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Hi ho, hi ho

Students wrestle with the concept of a walking campus. See editorial on page 2.

Late nights

LU extends curfew until midnight for student body. See story on page 5.

Sports Preview

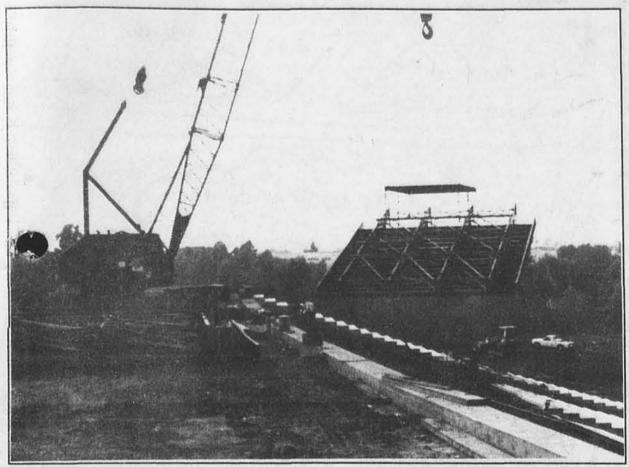
A look at Liberty's fall sports teams and their upcoming seasons. See page 6-8.

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Construction on the football stadium has been delayed by persistent rain. The anticipated completion date is Sept. 30, in time for the Flames second home game. Funds for the stadium were donated and a new university policy states no additional facilities in the future will be built unless they are completely funded by outside donations.

Funding policy established

By BEN LAFROMBOIS Champion Reporter

The university will no longer pay for new buildings with operating funds, nor will it go into debt to provide for university growth. All new buildings will be completely funded before they are built.

Glenn Belden, vice president of university relations, said the new policy will provide for a stronger financial base for Liberty University.

The new policy is an effort to keep operating and tuition costs down. If the university were provided for growth through increased tuition, the school would no longer be competitive with other universities because tuition would be raised out of reach for many students.

However, this is not the reason construction on the sports arena has been halted, Belden explained. The fact that the football stadium is a higher priority has delayed construction. In addition, Belden said, the rain has caused problems for laying the storm sewer system in the ravine. The laying of the final section of pipe was

rain has caused further delays.

Although the administration would like to have the arena completed in the spring, a finish date in early summer is likely according to Gary McCullough, project engineer for McDevitt and Street Co. Commencement will be held in the football stadium unless

In addition, Mark DeMoss, ministry spokesman, said the cafeteria should be ready for occupation by September of 1990. "Approximately half of the funds for the cafeteria have been committed. All of the architectural drawings have been completed, but construction won't start until the remaining funds are committed."

The new building will double the capacity of the current cafeteria.

Other buildings, which include the possibility of an independent library, the second and third floors of DeMoss and new dorms are dependent on the gifts of supporters, according to

Planning for additional buildings and parking is an ongoing process, and with the new policy, progress will

scheduled to begin Aug. 25, but the be determined by the amount of gifts received from supporters. Concerning the location of new buildings, Belden said, "Dr. Falwell has indicated expansion will go behind the new dorms."

A new facility for the School of Business and Government will be built behind the senior dorms with room for two additional buildings. Parking will be added behind the senior dorms and beside David's Place to accompany the new construction campus wide.

DeMoss said that additional buildings in the form of modular offices are also being considered to improve student services and accommodate student workers. Financial aid, recruitment and electronic services could then be moved from North Campus to the main campus, Belden

On another front the university is still seeking state approval for three to four cloverleaf interchanges between Route 29 and 460. There will be a more detailed report on entrances and exits for the campus in a later issue of the Liberty Champion.

SGA plans fundraiser for shuttle

By CURT OLSON Champion Reporter

The Liberty University Student Government will kick off its Walk for Liberty project Friday, Sept. 8, with the walk scheduled for the 23rd from campus to Camp Hide Away.

At Camp Hide Away there will be a live band, lunch, softball, volleyball, basketball and canoe races with shuttle buses provided to bring students back to the campus.

Rusty Hall, chief coordinator for the project said: "We are in need of 40-50 volunteers for a meeting Sept. 6, at 9 p.m. in the DeMoss Hall lobby. Come out for fun and to help LU and SGA."

Cary Coleman, financial coordinator for the project said, "All money from the Walk for Liberty project will be used to build an addition on to the student center and to purchase an intracampus shuttle."

Coleman said the shuttle is a logical solution to the campus parking probe shuttle would cover the cambus every 10 minutes with five pickup spots around campus.

"Our goal is to double both participation and fundraising from last year's Walk-A-Thon fundraiser," Coleman said. "Student government figures that if both figures are doubled, SGA will have the money needed for the addition and to purchase a shuttle.

"SGA has redone the prizes and awards, so hopefully more people will want to get involved." Coleman said.

Dinosaur excavation successful



On the excavation site in Grand Junction, Colo., student David King and Prof. James Hall show a visitor their progress in the first stages of preparing the dinosaur. The team has spent two months their summer in the first stage of removing the dinosaur.

By CURT OLSON

Two members of the Liberty University Creation Science Department and three Liberty University students spent two months of their summer vacation in Grand Junction, Colo., excavating the remains of an Allosaurus dinosaur.

Dr. Arlton Murray, curator of the Creation Science museum, and Prof. James Hall were accompanied by students David King, Jonathan DeBoe and Jarrod Bryson. The dig lasted from May 6 to July 2.

Currently, the dinosaur is in the preparation stage.

"This stage will take a minimum of two years to complete," Hall said. "Each bone must be removed from the stone. Dental tools, brushes and other delicate instruments will be used to expose the bones through the stone."

"There is a four-foot by eight-foot window in the Creation Science Museum which allows people to observe the process. We now have to prepare the dinosaur for exhibit on a plaque mount in the museum," he said.

Murray said, "At some point we hope to have a rear projection screen which will show slides of the dig while the preparation of the dinosaur takes place."

"The dinosaur will eventually be placed in the museum via an insutor exhibit (an exhibit which shows the dinosaur as if it were being excavated at the site,"

The cost of the excavation was \$17,500, just over half of the projected budget of \$30,000. "The thing that helped us was the fact that we were able to get the eight crates of bones and stones, totalling over 5,000 pounds, shipped to Lynchburg for free," Hall said.

In their free time the group was involved in the local churches.

"I gave little seminars regarding creation science," Hall said. "Those were well received by people who attended. Also, the students were active in the church services. Just recently, the Rev. Jerry Falwell received a letter from the pastor of the church we attended which complimented the students."

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LU group gives lessons in health

By AMY POWELL

Champion Reporter

Matthew 9:35 says that "Jesus went about...healing every sickness and every disease among the people" and using this verse as their calling, Dr. and Mrs. Alan Rabe and Dr. Marcia Ball took a group of eight students to Haiti this summer.

The goal of their mission trip was not only to spread the gospel but also to promote good health habits among the people.

Lessons on good health were taught at night and 61 "students" who came every night and passed a test were given a certificate. Sixty-one of these certificates were awarded.

But the lessons in health weren't an end in themselves. Because the lessons were given in the church, the national pastor was able to talk and pray before the teaching. Also Liberty students were able to bring the gospel out in some of their lessons.

This evangelism, which lasted for two weeks, covered two towns. The first was Cap Haitien, one of the largest cities in Haiti, and the other was rural Lemonade.

Despite the Satanic oppression that they felt in Haiti, the LU group was able to teach the people, and the people learned. The national pastor recently wrote Dr. Rabe recently and said that the people still remember what they were taught.

By LESLIE COPPESS

Champion Reporter A new traffic policy, designed to

control parking problems, was initiated Aug. 28. A sticker indicating "Restricted Parking" will be given to all those receiving three or more tickets within a semester.

These cars will then be sent to the security checkpoint area (parking lot P-I) where they will remain in restricted parking until the end of the semester. The student may, however, register his car for the following se-

The first ticket the student receives will result in a \$5 fine or the stated fine for the violation. The second, a \$25 fine. The fine could vary depending on the nature of the violation.

After the third ticket the student's parking privileges will be revoked. The students will be allowed to drive their cars off campus as long as they park in the designated area when they return.

"Walking should be good for all of us," Dr. Dennis Fields, vice president for administrative relations, said about the parking and ticketing policies.

Fields said the changes were initiated to prevent students from parking in restricted areas. Previous policies were not effective. In the past one student had more than 100 tickets in a semester. By the end of the year he, or rather his parents, had to pay around \$500 before he took final exams, Fields said.

Chief of Security Bill Owens said he likes the new policy because students can't "buy their way out of it. If I could afford to pay \$5 parking tickets, it might be worth it not to walk in the rain or to take my girl to dinner; but if I thought I might get my parking privilege suspended, that would get

my attention," Owens commented. "We're not doing anything out of the ordinary compared to other colleges and universities," Fields said. "Lynchburg College has similar parking problems. At UVA each student receives a parking permit for a particularspace. The student is required to park in that particular lot only. They cannot move the vehicle from lot to lot on campus. Visitors also pay 50 cents per hour to park in lots near

certain buildings."

Dr. Fields noted that inadequate parking for faculty and staff was a big problem because resident students parked in the faculty/staff areas. In addition, approximately 150 faculty/ staff parking spots were eliminated in the Marriott/DeMoss area due to

Mexico 31.1%

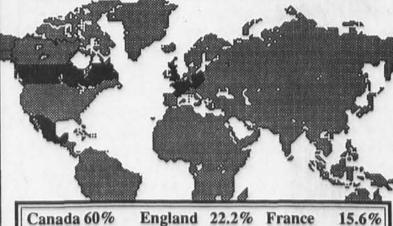
Stricter parking policy initiated construction of the sports arena.

> Security Chief Owens said he feels students and faculty at Liberty have been spoiled. "When you've been here a long time, you look back and see the curbs being put in and roads paved. You can appreciate the progress being made."

Where in the world have Liberty students gone?

The most traveled to countries by 100 students surveyed are:

Bahamas 17.8% Germany 15.6%



By Megan Bearder

opinion



Editorial

"...Where the spirit of the Lord is, there is Liberty." II Corinthians 3:17

New walking campus will change lifestyles

A walking campus?

Most students arrived at LU this fall anticipating the various construction projects and changes taking place all over the campus. Still, few were prepared for the mindboggling announcement restricting the intracampus use of vehicles.

A walking campus? But that means disturbing the delicate balance between academic zeal and physical sloth that has characterized many LU students both past and present.

"Give me another term paper. Make me do my dorm job everyday. But don't make me WALK to dinner!" a typical "ride-junkie" may exclaim.

Now, the time has come to break the chains we car owners have forged and wrapped around ourselves. We have been freed from an addictive Liberty campus tradition that has kept us circling DeMoss parking lot for 15 minutes dodging pedestrians and other anxious motorists sparring for a space during the dinner rush.

Tradition has tempted us to pull into a blue-diamond slot "just for a minute" only to return an hour later to find a slip of pink paper tucked affectionately under the windshield wiper. It has been a tradition that has avoided walking at all possible costs.

Fortunately, the walking campus policy should create a new beneficial generation of aerobic scenarios to replace the old four-cylinder ones.

Perhaps the campus will become seasoned with a Yuppie flavor as women don tennis shoes for the hike to class, pumps tucked away in a briefcase. The bookstore may even take the opportunity to stock a new line of alma mater products such as "Air-Liberty" walking shoes, LU skateboards and side-saddle bicycle seats for the ladies.

As the walking campus policy becomes more firmly entrenched in our daily routines, we must say good-bye to the friendly jingle of our car keys and embrace a new set of traditions to enhance the LU experience. How about a second trip through the ice cream line? After all, we'll use the extra energy to make the long trek back to the dorm.

Liberty should not have to play babysitter

Consider for a moment the implications of the attendance-taking policy implemented for chapel services.

Okay. Now, do you remember how attendance was taken at the first chapel service of the semester?

The task was accomplished through thousands of white index cards distributed throughout the building, some gathering two and three names before being collected. At that point, the real work began.

The assumption is that sorting and recording these cards took a great deal of time and effort.

That is the tragedy of the situation. Taking attendance at every chapel is an extra burden on the ministry, even if it is only for town students. Having to checking under beds and above closets (poular hiding places in the dorms) is a burden on the resident assistants, which, in turn, burdens the ministry.

These are tasks which this ministry should not have to undertake.

Liberty is a uniquely Christian university. Every student knows it, and each knew it when he enrolled. In fact, it's the Christian atmosphere that brought the majority of students

In this Christian environment, why does the university feel it must "check" to see that each student has made it to the chapel service? Unfortunately, the administration doesntt it has to check; rather it knows it must. Students have displayed the need for an attendance check because some have gone to great lengths to avoid the service. The administration is only responding to that need.

Why is it that we, as Christian students, need required attendance before we participate in Christian worship? The answer to that question lies in the heart of the individual. Each person must examine his relationship with the Lord. If it is where it should be, then chapel attendance is no longer a matter of having to go but, rather, wanting to go.

Hopefully, someday soon, all of the Christian students of this university will have the desire to worship Him in every chapel service.

Then, and only then, can Liberty stop playing babysitter.



Campus: Issues and Answers

Question: How do I overcome homesickness?

Answer: Home probably you now than it

appears better to Guillermin

Dr. A. Pierre

ever did before. In fact, it probably looks perfect. When you feel that way, it becomes easy to idealize the good days, and you often forget that those days had problems, too. Doing that can make your present situation look far worse than it will ever be.

Try not to compare college to home. These are two separate parts of your life. Your home has a special mean-

ing to you, but so will your college years. Give Liberty an honest try.

Here are some suggestions that might help you:

· Say yes when someone asks you to join in an activity, especially if it sounds like something you've been wanting to do. Say yes even if it's something you haven't done before. New activities are fun and exciting.

· Don't stay in your room all of the

· Meet and talk to a couple new people every day.

- Spend time thanking God for the blessings He has provided, as well as for the things that don't seem good.

 Call home after a good experience, not when you're feeling home-

 Share your feelings with someone who will pray with you and encourage you.

You'll be surprised at how quickly the feelings of homesickness will go away when you get involved with new friends and new activities. Homesickness is something almost everyone goes through sometime in his or her life. However, homesickness is not hard to cure.

To overcome the problem make four decisions:

Decide to be content in whatever

situation God places you - attitude is the crucial element.

· Decide you're going to make the necessary adjustment to university life and stick to that decision.

· Decide to get involved with your studies, your fellow students and some extra curricular activities.

 Most importantly, decide to develop and improve your relationship with God.

Dr. A. Pierre Guillermin is **President of Liberty** University.

Students reflect of

inner view

Sun. Surf. Sand.

Jeffrey Snakes. Sweat. Not any more Simmons boys and girls.

All that's left of those fun-filled days at the beach, cool dips in the pool and the ol' infamous family reunions is a few fading memories and a bowl of your Aunt Edna's garlic casserole.

I questioned several LU students about their daring exploits over the short academic respite, and here's what I discovered:

Jim Simons, Aiken, S. C.-"I took my girlfriend of four years to a very exquisite restaurant in Atlanta and later that night asked her to marry me. She said, 'yes' and made me a very happy guy."

Ted Cornelius, Virginia Beach, Va. - "I worked all week and surfed on the weekends at Hatteras. Such is life."

Julie Method, Mannassas, Va. -"I spent three weeks of my summer in Central Brazil traveling with the Light Kids Internationals, performing more than 60 concerts which led to more

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than 600 decisions for Christ."

Jim Ward, Greensburg, Pa. - "I scuba dived for golf balls at several golf courses in Pennsylvania, accumulating about 150,000 balls, three snapping turtles and several discarded clubs from the water."

Joanne Nogowski, Philadelphia, Pa. - "I worked 80 hours per week in Lexington, Tenn., selling books for the Thomas Nelson Company the entire summer."

Dan Johnson, Pittsburg, Pa. - "I worked at youth camps and vacation Bible schools, performing such noble deeds as bobbing for hot dogs in a basin of jello, shooting small children with water balloons propelled from a giant slingshot and melting ice with my posterior."

Amy Bailey, Kalamazoo, Mich. -"I almost died this summer from an untreated case of tonsillitis. The doc-

tors said that if I had waited much longer to get it checked out, I probably would have contracted rheumatic

Janet Winslow, Briar, N.Y. - "I spent a week of my summer in Alaska, helping with an oil spill clean up, sponsored by an environmental group in my area."

Kim Henry, Baltimore, Md. - "I had a 60-year-old millionaire ask me out to lunch. I couldn't go because I had to work."

Michelle Bunts, Cornwall, N.Y. -"I played with gold all summer with my bare hands. I threw silver worth \$200 on the floor to break open a capsule of Olympic coins. I was working at a U.S. mint.

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Campus: Issues and **Answers**

Dr. A. Pierre Guillermin, president of Liberty University, will write a weekly column, entitled "Campus: Issues and Answers."

If you have a campus issue which you'd like to have addressed in this column by President Guillermin, address the question to the Editor of the Liberty Champion and drop it off in DH 109 or mail it to B 21754.

Future Search

Our generation is on the cutting edge of the 21st century job mar-

Shawn de Lestard

ket. With fewer young people and a growing elderly population (40 percent of today's population will be over 60 years of age by the year 2000!), experts are predicting a tremendous labor shortage of well-educated, quality workers entering the job market in the next 10 years.

Corporate executives and government officials are expressing concern about the shortage. Consumer growth will be hindered as competition increases throughout the business world.

Higher salaries, bonus and benefits packages and a greater interest by company leaders in the personal wellbeing of individuals and their families are just a few of the strategies aimed at attracting and retaining the services of new people.

The Career Center can help you prepare to meet these opportunities. You are invited to drop by the office in front of the bookstore during the following hours: Monday and Tuesday: 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday through Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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Up close and personal:

Larnelle marks 18 years of ministry

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Student faces new term

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By ADAM DEAN

Champion Reporter

When a person reaches a certain plateau in his or her career, instant recognition becomes a tribute to success. For example, think of basketball and you come up with Magic or Jordan; think baseball and there is Bo; think hockey and there can only be Gretzky.

In the realm of contemporary Christian music it's no different. With such hits as "I Miss My Time With You," "How Excellent Is Thy Name" and sensational duets with Sandi Patti in "More Than Wonderful" and "I've Just Seen Jesus," one vocalist has reached that plateau. His voice echoes down the halls of today's Christian music. We know him simply as Larnelle.

However, it has taken years of hard work and the Lord's help to achieve that recognition. From humble beginnings in Danville, Ky., where he was raised in a Christian home, he rmed his first concert at the age or eight or nine.

His love for music was overwhelming, and after high school he attended Western Kentucky University to obtain his degree in music education. After he received that degree, he came in contact with the Spurrlows, a group of college-age singers who ministered across the country.

He decided to audition for the group. While he was in Brighton, Mich., for the tryout, something wonderful happened that would change him for the rest of his life. He received the Lord as his personal Saviour.

After that, his life turned completely around. He planned to marry Cynthia, whom he had met at school, after graduation. However, those plans were put on hold when he began traveling with the Spurrlows. Three years later, he and Cynthia exchanged vows and have enjoyed 18 years of marriage. He said, "I love my wife much more now that I did 18 years ago.". 10

His philosophy on a successful marriage is that success depends on quantity time. "You need quantity to make quality," he said. Although he travels and performs all during the year, he makes time for his wife and two children, 14-year-old Lonnie and 10-year-old Teresa.

Although his family comes first after God,Larnelle also makes time for his career. Back in the early years, while he was still a young Christian, God was working in his life. After traveling with the Spurrlows for a

while, he decided to embark on a solo career. He released his first album, "Tell It To Jesus," in 1975. His newest album, "I Can Begin Again," marks his 10th release.

His music has changed through the years in its lyrical approach. When he first started, his albums were geared for a particular audience, but in the past few years he has focused on "What does God want Larnelle to say?" His audience has become more mainstream, andt the appeal of his music is far reaching. For example, the song "You're My Child" is used by World Vision.

As for Larnelle's vision, his focus

apartment, not a creature was stir-

Well, not exactly. There were

two slobs sprawled out on the furni-

ture watching Johnny Carson, eat-

ing cold ravioli and drinking straight

out of a 2-liter bottle of Coke. But

don't let that level of excitement

summer would officially come to a

screeching halt as we converged

into tiny classrooms with thousands

of other students and the battle

began. Students then engage in

fierce competition to see which of

us will wear out the most brain cells

by the end of the semester. Now

that's something to rejoice about.

were exhausted for other reasons.

classes is First-Day-of-Classes Eve,

when students, fresh from summer's

R&R, suddenly get a rude awaken-

ing - school's here. I believe it's

God's way of getting us prepared

So, suddenly, the day before

Last-minute details are those

classes, we eager young students

had every last-minute detail in the

little, nit-picky things that no stu-

dent really enjoys doing but, for

some unknown reason, are ex-

For example, I found myself at

the mall competing with 2,500 other

guys for a seat in the barber's chair.

world to do before classes began.

for the big day.

tremely important.

However, my roommate and I

You see, the last day before

For in a matter of hours, our

fool you. We were exhausted.

'Twas the

night before

classes, and all

through the

is and always has been to "share Christ and keep Him relevant to today."

He doesn't talk much about himself during his concerts because, as he puts it, "I can't make a difference in their lives. God is the one who can."

Larnelle may not be able to change lives, but he's certainly making waves in the Christian music industry as a four-time Grammy and eight-time Dove award winner. With accomplishments as Contemporary Black Gospel Album of the Year (1981, 1983), Inspirational Album of the Year (1986, 1988), Male Vocalist of the Year (1983, 1986, 1988) and five number one hits, the success has not

This got ugly. Guys started fighting

for position, knocking each other

over the head with the cute lawn

After my quick buzz and chop, I

found myself in search of a desk

lamp. My dog broke my old one.

But I figure, no problem, I'm a town

gaged in an even a fiercer battle for

the last desk lamp in Lynchburg.

Apparently every other student in

Central Virginia needed the same

lamp. I even met some of the guys

places I went to find a lamp. I

wasted somewhere around three-

quarters of a tank of gas. When I

finally found the lamp, it was pink.

Bright pink. Really bright pink. I

gulped down my pride and bought

At the end of my search, I re-

turned to the apartment to organize

my notebook, texts and school ward-

robe, only to have them messed up

a week later. Why? Because I'm a

senior and, like my fellow class-

mates, I have to look semi-profes-

sional, as if I know what I'm doing.

a time for me to wonder about the

upcoming year - my final year.

What will it be like? What interest-

ing events will fall across my path?

What obstacles must I overcome?

What new friends will I make?

No matter. I'm ready.

columnist for the Liberty

Dan Hochhalter is a

Champion.

At the end of the day there came

I couldn't count the number of

from the haircut place.

However, I found myself en-

furniture decorating the mall.

made him lose sight of his purpose.

As far as Christian music as a whole is concerned, he said it's on an upward spiral. "People want to share Christ," he said. "In the 70s people wanted to give God credibility, but God doesn't need credibility. He's got all the credibility in the world."

Larnelle has a little credibility of his own and, as Christian music grows, he is growing right along with it. God has truly blessed this man with a voice that can touch the soul. His blessing is watching others being blessed, and his reward is the respect and recognition that have earned him the honor of being known simply as Larnelle.

The Liberty Mountain Music Review

Becker's Back with a passion

In her latest release Adam on Sparrow Records, Dean "Immigrant's Daugh-

ter," Margaret Becker undoubtedly gives us her most mature and personal work to date. The album's lyrical content is thoughtprovoking, the music sensational and the addition of Charlie Peacock as producer icing on the cake.

Her first single, "The Hunger Stays," is already number 15 on the Contemporary Christian Music Top 20 and is steadily climbing. With such songs as "This Is My Passion," "I Commit," "Laugh A Little" and the title cut, we may be seeing her as a permanent fixture on the charts for some time to come.

"Stay Close To Me" and "Honesty" urge Christians to open up to God and realize He's always there. Included in the album are the funky "Solomon's Shoes" and a remake of the classic "People Get Ready," but perhaps the best cut is "Just Come

Through this song we can see that, no matter what we've done, God still waits with open arms.

The theme of this entire album is the examination of our lives for commitment and hunger for the things of God. Becker challenges us in our personal relationship with God. Getting close to Him should be our joy, our fulfillment and our passion.

Adam Dean Is a staff columnist for the Liberty Champion.

Chief's Corner

Poor attitudes tarnish LU image with media

"And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart."

Reynard Valdez

Jeremiah 29:13

The News and Daily Advance, the Lynchburg newspaper, recently printed comments from several students concerning chapel attendance for LU students.

Several unidentified students revealed their attitudes toward chapel in a negative light and also revealed their depth of spiritual interest.

As incoming students, we each read and signed a statement, promising to abide by all rules and attend required chapel meetings.

I Peter 3:15 says: "But sanctify the Lord in your hearts, and be ready to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear."

Giving a right answer demonstrates godly living before the world for righteousness' sake. We must be

careful how we answer a secular media which is looking for fault among those who claim to follow

Chapel services on Liberty Mountain not only make our school distinctively different, but they also allow us to open our hearts to receive spiritual blessings from God.

"Blessed are they who do hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled," Matthew 5:6 says.

We are commanded to be filled with the Spirit (Eph.5:18) and seek the kingdom of God, so that we can receive spiritual blessing (Matt.

Let us therefore develop a right heart attitude and show appreciation to the many speakers we have the privilege to hear, especially our own chancellor and pastor, Jerry Falwell.

Reynard Valdez is religion editor for the Liberty Champion.



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Chapman gives advice on Christian life

By DANIEL DOMBAK

Feature Editor

"If I can do anything, I hope to encourage people to get to know God. Encouraging them to invest the time to really get to know who He is, so they don't go through this life just experiencing the tip of the iceberg," song writer Steven Curtis man said following his concert

Twenty-six-year-old Chapman, influenced by men like Dallas Holmes and Tim Shepherd, likes to write about real life. His second album, "Real Life Conversations," revolves around that theme. He said the album's title reflects his desire to communicate with each individual.

"Because I cannot sit down with every individual in an audience like Liberty," he said, "I'd like to ask one question: Is there any reality to our claim of being a Christian? Like someone once said, 'Is there enough convicting evidence that you would be found guilty of being a Christian?' Or is it just something we say?

"We are the light of the world," Chapman reminded students during the concert. He said the title of his second album, "Real Life Conversations," was also appropriate at the time because its release coincided with the trouble that shook the Christian community in the fall of 1988, involving Jimmy Swaggart. People were looking around for "real live" Christians to see what motivated them, he explained. Chapman expressed his belief that Christians need to be a light to the world in his song "For Who He

In his concert Chapman encour

aged Christians to get to know the Lord "First Hand," the title of his first album. A first-hand relationship has depth, he said, which is evidenced by what Christians do and say everyday.

Chapman's own Christian life was affected by the depth of his father's relationship with the Lord. Saved at the age of eight, Chapman is grateful he grew up in a home where there was visible commitment to and love for the Lord.

"As a kid, it really influenced me seeing my dad, my mom, pray about every little thing, take it to the Lord and read the scripture together," Chapman said.

In the last year, he has struggled through his parents' divorce. It has taught him the importance of testing in the Christian life. But, he said, God

has been faithful to him.

Through the divorce he has realized that no matter how big a mistake his parents may have made, he can't write them off. He believes that the things they taught him are valuable.

"I've learned I can't have faith in people," Chapman said. "It only leads to disappointment..

"God says, let's keep our eyes on Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith. As we do we can rest assured that His word will not change. His promises will not change. Tomorrow we won't wake up to hear Him say, 'Well, I just got tired of keeping my promise or I just got weary.' But God says 'I am the same, this day, tomorrow, forever; I'm not going to change.'

"To me, that is the most wonderful aspect of the Christian life."

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Chapman performs for crowd of 1,800

By DAN DOMBAK Feature Editor

Steven Curtis Chapman performed before a crowd of 1,800 during his concert in the Liberty University Multi-Purpose Center on Aug. 26.

Had the two-and-a-half hour concert been filled with Chapman's powerpop, thought-provoking music, it might have been entertaining. However, as Chapman spoke at long intervals between short spurts of songs, the concert effect was lost.

However, during the time Chapman spent speaking to the audience, he established a good rapport. His casual manner and humor kept the audience's attention as he ministered. As a result of the talk-oriented concert, 35 people made decisions, two of them to accept Christ.

Chapman began his concert, emerging through a cloud of smoke, with the title song of his first album, "First Hand." As requested, the audience rose to its feet and clapped along. He followed it with "Human Race" and "Through the Week," before stopping at the first of five speaking intermissions.

The performer had to compete against the house lighting system which consisted of two powerful lights mounted in the gym's rafters. The lights, used for effect, were flashed into the audience, blinding and distracting them from the performance.

Continuing with his concert, Chapman sang his "Dental Hygiene Blues," a humorous song which provoked the audience to interact spontaneously. He also sang "Run Away" and the ballad "His Eyes."

With three more songs down, it was time for another intermission. Putting down his guitar, hands in pockets, Chapman spoke briefly about the Bible.

"Not only is it a book we still have around, it is a book that is still transforming lives," he said, quoting Hebrews 4:13.

Chapman played his way through two more songs before announcing he'd like to teach the crowd a new one. However, no teaching was necessary as the crowd joined in for "My Turn Now." As the song came to a close, it was apparent the crowd was not going to let it end. In response Chapman led the women and then the men through the chorus.

He followed with "Truth or Consequences" before moving on to "For Who He Really Is." Chapman then took the time to explain fully the message he hoped to convey through the song.

"People are rejecting Jesus, yes. But are they rejecting Him for who He really is? Do people see Him in our lives? Are we shining our light?" he asked the quiet audience.

Chapman sang "Your Hiding Place," and "My Redeemer" before he gave the altar call.

He finished his concert with "His Strength is Perfect" and slipped off the stage, only to be called back by an appreciative audience. Returning to the stage, Chapman expressed his appreciation, telling the audience it was incred-

Chapman performed his encore in a cloud of smoke, singing "The One Who



Steven Curtis Chapman made his first appearance at LU before a crowd of 1,800. Photo courteey Jody A. Barker of Selah staff

Will Lift You Up" and "Tell Me." Once again, he left the stage.

And, once again, the crowd brought him back. Picking up his acoustic guitar, Chapman tried calming the lively audience with "Trying to Live for Jesus."

"My prayer," Chapman said in closing, "is that we take the energy in this room tonight out into a dying world."

The concert came to a worshipful close as the audience joined Chapman in singing "God is so Good."

Disappointment is not a word that many would use to describe the concert, even though it was filled with Chapman's intermissions. Instead, the audience left feeling renewed and refreshed, reveling in the wisdom of the 26-year-old performer.

News Briefs

World

Columbia promises crackdown on drugs

BOGOTA, Columbia (UPI) - Authorities announced Friday the arrest of a man suspected of assassinating a leading presidential candidate at a rally earlier in the month.

The killing prompted Columbian President Barco to launch a crackdown on cocaine gangs, which have retaliated by declaring "total war."

Police blame drug traffickers for an explosion that ripped through a paint factory in Medellin Friday, wounding 12 people.

Police arrest South commissioner African protesters

CAPE TOWN, South Africa (UPI)-Archbishop Desmond Tutu and 35 other people were arrested Friday as they staged a protest in Cape Town against South Africa's racial policies. The arrests came as thousands of black workers staged work stoppages to protest upcoming Parliamentary elections in which they cannot vote.

Nation

Bakker suffers nervous breakdown

BUTNER, N.C. (UPI) - PTL founder, Jim Bakker was committed to a psychiatric hospital Friday after his psychiatrist said he had suffered a nervous breakdown and was halluci-

Bakker was led in shackles from a federal court in Charlotte, N.C., where he is on trial for alleged fraud. He was

taken to a federal mental hospital in Butner, N.C., for evaluation.

His psychiatrist told Judge Robert Potter earlier that Bakker was lying in his attorney's office Friday morning in a fetal position with his head under the couch.

Dr. Basil Jackson said Bakker suffered a total nervous breakdown Thursday after a prosecution witness collapsed on the stand. Jackson said that when Bakker left the courthouse Thursday, he was hallucinating. "The people outside took the form of frightening animals which he felt were bent on destroying him."

Heart attack kills

EDGARTOWN, Mass. (UPI) -Baseball Commissioner Bart Giamatti suffered a fatal heart attack Friday afternoon at his summer home in Martha's Vineyard, Mass.

The 51-year-old scholar and former president of Yale University officially replaced Peter Ueberroth as commissioner April 1.

Giamatti's brief stay in the comm sioner's chair was dominated by the Pete Rose gambling scandal that ended last week with Giamatti ordering Rose out of baseball for life.

Murderer added to "Most Wanted"list

WASHINGTON (UPI) - The U.S. Marshals Service added Vincent Legrend Walters to its 15 "Most Wanted" list Friday. The 22-year-old is an accused murderer and drug suspect. Walters fled San Diego on June 8 after being indicted for a drug conspiracy charge.

Walk-A-Thon brings in \$28,000

By CURT OLSON

News Editor

The Liberty University Student Government Association, in cooperation with the students, has raised almost \$30,000 for the campus library through the Mobile Force Walk-A-Thon project of April 1989.

Scott Brown, last year's Student Government president said, "It is basically up to the library on what books to purchase, but the majority will revolve around the business and government area."

Dr. Ernest Liddle, dean of library services, said, "I appreciate the fact that the students have been so concerned about the status of the library that they decided to do something about it. Their action has brought the library situation to the attention of the people who can help."

Cary Coleman, financial coordinator of the Mobile Force event, said, "This is the most money Liberty students have ever raised." To date, more than \$28,800 has come in with still more money trickling in every week.

The first place prize of \$500 goes to Scott Riefler of Dorm 31 for raising \$2,125; the second place prize of

and the third place prize of \$100, to Anne Wright of Dorm 25-1 for raising \$775. Prizes will be awarded during the SGA chapel on Sept. 8.

Of the \$68,000 pledged, \$58,000 has been accounted

Almost 1,000 students participated in the Mobile Force event, but 160 students used bogus addresses on their

Coleman said, "The Mobile Force project was such a positive event for Liberty University, but \$3,000 is \$3,000 the library could have used. I hate to put a negative picture on it, but it happened, and we really don't want to have it happen again during any fund-raisers."

Pledges averaged \$19.20. Dorm 26-2 had the most participation and ultimately received the most money for

"Students can go to the Student Government offices if they are interested in who pledged money for them and how much a person pledged. We have computer readouts of all that information," Coleman said.

\$250, to Theresa Bream of Dorm 20 for raising \$1,110;

Eighty-five students raised more than \$150 each.

for after expenses for mailing and awards.

mailers, and the trick cost the project \$3,000.

a total of \$3,547.50.

Policy changes

Senior privileges reduced

By CHRIS BOGGS

Champion Reporter

Seniors still have some special privileges, despite the recent change to a standard curfew.

So, what are the senior privileges for the 1989-90 school year?

"Not much," Dean of Students Jon Purple said. "We are trying to get out of the realm of senior privileges."

There have been two major rule changes since last year. The move to a standard curfew was the main change, Purple said. The other change is that seniors are now required to go to prayer groups.

Purple said the deans felt they were

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sending the wrong message to the seniors if they didn't require them to

Senior privileges include senior dorms and senior parking privileges. Those living in the senior dorms have the opportunity to cook in their quad and watch television. Also, each room houses only two students compared to three or four in underclassmen

Another senior privilege is the freedom to obtain permanent permission

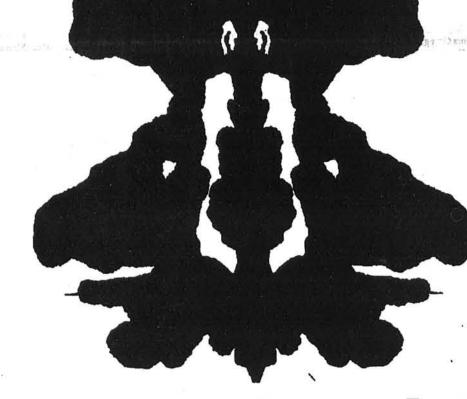
to go to Thomas Road Baptist Church on Sunday mornings. However, they are required to attend the other services on the mountain.

"We want them to be plugging in to the services, especially the Sunday evening series," Purple said. "However, we wanted to give the seniors the privilege of getting up a little bit later on Sunday mornings."

To get permission to attend TRBC on Sundays, seniors should go to their respective deans.



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South American campaign reaps almost 8,000 decisions

By REYNARD VALDEZ Religion Editor

LIGHT Ministries' largest campaign ever involved 104 students and faculty traveling to South America June 1-25. About 7,700 decisions were made for Christ.

The campaign sent six teams to the countries of Argentina, Brazil and Chile. The various teams included the LIGHT Singers, LIGHT Internationals, LIGHT Kids' Internationals, YouthQuest, Young Believers, a construction crew and students from Christian Heritage College.

Cities of Sao Paulo, Mogi de Cruces, Sao Jose', Campinas and Rio De

Kids' Internationals and the LIGHT

During one of the Kids' International's concerts in a park, an elderly man stopped to watch and later asked team leader David Parmer, "Can Jesus forgive me? I've killed 17 people in my life." The man was saved that day.

Because of the ministry in public and private schools, each student heard the gospel and received a tract explaining the gospel in further detail. Team members were able to talk with Brazilian students through an interpreter after concerts and had the opportunity to win several people to

Janeiro were areas of ministry for the Christ by reading through the Portuguese translated tract.

Donna Faircloth, who coordinated the campaigns, described one of the highlights for her. "A highlight for me was seeing Liberty students invest in the lives of missionary kids. As one of our missionaries told me, the best way to minister to them was to just love their kids."

On one particular occasion in Brazil a young man tried to disrupt the presentation. As the LIGHT Singers sang "No Other Name" the young man became more disruptive. Later team members ministered to him and a national pastor cast a demon out of

Just like the man released of the legions in Mark chapter five, this young man was changed and began passing out tracts. He even brought his friends to the meetings.

Matt Willmington led a team to Northern Brazil, traveling to four cit-

"In 17 days our YouthQuest team gave 51 concerts to 34,000 people and saw 1,400 decisions. We worked closely with missionaries Steve Theis ('86 LU graduate) and Paul Collins. Many team members feel God is leading them back to Brazil for short term ministry in the future," Willmington

While YouthQuest was in Brazil,

the LIGHT Internationals ministered in Argentina and Chile, working with Howard Cruthers' parents.

Titus Chira, a vocalist for the team, recalled an opportunity to witness to a Romanian Jew on the plane from Chile

"I learned that it doesn't matter where you are in the world, Jesus Christ brings people to you, and nothing else made me happier than having the chance to witness to people and see them get saved," Chira said.

The campaigners ministered in schools, churches, handi-capped facilities, orphanages, parks and on the streets, conducting more than 300 concerts in three weeks.

The lives of the many abandoned and homeless children, the salvation of Jose, a bus driver for the 1986 campaign, the tears in the eyes of school instructors, and the close work with missionaries made South America '89 a memorable campaign.

In Rio De Janeiro, Brazil, the LIGHT teams reflected on all that was accomplished.

Vernon Brewer, LIGHT Ministries director, encouraged each person to hold on to the great commission. Seventeen students then made a choice to become involved in full-time Christian service. Another 20 made decisions to seek God's calling in their life and ask where they might serve.

More than 400 students earn 4.0 GPA

By ANDREA BLAIR Champion Reporter

More than 400 students went home with a 4.0 grade point average for the spring grading period last semester. Those with the high stipulation of an

rage represented undergradum the freshman through senior levels as well as a number of students enrolled in the graduate and seminary programs.

Seniors with a 4.0 average included: Timothy Ackley, Kenneth Allen, Linda Alley, Cheryl Ariaz, Melinda Auckland, Susan Balan, Kari Beckwith, Christine Belden, Dean Berger, Rick Birkey, Dawn Bishop, William Blaising, Carrie Boda, Jean Bolton, Stephen Bonar, Randall Braley, April Brant, Sherri Brett, Jean Brouwer.

Roy Burlew, Tammy Bussard, Jody Cadwell, Laurel Beth Caldbeck, Gary Calmes, James Carpenter, Kim Cherry, Mark Christian, Robert J.ark, April Cobb, Bryan Coleman, Steven L. Collins, Cook, Joy Cook, Lee Coppock, Steven Corbett, Cheryl Coy.

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Lisa Emory, Rebecca Fain, Stephanie Fletcher, Karen Flynn, Michael Fo, Sherri Garlock, Michael Gensler, Philip James Germeroth, Berverly Goshen, Stephen Grabill, Joel Graham, Nina Grant, Mary Grayson, Daniel Greea, Rhonda Green, Laura Gregg, Kimberly Fink Griffin, Katherine Guetterman, Cheryl

Hall, Mark Hans. Julie Harbot, Daniel Hardwick, David Har-

ris, Christina Harvey, David Hasker, John Hauck, Cynthia Heath, Jolene Helmer, Paul Hicks, Sherry Hill, Laurie Hinkley, Ernest Hoppe, Gregory Howell, Junious Hughes, Peggy Jarrett, Jill Jenkins, Julie Jenkins.

Tracey Jessee, Daniel Johnson, Jerry Johnson, Linda Johnson, Bonnie Jones, Susan Johnson, Shelly Karan, Deann Kelley, Lois Kersenbrock, Sarah Kessler, Kelly Koch, John Kurtz, Steven Lahue, Marida Lamb, Gina Lay, Earl Layne, Nekane Legarreta.

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Frye, Patricia Gaudett. David Gibbs, III; Jennifer Green, Eugene Han, Amy Harper, Karen Jo Hatfield, Andrea Ingham, Lynette Marie Jaffrey, Jane Elizabeth Jager, Kevin Jones ,Kathryn Jordan, Shelly King, Beth Kish, Iva Milanovi, Matthew Mills, Linda Nichols, James Olson, Pedro Ortiz, Bryan

Diane Palmer, Samuel Paul, Denise Pugh, Rebekah Savas, Kimberly Ann Scercy, Sheryl Scharp, Barbara Schmitt, Kristin Smith, Lisa Steigerwalt, Christy Stone, Katharine Trout, Suzanne Tucker, Diane Tuttle, Heidi Walter, Lissa Walters, Darin Waters.

Kathryn Wilson, Michael Wuerth, Jacquelyn Yadouga, Kerry Zook.

Juniors who received a 4.0 GPA for last spring's grading period are:

Kari Beckwith, John Bennett, Jodi Bloom Sheri Lynn Bolling, Bethany Boothe, Kathy Bowers, Michelle Branch, Tamatha Lee Bra, Elizabeth Collins, Glen Connolly, Linda Chambers Creech, Richard Fairbrother, Julienna Ferguson, Bryan Foster, Cindy Fuller, Jennifer

David Gilmore, Elizabeth Seldon Graham, Murvel Green, Lisa Greydanus, Mark Gwartney, David Helman, Rachel Henne, Barbara Hemandez, Philip Hopp, Patricia Houghton, Judith Johnson, Kent Leigh, Karen Marie Leary, Joseph Charles Livezey, Brian Marinas, Steven

Richard Malcolm Morris, Jr.; Charles Newman, Alan Oglesby, Scott Eric Patterson,

Sandra Michele Penton, Deborah Jeanine Reece, Brian Renshaw, Sheryl Scharp, KellyShort, Rebekah Smith, Donna Marie Speidell, Susan Edna Steeves, Kelly Kristen Sweet. Clinton Thomas, Jack David Tuckwiller, Erik Tyler, Kristin Walker, Jacqueline Christine Weiser, Cheryl Jenean Yates.

Sophomores with a 4.0 average based

on the spring semester include: Mark Allebach, Lucky Lee Billings, Darla Hanson, Evelyn Lowe, Barbara Rogerson, Matthew Wolfe.

The graduate students with a 4.0 GPA as of the last semester were:

James Anderson, Cathy Baker, Michael Barton, Barbara Boothe, Lee Irving Bruckner, Jr.; Judy Burggraf, Paul Burneson, Heather Coyle, Charles Dickens, George William Dollar, Jr., Mark Davison Dunn, Larae Eicher, Debra Marlene Eremich, Timothy Evans, Connie Gibson.

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Sonna Seipp, Timothy Simpson, Stephanie Sweat, Andrew Tickle, David Willoughby, Larry Wollbrink, Debra Adkins Woodard, Milo

The seminary students with a 4.0 include:

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JohnLloyd, John Lyons, Clark Mahoney, Lehman Moseley, Don Norton, Dwight Poggemiller, Alan Rabe, Brandon Ridgeway, James Russell, Jeffrey Schoeder, Marty Sheldon, William Simmer, Donald Sloan, William Thomas, Bruce Triplehom, Edwin Utz. David Vanderjagt, Steven Veinotte, Wil-

liam Wegert, William Wellings, Gerry White,

David Yarborough, Norman Yukers.

The Kenya team plans to return at the end of November. Members include: Back row(I-r): Tammy Jankowski, Tamar Riley, Carl Weber, Traci Tidwell, Patty Foose, Dania Smoak. Front row(I-r): Karen Fleischauer, Bill van den Akker, Gary Spangler, Kevin Soderlund.

Kenya team ministers in Africa

By REGINA CASH

Special to the Champion

Imagine, 10,000 miles from home. It's hot and windy. There are camels outside the window and scorpions on the ground.

Welcome to Turkana, Africa, where 10 Liberty students are spending the fall semester. They are part of Liberty's 10-year Kenya Project, launched in the fall of 1987.

The goals of these "Liberty Pioneers" range from increasing the educational level of the people to building a Bible school for training the African people in the word of God. The overall goal of the Kenya Project is to strengthen the church, to provide adequate medical services to the people and to provide them with an adequate fresh water supply.

The team starts each day with a 7 a.m. breakfast. Work begins by 8:15. Each student has his or her own assignment. For example, one may

work in the medical clinic. Another may help with construction on the Bible school. Still another may assist in the reading clinic. They break from 1 to 3:30 p.m. for lunch and then work until nightfall.

Dr. Larry Haag, chairman of the department of missions and crosscultural studies, believes the most important lesson or experience that a team member learned would be the growth of their personal relationship with the Lord. "You learn a lot about long-term commitment,"

Applications for participation in the Kenya Project are available in Religion Hall 124. Students from all majors are encouraged to participate. The 1990-91 teams will be chosen in December. In addition, Kenya meetings are held every Monday at 4 p.m. in Religion Hall 118. Letters sent to the team should be weight, metered and addressed to: Address: Name, c/o Rick Lange, P.O. Box 392, Lodwar, Kenya

Curfew extended to midnight

By KERI BURNS

Champion Reporter

This school year brought new faces, new challenges and a few policy changes. One of these is the curfew change. The new policy extends the

previous 11:30 curfew to midnight.

Various ideas for curfew have been used in previous years, such as staggering curfews according to classification. Last year, late curfew passes were issued to each student, with the upperclassmen receiving more passes

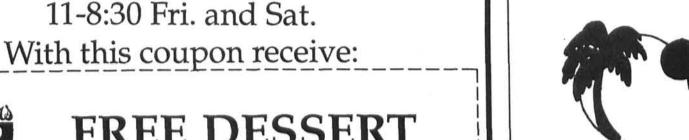
than freshmen. This system was changedbecause of certain complications.

"We handed out many passes and relatively few were used," Jon Purple, dean of students, explained, "Also," traffic was held up at the guardshack."

This year the curfew extension is. valid every night with the exception of Tuesday. This night, used for hall meetings and prayer groups, will retain its 10:30 curfew. Seniors are also required to attend these meetings. Curfew extensions may be obtained through the supervisors when necessary.

Purple wishes to remind students that midnight curfew also means lights out. "This is a visible sign that things should be winding down," he said. a io Small study lights are acceptable, but: students must respect those who share -1 their living quarters.





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Presence of Rutigliano catches national attention

By KEVIN M. BLOYE Sportrs Editor

When Liberty University was granted an early Christmas present Décember in the form of Sam Rutigliano, it seemed that the former Cleveland Brown coach was stepping down from an intense, mega-buck position as a national football commentator to a low-key small college job in unknown Lynchburg, Va.

However, as the Flames' 1989 football season is only days away, Rutigliano has discovered that college football fans around the nation will be watching. A simple day at the office for Liberty's new coach includes several visits from national publications and big-city newspapers.

"It seems like there has been someone in here every day to talk to him this summer," Mike Montoro, assistant director of sports information, said. "We had reporters from USA **TODAY** and the Washington Post in the offices a couple of weeks ago. The Sporting News, Sporting Times and the Los Angeles Times have also been here this summer."

In the Sporting News' 1989 college football preview issue, Liberty's transformation from small college weakling to Division 1-AA force is highlighted in an in-depth five-page

With the added hoopla over the

presence of the 1980 NFL Coach of the Year, students and supporters Liberty's 17year-old football program are expecting even better things than last year's 8-3 record.

However, Rutigliano thrives on the pressure to add Liberty's name to the list of powerhouse

football programs. "I wouldn't have it any other way," Rutigliano said. "I'm excited about this season. All I can do is try to prepare my team for the first game of the season and try not to worry about any kind of pressure."

When Rutigliano left a lucrative broadcasting job as an NFL analyst for NBC and ESPN, many questioned why he was willing to take accept a lower paying post to coach at a second-year Division 1-AA school.

"I wanted to be in an atmosphere where Christ is in the majority," Rutigliano said. "It's such a great opportunity to coach and teach in a Christian University."

What goals does the 56-year-old



Sam Rutilgliano

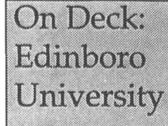
Rutigliano have as coach of the upstart Flames? "I simply want to play a small role in developing the vision Dr. Falwell started 18 years ago. If I can use the vehicle of football to share the message of Christ around the world, then I will have been successful as the head football coach here."

The 1989 season includes a rematch with James Madison and a trip to Ypsilanti, Mich., to play Division 1-A Eastern Michigan. Rutigliano has hopes of bettering last year's performance.

"It's time to take it one step further than last year by making the playoffs," the first-year Liberty coach

"We have 23 seniors on the team and a bunch of outstanding skill people. I think if we can beat Eastern Michigan and play well the rest of the season, they'll have to invite us to the playoffs."

The eyes of Liberty and the state of Virginia are on Rutigliano. Pressure? He's used to it by now.



ON DECK: Edinboro University (Edinboro, Penn.) Where: City Stadium in Lynchburg, Va. When: Saturday, September 9,

1:40 p.m. Head Coaches: Liberty: Sam Rutigliano (1st college game)

Edinboro: Tom

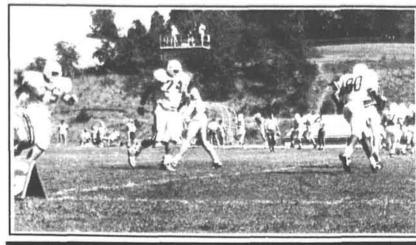
Hollman (5-4-1 career) Series: Liberty leads 2-0 Analysis: The Flames (8-3 last year) face the Fighting Scots (5-4-1 last year) in the season opener for the third straight year. In the only two games that the two schools have played against each other, Liberty has prevailed. In last year's opener, Flames receiver Pat Nelson caught five passes (two touchdowns) for 100 yards to lift the Flames to a hard-fought 17-7 victory. The game will mark the college coaching debut of Sam Rutigliano. The Flames offense will be engineered by fourth-year

starting quarterback Paul Johnson with help from the explosive tailback combination of Leroy Kinard and Charles McCray, With 23 seniors on the squad and talk of playoffs around Lynchburg, the Flames should have no problem with the Fighting Scots.



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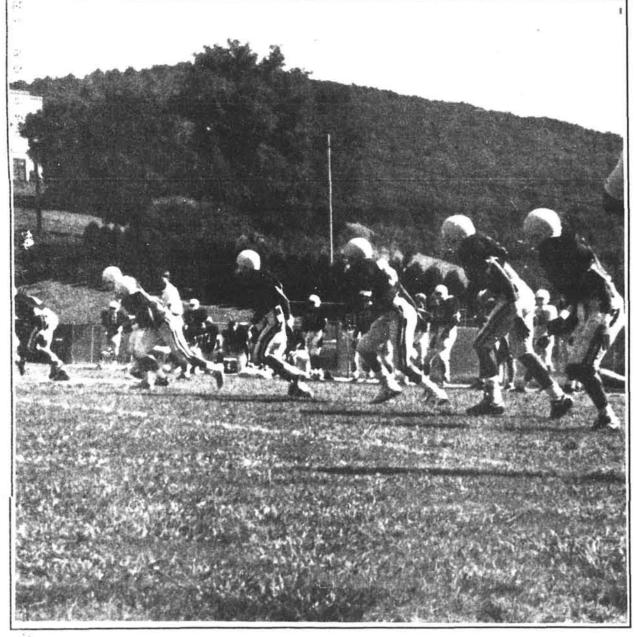
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The LU football team practices under the auspices of Coach Rutigliano

Notre Dame, here we come!

The vision that Kevin began 18 years ago seems a little clearer nowadays. Can't you

Notre Dame Fighting Irish.

Bloye see it? Sam Rutigliano and his troop of Bible-toung warriors marching into South Bend, Ind., to take on the feared

What about the luck of the Irish that not only sent teams like Michigan, Miami and West Virginia packing but also won Notre Dame another national championship? No problem folks, the Flames have nothing to worry about.

OK, I'll admit it. Liberty is still several years away from competing with the likes of Notre Dame, but let's

keep dreaming anyway. Paul Johnson, the senior quarterback for the Flames, leads his pack of hungry teammates out of the tunnel and onto the field before a packed house of over 70,000 Green and Gold fans in Notre Dame Stadium. On one side of the stadium in the stands sits Pope John Paul II, who made the flight from the Vatican to watch his favorite team. And on the other side ers are yelling "Praise Ye the Lord!"

of the stadium, sits, you guessed it, Dr. Jerry Falwell, founder and chancellor of Liberty University.

As the Fighting Irish, led by the new hero in town, Coach Lou Holtz, enter onto the field, you're reminded of the tradition-rich history of the Notre Dame football program. Remember all the players and coaches that led Notre Dame to prominence throughout the century? The legendary Knute Rockne, Heisman runnerup and possible NFL Hall of Famer Joe Theismann, sureshot future NFL Hall of Famer Joe Montana, national champion coaches Frank Leahy, Ara Parseghian, Dan Devine and now Holtz. The list goes on and on.

Liberty tradition? Well, let's bring that issue up in another 50 years or so.

The fans, anxiously awaiting the kick-off of Liberty vs. Notre Dame, have begun an unusual chant that you just won't hear at an average major college football game. It seems as though a large section of Notre Dame fans are yelling "Hail Mary!" while the entire section of Flames support-

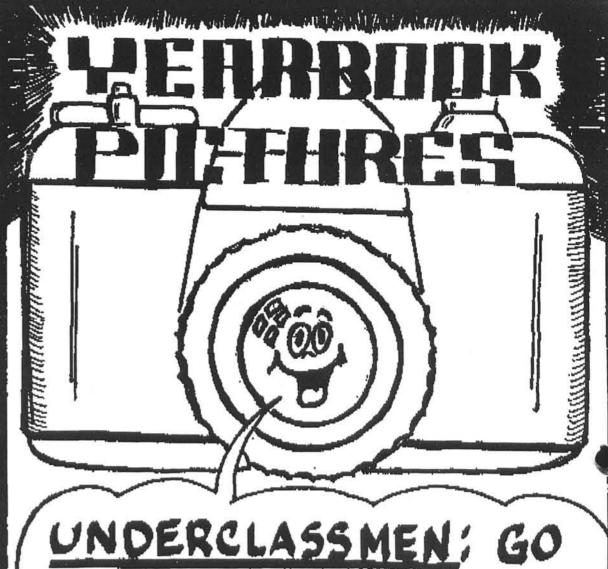
Religious disputes are alive and well, even at football games.

After introducing the baffled Notre Dame crowd to the likes of Johnson, Kinard, McCray, Green, De Decker, Antolik and Parrish, the public address announcer invites all fans to visit the confession stand (I mean concession stand) before and during the game.

It's game time, and the captains of each team are running onto the field to conduct the coin toss. The referee flips the coin but not even a four-leaf clover will help the Irish on this one. Liberty calls heads and wins, but because it is always better to give than to receive, the Flames decide to

Well, I've set the table for this much-awaited game. Realistically, it would probably take twenty years or more for it to happen, but isn't it fun to dream?

Kevin Bloye is sports editor for the Liberty Champion



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Men's cross country must avoid injuries

Tim Sears Liberty Champion

For the cross country team to have a successful season, runners must avoid the training room.

Coach Jake Matthes said the team must remain "injury free" to have a good season. The trainers were kept busy last year by Ray McClanahan's nagging injuries. McClanahan, arguably the best runner on the team, is currently recovering from a foot in-

Mark Christopher, the leader of the team during McClanahan's absence, recently had leg surgery. He will not be able to run for at least three weeks. However, Matthes expects him to make a significant contribution near the end of the season. In addition, Ray McClanahan is recovering from

Despite these problems, all is not lost for the team. In fact, runners have more than their fair share of opportunities. Team members will finally have

"Over the river and through the

They may not be going to

grandmother's house, but the LU

women's cross-country team is going

somewhere and, as it begins its 1989

new and returning runners. Returning

from last year are seniors Lynn

Attwood and Theresa Duncan, jun-

iors Cheryl Nash and Karen Eisemann,

and sophomores Patti Bottiglieri and

the Lady Flames into what he hopes

will be another successful season. "It's

definitely a rebuilding year because

Coach Ron Hopkins is leading

The team is a promising squad of

season, is looking better than ever.

By Theresa Duncan

Champion Reporter

woods...".

a track they can call their own. They also have a new course located near

The team will undoubtedly benefit from these new facilities as well as from the abundance of talent. Coach Matthes said he is pleased with the potential of Chad Englekes, Alan Benu, Kirk Holloway and Damien

Coach Matthes also expects the upperclassmen to add that special blend for a winning mixture. Matthes is counting on McClanahan and Christopher, Steve Hurst, Mike Shupe, Brent Squires and Brett Honeycutt to help carry the team to victory.

Matthes expects the team to continue to improve with the tough competition in the 1989 schedule.

The first meet is Sept. 16 against William & Mary in Williamsburg, Va. The highlight of the year will be the team's trip to Bloomington, Ind., for the Indiana University Invita-

The Men's Cross-Country 1989 schedule is as follows:

Sept. 16 William & Mary and Mary Washington (Williamsburg, Va.) 23 Malone Cross Country Invitational (Canton, Ohio) 30 Retriever Cross Country

Invitational

(Baltimore, Md.) Oct. 7 Indiana University Invitational (Bloomington, Ind.) 14 Virginia State Championchips (Williamsburg, Va.) 21 James Madison (Harrisonburg, Va.) 28 Mason-Dixon Conf. Championships

(Baltimore, Md.) Nov. 11 NCAA Southeast Region Champ. (Greenville, S.C.) 20 NCAA Div. I National Championships

ders the responsibility of calling out each play on the court. "Theresa will basically run the offense," Kelly commented. "She will touch almost every ball that

Volleyball team

Equipped with a new offense

and a hard-hitting squad, Coach

Sue Kelly and the Liberty Uni-

versity women's volleyball team

look to surpass last year's 24-8

A new offense, invented by

Kelly, will revolve around junior

hitter Theresa Bream ,who shoul-

record in the upcoming season.

to play under

new offense

Jeffrey Simmons

Champion Reporter

crosses the net." Kelly's new attack will provide the outside hitter with four options for playing the ball, making it harder for the opposing team's defense to adjust.

She feels this variation will help the team greatly when it plays matches against teams like Penn State, Duke and the UVA.

The Flames will face these teams with a relatively young group and a limited bench, but Kelly thinks the team will hold up under the stiff competition.

"We look strong but lack depth," she said. "However, we should be OK as long as we stay injury free."

Leading the Flames this season will be junior middle hitters Bream and Kim Thomas.

The outside hitting positions will be filled by seniors Kari Leblanc and Cheryl Stinnett. Sherri Woodard and junior Shana Pepper are expected to contribute on the court also.

The remaining positions on the team will be handled by sophomore setter Sarah Crawley, redshirt freshmen Nicole Nice and Rachel Sellers.

Jon Wirsing traveled to the Collegate Nationals this summer.

Student cyclist

The strenuous course consisted of

top ten when his wheel hit one of his opponents' bicycles. The crash prevented him from winning, but he still finished in the top half.

possible by the donations of his fel-

The cycling club at Liberty University competes in the Atlantic Coast

conference includes such schools as the Naval Academy, North Carolina State, University of Virginia and Vir-To participate in nationals from the

ACC the team must place in the top two or the cyclist must place in the top two individually at the conference meet. Jon placed second overall by placing fourth in the criterium and the

Kevin Brittingham and MiHael half hours. The criterium consisted Ginghina also race for the LU Cycling

The rewards of winning are tre-At one point he was racing in the mendous, but a student must have the skill and desire to excel elsewhere to qualify for the Colorado competition. A former winner of the competition has raced in the Olympics and is now a member of Team USA.

> Currently, the club is looking for new members. This is not just a club for racers. It's for anybody that enjoys riding. Interestedpersons should Jon Wirsing at ext.3310.

Administration supports LU intramural program

By Chris Boggs Champion Reporter

Approximately 4,000 students participate in all areas of intramural sports every year. In the past the most popular activities have been 3-on-3 basketball, flag-football, indoor soc-

Some of the intramural activities are tied into basketball season, including the three-point shot competition and the slam-dunk contest.

Vice President for Student Development, Vernon Brewer, commented on the intramural program: "I am very much a believer in and supporter of the intramural program because it provides an athletic and energetic outlet for our students, giving them a which to participate."

Brewer often represents the program to the administration, supporting their requests for space, facilities and fields.

There will not be a loss of the fields, Brewer said, although will eventually be turned into an interchange leading to the new church. When the interchange is built, the intramural fields will be moved to the opposite end of the campus.

Yarbrough told the Champion he would like to have one acre of land for recreation for every 1,000 students. However, funding for the intramural sports program has been difficult to obtain.

"We have to be creative and also be good stewards," Yarbrough said. "We've learned to make do with what we've got."

places in nationals

By BEN LAFROMBOIS

Champion Reporter

Jon Wirsing placed 37 in a field of 150 in the road race at the Collegiate Nationals this summer.

88 miles with 90 climbs at an altitude of 7280 feet. The altitude made the race especially difficult.

Wirsing completed the criterium, a one-half mile loop, in one and oneof 80 laps with an average speed of Club.

over 30 mph.

His first trip to nationals was made low students last spring.

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cer and softball.

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Women's cross country appears strong we lost the top three runners on last year's team. We are just going to have

to mature as a team," Hopkins said.

"If we can grow together as a team

and establish ourselves, we have a chance for a very good season." In the past the Lady Flames have made a name for themselves by winning every Mason-Dixon Conference cross-country title since 1985 and

appearing at three NCAA Division II

national meets, finishing in fourth

The women's team, entering its second year of competition at the NCAA Division I level, will make its first appearance at the Loyola Invitational in Chicago, midway through the season. This meet will give the team a chance to compete with teams

from outside the Southeast region.

The Lady Flames 1989 schedule is as follows:

Sept. 16 Mary Washington and William and Mary (Williamsburg, Va.) 30 UMBC Invitational (Baltimore, Md.)

Oct. 7 Loyola Invitational (Chicago, Ill.) 14 Va. State Championships (Williamsburg, Va.) 28 Mason-Dixon Conference Championships (Baltimore, Md.)

Nov. 11 NCAA Southeast Region Championships (Greenville, S.C.) 20 NCAA National Championships (Annapolis, Md.)

Talon Club sets membership goal; speakers include Rutigliano, Bell

Sam Rutigliano shared his assessment of the 1989 season with Talon Club members and answered questions with ease during the first noon meeting of

the year Aug. 28. "We have to win; we have to be entertaining," Rutigliano told his enthusiastic listeners. "But I hope we can do more than that. Let it be a vehicle, a connector," he said of the

LU football program. Winning is important to Rutigliano, but he's been in the business long enough to know that it can't be an end in itself. "It never satisfies," he said.

For the first time in his more than

finds himself a member of the majority. And he likes it. "People always identified me as a coach and added, 'I think he's a Christian.' Now they reverse it. I'm a Christian first, then a coach."

The new coach anticipates a good season. "We're not going to be a vanilla or chocolate-flavored team," he asserted. He promised interesting and exciting football for Flames

Naming the players, he outlined positions, stressing the strength of the offense because of the number of younger inexperienced players show-

New Flames head football coach 20-year coaching career, Rutigliano ing promise. Defense is weaker but the more than 60 fans present. Referdefinitely has possibilities, and kicking is uncertain.

The training has been rough with moves from the baseball field to North Campus to the Multi-Purpose Building because of the inclement weather. In spite of the obstacles, he is optimistic. "The team is focused," he reported.

Top priority for the new coach is the health of his players. "The most important thing to me is injuries. I don't like to see them hitting all week long. Thoroughbreds only race once a week," he said, explaining his philosophy. There are no players out at

this point with injuries. Off the field he and Athletic Director Al Worthington are working on conference affiliation for the Flames. "We need to identify with an Eastern corridor football conference," he said in response to a question. Also on the agenda is the toughening of the schedule the Flames face with each

Why Liberty? What is the former NFL coach of the Cleveland Browns doing in Lynchburg, Va.? "I'm here because I've done it all," Rutigliano said. "The thing that excites me is being at Liberty. I've never been in the majority before."

An added bonus is the fact that his wife Barbara, who doesn't like football is glad they are here as well. Coach Bill Bell briefly addressed

ring to the difference of being a Division 1 school, he stressed that all the teams are going to have to make changes. One full year into Division 1 play, he is working on those changes on the soccer team for the clash with Navy Saturday night in which the Flames fell 4-0.

Returning to a well-known theme for Bell, he agreed with Rutigliano: "The game cannot be obsessive," he said, "but we still want to win."

In his remarks to the Talon Club members, Worthington spoke confidently of the Flames eventual association with a conference. Stadium completion is anticipated for the game with James Madison University or for homecoming at the latest. In addition Worthington announced the planned completion of the coliseum by next

Special guest Mayor Jimmy Bryant spoke briefly to the group, passing on to Rutigliano some advice he received early in his career. "When in doubt, punt," he told the new coach. Then, tongue in cheek, he advised: "Don't win too many to begin with; then you've got nowhere to go but up!"

The Talon Club, which meets at noon every Tuesday at Western Steer on Wards Road, is open to fans as well as members. In fact, Pres. Maury Stone has set a goal for 700 Talon Club members with a challenge to double attendance within a week.

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Coach Bell anticipates successful soccer season

By MARVIN HAMLETT Champion Reporter

The 1989 Liberty University men's Soccer team is looking forward with anticipation to its second year of Division I competition, returning all but two starters from last year's 6-4-4

Ninth-year coach Bill Bell and firstyear assistant coach Brian Baker have a difficult 1989 schedule, playing teams like of Navy, William and Mary, Campbell, Coastal Carolina and Jacksonville.

son, who was selected to the 1988 first team All-South Atlantic region.

Turkson, from Ghana, West Africa, will be joined by fellow Ghanian, George Nimo, a junior goal-

Nimo, a two-year starter, finished last year with three shutouts, 37 saves, and ".41 goals against" average despite missing the first half of the season with a leg injury.

Jeff Alder, a junior defender and two-year starter, will provide the

The Flames will be led at sweeper needed leadership on and off the field by sophomore captain Freeman Turk- for a squad loaded with underclass-

> Freshmen Curtis Shepherd and Brent Ward will also start for the young Flames.

> Coach Bell stated two goals for this season: to improve on last year's record and "To be the best team spiritually" he's ever had.

> "We're hoping the students will come and support us wholeheartedly," Bell said. "We have quietly become a well-recognized Division I

Flames to gain home field advantage in September

By DONALD SMITH Special to the Champion

The Flames football team will be going into their '89 season with a brand new outlook; a real home field advantage and a new coaching staff, but the team is still the same.

field for Flames football for many years and also for Heritage and E.C. Glass high schools. In reality the Flames have never really had a home field advantage, but they soon will. Instead of fighting their battles on borrowed land, the Flames will have

City Stadium has been the home a home field advantage when the 25,000 seat stadium is completed. Although construction has been delayed by inclement weather, the anticipated completion date is Sept. 30, in time for the game with James Madison University.

> The Flames will also go into their '89 season with a new coaching staff. In keeping with Dr. Falwell's vision, Sam Rutigliano is expected to lead the team to a higher level. With the experience and know-how of Rutigliano, a former NFL coach for the Cleveland Browns, the Flames appear to be heading for a great season.

Rutigliano has brought with him a new coaching staff to be combined with last year's. Chuck Kelly, offensive line coach, believes that the team is honoring God and has a good nucleus. He quoted Rom. 8:28 which states: "And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose."

Other offensive coaches include Paul Rutigliano, receivers and Sam Rutigliano, quarterbacks and offensive coordinator. Defensive coaches include Pete Sundheim, defensive backs; John Petercuskie, defensive line; Jerry Petercuskie, inside linebackers and the Rev. Bill Glaze, outside linebackers. Glaze will also be assist as team pastor.

Athletic A-B-C's

cross country

1. Agony: The perfect word to define running

Suzanne Duncan

when you're out of shape.

2. Blister: I get one on my big toe during long runs.

3. Coach: When it comes down to it, he's the one to blame for both #1 and #2. He tells everybody what to do, what to eat, etc.

4. Dead: The way I feel after cross country practice and most of the rest of the time until the season

5. End: What can never come soon enough during a 10 or 12 mile run, or what I sometimes wish would occur before the next workout.

6. Fire: The sensation that builds

7. Gregorian chant: What NOT to listen to on your Walkman while running.

8. Hill: A hindrance common to workouts or any other kind of long, short, fast or slow run.

9. Invincible: What every coach wants his runners to be. 10. Jog: Anything more than nine

minutes per mile, or what you do when you're tired.

11. Kill: What you would like to do to #3 when he makes you do #6 while listening to #7. 12. Lactic acid: It has something

to do with why your legs feel so sore after a race, but beyond that, I'm not sure. 13. Muscles: What #12 builds

satisfied with; what can feel like #4 after most workouts. 14. Nausea: The feeling that comes over me as I think of

up in; what most runners are never

tomorrow's workout. 15. Optimum weight: What I country runner.

fear I may never be, but I'll keep you posted.

16. Pasta: Definitely not any help with #15, but it is good for you on the night before a race. It's called carbo-loading, by the way.

17. Quick: What you must be to miss being hit by a car while running across Fort Avenue.

18. Race: The absolute, most wonderful part of running; what runners live for. When I'm racing well, it's the most exhilarating feeling I have ever felt, unless of course, #22 occurs.

19. Sadist: See #3.

20. Tired: See #4, or why I slept through a slide presentation in my 8 a.m. class.

21. Unbelievable: The legs on most male runners, or Steve Fury, this guy who runs for Oklahoma

22. Vomit: A nasty word, but it happens to the best of them.

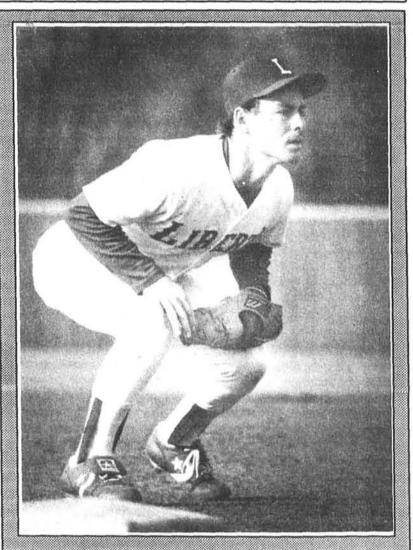
23. Weights: An agonizing routine, lasting at least an hour, that is preceded by #6, which is also an agonizing routine.

24. XC: Abbreviation for cross country.

25. Y?: The question I ask myself every day, before, during and after practice. It has yet to be answered, by the way.

26. Zoological garden: A nicer, more relaxed, more pleasant place to spend your Saturday than hanging around with a bunch of skinny, dead people with blisters.

Suzanne Duncan Is a feature writing student and a cross



Mike Rivas watches the batter carefully from his infield position.

An analysis:

Giamatti made impact

the Pete Rose scandal was finally layed to rest, A. Bartlett Giamatti, the commissioner of baseball, died of a heart attack at age 51.

It doesn't seem fair that a man in the prime of life doing what he loved so dearly could wake up feeling fine and then suddenly perish in a matter of hours. But despite the fact that Giamatti served as commissioner for only five months, his name could very well go down as one of the greatest to serve the game.

Pete Rose, the Cincinnati legend who conquered the world of baseball for so many years, was cited for gambling on baseball even while he managed the Cincinnati Reds. Unfortunately, though, this was only the beginning of the allegations against Rose. The Rose situation flooded the world of baseball from the first days

On Sept. 1, only eight days after of spring training, taking the game out of the stadiums and into the courtroom. Despite talk of lifetime suspension, the feeling was that Rose, the heralded baseball legend, would somehow, someway escape major punishment.

Giamatti, a true lover of the national pastime, gave the arrogant Rose a lifetime suspension, saying that absolutely no one is above the game. Not even baseball's all-time hit leader could give baseball a bad name and get away with it.

As unimportant as it may seem now, the death of Giamatti could be Rose's ticket back to baseball in the near future.

Faye Vincent has been appointed new commissioner, but it is clear that the message A. Bartlett Giamatti left to his baseball peers will never be for-



Bobby Richardson

Fall baseball shows team strengths, weaknesses

Jeffrey A. Cota Champion Reporter

With the majority of the baseball players returning this season, it looks as though LU baseball fans will be in for a treat.

Sept. 11 marks the beginning of fall baseball.

Fall baseball enables coach Bobby Richardson and his staff to analyze the areas in which the ball club needs the most work and to take a look at the freshman and walk-on players who are trying out.

Last season 100 walk-ons showed up for tryouts, and Richardson is expecting similar numbers this sea-

Richardson said the keys to the upcoming season will be the pitching staff. He also expects to have an abundance of strength and mo-

The nucleus of the starting rotation will include four pitchers. Lance Price, a 4.0 student, shut out the University of Georgia enroute to a 4 - 5 record last season. Richardson believes this could be Price's season.

Frank Speek had a hot streak with eight consecutive victories last spring. The streak began while the team was in California for a tournament with Fresno State. Speek came in relief and stopped Fresno State cold. He also led the team in four pitching categories.

Toby Toburen is expected to contribute extensively to the Flamespitching staff. Toburen, who pitched well in a summer league, consistently throws close to 90 miles per hour.

Todd Swisher, a 6'4" left-hander, is a prospective major league pitcher, Richardson said. He has outstanding defensive abilities and spent most of last season at first base.

The Flames have one of the strongest outfields in college baseball, Richardson said.

Cary McKay, who played some outfield and first base, led the team in four categories including a .419 batting average. McKay is also considered a prospect for professional base-

Todd Sample is battling for a ing position in the Flames outfield. Sample was timed by the New York Mets in the 60 yard dash, clocking in at 6.5 seconds.

Danny Brahn, a walk-on from last season, batted .282 out of right field. Phil Kulp, an excellent all-around

ball player in both the infield and outfield, batted .285. The Flames have a tentative 55-

game schedule beginning Feb. 24 at home against Duke University and ending May 5 at Norfolk State. Fans might be led to believe that

team members never attend classes with such a busy schedule.

But, academics are first priority and missed classes are closely monitored, Richardson said. Before leaving for road trips, the players attend their classes and pick up assignments as well as make up tests.

On a spiritual note Coach Richardson said he has never before had so many players who are on fire for the Lord. Richardson contends there are few players that hold true to God's word and compete on the Division 1 level.

The players have been busy planning gospel tracts with each player's life verse. They have also started a Bible study.

Flame Facts: Opening Game

In 1973, the charter year of Liberty's football program, the Flames lost their first game ever to Massanutten Military. Since then, the Flames have posted a 6-9 record in season opening games.

1973	Massanutten Military	42
	Lyncburg Baptist	32
1974	Lynchburg Baptist	30
	Washington & Lee	10
1975	Lynchburg Baptist	24
	St. Paul's College	17
1976	Hampden-Sydney	14
	Liberty Baptist	7
1977	Chowan College	31
	Liberty Baptist	13
1978	University of Dayton	35
	Liberty Baptist	0

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