is the head coach at Division III University of Southern Maine. He was inducted into the American Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame in 2004 and has won two national titles (1991, 1997) with the Huskies ... Nickname is "Flash" ... Favorites include the movie Boondock Saints; Derek Jeter, Troy Tulowitzki, Eminem, Denzel Washington, and Rob and Big ... One person, dead or alive, that he would love to have dinner with is Ted Williams ... Believes Willie Mays is the greatest player of all-time.



BRAD
FRENCH
Sr.-3L • 1B
6-2, 205 • R/R
Brentwood, Tenn.
Montgomery Bell

Coach Corbin Quote: *Brad fields everything in sight and does whatever he can to help us win. He can flash some power, drop a bunt, and plays very good defense at first base. He's a total teammate and cares about everyone.*

2007: Hit .267 with two homers, eight doubles and 23 RBI in 62 games (48 starts) ... Has 11 multiple hit and six multiple RBI games ... Defensive stalwart at first with just three errors all season (.993 fielding percentage) ... Was 2-for-4 with a homer and four RBI against Michigan (6/3) in NCAA tourney ... Had 3-for-4 day with two doubles and three RBI in helping lead Commodores to series clinching win over Kentucky (4/15) ... Had 2-for-5 day against Alabama (4/8) ... Went 2-for-4 with an RBI and run scored against

Flaherty Career Stats

Year	Avg	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB	ATT
2006	.339	62	61	227	43	77	19	1	2	49	104	.458	30	5	29	8	.421	4	6	2	6
2007	.381	67	67	273	59	104	23	3	4	57	145	.531	28	1	35	5	.438	3	3	12	18
TOTAL	.362	129	128	500	102	181	42	4	6	106	249	.498	59	6	64	13	.430	7	9	14	24



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Middle Tennessee (3/28) ... Was 4-for-9 (.444) in the Arkansas series ... Was 3-for-3 with a homer and four RBI against Xavier (3/3) ... Went 2-for-4 against Pittsburgh (2/23) ... Scored a career-high three runs against Lipscomb (2/21) ... Was 2-for-4 with two RBI against Ohio (2/16) ... Had two hits with a double against Rice (2/9) in the season opener ... Hit .233 with four homers and 28 RBI in 42 starts for the Newport Gulls of the New England Collegiate Baseball League over the summer.

2006: Hit .312 with three homers and 16 RBI in 39 games ... Made 26 starts including the last 15 games of the year ... Was hitting .256 with a homer and seven RBI prior to permanent spot as starting first baseman, then hit .360 with two homers and nine RBI in the final 15 games of the year ... Made just four errors in the field (.985 fielding percentage), 23 games at first, two at second and one at third ... Had eight multi-hit and four multi-RBI games ... Named to the SEC Academic Honor Roll ... Hit .320 with two homers and eight RBI in 13 SEC games (six starts) ... Went 2-for-4 with a run scored against Michigan (6/4) ... Hit .500 (8-for-16) in five SEC tournament games with a triple and five runs scored ... Went 3-for-4 with an RBI against Ole Miss (5/28) in SEC Championship game ... Was 2-for-4 with two runs scored against Georgia (5/27) in the tourney ... Went 3-for-4 with two RBI and two runs scored against South Carolina (5/18). Had game-winning RBI single in the bottom of the ninth in the come from behind win over the Gamecocks ... Went 3-for-6 with a homer and tied a career high with four RBI in his first start down the stretch in the Commodore's 19-4 thrashing of LSU (5/13) in Baton Rouge ... Was 6-for-11 in the series against Brown with five RBI and two runs scored ... Played in just five games with four starts for the Granville Settlers of the Great Lakes League.

2005: Was 2-for-4 (.500) with two runs scored in six games played ... Received SEC Academic All-Freshman honors ... Played for LeHigh Valley of the ACBL ... Hit .241 with 11 runs scored in 27 games.

High School: Helped lead Montgomery Bell Academy and head coach Thomas Wims to the 2004 baseball state championship - was the winning pitcher in the title game...2004 All-State Baseball Team...Led hitters in the state tournament in slugging percentage and owned a .600 batting average... Hit two home runs in the state semifinal game...2003 All-Region Baseball Team...Two-time Super Seven All-State Football Team (offense)...Helped lead MBA to back-to-back state football championships and a #15 USA Today national ranking...National Football Foundation and College Football Hall of Fame Scholar Athlete Award...2004 All-State Honorable Mention Basketball Team...2003 and 2004 All-Region Basketball Team...2004 MBA Most Valuable Basketball Player...2002 Basketball Tournament All-State Team ...Owned a 3.7 GPA.

Personal: Brad Stephen French...Born 7/5/85...Son of Rodney and Kelly French...Major is economics...Favorites include: Chase Utley, Jose Reyes, Lost, James Taylor, Peyton Manning, Edward Norton, Entourage, Curb Your Enthusiasm, Braveheart and barbeque ribs...Craziest ambition is to live outside the USA...Lists Ted Williams as the greatest baseball player of all time.

French Career Stats

Year	Avg	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB	ATT
2006	.300	6	0	4	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	.500	0	0	1	0	.500	0	0	0	0
2006	.312	39	26	93	20	29	3	0	1	16	45	.484	7	2	18	1	.365	2	6	2	2
2007	.267	62	48	165	27	44	8	0	1	23	58	.352	14	6	35	4	.342	2	8	5	6
TOTAL	.286	107	74	262	49	75	11	2	5	39	105	.401	21	8	54	5	.353	4	14	7	8

Giobbi Career Stats

Year	Avg	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB	ATT
2007	.312	40	37	125	19	39	10	1	0	25	54	.432	6	4	24	1	.355	3	0	1	1



ANDREW

GIOBBI

5

So.-1L • C/INF
6-2, 205 • R/R
Portland, Maine
Deering H.S.

Coach Corbin Quote: Andrew's very versatile. In my mind, he's increased his athleticism more than anyone on the team. He can play many positions and because of that, he gives us a lot of opportunities to play him. His confidence has grown and his bat continues to get better.

2007: Hit .312 with a homer and 25 RBI in 40 games (37 starts) ... Has nine multi-hit and multiple-RBI games ... Started all three games of Florida series at first base and was 6-for-12 with two doubles and three RBI at the plate. Had two hits in all three games ... Made first collegiate start at first base against Tennessee Tech (4/25) and went 1-for-3 with no errors in eight chances ... Had career best 4-for-4 night against Kentucky (4/13) ... Hit first career homer against Xavier (3/4) ... Went 2-for-3 with two RBI against Xavier (3/3) ... Had two doubles and two RBI against Xavier (3/2) ... Was 1-for-3 with two RBI in first career start against Ball State (2/24) ... Recorded first collegiate hit in first at bat against Ohio (2/16) ... Played for the Falmouth Commodores in the Cape Cod League over the summer.

2006: Redshirted. Played for the Haymarket Senators of the Valley League over the summer. Hit .222 with a double, homer and 12 RBI in 19 starts. Picked off two runners and threw out five basestealers.

High School: Was a three-time all-state selection at Deering High School ... Helped lead team to two state and three league championships ... Received the Umpires Award- Catcher of the Year ... Was a four-year letterwinner and started in baseball ... Was the team captain in his junior and senior years ... Teamed with current Vanderbilt teammate Ryan Flaherty ... Was an honor roll selection ... Named to the all-state tournament team while playing for Nova Seafood in American Legion.

Personal: Andrew Jesse Giobbi... Born 10/25/86 ... Son of Mike and Kathy Giobbi ... Major is human and organizational development with a minor in managerial studies ... Father was drafted by the Chicago Cubs in the 1973 draft, but didn't sign ... Has a brother, Nick ... Nickname is "Gio"... Favorites include the movie The Departed, Kenny Chesney, Matt Damon, and ESPN's Baseball Tonight ... One thing he would change about baseball is to make it steroid free ... Considers Willie Mays to be the greatest baseball player.

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**RICHIE
GOODENOW**

15 Fr.-RS • LHP
6-2, 200 • L/L
Nashville, Tenn.
Overton H.S.

Coach Corbin Quote: *Richie should be able to help us a lot out of the bullpen because of his arm. He's got a chance to be very good.*

2007: Redshirted ... Pitched in four games for the Keane Swampbats over the summer.

High School: A four-year letterwinner at Overton High ... A four-year starter and two-time all-state selection as a junior and senior ... Was named the state's pitcher of the year as a junior ... Had a 1.00 ERA with five shutouts and 103 strikeouts in 73.1 innings pitched in senior year ... Went 14-0 with a 0.87 ERA in 80 innings pitched in 2005 ... Also lettered four seasons in bowling.

Personal: Richard Dale Goodenow ... Born 9/1/87 ... Son of Robert and Judy Goodenow ... Has a brother, Ryan ... A sociology major... Favorites include Roger Clemens, movies White Men Can't Jump and Major League, Baseball Tonight, Samuel L. Jackson and pizza ... Most memorable athletic experience was playing in the state championship in his junior year ... Was a state champion 12-year old bowler. Considers Babe Ruth to be the greatest baseball player of all-time.



**PARKER
HANKS**

7 Sr.-2L • OF
6-2, 210 • R/R
Alamo, Calif.
UCLA

Coach Corbin Quote: *Parker is the epitome of what a grinder is. He's hardnosed, tough, inspirational, and gets the most out of his ability. Because of his athleticism, he gives us many chances to play him.*

2007: Hit .265 with three homers and 14 RBI in 26 games, including 16 starts ... Went 2-for-4 with a homer against Michigan (6/2) in the NCAA tourney ... Was 5-for-11 with five RBI and five runs scored in three starts in the SEC tournament ... Hit three-run homer against Ole Miss (5/26) ... Was 3-for-4 with an RBI and three runs scored against Tennessee (5/25) ... Came off the bench in all three games against Florida and was 3-for-4 (.750) with a double and two RBI ... Hit first homer of the season against Tennessee Tech (4/25) ... Suffered a broken foot against Xavier on March 3, sidelining him for 27 games ... Returned to the lineup in a starting role against Tennessee (4/20) ... Was 1-for-1 with a run scored against Austin Peay (2/27) ... Had two hits, including a double and RBI against Ball State (2/24) ... Had a double and RBI against Lipscomb (2/21).

2006: Finished with a .274 batting average and had three homers, six doubles and 22 RBI in 41 games ... Started in 31 of the contests, 30 in rightfield and one in left. Had seven multi-hit and five multi-RBI games ... Hit .245 with two doubles and seven RBI in 17 SEC games (13 starts) ... Was 2-for-3 with a RBI against Florida (4/2), his last multi-hit game in conference play ... Went 3-for-3 with a double and four RBI against Auburn (3/25) ... Other three hit game came against Brown (3/10) ... Three homers came against Brown (3/11) and Ball State (3/4 & 3/3) ... Recorded two-hit games against Ball State (3/5 and 3/2), Kansas (2/26) and Pittsburgh (2/24) ... Played a limited schedule with the Winchester Royals of the Valley League over the summer. Was 3-for-27 with two RBI in nine games.

2005 (at UCLA): Was 3-for-15 with a double in nine games.

High School: A Three-year letterwinner in baseball, as a catcher, and football, as a linebacker, for Head Coaches Eric Borba and Bob Ladoeur, respectively at De La Salle High School... Named all-state in baseball as a junior and was a first-team all-state pick as a senior... As a junior hit .475 with seven home runs and 34 RBI, then as a senior hit .310 with seven home runs and 37 RBI... Played in the Area Code Games and was named to the Team One Top-10 West team... Led team to league championships as a senior... Member of back-to-back-to-back football national championship teams from 2001-2003... Second-team all-state linebacker as a junior and senior... Named *Contra Costa Times* Defensive Player of the Year in 2004... Was school's Athlete of the Year as a senior.

Personal: Parker Scott Hanks... A human and organizational development major ... Born 2/1/86 in Aurora, Colorado... Parents are Scott and Cheryl Hanks... Has three older brothers, Casey, Brady, Andy, and a younger sister, McCall... Andy played for USA Rugby National Team in 2005 and helped lead Cal to national championships in 2003 and 2005 ... Transferred to Vanderbilt because of the baseball tradition and the opportunity to compete ... Favorites include the movies Green Street Hooligans and 300 and Superbad, Brian Urlacher, Vernon Wells, musical group Bloc Party and Entourage.

Hanks Career Stats

Year	Avg	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB	ATT
2005-UCLA	.200	9	1	15	1	3	1	0	0	0	4	.267	0	0	6	2	.200	0	0	0	0
2006	.274	41	31	117	15	32	6	0	3	22	47	.401	11	6	30	2	.366	0	1	6	4
2007	.265	26	16	68	11	18	5	0	3	14	32	.471	1	1	14	3	.282	1	1	0	0
TOTAL	.270	67	47	185	26	50	11	0	6	36	79	.427	12	7	44	4	.337	1	2	3	4



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BRIAN

HARRIS

6

So.-1L • INF
5-9, 180 • R/R
Nashville, Tenn.
Montgomery Bell

Coach Corbin Quote: Brian is competing for a shot to play second base and will also serve as the backup at shortstop. He has vastly improved his strength through the weight room and that in turn has helped his baseball development a great deal.

2007: Served as a backup infielder with eight starts in 29 games ... Hit .283 with 12 runs scored ... Went 1-for-2 with an RBI and two runs scored against Middle Tennessee (4/18) ... Went 2-for-4 with two runs scored and an RBI against Middle Tennessee (3/28) ... 2-for-5 with a run scored against Western Kentucky (3/6) ... 2-for-4 with two runs scored against Austin Peay (2/27) ... Recorded RBI single in first career at bat in first game of doubleheader against Ohio (2/18) ... Played for the Saratoga Phillies of the New York Collegiate Baseball League over the summer. Hit .266 with five doubles and 14 RBI in 36 starts with 10 stolen bases in 12 attempts.

2006: Redshirted. Played for the Galesburg Pioneers of the Central Illinois Collegiate League over the summer. Batted .242 with two homers, six doubles, a triple and 12 RBI in 39 games (35 starts).

High School: Helped lead Montgomery Bell Academy to 2004 state championship ... Was an all-state selection in football and baseball in 2004 ... Football team won 2002 and 2003 state championships ... Lettered in baseball and football for three years ... Started all four years ... Played with fellow Vandy teammate Brad French ... Played for the Worth Copperheads in summer ball.

Personal: William Brian Harris ... Born 1/20/87 ... Son of Robert and the late Cay Harris ... Has a brother, Andrew, who signed to play for the Commodores next year ... Father, Robert, is a Vanderbilt baseball alum and a past president of the Bull Pen Club ... Nickname is "Dirty Harry".



ALEX

HILLIARD

51

Fr.-HS • INF
6-1, 190 • R/R
Lafayette, La.
Lafayette H.S.

Coach Corbin Quote: Alex has a chance to be a good player. He's athletic and will flash hitting skills, power, and speed. He's making the transition from the infield to outfield very well and will get some playing time. He's very determined and always has a full schedule.

2007: Redshirted.

High School: A PlayStation All-American as a senior at Lafayette High ... Lettered in baseball and also played the tuba where he was a finalist for the National Falcone Tuba Competition ... Earned all-state, All-Acadiana and all-district plaudits as a senior ... Earned all-district honors in 2005 and helped lead team to state tournament ... Member of the National Honor Society.

Personal: Alex Blake Hilliard ... Born 12/21/87 ... Son of Quincy and Rubye Hilliard ... Has a sibling, Cameron ... Father is a world renowned composer ... A music education major ... Favorites include Tiger Woods, movies School of Rock and For Love of the Game, Seinfeld, Will Smith and musician Kirk Whalum ... If he could have dinner with one person dead or alive, it would be with Jackie Robinson ... Chose Vanderbilt because it is a great school with great baseball.



BRETT

JACOBSON

21

Jr.-2L • RHP
6-6, 205 • R/R
Carefree, Ariz.
Cactus Shadows H.S.

Coach Corbin Quote: Brett is a very important part of our team. He's taken on a roll like Bushmann (Matt) and Price (David) did in the past, and I think he thrives on it. He might be our most versatile pitcher because he can start and close a game. He's comfortable in either roll and will pitch some very important innings for us.

2007: 6-3 with a 3.15 ERA and 58 strikeouts in 74.1 innings ... Pitched in three games (all against Michigan) in the NCAA tournament, allowing one

Harris Career Stats

Year	Avg	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB	ATT
2007	.283	29	8	46	22	13	1	0	0	5	14	.304	7	1	4	0	.389	0	0	1	2

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earned run in 6.1 innings with three strikeouts and two walks. Gave up two unearned runs in five innings of two-hit relief to pick up sixth win against Michigan (6/3). Lost to the Wolverines (6/2) the previous day after giving up one run in 0.2 innings of relief ... Picked up save in SEC tournament title game against Arkansas (5/27). Gave up two hits in 2.1 innings with two strikeouts ... Charged with the loss after giving up four runs on seven hits in five innings of work in start against Tennessee (5/23) ... Gave up a run in two-thirds of an inning of relief against LSU (5/19) ... Threw an inning of two-hit scoreless relief against Auburn (5/11) ... Pitched two scoreless innings of one-hit relief against Georgia (5/5) ... Gave up three runs, one earned, on three hits in three innings in start against Tennessee Tech (4/25) ... Pitched 1.2 innings of two-hit scoreless relief against Tennessee (4/21) ... Struck out one with no walks and has not picked up a decision in last three outings ... Gave up three runs on career high eight hits in four innings against Belmont (4/11) ... Threw four innings of six-hit shutout ball in start against Austin Peay (4/4) with three strikeouts and a walk ... Picked up the win against Middle Tennessee (3/28), allowing two runs on four hits in five innings of work with five strikeouts and a walk ... Took the loss in shortest outing of the season against Arkansas (3/25). Gave up three runs on five hits with two strikeouts and a walk ... Struck out a season-best seven hitters in 5.2 innings in no decision versus Ole Miss (3/18). Allowed two earned runs with no walks... Beat Illinois-Chicago allowing just one earned run in six innings with five strikeouts... Ran record to 3-0 with seven shutout innings versus Xavier (3/04) after striking out six and walking one... Earned second win throwing five no-hit shutout innings with four strikeouts versus Ohio on 2/16... Started the third game of the Houston College Classic against Baylor (2/11) and picked up the win with 6.2 innings allowing one earned run while striking out six ... Went 2-3 with a 4.15 ERA for Harwich in the Cape Cod League over the summer. Struck out 52 with 18 walks in 43.1 innings.

2006: Finished with a 2-0 record and 4.20 ERA in six games pitched ... Made two starts on the year and won both ... Made two appearances in SEC play and gave up four runs on three hits in two innings of work ... Gave up two runs on a hit in an inning of relief against Tennessee (5/5) ... Allowed two runs on two hits in an inning in the second game of a doubleheader against Alabama (4/22) ... Gave up two runs, one earned, on three hits in five innings in winning start against Lipscomb (4/12) ... Was one of nine pitchers to contribute to Vanderbilt's school record of 38.2 consecutive scoreless innings (span of five games from 3/18-3/25) ... Pitched an inning of scoreless relief against Belmont (3/22) ... Picked up first collegiate win in start against Butler (3/15), gave up two runs on four hits with career high nine strikeouts and a walk in six innings ... Walked three with a strikeout in an inning of work in his first career outing against Tennessee Tech (2/22).

High School: Was the 12th ranked pro prospect in the nation by *Baseball America* ... Named the Gatorade Arizona High School Player of the Year at Cactus Shadows High School ... Was an EA Sports All-American ... Selected by the Arizona Diamondbacks in the 11th round ... Named All-Arizona Baseball Player of the Year by *The Arizona Republic*... Also was the *Scottsdale Republic's* All-Northeast Valley Baseball Player of the Year ... Played in the Playstation All-American game ... Went 10-1 and allowed only nine earned runs, 16 walks and struckout 100 in 74 1/3 innings pitched ... Also led his team with a .427 average and was second on the team with

eight homers and 33 RBI ... Was the Team MVP in both his junior and senior years ... Also an all-state selection as a junior ... Picked up first team all-region and all-state honorable mention plaudits in basketball ... Baseball team made state semifinals and regional championships three consecutive years ... Lettered in baseball and basketball for three years ... Baseball team captain as a senior and basketball captain as a junior and senior ... Also named a scholar athlete and was on the honor roll all eight semesters of high school.

Personal: Brett S. Jacobson ... Born 11/9/86 ... Son of Michael and Barbara Jacobson ... Has a brother, Gus, and a sister, Maggie... One of his nicknames is "Turkey" ... Brother plays baseball for Western Michigan; sister plays volleyball at Oberlin College ... Favorites include the movie *The Punisher*, Justin Verlander, Tiger Woods, Dolph Lundgren, *Law and Order SVU* ... One person, dead or alive, that he would love to have dinner with is Ronald Reagan ... Considers Nolan Ryan to be the greatest player of all-time.



MARK LAMM

Fr.-RS • RHP

6-4, 215 • R/R

Loretto, Tenn.

Loretto H.S.

Coach Corbin Quote: *Mark had great maturity last year as a freshman. He'll have a big role for us, either as a starter, middle reliever, or closer.*

2007: Redshirted. Went 2-1 with a 1.19 ERA in nine appearances, four starts, for the Saratoga Phillies of the New York Collegiate Baseball League over the Summer ... Struck out 50 batters with 12 walks in 37.1 innings with a save.

High School: A four-year letterwinner at Loretto High ... A two-year team captain and MVP in 2005-06 ... First-team all-area in 2005-06 ... Third-team all-midstate by the *Tennessean* in 2006 ... District MVP as a senior ... Three-time all-district and all-region ... Helped lead team to district championship as a junior and senior ... Also lettered four years in football and three years in basketball ... Served as the team captain in football as a senior and in 2004-05 in basketball.

Personal: Mark Jordan Lamm ... Born 3/8/88 ... Nickname is "Cowboy" ... Son of Gary and Cheryl Lamm ... Has two brothers, Paul and Luke ... A human and organizational development major... Favorites Roger Clemens, Deion Sanders, movies *Boondock Saints* and *Field of Dreams*, *SportsCenter*, *Will Ferrell*, ribs and *George Strait* ... If he could change one thing about his sport it would be to eliminate the aluminum bats ... Considers Pete Rose to be the greatest baseball player of all-time.

Jacobson Career Stats

Year	ERA	W	L	App	GS	CG	SHO	CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP
2006	4.20	2	0	6	2	0	0	1	0	15.0	10	8	7	9	16	3	0	2	67	.182	0	2
2007	3.15	6	3	21	13	0	0	1	1	74.1	83	36	26	15	58	13	3	4	322	.283	7	8
TOTAL	3.32	8	3	27	15	0	0	2	1	89.1	93	44	33	24	74	16	3	6	389	.267	7	10



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STEVEN
LIDDLE
25 Fr.-RS • OF/INF
6-1, 200 • L/L
Brentwood, Tenn.
Franklin H.S.

Coach Corbin Quote: *Steven is very versatile with the ability to play five different positions. He had a great summer and is going to make a push to play this year and will be a future star in our program.*

2007: Redshirted. Played for the Fayetteville SwampDogs of the Coastal Plains League over the summer. Hit .272 with three homers and 18 RBI in 40 games (35 starts). Also was 5-for-5 in stolen bases while not committing an error in 166 chances.

High School: Four-year letterwinner at Franklin High ... 2006 Region VI Player of the Year ... First-team all-district, all-midstate, all-state as a senior ... Batted .538 with 15 homers and 61 RBI ... Served as co-captain in 2006, helping lead team to 30-10 record and district championship ... Team was Region VI runner up and finished in third place in the 3-A state tourney in 2006 ... Helped lead team to district and regional runner up finish, while also leading them to first state tournament appearance in the school's 95 year history in 2005.

Personal: Steven James Liddle ... Born 11/24/87 ... Son of Tim and Kathi Liddle ... Has a sister, Kristen ... Father played baseball at Lipscomb ... Uncle, also named Steve, is the bench coach for the Minnesota Twins ... An economics major ... Favorites include Mickey Mantle, Vitor Belfort, movies Dumb and Dumber, 61* and The Babe, Baseball Tonight, Edward Norton, musical group Incubus ... Chose Vanderbilt because of the players, coaches and the education ... Considers Mickey Mantle to be the greatest baseball player of all time.



DAVID
MACIAS
1 Sr.-3L • OF
5-9, 175 • S/R
The Woodlands, Texas
The Woodlands H.S.

Coach Corbin Quote: *David is a game changer in centerfield. He's had more assists than anyone in the SEC and maybe in the country. He's a tremendous athlete with a great passion for the game and is a key to our energy and intensity level. He's a great model on how to play the game at a certain level.*

2007: Hit .300 with a .421 on base percentage ... Started in centerfield in 65 of 67 games (two starts in right) ... Led team with 20 HBP ... Had 10 outfield assists on the year ... Was a combined 5-for-9 with two RBI and two runs scored in doubleheader against Austin Peay (6/3) and Michigan (6/3) in the NCAA tourney ... Went 5-for-14 (.357) in the Auburn series ... Was 3-for-6 with a RBI against Florida (4/29) ... Went 2-for-3 with three runs scored against Tennessee (4/21) ... Went 2-for-4 with two runs scored against Kentucky (4/15) ... Was 3-for-5 and scored the game-winning run on a wild pitch in the bottom of the ninth against Belmont (4/11) ... Was 4-for-11 (.364) in the Alabama series ... Recorded a career-high four hits against Austin Peay (4/4) ... Started the season with a 10-game hitting streak (14-for-37) batting .378 with 13 runs scored and 10 walks ... Went 2-for-2 with an RBI against Middle Tennessee (3/28) ... Drove in the winning run versus Ole Miss (3/18) with a 2-for-5 day ... Tallied seven multi-hit games and two multi-RBI games ... Turned in 3-for-5 performance with two RBI and two runs scored versus Illinois-Chicago (3/11) ... Scored four runs, going 2-for-3 with an RBI and a walk against Ohio (2/18) ... Scored three runs with two hits including a pair of doubles, an RBI a walk and a stolen base against Arizona State (2/10) ... Named to Houston College Classic All-Tournament team compiling a .364 average (4-for-11) with six runs scored, two doubles, two walks, an RBI and a stolen base ... Played for Hyannis in the Cape Cod League.

2006: Hit .328 with a homer, six doubles, two triples and 23 RBI as the lead-off hitter ... Played in 64 games with 63 starts, all in centerfield ... Led the team with 15 hit by pitches (tied for second in SEC) and 13 sacrifice bunts (tied for first in SEC) ... Was second on the team with 38 walks, a .447 on base percentage (fifth best in SEC) and nine stolen bases in 15 attempts ... Had 21 multi-hit games and three multi-RBI games ... Hit safely in 52 of 64 games played ... Was just as consistent in conference play, batting .327 with a .451 on base percentage in 30 SEC games ... Had 15 two-hit games on the year ... Went 3-for-4 with a double against Michigan (6/4) ... Was 8-for-20 (.400) in five games at the SEC tournament including a 3-for-5 showing in the championship game against Ole Miss (5/28) ... Was 3-for-4 against LSU (5/12) ... Recorded a Vanderbilt best 17 game hit streak from 4/2 to 4/30 ... Went 3-for-3 with two walks against Kentucky (4/29). Was 7-for-14 with three runs scored and three RBI in three games against the Wildcats ... Notched first career homer in 2-for-4 day at Middle Tennessee (4/18) ... Went 3-for-4 with a run scored against Florida (3/31) ... Was 3-for-6 against Brown (3/12) ... Named to the Cape Cod All-League team after batting .281 with three doubles and 10 RBI in 43 games for Hyannis.

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2005: Played in 10 games with four starts ... Three of the starts came in the last week of the regular season ... Was 3-for-16 (.188) at the plate with two RBI and a stolen base ... Two hits came against Ohio (5/17) ... Played for the Stark County Terriers of the Great Lakes over the summer ... Helped lead Terriers to league tournament championship ... Hit .348 in 33 games with eight stolen bases in 11 attempts and was named second-team All-Great Lakes.

High School: Regarded as one of the top middle infield prospects in the country...Named all-county, all-district and all-state ... In 2003, he owned a .400 batting average with five home runs, 35 RBI and 10 stolen bases... Played for Team Texas in the Sunbelt Classic where he earned all-tournament honors...Two-sport star (baseball and football) who played wide receiver for the No. 1 ranked team in Texas, 7th in the nation ... four-time academic letterwinner ... Coached in High School by Ron Eastman.

Personal: David Gustavo Macias...Born 3/7/86...Nickname is "Dash" ... Son of Raquel and Diogenes Macias...Brothers Napoleon, Diogenes, Alejandro and Miguel...Favorites include: the movie Eight Seconds, the TV show Crips, Bono, Omar Vizquel, Denzel Washington and the New York Yankees...Craziest ambition is to race motorcycles.



MIKE MINOR
So.-1L • LHP
6-4, 210 • L/L
Chapel Hill, Tenn.
Forrest H.S.

**National and SEC Pitcher of the Year Candidate
Preseason All-American**

Coach Corbin Quote: *Mikie is the next great lefty in our program. He pitches with a lot of maturity on the mound. He's one of the few kids that came into our program that had a strong sense of pitch ability before he even got here, and he continues to develop.*

2007: Named a Freshman All-American by *Baseball America*, *Collegiate Baseball* and *Rivals.com*. Tabbed SEC Freshman of the Year by *SEBaseball.com*. Also named to SEC All-Freshman team. Went 9-1 with a 3.09 ERA in 19 appearances, 14 starts ... 88 strikeouts and 19 walks in 90.1 innings with two saves ... First loss was in his tenth start ... One wild pitch all season,

none in SEC play ... Struck out two in an inning of scoreless relief against Michigan (6/4) ... Gave up three runs on five hits in 7.1 innings in start against the Wolverines (6/2). Struck out six and did not walk a batter in the no-decision ... Scattered eight hits over 7.2 innings in win over Tennessee (5/25). Gave up two runs with eight strikeouts and two walks in second win over the Vols ... Picked up win against LSU (5/18). Pitched 7.2 innings, giving up two runs on five hits with six strikeouts and two walks ... Allowed three runs on seven hits in 4.2 innings with five strikeouts in no-decision against Auburn (5/12) ... Allowed three runs on six hits in two innings against Florida (4/28). Did not factor in decision ... Gave up three runs on five hits in six innings in win over Tennessee (4/21). Struck out four and walked two ... Allowed just one unearned run on two hits in five inning win over Kentucky (4/14). Struck out two and walked one in shortened start due to the game being suspended to the next day because of rain ... Gave up two unearned runs on three hits in 5.1 innings in win over Alabama (4/7). Struck out three and walked two ... Named *Rivals.com* National Freshman of the Week (4/2) after masterful seven inning performance against then No. 1 South Carolina (3/31) on the road. Gave up one run on five hits while striking out a career high nine with two walks ... Picked up save with 1.2 innings of relief against Arkansas (3/24). Lone hit given up was solo homer in the bottom of the ninth ... Ran record to 3-0 with 3.1 innings of relief against Western Kentucky (3/20) allowing just two hits while striking out six... Made his SEC debut in relief against Ole Miss (3/18) working 1.1 scoreless innings with two strikeouts... Picked up second win against Western Kentucky (3/06) in 5.2 innings striking out seven allowing just two earned runs... Earned first collegiate win versus Austin Peay (2/27) with eight innings of shutout baseball striking out eight with one walk and three hits... Pitched a no-decision in his first start against Lipscomb (2/21) throwing 4.1 innings on three hits, allowing three runs while striking out eight batters... Made his collegiate debut in the Houston College Classic versus Baylor (2/11) when he logged in 2.1 innings allowing just one walk while striking out two collecting a save ... Went 5-2 with 1.64 ERA for the USA National Team over the summer. Struck out 37 with just four walks in 33.0 innings.

High School: A two-year letterwinner at Forrest High ... Three time all-state selection, including first-team designation as a junior and senior ... Won 13 games, 12 via shutout in 2006 with a 0.08 ERA and 188 strikeouts in 86 innings ... Drafted in the 13th round by the Tampa Bay Devil Rays after his senior year in June 2006 ... Went 10-2 with a 0.81 ERA with 180 strikeouts in 86.0 innings in 2005 ... Led team to state runner-up finish in 2006 ... Helped lead team to regional championship as a junior and senior and to district championship as a sophomore ... Also played basketball for four years ... Graduated with high honors.

Personal: Michael David Minor ... Born 12/26/87 ... Nickname is "Spike" ... Son of Mike and Shirley Minor ... Has six siblings: Chris, Shaun, Tim, Scott, Katie and Missy ... A sociology major... Favorites include the movie *Major League*, Adam Sandler, singer Lil' Jon, ice cream and Texas Hold'em poker on ESPN ... Chose Vanderbilt because of the great academics, great coaches and the baseball program.

Macias Career Stats

Year	Avg	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB	ATT
2005	.188	10	4	16	4	3	0	0	0	3	3	.188	1	1	0	1	.278	0	0	1	2
2006	.328	64	63	238	49	78	6	2	1	23	91	.382	38	15	31	2	.447	2	13	9	15
2007	.300	67	67	260	55	78	16	1	0	26	96	.369	36	20	40	4	.421	3	8	10	13
TOTAL	.309	141	134	514	108	159	22	3	1	51	190	.370	75	36	71	7	.429	4	21	20	29

Minor Career Stats

Year	ERA	W	L	App	GS	CG	SHO	CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP
2007	3.09	9	1	19	14	0	0	1	2	90.1	76	35	31	23	88	18	2	6	365	.226	1	10



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RETURNING PLAYER BIOS



SHEA
ROBIN
17 Sr.-3L • C
5-11, 185 • R/R
The Woodlands, Texas
The Woodlands H.S.

Coach Corbin Quote: *Shea has come a long way in four years. He never caught before his college career, and I think if you polled the coaches around the SEC, they'd tell you he's one of the best defensive catchers in the league right now. He's really grown into the position and I like what he has become.*

2007: Hit .286 overall with two homers and 35 RBI ... Had 18 multi-hit and 11 multi-RBI games on the year ... Reached safely in 52 of 63 games played ... Made 57 starts behind the plate ... Named to SEC All-Tournament team ... Had game-winning two-run single in the bottom of the tenth in second semifinal game against Ole Miss (5/26) ... Was 4-for-6 (.667) with a RBI in two games played against LSU ... Hit 5-for-11 (.455) with a homer and four RBI against Auburn ... Was 2-for-3 against Lipscomb (4/17) ... Was 5-for-14 in the South Carolina series ... Went 2-for-4 against Arkansas (3/25) ... Was 4-for-11 in opening SEC series versus Ole Miss with two runs scored, two walks and an RBI. Included a pair of two hit games (3/16 and 3/18) ... Had an impressive 3-for-5 game against Belmont (3/14) with four runs scored, two RBI and a stolen base ... Logged back-to-back two hit games versus Western Kentucky (3/06) and against Illinois-Chicago (3/09) ... Knocked in two runs against Pittsburgh (2/23) ... Enjoyed a 3-for-5 game against Lipscomb (2/21) with two runs scored ... Had a perfect 3-for-3 day versus Ohio (2/18) in game one of the doubleheader ... Homered in his hometown during the Houston College Classic against Rice (2/09) at Minute Maid Park ... One of four catchers in the SEC named to initial Johnny Bench Award Watch List ... Played in 36 games for Hyannis in the Cape Cod League over the summer.

2006: Hit .327 with five homers, 16 doubles and 36 RBI in 59 games ... Made 56 starts, 30 at DH and 26 at catcher ... Hit safely in 46 of the 59 games played ... Threw out eight base runners in 31 attempts ... Recorded 20 multi-hit and eight multi-RBI games ... Hit .279 with 10 doubles, two homers and 16 RBI in 29 SEC starts ... Named to the SEC Academic Honor Roll ... Garnered SEC All-Tournament Team plaudits for torrid five games in Birmingham. Went 10-for-19 with two doubles, a triple, four RBI and four runs scored ... Went 3-for-4 with a RBI in semifinal win over Georgia (5/27) ... Was 2-for-4 with three RBI in opening game of tourney against Georgia (5/24) ... Had 15 game hit streak from 4/23 to 5/19 ... Went 7-for-14 with four RBI and three runs scored in series win over LSU (5/12-5/14) ... Was 6-for-13 with three runs scored in series against Kentucky (4/28-4/30) ... Was 3-for-4 with a double, triple and single against Lipscomb (4/12) with

four RBI ... Went 2-for-3 with a homer and RBI against Western Kentucky (4/11) ... Had a two-run homer against Arkansas (4/9) ... Had a 2-for-5 night against Austin Peay (4/5) ... Was 2-for-4 against Western Kentucky (3/28) ... Had two hits and two RBI against Auburn (3/25) ... Was 3-for-4 with five RBI, including a grand-slam homer against Butler (3/14) ... Played for the Waterloo Bucks of the Northwoods League over the summer ... Hit .231 with 10 doubles, a triple and 20 RBI in 55 games.

2005: Played in five games with a start against MTSU (5/11) ... Went 1-for-4 with an RBI ... Competed for the Waterloo Bucks of the Northwoods League over the summer. Hit .215 with four homers and 24 RBIs in 65 games played.

High School: Ranked as the No. 13 infielder in the state of Texas by Baseball America ... Batted .600 in 2003 post-season play helping lead his team to the district championship ... Led his team in batting average, RBIs and on-base percentage in the regional playoffs (2003) ... Four-year varsity letterwinner and three-year varsity starter ... Ranked No. 1 in his class with a 4.0 GPA ... Played for the Elite Houston Heat Summer Traveling Team ... Led the Houston Heat with a .475 batting average and totaled 12 doubles and five home runs ... Helped lead the Houston Heat to a third place finish in the Perfect Game WWBA Championship in October (Jupiter, Fla.) and two Championships at the All-American Classic in Memphis (Tenn) ... Earned first-team all district in 2004 ... Named the Scholar Athlete for Baseball for the greater Houston area in 2004 by the Houston Athletic Committee and was voted to the all-state academic baseball team by the Texas High School Baseball Coaches Association ... Coached by Ron Eastman.

Personal: Shea Christopher Robin ... Born 12/11/85 ... Son of Jon and Barbara Robin ... sister Shelby (20) attends the University of Texas ... Majoring in economics and minoring in corporate strategy ... Favorites include: Ace Ventura-Pet Detective, Entourage, Rascal Flatts, Clive Owen and the Houston Astros ... Lists Barry Bonds as the greatest baseball player of all time.



STEVEN
SCHWARTZ
43 Jr.-RS • RHP
6-2, 200 • L/R
Great Neck, N.Y.
Penn

Coach Corbin Quote: *Steven improved tremendously over the summer. I think the time is now for him as he is starting to get comfortable in our program. He can throw three quality pitches for strikes.*

2007: Redshirted.

Robin Career Stats

Year	Avg	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB	ATT
2005	.250	5	1	4	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	.250	1	1	3	0	.500	0	0	0	0
2006	.327	59	56	217	39	77	11	1	5	36	106	.488	16	3	26	5	.380	1	1	0	2
2007	.286	63	61	234	34	67	9	0	2	35	82	.350	26	2	22	2	.360	2	4	2	7
TOTAL	.305	127	118	455	74	139	25	2	7	72	189	.415	43	6	51	7	.371	3	5	2	9

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2006 (at Penn): Went 1-3 with a 10.75 ERA as a sophomore ... Made 11 appearances, including five starts and struck out 21 with 22 walks in 37.2 innings.

2005 (at Penn): Made 12 appearances including three starts ... Finished with a 1-5 record and a 4.13 ERA with 22 strikeouts and eight walks in 32.1 innings ... Featured in Sports Illustrated's Faces in the Crowd section on Oct. 3 for leading his summer league team, the Bayside Yankees (Queens, N.Y.) to the National Amateur Baseball Federation Senior Division World Series title ... He went 9-0 and broke the team's all-time record for earned-run average that was set in 1987.

High School: Four-year letterwinner at Great Neck North High ... Served as team captain during junior and senior seasons ... Named all-league and team MVP as a senior ... Played for the Bayside Yankees in the summer of 2004 ... Earned National Merit Commendation ... President of Model UN.

Personal: Steven Howard Schwartz ... Born 9/5/86 ... Son of David and Ellen Schwartz ... Has a brother, Adam ... An economics major. Has been accepted for Fall 2008 enrollment to Owen Graduate School of Management ... Favorites include Roger Clemens, Mike Piazza, 24, and the Allman Brothers Band ... One person he would like to have dinner with (dead or alive) is Jimi Hendrix ... Chose to transfer to Vanderbilt because of the combination of baseball and academics that very few universities can rival ... Lists Roger Clemens as the greatest baseball player of all-time.



JONATHAN WHITE
Jr.-2L • OF
6-2, 205 • L/L
Shelbyville, Tenn.
Shelbyville H.S.

Coach Corbin Quote: *Jonathan is the fastest kid on our team and his speed has only gotten better. He's learning to get consistent, but he flashes some tools. He can run, hit, hit for power, and chase down the ball in the outfield. He's a game changer.*

2007: Hit .289 with seven doubles, a triple and three homers with 14 RBI in 44 games, logging 22 starts ... 2-for-5 in the Georgia series ... Was 3-for-5 with a homer and two runs scored against Tennessee Tech (4/25). Home run cleared the scoreboard at right-center at Hawkins Field ... Walked a career-high three times against Lipscomb (4/17) ... Came through with game-winning RBI double in the 12th inning of win over Kentucky (4/13). Finished 1-for-1 with a RBI and two runs scored off the bench ... Was 1-for-3 with a homer and two RBI against Belmont (4/11) ... Went 2-for-5 with a double and RBI against South Carolina (3/31) ... Was 3-for-4 in SEC opening weekend versus Ole

Miss (3/16 - 3/18) with two RBI ... Knocked in the game winner with a single versus Ole Miss (3/16) ... Laced a double and a triple as part of a 2-for-5 day at the plate against Illinois-Chicago (3/11) with two RBI and a run scored ... Was a triple shy of hitting for the cycle against Xavier (3/04) to go with two runs scored, three RBI and a stolen base ... Saw action in all three games of the Houston College Classic to open the 2007 season ... Scored the winning run against Arizona State (2/10) from third base as a pinch runner on a wild pitch during an intentional walk ... Earned his first collegiate start in the opener versus Rice (2/09) as the DH and went 1-for-3 with a double ... wrote a diary for his hometown paper, the *Shelbyville Gazette* ... Drafted by the Milwaukee Brewers in the 24th round in the June amateur draft ... Played on the Newport Gulls of the New England Collegiate Baseball League over the summer. Batted .246 with five doubles and three triples while also converting on 10-of-12 stolen base attempts.

2006: Played in eight games, finishing with a .200 average, a homer and three RBI ... Was 0-for-1 with a run scored in the second game of a double-header against Alabama (4/22) ... Hit a pinch-hit two-run homer against the Crimson Tide in the first game of the doubleheader ... Scored a run and had a RBI against Western Kentucky (4/11) ... Named the top pro prospect out of the New York Collegiate League by *Baseball America* over the summer. Played for the Glen Falls Eagles and hit .365 with three doubles, a homer, triple, 16 RBI and 11 stolen bases in as many chances in 18 games before suffering an injury that sidelined him the rest of the summer.

2005: Redshirted ... Played for Lehigh Valley of the ACBL over the summer ... Scored 10 runs in 24 games ... Hit .170 with a triple, homer and 13 RBI.

High School: Owned a .481 batting average with 47 hits, six home runs, 12 doubles, and six triples at Shelbyville High School for head coach Scott Hall ... totaled 43 RBI, and 29 walks ... Was 29-30 in stolen bases ... Owned a .592 on base percentage and a .825 slugging percentage ... Had a 13-game hitting streak his senior season ... Earned Team MVP and Most Improved Player honors ... Named to the District 8-AAA all-district and all-region team and earned MVP honors ... First-team All-Mid State and All-State as a senior ... Played summer baseball for the Shelbyville Post 23 American Legion team coached by Jerry Naron. Owned the highest slugging percentage (.559) and highest on base percentage (.496) as a junior. As a senior, he had the highest slugging percentage with a .713 mark.

Personal: Jonathan Lamont White ... Born 6/16/86 ... Son of Jeffery and Betty White ... Sister Makea (20) ... Majoring in psychology ... Favorites include: The movie Coach Carter, the TV show Fresh Prince, Aaliyah, Alex Rodriguez, Tom Cruise and the Atlanta Braves ... Craziest ambition is to become an outdoorsman ... Lists Frank Robinson as the greatest baseball player of all time.

White Career Stats

Year	Avg	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB	ATT
2006	.200	8	0	5	3	1	0	0	1	3	4	.800	5	0	0	0	.500	0	0	0	0
2007	.289	44	22	90	15	26	7	1	3	14	44	.488	9	1	27	1	.356	1	0	6	0
TOTAL	.284	52	22	95	18	27	7	1	4	17	48	.505	12	1	29	1	.367	1	0	6	6

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PLAYER BIOS



JORDAN

WORMSLEY

Fr.-RS • OF
6-1, 195 • L/L
Knoxville, Tenn.
Webb School

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Coach Corbin Quote: *Jordan is a very serious player and plays like a coach's son. He doesn't make mistakes and is versatile with the ability to play all of the outfield positions. He's one of our best defensive outfielders.*

2007: Redshirted ... Spent the summer at the IMG Academy in Bradenton, Fla. competing in the Florida Collegiate Instructional League. Batted .345 with five doubles and seven stolen bases in 12 attempts.

High School: Five-year baseball letterwinner and two-year team captain at the Webb School ... Was a Louisville Slugger Preseason All-American prior to his senior year ... Earned all-state and honorable mention All-American honors after batting .500 and was the Division II East Region Player of the Year ... Helped lead team to state runner-up finish twice and regional runner-up three times ... Also lettered four times in football ... Was a member of the Spanish Honor Society.

Personal: Jordan Clark Wormsley ... Born 1/19/87 ... Son of Clark and Jody Wormsley ... Has one sibling, Parker ... A human and organizational development major ... Favorites include the movie Dumb and Dumber, Jim Edmonds, Pete Rose and Lynrd Skynrd ... Considers Ted Williams to be the greatest player of all-time. Chose Vanderbilt because of the athletics and academics combination.

NEWCOMER BIOS



SEAN

BIERMAN

Fr.-HS • LHP
6-0, 200 • L/L
Kinnelon, N.J.
Kinnelon H.S.

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Coach Corbin Quote: *Out of all the freshmen, Sean is probably the least fazed about being a newcomer. The way he plays and handles himself is much like an upperclassman. He's got a chance to pitch early and has a good idea about how to pitch with three quality pitches.*

High School: Tabbed the seventh best prospect out of New Jersey by *Baseball America* entering the June 2007 draft ... 42nd round selection by the Cincinnati Reds ... First-team All-County at Kinnelon H.S. ... Captain of the baseball and soccer teams as a junior and senior ... Lettered four years in both sports ... Played for the Bayside Yankees in the summer and helped lead team to Premier League National Championship in 2006-07. Was 3-3 with a 3.00 ERA in nine games, including seven starts in 2007. Struck out 32 batters with 14 walks in 32.2 innings, while also recording a save.

Personal: Sean Charles Bierman ... Born 10/20/88 ... Son of John and Candice Bierman ... Has a sister, Ashley ... Undecided on major ... Favorites include Andy Pettite, LeBron James, Entourage, and the movies Old School and Miracle ... Favorite vacation spot is St. Thomas ... Chose Vanderbilt because of the great athletics and education combination.



BEN

BLANTON

Fr.-HS • LHP
6-1, 208 • L/L
Alpharetta, Ga.
Chattahoochee H.S.

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Coach Corbin Quote: *Ben was a late signee and has a lot of pitch-ability for a young kid. We hope he gets confident and comfortable quickly and I think his future is bright.*

High School: Tabbed the 31st best prospect out of Georgia by *Baseball America* entering the June 2007 draft ... Helped lead Chattahoochee High to state championship in 2005. Team finished No. 23 in the national rankings by B.A. ... Set the school single season record in ERA (0.58) and saves (4). Six career saves also record ... 2007 *Atlanta Journal Constitution* All-Northside First Team ... Four-year letterman ... Also earned team's Outstanding Player Award in 2007 ... Member of the National Honor Society (2005-07) and the Spanish National Honor Society (2005-07) ... Graduated Magna Cum Laude and also served as the sports editor of the school newspaper.

Personal: Benjamin Troy Blanton ... Born 9/17/88 ... Son of Jan Blanton ... An economics major ... Favorites include Jeff Francoeur, "Cadillac" Williams, Family Guy, Garth Brooks, Will Ferrell and the movies 300 and Superbad ... Favorite vacation spot is Orange Beach, Ala. ... Chose Vanderbilt because it gives him the best of both worlds: attending one of the top universities in the world and getting the opportunity to play baseball for Coach Corbin.