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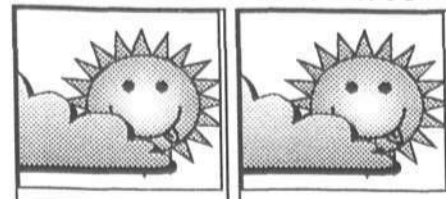
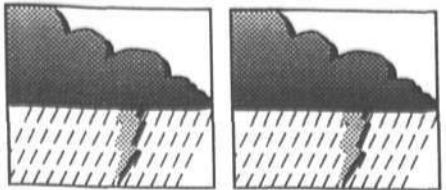
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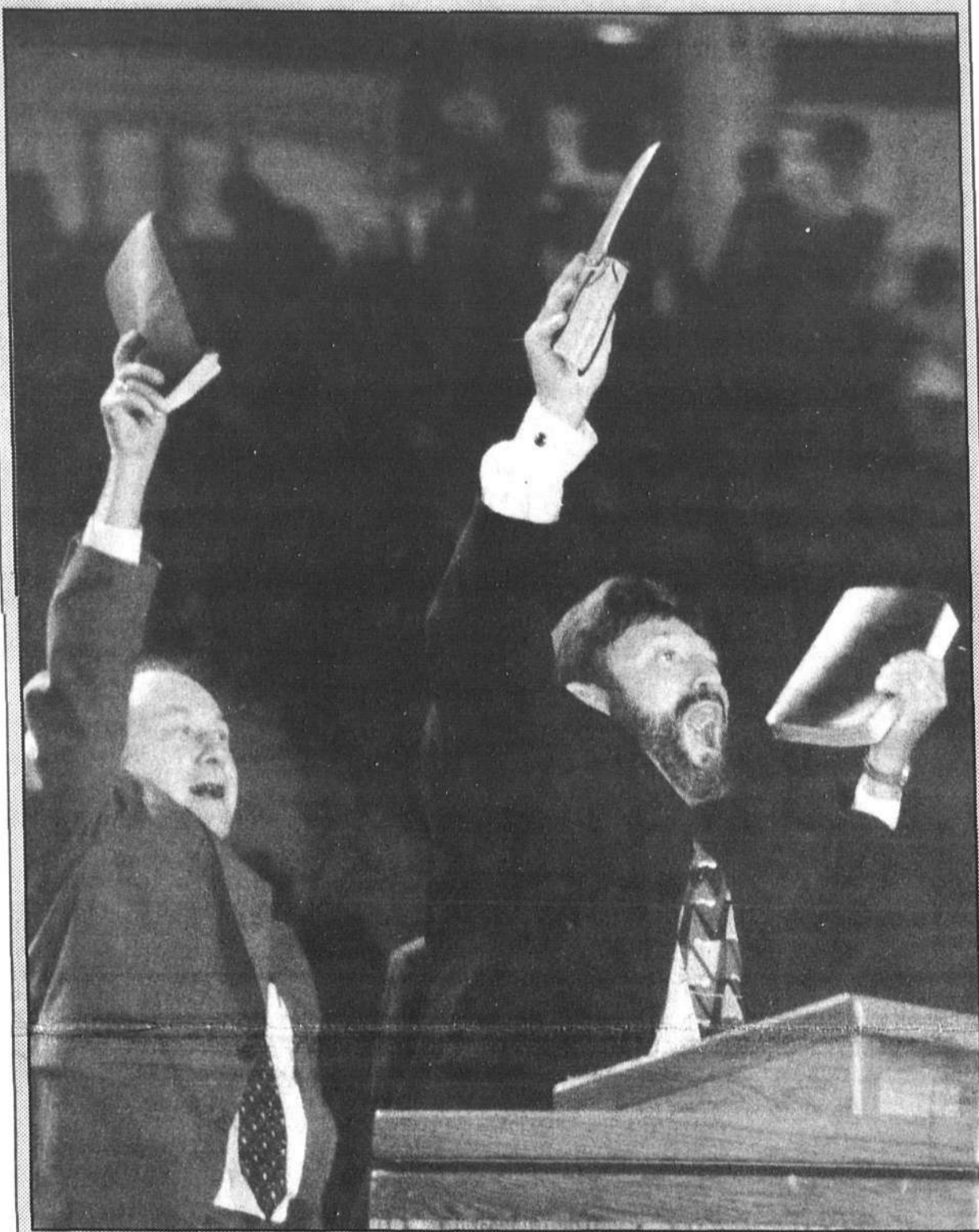


# The Liberty Champion

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in David's Place—  
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America has lost  
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## Sword drill



THE SWORD OF THE LORD IS MY STRENGTH — Dr. Danny Lovett and Dr. Elmer Towns hold their Bibles aloft during the Super Conference celebration before fall break.

## Calendar changes extend class time

By TIMOTHY J. GIBBONS  
Editor in Chief

If classes seem to be dragging on longer than usual next semester, don't assume it's spring fever. Fifteen minutes of class time have been added to each week of this year's second semester, resulting in classes lasting 55 minutes on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and 85 minutes on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The change was made to ensure that the spring semester has the proper number of hours as required by state law. Liberty's earlier than normal graduation date — May 3 — results in a 14-week semester, compared to a normal 15 weeks.

The hours from that last week, therefore, must be made up throughout the semester.

The decision to have commencement a week early was made at the request of the Lynchburg Chamber of Commerce, LU President A. Pierre Guillermin said. Several of the area's colleges had graduation sched-

uled for May 10, and the Chamber felt the town would not be able to contain all of the visitors.

Liberty had to deal with a similar situation two years ago. At that point, the university decided to hold graduation a week before school officially ended, requiring graduating seniors to take their finals a week earlier than the rest of the student body.

"Once again we face the fact that graduation would all be the same day," Guillermin said. "We were asked by the Chamber of Commerce to make changes."

Despite the longer hours, Guillermin said he felt the student body would respond well to the change. "I hope they'll appreciate it if they understand the choices we had," he said.

Another option Liberty had was to begin the semester earlier, cutting into Christmas break.

The university does not plan on changing its graduation schedule in the near future, Guillermin said. "We've done it twice now. We will not do it again," he said. "We feel like we've gone the extra mile."

## Flames football slighted by all-state conference

By RICH MACLONE  
Sports Editor

LU Football Coach Sam Rutigliano has always been vocal in his yearning for an all-Virginia NCAA Division I-AA football conference. His wish is becoming closer than ever now, but it has one ironic twist.

Apparently LU will not be involved in the league if it ever does form.

Members of the Southern Conference and the Yankee Conference are discussing aligning into one football conference. The proposed conference would fall under the umbrella of the Colonial Athletic Association.

Rutigliano has supported the concept of an all-Virginia conference because of the economics and geogra-

phy involved in such a league. "We spent \$30,000 last year alone to go to Hofstra," Rutigliano said. "We could play all in-state schools for that much alone in one season. We'd be making money by saving money."

The LU coach also supports the idea because it adds interest for fans. "You've got to play teams that the people of Lynchburg can relate to."

The schools involved are Richmond University, William & Mary, James Madison, Delaware and Villanova from the Yankee Conference and VMI, The Citadel and Furman from the Southern Conference.

The Yankee Conference, a football-only league, will disband after this season because of a new NCAA rule that takes away voting privileges from

one-sport conferences. The breakup of the Yankee Conference opened the doors for the proposed league.

"We are obviously being shutout, left out of it on purpose," Burch said.

Liberty has been in search of a conference affiliation since it made the move to the I-AA level in 1988. According to Liberty Athletic Director Chuck Burch, LU has made inquiries in the past about entering the Yankee Conference. Liberty has also explored gaining membership in the Southern Conference.

Scheduling concerns are the main reason Liberty desires a conference affiliation. As an independent I-AA school, Liberty has had difficulties

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## Senate elects class officers; committees mull future plans

By JULIE COZBY  
Copy Manager

Class officers for the 1996-1997 school year were chosen Thursday Oct. 10 at the Student Government Association's weekly Senate meeting.

Freshmen Sarah Swindell was elected president of her class, defeating D'Arcie Anderson. No one competed for the vice president spot, but Anthony Bonavita, by popular demand, will serve as vice president.

Lisa Abee, the new president of the sophomore class, ran for the position uncontested. Brandon Braunlich, running against Christian Ditumbule, claimed the title of vice president.

Three students vied for the top spot in the Junior class. Joey

Barney was picked over classmates Eric Hemati and Ryan Marshall. Ryan Visco, the only candidate for vice president, will work with Barney.

Finally, senior Matthew MacMichael takes the helm of the graduating class, favored over Winifred Whaley and former class president Jason Mashburn. Raina Lund was elected vice president over opponent William Clark.

This is the first year that the class officers have been elected by the Student Senate. In the past, the entire student body voted on the positions. Also, candidates for this election were drawn solely from the senate, whereas formerly any student could run. The change was designed to narrow candidates and voters to those with a genuine interest in student government, as

the general student body has demonstrated an increasing lack of interest in class elections in recent years.

At the Oct. 3 meeting, those running for a class office gave speeches sharing their goals for their respective class and explaining why they should be elected.

Other issues were discussed at the election day meeting. The academic committee is working on problems with text book sales; suggestions for improvements on the present system include: increasing the number of registers, separating books into different buildings by major or class level, posting signs which inform students on book arrangement and how to buy and sell texts, creating separate lines for buying and selling, submitting a list of required texts to students when they register, posting

arrival dates of late books and installing more flexible store hours.

The communication committee is working on implementing a voice mail system which would allow students to access teachers and a student life Web page that would allow students to find out about current campus events. It is also discussing the possibility of installing Cable in the senior dorms.

The recreation committee is toying with several ideas for semester activities, including a trip to Washington D.C., a rock climbing expedition, a powder-puff football tournament for girls, and a frisbee tourney.

Also mentioned at the meeting, was a fund raiser which will give SGA \$5 for every credit card application filled out by an LU student. Details are still being finalized.



LOOK AT ALL THE CARS — Freshmen will no longer be allowed to park in the lot by the B. R. Lakin Religion Hall.

## Freshmen cars banned from P-1

By TIMOTHY J. GIBBONS  
Editor in Chief

A move to address upperclassmen parking concerns leaves freshmen drivers relegated to the far ends of campus.

A Student Government Association executive order signed by the administration WHEN restricts freshmen cars to parking in "The Pit" (by the senior dorms) and the David's Place lot beginning Oct. 21. Freshmen were previously allowed to also park in P-1, the lot by Religion Hall.

"It's not a cure-all," said SGA President Craig Long. "It's a matter of putting priorities where they should be."

Not letting freshmen park in P-1 should open up more spaces for commuters and upperclassmen, said Long, an on-campus senior. "The people who have been here the longest deserve to not have to hunt for a parking place," he said.

As far as commuters go, "They've got it worse than anyone on campus," the president said. "There's probably nothing so frustrating as arriving here early in the morning and not being able to find a spot."

Seniors and commuters make up 68.7 percent of the 3,170 registered cars at Liberty; the 220 freshmen drivers are 6.9 percent. The policy change was made as the result of an executive order Long sent to the administration in mid-September.

Long handled the matter personally because the Student Senate was not in session yet. "We've been working on this since two or three weeks ago," he said. "This is one of the areas that can be focused on."

Improving the upperclassmen parking situation should help increase alumni contribution, Long hopes. "If you have happy graduates, you'll have money coming back from alumni," he said.

## KDP holds event to help victims

By MATT SWINEHART  
News Editor

Hurricane Fran ripped through Lynchburg last September, damaging homes, trees, and causing flooding. Now Liberty students have an opportunity to help. Kappa Delta Pi will have a walk-a-thon Saturday, Oct. 26 at 7 a.m. inside River Ridge Mall to raise money for the Lynchburg area hurricane and flood victims and KDP.

The walk-a-thon works like this: anyone interested picks up a pledge from KDP (ext. 2226) and begins collecting pledges. Then on Saturday, Oct. 26 at 7 a.m. bring it to River Ridge Mall ready to walk five miles. Two times around the inside of the mall equals one mile.

The idea for the walk-a-thon comes from Isaiah

40:31, "... They shall walk and not faint...". The walk-a-thon is KDP's semester community project. Each semester KDP executes a community service project in order to do two things. First, the project helps the community. Second, the project raises money for KDP to attend an international convention. The next convention will be in St. Louis in Nov. 1997.

"It's a good testimony for Liberty students," said KDP President Matt Rawlings. "It shows we care about our community: We help when things go wrong." Rawlings added that by contributing to the walk-a-thon you are "helping fellow Christians as Christ has commanded."

As stated earlier, half of the money raised will go to the hurricane victims. Of that money, half (a quarter of the overall sum) goes to Lynchburg vic-

tims while the other fourth goes to family victims of Liberty students. "We'll use one fourth of the overall money for LU students and families who have been affected by the hurricane," Rawlings said.

This is the second year in a row that the community service project has been a hurricane relief walk-a-thon. This year's walk-a-thon marshal will be Virginia State Senator Steve Newman. Lynchburg's Mayor James Whitaker was the marshal at last year's walk-a-thon which raised over \$2,000 to help the Lynchburg area flood victims.

Rawlings hopes to see this walk-a-thon raise even more money than last year. Anyone interested in helping KDP and the Lynchburg area flood and hurricane victims should contact KDP at 582-2226 or stop by TE 139 or TE 102.

# Chess club hits campus

By CREIG REIKES  
Champion Reporter

Students who enjoy playing chess and other board games now have the opportunity to do so. Liberty's Chess and Game Club held its first meeting Thursday, Oct. 10 with plans to meet every Thursday at David's Place.

The club involves more than just chess. "The other games give the students another choice," says President Jim Proffit. There is also checkers, Monopoly and backgammon.

The club is also looking into the possibility of adding mini-car racing and paint-ball fighting to their list of activities.

The club is divided into four levels: beginner, novice, average, and advanced. Members will compete against other members in their own experience level.

The club is planning a round

robin chess tournament for Oct. 21-Dec. 8. A tournament is also being planned for the spring semester. Approximately 18 students were involved in the tournament last year.

The club also wants to participate in tournaments against other schools' chess clubs.

The students at the meeting last Thursday were excited about getting a chance to play against others. "I played back when I was younger and I was interested in starting again," said junior Christian Johnson.

The Chess and Game Club plans on having a booth and a demonstration on Club Day during Homecoming Weekend.

There is a \$10 fee to join the Chess and Game Club. The fee covers the cost of a newsletter, admission to the tournaments and any other events planned throughout the year.



Jesse Dean/LIBERTY CHAMPION

**KIAH! TAKE THAT!** Students watch as Contemporary Fighting Methods instructors demonstrate a move.

## Students get kicks from fighting arts club

Guttural sounds and shouts of "kiah!" ushered in the first meeting of the Contemporary Fighting Methods club on Oct. 14, in the Schilling Multi-Purpose Center.

Spectators saw what martial arts is about as instructors demonstrated their skills they could learn.

"We train you to do one thing—fight from any range," instructor Troy Champley said during the demonstration. "We do it using four types of fighting: grappling, Thai-boxing, Filipino art of kali, and Bruce Li's style of martial arts."

After introducing the martial arts being used, Champley turned the forum over to Shannon Campbell, the head instructor of

the club. He narrated as Champley and another instructor demonstrated moves.

There is no threat of serious injury in the club. "If you're ever in pain, or can't breathe, you can be released by just a tap," Champley said as the other instructors showed their areas of expertise.

The beginner club will meet on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9 to 10 p.m., and the advanced club will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 to 10 p.m. "Kickboxing aerobics" class will meet on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 4 to 5 p.m.

— Dan Teets

## Students take stand

By SHAUN CHELGREEN  
Champion Reporter

John Reyes has restarted Students Active Against Abortion, a pro-life organization of Liberty students.

"We're looking for people who have a desire to serve the Lord, people who see the predicament and know that babies are dying," Reyes said, president of SAAA. "We need people willing to stand in the gap for these babies."

An average of 4,300 abortions are performed in America each day. "I cannot sit back after what God has told me to do and let babies die," said Reyes. "God placed a burden on my heart for the children of America that are being slaughtered daily."

One of SAAA's goals is to spread awareness of Lynchburg's Planned Parenthood clinic. "I would like to see SAAA be more active and stage weekly demonstrations outside of

Planned Parenthood," Reyes said.

Reyes said people are needed to go to clinics and show where they stand.

SAAA is built on Proverbs 24:11-12 which says "If thou forbear to deliver them that are drawn unto death, and those that are ready to be slain: if thou sayest, Behold, we knew it not; doth not he that pondereth the heart consider it? and he that keepeth the soul, doth not he know it? and shall not he render to every man according to his work?"

One of the goals of the meeting was to increase student awareness of SAAA. "If we make it aware there is a pro-life presence on campus people will respond," Reyes said.

"God sees every little child that is butchered to death in the womb, that He has ordained and has given a life to. People should feel sick ... the killing of the unborn makes God sick," Reyes said.

# here there

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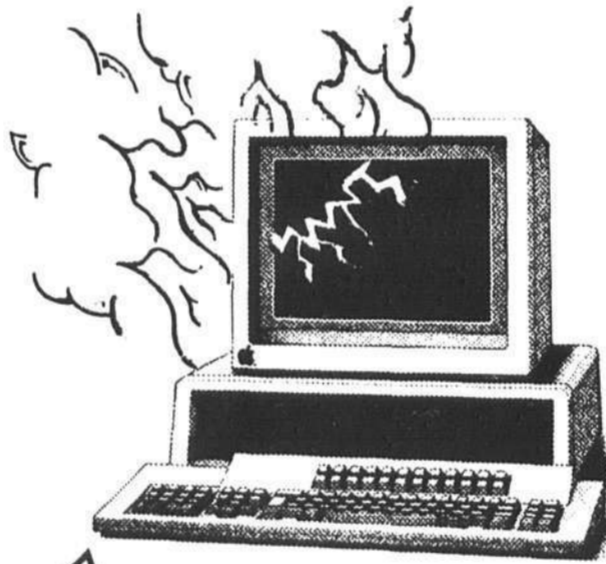
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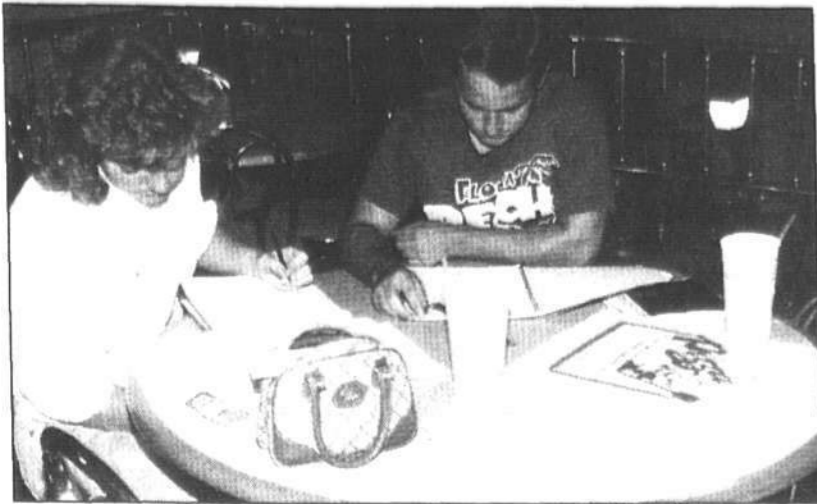
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LET'S EAT — The Substation opened on Monday in David's Place, providing a fresh alternative to the cafeteria.

## Substation eatery opens on campus

By TIMOTHY J. GIBBONS  
Editor in Chief

The competition for on-campus dining dollars has gotten tougher as a new eatery opened its doors in David's Place Monday.

Substation, a pizza and sandwich shop owned by LU student Travis Hundt, opened for business this past Monday. The restaurant is targeted mainly for student customers. It also hopes to bring in business from nearby companies such as Ericsson.

"I've always thought about this as something I could contribute to Liberty," Hundt said.

The concept of Substation began as a project that Hundt worked on in an business class. Before coming to Liberty, Hundt — a math major who might concentrate on finance — worked as a chef at Word of Life and as a manager at a Pizza Hut.

Substation is renting the David's Place location from Liberty; the school is not at all involved in the

operation of the business. In fact, Hundt said, "The biggest problem was getting approval from the administration."

Hundt's initial financial outlay is more than \$15,000. He hopes to recoup that investment by the end of this school year. "My goal isn't to work with this the rest of my life," he said. "My goal is to be more of an entrepreneur."

The eatery will employ five to eight people, mainly students. If he can hire a "competent manager," Hundt said, he plans on stepping back a bit from the day-to-day operation of the Substation.

After establishing the Liberty location, Hundt said he will work on franchising the restaurant to other universities and high schools.

Besides providing service in David's Place, Substation will also offer an on-campus delivery service utilizing golf carts. The store will be open 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. during the week and after church on Sundays.

## 200+ students attend first CFAW

By MATT SWINEHART  
News Editor

Two hundred and seven high school juniors and seniors visited Liberty on Oct. 10 through 13 for this year's first College For a Weekend.

"Approximately 65 percent of all College For a

Weekenders end up attending Liberty," said Vice President of Enrollment Management Jay Spencer.

"The goal of College For a Weekend is to give high school students an opportunity to experience Liberty University in as much of a natural environment as they can," Spencer said. "We're

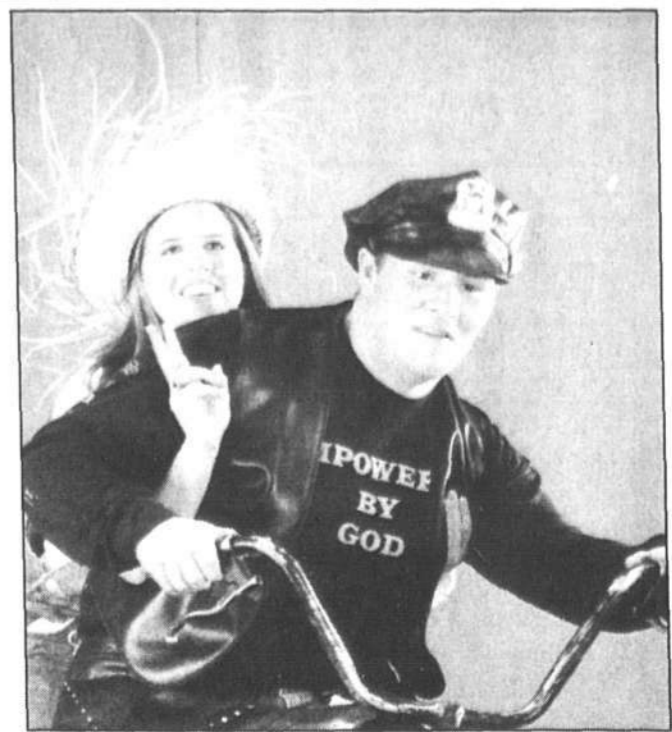
confident that if they experience what we want them to experience, they'll become a student here."

"I really enjoyed visiting Liberty and getting to see the football game," said Matt Marletti, a senior from Ohio.

"My favorite thing about Liberty was that everyone I talked to was so nice," said Alex Simmons, another senior, also from Ohio. "The students at other schools I've visited aren't as friendly."

Finding enough beds for all the weekenders proved to be a problem with this College for a Weekend. There were fewer than 200 empty beds for the Weekend.

"Things got very crowded. We had four people in our room plus a Weekender," said sophomore Dan Datkuliak. "I know that there are rooms with only two and three



LOOK MA, NO HANDS! — Two students ride a motorcycle in a video at Funflicks.

people that didn't have a weekender. I think (CFAW organizers) could have found a way to put a weekender in one of those rooms instead."

"The last thing I want to do is ... make the rooms even tighter than what they are now," Spencer said. "I

don't want to do anything that is going to make it any more difficult on the dorm students."

Spencer said the school is looking for ways to remedy the overcrowding situation for the next scheduled College for a Weekend Nov. 7 through 10.

## Students like flicks

Virtual reality and motion simulation allowed students to create their own videos at David's Place on Saturday, Oct. 12 as Kramer International Inc. brought in five Funflicks units. Over 400 LU students and College For a Weekenders participated in these forms of entertainment.

Funflicks allowed students to make a music video. Students chose a

song, background art and clothing. The performers then chose between lip-synching the lyrics or singing them karaoke-style.

Placing an image of a student's head onto a celebrity's body was another piece of Funflicks technology.

Students and weekenders had fun experimenting with this technology.

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"...Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is Liberty" 2 Corinthians 3:17.

### Marriott closing snafu was poor communication

The line going into the cafeteria was curiously short at 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 6. The normal stream of students entering the glass doors was missing; the crowd clustered around the entrance was sparse.

The reason? The Reber-Thomas Dining Hall shut its door at 5:45 p.m. that Sunday. Not the normal 6:30 closing time. Not even a modified 6 o'clock. The doors were bolted a full 45 minutes earlier than usual.

And there was barely a warning.

The cafeteria's version of the 95 Theses wasn't nailed to the doors until a day or two before. No announcement was made in convocation. No signs were posted in the dorms.

Students who showed up past the unorthodox closing time were politely informed that the school had instructed the cafeteria staff to modify their hours during Super Conference. So sorry, but we can't let you in.

This was a meal for which students who missed out had already paid. By unexpectedly modifying the cafeteria's schedule, the university made their meal-plan investment worthless.

And the students who showed up a few minutes late for supper weren't the only ones inconvenienced. What about the workers manning the Marriott post? Somehow the hardworking individuals in the cafeteria were expected to feed a potential 4,000-plus students in 45 minutes. This, in a cafeteria in which some lines take longer than 45 minutes to get through.

In short, the hours imposed upon the cafeteria were unfair, both to those who must eat there and those who work there. The point, we are sure, was to enable students to attend Super Conference. However, the irritation that resulted was not the best way to lead students into the presence of the Lord.

We would urge the school to reconsider this policy for similar situations in the future. While man may not live by bread alone, it is rather difficult to concentrate on a sermon when our stomachs are gnawing on our backbone.

### Maintenance needs to take care of walkway

One of the first things newcomers hear about Lynchburg is its propensity for copious amounts of precipitation. It gets really wet here sometimes. In fact, the city has even gotten the nickname of "Drenchburg" from some of its residents.

Liberty students in particular are left with especially vivid memories from the rainy seasons at LU; most of these memories are forever preserved in large, orange stains on pant legs and dress shoes.

According to the Deans of Men and Women, there are 2,356 students living on the Circle this semester, and the vast majority of them have to walk over the stone-dust path between Dorm 3 and the Vines Center every day for classes. Unfortunately, during rainstorms the path turns into a run-off ditch, leaving deep gullies and huge, orange-colored puddles for days afterward. Almost no one escapes getting at least a little mud on their clothing.

To make matters worse, the dirt path is often used as a ramp up to the Vines Center by maintenance and security vehicles. This digs trenches in the walk, rolls the beams that contain the stone dust and tracks ugly red dirt stains all over the concrete in front of the Vines. What makes this particular situation perplexing is the fact that a gravel parking lot just a few yards away makes a great ramp up to the Vines. Why is the student walk being used?

The dirt walk and the vehicle traffic on it are creating problems affecting that entire area of campus. Students trying to avoid the muddy walk are forced to go across the wet lawn on either side, soaking clothes and ruining the grass. The trucks are discoloring and breaking the concrete patio, as well.

This fall has been a difficult time for maintenance with the hurricanes and school events. But can't a different system be developed to protect the current walkway or even improve on it?

### Quotes of the week...

"Like a madman who throws firebrands, arrows, and death, is the man who deceives his neighbor and says, 'I was only joking!'"  
Proverbs 26:18-19 (NKJV)

"The man who sees the consistency in things is a wit. The man who sees the inconsistency in things is a humorist."  
G. K. Chesterton



### Civility and Americans: lost cause

I was lost in Memphis. My CD player was out of batteries, the car's heater was going full-blast because my radiator was overheating and the bank clock near the traffic light had just changed from 99 degrees to 100.

I was not comfortable, not cheerful and not in a particularly helpful mood.

The guy in the pickup truck next to me, however, was all of those things. Noticing that my co-pilot and I were engrossed in street maps and road signs, he rolled down his window and asked if we were lost.

When told we indeed were, this elderly gent proceeded to lead us through the heart of Memphis, showing us just where to go.

After long and careful thought about that situation, I've concluded that the man either a) was an angel; b) had just escaped from a mental hospital; or c) was an alien. There is no way he was a normal human being. Normal people just aren't that polite anymore.

America is losing all sense of civility.

This may have seemed obvious before, but two incidents in the last few days have crystallized this epiphany: First, Oriole Roberto Alomar spits on an umpire after the ump makes a debatable call. Then, just a few days later, the classy Bob Dole slips, referring to Bill Clinton as "Bozo."

Now, don't get me wrong. I won't argue with those who believe the president is a clown — although the appellation does kind of irritate the juggling, balloon-animal-tying side of me. And I don't want to get into an argument about what type of punishment Alomar should receive. (As H.L. Mencken once said, "I hate sports as much as a person who loves sports hates logic.")

But look around you — especially on campus, at your fellow college students. How often do they hold the door for someone else or refrain from cutting in line in Marriott?

Even here, in y'all land, nobody seems to care much about courtesy.

As a friend of mine said, the Mason-Dixon line used to be the dam holding back the tides of arrogance sweeping in from the north. Not anymore. A beleaguered fast-food clerk in Dixieland is now just as likely to growl at you as any resident of the Big Apple.

I'm not quite sure who to blame. If I say that radio talk shows contribute to rudeness I'll have dittoheads firebombing my dorm. If I say the veneration of arrogant stereotypes — does the name Dennis Rodman ring a bell — doesn't help, I'll have jocks showing basketballs down my throat.

So maybe I'll settle for the greatest scapegoat: society in general.

Rudeness has become such a part of life that it doesn't really bother us anymore. Dole's Bozo comment was only noteworthy because it was out of character; Dole is from a different time. And Alomar's spitting was all-but-excused by baseball fans; "the umpire was obnoxious too," said one Baltimorean.

And now that I've realized how far civility has declined, I'm beginning to worry. Maybe the guy in the truck really was an alien.

That's all we need: body-snatchers who say "please."



TIMOTHY J. GIBBONS

### Fall Break suggests we need fall rescheduling

Last week was Fall Break and your first release from the strain of school in two months!

Of course, to go home you had to live within a distance appropriate to wallet and time. If you decided to go, you probably ticked off your teachers by leaving a day early, and you only had a couple days at home base anyway. As for the "Break" part of "Fall Break"... After three years I can't remember any vacations I have had without a paper or two due as soon as I got back; how'd you make out?

However, for the couple thousand of you who are first-time students, this was your first chance to go home and you would have had a tough time trying to explain to Mom why you couldn't come.

Plus, you'd been in school for a week or two longer than most college students (the several hundred students in leadership positions came in early August) and you needed a rest.

Not only that, but Thanksgiving Break is only four days long and you are usually hurting for a time-out if you don't take Fall Break off.

Sounds like "Fall (and) Break" to me.

You know, in the early 80s, Fall Break and Thanksgiving were combined into a full week break (nine days, counting the weekend). The students who had to drive for a day to get home and another day to get back had a cool seven days to pretend they still lived in their own house. Sounds good, but it had problems.

First, who wants to take a whole week off, come back for a couple weeks, then go home for a month? Kind of pointless. Also, September to late November seems a painfully long amount of time to go break-less.

So in the early 90s, Thanksgiving was shortened to its current length and students were just given a kind of "reading day" in mid-October, not a real "home" break. But the SGA and faculty senate made a joint recommendation to go to the current system of a longer October break, and the administration agreed.

Which means there are now the repeated complaints about students not getting out until the day before Thanksgiving, not to mention the fact that both fall semester breaks are too short to really justify a long trip home. Also, we seem to start awfully early here at LU. Can anything be done to improve how the semester is set up, short of celebrating the holidays on different days?

What if we cut Fall Break altogether, started school a week later, and took a day or two out of the beginning of Christmas break to put in front of Thanksgiving?

Or how about cannibalizing a few days out of Christmas and lengthening both of the fall semester breaks?

We could even move to the quarter — as opposed to the semester — system like schools such as Georgia Tech, starting late and ending later in the summer months.

Another interesting idea to spice up the semester would be to combine Super Conference and Fall Break. While it wouldn't make our breaks any easier to work around, it would reduce the strain of parking and class scheduling problems during this time of the semester. It would still be a relatively easy matter for the students who wanted to go to the Conference to stay at school during this time.

The SGA proved the student body can have a significant voice in determining semester scheduling. With so many possibilities for improvement in the fall schedule, why don't a few enterprising young senators push for some?

See if you guys can't do it by November, too, because it looks like I'm going to be spending Thanksgiving '96 on the road to New Hampshire.



TOM INKEL

### Be proud of what you look like; we should not be ashamed

If you could change one thing about your physical self what would it be? Would your eyes be a different color? Your nose a little smaller? Maybe your lips a different size. The truth is that most people are just not satisfied with the way they look.

If the Lord gave us an opportunity to change some things about the way we looked, I'm sure most of us would jump at the opportunity.

As a matter of fact, when I was younger I would pray that when I awakened, I would look like someone in my class. When I woke up, I'd run to the mirror and find I still looked like the same person. I would actually get angry with God when I saw nothing had changed.

The Lord finally opened my eyes so I would realize that he created me in His image and only because of that, I'm beautiful. And the same goes for everyone else. We cannot spend our lives trying to look like someone else. True, society has set its standards as to what is beautiful and what is not, but we as Bible-believing folk must use the Word of God as our standard.

The Psalmist says "I am fearfully and wonderfully made; marvelous are thy works..." (Psalm 139:14). We are all the workmanship of the Lord and are therefore marvelous. So what if we don't look like Jada Pinketts or Denzel Washingtons? We are still special because God created us.

Why waste our time worrying about the way we look when it's something we really have no control over anyway. I mean, this doesn't mean just let ourselves go. We can throw a little weave in our hair and put a little make-up on, but other than that, don't even worry about it. Looks are not everything. There are more important things to concentrate on... like personality.

Personality will take us places our looks can't. I've seen some men that were so fine they looked like they had just stepped out of heaven's gates until I got to know them. Then I realized they had just stepped out of you-know-who's gates. Their thug-gish attitudes and poor personalities totally overshadowed their good looks.

I'd rather have a good man who may not be the most handsome man according to society than have a man who looks like Wesley Snipes and acts like a dog. Looks are superficial and are subject to change at anytime.

Life is too short to worry about trying to fit society's definition of beauty and good looks. It is also unfair to judge someone by these standards. Our only standard should be God's Holy Word. We have got to accept the fact the Creator knows more about His creation than we do.

If God's calls us a marvelous work, then who cares what anyone else thinks? I don't care what flaws you have. Because if you are created in God's image, you are beautiful, baby!



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# COMMENTARY

## Congress decadence is inherent

By ALEX MIKHAIL  
Champion Reporter

Most people have traded jokes about a morally decadent Congress; however, it isn't a laughing matter any more.

Government has changed since our forefathers' time. Memories of Watergate, the congressional banking scandal, Iran-Contra and many other situations have given politicians a bad image. There is a percep-

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tion that all politicians are hypocrites just-playing games. Most people believe there is no hope for moral character at the congressional or even presidential level. They end up shrugging and giving up:

how can one morally police the politicians in charge of your country? Unfortunately, these people are right in far too many ways.

For example, one way congress is supposed to regulate itself is through congressional conduct committees. However, these committees usually aren't bi-partisan, creating obvious rivalries. The media and lobbyist are closer to the committee members than the constituents are, a fact which strongly influences the committees' opinions. Most cases laid before them are political footballs that end up becoming major factors in the gridlock and confusion often found on Capitol Hill.

One recent victim of these committees was Newt Gingrich. His guilt concerning the tax-evasion charges is not the only issue that should concern constituents about the situation. The real issue is how the lack of a bi-partisan committee resulted in a vicious battle that hindered the investigation and dirtied congress in the eyes of the public.

Another way of policing congress is by outside watchdog groups. The watchdog groups monitor congress, then alert the public to important issues via multiple forms of media. Their hope is that the voters will in turn deal their own justice at the polls.

However, such factors as the rising number of dedicated career politicians handicaps the voters' response. In Lincoln's time, only two percent of the members of the House of Representatives served more than 12 years. Today more than a third of the members of the house serve at least that long. Most politicians keep permanent residences in Washington as well. Their money, ambition, interests and entire lives are devoted to getting into Congress and staying there. The more respectable, "nice guy" politicians often don't stand a chance.

One obvious way of policing politicians is through the traditional judicial system, prosecuting the politicians immediately and forcefully for the scandal-causing crimes they

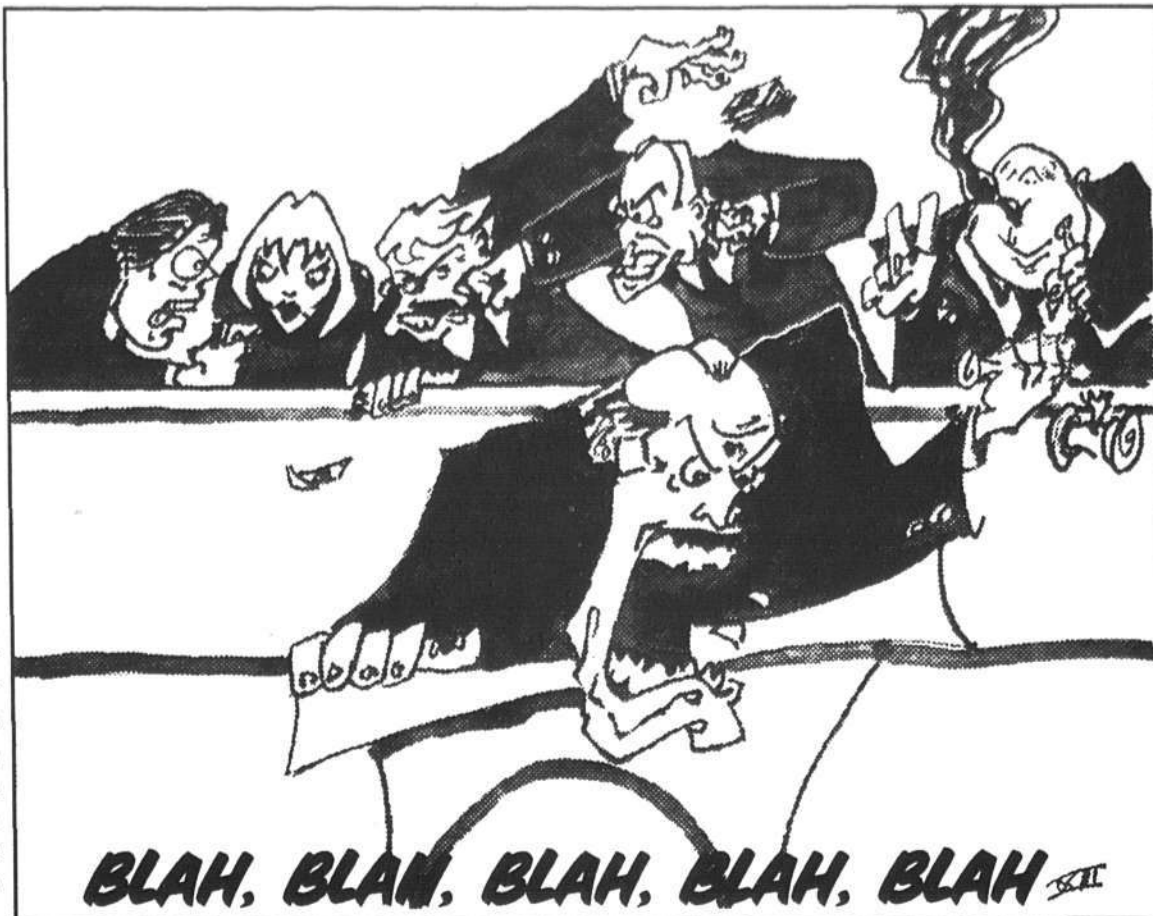
commit (as opposed to the internal committee system they often follow nowadays). But because of their self-insulated position, punishment for these politicians is lenient at best. Politicians are almost never prosecuted, and few cases ever go to trial.

Take, for example, the checking scandal at the congressional bank only a few years ago. Over 200 politicians were implicated, but no real charges were ever given. This issue was highly publicized, yet at election time we voted for these same politicians again.

On the Presidential level, Nixon and Reagan never received any punishment for their betrayals of trust while in the office (i.e., Watergate and the Iran-Contra Scandal). Cases like this create a general conception that politicians are not subject to the same laws.

This current administration would appear to prove the public right again in its lack of respect for the character of politicians. Serious charges of sexual assault have been brought against President Clinton, yet he too seems not to be subject to the common law.

In the middle ages, the Magna Carta was



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signed to signify fair treatment of all men. Our own Declaration of Independence says "all men are created equal." The Bible says all men are subject under the same law and that no one will escape the judgment. So why shouldn't legislators be subject to the same laws as their constituents? The citi-

zens of this country need to go to the polls with discernment and concern for the future, pushing for legislation that holds politicians more accountable. Americans must grab hold of their leaders before the entire country is embarrassed and faith in the government is gone.

## Liberty Forum

### Don't throw stones at those in front lines

Dear Editor,

I felt the need to respond to Tom Inkel's article "Let's refine the pro-life activism on our campus" in the Oct. 1 *Champion*.

I understand that his column is in the "Opinion" section because it is just that, his opinion. The problem arises when that opinion takes cheap shots at an organization who is just doing what they are here to do.

I'm referring to Students Active Against Abortion, our campus pro-life organization. If they were just another "club" then I may be able to understand the criticism a little more; but the fact is that they are not just a club. SAAA is a ministry not only to save unborn children from being brutally murdered, but also to prevent the destruction of the mothers' lives.

Although I appreciate the agreement that "anti-abortion activism is a serious issue," let me be frank: Prayer is a necessity, alternative groups are crucial, and providing foster care is a wonderful ministry. However, what good are all of those suggestions if there is no one to share the options with the women in crisis-pregnancy situations? Also, what better place to find someone contemplating an abortion than at a clinic?

It would be nice if we could flip to the "about to kill my baby" section of the yellow pages, but unfortunately, prevention is just not that easy.

Now, obviously we are not all called to preach and there are many supporting functions that are absolutely imperative to pro-life ministry, but is it really necessary to cast stones at our brethren who fulfill the "front-line" roles of the ministry?

We really are "out of touch" on this campus, but looking the other way (which you could have easily done in DeMoss) is not the solution. Sometimes we need to be faced with the gruesome realities of sin and death to remind us why we vote and stay informed and pray and counsel and support foster families.

The sad truth is that you're right; you shouldn't have to look at the videos or the rock painted black surrounded by gravestones and crosses, because the atrocities should not be taking place against the mothers and children. Unfortunately, sin tends to be ugly, but if the body of Christ is too squeamish to deal with it, who will?

Beth Lee

### Library dean responds

Dear Editor,

I wanted to take a moment to follow up on Mr. Randy King's article "Looking for Books in All the Right Places" in the Sept. 24 issue of *The Champion*, particularly as it relates to the other academic libraries in the Lynchburg area.

First of all, the article did a fine job of summarizing the available resources at each of the libraries. Students in this area are certainly

blessed to have so many resources at each of the libraries. Even the University of Virginia's libraries are within an hour's drive (for the truly committed researcher!).

Second, I wanted to express how grateful I am for the attention that *The Champion* has been devoting to the topic of libraries this semester. Considering that more than 15,000 people each week utilize the LU library, I think it has been very appropriate for *The Champion* to focus more attention on the topic.

Finally, I would like to add just a little more information to that mentioned in Mr. King's article. Our students should be considerate about the times that they choose to access other libraries. On occasion, some of the area libraries have become frustrated by having so many LU students at their facility that it became too crowded for their own students.

I would suggest that, instead of going to another library for materials, students may want to consider having the LU library do an interlibrary loan for the materials they need. The interlibrary loan procedure allows the LU library to request for our students any books or journal articles that aren't available here, but which can be found at other academic libraries.

Interlibrary loans requested from Lynchburg area libraries are usually received here within just a few days. It is a great service that can save students much time and gasoline as they look for books in all the right places!

Thanks!

Dr. David Barnett  
Dean of Library Services

## Assisted suicide is wrong; studies show the dangers

By CHRISTINA LOH  
Champion Reporter

Until recently, the controversy of assisted suicide has rested in the back shelves of the public forums, gingerly handled whenever it chanced to escape and neatly put back in its place. Now the subject has come out with the same ferocity as all the classic controversies: abortion, homosexuality, racism, etc.

Through all the thoughtful arguments, heart wrenching stories and statistics, one truth stands out clear: assisted suicide is wrong, no matter how old, how afflicted, or how depressed a person is.

The first argument that advocates for euthanasia bring up is that people should not be forced to endure the humiliation of living on life support. This cannot be used as a logical argument for the legalization of assisted suicide, however.

Assisted suicide is defined as intentionally committing an act that would lead directly to a person's death. Cutting off a person's life support does not qualify. That person will have died of natural causes.

Aside from that, however, is the question of whether or not people should have to endure uncontrollable pain. But modern medical knowledge and technology has improved so much so that no one

truly has to endure excruciating pain indefinitely.

Separate articles put out by the International Anti-Euthanasia Task Force and the National Right to Life Committee confirm this. A very outspoken opponent of assisted suicide, pain specialist Kathleen Foley from the Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, has said, "It is a well documented fact that those asking for assisted suicide almost always

change their mind once we have their pain under control." However, she does acknowledge, that pain control methods are sadly neglected, either because doctors

don't have time or because certain methods seem too radical, despite solid research. This a problem that needs to be addressed, judging from the importance it could have in the issue of assisted suicide.

A third argument by advocates is that any person should have the right to choose how they will die. People automatically make the assumption that most of those who choose assisted suicide have rationally thought out their decision.

However, a study conducted in 1974 in Britain discovered that 93 percent of their subjects who had committed suicide were mentally ill. Ten years later, a study conducted in St. Louis came up with

virtually the same results.

Herbert Hendin, a world-renowned expert on suicide, said, "When you have a dying or impaired person asking for assistance in their death, it is a cry for help, not for a drug overdose that will kill them. Suicidal ideation and the underlying depression don't last forever, they will lift."

After all the arguments are refuted, opponents still have more to say on the subject. The Rummelink Report, the first study on the affects on allowing assisted suicide in the Netherlands, found that abuses of the law soon became the norm. Already, 1,040 patients have been killed without their consent or knowledge. Of these, 14 percent were competent enough to make the decision on their own. In 468 of these cases, the family was not notified of the doctor's decision to kill the patient.

The issue of assisted suicide has boiled to the forefront of the public arena, bringing up harsh, thought-provoking questions and demanding that they be addressed. There are a number of issues that still need to be resolved.

However, after careful consideration of all the facts available, one can only conclude that assisted suicide is wrong, and that many of the hypothetical arguments made by its advocates are just that: hypothetical. Further, the example of what has happened in the Netherlands should make anyone even more opposed to the suggestion of euthanasia as a humane option for desperate people.

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## SPEAK

## "What is your favorite thing about the Homecoming celebration?"



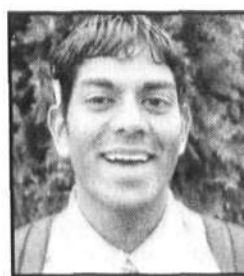
"The Miss Liberty Pageant is very important in establishing traditions at Liberty."

—Jeff Coleman, Jr.  
Pittsburg, Pa.



"My favorite thing is when the homecoming queen gets crowned."

—Christina Robertson, Fr.  
Hampton, Va.



"The celebration shows the school spirit."

—Wendell Seebacham, Soph.  
Atlanta, Ga.



"My favorite thing is Miss Liberty!"

—Yared Mekbeb, Sr.  
Hyattsville, Md.



"I like seeing all the former students come back."

—Troy Taylor, Jr.  
Washington, D.C.



"I enjoy seeing all the alumni coming back and the students taking pride."

—Jay Stevenson, Seminary  
Va. Beach, Va.



"I like the games and all the effort the students put into it."

—Matt Dozier, Soph.  
Va. Beach, Va.



"It's neat to see graduates come back and see how they look after a few years."

—Andrea Muolo, Sr.  
Rochester, N.Y.



KRIS PATTERSON

## Siblings in school together

Going to school with a sibling is not as easy or fun as it sounds. When my brother came to Liberty a year ago, I thought, "Oh, this will be great. We'll see each other all of the time. We'll have good, quality, brother/sister time together." Once again, I was wrong.

First of all, right before the two of us came down to Lynchburg I got a car. I had been in college for three years already and had survived nicely without one, but I was looking forward to having one.

My brother however, was quick to inform me that it was our car. And I was quick to run to Mom and Dad and complain. The matter was quickly solved in my favor.

Nothing's changed from when we were kids. He used to tease me and try to get under my skin, and I used to run and tattle. If it were Mom, we would hear, "Kristin, stop yelling at your brother." If it were Dad, it would be: "Mike, quit teasing your sister." We each knew who to run to.

Anyway, during my first year of college, my Mom used to tell me about how much Mike missed me. And, I have to admit, I missed him too. We grew closer as we got older, and the teasing and yelling had finally stopped. I felt sorry for him, having to "hold up the fort" without me.

It's no fun getting in trouble when there's no one to plot and scheme with.

So I was looking forward to seeing him all of the time and being able to look out for him and set him up with nice girls (which still has not happened).

I think Mom and Dad were a little bit worried about letting him go as this was the time when they were making the big move to Hawaii. My first year of college they were about 18 hours away by car. Now they are about 18 hours away by plane (well, almost). Along with that fact, Mike has always been more of a "homebody," as Mom says, than me. I guess I'm the free spirit of the family.

I realized this when my father came for a visit. He had a conference in Washington, D.C., last October, and on his free weekend he rented a car and came to see us. Dad and Mike did most of the talking this trip. I didn't feel left out, but I *did* realize how much they had been missing each other. When it was time to leave, I hugged Dad and I was fine. When Mike hugged Dad, they both got a little teary and Dad said, "I love you, buddy."

Before they left us in Lynchburg, Mom told me, "Now watch out for him. He's probably going to miss us a lot at first. He might really need to be around you, so be sure to include him in the things you do."

Due to the fact that he's a non-coffee, non-cappuccino, non-anything-with-caffeine-in-it beverage drinker, he didn't fit in with my crowd right away. But I didn't have to worry too much.

I called him the first night and he already had plans to go to lunch with his roommate and the next day he was going hiking with a bunch of guys from his dorm.

I saw him twice in the cafeteria that week. One time he was on his way out, surrounded by a group of new friends. "Yeah, I'm doing fine," he said. "But I can't wait for classes to start." I wondered, at that point, if I should take his temperature. The next time I saw him he was saying, "Boy, the food here is really good. I hope I don't gain a lot of weight." Then I *knew* I should take his temperature.

We did get to see each other occasionally and he fit in at Liberty wonderfully (I mean that in a positive way). On top of that, he only borrowed my car twice all year. In fact, I eventually found myself volunteering it.

He called me one night and asked if I wanted to go out for ice cream and if we could take two of his friends. I was so busy that I said, "Why don't you just take my car?" When I hung up, I realized what a catastrophic thing I had done. I ran around my room pulling my hair out and hysterically screaming, "What have I done?"

Actually, when he came over, I calmly handed him the keys and gave him a Mom line, "Now, don't go over 30, be careful and bring it right back."

It really has been great having him here, but it's not what I expected at all. We'll probably see each other more over Christmas break than we do now — I can't wait.

# Life!

## A TASTE OF THE REAL WORLD

### STUDENTS GAIN EXPERIENCE AND FEND FOR THEMSELVES

By RANDY KING  
Champion Reporter

They were up every morning by 6. When their alarms went off, they hit the floor running. They had smiles on their faces and were talking comfortably with complete strangers by 8:30 a.m.

For 80-plus hours 12 to 13 weeks this summer, they experienced the drama of knocking on strangers' doors and playing the role of the hated door-to-door salesman.

It wasn't easy, they all concede that. However, most of the 50-plus LU students who participated in Thomas Nelson Publishers' Varsity internship say it was well worth the work.

The students were selling Bibles and Basic Knowledge books — a type of condensed encyclopedia — along with various other books. The buyers were mostly families with school-aged children.

The students did not just leave LU last May, grab some books and begin knocking on doors however. They were carefully selected by the Thomas Nelson Co., trained and — as much as possible — prepared for the job they were to do.

Each student was interviewed twice by the leaders of the Varsity Internship program before being selected. They then attended several training seminars in Nashville during the school year.

Soon after finals closed out the school year, they were back in classes again for six days of rigorous training in the Thomas Nelson sales school before heading out to their own selling area.

Since 90 percent of those participating from LU had no previous sales experience, the school was not just helpful, it was necessary.

Even those who had experience in sales said the additional training and tactics were very helpful.

After sales school, everyone dispersed to their "job sites." Most of the LU students were located in Tennessee, with some in Kentucky and a couple in North Carolina and Virginia.

Once in the field, housing was the first priority. Some students found families to

stay with; others found housing through local churches, and some rented apartments.

The workers had only a couple days in which to find housing, which put a lot of pressure on them.

"It was part of the experience which will prove useful in the 'real world,'" said Peter Fenderson, a junior who grappled with the housing problem.

As soon as they could, the interns began knocking on doors and approaching people. Because the program works on a straight commission basis, a student who wasn't selling books wasn't making money.

This was especially trying at the beginning when money was being spent on rent, gas and food.

The intern received a 40 percent commission on each book sold. Because of the large commission rate, a student could do well financially if he or she sold four books a day.

Rejection was experienced frequently, and this affected the morale of the group. "It was a lot harder to deal with at first," said Dan Dawson, a Canadian student who spent the summer in Tennessee. Dawson said that after a while he learned to not take rejection personally.

The students had to keep in mind that it was the product that was being rejected and not themselves.

The students agreed that most people were pretty cordial to them and said they did not find it too hard to approach 20 strangers daily.

According to interns Fenderson and Charity Brown, the girls in the group seemed to have an easier time getting into the houses. Most of the people the interns came into contact with were housewives who may have felt threatened by the male interns.

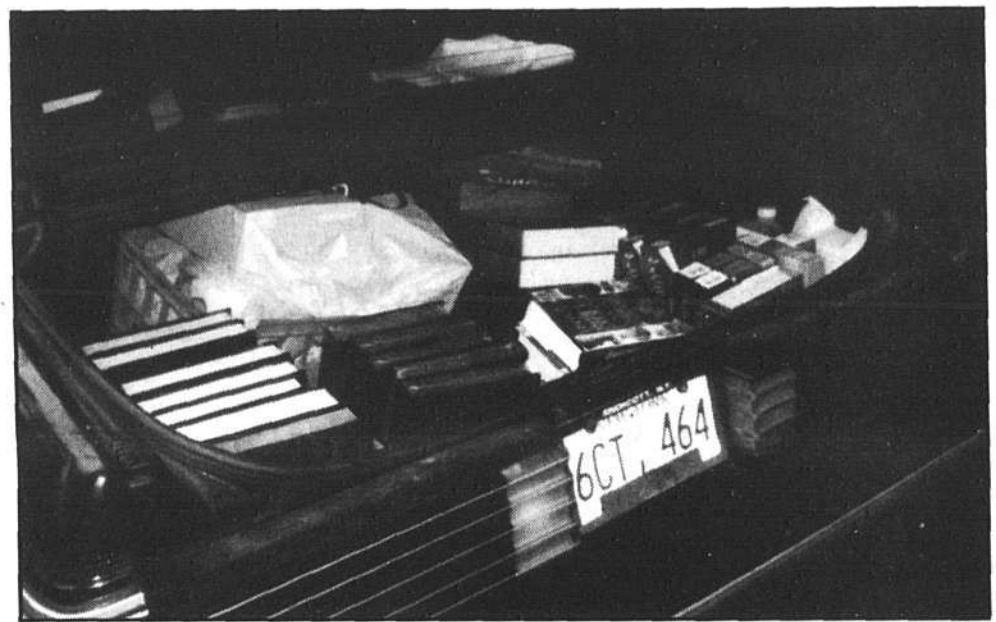
Brown said that she had to sell her image before getting in the door; once she was inside the house, she could try to sell the books.

She said that she learned a lot about her-



photos courtesy of Charity Brown

**NOT ANOTHER CLASS!** — Sales school for the Thomas Nelson internship gave some helpful hints to students just starting (above). Look at that pile of books. This is what an intern's typical trunk looked like during the summer.



self because of this and felt it was a part of what made the internship such a valuable experience for her.

Not all the students came back rich; some even lost money. But the general consensus was that the experience they gained was invaluable.

Many of those who did not do well

learned from their mistakes and are going to try again next summer.

"It's not really the money, it's the experience and the friends that matter," Brown said.

Manager Eric Hemati said of the program, "It gives students a taste of the real world before they step into it."

## St. James offers clear alternative

This week's CD comes from teenaged Australian artist Rebecca St. James. Her previous hits have included "Everything I Do" and "Side By Side" from her self-titled first CD and her remake of "Sweet Song of Salvation" from the Larry Norman tribute CD "One Way." Her latest project for ForeFront, "God," comes under scrutiny this week. Overall I would say it's a buy, but read on . . .

The title cut was the first released for radio airplay. The album's instrumental introduction reminds me of Iona's style, opening softly with beautiful Irish flutes and light percussion. Then St. James comes in, pointing out the beauty of God's created world and asking the question, "What is man that He's mindful of us . . . What am I that He loves me so much He would die?"

The tempo gradually increases with these questions until she crashes in with an upsurge of guitars and drums and the answer, "All that I can say is . . . It's GOD, truly GOD. . . . I can't explain any other way 'cause it's GOD." Through the rest of the song she weaves segments of this exploding energy with echoed voice-overs and lighter clips reminiscent of the gentle beginning.

This one song defines the subject of the whole album.

While the lyrics of some Christian albums are barely discernable from those of secular works, Rebecca St. James makes it clear, in every song on this record, that she sings for the Lord. Next to each song on the album insert she includes a verse of Scripture and a personal note describing how the idea for the song came to her.

Rebecca St. James presents the perfect Christian alternative to popular modern sounds from secular artists such as Alanis Morissette or Sheryl Crow, without any negativity. She projects that attractive, edgy voice tone with great ranges of lows

and highs, yet she avoids the harsh screechiness of some of Alanis' songs. "You're the Voice" illustrates this perfectly. In that song, her band could compete with any modern secular band . . . and thrash them.

The next song, "You then Me" brings to mind a milder sound. It encourages us to put others before ourselves like Jesus would tell us to do.

As in "God," St. James makes use of some cool echo-muffled effects, but I really don't like this song as much as the first two. It gets repetitive, and the ending kind of leaves one hanging.

Repetition seems to be the main weakness of this album. "Speak to Me," for example, presents a beautiful message in a mellow, flowing manner, but each line is slightly altered and repeated. In this respect, this whisper set to music reminds me of Crystal Lewis' "People Get Ready."

"Abba (Father)" is a slow alternative song with an adult contemporary emphasis. It's a good strategy for getting played on more radio stations, but I wouldn't buy the single. Its one interesting and innovative point comes in the whispered final verse with violin background mixed with drums and some guitar at the very end.

For those who buy tapes instead of CDs, you'll start side two with "Me Without You." This song incorporates some great harmonic and drum combinations and it adds an almost-country lyrical twist to an overall rock sound.

Besides St. James' extraordinary voice,

the key strength of this whole album has to be its incredibly creative and versatile groupings of instruments. It puts together some unlikely combinations and pulls them off with great success. If you're interested in that type of instrumental derring, read no more — buy the album.

Casual is the one word that comes to mind in describing "That's What Matters." I can easily picture St. James crooning this song down at some local coffee shop. It casts a new light upon a message that Generation Xers have heard regurgitated more times than we care to count — namely, the meaninglessness of the world.

However, St. James overcomes the typical gloom with the chorus:

*Don't wish for a better day.*

*Be glad and use the one you're in.*

*Fear God and do exactly what He says.*

*That's what matters.*

*Everything else fades like flowers.*

This message comes across in simple vocals that correspond with an uncomplicated accompaniment in a tone that matches that employed by many depressing alternative singers today.

"Carry Me High" comes in with bongo drums complemented by a classy orchestral backdrop. Then St. James enters with a semi-vamp tone and a very catchy rhythm that waves and flows into that cool echo-muffle effect again.

We lose the bongos, and the regular drums appear along with the orchestra behind a beautifully melodious "la, la, la" choir headed up by St. James herself.

Then the song surprised me with the voice

of a child who hasn't quite mastered his r's and w's saying, "Until you find something worth dying for, You're not really living." St. James loses any trace of the vampy sound in favor of a clear, inspirational tone and ends the song in a whisper.

"Carry Me High" expresses the message that, no matter what anyone else says or thinks, this person wants to be with the Father and will never bow to anything else. Musically, this song is one of my favorites. Lyrically, its clear-cut challenges, impress me coming from a teenager.

The desperation written into "A Cold Heart Turns" plays upon the listener's emotions with the words of the chorus, "He's calling loud and clearly. He's saying 'Won't you hear Me? We see Him everywhere, And still we roll on by.'" It's more of a poem with acoustic accompaniment than a conventional song. It begins with an acoustic guitar alternating with some violin behind her voice.

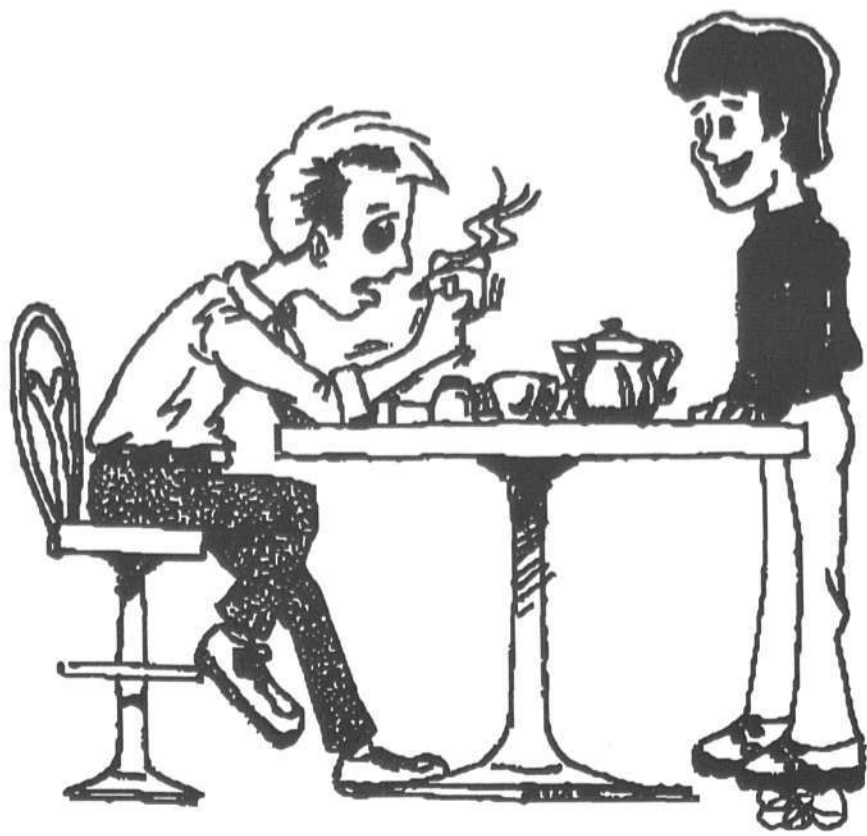
Of the three songs released from "God" so far, the final cut "Go and Sin No More" is undoubtedly one of the best. Again, St. James alternates between soft melody and sudden energy, mixing a variety of instruments for moments of striking, unusual sound.

She chose for the title Jesus' words from John 8:11. In the insert, she says that they are "Challenging words that 'hit me over the head' when I read them in the Bible one day. A few weeks later at the studio, I basically just started singing the melody and the words. It was you know Who."

Throughout this record, Rebecca St. James makes it crystal clear Who she sings about, and she does it ingeniously with the use of a strong, versatile voice and a variety of instruments. Before you donate another paycheck to Alanis or Sheryl, give Rebecca a try.

## Sound Slant by Wendy Warburton

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-  Coffee was first eaten as food: The berries were mixed with fat and rolled into balls to carry on long journeys.
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2. You jam a fork into the waiter's hand when he tries to switch your regular coffee with Folger's Crystals.
1. You're up to four heart attacks a day.

David Letterman's Top Ten List



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ANYTHING BUT DROWSY — Popular hang out spot for LU students, the new Poet is close to campus and offers a good coffee selection.

By SHELLY HETLER  
Champion Reporter

Need a caffeine boost? Need to get away for a while? Day after day we deal with the stress of classes, assignments and people. The hours of studying seem endless, and we all need to escape at times.

For many students, the atmosphere of a coffee shop provides this needed refuge. Some of the shops around town that have a pleasant atmosphere are: Percival's Isle, The Drowsy Poet, Cafe Tavanis and the Espresso Cafe.

One of the more popular spots for Liberty students is the Drowsy Poet, which is located in the Candler's Mountain Shopping Center. As Shannon Hutchison, a senior at Liberty, put it, "...the atmosphere and cafe con caramel are not the same anywhere else."

This cozy shop provides students with a comfortable environment in which to study and socialize. Scott Jones, an employee of the shop, states, "The shop is comfortable because it's smaller than other shops." The owners Steve and Karen Wagner see their business as a type of ministry to college students. The small tables, dim lighting and soft music makes one feel at home, as do the available card and board games.

Beverages include flavored hot chocolates, herbal tea, milkshakes and the Poet's new French Press coffee — a bold, robust coffee for the true coffee drinker. They also have cookies and muffins to go along with their beverages. One new addition is a lunch menu served from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., which includes soups, sandwiches and salads.

For students who have a vehicle and are able to venture further from campus, Percival's Isle is a charming place to hide away.

Located on Main Street in a building which dates back to about 1815, this shop is tastefully decorated with historical elements, including an 1880 piano.

It offers more of a French cafe-type atmosphere at its downtown location. Live music is provided by local bands and well-known artists. Student Eric Spain said, "There is no question about it, the entertainment and atmosphere are the best in town."

The statement on the menu, "Internet and events cafe," tell of the extra services provided for customers. A computer is available for internet access and a large blackboard which advertises events in Lynchburg runs along one wall of the shop.

Percival's Isle offers a wide variety of food and drinks. Their breakfast menu, served until 11 a.m., includes pastries, omelets, eggs and delicious waffles made with club soda (an old family recipe). The lunch menu offers sandwiches, gourmet pizza, soups and salads. Exotic desserts are also available as well as many types of coffee.

Owned by Liberty University graduate, Ron Perozi, Tavanis is located on Rivermont right next to T.C. Trotters. This shop is one of the longest running coffee shops in town.

Perozi started in the coffee business by selling coffee and coffee making machinery imported from Italy. Then he decided to open his own coffee shop.

All the coffee served in his shop, as well as the machinery used to make the coffee, is imported from Italy. This Italian atmosphere is reflected in the mural of Venice which covers much of one wall. This small shop offers a friendly, relaxed atmosphere and is frequented by students and Lynchburg locals. Tavanis occasionally offers live concerts.

Of all the shops in town, I would say that this shop has the most variety. It offers several types of espresso, cafe American, iced drinks and non-espresso.

A new shop, V & T Coffee House will also be opening sometime soon. It will be located in the Graves Mill Shopping Center.

Finally, we cannot forget our own Espresso Cafe located in DeMoss Atrium. This shop offers a convenient way to obtain a delicious cup of coffee, whether it is a quick stop between classes, an early morning eye opener or a late-night study boost. The shop also provides bagels, cookies and scones to go along with your drink.

Daily specials are posted on a blackboard which sits in front of the stand. When looking for a quick lunch, the "light fare" menu can provide sandwiches, salads, quiche and soups.

Each shop's atmosphere creates its own personality. So, when you need to get away for a while, visit one of these quaint cafes and pick up a cup of joe.



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LET'S TAKE A COFFEE BREAK! — Students relax and sip coffee in the cozy atmosphere at Percival's Isle.

## Coffee de Jour

### Cafe Mexicano

Whip 1/4 cup heavy cream with 1/4 tsp. cinnamon, 1/4 tsp. nutmeg and 1 tbsp. sugar. Put 1 tsp. chocolate sauce into the bottom of four demitasse cups, add 1/2 tsp. cinnamon to the coffee. Pour into cups and stir the syrup. Now spoon on the whipped cream.



### Cafe Mocha

Mix 1 oz. chocolate syrup and 1 shot espresso. Fill the remainder of the cup with foamed milk and top with whipped cream and chocolate sprinkles.



### Coffee cake float

2/3 cup cream, 2 1/2 cups strong sweetened coffee, 4 scoops coffee ice cream, 1 bottle coke. Stir cream into coffee, fill 4 glasses 1/2 full, add scoop of ice cream to each and top with coke.



### Thai Iced Coffee

Make some extra strong coffee with 6 to 8 tbsp. French roast and 1/2 cup boiling water, then mix 2 tsp sweetened condensed milk and pour over ice.



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# Retrievers down v-ball

By **KERRY RODRIGUEZ**  
Champion Reporter

Despite a strong effort, the volleyball team did not have enough ammunition to shoot down UMBC on Friday in front of an excited home crowd. Liberty fell to the Retrievers in five games; 6-15, 15-6, 10-15, 16-14, 15-13.

LU (16-6 overall, 3-3 Big South Conference) came out strong, but fell to the first place Retrievers (17-4, 5-1).

In the first game, Liberty's strength was its strong net plays

and power on quick sets. UMBC found themselves down 10-4 in the first game. Liberty capped off the opening game win when Atonia Akpama and Athena Sherwood blocked a spike for the final point of the game.

The two teams split games two and three. In game four, the action picked up and the UMBC took control of the match, racing out to an early 6-0 lead.

Leanna Miller began an LU comeback with a kill from the back row. Following Miller's lead, strong kills, huge blocks, smart placement on serves and

net plays paved the way for a Flames comeback, and Liberty tied the game at 9. The game continued back and forth with power plays and net strength. At 12-13, Sherwood put down the first ace of the game, to tie the score at 13.

To capture the lead, setter Ashley Fletcher made a huge fake at the net, leaving UMBC stunned and down 14-13, however the Lady Flames could not hold the lead, and the Lady Retrievers won 16-14.

Liberty lost the final game 13-15 in rally point play.



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**FOR KICKS — Jerri Lucido dribbles in LU's 2-0 loss.**

# UNCA offense too much for Lady Flames soccer

By **LAURELEI MILLER**  
Champion Reporter

Despite an impressive performance by the LU defensive unit, UNC Asheville's Bulldogs struck the net twice, making Liberty's offense invisible in the women's soccer team's 2-0 conference loss Saturday, Oct. 12.

A deflection off of an LU defender bounced through the posts to chalk up Asheville's first goal 65 minutes into the match. The insurance goal hugged the ground as it snuck by Flames goalie Shannon Hutchison 11 minutes later.

"It was too bad that this was a loss, but we really played hard and (UNCA) is the second-

best team in the league," defender Kara Crosby said. "We've really stepped up our game. It was unfortunate that the score didn't reflect that."

"I think we've played two good games all year," Coach Ken Perkins said, "and we've lost both of them...we hate to lose, but as far as losing goes, this was a good loss."

The Flames have established themselves as a defensive team, but are missing an important piece of the puzzle — offense. UNCA booted 24 shots while Liberty managed only one.

"A team's gonna take shot, shot, shot, and once in a while one's going to get through," junior Jerri Lucido said.

# San Fransisco to knock off Houston; Indianapolis to wipe out Washington

By **JOSH HOWE**  
Champion Reporter

**San Francisco at Houston:** The Oilers are opening eyes in the Central. San Francisco boasts a potent passing game and a stingy defense this season. *49ers by 14.*

**Tampa Bay at Green Bay:** Another mop up job for the Pack. *Packers by 20.*

**Carolina at Philadelphia:** At home

the Panthers are the favorite, but it has been a different story for them in the other guys' building. The advantage of Veterans Stadium coupled with one of the top ranked offenses in the league will lift the Eagles. *Eagles by 7.*

**Indianapolis at Washington:** The Redskins defense has been suspect this season. It can't be against Indy if the Skins hope to win the game. Jim Harbaugh leads the Colt offense that will hurt foes with either the run or the

pass. *Colts by 8.*

**Jacksonville at Cincinnati:** Marc Brunell and Co. have been lighting up opposing secondaries this season. That sets the stage for a shootout. *Jaguars by 3.*

**N.Y. Giants at Detroit:** The Lions are ready to pounce, with one of the most explosive passing games in the NFC. And let's not forget Barry Sanders, the best running back in the league. *Lions by 10.*

**N.Y. Jets at Arizona:** What a sorry match-up. The only thing on the line in this one is the first pick in the 1997 draft. *Cardinals by 5.*

**Pittsburgh at Atlanta:** Just another stop on the line for Pittsburgh as they tune up for the AFC playoffs. *Steelers by 13.*

**San Diego at Seattle:** Is John Friesz the answer for the Seahawks? Junior Seau and company must have the win to remain in the division title

race. *Chargers by 7.*

**St. Louis at Baltimore:** The Rams have nothing going for them. Baltimore has played tough, but never can get over the hump. This is its chance. *Ravens by 6.*

**Kansas City at Denver:** The Broncos are out for payback! After losing in the final two minutes in the first meeting, Denver has proven the AFC West is theirs to win. *Broncos by 5.*

**Dallas at Miami:** The pre-season

hype has been deflated with the absence of Marino. Bad news for Jimmy Johnson, as he tries to show up his former team. *Cowboys by 10.*

**Buffalo at New England:** The Patriots' offense is in stride, but will run into a brick wall. *Bills by 4.*

**Chicago at Minnesota (Monday Night):** Injuries have crippled the Bears, while the Vikings have surprisingly become contenders for the division title. *Vikings by 8.*

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# The Scoreboard

## Box Scores

### Football

Hofstra 29, Liberty 20  
 Hofstra 7 0 7 15 29  
 Liberty 7 0 7 6 20

### First Quarter

LU—Nobles 1 run (Harrelson kick) 11:08  
 HU—Michael 4 run (Ettinger kick) 2:09

### Third Quarter

LU—McFadden 4 run, (Harrelson kick) 9:21  
 HU—Kish 8 pass from Carmazzi (Ettinger kick) 6:04

### Fourth Quarter

HU—Carmazzi 9 run (kick failed) 14:55  
 HU—Schulters 43 interception return (Carmazzi pass failed) 14:29  
 HU—Ettinger 35 field goal 6:59  
 LU—Freeman 42 pass from Anderson (Anderson pass failed) 5:58  
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	HU	LU
First downs	17	22
Rushes-yards	43-221	40-147
Passing yards	81	245
Return yards	62	26
Comp-Att	9-22	22-41
Sacked-yards lost	1-5	1-9
Punts	4-179	5-127
Fumbles-lost	1-0	1-1
Penalties-yards	10-72	11-89
3rd down conv.	6-12	5-19
4th down conv.	0-0	2-3
Time of poss	30:32	29:28

### Individual Statistics

**RUSHING**—Hofstra; Que 20-80, Carmazzi 8-72, Sanders 6-28, Asselta 4-22, Michael 2-11, Jones 3-8. Liberty; McFadden 15-84, Nobles 18-59, Slade 4-8, Anderson 3-minus 4.  
**PASSING**—Hofstra; Asselta 6-13-2

60, Carmazzi 3-9-1 21. Liberty, Anderson 22-41-1 245.  
**RECEIVING**—Hofstra; McKelvin 3-35, Kish 3-21, Micheal 2-27, Que 1-minus 2. Liberty; McFadden 6-41, Freeman 5-116, Slade 4-28, Covington 3-24, Galmon 2-21, Johnson 1-9, Foy 1-6.  
**MISSED FIELD GOALS**—Hofstra; none. Liberty (2) Harrelson 39, 45.

6. German Helmets (4-2) 6  
 7. D. B. Platypuses (4-2) —  
 8. Diecl (4-2) 10  
 9. 5th Ward (3-2) —  
 10. Beavers (2-2) 8  
*dropped out: Teutonic Knights and Phil's Thrills.*

### Basketball poll as of Oct. 14

1. Regulators
  2. Arby's
  3. The Legends
  4. The Hole
  5. Brad's Doughboys
  6. Tombstone
  7. Seawolves
  8. 7-Up
  9. Milk Chocolate
  10. Run-N-Shoot
- The top 10 lists are compiled by the Intramural Sports office, and is determined by record and strength

## Schedules

### LU Club Hockey Schedule

Nov. 1 vs. North Carolina in Roanoke, 10:30 p.m.  
 Nov. 2 vs. To Be Announced in Roanoke, 10:45  
 Nov. 5 vs. Virginia Tech in Roanoke, 8:00 p.m.  
 Nov. 10 vs. Virginia Commonwealth University in Roanoke, 8:00 p.m.  
 Nov. 16 at Duke University in Durham, N.C. 10:15 p.m.  
 Nov. 17 at North Carolina State in Raleigh, 1:30 p.m.  
 Dec. 7 at University of Virginia in Charlottesville, 9:45 p.m.  
 Jan. 25 vs. Hampton University in Charlottesville, 11:30 p.m.  
 Feb. 7 vs. Duke University in Roanoke, 10:15  
 Feb. 9 vs. Virginia Tech at Roanoke Civic Center, 10:30 p.m.  
 Feb. 15 vs. William & Mary at Roanoke Civic Center, 10:15

## This Week

### TUESDAY

Volleyball at Radford (Big South match), 7:00 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY

Women's Soccer at UNC Greensboro (Big South match) 7:00 p.m.

### FRIDAY

Volleyball at UMBC (Big South match), 7:00 p.m.

### SATURDAY

Football vs. Charleston Southern, 1:30 p.m. (Homecoming)  
 Men's Soccer Lincoln Memorial, 11:00 a.m. (Homecoming)  
 Softball vs. Virginia Tech, 9:00 a.m.  
**MONDAY**  
 Golf at Old Dominion Tournament, at Seascape Country Club, N.C.

## IMS Top 10

### Football poll as of Oct. 14

Team	Last week
1. Belcher Boys (6-0)	1
2. Chilly Pheesesteaks (4-0)	2
3. White Lightning (5-0)	3
4. Son's of Liberty (6-0)	4
5. Primal Rage (4-2)	5

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## Vines Center to receive facelift

### New playing surface to be installed before basketball teams tipoff season

By RICH MACLONE  
Sports Editor

Tropical Storm Fran left Lynchburg long ago, but the Liberty athletics department is still cleaning up.

The tropical storm did severe damage to the basketball floor at the Vines Center. Water entered the building and collected on the playing surface.

Originally it was hoped that the surface could be sanded down and salvaged. After examination, it was discovered that the damage was too severe to fix.

The water damage has forced the LU athletics department to replace the floor. Demolition of the old floor began last week.

The R.L. Dresser Company will begin installation of the new playing surface as soon as the old floor is out. In the meantime, the men's basketball, women's basketball, and volleyball teams will split practice time in the Schilling Multi-Purpose Center. The teams will also share the building with the Intramural sports department.

"I'm sure (the coaches) will be able to sit down and work things out so that everyone is happy (with playing time)," LU Athletics Director

Chuck Burch said.

The volleyball team will play three matches at the Multi-Purpose facility on Oct. 29, Nov. 1 and Nov. 2. Following those games, the team will play the remainder of the season on the road. The Big South volleyball tournament will be played Nov. 15-16 at UMBC.

The men's and women's basketball teams are exploring the possibilities of practicing on off-campus courts.

"Our first basketball game is on Nov. 22, so our target date is to have (the floor) done a few days before that," Burch said. "That way the team's can practice on the new floor."

Burch said that the new surface will cost some-



Burch

where in the "mid \$50,000" range. The Vines Center insurance policy will cover part of the bill with Liberty paying for the remainder of the charges.

In order to play volleyball in the Multi-Purpose building, the athletic department has borrowed a portable wood floor from the Salem Civic Center. The wood floor was to be delivered on Oct. 16. The use of the floor will cost LU \$3,000.

Harris Trucking Company offered to deliver the floor to Liberty free of cost. According to Burch, funds for the use of the playing surface are being obtained through the Liberty University Athletic Association.

The men's basketball team is scheduled to open at the Vines Center on Nov. 22 against Florida International. The women's team's first contest is Nov. 23 versus Bluefield.



RICH MACLONE

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If only Major League Baseball would place such an advertisement. Perhaps, the beleaguered game would be able to pick itself up off the diamond and lick the wounds it has suffered ever since the strike of 1994.

Baseball needs a commissioner like a five-year-old needs a parent. The players are constantly pulling sophomore and immature stunts that go unpunished or are poorly dealt with.

**Why?** Because the man who sits in the commissioner chair, interim commissioner Bud Selig, has a backbone made of petroleum jelly. Selig has consistently blown opportunities to take the bull by the horns and show that he is in charge of the game.

Instead of showing that he is indeed driving the bus that is baseball, he has shown that he is nothing more than an empty suit sitting in a cushy office with the bus on cruise control, headed into a bottomless gorge. Selig running the show truly is the looniest lunatic running the asylum.

Only a true commissioner, with the power to make real decisions can lead baseball into the next millennium. Selig, the owner of the Milwaukee Brewers, sees only one side of any problem that faces the game — ownership's side. It is like having a University of North Carolina alumnus referee a basketball game between the Tarheels and Duke.

If there were a real commissioner, baseball may have been able to escape the Roberto Alomar spinning situation without saliva running down its face. MLB instead teetered in leveling a suspension, and baseball almost did not have umpires throughout the playoffs.

The whole scenario was embarrassing. Alomar did the unthinkable; he spit in the face of the man who keeps the game unchaotic and the baseball fan. Alomar, in essence, was saying with his lougie that a player is bigger than the game.

A real commissioner would have been able to take care of the fiasco, and baseball could have moved into the playoffs without problems. But instead, the indecision shown by Selig allowed the Alomar situation to balloon into an international controversy worthy of the London Tabloids.

Not only has Selig not dealt with this problem, he has also dropped the ball on countless other baseball issues. For instance, the Albert Belle rap sheet has grown longer and longer without discipline under the Selig regime.

Belle has tackled a second baseman, thrown balls at photographers and fans, and caused countless other debacles with no discipline stronger than a three day vacation.

Baseball needs a commissioner like a batter needs a bat. If you think you are up to the job, please apply. If not, stay on the sidelines where you are doing as much good as Bud Selig.



GOOD TIMES? — Courtney Freeman (No. 4) is lifted by his teammates after a fourth quarter 42-yard touchdown reception. Despite Freeman's effort, Liberty lost 29-20 to Hofstra.

## Freeman flies in Flames victory

By BEN DONAHUE and RICH MACLONE

A late offensive outburst in the fourth quarter coupled with their finest defensive effort of the season lifted the LU Flames to a 23-14 win Saturday at Western Kentucky.

Fourth quarter touchdowns by Courtney Freeman and Stacey Nobles and a field goal by Phillip Harrelson propelled the Flames (2-5) to their second win of the season, and sent the Hilltoppers (4-4) to their fourth consecutive defeat.

Freeman hauled in a pass from Ben Anderson at midfield and went the rest of the way on his own for a 67-yard touchdown to start off the fourth quarter and give LU a 14-7 lead. Freeman had his second consecutive strong game. The wide receiver caught 12 passes for 186 yards.

"I know that I have had an up and down season," Freeman said. "But tonight I was able to step up and get the job done. I'm glad I was able to help the team."

WKU answered the touchdown by returning the ensuing kickoff all the way to Liberty's 14-yard line. Three plays later the Hilltoppers ran the ball in from one-yard out to tie the game.

Nobles put the Flames ahead for good on the Flames next possession. Nobles, who carried the ball 18 times for 39 yards, punched the ball in for the lead from the WKU one-yard line. Harrelson missed the

point after attempt but hit a field goal with 1:45 remaining to top off the scoring.

Liberty's defense controlled the line of scrimmage throughout the game. The Flames defensive unit held the Hilltoppers, ranked in the top five nationally in rushing yards per game, to 150 yards on the ground. WKU's passing attack was also held in check as the "Toppers mustered only 80 yards through the air.

Last week missed opportunities and mistakes cost the Flames victory, as they lost 29-20 to Hofstra on Oct. 12. Harrelson missed two short field goals and LU had a touchdown called back, on a penalty in the fourth quarter, as the team dropped its record to 1-5 for the season.

With 5:58 remaining in the fourth quarter, the Flames scored on a 42-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Anderson to Freeman cutting the Dutchmen lead to nine. LU Head Coach Sam Rutigliano elected to go for a two point conversion, hoping to have a chance for victory in the final minutes.

However, Anderson, under a heavy Dutchmen rush, threw off balance and the pass to receiver Ben Johnson fell short. That proved to be the final score, as a holding penalty cost the Flames a touchdown catch by Peter Foy with just over two minutes to play.

The Flames return home on Oct. 26 to take on Charleston Southern during Homecoming weekend.

## McFarlin goal tops 'Toppers

By JENNA CARTWELL  
Champion Reporter

In an evenly matched game offensively, the Liberty men's soccer team was able to come away with a 2-1 victory at Western Kentucky Saturday evening, improving its record to 7-4. The win was career No. 150 for LU Head Coach Bill Bell.

After allowing an early goal in the first minute of the game, the Flames were able to strike back immediately to tie the game eight minutes later.

The Flames were led offensively by Troy McLean, who landed four shots on goal and Mike Rohrer, who had two shots.

McLean scored the tying goal, LU's first, on a header. LU's next goal was not to be scored until overtime, 96 minutes later.

The winning goal was scored by Josh McFarlin and assisted by Rohrer.

The defense was successful for the Flames, as the Hilltoppers ended the game with only 14 shots. Joe Larson, despite the early goal, finished with three saves.

The Hilltoppers played a physical game. Two of their players were issued yellow cards in overtime, and they committed a total of 18 fouls. The Flames were cited 11 times.

Flames' freshman Casey Fuller said that if the team continued to play the way they

have been, they should win both games of their weekend contests.

On Friday, however, those hopes were spoiled, as the team travelled to Nashville, and were defeated by Vanderbilt 5-2.

After being shut down for the first 80 minutes by the Commodore defense and goalie Greg LaPorte, the Flames finally got on the board with a goal by Ryan Trumbo. Trumbo was assisted by Kian Brownlee and Josh McFarlin.

Five minutes later, Mike Rohrer, who was set up by Troy McLean, was able to narrow the lead to three goals.

Liberty finished with six shots on goal, and Vanderbilt had 14.

## Handy dogs Wolfpack

By JENNA CARTWELL  
Champion Reporter

Kirk Handy exploded for four goals to propel the LU hockey team to an 8-2 victory over the North Carolina State Wolfpack Saturday night Oct. 12.

Handy, along with team captain Steve Clark were combined for five goals. Not even a minute into the second period, Handy had already scored a hat trick to give the Flames (2-1) a commanding 4-0 lead.

"I thought this was a good team effort tonight," Handy stated. "We played defensively first, but were able to come up with a big offensive game at the same time."

Goalie Corey Walyuchow was not tested much by the Wolfpack (1-1), but was able to come up with some big saves when necessary. Walyuchow finished the game with 13 saves.

"The defense was very successful in keeping the puck away from the net," Walyuchow said. "We played a solid defensive game tonight."

Walyuchow also commented on the success of the team's two-way style of play, which refers to the forwards coming back and helping out the defense. He feels that this style prevented the Wolfpack from having many scoring opportunities.

As the end of the game drew near, the Wolfpack started to get physical with the Flames. Two NC State players received 10 minute game-misconducts, and one was ejected from the game for roughing. Despite this chippy playing, the Flames stayed focused, and held on to their wide lead.

Head Coach, Corrado Puglisi was extremely pleased with the outcome of the game.

"I felt that the guys were very disciplined and very focused," Puglisi stated. "Everyone played hard and stayed in their zone."

LU's next game is Nov. 1 at the Roanoke Civic Center, where they will take on the University of North Carolina Tarheels at 10:30 p.m.



PRESSURE — Kirk Handy (No. 16) and Steve Clark (No. 7) crash the NC State net.

## All-Virginia conference still unrealized

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scheduling opponents in the past. Each season the LU football team must put together a schedule of 11 games. According to Burch, even with a contract, no game is set in concrete.

One of the main reasons that Liberty is not being included in the new conference discussions is theological reasons. Although at this point in time, Burch said that it is all "speculation."

"By leaving Liberty out of the talks, I feel that there is a specific agenda, and that's something that we need to try and find out exactly why Liberty does not fit in," Burch said. "We'd like to try and persuade them to change their minds."

"Dr. Falwell is Liberty University. Everybody who asks me says, 'You work for Jerry's school?,' which is fine," Rutigliano said. "We all know why (Liberty is being snubbed by the conference plan)."

Richmond University Athletic Director Chuck Boone said that Liberty was not snubbed at all. According to Boone, the concept of the league has been around for 15 years, and never has gotten past the stage of thought. "We never had a meeting to discuss the idea officially," Boone said. "All of it right now is just rumors."

However, reports in both the *Roanoke Times* and the *Richmond Times Dispatch* contradict Boone's statement. In articles published last week both newspapers claimed that talks had taken place on the subject.

Boone also said that UR is no longer in search of a football league. Richmond is currently a member of the Atlantic-10 in all sports except football, and Boone said that the school will begin playing A-10 football in 1997.

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## Alumni remember years at LU

By **RANDY KING**  
Champion Reporter

They talk among themselves of events past, smiling, laughing and looking slightly dazed. Every year at this time they appear. To current students, their stories may seem overly nostalgic — but the trials these alumni went through at LU makes Homecoming a special time for them.

Alumni are a part of every university, and they have paved the way for current Liberty students.

Wayne Watson will perform at an alumni banquet Friday, Oct. 25. "We think this will be an incentive for more alumni to return," said Mark Smith, co-director of the alumni association along with Jay Spencer. Select grads are given the Eagle award honoring them for outstanding achievements. Also, there will be an alumni picnic Sat. before the Homecoming game at Williams Stadium.

According to Smith, most graduates do maintain contact with their alma mater. They keep in touch through the alumni newsletter (*Rekindling the Flame*), *The National Liberty Journal* and the President's newsletter.

*Rekindling the Flame* is the "grapevine" of information on activities and facts relevant to alumni, said Smith. The newsletter contains information about upcoming alumni events, happenings at Liberty and humorous pic-

tures and stories from the past.

A recent addition to the newsletter is the mention in each issue of pressing campus needs. Alumni are then encouraged to donate to the cause. Smith said fifty percent of donations go toward the need and the rest used to cover the expenses of printing and distributing the newsletter.

These donations enabled many of the changes that took place over the summer, such as the Electronic Information Center in the library.



Charity Jenkins went from being just another student to the serving as the statewide representative of Liberty last year. Despite the sudden change in status, she didn't see herself as being any different.

"I never tell people I am Miss Liberty," Jenkins said. "I don't like people to know me as Miss Liberty, but as Charity."

During the Oct. 26 football game, she will hand her crown over to the new representative of Liberty. "I am looking forward to somebody else being able to experience the same things as I did," she said.

One benefit of the title was that it gave Jenkins a chance to witness.

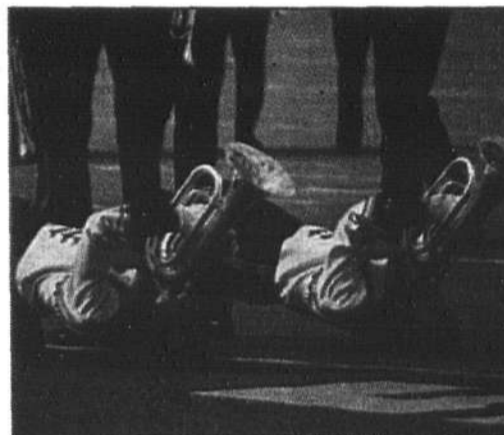
"I work in a secular world and I pray that God will make the people that I work with curious so I will be able to witness to them," she said. "God uses us in ways only He can do. God had a plan for me and fulfilled that purpose, and He will continue to fulfill everyone's purpose in time."

Jenkins was born in Lynchburg, but doesn't consider herself a local. A little more than a year after her birth, the Jenkins family found themselves in Papua, New Guinea, as Charity's parents became full-time missionaries.

Jenkins plans to work with youth and families after graduating this year. "I believe that anything you do can be a ministry," she said. "One can't be narrow-minded. Any part of your life is ministry."

"People have a mindset that Miss Liberty or Miss whoever is not a 'real' person," said Jenkins. "That is not true. I want people to see Jesus in me, not just a title."

— Randy King



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**THE BIG GAME** — Ben Anderson makes a pass during last year's Homecoming game against Charleston Southern (right). The band goes all out during the half time festivities (above).



Matt Cuda/LIBERTY CHAMPION



Ted Woolford/LIBERTY CHAMPION

**PICTURE PERFECT** — Twenty-five Liberty seniors are in the running to represent the school as Miss Liberty for the next year. In the picture on the left are (back row) Jennifer Sandidge, Lisa Reesman, Deborah Barbee, Anne Clay, Amy Edwards and Anita Klingler. (Front row) Bethany Lee, Stephanie Long, Stephanie Carpenter, Hannah Black and Kami Linstra. The right-hand picture shows (back row) Dawn Lindsey, Rachel Mills, Laura Gosselin, Katarina Terzic, Amy Marston and Amy Edwards. (Front row) Ruth Fisher, Holly Ward, Jennifer Jenkins, Adrienne Lowe, Kerry Walls, Stacey Harcum and Stephanie Long.

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# Flames battle 'frustrating' losses, injuries

By RICH MACLONE  
Sports Editor

The LU football team enters its Homecoming game versus Charleston Southern on the heels of two of the toughest months in team history. The Flames have dropped five of their first six contests this season.

Coming into the season Liberty was ranked No. 14 in the Sports Network poll. A first-ever berth in the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs seemed attainable.

But injuries, close defeats and turnovers put an end to the team's playoff aspirations. Now the team is playing for one thing: pride. "The losses have been very frustrating," LU junior quarterback Ben Anderson said after a recent defeat.

A Homecoming victory could subside some of that frustration. Liberty will attack Charleston Southern with a slam-and-slash running game.

Freshman Stacey Nobles will do the slamming. Nobles is a power running back who can run over opponents. In his first two games in the backfield Nobles has averaged more than five yards per carry and scored a touchdown.

The slash-back is Pete McFadden. McFadden is as fast as they come and is dangerous out of the backfield as well as in the slot. McFadden spent a lot of time lined up as a receiver before Lawrence Worthington, the starting running back, was lost for the season because of an ankle injury.

Liberty enters the Homecoming

game with an abundance of injuries. In addition to Worthington's injury, Liberty has lost three starters in the last two

games. Offensive linemen Chad Labour (ankle), Trey Sartin (knee) and tight end Darryl Galmon (knee) will most likely miss the rest

of the season. Defensive back/long snapper Robert Butz was sidelined for the rest of the year earlier in the season with a shoulder injury.

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# Soccer kicks off Homecoming fun

By LAURELEI MILLER  
Champion Reporter

A pigskin won't be the only ball kicked in the Liberty Homecoming game this weekend. Football may be the center of LU's Homecoming hoopla, but "futbols" will be rolling, bouncing and flying on the soccer field.

Both of Liberty's soccer teams will face-off against Division 2 opponent Lincoln Memorial University in their own Homecoming matches.

The Flames men have handled competition successfully this season, and carry a 7-4 record (2-2 Big South Conference) into the game.

Liberty's defense has kept a stranglehold on opposing offenses, allowing only 15 goals all year, and goalkeeper Joe Larson leads that effort with 43 saves.

Offensively, the Flames have netted 20 goals, and out-shot rivals 145-114. The soccer squad's first half has proven to be crucial to its win/loss column. It is undefeated

in games it's led at half time, but both games in which the scoreboard favored the opposing team at midpoint, LU has lost.

The trio of top scorers for LU includes Ryan Trumbo (26 shots, 5 goals), Jesse Barrington (24 shots, 4 goals), and Mike Rohrer (20 shots, 3 goals).

Saturday's opponent, Lincoln Memorial University, stacks a 9-4-2 record, and threatens with a high-scoring duo for Liberty's defense to handle. LMU's Dave Swaney has made 42 shots and 14 goals, and Nathan Caldwell has kicked 42 shots and 11 goals.

The Lady Flames also take on Lincoln Memorial in a Homecoming contest.

Injuries have plagued the Lady Flames this season; their 2-9 record (0-2 Big South Conference) doesn't reflect the team's talent and effort.

"We have five starters who are not starting, and three of them are out for the year," Head Coach Ken Perkins said. "If you take five

starters off any team, they're going to struggle."

The women's most valuable weapon is their tight, aggressive defense. LU's Shannon Hutchison mans the goal and has tallied 108 saves this year. If the Flames offense can sink a or goal or two, their defense can be relied on to protect the lead.

Team members say offensive weaknesses can be resolved by team movement and backup at mid-field. "Our defense helps us work the ball out, but soccer is a transition sport," junior Jerri Lucido said. "We have to work as a unit instead of twos and threes."

Jerri Lucido, Jennifer Jess, Jessica Kerth, Cori Tallman and Lisa Deur have each scored one goal for Liberty.

LMU (13-1) brings two major challenges to the match-up: Erin Alexander (65 shots, 20 goals) and Krista Shamblin (62 shots, 21 goals). The Lady Flames defensive unit will have to contain the duet to finish with a win.



USING HIS HEAD — Jesse Barrington takes one on the head in a match against University of Maryland-Baltimore County.

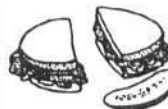
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Leaf-viewing isn't on the official list of Homecoming events — but those interested in wandering away from campus for a little while are sure to find a forest or two within easy driving distance in which to enjoy nature's fireworks.

The Peaks of Otter is perhaps

the most popular site in the area, offering a 45-minute hike or a bus ride. The Peaks also have a lodge available for those who want to stay overnight.

The Blue Ridge Parkway, located about 20 minutes from Liberty, has gained recognition outside the area, being ranked as "America's most scenic drive." The trail can be navigated by either car or foot.

And to squeeze in one last picnic, the place to stop is Smith Mountain State Park, which offers boating, camping and a recreation area, as well as the changing trees.

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# Seeking the Crown



*It starts with 301 women. The list is narrowed to 49 — and then to 25. Out of that comes the five semifinalists. And from there is selected the one.*

One senior girl, deemed worthy by her class, the faculty and administration to represent her school will be dubbed Miss Liberty this Saturday, culminating a long, careful process of elimination.

The selection process began with the graduating class; each senior chose ten out of 301 applicable ladies — those single seniors with a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or above. The contestants were selected based on personality, college involvement, achievements, academic ability, Christian testimony and service and appearance.

From the senior votes, the list was narrowed to the top 49 choices. The faculty then narrowed this list down to 25. This list has been sent to the senior class, who will decide the five finalists.

From these elite five, Miss Liberty 1996 will be voted in by the whole student body during a special Alumni convocation on Friday, Oct. 25. Senior votes are worth 5 points; juniors, 4 points, sophomores, 3 points, and freshmen, 1 point.

Miss Liberty will be crowned during half-time of the Homecoming game on Oct. 26.



**Holly Ward**  
Age: 21  
Major: Family and Consumer Sciences  
Hometown: Sebring, Fla.



**Kerry Walls**  
Age: 21  
Major: Music Education  
Hometown: West Palm Beach, Fla.



**Katarina Terzic**  
Age: 21  
Major: Math  
Hometown: Belgrade, Yugoslavia



**Jennifer Sandidge**  
Age: 22  
Major: Elementary Education  
Hometown: Chesterfield, Va.



**Lisa Reesman**  
Age: 21  
Major: Business Management  
Hometown: Huntsville, Ala.



**Rachel Mills**  
Age: 21  
Major: Nursing  
Hometown: Lenoir City, Tenn.



# For her worth is far



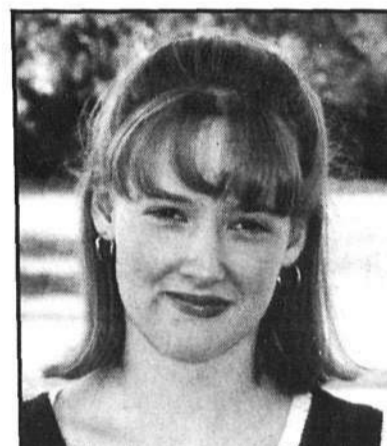
**Amy Marston**  
Age: 21  
Major: Psychology  
Hometown: Lynchburg, Va.



**Adrienne Lowe**  
Age: 21  
Major: English  
Hometown: Lynchburg, Va.



**Stephanie Long**  
Age: 21  
Major: Family and Consumer Sciences  
Hometown: Lexington, S.C.



**Kami Linstra**  
Age: 21  
Major: Nursing  
Hometown: Leverett, Mass.



**Dawn Lindsey**  
Age: 21  
Major: Math Education  
Hometown: Goose Creek, S.C.



**Bethany Lee**  
Age: 21  
Major: Elementary Education  
Hometown: Madison, Ga.



**Anita Lynne Klingler**  
Age: 21  
Major: Education  
Hometown: Goose Creek, S.C.



**Jennifer R. Jenkins**  
Age: 20  
Major: Secondary Math Education  
Hometown: Dallas, Texas

# Strength and honor are

# above rubies. Proverbs 31:10



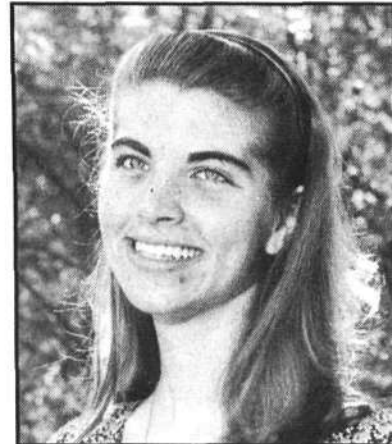
**Stacey Lou Harcum**  
Age: 21  
Major: Elementary Education  
Hometown: Chesapeake, Va.



**Laura Lee Gosselin**  
Age: 22  
Major: English / Education  
Hometown: Willimantic, Conn.



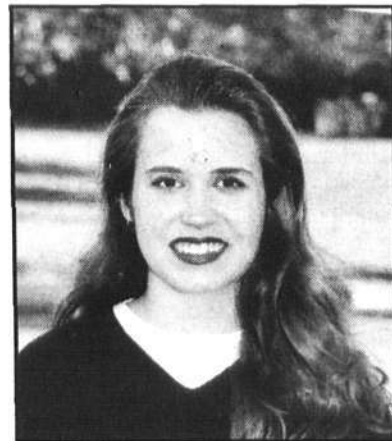
**Ruth Fisher**  
Age: 21  
Major: Exercise Science  
Hometown: Brockport, N.Y.



**Amy Edwards**  
Age: 21  
Major: Elementary Education  
Hometown: Alexandria, Va.



**Anne Clay**  
Age: 24  
Major: Communications  
Hometown: Eureka, Mont.



**Stephanie S. Carpenter**  
Age: 21  
Major: Communications  
Hometown: Chesapeake, Va.



**Hannah Black**  
Age: 21  
Major: English Education  
Hometown: Cartersville, Ga.



**Deborah Barbee**  
Age: 21  
Major: Elementary Education  
Hometown: Hineville, Ga.

\* Contestants Rebecca Crutchfield, Melissa Humbarger and Mary Zwart were not available for photographs.

# her clothing.

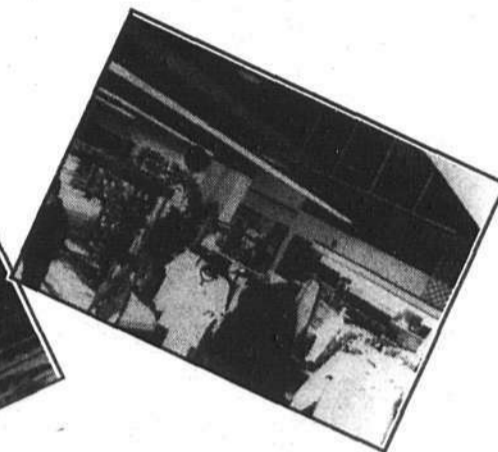
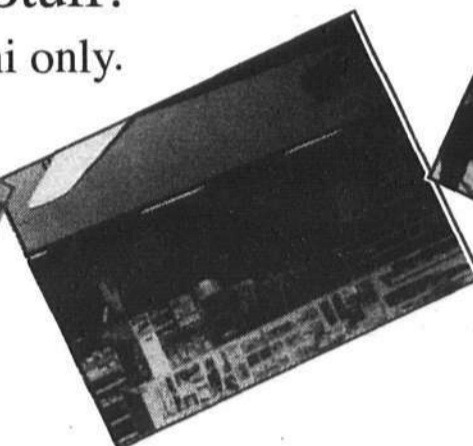
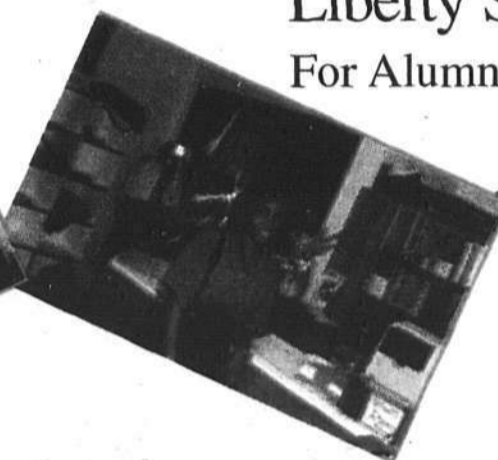
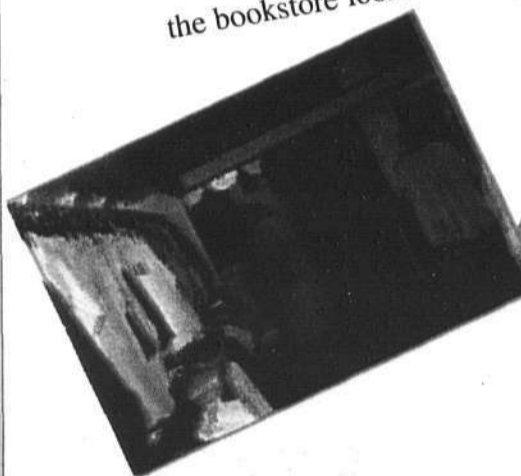
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