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## Trash TV

The Champion examines advertisers' support of questionable programs. Page 2.

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The SGA senate had an emergency meeting to discuss the reading days. See Page 4.

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# The Liberty Champion

Liberty University, Lynchburg, Va.

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Abortion debate continues:

## Local pro-lifers confront Wattleton

By CURT W. OLSON

News Editor

Planned Parenthood President Faye Wattleton addressed a split, but pro-abortion, heavy, capacity crowd in Randolph-Macon Women's College (R-MWC) Smith Hall Wednesday night on issues "that threaten the very existence of America as we know and love (it)."

The speech, the first in a series of lectures sponsored by R-MWC for the 1990-91 academic year, was followed by a 30- to 45-minute question-and-answer session.

The speech was attended by a group of more than 200 students and faculty from Liberty University and protested by more than 30 local Christian Action Council members.

Wattleton opened her remarks: "I am grateful for the opportunity to be in Falwell country." That remark brought a resounding response from the LU contingency and the other pro-lifers on hand. She proceeded, however, to say, "Despite the Falwell supporters in the audience, Lynchburg

is still pro-choice." The supporters of Wattleton erupted in applause.

Wattleton expressed her concerns regarding recent changes in the makeup of the United States Supreme Court.

She began by saying that even before Roe v. Wade, the Constitution protected rights of privacy and the decision whether or not to procreate. Wattleton stated, however, "There are some who say that is not true, and that we must go back to (George) Washington and (Thomas) Jefferson to see how they thought."

Wattleton exclaimed, "Well, because Washington owned slaves and Jefferson's wife could not vote, I am just simply unwilling to go back!"

The Supreme Court has received what has been perceived as a conservative facelift in recent years, and Wattleton believes the recent confirmation of Justice David Souter to the land's highest court will continue the trend. She stated that Souter, during his confirmation hearing, "said a lot about a lot of things but refused to

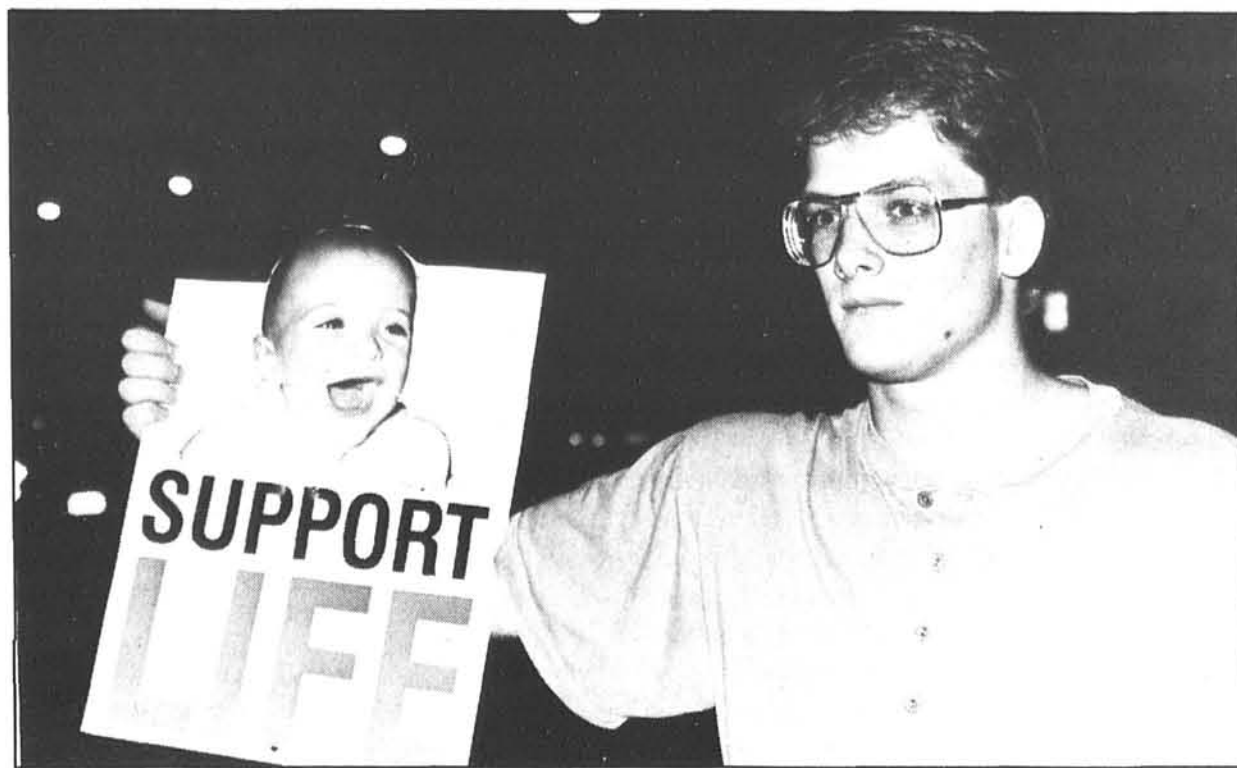
answer questions on things that are pretty fundamental."

"This (question)," she said, "is whether the Constitution protects our most private rights to decide for ourselves if we will and when we will procreate."

"It is very distressing to me," she continued, "that a justice joining the court, who cannot say that a woman's body deserves the protection of the Constitution, will be ruling on matters that directly affect the future of a woman's life."

She expanded her remarks by tackling the Supreme Court's 1989 Webster case which granted states' rights in limiting abortions. Wattleton said, however, "One thousand Webster's handed down every July 3 of every year will not stop women from having abortions, even if it kills us."

Furthermore, she expressed her disgust with the June 1990 Supreme Court case which ruled that teenagers had to notify their parents or a judge had to notify the teenager's parents before the teenager could get



Les Saker from LU's Liberators for Life was one of the more than 30 pro-lifers protesting Faye Wattleton's address at Randolph-Macon Women's College last Wednesday night.

photo by Bruce Herwig

an abortion. Wattleton retorted, "Until the day when young people have to go to their parents to ask their permission to have sexual intercourse, I think we need to keep the government out (of their lives)."

Wattleton mentioned her 15-year-old daughter, Felicia, at various times during her speech. Wattleton stated she has faith in her daughter to make decisions that are in her (Felicia's) best interest. Wattleton stated: "If she makes a mistake, I don't want her to suffer for the rest of her life the

punishment for a mistake for not living up to the moral standards that I, as an adult, may hold for her and other adults may hold for her. We (other adults) can't live up to those standards ourselves, so why should I hold her accountable for them?"

Wattleton supplemented her comments on her daughter by saying that government involvement in a teenager's decision to have an abortion is "terrorizing teenagers."

During the question-and-answer session, pro-lifers in the audience

attempted to corner Wattleton on the inconsistencies of Planned Parenthood and the abortion movement.

One audience member from Randolph-Macon asked if the Webster case could be translated as an establishment of religion. Wattleton stated that the preamble to the Missouri Constitution defines life at conception. "There are many religions which do not follow that definition of life. It (the Supreme Court) permitted to let

See Abortion, Page 5

## Shaw: Wattleton remarks distort abortion picture

By DOUGLAS R. DEMPSEY

Campus News Editor

Kathy Shaw, president of the Lynchburg chapter of the Virginia Society for Life, offered a rebuttal Thursday at Randolph-Macon's Woman College to Planned Parenthood President Faye Wattleton's Wednesday speech.

Shaw's presentation was closed to the public, but granted an interview after her remarks. She said she received a warm reception and felt free to express her pro-life viewpoint: "I felt very free to express my views, even though they differed from the majority opinion. The questions asked were very educated."

Shaw said that although a group called Friends of Planned Parenthood is forming in Lynchburg, she isn't positive that an abortion clinic will open soon: "I suspect that (the abortion clinic) is their ultimate goal, but I don't know for sure."

Lynchburg is a conservative town, and most citizens would call themselves pro-life, Shaw said. "Poll af-

ter poll indicates that most Americans support restrictions on abortion," she said.

Shaw said the speech by Wattleton gave a distorted picture of abortion: "It (the speech) wasn't a fair presentation."

"I don't think Faye (Wattleton) was direct. She didn't give any information. She's good at exciting people about rights and avoiding the real issue."

Dr. Norman Geisler, dean of Liberty University's Center for Research and Scholarship, agreed with Shaw's assessment. "The real issue never came out (in Wattleton's speech). The real issue is privacy vs. right to life. Of course nobody has the right to privately kill, and that's the real issue."

The confirmation of Judge David Souter for the Supreme Court, which was vehemently opposed by Planned Parenthood, remains a mystery to Shaw.

"As citizens we have the right to voice our opinions, but when it comes

to a judge the questions should be on how he will interpret the constitution," Shaw said, "I hope he (Souter) is pro-life."

Geisler said that Wattleton, who attacked Souter's nomination, has every right to be upset with the new justice's confirmation.

"They (Planned Parenthood) have every reason to attack Souter because he is a conservative and he believes in interpreting the constitution the way it's written."

Shaw also talked about the upcoming Life-Chain demonstration that will be held Oct. 21.

Anyone interested in more infor-



Faye Wattleton

mation about the Life-Chain can contact David Lytle or his wife Jeanette at 237-1036. Information about the Lynchburg chapter of the Virginia Society for Human Life is available at 384-5336.

## Money strains cause pageant cancellation

By DOUGLAS R. DEMPSEY

Campus News Editor

The Miss Liberty pageant, an LU tradition since 1972, has been canceled this year and replaced with a special event during chapel, according to Vernon Brewer, vice president of student development.

The present financial condition of the university necessitated a change in format. "We don't have a major corporate sponsor, and the pageant is a costly event," Brewer said. "Ticket sales only cover about one-fifth of the cost. I just couldn't see spending an excessive amount of money on a pageant when people (in the ministry) are losing their jobs."

Brewer met with Student Government Association President Paul Davis, as well as people from student development. Everybody agreed on the change, and a recommendation to drop the pageant was sent to the administration. Instead of a special pageant, Miss Liberty will be chosen during chapel Oct. 26. The 24 contestants will be introduced, and the five finalists selected. Then the student body will vote, and the new Miss Liberty will be chosen.

The identity of the winner, however, will be kept secret until halftime of the homecoming football game, Brewer said. At that time the contestants will again be introduced, and the new Miss Liberty will be crowned.

Several alternatives to canceling the pageant were considered, but none seemed appropriate.

"I am disappointed about the cancellation, but I would not want to put on a pageant that was second-rate or do something that would embarrass the young ladies (in the pageant)," Brewer said.

The contestants in the pageant were told of the cancellation Oct. 1 and reacted in a very positive manner. "Their response to the situation was total cooperation and understanding," Brewer said. "They exhibited to me that they all have the attitude and spirit of Miss Liberty."

Despite the cancellation, Hicks and Cohagen, the comedy team that was to host the pageant, will still be performing on campus Oct. 26.

## City schools to foot the bill for Persian Gulf crisis

By KEVIN M. BLOYE

Editor

The Persian Gulf crisis may put the Lynchburg school system almost \$100,000 over budget this year, acting Lynchburg City School Superintendent Dr. Ernest Martin said during the city school board meeting last Tuesday.

Heating oil, which was budgeted at 70 cents a gallon before the 1990-91 school year began, now costs the city \$1.07 per gallon, an unexpected increase of 52 percent, due to the crisis in the Persian Gulf region.

While the school board cannot reduce the usage of heating oil, Martin said that several cutbacks must be made regarding automobile usage within the school system.

"We have a major problem on our hands, and unfortunately, some cutbacks must be made," Martin said. "We will have to greatly reduce the number of field trips and activity runs

that are normally taken. Also, we will probably eliminate many of the bus runs that aren't fully loaded."

While the proposed cuts are expected to lessen the projected budget deficit, Martin said that the variables affected make up only 7 percent of the yearly fuel and oil budget.

In other school board news:

\* Martin reported that, as of Oct. 1, a total of 9,318 students are currently enrolled in the Lynchburg school system, only two students less than last year's Oct. 1 figure of 9,320.

"This year's enrollment is 10 more students than we projected," Martin said. "This is very positive news and we expect the trend to continue to turn up."

\* Three guidance counselors from different area schools presented a positive report on the new K-12 guidance/counseling program recently implemented.

The improved program, explained

in detail by elementary counselor Pam Smith-Johnson, was designed to put more emphasis on the counseling and guidance of students at the elementary school level.

"A troubled and confused child will probably develop into a very poor learner," Johnson said. "We want to be there to encourage them and show them how to make the appropriate kinds of decisions."

Johnson reported that the guidance counselors for the improved K-12 program spend 60 percent of their time counseling students and 40 percent for guidance purposes.

The counseling portion of the program involves helping young children deal with any personal, social or academic problems that they might incur. The guidance part of the program mainly focuses on making children aware of the variety of occupations available.

\* Because of a school board retreat

scheduled for Oct. 18-19, the Lynchburg School Board will not hold its regularly scheduled Tuesday night meeting Oct. 16. Instead, the next school board meeting will be held Oct. 30 at 5:30 p.m., Chairman William Long announced.

## New city school chief named

On Thursday, the Lynchburg City School Board unanimously named Dr. James T. McCormick of Champaign, Ill., as its new superintendent Thursday, ending a three-month search.

McCormick, 45, replaces Dr. Joseph Spagnola who resigned to take the position of state superintendent of public instruction. McCormick is expected to begin with the school board by the middle of November. He is currently serving as assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction in Champaign.

## God Bless America

Day 62



The Liberty Champion joins the millions of Americans who are praying and hoping for the safe return of the more than 250,000 military personnel and the more than 2,000 Americans who are "guests" of Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein. We ask the LU family to join us until all Americans are safe on American soil.

People are requested to write to the men and women serving in Saudi Arabia by writing:

Any Service Member (Army) APO NY 09848-0006  
Any Service Member (Navy) Fleet P.O. NY 09866-0006



## Editorial

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

# Product boycott to lower television sex, violence rates

Too often Christians sit around safely locked up in their comfortable ivory towers and complain about the horrible condition of the world. Unfortunately, this practice does absolutely nothing to change the depraved conditions with which we live, directly or indirectly, everyday.

We complain that "evil is overtaking the world" and "isn't it horrible out there" and "there is so much sex and violence on TV," but what do we do to make a change in the situation? How often do we take steps to reverse the current sin, sex and violence trap in which television programs appear to be mired? Do we ever do anything except complain to our neighbors in our kitchens over cups of tea or talk about the good old days when we simply didn't have these problems? Do we really expect that our empty words will ever have any kind of impact if we do nothing? Are we not called to be stewards of our world and its moral condition just as we called to be good stewards of our finances?

Many argue that they would love to get involved, but they simply don't have the time. Others say that they have no idea what course of action to take and, even if they did, one person is totally impotent to make any worthwhile changes in a problem as large as the content of television programs.

It is time we recognized these so-called arguments for what they are: a complete lack of concern for the state of our world. Yes, we say we are appalled; but if we were truly disgusted, we would not remain silent.

Now is the time for action, and fortunately, the American Family Association has a plan of action which promises to be both easy and effective in reducing the amount of sex, violence and profanity on television.

Research studies conducted by the AFA indicate that Burger King helped sponsor almost 19 incidents of sex, violence, profanity or anti-Christian bigotry with each of their 30-second commercials during the period of April 26 - May 23. This total was approximately two-thirds more than the average sponsorship for other advertisers.

Prior to the selected monitoring period, AFA contacted Chrm. Ian Martin of Burger King's parent company by mail informing him of its intentions to monitor the content of programs sponsored by various corporations' advertising dollars. When he did not respond, AFA contacted Martin two more times by mail asking that if he shared their concern, he would not help to sponsor programs with high levels of sex, violence, and profanity. Spokesmen further informed him of the organization's intentions to ask for a one-year boycott of the leading sponsor's products. Again, Martin ignored The AFA's letters.

In a last attempt to alter Burger King's sponsorship habits, the AFA notified Martin one more time, presented its findings and informed him that unless Burger King's choice of program support changed, his company was being considered for a boycott. When he did not respond, the AFA made one final plea for change and faxed Martin a copy of the potential boycott letter. He still did not respond.

Therefore, the American Family Association in coalition with Christian Leaders for Responsible Television (CLear-TV) is asking the American public to boycott Burger King until Sept. 1991.

At this point, many may be prompted to ask whether boycotting really works. Just one example of the power of boycotting can be seen in the results the AFA achieved in the Mennon/Clorox boycott of last summer. These two companies were leading sponsors of programs with questionable content. As a direct result of the boycott, both companies lost money, and incidents of sex, violence and profanity on prime-time network television dropped by 32 percent. Yes, boycotting works.

Let us all act on this opportunity to take back control of television content. One person can have a powerful voice and as a group we can make a definite difference. Boycott Burger King products, and let companies know that Christians have left the security of their ivory towers and are ready to fight.

## Liberty Forum Policies

The **Champion** welcomes members of the Liberty community to submit letters to the editor on any subject.

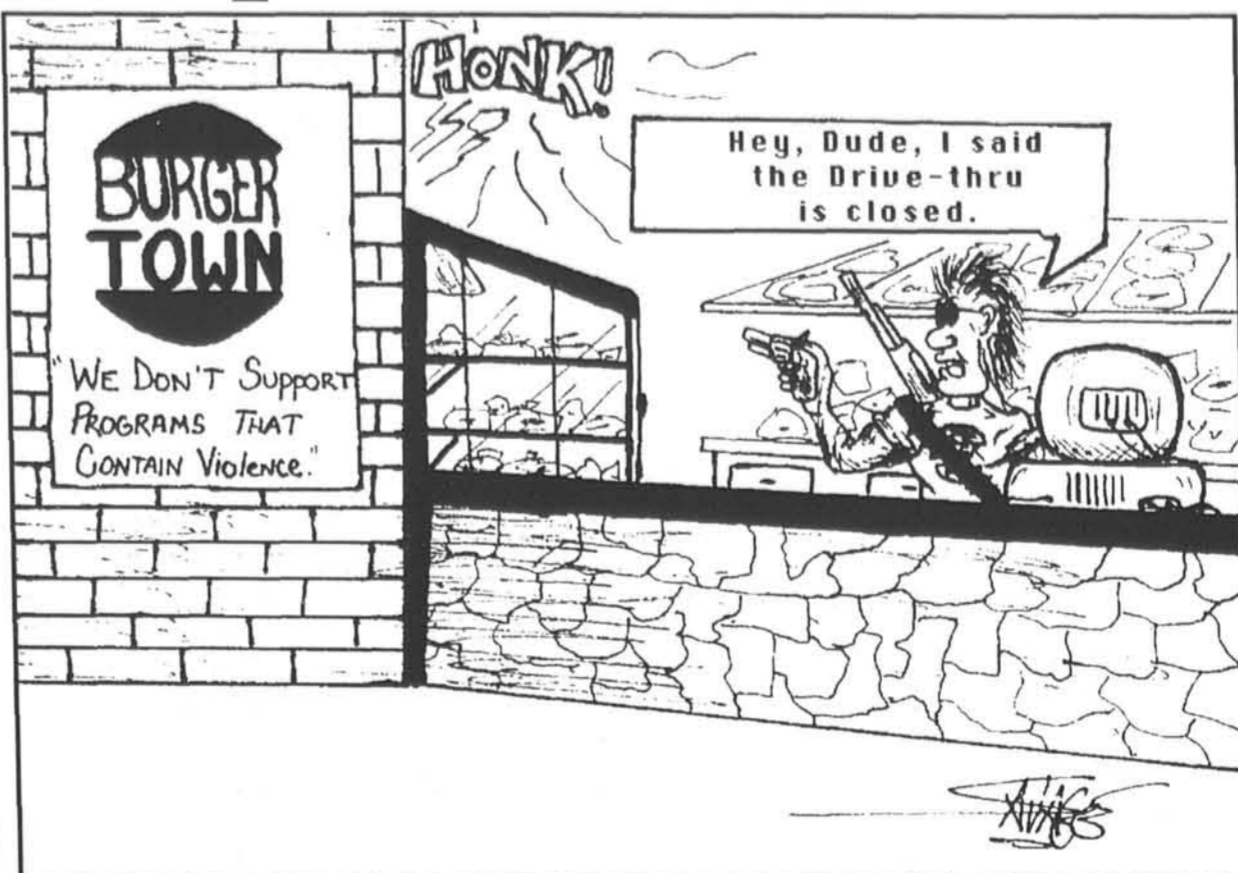
Letters should not exceed 300 words and must be signed. The **Champion** asks that all letters be typed.

All material submitted to the **Liberty Champion** becomes the property of the **Champion**.

The **Liberty Champion** reserves the right to accept, reject or edit any letter received, according to the policies of the **Liberty Champion**.

The deadline for all letters is 6 p.m. Thursday.

Please address all letters to "Editor, **Liberty Champion**" and drop them off in DH 109 or Box 21247.



## Sneaking into the Movies

# Disney's "Little Mermaid" offers humor, romance, chance to recapture childhood

To watch "The Little Mermaid," is to allow yourself to be swept away to a magical land, full of excitement, adventure and a whole lot of romance.

If you allow it, "The Little Mermaid" will take you back to childhood and help you to forget, at least momentarily, the harsh realities of life.

"The Little Mermaid" is an animated story about Ariel, a 16-year-old mermaid, and her quest for true love.

Ariel has a fascination with humans, something to which her father, King Triton of the Mer-people, is strongly opposed. While he makes rules forbidding her to swim to the



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surface of the ocean or have any contact at all with the human race, Ariel is busy doing just that.

On one such excursion to the surface, Ariel spies a young man, Prince Eric, with whom she immediately falls deeply in love. Unknown to Ariel, however, her father has assigned Sebastian, a musical crab, to watch and report all of her actions to him.

When Triton finally learns the iden-

tity of his daughter's new love he loses his temper; he alienates Ariel. Not to be undone, Ariel seeks out the aid of the wicked Sea Witch, Ursula.

Ursula strikes a deal with Ariel which allows her to be human for three days. During this short time Ariel must get Eric to fall in love with her. If she succeeds, she remains human; if she fails, Ursula enslaves her forever. The catch is that Ariel must accomplish her difficult task without her voice—the one thing which has captured Eric's attention.

Ursula is convinced Ariel will fail. However, just to make certain, she lays a few traps of her own. At one point, she even goes so far as to use Ariel's voice to entice Eric, who, bewitched by the beauty of the voice, proposes to the Sea Witch.

As time runs out for Ariel and all hopes that she will marry the prince begin to fade, Sebastian and a host of others come to the rescue providing for an exciting, action-packed finale.

"The Little Mermaid" is filled with so many wonderful elements it is difficult to know how to begin to describe them. The animation is crisp and sharp, a far cry above the sickly, one-dimensional animation of such fluff as "The Care Bears" and "The Smurfs." The characters are rich and captivating. Ariel, with her flowing auburn hair and deep blue eyes, is enough to flutter any man's heart. It's a definite shame she is only a cartoon fish.

Sebastian provides excellent comic relief and wonderful songs, including the oscar-nominated "Kiss De Girl." Ursula is deliciously evil, and Triton is the typical father of a teen-ager, who worries about how to control his wayward daughter.

Although it is a cartoon, "The Little Mermaid" is far more realistic than a lot of live movies. Its romance will touch your heart and send your spirit soaring. It is movie magic at it's best and no one should miss it.

## TOP TEN COUNTDOWN

By Kathleen Donohue  
Feature/Opinion Editor



## Questions students are asked by College-for-a-Weekenders

10. How long do we have after curfew before we have to be in bed?
9. Do you ever get to hear Dr. Falwell preach?
8. Can you tell me if this hallway is the Religion Hall, Science Hall or DeMoss Hall?
7. You mean we really get to eat as much as we want?
6. Do we have to do our own dishes, or do we just hand our trays to one of those people in the striped orange shirts?
5. Pardon me, but can you tell me where I can find the Vines center?
4. Church starts at 11:00 Sunday morning, just like at home, right?
3. If this is the rule book, how come they call it Liberty University?
2. Are you sure we can't listen to Barry Manilow? I heard him playing in the post office.
1. I bet having three other people in your room is just like having a big slumber party every night, isn't it?

# Answers, Please

By the Champion Staff

We asked students:

**Do you believe that boycotting is an ethical and effective way for the public to show disapproval of a business' actions?**



**Derek Thoreson;**  
Oklahoma City, Okla.

"Yes. Boycotting can bring to the public's eye what is really going on."



**Michael Stigman;**  
Minneapolis, Minn.

"Yes. As long as the boycotters voice their reasons to the public and to the company."



**Kathy Bates;**  
Amherst, Va.

"No. It is more important to pray that God will shut down the business."



**Dave Seaman;**  
Newport, Va.

"Yes. If it's a business that I am a major patron of, it would be a lot more effective."



**Scott A. Brown;**  
Beloit, Wis.

"A business/organization must be boycotted according to the Word of God."



**Tina Weeks**  
Springfield Center, N.Y.

"Yes. It is our right and responsibility to stand up to what is wrong."

## LU Forum

# Student argues for current LU movie policy

Editor,

This is in response to John D. Dias' letter in the Sept. 25 issue of the **Liberty Champion**.

Mr. Dias, if the movies shown on campus offend you, please do not go see them. I believe that is the basic purpose behind the disclaimer at the beginning of every campus movie. And, yes, I DO believe that prayerful consideration is beneficial.

Dear Sir, the reasons we cannot go to off-campus movies are language, violence, questionable content and nudity. First off, all obscene language is edited from campus movies. You don't see them playing movies like "The Exorcist." And, certainly, the movies contain no nudity.

Secondly, violence. Liberty is not playing "Rambo," "Robocop" or "Total Recall" for this very reason. "But," you say, "what about 'Shoot to Kill'?" I saw nothing in that movie that I have not seen many times worse on one of the television networks.

If this is your stand, ask students to write Dr. Guillermin and ask for the removal of all television ads. But then, there are some graphic pictures in the newspapers sold around here, so we had better ditch those, too.

The point I'm trying to make, John, is that the double standard you see would be nothing compared to the one you wish to create.

Mark Lockwood

# Staff requests correspondence for servicemen in Middle East

Students,

The **Liberty Champion** Editorial Board would like to request that all Liberty students write to one of the addresses on Page 1 in order to let our service men and women stationed in the Middle East know that America still remembers them and is behind their actions.

A note of encouragement from "home" will take very little time to write, but it would do much to boost the spirits of our soldiers who are stationed in the middle of a foreign culture in the heat and discomfort of the desert.

Magazine or newspaper articles of interest or particular news value are also in high demand among soldiers.

Help us to support our soldiers who are willing to risk so much to restore American hostages their freedoms and to preserve the freedoms of the Middle East nations.

Any correspondence received from servicemen or women in the Middle East that students would like posted for the entire student body will be placed on the bulletin board directly outside of the Journalism lab in DeMoss Hall. Stop by DH 109 or call 2471 for details.

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## Activists strive to win programming war

By KATHLEEN DONOHUE

Feature/Opinion Editor

The timeless question about the origin of the chicken vs.

### Analysis

Who actually determines what is televised, the programmers or the advertisers?

Although it is definitely not an easy question with a cut-and-dry answer, many experts would agree that the more powerful of the two influences is advertisers.

Advertisers strive to build an image for themselves. Once that image is established, companies will follow any avenue possible to uphold that image. This includes the sponsorship of programs which have questionable language or content.

In an article titled "What's on Tonight? An Advertiser's Dilemma" in the Summer 1989 edition of *American Advertising*, David Hurwitz, vice-president of marketing and communications for General Foods USA, said, "We make our expectations of what is acceptable and unacceptable in programs we sponsor very clear to the networks. The networks know that we do not expect our advertising to be seen on programs that make gratuitous, exploitative or excessive use of sex, violence or controversy."

Thus we can conclude that program sponsors and advertisers are not victims of the networks. Instead, they can, and do, make decisions regarding the content of the programs they support with their advertising dollars. And these programs often thrive or fail accordingly.

According to "Who's watching What You Watch?" the Summer 1989 *American Advertising* cover story, several examples of the advertiser's strength in determining programming are as follows:

•Mennen stopped advertising on

ABC's "Heartbeat" after the company received letters protesting an episode which featured a prostitute having an abortion. The program has since been canceled.

•Chrysler and Sears pulled out of NBC's "Nightingales" after the American Nurses Association protested "the manner in which fellow professionals were depicted." This program has also since been canceled.

•ABC canceled the sequel to a controversial, but highly-rated special, "Crimes of Passion II." The program was dropped the day before its sched-

uled airing because "there was no paid advertising."

In an effort to ensure that network TV remains within boundaries acceptable to the public, several organizations have arisen which put pressure on the advertisers of programs which are too explicit or violent.

Two of the more successful organizations are Americans for Responsible Television (ART) led by Terry Rakolta and Christian Leaders for

Responsible Television (CLear-TV) which is headed by Rev. Donald Wildmon.

Both of these organizations boycott the advertisers who sponsor lurid programs as a method of controlling network program content. They put pressure on the advertisers rather than the programmers and the system is apparently working. After CLear-TV and a coalition of citizen groups conducted a nationwide boycott of Mennon and

Clorox products last year, TV violence and sexual innuendo decreased by 32 percent, a CLear-TV newsletter reported.

"If I don't like what I see on cable, I can stop my subscription," Rakolta said in an interview with *American Advertising* concerning the letter-writing campaign she headed which denounced Fox's "Married...With Children", "But free TV is something I shouldn't be afraid to turn on."



### How annoying!

## Columnist offers words of wisdom to Liberty's couch potato population

Since my freshman year at Liberty, I have been consistently amazed at the increasing number of students who actually live in the DeMoss lounge area and irritated by the impossibility of ever finding an open couch or space on the "wall." I don't know whether or not there was a massive computer explosion during registration, but these people were obviously neglected in the dorm-assigning process.

These poor wretches of society are now forced to make the blue couches and brick wall their makeshift homes while the rest of us enjoy our comfortable, well-kept abodes. I can't help but feel the deepest sorrow in my soul for these helpless outcasts. My heart truly goes out to these unfortunate victims of gross computer error.

Okay, enough of this sympathy stuff. What's the problem with these people (I hesitate to label them students) who hang out in DeMoss 24 hours a day?

These miserably lost souls have elevated the term "couch potato" to magnificent, new heights. It truly must be liberating to possess so much free time.

I can only imagine the elation one of the "loungers" feels when he receives his class schedule and observes to his delight that his one class meets in room DL (DeMoss Lounge).

One class or less is generally the



JEFFREY SIMMONS

Staff Columnist

accepted standard for those who consistently occupy the well-worn furniture. Any more than this would subtract funds from the clothing allowance a "lounger" is required to have in order to reserve a seat in the crowded suburb. Even though they are essentially homeless, a strict dress code is maintained to establish a firm bond between the lounge residents.

Because of this firm cohesiveness among the "J.Crew Poster Children," those who have jobs, take classes and possess real lives are often looked upon with suspicion and contempt. As a result the so-called "normal folks" are unable to reach out and help the "lounger" lead a more meaningful, productive life.

Since I am such a compassionate, caring person, I have decided to take it upon myself to break down the social barriers and form a trust fund to help aid the homeless within our own borders. I feel that with a little patience and effort I can provide them with adequate housing and even jobs.

My "Save the Loungers" campaign will utilize several yuppie impersonators to establish initial contact with

the group. After this first stage is completed, the impostor will begin to hand out job applications and class registration forms throughout the couch-community in an effort to provide alternatives to their current lifestyles.

My ultimate goal for the infiltration program is threefold. One, I want everyone who resides in the DeMoss community to be able to call some other area "home." Two, I will attempt to reduce drastically the clothing budget and use the money for educational purposes.

Finally, I want to free up the couches and walls so everyone who has ever dreamed of briefly sitting on them between classes will have the opportunity to do so.

I know that my goal will require many hours of hard work, but I want to ensure that our right of "freedom of seats" as expressed in the fine print of the first amendment is afforded to every student at our educational institution.

Finally, I would like to address the DeMoss homeless personally. If by some chance you read this column, just remember that we're always here to guide and encourage you. So, heed this bit of sage advice: Stop trying to hatch eggs on the furniture and do something worthwhile with your young lives. We love you.



### It's Laughable

## New courses are proposed to guide misdirected seniors into proper field

One element of college life that irks me is the remnant of seniors ambling around campus without any idea of what their major should be. I'm afraid they are going to stroll right out of here after graduation and steal all of those lucrative jobs so dearly cherished by junior-highers.

Since I assisted all of those bored students in finding a club last week, I deem it only fair to use this article to help these poor seniors to find their occupation in life. Therefore, here are some suggestions for classes that could be offered next semester for that purpose.

**Underwater Fire Prevention:** This class was specifically designed for the students whose grades are consistently so far below average that they need an oxygen mask every time they walk into DeMoss. To put it bluntly, they couldn't pour water out of a shoe if the directions were on the heel.

**Dome Scaling:** I realize that among



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a group of confused seniors there must be a few adventurous types. These are the guys who thrive on performing such daring acts as jumping from a second-story dorm window, winking at female construction workers, or admitting that they were disappointed when they didn't find a toy in their Happy Meal. Every once in a great while we'll get a person who is so brave that he drinks his coffee without cream or sugar. I can only sit and marvel at this ultimate display of strength.

**Dome Scaling** is the class for these wonders.

Instructor Don Norman will have the group climb the Vines Center, while singing "Onward Christian Soldiers" in triple-measure time. After

they reach the peak, the students will give their unique renditions of several Bill Gaiher classics before the short trip back to the gym.

**Psychotic Hygiene:** This course will discuss creative and unusual ways to perform the daily task of keeping tidy. Among the topics covered are 1) the use of water with your shower, 2) appropriate weight limits for spandex apparel, 3) tuna-salad-sandwich extraction from braces, 4) pink hair roller preparation for K-mart excursions.

Several other courses available that might be of interest include RECR 220 — Iraqi Skeet Shooting, FRCH 450 — Poodle Clipping and Dipping, THEO 500 — Evangelism through Interpretive Dance, and ART 105 — Creative Sculpting. This class includes several make-it, take-it workshops.

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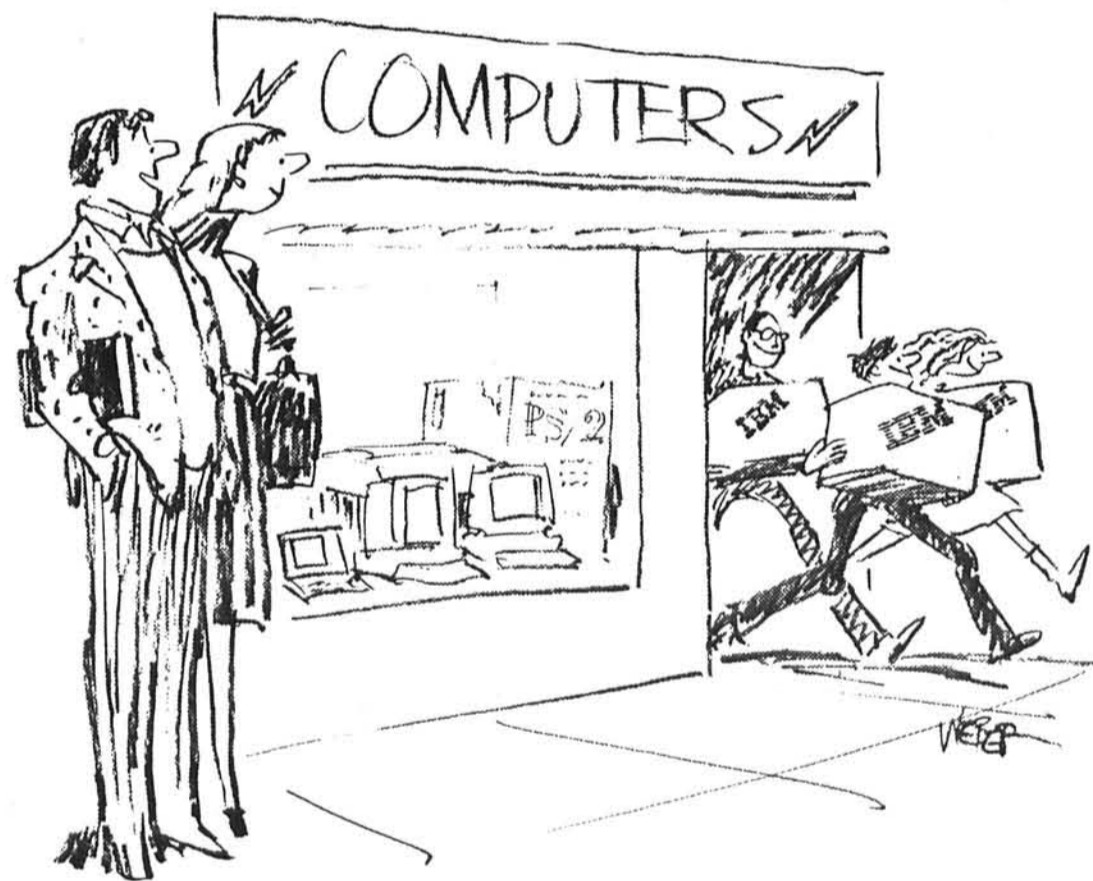
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# Obnoxious behavior at R-MWC shames pro-life movement

By KATHLEEN DONOHUE  
Feature/Opinion Editor

## Analysis

After attending Faye Wattleton's speech at Randolph-Macon Women's College Wednesday night, I have to admit that I was embarrassed and appalled at the behavior which was displayed by much of the pro-life section of the auditorium. (Incidentally, much of this section was composed of Liberty students.)

Several times during her speech Wattleton had to stop mid-sentence in order to ask people to stop shouting out personal comments or booing, so that she could finish.

When the question-and-answer portion of the evening began, a mild form of chaos broke out. Several students jumped up and down near their seats vying for Wattleton's attention, and one student began shouting out his question even after Ms. Wattleton acknowledged someone else. Furthermore, at one point, as Wattleton answered the question of a Randolph-Macon student, (very unsatisfactorily, I must admit) jeers

and booing erupted from the back of the auditorium.

Now, unless the basic rules of etiquette have changed drastically in the last week and no one has gotten around to telling me, booing is reserved for professional wrestling, a few legitimate sporting events and other base forms of entertainment.

To her credit, through all of this outrageous behavior, Wattleton remained poised, articulate and kept her sense of humor intact.

It has been said that those with nothing to say usually say it the loudest in order to make an impression. I'm sure Ms. Wattleton was very impressed with our immaturity and lack of simple manners.

Speaking of having nothing to say, very few of the pro-lifers had very much to say. Some of the questions were excellent and put Wattleton in an uncomfortable light until she managed to talk her way around the real issue. However, for the most part, the pro-life questions were childish and uneducated. It was certainly a sad commentary on the fact that we are supposed to be prepared to have

the answers these people need, but we can't even take the time to find out the facts behind their position. Tell me, how can you argue against something about which you know absolutely nothing?

The way to make an impression on someone of Wattleton's stature and position is through intelligent, pertinent, well-thought-out questions and a sense of professionalism and maturity. Give her something to think about, not fuel to add to her fire.

Although Ms. Wattleton played a good game of semantics, phraseology, question-twisting, issue-dodging and ad hominem, many excellent opportunities presented themselves for easy rebuttal. But by then most people were so worked up about the fact that "she had the nerve to stand up there and present abortion as an option," that they allowed the opportunities to slip past unchallenged. (However, in all fairness, Wattleton did avoid the back of the auditorium as much as possible when fielding questions.)

Let us not forget that we were guests on Randolph-Macon's campus.

Wattleton was invited to speak primarily to the Randolph-Macon community. It is doubtful that Randolph-Macon will continue to open such meetings to the public if their speakers are going to be heckled. I'm sure none of us would appreciate it all that much if some women from Randolph-Macon came over one morning for chapel and jeered Dr. Falwell or yelled out comments in the middle of his sermon or made rude comments to the speaker.

Liberty students need to realize that they will not be at LU forever, the world is not utopia and there are people who have radically different viewpoints; and, like it or not, they have the freedom to verbally express them. Trying to out yell a speaker is neither a socially acceptable nor a useful form of rebuttal.

I suggest that the next time a controversial speaker is open to the public that LU students properly prepare themselves, read up on Rules of Etiquette and adopt an adult frame of mind. Otherwise, it would be better for the speaker and the audience if they would just stay home.

## Senate passes reading day bill, plots guard shack's destruction

By DOUGLAS R. DEMPSEY  
Campus News Editor

An emergency senate meeting was held Saturday morning to follow up on the Thursday discussion of the reading day situation. A bill asking the administration to reinstate the reading days was passed by unanimous consent.

During the meeting Davis said, "This is the first time we've ever done something like this (an emergency meeting), but I don't want to wait until Thursday (the next senate meeting) to deal with this. We want the students to know that we are doing the best we can."

The Student Senate meeting Thursday began with an announcement that the reading days scheduled for Nov. 5 and 6 have been canceled.

Paul Davis addressed the issue: "It's true. The reading days have been canceled. The reason is that we started classes a week late and the reading days were supposed to be for spring registration. I suggest we start now to change it back before it is set in stone."

Dr. Earl Mills, provost of Liberty University, confirmed the cancellation of the reading days. "The original purpose of the reading days was to register students for the spring semester. But at this point we fear we won't have the personnel and equipment to do that. Therefore, we had to revert back to the old schedule and hold classes on those days."

Mills also said that the days were never scheduled as reading days but as spring registration days only. Mills said the announcement was supposed to have been made, but, for unknown reasons, was not.

Thanksgiving break will be unaffected by the cancellation.

During Thursday's meeting Sen. Tony Baratta, chairman of the University Life Committee, announced that a fundraiser involving the guard shack is being planned for late December.

"The guard shack will be taken down because it is in the path of the new road," Baratta explained. "So our fundraiser will be to sell swings at the guard shack with a sledgehammer for a certain amount."

Baratta said he has already received approval from J.O. Reynolds, head of security, for the project. The festivities will have to wait, however, until December, because the old guard shack will not be ready for demolition until then, Baratta said.

The first bill considered by the senate was a resolution that would add a \$10 fee to every student's bill for the purpose of establishing a special-speaker fund. The money raised would be used to bring nationally known speakers to campus for a series of lectures and debates.

This bill, sponsored by Sen. Scott DeBoer, was passed by the senate last year but lost in the administration shuffle. The bill was passed again and will be sent to the administration.

Another bill that was passed by the senate last year was reconsidered in the meeting. The environmental protection bill, which sought a solution to the litter problem on campus, was again passed by the senate. The bill has a new provision, however. Students who are caught littering will be subject to a half-hour of campus clean-up duty as well as one reprimand.

The issue of overcrowding at David's Place during campus movies was addressed in a bill sponsored by Sen. Jeff Douglas and Ben LaFrombois. The bill called for moving popular movies to the Multi-Purpose Center where there is ample room for students.

Sen DeBoer opposed the bill. "The quality of the gym for showing movies is terrible. It's hard to see anything and you usually have to read lips a lot of the time." The bill was defeated by a wide margin.

Melodee Newby, vice president of the Student Government Association, said that Dr. A. Pierre Guillermin is scheduled to be in the senate meeting Oct. 18 for a question-and-answer session. The meeting is open to all students.

## Act it out:

# Drama team spreads gospel to high school students

By DAWN K. LOONEY  
Champion Reporter

The Kings Players, composed of 11 members, is more than just a college drama team. It is also a ministry.

Being a ministry group sets the Kings Players apart from the other drama clubs. Team leader Todd Benson said, "The people on the team are committed for the whole year, and they're good. We're a hard-working team."

"The Kings Players travel, on the average, every other weekend and on breaks to churches and high schools," Benson said. On October 5-7, they will kick off the year in Tennessee. During the semester, the Kings Players will travel to West Virginia, North Philadelphia and Lynchburg.

The churches visited aid the Kings

Players' traveling expenses by giving "love offerings," Benson said. Church families also "offer their homes and feed us," he added. The team members do not receive scholarships or financial support from LU.

Benson said that their program consists of four plays: **Family Outings**, **Which Way?**, **The Funniest Joke** and **The Sobbing Stone**.

**Family Outings** is aimed at the problems facing the modern family unit. Benson said one goal of the Kings Players is "getting back with the family unit, the family core. We want to uplift that and get the family back together." He said that a man's marriage was saved as a result of seeing **Family Outings**.

**Which Way?** gives the salvation message. "It is an evangelistic play,"

Benson said. "Our first goal is obviously to get out the gospel in the most effective way possible. Our plays involve the peoples' emotions; (the audience) gets a mental picture to see what it is actually like to be in Hell."

In addition, the Kings Players perform **The Funniest Joke** to speak about alcoholism. Benson said, "We perform **The Funniest Joke** in public high schools. It has a moral to it and shows them how stupid drinking is." The Kings Players use **The Funniest Joke** as a tool to get public high school students to attend the youth rallies they hold.

**The Sobbing Stone** is based on a verse in Matthew which says, "If we cease to praise His name, then the rocks will cry out."

Next semester, the Kings Players

are tentatively planning to perform **The Sobbing Stone** during a Wednesday night service on campus.

After preaching to the audience through the plays, the Kings Players hold invitations. Benson said, "The whole team is trained to counsel, but under major circumstances, like divorce, the people are immediately given over to the pastor of the church."

To be a member of the Kings Players, a person needs acting ability, a church background and a pastor's recommendation. Also, a personal testimony has a great bearing on the auditions which are held at the end of the year," Benson said.

Todd Benson asked the L.U. student body to pray for the team as they represent Christ and the school.

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## School of Religion receives approval for new degree

By KERI BURNS  
Champion Reporter

Approval was given last semester for a new master's degree in missions.

The master of arts in religion (MAR), which began as a modular in May, includes a concentration in cross-cultural studies and missions.

"The idea is to offer a degree program to the non-religion majors," Dr. Larry Haag, director of the Center for World Missions, said. The degree is designed to provide the basic preparation for the mission field. It is also beneficial in providing a theological and biblical background, he added.

A total of 45 hours is required for

the degree, including 15 hours in the area of concentration. The 15 hours also require residency, meaning that they must be taken on campus. Classes will be offered both in modulars on a rotating basis, and during the regular semester. The remaining 30 hours can be completed either through LUSLL or during a regular semester.

The concentration includes the classes World Missions (MCSS 700) and Issues in Missions (MCSS 730). The remaining nine hours are electives. The other 30 hours include theology, biblical studies and church ministries.

Haag and Dr. William Matheny are currently teaching most of the courses

in the program. The courses will also offer guest professors from various mission fields. Haag said that they are also looking for others to help teach the program.

According to Haag, career missionaries from Italy, Africa and Latin America have shown great interest in the program. "Within a year, we should be well on our way," he added.

Haag received his doctorate in Missiology from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School in Deerfield, Ill. He worked as a missionary in Brazil for 10 years, where his ministry included evangelization and church planting. Haag is currently in his 10th year at Liberty.

## Class Officers:

# Freshmen are excited about LU

By JULIE BEUTLER  
Champion Reporter

"Since I was little, my mother said I was a leader," freshman-class president, Robert Waltersdorff, said.

Waltersdorff's experience includes serving as one of two delegates out of a class of 900 to represent his high school in Morrisville, Pa., to the Pennsylvania School Board Association.

Waltersdorff has also spent a semester at the University of Salamanca in Spain studying Spanish language, culture, and history. He has a love for the Spanish people and hopes to apply his degree in government and foreign affairs toward becoming an ambassador to Spain.

Waltersdorff's goals for this year include a more unified school and activities geared towards freshmen. "Our school has an advantage over most universities. With student chap-

els, you get an opportunity to see the entire student body," he said.

"I've had the time of my life," Brian Goins, freshman vice-president, said about his first semester at Liberty.

Coming from a public high school in Alexandria, Va., he is excited about being at a Christian university. "Praying in school is something I can't take for granted here," he added.

As vice president, Goins said, "I want to be a mediator between SGA and the freshman class. I would like to see more of an intertwining between classes."

This is Goins' first involvement



Robert Waltersdorff and Brian Goins

with a student government. "I wanted to try something new and different," he said. "I feel that it is a relationship job, and I am glad that it is God's will for me."

"My goal is to impact the youth of this country to go out into the world and make disciples of other nations."

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### World:

#### Drug trafficking remains problem in Panama

Less than a year after the U.S. invasion of Panama, drug traffickers are once again using the country's banking system as a safe haven. "We changed the ruler, but we didn't change their rules," Raphael Perl, author of an upcoming Congressional Research Service report, **International Money Laundering: Issues and Options for Congress**, said.

#### Mazowiecki to challenge Lech Welesa in Poland

Polish Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki said Thursday he will run for president against his former ally and political sponsor, Solidarity chairman Lech Walesa. The decision opens the way for the first popularly contested race for president in Polish history.

#### Romania will not receive western monetary aid

Romania's President Ion Iliescu will return to Romania Friday without the political endorsement he wanted from the Bush administration. The USA and most other Western countries are withholding economic assistance and trade benefits, claiming democratic reforms have not followed quickly enough since the December overthrow of Nicolae Ceausescu.

#### German leaders meet to discuss economy

Leaders of former East Germany and West Germany met in Berlin's Reichstag building a day after unification and warned of hard work and sacrifices as they rebuild the East's economy.

"The German wedding party is over," Wolfgang Thierse of the Social Democrats, said. "Now, the married couple has to earn a living, set up a home in a humane way, and take care of the children."

### Nation:

#### Asian immigrants attacking each other

Vietnamese and other Asian immigrants are attacking each other for money, revenge and politics on city streets and in suburbs across the USA, Phil Hannum, ex-president of the International Association of Asian Crime Investigators, said. Vietnamese rob other Vietnamese because many do not trust banks and keep valuables at home.

#### Bible reading banned in Florida school

Martha Mitchell omitted her usual Bible reading to her fifth-grade class after a Jacksonville, Fla., judge ruled Wednesday that she was violating the U.S. Constitution.

Mitchell, a Methodist, said she used the readings to quiet her class, never thinking they might be unlawful. No date has been set for a hearing on the final injunction.

#### Polled teenagers reveal views on abortion

Washington researchers found most of the 88 teens studied in seven U.S. cities said abortion is murder, but it should remain legal to keep it safe.

Other findings: Only one knew the Roe vs. Wade decision legalizing abortion; most opposed parental consent. In a separate study, 53 percent of 270 pregnant women in Appalachia supported abortion. Prior to pregnancy, only 17 percent did.

# Officers seek class involvement

By JULIE BEUTLER

Champion Reporter

Gay Weatherall, senior class president, wants to make a difference at LU and out in the world.

The psychology major from White Oak, Texas, hopes to use her position as president "to provide an opportunity for those who want to get involved." Activities that provide a chance for friends to get together and a senior-class Bible study are a few of the things Weatherall would like to see happen this year. "I want the school to remember this class," she said.

Furthermore, "I have a burden for children," Weatherall said. She would like to work with underprivileged and abused children in the inner city and conduct seminars on the importance of loving and nurturing children.

"Our future depends on today's children," she added.

"I like working with people," Michelle Protzman, new senior vice president, said. A marketing major from Huntington, W. Va., Protzman understands that seniors are busy, but she wants the people who are hesitant to get involved, to realize that this is their last chance.

"Since this is our senior year, I believe it should be the best because you always save the best for last. It is never too late to try something new," Protzman said. "Being in SGA is something I've always wanted to do."

Protzman draws strength from this saying: "Anything you want to accomplish must be purposed in your heart and mind. For an attitude of determination will turn an 'I can't' into an 'I did.'" In the future Protzman plans to use her degree to be a sales representative.



Gay Weatherall



Michelle Protzman

## Juniors hope to provide excitement in class chapels

By JULIE BEUTLER

Champion Reporter

"LU is what you make of it. There is so much there ready for you to turn over," Brian Buckley, new president of the junior class, said.

"I want to get as many people involved as possible," he said. "We are overflowing with ideas. We will do as much as SGA and the administration will let us." Buckley hopes to bring a "new flavor" to class chapels this year. He would like to see chapel become a praise and worship service, featuring on-campus drama and music groups.

Buckley's major is youth ministry with minors in music and coaching. He plans to use his music minor to teach teens how to worship, and he feels that his coaching minor will be a great way to reach out to unsaved teens. "They can do mountains beyond what they believe," he said.

Vice president John Jensen transferred to Liberty this semester from Maranatha Baptist Bible College.

"Coming from a small school, it was easy for me to get involved," Jensen said. "I am excited the Lord opened the door for me to be vice president."

He looks at the vice presidency as his chance to get involved at LU. "Maybe I can use this to create an opportunity for others to get involved," he added.

"I'm looking forward to meeting other juniors," Jensen, a business major from Jacksonville, N.C., said. "There (are people with) talent here that can be cultivated and used for not only the class and the school, but also for themselves, and most importantly for the glory of God."

Jensen would like to own a business someday, but he said, "Right now, I'm really open to what the Lord wants me to do."



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## Sophs want to invest in campus project

By JULIE BEUTLER

Champion Reporter

Chuck Taylor, sophomore-class president, became involved with student government because of his disappointment with class activities and chapels. "I want class chapels to be something kids will look forward to," Taylor said.

Taylor plans to place a sophomore suggestion box in DeMoss Hall. "We want students to give us ideas for what they would like to see happen," he said. Another goal Taylor has is to see the sophomore class support a project here on campus that would memorialize the class of 1993.

Involvement is not new for the sophomore from Indianapolis, Ind. Last year he served on the student

senate. He has also traveled with his family in an evangelistic/music ministry since he was age 12.

Taylor, a double major in economics and government, plans to go to graduate school and study real estate law. Eventually, he would like to have his own practice.

"I like the atmosphere (at LU) the most. It is different from other colleges. You can feel it when you walk on campus," Holly Willard, sophomore vice president, said.

Willard, a graduate from Hollywood High School for the Performing Arts, is currently a member of the King's Players at LU. Last year she served as vice president for the freshman class. "Last year helped (me learn) a lot. This year things will be planned



Holly Willard and Chuck Taylor

faster and better," she said.

Willard would also like to see activities planned with other colleges. She wants LU to be an example.

A volleyball challenge is being planned. "I really hope that Chuck and I can be an example to our class

and do our best for them," Willard explained.

Willard's future goals are to earn a doctorate in child psychology and to open her home to abused and homeless children. "I love children," she explained.

### Abortion

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stand a particular religious doctrine that is not shared by all religions in our society," she said.

She continued by saying that Webster logic reveals that the fetus takes precedent over the life of the mother. "There are many religions that do not uphold such beliefs," she said. "A woman's life is of much value to a fetal life. And there is the danger here that we are encroaching upon the separation of church and state."

She concluded her answer, "We are protecting the rights of people to decide for themselves to follow the ethical decisions of their choice and not one that may be imposed upon them."

Christian Action Council President David Lytle asked two questions: First, if the babies born in America each year who are females have rights; and secondly, with all the talk about government getting out of our lives, why does Planned Parenthood receive \$20 to \$30 million from the federal government?

Wattleton stated that children who are born have rights, but added, "In all matters where there are conflicting rights, as perceived by some, the women's position, until the Almighty

makes a change in the composition of where fetuses develop, must reside with the woman."

To government funding, she said, "Yes, we do accept government funds to provide family planning programs for low-income people and for teenagers, because the government has made a national policy more than a generation ago that poor people should have access to the same quality of health care as the wealthy."

One of the final questions posed by pro-lifers in the audience was asked by LU student Scott DiVincenzo. He asked if Planned Parenthood allowed the girls who go into the clinics to view the pro-life films "The Silent Scream" and "Eclipse of Reason."

Wattleton stated that Planned Parenthood will not allow the viewing of inaccurate and false information. She said the films had been refuted by numerous medical scientists, and that they are attempts "to terrorize women even further."

To this response a pro-lifer in the balcony pressed the issue further by asking about the humanity of developing fetuses. Wattleton said, "There is no purposeful behavior that any fetus can demonstrate in the first three months of pregnancy." She went on

to say that Dr. Bernard Nathanson, who filmed the abortions in the movies, admitted that some parts were overdramatized.

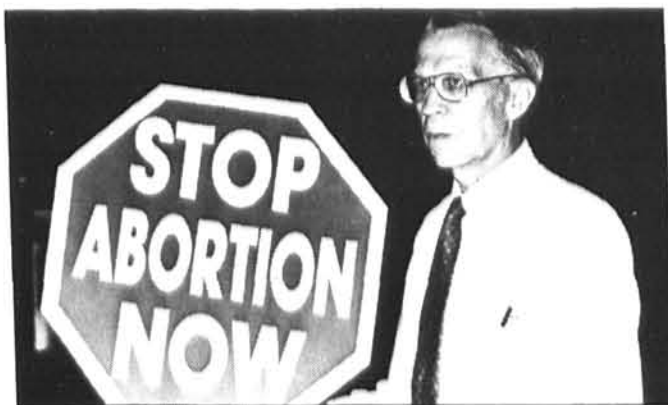
She concluded her comments on the abortion films by saying, "I find very curious, a group of people, who consider abortion murder, participate in an abortion for the purpose of making it (the film). It's a campaign to terrorize women."

After the question-and-answer session, Dr. Norman L. Geisler, dean of the Center for Research and Scholarship, fielded questions outside Smith Hall. "She was very skilled and very articulate. (However), it was a classic in ad hominem, and it was a classic in breaking about half the fallacies in the last half of a logic book."

"First, George Washington was guilt by association. If I had a transcript of it, I could use it to teach my logic course in the fallacy section."

To Wattleton's comments on "The Silent Scream," he said: "He (Nathanson) never said that it was inaccurate. He stood behind it and other medical authorities verified it, so that (Wattleton's comment) is not correct. He didn't perform the abortion, he just did the sonogram of it."

"Who's a better authority to speak on the topic than he. He presided over 60,000 abortions. He saw the light and realized with the window on the womb that modern fetology has given us, he was killing human beings."



LU professor Dr. Charles Poe joined members of Christian Action Council to protest Faye Wattleton.

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## Flames Feedback

Marvin Hamlett

### Flames lose shocker, can't afford another loss

My feeling following Liberty's 38-37 loss to the Delaware State Hornets Saturday night was hard to describe.

Maybe it was shock. Maybe it was confusion. Maybe it was just a nightmare. But I think "shock" perfectly describes what I and nearly 4,000 other fans felt (half of the fans left in the fourth with a 37-9 Flames lead).

The Flames dominated the first three quarters. But the Hornets miraculously scored 29 fourth-quarter points to pull out the come-from-behind win. I don't think I've ever seen a game's tide turn so suddenly and so dramatically.

As I watched several Flames players kneeling down in obvious anguish, I also nearly shed a tear. But I was too devastated! I was speechless!

The 4-2 Flames came out fired up, proving they could rebound after last week's 26-14 loss to the Villanova. Last week I wrote that the Flames could use that dose of reality (the VU loss) to rebound.

But in the strange twists that football often takes, Liberty fell victims of circumstance and some hard luck. The Hornets methodically chipped away at the score, almost as if they were trying to "sneak up" on Liberty without letting the fans or the coaching staff know.

At one point during an LU 37-27 lead, a Flames player yelled out to me. "They (DSC) shouldn't even be on the same field as us. They're Division 3."

The most painful aspect of the loss was that it was nearly a must-win situation for the No. 13 Flames. They were expected to beat DSC to go 5-1, leaving only Youngstown State and Central Florida as possible losses. Reasonably speaking, I expected Liberty to be 9-2 with a sure bet toward post season play.

Saturday, the Flames play their first crucial game of the season when they host eighth-ranked YSU. If the Flames can defeat the Penguins, it will be a huge leap in the right play-off direction. In fact, a victory over YSU would once again put the Flames in a prime position to control their own destiny against teams they should be able to beat.

But can LU come back after the disheartening loss to Delaware State? "This team will ascend over this loss, and the coaches will too," coach Sam Rutigliano said.

Rutigliano surely realizes that with the DSC loss, the Flames are on the playoff bubble. From here on out, each game is critical, and the Flames have something to prove.

The Flames have really played only two tough teams this year: Villanova and Delaware State. Their 22-19 victory over James Madison was truly impressive, but the question will still be, "Can Liberty win against a real opponent?"

Last year Liberty finished 7-3, narrowly missing the playoffs. Those three losses were in the final four games. Liberty can ill afford to let history repeat itself.

Rutigliano now faces a task of eliminating the DSC loss from his team's mind. "You don't build a team by stressing the negatives of a game," Rutigliano said. "You have to take the effort and build from good things they did."

The Flames did have a lot of positive points in the loss. For one, the offense moved the ball at will, except in the fourth quarter when LU sat on the ball. Also the defense played well, despite giving up 38 points. After all, 29 of the points came when the Flames were in their fourth-quarter, "let's-protect-the-lead" type of defense. I seriously doubt if Rutigliano will ever sit on a lead again.

The loss to Delaware State still shocks me. It probably will for a long time. I just hope the effects wear off quickly for the Flames players.

# Could we play it again, Sam?

## Flames blow 37-9 lead, lose 38-37

By MARVIN HAMLETT

Sports Editor

If anything can go wrong, it will. Murphy's Law struck Liberty's football team Saturday night at LU Stadium as the Hornets of Delaware State scored 29 fourth-quarter points for a dramatic come-from-behind 38-37 win over the 13th-ranked Flames.

"You have to give Delaware State credit," coach Sam Rutigliano said. "They didn't give up, and they got a lot of breaks (penalties)."

DSC kicker Matt Stehman, who had problems throughout the game, nailed a 45-yard field goal with 15 seconds left for the game winner, but the comeback had begun long before then.

Liberty, 4-2, led 37-9 in the fourth quarter and appeared to be on its way to an easy win. But DSC would not quit. LU special teamer and cornerback Wesley McConnell blocked a punt in the end zone and Shelton Lewis fell on it for the LU touchdown, the turning point came.

The ensuing extra-point attempt failed because of a bad snap. The Flames led 37-9, and it would be their last score of the game.

The Hornets then drove 78 yards in 14 plays for a touchdown. After a failed two-point conversion, the



Flames quarterback Robbie Justino scrambles out of the pocket during Saturday evening's 38-37 loss to Delaware State. Although

Justino had three productive quarters, it was a crucial fourth quarter that allowed the Hornets to win.

photo by Jeffrey A. Cota

Flames still led 37-15 with 12:33 remaining.

Liberty then began a conservative type of offense that would play right into the Hornet's game and right to LU's downfall. After a John Vines punt DSC began its next drive.

Helped by an LU defensive holding penalty on third-and-14, the Hornets again drove 78 yards for another TD. But again they failed to score the extra point because LU blocked it, re-

sulting in a 37-21 Flames lead with 5:52 left.

Three plays later, Vines kicked a 13-yard punt, and DSC began its third drive of the quarter. The Hornets wasted no time going 40 yards in five plays for another touchdown. This time, DSC went for the two-point conversion, but LU snubbed the attempt for a 37-27 lead with three minutes remaining.

After two runs up the middle and a

short pass, Vines unleashed a 39-yard punt giving the Hornets the ball at mid-field. DSC proceeded to drive, climaxing in a 32-yard TD pass from QB Curtis Williams. This time, however, the two-point conversion was good, narrowing LU's lead to 37-35 with just 33 seconds remaining.

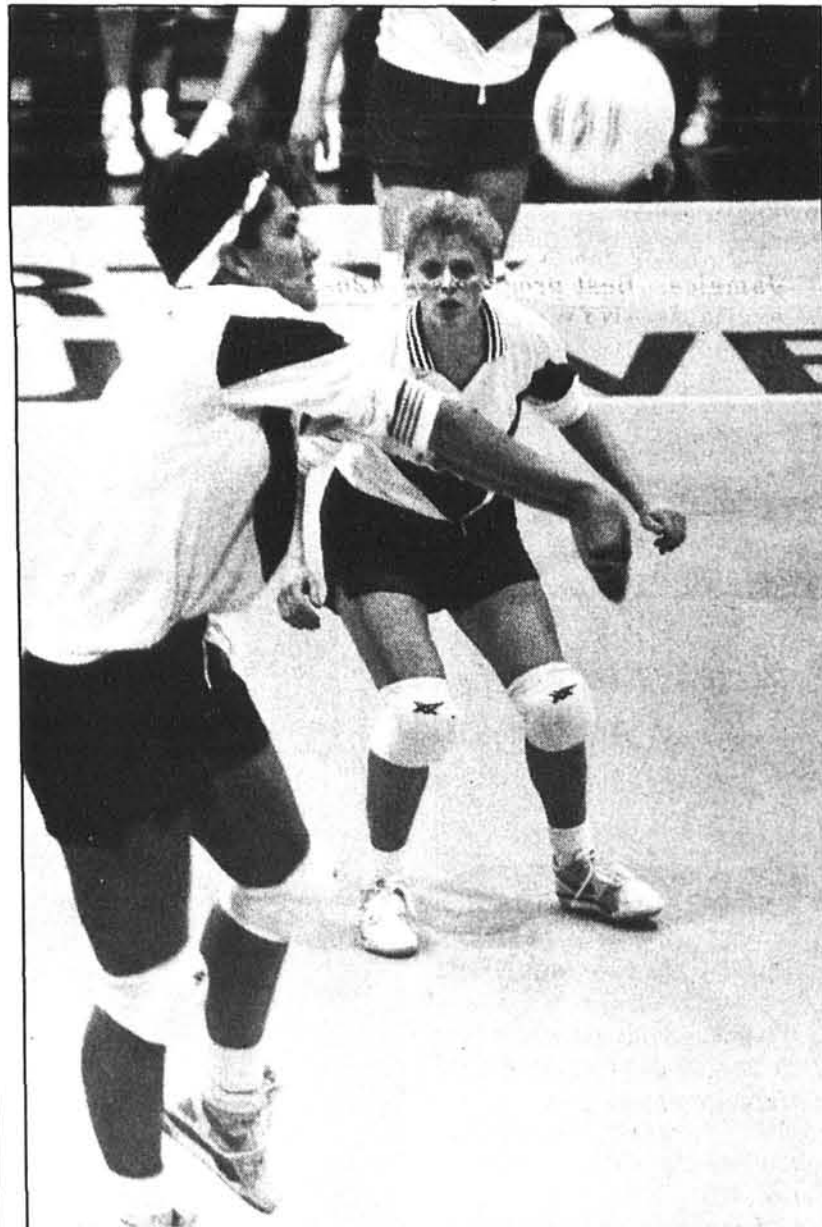
Stehman then kicked a perfect onside-kick. The Hornets recovered at mid-field with 30 seconds left. Williams' first play resulted in a 22-

yard Hornets completion to David Jones (11 receptions, 198 yards). After two incompletions, Stehman kicked the game-winning field goal.

"He's really a good kicker," Hornets head coach Bill Collick said. "He lost his holder a couple of weeks ago, but I still had faith in him."

Rutigliano said: "No one play can dictate the outcome of a game. I felt

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Volleyball star Kim Thomas led the Lady Flames to two wins this week.

photo by Jeffrey S. Smith

### Seven in a row!

## Volleyball wins again

By LORI HILLARD

Champion Reporter

The Lady Flames volleyball team broke .500 this past week by shutting down the University of North Carolina-Greensboro and the University of North Carolina-Charlotte at home for a 10-9 record.

Looking to repay the Flames for last week's defeat in a tournament, UNC-Charlotte went into Thursday night's match determined. "They were out for us, because we beat them in their tournament last weekend," Laura Miller said.

The Flames captured the first game 15-9, but Coach Sue Kelly was not pleased: "We were sloppy in the first game. There wasn't much production."

Gaining confidence, UNC-Charlotte took a 3-6 lead over the Flames in the second game.

However, Miller rose to the occasion by serving three straight points for the Flames to tie the score. Miller had 38 total assists during the tough match.

Capitalizing on team effort, the Flames continued their comeback against Charlotte to win the second game 15-13. "I was pleased with our comeback in the second game," Kelly

said. "We showed a lot of class."

Despite the three-man coverage used against Theresa Bream, the team pulled together to end up on top. "The key to the second game was getting Kim Thomas involved in offense more," Kelly remarked. "Also Nicole Nice provided strong blocking in the middle."

Thomas performed 10 kills, three aces and eight digs for the Flames, while Nice had five kills and 10 digs. Bream executed 16 kills, 18 digs and two block solos during the match.

Coming on strong in the third game, the Lady Flames left a tired Charlotte team in the dust with the score 10-0. As fans rallied around, Liberty won the third game 15-5 to take the match.

"Like we say, there's victory in Jesus, and we're excited," Miller exclaimed.

The Flames first extended their winning streak Tuesday night when they defeated UNC-Greensboro at home.

An all-around performance led the Lady Flames to a 15-4 win over Greensboro in the first game. "Liberty has a good combination of passers and offensive hitters leading them to success," UNC-Greensboro coach Terry Dale commented.

Hustling in the second game,

Greensboro gave LU some competition with a close score of 6-5. However, driven by adrenaline, the Lady Flames moved further ahead to end the game 15-7.

Slowing down in the third game, Liberty fell behind, losing 6-15. "We were overconfident in the third game," Kelly explained.

In the fourth game, Greensboro put up a fight, keeping the Lady Flames alert throughout the game. However, under the strong leadership of Thomas and Bream, Liberty stood victorious, defeating Greensboro 15-12 to capture the match.

Thomas came through with 13 kills and 10 digs in the match. "Kim played the best match I've ever seen," Kelly said. "She was the story; she was everywhere."

Bream led the Flames with 18 kills, 25 digs and one block solo. Jennifer Hedges supported the team with 10 digs, and Miller had 41 service aces.

The hard work of the Lady Flames is paying off as they now look toward a chance at the East Coast Athletic Conference playoffs in November. "We were breaking down at the beginning of the season," team co-captain Bream said. "Now we're hanging tough."

## Hot Flames soccer team wins three straight

By JEFFREY A. COTA

Champion Reporter

The Flames soccer team stretched its winning streak to three games when LU defeated Malone College 2-0 Saturday afternoon and Appalachian State in double overtime, 2-1, on Thursday. Liberty also defeated Vanderbilt University on Sept. 29 for the third victory.

Even though execution of plays hindered the Liberty University men's soccer team during the past week, the Flames came away unscathed with the help of timely goals from unlikely sources.

For the greater portion of the contest against Malone, Liberty walked a "tight rope" until Brian Stephens broke the tension to give the Flames a 1-0 advantage over the Pioneers with 7:30 left in the game.

"The ball came in, and Reggie (Wheaton) went up for the header. I just happened to get it down and take a good shot, and it went in," Stephens said.

"After beating Appalachian, we thought that because this is an NAIA team, ASU was going to be easy," coach Bill Bell said, referring to the lack of execution. "In the second half we played balls in quick, and I think we dominated the

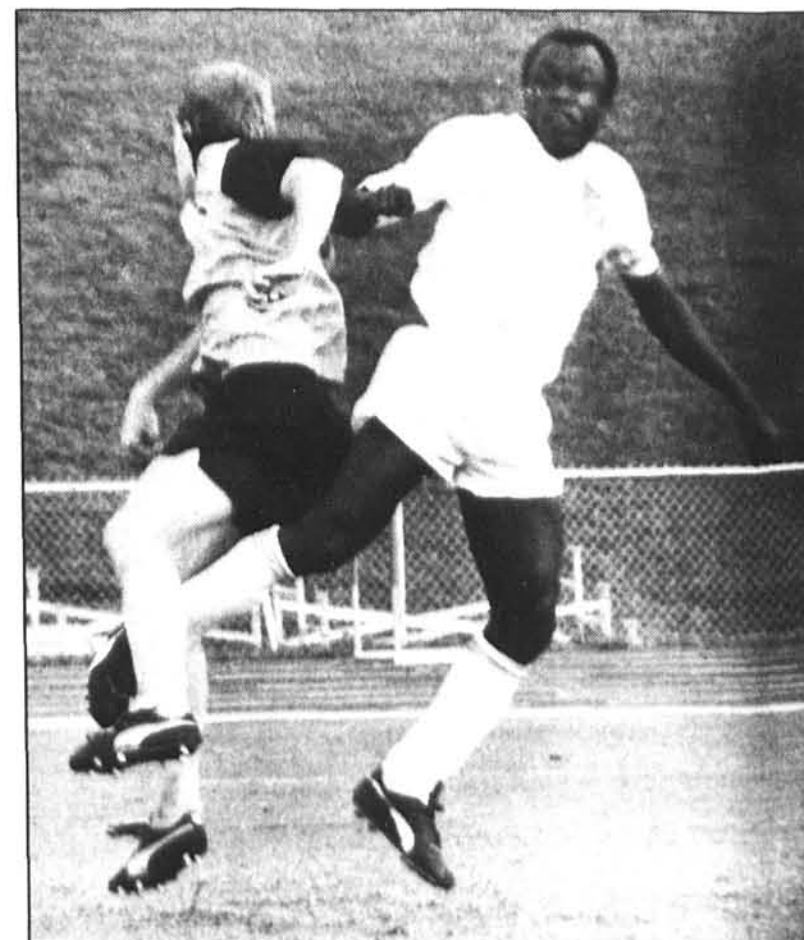
whole second half. It was two different games."

The goal from Stephens was his team-leading fifth on the season. The junior from Garrett, Ind., also leads the team with 10 points.

During the last eight minutes, it was just a matter of time before the Flames sailed a shot into the net.

Johnny Sasu shot a rocket from the top of the goalkeeper's box that nailed the upright of the goal and narrowly missed scoring a goal. Stephens scored 30 seconds later on a Wheaton assist. Darren Shelbourne added an insurance goal, for Liberty about two minutes later off of a Sasu assist. After weaving through a pack of Malone defenders, Shelbourne admitted that his first goal as a Flame was luck.

"I just cut inside and tapped it past another and just hit it. I didn't really look up. I guess it's pretty lucky that it went in," Shelbourne said. When asked how it felt to net his first goal, the freshman from West Point, N.Y., said: "It was my first goal ever. It felt incredible, unbelievable."



Flames sweeper Freeman Turkson battles a defender for the ball in Thursday's 2-1 overtime win over ASU.

photo by David Dentel

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Never say die!  
Men's track runner  
tops adversity

By TIM SEARS  
Champion Reporter  
Keith Woody is a fighter. A severe ankle injury threatened to end his season early last year, but his battle to recovery landed him in Fresno, Calif., last summer for the Junior TAC (The Athletic Congress) Nationals in the decathlon where he placed seventh overall.  
"His strength is his drive and willingness to compete," track coach Brant Tolsma said. Woody's willingness was put to the test last season. Woody started the season off with disaster. Woody had been ready and anxious for the track season to start. His goal was to be in tiptop condition as track season began.

That was his downfall. Woody was working out in the Hancock Athletic Center doing step-ups. He fell and turned his ankle. For the next two months Woody had trouble walking, let alone running.

He was constantly in the training room icing his bluish-purple, swollen ankle. The trainers worked with him and gave him crutches to walk. "It really had me down," he said.

Eventually Woody started to heal,



Keith Woody

Record breaker!

Volleyball star  
builds stellar  
reputation

By EVIE DAVIS  
Champion Reporter  
The question most-asked of Liberty volleyball's senior hitter from Mount Holly Springs, Pa., Theresa Bream is not, "What records have you set lately?" but, "What records haven't you set?"  
Bream was recently named the Most Outstanding Player at the Tachikara Invitational Volleyball Tournament hosted by the University of North Carolina-Charlotte. But that has not been her only accomplishment. In fact, it is a mild feat compared to her other achievements.  
Two weeks before Bream recorded 41 kills to set a new LU single-match record, and last week she was named to the All-Tournament team at the Kentucky Fried Chicken Invitational at West Virginia University.  
Currently, Bream has a 47 percent kill ratio, and she holds seven school records, including number of kills in a game, season and career; number of digs in a game; and the number of blocks in a season and career.

Although her records are numerous, the tradition of excellence in sports is common in Bream's family. "All of my brothers are into sports,



Theresa Bream

and I guess I was just a tomboy and picked up on it," Bream said. Sid Bream, Theresa's older brother is the first baseman for the Pittsburgh Pirates. Sheldon, Bream's youngest brother, is a junior on LU's baseball team.  
"It's nice to have family at school! Sheldon is one of my biggest fans," Bream said. "He comes to every one of my games."  
Bream is a two-sport standout at LU. She not only plays volleyball; she also starts on the Lady Flames basketball team. Her leadership and flexibility allow her to set the pace for the rest of the team.  
"I want to be a motivator," Bream stated. "I go into the game knowing that I have to be confident so the rest of the team will keep up the pace."  
Kim Thomas, co-captain for the Lady Flames, said about Bream, "Theresa is a very confident player. I just look at her before and during a game and get enough motivation from her to in turn encourage the other players."  
Bream's closest friends are her teammates. "I think that we are all really good friends because of the amount of time we spend together," she stated.  
Although she chose to attend a Christian university, Bream never really knew the Lord as her personal Savior until Oct. 31 three years ago.  
"I sat in my room one day thinking about some things I had just heard in chapel, and I realized that I didn't really know Him," she said. "I eventually went to Coach Kelly. We talked a little bit, and then I asked Him to come into my heart."  
As far as her future goals are concerned, Bream hopes to return to her hometown to work in her former school.  
Another goal is to play in the Olympic games. "If it's possible, I want to do it!" she stated.

but by that time it was too late. Woody's season was over. His injury had caused him to redshirt the entire season.  
Most would have given up, but Woody refused to quit. Gradually his ankle healed, and he Woody started competing in track meets on his own at the end of the season. He fared well, but he was still a long way off.  
His final chance to make nationals was after the school year. Woody decided to take a summer class to qualify for Junior Athletic Congress Nationals.  
Woody met the challenge at the Liberty Last Chance May 22. He set a personal record in five of the decathlon events.  
He needed a total score of 5,950 to reach Nationals. Woody scored 6,088, and his teammate Todd Pettyjohn also qualified.  
Woody said, "It was all God. He gave me the strength to do it. I owe him."  
Woody had reached his goal. He had made nationals, but the work had just begun.  
For the next month the trackster prepared for national competition. He and Pettyjohn practiced individually with Coach Tolsma every day until June 29.  
Woody appreciated of Tolsma's intense workouts. "He took his time to help us; that was half of his summer too," Woody said. "He really cares for you, not only as an athlete, but as a human being; and he cares for you spiritually."  
After the rigid workouts, the day of reckoning finally came. Woody, Tolsma and Pettyjohn flew to California and prepared for competition. Woody and Pettyjohn placed seventh

Fabulous Five						
College & Pro Games for Oct. 13-14	Kevin Bloye	Jeff Cota	Doug Dempsey	Marvin Hamlett	Curt Olson	LU Tailback Leroy Kinard
Youngstown St. at Liberty	Liberty	Liberty	Youngstown	Liberty	Liberty	Liberty
Florida at Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee	Florida
Michigan St. at Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan
Oregon at Washington	Washington	Washington	Washington	Washington	Washington	Washington
Syracuse at Penn St.	Penn St.	Syracuse	Penn St.	Penn St.	Penn St.	Penn St.
Dallas at Phoenix	Phoenix	Dallas	Phoenix	Phoenix	Dallas	Phoenix
Green Bay at Tampa Bay	Green Bay	Green Bay	Tampa Bay	Green Bay	Green Bay	Tampa Bay
Houston at Cincinnati	Cincinnati	Cincinnati	Houston	Houston	Cincinnati	Cincinnati
LA Rams at Chicago	LA Rams	Chicago	Chicago	Chicago	Chicago	LA Rams
New York Giants at Washington	NY Giants	NY Giants	Washington	Washington	NY Giants	NY Giants
Last week	7-3	9-1	4-6	5-5	7-3	9-1
Overall	25-13-2	27-11-2	19-19-2	22-16-2	28-10-2	29-9-2

Soccer  
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Early in the second half LU goalie George Nimo made an outstanding save that perhaps kept the Flames in the game.  
"It was a big play. It pumped us up. It also really scared us, that they (Malone) came so close to going one up on us," Shelbourne said of the save.  
"I was really pleased with George in goal. Even though this team only threatened occasionally, he got in a great save. He is probably the most consistent player," Bell said.  
Nimo combined with Damian Porter on the fifth Liberty shutout of the year and stopped five of seven Malone shots on goal. Nimo dropped his goals-against-average to .42 for the 6-1-2 Flames, while Malone's GK Marc Kirkbride had seven saves on 22 shots.  
The Flames needed a little drama as Freeman Turkson scored on a breakaway goal in overtime to lift the Flames to a 2-1 victory over Appalachian State.  
Wheaton accounted for the first goal with 8:00 left in the first half on an assist from James Otchere.  
Nimo saved four of nine Appalachian shots on goal while Good and Broderick combined for six saves on 15 Liberty shots.  
The Flames hit the road once again after the three-game homestand to face Lincoln Memorial Oct. 13.

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vs.

Liberty  
(4-2)Youngstown St.  
(6-0)

On Deck: Youngstown State

When: October 13, 1990, 1:40 p.m.

Where: Liberty University Stadium, Lynchburg, Va.

Series: Tied 1-1

Coaches: Liberty, Sam Rutigliano (2nd year, 11-5)

Youngstown State, Jim Tressel (5th year, 29-24)

**Analysis:** Even the most complicated of words could never describe the hurt and frustration the Liberty football team felt after Saturday's astonishing 38-37 defeat by Delaware State. It's the kind of loss that could throw the Flames into a deep tailspin for the rest of the 1990 season. The question is: Can Liberty recover from the nightmare that took place on Saturday evening?

If the Flames do rebound, it will have to be against the toughest opponent on their 1990 schedule, Youngstown State. The Penguins, sixth-ranked in Division I-AA before Saturday's narrow 17-14 win over Western Kentucky, have won all six of their games this year, including an impressive 24-14 pounding of Div. I-A Eastern Michigan (remember them?). Last year, the Penguins finished the regular season with an 8-3 record and advanced to the quarterfinal round of the playoffs.

The Flames have a large debt to pay to the Penguins Saturday after getting pounded by YSU 41-14 in Youngstown last year. Liberty, in its worst performance of the season last year, allowed an incredible 413 yards on the ground while gaining only 24 total rushing yards itself.

Last year, the Penguins had one simple offensive game plan: run the football. This year is no different. Tailback Archie Herring, who ran for 111 yards on only 19 carries against the Flames last year, returns as the key man in the backfield. This year Herring, who leads the Penguins with 482 rushing, is second in the nation with a 32.5 kickoff return average. Quarterback Ray Issac, who has completed only 45 passes for 783 yards this year, has really had to focus on only one thing: the handoff.

On defense, look for strong safety Dave Roberts to cause problems for the LU passing attack. Roberts has seven interceptions in only six games this year. He is only three pickoffs away from breaking the YSU record.

For LU, tailback Leroy Kinard had the best game of his career Saturday, rushing for 154 yards on 15 carries and catching five balls for 75 yards. If Kinard can finally break loose after several ineffective outings this year, the Flames can boost one of the most powerful, balanced offenses in the nation.

On defense the Flames still must be wondering exactly what happened in the great fourth quarter collapse. Hard-hitting safety Eric Carroll was busy all night making a career-high 22 tackles while linebacker Johnny Woods got credit for 20 tackles. Despite the standout performance s, the LU defense has had problems playing four, effective quarters in a game.

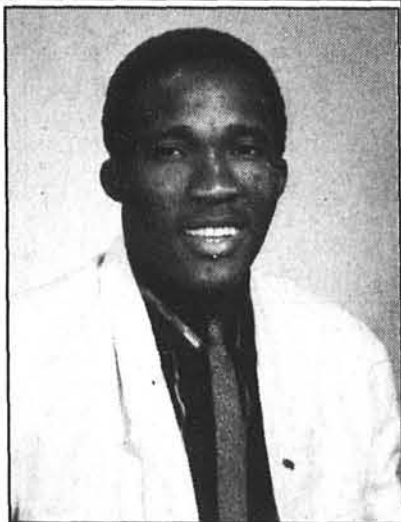
There are many questions to be answered on Saturday. Can Liberty overcome one of the most devastating losses in its 18-year history? Can the Flames' defense stop one of the best ground games in Division I-AA? Are the Flames a playoff-caliber team? Stay tuned.

Saturday's game is make-it or break-it time for Liberty. A loss could all but eliminate the Flames from the playoff picture for another year, but a win against a powerful YSU team would bolt Liberty back into the heart of the Top 20. It's time to get mad. **K.B.**

The Player's Club  
Player of the Week

Men's soccer sensation George Nimo, of Ghana, West Africa, has been named **Player of the Week** by The Player's Club.

Nimo led the 6-1-2 Flames to their third consecutive victory on Saturday with a 2-0 win over Malone College. (See page 6). It was the fifth shutout recorded by Nimo this season. Nimo has allowed three goals in nine games for a .42 GAA. He is ranked third in the South Atlantic and is among the Top 10 in the nation.



George Nimo

## Football

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we needed to be conservative, but it was also a lack of what we were unable to do."

Justino said, "We thought we could push the pile and get some first downs, but we didn't beat them on the run."

Delaware State, whose defense entered the game ranked second in rushing and ninth overall, was easy pickings for Liberty during the first three quarters.

Leroy Kinard gained 156 yards on 15 carries. Kinard had gains of 71 and 38 and a 50-yard reception. "Even though I had a good game, it was overshadowed by the loss," the senior tailback said.

Kinard was not the only one who had a brilliant offensive day spoiled. Justino completed 15-24 for 272 yards (261 in the first half): "Right now we just have to forget about this game. It's over with."

Senior wide receiver Scott Queen also dominated the first half. Queen had five receptions for 135 yards and two TD's.

"We just have to go on and learn from our mistakes (11 penalties, 85 yards)," McConnell said. "We'll take a look at the films, take notes and learn."

Rutigliano said: "I've been in this business long enough to know Yogi Berra was right: 'It ain't over 'til it's over.'"

Delaware St. 6 3 0 29-38  
Liberty 10 14 13 0-37

## First Quarter

LU—Queen 50 pass from Justino (Harrell kick), 11:00.

DS—Bethea 1 run (Stehman kick blocked), 9:25.

LU—Harrell 23 FG, 6:27.

## Second Quarter

LU—Kinard 7 run (Harrell kick), 14:55.

DS—Stehman 21 FG, 3:53.

LU—Queen 15 pass from Justino (Harrell kick), :09.

## Third Quarter

LU—Shelton 1 run (Harrell kick), 5:17.

LU—Lewis blocked punt recovered (no kick, bad snap), 3:44.

## Fourth Quarter

DS—White 6 run (2-pt. conv. failed), 12:33.

DS—White 1 run (Stehman kick blocked), 5:58.

DS—White 5 run (2-pt. conv. failed), 3:01.

DS—Jones 32 pass from Williams (Jones pass from Williams), :33.

DS—Stehman 45 FG, :08.

## Individual Statistics

RUSHING—Delaware St., Murray 11-

65, White 11-51, Bethea 13-41, Jones 1-15,

Watson 4-15, Williams 7-10. Liberty,

Kinard 5-154, Shelton 5-13, Mintz 3-12,

Justino 1-7, Vinson 2-5, Cherry 4-(minus

2), Parrish 1-(minus 4).

PASSING—Delaware St., Williams 14-

25-0-169, Watson 1-1-0-63. Liberty, Justino

15-24-1-272.

RECEIVING—Delaware St., Jones 11-

198, Lewis 1-20, Bethea 1-11, White 1-11,

Williams 1-(minus 8). Liberty, Queen 5-

135, Kinard 5-75, Nelson 2-39, Thomas 2-

19, Parrish 1-4.

## Offensive woes continue

By CHARLES J. CONRAD

Champion Reporter

Virginia Beach was no fun in the sun for the Liberty women's soccer team as it suffered its third consecutive shutout by losing 1-0 to Virginia Wesleyan College Saturday.

The defeat was Liberty's seventh in a row, and it dropped the Lady Flames' overall record to 1-7.

Although Liberty's offense continued to struggle, the defense kept a victory within close reach throughout the game.

The contest remained at a scoreless stalemate until Virginia Wesleyan scored the game's only goal with under five minutes remaining in the second half.

Liberty assistant coach Allen Long saw a light at the end of the dark tunnel: "We played our best game all year. It was just a matter of who

scored first. It was frustrating to lose a close game like that."

One positive moment came when Holly Lightbody, recovering from a recent injury, reclaimed Liberty's starting goalie job when she stepped into the goal with 15 minutes remaining in the first half.

Krista White, the Flames' substitute goalie, played admirably by not allowing Virginia Wesleyan to score for the first 30 minutes.

The Lady Flames played well against what was, at least on paper, a superior team.

VWC entered the contest following four consecutive victories, including two in which they thrashed Randolph-Macon and Sweet Briar by a combined score of 14-0.

Contrary to what Liberty's record might indicate, the Lady Flames continue to show improvement every time

they step onto the field.

Long summed up Liberty's progress: "We played more as a team and played a whole lot better. We played the ball more and marked them (VWC) on defense."

The Lady Flames seem to have benefitted from a week-long layoff. The vacation gave the team an opportunity to regroup and work on its skills during practice.

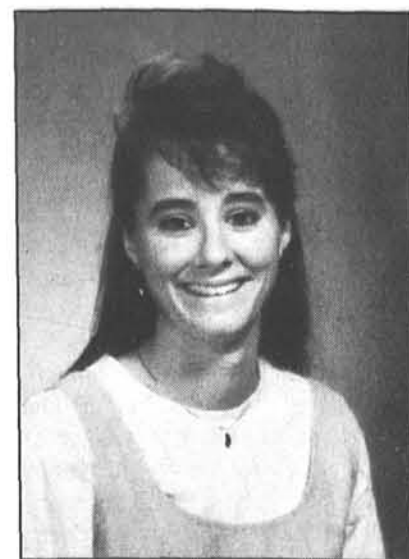
It also gave injured players, such as Lightbody and fullback Traci Camlin, a chance to fully recover.

Liberty's strong effort against Virginia Wesleyan should provide the Lady Flames with a boost of confidence and also set a positive tone for the remainder of the season.

The Lady Flames will seek to improve their record as they take to the road twice in the upcoming week for back-to-back games at Tusculum

College Oct. 12 and at Maryville College Oct. 13.

Liberty's next home game is Oct. 20 against Christopher Newport.



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