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A new opportunity for talented students to perform. See story on page 5.

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Women's soccer team crushes Washington and Lee, 4-0. See story on page 6.

# The Liberty Champion

Liberty University, Lynchburg, Va.

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## Students contribute millions to economy

By **BEN LAFROMBOIS**  
Champion Reporter

The financial impact of Liberty University students on the Lynchburg area economy is conservatively approximated to be \$15 million per year, according to surveys done by the Journalism 412 and Telecommunications 408 classes in April of '89 and November of '88 respectively.

Approximately 250 students were interviewed for each survey in an attempt to discover spending patterns among the student body. The total was then computed from the results of the phone interviews.

The interviews revealed that 48 percent of the students work and 29 percent of those who work do so at non-Falwell related ministries. Approximately 40 percent of those working spend fewer than 20 hours a week on the job. The most popular type of work was in the restaurant business, including 28 percent of the working respondents.

For respondents who lived off campus, the largest expense was rent, with 29 percent of the town students spending \$251 or more monthly. On the other hand, 29 percent of the town students paid \$75 or less per month.

Automobile expenses were the largest part of a student's budget with food and personal expenses filling out the top three.

The distribution of spending within the separate categories was concentrated with businesses in the Liberty area. River Ridge Mall benefitted greatly from LU.

Chevron and Wilco were the most patronized service stations, receiving 27 percent of the business from students owning cars as reported by the Tele 408 survey. Kroger received the vote of 65 percent and 71 percent of the students for favorite grocery store in the telecommunications and journalism surveys, respectively. Students chose Rite Aid 43 percent of the time as favorite drug store, according to the journalism report.

Leggett came out on top in the department store category with 33 percent of the students in the Journalism 412 survey and 38 percent for the Telecommunications 408 report. K Mart and JC Penney each received 17 percent in the report done by the journalism students. "Chess King and The Limited are the number one specialty clothing stores for men and women, respectively," the Tele 408 report showed. The journalism report stated that 35.3 percent spent fewer than \$50 in Lynchburg on clothing and accessories in the past 12 months.

Food was another large category of student expense. The journalism sur-

vey reported that 43 percent of the student body ate out one to two times a week while the telecommunications survey reported that students average about once every other day.

McDonald's was the most frequented hamburger establishment; Subway was favorite specialty restaurant, and TCBY was most popular for desserts. Pizza Hut and Dominos were the top two pizza places, and Shakers and Western Sizzlin', the favorites in the respective categories of family and steak restaurants. Of the students who eat out once or twice per week, 28 percent spent \$21 to \$35 in a month while 27 percent spent \$11 to \$20 in a month.

Sovran and Central Fidelity were chosen most often as financial institutions. The journalism report stated: "Forty-four percent of the students have an average monthly bank balance in Lynchburg of \$100 or less."

The respondents to the journalism survey reported that 25 percent of them had spent between \$200 and \$500 in Lynchburg in the past 12 months.

Faculty and staff were not included in the surveys, so the entire university's contribution to the community is much greater than the \$15 million reported here.

## Georgia pastor addresses students

Dr. Ike Reighard, pastor of New Hope Baptist Church in Fayetteville, Ga., spoke in chapel Friday on "How to survive at five-foot-nine in a nine-foot world."

Reighard, who focused his sermon on David and Goliath, learned a lot about fighting giants when his first wife died in childbirth.

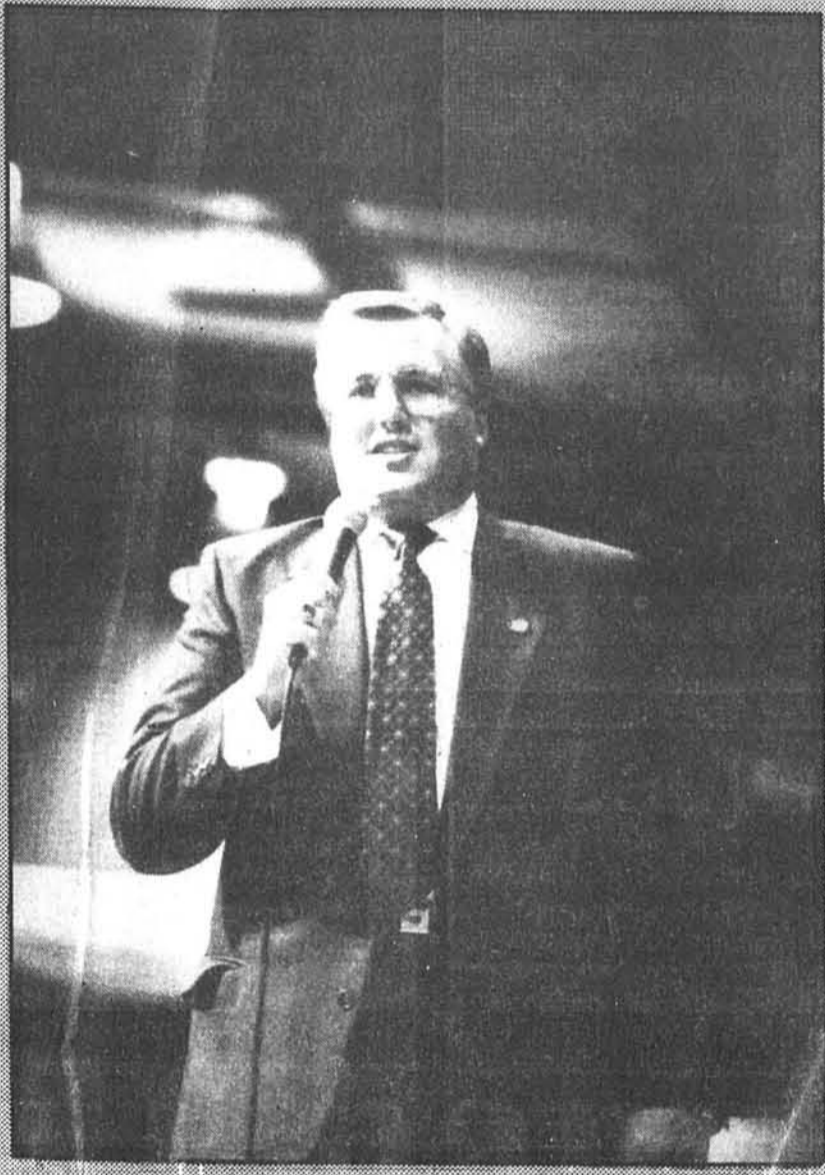
During the time immediately following his wife's death, Reighard lost his will to live, but his faith in God helped him through the rough time.

"Faith is your reaction to God's ability," Reighard explained. "Our God is worthy to be trusted, and adversity is preparing you to help other people."

Reighard encouraged the students to focus on God as they face their own giants at school. "There is never a mistake when God begins to work in a person's life," he said.

He also praised the school for its spiritual emphasis: "I think Liberty University is the greatest university in America. The vision that God has given to Dr. Falwell will influence protestant denominations in this country."

The pastor, who has two daughters by a second marriage, is the current president of the Georgia Southern Baptist Convention.



## Computers available at half-price

By **ANDREA BLAIR**  
Champion Reporter

All LU students, faculty and staff members can buy Zenith computers for half price.

This includes all Zenith computers, from the smallest portable to the biggest desk top. All are fully compatible with IBM computers. Fred Spearin, director of campus computing, is able to get all models at 40 to 52 percent off the regular retail price. Spearin said this deal is "better than the cheapest discount to be found."

This special is offered by Zenith to colleges, universities and the federal government. However, each buyer is limited to one unit per year to prevent abuse of the offer.

Liberty is selling these computers through Zenith at absolutely no profit for the sole purpose of helping the student obtain a brand-name computer at a discount price.

Spearin also said that programs and printers are available to students at a discount through Rose Office Systems on Lakeside Drive. An example of the specials offered through Rose Office Systems is an Epson FX 850 printer offered at \$360 which retails for \$499. A student ID card must be presented at the time of purchase.

Spearin recommended an Epson printer from Rose to complement a Zenith. Epson is "the best dot matrix on the market," he said. It will run any software and is considered an industry standard.

Special features depend on the model. Spearin suggested contacting a student representative for Zenith who will help determine which model is the right one for the students' needs.

Interested persons should contact student Steve Mitchell at 237-4865 or Spearin at the Administration Building, room 113 or extension 2232.

## Oxford trip provides academic experience

By **MEGAN BEARDER**  
Managing Editor

Through Liberty's Oxford Study Program students can study at England's oldest and most renowned school, earn academic credit during the summer months and travel throughout the continent.

Students have until Nov. 1 to apply. They can earn from three to nine credit hours from the offered courses. The program starts July 12, and students will return Aug. 13, 1990.

"Anyone who has the opportunity to go, should," Ann Little, a 1988 participant, said. "It was great!"

The program costs \$2,200. This includes all airfare, transfers, lectures, charter travel, admission to historical sites, room and board for one month at Wycliffe Hall, Oxford, and up to nine hours academic credit.

"It's an intensive academic experience," Dr. Ralph Mawdsley, dean of the Oxford Study Center, said. Lectures and travel introduce the students to the history and culture of Great Britain. The course work is

created by each department at LU and designed specifically for the Oxford program. The work, consisting mostly of written papers, is assigned in early December and due July 1.

At Oxford students are required to attend 40 lectures presented by Liberty professors and Oxford instructors. The lectures are related to Great Britain, but topics are of the instructors' own choosing.

No textbooks are needed, and no homework is assigned at Oxford. However, students are required to take notes on the lectures, and attendance at a particular play or other event may be required.

The lectures are given three days a week, after which students are free to travel, including weekends.

In the past, students traveled to Loch Ness, Scotland, saw "Romeo and Juliet" and "Hamlet," toured backstage at the Royal Shakespeare Theatre and visited the Houses of Parliament. Some even ventured on their own to France and other countries.

Interested students should contact Dr. Ralph Mawdsley at ext. 2580.

## Nursing students receive ribbons

By **JODY A. BARKER**  
Special to the Champion

Supervisor, hospice coordinator, teachers. These are just a few of the positions held by alumni of Liberty University's Nursing Program.

Chairman of the Nursing Department Linda Miller explained that Liberty offers two programs for nursing majors.

First, there is the generic program, a four-year program for nursing students who want to become registered nurses.

After graduation students may return to go through a two-year completion program to obtain their nursing degree.

Students go through more than just their class work, though. Sophomores are required to do three hours of clinicals every week. Juniors in the program are required to do 16 hours, or two days, of clinicals every week.

These clinicals are done in several of the local hospitals, including Virginia Baptist, Lynchburg General and the University of Virginia at Charlottesville.

Several students also work at other local clinics and nursing homes as externs, a position between nurse's assistant and nurse. Students work in clinics when the need arises.

For example, during the measles epidemic last year and the shot clinics this year, student nurses helped out because of the large number of people

going through and the number of inoculations given.

One event that is anticipated every year is the ribbon ceremony. Traditionally, this ceremony has been called the capping ceremony. At this time sophomore nursing students receive their nursing caps.

Liberty University nursing students, though, have voted against the caps, which denoted a student nurse in the work place. They replaced the cap with a blue ribbon, pinned to the lapel of their uniforms.

The ceremony is used to mark the initiation of sophomores into the nursing program.

Currently there are 176 students in the generic program: 85 freshmen, 50 sophomores and 41 juniors. In addition, there are 20 students in the completion program.

Three nursing teachers at Liberty are alumni who came through Liberty's nursing program: Dee Britt, Debbie Luke and Hila Spear.

Another nursing program graduate is currently the hospice coordinator for Lynchburg. Still another is the Supervisor of Nurses in a hospital in Massachusetts.

"It seems like all of them did something great," Miller said.

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## New drop policy initiated

By **MARVIN HAMLETT**  
Champion Reporter

The last day to drop a class this semester is Nov. 1, in contrast to last year when the deadline was the last week of classes.

After the new deadline students will receive an automatic "F" for any class dropped.

"The main reason for the change is the repeat policy," Associate Registrar Julie Axel commented.

In previous semesters the records office had to cope with an enormous number of dropped classes during the final week of school.

The complication arose between students dropping a class for the first time and those dropping under the

repeat policy. Different forms were required in order to keep the students' records straight.

Will this new policy be detrimental to borderline students?

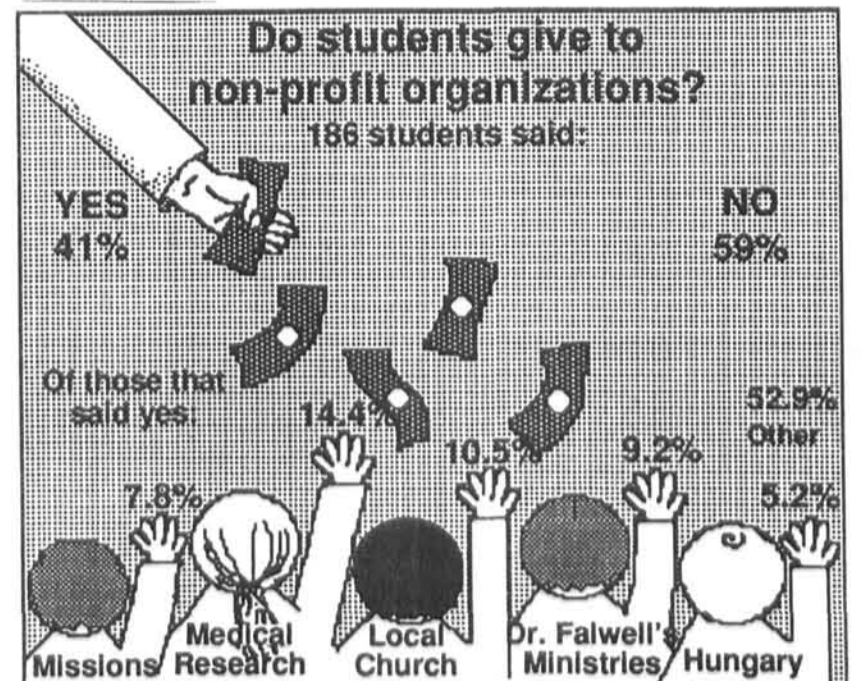
"No, I don't think so," Axel responded to the question. "Students will have ten weeks to decide if they can pass a class."

While stressing the repeat policy as the main reason for the change, Axel indicated that some instructors thought students wasted time in class, knowing the old drop policy could bail them out at the last minute.

Senior Stacy Skeen saw the change in a different light. "It's not a very good idea because sometimes the extra month can allow students to improve their grades."



Kathy Bates and Dee Britt participate in the ribbon ceremony. This tradition marks the initiation of sophomores into the nursing program.



By Megan Bearder





## Editorial

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

### Inconsiderate students ruin effect of services

We are all aware of the students who feel compelled to sprint out of the Multi-Purpose Center after every service. In fact, that group includes the majority of students.

Why do students equate the word "Amen" to the sound of the starter's gun? Perhaps standing in line for Marriott for a couple minutes would ruin their appetite. Perhaps having to turn the lock of their mailbox with someone standing beside them would ruin the quality of the mail.

Do the sprinters realize that for personal gain, as insignificant as it may be, they ruin something more important? For example, the effect of the service. We all know how annoying it can be when people are leaving during an altar call or prayer.

Students need to do a little growing up, especially those who make a practice of sprinting out of church and chapel. A few minutes in a line will not kill anyone. But what a tragedy it would be if one person went to hell because of a few inconsiderate students.

### Christians must exercise judgment while watching TV

Although at Liberty most students have neither the time nor the inclination to watch a lot of television, we must recognize it as a vital part of American life and as a form of entertainment.

Studies have shown that the average American spends between five and seven hours in front of the television each day. Additional studies show school-aged children spend more time with the tube than they do in school.

But what difference does it make?

With the recent flood of "trash TV" that is now flowing over the networks, it does make a difference. Americans are spending large amounts of their day soaking up the images the television brings them.

And for the most part, the watcher will take whatever is dished up. However, one Michigan housewife decided she'd had enough and began a letter writing campaign.

Terry Rakolta's move against the Fox network's "Married...with Children" produced results from some major advertisers. Kimberly-Clark and Proctor & Gamble stopped advertising on the show.

And the trend caught on. "Saturday Night Live" has been abandoned by Domino's Pizza and Ralston-Purina.

Many advertisers are leery of advertising on tabloid news shows like "Current Affair," "Inside Edition" and "The Reporters." Other shows on the gray list include "Geraldo," "Morton Downey, Jr." and "Alf."

However, as Time magazine reporters Mary Cronin and Naushad Metha observed, it should not be the role of the advertiser to monitor the air waves.

"The advertisers have become the new guardians of quality," they wrote in the March 20 issue of Time. "It reveals a remarkable lack of faith in the ability of the viewers to lodge the ultimate protest: turning off the set."

Yet, America just doesn't take the effort to push one button. As easy as it may be, people cannot manage the simple task.

Justin Synnestvedt, associate professor of humanities at Moraine Community College in California, said, people would rather just vegetate before boxes which bring them moving images than judge the quality of the programming.

The vegetation principle is best illustrated, he said, by senile individuals who sit for hours on end in front of the television, not really understanding what is on the screen.

"I propose commercial television is not proper entertainment," Synnestvedt said at a weekly forum for faculty and students. "Remember, TV is free, unlike many other forms of entertainment. People do not shop around for suitable or truly recreational entertainment. They just come home and flip on the tube. They do not bother to judge whether it has any value," Synnestvedt said.

Synnestvedt goes beyond advocating the advertiser watchdog. He believes Americans would be better off if they did away with television all together.

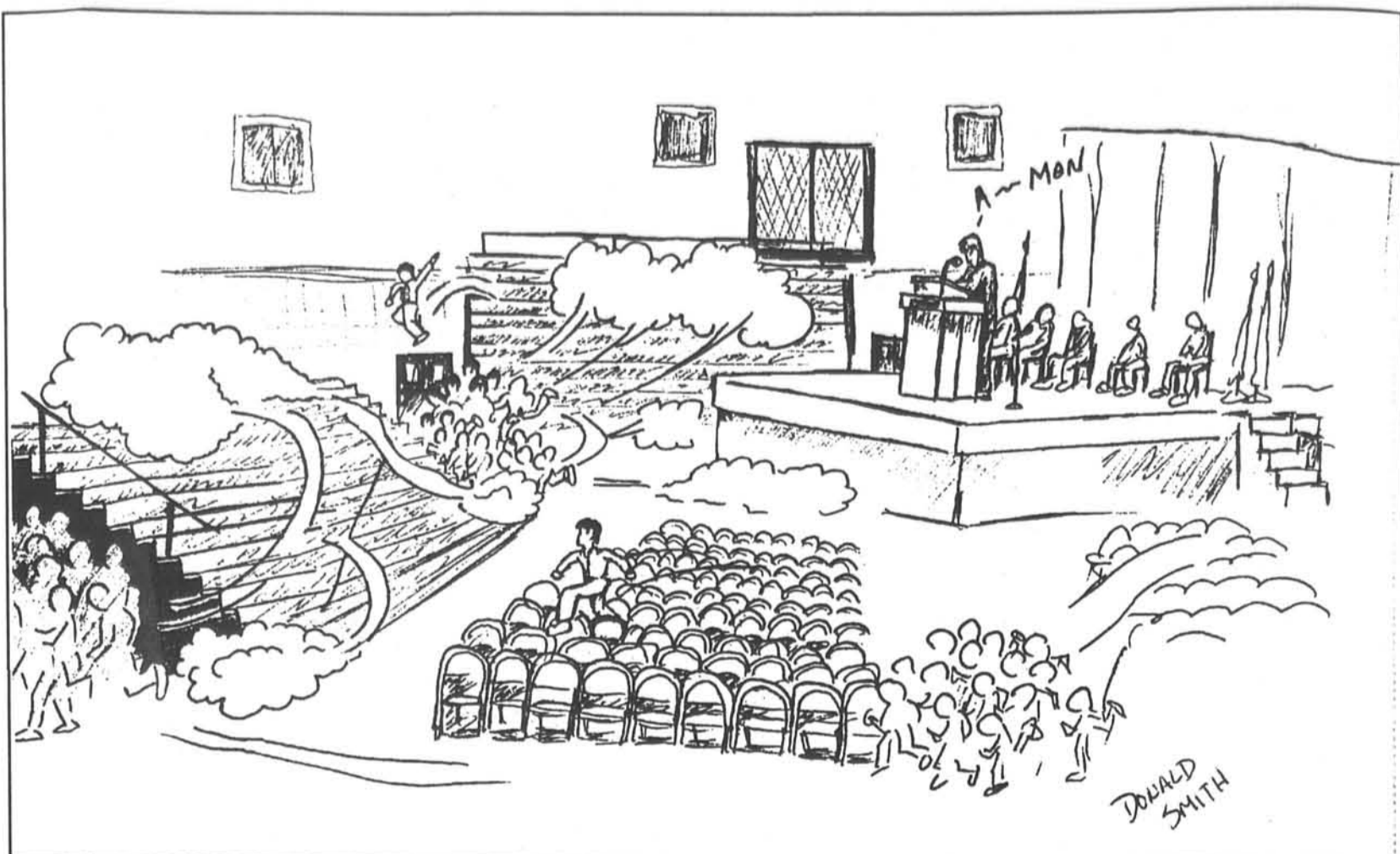
As students leave college campuses and find themselves in the work place and in the market for entertainment, they will be faced with several questions.

As new consumers of television, will they be added to the statistics, more bodies in front of the tube? Will they stop to consider if there is value to what they are watching?

Will the advertiser continue to be the guardian of television content? Remember, he has a product to sell.

Will the consumers ever make good decisions about what they watch?

The first step is to be aware of the situation. The second step requires each individual getting actively involved, even if it is only by considering the value of each program.



### House vetoes art funding restrictions

By DANIEL DOMBAK  
Feature Editor

The question has gone from the freedom of speech of artists on the far left to the expenditure of tax dollars.

#### Analysis

This is the question the House considered last week. Sen. Jesse Helms, R-NC, spearheaded an amendment prohibiting the National Endowment for the Arts to grant any money to museums or artists for the promotion or production of "obscene or indecent material."

The amendment prohibits funding of art which "denigrates the objects or

beliefs...a particular religion or non-religion or denigrates, debases or reviles a person, group or class of citizens on the basis of race, creed, sex, handicap or national origin."

Although the amendment has wide, sweeping implications, it has a logical base, a base that is definitely needed in American society.

However, as necessary as the Helms amendment is, the House voted it down 264-153. The movement against the amendment, headed by Rep. Sidney Yates, D-Ill., claims the proposal "establishes a broad and sweeping pattern of censorship."

Dana Rohrabacher, R-Calif., put it best when he said, "The question is sponsorship, not censorship. Artists

can do whatever they want on their own time and with their own dime."

The issue here is not freedom of speech, it is the funding of such individuals to produce or promote blatantly offensive materials that can not be tolerated, especially when that money comes from the very pockets of the people who are offended.

The American society is built on the freedom of speech, but there is a fine line between freedom and slavery to that freedom.

However, when taxpayers are forced to pay for art, production or promotion, which they can neither enjoy nor tolerate, that line has been crossed.

### Double-label artists have many motives

By Kathie Donohue  
Opinion Editor

Throughout the potentially controversial world of Christian contemporary music, double-label recording artists remain a concern to many who believe Christian music should be set apart from all secular influences.

#### Analysis

Those who object to musicians recording different albums with Christian and secular companies usually do so because they feel the artist is inter-

ested in monetary gain and increased popularity. However, there are a number of issues that motivate the artist that are not related to material increase.

Many Christian music companies feel it is necessary to limit artists to a particular type of musical format in order to ensure the sale of records. Therefore, if a musician wishes to experiment with a new music style, it is often necessary for a Christian to sign with a secular recording company to gain freedom of expression.

The ultimate goal of any creator is

to have his work available to as diversified an audience as possible. Overall, Christian music companies offer only limited distribution. The larger secular companies provide a mass distribution system and opportunities for maximum exposure.

Furthermore, Christian music companies are often years behind in technological progress. For this reason many Christian musicians make the switch to secular production sources in order to gain access to the state-of-the-art facilities offered by more developed producers.

Perhaps the greatest motivation in the lives of Christian performers is the chance to expand their potential mission fields. Christian music is generally written for the church. Most people outside of church cannot relate to the religious lingo found in Christian contemporary music.

Although some musicians use a double-label strictly for personal gain, most have valid personal and professional reasons behind the decision to perform at both the Christian and secular levels.

After all, since Christian artists are called to live in the world, they should use all available methods to glorify the living God they represent.

### Campus: Issues and Answers

## Christian Service done for His glory

**Question:** How does Liberty University justify some of the Christian Service assignments? (i.e. sports, publications, shuttle bus, etc.)  
**Dr. A. Pierre Guillermin**

**Answer:** Someone has said, "For a Christian there is no difference between the secular and the sacred, for a Christian all things are sacred."

Scripture in Col. 3:17 admonishes the Christian that "whatsoever a man doeth in word or deed do all for the glory of God."

In other words, anything a Christian does, regardless of the nature of the service or position of authority, the Christian's first responsibility is to do it unto the Lord.

Today the Christian world has been influenced by the philosophy that the only way a person can serve the Lord is to be in full-time Christian work as a pastor, evangelist, missionary, etc., and certain responsibilities are not considered worthy to be classified as Christian service.

The significance of Christ's own example of serving with his hands and washing the feet of his disciples is a message in itself contrary to this philosophy.

In this materialistic age in which we live, we need to re-evaluate Christian service. It is any service that helps further the cause of the Christian faith.

In the university, we have formalized a structured program through which a student's Christian service can be reviewed and evaluated. It is the underlying concept of "being a

door keeper in the house of the Lord" that emphasizes that everything that is done should be done in such a way that it will honor and glorify the Lord.

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

### The Liberty Way

by G. Triplett



After a brilliant left bank maneuver, Bill headed for his dorm.

### Liberty Forum

## Students have brains, not poor attitudes

Editor,

It's true that "poor attitudes tarnish LU image with media." However, just because LU students speak their minds (when questioned by the local media about the mandatory attendance and seating in chapel) does not warrant the cheap shot of being labeled "poor attitude" and the charge that such comments reveal "the depth of their spiritual interest," implying shallowness.

Judge for yourself. Are the following comments coming from students who are giving their honest assessment of the chapel situation, or, do such comments stem from "poor attitudes" and reveal "depth of spiritual interest?"

"I think everybody should be grown up enough to come to chapel."

"If they (Liberty officials) keep track of who's here and who's not, people who don't come are going to distract those who want to come and listen."

"I think if they (students) want to hear the word of God, they'll come here."

Such comments could very well be coming from earnest individuals who aren't afraid to use their brains; and a brain is worth little without a tongue.

If we carelessly group any negative assessments as being rooted in a poor attitude, then I suppose our Lord Jesus Christ had a poor attitude whenever he gave His unapproving comments concerning the happenings of His time on earth.

Dan Pelletier

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## Chief's Corner Entertainment is potential danger

*"Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ." Colossians 2:8*

**Reynard Valdez**

Christ had been shown the glories and kingdoms of all the world and was being enticed to trade them so that Satan might receive worship. Christ rebuked him, and the tempter left.

Recently a magazine article asked a question which caught my attention: "What would you ask God for if you could ask for anything?"

I didn't answer the question right away because I had to say "no" to many materialistic things which would have taken my focus off Christ.

My response finally was that God would raise up Christians to evangelize the world.

Even in today's Christian entertainment, we need to be careful not to lose sight of the purpose for which God has called us. We should not concern ourselves so much with trying to be entertained. The excitement of being entertained should be equal with the joy of going out to witness for the Lord.

Christians, let us not be caught up in the philosophy that the world has been offering, but let's live life to its fullest in Christ.

Reynard Valdez is religion editor for the Liberty Champion

Entertainment in the world, influences the philosophy of individuals, whether it be that of an Indian tribe or of another segment of American society.

Television, radio, movies, music and the print media all have a message to carry to an audience. Some demand that you buy their product. Others insist that a certain lifestyle is right for you.

Col. 2:4 and 6 says; "And this I say, lest any man should beguile you with enticing words.... As ye have, therefore, received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in Him."

The phrase "any man" represents the man of the world who beguiles or deceives you with "enticing words." We are to have a relationship with the Lord that enables the Holy Spirit to lead us away from such circumstances.

Jesus Christ, after fasting 40 days and nights, was tested by the tempter (Satan) but overcame him.

## Students have wild ideas for LU future

### inner view

Liberty University announced plans yesterday for construction of a multi-million dollar, fabricated, simulated ocean and beach on the campus sometime within the next hundred years.

**Jeffrey Simmons**

The announcement came after several of the students complained about the lack of "nice, clean" beaches in the area.

IDONTEXIST, a contractor who has built artificial beaches on other campuses, will be responsible for undertaking the new facility.

Once completed, the LU beach will be the largest of its kind in North America, parts of Italy and northern Mongolia.

Yeah, right! I wrote it, and I don't even believe it. However, it would be kind of nice. Don't you agree?

Sticking with the beach theme, I asked several LU students what they would add to the campus if they had the chance. Here are their innovative responses:

**Brian Renshaw, Richmond, Va.** - "I believe that Liberty should construct a miniature golf course or bowling alley on campus to provide entertainment which is easily accessible for students who must abide by the 'walking campus' rule."

**Stefani Scarlett, Huntsville, Ala.** - "If I had to choose something new for the campus, it would be quad rooms for all of the students, complete with living rooms, kitchens and at least two full baths."

**Monte Jessee, Lexington, Va.** - "I'd like a gym that anybody could use to play ball or just goof off in."

**John W. Zeh, Brookline, Mass.** - "I'd build an olympic-size swimming pool so we could have a swimming and diving team."

**Carolyn Bogues, Hollywood, Fla.** - "I would like a jacuzzi in every room to chill out in."

**Greg Johnson, Port Huron, Mich.** - "I would add an escalating sidewalk, swimming pool and a rule making shorts permissible for leisure wear."

**Jody Barker, Danville, W.Va.** - "For practical reasons, I would like to have a bank and gas station on campus. It would make us more self-sufficient."

## Future Search

### LU co-op program gives advantage

Maturity, confidence and the ability to make important decisions while solving real-life problems are a few of the many characteristics being developed by students enrolled in co-operative programs.

**Shawn de Lestard**

More than 230,000 students participate annually in the program, putting their classroom learning to the reality test. Co-op education is a chance to pick up the most valuable kind of knowledge—practical experience. The last three presidents of the General Motors Corporation have all started their careers with a university co-op.

The whole philosophy behind this idea is to build a career-oriented work record which will increase marketability to employers upon graduation. Approximately two-thirds of graduates with co-op experience find their work terms lead to full-time employment with advanced status and compensation. The remaining one-third find their experiences advantageous in transferring to alternative work sites.

"We are living in the greatest job opportunity decade of this century," Don Sale, Career Center co-ordinator said.

"There is a growing demand for those with professional degrees and experience. The job opportunities are easy to find, but students are going to have to look for the job they want. It's going to take a lot of preparation and strategy on the individual's part."

Co-op differs from the internship program in that students are paid for

Sitting behind a microphone in a radio control room for six consecutive months now, I think it's safe to say that the job of radio jock leaves the individual wide open to some close encounters he'd rather not think about but which usually happen at least once an hour. There's no way to avoid them, and even the most experienced announcer is prone to them.

**Dan Hochhalter**

Now, of all these unwanted occurrences, there is only one that is utterly frightening. The mere mention of this will result in the jock being strung up by his toenails. Any DJ will tell you, the most feared thing of all is lightning.

Fortunately, a good old-fashioned lightning storm doesn't come along as frequently as, say, flipping the mike on and forgetting a song you just played. This makes you sound like an ignorant, stupid lowlife in front of thousands of people who are always concerned enough to call up after you blow it and inform you politely that you did so.

No one really knows how to cope with lightning once the clouds start to rumble in, except maybe to pray for

the rapture. And, as far as I know, there are no courses in the telecommunications major that teach you the proper way to deal with the stuff.

Well, actually, reference was made to the lightning problem in one freshman-level telecom class when we, the eager young students, had to trace a radio signal through the station.

The process, in technical terms, is as follows: a bolt of lightning strikes the antenna. Then several million volts of electricity surge down the tower into the transmitter, blow that "sucker" to smithereens and promptly send this intense power into the "whatch-a-ma-thing" at the station. From there it travels into the amplifier, through miles of wire, shorting circuits along the way. Finally, the bolt heads into the control board, up the mike wire, out of the microphone, into the DJ's mouth, down his body, out his toes, and from there the lecture gets a little fuzzy.

Nevertheless, this information does come in handy—especially since the DJ KNOWS that once he sees the lightning strike, he has on the average one split second to pull his mouth away from the mike and find a job in another state that doesn't have elec-

trical storms.

When lightning strikes at any location within a 30-mile radius of the station, a very intriguing law of nature kicks in: the power goes out.

One thing I neglected to learn in the classroom, however, is that the DJ is somehow connected to the station's power source. When the power goes out, the once coherent DJ becomes a lonely mass of lime jello in the announcer's chair in the center of a very dark room. His hair stands at attention, his nerves play racquetball against the inside of his skin and, worst of all, he immediately thinks it's all his fault.

If he doesn't bring the station back up, he's sure he'll get fired. So, he does what any normal terrified DJ would do: PANIC!!!

He figures the one way to bring the station back up must lie somewhere in the multitude of buttons that appear to have been put in by some technical engineer purely as a joke to confuse the poor DJ. As each second ticks off the clock, frustration mounts, and the poor DJ's actions become more and more frantic.

After about 30 minutes of dead air, the DJ's sanity completely abandons

him. He gives up and plops down in a chair, tears stream down his face as thoughts of long unemployment lines run through his head.

Then, without fail, the last thing he would need happens: The phone rings, and someone politely offers him some new, valuable insight. "Do you know you're off the air?" the caller asks.

I've seen many DJs wind up in nice padded rooms dressed in classy white sport coats with long sleeves. It's not a pretty sight, but it's a hazard that comes with the job. It's a hazard equivalent to filming a great white shark in the ocean and suddenly remembering that you forgot to get in the shark-proof cage before you dived underwater.

It's interesting, though, that the fear of lightning follows this DJ home from the job. As a matter of fact, there's a lightning storm brewing right now. I thought about retreating from my electric typewriter and fleeing to safety before the lightning really strikes, but I only have one more sentence

Dan Ho is a staff columnist for the Liberty Champion.

## Advice on Living

### Practical advice for students on dating

Whether seriously involved, dating around or doing without dates, just about everyone has an interest in the subject of dating.

**Christie Hayes**

Girls seeking the famed "MRS" degree willingly admit that a major motivation in their decision to attend LU was found in the abundance of Christian males.

Guys are more likely to present an exterior of cool indifference.

Inwardly, however, panic starts to mount with the growing realization that seminary or the business world will not offer quite as many marital selections as campus life.

With such high hopes in mind, it is little wonder that many of us find ourselves disappointed and lonely. Frustrated with the dating scene, we become desperate for a date and resort to such radical actions as fix-ups and blind dates.

Well, for those of you who, like myself, are staking-out new territories in datelessness, I offer hope.

In my vast and multi-faceted experiences in "NOT DATING," I have learned that there are two alternatives:

• To be dissatisfied, always striving for what we think we want;

• To be content and find joy in being alone.

Relationships require learning to see members of the opposite sex not as potential dates but as potential friends.

The door to lasting, beneficial relationships will be opened when you are more concerned with who they are rather than with whether or not they're available.

Furthermore, stop looking for "The One," and begin to examine your motives. If we trust a dating relationship to bring security, we can be certain it will bring insecurity instead.

For me, "NOT DATING" continues to be a learning experience.

Someone once said this of dating: "You plant your own garden and decorate your own soul instead of

waiting for someone else bring you flowers."

In other words, each person must learn to be content in whatever state

he is in.

Christie Hayes is a staff columnist for the Liberty Champion

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News Briefs



World

Colombians arrested on drug charges

BOGOTA, Colombia (UPI) - Colombian police announced Thursday they captured two men wanted in the United States for cocaine trafficking charges. One is wanted in Florida; and the other, in Detroit. Colombia is now holding four suspects for extradition.

Also, the Colombian army Wednesday displayed an arsenal of U.S., Soviet and Israeli-made weapons believed to be owned by cocaine cartels. The weapons, including U.S. M-16 and Soviet AK-47 rifles, were confiscated during search operations conducted in the last three weeks.

Demonstrators march against Apartheid

CAPE TOWN, South Africa (UPI) - South Africa had its first legal anti-apartheid demonstration in at least 10 years Wednesday. More than 15,000 people marched through the streets of Cape Town. Archbishop Desmond Tutu led the march. Few police officers were around, in fulfillment of a promise by South Africa's acting President, Frederik de Klerk, who sanctioned the demonstration.

Chinese require social science classes

BEIJING, China (UPI) - Chinese officials Wednesday ordered all students entering social science gradu-

ate programs to spend one of the three years working in the countryside.

The students will have to work with "grassroot organizations with sound political environments." The Chinese government is trying to instill solid Marxist ideology in its students to prevent further pro-democracy demonstrations.

Nation

Bakker ignored warnings about ministry spending

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (UPI) - The former finance director of the PTL television ministry said last Wednesday he warned Jim Bakker repeatedly that the ministry was in the red.

Peter Bailey testified in Bakker's trial that Bakker ignored his warnings to cut spending. Bailey said the evangelist continued to accept hundreds of thousands of dollars in bonuses even as worthless checks were written to pay PTL employees.

Bush supports budget for anti-drug strategy

WASHINGTON (UPI) - President Bush last Wednesday reluctantly agreed to support a compromise plan to pay for his nearly \$8 billion anti-drug strategy.

The plan put forward by South Carolina Democratic Sen. Ernest Hollings calls for across-the-board budget cuts of roughly one-quarter of one percent.

Bush Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said the president would prefer a package of specific cuts.

Scheduled concerts offer wide variety

By KERI BURNS  
Champion Reporter

Kim Boyce, one of the new faces coming to LU this fall, is one of Christian music's newer stars.

Boyce writes and sings music with the pop sound that captures teenage ears and communicates a message that touches their hearts.

The Florida native and former Miss America finalist knows the pressure of trying to look good and be accepted. "I want kids to know that their self-image depends on who they are

inside, not just the externals," Boyce said.

Boyce said she and her entourage work to help youth find peace in answers given to them by Jesus Christ.

"We've formed a prayer group to pray for the kids who come up after concerts and who write letters," Boyce explained. "We're also working with local churches to provide post-concert follow-up."

With songs ranging from reflective to energetic, Boyce's honesty about life and love hits home with more

than padded answers.

Also coming in concert this year are The Imperials, returning to the Liberty University campus as part of their 25th anniversary tour.

"I want everyone to enjoy themselves and hear the best in Christian contemporary music," Bev Buffington, director of student activities office, said.

Other scheduled events include a performance by the Harlem Globetrotters Jan. 27. The team will appear as a pre-game matinee at the Liberty

University basketball game.

The list of confirmed and tentative concert dates for the fall semester includes:

- Sept. 30 Kim Boyce 7:30 p.m. \$3.00 gen. admission \$8.00 reserved seating
- Oct. 21 Miss Liberty Pageant info not available.
- Oct. 28 Imperials 7:30 p.m. College for a Weekend
- Nov. 10 concert tentative
- Dec. 8 Christmas banquet Twila Paris 8:00 p.m.



SGA senators look on during discussion of the agenda and upcoming senate bills.

photo by Tim Albertson

Students fail to realize extent of rule changes

By CHRIS BOGGS  
Champion Reporter

Rules! Rules! Rules! Why are there so many rules at Liberty University? Do the deans think that students are not mature enough to handle themselves properly?

This complaint is common among LU students. But looking back at earlier rules helps put everything in a different perspective.

Although curfew is now 12 a.m.

some people are upset about having one. During the 1977-'78 school year there was really no curfew. Students could not leave campus during the week, unless they worked. Students had to be in their dorm studying from 7 to 10 p.m. From 10 to 10:30 they were also required to be in their dorm.

Students did have social privileges on Friday and Saturday nights from 5:30 to 11:15. Saturday and Sunday afternoons from 1:30 to 5 p.m. were also acceptable.

The newest reinstatement of a rule is the policy of no jeans in DeMoss until after 4:30. This rule has caused grumbling among the student body. But during the 1977-78 school year jeans could not be worn anywhere except in dorm rooms.

Dean of Men Dane Emerick said, "Through the years we (the deans) have found areas we could pull back on." He added that students "can live pretty free within the rules. Every year we look at the rules and see what could possibly be changed."

Holy Land tours provide class credit

By AMY POWELL  
Champion Reporter

International Study Seminars are offered every year so students may tour Bible lands and earn credit hours at the same time.

The first trip offered this year is a Pauline Seminar tour of Greece and

Turkey from Dec. 28 to Jan. 13.

A Pauline Seminar involves tours of the cities in much the same pattern as Paul took on his missionary journeys. Stops will made for lectures given by Dr. Jerry Kroll, director of International Studies; Dr. Elmer Towns, dean of the School of Religion; and Dr. Brent Sandy, New

Testament professor.

Dr. Kroll said that this technique "gives one a feel of Paul's missionary journeys." Students will be given the opportunity to see things like the bema seat and the temple of Diana.

In addition to seeing biblical sites students will be exposed to other cultures.

Campus clubs unite for march:

Liberators to lobby against abortion

By MEGAN BEARDER  
Managing Editor

Liberators for Life is combining its efforts with other pro-life organizations to lobby against abortion. Members and other interested students of the newly-formed LU organization will attend two pro-life rallies this semester.

The first is in Trenton, N.J., where students will meet with other organizations, including the Chinese Alliance for Democracy and Feminists for Life, Sept. 29.

In Washington, D.C., the Liberators, along with the College Republicans, will lobby Oct. 8 for a bill that prohibits sex selection abortions.

Students will meet Sen. Gordon Humphrey (R-N.H.)

who proposed the bill. They will then divide into groups and visit their respective congressmen and senators.

"We want to help end apathy towards the abortion issue," Guy Redmer founder of the club said. "In a state school the problem would be opposition groups...like pro-abortionists. At Liberty, it's apathy," Redmer said.

Redmer created LFL last year as a branch of Students for America. The club deals only with the pro-life issue.

Club officers are Bruce Herwig, public relations; Steve Pizzini, membership; Rick Morris, executive director; Jim Horton, vice chairman; Barb Hernandez, editor.

Information regarding the club can be obtained through Steve Pizzini at extension 4039.

SGA plans eventful year for students

By JULIE METHOD  
Special to the Champion

Vice-President of Student Activities, Jerry Wages, has planned an eventful year of activities for the student body.

Wages, a senior from Fresno, Calif., has a positive attitude toward his third year with the Student Government Association. He gained experienced through working closely with Kurt Voggenreiter, last year's vice-president of student activities.

"I will do what I can to make it a better year for the students," Wages said.

His activities committee has planned many outings geared to interest students with varied tastes.

A question has risen concerning the fact that movies produced by Universal Studios have been shown on campus this semester, including "Twins," "The Dream Team" and "Field of Dreams."

However, last semester "Harry and the Hendersons" was not shown on campus because it was produced by Universal Studios, the company which had been boycotted for producing "The Last Temptation of Christ." Wages said he was aware of the situation but was too unsure of all the



Jerry Wages photo by Laelle Coppess

facts to give a reply.

Wages said that he is willing to listen to anyone who needs to talk with him and is open to suggestions and comments.

"I can put them in touch with someone who could help," Wages added. "I am the voice of the students to the administration."

Emphasizing spiritual maturity is also at the top of his list. Wages commented that he feels being a spiritual leader is just as important as anything he can do as a student leader.

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# Internships provide experience

By **BEN LAFROMBOIS**  
Champion Reporter

For students who have questioned their major, for those who'd like to be sure their major is right for them, the National Internship program is an "avenue to open opportunities and experiences that will solidify career goals."

That's the evaluation of Lew Weider, director of the national internship program.

Experience gained through an internship program will allow a student to determine his true desire for a certain occupation.

The students who have participated in the program consider it to be one of the best ways to supplement a college education. "An internship should be the lifeblood of every academic-minded student," according to Troy A. Lainson, a business management major, who interned at Preferred Risk Insurance this past summer.

Mark Robb, also an internee, said, "Any full appreciation of a career must incorporate both knowledge and experience." An internship provides both.

The knowledge and experience gained in the internship program can benefit the student in many ways. "An internship through Liberty should be a vital part of every student's academic life," Lainson said because an internship, "is beneficial for the student by broadening his horizon in his respective field and opening up many potential employment opportunities."

Employment opportunities, experience in chosen field and solidification of career goals are just a few of the benefits provided by the internship program. First of all, the program is not just national. Three students were involved in international programs during the summer.

Class credits are available, depending on the number of hours spent in the internship. Also, a few organiza-

tions will pay internees for their work while they gain valuable experience.

Seventeen departments offer "planned experiences" or internships at Liberty. Each department has an intern adviser. The adviser approves site placement. He is also responsible for follow up with the student and with the organization the intern was placed with.

Liberty's excellent reputation is growing, especially in Washington, D.C. where Liberty interns have been preferred over Harvard interns, according to Debby Lawrenson, Weider's secretary.

An internship seminar will be held in DeMoss Hall on Sept. 26 in room 114. A question and answer period with a panel of intern advisers will be featured. Also, Sept. 28 will be recruitment organization day on campus. Organizations desiring internees will be recruiting. Information on internships is also available in Religion Hall 101.



Chris Turner and Blake Miller perform at David's Place for the opening night of "LU Jams."

photo by Tim Albertson

# Talent show opens at student center

By **JODY A. BARKER**  
Special to the Champion

"LU Jams," an opportunity for students to show their talents in an informal setting, was recently added to the list of student activities available at David's Place.

Jerry Wages, vice-president for student activities, said, "This is an opportunity for those students who may never get to perform in chapel or church to perform in an informal setting before their fellow students."

Opening night of "LU Jams" included eight acts involving everything from contemporary Christian music to a progressive band, from Southern gospel to rap, from a magic show to a stand-up comedian.

Wages explained that "LU Jams" will be held every third Sunday night of the month from 8 to 11 p.m. The event is open to anyone interested. Because there are no auditions, it is very important for those people wanting to perform to remember that their music or act must remain within the "Liberty Way" as well as within the music code.

Those interested in performing in "LU Jams," should contact the Student Activities office at David's Place, extension 2131.

# Survant baby celebrates birthday

By **CHRIS BOGGS**  
Champion Reporter

Almost a year ago a little girl was born into the Liberty University family.

Bethany Moriah Survant was born eight weeks premature. Although she weighed 7 pounds, 3 ounces and was 18 inches in length when she was born, three pounds of that weight was fluid trapped in her little body.

Bethany had a condition known as hydrops, the build-up of fluid in the body. The very first day of her life, doctors extracted a quart of fluid from her body.

After an ultrasound doctors found cysts in front and behind little Bethany's heart. These cysts slowed the heart rate, keeping blood from flowing through the kidneys. This kept the kidneys from properly flushing out the body.

Doctors at Lynchburg Baptist Hospital also thought she had only three chambers in her heart. At this point Bethany was flown to Charlottesville. For the first three weeks of her life doctors weren't sure if she would live.

"They never would give us chances for survival; they

just said she was a sick, sick baby," Bethany's father, LU journalism professor Mikie Survant, said.

Originally the doctors wanted to wait until Bethany was three or four years old before she had surgery. But at two-and-a-half months Bethany had difficulty breathing, and the doctors decided to go ahead with surgery.

Doctors made a six to eight inch incision into her chest where they found two cysts the size of oranges.

After all was said and done that could be said and done, Bethany went home Dec. 19, almost three months after she was born.

"Best Christmas present a person could ever get," the proud father stated.

Bethany was six months old when she last saw the surgeons, and they said they did not have to see her again.

Even so, Bethany cannot be around other babies because of the chance of getting a cold that could lead to pneumonia.

Bethany will celebrate her first birthday Sept. 25, by coming to visit in chapel if conditions permit. She'll also be having a small party with a few close family friends.

# Students minister through drama

By **DAWN E. WALKER**  
Champion Reporter

Two weekends a month a bus leaves Liberty carrying a group of actors, actresses and singers. These students are members of the King's Players, a ministry group which specializes in spreading the word through drama, songs and skits.

The King's Players has been a part of Liberty University for 12 years, but the ministry has been in existence for 30 years.

The players travel two weekends of every month and practice each Tuesday and Thursday evening.

Dr. David Allison, director of the King's Players, said he believes two weekends a month is enough. "I am concerned that the students will be able to strike a balance between their school work, Christian service and other involvements," he said.

"I would rather have a student stay with the program for several years and not feel burned out than to have a student quit after only one year because he was being pushed too hard."

This year the Players hope to minister at several youth rallies in addition to performing in church services. According to Allison, the programs for the youth will center on contemporary topics facing young people today.

In addition to the plays, skits and music, the group will feature an illusion performance.

Allison expressed an interest in using the ministry for prison outreach and other evangelical purposes.

"Which Way?" is an evangelical play that the group will use primarily in an outreach type of ministry.

Senior Todd Benson, team leader for the King's Players, is in charge while the team is traveling.

The King's Players will be traveling to surrounding states this semester with a Spring Break tour of Florida, Alabama and Mississippi also planned.

Two years ago, a trip to Fort Lee resulted in more than 450 people coming to know Christ.

Seeing peoples lives touched makes all the work well worth it, Allison said. "We are a real ministry, speaking to people's hearts."



Tawana Kearney, Kevin Soderlund and Mike Shipman look on as Kathy Trout teaches a backyard Bible club in Norfolk, Va., as a ministry of Urban Outreach.

photo courtesy of Urban Outreach Center

# Urban Outreach plans Vision Tour

By **REYNARD VALDEZ**  
Religion Editor

As part of the Vision for Redeemed Urban America, the Center for Urban Outreach has planned a tour for Oct. 25-29, directed by Claude Dallas.

Philadelphia, Newark and New York City will be target areas to expose students to urban ministry.

Students will spend all day in Philadelphia at Spruce Hill Christian and Timothy Academy. "They will have opportunity to observe classes and the progress of students," Dallas said.

Visits to historical sites such as

the Liberty Bell and Independence Hall will be included in the stay at Philadelphia.

The next city will be Newark, N.J., where students will meet with Dr. Keith Phillips, president of World Impact School, which specializes in urban city ministries.

After visiting in Newark, the tour will go on to New York for a visit at Manhattan Christian Academy. "Pastor Tom Mahairs who spoke recently at our Spiritual Emphasis Week, will guide the group there," Dallas said. "He has 17 LU graduates working as teachers and administrators at MCA."

During the tours of New York City

students will have an opportunity to give testimonies and witness for Christ in the streets.

"Students interested in the areas of education and ministry are urged to sign up, but the tour is open to everyone," Dallas said.

"This year we plan to visit Christian schools in these cities. This gives education, ministry and counseling majors an opportunity to see a ministry in operation," he added.

Registration for the Vision Tours will be Oct. 9 with a nonrefundable amount of \$50 due on Sept. 25. Interested students should contact the Center for Urban Outreach, in Religion Hall 120 or call 582-2310.

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## Men's soccer team ties two for 2-1-3 record

By **MARVIN HAMLETT**  
Champion Reporter

Liberty saw second half leads slip away in last week's soccer games against Lincoln Memorial and Radford resulting in two ties.

On Wednesday, Flames' goalie George Nimo stopped 22 shots giving Liberty a hard-fought 1-1 tie.

Liberty opened the scoring in the first half when Brian Senitz took a pass from forward Brian Stephens and kicked it past the Radford goalie to give the Flames the early lead.

With 17 minutes to go in regulation, freshman John Barry scored the game-tying goal to secure the tie for Radford.

On the play, however, the Flames' players and coaches argued that Barry was offside on the play.

"After the goal, both teams were just standing there...waiting for the call," Flames coach Bill Bell said.

In Monday's game against Lincoln

Memorial, the Flames saw two second half leads slip away resulting in a 2-2 tie. Mike Schultz scored with an assist from Johnny Sasu to give the Flames a 1-0 lead with 19 minutes left in the first half.

With only three minutes left in regulation, Lincoln Memorial's Larry Reaves barely slipped the ball past Nimo to tie the score.

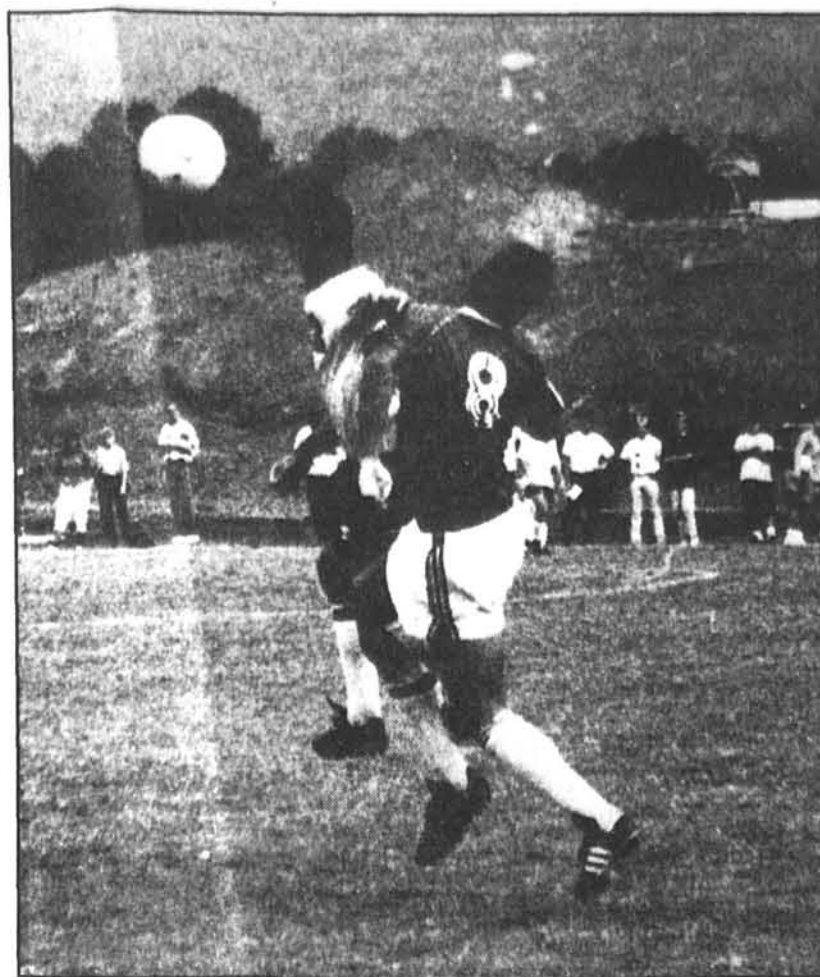
In the first half, defender Jonny Sasu fed forward Mike Schultz to give the Flames a 1-0 advantage.

After the Railsplitters tied the score three minutes into the second half, junior forward James Otchere scored to give Liberty a 2-1 lead.

"I had the ball and two players were on my back, so I decided to take a chance," Otchere said. "I feel I have the advantage when I'm one on one against the goalie."

Liberty finished the game with 14 shots while LMU added 10 shots.

The ties gave the Flames a 2-1-3 record.



A Flames soccer player guards against an opposing team player during a hard-fought match last week. photo by Dawn English

## Ladies' soccer wins 4-0

By **Jeffrey A. Cota**  
Champion Reporter

Amy Ingalls celebrated her birthday by scoring two goals to pace the Lady Flames to a 4-0 trouncing of Washington and Lee at G. E. field on Monday. Ingalls scored her first goal at the 42:03 mark in the first period and her second with 19:46 remaining before the half.

The Lady Generals of Washington and Lee had control in Liberty territory from the start of the game. Robin Ingalls and the defense held them off and, once they had cleared the ball, A. Ingalls burned the Generals' defense and scored. Only minutes later Leanne Faulks marched the ball up field for another goal. From that point on, the first period was played for the most part on the Generals end of the field.

The Generals regained control about the 20:00 mark and waited patiently for an opening. The LU defense came through again and cleared the ball to A. Ingalls who broke away and scored her second goal.

At the half LU led 3-0; however,

Coach Jim Long warned the team not to take their lead for granted.

"We can't underestimate Washington and Lee. They came back in the final period to beat Randolph - Macon by two goals." Randolph - Macon defeated the Lady Flames 8-2 in the season opener.

The second half was a standoff for the most part. R. Ingalls consistently made the defensive plays when the Generals threatened to score.

"A lot of times they (Washington and Lee) would've scored if Robin hadn't been there," Coach Long said.

With 32:11 remaining in the game, Victoria McCarthy posted a shot above the goalie's head to assure a win.

"The team started working together. They used their heads and everything came together," Long said after the game.

Paula Barringer made six saves on six shots while the LU offense made eight shots on goal.

LU now has a record of 1-1. The Lady Flames will play Guilford College on Sept. 20 and Roanoke College Sept. 22. Both are away games.

## Senior quarterback excited about final year with Flames

By **DAVE DENTEL**  
Champion Reporter

There is no question about how Flames quarter back Paul Johnson feels facing his final year of competition at Liberty University: He's excited.

"Our goal is to be the number one passing team in the nation," Johnson said in an interview last week. This pertains more to team execution than just straight yardage compilation, Johnson said. If such a remark sounds like rhetoric or overconfidence, it isn't.

Johnson is facing his fourth year as starter and his fifth year with the

Flames football program. He is replacing former LU quarterback Phil Basso in the school recordbooks with nationally ranked statistics. Most importantly, he must lead the Flames offense into a new era in head coach Sam Rutigliano's first season at LU.

"Paul Johnson has had no problem in adjusting to the new system," Rutigliano said. "He is a great athlete and a very intelligent quarterback. I expect him to have a tremendous season."

Rutigliano also feels that a pro football career is not out of the question for the Appomattox native.

"Paul's arm is stronger than a lot of

free agent, late-round draft pick quarterbacks that I have seen in NFL camps," the former NFL coach said. "There's no doubt in my mind that he has the ability make a pro team."

Johnson, with so much depending on his play and leadership, doesn't feel the least bit uptight. "I don't feel any pressure," the 22-year-old said, displaying an infectious grin. "I like going out on the field and having fun."

Johnson attributes his ease to Rutigliano's coaching style. Winning, he added, also helps.

Not that the senior doesn't know about hard times. He began his career

with a broken jaw in 1985, which resulted in his being awarded a hardship redshirt season. The ensuing two years he quarterbacked a struggling Flames program to a humbling 4-16 record. Not until 1988's 8-3 final outcome did the griddle experience the thrill of a winning season.

"I've been through about everything," Johnson said. But, he added that fighting through is what helps; it builds character.

As for the changes in the football program at LU, Johnson said he never could have foreseen them.

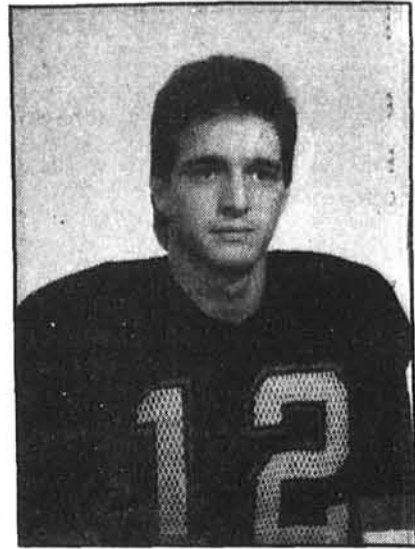
"They were talking about (NCAA) Division I in 1988, and I never thought

it would happen."

Not only did NCAA Division I-AA status arrive in 1988, but this year so did Rutigliano, former Cleveland Browns head coach.

"Playing for Coach Rutigliano is like a dream come true," Johnson remarked. He related how he used to wish he could spend just a week under a coach who had worked with the pros.

Now, Johnson says, he has offensive coordinator Bob Lehy who has worked with the likes of Jim Kelly, Bobby Hebert, and Jack Thompson.



Paul Johnson

## Pro ball wraps up season

Who would have believed it? The Chicago Cubs have a semi-comfortable lock on

**Kevin Bloye**

first place in the National League East with only a week and a half left in the regular season. The Cubs, despite a lack of starting pitching depth, seem to have the perfect blend of veterans and youth to dethrone the mighty Mets (the team with a thousand egos). Credit GM Jim Frey for making the risky move of sending Rafael Palmeiro to Texas for stopper Mitch Williams. Williams has been the difference for the Cubs who will win the East.

And yes, I'm going out on a limb again, and predicting the San Francisco Giants to win the National League West. There is no better tandem in baseball than Kevin Mitchell and Will Clark, and the Giants now have a stopper in Steve Bedrosian to complement a decent pitching staff. The talented Padres are in second

place but have arrived too late to catch the Giants.

The American League East, to the disappointment of most of the nation, will be won by the Toronto Blue Jays. The Jays have too many powerful guns firing in the same direction to be dethroned by the "Cinderella" Baltimore Orioles.

With players such as George Bell, Kelly Gruber, Fred McGriff, Tony Fernandez, Dave Steib and Jimmy Key all playing to their potential, there probably isn't a better team in baseball.

The American League West will be won by the Oakland Athletics (another daring pick). Jose Canseco is back, and there isn't a better starting rotation in the game than Oakland's, which features Dave Stewart, Mike Moore and Bob Welch. The Angels and Rangers will be moving to the top in the near future, but the A's remain the kingpin of the West in 1989.

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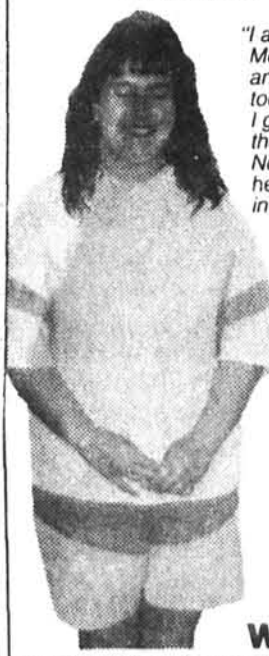
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# Walk-ons showcase baseball ability

by JEFFREY A. COTA  
Champion Reporter

A total of 75 walk-on baseball players showcased their hitting and fielding abilities to the coaching staff last week. Only seven made the cut.

The tryouts were scheduled for September 11 - 13; however, rain on Tuesday shortened the period. During these two days of tryouts, the walk-ons were separated into three teams and rotated from the field to the batting cage.

Given such a short period of time to look at all of the players, some are easily overlooked and others are later cut despite a strong showing at the tryout session.

"In a short tryout period, it is impossible to get a good look at everyone," Coach Richardson said.

Richardson gives players who did not make the cut an alternative. If a player honestly believes he did not get a fair shake, then he can come back to compete against the player at that particular position.

"When I was a freshman in high school, I was cut on the second day of tryouts, and I didn't think I got a fair shake," Richardson explained.

The team needs to fill a few holes in the pitching staff and to find a back-up at the catching slot. All of the other positions are filled and Richardson doubts that too many walk-ons could keep up.

If a player really has a love for the game, he is often directed to the baseball club here on campus. The club is used as a reserve team. Two players were called up last year due to injuries on the regular roster.

Last year, Richardson even asked one player who was cut in tryouts to serve as the team manager. Tim Collins tried out for the team and was cut. Richardson saw Collins' love for the game and decided to keep him on as team manager, a full-scholarship position.

Players that made the cut in recent years have been Lance Price, Doug Brady, Derek Syrjala and David Eeles.

Price is the number one starting

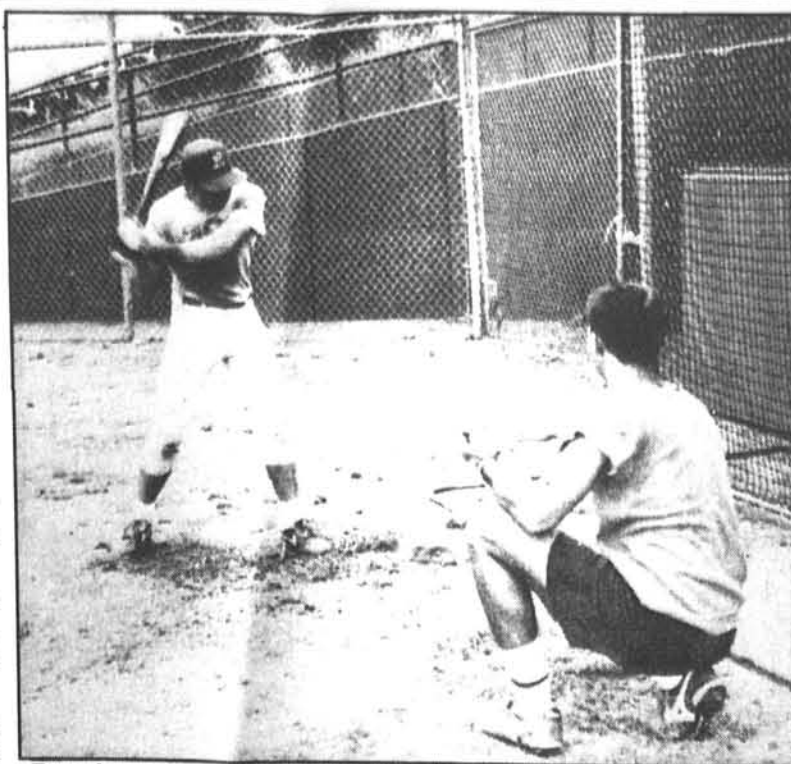
pitcher for the Flames this season. The senior posted a 5.38 earned run average and a 4 - 5 record last season. He had three complete games and led the team with two shutouts in 72 innings.

Brady, a shortstop, batted .250 with seven runs batted in. Brady was perfect on the base paths by stealing 12 bases in as many attempts. During the summer, the switch hitter played with Athletes in Action and hit well over .300.

Syrjala, a relief pitcher, had a 7.24 ERA in 13.7 innings pitched. He struck out 11 and had one save.

Eeles, who saw limited action last year except for starting in two games, went 2 for 11 at the plate and had one RBI.

Richardson and his staff do not add many walk-on players because of the recruits signed to play ball here.



Pete Lucadano takes batting swings from Matt McLean during last week's baseball tryouts

## ONDECK: Morehead State

Where: Jayne Stadium (10,000)  
When: Saturday, September 23, 7 p.m.  
Series: Liberty leads 3-2  
Analysis: Last year the Flames thumped the Eagles 34-9 at City Stadium behind the running of backs Leroy Kinard (22 carries 94 yards) and Charles McCray (19 carries 89 yards).

The Golden Eagles are led by junior quarterback Chris Swartz who threw for 2,162 yards last season, completing 55 percent of his passes. He is on target to surpass former Morehead State quarterback Phil Simms' career record of 5,545 yards.

With the pass-happy Golden Eagles and the explosive Flames' offense, expect to see the ball in the air most of the night.

# Inexperienced runner comes up from bottom

By TIM SEARS  
Champion Reporter

The word "can't" is not in Steve Hurst's vocabulary.

Hurst was the second man on the cross country team last year, but his freshman year he was lower than the bottom man on the totem pole. He was a walk-on.

Worse than that, he had no running experience. He did not run in high school or participate in any road races. The only experience he had was running drills in basketball, soccer and baseball practice. Occasionally during practice he might have run a mile without stopping, but that was all.

So why would he decide to run cross country? Hurst explained, "At first I thought about walking on for the basketball team, but that door was closed so I tried cross country. I have always wanted to do something in a Division 1 athletic program."

It was not an easy road to the top. Hurst recalled the first practice with the team: "I was really nervous...I even had to borrow my (running) shoes from another runner." However, during his first practice he surprised everybody, especially Coach Jake Matthes, by keeping pace with the rest of the runners.

Throughout most of the season he was running on torn-up shoes. He asked Matthes what it would take for him to get a new pair of running shoes. Matthes said he would have to run a 5 mile race in 29 minutes. Somehow amidst snow flurries and 5-degree weather, Hurst managed to run his first race with a 29:33 time. He got his shoes and continued to improve, finishing the season as fifth man on the team.

Then disaster struck. Hurst fractured his foot. Despite the injury Hurst gutted it out and finished the Mississippi race. Two weeks later he had surgery on his foot.

In his sophomore year Hurst bounced back from his injury, moving to second man on the team. His 5-mile time dropped to 25:34.

Hurst expects his improvement to

continue this year. He is shooting to be number one man on the team. But more importantly than that, Hurst said, "I want to help the team. Cross country is a team sport, not an individual thing."

How was he able to do it? His running success comes from hard work and a good relationship with

God. "God helps when nobody seems to care (about the sport); and when you get burned out, that is when you realize who you are running for." Hurst said, "You can do anything with enough hard work and God's help."

**He was a walk on. Worse ...he had no running experience**

## FABULOUS FIVE

| College & Pro Games for Sept. 23-24 | Kevin Bloye (4-5) | Keith Miller (5-4) | Jeffrey Simmons (4-5) | Jeffrey Cota (6-3) | Dave Dentel (5-4) |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Liberty at Morehead State           | Liberty           | Liberty            | Liberty               | Liberty            | Liberty           |
| Michigan at UCLA                    | Michigan          | Michigan           | UCLA                  | Michigan           | Michigan          |
| Ohio State at USC                   | USC               | USC                | USC                   | Ohio State         | Ohio State        |
| Michigan State at Notre Dame        | Notre Dame        | Notre Dame         | Notre Dame            | Notre Dame         | Notre Dame        |
| Houston at Arizona State            | Arizona State     | Houston            | Arizona State         | Arizona State      | Houston           |
| New England at Seattle              | Seattle           | Seattle            | New England           | New England        | Seattle           |
| Buffalo at Houston                  | Buffalo           | Houston            | Houston               | Buffalo            | Houston           |
| San Francisco at Philadelphia       | Philly            | Philly             | Philly                | San Francisco      | San Francisco     |
| L.A. Raiders at Denver              | Denver            | Denver             | Denver                | Denver             | Denver            |
| N.Y. Jets at Miami                  | Miami             | Miami              | Jets                  | Miami              | Miami             |

## Lady Flames place second

By THERESA DUNCAN  
Champion Reporter

The women's cross-country team finished in second place at its season opener at the College of William and Mary this weekend in Williamsburg, Va.

William and Mary finished first with a total of 19 points, followed by Liberty (57 points), Mary Washington College (65 points) and Radford (109 points).

Karen Eisemann, Liberty's front-runner, finished in seventh place overall for the Flames with a time of 20:19, while Patti Bottiglieri finished ninth overall in 20:30.

Rounding out Liberty's top seven were Lynn Attwood, 12th in 20:48; Suzanne Duncan, 16th in 21:22; Theresa Duncan, 19th in 21:32; Jenn Reeder, 22nd in 21:42; and Cheryl Nash, 25th in 21:56.

Other Liberty finishers include Kim Wolbert, 29th; Christianna Ringer, 36th; and Jennifer Smith, 38th.

"I think for our first meet of the season we ran fairly competitively," Coach Ron Hopkins said. "We showed our lack of racing, but that will come with time. It was a good first meet, one we could use to help us progress through the season."

The Lady Flames' next competition will be at the UMBC Invitational in Baltimore, on Sept. 30.



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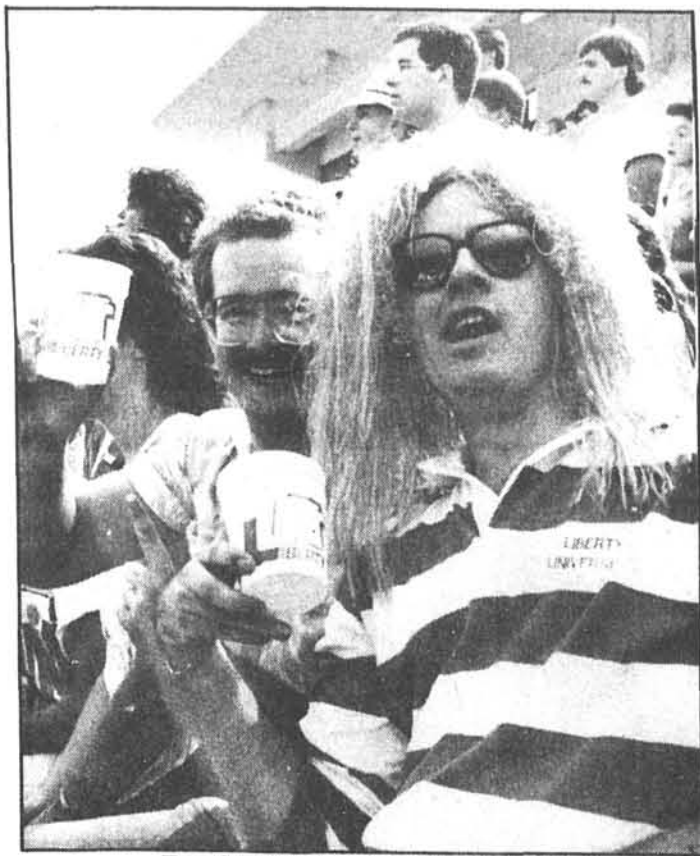




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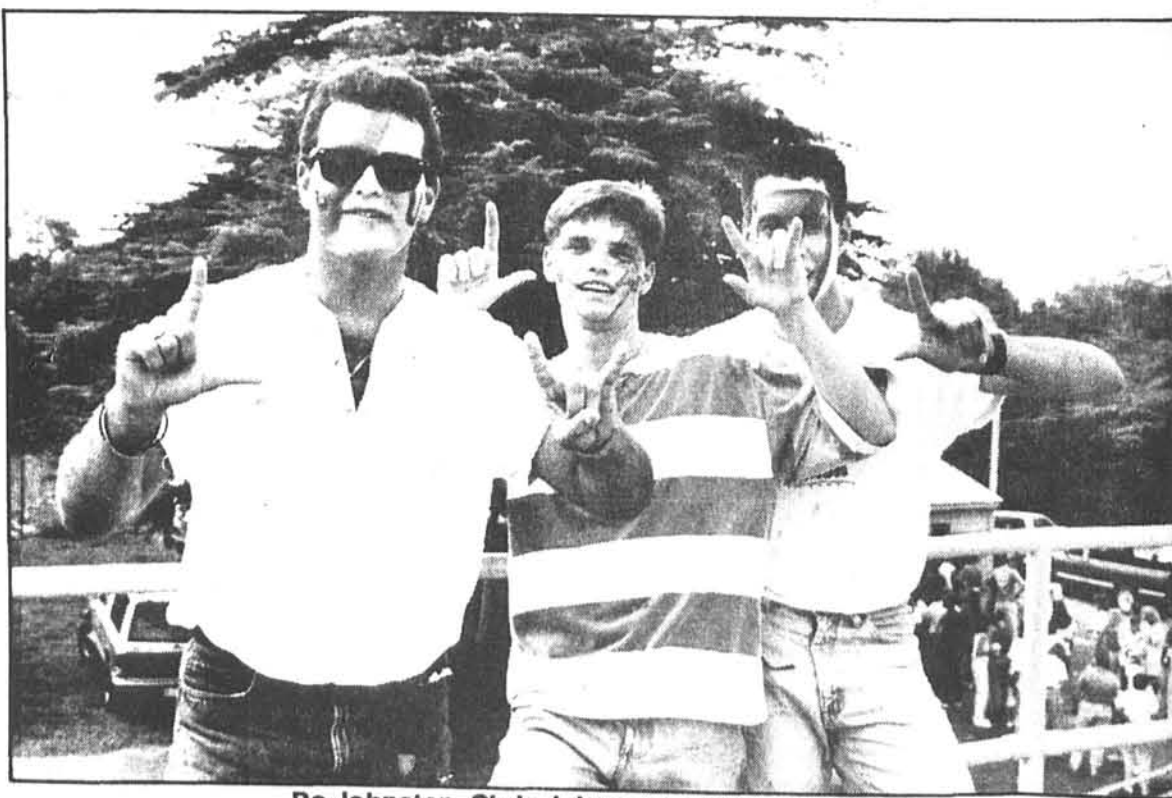


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