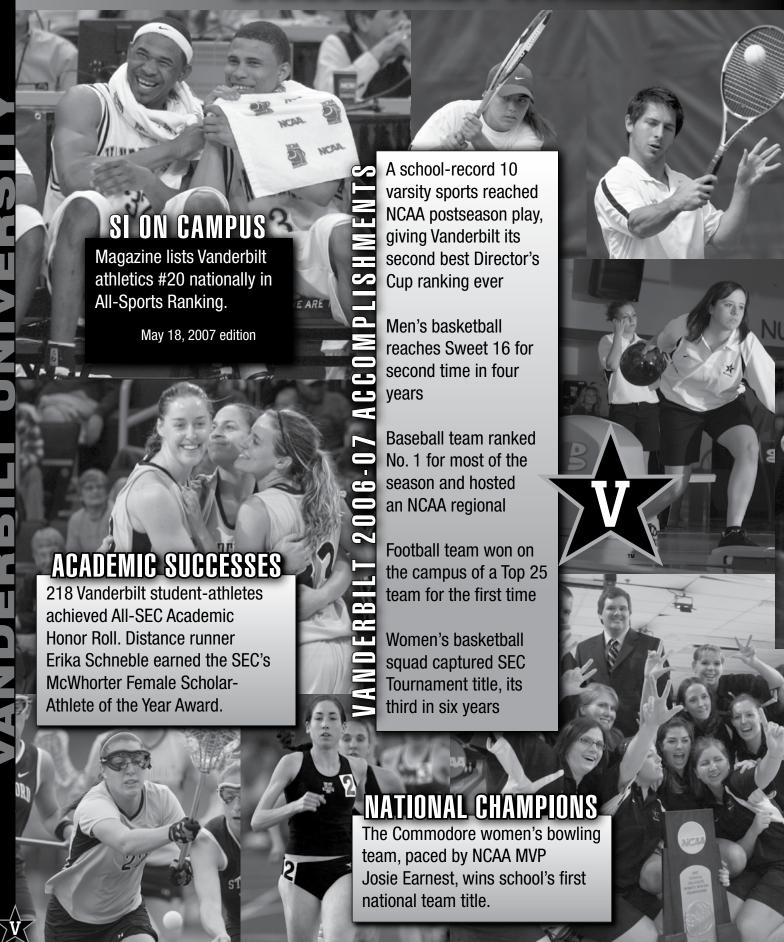
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COMMODORE FOOTBALL









In 2007, **David Price** became the first Commodore baseball player selected No. 1 overall in the MLB Draft, and was named national Player of the Year

Derrick Byars earned SEC Basketball Player of the Year and was picked in the NBA Draft

Jacqui Concolino, Jon Curran Both golfers earned All-America honors with Top 10 finishes at the NCAA Championships

Earl Bennett became first football All-America in six years

Dee Davis and **Carla Thomas** were All-SEC recipients, and high picks in the WNBA Draft

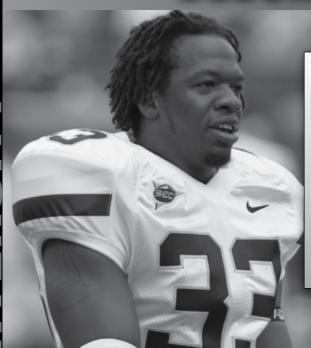
National media outlets including *USA Today, The New York Times* and *Sports Illustrated* have featured Vanderbilt's 2006-07 athletic successes.



RECOGNITION_FOR_COACHES

Several Vanderbilt head coaches served with distinction. Tim Corbin (baseball) and John Williamson (bowling) received National Coach of the Year awards. Kevin Stallings was voted by his peers as SEC Men's Basketball Coach of the Year.

BECOMING A VANDERBILT



Reshard Langford

Junior Safety from Tanner, Ala.

"I'm a pretty driven guy, and I came here for the challenges Vanderbilt offered.

"I'm from a small town in Alabama and didn't get a lot of looks, but I knew I could play at this level. The Vanderbilt coaches believed in me, and gave me the chance.

"I also wanted to make my parents and my family proud. I wanted to prove that I could succeed in the classroom. I can't tell you how important it is to earn a Vanderbilt education. That stuff just doesn't happen to many kids from my hometown."

Chris Nickson

Junior Quarterback from Brundidge, Ala.

"I wanted a chance to play quarterback in the SEC. A lot of coaches talked about playing quarterback, but the Vanderbilt coaches were just very honest with me."

"They said if I came to Nashville, I'd have my chance. At the time, I needed a coaching staff to believe in me.

"I came to Vanderbilt expecting to be challenged, on and off the field. I thought, 'If I'm successful here, I can be a success throughout life."



Jonathan Goff

Senior Linebacker from Lynn, Mass.

"The blend of academics and athletics at Vanderbilt is unmatched – where else can you compete in the SEC and get a Top Ten education?

"I was interested in engineering and Vanderbilt definitely offered an outstanding engineering school.



Earl Bennett

Junior Receiver from Birmingham, Ala.

"The coaches are a big reason why I'm here. They told me I'd be a wide receiver if I came to Vanderbilt. Plus, they were encouraging and interested throughout the process.

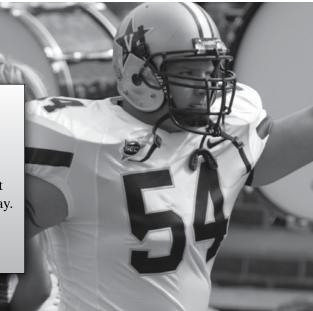
"My parents instilled in me the importance of a good education a long time ago. It's part of how I was raised. Earning a degree is hard work, but it's also very important after my football career ends."

Theo Horrocks

Senior Defensive Tackle from Fayetteville, Tenn.

"I wasn't heavily recruited, but the Vanderbilt coaches, especially Coach Caldwell, saw my potential and gave me the opportunity of a lifetime. It's big-time football and it's a Vanderbilt education. Plus, I'm close to home, so my family can watch me play.

"I've really enjoyed my time at Vanderbilt. I've grown a lot, probably matured a lot on and off the field. I can't believe I'm getting ready for my last year in a Commodore uniform.



Sean Walker

Junior Receiver from Wrens, Ga.

"I felt great about the coaches the first time I met them, but what I saw on my recruiting visit made me realize I wanted to be a Commodore.

"The coaches talked a lot about building a team, and building a family at Vanderbilt. It was obvious from the minute I arrived in Nashville that was the case.

"It just seemed like the football team was one big group that really cared about each other. All the guys were friendly and they seemed really together, to care about each other.

"That memory is so vivid, it seems like yesterday."





VANDERBILT

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Location	. Nashville, Tennessee
Enrollment:	6,378
Founded	1873
Nickname	Commodores
Colors	Black and Gold
Stadium	Vanderbilt (39,773)
Surface	Bermuda grass
Interim Chancellor	Nicholas S. Zeppos
Vice Chancellor (athletics)	David Williams II
All-Time Record	
(since 1890)	541-535-50 (.503)
Conference	Southeastern
All-Time Bowl Record	1-1-1
2006 Overall Record	4-8
2006 SEC East Record	1-7
Basic Offense	Multi-Set
Basic Defense	4-3
Lettermen Returning/Lost	52/13
Starters Returning/Lost	17/5

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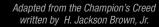
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Never underestimate your opponent.

Work on your weaknesses until they become your strong points.

Remember that a great effort is usually the result of a great attitude.

Dedicate yourself to a mighty purpose. Win with humility, lose with grace.

Ignore those who discourage you.

Work to improve your moral and spiritual strengths as well as your physical ones.

Remember that how you conduct yourself off the field is just as important as how you conduct yourself on the field.

Talent is God given – be humble. Fame is man-given – be thankful. Conceit is self-given – be careful.

Don't ask to be deprived of tension and discipline – these are tools that shape success.

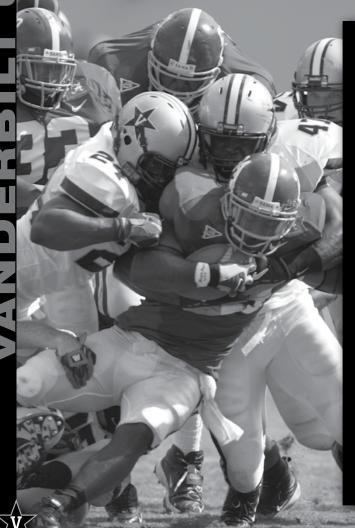
Do what has to be done, when it has to be done, and as well as it can be done.

Remember that when you're not working to improve, your competition is.

Always give your best.

Practice like a champion. Play like a champion. Live like a champion.

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Bobby Johnson is entering his sixth season at the helm of Vanderbilt football. It marks the longest tenure for a Commodore football head coach since one of Johnson's mentors, George MacIntyre, served in the role more than 20 years ago.

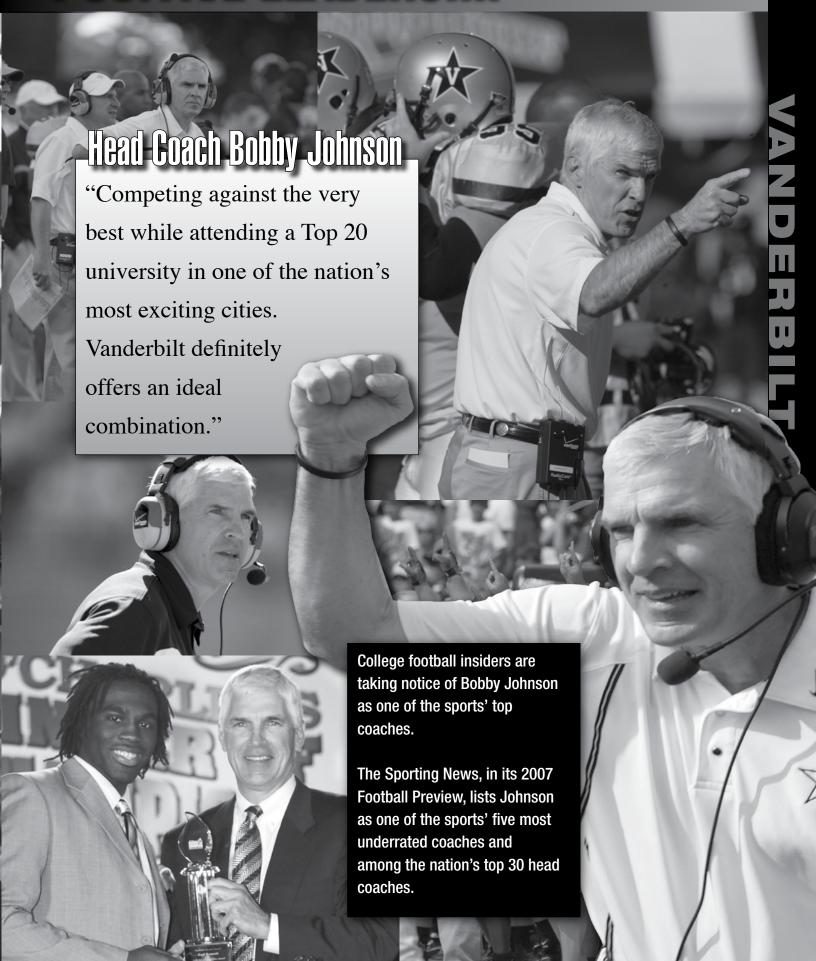
Vanderbilt followers are beginning to witness Johnson's impact on the program. The Commodores have captured nine wins in 2005-06, the most in a two-year period by Vanderbilt in more than a decade.

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Since arriving in
Nashville in December
of 2001, Johnson has
followed a consistent
plan to rebuild the
Vanderbilt football
program. On the field,
the Commodores have
worked to improve
day-by-day. Off the field,
extra attention has been
directed in recruiting and
academic achievement.

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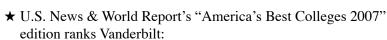
POSITIVE LEADERSHIP



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In 2006-07, 53 percent of 6,378 Vanderbilt undergraduates were females.



- Tied-18th among America's national universities.
- Tied-2nd best among all Southern universities.
- 15th best value among America's national universities.
- 3rd for the Peabody College Graduate School of Education.
- 17th for its research-oriented School of Medicine.
- 17th for the Vanderbilt Law School.
- ★ Vanderbilt's Owen Graduate School of Management was ranked 15th nationally by the Wall Street Journal; and 25th by Forbes magazine.



The Fiske Report

Vanderbilt "blends tradition with the concerns of today's world in an educational package that's one of the finest in the South... $\star\star\star\star$ "

Vanderbilt Facts

The intention rate of Vanderbilt freshmen is 96%, one of the highest of any university in America.

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The university is located 1.5 miles from downtown Nashville, the largest city that serves as home to a Southeastern Conference school. The campus is mere minutes from a thriving downtown district of nightlife, restaurants and attractions.

- ★ Vanderbilt's School of Engineering offers several nationally regarded programs, including America's 12th ranked undergraduate biomedical engineering program.
- ★ Vanderbilt University Medical Center and the School of Medicine, which boasts two Nobel Laureates among its faculty, consistently ranks among the nation's elite. The pharmacology Ph.D program was cited as No. 1 in the nation by Thompson's ISI publication.
- ★ Vanderbilt's prestigious Peabody College ranks as one of America's best. Recently, it has been named the most selective undergraduate School of Education by Ruggs Recommendations on Colleges.

And ophilite factor

Vanderbilt offers degrees in liberal arts and science, education, engineering, music, law, management, divinity, nursing, and medicine through its 10 schools.

Eighty-four percent of undergraduates – and all freshmen – live on campus.

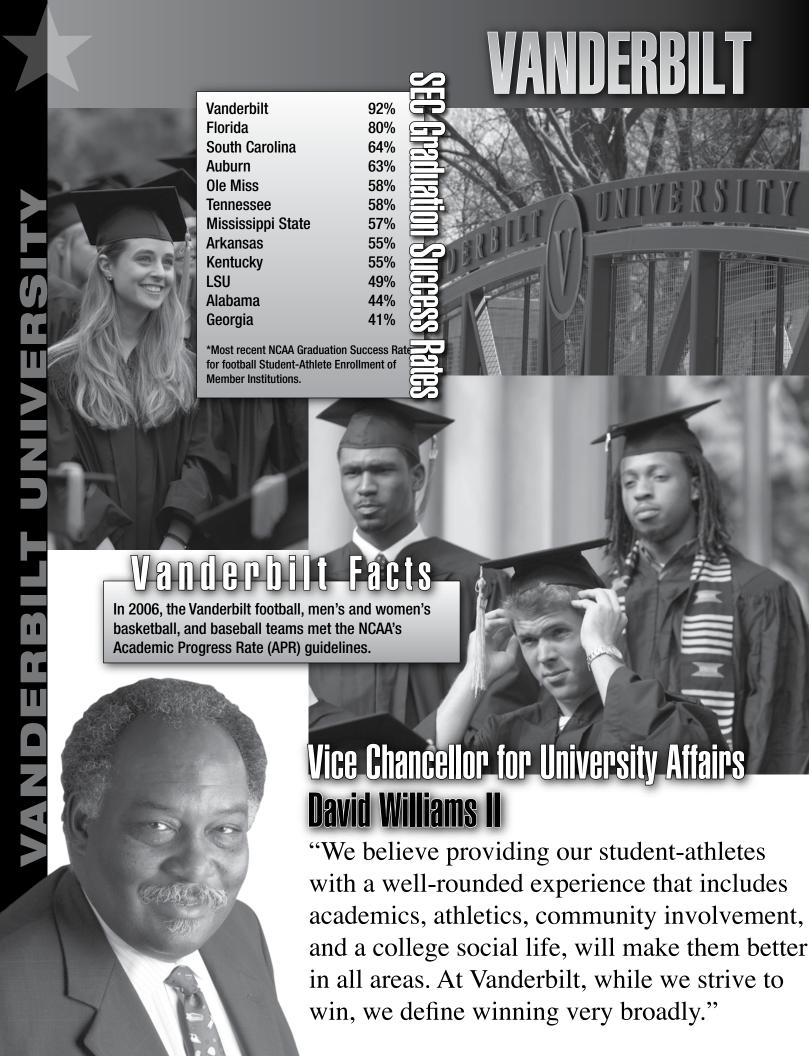
Thirty-one residence halls and apartments, including the Commons nearing construction, are options for undergrad housing.



Vanderbilt's academic reputation is greatly enhanced by its favorable student-faculty ratio of 9:1, providing its students a highly personalized and interactive learning atmosphere.

The average Vanderbilt class features 19 students, a much lower class size than any other SEC member.





UNIVERSITY

★The Vanderbilt student-athlete is supported by an eight-person professional staff of advisors and counselors in the expanded Stratton-Foster Academic Center, located in McGugin Center. The facility contains tutorial rooms, a computer lab, quiet reading zones, and private study areas.

★ Vanderbilt is a national leader in graduation rates among its student-athlete population. In 2006, Vanderbilt tied for third nationally. In 1997 and 2007, the Vanderbilt football program topped all NCAA members.

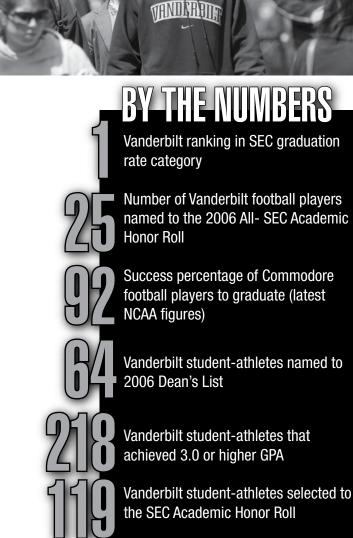
★ For nearly two decades, the College Football Coaches Association has recognized Vanderbilt for graduating at least 70 percent of its players.

Since Bobby Johnson was named head coach, 124 Vanderbilt football players have received **All-SEC Academic** Honor Roll recognition. In 2001, 30 members of the Vanderbilt football team earned All-SEC Academic Honor Roll, setting an alltime league record.

> named to the 2006 All- SEC Academic Honor Roll

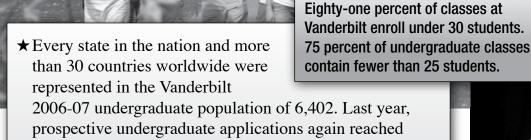
the SEC Academic Honor Roll











★ Vanderbilt's freshmen class in 2006-07, made up of 1,590 members, was comprised of the following:

504 captains of prep athletic teams

valedictorians or salutatorians

130 All-State musicians

101 editors-in-chief

50 student body presidents

34 cheerleading captains

9 songwriters; pilots

5 jugglers

all-time record levels.

- ★ Admission to Vanderbilt is more competitive than ever. The most recent freshmen class was the most selective in university history, with 35% of all applicants granted admission.
- ★ 57 percent of the freshmen last year previously attended public high schools.

Vanderbilt is a leader in high-speed Internet access for its student enrollment. Advanced technologies are available in every academic area. VUnet connects all residence-hall rooms and provides instant Internet access. Residential halls and instructional areas with wireless computer connections are rapidly increasing. All students and professors also share in a campus-wide wireless electronic mail system.

Vanderbilt Facts

ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY



"After the first time
I visited the Boys
and Girls Club,
I wanted to keep
going back. It makes
me feel good when I
can have a positive
effect on any young
person's life."

Brent Trice sophomore safety

Through an array of alternatives coordinated by the CHAMPS/
Life Skills office, many
Commodore athletes find ways to reach out to the local community by encouraging young patients at Vanderbilt Children's Hospital, tutoring local disadvantaged youngsters in the Nashville, or hosting a holiday party for neighboring elementary school students. Last summer, a large group of student-athletes helped paint a nearby Nashville Boys and Girls Club.

Aim of CHAMPS/Life Skills:

- **★** Academic Excellence
- **★** Athletic Excellence
- **★** Leadership
- **★** Community Service
- **★** Career Development
- **★** Personal Development

"It's important to the total development of Vanderbilt student-athletes that opportunities in community service, as well as leadership, personal and career development, are made available. These opportunities help create a broader educational experience, and are crucial to our intent of developing wellrounded individuals."

Alison Bush Coordinator, Vanderbilt CHAMPS/Life Skills

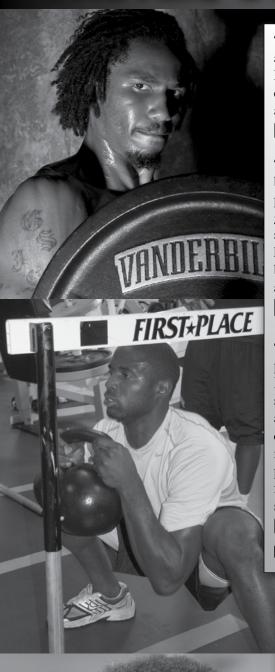


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FASTER, STRONGER



"Two years ago, I lost a lot of weight and strength because of an illness. Now, I'm stronger than ever, and the efforts of our strength staff has been a huge reason for it."

George Smith, wide receiver

"Coach Sisk wants to make you better as a player and athlete. To play safety, you have to be agile, with good quickness and strength. The strength staff has spent a lot of time helping me get stronger in my lower body. I'm stronger, faster and more agile than ever before."

Reshard Langford, safety

"I came in 245
pounds. Now,
I'm at 315 and
stronger than ever,
as quick as I've
ever been, and
more agile than
past years. I give
full credit to Coach Sisk and his
staff."

Chris Williams, offensive tackle

"You want me to tell how much John Sisk and that staff mean to me? You can rest assured that I'll be up there in Nashville during the offseason training with those guys."

Jovan Haye Defensive tackle, Tampa Bay Bucs "Coach Sisk's staff is great. I've appreciated more than anything the way they motivate you. When you're coming back from an injury, motivation is really critical to returning at full strength."

Brian Stamper, offensive tackle

"I can't say enough about what the staff, especially Coach (Gabe) Teeple, has done for me since the knee injury. I'm back 100 percent, and feel stronger than before."

Jeff Jennings, tailback

"I'm more explosive than ever before on the field, and it is directly the result of Coach Sisk's emphasis of triple extension movements such as the power clean and hang clean.

Marcus Buggs, linebacker

STRENGTH BY THE NUMBERS

Commodore National Strength & Conditioning All-Americans (Justin Geisinger, Jay Cutler)

No. of 500-lb. bench pressers on squad (Gabe Hall, Merritt Kirchoffer, Brian Stamper)

Strength, agility records set this offseason

Current players to squat 500 pounds or more

Current players to clean 300 pounds or more

Number of 225-pound bench press repetitions achieved by 2007 senior Gabe Hall, setting new team record





Ten games into his pro career, quarterback Jay Cutler was a starter at Denver. He became the first rookie to ever throw two touchdowns in each of his first four career starts.





Corey Chavous, entering his 11th year in the NFL, knows a thing or two about the league's young guns. In 2006, the former All-SEC 'Dore was a top analyst for NFL Network's draft-day coverage.

"I look back on my Vanderbilt career with great memories. One reason I've been fortunate to have an NFL career is because of what I was taught playing at Vanderbilt. Just as important, the Vanderbilt education helps every day."

Corey Chavous, former NFL All-Pro

Hillenmeyer: Tough & Smart Along with Brian Url

Along with Brian Urlacher and Lance Briggs, **Hunter Hillenmeyer** formed the NFL's best linebacking trio last year with the Chicago Bears. A National Scholar Athlete recipient during his Vanderbilt days, Hillenmeyer is working toward an MBA at Northwestern's Kellogg School of Management.

Jovan Haye

Hunter Hillenmeyer



Former Vanderbilt linebacker **Shelton Quarles** was a main cog in Tampa Bay's 2003 Super Bowl victory.

Todd Yoder

Shelton Quarles

Now, as his superb career comes to a close, Quarles' impact on the Tampa and Nashville communities continues to be greatly felt. Quarles' foundation has paid to decorate the homes of several needy families, and has funded inner-city reading efforts.

"My experience at Vandy was extremely valuable. Playing in the toughest conference in college helped me develop the tools I would need to play in the NFL."

Matt Stewart



GETTING TO THE NFL

Quarterback Jay Cutler is the latest in a long line of players to enjoy careers in the National Football League after being mentored by current members of the Vanderbilt coaching staff.

Entering this season, the
Commodore staff collectively has
mentored 115 players into the
NFL. The list includes several elite
players besides Cutler, including
All-Pro wide receiver Torry Holt of
the Rams, Dallas defensive end
Demarcus Ware, Steeler running
back Kevan Barlow, Eagles'
standout veteran safety Brian
Dawkins, and Pro Bowl defensive
end Osi Umenyiora of the Giants.

Each April, dozens of professional talent evaluators converge on the campus to monitor Vanderbilt Pro Day when Commodore seniors showcase their talents to would-be NFL suitors.

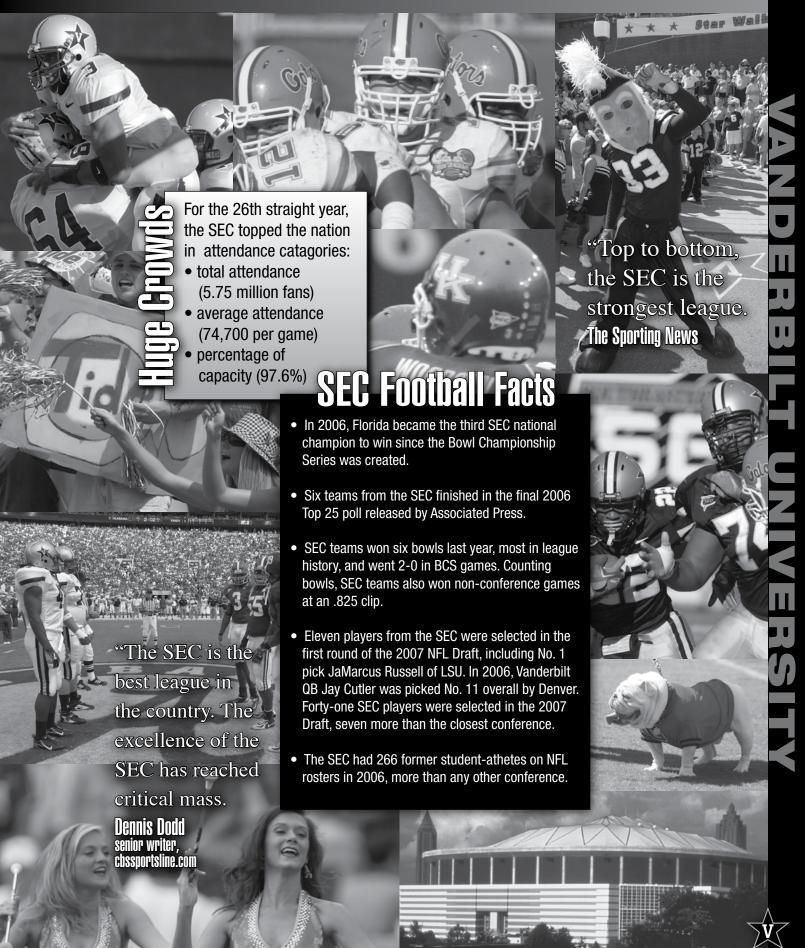
In 2006, Jay Cutler performed brilliantly in cold, windy conditions, adding further proof of his throwing accuracy and strength.

"Coach Johnson and his staff, especially the offensive coaches, gave me a chance to play early, and were great mentors throughout my Vanderbilt career. We spent a ton of hours together, working to get better in every phase of the game. I'm very appreciative for everything they did."

Jay Guiler
Denver Broncos
starting quarterback



PLAYING IN THE SEC



STADIUM ENHANCEMENT

"We have begun the process of determining how best to enhance Vanderbilt Stadium. We want any stadium building effort to benefit Coach Johnson's program, our student-athletes, the university community and our fans.

David Williams II

Vice Chancellor for University Affairs

lanning Renovation

In April, vice chancellors
David Williams II and Michael
Schoenfeld, Coach Johnson,
Vanderbilt board member
John Ingram and other key
university administrators
visited several completed
stadium renovations across
the South. Plans to enhance
Vanderbilt Stadium are
expected to be developed
from the on-site inspections.

Other Athletic Facility Efforts...

In recent years, several key athletic facility improvements have been completed:

- ★ Hawkins Field Vanderbilt's baseball fortunes have soared since Hawkins Field was built three years ago. Locker rooms, indoor practice facilities and offices were added to the facility in 2006.
- ★ Outdoor Tennis Complex At a \$1.5 million tag, six new outdoor hard-court surfaces and grandstand were added in 2006.
- ★ Memorial Gym Improvements included a practice gym, offices, suites and donor room.
- ★ Lacrosse/Soccer Stadium This \$3.5 million facility featuring 2,400-seat grandstand opened in 2003.

The Commodo 2006 season we enjoyed nearly seven home gas Stadium.

Stadium Facts

Dudley Field at Vanderbilt Stadium has been home to Commodore football for more than 80 years. It opened in 1922.

The Commodores finished the 2006 season with a sellout, and enjoyed nearly 90% capacity at its seven home games in Vanderbilt Stadium.

Fans are always close to the action at Vanderbilt Stadium, where every seat provides a superb location to view the game.

Recent Program Upgrades

The Rich Practice Complex and football weight room are two recent upgrades provided by dedicated Commodore donors and alumni.

Several other improvements valuable to the football program also have been made. The team meeting rooms were renovated last summer. Impressive new lobby designs greet guests and recruits to McGugin Athletic Center and the football offices. Outside the Commodore locker room, "Corridor of Captains" offers an informative and historical look at Vanderbilt football.

The \$2.5 million Rich Practice Complex offers two fields, both within steps of the players' locker room.

- Natural grass and AstroPlay surface practice fields.
- ★ State-of-the-art lighting system.

GETTING EXPOSURE

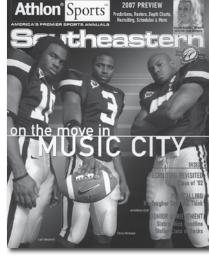


ESPN

Vanderbilt opened the 2006 season in the homes of millions of Americans, playing Michigan on ESPN before 109,000 fans. The ESPN network has aired five Commodore games since 2005.

The Vanderbilt-Alabama game was one of FOX SPORTS NET's top-rated college football broadcasts in 2006.

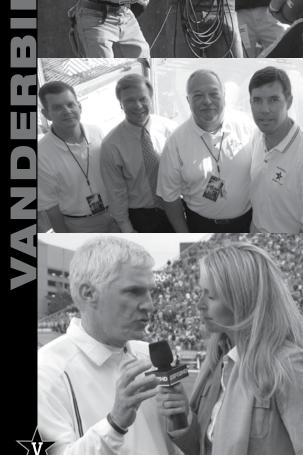
- ★ In recent years, national media outlets such as USA Today and The New York Times have featured Coach Johnson's Commodores.
- ★Vanderbilt is located in America's 39th largest metro market. The Nashville market is the largest among all 12 SEC schools. Four of Tennessee's largest local TV crews regularly cover the team.
- ★ All Vanderbilt games are broadcast on WGFX "The Zone" 104.5-FM, home of Middle Tennessee's two top-ranked sports talk shows.
- ★ Annually, the SEC Championship Game televised by CBS is one of the highest rated college football games of the regular season.



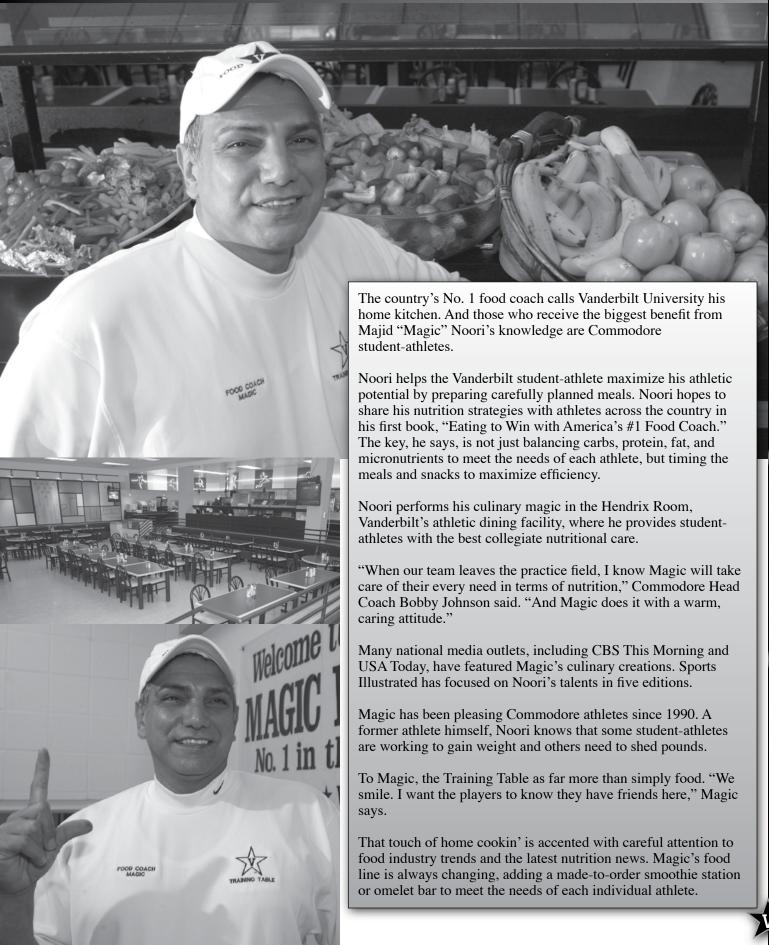


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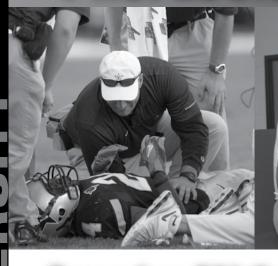




AMERICA'S BEST FOOD COACH



PROFESSIONAL CARE



Lifesaving Care

During the 2005-06 basketball season,

quick action by a Vanderbilt athletic trainer was credited with saving the life

Commodore Athletic Training

Top athletic trainers and medical physicians provide Vanderbilt football players with the finest in medical attention and care.

This collection of professionals, coordinated by Head Athletic Trainer Tom Bossung and Vanderbilt Team Physician Kurt Spindler, is assembled through a joint venture of the prestigious Vanderbilt University Medical Center and Commodore athletics.

The team receives daily health care in a modern complex housed at McGugin Athletic Center next to the football locker room and weight room. The training room is separated into three distinct areas: pre-practice and taping area; a treatment and rehabilitation area; and a hydrotherapy area featuring therapeutic swimming pool and whirlpool amenities.

Providing individualized care, Bossung directs a 10-person training room staff and up to a dozen student-trainers. The staff

is certified by the National Athletic Training Association and licensed by the Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners.

Spindler, a highly respected sports medicine physician and orthopedic surgeon, directs a professional staff of athletic trainers and physical therapists at the Vanderbilt Orthopedic Institute. Its new, state-of-the-art facility is located in the Vanderbilt University Medical Center.

Head Athletic Trainer: Tom Bossung

Top Assistant Athletic Trainers: Patrick Violette Justin Wenzel

Team Physicians at the Vanderbilt Orthopedic Institute:

Dr. Kurt Spindler

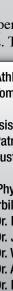
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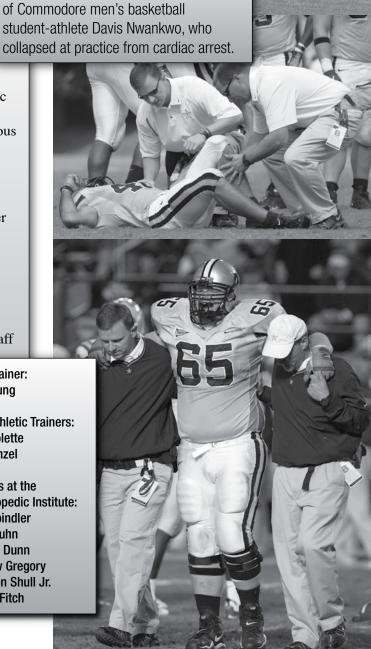
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NASHVILLE - A SPORTS CITY

In addition to Vanderbilt events and the NFL's Tennessee Titans, Nashville is home to an abundance of big sporting events and teams, including the NHL's Nashville Predators, the Milwaukee Brewers' AAA baseball franchise, one of the nation's fastest growing marathons, the Kats of Arena Football, and NASCAR and Indy car races.

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The Sporting News, 2006

Nashville's NHL Predators have become one of hockey's most exciting franchises. In 2007, the Preds played to soldout playoff crowds in spacious Sommet Center, formerly known as Gaylord Entertainment Center. In recent years, Sommet Center served as host for the SEC Men's Basketball Tournament, and first and second round NCAA men's basketball action.

LP Field is located three miles from campus and serves as home to the NFL's Tennessee Titans. Located downtown on the Cumberland River, LP Field has hosted two Commodore games, and also hosts the Gaylord Hotels Music City Bowl.