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Graduation changes

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Emphasizing youth

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The LU baseball team won six games in-a-row last week. See Page 7.

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Dawson wins runoff race

By DOUGLAS R. DEMPSEY
Campus News Editor

After a week of campaigning during which everybody from campaign managers to the NAACP found something to complain about, Dave Dawson finally won the 1991-92 SGA presidency by a margin of 56.6 percent to 43.4 percent.

"I don't know what to say," Dawson said to his campaign workers after the totals were announced. "You guys did it."

The final tally of the runoff election, required because no candidate won a 15 percent majority during the initial vote, was 697 votes for Dawson and 535 votes for Gerald Smith.

Dawson said he plans to include Gerald Smith and Jeff Fletcher in his administration next year. "I'd especially like to have Gerald help implement a lot of the ideas he had," Dawson said. "He's a great motivator. With his excitement we should be able to cover all the bases."

Dawson had no immediate goals for his administration other than to relax and enjoy the victory. "I'm going to relax and have a nice celebration," Dawson said. "I'm very glad it's all over."

Dawson had high praise for his

campaign workers, who he said made the difference in the election. "It was the campaign crew," he explained. "Nobody could have topped them. They were the key."

Several issues were foremost in Dawson's mind as he received the congratulations of his campaign workers. "I want to pursue the split meal plan and contact the banks about an automatic teller machine on campus," he said. "I also hope to have Gerald help emphasize the spiritual aspect."

Gerald Smith, the loser in the runoff election, remained positive. "The students voted for Dave, and he is a very qualified candidate. I will continue to do what I talked about in the campaigning, which is talking to people and encouraging people."

Smith was also grateful for the help he received on his campaign. "I want to thank all the people who helped me," he said.

Smith said he was open to the idea of working in SGA with Dawson next year. "It's possible that I would do that, but it's also open for me to be an RA next year," he said.

This year's election was marred by several controversies, including a phone call from the NAACP concerning the campaign speeches.

When Smith exceeded his time limit, Paul Davis, the current SGA president, ordered that the microphone be turned off. This generated angry responses from several people, including a caller from the NAACP.

"I just got the one phone call, and nothing more came of it," Davis said. Davis also said that he had talked to Smith about the incident, and Smith agreed with Davis' action.

Candidate	Votes	Percent
Runoff election		
Dave Dawson	697	56.6
Gerald Smith	535	43.4
President		
Dave Dawson	753	46.5
Jeff Fletcher	140	8.6
Gerald Smith	716	41.1
Executive VP		
Beth Sweeney		86.6
VP of Activities		
Bryan Buckley		85.4
Treasurer		
Chris Carroll	560	34.4
John Jensen	382	23.6
Lisa Sawyer	606	37.7

Secretary - no candidate



Newly elected SGA President Dave Dawson won Wednesday's runoff vote against Gerald Smith. Dawson received 56.6 percent of the vote in the runoff after receiving 46.5 percent of the vote in Tuesday's general election. The president must win a runoff by a simple majority.

Senate passes DH parking bill, tables crime bill

By DOUGLAS R. DEMPSEY
Campus News Editor

The student senate discussed three bills during its last meeting, including one that would allow students limited parking in the DeMoss Hall parking lot.

The "15-minute limit" bill, sponsored by Sen. Jean-Marc Gadoury, would set aside approximately 15 parking spaces around DeMoss Hall for student use. Students would be allowed to park in the spaces for a period of 15 minutes.

Gadoury said the bill was designed for students who need to make a quick errand in DeMoss Hall. Normally a student must park far away from the building and walk a great distance just for a quick stop, Gadoury said.

"I see no reason why students should be subjected to walking that distance," Gadoury said. "Faculty and staff don't have to."

Sen. Gus Mueller opposed the bill, however, because of environmental concerns. "Since we are an environmentally aware campus I think it would be advisable for us to encourage walking. I don't think it is excessive to ask students to walk a little bit," he said. The bill passed the senate.

The senate also considered the criminal authority bill. Co-sponsored by Sen. Erik Madison and Mathew Braud, this bill would require campus security to turn over all matters of a criminal nature to the Lynchburg police. "I've noticed that people are getting away with things on campus (like stealing)," Madison said. "The present system is not working."

Several amendments were proposed for the bill, including one that would require the administration to inform students of their option to turn criminal matters over to city officials.

However, confusion of the exact meaning of the bill and its amendments lead to a motion for the bill to be tabled and sent to the vice presidential cabinet for further study.

Two bills passed the senate without any debate. Braud sponsored a bill to extend the post office hours to 8 p.m. during the week. Gadoury sponsored a bill asking that the blue diamonds adorning numerous parking spaces around campus be repainted so they can be seen clearly at night.



Lisa Sawyer

Sawyer wins by three percent

By DAWN K. LOONEY
Champion Reporter

The LU student body elected Lisa Sawyer as their 1991-92 student government treasurer Tuesday.

Sawyer finished with 37.7 percent of the vote. Chris Carroll, the incumbent treasurer, finished in second place with 34.3 percent of the vote. Third-place finisher John Jensen carried 23.5 percent.

Regarding her victory, Sawyer said: "I'm excited for next year. I'm looking forward to just getting in there and getting the feel of the job."

"I had a lot of help from a lot of people," she continued. "A lot of my friends helped, and I'm very thankful for that. I also would like to thank all the people who supported me and voted for me. I couldn't have done it without them."

One of the first projects Sawyer plans to tackle is next semester's concert series. "I know Bryan has already talked about concerts. So, I think that will be one of the first things."

Carroll also expressed confidence in Sawyer's ability. "A good

candidate won," he said. "She doesn't have experience, but she is very qualified. She's a good accounting student, and the knowledge that she has will help her do a good job." Next year, Carroll said that his plans are to "work, study, try to get into law school and do whatever the Lord has for me."

Regarding his loss, Jensen said, "Life goes on." He then offered his congratulations to Sawyer. His plans for next year are to continue his participation in SGA by running for a senior class officer position.

Two LU teams attend nationals

By BEN LaFROMBOIS
Champion Reporter

Two LU varsity debate teams have qualified for the National Debate Tournament to be held in San Antonio, Texas, April 5-7.

Only 72 of the nation's 2,177 teams participate. "If a program is able to qualify two teams, it means they are among the elite of the elite programs," debate coach Brett O'Donnell said.

"People look at the NDT as being very important. It lends credibility," Michael Hall, a team member, said. This is the third year the LU program has sent a team, but the first year the school will send two teams. "We will be perceived as a bigger school," David Kester, a varsity debater, said.

Partners Kester and Timothy Edwards, along with partners Sherry Smith and Hall, will represent Liberty. The ability to place two teams in nationals improves recruiting and "means we're gaining acceptance on the national circuit," Smith explained.

"Getting two teams to the NDT will definitely be a boost to recruiting," Kester said. O'Donnell explained that experienced debaters have contacted the school, which is an outgrowth of the team's success.

"It is the first year the varsity team has been for real," Hall commented on the team's improvement. "Programs can dump teams in the lower brackets and suck up a lot of points," which give a team high rankings,

Hall said. Getting to the NDT means the varsity teams are also strong, indicating the depth and maturity of a program, he added.

The program's added strength will likely bring greater success at the tournament. The team members would like to compete against one of the top 16 teams in the nation and also make it into the elimination rounds, which will require a 5-3 record. Kester attended last year's tournament where he missed breaking by one round with a 3-5 record.

The team has "more experience and more research than last year," Kester said. "I was really anxious last year; I couldn't believe I was there. This year I'm looking forward to getting there and doing good."

The tournament is one of the most enjoyable and most competitive. "The tournament is steeped in tradition, and it is really fun," Kester said. The schedule the debaters must adhere to is less rigorous than a typical tournament, he explained.

The rigor of the NDT is not the schedule, but the competition. "There is nobody you can beat up on," Hall said. Competing against the top teams in the nation assures each round will be difficult.

Liberty is accustomed to keen competition since teams from their district comprise 25 percent of the field at the NDT. "We are in the toughest district; we have more teams than any other district going to the NDT," Hall said.

LU continues fight over 460 ramp, refinancing of debt

By CURT W. OLSON
News Editor

Mark DeMoss, spokesman for the Rev. Jerry Falwell, explained the current debate with the Lynchburg City Council regarding payment for ramp access to Route 460 and the latest developments surrounding efforts to refinance LU's debt in a recent interview.

DeMoss said that the disagreement about the ramps is a result of misunderstanding between LU and

the council about the necessity for the ramps. "We questioned the need for the ramps from the start," he said. "Had the bonds gone through there would not have been a problem. Now we do not have \$1.5 million for ramp construction."

DeMoss continued by saying that the city based the need for a ramp to provide access to Route 460 on a traffic impact study from one year ago. Also, he said it was based on the projection that Liberty Village

would be built, a new sanctuary to Old-Time Gospel Hour would be built, the stadium would be expanded from 12,000 to 24,000 seats and the academic space on campus would reach 250,000 feet.

However, Liberty Village is not being built, the new sanctuary is not being built, and LU already has 250,000 feet of academic space, DeMoss said.

"The city concluded that the ramps needed to be built to facilitate the

need," DeMoss said. But these are factors that are not now and may never become reality.

"About two years ago LU was essentially forced by the city to help pay for two ramps adjacent to the campus," DeMoss said. "We have spent \$100,000 for railroad arms and pavement of the road which accesses Route 29, and all the entrances and exits that we have are adequate for the size of the campus."

Ray Booth, Lynchburg Public

Works Department Director, said in a phone interview that LU testified before Lynchburg City Council two or three times that it would help pay for the cost of the remaining ramps.

Also, Booth released the most recent traffic impact study of the LU campus, taken on the weekdays between March 18 and March 21.

Booth said that during the four days, 77 percent of the traffic or 9,018 vehicles passed through the bridge exit. He said only 23 percent

or 2,718 vehicles used the Route 29 access.

More hearings will be held before the city council for LU to argue for the delay.

Regarding debt refinancing, DeMoss stated that LU is involved in "some very delicate proceedings." He said that LU has been working with the Kemper Group for three or four months to work

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Editorial

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

Champion examines logistical decisions of commencement

Like it or not seniors, graduation is near and the security blanket that has protected us from the world for so long (some much, much longer than others) will soon be gone. But what better way to go out than a graduation ceremony at LU? No other school can do a graduation like Liberty.

Who can forget three years ago when much-heralded North Carolina Senator Jesse Helms gave a rousing baccalaureate address that had every Christian conservative gleaming from ear to ear? Then Liberty became the envy of the nation when the Great American Hero, former Lt. Col. Oliver North, gave a stirring commencement address. There was also W.A. Criswell a couple of years ago. And no one will forget last year's commencement speaker, President George Bush.

Recently, Liberty officially released its 1991 graduation schedule-and-procedures handbook. No, Ronald Reagan is not coming. Yes, the commencement speaker, although still unannounced, is guaranteed to put Liberty in the national spotlight for yet another day.

The **Champion** is pleased to report that unlike past ceremonies, there will be none of the overcrowding, parking problems and constant chaos that have so rudely accompanied the ceremonies of the past three years. However, the **Champion** has found several flaws in the current graduation agenda that we feel cannot go unnoticed. Here is the list of mistakes and arguments against them:

Mistake #1 — Graduation will be held in the Vines Center. While the Vines Center has proven to be an exciting atmosphere for NCAA basketball, the aluminum-roofed, bubbled complex has been one literal toothache after another for those who frequently attend events there.

Many students, faculty members and administrators alike have complained that the huge aluminum bubble has provoked a negative, painful reaction due to their dental fillings. Some students unfortunate enough to be wearing braces or retainers have been given permanent permission to miss all chapel services to avoid the excruciating pain. The epidemic has been appropriately named aluminal domitis. Liberty is begging for trouble when it packs more than 11,000 metal-mouthed customers for its three-hour graduation ceremony.

Mistake #2 — All Liberty undergraduates will be required to attend the ceremony for academic reasons. Like it or not folks, it's official: you will be going to graduation this year, and you will pay for and receive one credit hour for your attendance. If Liberty is to continue its impressive taste in commencement speakers, it will have to come out of students' pockets.

One administrator explained the concept: "We've created a monster. Nobody wants to hear a Southern Baptist preacher speak at commencement. They want gold-plated superstars. By putting the graduation ceremony in the list of requirements, the student receives an incredible learning experience and the school doesn't lose the shirt off its back."

Mistake #3 — All graduates will be limited to one guest. You read it right, Graduate. Because of the mandatory attendance placed on every Liberty student, you'll have to choose between Mom or Dad because the Vines Center only seats 9,000. Just one more thing — each graduate needs a ticket to participate in the ceremony.

Mistake #4 — All parking procedures will be conducted by a car appraisal system. Those cars appraised at a value higher than \$60,000 will be allowed access to the DeMoss and dorm circle lots. Others will be parked in proximity to the Vines Center according to their value. However, those cars appraised under \$20,000 will be asked to park in the spacious Thomas Road Baptist Church lot where a large church bus will then commute the owners to campus.

Who will finally be dubbed graduation speaker? Names we have heard mentioned are newly-converted Christian, Gen. Manuel Noriega; prosperity theologian Robert Tilton; preacher, singer/swinger Jimmy Swaggart and newly crowned WWF champ Hulk Hogan. Regardless of the selection, graduation will be more memorable than ever.

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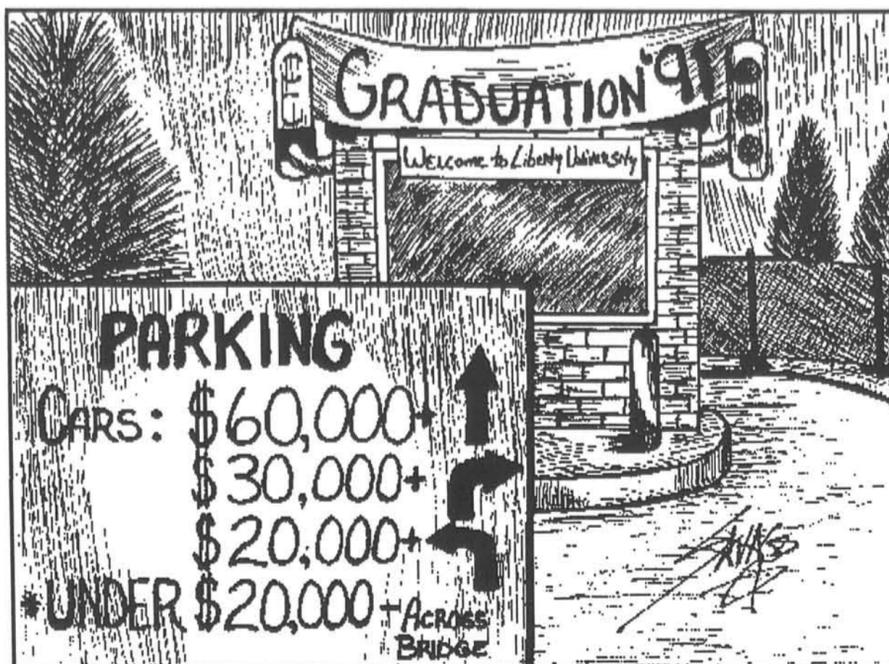
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LU Forum

Davis addresses speech cutoff

Editor,
I am writing this letter to answer any potential questions that might have arisen regarding events which took place during the SGA election speeches on April 1.

As most students probably know, I was forced to cut candidate Gerald Smith's speech short. Many people have expressed concern as to why this occurred and I would like to take a moment to try to clear things up.

SGA campaigns are governed by an elections committee. This committee is made up of three students and two faculty members, and its main purpose is to ensure that campaigns follow Liberty standards in conduct.

Part of the committee's job is to set time limits on the speeches. This is done for a number of reasons. The most important of which is so that all candidates will have a chance to be heard in the one SGA chapel set aside for the election. All the candidates were given the rules, which include the time limits for their speeches, three to four weeks in advance.

Having been a candidate myself in three elections I know how easy it is to become so wrapped up in what is going on that one forgets the details at times. To ensure all candidates understood the time limits would be strictly enforced, I met with all the candidates before chapel and went over this again. I warned all of them repeatedly that if they went over, I would have to cut them short.

During the speech, Gerald went over the allotted time of five minutes for the presidential candidates. Gerald was given a 20-second grace period to wrap things up; and when he did not, I cut off his speech. I have spoken with Gerald, and he understands it was not a personal matter. I would have done the same to any or all of the other candidates had they gone over.

I hope everyone understands that I did not enjoy cutting off Gerald's speech. There was nothing personal in my actions, and I acted on mandates which were set forth by the elections committee.

Paul Davis
Student Body President

LU's spirituality gets cold review

Editor,
This letter is being written out of fear — fear of what the spiritual condition of the Christian community is becoming, especially here at Liberty. Some of the letters published in the **Liberty Champion** reflect much of the problem. One published in the March 26 edition hit especially hard.

The letter referred to a previous letter concerning how the music played at the basketball games was a stumbling block because it was secular. The logic behind his defense of secular music didn't surprise me since rationalizing our actions has become

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Sneaking into the Movies

Heroic rodents "Rescue" movie

The wonderful world of Disney once again comes to LU, this time with the animated film "The Rescuers Down Under."

Opening the show for "The Rescuers" is Mickey Mouse, Donald Duck, and Goofy in the short film "The Prince and the Pauper." For a lot of you, it has probably been a while since you've seen Mickey and Donald in action. Their return to the silver screen is worth the wait.

"The Prince and the Pauper" is a fairly straightforward, uninspired account of the Mark Twain classic. Mickey plays both the prince and the pauper, and Donald stars as the



DOUGLAS R. DEMPSEY
Campus news editor

prince's palace pal.

After a pointless intermission, the real show begins. "The Rescuers Down Under" is a sequel to the successful "The Rescuers" from several years ago. Returning for the sequel are the voice talents of Bob Newhart and Eva Gabor. John Candy also lends his support in a small but amusing role of Albatross Airlines.

The story begins with Cody, a

young Australian boy, rescuing a rare golden eagle from a poacher's trap. The poacher, Mr. McLeach, (voice of George C. Scott) is not too happy about Cody's heroism. McLeach kidnaps the boy and demands that Cody tell him the whereabouts of the eagle's nest.

The Rescue Aid Society (RAS), a New York based group of small animals devoted to doing good deeds, hears of Cody's plight and decides to send Bernard (Newhart) and Bianca (Gabor) to the rescue.

The rescuers enlist the help of Wilbur (Candy), the sole proprietor of Albatross Airlines, to help get them to the land down under. The trip is a rough one, but they arrive safely and begin their search for Cody.

McLeach has locked the boy in a cage in a room filled with future purses, wallets and belts that he has trapped. Cody and his captive friends nearly manage to escape, but their efforts are thwarted by Joanna, McLeach's slimy pet salamander.

When Cody refuses to give McLeach the information he wants, McLeach comes up with a plan to trick the boy. McLeach releases Cody and tells him the eagle is dead and that her eggs will soon die without anyone to care for them.

Sure enough, Cody heads straight for the nest (cartoon kids are even dumber than their real life counterparts). McLeach follows with Bernard and Bianca not far behind.

The climax of the film is a breathtaking encounter between McLeach, Cody and the rodent rescuers. As is always the case in such films, good triumphs over evil and everybody lives happily ever after.

"The Rescuers Down Under" fails to deliver the usual array of great Disney songs. However, the animation is spectacular, the characters are all very believable and amusing, and the story is typical Disney — light-hearted and entertaining.

TOP TEN COUNTDOWN



By Kathleen Donohue
Opinion/Feature Editor

Things the Easter Bunny does in his off-season

10. Books his own speaking engagements on the "incredible, edible, hard-boiled, pastel-colored egg."
9. Crashes Cadbury Bunny auditions.
8. Moonlights as a stunt double for the Energizer Rabbit.
7. Sells his rejects and leftovers to Marriott.
6. Sells his fur to the vice president of Hair Club for Men.
5. Sends chain letters to Elmer Fudd.
4. Keeps changing the location of unfound Easter eggs so no one can figure out how to get rid of the hideous stench.
3. Steals candy from babies.
2. Forges Ed McMahon's name on letters which claim, "You may already be having a Happy Easter!"
1. Acts as a formidable political opponent for Jesse Jackson.

Answers, Please

By the Champion Staff

We asked students:

Did you vote in the SGA election Tuesday? Why or why not?



Doug Van Wyk
Pella, Iowa

"No. I'm a graduating senior, and I don't care."



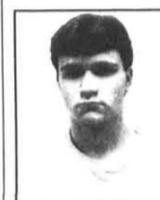
Ivo Verbeek
Ontario, Canada

"No. Students don't really hear much about who to vote for."



Tim Cole
Mansfield, Ohio

"Yes, because it is my way of being able to take part in the changes on campus."



Mike Gathman
Tuckerton, N.J.

"Yes. If I don't vote, I can't complain when they do things I don't like."



Brant Taylor
Columbus, Neb.

"Yes, because I want to be able to contribute in my own way to SGA."



Mike McCleery
Peachtree City, Ga.

"Yes, because it is a student's responsibility to vote."

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How Annoying!

Columnist enters political race

Well, fellow exercisers of democracy, I am experiencing such uninhibited elation at this present moment that I can hardly contain my heightened emotions.



JEFFREY SIMMONS
Staff Columnist

My heart skips a beat or two each time I gracefully gouge out an eye with a strategically positioned campaign banner. Furthermore, my intellectual prowess is seriously challenged by the plethora of innovative campaign platforms. A split-meal plan? No way! More parking? Stop, my brain is on fire. Basically, I'm one thrilled little boy.

"How thrilled am I?" you may well ask. Well, I'm so thrilled and caught up in this whirlwind of political activity that I decided to become a wholehearted participant.

That's right. As of this very second, I am officially announcing my intention to run for SGA president. It may not be legal or wise, but deep down I know I have to do it.

My underground campaign will not utilize millions of annoying banners, generic big screen televisions or unattainable campaign promises. I believe the students of Liberty University are fed up with this gross commercialization of democracy and are more than ready for change. I (vote Jeff) Jeffrey P. Simmons I will be the one to bring this change to fruition.

To reflect my alternative approach to SGA, I will use the following carefully thought out slogan: "No banners, no bull. Cool?" I sincerely believe that this simple strategy alone will secure the majority of the student's vote. At first I got this idea to paste huge pictures of

myself on the walls, but I think someone tried that unsuccessfully last year. Following the same path as my slogan, my platform is equally simplistic. I refuse to promise a bridge over the stadium or improved student/administration relations. Instead, my platform will effuse realism and honesty.

If elected, I will use my presidential standing to impress women. It won't hurt my resume any, either. Anyone can voice a legitimate motivation for the office, but I just want to be me. However, if I am elected president I may consider instituting National Nerd, Geek and Security day. But that's looking too far ahead.

Now I must concentrate on getting out and meeting the fine students of Liberty and convincing them of my sincerity and merit (Vote Jeff). Also, I must begin to develop in detail my brown nose — I mean campaign strategy in order to confirm my ultimate victory. I am committed! (Don't hold it against me).

In closing, I would like to challenge the greatest, most attractive students in all of the world to carefully consider the appeal I have made. If you're sick of banner lacerations all over your body and of hollow, unattainable promises, support Jeff for president.

Symbolize your unity with me and my ideals not with banners, but with a single yellow paper clip (to be passed out randomly) on your collar. It's time we the student body bind together to stop this perversion of the democratic system.

I wonder if it's too tacky to put a handsome poster-sized picture of myself on this stall. Nah. (Vote Jeff).

KD

A - musings

Writer defends "biased" editorial

Having been at the receiving end of much of the scuttlebutt that has been floating around campus since the *Champion* editorial in the March 26 issue, I decided to put this space to a political use. (That coupled with the fact that I really didn't have a whole lot else to write in here.)

Personally, I fail to see the life-altering significance behind our endorsement. It was an endorsement, nothing more, nothing less. It's a very common practice, in spite of charges that it was an act of biased unprofessionalism.

Oddly enough placed in the Opinion section of the newspaper, one of the primary purposes of an editorial is to make a call to action or to cause the readers to form a decision—not necessarily the decision of the paper, either.

Nowhere in last week's editorial was an ultimatum offered concerning for whom students should vote. Neither was any sort of prediction made as to whom the winner would be. These acts would certainly have been unprofessional. Writing an editorial which causes debate among the student body is not.

The fact that many were upset with our decision is unfortunate, but not



KATHLEEN DONOHUE
Opinion/Feature Editor

unexpected. A great deal of thought and preparation went into our decision and the final selection was not made without some hesitation and indecision.

However, as anyone who has spent any time at Liberty knows, the SGA officers do not come without their prob-

lems, the most burdensome of which is a system which requires its leaders to work within the narrow parameters—or they shouldn't bother.

In that light, the contest is rarely one of merit or political platform. As much as we all would like to deny it, elections do become popularity contests.

But for the record, we at the *Liberty Champion* stand behind our editorial—if for no other reason than it is our right. And we won't lose any sleep over it.



It's Laughable

Writer categorizes inane toy commercials

I do not understand why television producers allow their mature, elevated shows to be ruined by the commercials for children's toys.



TIMOTHY HOLLINGSWORTH
Staff Columnist

Every weekday evening at five o'clock, I stretch out to watch my favorite intellectual programming. However, just as soon as Babs and Buster Bunny start walloping the stars out of each other, I am deluged by the most boring and uncreative children's commercials.

I think it would be fair to divide these pleas for parental wallet depletion into three distinct categories: unhealthy, lethal and dolls.

The category of unhealthy ads is self-explanatory. It consists of all the appeals to buy products with enough sugar to make Cuba think capitalism.

There are an average of about five cereal commercials in a 30-minute time slot, and each of them is harping about a built-in-the-box puppet show or a gift of a real tree if you collect all six dehydrated marshmallows. A nutritious part of my breakfast? I don't think so.

While we're at it, we must not forget those scrumptious Teenage Mutant Ninja Pies which are nothing but cholesterol-laden fried pies with green icing to cover the pizza stains. The grossest part of the whole idea is their slogan about the little things being fresh from the sewer. Sure, I'm going to let my kid put that in his mouth,

how about you? The second type of ads are the lethal ones. These are the commercials which constantly hawk toys which promote killing something (i.e. weapons, spaceships with lasers, Teen Dream Dating Game).

It's not the idea of death that upsets me, but the fact that it is too "store-bought." When my older brother and I played war in the woods around our home as young lads, we had to make our own machine guns by sawing up one of the family's dining room chairs. Where is creativity and ingenuity anymore?

Finally, there are the dolls. Dolls that cry, burp, crawl, wiggle their nose, walk, drink, turn into cupcakes when upside down, dance, shiver, have a hidden gender, wet their pants, and some that go a little bit farther than that (gross).

The worst of them all are the New-Kids-Off-Their-Block huggable dolls, which would quickly become one of those lethal toys if I ever caught one of my sisters with them.

I can't help it if there's a new generation of kids wanting a new generation of toys.

I guess I might as well finish watching my *Tiny Toons*, begin eating my Peanut Butter Captain Crunch, keep shooting my friend with my HyperSensitive Radar Activity Control Laser Set and start minding my own business.



The Lighter Side

Protein: Americans eat more than enough

T or F — Americans typically eat too much protein.

T or F — Most athletes eat more than enough protein.

T or F — Consuming enough of the right type of protein is vital to your health.

If you answered true to all of the above, you know a lot about what may be the most overemphasized nutrient in the American diet.

From the liquid protein many athletes drink in an effort to build muscle to the meat a mother plans her family's entire meal around, the importance of protein has been stressed in American society to the point that most Americans eat more than enough.

As a result of their concentration on protein intake, many Americans neglect carbohydrates such as breads, grains, fruits and vegetables.

Adequate protein in the diet is necessary for growth and maintenance of all the cells. In particular, it makes up

the skin, hair, bone matrix, collagen, myoglobin, hemoglobin and albumin.

It is also necessary for the production of hormones and enzymes and the transport of vitamins and minerals. Protein also maintains the fluid and pH balance in the body. If enough of the right types of amino acids (the building blocks of protein) are not available, the body will be unable to make the proteins to perform these vital functions.

According to the Recommended Dietary Allowance, an adult should eat .8 grams of protein per kilogram of body weight. Thus a 120-pound woman would need about 43 to 44 grams a day. Even for athletes, the RDA is only one gram per kilogram of body weight.

The best sources of protein are milk



DEBBIE REECE
Copy Editor

and meat products. According to the exchange list, an eight-ounce glass of milk contains eight grams of protein, and one ounce of meat provides seven ounces. Vegetables, with two grams of protein per one-half cup on average, and breads, with three grams of protein per slice of bread, are also significant sources of protein.

Consequently, one who follows the four-food-group plan would eat 78 grams of protein, almost twice the RDA for the average person and more than adequate for athletes.

Still, many people continue to eat more protein because they reason the more the better. However, any excess protein is metabolized and used for energy or stored as fat and the excess amino acids are excreted as urea.

An additional reason to avoid overconsumption of protein is that many high protein foods are also high in fat.

Another consideration regarding dietary protein is its quality. A high-quality protein is one which supplies all of the nine essential amino acids in adequate amounts. Most animal proteins are high quality, and the protein in eggs has been determined to be best used by the body. But a few vegetable foods — rice, potatoes, beans, peas and nuts — are also considered high-quality proteins.

Thus, the best way to obtain protein is by eating animal foods in moderation and consuming a sufficient amount of vegetables and grains. By mixing animal and vegetable protein in this manner, you will be most likely to provide enough of the proper proteins to enable your body to continue the process of growth and rebuilding necessary for life.

— LU Forum

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an art in the Christian community.

The thing that did concern me, however, was the attitude or spirit that accompanied the response. It reflected an attitude prevalent in today's society which is rapidly consuming the body of Christ as well. At one point the letter stated, "If you're offended (by the music), then leave; no one forced you to come." That's an attitude of self over everything else.

What has happened to believers who live with a burning passion to seek Christ in every thought and action?

Where are the believers who hold fast and proudly to such Scriptures as, "If it causes my brother to stumble, then I will not eat meat," or "Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind let each of you regard one another as more important than himself?"

As for making choices, no one forced us to follow Christ either. But since we chose to, let's do it wholeheartedly. If the love of Christ was strong enough to compel us to enter into the family of God, why isn't it also strong enough to compel us to live unselfishly and forsake all else for Christ?

Steve Camp's lyrics to "Cheap Grace" say it all — "Cheap grace, you know it cost Him everything, it's easy to abuse when you think it's for free."

I started at Liberty this past fall planning to maintain a low profile. I've since realized that Christians who keep silent are the problem.

My hope is that the largest majority of the student body doesn't have the same attitudes that are reflected many times by the most vocal or visible people. And that those people with a burning passion to follow Christ will be the leaders that set the mold at Liberty.

Ron Stein

Secular music at root of apathy

Editor,

This letter is in response to the letter to the editor titled, "Theme music remains amoral." In the letter, the question is asked, "What is wrong with secular music (that is to say, rock)?"

I ask, what is wrong with your knowledge of the Bible? Have you read II Corinthians 6:17, "Come out from among them (unbelievers) and be ye separate?" This verse refers to lifestyle. And I Thessalonians 5:22, "Abstain from all appearance of evil?" This verse refers to action.

Now, these verses do not mean to keep away from grocery stores because they sell beer, etc. (that's unavoidable), but as Christians, we should willfully keep from being like the world as much as possible.

It's funny (or maybe sad is a better word) that the world seems to know how believers should act, but many believers don't. Maybe it's because the world knows the Bible better than a lot of Christians.

Vanilla Ice or U2 may have clean and decent lyrics, but it is clearly seen that they are a part of the world system and not Christianity.

In reference to music at basketball games, if it is a stumbling block, then—according to I Corinthians 8—it should not be played.

It was ridiculous to say that those who are offended should leave the game; they came to Liberty to get away from worldly influence (or at least they hoped to) and be in a Christian environment.

What should they do, get a taxicab to go watch a UVA game, or maybe buy a plane ticket to Philly and watch a game up there since they can't go to their own gymnasium for enjoyment?

Lastly, Paul called the Corinthians, who were involved in worldly things,

babes in Christ or carnal Christians. Check out those Christians that listen to rock. They're probably not doing much for the Lord. And if they are, what Christian Service is it listed under?

Andrew Willis

Editorial creates political mayhem

Editor,

In reference to the biased editorial in the March 26 issue of the *Liberty Champion*, I think that it is unprofessional to place an endorsement behind Gerald Smith, or any other candidate for that matter. This could cause the readers to have a biased opinion toward the other candidates.

I think that it is very rude to tear down other candidates' political platforms when the one you are building up is a mere soapbox.

I agree that it is time for SGA to embark upon a new venture, but shouldn't you let the readers form

their own opinions of who is the best person to head up these ventures?

I think the *Champion* should present each candidate in the same manner. If you uplift one, uplift them all. If you destroy one, destroy them all. Don't take sides and inflict your opinions on impressionable readers.

I also agree that we need students to break out of the status quo, but is that really necessary when choosing a president? Should we vote for the least experienced? How absurd.

The office of president is high and very respectable. We need someone in that office who is experienced and qualified, otherwise he may get caught up in the fame and popularity and neglect his responsibilities.

This isn't supposed to be a popularity contest. It is a test of who is the most right for the job. The best person for the job is the most experienced person. My vote lies with Dave Dawson.

Barb Liskey
Leslie Beane

Crime rate cannot be linked to SAT scores

Editor,

Several of us who reside in Dorm 3 were recently discussing the latest campus happenings as seen through the eyes of the *Liberty Champion* staff.

In particular, we were discussing a March 26, front-page article titled "Senate endorses stiffer requirements for LU freshmen" included a quote from Sen Brian Trippett which stated, "If we tighten our admission standards a little bit, we wouldn't have to be always putting through bills dealing with vandalism and stealing."

We, the undersigned, thought this statement was entirely uncalled-for, out-of-line, ignorant, rash, bigoted and judgmental.

In *Matthew* 7:1, 2, Jesus said, "Judge not that ye be not judged. For

with what judgement ye judge, ye shall be judged."

Furthermore, in *John* 8:24 our Lord said, "Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment."

How can one call himself a representative of the people when he discriminates against the people? Sure there is a problem with stealing and vandalism all over the world and, yes, even on our own LU campus.

Yet how can one positively link thievery with those of a lower academic stature? Who is to say that a minimum score of 800 on the SAT is crime-free?

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The *Liberty Champion* is printing a Senior issue on April 16 and we need your help. In 30 words or less, describe the most memorable experience you have had at Liberty and/or submit a personal entry to put into the Senior Will. All entries are due by April 10 in the *Champion* office, DH 113.

LU promotes youth ministry during annual emphasis week

By BEN LaFROMBOIS
Champion Reporter

The Center for Youth Ministry hopes to raise student awareness of the need for youth workers through Youth Emphasis Week April 7-13. The week will also mark the center's 20th year of training youth professionals at LU. "It will be a youth celebration, a look back over the years," Matthew Willmington, associate director of YouthQuest Ministries, said.

Eighteen guest speakers will address many issues related to youth, including inner-city youth ministry and the role of women in youth ministry. The emphasis will be on the great need for youth work.

"Ninety-five percent of the people who accept Christ do so before age 21. It is the most fertile mission field," Willmington explained.

"Half the world's population is under the age of 25 with many of the third world countries having 70 to 75 percent of their population under age 16," he added.

The week will be highlighted by guest speakers in chapel and church services and a rally Tuesday evening in DeMoss Hall 161 at 7 p.m.

Sunday evening will feature Rev. Andy Stanley, who is the youth pastor at First Baptist of Atlanta and the son of Charles Stanley. Jack Wyrzten, founder of Word of Life Ministries, will speak in chapel Wednesday.

Friday, Gordon Luff, founder of the youth ministry at Thomas Road and currently a youth consultant in California, will speak in chapel. "He was instrumental in establishing the college in its pioneering days," Willmington said.

By hearing these and other speakers Willmington hopes "students will see youth ministry as a biblical career, as a calling from God they should be open to."

The speakers will make themselves available to students in meetings, but especially in the classroom. "We will post a schedule of speakers and topics, and the classes are open to everybody," Willmington said.

Several alumni will be present, including Gary Hunt, graduate of Liberty and author of several books on youth ministry.



Two young church-goers help direct the orchestra in the Vines Center during Sunday's Easter sunrise service. The service was attended by 4,500 people.

Liberty's biology club returns from trip, continues projects

By AMANDA SCHWEINSBURG
Special to the Champion

Members of the LU Biology Club (LUBIOC) returned from a five-day trip through the Smoky Mountains of North Carolina and Tennessee during spring break and are continuing to pursue other activities and projects in the Lynchburg area.

Part of the trip included an "all day field course sponsored by the University of Tennessee at Knoxville," Michael Hayslett, club co-founder and president, said. The field course included a trip to view a bat population.

"To cap off the evening we did a spotlight census of mammals, which is a number count looking at animal densities," Hayslett said. "This activity was authorized by the National Park Service."

Hayslett said that the club's activities are open to non-members, but members have precedence when space is limited. "Twenty-two people went on this trip," he said. "Members were charged one fee, and non-members were charged a fee that was slightly higher."

Hayslett and Steve Rhodes co-founded LUBIOC in 1988. "The number-one goal of the club was to

take what the students have learned in the classroom into a field setting," Hayslett said.

Another goal of the environmentally conscious club is an active recycling program. "We currently recycle aluminum cans around campus as a means of fund raising, but also as a principle. Our club senator is consulting with SGA to develop a campuswide recycling program," Hayslett said.

The club has produced two newsletters to date, both bearing the recycling logo and the words: "Help conserve our natural resources. Return this to the biology secretary for recycling."

Club members are also continuing to work on a nature trail at Camp Hydeaway located on Candler Mountain. Hayslett said that the trail was the brainchild of Steve Rhodes. An old logging road that passed through the area "was observed to be very unique in terms of its bio-diversity," Hayslett said. "Steve came up with the idea of putting a nature trail through this area."

The club formulated a plan and gave it to Robin Carroll, director of Camp Hydeaway. "One of our agreements with him was to have the trail

ready to dedicate on Earth Day, April 22, 1990," Hayslett said.

"We had 20 individuals who worked through the rain to make the trail passable. More than 50 people attended the dedication that included a ribbon-cutting ceremony and a guided tour," he said.

Club members are now working to make the trail "self-interpretive with a numerical marking system that coordinates to a brochure which gives information about natural items," Hayslett said.

"We currently have seven members involved in that project, working on a weekly basis for Christian Service credit," Hayslett said. "The work on the trail was idled for a while. We're excited to be pursuing those original goals."

Earth Day will again be celebrated at the trail this year, Hayslett said. "April 20th is a scheduled workday at Hydeaway on the trail," he explained. "It will be a commemorative celebration of Earth Day."

Other LUBIOC officers include Brian Moyer, vice president; Amy Powell, secretary; Jeff Hampl, treasurer; David Shirley, club senator; and Erba Magallanes, executive consultant. The club has 40 members.

Education students may qualify for Virginia awards

By KERI BURNS

Special to the Champion

Virginia offers three scholarships through Liberty University for students who are pursuing a degree in education.

The scholarships, still available for the 1991-92 school year, are the Virginia Association of Colleges of Teacher Education scholarship with an April 17 deadline, the Virginia Teachers' Scholarship Loan Program with a May 15 deadline and the Paul Douglas Teachers' Scholarship, which had a March 15 deadline.

The Virginia Teachers' Scholarship Loan Program is offered only to students of certain colleges and universities in Virginia. Because Liberty is one of the largest producers of teachers in the state, its students are eligible.

This scholarship is available to Virginia residents who are full-time students. Candidates must have reached junior status and have a grade point average of 2.7.

The scholarship loan program awards up to \$2,000 annually. One year of the loan is forgiven for each year a recipient teaches in the Virginia public school system. If upon graduation the student leaves the state of Virginia, the loan must be paid back to the state.

This scholarship loan program was developed to aid the state in teacher recruitment in shortage areas, including mathematics, foreign languages and science. Recently, Virginia has added seven categories of special education to the list.

In 1989, the superintendent of public instruction requested that the General Assembly add minorities and rural areas, including Campbell County, to the shortage area. Then, in 1990, child education was also included. These priority areas are the basis of the determination of funding for this scholarship program.

The number of scholarships awarded has risen from 59 in 1984 to 225 last year. Liberty University has previously nominated two to four students each year for this program. According to Dr. Robert Gaunt, dean of the School of Education, Liberty has twice as many people eligible for the program as actually apply. "We've never had an eligible candidate who applied on time get turned down," Gaunt said.

The 1989-90 nominees for the program were Duane Kanerva, mathematics; Lydia Stone, mathematics; Melissa Lilly, mathematics;

and Darnella Sims, elementary education.

In 1990, the state's budget constraints reduced the funding available for this program. Priorities for funding in 1990 included those students who are returning to complete previously approved preparation programs, students in special education and minority students. While these three were determined to be priority areas, students seeking endorsements in the areas of mathematics, science and foreign languages were also awarded scholarship loans.

The application is due May 15 and must be submitted through the university, not individually. There are no exceptions on the requirements. Any student with questions regarding residency should check with the Financial Aid Office.

Another scholarship available is the VACTE. Virginia residency is not a requirement. Liberty is permitted to nominate one student for this program.

The requirements for the candidates include a minimum of junior status and a grade point average of 3.5. The student must be admitted to the teacher education program and possess a strong background in working with young people or children prior to entering the teaching profession.

The scholarship, which is \$500 to \$1,000 awarded annually, does not need to be paid back.

Another opportunity for funding is through the Paul Douglas Teachers' Scholarship. This scholarship is awarded to outstanding prospective teachers and is considered a prestigious honor. An annual award of \$5,000 is available for up to four years of the student's education. Twenty scholarships are given out each year, and Liberty is permitted to nominate two students.

The candidate must be considered an outstanding teacher by the university. The recipient must teach two years for every year the scholarship was awarded. If the student agrees to teach in a shortage area, he need only teach one year for each year he received the scholarship.

A total of 400 nominees compete annually for the 20 positions available. The deadline for the application is March 15. No Liberty students have applied for this program within the last two years.

Gaunt explained that the scholarships have not been claimed because of a lack of publicity.

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out refinancing debt through taxable bonds.

"It hasn't happened," he said.

In the meantime, Falwell has sent a fund-raising letter to more than 193,000 ministry donors.

Falwell stated in the March 27 chapel that recent local publicity of the letter caused the Associated Press to pick up the story on the news wire. Falwell said that he was notified by LU board of trustees member Aaron Manley last Monday to contact a man in Dallas, Texas.

Falwell said that the man, a Texas financier, asked for financial information regarding the attempt for long-term financing. The man told Falwell on March 26 that he may have something ready by Friday (March 29). At press time, nothing further was known regarding this development.

However, Falwell did say that he was very pleased to know that the Rutherford Institute, a national group of Christian lawyers, is willing to pay all court costs to have the Virginia Supreme Court decision, which

overturned LU's try for tax-free bonds, appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Rutherford Institute President John Whitehead said the group has agreed to take the case free of charge because of its implications for religious institutions nationwide.

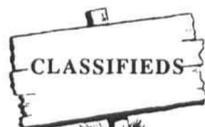
The opposition in the case contends that since the Rutherford Institute was not a part of the original case, it cannot start representing LU now. The Virginia State Supreme Court will decide if the Rutherford Institute will be allowed to appeal the

case to the highest level.

U.S. Chief Justice William Rehnquist agreed Tuesday to extend the 90-day appeal period for LU's case until June.

LU plans to base its appeal on the argument that issuing the tax-free bonds does not violate the establishment clause of the U.S. Constitution's First Amendment.

Falwell maintained, "Liberty has no intention of changing its religious practices or beliefs in order to obtain financing. I don't think we should have to."



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World:

Kuwaitis demand freedoms for people

Nearly 100 people sent the Kuwaiti emir a letter Monday demanding that a date for parliamentary elections be set. Other demands include implementation of the 1962 constitution; appointment of competent figures to government posts; freedom of speech and press; judicial independence. Activists sent their demands to Sheik Jaber Sabah after unsatisfactory responses from Crown Prince Saad Sabah.

Iraqi soldiers wait in Kuwait

Iraqi forces still control a small part of Kuwaiti territory, said a Kuwaiti tank commander. About 300 Iraqi soldiers remain in a 2-square-mile area just south of the Iraqi port of Um Qasr, Capt. Nasser Duwaila said. "Kuwa it is not free if

there is one Iraqi soldier on our land," he declared. Allied units apparently were uncertain about the border when they moved in.

Journalists flee to Turkey

Fifteen Western journalists covering fighting between Kurdish rebels and government forces in northern Iraq fled to Turkey, Reuters reported. The official could not confirm a report that 14 other journalists, one of them wounded, were trapped on the Iraqi side of the border and hiding from advancing Iraqi troops.

Soviets brace for price hike

The Soviet Union braces for its first across-the-board price increases in 30 years. Monday, citizens will have to pay two or three times what they did yesterday for everything from food to clothes. Savvy Soviet shoppers have been hoarding for weeks, so some argue the impact will be nil, as

citizens live off an estimated 100 billion rubles worth of stockpiled food.

Post-war morale of U.S. troops sinks

U.S. military morale is sinking fast now that fighting has stopped, bored and homesick soldiers in Iraq said Tuesday. "If there was something to do, I'd be willing to stay," Capt. Robert Cole of Canton, N.C., said. About 400,000 of 539,000 U.S. troops remain in the area with 3,000 sent home daily. At least 20,000 troops in southern Iraq will leave within two weeks, most will be home by July 4.

Nation:

Iraqi business fronts named in report

A "sophisticated network" of 89 businesses and individuals worldwide function as arms gathering "fronts" for the Iraqi government, and cash siphons for Saddam Hussein, the Treasury

Department reported Monday. Included, two USA firms: Bay Industries Inc. of Santa Monica, Calif., and Matrix Churchill Corp. of Solon, Ohio.

U.S. officials to meet rebel Kurds

The USA will have its first political meeting with Kurdish rebels as Saddam Hussein's army tightens its grip on rebellions in northern and southern Iraq. The State Department said Monday that U.S. officials will meet with Kurdish groups this week.

More teens in U.S. consider suicide

A third of U.S. teen-agers say they have considered suicide, 15 percent have thought seriously about it, and 6 percent have actually tried, a recent Gallup Poll said. Suicides by 15- to 19-year-olds has tripled in the past 30 years to 10 per 100,000 in that group.

Wife of Detroit area soldier suspected as possible killer

By CAROL J. CASTENEDA

USA Today Wire Service

The murder of a Persian Gulf soldier that shocked the nation and prompted renewed calls for a war against street crime might have been a tragedy of a different sort, a family dispute turned deadly.

Detroit police Monday arrested the 19-year-old brother-in-law of Army Spc. Anthony Riggs, who was gunned down on a city street March 18, 10 days after he returned from the Gulf.

Police said they arrested Michael Cato in connection with the incident. "Cato has not been charged; officials said.

Police also questioned and released Riggs' widow, Toni. She has refused comment.

Authorities had a press conference Tuesday updating the case.

The slaying of Riggs, 22, who operated a Patriot missile battery, generated calls from congressional leaders against random violence, and from the Rev. Jesse Jackson against violence against black men.

But the investigation, originally targeted at strangers, now is focusing on Riggs' 15-month marriage, apparently fraught with sexual misdeeds and financial mistrust. "All (Toni Riggs) talked about was

money," Tamyra Riggs, Anthony Riggs' cousin, said. "She wanted a BMW, a fur coat ... never love."

While Anthony Riggs was in the Middle East, his wife "drained his bank account" of \$8,000, Tamyra Riggs said.

She added that when Toni met her husband's plane on his return, she announced she wanted a divorce.

CBS reported last week that Toni was having an affair and convinced her brother to kill Anthony Riggs so she could collect insurance.

CNN reported Toni was four months pregnant, though her husband was gone six months.

Lessie Riggs, Anthony Riggs' mother, said she was not surprised at the turn the case has taken.

"Things that he said, that she wasn't home when he called from Saudi (at 2:30 a.m., 4:30 a.m.," Lessie Riggs said. "I heard she was asking for \$500 a month in alimony.

"He said, 'I'm very good to be here. Mom, I would put my head through a neck of a hot-sauce bottle to please her. But, Mom, I need happiness in return.'"

When Riggs was slain, his car was stolen. Authorities at first suspected he had been killed after interrupting someone trying to steal the car.

Gorbachev vs. Yeltsin

Soviets become more frustrated

By JUSTIN BURKE

USA Today Wire Service

MOSCOW — Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, his authority challenged by a massive demonstration here Thursday, might have more trouble on his hands next week.

The price of food and other commodities will increase 60 percent Tuesday because the central government has slashed subsidies.

The higher costs will be passed on to already hard-pressed consumers.

The prospect of protests against higher food costs prompted Gorbachev to ban all demonstrations until April 15.

But tens of thousands of protesters ignored the decree Thursday, demanding Gorbachev's resignation and supporting his rival, Boris Yeltsin.

About 50,000 police and troops blocked access to Manezh Square opposite the Kremlin, the scheduled rally site.

Sodemonstrators gathered elsewhere:

• "Despite intimidation, we have gathered here and crossed the threshold of fear," Nikolai Travkin, head of the radical Democratic Party, said.

• "Gorbachev is a political corpse and doesn't know what to do next," Sergei Druganov, a Russian parliamentary deputy, said.

Senate Intelligence Committee Chairman David L. Boren, D-Okla., in Moscow, said he saw at least a dozen instances of demonstrators being beaten.

Police estimated the crowd at 100,000. Organizers estimated 500,000. An accurate estimate was

impossible because protesters spilled onto side streets.

The protest expressed support for Yeltsin on the opening day of a special session of the Russian Congress of People's Deputies. Hard-liners were expected to try to oust the Russian federation leader.

But Yeltsin gained the upper hand when the Parliament voted to denounce as unconstitutional Gorbachev's edict banning demonstrations. The central Soviet Parliament backed Gorbachev.

The split is one example of the Soviet crisis of power in which the 15 republics are seeking greater freedom from the central government.

In Washington, the White House urged Gorbachev to lift the ban on rallies as soon as possible, saying Thursday's demonstration was orderly.

Pro-lifers gain in Mississippi

By JAY EUBANK

USA Today Wire Service

JACKSON, Miss. — The Mississippi Legislature voted Thursday to override Gov. Ray Mabus' veto of a bill requiring a 24-hour waiting period for women who want an abortion.

The House count was 90-25; the Senate was 44-6.

Mabus vetoed the bill Wednesday, saying the measure "is about who makes a most personal, intimate decision, politicians or a woman with her family, her doctor and her God.

"In vetoing this bill, I affirm my

belief that the first responsibility of government is to protect, rather than to invade, privacy and the family."

The measure, favored by anti-abortionists, requires physicians to inform women of abortion risks and alternatives, then wait a day before performing the procedure.

Supporters, such as Sen. Amy Tuck Powell of Starkville, one of four female senators, said the measure doesn't interfere with a woman's ability to have an abortion.

"(Women) can still have an abortion under this bill; they just have to wait

24 hours," she said.

The Mississippi State Medical Association called the bill an intrusion into a physician's practice and lobbied against it. Other opponents said it was unnecessary.

"No medical procedure is ever performed without the patient's understanding," Hary Crumpler of Hattiesburg, statewide organizer for Mississippi Planned Parenthood, said. "It is presumptuous, and adds insult to injury, to assume that a woman has not taken this decision seriously or thought about it for at least 24 hours."

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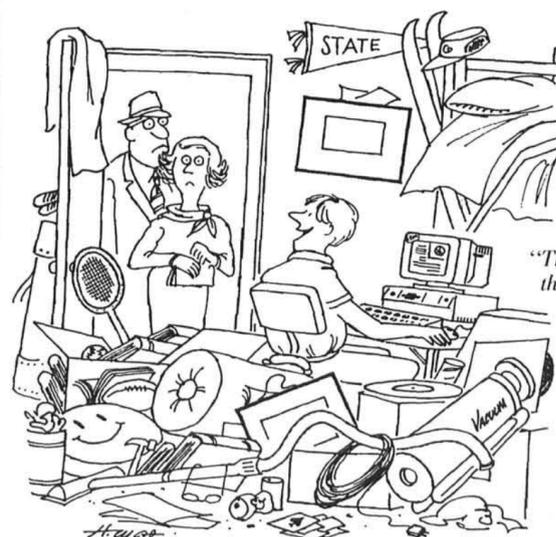
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Flames Feedback

Marvin Hamlett

Running Rebs were a sure miss against Blue Devils

As you probably know by now, Duke beat Kansas Monday night, 72-65 in the championship game of the NCAA. But even though the game was the final one of the college season, it was still not the highlight of the Final Four.

Instead, the spotlight shined on Duke two days earlier as the Blue Devils pulled off one of the biggest upsets in history by whipping the University of Nevada-Las Vegas.

Duke entered the semifinal game against UNLV as a decided underdog and rightfully so. After all, the Blue Devils were facing what many thought to be the best team ever assembled in college basketball history. The undefeated Running Rebs started four seniors, had an average age of more than 22-years-old and had blown out every team they had faced this year.

On the other hand, Duke was just the opposite. The team only started one senior (Greg Koubek) and had six losses for the season. Couple that statistic with the fact that UNLV had beaten Duke last year in the championship game by 30 points. The logical result was agreed on unanimously: UNLV would be invincible against Duke.

Well, not everyone predicted a UNLV blowout. A few loners such as myself boldly predicted the Blue Devil upset. If you think about it, the Duke win was really not that much of an upset. Consider these four aspects, and you'll realize too that Duke actually had a great chance of pulling off the win:

Coaching: This category is not even close. Duke's Mike Krzyzewski is in a league by himself. He's coached his teams to five Final Four appearances in the last six years. UNLV coach Jerry Tarkanian is good, but "Coach K" outcoached him with a brilliant game plan that Tarkanian should have expected.

Strength of Schedule: This aspect of the matchup was the most critical between the two teams, yet it was rarely mentioned. Well, to be frank, UNLV had a cakewalk in attaining its undefeated mark. Yes, I know, UNLV demolished second-ranked Arkansas on national television, but one quality opponent does not a champion make.

UNLV plays in a pancake conference: the Big West. Even though the conference also featured New Mexico State (a ranked team), the other teams in the Big West wouldn't have struck fear even in the Liberty Flames. Basically, UNLV's schedule put the team at a decided disadvantage. The Running Rebs had not been in a close game all year.

Thus, when UNLV finally faced a tough team like Duke, who could keep the game close, the Running Rebs did not know how to react during "crunch time." Remember, it was UNLV's Larry Johnson who choked in the final minute, not Duke's Christian Laettner.

Hailing from the Atlantic Coast Conference, Duke's team has grown accustomed to being in a do-or-die situation in the final minutes. Not only was Duke's ACC schedule tough, but their non-conference foes were also reputable. Duke played 17 ranked teams this year.

I assure you that if UNLV had played Duke's schedule, it would not be undefeated. And vice versa, if Duke had played UNLV's schedule, the Blue Devils would probably be the nation's only undefeated team instead of UNLV.

Emotion: This is a concept of basketball that can not be measured with a statistic. It is a concept based on desire and the will to win. The Krzyzewski-led Blue Devils had the emotion. The Tarkanian-led Running Rebs did not.

UNLV did not deserve to win: I don't know what kind of a deal Tarkanian pulled with NCAA executive director Dick Schultz, but UNLV should have been on proba-

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Tanana utilizes abilities for Christ

Tiger hurler 'leaning on Jesus'

By KEVIN M. BLOYE

Editor-in-chief

Before Detroit Tigers pitcher Frank Tanana took the mound on Oct. 4, 1987, against the Toronto Blue Jays in the most important game of his life, the crafty junkballing lefthander possessed a peace of mind that is so uncommon in the scratch-and-claw world of professional sports.

Never mind that the game, the last of a rigorous 162-game schedule, would ultimately decide the American League East pennant race. Never mind that the game would be played in front of more than 50,000 fans at Tiger Stadium and a national television audience.

Tanana's pressure-packed assignment against the Blue Jays was easy compared to the long drawn-out fight and eventual victory against an opponent that proved to be tougher than any hitter the big leagues have ever had to offer: himself.

On that cool, sunny Sunday afternoon in Detroit, Tanana pitched a masterful six-hit, 1-0 shutout to propel the Tigers into the American League playoffs. Gone were the 95-mph fastballs that had propelled Tanana to stardom in the 1970s with the California Angels. In their place was an assortment of slow, sneaky fastballs and tantalizing curveballs that had Toronto hitters pounding the ball into the dirt.

Just as Tanana's approach on the mound had transformed from fast and

impulsive to slow and methodical, so had his life. Today, the Frank Tanana that relied solely on baseball, money and alcohol for most of his life is now one of baseball's top spokespersons for a different cause: Jesus Christ.

The Pursuit of Pleasure:

In the early days of a quietly successful professional career which has spanned 19 years and has produced 207 major league victories, success came so rapidly for the native Detroit. Blessed with a fastball that averaged more than 90 miles per hour, Tanana was called to major league service at the end of the 1973 season, only three seasons after his selection in the first round of the 1971 draft.

In his first full season in the majors, the 20-year-old Tanana won 14 games and was named the Sporting News Rookie Pitcher of the Year. In 1975, Tanana won 16 games and led the American League with 269 strikeouts.

Paired with teammate and fellow flamethrower Nolan Ryan, the two formed the most feared righty-lefty combination in the major leagues. The only thing faster than Tanana's fast track to fame, however, was his life off the baseball diamond.

"I was totally consumed with having a good time," Tanana explained. "I was raised in a Catholic home where alcohol was always such a big part of the Tanana family. I began drinking at a very early age, and when I became

successful in professional baseball, I was totally consumed with the pursuit of pleasure. I became heavily involved in alcohol, drugs (marijuana) and 'chasing skirts.' I had a new house, and I felt like I had everything I could ever want or need."

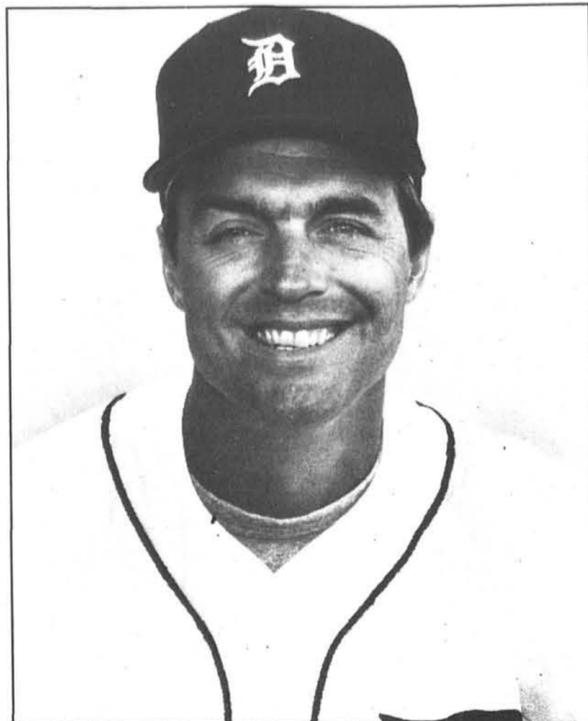
On the field Tanana established himself as one of the best pitchers in the game, winning 19 games in 1976 and 15 the following season. During the 1977 season in which he tossed 14 consecutive complete games and was named to his second straight All-Star appearance, Tanana began to experience pain in his left shoulder, a pain that threatened his livelihood and eventually sent him crashing back to stark reality.

A New Way of Life:

Diagnosed with shoulder bursitis in 1978 and faced with the possibility of life without baseball, Tanana befriended Angels' team chaplain John Werkas in 1978 and intently listened to Werkas describe a new approach to life.

"When I started talking to John, I was at some real big crossroads in my career, and I was faced with the prospect of baseball being taken away from me," Tanana said. "John had a genuine concern and love for people, and I couldn't help but notice it. I set up a few lunch dates and appointments with him, and he began to show me things in the Bible that I had never seen before."

"He explained to me how I could be



Frank Tanana

photo courtesy of the Detroit Tigers

saved and spend the rest of eternity in heaven if I was willing to accept the free gift. At the time, I really didn't understand it, but I was intrigued by the whole idea."

Later in the 1978 season, Angel outfielder Lyman Bostock, Tanana's friend, was shot to death in his car in

Gary, Ind., causing Tanana to take a closer look at his own life.

"It (Bostock's death) had a really profound effect on me. It really got me thinking about everything," Tanana said. "At the time my career was in a state of turmoil, and I decided to

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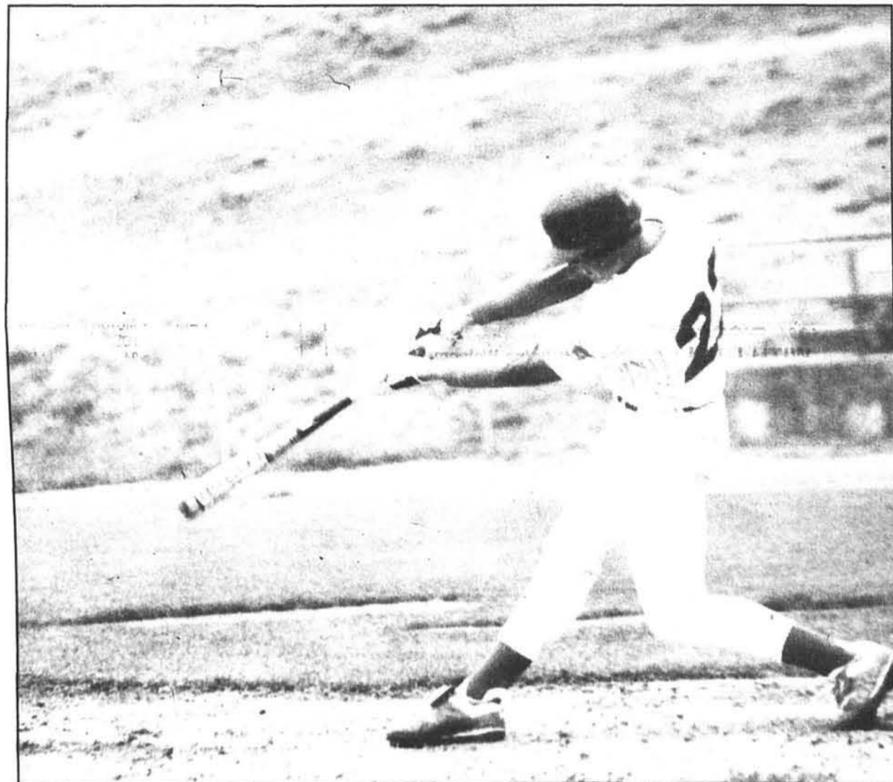


photo by Jeffrey A. Cota

LU's Phil Kulp showcases the powerful swing which has propelled the Flames baseball team this year.

Men's 4 x 400 shines

By ERIC YODER

Champion Reporter

Every coach longs to see his team peak as the season progresses. Head track coach Brant Tolsma may be catching a glimpse of this dream.

Liberty's 4 x 400 team placed second among a host of Division 1 teams at the rain-dampened Raleigh Relays Saturday.

"The relay team is four seconds faster than ever before, and it is really starting to get exciting," Tolsma said. "Now if we can just get some good weather and take off five more seconds, we have a shot at qualifying for the Division 1 Championships."

The 4 X 400 squad clocked in at 3:11.40 with individual times of 49 seconds from lead off man, Robert Udugba; 47.9 from Charles Onyeausi; 47.9 from Gerald Mosley; and a fast 46.4 from veteran Scott Queen.

"I would have to say that this was our biggest race as a team. No one expected us to be close, and we ended up with second place. I still can't believe it," Mosley said.

In the 4 x 200 relay the squad of Udugba, Onyeausi, Mosley, and Eric Carroll finished fourth with a time of 1:26.70.

In the open 400 meter, Onyeausi finished sixth with a time of 48.59, qualifying him for the Intercollegiate Association of Amateur Athletics of America Championships held in May. Senior athlete Steve Hurst finished

sixth in the steeplechase, breaking the tape at 9:28.3 while achieving a personal best performance.

Bobby Schudler also finished sixth by clearing 15 feet in the pole-vault.

The 4 x 800 relay team captured seventh place with 7:41.3 and an inspiring performance from Brett Honeycutt.

"Honeycutt hasn't seen any competition since November when he suffered a stress fracture. He's been working out on his own. His performance was quite impressive considering the circumstances," Tolsma said.

LU's 4 x 1,500 team took eighth place with 16:13.6. Individual times are as follows: Mark Szkolnik 3:56.4, Brent Squires 4:06, David McCombs 4:08.6, and Damien Bates 4:02.4. Mark Scolnik also finished eighth in the open 1,500 meter for freshmen.

A ninth place performance came when the 4 x 100 squad of L.G. Parrish, Pat Nelson, Queen and Mosley ran it in 42.14.

Other noteworthy performances were turned in by McCombs, who ran 14:59.9 in the 5,000 for the third time this season. Bill Khan had a personal best in the event with 15:19.7.

"The meet was, as the name implies, predominantly relays. The weather conditions prohibited any big marks," Tolsma said.

Next weekend the team hosts the Liberty Decathlon/Heptathlon at 1 p.m. at the Liberty track.

Six straight!

Red hot Flames bat .386

By MIKE GATHMAN

Champion Reporter

The Liberty University Flames baseball team won all six home games this week in a four day stretch, including two doubleheaders sweeps, improving their record to 14-8.

Throughout the six-game winning streak, the Flames have put together all the key ingredients for winning: hitting, pitching and defense. Liberty pitcher Kris Morton, who pitched a complete game against Appalachian State, said, "We seem to be getting a lot more breaks lately. Earlier this year our pitching would be off when the hitting was good, and when the hitting was off, the pitching would be good. Now it is together. The team is also playing good defense behind the pitchers."

A different pitcher won each of the six games for the Flames, showing depth in the pitching rotation. The offense hit nine homers during the week while batting at a lofty .386.

In the first game against Franklin Pierce on Monday, the Flames won easily by a score of 13-0 after only five innings. The Flames scored 11 runs in the third inning to run away with the game. Liberty pitcher Casey Mittauer won the game by pitching five innings for the shutout. Mittauer gave up four hits, no walks, and struck out three in the win.

The offense for the Flames was led by Bill Speek. Speek was 3-for-3 with a home run, two runs scored and three runs batted in. Ryan Hutchinson also picked up two hits and scored two runs. Mike Kreider hit the other homer.

On Tuesday, the Flames defeated Appalachian State 4-1 and 4-3 in a doubleheader at Worthington field. Morton and Todd Martin each pitched a complete game as both LU pitchers picked up a win.

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Despite loss, tennis team begins to show promise

By MARVIN HAMLETT

Sports Editor

Just when the young Flames tennis team was beginning to reach the level of last year's squad, the team had to go on the road to face a very tough Virginia Commonwealth team. The upstart Flames had their three-game winning streak snapped last Thursday in an 8-1 loss against VCU.

"They were good," No. 2-seed Raphael Cardoso said. "They're one of the best teams we've faced this season."

The lone victory for the Flames came from the No. 3-and-4 doubles combination of freshmen Danny Fariss and Chris Johnson. The tandem methodically pulled away from their opponents, 4-3, which caused the Rams duo to default. "They knew they were going to lose, so they defaulted," Johnson said. "The team had already clinched victory, and they didn't want an injury."

The Rams, who have not lost to a team in Virginia this season, were dominant throughout the rest of the matches. The closest that LU, 5-7, came to gaining another win was in the doubles match that featured Cardoso and freshman No. 1-seed Eddie

Bongart.

Cardoso and Bongart looked impressive early in the match, but a bizarre scenario began to unfold when both players broke their tennis rackets. After they each replaced the rackets with ones from teammates, the two could not get back on track. The duo lost a tiebreaker in the first set, 7-5, before falling in three sets, 3-6, 6-4, 7-6.

"I don't know why the rackets were breaking," Cardoso said, "but we couldn't get used to the change of rackets. Both of our opponents were ranked in the top 10."

Ironically, Cardoso's racket problems began during his 6-0, 6-2 singles loss. "First, I broke my racket in the singles, then I broke someone else's racket," Cardoso said. "I'm not making any excuses, but I could have given him a tougher time. You get discouraged when you don't have your equipment."

In other singles matches, Bongart could not get on track, losing 6-1, 6-2. Fariss lost 6-0, 6-2, and the fourth-seeded Johnson lost 6-2, 6-0. Fifth-seeded Dan Balasic, the team's only senior, lost 6-0, 6-0, while freshman Matt Gribben rounded out the singles competition by losing 6-0, 6-2.

"We were just outmatched," Johnson said. "They're like a Top 20 team."

Earlier in the week, the Flames had culminated a three-game winning streak with a 5-4 victory over Kings College. That victory came at the heels of victories over Roanoke College and Wayne State University.

The scores in the Kings College victory were as follows: Bongart won 6-3, 6-2; Cardoso won 6-2, 7-6; and Fariss won 6-3, 6-2. In other singles action, Johnson lost 6-4, 6-3. Gribben, who played at the No. 5 spot, lost 6-1, 6-4, and sixth-seeded sophomore Robert Kubala lost 6-1, 6-2.

In doubles play, Bongart and Cardoso won 7-5, 6-1. Johnson and Fariss won in three sets, 4-6, 6-4, 6-3, and Gribben and Kubala fell 6-2, 6-3.

The Flames look to rebound to their winning ways this week. The Flames played Roanoke College Tuesday after the Champion deadline. Liberty has beaten the Maroons once already this year on Roanoke's home court. The Flames will then hit the road Thursday to face the Radford Highlanders.

Seven personal bests recorded by Lady Flames

By EVIE DAVIS
Champion Reporter

Although Liberty University women's outdoor track team faced tough competition in the Raleigh Relays at North Carolina State last weekend, the Flames recorded seven personal bests, but only Delethea Quarries and Alyson Ayers placed first.

"It was a big meet," coach Brant Tolsma said. "A lot of division 1 schools were there."

The biggest victory for the team came with Quarries' first-place victory in the 100-meter hurdles. She finished in 14.35 seconds, and Tolsma said that she won over a strong field of opponents.

"This was an impressive win for Delethea because of her stiff competition on the field," he said. However, Quarries' victory does not affect the team's overall rankings.

A second win was recorded for the Flames in the javelin throw. Ayers threw 126-4 for a sixth-place finish in the competition. She is only 6 1/2 feet away from qualifying for the ECAC championships.

However, the 4 x 400 relay team did qualify for the East Coast Athletic Conference championship with a combined time of 3:57.83. "The girls

ran their best time of the season," Tolsma said.

Both Fadhila Samuel and Lecann Hayslett clocked in at 59.6, Shelly Worthy at 60.7 and Gina Turner anchored the relay at 57.7 seconds.

In the 4 x 800 relay, the Flames took a seventh-place finish with 79:24.04. "Patti Bottiglieri really ran an impressive split of 2:20.1," Tolsma said. Nash clocked in at 2:22.8, Jenn Reeder at 2:24.9 and Turner at 2:16.2.

In addition to the Flames' placing victories, a seasonal best and some personal bests were recorded.

Capturing a seasonal best, Urlene Dick ran the 1,500 in 4:54.5. Also, Esther Mills ran the 1,500 for a personal best of 5:17.1, and Christie Rininger ran the 1,500 in 5:12.9.

Clocking in at 19:54.3, Laurie Coe ran a personal best in the 5,000. And finally, in the discuss throw, Tina Moore had a personal best of 122 feet.

"We are hopeful it will start getting nicer on the weekends so we'll hopefully get some better marks to qualify us for the ECAC championships," Tolsma said. "We're looking for the next three weeks to lead us into the heart of the season."

The women's outdoor team will participate in its first home meet of the season this weekend.



photo by Steve Wright

During the first-ever alumni game for the Lady Flames basketball team, Cami Lanier (80-81) is smothered by Phyllis Martin (79-80) while Linda Skinner (79-80) and Missy Eller (80-84) watch.

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tion this season without any television coverage. The school was reported for nearly 40 violations within the basketball program. But for some mysterious reason, the probation will not begin until next season when UNLV loses four starters. Go figure!

I will acknowledge that UNLV was and is the most talented team I've ever seen at the college level. But a team can only go so far on talent alone. There's always a team out there that can beat you: the underdogs, dark-horses and the giant killers. And nearly every basketball fan yearns for March Madness to begin so that they can see the mighty fall.

Well, on Saturday night, the mighty UNLV fell to the giant-killing Duke Blue Devils in one of the greatest games I've ever seen. I was glad to see Goliath fall victim to yet another David.

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In the second game, the Flames offense was led by Brady, Kulp, Kreider and Speck as each collected a pair of hits.

Martin pitched the complete game, giving up only one earned run on 10 hits while striking out four. The game was supposed to last seven innings, but after the seventh the score was 3-3. The Flames scored in the bottom of the eighth to take the lead and win the game.

On Wednesday, the Flames played their second doubleheader in as many days, gaining a sweep over West Chester University. The previous weekend they had lost to WCU, 9-3, in a rain-shortened game.

Rightfielder Danny Brahn led the Flames attack as he went 3-for-4 with a homer and two runs batted in during the 12-1 rout. Scott Harmsen had two hits and scored two runs for the Flames. David Eeles also chipped in two hits.

LU pitcher Mac McDowell pitched the seven-inning complete game, giving up only one run on seven hits while striking out six for the win.

In the second game, West Chester provided a bigger challenge, but fell short in the Flames fifth consecutive victory, 6-4.

The Flames offense collected 12 hits in the victory. Brady led the way

by going 4-for-4 with a double, a homer, three runs batted in and two runs scored.

Erik Christensen, Bill Coleman and Bill Speck each contributed two hits.

LU pitcher Chad Fox started the game and pitched five and two-thirds innings, giving up four runs on four hits while striking out four. Mike Torrance came on to finish the game in the sixth inning by picking up the save.

On Thursday, the Flames played the University of Maryland-Baltimore County. The Flames picked up their sixth straight victory with an 11-7 win that featured a lot of offense for both teams. The Flames scored four runs in the top of the eighth to break a 7-7 tie and held on for the win.

Brahn led the offense with a 3-for-5 performance that included a double, a homer and five runs batted in. Kreider also had played well with a 4-for-5 day, including a triple, two runs scored and two runs knocked in. Brady had another solid performance, going 3-for-5 with two runs scored.

The Flames are on a roll with their six-game winning streak. The team has raised its overall season record to 14-8 and hopes to continue the streak.

Friday's baseball game against North Carolina A&T was cancelled due to rain. On Thursday they will take on VMI at 3 p.m. On Friday the Flames play a doubleheader at home against Howard University, starting at 1 p.m.

Tanana

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make a conscious effort to change and live differently. I began calling myself a Christian and started to attend chapels and Bible studies."

The decision to live the Christian life became easier when Tanana's new wife, Cathy, trusted Jesus Christ as her Savior in 1978. On the field, Tanana's once blossoming career began to deteriorate as continuous elbow and shoulder problems forced him to miss more than half of the 1979 season. A snapped tendon in the left triceps deflated Tanana's trademark fastball and dropped his market value to an all-time low.

In order to save an injury-riddled arm and a dwindling career, Tanana adopted a finesse style of pitching that relied heavily on an assortment of sneaky fastballs and slow, dipping curves. Before the 1981 season, California dealt Tanana to the Boston Red Sox in a five-player swap.

After an unsuccessful 4-10 strike-shortened season in Boston, Tanana

signed as a free agent with the Texas Rangers in 1982 and lost an American League-high 18 games that season. While his performance on the mound was less than spectacular, Tanana's new life as a professed Christian led to hypocrisy.

"For five years I called myself a Christian but was actually living a double life," Tanana explained. "There were areas in my life such as alcohol and lust that I still struggled with. I became so convicted that I couldn't tell anyone about my faith anymore. I felt like a total hypocrite."

A Servant for Christ:

On Nov. 6, 1983, during the annual Pro Athletes Outreach Conference, Frank Tanana, clouded with guilt and conviction, fell to his knees in a hotel room and made Jesus Christ the Lord of his life.

"I had a tremendous visit from God that night and a wonderful filling of the Holy Spirit," Tanana proclaimed. "I accepted the free gift on God's

terms and knew that I was completely forgiven as 2 Cor. 5:17 says 'old things are passed away, behold, all things are become new.' I am thankful to God that He spared my life."

Midway through the 1985 season, the struggling Rangers dealt Tanana to the Tigers for a minor league prospect. In five and a half seasons with the team he idolized as a boy, Tanana has averaged more than 13 wins a season while becoming, in 1990, the 88th pitcher in baseball history to win 200 career games. On April 8, he will be the Tigers' opening day pitcher against the New York Yankees.

Since his decision to follow Christ in 1983, Tanana has become one of professional sports' most respected spokespersons for Christ. He personally answers each piece of fan mail by sending a tract that states his personal testimony and a plan to follow Christ.

On the field and in the clubhouse, Tanana makes himself readily avail-

able to teammates but remains careful in his presentation of the Gospel.

"I get paid to play ball, not to spout the gospel," Tanana said. "My responsibility is to help the Tigers be the best team they can be. When I get the opportunity to share my faith, it needs to be done on my time, not the company's time. I've got a job representing Christ which means I have a responsibility to be the hardest worker out there."

While most members of the media regard outspoken Christians as their worst nightmare, Tanana has repeatedly used his elevated position in life to share his faith to the sporting world.

"I am in a wonderful position to proclaim God's grace," Tanana profoundly stated. "The media has such a misconception of what a Christian is all about. They expect a person like Jerry Falwell to talk about God; but when an athlete does, it's considered a crutch. If it's a crutch, it's a wonderful crutch. There's nothing like leaning on Jesus."

Golfers struggle in successive tournaments

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Liberty University's golf team placed poorly in both the Eastern Carolina-Greenbrier Invitational and the Navy Invitational March 22-24, because of the poor health of leading players added to the absence of mental toughness, according to Coach Mike Hall.

During the Eastern Carolina-Greenbrier Invitational, the LU golf team felt the absence of team member Dave Tyre, as they placed last among the 13 schools in the tournament.

Tyre, who was ill for the tournament and unable to play, currently holds the second lowest stroke average on the team. Chris Turner, holding the lowest stroke score on the team, held the team together with a three-round composite score of 235 (77-76-82).

According to Hall, the hardest aspect of the tournament was "(keeping) mental toughness—it was difficult for the team to block out the cold weather and the difficult course they were facing."

Hall said the poor finish was unex-

pected. "We should have been able to place seventh or eighth in this tournament. The tournament was basically a downer," Hall continued.

Hall stated that the one area that the team needs to improve is mental toughness. "You can be your worst enemy," Hall said.

During the Navy Invitational March 22-24, the golf team faced more disappointment as they placed 12 out of 28 teams. Once again poor health and the absence of mental strength pulled the team down.

The Navy Invitational started off

on a bad note for Liberty, as the first four holes the team completed were called off because of heavy rain on the course during the first day.

On the second day of the tournament, LU's leading player, Chris Turner, became very ill. "That was the first time his (Turner's) score did not count in the team scores since his freshman year," Hall said.

The highlight of the Navy Invitational occurred during the first round when LU freshman Tom Anthony led the team with the lowest score and a personal best of 74.

Braun named Player of the Week

The Player's Club has named Danny Braun as the Player of the Week for the period of March 24 through March 31.

Braun, who leads the Flames baseball team in hitting with a .386 clip,

went 3-for-5 last Thursday with a homer and a double.

He also drove in five runs as LU beat the University of Maryland-Baltimore County, 11-7. The team has now won six straight.

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