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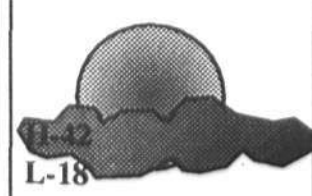
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by Timothy J. Gibbons

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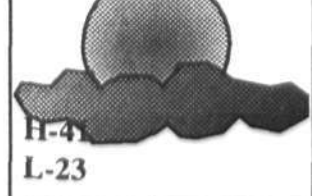
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Bookstore robbed; safe, cash stolen

By TIMOTHY J. GIBBONS
News Editor

The administration is offering a \$2,500 reward for information leading to the arrest of those involved in a burglary of the bookstore Friday, Jan. 20.

An undisclosed amount of money was stolen from the book sale area in the Multi-Purpose Building. The safe containing checks, credit card receipts and cash was removed from a secured room under the wrestling room sometime Friday between 6:50 p.m. and midnight.

"They base (the time frame) on the time we left and the time security discovered it," bookstore manager Dennis Ratliff said.

Neither Ratliff, campus security nor Lynchburg police would reveal how much money was in the safe. "The

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insurance company does not want us to discuss the amount," the manager said.

Most of the contents of the two cubic foot safe were book coupons, checks and credit card receipts, Ratliff said. "A very small percentage was actual cash," he said.

Most of the actual cash in the safe was coinage, Ratliff said, which would cause the safe to weigh more than 450 pounds.

"There was more than one person involved," Ratliff said.

The money in the safe was just enough to be used for change for Saturday's sales,

Ratliff said. If the burglars had stolen the safe Saturday night, it probably would have been empty, he said.

Ratliff said the bookstore is presently dealing with the stolen checks and credit cards. "If people's checks were stolen, we're letting them write us new checks for \$20 less," he said. "We advise them to use the \$20 for stop payment charges. It's unlikely that anyone will try to cash them."

The bookstore has a list of most of the checks used by students on Friday. Only checks and credit card receipts from Friday were in the safe.



photo by Jason Christoff

THAT'S HOW MUCH?! — A student purchases her textbooks in the Multi Purpose building after last week's robbery.

Students are also advised to close out credit cards which they used for purchasing books Jan. 20, the manager said. The bookstore will have a list of credit card numbers by Tuesday, he said. They are getting this list from C-Net, the

company that handles Liberty's credit card transactions.

"We contacted them the first thing Saturday morning," he said. "C-Net can't get us the information any sooner."

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Debaters sweep GMU tourney

By SARAH K. POLLAK
Champion Reporter

The varsity and junior varsity teams won first place in the George Mason Debate Tournament on Jan. 20-22, surpassing Georgetown University, Boston College and the University of Pittsburgh.

"Our varsity team has never been as good as they are now," head debate coach Brett O'Donnell said. "They are able to shoulder the rankings."

Varsity debaters Layla Hinton and Abe Pafford, who were competing together as a duo for the first time, went to the final round against "arch rival" James Madison University, who had beaten the Liberty team in preliminary rounds.

"Preparing for this tournament was hard in that we knew who our competition was," Hinton said. "We had to beat JMU."

Hinton and Pafford took first place in the tournament overall. "(Winning) was like being on cloud nine," Hinton said. "I know the Lord had a lot to do with (the victory)."

"It was a healthy revenge against JMU," she added.

Heather Holter and R.J. Snell, junior varsity debaters, came in first place in their

division. "We've sort of been struggling, but now I think we've turned a corner," Snell said. "I think now we can really be a challenge to others."

Tracy Packiam, a junior from Malaysia, led the novice speaker category, placing as the top novice speaker at the tournament.

Other novice squad debaters excelled individually as well, with four novices winning four of the five best individual speaker awards. The other novice debaters ranking high in the speaker award standings were Soko Durbin, Phil Fairley and Amy Palermo.

"Debate-wise, we were able to keep up well," the coach said.

Also, the Liberty squad as a whole achieved the most points in a single tournament, ending with a combined win-loss record of 33-15.

The team's high standing in this tournament enabled it to hold on to its first place ranking in the American Debate Association.

"The team has taken a big step towards a debate national championship," the coach said. "(The debaters) still have challenges ahead as the team prepares for debates with the Naval Academy and Wake Forest."

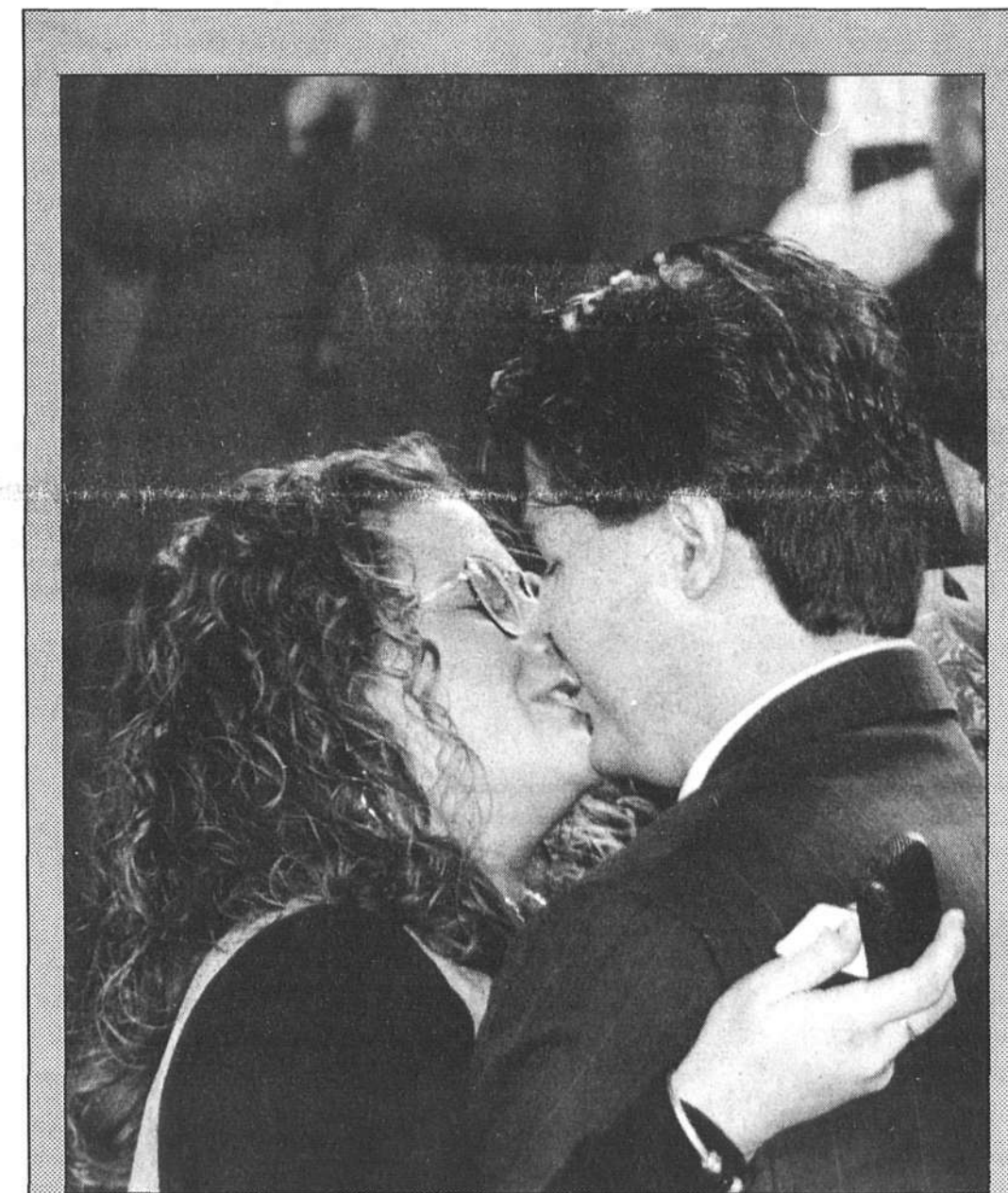


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KISSING UP — Jim Faber and his new fiancée kiss right after becoming engaged. Faber 'popped the question' during Convocation Friday. The wedding is set for June 11.

Student survey part of 10-year accreditation renewal process

By TIMOTHY J. GIBBONS
News Editor

The surveys completed by students while they waited to be checked-in this semester were more than just something to keep them quiet and in their seats. Instead, they were a vital part of a self-study being conducted by the university as Liberty's accreditation comes up for renewal, according to Dr. Ellen Black, vice president of planning, research and development.

"The student survey was developed with input from all of the different departments," she said. "People had to sit down anyway; it wasn't like you got right through."

The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools — the organization which accredits Liberty — reviews the school every 10 years, Black explained. A detailed study of the university is required.

"We have to prepare a report and we also give our own rec-



Dr. Ellen Black
Vice President

ommendations," Black said. "What you're really looking for is the big picture."

While much of the activity students may be aware of seems centered on scholastic concerns, academic areas are not the only ones investigated, the vice president said.

"We've been doing a lot of assessment," she said. "You have to be able to demonstrate that you're meeting your mission statement."

Because Liberty's mission

statement deals with cultural and spiritual issues as well as academic, so must the self-study. "I think that what they are looking for is whether you are doing what you say you're doing," Black said.

Data from the check-in survey and other sources will be compared to data gathered in years past to see if Liberty has grown in the areas it focuses on. "We have a lot of historical data," the vice president said. "The survey helps validate past data."

Though examination of the university increases as renewal time comes closer, Black said some assessment is part of a "continual process."

This process is seen in students' next large-scale contact with the evaluation, as they take assessment tests April 5. "That's part of the ongoing," the vice president said.

Representatives from the Association will visit the school in November to check on changes made by Liberty.

Directory connects alumni

SARAH POLLAK
Champion Reporter

Students going into banking would probably want to meet someone like Allen Roe. A 1979 Liberty School of Business graduate, he is now the President and Chief Executive Officer of the United American Bank in Orlando, Fla. Until now, however, business students may not have thought to contact him — or have been able to. Now they can.

On Dec. 28, the second edition of the LU Alumni Directory was published by Harris Publishing Co.

"The main reason why we made this Alumni Directory is that it can be used as a research tool by

the alumni to find old friends," Jane McHaney, director of LU's Alumni Relations said. "By establishing closer ties with the old friends, the alumni are establishing closer ties with the university."

According to McHaney, alumni demand was the catalyst for creating a directory.

To be included in the directory, a student must have either attended LU for more than two years or have graduated from the university.

Being a Christian graduate should make a difference, McHaney said. "It's not just that they're successful in their fields, but they are true testimonies of Christians," she said.

the Ear

• Skiing Deadline — Jan. 31 is the deadline for applications to go on this year's first school-sponsored ski trip. More information is available at the Student Life office.

• Soviet Foreign Policy — A lecture on U.S. policy choices, to be held at the YMCA, Tuesday, Feb. 2. Lecturer is Dr. Klawa Thresher, assistant professor at Randolph-Macon Woman's College.

• Chicken of the Sea — Adult swimming lessons are being held at the YMCA Mondays and Wednesdays, from 8-8:45 p.m. Registration is required and can be made by calling 847-7751.

• Summer Camp Staff — Representatives from Black Rock Retreat, in Quarryville, Pa., will visit Liberty Jan. 30-

31. Representatives from the Triple R Ranch, in Chesapeake, Va. will be here Feb. 2-3. Both camps will be set up to recruit summer help in the DeMoss Atrium.

• Have a Ball — Pool, table tennis and foosball competitions will be sponsored by Student Life each Saturday in January and February. All competitions take place at David's Place. Participants must sign up by 6 p.m. in the manager's office.

• Spiritual/Youth Emphasis Weeks — Spiritual Emphasis Week began Jan. 30 and continues through Feb. 3. Youth Emphasis Week is immediately following.

- Wed., Feb 1: Rev. Rodney Gage (SEW)

- Fri., Feb 3: Dr. Jerry Falwell

- Mon, Feb. 6: Rev. William Coleman (YEW)

New Math faculty hired

Dr. James McMillan has joined the faculty of the math department this semester, replacing Guy Tarnstrom. McMillan has a Ph.D. in Aerospace Technology from the University of Texas at Austin.

New Health Science faculty hired

The department of health sciences has hired a new part-time faculty member. Dan Logan is a Liberty graduate and is currently one course away from earning a master's degree from LU. Logan, who works at Virginia Baptist Hospital, is teaching a psychology class on behavior change.

Nursing Instructor published

Nursing instructor Cherie Brickhill, MSN, RN, CCRN, had an article entitled "ICU for the '90s: The 'Intensive Customer Unit,'" published in the January 1995 issue of Nurse Management. The article focused on building a "successful customer service program in the intensive care unit [that] leads to economic stability for both unit and institution."

To place information in The Ear drop information of at the Champion office in DeMoss Hall 113. All information should be placed in an envelope marked The Ear, c/o Van Gogh, Liberty Champion. Please submit information at least two weeks in advance of the event.

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Hockey seeks funds

By AMY SAWYER
Champion Reporter

The LU hockey team is facing more than tough challengers this season. Away from the rink the players are trying to raise enough money to keep the program going.

Because the hockey team is a club sport, the university does not provide funding, Head Coach Chris Hulshof said.

The team has sometimes been "blessed" by outside donations, but no such monetary assistance has been given this season, goaltender Corey Walyuchow, who helps handle the team's finances, said. "We haven't had any donations yet, (but) a Christian family donated jerseys for the team," he said.

Walyuchow explained that this year's expenses would be similar to last year's — about \$12,000. Typically, Walyuchow said, expenses for a home game are about \$450. Renting the rink for the game costs approximately \$250 per night, and referees charge \$140 to \$150 per

game, as well.

The team relies upon "whatever we sell at the gate and T-shirt sales" to pay for rink time and referees, Hulshof said. "We count on the fans. That's why we ran the ticket prices up," he said. Tickets cost from \$3-\$5.

The team's ticket sales brought in \$600-\$800 per night for the last few Friday night games of last semester. Sunday games tend to be less profitable. "We need the Friday night draws from fans," he said.

Because the hockey program is now independent, the team sets its own schedule, Hulshof said. This is beneficial, he said, because more home games can be scheduled to bring in additional revenues.

Because the team relies so heavily on the money from ticket sales, road trips, which don't attract as many fans, are harder to fund.

The team has to pay for motels, meals and, until recently, transportation. "It's not like the cushy football program where players stay two to a room. We have four



photo by Jason Christof

PUCK OF THE DRAW — The hockey team plans home games such as this one to increase its revenue flow.

guys crammed into one room," Hulshof said.

The team now has permission to use the school vans for transportation to away games. "We read something in the paper about the new vans," Hulshof said.

He said he then called the administration to find out if the hockey program was eligible to use them. "Three days later they gave us a call and said 'OK,'" he said.

"We've got a little bit of money in the pot (to fund road trips), and we have \$100 dues to play on the team, so that brings in another \$2,000," Walyuchow said.

While there is certainly no surplus of funds, Hulshof said the team is getting by. "Right now it's satisfactory; it's a tight squeeze. I can remember when the school helped us out. It allowed for a few extra benefits."

Walyuchow added, "We're not looking to turn a profit; we're just looking to cover our expenses."

Hulshof said he was disappointed that the team does not receive the same attention as other sports because it is a club sport. "We're a team that goes to the nationals every year, (and) we get lost amongst the shuffle," he said.

Bookstore burglars enter 'secured' room by cutting chain, padlock

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The bookstore manager said the burglars entered the room by cutting the padlock on the door.

"It was in a different room than we used last year. They went right there," he said.

Ratliff said he had no ideas as to who the burglars were, but "I feel it was someone who went through (the bookstore) after last Wednesday."

However, the manager said the burglars may not have seemed to be doing anything suspicious. "There

are lots of cars in the back there," he said. "Anyone could have backed up to the door and driven away with it."

Lynchburg police Commander E.C. Wingfield said the police did not have any suspects. "They are

following up on some leads. It is too early to see what they turn into," he said.

More information about the reward can be obtained from Lynchburg police investigator R.O. Carson at 847-1410.

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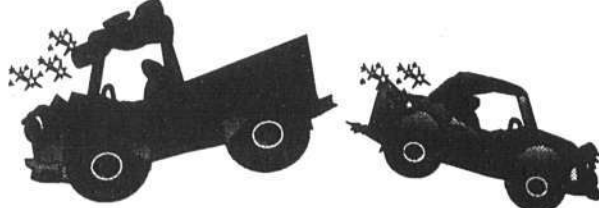
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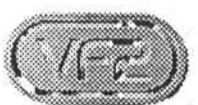
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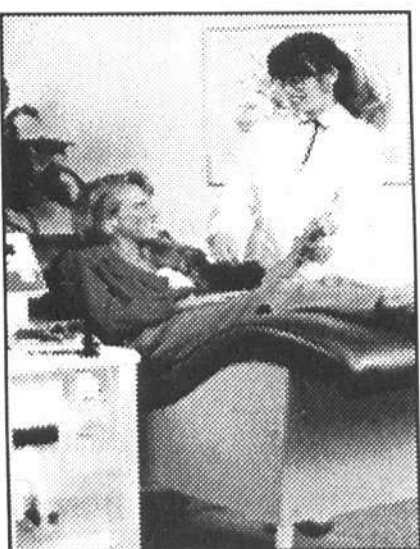
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"People Helping People"

Student Activities position open

By ANDY LYONS
Champion Reporter

James Beck will be stepping down from student director of activities at the end of the semester.

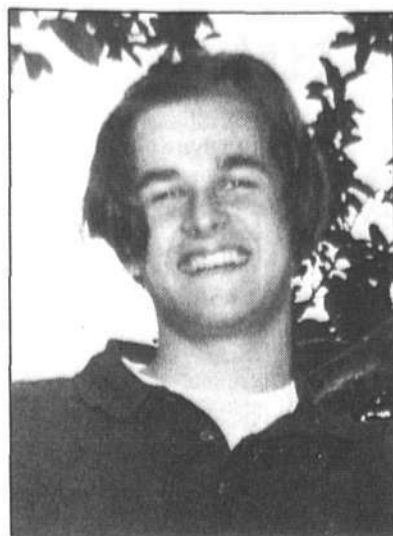
The Student Life office is now accepting applications for the position for the 1995-96 year.

The job will include developing and organizing campus activities, including all late-night activities, concerts, tournaments and other special events.

"We need someone who has a heart for reaching students — somebody with an outgoing personality and a sense of getting things done," said Jeff Smyth, coordinator of student activities.

"If you want to obtain the position, it is vital that you have leadership experience, a creative mind and good organizational skills. It is also very important that you get involved in Student Life," the student director said.

"I feel the position is the most exciting and rewarding one available," he added.



James Beck
Director of Activities

Mike Stewart, dean of Student Life, will choose the candidate who best fits the job description, the coordinator said.

"We want to interview as many people as possible," Smyth said.

"If you're interested in getting experience in campus activities, it does look good on a resume. It's a great opportunity."

The position was previously part of the Student Government Association. Last year, Student Life was formed into its own department with a student director instead of a vice president.

A comparable scholarship will be given to the new student director, Smyth said.

Applications for the position are available in the Student Life office in David's Place.

Abortion foes descend on D.C.

March for Life attracts cross section of nation

By AMY MORRIS
Life Editor

More than 75,000 pro-life marchers gave Constitution Avenue a workout on Monday, Jan. 23, as the annual March For Life commemorated its 22nd year of peaceful protest against abortion.

Several LU students and faculty members joined with men, women and children, of all races and religions, who had traveled to the nation's capital united in their support of the pro-life movement.

The average marcher was surrounded by monks in brown sackcloth, Knights of Columbus carrying crucifixes and chanting "Hail Mary's", Baptists, Muslims and Islamic people, all carrying signs proclaiming them to be pro-life. "Pro-woman, pro-choice" signs and chants could be seen sporadically along the sidelines, but it was the pro-life side of the abortion debate that called for the attention of the government and the nation.

"I've been marching for about eight years now, and this is the biggest turnout I've seen yet," one female protester said.

Carrie Wiser, senior and

Operations Officer for Students Active Against Abortion said she felt each person's presence at the march made a difference.

"I don't think people realize how many people are involved in the pro-life movement," she said.

She said she hopes this demonstration will have a lasting impact on those who observed it. "We can only hope that standing on God's principles will touch people's hearts," she said.

The event began at noon on the ellipse, a large grassy area in the city where the marchers assembled to receive instructions. An hour-long rally was held championing the anti-abortion cause, which was pulled into the spotlight even more this year with the eruption of anti-abortion violence and the new conservative majority in Congress.

Several of these congressional freshmen spoke out in anger against both President Clinton, whom they nicknamed the "Abortion President." They also vowed to overturn any legislation that "encouraged the murder of pre-born children," and specifically mentioned they would work to deny federal funding for abortion rights

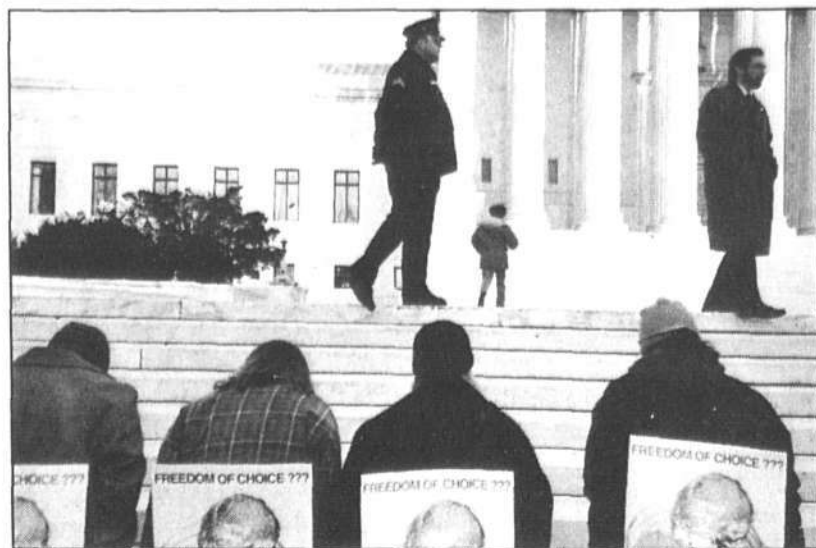


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PRAYER FOR THE DYING — Participants in last week's March for Life bow in prayer before the U.S. Supreme Court.

advocates Planned Parenthood.

As the program continued, the audience was treated to sights ranging from the amusing to the grotesque. For example, a man disguised as President Abraham Lincoln was seen milling through the crowds, murmuring comments such as, "You can't keep a good man down." On the more sobering side, a person posing as the Grim Reaper, "bloody" sickle in hand, slowly snaked his way through the spectators, chained to a costumed, "blood"-spattered doctor, who in

turn, was chained to a dismembered, "bloody" baby doll. The macabre threesome was silent as it passed through the crowd which stilled in its wake.

The entire march lasted approximately two and a half hours. The protesters proceeded down Constitution Avenue until they reached the Supreme Court building, where they either dispersed to pray on the steps of the building, or continued on to the Capitol to lobby their Congressman on behalf of the anti-abortion cause.

SGA to focus on spiritual concerns, president says

By AMY SAWYER
Champion Reporter

The spiritual climate on campus will be a prime focus this semester, Student Government Association President Matthew McMurray said. This is in accordance with his theme for the SGA: "Christianity — Not Just an Event."

SGA will also deal with modifications to the overnight guest policy, Vice President Andrew Pederson said. Student Senate will address the matter in its first session Thursday. The remainder of the session will be devoted to a brainstorming period, he said.

McMurray said he also has goals

for Senate this semester, among them making parking "more fair for upperclassmen," he said.

Pederson said he would be meeting with the president and administration members on the parking questions.

A meal plan for residents of senior dorms and the current necessity of a telephone access code to make toll-free calls are other issues McMurray said he wants Senate to deal with.

Furthermore, McMurray said he wants to work more closely with student clubs and other local student governments.

Pederson said he expects many changes in the SGA constitution to

be brought before Senate. "It may not seem important to students, but it will help the entire process move more smoothly," he said.

Pederson said he also hopes to revise the nomination process for Student Court justices so that senators would know the candidates before they confirm them.

McMurray said he also wants to have Senate bills researched more extensively for the administration to have a better idea of what the proposals would accomplish.

"Sometimes the bills are vetoed because administration and Senate are thinking on two different wavelengths," he said.

Both McMurray and Pederson said they want SGA to have more and better communication with the administration.

"We want to continue the goal of improving communication between SGA, administration and the student body," Pederson said. McMurray added, "We want to continue to be a voice for the students."

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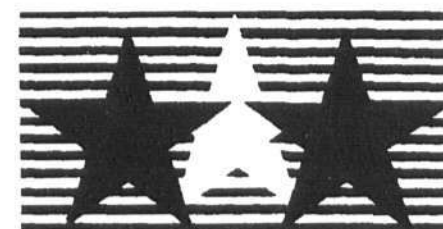


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JUMPING FOR JOY — Michael Nelson gets a jump while standing in the snow. The recent inclement weather badly affected cars across campus.

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Black History Month strives for unity

By TIMOTHY J. GIBBONS
News Editor

The university community will get a chance to explore the culture of another continent this February as Liberty celebrates Black History Month.

"My intention is to try to educate and inform majority students and minority students with regards to broadening their understanding of culture and ethnic groups," said Greg Dowell, assistant dean of men.

The theme of this year's observation is "Realizing the Dream," Dowell said. "We feel at Liberty University we're realizing the dream."

Black History Month will include several

special speakers and activities, Dowell said, including an essay contest with a \$1,000 scholarship prize and a black fashion show.

There will also be three forums, featuring local speakers.

These events are not just for minority students, the dean said; "Everything is here for everybody," he said.

"We start out Feb. 1 on the importance of unity and end the month with a march for unity," Dowell said. "It's a totally inclusive month."

Dowell said he welcomes non-minorities to attend the events throughout February, especially the all night prayer

and praise service.

"We want them to feel comfortable around their black brothers and sisters in Christ," the dean explained. "It's an opportunity for them to praise and worship together."

This theme of unity has been reflected throughout the planning of the event as well, Dowell said.

"It wasn't just African-Americans who put this together," he said, listing "whites, Oriental and Hispanics" as also having a part in the preparation.

"Liberty is right on the cutting edge of realizing the dream," he said.

"I want the students of Liberty to learn more about the constituents of Liberty University."



Student Life tries to do more with smaller staff

By CHANNING SCHNEIDER
Champion Reporter

Student Life strives to be one of the biggest facets of life at any university, and Dean Michael Stewart said he hopes to fulfill that goal at Liberty this year.

Stewart, dean of Student Life, said that his organization was affected by some of the restructuring last summer. The biggest change, according to Stewart, has been in personnel. "Basically, there's more stuff to do and (fewer) people to do it," he said.

Student Life staff has been cut to

almost one-third of what it was last year, which resulted in a cut-back in the hours David's Place is open. Also, the Intramurals Department has come under direct control of Student Life, adding a big responsibility to a smaller staff.

However, Stewart pointed out that there are benefits from these



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— Michael Stewart
Dean of Student Life

changes. "We are finding better, less expensive, quicker ways to do things," Stewart said. "This has drawn our department together. We have become more efficient. We

have a unified purpose."

The only worry Stewart said he has is that the decrease in staff and increase in students will result in less personal attention to each individual activity. Stewart said there will be just as many successful ones as in years past, such as the Block Party, the Steven Curtis Chapman concert and others.

Stewart also said that he was striving to build "good community relationships in Lynchburg" throughout this semester.

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WORLD

Japan's quake worries West Coast ports

By DAVID FIELD
Washington Times

Could a West Coast earthquake disrupt U.S. imports as seriously as Japan's trembler has wreaked havoc on that nation's flow of transported goods?

Last week's earthquake cut some of Japan's key transport arteries and dealt a crippling blow to shipping companies. It now takes 20 hours to move cargo by road from Hiroshima to Tokyo, about twice the time it took before the earthquake, Japanese shipping officials estimate.

Although U.S. cargo and shipping gateways are different, some port officials are worried by what they see as ominous similarities of size and strategic importance between the two largest U.S. container cargo ports, the twin harbors of Los Angeles and Long Beach, and Japan's two largest container ports, the twin harbors of Kobe and Yokohama.

The port of Los Angeles is

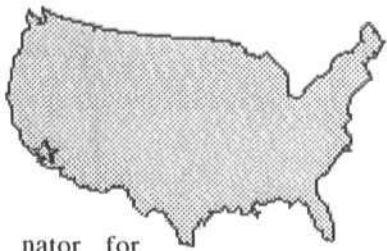
almost identical to Kobe in capacity for cargo containers, according to a spokeswoman for the American Association of Port Authorities. Both Los Angeles and Long Beach are in earthquake territory. So if a quake caught cargo on the California docks before it gets inland, the economic aftershocks would ripple across the nation, said transportation consultant Robert L. Banks of R.L. Banks & Associates.

"The ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach are so much bigger than other (U.S. container) receiving ports that the effects could be similar to or worse than the case in Japan because we are so much less organized," said Banks, who has advised railroads and cargo shippers around the world.

Southern California is earthquake territory, he noted, and with the region's other ports, it's also container unloading territory.

"Where is the effect (of a major quake) going to be worse?" the shipping consultant asked.

The emergency response coordi-



nator for the Port of Los Angeles, Edward Stephens, shares his concern. "We've learned from the experiences of other ports and from Southern California's previous disasters, but a truly major earthquake could be a true disaster," Stephens said in a recent telephone interview.

"Our greatest concern is liquefaction," Stephens said, referring to a phenomenon that took place at Kobe. Most port terminal facilities are built on landfill, often fill that has been dredged from the port bottom. An earthquake can literally collapse the underpinnings of docks and cranes. The landfill then becomes liquid again.

"Our understanding is that the

artificial islands used for terminal-sand cranes in Kobe simply disappeared," Stephens said.

Banks noted that Los Angeles and Long Beach will become even more crucial ports with the construction of the Alameda Corridor, a multibillion-dollar project using state, local and federal funding to coordinate rail tracks and highways to funnel container traffic between the ports, rail yards and highway interchanges of the Southern California transportation complex.

Stephens said the Alameda Corridor, would be "bulletproofed" to withstand earthquakes.

North of Southern California's twins are the ports of San Francisco; Oakland, Calif.; Seattle; and Tacoma, Wash. — all of which have major container facilities. All are key ports of entry for Pacific Rim goods and all specialize in containers.

In these ports, containers are put onto specially designed railroad flatcars, and are hauled to various inland cities.

BRIEFS

World Health to set up Kobe research center

KOBE, Japan — Undeterred by the destruction from last week's earthquake, the World Health Organization said Tuesday it would set up a new international medical research center in Kobe, Japan.

WHO's executive board approved the plan at its annual session after Kobe authorities confirmed they still want to support the project.

Private enterprises and local government leaders in Kobe have pledged to contribute about \$6 million a year to the center. WHO's director-general, Dr. Hiroshi Nakajima, is Japanese.

The research center will bring together experts in public health, sociology, development economics, demography and environmental sciences, according to WHO.

Burier of pups charged

OAKLAND PARK, Fla. — Police filed felony charges Thursday against a man accused of burying alive nine newborn Rottweiler puppies later rescued by their mother.

Robert Homrighous, 41, was charged with three counts of cruelty to animals, a third-degree felony, and five counts of abandonment of animals, a misdemeanor, police said. He was arrested and held on \$3,600 bond, police said.

The nine puppies were rescued alive Jan. 16, but three of them have since died. Investigators said the puppies had been buried for a day when their mother's frantic digging alerted neighbors, who called the local police.

Pigeon 'baby' does all to follow Va. student to school

By JOEL TURNER
Associated Press

ROANOKE — You've heard of dogs following kids to school.

But a pigeon?

That's what happens every day when Danielle Conner boards the bus for the one-mile trip to Back Creek Elementary School in Roanoke County.

The pigeon, named Baby, used to just wait at the bus stop with her in the morning and meet her there in the afternoon.

But now he follows her to school, where he perches on fences and tree limbs and waits until Danielle comes out for recess.

When Danielle, a second-grader, goes home in the afternoon, Baby does, too.

He usually flies.

But on one recent day, he rode inside the school bus after he landed on its steps.

Danielle, 7, and Baby have been inseparable since he was only a few days old.

Danielle's father, who works for Powers Fence Company, found the tiny pigeon in July as he was removing an air-conditioning unit from an old Sears building.

He brought the pigeon home.

It had no feathers and could not fly. Danielle and her family used a

children's syringe to feed him a mixture of baby rice cereal and corn meal.

Danielle said he was named Baby because that was what he was when she got him.

The Conner family taught Baby how to fly by putting him on a tree limb, walking away and whistling for him.

Now, he lands on Danielle's outstretched arms when she whistles. He stays there as she talks to him.

Baby stays outside most of the time, but the family does have a cage for him inside the house and feeds him a diet of regular bird seed.

When the bird learned to fly, he

began to follow Danielle around the yard, flapping along behind her as she rode her bike.

A few weeks ago, Baby stretched his wings and began flying to the school so he could see Danielle during recess.

The pigeon never has pecked or hurt Danielle or any other child. "Baby loves children."

"I guess that's why he goes to school every day, waiting for Danielle, so he'll have someone to play with," said Danielle's mother, Dorina.

Debbie McClure, Danielle's teacher, said the pigeon has created excitement for the second-graders.

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Keynote Speaker- Wed., February 8, 1995 Bryan Buckley

Brian Buckley, High School Pastor of Youth at Christ Community Church in St. Charles, Ill., is highly respected for his expertise in the area of Youth Ministry. Bryan is a 1992 graduate of Liberty University where he was a Youth Ministries major and Music minor, Vice President of Student Body, and recipient of the 1992 Gordon Luff Founder's Award. Christ Community Church is a seeker-oriented church of approximately 2,200. He has worked there for almost three years and ministers to more than 300 teenagers each week. Bryan is a dynamic communicator to youth and is sought after for youth retreats and camps. He is engaged to Amy Wheeler, a graduate of Taylor University, and getting married June 17, 1995.

Session Speakers

Bryan Buckley
Christ Community Church
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Rick Countryman
Big Valley Grace Community Church
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Gary Hunt
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California

Bill Kagey
Emanuel Baptist Church
Pennsylvania

Bob Miller
Brio Marketing Group
Virginia

Heidi Payne
Campus Crusade for Christ
West Virginia

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Barry Shettel
Prince Avenue Baptist Church
Georgia

Kyle Wall
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9:00	RH 125	Payne
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11:20	DH 114	Buckley

Tuesday

9:25	RH 110	Smith
9:25	RH 125	Stewart
10:50	RH 125	Countryman
10:50	DH 160	Payne
10:50	RH 102	Smith
12:15	RH 125	Stewart

Wednesday

8:00	RH 112	Jennings
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9:00	RH 125	Jennings
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Thursday

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Marriott helps student body beat snowstorm boredom

What do ironing boards, garbage bags and dorm mattresses have in common? Liberty students no longer have to use these items as makeshift sleds.

That's right, the Marriott cafeteria staff has come to the aid of all who want to really enjoy the winter weather. They voluntarily gave away lunch trays for everyone's sledding enjoyment. For this, Marriott deserves some praise.

Not only does this benevolent gesture benefit the students who hail from the South and have yet to slide down a hill, it also goes a long way toward plastics recycling, furniture preservation and calorie reduction.

A non-thinking cafeteria staff would have merely trashed the trays that were past their prime, however such garbage-side manner only perpetuates the country's landfill problems. Now, with the sledding option, an average lunch tray could have a shelf life of several years, alleviating unwanted waste.

Furniture preservation is another benefit of tray-sledding. How many mattresses have died an untimely death because they were snow saturation victims? Now that students have their own trays, less money will be needed to reupholster the dorm furniture. This will also give the RAs more free time because they will no longer have to stand at the bottom of every slope and hand out reps to those who used their beds as sleds.

"The Great Tray Giveaway" also helped those students who binged on shepherd's pie and turkey popcorn to work off the excess calories by putting those trays to use. After all, it takes energy to trudge up a hill in the snow, slide down without falling, and retrudge. It's encouraging to know that our cafeteria management is not only concerned with the intake of food, but also with the expenditure of energy that all those nutrients provide.

The **Champion** would like to thank the Marriott staff for being so gracious and for realizing that we all need a little fun now and then.

Thanks go out to LU road crews

Because they often operate in the early morning hours, the crews that scrape the ice off the sidewalks and salt the roads are sometimes taken for granted.

So the **Champion** would like to send a great thanks out to the crews who kept the Liberty streets clear during the snow storm this weekend. These crews have consistently done an excellent job while working at odd hours and in freezing weather.

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"Since we undertook to heave religion out of the public square in 1962, we have fought a divisive war in Vietnam, witnessed student riots across the country, watched the formation of a drug culture, and seen violent crime increase more than 500 percent and illegitimacy 400 percent.

"All this is vastly to oversimplify. The point remains: How come school prayer didn't sabotage the most expansive, creative period in our history? And how come, having abolished school prayer, the modern era has been sick and awful? You'd wonder, wouldn't you, to hear People for the American Way go on, how we ever survived under school prayer. Why didn't the roof fall in, the stake and bonfire become our national symbols?"

— William Murchison, as quoted in **The Journal**, 1/95

OPINION



Too often ads talk down to 'Generation X' buyers

When this column appears in print, the annual event that arrests the nation will have already passed. We will have watched it for an astounding length of time, with uncounted interruptions. We will have wondered who would win, and what secret plays would be introduced. By the time it was over, we will have grown absolutely sick of it.

Of course, from a non-drinker's point of view, it doesn't really matter whether Budweiser or Bud Light won the Bud Bowl. You were thinking that's what I was referring to, weren't you? Surely you didn't have the real Super Bowl in mind? Why, everyone knows that's just an excuse to air some major-league advertising.

Companies are paying close to one million dollars for each 30-second commercial. Among these companies are McDonald's, Nike and the *de rigeur* beer companies.

One million dollars for 30 seconds: that's a pretty hefty sum to drop to change people's minds. If I were an advertising executive, I would want to be sure my ads would effectively change a lot of minds. On this matter, though, I would like to give the advertisers my figurative two cents about the current state of ads.

Aside from simply finding out about the existence of a product, I do not believe the advertisements will have changed my mind much. And for many other people, especially in the younger generations, the answer seems to be the same. In fact, too many ads either insult the intelligence or simply can't be trusted.

This is not to say that there are no benevolent ads. There is nothing wrong with ads that simply announce a product's existence.

Even better are ads that give consumers a useful amount of information about the product. Likewise, there is something to say for clever or humorous ads that still get the message through.

What is annoying are the repeated attempts by various advertisers to practically misrepresent their good or service through manipulating words. Other times, some ads say almost nothing while trying to create a visual effect or a play on words. When the inherent assumption is that such an ad will influence someone favorably toward a product, the ad becomes downright insulting in its condescension.

According to some research presented in the **New York Times** and **Advertising Age**, I am not alone in this feeling. There are 40 million "Generation Xers" in the United States, and most "like commercials that present practical purchase motivators," say some executive advertisers. So while ads shouldn't read like scientific journals, they should say something useful.

An often-touted example of this type of advertising is the campaign for the Chrysler Neon subcompacts. Judy Harrigan, president of a New York marketing firm, wrote, "Print and TV ads for (the Neon), detailing environmental, monetary, performance and ergonomic reasons for buying, explore the multiple concerns of young car buyers."

In other words, these advertisers sold their product with information about the product, not because of some irrelevant, showy feature added to it.

It is not my intention to revile all of advertisement-dom. Companies have to advertise, and that in itself can be a good thing. But, for this generation, the kinds of ads they use do make a difference.



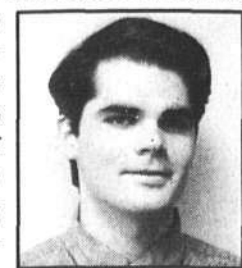
MARK HASKEW

Check-in needs an overhaul

Thousands of students returned to campus Jan. 16 after a restful break — only to be welcomed by very long and slow lines. For the first two days of any LU student's return, lines become commonplace at Liberty.

But, if there is one thing the student body should have learned from check-in this semester, it is that the administration is at least trying to speed up the process.

In fact, many kudos must go to Vice President of Admissions Jay Spencer, along with other administration officials, who are now trying to reform the financial check-in process.



SHANNON D. HARRINGTON

Recently, administration officials have made slight revisions to the process in hopes of cutting down the wait, such as moving check-in from the Multi-Purpose Building to the Vines Center to reduce crowding.

And this year, they made an attempt to reduce the clutter around the concourse in the Vines Center by controlling the number of students entering the check-in process at one time. But, despite the attempts, check-in is still considered a huge inconvenience for students and faculty.

And the administration has recognized this problem, finally realizing that Liberty's recent growth spurt has made the current check-in process obsolete. The school can no longer accommodate 5,000-plus students by pushing them through the same process in two days, causing check-in gridlock.

Something that would eliminate a large part of the problem is completion of most of the check-in process during breaks. Arranging for students to discuss their bills with financial counselors before arriving at the university would cut out a large portion of the financial counseling lines.

Not all of the problem rests on the shoulders of the administration, though. Students who wait until the last minute to turn in loan applications or student aid reports don't exactly speed up the process. Obviously, students who pull those stunts should not have any justification for complaining about long lines. In most cases, they are the reason long lines exist.

To get around this problem, the administration should find some means for the organized and prompt students to complete the check-in process during breaks.

In return, students who have no need to wait in line can find more productive things to do with their time while others suffer the consequences of procrastination. It's the age-old adage about the early bird getting the worm.

Although eliminating the long lines of check-in will not be an overnight task, or by any means an easy one, at least students can rest assured that their administration is working on it. Hopefully, there will come a day when LU students can return to a line-free campus — until drop/add day, that is.

College students should expand their horizons, break out of comfort zones

The second semester of another year is upon Liberty. Seniors look forward to graduation and, for many of them, the last of their careers as students. Freshmen settle for having a slightly improved grasp of campus geography and even a vague sense of belonging.

Spring semester becomes a time of comfort zones. However, college is not the place for stagnation. This leads to frustration and boredom, not ease. The wise — and the bored — student should look to protect his enthusiasm and attitude by acting in three areas: extracurricular, academic, and spiritual.

Activities outside the classroom often lead to broader and more meaningful development than those found in the classes themselves. This is one reason students are uprooted and thrown together into a college environment rather than simply mailed correspondence courses. Environment and atmosphere are everything in the college learning experience.

Those who avoid extracurricular activities and experiences, either because of fear, a heavy schedule or just plain laziness, are in

effect strangling their own development.

A survey taken of business recruiters found that involvement in roles outside of the classroom ranked in importance above even the specific university the applicant had attended.

In addition, the simple fact that one's social life benefits from involvement should mean something to most of us. Add to your semester by adding an extracurricular activity to your schedule, be it intramurals, a club or just a walk a day.

The academic arena finds students cutting away all extra activities and classes to pull GPA's up or overloading in a burst of determination. Many forget that the academic area is one that can be helped far more by consistent habit than any radical schedule changes or adrenalin surges.

Those looking to secure their studies should try to achieve the obvious first. Find tutors now for difficult subjects. One trick of the trade is to do homework early (same day, even), then glance at it before class. Another tip is that studying in the library does reduce distractions and build good

habits. Finally, always remember to study a little longer than needed. If this means studying a little on another day, than do it. There's a payoff.

Spiritually, the matter is clear-cut. Comfort zones are Sloughs of Despond. Only in the active, growing Christian life is there health. Those having difficulty jump-starting themselves, must think of one simple concept: "Go the extra mile."

Begin attending an extra church service, or add some time to your devotions. Start a Bible study, or go out witnessing. It has been said that a Christian satisfied with his soul is a Christian satisfied with failure. Of all places, don't let stagnation touch your spiritual heart.

"No pain, no gain." "Go the extra mile." "Strive for the prize." In order to have a productive, satisfying and significant semester, students have to maintain a consistent, challenging lifestyle. This can only be accomplished with serious attention to extra-curricular, academic and especially spiritual development.

Don't let your comfort zone trick you into relaxing. College is a time to push, looking for more and new. Make Spring '95 a bold step, not a casual coast.

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TOM INKEL

COMMENTARY

Americans need post office options

By BETSY OOTEN
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Three cents. What's it worth? One eighth of a phone call. One fifteenth of a GLTC bus ride. One fiftieth of a movie at Movies Ten. In other words, three cents does not mean much in today's economy. That is, unless you're the United States Postal Service.

As of Jan. 1, the price of a first-class stamp rose three cents to 32 cents. This is the fourth increase in the price of postal service in the last decade. The increases collectively amount to 10 cents.

A dime seems a small amount for price increases that span a decade. It may, in fact, be reasonable if real inflation demanded the price increase to maintain current service or if the quality of service was to increase.

However, neither of these qualifications is present. In fact, the opposite is true.

As far back as the early eighties, stamp prices have grown much faster than the economy. From 1981 to 1985, the economy grew annually by 4 percent, but the cost of a first-class stamp rose by 12 percent in the same period.

As for service, the USPS monopoly on first-class mail delivery makes large-scale comparison to private service impossible. The

efficiency of private parcel delivery services such as the United Parcel Service and of overnight delivery services such as Federal Express strongly suggests that first-class mail could be delivered more efficiently.

Several small mail delivery operations have been squelched by the USPS for illegal competition, and in every case, the private service was more efficient.

For example, in Charleston, S.C., a 14-year-old boy was accused of "interfering with a legal monopoly" for delivering wedding invitations on his bicycle for \$10.

In Rochester, N. Y., 25-year-old Patricia Brennan was served a court injunction against her service that guaranteed same-day delivery of checks and documents to 359 regular customers for five cents less than the postal rate.

One of the most serious suits was against Harold O'Brien who delivered messages to members of Congress for 25 percent of the cost of regular postal service. USPS tried to force O'Brien to reimburse them for lost postage.

In all three cases, the "criminal" had been doing a better job than the USPS.

Why can't the post office do its job as well as a 14-year-old boy? The answer is the same as it is to all the other mysteries about U.S. gov-



ernment inefficiencies: gross mismanagement.

Postal employees receive 33 percent more in benefits than do private sector employees with comparable skills. It is no wonder then, that the hundreds of thousands of postal employees are the loudest voice against privatization of postal service. Even Postal Rate Commissioner John Crutcher said postal workers are "the highest paid

semi-skilled workers in the world."

In addition to over-compensating employees, the USPS simply has exercised poor general management. Consider the post office's management of the extra revenues raised in 1986 when stamps went from 20 cents to 22 cents. Despite the extra income, USPS lost \$251 million that year because it added 44,000 employees in 1986 alone!

The solution to increasing cost

and decreasing efficiency has long been debated. Theoretically, there are two options: privatization and commercialization.

Commercialization is simply running the post office by sound business practices. This theoretical solution, however, is not a new innovative option to America's postal problems. It should have been a given since the USPS was created.

The real solution, privatization, is

becoming increasingly popular internationally. Sweden has already eliminated its postal monopoly. Holland has privatized its existing postal system, and the United Kingdom is on its way to a similar arrangement.

As Americans offer up their extra three cents to the USPS, perhaps they might demand alternatives to funding the mismanagement of the postal system.

Days of Ellis Island are over; U.S. citizens must come first

By SARAH PARSHALL
Champion Reporter

Is America xenophobic? With the combined images of California's Proposition 187, the Republican Contract With America, and President Clinton's soon-to-be-proposed budget increase to enforce immigration laws, it might appear to the outside nation that the United States is stiff-arming the "tired," "poor" and "teeming masses yearning to breathe free." Unfortunately, what have become necessary limitations for the nation in an already floundering economy, are criticized as attempts to ban all immigration totally.

Haiti. Vietnam. South Korea. Somalia. No one can refute America's international philanthropy, either in defending overpowered nations or opening its doors to a veritable sea of immigrants from every corner of the globe. But there is a point where survival must take precedence over good will.

California, in a two-to-one vote, recently passed Proposition 187, a proposal that would deny most social benefits (including non-emergency health care and education) to illegal aliens. It seems that disgruntled citizens are sending a message to Washington. The Clinton administration, in an effort



to reclaim lost voters, is in a race against the Republican Congress to snatch the glory on what is now a popular issue for both parties: immigration.

Clinton's budget calls for \$131 million to detain and deport illegal aliens, as well as an increase the number of Immigration and Naturalization Service investigators by 41 percent, to 2,250. Additional provisions in the draft budget will enforce the investigation of those who smuggle or harbor illegal aliens, and will provide cheap labor for low-skill, low-pay jobs that can be filled by American workers.

It's about time.

America cannot, with a multi-billion dollar deficit, provide health care to immigrants who dodge bullets or evade guard dogs. Taxpayers cannot afford to bus children with false identification papers to our local schools. Americans cannot replace the already overpowered American worker with aliens who are underskilled, monolingual and have entered the country illegally.

It is bad economic policy, but more importantly, it is bad government.

America was founded on the determination and aspiration of the Ellis Island dream — the chance to begin again in a nation that would not only accept immigrants, but support them in their quest for freedom. This nation knows what it is to start again.

But we also know there is a method to this dream. Americans cannot be asked to abide those who do not observe the regulations created to ensure safe immigration. Think of the chaos that would transpire should immigration laws be ignored by the very government that legislates them.

While globalists scream for the advent of a one-world government and for the extension of an international hand to those in need, America has done its part in the interest of humanity. But that part does not entail the sacrifice of an already struggling economy on the altar of seeming political propriety or current international trends.

America is a unique nation: one that boasts prosperity, individuality and freedom. But these blessings come with a price. It's time to shut the door of immigration on those who do not knock, but pound on, scale over, or dodge around America's entryway. It's time to put our foot down.



Pro-abortionists close their ears to abortion 'fire in theater' truth

By MARK HASKEW
Opinion Editor

When John Salvi strode into two abortion clinics in Brookline, Mass., and shot dead two receptionists as calmly as if he were buying a sandwich, he brought an avalanche of pro-abortion criticism onto the pro-life movement as a whole.

Supporters of abortion were just waiting for an opportunity to unleash their diatribes against those who had nothing to do with the killings. Their best link between Salvi's actions and the peaceful 95 percent of the pro-life movement was that pro-lifers had, in essence, egged him on.

Pro abortionists indignantly claim that the rhetoric of the pro-life movement (i.e., "abortion is murder," "child-killer," etc.) drove Salvi to his actions. What's more, they demand that pro-lifers stop their protests because of Salvi.

The idea that pro-lifers were to some degree responsible for Salvi stretches one's imagination. Of course, there are limits to free speech.

The age-old example is that of crying out "fire" in a crowded theater. But what if those crying "fire" in a theater are right? Should they be silenced because it might interrupt the viewing comfort of those who don't believe it's a real fire?

In the same way, pro-lifers are crying murder in front of abortion clinics. Those who protest abortion

sincerely believe it is the killing of a person. Indeed, medical science, as well as basic logic, seems to weigh in on the pro-life side. While this column cannot begin to answer the question — namely, when life begins — completely, some examples are in order.

Concerning the medical evidence for a fetus' life, Dr. C. Everett Koop wrote in *Whatever Happened to the Human Race?*, "At twenty-one days, the first irregular beats occur in the developing heart. . . . Forty-five days after conception, [brain] waves can be picked up. . . ."

Koop also asserted, "We should add that biologists take the uniform position that life begins at conception; there is no logical reason why the pro-abortionist should try to arrive at a different definition when he is talking about people, the highest form of all biological creatures."

Author Peter Kreeft wrote *The Unaborted Socrates*, which examines the logic of the "abortion is murder" argument using the Socratic method of debate. Kreeft makes several important points showing the absurdity of the usual pro-abortion arguments.

Just one example is the argument that the fetus is just tissue, not a separate person. Yet the fetus certainly grows identifiable feet and hands; if it were true that a fetus is merely the mother's tissue, this would mean the mother had suddenly developed four feet and four hands! Other difficulties can be imagined as well.

These arguments and facts have been hashed over again and again. Yet pro-abortionists are determined to hide their heads in the sand, afraid of the unblinking gaze of the cold, hard facts. What's more, they want everyone else to join them.

A specific example of this is the pro-life use of placards with pictures of aborted fetuses on them. The abortion crowd has targeted these to be banned, saying they are grotesque. They say they are part of the problem with influencing people like Salvi.

Agreed, they are gruesome and grotesque, but they also accurately depict what abortion is. If they show the truth, what is wrong with them? Obviously, the only thing "wrong" with them is that they shed an unfavorable light on the abortion industry.

So if the pro-life movement has a better angle on the truth than the pro-abortionists, why should they be silenced because of the actions of a few marginal individuals who take extreme action?

The plain answer is that they should not. If the pro-abortionists want to stop the abortion debate (and people like John Salvi), their best bet is to come out into the light and put forth some convincing arguments that abortion is not murder. The fact that they hide behind the banner of "individual choice" rather than defend that choice says a lot about the strength of the abortion position.

Who's afraid of a little truth?

Liberty Forum

Liberty hockey boosters defend team's actions

EDITOR:

This letter is in response to Tom Inkel's article, "Hockey team's actions reflect poorly on Christian witness." We, as the LU Hockey Booster Club Officers, would like to respond to the accusations and statements made in this article. Upon reading the article, we wonder if he has even attended any of the games. Perhaps someone who has been there and has seen the games should report on the events taking place. Since one or more of the officers has been present at all of the home games, we thought it fitting that we should respond.

The game of hockey is NOT about fights, however, they often come with it. This is not unlike any other sport played at Liberty. Have you ever seen a fight on the football field or the basketball court at LU? Yes. And these are the "official"

teams at LU. Does that make them or the hockey team any better or worse for fighting? No. As with any sport where emotions get involved, tempers flare and fights happen. It's a fact and one we daresay won't change any time soon. Even in NHL games the referees won't stop a fight until one of the players is on the ice.

You need to understand that coaches try to discourage fighting. However, if a player from the opposing team starts throwing punches, would you like our guys to stand there, take it and say, "It's OK. Beat me up all you want, I'm an LU student and I don't want to ruin my testimony." Somehow, we don't think so.

Perhaps the most disturbing fact about Inkel's article is that it is based on one game. To accuse the team of a poor testimony based on

one game is ridiculous. Are you aware that after each game, two LU players go to the locker room of the visiting team, share their personal testimonies of how they came to Christ and give the gospel? Get the facts before the accusations begin to fly.

These players and coaches have been done a great disservice. They've worked long and hard to keep the team together without much support, only to be bad-mouthed by their school newspaper. The negative and slanderous tone of the article was uncalled for. Next time, go to a game and see for yourself what goes on, talk with the players and coaches and report all the facts.

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AMY MORRIS

The consequences of conniving cubbyhole crawling

Welcome back students, faculty, administration, and all of you non-students out there who are still sitting in check-in waiting for your numbers to be called. I sense a feeling of frustration on the campus about a number of things — the weather... another long semester filled with tough classes... no new songs from the Sounds of Liberty... but frustration is no excuse from straying from our purpose for being here — to learn how to live a Christian life.

For instance, take "Doug", a friend of a friend of mine whom I noticed shuffling dejectedly through the DeMoss parking lot Saturday afternoon. I thought he was just depressed because security had roped off the area, forcing him and the rest of the student body to hike to the basketball game against Virginia Tech in the swirling blizzard. But no. Doug was down for a different reason.

He had forgotten his I.D., and the Marriott Gestapo refused to let him eat lunch. Now, for some, this situation could be seen as an enormous blessing, but for Doug, whose sustaining joy is their Quiche Lorraine, it was a major blow. So he decided to do something that was utterly moronic. He stole the LU bookstore safe. No, no! Just kidding. He attempted to covertly enter the cafeteria and, in the process of performing this deceit, was snagged by an "authority."

I asked him how he tried to get in and he calmly replied, "By crawling through one of the cubbyholes."

WHAT?! I looked over Doug's 6'2", 200-pound frame, and tried to imagine him squeezing through a hole that my bookbag couldn't fit in if it contained something more than a three subject spiral notebook. Suddenly, I had this garish vision of him getting his leg and head through the hole before getting hopelessly stuck.

I could imagine Marriott executives frantically snatching butter and cream cheese from the plates of nearby students in the attempt to loosen him from his paneled prison. With each product they try, Doug's face turns a different shade: first white, then blue as he weakly tries to draw breath. He begins to lose consciousness as the apoplectic executives shout for the Jaws of Life...

He went on to explain that, in order to achieve successful entry, one must follow these important steps:

1. Wait until no one is coming.
2. Crouch down on all fours.
3. Place your left arm through the cubbyhole, and then follow with your head. "Like a swimming stroke," he explained.
4. Slide through and join your fellow diners. This is where Doug made his fatal mistake. Instead of standing up inconspicuously within a group of people, Doug picked a hole where there was no one standing around to cover for him. He just...materialized inside the cafeteria. Easy to spot — easy to nab.

Inevitably, he was approached by a perplexed RA. Doug only added to his bewilderment by announcing that there was no rule in the Liberty Way that prohibited entering the cafeteria via cubbyholes. There is no rule against drinking nail polish remover either, but that was obviously beside the point. To make an already long column short, Doug was fined for his act of deception.

So, as the semester progresses and the pressure to conform to the rules becomes too much to bear, count back-

Life!

'Mouth in Motion' tour reaches Lynchburg

Alumnus Mark Lowry puts his ministry where his mouth is

By KIM MATHERLEY
Champion Reporter

With a huge, red, laughing mouth dangling in the background, entertainers took to the stage Friday night to amuse, entertain, gladden and even emotionally move a receptive audience.

The Mouth in Motion Tour, starring Mark Lowry, Allison Durham and Mullins and Company, elicited many laughs and even tears from the Jan. 20 audience at Thomas Road Baptist Church. Lowry, a 1980 Liberty graduate and son of Psychology Professor Beverly Lowry, returned to Lynchburg to entertain locals and students from his alma mater.

Students, faculty and residents alike roared with laughter at the zany wit of anecdotes such as "Miss Barth" and songs including "The Date Adventure" and "Some Other Time and Some Other Place," a parody of Sandi Patti's hit. Using a projection system that mixed prerecorded footage with the live performance, the Christian comedian was able to use Sandi Patti's talent.

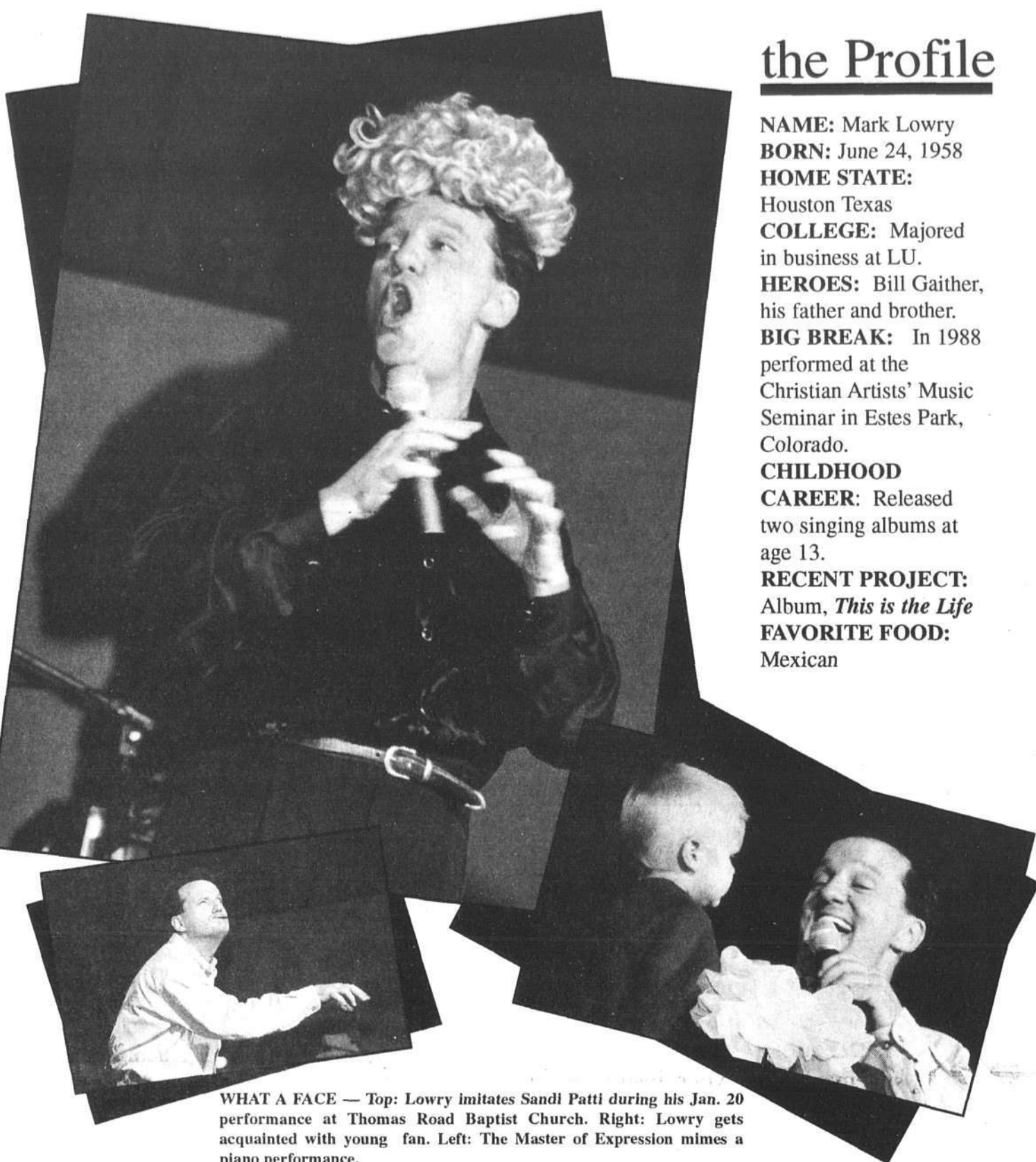
"I'm live, but Sandi's Memorex," Lowry said about the performance, eliciting a rousing response from the audience.

Even the professionals could not contain their laughter as photographers chuckled and Lowry's own video camera operator giggled until the equipment shook in his hands. Lowry jokingly rebuked the worker, but it only evoked more laughter from the cameraman and audience.

Laughter was not the only reaction emitting from the packed out crowd that night. Tenderness and sympathy were also shown by the audience to one concertgoer who accepted Lowry's invitation to all children age 10 and under to sing his song "Na Na Na Na Na" on stage.

The young man, Jonathan Thomas, age 8, from Portsmouth, Va., has endured two open heart surgeries. Just before the second operation, Thomas' father promised the boy that after the operation they would attend a Lowry concert. Lowry, who informed the audience of this promise, greeted the boy with kindness. Thomas shyly hid his face when first introduced to Lowry, but his eyes shone with delight as he stood near the comic and sang with the man he had listened to on tape so many times before.

Tears were also added to the emotional night when Allison Durham, whose "Walk



WHAT A FACE — Top: Lowry imitates Sandi Patti during his Jan. 20 performance at Thomas Road Baptist Church. Right: Lowry gets acquainted with young fan. Left: The Master of Expression mimes a piano performance.

Into Freedom" debut album is touching hearts across the nation, spoke of the love of her heavenly Father. Durham recounts the heart-wrenching story of seeing another father showing love to his daughter and wanting to be loved like that. She admitted that even though her earthly father was not abusive, he was distant. She wanted to possess the kind of love that this daughter was feeling. It was then, Durham recounts, that she felt the arms of her heavenly Father

slipping around her.

"I never understood the depths of a Father's love till then," Durham said. As the audience felt Durham's pain, she again touched their hearts with the song "Love Never Looked Like This."

Mullins and Company followed Durham with the heavenly hit "Lamb of God." The group, composed of lead singers Buddy Mullins and Paul Lancaster, keyboardist Mark Willet, bass guitarist Westly Willet

photos by Jason Christoff

and lead guitarist Joel Huggins, have mixed a contemporary music style mixed with that of Southern Gospel.

Though the group's latest release, "All the Right Doors," is designed to reach older audiences, the younger crowd members responded favorably to the songs.

The importance of perspective, passion and purpose

The year 1995 is upon us. In fact, with this new year's dawn, I am reminded of how my whole life seems to be going by so quickly. I can still recall my first memory of home, Dad and Mom sitting around a Christmas tree and my brother on the stairs. It feels like yesterday.



NELSON CHAPMAN

My mind floods with thoughts of playing soccer, watching Roger Staubach and Terry Bradshaw duke it out in the '70's, seeing my first dog for the very first time - the list just rolls on.

The years have flown by. It's humbling to reflect on how brief life really is in the whole picture of time. The moment we're

born is the moment we start to die. Indeed, Psalm 103:15,16 says, "As for man, his days are as grass: as a flower of the field so he flourisheth. For the wind passeth over it, and it is gone: and the place thereof shall know it no more."

Again, Job declared, "Now my days are swifter than a post (a runner): they flee away, they see no good. They are passed away as the swift ships: as the eagle that hasteth to the prey." (Job 9:25-26)

The years are passing. College graduation inches closer. Responsibilities of adulthood and real independence looms. Marriage is around the corner (for some). So what are we to do in light of all this? What can we do throughout this new year, as it begins, that will help us live life to the fullest?

Well, first, one must have proper perspective in life. In Psalm 90:12 Moses said, "So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom." Moses realized that man's life span was short (vv. 9-

11). He knew that there was only one life to live. Thus, he pleads with God to help them learn to live wisely before Him. In other words, he is saying, "Help us to use our days wisely because we don't have many of them to use." Oh, but how he confesses the eternity of God, "from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God." (90:2) He had the proper perspective on life's shortness.

Second, one must have the proper passion. In Ecclesiastes 12:1 Solomon advised, "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them."

While we are still young, live for Christ! When one grows old, his zeal, physical health, and mind dims. This is not to say old people are not of any use to God. Yet, how much more can God use a young person for His glory because his whole life is still before him!

Young people, have the proper passion:

Christ. Do not turn aside after strong drink, money, immoral pleasures, or fame, but live for God for the rest of your life, which begins now.

Thirdly, one must have the proper purpose. Our purpose in life is clear. Jesus put it this way: "And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength." (Mark 12:30) This needs no commentary. Our purpose is to love God with our whole being and the only way to do so is to have faith in Jesus Christ (John 3:3-21;14:6).

So what's your perspective, passion, and purpose this year? In life? Jesus came to give life and life more abundantly (John 10:10). Yes, over the course of the years, we are all getting older. But that much more closer to glory for the believer. This year... this life, let our perspective, passion, and purpose be this shout: "Jesus! Jesus! Jesus!"

the MOUTH

What do you think is the most important issue facing America today?

—Rob Mc Garvey, Jr.
Vero Beach, Fla.

"American sovereignty and the upholding of the U.S. Constitution."

—Audrey Wilson, Fr.
Washington, D.C.

"Prayer in schools."

—Tracy Packiam, Jr.
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

"Too much individualism. We're too self-centered and self absorbed."

—Lu Ann Sallstrom, Sr.
Williamsport, Pa.

"The flesh-eating bacteria that has started to engulf our country."

—"That we've turned away from God."
—Derek Wells, Jr.
Lindley, N.Y.—"The National Debt."
—Glen Roeck, Sr.
Chicago, Ill.

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Top 14 ways to fail a class

By Ken West, professor of counseling and human development at Lynchburg College. Reprinted with permission

Every few years I revise my list of suggestions for those students determined to do poorly in class. Why should students waste time experimenting when a professional can offer a consummate guide to failure?

This year's list is updated. Why? Because new technology now allows students to be self-destructive in ways my generation never imagined.

The need for a revised list became apparent moments after a college student left a message on my answering machine. In tears, she tried to explain why she failed to show up for an early morning test. The excuse seemed to have something to do with illness, cold pills, and an inability to set her alarm clock. Call her "immediately," she demanded. It's an emergency.

I called. She answered, still in tears. Three seconds into the conversation she said, "Dr. West, I have a call on my other line. I think it's my boyfriend. I'm going to put you on hold for a few minutes."

This year's list includes something for every student from middle school to graduate school. Dave Letterman only offers top 10 lists. I've added four free suggestions. Here are 14 ways to paint a bull's eye on your chest that says, "PLEASE FAIL ME."

13. Try to be added to a "closed class" by saying, "I'm totally burned out, and yours is the last course I'm required to take." Or high school seniors should try, "I've already been accepted to Woebegone College; therefore, my grades don't really matter."

All teachers love burned out students! We enjoy wondering when they might "break" and bring assault rifles to class.

14. Ask frequently, "Will this be covered on the test?" Make sure to imply that if the material will not be on the test, you have no intention of wasting your time concentrating.

12. Ask your teacher to call you, then put her on hold. Explanation above.

11. Cut class, then turn in your paper due for that class period immediately after the class ends. In fact, write on top of the paper, "I cut your class (or skipped school) to finish writing my paper." Two wrongs still don't make a right. But they make a big impression.

10. After you miss a class, ask, "Did we do anything important yesterday?" Ask in a way that implies that you'd be shocked if anything worthwhile happened.

9. Yawn frequently in class. don't try to suppress the yawn. And please, don't place your hand over your mouth. For maximum impact, hold up a sign that says, "Brain Dead. Do not disturb."

6. Turn in a computer disc instead of your paper. Explain that you didn't have time to run-off your paper, but that you're sure the teacher has a printer. Wow, I love the new technology.

1. Sleep in class—regularly. Don't waste time by letting your eyes glaze over, then slowly close. Let your head snap up and down like a baby kangaroo. For even more disastrous results, miss an assignment then blame the teacher for not making her instructions clear.

2. Explain that class is irrelevant to your life. Then drift by the unemployment lines and take a look at your future. Get credit for your field trip. Entitle your next theme, "How I Plan To Make It In The 21st Century Without an Education." Most educators love fiction.

5. Study for your next period's test during class. For an unusually potent effect put an entirely different notebook on top of you notes for the current class. Switch them back and forth. See if your teacher notices that you're out of synch with the rest of the class. If you enjoy this, you'll love Russian Roulette.

7. Talk to your friends in class. Be sure to talk while your instructor is teaching. To create a permanent impression, fail the next test then ask if you can do extra credit to help your grade.

8. Begin a conversation, "You're never in your office when I call..." Be sure to fail to leave messages when you phone or visit. For more effective results, make the statement after your instructor invested most of the weekend translating your term paper into English.

4. Drift in late for class. Be sure to draw attention to yourself as you stumble to your seat in the back of the class. If your instructor questions you, tell her that you had something important to do between classes. She'll get the message.

3. Brag to other students about how little you have studied for the upcoming test. Make sure your teacher overhears you. After you do poorly, complain that the teacher is too hard and his tests are unreasonable.

Study habits differ with every student

By KIM MATHERLEY
Champion Reporter

There is more to college life than sports and extracurricular activities. Contrary to popular belief, the student's first priority, after his spiritual walk, should be his academic life. Often college students fall into a social pit where the only stressing activity in their week is choosing which shopping center to explore next.

Several Liberty students gave their advice on how their fellow students can keep on the path to academic excellence and why it is so important.

"Find out how you learn best. I think that's the one thing at Liberty that people don't do," Donna Robbins, junior, said.

Donna also added, "Unless you really know the material, don't study with the opposite sex."

This advice has been common on Liberty's campus for some time, but many students still pair off and try to study with their significant other or potential new companion. From most accounts, the couples usually get to know a lot more about each other and very little about the subject at hand.

Students who end up like these couples should take an initiative to find a study program tailored just for them that will help them learn more information faster. This will result in more free time in their schedule to spend on leisure activities.

But, besides the obvious reasons of grades

and finding a good job after graduation, why should students spend more time on their studies?

Sophomore Lisette Flores has one answer to this question.

"People should study because we have a responsibility before God to utilize the blessings He has given us. He wants us to use our careers to bring others to Him. And if we are not the best we can be we will be ineffective. We can't achieve success without studying," she said.

One senior believes that success for him is developing discipline.

"Study helps you to develop discipline. If you decide to study two hours a day you will do it. That's a benefit of it to me," Paul Carrasco said.

Many students don't understand the importance of survival skills in school. Even good students drift into bad habits. If you can avoid these 14 guarantees of failure, your days in school and your teachers' will be much happier. Remember, as the bumper sticker says, "if your teacher ain't happy, ain't nobody happy."

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SPORTS

Ripken, Jr. shows unmatched class by putting game streak in jeopardy

By JOSHUA COOLEY
Sports Editor

Two thousand one hundred thirty. This number means nothing except to the most avid baseball freak.

Two thousand nine. That number means nothing except to the most avid baseball freak and the Baltimore Orioles' Cal Ripken, Jr.

Strike. That word means the world to the freak but not as much as one might think to Ripken.

What's the connection? Lou Gehrig set one of the greatest records of Major League Baseball with his streak of 2,130 consecutive games played back in the 1920s and '30s. Ripken has played 2,009 consecutive games and is scheduled to smash Gehrig's sacred pillar this season in August.

The strike could put Ripken's streak in danger and prevent him from being immortalized with the "Iron Horse." If there is a 1995 season made up of replacement players and Ripken does not cross the picket line, his streak will be abruptly halted according to the official league rules.

So, naturally, Ripken will cross the lines, right? Think about it. 2,130 consecutive games. How many other major leaguers can say they have played in EVERY SINGLE game since May 29, 1982? This is not even to mention that Rip has played the majority of those games at shortstop, the position requiring its recipient to dive for balls, throw long range, cover lots of ground and avoid runners determined to barrel the infielder over to break up the double play.

So Cal will break the ranks and play with replacement players this season to keep the streak alive, right?

"He's not going to cross (the picket line)," Ron Shapiro, Ripken's agent, reportedly said in the Jan. 11-24 edition of the USA Today Baseball Weekly. "Cal Ripken will not be a replacement player. Cal Ripken has never placed individual achievements ahead of his responsibilities to his team and other players. He knows what players in the past have done for him, and he knows his responsibility to future players. It's never been an issue."

Oh.

As a torrent of confusion, greed, mistrust and general chaos continues to rain down upon Major League Baseball, Cal Ripken, Jr. shines through the fog of selfishness as a ray of hope for baseball. He is only one man, yes, but his hard-nosed determination, day in, day out work ethics, love for the fans, love for the game and personal humility epitomize the kind of attitude everyone incorporated in baseball, especially the owners, needs to start taking a daily dose of.

When Ripken is not scooping up sharply-hit ground balls or slapping line drives into the right-center power alley, he gives his time away to the community and to his family.

He was the first recipient of the Bart Giamatti Caring Award in 1989 for working in the community and fighting illiteracy. In 1992, he was honored with the Roberto Clemente Award for the player who best exemplified the game both on and off the field.

So take note, Jay Buhner, and realize the fans don't want to see your good friend and superstar Ken Griffey, Jr. basically get you signed for another three years (\$15.5 million) by threatening to leave Seattle otherwise. The fans are sick of that type of baseball.

Take note all you greedy, over-paid, pampered major leaguers. Stop whining about contracts, incentive clauses and arbitration and start playing your backsides off — like the fans want you to, like you're paid to do and like Ripken does.

Take note, Bud Selig, Don Fehr and the rest of you filthy-rich, white-collared goons who are destroying the national pastime and realize that you need a little more charity and concern for the fans and a little less money and power.

Take note, Major League Baseball and realize that Cal Ripken, Jr., although not the best all-around player in the game, is probably the game's prototypical role model as a person and an athlete.

Hey, Gehrig...sorry. Yeah, the record's over 50 years old and no one besides Ripken has ever come within 823 games of it, but Cal deserves this one.

Hokies run circles around LU, 101-70

By JOSHUA COOLEY
Sports Editor

Virginia Tech gave new meaning to the phrase "adding insult to injury" when 6'3" walk-on freshman Kelly Mann hit a trey, sank another two points, got fouled on the play and nailed the foul shot all in the last minute of the game versus Liberty.

That capped a miserable night for the Flames, helpless against the more aggressive and powerful Hokie team that pounded LU, 101-70, Saturday in the Vines Center.

"I am very disappointed in our performance tonight," Flames Head Coach Jeff Meyer said. "Out of the gate, Virginia Tech was very aggressive and focused. They are a very experienced team."

The Hokies (14-4) wasted no time to start impressing Liberty (8-9) and the 8,547 fans in attendance. Tech erupted to a 10-point lead after only four minutes of play, and, after nine and a half minutes, increased the lead to 20 behind the stellar play of sophomore forward Ace Custis. The Flames could not control Custis, who scored 25 points and grabbed a game-high 11 rebounds, let alone the rest of the team. Tech boasted three other double digit scorers in junior guard Shawn Good (19), junior forward Shawn Smith (19) and junior center Travis Jackson (15).

"Basically, it was Custis," Meyer said. "Custis just kicked butt in there."

After jumping to their 10-point spread at 16:00, the Hokies never let the Flames come within less than 10 again, as superior Tech rebounding, ball movement, transition and inside play contributed to the feat.

"It all boils down to getting back on defense and transitions," LU's sophomore center Peter Aluma said.

"We didn't come out with the mindset to attack at all," LU's senior center Jason Dixon, who scored eight on the night, said.

The only point in the game where the remotest light of hope flickered for the Flames was early in the second half when

LU chipped the Hokies' 22-point, 47-25 halftime lead down to 17 points with 15:33 left. Aluma scored seven of his team-high 21 points in a 1:43 span. Senior forward Kevin Benton kept LU's spirits up when he crept into the paint and laid two points in to cut the score to 51-34. However, Tech's Custis, Jackson and Smith quickly remedied their problems for good by increasing their lead to 28 points and the score to 64-36 by the 12-minute mark.

"I never dreamed it would be this convincing a win," Hokies Head Coach Bill Foster said.

On Monday, Jan. 23, four Flames scored in double digits, and LU's defense limited Coastal Carolina's star, KeKe Hicks, to seven first-half points en route to an 88-69 drubbing of the conference foe in the Vines Center.

Aluma led the Flames with game-highs in points (23) and blocks (3) and also snagged eight rebounds. Dixon followed with 16 points, while Benton sunk 14 and junior forward Barry Taylor had 10.

The key for the Flames, though, was stopping Hicks, who was averaging 25.7 points per game coming into the Vines Center.

Hicks, who scored 14 of his 21 points in the second half, only went seven for 31 from the field, including three treys, summing up Coastal's shooting as a whole. The team combined for a 36 field goal percentage compared to LU's 55 percent mark.

"We were able to get the ball inside early in the first half," Liberty Associate Head Coach Randy Dunton said. "Peter and Jason shot a real high percentage in the first half. That's about as good as we've attacked pressure all year."

LU started putting the finishing touches on its victory when Aluma put the Flames up, 35-24, with 3:46 left before the halftime buzzer. The Chants never came within 10 points again.

"We let Liberty get going on us in the first half," Coastal Head Coach Michael Hopkins said.

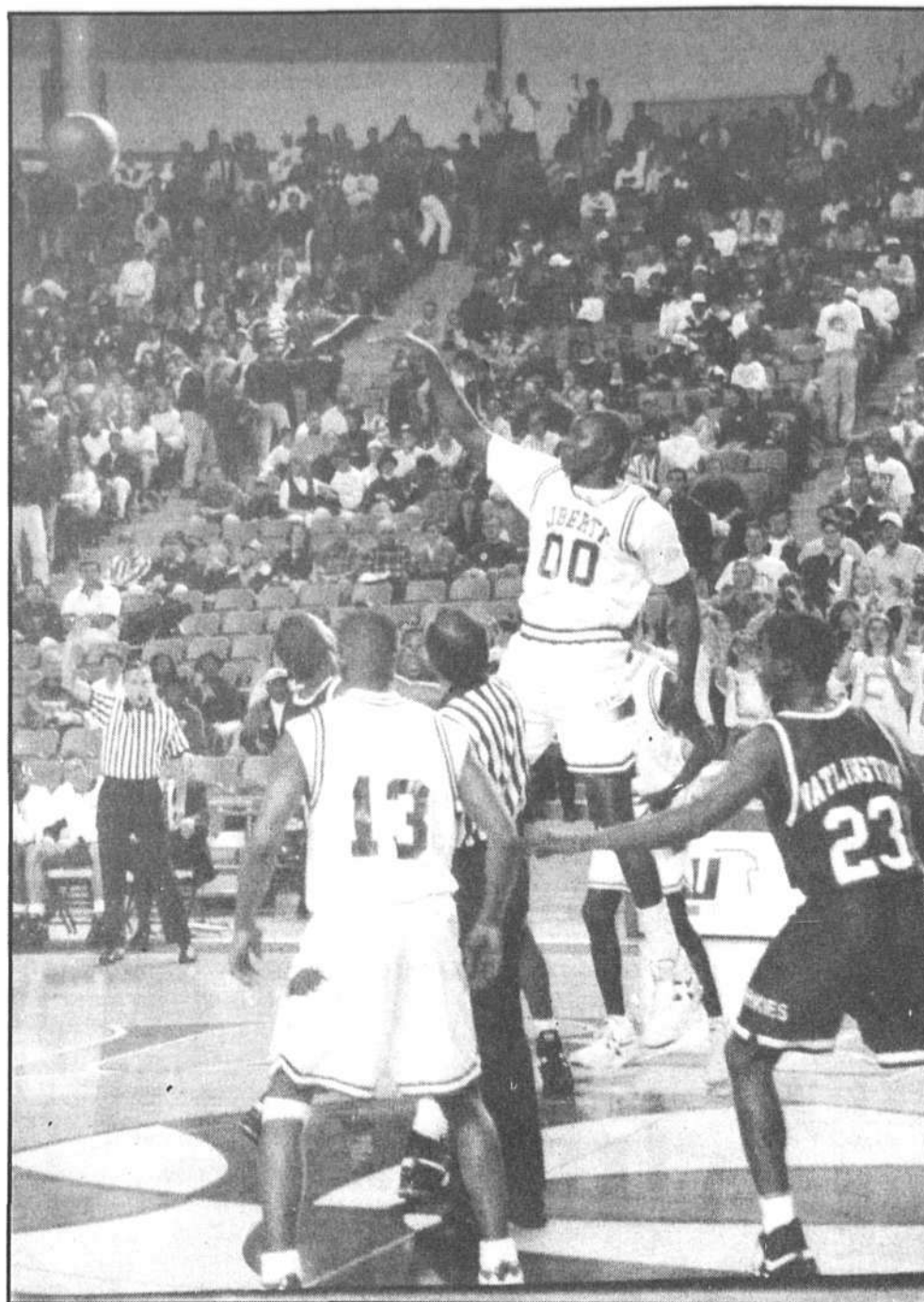


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BEGINNING OF THE END — LU's center Peter Aluma (00) bats the tip-off Saturday night in the Vines Center against the Virginia Tech Hokies. Tech gained control of that ball, though, and the game, as it routed LU, 101-70.

Liberty eventually increased the lead to 23 points twice in the second half — once from a Reed three-pointer at 12:28 and again at 2:22 on two Darnell Johnson free throws — before settling for a 19-point gap at the final buzzer.

"Offensively, we prepared ourselves to make easy baskets," Meyer said.

On Saturday, Jan. 21, the Flames over-

came a stingy Charleston Southern team in the second half to record a 63-58 victory in the Vines Center.

Aluma again led Liberty with a team-high 20 points while also grabbing seven rebounds. Freshman guard Larry Jackson contributed 11 points. Dixon netted 10 points and brought down 14 rebounds.

Radford survives scare from Lady Flames, 51-48

By RICH MACLONE
Champion Reporter

Lady Flames basketball fans were treated to two of the most exciting games the Vines Center is likely to see this season when LU hooked up with Radford University on Saturday and the University of Maryland Baltimore County on Monday, Jan. 23.

Both games were decided in the final seconds, with LU receiving a split of the two contests. Liberty defeated UMBC, 56-53, behind the last-second heroics of freshman Keri Johnson, but fell just short against Radford, losing 51-48. Liberty also hosted the Towson State Tigers on Friday, Jan. 20, losing, 78-68.

A five-and-a-half-minute scoring drought did in the Lady Flames against Radford. LU led by six points, 39-33, with 11:20 remaining but couldn't find the bucket again until the Lady Highlanders had taken the lead, 40-39, at 7:16.

Radford held a four-point lead with under a minute to play, but the Lady Flames refused to surrender. Senior point guard Ginny Holloway sunk a spinning layup in the lane with 37 seconds remaining in the game to make the score 50-48.

Radford point guard Candice Miles then gift-wrapped an LU opportunity to take the game when she was called for traveling on her way to the hoop with only 26 ticks left on the clock.

Liberty came down the floor looking to tie the game and send it to overtime. Sophomore center Erma Williams missed a 15-foot jumper on the left baseline that would have tied the game. In a controversial call on the rebound, the referee called the ball off Lady Flame Michelle Wym.

"I'm really proud of those girls, especially Erma Williams taking that big shot like that," LU Head Coach Rick Reeves said. "Four times out of five she hits that shot."

On Jan. 23, the Lady Flames defeated the University of Maryland Baltimore County in dramatic fashion. LU guard Keri Johnson banked in a bomb from three-point land with one second left to give Liberty a big conference victory, the team's second Big South Conference win.

The Lady Flames scored the last six points of the game to come from three down with 1:19 left to play and pull out the three point win.

"It's nice to get that big win over an opponent that's supposed to beat you," Reeves said.

Results for the Lady Flames weren't as kind against the Lady Tigers of Towson State on Jan. 20. TSU defeated LU, 72-62, overtaking a three-point Liberty lead with 9:00 left to play in the contest.

Lady Tiger forward Trinetta Tucker lit LU up for 36 points. She also dominated the Lady Flames on the boards with nine rebounds, three on the offensive side.

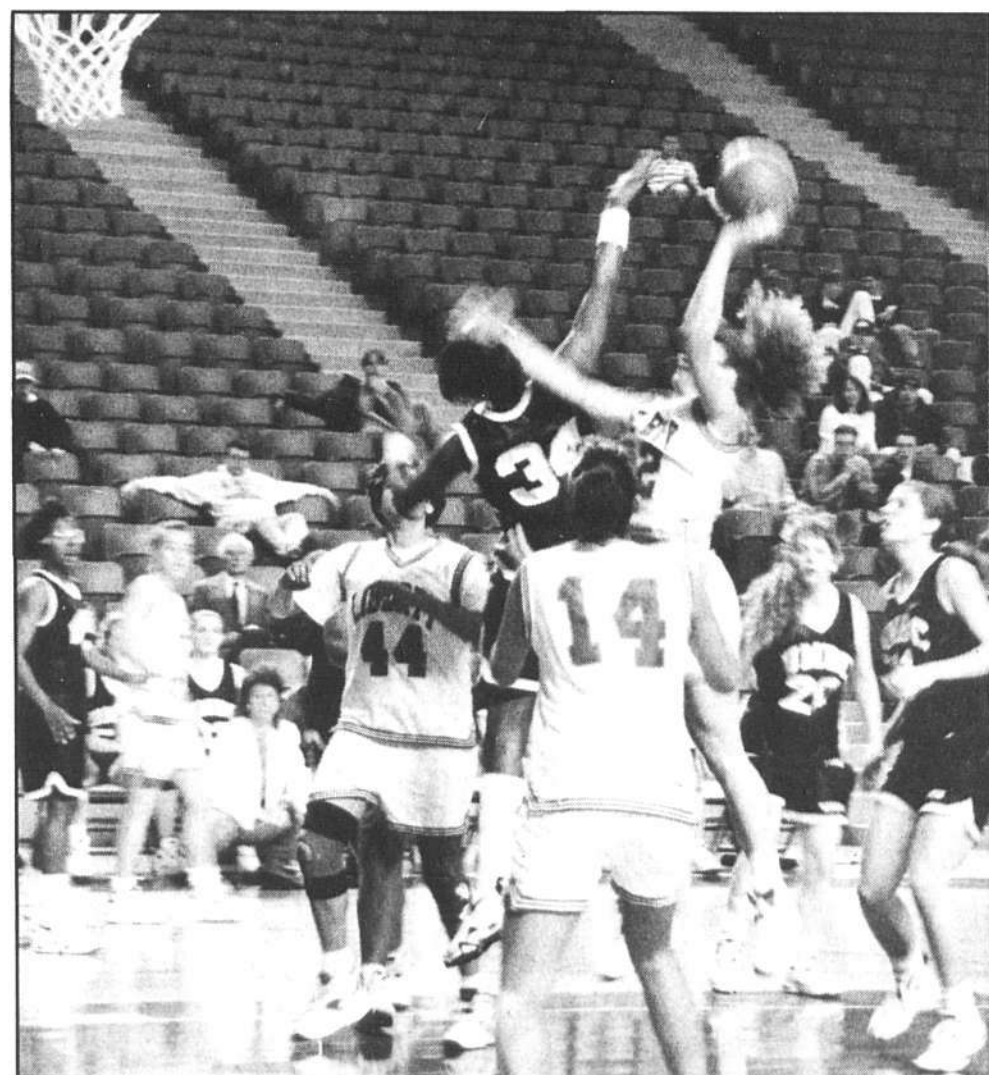


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SUSPENSE — Lady Flame Angie Johnson (22) tries to avoid the rejection by UMBC's Eunice French (34) on Monday, Jan. 23., in the Vines Center. In the end, though, Liberty rejected the Lady Retrievers, 56-53.

LU indoor tracksters hold their own at USAir Invite

By JOSHUA COOLEY
Sports Editor

The LU indoor track squads completed a successful meet at the USAir Invitational in Johnson City, Tenn., on Saturday.

"It's really the premier indoor meet on the east coast, without a doubt," LU's Jason Krull said. "It was a real high quality of athletes. Five world record holders were there last night."

"It's an honor for us to compete (against) really the best in the world."

LU's Chris McGregor ran the mile run in 4:17, good for third place overall. Liberty's star cross country runner, Bill Khan, finished sixth overall in the five kilometer run with a 15:10 mark.

Joshua Cox was right on Khan's heels with his seventh place finish, as he ran the race in 15:13.

In the pole vault competition, Mike Prettyman wound up sixth with a vault of 15 feet, 7 3/4 inches.

Prettyman also competed in the meet's pentathlon and garnered a fifth place finish with a total of 3,288 points.

The Flames' 4 x 400 meter relay team finished third in its race with a 3:19 mark.

In the girls' division, Liberty's Anna-Kate Jarmen qualified for the ECAC meet. In the men's division James McKnight qualified for IC4As. The Flames already have five other IC4A qualifiers.

"For the most part, our performances were pretty good," Krull said.

Auburn transfer arrives at Liberty

By JOSHUA COOLEY
Sports Editor

Adam Hopkins, a 6-10 center from Auburn University, has transferred to Liberty for the 1995 spring semester.

Hopkins, who transferred in as a second semester freshman, will not be eligible to play until the end of the 1995 fall semester because NCAA rules state that a player transferring from Division 1 to 1-AA must sit out a year.

"Liberty is a school that impresses me both athletically and academically," Hopkins said. "I feel it's a place that I can develop as a person and a player."

A graduate of Lithia Springs High School in Lithia Springs, Ga., Hopkins

averaged 13 points, 11 rebounds and three blocked shots per game during his senior year in which his team went 22-6.

Hopkins also received recognition from the Atlanta Journal Constitution as one of the top 25 high schoolers in the nation.

Additionally, the center competed in the Boston Shoot-Out All-Star Game while still in high school.

"(Assistant Coach) Mark Miller has done an excellent job of recruiting Adam out of high school," Head Coach Jeff Meyer said. "As a staff, we felt that his size and strength could benefit our program, particularly in conference play. He is a very conscientious student who will blend well into our campus life at Liberty."

Once up-and-coming NHL blew opportunity by striking

By BEN DONAHUE
Champion Reporter

The NHL made a big mistake. It wasn't too long ago that the league didn't have much recognition. They weren't on television except for the occasional all-star game. Unless you lived by a major market, you seldom heard a game on the radio. Rarely did anyone see people wearing NHL clothing. And, except for diehard fans, few knew who any of the players were, with the exception of Wayne Gretzky or maybe Mario Lemieux. For all anyone knew, Alexandre Mogilny was the Soviet Union's new czar.

This anonymity began to change before the beginning of last season. That was when ESPN announced it would begin airing games during

the season. Soon ESPN's offspring, ESPN 2, got in the act, and Fox, the next up-and-coming sports authority, recently made a deal with the NHL to televise its games. More and more NHL jackets and t-shirts were popping up around town. And, hey, Alexandre Mogilny isn't a czar; he's a wing for the Buffalo Sabres, number 89.

The league was gaining steam and popularity from all over the country. More and more arenas were sold out. Two expansion teams entered the fray — in Florida and Anaheim — places one would never expect to find a hockey team. And to top it all off, the New York Rangers won the Stanley Cup last year for the first time since 1940.

So then, this was it! The league was in the driver's seat! It had fans who weren't fans before; it had

packed houses; it had bigger profits; it was capturing the hearts of people everywhere. Baseball was on strike, so hockey had a chance to steal many of its fans. Hockey could have reigned! Instead, the league blew it for the second time in two years.

More specifically, the owners shot themselves in the foot.

The first time was when Norm Green, owner of the Minnesota North Stars, pouted over lack of money and fan interest and moved the team to the hockey hotbed of...Dallas, Texas. He then renamed them "The Dallas Lone Stars."

The second time the mistake reached all hockey buffs.

It started at the beginning of this season when the owners and players met for their annual meetings. Both sides were squabbling over contracts, free agency, a salary cap

and the like.

The players and owners each wanted something different, and each side was completely frustrating the other. The owners became angry and decided to impose a lock-out on the players, forbidding them to play until both sides reached an agreement.

Both sides were absolutely plagued with greed. Each side was waiting for the other to give in. But they didn't realize a few things.

Number one — you don't always get what you want.

Number two — there comes a time when you stop being stubborn, compromise a few of your wishes and get things solved.

Well, after 103 days, both sides finally acknowledged this and came to a truce. One thing both sides resolved was the age a player could become a free agent — at 32 years

of age. Therefore, if a 20-year-old came into the league and wanted to be a free agent, he would only have to wait 12 short years.

Also, there is no salary cap. Nineteen-year-olds are eligible for the draft, and 17- and 18-year-olds can apply for the draft.

So are both sides happy now? Are you kidding? The owners may never be happy.

The players? Consider New York Rangers' forward Nick Kypreos' reply when asked by customs officials if he had anything to declare upon re-entering the U.S. after the lock-out ended: "No, the owners took it all."

So, after the smoke cleared, the season was reduced to only 48 games, and the teams will play only inter-conference games. And while a recent USA Today poll showed NHL popularity up 28 percent from last year, it sure seems like the league blew a chance at snagging more fans.

Without a doubt, more and more people would have been hooked on the NHL because of Major League Baseball's absence, and that would have meant a higher revenue for all teams.

Oh well, hopefully hockey will learn from this. Until then, let the pucks fly.

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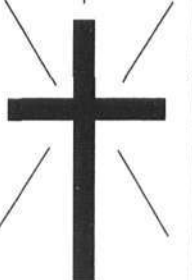


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New York, Vancouver fail to fit billing in early stages

One would assume that the extra vacation the owners gave to the players would give an added advantage to last season's Stanley Cup finalists, the New York Rangers and the Vancouver Canucks. That theory can be tossed over the boards.

The two teams have a combined record of 1-6-1 between them. What makes this all the more of an oddity is that New York opened the season with four consecutive games in front of the blue-seat crazies at Madison Square Garden.

What they have to show for it is three one-goal losses to Buffalo, Boston and Pittsburgh.

The Canucks' story differs greatly. Vancouver rode the crest of hot goaltending into last season's thrilling finals. Goalie Kirk McLean's heroic stops took the Western Conference champions to the seventh game of the Cup finals.

So far this season that is not the case. In four games to date, the Vancouver goaltending tandem of McLean and backup Kay Whitmore have allowed a total of 20 goals.

Goaltending isn't the only place that Canuck fans should be pointing their fingers. The team hasn't been lighting the red light with the consistency they showed last season. In the four games they've played, the

POWER PLAY



By Rich Maclone

Vancouver offense has amassed a measly seven goals.

If the Canucks are planning a return trip to the promised land, they had better increase their scoring average (1.75 goals per game) and lower the goals against average (five allowed per game), or they'll be watching Chris Berman give highlights on TV during the playoffs.

On a different note, it seems the NHL brings in a crop of great rookies each season to replace the aging players, and this season is no different. Two early favorites for Rookie of the Year honors are New York Islander Brett (Eric's little brother) Lindros and Boston Bruins goaltender Blaine Lacher.

"Little" Lindros is built amazingly like his older brother and plays the power game as well. The Islanders are looking for Lindros to come up with some scoring to take the load off Pierre Turgeon. Besides filling the nets, Lindros (whom Eric refers to as 'Bubba') will be asked

to throw around his muscle and keep other forwards off the Islander doorstep.

The Brothers Lindros recently played in their first competitive game against each other at any level. Little brother Brett came out fast, putting big brother Eric on his back in the first period with a crunching check that brought the Long Island fans to their feet. Eric came back with two goals. But in the end, Brett had the last laugh, as the Isles outlasted the Flyers, 4-3, at Nassau Coliseum.

When the Bruins returned from the lockout, they had one big question mark — who would be the goalie? Coach Brian Sutter had four possibilities: Vincent Riendeau, John Blue, number one draft pick Evgeny Rybchekov and free agent rookie Lacher.

The sensible pick would have been to go with Riendeau and pray. But Sutter, not known for being totally sensible, was quite impressed with Lacher in camp before and after the labor dispute.

Lacher was thrown into the starting role in the season opener and has responded quite nicely. In his first two games, Lacher stoned both the Flyers and the Rangers, 4-1, and, 2-1, respectively.

Shaq, Magic continue to dazzle basketball's Atlantic Division

It's hard to believe, but the midway point in the NBA is nearly upon us — less than three weeks until All-Star Weekend.

When the word "All-Star" is mentioned certain teams around the league come to mind. The Orlando Magic shot out of the gates early and hasn't fallen from the top of their division yet. Shaq has remained steady as he leads the league in scoring, but the key for the Magic this season has been the play of the other four. Anfernee Hardaway is having a banner season, contributing 21 points a night, and teammate Nick Anderson has been on fire from long range. Anderson's 98 three-pointers is the third highest total in the league.

Orlando's competition in the Atlantic, the New York Knicks, have quickly started to silence critics after going 12-12 at the start of the season. New York has managed to turn things around without the services of veteran forward Charles Oakley, who's not expected back until after the All-Star game.

Charlotte, Cleveland, Indiana and Chicago have all combined to make the Central Division the toughest in the east. The Cavaliers have proven defense does win games, as they have held their opponents to a

From the FOUL LINE

By Josh Howe



league-best 91 points per game.

Charlotte's Larry Johnson and Alonzo Mourning have finally been healthy at the same time. More importantly for the Hornets, L.J. appears to be recovered from surgery. He is scoring 18 a night.

Despite an unhappy Scottie Pippen who wants to leave town as soon as he can, Chicago has hung close to the top of the Central. The Bulls' position looks even more impressive when just three players are averaging double figures.

The Western Conference has proved so far that it is aiming to take the NBA title once again. Phoenix has continued to shine as the off-season acquisitions of Danny Manning and Wayman Tisdale prove successful.

The biggest surprise out of the Valley of the Sun has been the play of point guard Elliot Perry, filling in for injured All-Star Kevin Johnson and averaging 10 points a contest.

Seattle continues to remain on the heels of the Suns, but the big story

in the Pacific has been the play of the L.A. Lakers. Del Harris guides a Laker team that won all of 33 games last season with 23 wins already this year. Cedric Ceballos and Nick Van Exel have led the Lakers this season. Ceballos was a steal for L.A., as he is averaging 22 an outing, and Van Exel continues to be deadly from long range, connecting 95 times from downtown.

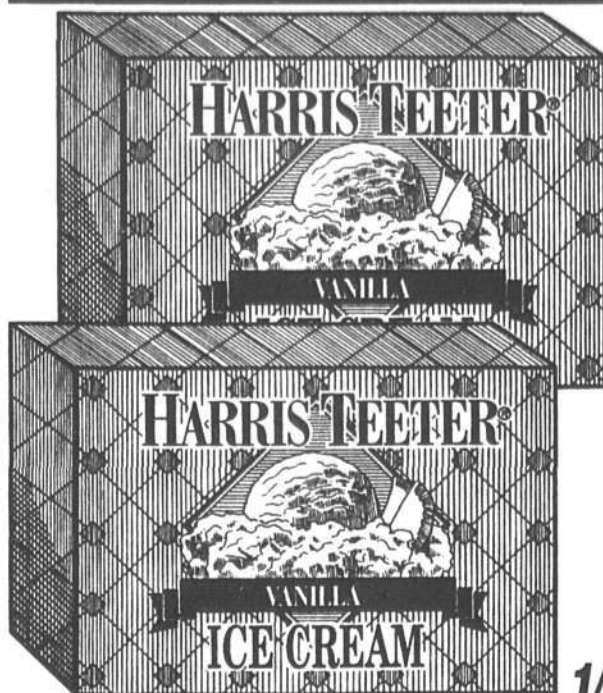
The Utah Jazz's road warrior attitude has Karl Malone and company finally believing this is the year.

Utah is on top of the division, but Hakeem Olajuwon and the Houston Rockets are right behind, as "The Dream" is having another MVP-like season.

The question mark in this division comes out of the Mile-High city where it's sink-or-swim time for the Denver Nuggets after Head Coach Dan Issel stepped down. Denver has remained strong despite the early season-ending injury to LaPhonso Ellis, as Rodney Rogers has stepped in nicely.

Dallas continues to improve, especially Jimmy Jackson and Jamal Mashburn, who appear ready to bring the team the leadership it lacks. To this point, though, playoff hopes for the Mavs may be stretching it a bit too far.

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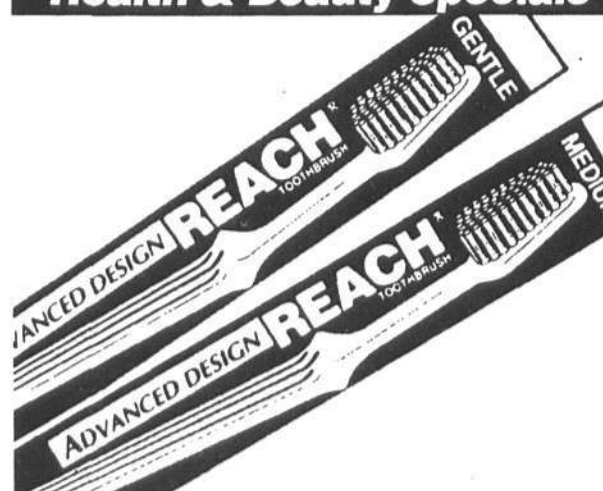
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Sports Schedule

Men's Basketball

The Flames will be home to battle UMBC on Saturday, Feb. 4, at 7:30 p.m., and Towson State at home on Monday, Feb. 6, at 7:30 p.m.

Women's Basketball

The Lady Flames will be on the road to play UMBC on Saturday, Feb. 4, at 2 p.m.

The team will also travel to Towson State on

Monday, Feb. 6, for a 7 p.m. game.

Indoor Track

The indoor track squads will compete in the Virginia Tech Quad Meet on Saturday, Feb. 4.

Hockey

The team's next scheduled games are against Duke at the Roanoke Civic Center on Friday, Feb. 10, and Saturday, Feb. 11. Both games will be at 11:45 p.m.

Flames Scoreboard



M Basketball

RECORD: 8-9, 3-3

January 28
Virginia Tech-Liberty, Stats
HOKIES 101, FLAMES 70

Virginia Tech
Liberty
47 54-101
25 45-79

Virginia Tech—D. Jackson 1-3 3-4 5, Mann 2-2 1-1 6, Gaskin 2-3 2-4 8, Cusis 11-17 3-4 25, Good 8-13 2-2 19, Watlington 2-2 0-1 4, T. Jackson 6-10 3-4 15.

Smith 6-14 7-8 19, Brandon 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 38-64 21-28 101.

Liberty—Aluma 8-18 5-7 21, Taylor 5-7 0-0 15, Pothoven 0-2 0-0 0, Jackson 4-11 0-0 11, Caldwell 1-1 0-0 3, Luther 0-1 0-0 0, Sorenson 0-1 0-0 0, Benton 3-8 1-2 7, Hall 1-1 1-2 3, Dixon 2-4 4-8 8, Reed 0-4 0-0 0, Johnson 1-2 0-0 2, Totals 25-60 11-15 70.

Three-point goals—Virginia Tech 4-11 (Gullory 2), Liberty 9-21 (Taylor 5). Rebounds—Virginia Tech 39 (Cusis 11), Liberty 30 (Reed 6). Assists—Virginia Tech 22 (Smith 7), Liberty 17 (Reed 8). Turnovers—Virginia Tech 8 (Good 4), Liberty 18 (Reed 5). Steals—Virginia Tech 12 (Good 5), Liberty 4 (Aluma 3). Blocked Shots—Virginia Tech 5 (T. Jackson 2), Liberty 3 (Aluma 3). Attendance—8,547. Officials—Terry McAulay, Keith Maxwell, John Costabile.

W Basketball

RECORD: 4-11, 2-4

January 28
Radford-Liberty, Stats
HIGHLANDERS 51, LADY FLAMES 48

Radford 22 29-51 27 21-48

Radford—Lampert 0-0 0-0 0, Miles 2-6 4-6 9, Howard 0-0 0-0 0, Goode 3-12 0-0 6, Bridges 1-1 0-0 2, Gardner 2-10 2-2 7, Fontaine 0-0 0-0 0, Logemann 1-6 3-6 5, Fisher 3-7 0-0 8, Larsen 1-9 1-2 3, McNeil 3-9 5-6 11, Totals 16-61 15-22 51.

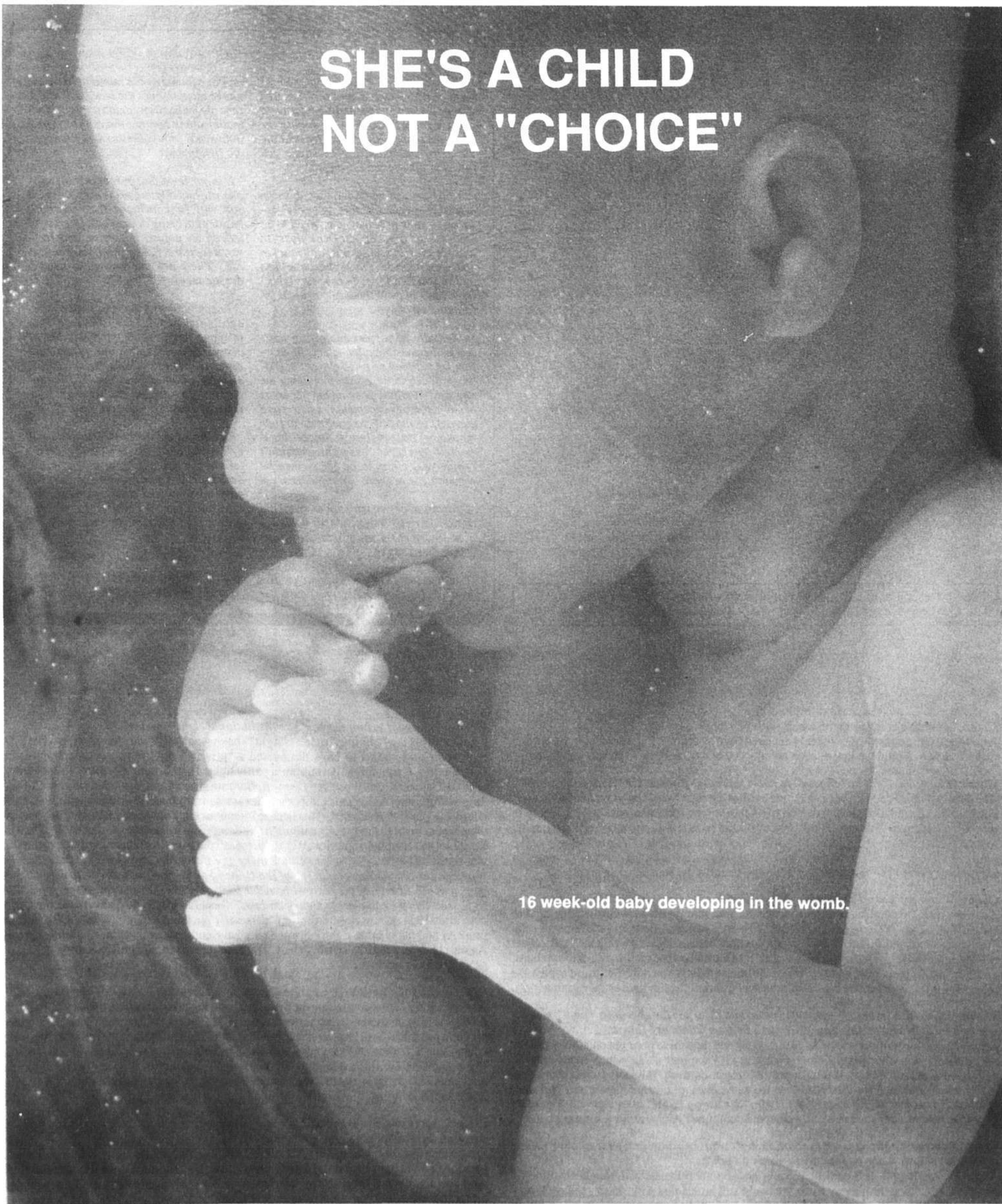
Liberty—Eaddy 0-2 0-0 0, Willie 0-0 0-0 0, Ratcliffe 0-0 0-0 0, Holloway 6-15 3-7 15, Williams 2-4 0-0 4, Stinnett 2-10 0-0 6, A. Johnson 0-6 3-4 3, M. Johnson 0-0 0-0 0, McDaniel 3-13 2-3 6, Hopkins 1-2 0-0 2, Wyms 1-9 0-1 2, K. Johnson 3-4 0-1 6, Totals 18-65 8-16 48.

Three-point goals—Radford 4-14 (Fisher 2), Liberty 4 (Stinnett 2, K. Johnson 2). Rebounds—Radford 47 (Logemann 11), Liberty 57 (Williams 14). Assists—Radford 7 (Goode 3), Liberty 7 (Holloway 4). Turnovers—Radford 13 (Miles 4), Liberty 18 (Holloway 6). Steals—Radford 8 (Logemann 2, Fisher 2), Liberty 6 (McDaniel 3). Attendance—528. Officials—Jerry Henderson, Bristol Martin.



SHE'S A CHILD NOT A "CHOICE"

16 week-old baby developing in the womb.



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Dear Reader:

If you're in a crisis pregnancy, or know someone who is, please be assured that we understand the emotional trauma you are going through—the doubts, the fears, the sense of shame and frustration. We know the agonizing decisions you face and the pressures you feel.

At first blush, opting for an abortion probably sounds like the "quick-fix" solution to your problem. You need to be advised, as this supplement does in numerous articles, that abortion is not in your best interest. Those who have been telling you that it's a "women's rights" issue have been withholding critical information from you.

Actually, if you are subjecting yourself to the possible after-effects of abortion, as outlined on page eleven; or putting yourself in the position of being the anguished mother pouring out her heart from personal experience (also page eleven); or making yourself two to four times more prone to breast cancer (documented by recent research), shouldn't people who claim to be for women be warning you of these consequences?

Perhaps abortion isn't about women's rights after all! What then, or whom, is it about? The answer can be found within these pages.

For instance, isn't it exciting to discover, as Dr. Jerome Lejeune points out

on page four that the miniaturized language mapping out the new baby at the time of fertilization contains more information about him/her than can be stored in five sets (not volumes) of Encyclopedia Britannica?

It is our hope that in reading this supplement and relating to the preborn child you will be convinced that abortion, besides not being in your best interest, is indeed an unjust, inhumane and irreversible destruction of an innocent human life. There are alternatives to such a drastic measure!

Is carrying your baby to term a manageable decision? Yes it is! Please refer to page five to realize the number of people and organizations ready and eager to help you. Don't hesitate to call on them, whatever your needs. The support is there to see you through your crisis pregnancy - and beyond!

Remember the decision you make will affect you for the rest of your life. Don't let anyone pressure you into a quick decision! We don't pretend to have an easy solution - but a just, manageable, rewarding one, one which you will not regret: continued life for your baby!

Marlene Reid

Marlene Reid, President
Human Life Alliance of Minnesota

The War of Words

Claim: Abortion is legal, therefore, it must be right.

Answer: If child abuse were suddenly declared legal by the U.S. Supreme Court, would that make it right? Would we ignore such an injustice and do nothing to protect the children?

Claim: I have the right to "choose" to abort my baby, a woman's "right to choose!"

Answer: Abraham Lincoln once said "No one has the right to choose to do what is wrong." Furthermore, the advocates who defend this "choice" are not consistent. Why is it only in the case of abortion they argue that "choice" should be legal and absolute? Using the same rationale, shouldn't people have the right to "choose" to use drugs ("It's my body") or the right to "choose" to practice prostitution? Should our society allow a person to "choose" to kill another person (or have that person killed) to solve the first person's problem?

Claim: The government should not interfere with a woman's "right" to abortion.

Answer: Our Declaration of Independence declares that we have an "inalienable right to Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness." Thomas Jefferson defined government's role, "The care of human life and happiness, and not their destruction, is the first and only object of good government." Pres. Reagan, a defender of the human and civil rights of the preborn, called it "the transcendent right to life of all human beings, the right without which no other rights have any meaning." (Without life, taxation, health-care etc. are immaterial).

Claim: If public money (tax money) is not available to pay for abortions "poor" women will be denied access to abortion. They will be discriminated against.

Answer: Are we obligated to provide cigarettes and alcohol to poor people if they cannot afford them? On the contrary, government is very explicit about which items may be purchased with food stamps. Is this considered discrimination? The same people who argue for "public" subsidies for abortions are the same ones who argue that it is a "private" decision. To quote Congressman Henry Hyde, "We have a 'right' of free speech. Does this mean the government has to buy us a personal computer? A typewriter? A megaphone?"

Claim: I am personally opposed to abortion, but I would not interfere with another's right to have an abortion nor impose my morality on others.

Answer: Analogy -- if President Lincoln and the abolitionists had bought this line of reasoning regarding the slavery issue, we could still be saddled with slavery today. Every law ever passed sets standards which reflect someone's (or a body of law-makers') morality.

Claim: You want to ban women's "constitutional right" to abortion.

Answer: This is a "spurious" or false "right" - having no basis in the constitution. The U.S. Supreme Court claims to have discovered a "privacy" right in the "penumbra" of the Constitution ("penumbra" definition: a partly lighted area around an area of full shadow). Court decisions (*Roe v. Wade* and *Doe v. Bolton*) are aberrations (deviations from truth) and do nothing more than grant temporary license to kill children in the womb, the most dangerous place of residence. This license is tenuous and could be over-ridden by reversal or an amendment to the U.S. Constitution. Indeed, to guarantee the permanent freedom of the slaves and establish rights for all U.S. "persons" the 14th Amendment to the Constitution was passed. It states, "...No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States: nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty, or property without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the law." (emphasis added). In *Roe v. Wade* the Court determined that unborn children are not "persons" even though they have the right to inherit property and many other rights. Some states have entire sections of law outlining Crimes Against Unborn Children in which they, from conception on, are protected from negligent or willful harm or death.

Claim: If legal abortions are banned, women will resort to back alley abortions.

Answer: In 1972, the year before the Supreme Court legalized abortion, a total of 39 women died from illegal abortions, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control. Former abortion provider Carol Everett states, "In the last 18 months I was in the business, we were completing 500 abortions monthly and killing or maiming one woman out of 500" (p.10). If the numbers are this astounding for her four Texas clinics, it doesn't take an expert mathematician to figure out that the number of casualties happening nationwide at the over 3000 supposedly "safe" abortuaries would be in the high hundreds.

Claim: Abortion should be legal to end a pregnancy resulting from rape or incest.

Answer: It is important to remember that the child conceived in rape, or incest, is no less human than any other child. David Reardon's article, (page 8) points out that the very worst solution that can be offered to the pregnant woman at this crisis time in her life is an abortion. Abortion compounds the problem! If a small child were killed in the street by a negligent driver and it was later determined that the child had been conceived in rape, would the driver be held less responsible? Is that child's death less tragic?

Test Your Abortion I.Q.

1. On January 22, 1973 the U.S. Supreme Court legalized abortion through which month of pregnancy? A) 3rd month; B) 4th month; C) 6th month; D) 9th month
2. Since abortion was legalized in 1973 the number of preborn babies' lives extinguished by abortion is: A) 6 million; B) 12 million C) 30 million; D) 32 million
3. Abortion is the leading cause of death in the U.S., causing what percent of total deaths? A) 21%; B) 35%; C) 46%; D) 52%
4. What age group of women have the greatest number of abortions? A) 15 - 19; B) 20 -24; C) 25 -29; D) 30 -34
5. About 10 million Black children have been aborted since abortion was legalized. This is what fraction of the present Black population in the U.S.? A) one-eighth; B) one-fifth; C) one-third; D) one-half
6. Since 1960 the number of babies born out-of-wedlock has risen by what percent? A)60%; B) 105%; C) 250%; D) 419%
7. Women who abort their first child stand how much greater risk of developing breast cancer? A) 3 x; B) 2 x; C) 4 x
8. With the advances in medical science the number of surgical procedures which are now performed on babies in the womb is: A) over 50; B) 80; C) 90; D) over 100
9. One out of every how many preborn babies is killed by abortion? A) two; B) three; C) four; D) six
10. What percent of abortions performed in the U.S. are repeat abortions? A)30%; B) nearly 40%; C) nearly 50%; D) 60%
11. What percent of women who have had abortions experience suicidal tendencies? A) 45%; B) 60%; C) 70%; D) 75%
12. A developing baby's heart begins to beat at: A) 21 days; B) 30 days; C) 45 days; D) 60 days
- 13) How many Americans now have an incurable sexually transmitted disease? A)20 million; B) 36 million; C) 56 million
- 14) Every year up to what number of U.S. women become infertile because of STDs? A)66,000; B)75,000; C)98,000; D)150,000

The answers to these questions can be found on p. 9.

Abortion is Legal During 7th, 8th and 9th Months

In *Roe v. Wade* the Court allowed states to restrict abortions in the 3rd trimester "except where it is necessary... for the preservation of life or health of the mother." However, in *Doe v. Bolton*, the companion case to *Roe*, the Court defined "health" to include "all factors - physical, emotional, psychological, familial, and the woman's age - relevant to the well-being of the patient." Because of this broad definition of "health" the Court, in effect, permitted abortion-on-demand in all fifty states right up until birth for any reason!

Chronology of a New Life

Fertilization: The sperm joins with the ovum to form one cell. This one cell contains the complex genetic blueprint for every detail of human development—the child's sex, hair and eye color, height, skin tone etc.

Month One: The first cell divides within several hours and then cell division continues in an orderly fashion every few hours as the small group of cells travels down the Fallopian tube to the uterus, where the uterine lining has been prepared for implantation. There are over 100 cells present when this tiny embryo reaches the uterus 7 to 10 days after fertilization.

Day 20—foundations of the brain, spinal cord and nervous system are already established; **day 21**—the heart begins to beat in a regular fashion; **day 28**—the backbone, the rest of the skeleton, and muscles are forming—arms, legs, eyes and ears have begun to show. At one month old, the embryo is 10,000 times larger than the original fertilized egg — and developing rapidly. The heart is pumping increased quantities of blood through the system. The placenta forms a unique barrier that keeps the mother's blood separate, but allows food and oxygen to pass to the baby.

Month Two: At 35 days the pre-born baby has all her fingers. Brainwaves can be detected at **day 40**; the brain is controlling 40 sets of muscles as well as the organs. The jaw forms including teeth buds in the gums. The eyelids seal during this time to protect the baby's developing light-sensitive eyes which will reopen in the seventh month. The stomach produces digestive juices and the kidneys have begun to function. The tiny human being responds to touch. By 8 weeks, the developing baby is now referred to as the fetus, a Latin word meaning "young one" or "offspring."

Month Three: Day 63 (9 weeks): Unique fingerprints are evident and never change. The baby now sleeps, awakens and exercises her muscles by turning her head, curling her toes, and opening and closing her mouth - often sucking her thumb. Her palm, when stroked, will make a tight fist. She breathes amniotic fluid to help develop her respiratory system. By 12 wks. all the organs and systems of her body are functioning. The only major activity from now until birth is growth - the increase in her size.

Month Four: By the end of this month (16 weeks) the baby is 8 to 10 inches in length and weighs a half pound or more. Her ears are functioning, and there is evidence that the baby hears her mother's voice and heartbeat, as well as external noises. The umbilical cord has become an engineering marvel, transporting 300 quarts of fluids per day and completing a round-trip of fluids every 30 seconds. Because the preborn child is now larger, the mother usually begins to feel her baby's movements during this month.

Month Five: Half the pregnancy has now passed. The baby is about 12 inches long. If a sound is especially loud or startling, she may jump in reaction to it. Babies born at this stage of development (19 - 20 weeks) are surviving at an increasing rate thanks to advances in medical technology.

Month Six: (24 weeks): Oil and sweat glands are functioning. The baby's delicate skin is protected in the amniotic sac by a special ointment "vernix."

Month Seven: The baby's brain has as many cells as it will have at birth. The preborn child uses the four senses of vision, hearing, taste and touch. Research has documented that she can now recognize her mother's voice.

Month Eight: The skin begins to thicken, with a layer of fat stored underneath for insulation and nourishment. Antibodies increasingly build up. The baby swallows a gallon of amniotic fluid per day, more if it is sweetened. She often hiccups. She has been urinating for several months.

Month Nine: Toward the end of this month, the baby is ready for birth. The average duration of pregnancy is 280 days from the first day of the mother's last menstrual period, but this varies. By this time the infant's heart is pumping 300 gallons of blood per day. In response to signals from the brain the child triggers labor and birth occurs. Of the 45 generations of cell divisions before adulthood, 41 have taken place in the womb. Only four more will come - during the rest of childhood and before adolescence. In developmental terms we spend 90% of our lives in the womb.



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6 Weeks

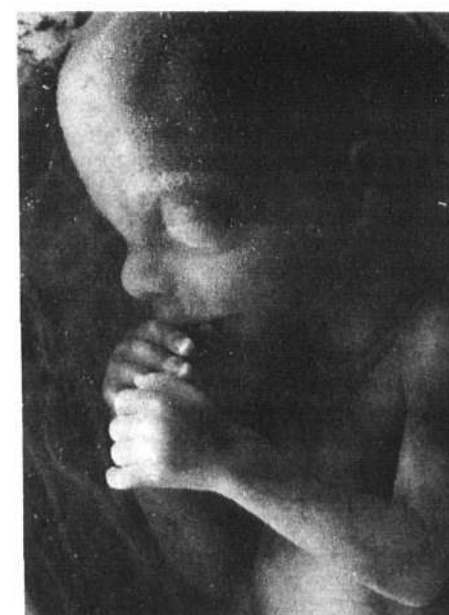


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16 Weeks



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20 Weeks

Life begins at conception

"Each of us has a very precise starting moment which is the time at which the whole necessary and sufficient genetic information is gathered inside one cell, the fertilized egg, and this is the moment of fertilization. There is not the slightest doubt about that and we know that this information is written on a kind of ribbon which we call the DNA."



Dr. Jérôme Lejeune

Jérôme Lejeune, M.D., Ph.D., tells us much about the intricacies of the beginning of human life. Contrary to the popular view that the tiny baby becomes more and more "developed" as the weeks of pregnancy go on, Dr. Lejeune says that the very first cell, the fertilized egg, is "the most specialized cell under the sun." No other cell will ever again have the same instructions in the life of the individual being created.

In the words of Dr. Lejeune, "Each of us has a very precise starting moment which is the time at which the whole necessary and sufficient genetic information is gathered inside one cell, the fertilized egg, and this is the moment of fertilization. There is not the slightest doubt about that and we know that this information is written on a kind of ribbon which we call the DNA."

He explains that the fertilized egg contains more information about the new individual than can be stored in five sets (not volumes) of the Encyclopedia Britannica (if enlarged to normal print). To further emphasize the minuteness of this language, Dr. Lejeune states that if all the one-metre-long DNA of the sperms and all the one-metre-long DNA of the ova which contain the instructions for the 5 billion human beings who will replace us on this planet were brought together in one place the total amount of matter would be roughly the size of two aspirin tablets.

When Dr. Lejeune testified in the Louisiana Legislature (House Committee on the Administration of Criminal Justice, June 7, 1990) he stated, "Recent discoveries by Dr.

Alec Jeffreys of England demonstrate that this information (on the DNA molecule) is stored by a system of barcodes not unlike those found on products at the supermarket... it's not any longer a theory that each of us is unique."

Dr. Lejeune states that because of studies published within the last year we can now determine within three to seven days after fertilization if the new human being is a boy or a girl.

"I see no difference between the early person that you were at conception and the late person which you are now. You were, and are, a human being."

"At no time," Dr. Lejeune says, "is the human being a blob of protoplasm. As far as your nature is concerned, I see no difference between the early person that you were at conception and the late person which you are now. You were, and are, a human being."

In the testimony Dr. Lejeune gave on The Seven Human Embryos (Circuit Court for Blount County, Tennessee at Maryville, Equity Division, August 8-10, 1989) he compared the chromosome to a mini-cassette, in which a symphony is written, the symphony of life. He explained that if you buy a cartridge on which a Mozart symphony has been recorded and insert it

in a player, what is being reproduced is the movement of the air that transmits to you the genius of Mozart. In making the analogy he said, "It's exactly the same way that life is played. On the tiny mini-cassettes which are our chromosomes are written various parts of the opus which is for human symphony, and as soon as all the information necessary and sufficient to spell the whole symphony (is brought together), this symphony plays itself, that is, a new man is beginning his career... as soon as he has been conceived, a man is a man."

Dr. Jérôme Lejeune died on April 3, 1994. Dr. Lejeune of Paris, France was a medical doctor, a Doctor of Science and a professor of Fundamental Genetics for over 20 years. Dr. Lejeune discovered the genetic cause of Down Syndrome, receiving the Kennedy Prize for the discovery and, in addition, received the Memorial Allen Award Medal, the world's highest award for work in the field of Genetics. He practised his profession at the Hôpital des Enfants Malades (Sick Children's Hospital) in Paris.

Dr. Lejeune was a member of the American Academy of Arts and Science, a member of the Royal Society of Medicine in London, The Royal Society of Science in Stockholm, the Science Academy in Italy and Argentina, The Pontifical Academy of Science and The Academy of Medicine in France.

If you would like to obtain a copy of Dr. Lejeune's testimony on *The Seven Human Embryos* send \$4.00 to Human Life Alliance of MN, Inc., 3570 Lexington Ave. N., Suite 301, St. Paul, MN 55126-8087.

Legalized Abortion Based on Lies and Fraud

Norma McCorvey was the "Jane Roe" of *Roe v. Wade*.

Early in 1970 Norma McCorvey claimed that she had been gang-raped and became pregnant. Attorneys Sarah Weddington and Linda Coffee, newly graduated from the University of Texas Law School, needed a "client" in order to challenge Texas' 100-year old law that banned abortions. They convinced Norma that she should be seeking an abortion instead of arranging an adoption for her child.

The case was subsequently argued all the way to the Supreme Court which resulted in legalizing abortion in all 50 states in 1973. In the meantime, the baby was born and released for adoption. In 1987, McCorvey admitted that she hadn't been gang-raped at all but the father was someone she knew and thought she loved. The story of the gang-rape was a lie.

While *Roe v. Wade* legalized abortion, on the same date, *Doe v. Bolton* provided for abortion-on-demand for the entire nine months of pregnancy and was the legal vehicle which provided Court sanction for the over 4000 abortion mills across the country.

Sandra Cano was "Mary Doe" of *Doe v. Bolton*

Sandra Cano now says she was an unwitting participant in fraud on the highest court in the land. Sandra was a young expectant mother with three children facing a divorce from a husband who was in jail for child molestation. Cano's three children had been taken from her by family service workers. They were being shunted from one bad environment to another. Cano loved her children dearly. She was almost insane with grief when she turned to Legal Aid Services for help. The offer of N.O.W. lawyers to take the whole mess off her hands, obtain a divorce and regain custody of her children sounded too good to be true.

When the attorneys hinted that they would like to strike a deal which would include aborting the child Sandra was carrying she made it very clear that she could never do that. Yet, her attorneys ignored her objections and ran roughshod over her. When she realized her case had been used to obtain abortion-on-demand she said, "...why would I stretch my imagination to include a plan so bizarre that it would give people in a civilized society permission to kill their own babies? ... I surely never thought they would tie my personal anxieties about retrieving my children to a scheme to make abortion-on-demand legal." Ironically, the Cano baby, like the McCorvey baby, was carried to term and relinquished for adoption. Yet, 30,000,000 other babies have lost their lives to abortion because of these two cases.

Sarah Weddington was the Attorney

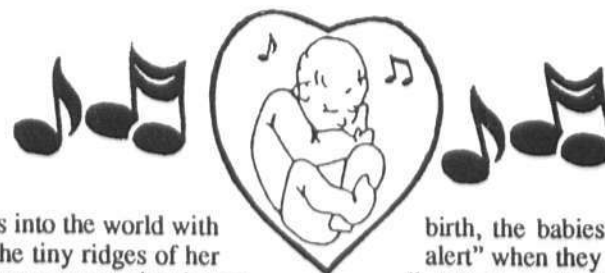
Sarah Weddington, the attorney who argued *Roe v. Wade* before the U.S. Supreme Court, gave a speech at the Education Ethics Institute in Oklahoma. She explained why she defended the sketchy story and false rape charge of a Texas waitress "Jane Roe" all the way to the Supreme Court: "My behavior may not have been totally ethical. But I did it for what I thought were the right reasons." *Tulsa World* 5/24/93.

Playboy Provided the Funding

Hugh Hefner, founder of *Playboy* claims to have done one great thing for women: "Playboy probably had more to do than any other company with *Roe v. Wade*. We supplied the money for those early cases and actually wrote the *amicus curiae* for *Roe*."

Do You Hear What I Hear?

"With no hype at all, the fetus can rightly be called a marvel of cognition, consciousness and sentience."



"She slides into the world with eyes alert, the tiny ridges of her ears living antennae scanning the conversation frequencies in the room. She finds her mother's voice with her ears, and her eyes."

The baby's alertness and awareness begins with early development in the womb. The preborn baby can hear and respond to sound. Car horns can make the baby jump. Her heartbeat quickens.

When Peter Hepper of Queens University in Belfast repeatedly played to 30-week-old fetuses the theme song from a popular soap opera, they relaxed. After

birth, the babies became "quite alert" when they heard the tune.

"...When a loudspeaker directs speech syllables at a mother-to-be's abdomen, the fetus's heart slows, a sign of attentiveness. The heartbeat speeds up as the fetus gets bored with the sounds, then slows again if new ones flow into the womb."

A fetus remembers some experiences and may alter her behavior as a result.

The title, the direct quotes and other pertinent information in this article are taken from: *Newsweek* Special Issue, "How Kids Grow," Summer 1991 (Begley).

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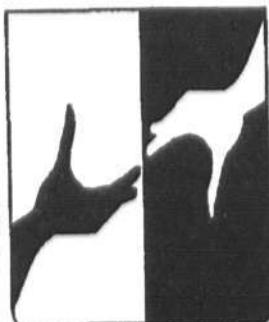


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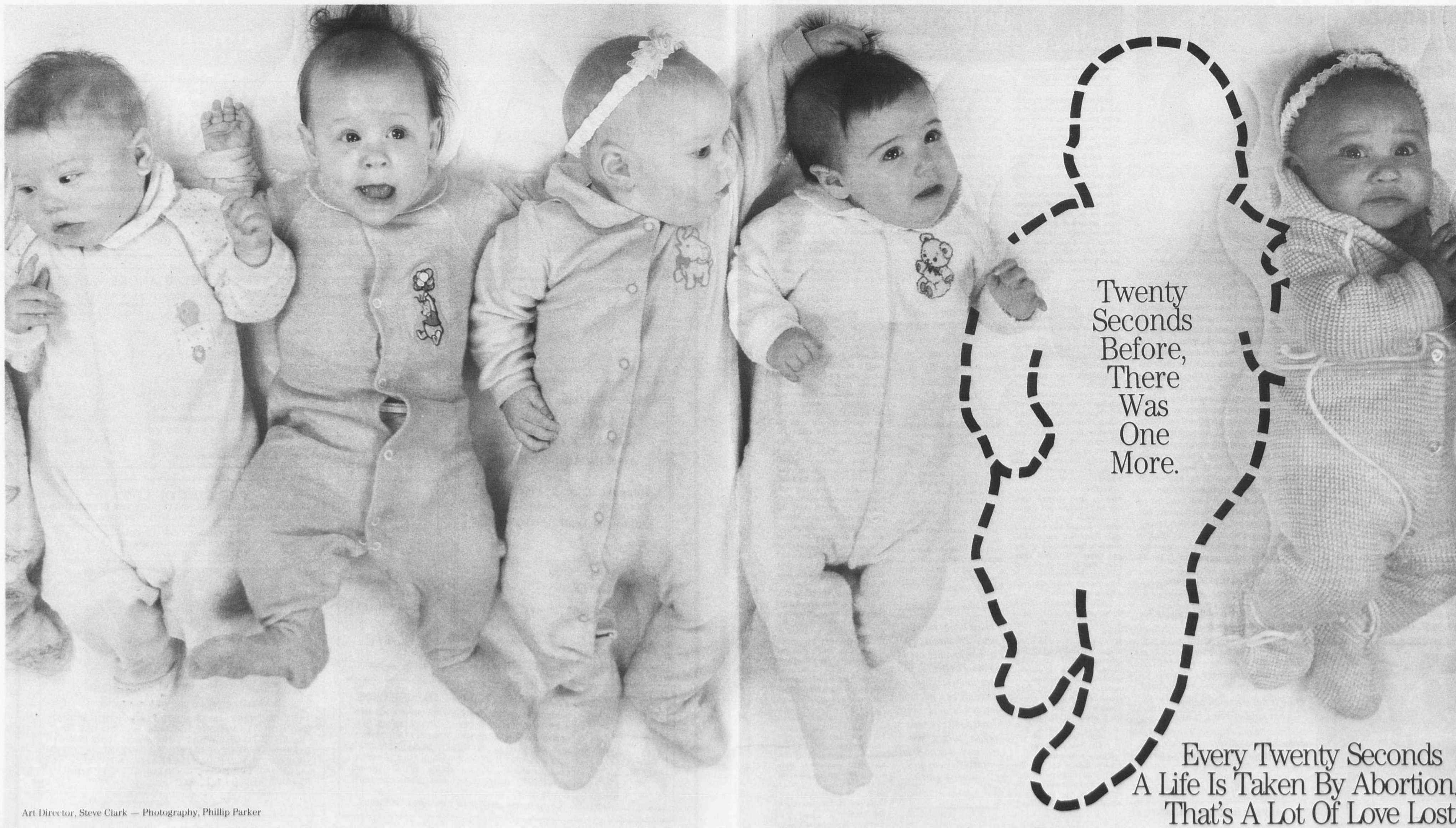
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Guilt, sadness and regret are not uncommon after a choice to end a pregnancy. These feelings may occur a few months or many years after an abortion, and can result in unhealthy distress, depression, poor self-esteem and vague fears. For information about a therapy support group with a licensed professional counselor, call Susan Sisler 463-5875 or 261-8402.

Sometimes you need more than a friend.



Every Twenty Seconds
A Life Is Taken By Abortion...
That's A Lot Of Love Lost.

Birthmother Opts for Adoption... The Loving Alternative

It was the beginning of my junior year in high school. I was excited, looking forward to another year of diving, gymnastics and track. But this excitement quickly came to an end when I realized I was pregnant.

When the pregnancy was confirmed, my mind went racing. It wasn't enough to just say that I was scared - I was terrified! The idea of having an abortion was never a consideration for me. I could not live with the realization that I was responsible for taking the life of my child - a death because of my actions.

My first instincts told me that I needed to raise my child on my own. I knew I could love and care for a child, but when I stopped thinking about myself, and thought about what was best for my child, I knew adoption was the right decision. I was sixteen at the time. I wanted to go back to school for my senior year and wanted to participate fully, in sports etc. I wanted to go on to college.

I knew I could not do all of this and raise a child at the same time. I did not want to have to live with my parents indefinitely and depend on them for everything. I did not want them to be thrust into the role of prime care-givers for my child. It just would not be fair for any of us, for them, myself or the baby. I knew that placing my child for adoption would be the right thing to do, the loving alternative!

The adoption procedure I opted for is not your ordinary plan. I chose to do an independent open adoption. Through this process I was able to select from among the prospective adoptive parents. I had the opportunity to establish a personal relationship with them as well as to develop a lasting friendship. The more I got to know them the more excited I was about placing my baby with this couple. They had so much love and



Lisa O.

security to offer my child. They were there with me in the hospital when my son was born. Their video camcorder ran non-stop.

I will always treasure the three days I spent in the hospital with my son. Handing him over to his new parents was by no means easy, but I knew in my heart that this was the right decision for both of us.

Many tears were shed throughout the nine months and during the hospital stay. But, they were not all tears of sadness. I miss my son very much. I think about him every day and a smile comes to my face. I thank the Lord that He led me to two such special people to be adoptive parents for my child.

It has been several years since my son was born. He now has an adoptive sister. I keep in contact with the family through letters and pictures. I can't begin to explain the feelings of pride and contentment that I experience when I see the smile on his face.

I am now a junior in college majoring in paralegal studies. Relinquishing my son was the hardest decision I will ever have to make but I'm more confident than ever that it was the right one. While in the hospital I received a card which read, "Some people come into our lives, leave footprints on our hearts, and we are never the same." This is so true!

Testimony by Lisa O. of Minnesota.
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Every year over two million requests for adoption go unsatisfied.



18 week-old baby developing in the womb.

*If he is not alive,
why is he growing?*

*If he is not a human being,
what kind of being is he?*

*If he is not a child,
why is he sucking his thumb?*

*If he is a living,
human child,
why is it legal to kill him?*

The abortion experience for victims of rape and incest

by David C. Reardon

Rape and incest are very emotional topics. They often elicit in the general populace feelings of revulsion; people draw back from the issue of rape and incest, even from the victims of rape and incest. People don't know how to handle a person who is in that much pain. There is no quick fix....

Some people who are otherwise very pro-life will condone abortion in rape and incest cases because they don't know what else to offer. And they will accept it as a rare case. This pro-life difficulty in defending the unborn even in rape and incest cases is largely due to ignorance because the facts, as I have found them, show that the victim's needs are not being served by abortion. In fact, rape and incest victims actually suffer considerably from the abortion.

The facts suggest that only a minority of rape and incest victims actually choose abortion¹—so right there, one should pause and reflect. Abortion is not usually chosen as the immediate solution by rape and incest victims but that is the prevailing belief of the general population. A woman has been raped and made pregnant: "Oh, she's got to have an abortion." No one has studied the rape and incest victims' needs; abortion is presumed to fill their needs.

Kathleen DeZeeuw states, "Having lived through rape, and also having raised a child 'conceived in rape,' I feel personally insulted and assaulted every time I hear that abortion should be legal because of rape and incest. I feel that we're being used by pro-abortionists to further the abortion issue, even though we've not been asked to tell our side."

The children conceived through sexual assault also have a voice which deserves to be heard. Julie Makimaa, conceived by an act of rape, works diligently against abortion. She believes every life has a value beyond measure, a purpose which only time can reveal. Not ashamed of her origin, Julie proudly proclaims: "It doesn't matter how I began. What matters is who I will become."

Abortion Adds to the Pain of Rape

Various studies and my own research indicate that rape and incest victims fall into the high risk category of aborters, and the existence of rape or incest is actually a contraindication for

abortion. Jackie Bakker, whose testimony is in my book,² says, "I soon discovered that the aftermath of my abortion continued a long time after the memory of my rape had faded. I felt empty and horrible. Nobody told me about the emptiness and pain I would feel deep within causing nightmares and deep depressions. They had all told me that after the abortion I could continue with my life as if nothing had happened." This is the same story we hear from a lot of aborted women. But for the rape and incest victim it is an especially keen story, because they have been told, "In your situation that is the only thing you can do." And they have been betrayed by that advice.

"I felt empty and horrible... They had all told me that after the abortion I could continue with my life as if nothing had happened."

Victims Gave Reasons to Forego Abortion

Perhaps the best study was done by Dr. Sandra Mahkorn, published in *Psychological Aspects of Abortion*⁶. Dr. Mahkorn was an experienced rape counselor who, in 1979, identified 37 pregnant rape victims who were treated by a social welfare agency. Of these 37, only five chose to have an abortion. Of the 28 who gave birth, 17 chose adoption and 3 kept the child themselves; for the remaining eight, research was unable to determine where the child was placed.

"I was being sexually attacked, threatened by him and betrayed by Mom's silence...the abortion which was to be in 'my best interest' has not been...it only 'saved their reputations,' solved their problems and allowed their lives to go merrily on."

Several reasons were given for not aborting. First, several women felt that abortion was another act of violence—that it was immoral or murder. One said she would only suffer more mental anguish from taking the life of a baby. Second, some saw an intrinsic meaning or purpose to the child. Somehow this child was foisted into their lives but, on the other hand, they sensed some sort of hidden purpose behind it. And although not responsible for having brought the child into being, it had happened, and the consequences could be lived with. Third, at a subconscious level, the rape victim feels that if she can get through the pregnancy she will have conquered the rape. Outlasting pregnancy shows she is better than the rapist who brutalized her. Giving birth, then, is the way rape victims seek to reclaim their self-esteem. It is a totally selfless act, a generous act, especially in light of the pressure to abort. It is a way for them to display their courage and strength to survive even a rape.

In her study, Mahkorn found that feelings or issues relating to the rape experience were the primary concern for most of the pregnant rape victims—not pregnancy. While 19%—a significant number—placed primary emphasis on their need to confront their feelings about the pregnancy, including feelings of resentment and hostility towards the unborn child, the primary difficulty they experienced with the rape pregnancy was pressure from other people who saw the pregnancy as a blot to be eliminated. Family and friends just weren't supportive of the woman's choice to bear the child.

Dr. Mahkorn also found that, in the group who carried their pregnancies to term, none, at the end of pregnancy, wished she had decided on an abortion. Abortion therefore inhibits the healing to the rape victim and reinforces negative attitudes.

Abortion Reinforces Women's Powerlessness

Another example from my book is Vanessa Landry, another rape victim who said, "I didn't really want to have the abortion. I have always been against abortion all my life. People think that whenever anyone is raped, they have to have an abortion. My social worker just kept telling me all kinds of things to encourage me to have the abortion. They didn't give me any other option except to abort."

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WHICH IS MORE VALUABLE?



AN UNBORN EAGLE



AN UNBORN CHILD

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Does something seem wrong to you? It is! If you are troubled by this injustice help us save the unborn babies and educate the public to the harsh realities of abortion. If you or someone you know is facing a crisis pregnancy, we'd like to help. We can refer you for specific needs. All human life is sacred! There are many alternatives to abortion!

See page 5 for individuals and organizations who will assist you.

Answers to Abortion I.Q. Quiz

1) D; 2) D; 3) C; 4) B; 5) C; 6) D; 7) B; 8) D; 9) B; 10) C; 11) B; 12) A; 13) C (one in five); 14) D

The Declaration of Independence begins with:

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Abortion Techniques Described

Suction-Aspiration: The method of abortion most commonly used for early pregnancies. The abortionist inserts a hollow plastic tube into the dilated uterus. The tube is connected to a powerful suction apparatus. The suction tears the baby's body into pieces.

Dilatation and curettage (D and C): Similar to the suction procedure except the abortionist inserts a tiny hoe-like instrument into the uterus. With this, the abortionist cuts the baby into pieces and scrapes him/her out into a basin. Bleeding is usually profuse.

Dilatation and evacuation (D and E): Used after 12 weeks. A pliers-like instrument is needed because the baby's bones are calcified, as is the skull. The abortionist inserts the instrument into the uterus, seizes a leg or other part of the body and, with a twisting motion, tears it from the baby's body. The spine must be snapped and the skull crushed in order to remove them from the womb.

Salt poisoning (saline injection): This is used after 16 weeks. A long needle is inserted through the mother's abdomen into the baby's sac. Some fluid is removed and a strong salt solution is injected. The solution is swallowed and "breathed" and slowly poisons the baby. He/she kicks and jerks violently as he/she is literally being burned alive.

Hysterotomy or Caesarean Section: Used mainly in the last three months of pregnancy, the womb is entered by surgery through the wall of the abdomen. The tiny baby is removed and allowed to die by neglect or direct act.

Prostaglandin chemical abortion: This form of abortion uses chemicals, developed by the Upjohn Pharmaceutical Co., which cause the uterus to contract intensely, pushing out the developing baby. In one article, one of the complications listed with this method was "live birth." In fact, the two most "dreaded" complications for an abortionist are a dead mother or a live baby.

Dilatation and Extraction (D and X) Late Term Abortions

(The authenticity of the following information has been confirmed in an article in the American Medical Association's Newsletter, *American Medical News*, in the July 5, 1993 edition).

At a September 13-14, 1992 meeting of the National Abortion Federation, a trade association of abortion providers, an Ohio abortionist, Dr. Martin Haskell, described this new technique he has perfected. Unlike the D & E procedure whereby the preborn child is dismembered inside the mother's womb, with the D & X method the preborn baby is alive until the end of the procedure when the child is killed by suctioning the brain tissue through a hole at the base of the skull while the baby's head is still inside the uterus. Then the intact aborted child, minus brain content, is removed from the womb.

According to the paper presented by Dr. Haskell the procedure takes three days and begins with "dilation (and) MORE DILATION." The cervix is initially dilated to 9-11 mm. with mechanical dilators, in order to accommodate the placement of five to seven synthetic laminaria, Dilapan hydroscopic dilators, which remain in place overnight.

The following morning the Dilapan are removed and replaced with a second insertion of 15 to 25 dilators, again left overnight. The Dilapan process may cause severe cramping.

On the third day, after removing the dilators, the abortionist ruptures the membranes, if this has not already happened, and drains the amniotic fluid. The abortionist places an ultrasound transducer on the mother's abdomen and locates the child's legs and feet.

The abortionist then uses a large forceps to grasp one of the baby's legs. He pulls firmly, forcing the child into a feet-down position. He continues pulling until the baby's leg is drawn into the birth canal.

Next, using his hands instead of forceps, the abortionist delivers the baby's body in a manner similar to a breech birth. First, the child's other leg is delivered, followed by the torso, shoulders, and arms. The baby's head "usually" remains inside the uterus.

The abortionist then performs the last step which Dr. Haskell calls "fetal skull decompression." Using blunt-tipped surgical scissors in a closed position, he pierces the child's head at the base of the skull. He then forces the scissors open to enlarge the skull opening.

Removing the scissors, the abortionist inserts a suction catheter into the wound and vacuums out the child's brain tissue (in Dr. Haskell's words, "evacuates the skull contents") causing the baby's death. With the skull emptied of brains, it collapses and he then "applies traction to the (dead) fetus removing it completely from the patient."

Dr. Haskell has performed over 700 of these abortions on preborn babies as old as 26 weeks. Dr. Haskell refers to another abortionist, Dr. James McMahon of McMahon Med. Center and Eve Surgical Centers in Los Angeles and Tarzana, CA, who not only also uses this technique but sometimes uses it to abort preborn children up to 32 weeks "or more."

Barbara Radford, Executive Director of the National Abortion Federation said of this late-term abortion technique, in a 6/18/93 letter to NAF members, "Don't apologize: this is a legal abortion procedure."

+++++ American War Casualties +++++

Each cross-mark represents 50,000 people killed. The war casualties represent all American combat-related deaths.

Revolutionary War	(25,324)	+
Civil War	(498,332)	+++++
World War I	(116,708)	+++
World War II	(407,316)	+++++
Korean War	(54,246)	+
Vietnam War	(58,655)	+
Gulf War	(293)	
War On The Unborn	(32,000,000)	+++++

Rape and Incest

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They said I was just another minority bringing a child into the world and there were too many already.⁷ Here is a woman who is being victimized not only because she is a rape victim, but also because she is black and a minority and she has a low income. That is one of the stories that upsets me the most.

Childbirth can be a victory. For the majority of pregnant rape victims who wisely choose to forego abortion, childbirth is the choice of triumph over rape. It is a choice that says, "Rape will not dictate my life." It allows them to show their own courage and generosity. When the need of pregnant rape victims is carefully examined, it can be shown the abortion is not necessary and indeed is very likely to hinder recovery by increasing feelings of guilt, shame and low self-esteem.

Like Incest, Abortion Promotes Silence

Incest victims face similar problems. Incest is a very complex issue and it is hard to say much in a very short period of time, but the vast majority of incest victims want to carry their pregnancy to term. These are young girls for whom pregnancy is a way to break out of an incestuous relationship with their father, whom they may love despite their confusion and resentment about the way they have been used as sexual objects. Since they still love the father, having the child can not only help expose the incestu-

ous relationship but also give hope of beginning a truly loving relationship.

In studies of incest victims, the vast majority choose to carry the pregnancy to term.⁸ Those in the minority who have an abortion do so only under pressure from their parents to conceal the incestuous relationship. Because incest is a family pathology that involves father, mother and daughter, all are involved in a conspiracy of silence.⁹

I interviewed Edith Young, now 38 years old, who was a rape and incest victim at 12 years of age. To cover up the incident, her parents procured an abortion for her without telling her what was to happen. The emotional and physical scars of incest and abortion still last to this day. She said, "I was being sexually attacked, threatened by him and betrayed by Mom's silence...the abortion which was to be in 'my best interest' has not been...it only 'saved their reputations,' solved their problems and allowed their lives to go merrily on."¹⁰

Pro-life persons don't have any reason to be ashamed to defend a pro-life view in the case of rape or incest. The ones who need to be ashamed are the pro-abortionists who have been exploiting the problems of rape and incest victims, confusing the public and promoting abortion for their own social engineering goals. To my knowledge, pro-abortionists have never yet brought together a group of rape and incest victims who carried their pregnancies to term who said, "Oh, that was the worst thing I

ever did. Why didn't somebody give me an abortion when I needed it?"

We, on the other hand, can produce women who took the advice of the pro-abortionists, had the abortion and now say, "This abortion ruined my life. What were you telling me?" We need to join rape and incest victims in demanding that pro-abortionists stop exploiting the pain of innocent women's problems for their own political ends.

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³&⁴Text omitted.

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Carol Everett was involved in the abortion industry in the Dallas/Ft. Worth, Texas, area from 1977 until 1983. As director of four clinics, owner of two, Ms. Everett was responsible for the clinics' daily operation. Everett, who had an abortion soon after it became legal in 1973, now speaks out on...

"What I Saw in the Abortion Industry"

Q What is the governing force behind the abortion industry?
A. Money. It is a very lucrative business. It is the largest unregulated industry in our nation. Most of the clinics are run in chains because it is so profitable.

Q How much money were you making in the abortion industry before you quit?
A. I was getting a commission of \$25.00 on every abortion I "sold". In 1983, the year I got out, I would have pocketed approximately \$250,000. But, in 1984 we expected to be operating five clinics, terminating about 40,000 pregnancies, and with that projection I planned to net \$1 million. Money, Money, Money — that's where my heart was.

Q Why do you refer to "selling" abortions?
A. The product, abortion, is skillfully marketed and sold to the woman at the crisis time in her life. She buys the product, finds it defective and wants to return it for a refund. But, it's too late. Her baby is dead.

Q In what way is the woman deceived?
A. In two ways — the clinic personnel and the marketers must deny the personhood of the child and the pain caused by the procedure. Every woman has two questions, "Is it a baby?" and "Does it hurt?" The abortionist must answer "NO." He/she must lie to secure the consent of the woman and the collection of the clinic's fee. The women were told that we were dealing with a "product of conception" or a "glob of tissue." They were told that there would be only slight cramping, whereas, in reality, an abortion is excruciatingly painful.

Q What type of counseling was offered at the clinics?
A. In the clinics in which I was involved we didn't do any real counseling. We answered only the questions the woman asked and tried not to "rock the boat." We did not discuss alternatives to abortion unless the woman forced us to. We sold abortions.

Q What method of abortion did your clinics use?
A. For the most part, the abortion industry stopped using saline and prostaglandin procedures because of the number of live births. A live birth means you have to let the baby die, or dispose of it in some distasteful way. Most second and third trimester abortionists use the D & E (dilation and evacuation) method. The abortionist uses large forceps to crush the baby inside the mother's uterus and remove it in pieces. The side effects of live births and the mother going through labor are avoided. But it is a horrible procedure in which the baby must be re-constructed outside the uterus to be certain all the parts have been removed.



Carol Everett

Q How did you dispose of an aborted baby?
A. In our clinics, we put them down the garbage disposal. We used the heavy duty model. Some second and third trimester babies' muscle structure is so strong that the baby will not come apart, so they must be disposed of through trash receptacles.

Q Abortion is supposed to be a "safe" experience. What complications did you witness?
A. We were doing a one-day traumatic dilation, which has a higher rate of complication. In the last 18 months I was in the business, we were completing over 500 abortions monthly and killing or maiming one woman out of 500. Common complications that take place are perforations or tears in the uterus. Many of those result in hysterectomies. The doctor might cut or harm the urinary tract, which then requires surgical repair. A complication that is rarely publicized is the one in which the doctor perforates the uterus and pulls the bowels through the vagina, resulting in colostomy. Some of those can be reversed, some must live with the colostomy for the remainder of their lives.

Q How did you keep these complications and deaths from the public?
A. The woman would be loaded into my car (an ambulance outside an abortion clinic is terrible advertising) and transported to a hospital that would protect the doctor and the abortion clinic's reputation. The concern is not with the patient only in keeping an unblemished reputation. You have a built-in cover-up with the patients' family. They are dealing with their guilt and emotions over the situation and do not want to deal with the added pressure of exposing the truth through the media.

Q Why did you get out of the abortion business?
A. Two things came into play at about the same time. I experienced a profoundly religious transformation—a conversion. At about the time I was having second thoughts a Dallas television station did an expose disclosing the abortions performed at my clinic on non-pregnant women — all for money! I finally realized, "We weren't helping women — we were destroying them — and their children." By then my transformation was complete and I knew that I not only had to stop being involved with abortions but I had to help promote the truth.

Planned Parenthood Ignores Own Advice

In 1963, a Planned Parenthood publication, *Plan Your Children For Health and Happiness*, stated: "An abortion kills the life of a baby after it has begun. It is dangerous to your life and health." Yet Planned Parenthood now operates the nation's largest number of abortion mills. Consider this quote taken from *New Dimensions* magazine (Sept/Oct 1991, p. 22): "Planned Parenthood recently acknowledged what the anti-abortion camp has been saying for years: 9 out of 10 women who have 'safe and legal' abortions suffer from abortion-induced trauma."

ABORTION:

Possible Effects on Your Body

Immediate

- Intense pain •Punctured uterus •Excessive bleeding
- Infection •Parts of baby left inside •Shock/Coma
- Damage to other organs •Death

Later

- Inability to become pregnant again •Miscarriage/Stillbirths •Tubal Pregnancies
- Premature births •Pelvic inflammatory disease
- Hysterectomy •Two to Four times Higher Risk of Developing Breast Cancer

"People do not understand that there are thousands of serious physical complications from abortion every year in this country." Dr. Bernard Nathanson, OB-GYN,

"The inherent risk of abortion is not fully appreciated, both by many in the profession and certainly not by the public." The American Colleges of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

Possible Effects on Your Emotions

The Most Common

- Guilt •Desire to become pregnant again
- Depression/Crying •Inability to forgive yourself •Intense grief/sadness
- Anger/Rage •Emotional numbness
- Sexual problems •Lowered self-esteem
- Nightmares •Anorexia or other eating disorders
- Drug or alcohol abuse •Suicidal urges

"Abortion has a painful aftermath, regardless of the woman's religious beliefs, or how positive she may have felt beforehand about her decision to abort." Vincent Rue, Ph.D., Psychologist.

Post Abortion Syndrome

(Women suffering mental and emotional anguish following an abortion)

Dr. Anne Speckhard, Ph.D, in her study on Post Abortion Syndrome, found the following effects on women.

Events Related to Abortion

- 23% had hallucinations related to the abortion
- 35% perceived visitation from the aborted child
- 54% had nightmares related to the abortion
- 69% experienced feelings of "craziness"
- 73% had flashbacks of abortion experience
- 81% had a preoccupation with the aborted child

Most Common Behavioral Problems After Abortion

- 61% increased their use of alcohol
- 65% had thoughts of suicide
- 69% were sexually inhibited
- 73% had flashbacks of the abortion
- 77% experienced an inability to communicate
- 81% experienced frequent crying

Problems ... after an abortion?

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 Additional Resources listed on Page 5

A Mother's Anguished Letter to Her Aborted Child

Even after years have intervened, a woman cannot forget the life that her decision took

Ten years ago yesterday, I carried you beneath my heart. Ten years ago today, I stopped the beating of your heart. I, your mother, the one who gave you life, also gave you death.

It's been a decade and still my blood runs cold and I catch my breath whenever I hear the word "abortion." There's an emptiness inside of me that can never be filled, a chill that has never quite been warmed, a grief that will never end. To me you will forever remain an unfinished song, a flower that never bloomed, a sunrise clouded by rain.

Even during your last fragile moments of life, I wondered, "Is my baby a boy or a girl?" The question ran through my mind again and again as I tried to block out the sickening sounds of you being suctioned from my womb and from my life. I seemed to have a burning need to know whether I would have had a son or a daughter, yet somehow I couldn't bear to ask such an indelicate question of the doctor who stood smiling above me. Instead, I simply nodded in defeat and sadness as this man in white

patted my trembling hand and said, "Now — aren't you glad it's all over?"

As I lay there drowning in my own blood, tears and sweat, I could hear the nurses chattering about co-workers, new cars and clothes.

To these people, the extermination of your life was simply a job — "making a living by destroying the living." To those gathered in that sunny room in Philadelphia 10 years ago, it was just another day. To me, it was the darkest day I had ever known.

"The Abortion" — the most heart-wrenching, terrible experience I had suffered through in my 18 years; certainly the most painful experience suffered by you in your three short months. It has taken me all these years to get over it.

Now — as my eyes fill with tears, I realize that this is something I will never "get over." That fateful April day has replayed itself over and over in my mind like a horror movie one forces oneself to watch, then can never forget. . . .

Even in my distraught state of mind, I knew

that there were other choices. I was simply too scared to consider the alternatives. Still a child myself, I "wasn't ready" to be a mother.

What I didn't realize then was that I already was a mother. You became my child at the moment of conception; my love for you began when your life began, and although your life ended, that love has never died.

Your silent screams have awakened me from sleep many times over the years, and I have lain in the dark and mourned the loss of the baby I killed. There have even been times when I've contemplated ending my own life as I ended yours.

It's been 10 years and still I haven't forgiven myself. Have you forgiven me? Has God forgiven me for destroying a being created by Him?

I've had many nightmares through the years. Scenes of a tiny fetus in a trash bag haunt my subconscious. I've awakened in a cold sweat, again feeling the excruciating pain of that long-ago day. I recall the intense physical pain of the abortion — but those 10 min-

utes of hurt were nothing compared to the 10 years of pain I've lived with since.

For years my heart has ached to write you this letter, but whenever I attempted to put my feelings into words, I found the blank pages covered with tears rather than with ink. For some reason, though, tonight was different. . . .

Perhaps this letter was meant to be written in order to help others to avoid the agony I experienced, to help other young girls "in trouble," as I was 10 years ago, to realize that there *are* alternatives to abortion. . . .

If this letter prevents even one abortion, it will have served a purpose. But Baby, my purpose in sending this letter to you is to let you know that I love you — whoever you are. And I'm sorry.

Love, Mommy

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How Developed Is Your Baby?



Baby at Approximately Six Weeks

This remarkable photograph of a tiny pre-born baby in his unruptured amniotic sac was taken after surgery (for a tubal pregnancy) at the University of Minnesota by medical photographer, Robert Wolfe, in 1972. This picture demonstrates the remarkable early development of a preborn baby at only six weeks after conception.

Consider This Testimony

"Eleven years ago while giving an anesthetic for a ruptured ectopic pregnancy (at 8 weeks gestation). I was handed what I believe was the smallest living human ever seen. The embryonic sac was intact and transparent. Within the sac was a tiny human male swimming extremely vigorously in the amniotic fluid, while attached to the wall by the umbilical cord. This tiny human was perfectly developed, with long, tapering fingers, feet and toes. It was almost transparent, as regards the skin, and the delicate arteries and veins were prominent to the ends of the fingers.

"The baby was extremely alive and swam about the sac approximately one time per

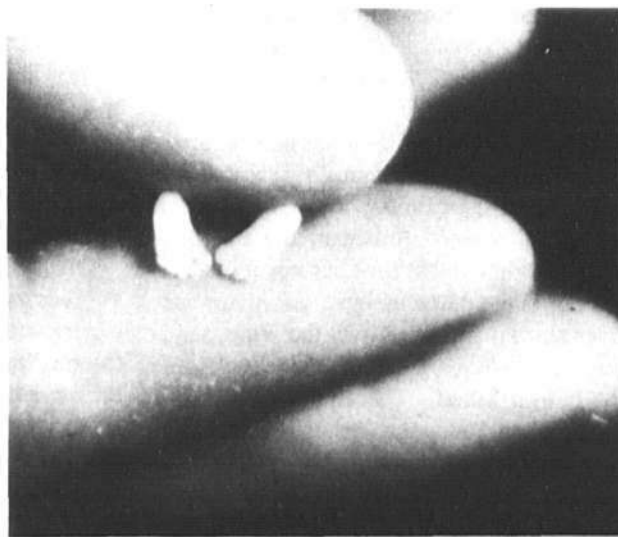
second, with a natural swimmer's stroke. This tiny human did not look at all like the photos and drawings and models of 'embryos' which I had seen, nor did it look like a few embryos I have been able to observe since then, obviously because this one was alive!

"When the sac was opened, the tiny human immediately lost his life and took on the appearance of what is accepted as the appearance of an embryo at this stage of life (with blunt extremities etc.)."

Statement by Paul E. Rockwell, M.D., anesthesiologist, as quoted by Dr. and Mrs. J.C. Willke in *Handbook on Abortion*.

Feet of Baby at Ten Weeks

Dr. Russell Sacco of Oregon took this picture of the perfectly formed feet of a 10-week-old aborted baby waiting for disposal in a pathologist's laboratory. The feet in the picture are held between the doctor's thumb and forefinger.



Don't Make My Mistakes



Michelle C.

Some people say that abortion is "an informed decision between a woman and her physician." You hear that a lot. But the fact is that most women never meet the abortionist until they are on the table, as happened in my case.

I was 18 years old when I got pregnant. I wasn't serious about my boyfriend. It was a casual relationship. Since I had already enlisted in the Air Force, I thought I had to have an abortion in order to make something out of my life.

*My best friend drove me to the abortion clinic. I was there for about four hours. It was like an assembly line. When the ultrasound was being done I asked to see it. But this wasn't allowed (so much for "an informed decision"). Then I asked how far along I was. I was told I was **nine-and-a-half weeks** pregnant. That hit me hard. I knew then that my baby was further developed than I had thought. I started doubting, and wanted to talk to my friend. But I wasn't allowed to do that either.*

*When it was my turn the nurse told me that I was going to feel some discomfort, like strong menstrual cramps. **The truth is that the abortion was more pain than I've ever felt in my life. It felt like my insides were literally being sucked out of my body. Afterwards I went into shock!***

After the abortion, I tried to make up for the abortion by trying to get pregnant again. I wanted my baby back. I never got pregnant again. I don't know if I can ever have another baby. I named my baby. I found out later that this is part of the grieving process.

I ended up in the hospital with bulimia two-and-one-half years later. I felt that no one had punished me for what I had done so I was punishing myself. I became obsessed with women who were pregnant, with women who would talk about their pregnancy. My life was in shambles! I was suffering from post-abortion trauma.

When I was 21 years old God brought me help through a woman who was involved in pro-life activism. She helped me a lot. I went through a post-abortion counseling program called "Conquerors." God not only forgave me, He challenged me to help others. I answered the challenge!

I started picketing and sidewalk counseling. There is a healing process that comes from getting involved in the pro-life movement. I talk to youth groups and students about abstinence and I share my testimony. To them, and to you, I plead, "Please don't make the same mistakes I did."

Michelle

See pages 5 & 8 for alternatives to abortion!

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