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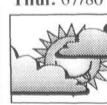
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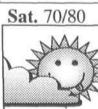
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# The Liberty

Tuesday, September 10, 1996

"Catacombs" comes to Lloyds for \$1 — pg. 3

What is the United States doing in Iraq? —

Liberty University, Lynchburg, Va.

# Storm shuts down Liberty

### Fran causes record floods in Virginia

By TIMOTHY J. GIBBONS Editor in chief

Dropping more than an inch of rain per hour, Tropical Storm Fran swept into Lynchburg Friday morning, disrupting power throughout the region and causing Liberty's earliest one-day shutdown in the school's history.

Fran lost its hurricane status in North Carolina, according to the National Weather Bureau, but was still a full-power storm when it hit the Lynchburg area around 4 a.m. Friday. The eye of the storm passed through town around 11 a.m., moving east.

"You've got record flooding on the Dan River," said Mike Gillen, a service hydrologist with the National Weather Bureau. "The James (River) was 23 to 24 feet on the crest. That's not a flood of

flood stage."

During its stay in Lynchburg, Fran dropped more than eight inches of rain, resulting in overflowing rivers and flooded basements - including some on campus. The Executive Mansion had three inches of water in its basement, said Facility Manager Jon Bobbey, and the Vines Center was leaking water onto the floor.

Bobbey's workers began dealing with the situation late Thursday and early Friday, before classes were officially canceled.

"We never stopped (working)," Bobbey said. "We had a third shift that came in early."

Workers started handling student complaints around 8 a.m. "We began as soon as our office opened with a priority list of what to hit," the manager said.

First priority went to "expensive areas" — such as the Vines Center floor. Water was flowing onto the floor as the result of a backed-up drainage system — similar to the situation which resulted in irreparable damage to the floor three years ago.

record, but it is eight feet above the floor had to be replaced because of the damage.

> The situation isn't as serious this time, however.

"A couple of years ago we had four or five inches (in the Vines)," Bobbey said. "There shouldn't be any long-term damage."

Only about a half-inch of water was on the floor at a time, the manager said, and workers were able to clear it off quickly.

Second priority was given to student-related problems. A few students reported leakage in individual rooms, the manager said, but most complaints concerned entire dorms or halls. Campus workers will be repairing such storm-related damages until the middle of this week, Bobbey said. "We have to wait for the rain to stop first," he said.

Other damage to Liberty facilities was minimal, Bobbey said. Previous year's problem areas such as the Applied Science Building and the back hall in DeMoss — suffered little leakage.

For information on how Tropical Storm Fran affected the LU sport-At that time the basketball court ing world, see Page 12.



LOOK OUT BELOW! — A student from Dorm 16 slides around in the mud created by Fran's downpour. The tropical storm dropped eight inches of rain in the Lynchburg area, causing record flooding and shutting LU down for the day.

### Deck the Walls



PICKING OUT POSTERS - Thousands of students filed week. The on-campus poster sale was sponsored by the through Trent Graphics' poster sale in DeMoss Hall last Student Government Association.

### **Debaters** aim for top again

By CREIG RAIKES Champion Reporter

Coming off last year's championship season, the LU debate team is ready to do it again. Liberty has been national champions in the two largest debate associations for the past two years and is now trying for an unprecedented "threepeat."

There will be a lot of new faces joining the team this year as two of last year's four varsity debaters having graduated. This year, the varsity squad will have three two-member teams, including one which Coach Brett O'Donnell said is ranked in the top five in the nation.

Eighteen new debaters are joining the novice squad, the result of "the biggest recruiting year we've had," O'Donnell said.

There are currently 40 members on Liberty's debate squad, which will be pared down to 12 to 14 teams of two people each. "We do this largely through self-attrition," O'Donnell said. "We've already had some people drop off."

The debaters will begin defending last year's reputation and building this year's during its first tournament on Sept. 20 at the University of Northern Iowa.

This year's general topic concerns federal regulation aimed at decreasing environmental pollutants. "We'll debate the Clean Air Act, the Clean Water Act," O'Donnell said. "Global warming will be a big issue."

The debate team is also excited about hosting two tournaments this season. The first will take place Nov. 8-10 with approximately 60 to 70 teams involved. This is an American Debate Association tournament open to any school who wants to attend; Liberty will not compete because the team will be running it.

On May 19-25 Liberty hosts the most prestigious debate tournament, the National Debate Tournament championships. Liberty hopes to win a spot in this invitation-only tourney. "We feel that we have a very good shot at it," the coach said.

### **Promise Keepers** wakes up 6,000 men

By TIMOTHY J. GIBBONS Editor in Chief

Despite Fran's fury, the Promise Keepers attracted more than 6,000 men to Saturday's Wake-up Call, held in the Vines Center. This was the largest such event to be held in Virginia this year.

"It was a great spirit here, a great group," said Event Coordinator Scott Titus. "Men were moved to be more committed to their families, to the Lord."

The four-hour event featured six different speakers, including LU Chancellor Jerry Falwell, who filled in for the absent A.R. Bernard.

Titus said weather conditions limited attendance; more than 8,200 men registered in advance for the free event -2,000 more than last year's LU Wake-up Call - but about a quarter of those did

"These men aren't going to leave their wives and children at home with flooded basements," the coordinator said.

Those who did attend the meeting came away with a message.

"(There was) a call for men to be more of a figure in the church," said Mike Hawkins of Roanoke, who said he came because he was curious.

"I wanted to see what all the excitement was about," he said. "I was impressed."

The stature of the speakers at the Wake-up Call attracted some attendees, including some of the Liberty students who went to the event.

"I specifically came to here E.V. Hill," said senior Will Clark of Nebraska. "I knew that the speakers would be good. The atmosphere was very positive."

Plans for future Wake-up Calls are uncertain at this time, although Promise Keepers does anticipate having seminars at Liberty at some point in the future.

Opinion Editor Tom Inkel and Copy Manager Julie Cozby contributed to this article.



DELIVERING A MESSAGE — E.V. Hill told the PK that God wants to work through them.

### **Motor fire panics 26-3**

By SARAH K. POLLAK Champion Reporter

An electrical short in a fan motor located in duct work in Dorm 26 caused smoke to filter out of the air vents at approximately 10:45 p.m. Wednesday. There were no injuries as a result of the smoke or during the evacuation of the dorm.

A few students and the RA, Virginia Johnson, smelled smoke on their floor, 26-3. Johnson called the second floor RA, Melody Rhodenhizer, telling her she smelled smoke.

After checking her hall for signs of fire, Rhodenhizer went upstairs to join Johnson, who called the RD and security while Rhodenhizer pulled the fire alarm. LU security then alerted the Lynchburg fire department. Within minutes, several emergency vehicles, including two fire trucks, responded to the call.

A few women living on the third floor thought the door-to-door room check by the RAs and others was a joke. Kate Zaiperini said she had

been talking on the telephone and thought nothing of the commotion outside her door. She said that she didn't think it was serious until her roommate opened the door and smoke began to wisp into their room.

"We had just come into the dorm and about two seconds later the alarm went off," said Amy Berge, who lives on the first floor. "We grabbed our coats, screamed and ran out."

A few moments after the siren blared its warning, a curious crowd of onlookers gathered outside.

Dorm 4 — the brother dorm of 26-3 — and other dorms came to the aid of the women by bringing out hot chocolate, blankets, jackets and umbrellas.

The all-clear signal was officially given by LU security at 11:44 p.m. when the safety of the hall was confirmed by the fire department.

There was no visible sign of damage on the hall other than a ceiling tile left on the floor after the firemen had inspected the broken fan. The smell of burned rubber lingered in the air near the problem area.

# Aroundcamp

Late Night Activities —

Friday, Sept. 13 late-night activities will be skating and putt-putt from 11:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.

 Skating will be at the Skateland on Graves Mill Road. The \$3.50 cover charge includes the charge for skate rental.

· Unlimited golf at Putt-Putt Golf and Games on Timberlake Road is \$2. The cost for eight tokens is \$1 and Go-Cart rides are \$2.

Senate Applications — Dorm Senator applications are available at the SGA offices. Deadline is 3 p.m., Sept. 16.

Bank Shot Basketball — Saturday. Sept. 14: Cookout at 5:00 p.m. at David's Place.

Intramural Sports — Flag football, soccer, and tennis begin Wednesday, Sept. 11.

4 HIM and Point of Grace -Saturday, Sept. 28: 7:30 p.m. Vines Center. Tickets are \$16.50 for individual tickets and \$14.50 for Liberty students

Career Skills Workshop: Preparing an effective resume. Monday, Sept. 30: 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in DH 117.

#### Drama -

. "Catacombs" will be presented by the King's Players in the Llyod Auditorium at 8 and 11 p.m. on Sept. 13, 14, 20 and 21. · "A Doll's House" will be performed at the Lynchburg Fine Arts Center at 8 p.m. on Sept. 14.

### Corrections

- · Promise Keepers founder Bill McCartney formerly coached the University of Colorado Buffaloes, not the Denver Broncos, as was reported in last week's story on the PK organization.
- · Alexander Talalaev won a \$500-a-semester scholarship, not \$1,000 a week, as reported in last week's story on his essay.
- Tickets for the 4-HIM/Point of Grace concert are \$20 for Artist Circle, \$16.50 for individuals and \$14.50 for groups and LU students. The prices in last week's Around Campus were incorrect.

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## YQ attracts participants

By DAN TEETS Champion Reporters

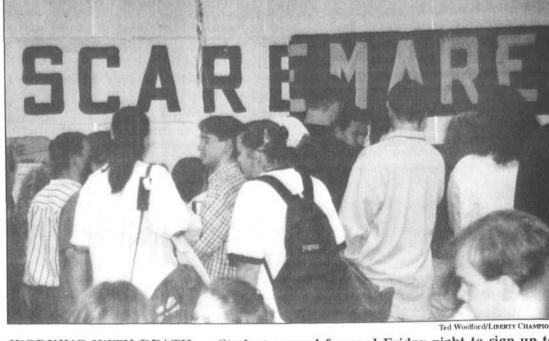
A standing-room-only crowd filled DeMoss Hall 160 to hear about this year's youth ministries during Thursday night's YouthQuest Celebration.

Youth majors were also introduced to a new certification program developed by the Center for Youth Ministries.

The theme of the evening was "Souled Out," with the crowd rocking early as the YouthOuest Singers opened with two songs.

Next the drama team came on stage and did some skits, including one called "Gibberish," in which two "interpreters" asked two "experts" about various YO events, then "translated" the responses. The answers ranged from "Hi" to "The fish in Peru swim in deep water." Another part of the impromptu humor/drama was called "Buzz," in which three dramatists had to change their sentences when buzzed.

Following the skits, Troy Temple explained the various ministries available to people who attending the rally, included



WORKING WITH DEATH - Students crowd forward Friday night to sign up to help clean YouthQuest's House of Death in preparation for October's ministry at the ScareMare mansion.

spring break trips. "Spring break is the time of year that I look forward to the most," Temple said.

One trip is to Clearwater, Fla., for the now-traditional Clearwater Beach Alive ministry and the other is to Chicago for the "MetroMission." Other ministry opportunities include

ScareMare — YO's house of death - and the Thomas Road youth department.

Center for Youth Ministries Director Doug Randlett closed the rally with a plea for "unity from the Center's youth majors and minors." After the rally, Randlett spoke about certification through the Center for youth majors and minors.

Certification points will be rewarded for various activities, such as working with a church, going on a youth trip or becoming a member of a YQ team. A minimum of 20 points is required to gain certification,

### 1993 grad receives award

By JULIE COZBY Copy Manager

Liberty alumnus Heather Hirshman was one of 1,000 teachers from around the country named a Wal-Mart Teacher of the Year for 1996.

A 1993 honors graduate, Hirshman is beginning her fourth year at Blue Ridge Christian School in Harrisonburg where she teaches middle school language arts and high school Bible. She also coaches volleyball, cheerleading and basketball.

The thousand winners of the award received a total of a half-million dollars in grants for their schools or school districts. Hirshman received a \$500 grant for Blue Ridge Christian at a ceremony that took place August 20.

Contestants for the honor were nominated by their school or school district and winners were selected by a panel of she was chosen to receive the award is

local community leaders.

"Teachers have one of the most challenging and critical jobs in our communities," said David Glass, president and chief executive officer of Wal-Mart Stores Inc. "The Wal-Mart Teacher of the Year Award pro-

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Hirshman believes that the main reason

because she devotes much of her time outside of classes to her students. Her relationship with the students is the single biggest reward of teaching, she said.

Approximately 230 students attend Blue Ridge Christian. The school has just this year received accreditation and has expanded from K-8 to include a high school program. The school board voted to use the Wal-Mart grant to help their teachers further their educations.

Hirshman, currently pursuing a Master of Arts degree in teaching at Eastern Mennonite University in Harrisonburg, will be a direct beneficiary of the money.

Asked what advice she would give to present education majors at LU, Hirshman sugteaching and enjoy their students.

Her message to all LU students: "Keep in touch with the friends you make in college. ... Cherish your friendships there."

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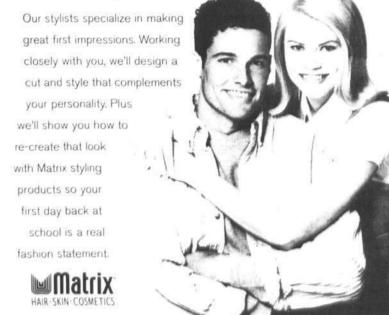


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### Drama offered for buck in Lloyds

By SARAH K. POLLAK Champion Reporter

The beginning of the Fall drama season at Liberty is marked by the advent of a new "dollar theater" on campus. Starting with the King's Players opening performance of "Catacombs" on Sept. 13, all King's Players performance will cost \$1 for general admission. Reserve seats will be \$2 and front row seats, \$3.

"Ticket prices need to be more in-line with what students can afford," said Dr. David Allison, director of the King's Players. "I think the students will be more responsive if they can afford it."

The group's opening play, "Catacombs," depicts the lives of people who are saved after the rapture occurs, when the church is an underground movement and being a Christian means almost-certain death.

A group of Christians, trying to escape persecution by hiding in an old church, face many challenges for their faith; they must decide how much they will sacrifice for the cause of Christ.



WHAT WILL YOU SACRIFICE? - 'Catacombs,' a play presented by the King's Players, examines what being a Christian really means.

"Catacombs" encourages the audience to take a deeper look at what it means to be a Christian.

The goal of the play, according to Allison, is to allow the audience to see how faith can triumph even in times of persecution. But the director adds that "... it calls for commitment on the part of the audience.'

"The mission of this play is to look into yourself; whether you are a Christian or a non-Christian, you must figure out what you are doing and why," said Jackson Fong, who has been with the King's Players for four years.

According to Allison, the play has had an impact on the LU community for the past several years. He said some students have been called to preach after seeing the "Catacombs," while others, who were unsure of their salvation, rededi-

"King's Players is not just entertainment," Allison said, "it's a ministry."

The drama group will tour the Eastern Seaboard throughout the school year. Oncampus performances are scheduled for 8 and 11 p.m. on Sept. 13, 14, 20 and 21 in the Lloyd Auditorium.

### **Prof takes part** in Civil War battle

By SHAUN CHILGREEN Champion Reporter

The Civil War will return to Lynchburg at the end of September, giving students a chance to see history up close. Hunter's Raid and the Battle for Lynchburg will be reenacted on Sept. 21 and 22.

"When people watch reenactments they can get a sense of how difficult it was to be a soldier," said Kenny Rowlette, a reenactor and LU English professor. "When you stand in the lineup and lower your rifles, as does the other side, you get a feeling of what it was like."

The reenactors dress authentically, wearing the same heavy wool uniforms and carrying the rifles and 40-pound packs which Civil War soldiers had. Reenacting isn't a cheap hobby; rifles, for example, cost between \$1,000 and \$1,300.

The battle being reenacted at the end of the month occurred 132 years ago and might have ended the war earlier if the Union had won.

At that time, downtown Lynchburg was the site of Confederate hospitals and a railroad line carrying supplies to the

Confederate capital and to Robert E. Lee's troops. Union Maj. Gen. David Hunter, based in Winchester, marched out to take the town.

Hunter was bluffed by Confederate Lt. Gen. Jubal A. Early into believing that the Confederacy had more troops in Lynchburg than it did. The ranks were thin, even with reinforcements sent by Lee.

"To reenact you must love the civil war, and want to be part of the reenactment scene," said Rowlette. The professor has been interested in reenactments since his grandfather took him to one; he began taking part in them himself in 1990. He participates in reenactments about once a month.

Participants in the reenactment will camp out at the site the night before the battle. Those interested can tour the camp from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on the days of the battle.

The reenactment will start at 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday and is being held at a field near Jefferson Forest High School. For more information contact Rowlette at 2087.

### College GOP kicks off year

By DAN TEETS Champion Reporter

The College Republicans kicked off a busy year of campaigns and charitable activities with a volleyball party last Tuesday.

"We don't care where you've come from; we just care where you're going." This is the motto of the 1996-97 College Republicans, according to club chairman Aaron

The College Republicans began the semester with 150 members, but just last week an additional

chapter's mailing list.

The Liberty chapter is campaigning for presidential nominee Bob Dole, as well as helping George Landrith in his race for the Virginian 5th district and John Warner for U.S. Senate.

During the weeks leading up to the November elections, the College Republicans will be doing an "issues campaign" in which they will show the differences between the Democratic and Republican candidates on such issues as welfare.

250-300 names were added to the in more than just politics, though; can call 3279 or 3372.

they will be helping out with a parade for disabled children in downtown Lynchburg on Sept. 14, as well taking part in a rubber duck race in which the College Republicans will buy rubber ducks to donate money for needy children.

The College Republicans are also going to help out with a soup kitchen every other Sunday morning at the Lynchburg homeless shelter.

The next meeting of CR has been scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 12 at 7 p.m. For more information The club intends to get involved on the College Republicans, you

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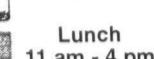
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### **World News**

### Iraq, Hussein could face further missile strikes

WASHINGTON — U.S. officials warned of northern Iraq President Clinton also Saddam Hussein on Sunday that he faces further attacks if he tries to repair military sites hit by U.S. missiles. At the same time they indicated American forces are unlikely to intervene in fighting going on in northern Iraq.

Gen, John Shalikashvili, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said signs have been detected that Saddam is trying to repair surface-to-air missile sites targeted by 44 American cruise missiles last Tuesday.

"We have warned Saddam Hussein that any attempt to repair those sites or reinforce capital of Irbil that Iraqi troops occupied at them will be taken very seriously, and he must understand the consequences of such an act," the general said on NBC's "Meet the Press.

The United States attacked the sites in southern Iraq to retaliate for the advance of Iraqi troops into a Kurdish "safe haven" area

announced that the "no-fly" zone for Iraqi military planes imposed in southern Iraq after Saddam's defeat in the 1991 Gulf War was being expanded northward to Baghdad's

The U.S. reprisal included no direct attacks on Iraqi troops involved in the safe-haven incursion. U.S. officials suggested Sunday that policy would continue as fighting appeared to escalate in the area.

Kurdish factions reported fierce fighting Sunday near Degala, southeast of the Kurdish the invitation of one of the Kurdish groups contesting for power in the area.

Defense Secretary William Perry, speaking on CBS' "Face the Nation," said most of the 40,000 Iraqi troops that moved on Irbil have returned south, although some remain in the area and "are still nearby and still danger-

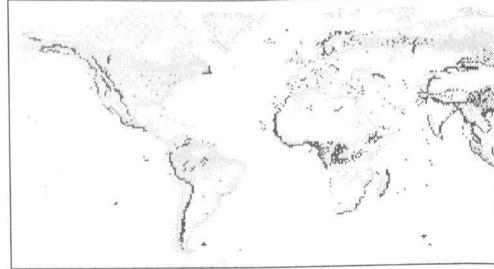
There was no immediate sense of how

many or if Iraqis were involved in the fighting around Degala. Shalikashvili said he thought the number of Iraqis still in the safe haven zone was in the hundreds

White House Chief of Staff Leon Panetta told CNN's "Late Edition" that Saddam would pay a price for further aggression in the north. But he said it was more likely that he would be hit again in the south, where the United States has strategic alliances and oil

"Our view of this is that rather than engage in tactical efforts in the north, it is much more important for us and much more important a message to Saddam Hussein to extract a strategic price.'

"We should not be involved in civil war in the north," Perry said. "We should focus our actions where are interests are.'



### Mosquito scare in Rhode Island

WESTERLY, R.I. - The scent of bug repellent wafted through the streets and children were urged to avoid woods and swamps as people tried to protect themselves from mosquitoes carrying a deadly virus.

No one had contracted the encephalitis virus, but the increase in the number of infected mosquitoes to about one in every 100 had officials scrambling on Friday.

"We've gone from anxiety to panic," said Jim Hoebbel, superintendent of schools. "We've had some mothers in tears."

A helicopter carrying a load of insecticide sprayed the swamp where officials said mosquitoes carrying Eastern equine encephalitis were breeding, and sales of mosquito repellent jumped.

The Centers for Disease Control notified surrounding states of the infestation. Tests were being run across Rhode Island and along the state border in Stonington, Conn., where officials announced plans to spray by ground

"It is a very serious disease," said Dr. Robert Craven of the Centers for Disease Control in Fort Collins, Colo. An inflammation of the brain, encephalitis kills about half the time and can cause brain damage in survivors.

Extra precautions were taken to protect children from the disease. Gov. Lincoln Almond visited the oceanside

town to allay fears and urge precautions. Almond declared a state of emergency Thursday after tests showed a ten fold increase in infected mosquitoes.

Next week, the state will spray the entire town with an insecticide called resmithrin, which is not considered dangerous to humans.

But the problem won't be wiped out until the first frost, maybe in October, Almond said. Encephalitis is believed to spread when mosquitoes bite infected birds. About five people get the disease nationwide each year.

The virus was first detected in a group of mosquitoes trapped Aug. 14.

### Dr. Death assists 40th "patient

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP, Mich. — Less than a day after police burst into a motel room to "save" a woman from committing suicide with Dr. Jack Kevorkian's help, she killed herself Saturday with Kevorkian by her side.

"She said 'how dare they," Kevorkian's lawyer, Geoffrey Fieger, said Saturday in announcing the death of Isabel Correa.

Correa, 60, of Fresno, Calif., had said she suffered from a spinal cord disorder that left her in intense pain for six years and forced her to use a wheelchair. "I came to die," she said Friday before becoming the 40th person known to have died with Kevorkian's help since 1990

Kevorkian himself drove the woman's body

to Beaumont Hospital in nearby Royal Oak at 2:05 p.m. Saturday and handed emergency room workers a card identifying the woman, a hospital spokeswoman said. The medical examiner's office was sent to the hospital to pick up the body.

Correa was meeting with Kevorkian at a local motel Friday night when two officials from Oakland County prosecutor's office and as many as 20 police officers "pushed in a door," halted the session and said they were there to "save" Correa, Fieger said.

"Despite the efforts of those thugs last night, Isabel Correa ended her pain today with the help of Dr. Kevorkian," Fieger said at Saturday's news conference.

### **National News**

### Key piece of evidence in Oklahoma City bombing found in home of Terry Nichols

OKLAHOMA CITY - A hand-drawn the Regency Tower Apartments, the blast, but agents have recovered bombmap of an escape route leading away from the Oklahoma City federal building was found in the trash at bombing defendant Terry Nichols' home several days after the deadly explosion, a published report says.

FBI agents discovered the map of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building while searching Nichols' property in Herington, Kan, after he was arrested, an unnamed source told The Daily Oklahoman for its Sunday editions.

Nichols, 41, and co-defendant Timothy McVeigh, 28, could face the death penalty if convicted on federal conspiracy and murder charges in the April 19, 1995 bombing of the federal building. The blast killed 168 people and injured more than 500.

Buildings are not named on the map, but at least one street is, The Oklahoman reported. Authorities say the drawing 'obviously" depicts the Murrah building,

YMCA and Interstate 235.

The purported escape route leads from the Murrah building to a point north of the nearby YMCA, where the getaway car was believed to be stashed, the Oklahoman reported.

The story also said the key to the Ryder rental truck that carried the 4,800-pound bomb was recovered along the same area depicted on the map. Tests showed the key was undamaged by the blast, The Oklahoman reported.

Prosecutors contend that Nichols and McVeigh were in downtown Oklahoma City three days before the attack to stash a getaway car and case the area around the targeted building. Nichols told federal agents he was in

Oklahoma City before the attack only because Timothy McVeigh had developed car trouble and needed a ride to Kansas.

Prosecutors concede Nichols was in Herington at the time of the fertilizer bomb

making materials, anti-government literature and other evidence alledgedly linking him to the explosion.

Public records on the FBI searches of Nichols' property don't specifically list the map but do disclose that "written correspondence, receipts and other documents" were found in a garbage can west of the garage at Nichols' home.

Nichols' lead defense attorney, Michael Tigar, did not immediately return calls to The Oklahoman or The Associated Press.

Prosecutors declined comment. U.S. District Judge Richard Matsch has restricted how much attorneys can discuss the case.

Defense attorneys last week requested a separate trial for Nichols, who denied any involvement in the bombing when agents questioned him two days after the attack. McVeigh's lawyers also filed a severance motion.

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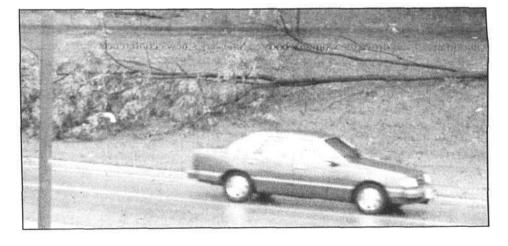
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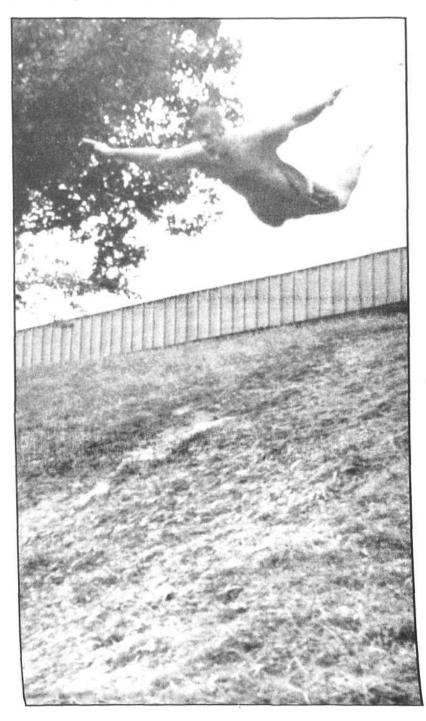




THAT FIRST STEP'S A DOOZIE — Above, two students take a trip on the wild side, sliding down the slippery hill behind their dorm. Far above, a car drives by an uprooted tree decorating University Boulevard. Slick roads made driving conditions hazardous both on- and off-campus. Two more Dorm 16 crazies enjoy the mud at right.

SLIPSLIDING AWAY — The DeMoss courtyard did its best to resemble a swamp in the aftermath of Fran's thunderstorms (left). Below, a student from Dorm 16 acts out Superman fantasies as the eight inches of rain dropped on Lynchburg made the ground a softer landing place than is normal. The student was part of a group of Dorm 16 residents who busied themselves playing in the mud while enjoying a day off on Friday. A group of female students look at the trees knocked down in the Courtyard (middle).

Photos by Ted Woolford.







## **OPINION**

# The Liberty -

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

### The best things in life are completely free

The Champion would like to thank the Promise Keepers for their efforts last Saturday, and in particular for the special favor of making the services free to the public for the first time in history.

The Promise Keepers is symbolic of the Christian upsurge that has touched America in the 90s. In a time when conservative victories and Christian politics are becoming more common, many right-wing activists seem to sometimes forget their roots in God and faith. The Promise Keepers is a sign that straight-up, clear gospel preaching and revival still have a place in America at all levels, from young teens to old politicians.

Last weekend's move to make the conference at Liberty free is an unmistakeable declaration by the Promise Keepers of its belief that the future of its organization and conservative Christian revival in America lies with the young men who will one day inherit it.

Unless the young people of the United States are willing to sacrifice a few of their Saturdays for the future of their faith and their country, the Church and this nation are in a bad way. We hope the men of LU recognize this gesture and will respond gratefully, and with positive, forceful leadership of their own in the nottoo-distant future.

### Now about free speech

The Champion has, in the past, observed a lack of Letters to the Editor. This is a problem for everyone, from reader to staff.

On a Christian campus as large, motivated and involved as this one, there should be an overwhelming number of students and faculty who have an opinion they would like to express to the student body at large. By not expressing those opinions, they are saying they don't think their beliefs will stand up to the public test.

We at the Champion urge you all to speak up! Contrary to whatever such beliefs you may have, school newspapers do not exist just to upset people into writing back. However, we do like your letters. Feel free to write about whatever you need to, not just last week's opinion topics (that's why it's called the "Liberty Forum" and not "Hate Mail to the Columnists").

This newspaper becomes stronger and more credible as a result of your input and comments. Without two-way involvement from its readers, the Champion can make no real claims as a serious newspaper.

Regrettably,

all sections

are full this

semester for

### **Let Saddam** play in his own yard

Why are we bombing Hussein? I mean, is there a real reason, or is Clinton just trying to win some brownie points with the American public?

I don't understand why the United States is getting involved in this - or at least I don't understand the reasoning a lot of people offer.

Many people I've spoken to seem to think that Saddam had it comin'. It's like, hey, he's the bad guy. Therefore, anything he does must be bad. From reading editorials and talking to people, I get the impression that if Saddam blew his nose too loud we'd take it as an act of war. Saddam is like



TIMOTHY J. GIBBONS

about growing up. Sure, they were bad; they blew up small animals with firecrackers. But adults looked at them askance even when they weren't being

those kids that your

mother warned you

bad. They were just those kinds of kids. The Butcher of Baghdad is one of those kids grown up. No doubt about it, he has a bad rep.

But that doesn't mean that everything he

The Iraqi army came into the Kurdish conflict at the invitation of one of the warring factions. This is no different than, say, America entering Vietnam at the request of the anti-Communist forces. Not neces- States. But let Saddam respond to his there might be some truth to these accusasarily a good idea, but not an invasion, per rebels and he's a horrible person.

In addition, the Kurds that Saddam was fighting against were rebels — insurgents strikingly similar to those in Chechnya. You don't see the U.S. Air Force dropping payloads on Moscow, do you? And yet, Yeltsin's actions are the same or worse than Saddam's. I mean, nobody invited

Yeltsin into the conflict

Mr. President, you need to improve your hero image

to the public. To become a hero, you need an arch-nemesis.

We have decided that Saddam Hussein

and the national debt are the best choices.

On top of that, some of the rebel groups Saddam's living room. I don't think we ing men" after the Oklahoma City bombing would oppose a military response if rebels and muttered suspicions of Islamic fundain Texas invited Mexico to invade the mentalists following the TWA explosion,

Butcher. At one time, at least, it might sentiments that I can recall. have been a very good idea to remove him And I don't see any need for it. from power or invade and conquer his Quite simply, gentle readers, Iraq is land. I support doing what is necessary in Saddam's country. If we're not going to the interest of national security.

members of our armed forces are jea- him deal with rebels, then so be it. America pordized in a bid for re-election — or just can't dictate internal policy for everyone.

to act out prejudice.

In the past, America has been accused of were inviting Iran into the fight, asking being anti-Arab. Judging from the knee-jerk Iraq's traditional enemy to come into apprehension about "Middle-Eastern-looktions. The bombing of Baghdad is the I'm not trying to be an apologist for the biggest, most violent expression of such

overthrow him, we have to let him rule. I'm just concerned when the lives of And if part of letting him rule is letting

### How to avoid the **LUPD** love notes

Some of you out there seem to be plot- town students... and ting to collect as many pink slips from the only town students. LUPD (otherwise known as Liberty Please keep this in Emergency Services) as humanly possible mind: commuter TOM in eight months.

Tuesday, September 10, 1996

Apparently, quite a few of the thousands been reduced this of cars on campus are being led astray by year with the impletheir misguided, not-so-cunning, or sim- mentation of the white, seminary-only parkply ignorant owners. In the next few ing diamonds, and the townies are in a foul weeks, tickets are going to be stacking a mood. If you decide to take another one of dozen high on each car if a lot of the dri- their precious spots, they may decide to vers on this campus don't get things bring a few pebbles back from Egypt with straightened out.

First of all, the new static registration Finally, I would like to congratulate all of decals: they have to be in the back window the new Viper, Corvette and Mustang ownof your car, not in the front like the card- ers on their shiny purchases. However, the board tags of old. (Note: getting them to speed junkies on campus (those who do 25 stick after moving them requires several or above) would do well to realize that yes, yards of duct tape and will only earn you a the LUPD makes extensive use of speed fine anyway; just go up to the Emergency traps and no, there is nowhere to run or hide Services headquarters to get a new one. The on a campus this size. Slow down. And as HQ building is up in the woods across the you tool around campus at speeds your street somewhere, so bring a compass). mother would fall asleep to, look on the

tag does mean some-thing. If your tag is "I don't suppose it is any money saved in tickets will more than pay for green, then your fresh- comfort to the drivers on the new brake pads you manhood has been reafpublic manner, with

equally painful conse-

If you were done the horrible disservice of As a side note, speaking from the vantage being issued a green tag, then you are basi- point of someone who usually has to hoof it cally reduced to parking in the Pit or Egypt, everywhere on campus, please beware of the two big parking lots on either end of pedestrians. (My freshman year we had campus. Oh, and as you trek back from the three or four "forceful incidents" involving other side of the known Liberty Universe, big, metal cars and small, soft jaywalkers. remember to be thankful: many schools This made crosswalks real popular). 

parking lots.

about the number of people invading their school lots. parking spots (an additional effort to enrich So do yourself a favor: strike a blow for the chief of Emergency Services). The environmentalism and cut down on the pro-Marriott lot and the spot across from the Hill duction of pink slips in Lynchburg. (next to the Religion Hall) are reserved for Collecting them was a dumb hobby anyway.

parking has already

which to customize your paint job.

bright side of things: the

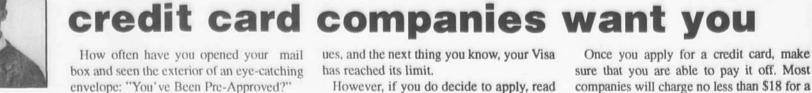
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mph traffic signs, so now you'r e stuck.

quences. This leads us into a new, critically equate with reverse). LU got a deal on 15

(I'm sure this fact touches you all the way drivers (more importantly, the parkers) on down to your orange-clay-stained toes). this campus, but the situation could be far Keep in mind, freshmen, the way to an worse. At some schools, parking is a quarupperclassman's fist is through his parking ter-mile from school, or there isn't any at spot. The LUPD uses this time of the year all: you have to fend for yourself in town. to get in good with the older students and Freshmen have to hitchhike to school faculty by hunting down green tags in the because underclassmen aren't allowed to drive. And cars get stripped of every valu-Also, commuters are starting to complain able part after a night in many secular





Credit cards, for most people, are not such a wise idea. They are

If you've decided in favor of just one emergency credit card, be sure that you are an unusually disciplined individual with a

really out to get us.

It may seem a good idea to keep one credit card around for CYNTHIA use "only in extreme cases of TATUM emergency," but what happens

when you enter the mall and come across companies do offer interest rates as low as no money for. the most beautiful outfit you've ever seen? my credit card and pay it off next week." But you don't; the vicious cycle contin-

Watch out for the shiny plastic;

students because credit card companies real- over. Student credit card rates average and/or inability to pay off your credit card ize the financial bind most of us are in. around 21 percent, but many credit card bill will result in the annihilation of your

> students and reel them in by their faces. If a company offers you percent-

age rates less than 16 percent, credit will follow you for the next seven chances are that this rate is pronotional and temporary. Double

While some credit card

brackets that college students are in.

sure that you are able to pay it off. Most However, if you do decide to apply, read companies will charge no less than \$18 for a This happens on a regular basis to college the fine print before you sign your life payment that is even one day late. Refusal

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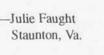
The "freedom" of possessing a piece of check the fine print to make sure plastic is not worth all of the trouble it can this rate will not increase after a cause. Eventually, it becomes easier and easier to charge and before you know it, you are charging things you have no need of and

seven percent, it is nearly impossible for a Only you can determine how well you can Knowing you have no money, the natural college student to qualify for a rate of this handle spending what you don't have. reaction is to say, "Well, I'll just put this on nature. On the contrary, the highest rates in Don't kid yourself. If you are not ready to credit will usually appear in the high-risk tackle the world of credit, don't sign your name. It may just tackle you.

### "What was most fun about this summer?"



"I watched the Olympics every day they were on.'





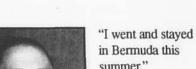
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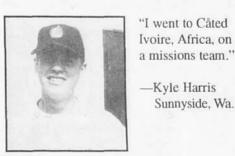
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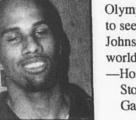
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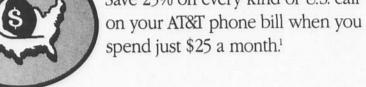
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### **Absence** makes hearts grow fonder

Well, this is about the point in the semester when homesickness begins to set in. The newness of college life has begun to wear off and people are starting to miss their own room, Mom's cooking and Dad's advice.

You can even find yourself missing the not-so-pleasant things, like a pesty sibling, dog hair on all your clothes, dish duty every night or even Dad's threats to kill your boyfriend.

My experience with homesickness, however, was nonexistent my first year of college. I was sooo ready to be on my own! All I heard in high school was, "In college, you get to make your own decisions."

Boy, I was all over that. Little did I know that as an 18-year-old I didn't know everything! It was fun to think that I did, though.

As my parents drove me up to Schroon Lake in September (yes, I'm a Word of Lifer, and proud of it!), they proceded to give me last minute instructions and take inventory of my belongings.

Dad: "Don't give any of those boys your phone number."

Mom: "Do you have enough toothpaste, deodorant, stockings, soap, shampoo? Do you have the phone card number? Here, let me write it down for you, (for the 11th time) just to make sure you don't lose it."

(You know, it's funny my parents always said that when I went to college they were going to move away and not give me their address or their phone number.)

Then when we arrived, Mom and Dad started a whole new conversation:

Mom: "Oh, look at him! He's cute!" Dad: "Sweetheart, she's here to study, not to meet boys. Now Kristin," (Dad's the only one who has always called me by my full name) "did they tell you

where you're suppose to go to register?" Of course, I did not pay a wee bit of attention to Dad because I liked Mom's conversation better.

We went through all of the routine orientation activities: picnics, question/answer sessions, etc. Mom thought the food was good (it's always good when parents are there). Dad thought it was awful and wanted to eat out.

Then it was time for Mom and Dad to leave. FREEDOM! I couldn't get them in the car and on the road fast enough.

Dad wanted us all to gather around the car for prayer before they left. This is when I started to feel guilty. He couldn't even get halfway through the prayer without getting all choked up. Now, let me tell you something about my father. He's about the emotional equivalent of my pet rock.

Then, of course, Mom cried and hugged me about 45 times. My thoughts were, "Bye! See you at Christmas, maybe."

That first week was so fun and full of activities that I didn't even realize that I hadn't seen them in almost seven days.

Then they called for the first time. I can just hear the beforehand conversation: "Now, let's be gentle, she's probably just crying her little eyes out."

"Do you miss us, sweetie?" Mom asked. Being the sensitive, caring person that I am, I replied, "Uh, am I suppose to?" Just kidding. I did tell her that I was having fun though, and that made her feel good.

Now that I think about it, that first year must have been rough on Mom. She was the only female in the house at that point, which can only mean one thing - she must have learned a lot about sports. Sports began to dominate the TV, the dinner conversations and the vacation spots.

I, on the other hand, was loving life; as Christmas vacation began to creep closer I started to cry.

No, I still was not homesick. I was wondering how I was going to make it without my friends and roommates for a whole month. We all cried the morning that we left.

So I take back my statement about homesickness. I was homesick my first year — during Christmas break. The longer I am in college, however, the more homesick I get.

People always say that during your first year away from home you really begin to appreciate your parents, and I must say I have a lot to appreciate in my parents. They are just short of perfection. (OK, you can send that money now!)

People also say "Absence makes the heart grow fonder" and in this case, I'll have to say that it's true.

# Let's hear it for the boys

By KRIS PATTERSON Life! Editor

ive me an L! Give me a U! What T does it spell? A lot more commit-

ment than we know. The LU cheerleading squad attended the College Cheerleading National Championships at Rutgers University last

January, taking 10th place in the nation. Five-year JV/Varsity coach Jeni Reffner said that she was beside herself at the finals and burst into tears when the team's award was announced.

The squad will be competing again in next year's championships on January 10.

To qualify, the team has to submit a video that shows that its squad can meet the requirements laid out by the U.C.A. (Universal Cheerleading Association) including things such as group and individual stunts and a creative cheer.

The cheerleaders came back early in August to begin training for the championships and the LU sports seasons. They will train until nearly the end of the school year.

"Our sport is all year," Reffner said. Nicknamed the "God Squad," the cheerleading squad held tryouts on Sept. 6 to recruit more male cheerleaders for the junior varsity squad.

"People have a misconception about male cheerleaders," said Reffner. "It really is a masculine sport, if it's done right."

An average week for the cheerleaders and Reffner consists of Varsity practice on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30 until 9 p.m. and JV practice on Mondays and Fridays from 5:30 until 9 p.m.

The squad starts with devotions, then spends some time stretching before working on mounts and pyramids.

"My kids have more commitment than most sports," said Reffner. "They practice almost above anything else.

"It's challenging," said squad member, Pat Gilmore. Gilmore has been cheering for three years at Liberty, and six years altogether.

Billy Gillispie is also in his third year of cheering and works for the Christian Cheerleaders of America during the summers.

"People don't look at it as a sport until they try it. We make it look easy. We just toss the girls around," Gillispie said. According to Gillispie, cheerleading is mostly self-motivational and requires

a lot of strength and technique. Reffner agrees that technique is definitely as important as strength.

She said that one day they brought some football players in to watch the



LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD MEN — The cheerleading squad held tryouts on Sept. 6 to recruit men for the JV Squad. (Top row, left to right): Julie Huth, Angie Parker, Kerry Lamphere, Brandy Owens, Amy Reesman, Joy Stone. (Bottom, left to right): Patrick Gilmore, Shane Paulsen, Cliff Young, Jason Bragga, Billy Gillispie, and Jeff Lovelace.

cheerleaders practice.

After watching the male cheerleaders lift the girls with one hand, the football players tried and could not do it.

"Sheer brute strength will not produce," said Reffner. "People need to understand that our guys are athletes. Stunts are the nature of our sport."

Reffner also said that the squad is extremely supportive of each other. "They are like brothers and sisters," she said. Gilmore agreed. "It's like are definitely athletes." Reffner stresses having a second family. We spend a lot of time together.

Reffner said that the squad members can have their squabbles among themselves, but they will "stick up" for and help each other no matter what.

An example of this loyalty took place at the championships this year. During a basket toss, the girl being thrown into the air over-rotated on the last flip and came down at an awkward angle.

The male cheerleader did not move, even when her feet came down into his face. Reffner said that he saved the girl's life.

A similar accident occurred to Reffner's daughter, who cheered at LU a few years ago. This time, however, the male cheerleader was not fully prepared and the girl spent five days in intensive

care for a head injury.

This incident changed the intensity and way in which the squad practices. "We take things incredibly seriously," Reffner said.

Why do they do it? According to Reffner, it's because they love it. The JV squad receives nothing for its efforts, and Varsity is given only small scholarships. Six male cheerleaders are graduating

this May, and Reffner wants to begin training others to take their places, but only three men tried out for the squad. Though tryouts are over, Reffner said

that she would be glad to talk to anyone interested, and that all one needs is a proper attitude and a willing heart.

"We'll take as many as we can get," she said. No experience is needed.

Reffner said that one year a young man came to try out who had never tumbled before, and in no time he taught himself.

The present squad members have nothing but positive things to say about cheerleading. Gilmore describes the sport as "challenging."

Gillispie simply said, "It's a blast!" is worth every minute.



Squad members admit that it is a lot of AFRAID OF HEIGHTS? — Shane Paulsen lifts a hard work, but despite that, they say, it confident contestant on his shoulders during the Sept. 6 tryouts.

# Carry a rock for the King

King stood with his servants, A Outside the castle gate. He asked them each to pick up a rock, Of any size and shape.

When they got inside the castle, The servants then gave thanks. Their rocks were then exchanged for food, And that's how much they ate.

A couple of days later, They took a walk along the beach. The King said, "Grab a rock, And follow after me."

Remembering the castle, And how much food they got, Each servant picked himself Another meal-sized rock.

They carried each their rock for the remainder of the day, And as the sun set, the King told them To throw their rocks away.

All night the servants wondered The meaning behind the stones, But it soon became morning And still they did not know.

"Oh great King, was there Some purpose behind our walk?" "That depends," the King replied. "For whom did you carry your rock?"

As I go through life, No matter what I do or say, My motives are always selfish, In some insignificant way.

Although I often struggle

Serving God first, then others Brings complete satisfaction. I don't need to serve myself, For through God's Word I know,

That when I put the Lord first,

My cup will overflow.

With contentment from my actions,

I carry a rock in my pocket To remind me of this very thing. For whom do I carry my rock? For me of for my King?

**BRIAN JACOBS** 

For whom do you carry your rock?

I wrote this poem during the summer as a camp counselor in Michigan. It was a great job and a great ministry opportunity, but sometimes I had to remind myself why I

There were times when I would think to myself, "I wish I was making money," or, "I wish I could see my friends

Right about then I would reach into my pocket and feel

for my little rock and I would remember why I was there in the first place: to serve my King, not myself.

Here you are at Liberty University. All of you are "strongly encouraged" to register for a Christian service credit. Some of you will work with a youth group, help out at

concerts or perhaps be a prayer leader in your dorm; others of you will take GNED for a Christian service. This may seem insignificant, but just remember that,

whatever ministry you are involved in, you need to ask the question, "For whom do I carry this rock?" The Pharisees were a classic example of this. They were

out to serve themselves. "Where you have envy and selfish ambition, there you will find disorder and every evil practice" (James 3:16). Paul is a perfect example of one who carried his rock

for the Lord. Somehow I think his rock was a little bigger than any rock I've had to carry. He took an entire chapter to tell us about it in 2

Corinthians. However, I still believe that Paul wouldn't have traded the life he lived for anything. He instructs us to do the same: "So whether you eat or

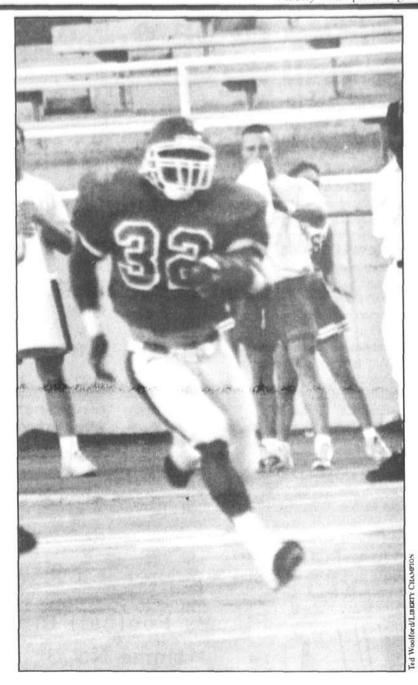
drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God" (1 Corinthians 10:31).

So as you walk back to your dorm, find yourself a nice fittle rock and stick it in your pocket. Try to carry it wher-

Then the next time you are in class and can't figure out why you are learning all of this "stuff", or when you are in hall meeting wondering why you have to listen to these announcements instead of studying, reach into your pocket for your rock and ask yourself: For whom do I carry my rock?

# Opening-Night GALA

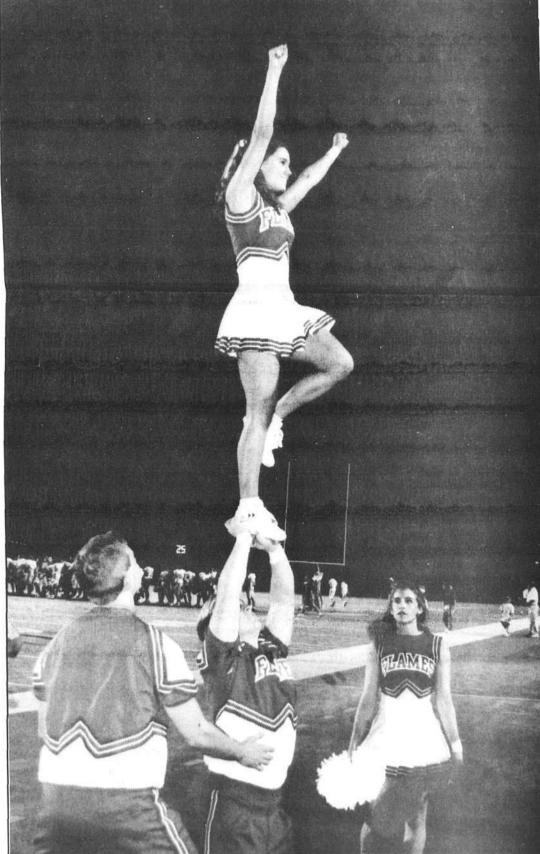




STRIKE UP THE BAND — Members of the Spirit of the Mountain marching band get down during a halftime number (Above). Lawrence Worthington (No. 32) looks for daylight on this play. (Above right). Worthington scored a third quarter touchdown, his first of the season. The starting running back had a rough game as he fumbled the ball away on three ocassions.(Below)







A CHEER, A CHOKE HOLD AND ANOTHER CHEER — Members of the LU cheerleading squad attempt to incite the crowd with a routine during the home opener (Above). The Western Carolina Catamount mascot puts a hold on the LU Eagle that would make Hulk Hogan envious (left). The student body does its best to get the team to respond to their school pride. The attempt was gallant, but the team lost 20-10.



### Failure to care for ball costly

Contiued from Page 12

When the dust cleared, LU found itself of the short side of a 20-10 decision, with all hope of making the Division I-AA playoffs falling like one of many dropped passes.

LU Head Coach Sam Rutigliano didn't pull any punches after the game. "Offensively (the game) was an absolute disaster," Rutigliano said.

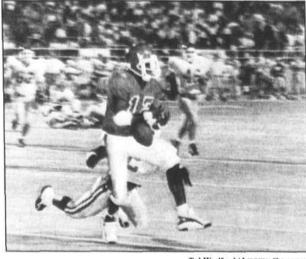
The player who contributed to the disaster most was Lawrence Worthington. The senior running back fumbled three times in the game, including a mishandled handoff from quarterback with 3:41 remaining in the game on first and goal from the WCU one-yard line. Each time Worthington put the ball on the ground Western Carolina recovered it.

"(Fumbling) is uncharacteristic for me," Worthington said. "Any time you put the ball on the ground it is totally unacceptable.'

Worthington was not the only Flame who had a bout with fumblitis. Freshman tight end Darryl Galmon coughed the ball up for the second straight game. Against ETSU, Galmon lost the football on his way into the end zone this week he coughed up the ball on the ninth play of a long drive at the WCU 30-yard line.

"Galmon fumbled the ball again. He's a freshman and he was careless. Fumbling is not protecting the ball," Rutigliano said. "I've seen a guy who played 15 seasons in the National Football League and never fumble the ball.... It's a matter of concentration."

Anderson, however, played better than statistics would



Ted Woolford / LIBERTY CHAMPION LIKE BUTTER — Tony Covington drops a TD.

tell. The junior quarterback put a number of passes right

on the money only to have his receivers either drop or misread them. Courtney Freeman had a bomb go right threw his hands in the second quarter, and took off running before he made the catch on another pass in the red zone in the fourth quarter. Tony Covington also had a hard time coming up with catches. Covington had four balls go through his hands in the end zone.

"That's just football, I guess," Anderson said. "We had so many opportunities to win the game — I failed, the team as a whole failed."

Even with the failure, and an 0-2 record, the Flames have not given up hope.

"The playoffs just seem so far away now," Anderson said. "It's still our vision."

The vision looks pretty blurred at this point in

Flames Football Preview



(1-0)

vs. Delaware State Series: LU leads 5-4

Place: Williams Stadium

Time: 1:30 p.m.

To say that the Flames must win this game would be a major understatement. Not only did the Flames lose badly to Western Carolina, they also looked bad -

Liberty fumbled the ball an incredible six times, losing four of them to the Catamounts. LU turned the ball over a total of six times. The team must take care of the ball as if it were an infant this week. Head Coach Sam Rutigliano will accept no less.

Running back Lawrence Worthington needs to have a big game. His goal of 2,000 yards for the season is all but unattainable now, after gathering 155 yards combined in the first two games. Worthington can however, still reach 1,500 yards this season if he averages 150 yards per contest the rest of the way.

The LU defensive front is in for a test. The Wing-T offense that Delaware State will run is tricky. The Hornets will send multiple players in motion on most of its offensive plays. The linebackers, led by Damon Bomar, will have to step up and help stop the run.

## **Barrington: Not your** average futbol man

By LAURELEI MILLER Champion Reporter

While most four-year-olds were out on the playground, running around in circles, kicking rocks, cans, pets and each other, little Jesse Barrington was in his backyard, running toward a make-shift goal and kicking a soccer ball.

It renders visions of the McDonald's commercial which predicts future Olympians. The one that showed little kids doing things like grabbing onto rings, riding a broomstick horse, splashing in a kiddie pool — and kicking a soccer ball.

In the suburbs of Columbus, Ohio, Barrington lived in the only house on the block with a backyard. So, Jesse developed atheletically as a youngster because that was where the neighborhood kids gathered, and there was almost always some kind of game going on.

Football runs in the blood, but Flames senior forward Jesse Barrington chose the other "futbol."

His father helped shape Jesse into the talented athlete he is today. "My dad gave me my athletic work habit," Barrington said, "the training and mental focus that applies to any sport."

Barrington's dad knew the kind of dedication and hard work that competitive athletics require. He dodged tackles and carried the ball as a running back for the Redskins and the Saints during his 7-year NFL career.

Barrington followed in his father's footsteps, playing both football and soccer, until he entered high school. Even now, his size and strength would make him right at home on the gridiron.

"I try to use my body as much as possible to my advantage, ...because it gets rough out there," Jesse said. Since ariving at Liberty, Jesse has

team. Every year he has been one of the top scorers, and he only needs four more assists to surpass Brent Ward as the Flames' all-time leader Barrington's skills are not limited



HAIR RAISING - Jesse Barrington heads the ball.

The Barrington File Home: Worthington, Ohio Born: 10-21-74

| Major: B<br><u>Year</u> | Goals | <b>Assists</b> |
|-------------------------|-------|----------------|
| 1993                    | 10    | 8              |
| 1994                    | 5     | 9              |
| 1995                    | 3     | 2              |
| 1996                    | 2     | 0              |
| Totals                  | 20    | 19             |

to offense, however. His power also gives him a defensive edge; at the beginning of the year, LU coaches were not sure where they would need him more.

Coach Bill Bell said before the want it?'

been a leader of the Flames soccer season officially began, "Jesse is a tremendous athlete, and I would like to play him on the front line so he can score goals. ... If the young defenders are capable of of supporting us in the backfield, then Jesse will play at forward." In the second game of the season Barrington did play forward and booted two goals.

"Who is this guy?," Jerry Seinfeld may ask about Barrington. Well, anyone interested in starting a Seinfeld fan club should notify Jesse, perhaps even make him president. Seinfeld is his favorite show, but he doesn't just watch the show on Thursday, he says he has "15 tapes of just shows after shows after shows" and he watches them repeatedly for "days on end."

Although he's the youngest of five kids (one brother and three sisters), Jesse denies being spoiled. His childhood memories include a haircut that he hated. He said that his mother kept his hair in a "bowl-cut" until he was in junior high.

What was even more humiliating was when he would go to the store with two of his sisters and people would tell his mom that she had three beautiful daughters. "I would get all upset," Jesse said, "and it was always a joke of the family that I looked like a girl 'til I was in the sixth grade."

The senior is optimistic about his final year as a Flame. According to Jesse, although the team lost 10 players, "We got a lot of good recruits in and a lot of people matured as players. ... We're going to be as good as we want to be. We have the talent, we have the skills. It's now, 'how much do we

### Pats to nip Cards, Oilers to dump Ravens

By JOSH HOWE

mance like it had in week one? Don't count on it. After a near upset of the Chiefs in the opener, the Oilers are now placing all the right pieces into

the puzzle. Oilers by 3. Minnesota at Chicago: Da Bears return home to begin their fight for the NFC Central. With or without Warren Moon, a disruptive Bear defense spells a long afternoon for the Vikings. Bears by 8.

San Diego at Green Bay: It was the Eagles last week and now another big test for the Packers this week with San Diego. Packers by 3.

Arizona at New England: A fired up Drew Bledsoe playing

Patriots by 2.

Game No. 3

Baltimore at Houston: Can the be sure one thing is on the Lions waxed by the Eagles last season in the playoffs, Detroit gets an opportunity to get even. Lions by 1.

Jacksonville at Oakland: The Jags have quickly gone from pretenders to contenders in the AFC Central. Raiders Head Coach Mike White was given notice by owner Al Davis that if he doesn't produce by week five he is history. Raiders by 7.

Kansas City at Seattle: This young and talented Seahawk offense will give the Chiefs' defense all they can handle. But the experience on both sides of the ball will be the difference for Kansas City. Chiefs by 7.

N.Y. Jets at Miami: Another long in the home opener will be the day for Neil O'Donnell and the Jets

difference for New England. as O'Donnell continues to ask himself, "Why did I ever leave Detroit at Philadelphia: You can Pittsburgh?" Dolphins by 19.

New Orleans at Cincinnati: The and a win to go along with all the talent. Bengals by 8.

Indianapolis at Dallas: The injuryriddled Cowboys are primed for an upset. But week three Dallas shows it is still a contender. Cowboys by 10.

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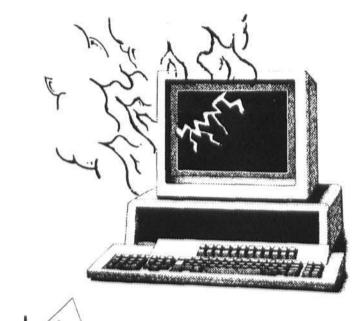
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### Box Scores

#### Football

Western Carolina 20, Liberty 10 Western Carolina 7 3 10 0 20 0 3 7 0 10 Liberty

First Quarter WCU-Runner 4 pass from Jo. Brooks (Hinsley kick) 4:31

Second Quarter LU-FG Harrelson 36 11:27 WCU-FG Hinsley 36 2:07 Third Quarter

WCU-FG Hinsley 30 9:50 LU-Worthington 2 run, (Harrelson kick) 7:28 WCU—Jo. Brooks 2 run, (Hinsley kick) 0:45

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|                   | WC     | LU    |
|-------------------|--------|-------|
| First downs       | 21     | 15    |
| Rushes-yards      | 51-196 | 19-43 |
| Passing yards     | 128    | 274   |
| Return yards      | 38     | 58    |
| Comp-Att          | 17-28  | 23-48 |
| Sacked-yards lost | 0-0    | 0-0   |
| Punts             | 5-193  | 5-190 |
| Fumbles-lost      | 4-2    | 6-4   |
| Penalties-yards   | 6-104  | 9-106 |
| 3rd down conv.    | 7-18   | 5-14  |
| 4th down conv.    | 1-2    | 1-1   |
| Time of poss      | 34:52  | 25:08 |
|                   |        |       |

#### **Individual Statistics**

RUSHING-W. Carolina, Hooks 31-126, Jo. Brooks 12-24, D. Runner 6-10, B. Hoover 2-7. Liberty, L. Worthington 12-41, L. Duncan 1-10, G. Ferebee 1-3, A. McFadden 4-2, B. Anderson 1-(-13).

PASSING-W. Carolina, Jo. Brooks 28-17-1 128, Liberty, B. Anderson 22-47-2 269, G. Ferebee 1-1-0 5.

RECEIVING-W. Carolina, J. Lardy 5-43, B. Hoover 3-21, D. Runner 3-20, D. Hooks 2-8, Ja. Brooks 1-17, K. Penn 1-9, M. Miller 1-8, L. Williams 1-2. Liberty, L. Worthington 7-88, A. McFadden 5-98, T. Covington 3-47, P. Foy 2-13, D. Galmon 2-10, C. Freeman 2-8, L. Duncan 1-7, T. Saunders 1-3.

MISSED FIELD GOALS-Harrelson 49.

#### Men's Soccer

Liberty 2, Marshall 1 Marshall 2 0 2 Liberty 18:00 LU Jesse Barrington from Tim Wood (Throw-in) 27:00 LU Jesse Barrington from Tim Wood (Throw-in) 82:00 M Chris Carroll, unassisted (off corner kick) Shots: M — 8

LU-7 Saves: UR-2 LU-2

Attendance: 200

#### Women's Soccer

UMBC 1, Liberty 0 0 0 Liberty 0 UMBC 1 0 1 14:39 UMBC Phoebus from Rosbert (off direct kick) Shots: UMBC-23 LU-5

Saves: UMBC-4 LU-11

Attendance: 112

### Schedules

### Men's Basketball

Nov. 4, vs. Athletes in Action Nov. 22 vs. Florida International Nov. 25 at Maine

Nov. 29-30 at Fresno State Tournament (Fresno State, Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo, Northeastern)

Dec. 3 vs. Randolph Macon

Dec. 5 vs. Drake Dec. 7 vs. Howard Dec. 16 at Hampton

Dec. 18 at Virginia Dec. 28-30 at Hawaii Hilo Shootout

(Idaho State, Hawaii-Hilo, Eastern Michigan)

Jan. 3 at Texas Christian Jan. 7 vs. Montreat Jan. 11 at UNC Asheville\*

Jan. 13 at UMBC\* Jan. 18-vs. Winthrop\* Jan. 20 vs. UNC Greensboro\*

Feb. 1 vs. Radford\*

Jan. 23 vs. Virginia Tech Jan. 25 vs. Charleston Southern\* Jan. 27 vs. Coastal Carolina\*

Feb. 6 at UNC Greensboro\* Feb. 8 at Winthrop\*

Feb. 10 vs. UNC Asheville\* Feb. 15 at Coastal Carolina\* Feb. 17 at Charleston Southern\* Feb. 20 vs. UMBC\*

Feb. 22 at Radford\* Feb. 26-March 1, Big South Tournament, at Vines Center. \*Big South Conference game

#### Women's Basketball

Nov. 9 vs. Fort Bragg AAU Nov. 11 vs. Slovakian Nationals Nov. 23 vs. Bluefield Nov. 25 vs. Hampton Nov. 30 at North Carolina A&T Dec. 6-7 Lady Flames Classic (Stetson, Akron, Detroit) Dec. 12 vs. Campbell

Dec. 14 vs. Wofford Dec. 16 vs. UNC Asheville\* Dec. 29-30 at Louisville Classic (Central Conn. St., Long Beach St.,

Louisville) Jan. 2 at South Carolina State Jan. 4 at Wofford

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### This Week

#### WEDNESDAY

M-Soccer vs. High Point 4:00 p.m. W-Soccer at East Carolina, 4:00 p.m.

FRIDAY Volleyball at IUPUI tournament,

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W-Soccer vs. St. Francis, 11:00 a.m. Football vs. Delaware State, 1:30

SATURDAY Country at Virginia

### TBA

Inivitational, Charlottesville, 10:30

### Women's soccer shut out by UMBC

For the second time in as many on the LU net, and Phoebus angled games, the Lady Flames soccer team was shutout on Saturday. Big South Conference rival UMBC did the honors this time around with a 1-0 whitewashing of Liberty in Baltimore, Md.

In the season opener, Liberty was shut out 3-0 by Richmond.

UMBC's Jessaka Phoebus scored the only goal of the contest 14:39 into the first half. Phoebus headed in a direct-kick from teammate Theresa Robins. Robins put the ball

the ball past Shannon Hutchinson.

on offense. The Lady Retrievers fired 23 shots in the contest. Liberty

game for Liberty. The second-team All-Conference goaltender from a season ago made 11 saves to keep ly aggressive." her team in the game.

"Our team worked hard," Hutchinson said. "Unfortunately, we came up a little short."

cant scoring opportunities. The UMBC held a distinct advantage Lady Flames were held to five shots on goal in the match.

The team will get its chance to be more aggressive when it travels to

- from staff reports

### was held to five shots on net. Hutchinson had a spectacular Perkins. "The whole team played

UMBC denied LU any signifi-

"The game could have gone either way," said Head Coach Ken well. For future games the team will focus on being more offensive-

East Carolina on Wednesday.

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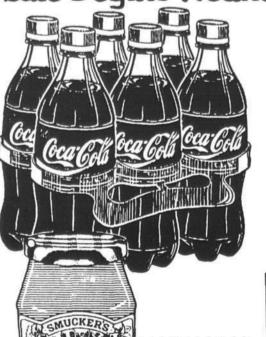
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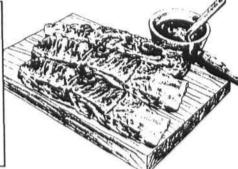


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Cheerleaders call out for a few good men -

# Storm dampens Vines, hurts fields

By RICH MACLONE

Sports Editor

Hurricane Fran wreaked havoc on the LU sports world as it whipped through the South this

The Vines Center floor was drenched with water on Friday. Saturday, the LU men's soccer game against Maryland Eastern Shore was postponed, the opening cross country meet at William & Mary was canceled, and the condition of the turf at Williams Stadium was bad for the football game.

According to LU Athletic Director Chuck Burch, the Vines Center floor was soaked because of water that ran under the structure. The water rose and came through the floor, as well as coming in through the doors that circle the building.

The last time the Vines Center had water damage, was three years ago, when the basketball floor had to be replaced. The damage caused then was largely due to the fact that it happened over Christmas break and went unnoticed for six or seven hours. "This time people were aware of it,"

Burch said. "We were much quicker with our response to (the situation)."

The soccer game was canceled for two reasons: Maryland Eastern Shore would have had a difficult time getting to Lynchburg, and playing conditions would have been hazardous.

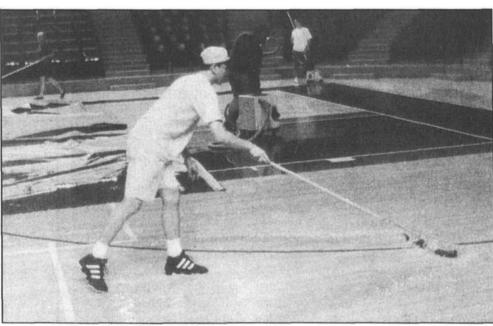
"We felt it was in the best interest of the players to cancel," Burch said.

The turf at Williams Stadium resembled a beach more than a football field. The playing surface has a sand-base, which rose to the surface, and came through the turf as the water pounded it.

All the sand made for a very slippery field. On several plays Liberty players slipped as they attempted to make cuts. Kick returner/running back Pete McFadden slipped twice, once on a hand off and again on a punt return.

"The field was kind of messed up," McFadden said. "But both teams had to play on it."

Linebacker Damon Bomar colorfully explained the playing conditions. "We could have used a sand sweeper out there. (The sand) did cause a lot of missed tackles."



SPLISH, SPLASH — Workers clean up The Vines Center Friday. Hurricane Fran caused water to rise through the floor and onto the basketball court.

# **Fumblitis** plagues LU in 20-10 loss

By BEN DONAHUE Champion Reporter

A Phillip Harrelson field goal and Lawrence Worthington touchdown run were all Liberty produced as the Western Carolina Catamounts defeated the Liberty Flames 20-10 on Saturday night.

The Cats capitalized on poor LU play on both sides of the ball, further hurting the Flames' hopes of a post-

The Flames played far below their Division I-AA No. 17 ranking in as turnovers, shaky defense and dropped balls plagued the team all night. LU had six turnovers, two of which led to WCU scores, and two more killing potential scoring drives.

"Hurricane Fran avoided Lynchburg but Western Carolina sure brought it in," Head Coach Sam Rutigliano said. "Offensively it was a total disaster, there were too many self inflicted wounds, and the defense was non-existent.

"We dug a hole for ourselves and we have to overcome this. I think right now the best thing to do is just burn the game film." Rutigliano added.

Worthington ran in a five yard touchdown to cut the score to 13-10 in the third quarter, but that was all the points the Flames would muster.

Western recovered a Worthington fumble (one of his three) that put the Cats at the Flames two-yard line. With 1:08 left in the third quarter, WCU quarterback Josh Brooks ran the ball in

for a touchdown. That put the score at 20-10, where it stayed, as the Flames repeatedly squandered chances to recover in the fourth quarter.

LU had two chances inside the WCU 10-yard line in the fourth quarter, but came away empty handed. On first and goal from the Western Carolina one-yard line, with 3:41 to play, Worthington mishandled a handoff, fumbling it away.

The LU defense came up with a huge play on WCU's first play after the LU turnover. Defensive end James Highsmith clocked John Brooks, and forced a fumble which was recoverd by LU linebacker Damon Bomar. Bomar led the Flames' defense with 14 tackles.

Again the Flames would come away empty handed. Liberty had a Tony Covington touchdown reception called back on a controversial illegal motion penalty on second and eight from the WCU nine-yard line. On the next play Anderson misread the defense, and threw an interception that sealed the Flames fate.

"The team as a whole failed today," quarterback Ben Anderson said. "We has so many opportunities to win, we were down in the red zone so many times and came away with nothing. The turnovers really killed us."

"Starting the season 0-2, how can we be anywhere close to the playoffs we were talking about? That's just too far off to even think about now," Worthington said.



RICH MACLONE

### **Dream** matchups

One of sports fans' favorite pastimes is prognosticating impossibilities. I, like all of you, enjoy this as much as anyone.

Here are few of the impossible match-ups that I would love to see, and the winners.

• 1996 Bulls vs. 1986 Celtics or 1985 Lakers - Any way you look at it, the older teams were better. The Celtics would beat the Bulls with their incredible front court. Larry Bird, Kevin McHale and Robert Parrish would have a field day against Scottie Pippen, Dennis Rodman and Luc Longley. Rodman could not stop McHale in the low post. Bird would take Pippen to school, and there is no way that Longley could hope to keep up with Parrish. The Lakers would also beat up the Bulls. Magic Johnson could not lose in his prime, unless it was to the Celtics. Kareem Abdul-Jabbar would make Longley look like a red-headed doonnat. Celtics or Lakers, four games to one.

· 1995 Cleveland Browns vs. 1996 Baltimore Ravens - The players are basically the same, but devotion and loyalty have to Bill count for something. Belichek out-coaches Marchibroda, leading his Browns to a blowout victory. By the way, Art Modell was not allowed in the stadium. Browns 35, Ravens 17.

 1994 New York Rangers vs. 1985 Edmonton Oilers — Mark Messier as a kid, or an adult? Well in the view of this reporter, there has never been a team better than the Oilers' dynasty of the 80s. Wayne Gretzky, Messier, Paul Coffey and Co. were the best assemblance of talent that the National Hockey League has ever seen. Oilers 4 games to 0.

• 1985 Dwight Gooden vs. 1986 Roger Clemens - These two pitchers put up the best two seasons by hurlers in recent memory. While both were awesome, only one could be the man in this matchup. As much as it pains me, the edge goes to Dr. K. Both pitchers could bring the heat, but Doc's curve was the better of the two. Gooden 9 innings, 2 hits, 12 Ks and 0 walks, Clemens 9 innings, 3 hits, 11 Ks and 1 walk.

 1995-96 Dallas Cowboys vs. 1965-66 Green Bay Packers — The first Super Bowl champion versus the latest. The Pack has the distinct advantage in the coaching corps, but the 'Boys have the better athletes. I do think that Green Bay would be able to stay close with Dallas. In the end, though, Emmitt Smith scores from three yards out to give Dallas the win. Cowboys 27, Packers 24.

 1995-96 Kentucky Wildcats vs. 1991-92 Duke Blue Devils -These two teams have a couple of common bonds — I hated them both, and they were great teams. I hated Duke because of Christian Laettner. In my eyes, Laettner, was the biggest punk in the history of college basketball. I despised Kentucky because it took out UMass in the Final Four. Both teams had great shooters. Kentucky had the athletic advantage, but Duke knew how to win. It says something for a team when Grant Hill is the fourth best player. Duke gets it done over the 'Cats. Duke 92, Kentucky 83.

SURPRISE!! IT'S GOING THE OTHER WAY — Brad Waggoner (No. 55) tells the officials which way the ball is going in LU's 20-10 loss to Western Carolina Saturday night. The Flames turned the ball over six times while WCU gave the ball away on four occasions.

### Freshmen lead volleyball to 4th consecutive win

By KERRY RODRIGUEZ Champion Reporter

The LU Lady Flames volleyball team won its third consecutive match with a 3-0 drubbing of Virginia Commonwealth University on Tuesday, keeping its momentum after a strong showing at the Navy Trident Ivitational last week.

The team took out VCU 15-10, 15-11, 15-3 in straight sets. LU (3-1) demonstrated strong teamwork and sharp skills in their win over VCU.

In the first game, Liberty overpowered VCU. As the second game got underway, however, the Flames found themselves down 10-4. The determined team bounced back, standing up under the pressure and pulling

ahead, for a 15-11 win. The momentum of the comeback carried over into the final game as LU destroyed VCU 15-3.

"We are working excellent together as a team. Our main goal is to glorify Christ. Being united in Christ will make us stand out. As a team, we want to be different," Junior Stacy Collier said.

Each Flames player was consistent. Leana Miller and Kyrie Dorn led the team in kills, Miller with 11 and Dom with seven. Miller also smashed six service aces. Athena Sherwood and Antonia Akpama led

the team in digs with nine a piece. Miller has been the hottest player on the floor for LU early on this year. She had 54 kills in the Navy tournament and leads the team with 65 kills.

The Lady Flames will travel to North Carolina Central Sept. 9, and play at the IUPUI tournament on Sept. 13.

### **Barrington leads** way past Marshall

Senior Jesse Barrington scored twice in the first half as LU held on for a 2-1 soccer victory at Marshall Wednesday.

Both of Barrington's tallies came on throw-ins. Tim Wood assisted on both goals.

Neither team had an abundance of scoring chances in the game, but Liberty (2-0) took advantage of the Thundering Herd's mistakes. The Flames were held to just four shots on net, while the Thundering Herd



"(Marshall) gave up silly goals on throwins," said Thundering Herd Head Coach Bob Gray. "But I give Liberty credit, they scratched away and were able to dig out two

Marshall (0-1-1) made the score close in the 82nd minute when freshman Chris Carroll scored an unassisted goal on a corner kick.

The Flames return home to play High Point on Wednesday, and then host East Carolina on Monday.

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### Miscues put playoff spot in jeapordy

By RICH MACLONE Sports Editor

A football team can't turn the ball over more than its oppo-

nent and expect to win. The team that makes the fewest mistakes will usually win.

It's a cliche, but it is usually accurate.

The LU Flames football team knows this well. Last week against East Tennessee State the Flames lost two fumbles, failed to convert on fourth and inches and shot themselves in the foot with penalties on their final drive. LU lost.

Saturday against Western Carolina things got worse.

LU put the ball on the ground six times; of which the Catamounts recovered four. Liberty, down by 10 points, was called for an illegal motion penalty that nullified a touchdown catch by Tony Covington with less than five minutes left in the game . On the following play, Ben Anderson threw into coverage in the end zone and was picked off for the second time in the game.

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