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Point: Counterpoint

Does Liberty University really need radio station WLBU? Barbara Guess and Brad Taylor give their views in columns on page 2.

Liberty Village

LU Chancellor Dr. Jerry Falwell announces his plans for Liberty Village. See story and photo on page 5.

Flames drill Elon

LU moves to 4-2 with Saturday's victory over the Fighting Christians. See game story on page 6.

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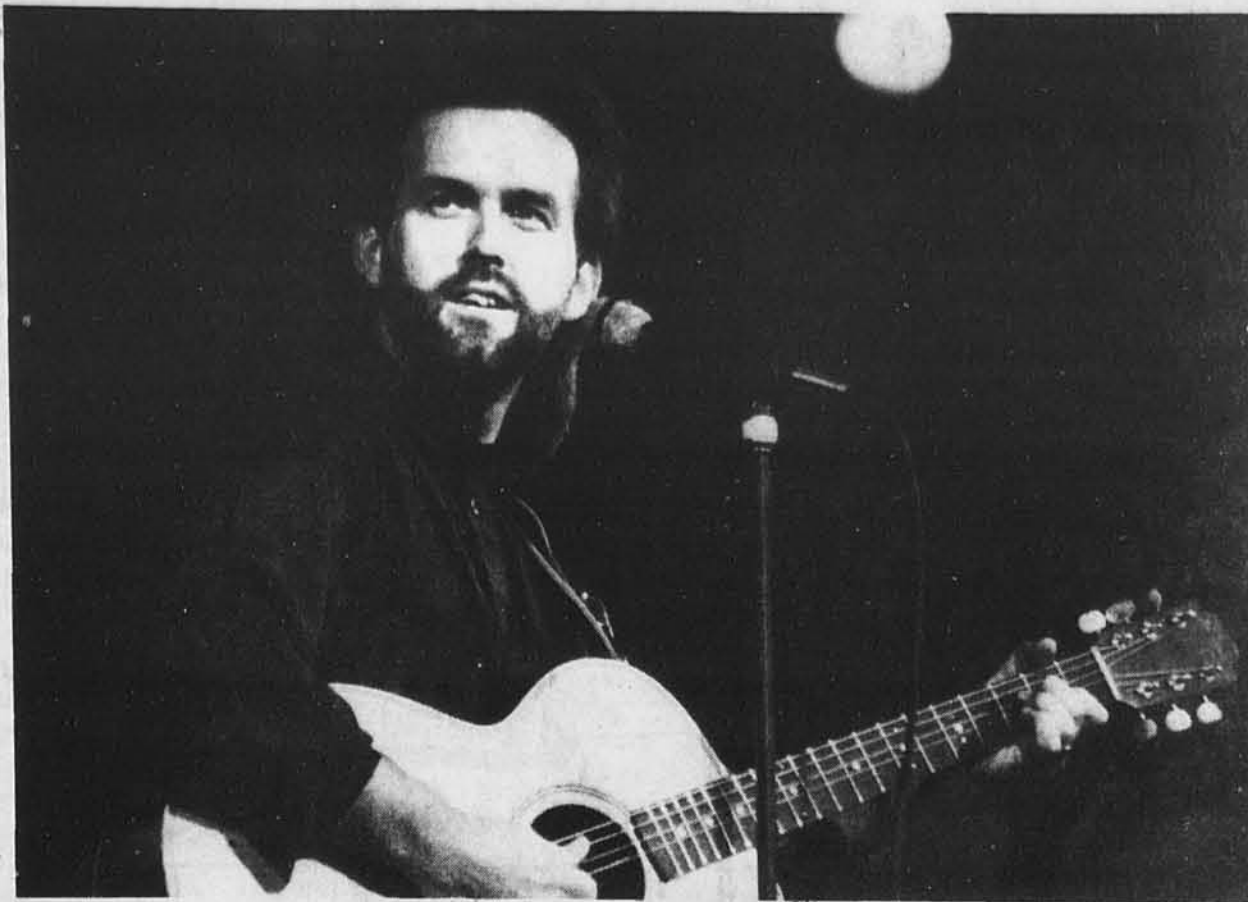
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In concert

Wayne Watson strums a few chords during his opening act on Saturday at the Liberty University multi-purpose center. More than 3,000 students were in attendance at the double-bill featuring Watson and the Imperials.

Staff photo by Donald W. Hayden



"Free the Fire"

The Imperials (left to right, David Will, Ron Hemby, Jimmie Lee and Armond Morales) perform in the LU multi-purpose center on Saturday night before a packed house. It was their first time ever to perform at Liberty University.

Staff photo by Donald W. Hayden

Keene tries for Dems club

BY BRAD TAYLOR
Editorial Editor

A Democratic club at Liberty University may become a reality within the next few weeks according to Mark Keene, a sophomore who is attempting to have a club officially sanctioned by university officials.

Political science professor Kevin Klausen will serve as the club's faculty advisor.

Klausen said that "a Democrats Club ought to have the goal of demonstrating that the Republican party is not necessarily equated with Christianity and vice-versa."

He added that "Biblical positions transcend party labels."

Last week, The Liberty Champion reported that The Rev. Tom Bryant was "initiating plans for a Democrats club." This is not true.

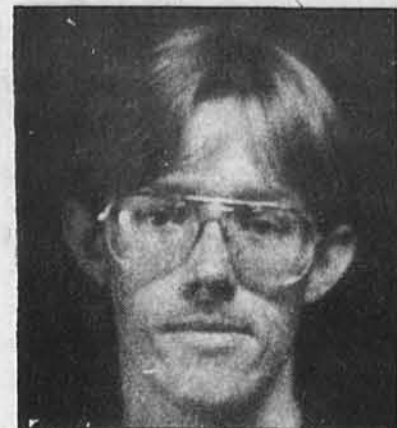
Bryant said Sunday that he "is interested" in seeing a Democrat's club on campus but will not initiate plans for the club as reported last week in the Champion. Bryant said his statements were "a reactionary

"Biblical positions transcend party labels."

- Kevin Klausen

position against the College Republicans."

Keene, a political science major, said that he has written a constitution and a platform for the proposed club. The platform differs little from that of the national Republican Party. Keene's platform is pro-life, pro-defense, pro-death penalty, anti-equal rights amendment, and anti-tax increase.



Mark Keene

Keene said the planks were not official and would be determined when the club officially forms.

Keene, whose club, pending approval, will officially be called "The Democratic Reform Club," says the main objective of his club will be to support conservative Democratic leadership, and to reinforce their conservative political stand.

While the College Republican Club and the proposed Democrat's Club would differ very little in ideology, Keene believes the clubs will still engage in "healthy debate." He added that "cut and dry" issues would not be debated, but the approach to the issues would.

Citing abortion as an example, Keene said that while the CR's favor a constitutional amendment protecting the unborn, his club would rather see the amendment left out of the Constitution.

Pending approval of the club, Keene said he hopes the first meeting will be held "within the next few weeks."

Keene needs 25 signatures before he can submit his request for the club to the Student Government, who will then turn the proposal over to the President's office.

Imperials, Wayne Watson praise Lord, thrill LU crowd

BY MEGAN BEARDER
Copy Editor

There's a danger in Christian music—that the glamour and glory of it all will swell the artist's head with pride. Not so with the Imperials and Wayne Watson. Any glory and reverence the audience projected to the artists Saturday night, they reflected it right back to the Lord.

Vocalist David Will confirmed this by saying, "If there's any talent, any glory, we give it back to Him."

Of course, there will always be those, who at the sound of a screaming guitar or a danceable beat will proclaim "It's sin!" I just have one thing to say to that—tell the artists that it's sin. David Will proclaimed that "the Imperials isn't my ministry. Reconciling man to God is my ministry." If their music is sin, these men are wasting their entire lives.

Wayne Watson started the night rolling with cuts from his latest album, "Watercolor Ponies" and a few songs from his soon-to-be-released album.

Watson did the best he could without a band to back him up, but nevertheless some energy and excitement was lost without their presence. (I dozed off during one song.)

It wasn't all songs either. Watson shared his heart relevant issues and concerns and gave encouragement to the audience. We've all heard the songs before (if not, you can always buy the tape), so it was good to hear him share.

What better time to "pop the question" than in front of 3500 screaming fans? Gary Sibley took the opportunity by climbing up on stage and on bended knee, proposed to his girlfriend.

The highlight of the evening, though, was the Imperials. From the onset of the showcase spectacular, the adrenaline rose, excitement permeated the air and whistles and screams filled the auditorium.

Shortly into the program, vocalist David Will reminded the audience exactly what they were there for. "We came to sing, but more importantly to honor the Lord." From there they appropriately broke into "I Just Came to Praise the Lord."

I think students eventually forgave Will for saying how glad they were to finally play at "Liberty College."

The group jammed with numerous selections from their latest LP, "Free the Fire." It was the song "In the Promised Land" from their album, "Let the Wind Blow," however, that initially brought the audience to its feet.

A well constructed medley of songs from their earlier albums took long-time fans down memory lane. Who could help but to be stirred by the haunting melody, "The Boss" written and sung by the much adored Jimmie Lee Sloas (remember girls, he's married). The piano solo to that song by Bo Cooper was nothing less than beautiful.

The Imperials managed to keep it all in perspective. Members were

continually sharing Scripture and giving brief testimonies.

Living in the spotlight isn't as glamorous as one would suppose it would be, particularly because these men are doing it for the Lord, not for themselves like secular artists.

The Imperials perform about 100 shows a year, often leaving insufficient time to spend with their families. "It's the price you pay," said bassist Jimmie Lee.

Three of the vocalists and their families reside in Nashville, Tenn., a strategic location for their travels.

Ron Hemby and his family reside in Florida.

Twenty-four years and 42 albums later, Armond Morales is still going strong with the group. As the only original member of the Imperials, Morales has been through all the changes.

As for the band's progressively more contemporary sound, Morales claims the gradual switch from the traditional began about 18 years ago. "It depends on the band members," he said. "It's the kind of music we like to do."

Lumley encourages voting despite City registrars

BY LORI SKUDLER
Champion Reporter

As elections approach, Liberty students prepare themselves by registering to vote by absentee ballot or registering in Lynchburg. Some Liberty students, as well as those from surrounding colleges, have been discouraged by the registrars when they try to register in Lynchburg.

Jim Lumley, president of the College Republicans at Liberty, is aware of this problem and has appeared at the registration tables to inform students about their right to register even if they are discouraged to do so. Apparently, the registrars have made it harder on students to register because of the temporary status of many students in Lynchburg. Because students are usually here for school alone, the people involved in elections may feel that students should not have a say in Virginia elections.

According to a pamphlet which outlines Virginia's requirements for registration, a person must be: a citizen of the United States, 18 years old by the date of the next general election, living in the city or county in which you register, and free of disability such as a conviction of a felony or mental incompetency.

None of these requirements gives a specific reason that would necessarily eliminate a college student.

"Town students were not supposed to have a problem registering," Lumley said, "but some have. Now the registrars are even letting some dorm students register."

A college student, Lumley said, who largely supports himself financially through college, has a job in Lynchburg and/or has a Virginia drivers license has a better chance of getting through registration smoothly than a student who is still heavily reliant on his parents in another state.

Lumley said that Virginia is generally tougher on registering people than many other states.

In spite of precautions, students still have a constitutional right to vote. Lumley has made it part of his job to inform students of that right.

"[The registrars] know that they can't say a definite 'no' to the students, but they'll say everything possible to discourage them," Lumley said Saturday at the registration tables in the River Ridge Mall.

"Town students were not supposed to have a problem registering."

- Jim Lumley

"Actually, whether someone can register or not depends on the registrar's discretion," Lumley stated.

This could be dangerous, he said, relating this situation with the tougher

hand-clapping, and yes, body movement. Anyone who could remain motionless through such an inspiring concert, was probably either asleep or paralyzed from the ears down.

The Imperials and Wayne Watson

combination will be a tough act to follow for future groups playing at LU. "It was the best concert I've ever seen at LU," said Kurt Voggenreiter, the SGA Vice-President for Activities. I'm sure many others will agree.

lacks before civil rights.

Lumley advised students to check with their parents to see if registering in Lynchburg would affect their insurance policies or any other policies.

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OPINION



Bruce Stanton
Editor

Imps give to LU

"I just came to praise the Lord.
"I just came to praise the Lord.
"I just came to praise His holy name.
"I just came to praise the Lord."
-- Wayne Romero

Last Saturday night, the Imperials came to praise the Lord at LU.

They also "got down."

So did more than 3,000 LU students attending the concert. In fact, most students spent a good part of the night on their feet.

To put it bluntly and simply, the "Imps" gave us the greatest concert in school history, and most of the concert-goers will attain to that. Not to say that I have attended every one in school history, but this one beats all that I've seen or heard of.

The lights, smoke and loudness may have been too much for a distinct minority of the crowd, but the overall performance and spiritual emphasis of the evening will live in the memory of most students forever.

That's because the Imperials are just not your ordinary run-of-the-mill Christian band.

Let's face it. The Imperials are one of the landmarks of Christian music. They've been around forever (more than 24 years).

Most of us have grown up with their music. The Imperials have made Christian music listenable for many of us.

"Priority" was the first Christian music cassette that I ever bought. Russ Taff was the lead singer then. It was really neat to go riding around with my friends and sing and listen to "Trumpet of Jesus" rather than secular songs on the radio.

The next Imps album that I got was "Let the Wind Blow." Paul Smith had taken over for Taff on this album. The quality of the music and the messages were still the same though-- excellent. And that's what the concert was. Excellent.

All in all, most LU students will remember this one forever. I know that I will.

Bruce A. Stanton is the editor of The Champion.

Learning 'college ways' takes time

Today I was just thinking about that look you had on your face when you said good-bye to your parents. If I remember correctly, you did seem to look a little lost when they left you here. No doubt you were still a bit overwhelmed after standing in the check-in lines with thousands of other freshmen for a couple of hours. Check-in will seem a lot easier the next time, I promise. Even still, I'm sure you felt as though you were learning everything about the college in just one day.

What you really learned was that there is a lot more to college than what you had anticipated. For the first time you learned that your social security card is really a means of identification. That's why the person working check-in asked for it. You've probably discovered that having the freedom to plan your own academic schedule is nice, but it also brings with it the responsibility of having to account for the credit hours, whatever credit hours are. You also learned that you are the only person responsible for your paperwork. Next time you'll remember to get your Pell Grant verification form. It really is difficult for the financial aid officer to help you if you don't have your forms.

When you finally get your room assignment, you realized that there were still quite a few more things to learn. Although you probably try to keep your room clean anyway, you learned that some rules exist to help you and your roommates do so. You also learned that the school offers a lot of programs to help you grow spiritually and academically. Prayer groups, chapel services and quiet hours are designed just for that purpose. As nice and helpful as those rules are, they probably appear a little more binding than what you are used to.

Suddenly, the responsibilities seemed a little overwhelming. I'm almost certain you even contemplated

The Doctor is IN
Dr. G

using the spending money you had saved for a plane ticket home. A very difficult principle you are learning is that you can't run from responsibilities. It is useless to even try because they will follow you.

Since it is useless to run from your responsibilities, the wise thing to do, then, is to accept them. Whenever the load seems too great to carry, remember that God will always provide the strength and wisdom to cope with the challenges He places before you. He uses many tools to mold you into his image and giving you responsibilities is one of them. So don't doubt Him. He is trusting you with responsibilities; you need to trust him to sustain you. If you desire to please the Lord, you will replace the doubt with a deep, abiding trust knowing that He will carry you through every trial.

Facing responsibilities one at a time will also alleviate some of the pressures you might be feeling. Just as you cannot climb a mountain in one leap, you cannot meet all of your responsibilities all at once. Climbing a steep mountain is a slow, step-by-step process. The only way one can achieve this is to take each step one at a time. Handling responsibility is much the same way. Though a mountain of tasks may loom before your path, you need only to take one step. Upon successful completion of one task, you need only to take another. Proceeding like this, you soon will have overcome that obstacle. Your reward will be a scenic view of God's promises for the road ahead.

Other mountains lie before you, but having climbed one will prepare you for those which lie ahead.



WLBU? AM STATIONS? NEVER HEARD OF 'EM!

Point: Who needs WLBU radio?

A radio station needs three things: listeners, workers and money. WLBU doesn't seem to have many listeners (only two dorms got the signal until last week), which means there is no advertising, which means no money. No money and no listeners equal no need for workers, yet WLBU still exists.

Out of the 200 students who can listen, the number of those who do is up in the air and so are the radio waves you're not hearing.

It would take 25 new transmitters at \$1,000 apiece for all the dorms to receive WLBU. Is it worth it? There are too many other things that would be appreciated by the students far more than the money spent to revive an already dead radio station.

When talking to students about WLBU, I got the impression that no one listened and no one cared. Joanne Guess, a senior, said, "Why listen to 18th century Christian music when you can hear 20th

Barbara Guess

century Christian music on WBRG?"

Other than those spinning the records, how many people do you know listening? It's not the town students or those riding in their cars. Is it the dorm students?

If WLBU went off the air, how long would it take you to realize it? In two years I don't know of one person who would notice.

Does the joy of hearing static give you a thrill? Then you must be looking for WLBU. Laura Gregg, a junior, tried finding the station for the election results. "I've only listened to it once and that was the only time it was important enough for me to mess with the stupid thing," Gregg said.

Is the experience the students are receiving worth the waste of time and

effort put into the station? Former student Paul Balmer said, "WLBU may teach you how to splice a tape but when I started working professionally... I had to almost start from scratch because I knew so little." Balmer worked for WLBU for two years and is currently working for a radio station in town.

Would it not be better to hear yourself in the lab than wonder if anyone is listening or even can listen to WLBU?

There are several students working and getting better experience at WRVL. No, WRVL is not a student run station and everyone can't work there but students can attain sought after experience through internships and lab work. WLBU should get it together or give it up.

Barbara Guess is a staff columnist for The Champion

Counterpoint: WLBU radio is necessary for learning, listening

As an editor for the Liberty Champion, I must say that I sympathize with WLBU. Knowing all the time and energy that is consumed with each issue of the Champion, I salute the staff at WLBU for continually spinning the vinyl and broadcasting pertinent campus news.

How discouraging it would be in the Champion news room if the Champion paper boxes were always full and letters to the editor were never received.

Unfortunately, at WLBU countless hours are spent producing programs for LU students, which at most times only entertain a handful of faithful listeners. It has been reported that many times during the day only the DJs at LBU are hearing what's being broadcast.

It is tragic that students are taking little or no interest in THEIR campus station. At most universities, the campus radio station is the hottest station in town. University students tune in to hear the latest school news, sports, weather and just plain campus rap. Why not at Liberty?

Brad Taylor

Part of the problem has to do with money, which is always very scarce around here. The administration needs to seriously consider pumping some cash into WLBU to allow the station to be heard all over campus. Without the help of the school, the station is bound to go off the air.

The biggest part of the problem, however, is the student body and its apathetic attitude towards the station. This, however, should not be the criterion for letting LBU fade out of existence.

Suppose no one bothered to show up at City Stadium to see the Flames in action. Would the school discontinue financing football? What if only a handful of students made an appearance at a varsity soccer game. Would they too be cut from the university's budget?

While it's unlikely that this would ever happen, it does illustrate a point. Collegiate sports are not simply in

existence to entertain, but to give athletes an opportunity to use their abilities and in some cases hurl them into the professional arena.

WLBU is a practice field for future broadcasting majors and journalists and should be treated with the same respect and seriousness that our athletic teams receive. The WLBU staff deserves the most up to date equipment and technology to allow them to remain competitive with other Lynchburg stations and to prepare the staff members for their careers.

We at the Champion have been fortunate enough to possess the most state of the art equipment (it's the same stuff USA Today uses) to produce the university's newspaper, and because of this the Champion has been one of the most talked about things on campus since Ollie North.

WLBU could and probably would become the hottest thing on campus (after the Champion, of course) if given the same opportunities.

Brad Taylor is the Editorial Editor for The Champion.

Apathy killing America

Curt Olson

Apathy among Americans is killing our Nation. Not apathy in general, but political apathy. The kind of apathy where people think their vote does not count and they do not care anyway. So why stand up and try to let people know how you feel about an issue or a candidate?

This apathy manifests itself in the percentage of voters who cast ballots in elections. The percentage of registered voters who vote in national elections has declined every presidential election year since 1960, when 63.1 percent of all registered voters cast a ballot for whom they wanted as their leaders. That percentage has declined every year of a presidential election to 52.6 percent in 1980. The good news is a seven-tenths increase in the 1984 election to 53.3 percent.

Apathy among Americans to let their voice be heard via elections takes on a rather interesting appearance from a Christian perspective. New York state is an example.

In 1986, Gov. Mario Cuomo ran for re-election. On election day 1986 he won by some 70 percentage points over his Republican opponent. A year later another Christian in my community told me that there were people in his congregation who voted for Mario Cuomo strictly on the grounds of his great personality.

Are these people critically thinking Christians, who look at the issues, look at the candidates, and vote according to issues? It is doubtful!

Imagine this for a moment. What would happen if every Christian in America cared enough to stay caught up on current events, to be informed on issues, get involved at the grass roots level and stir other Christians to be informed and involved as well?

If this were to happen, Christians could change the make-up of state legislatures nationwide; and I can picture conservatives being elected in the House, Senate and the presidency.

Also, Christians by their activism and voices in government would force the liberals of America to come to the center because no liberal could be elected without Christians supporting him.

This is an awesome thought! It would be great to see the day when we could sit back, close our eyes and pull one of the levers for president because we agree with both candidates on the issues facing America.

Hosea 4:6a says, "My people are destroyed for the lack of knowledge." This verse must compel Christians to be informed and involved.

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OPINION

LU should release crime statistics

While reading the Oct. 6, 1988, edition of the USA Today, I came across a very disturbing article dealing with crime on college campuses. This article claimed that one out of four students enrolled in college today can expect to be the victim of crime, whether it be theft, assault or rape. That was not the disturbing part. The researchers had sent out surveys asking for crime statistics from all colleges with enrollment greater than 2,000 and residents living on campus. Skimming down the columns of the graph, I ran across college after college with which I was familiar. Finally, I came upon our alma mater, Liberty University. There were no statistics listed, merely a "did not respond" next to the name. This disturbs me.

I believe that these statistics are vital. It would be nice to think that Liberty is a perfect Christian utopia in the world, but the grim reality is that we are not isolated from the rest of society. Crime can attack us at any moment. Too many people are just too secure on campus, not even thinking of potential threats to their safety.

True, up to 50 percent of nationwide campus crime is alcohol related. It's that other fifty percent with which we must concern ourselves. Simple theft, whether it be from dorm rooms, cars or lockers, is the single largest crime that occurs. It is also the most preventable. How long does it take to actually lock a door; and yet, how often do we neglect to do it? We can not exclude the possibility of violent crime occurring, either. Our campus is just too large to have 100 percent of it protected at all times. I'm afraid that if someone wanted to do some harm, the opportunity may be there. How many of us could actually defend ourselves if we found ourselves at the hands of an attacker?

Only through awareness can we reach prevention. We, as a student body, need to be made aware of our campus crime statistics so that we may be able to take preventive measures. I hope the administration would care enough about the students' welfare to warn them about potential threats on campus. Many people may think that releasing such statistics would tarnish our reputation as a Christian institution. I think the opposite effect would occur. Liberty would come out shining for dealing openly with the students and helping us all to ensure our own safety.

From 1986 to 1987, there was a 5.1 percent increase in campus crime across the country. Let's not become a part of that statistic (although, officially we aren't, since we did not even respond to the aforementioned survey).

This article was not meant as a scare tactic, but merely to open some eyes. I don't want there to ever be a Liberty casualty of crime. Let's prevent a tragedy before we have to deal with one.

Todd Whitford is a guest columnist for The Champion

Quayle is America's 'true patriot of conservatism'

Indiana Senator Dan Quayle gave an outstanding performance at the vice presidential debate in Omaha, Neb., Wednesday. He came across as a true patriot of conservatism.

This was his first opportunity to prove himself to the American people, and he did a splendid job. Quayle held his ground and answered every question with precision and expertise. The marginal lead that Bush has in the polls should, after this debate, widen considerably and secure a Nov. 8 victory.

The party differences became evident as the candidates collided over issues of Social Security, the environment and defense. Quayle and reporters put Senator Lloyd Bentsen on the defensive as they questioned him about the numerous differences between Governor Dukakis and himself.

Bentsen, a moderately conservative Senator from Texas, quickly pointed out that Dukakis does not want a clone and the differences between them will not hurt the party ticket.

But the 180 degree turn Bentsen has made since his selection as the Democratic vice presidential candidate shows that he is more than willing to hop on the liberal bandwagon. His defense of the liberal governor from Massachusetts was extraordinary, but not convincing. Quayle was quick to charge him with attempting to minimize the governor's liberal policies.

Bentsen tried to make Dukakis look like a moderate Democrat; but the past has a way of catching up, and Dukakis' liberal policies will haunt his campaign forevermore. Quayle capitalized on that and branded the governor as a liberal McGovern clone who would return the country to the domestic policies of inflation, higher taxes and interest rates and economic stagnation.

Quayle referred to the "Massachu-

Todd Whitford

Catherine Maentanis

sett's Miracle" as no miracle but rather a mirage that Dukakis hides behind. When Bentsen tried to defend Dukakis' fiscal policies, Quayle quickly pointed out that Governor Dukakis has raised taxes four times while in office.

"That is why he is known as Michael Du-Tax-Us," Quayle said. "And that's why Massachusetts is called Taxachusetts. Governor Dukakis will raise taxes as president, and don't let him fool anyone."

Reporters relentlessly questioned Quayle about his qualifications and readiness for high office. The Indiana Senator answered with confidence and said he is prepared to lead the country. He compared his qualifications with that of John F. Kennedy and said he has more experience in federal matters than both Democratic candidates. "If qualifications alone are going to be the issue in this campaign, George Bush has more qualifications than Michael Dukakis and Lloyd Bentsen combined."

When asked three times what he would do if he had to take on the presidency, Quayle said the first thing he would do is pray. The American people must have been glad he does not hold to the separation of church and state mentality that Dukakis and the ACLU endorse.

Overall, the debate gave George Bush the momentum he needed for a presidential victory. The Democrats, once again, proved to the American public that they are not the party of the people or the future.

Catherine Maentanis is a staff columnist for The Champion

Political 'outhouse' opens

Editor:

Bravo! You seemed to have opened the door to the outhouse. I applaud your efforts of going solo against the "majority."

After reading for weeks about these College Republicans tooting their horns and spouting like beached whales, I'm at once nauseated (a much better word than Gary's "make me throw up") and amused at the extent at which they have the unmitigated gall to actually insist that they are serious about politics.

Perhaps the problem starts with the quote, "God may not be a Republican, but he sure isn't a Democrat."

Are you, inferring then that God has no choice but to be a Republican? What if God is a Libertarian?

Seriously though, to try to polarize these political parties moralizes a great supposition on their part. For example, after eight years the strongest Republican party didn't defeat Roe vs. Wade. Why? Because this is a national phenomena, not a political party idea. In fact, it was the mainline churches (liberal) of America that started the idea of legalized abortion.

I also would like to point out to Gary Harris and other CRs that legalization of drugs is a conservative view brought about by conservative economists and not liberal Democrats who are for more law and regulation.

Homosexuality also is clearly not only a Democrat view but also Republican. Just take a visit to the "Hill" and see how many conservative homosexuals you meet. The point is both parties have major problems and some are more vocal than others. Let's not equate Christianity with one dirty old, not-so-Grand party. Carwin Owens

Letters to the Editor

MAIL

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Let's keep our minds open

Editor:

Christians! Get your head out of the dirt! We are not loved, deal with it! But we can do ALL things through our precious Lord.

Whatever happened to love, discernment, logic and/or reason? They are not mutually exclusive you know. I've been reading this paper and I'm mad!

What exactly is all this garbage? A guy writes an article (which is protected by our beloved Constitution) in a paper to keep both sides of an issue represented, and then what? POW!

He is immediately branded a deceived fool whose salvation is doubted and who hopefully can't vote. I have one, maybe two questions for these people.

Do you have a monopoly on reason and knowledge? Are you God? You do, of course, know what the penalty for being judgmental is? God forbid!

I am going to tell you something that I hope surprises you, but first I am going to establish my credentials for those out there who would blast MY person.

I am a strong Theist. I subscribe almost wholeheartedly to the Westminster Confession of Faith. I consider my citizenship in Heaven infinitely

more important than my U.S. citizenship. Next to my salvation, my next important asset is being the son of my mom and dad, whom I love very dearly. Next in line is my membership at the Thomas Road Baptist Church.

I tell you all this to say this... I AM AN ANARCHIST!

I would like to say that all you holier than me experts are wrong! I would like to say if we as God's ambassadors would do everything we are commanded to do we would never need welfare (think about that Democrats). If we truly loved the Russian people, evangelized as we are commanded to do, would we really need nuclear weapons? Aren't we to love our neighbors? (Think about that Republicans.)

All I'm saying, let's look at all sides of an issue, weigh it against what Almighty God says, and then and only then, make a reasonable statement.

The world needs intelligent, compassionate open-minded Christians, not closed-minded holier than thou Pharisees, who thump their Bible and say they are right and you are wrong.

Republicans, either come up with the absolute answer from God to all our questions or stop thinking you do!

I think a little more silence and a little more thought would do us good.

Myself included. David Kester

Math is essential for all of us

Editor:

After reading your article on "Math Anxiety," I was reminded of a happening years ago. The attitudes of these people and those of your columnist are very similar.

During the time my hus-

band was working on his Ph.D. in mathematics, we attended a small local church. The church's bylaws stated that ten percent of the total budget was to be spent on missions, the proposed budget totaled \$85,000. How much more should be allocated for missions? The budget committee said they had no idea; the preacher didn't know. My husband came up with the answer. When he told them the answer and how to check it out, they refused to believe him.

How sad! Sad that they couldn't solve the problem; sad that they wouldn't accept the answer. Kathy Barnhardt

Reader resents Perrone column

Editor:

I resent the column by Anthony Perrone concerning environmental issues. I favor a free market, so I'm to be blamed for foolish wasting of the earth? I'm a liar and a fool for promoting free enterprise? Yes, according to Anthony Perrone.

Somehow, it's new national policies, socialist policies that are needed. They must bag the businessman, if they can't do it, no one can!

I plead with you, sir, please make your political columnists read a little. The answer to ecological problems is not a warrant for the undoing of liberty. I refer to a giant among Christian environmentalists, Francis Schaeffer. He promoted the Christian World View for society. Our government's, our generation's fixation with some "messiah state" is Satanic!

Martin D. Fisher

Christian rapping results in decisions for Christ

We've all heard the arguments about Christian rock. But what about Christian rap? It has become popular among many Liberty University students.

Would God be pleased if He saw a bunch of guys rapping on the street corner using His name? Isn't witnessing in the form of rapping conforming to the world?

What street kid is going to be saved through hearing a rap? They're not going to pay attention to the words of a rap. Or are they?

Take Transformation Crusade for instance, featuring rappers Chris

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Williamson and Daryl Fitzgerald. Chances are, one would hear more theology in a five minute rap by Chris and Daryl than he would in many sermons being preached today.

Their message is clear and easy to understand. Their purpose is focused. Printed on the back cover of their

newly-released tape, "Sold Out," are these words:

"... This ministry is dedicated to unswervingly share Jesus Christ and Him crucified, risen on the third day, and sitting at the right hand of God as our living Saviour, as it is written in the Scriptures..."

Rapping doesn't all of a sudden become inspired of God when a Christian label is stamped to it. But rapping that communicates Christ.

If rapping is going to be used as a means for witnessing, it must pass

the same biblical test used for preaching. The apostle Paul shows us that test in I Corinthians 2:4,5:

"My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the spirit's power, so that your faith might not rest on man's wisdom, but on God's power."

One rap with the Spirit's power will do more good than 100 sermons without it.

Tim Saint is a staff columnist for The Champion

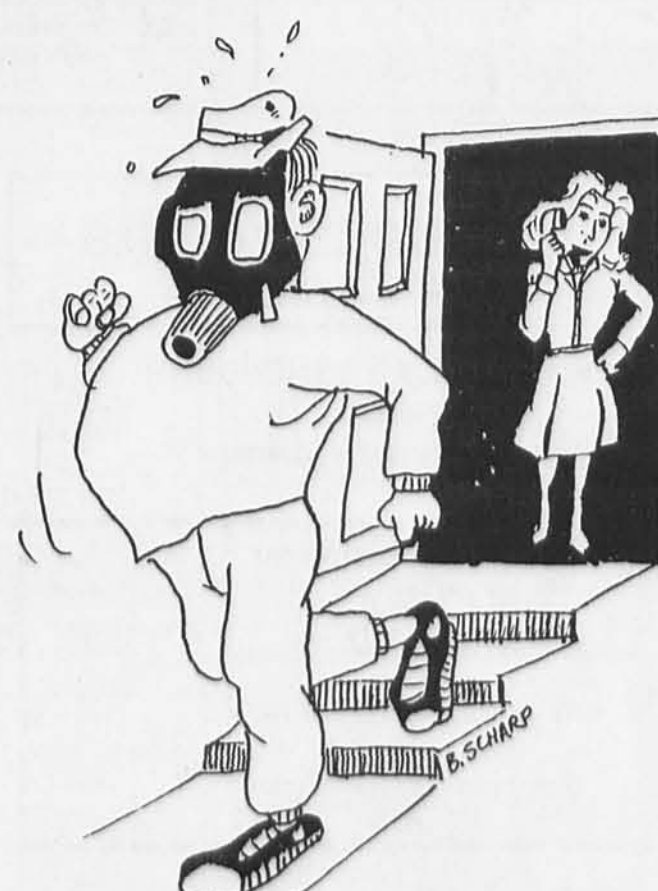
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"HE'S BEEN LIKE THIS EVER SINCE THAT ENVIRONMENT STORY ON THE EDITORIAL PAGE OF SEPT. 21 LIBERTY CHAMPION!"

Garcia comes into her own in album 'A Different World'

The year was 1985. The place was Spokane, Wash. A lone drummer sat on the stage, beating away a cadence found only in contemporary music. One by one, amidst a deep red glow and an array of rapidly flashing lights, the musicians came onto the stage, blending their instruments into the beating drums.

Next, three women—Donna McElroy, Kim Flemming and Renee' Garcia—appeared from the wings as the deep red glow switched to a bright orange, leading the audience in a clapping session before the glow again changed to a dark purple and a white spotlight penetrated the darkness to Amy Grant in center stage. This was the final stop of the Unguarded tour.

It was the last time Renee' Garcia would sing as back-up for this very successful artist to go and make a career of her own. Her first album, "Living in the Vertical," made a fairly

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subtle debut, introducing a new, unique style to contemporary Christian music. People started listening to the album, word spread like wildfire and soon "Living in the Vertical" was a hit.

Garcia continues her solo career with the release of her latest album "A Different World," and yes, it's one of those better-than-the-first productions.

"A Different World" is a professional, well-made album. The songs provide a wide spectrum of different rhythms with the help of Chris Eaton on the drum machine (actually, Ea-

ton helps the album out in several areas: drum machine, bass, keyboards, backing vocals and writer of a number of the songs. He also produced the album).

The drum machine is the dominating instrument throughout the album, yet it doesn't overpower the others. It gives the album a steady flow from opening to close.

However, in a couple of the songs, the drums move aside to make way for the distant sounds of Martin Green's saxophone. Green can be heard all over the album, but he stands out in his solos in the laid-back, soothing song, "Perfection." I note the sax because of its significance in the album. It provides a change of pace for the ear, keeping you in tune.

There's also some nice guitar work in the album. Garcia uses three different guitarists: Neil Costello, Richard Osbourne and the lead from Michael W. Smith's band, Chris

Rodriguez. They all blend in nicely—not too loud, yet not too soft.

The mixing end of this album should also be noted. Beautiful job. Perfect balance.

A lyrical theme of weaves its way throughout the album. Simply stated:

Don't quit. It offers the listener encouragement to just keep going no matter how tired, how hurt and how scared he is. It's quite fitting now that midterms are here.

Professional, enjoyable, comforting they all exist in "A Different World." Renee' Garcia's got an ex-

cellent voice on top of all the instruments.

Who knows? Maybe one day under a single white spotlight in an ocean of dark purple light, Renee' Garcia might be the one standing.

Dan Hochhalter is a staff columnist for The Champion.

LU needs a line patrolman

I was standing in a line the other day in front of Marriot with two friends, participating in LU's newest and most exciting pastime—dodging bees while waiting to eat.

This day had started out more on the bumper side, and I was actually looking forward to the hot dog bar.

Like any good citizen, we got to the end of the line and patiently awaited our turn. As we waited, we talked about nearly everything a guy could talk about: the weather, classes, girls, cars, being broke, girls, video games, rednecks, and finally girls.

Well, as time began to pass, I noticed that we had stood in the same spot for about eight days now.

"What seems to be the problem?" I asked.

My friend Studly Lamar spoke up with the verdict. "See all those people near the door, merging in with the rest of the line?"

I looked. "Yeah."

"Well, we've been doing it all wrong. We've been going to the end. You're supposed to enter the line at the halfway point."

We eventually got closer. But as the door became within reach, two girls suddenly barged their way right in front of us. They didn't say "excuse me" or nothing. Needless to say, I wanted to reach up and yank that ponytail right out of the one girl's head.

We got them back, though. All three of us left the line momentarily and then came back cutting right in front of them. They actually had the audac-

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ity to start complaining of people taking cuts and commenced to throw hints our way speaking of their disgust.

Meanwhile, the rest of the line saw what we did and got a great idea of also getting back at these two girls. So all 300 of them left momentarily and then came back, cutting in front of the two. It was awesome.

Seriously, though, whatever happened to the good old days when a line meant that you had to start from the very back and work up? There's nothing that irks me more than watching 45 people carefully merge into the line in front of me.

Every single one of them has come up with their own creative way of justifying it.

We have the most obvious way: barge in and pretend like nothing ever happened. This, however, doesn't work when you try it with a football player as you'll often find yourself hurtling face-first down the ravine.

Next, there's the oh-it's-been-so-long-since-I've-seen-you method. Here is where you spot a friend in line close to the door. Start crying, run up and throw your arms around him or her and shout, "It's been so long since I've seen you! I missed you so! You

look so good! Now that I'm in line, do you mind if I stay?!"

Then there's the ever-popular stand-on-the-sidewalk-as-though-you-were-waiting-for-someone approach. This is when you wait near the line until you think no one is looking, and then you discreetly slip in and look, like you're tired of waiting in line. Ignore the fact that everyone you just cut in front of is now glaring at you with death in their eyes and breathing fire.

And finally, we have the I'm-just-checking-the-menu method. This one is simple. Cut up to the door, look inside, say "Oh, sick," and then blend in with the crowd.

Everyday, new and creative ways are being developed even though it would probably take them less time to wait in line the right way.

As I waited in line, frowning at those two girls, I came up with a pretty nifty solution to this problem. Get a line patrolman named It, who is 6'9", weighs 300 pounds, has 24-inch biceps, doesn't use deodorant, has bad breath, and one eye right in the middle of his forehead.

When someone cuts in line, It will approach him or her and smack him right alongside the head, knocking them to the back.

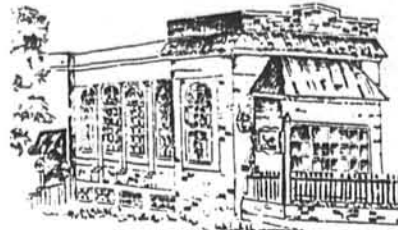
It'll save the school money too—it gets to keep what It kills.

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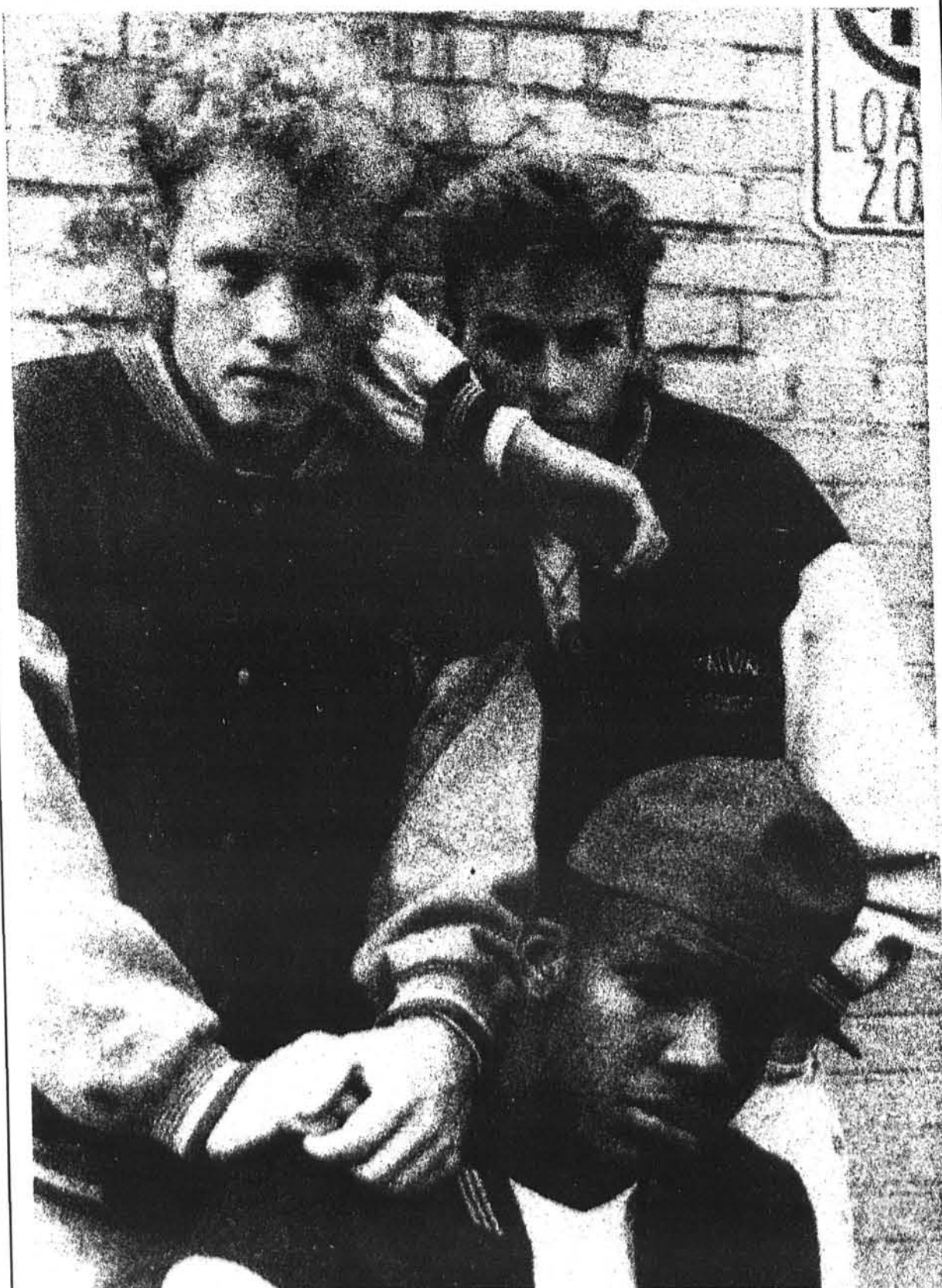
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SPORTS

Liberty rebounds in 42-14 blowout of Elon College

BY BOBBY BUNN
Champion Reporter

James Madison University is probably not on the Elon College list of favorites these days. That's because JMU edged a 31-28 victory over the Flames of Liberty University last week and the Flames took it all out on Elon, 42-14.

With 8:45 left in the first quarter, junior Charles McCray went into the end zone from one yard out to give the Flames a 7-0 lead. Elon then

committed key penalties to fuel the Flames on their next drive.

On third-and-nine from the LU 21, the Fighting Christians were called for pass interference to keep the drive alive for Liberty. Elon jumped off-sides on the next play to give Liberty a first down, and Leroy Kinard scored his first collegiate touchdown on an 8-yard run a few plays later.

Liberty's defense, which gave up 24 points in last week's loss to JMU,

held the Christians to three plays on several of its drives in the second quarter. Meanwhile, the offense capitalized on the defense's work, scoring 21 points in the period.

McCray added his second TD of the day with a 5-yard romp with 7:25 left, while Quarterback Paul Johnson found one of his favorite targets of this year, Ike Logan, on a 23-yard scoring pass with 3:10 left in the half.

With 1:26 left in the half, newcomer Jeff Curtis stole his first pass

of the year to stop a potential drive by Elon. Liberty used the turnover to its benefit as Johnson hit L.G. Parrish on a 35-yard TD toss to give the Flames a 35-0 lead going into the second half. The catch was the first TD for Parrish since entering college.

Liberty closed out its scoring on a 47-yard touchdown scamper by Clarence Shelton with 8:03 left in the third, but the Flames were in control of the entire game. Despite yielding two scores in the final seven minutes,

LU's senior cornerback, Richard Shelton, picked off an Elon "Hail Mary" to seal the game for the Flames. Junior Donald Smith also added an interception and a blocked punt to help Liberty's cause.

Liberty countered a powerful Elon ground attack with some good running of its own. Kinard gave Liberty its first 100-yard game of the year with 133 yards on 20 carries. McCray added 74 yards on 20 rushes and two TD's which give him eight on the

year.

Through the air, Johnson completed eight of his 14 attempts for 129 yards and no interceptions. Johnson, a junior from Appomattox, is currently ranked 13th among Division 1-AA passers.

After a week's rest, the Flames take on Western Illinois University for the 1988 Homecoming game on Oct. 22. The Leathernecks of WIU are currently ranked second in the latest Division 1-AA poll.

Ingalls hits four goals in LU win

BY KEITH MILLER
Sports Editor

The Lady Flames soccer team blasted Randolph-Macon Oct. 6 at GE field, 9-0.

Robin Ingalls led the barrage with four goals in the game, including the first three goals of the game for LU. Ingalls began the scoring with 5:45 gone in the first period on an assist from Darleen Suczawa. With 7:19 gone, Ingalls added her second goal to put the Lady Flames up 2-0. She later added her third straight goal with 15:22 of the first period expired on an assist from Tracie Porter.

Melinda Auckman added the first of her two goals with 21:49 gone in the first period to put LU up 4-0. The onslaught continued with goals by Saczawa at the 28:49 mark, Ingalls again on a pass from Annie O'Kresik and Auckland just before the half to give the Lady Flames a commanding 7-0 lead at halftime.

In the second half, Jackie Bollinger scored with 2:02 gone and Carrie Seigel added the final tally at the 21:00 mark.

The Lady Flames out-shot Macon, 30-6, on shots on goal. Macon goalie Jan Gorman recorded 20 saves while LU goalie Paula Baringer preserved the shutout with four saves.

With the win, Liberty goes to 4-2 on the year.



Staff Photo by Donald W. Hayden

Anne O'Kresik battles off an opponent during LU's 9-0 victory over Randolph-Macon Women's College.

Women's X-C finish in 13th

BY GLENN CONRAD
Champion Reporter

The Liberty women's cross country finished 13th in the Furman Invitational Saturday in Greenville, S.C.

Competing against nationally ranked teams Kentucky, Wisconsin and ACC leaders Clemson and Wake Forest, the Lady Flames held their own despite their recent sicknesses and injuries.

"This was the toughest regular season meet we competed in," Coach Ron Hopkins said. "The team is slowly recovering from all of our sickness and it showed in a better overall team performance with most of the members showing improved performances."

Pam Fauber led the LU effort with a 19:26 time and a 47th place finish. Traci Tidwell came in 65th in a time of 20:01 barely beating out teammate Monica Carmona, who finished in 20:07 for 70th place.

"Fauber ran her best race of the season," Hopkins said. "Carmona ran very well in her first meet of the season. Karen Eisman and Cheryl Nash showed good improvement."

Rounding out the squad for LU were Eisman 92nd; Nash 97th; Anna Hall 99th and Theresa Duncan 101st.

Lynn Attwood and Patti Bottiglieri did not make the trip as they were getting back into shape from their recent illnesses. They will be back for the state meet next week.

"I am pleased with the progress of the team in the face of all the sickness and injuries," commented Hopkins.

Championships begin for LU I-M

BY KEITH MILLER
Sports Editor

Women's Basketball

The regular season concluded this week with eight teams moving on to the championship tournament. Leaders following the regular season were: Div. A- Slam Jammers (7-0) manager: Tracy Arnold

MVP: Karen Kolb of Slam Jammers

Div. B- Lady Sixers (6-0) manager: Dana Owenf

MVP: Dawn Lambert and Jodi Balclet of the Lady Sixers

Men's Basketball

The regular season ended last week. The championship tournament began Oct. 6, with 16 teams moving into the double elimination tournament.

Men's Volleyball

The pre-season tournament was held this week. Buck Sutton's USA GOLD won the single elimination tournament. Jim Woolace's KTB's were the runners-up. Top players were Jeff Schmidt and John Kurtz for the USA GOLD and Chuck Edwards and Woolace for KTB's. The regular season begins next week with 13 teams competing.

Women's Volleyball

The preseason tournament began last week and concluded last Monday. Teams still alive in the single elimination tournament are Lisa Collin's Old Timer Niners, Lori Allen's Mishaps, Beth McNabb's Crickets, and Cindy Slocum's Attackers.

Men's Football

The preseason tournament began last week and concluded last Tuesday.

day. Of the 17 teams in the tournament, five are still alive in the single elimination tournament- Pure Energy, Holy Squirrels, Whatchamacallit, Outsiders and Renegades.

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Women's Basketball

Teams with one win: Arnolds' Slam Jammers; Robin McDaniels' Liberty Leapers; Richie Duvalls' Air Jordanettes; Ownefs' Lady Sixers.

Teams with one loss: Kim Kowalski's Shock Wave; Lori Allen's Mishaps; Lisa Collins' Old Timer Niners and Tammy West's Allies.

Men's Basketball

In the men's tournament: Just Us topped the Bruisers; the Outsiders beat the Heat with Tim Bowman as

the MVP and The Disciples stopped Below the Rim as Tony George won MVP honors. Five Star won by forfeit. The Wolverines with MVP Lance Price won over the Yellow Blue Birds and the Bulls topped Taitor Trotters.

Teams with two wins include Pure Energy with MVP's Charles Fed and Mark Brown and the Roadrunners, managed by Craig Conser.

Tennis

Men's singles are coming to a close with one tournament left. Pat Green and Tim Robinson are in the championship round.

Men's Soccer

The Blast beat Mujadine and the Strikers stopped the Untouchables. Both Club Umbro and Scarborough won by forfeit over Harvard Crew and the Sixers.

Guetterman helps netters

BY B.C. SHEETZ
Champion Reporter

The Lady Flames Volleyball team, with an 11 and 4 record this year, has been successful partly due to the efforts of Kathy Guetterman a six-foot senior power hitter from Martin, Tenn.

Kathy's current 3.90 GPA is as impressive as her on-the-court stats where 84% of her serving and spiking efforts prove successful.

These numbers don't tell the whole story, though, as 13% of her serves are aces and 40% of her spikes are kills. Add this to over 100 blocks and you have a player who puts forth a great deal of effort on the court.

Kathy and the team maintain this level of performance by dedication to a 3-hour per day practice schedule, tournament play on the weekends, occasional practice on Saturdays, weight lifting in the spring and running and jumping exercises.

Coach Sue Kelly said that since joining the team in her sophomore year, "Kathy has improved steadily every year because she is such a hard worker."

She credits some of her impressive stats with an "awesome jump serve."

Kelly added that "Kathy keeps challenging herself" and that she was not content to be "just a good player." She said, "Kathy kept pushing herself, and now I really feel she's definitely a great player."

A multi-sport athlete in high school, Kathy said that she "never felt the pressure to excel as far in athletics as her brother Lee," a standout baseball player for LU from 1977-81 who now plays for the New York Yankees.

The youngest of four family members to attend LU, Kathy's older brother Bob played football and sister Karen was active in softball.

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Elon	0	0	0	14-14

Lib-McCray 1 run (Tindall kick)
Lib-Kinard 7 run (Tindall kick)
Lib-McCray 5 run (Tindall kick)
Lib-Logan 25 pass from Johnson (Tindall kick)
Lib-Parrish 35 pass from Johnson (Tindall kick)
Lib-Shelton 48 run (Tindall kick)
Elon-Clark 3 run (Mullin kick)
Elon-Norfleet 3 run (Mullin kick)

	Lib	Elon
First downs	23	18
Rushes-yards	60-272	57-236
Passing-yards	129	49
Passes	8-14-0	7-19-3
Punts	4-36.8	5-42.4
Fumbles-lost	3-2	1-1
Penalties-yards	6-38	7-54

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING - Liberty - Kinard 23-133, McCray 20-70, Shelton 6-57. Elon - Clarke 17-75, Dixon 7-33, Norfleet 9-50.

PASSING - Liberty - Johnson 8-14-0 for 129 yards. Elon - Inge 5-14-2 for 29 yards, Burnette 2-4-0 for 20 yards.

RECEIVING - Liberty - Parrish 2-48, Green 2-32, Logan 2-28, White 1-13, Nelson 1-8. Elon - Bearhard 2-12, Jones 2-10, Marion 1-10, Davis 1-10, Dixon 1-7.