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Point: Counterpoint

Is "heavy metal" Christian music all right when used to witness? Scott DiVincenzo and Barbara Guess face-off on page 2.

Western tops LU

Liberty loses a heartbreaker to the Leather-necks in the Homecoming game. See game story, column and picture on page 9.

Homecoming Weekend

Photo editor Donald W. Hayden captures the weekend on film in a special picture page. See photos on page 8.

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Harbot wins 1988 'Miss Liberty' pageant



Julie Harbot, Miss Liberty for 1988, stands between Dr. and Mrs. A. Pierre Guillermin on Friday night. Staff Photo by Donald W. Hayden

BY MEGAN BEARDER
Copy Editor

The Eleventh Annual Miss Liberty Pageant Saturday produced many laughs, smiles, tears and most of all—the new Miss Liberty.

The hosts of the evening were the comedy duo of Stephen Hicks and Jerry Cohagan. They kept the audience thoroughly entertained with their snappy jokes and refreshing humor.

The 24 contestants paraded the stage in their color-coordinated outfits to the theme song of the night, "Shine Down."

All the contestants had been interviewed and selected by the judges several weeks prior to the pageant.

Su Yong Park was pronounced Miss Congeniality, an honor voted on by all the contestants before the pageant.

Alberta Couthen Stewart, the 1987 Miss Liberty, presented a farewell speech. "I'm sad, but not very sad... as now another young lady has the opportunity to be Miss Liberty," she said. She followed her address with a beautifully sung rendition of "One Moment in Time."

The ladies, dressed in evening gowns, were individually escorted around the stage by United States Marines. Stewart described the contestants' gowns, which ranged from glittering sequins to black fitted velvet, as they paraded the stage.

The ten semi-finalists were announced. Those selected were Julie Ann Harbot, Kimberly Rachelle Harris, Lisa Eleya Holy, Amy Elizabeth Hubbard, Lara Lee Leonard, Susan Diane Matherly, Su Yong Park, Julie Ann Schwaderer, Justine Elizabeth Thyret and Kathryn Michelle Tomlinson.

The LBN singers and orchestra provided musical entertainment for the evening.

Dr. A. Pierre Guillermin announced the five finalists. They were Amy Hubbard, Lara Leonard, Julie Harbot, Lisa Holy and Kim Harris.

The finalists were individually taken aside and asked the same question—"Describe yourself when you first entered LU as a Freshman. Then go on to describe how you matured into the person you are tonight."

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Harbot gets nervous

BY BRUCE A. STANTON
Editor

Julie Ann Harbot was nervous on Friday night.

She wasn't worried about being named "Miss Liberty," though. She was worried about being a "klutz."

"The thing that I was most nervous about was the choreography," Harbot said. "I'm such a klutz. And I goofed. I made a mistake right in front of everyone."

That was the only goof she made, though. Harbot was named Miss Liberty for 1988 even though she didn't expect to make the first cut.

"I thought that I wouldn't be one of the top 10," Harbot, a senior Broadcast-Journalism major from Williamsport, Penn., said. "When they called my name first, I was totally amazed."

After making the final 10, Harbot was even more surprised to make the final five.

"I didn't expect to make the top five either," she said. "I just kept waiting and saying, 'They'll call my name next.'"

Finally, it came down to Harbot and Amy Hubbard.

"When it was just me and Amy, I really believed that God wanted Amy to be Miss Liberty," Harbot said.

But Hubbard was named first runner-up, leaving Harbot alone in the spotlight.

"I was so amazed," Harbot said. "I



Julie Harbot

didn't feel that I was even worthy of being in the pageant. It is such a responsibility and an honor to be Miss Liberty.

"I didn't even know how to wave. I'm still trying to sort it all out." Harbot knew what to do before the pageant, though. She spent some time alone with God.

"I spent an hour and a half before the pageant by myself in my room," she said. "God and I spoke during that time. I said that I would do my best and glorify Him in everything that I did."

In some ways, Harbot was living out a childhood dream with her participation in the pageant.

"I used to watch all of the pageants on TV when I was a child," she said. "When I was out there, all I could say was, 'Thank you, Jesus, for a great time.'"

Keene collects signatures, starts application process

BY BRAD TAYLOR
Editorial Editor

Mark Keene announced on Sunday that he has collected more than the required number of signatures needed to begin the application process for a Democrats Club at Liberty University.

Keene, a sophomore from St. Petersburg, Fla., has been attempting to formulate a Democrats club for the past few weeks. "I am very pleased with the response I have had so far," Keene

said.

To petition for a campus club, The Liberty Way states that one must collect at least 25 signatures before the Student Government and university administration will consider giving a club official university club status. Keene has collected more than 120 signatures in support of a Democrats Club. Keene said that more than 30 of those that signed the petition are "serious about joining" the proposed club.

Included in the supportive signatures are Jim Lumley, Chairman of the LU chapter of College Republicans and CR Vice Chairman Anthony Perrone. Perrone said that he signed the petition because he wants to see "political pluralism on campus."

Keene said that while he is encouraged by the support he has received during his recruiting drive, he has received several negative reactions in response to his efforts.

"You're wasting your time," has been a familiar comment, Keene said. He also said that he has repeatedly told students that while he is a Democrat, he does not support the candidacy of Michael Dukakis. He even posted a sign at his table reading, "No, I do not support Mike Dukakis."

Several students, while in support of a Democrats Club, say they have reservations about the proposed

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Dorm 31 is ready for use

BY ROBERT PITTS
Special to The Champion

With dorm 31 now ready for occupancy, work crews are being shifted to continue building the remaining three dorms, Bob Leach, part owner of Robinson Construction Company in Blacksburg, said Friday.

"It sounds like we're getting closer," Leach said. "I would say the next building will be ready in a couple of weeks."

Leach referred to dorm 32, which still needs work on the carpeting, painting and plumbing. Dorm 33 should be ready three to four weeks after dorm 32 is complete, Leach said, with dorm 34 being ready three to four weeks after dorm 33 is finished. Each dorm is worth about \$800,000, Leach said.

The builder said the rock that workers hit while trying to finish the sewer lines has been a major factor in the delay. "That's been a holdup for at least two to three weeks," Leach said.

"It's cost the university money I'm sure - a considerable amount," Leach added. "The drilling under the railroad track was probably eight to 10 times as expensive as if we didn't hit rock. It's cost everybody."

Work left to be done on dorm 33 includes "drywalling" part of the

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Larnelle Harris sings out on Saturday night. Staff Photo by Donald W. Hayden

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Harris culminates Homecoming week

BY MEGAN BEARDER
Copy Editor

The Homecoming Weekend culminated Saturday night with a concert featuring the four-time Grammy Award winning singer, Larnelle Harris.

Harris began the night on an upbeat note with the familiar "A Mighty Fortress is our God." A colorful backdrop of lights (the same setup used for the Miss Liberty Pageant) enhanced the setting.

The songs "Happy Day" and "All in Favor Say I" got the crowd to its feet and clapping to the beat.

It felt like Christmas in October when Harris sang two selections from his Christmas album. One would almost have expected to see snow falling when looking out the doors at that point.

Problems with the sound system (most likely a monitor cord coming loose) forced Harris to change his plans a couple of times. In no way did it affect the quality of the presentation. Harris said after the concert that he never has "things so well planned that the Holy Spirit can't work" and that sometimes God "uses equipment breakdowns to teach us something." Harris used the opportunities to share from his heart.

There wasn't a band to back him up, but Harris' tremendous vocal ability kept the crowd entertained. He did resort to the piano a couple of times, but it basically served as a prop.

Harris chose to end the night with the spotlight completely focused on the Lord. He led the audience in the often tear-provoking song "Lord I Love You" and exited the stage quietly at the end.

The concert was what one made it to be. Those that came to praise the Lord were able to do so, abundantly. Those that came to be blessed were blessed. Those that just came to hear some beautiful singing heard it.

In regard to his concerts, Harris said, "What I attempt to share is from the heart and is honest. I want to be the same person on the stage as I am [off the stage]."

That's an awesome responsibility for any Christian singer. Many people look up to such individuals, often idolizing them. Harris said he recognized that fact. "It's an awesome responsibility, and I don't take it lightly. I want to turn it [the admiration] where it belongs—to the Lord."

"I'm just like everybody else in that I need that cleansing that only the Lord can do."

OPINION



"..Where the spirit of the Lord is, there is Liberty."

--II Corinthians 3:17

Editorial

Homecoming peaks with trees

How appropriate.

The fall colors were at their peak last weekend. So was student activity at LU.

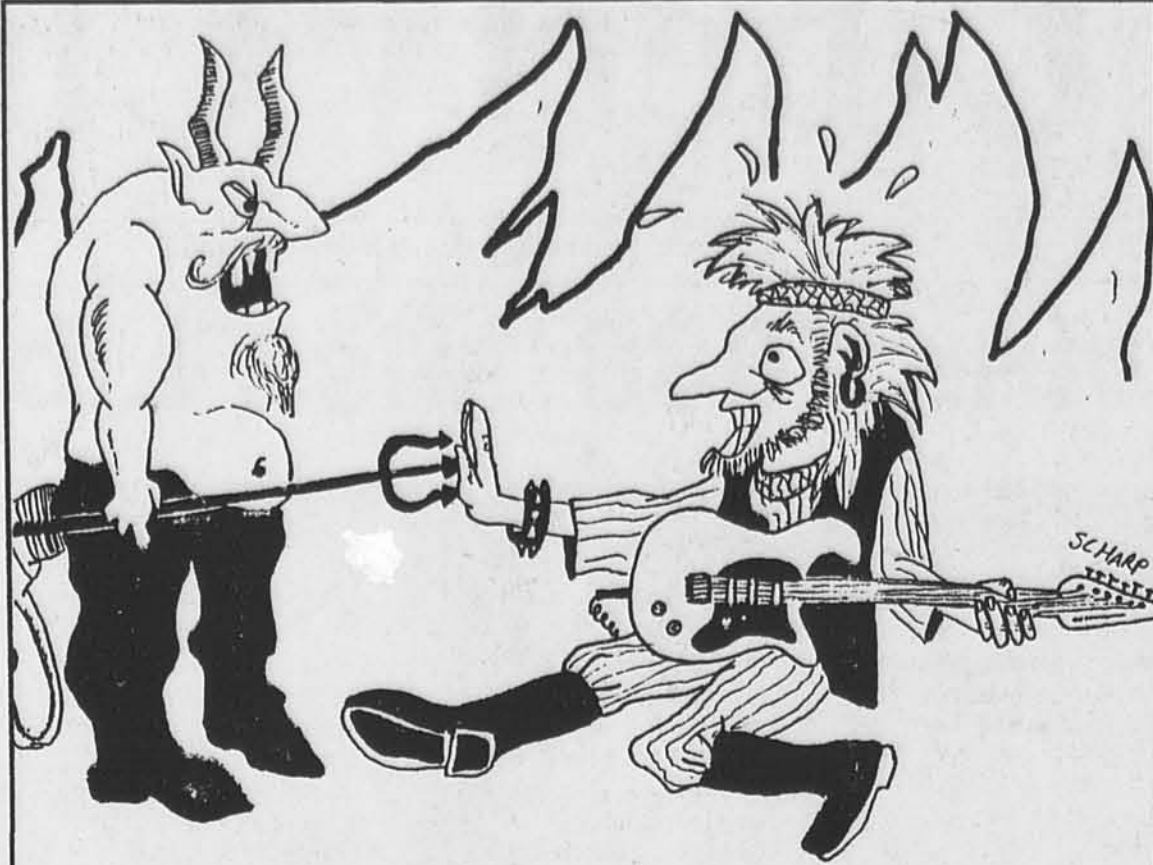
Homecoming Week was nothing short of a smashing success. And even though the Flames football team fell in defeat to second-ranked Western Illinois, the student body came out in full force to help set a new home attendance record of 11,400 at Saturday's game.

But the tone for the weekend celebration was set earlier in the week. The chapel services appeared to be full of spirit (both God's and the school's). Vernon Brewer even gave the student body a break during Wednesday's chapel when he ended the service at about 10:30, allowing many students to fellowship or get some much needed rest after mid-term week.

On Wednesday, Coach Morgan Hout fired up the crowd and begged for student attendance and participation at the game. Not even Dr. Jerry Falwell could interrupt the speech. When Falwell extended his wrist in front of Hout as a "your time's up" gesture, Hout slapped down the arm of our beloved Chancellor.

That night, Julie Ann Harbot became the eleventh "Miss Liberty." Harbot, a broadcast-journalism major from Williamsport, Penn., will represent the school well in this capacity.

And then there was the Homecoming concert. Larnelle Harris, who has one of the greatest singing voices in the world, gave LU students, parents and alumni a great ending to a great week.



I DON'T WANNA HEAR THAT OLD "BUT THE LYRICS WERE CHRISTIAN" EXCUSE AGAIN!

Point:

Christian 'metal' music creates problems for Christian lifestyle

Christian "metal" is probably not the best choice of music.

In a world that has fallen prey to a slanderous and stereotypical mentality, we as Christians must consider our every action.

Unfortunately, however, the "Me-ism" philosophy of the 80's has dominated Christian rationale. As a result, many believers associate themselves with questionable extremes of entertainment.

One extreme, in particular, is Christian heavy metal. Although many will scream and shout that music is amoral (and they're right), it is still necessary to assume that this world will misunderstand the motives of such a lifestyle.

As Christians, we must do everything in our power to avoid communicating a compromising faith.

Many will completely disagree with me, I'm sure. But we must forget about ourselves and consider the type of label that Christian metal is putting on a HOLY, HOLY God. Furthermore, I would like to suggest that the Spirit of God does not automatically convict a concert audience as the re-



Scott DiVincenzo

sult of some flip-flop system in creativity.

What does this mean? Simply stated, one can not just combine Bible words with a radical lifestyle and conclude God's will.

Yes, I am aware that young people listen to all sorts of music, especially heavy metal. This is all the reason more to give them respectable role models, not five loud, long-haired lunatics in elastic pants. C'mon, Liberty.

Remember now, people get saved because God is sovereign, not because some brilliant person engineered a cute little technique.

I realize that we should use our imagination for the cause of Christ;

but as Christians, we need to concentrate on removing saved and unsaved people out of carnal atmospheres.

The whole point of this is to recognize that Christians should be more willing to forfeit their liberties for the sake of Jesus Christ.

I know that the apostle Paul said that he would become all things to all men that he might win some to Christ; however, he never suggested that he would enjoy partaking of their lifestyles. Paul also warned us to abstain from the appearance of evil; and those crazy heavy metal concerts are just perfect examples of godliness, aren't they?

As I stated before, I realize that music is amoral. However, when there is an abundant selection of musical entertainment, why must we choose the most obscure?

It is just silly to expect a revival among Christian people who are more concerned with their rights rather than the cause of Christ.

Scott DiVincenzo is a staff columnist for The Champion.

Counterpoint:

Christian 'metal' music reaches certain groups

People look at the clothes, hair and sound of Christian metal musicians and automatically assume the worst. However, I do not see the Christian community coming up with anything better to reach the youth of America.

It takes something that teenagers can relate to, such as heavy metal music, before you can fill a stadium with 10,000 non-Christian head-bangers. You have to hit people where they live, and in today's world teenagers live with music.

The Christian rock musicians are reaching young people-- something that the majority of Christians, including myself, have failed miserably at doing.

Yes, everyone wants to reach teenagers; but the Christian solution to everything seems to be, "Well why don't you come to church sometime." Of course, to come to church you must have new pants, new

Barbara Guess

shoes, new shirt and a good hair cut.

So, now we have invited a teenager to church; and he wears the best outfit he owns-- a pair of jeans, a clean t-shirt and his favorite earring. Church day arrives and what happens? "Look at what just walked through the door; Oops, I didn't mean to turn around and stare."

"OH, NO, Did you see that hair below the ears?"

I can not see a man with a Mohawk to his knees getting overly anxious to listen to a sermon on John 3:16.

Imagine spending an hour or more looking up the noses of those looking down at you. How long will it be before you get the urge to go back to church?

A rock concert is different.

The musicians look like what is considered to be normal, not like they just stepped out of Sunday school. No one is worried about being considered a low-life.

Does everyone who doesn't fit the stereotype of the conservative, well-groomed Christian have a wild lifestyle. Who are we to say anything, anyway?

I guarantee all Christian metal artist aren't out there for the Lord, but neither are all the preachers. Only God knows the hearts of men; and he is the one keeping score, not me.

I applaud those sincerely willing to give their time and talents for reaching the heavy metal teenagers because I don't believe that a Christianese-speaking collegiate preacher boy is going to be able to relate to them.

Barbara Guess is a staff columnist for The Champion.

What does being spiritual mean to me?

Reynard Valdez

What does being spiritual mean? That seems to be the buzzing question on the Liberty University campus recently.

To be spiritual is to refrain from evil things, not being sensual. It pertains to the spiritual state that brings purity of thought, mind and heart, controlled and inspired by the divine (Holy) Spirit. - Historical Digest: Ira M.Price, University of Chicago.

A person can not obtain spirituality until he or she has accepted Christ as Lord and Savior. Spirituality is the Holy Spirit's indwelling residence in a person's life.

Spirituality is the insurance one has to overcome the corrupting influences of carnal-mindedness. - The Master Bible.

Activity in Spiritual things should be brought about by the Christian's love and delight, willingly. The Holy Spirit is the motivator for this type of attitude which allows a believer to gladly participate in ministry without complaint.

The spiritual-minded person greatly appreciates spiritual blessings to pursue spiritual objectives, to be led by spiritual motives and in all respects, to allow "the temple of the purified heart" to control and direct the life of a believer.

An example of a spiritual objective would be to evangelize the world as our Lord has commanded us to. "And he said unto them, go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." -- Mark 16:15

The most difficult thing to do on this campus is perhaps getting others (believers) to go soul winning, yet they try to justify their type of spirituality by the kind of Christian music one listens to.

Spiritual motives cover a broad range of what are we doing for God or how will this benefit me? Many times people auditioning to be on

ministry teams or sing for a chapel service do it with the motive to become popular. Let's see what God's word says about doing works with a wrong motive.

"And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted." - Matthew 23:12. Philippians 2:3 says "Let nothing be done in vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves."

Being a spiritual person involves respect to the indwelling Holy Spirit, who can only operate in directing and controlling our lives if we have a clean and purified heart.

Jesus said that it is the Holy Spirit that testifies of Him, and if that Spirit does not bear witness of Him then it is a wrong spirit. The attitude of just saying "I'm saved" has not excused us of our responsibility to be involved in ministry.

A Liberty professor announced to his class that he would not eat any food for his body until he first indulged in the food for his soul. Time with God, as Dr. Falwell says, can do wonders for your life, instead of just pinching at only the things you want done in regards to prayers.

Spirituality is more than a reputation, but it encompasses how much one loves and delights in the things of God. In pertaining to this institution, some things of God would include attentively listening in chapel instead of doing class assignments, having at least a half-hour or more in seeking God's face not including your prayer list and feeding daily on God's word by the chapters instead of a promise verse a day.

There is a whole realm of spirituality that we all need to discover; let's try and watch God transform our campus.

Remember "God is a Spirit, and they that worship Him must do so in spirit and in truth," John 4:24.

Reynard Valdez is the Religion Editor of The Champion.

Vote

Take interest in political processes

Catherine Maentanis

As Christians, we want to elect leaders who we believe are called by God. To do otherwise would be to relinquish our responsibility as the salt of the earth.

But, in every election year, why do we get otherwise? Why does the average Christian settle for ungodly leadership when he has the opportunity to shape America's future for righteousness?

The reason is simple. Many of God's people have no interest in the political process. To them, voting is not considered a privilege, but rather a burden. It is something expected of them at least every four years.

To prove this, during the past 10 national elections, only 30 to 50 percent of eligible voters went to the polls. And since 1969, U. S. voter turnout became the world's lowest, averaging lower than 28 other nations.

This is tragic considering that 60 million Americans or one-quarter of the U.S. population professes to be Born again Christians.

With such a large segment of society professing a faith in the God of the Bible, why does the majority relinquish its God-given right to govern by neglecting to vote?

One solution would be to make Christians realize that they are sinning against God when they neglect to vote.

Dr. D. James Kennedy, pastor of Coral Ridge Presbyterian Church in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., puts it like this: "I believe it is a sin not to vote. Where does it say that in the Bible? Jesus said, 'Give to Caesar what is Caesar's'...That means we are to give to the State whatever are our proper responsibilities as citizens of that State. In this nation, that certainly includes, at the very minimum, our votes."

If Christians realize that they have a moral obligation to society and their Creator to participate in the political process, then maybe more will take the challenge and vote this Nov. 8.

Once Christians accept their responsibility and take an interest in the issues and candidates, we may see positive changes come about in our country. Instead of God thrown out of the public forum, He may once again be welcomed and revered as the one who bestowed upon us the liberties we so cherish.

Christians can make the difference in this country. Voting on Nov. 8 will be a start.

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OPINION

Why on earth are we celebrating Halloween?



Curt Olson

of the Dead" and as the "Prince of Darkness." They also believed that winter was a sign of death and that Samhain brought the winter.

Every Oct. 31, Celtic priests, called Druids, would gather on a hill top, dress in long white robes and dance around a fire.

The Celts believed evil spirits lurked everywhere and the fire was set up to throw animals in it and to protect them from Samhain. Any evil spirit present would take the form of a cat.

We ask you! Is this a holiday that Christians should take part in?

We are not talking about five, six and seven year olds who go around their neighborhood and collect candy from their neighbors. We are talking about critically-thinking Christian young people who are supposed to know the difference between righteousness and wickedness!

We don't go to a bar just because our unsaved friends want us to go there (I trust that is the overall feeling on this campus). So, why on earth should we celebrate a day that Satan takes pleasure in, just to celebrate it!

As Christians we are commanded to not be conformed to this world (Rom 12:1-2). Also, we are commanded to be holy because Christ is holy (1 Pet. 1:16).

People... think! Use commonsense! Don't recognize a holiday just because it happens to be on the calendar!

Ask yourself, "Will God be glorified by my partaking in this activity?"

Curt Olson is a staff columnist for The Champion.

Before we look at a Christian's involvement in Halloween, this column must be prefaced. The Youthquest Club on this campus and many other churches across America use the Halloween atmosphere without the traditional Halloween symbols to reach the unsaved with the gospel of Christ. This column is not being done in any way to discredit that vital ministry. In fact, this column is to show Christians that to celebrate Halloween just to celebrate it shows a lack of conviction.

Well, it is that time of year again. Everything that goes bump in the night comes out of the woodwork. This is done in that all sacred name, Halloween.

Why do Christians celebrate this Satanic holiday? Please explain!

If there is one "holiday" that is to be hated, it is this heretical one! Let's take a walk back over 2,000 years and see where Halloween, also known as, All Souls Day, has its foundation.

Halloween history goes back to the Celts of Great Britain and France.

They believed in a sun god and every year he was taken prisoner by Samhain - also known as the "Lord

Starvation

Should we prosper while people suffer and die around us?

We hear about it all the time, but do we ever do anything about it?

In today's world, millions of people die of starvation each day. Why? Is it because we have a food shortage? Hardly. Just ask some midwestern farmers, who have to let their grain rot for lack of demand within our country. Is it because we don't have the finances to distribute the food? Obviously not.

So, why are so many people starving? Is it the government's fault? That would be the normal conclusion, but what about the Christians? Do we have any responsibilities toward the world's starving people?

The book of Proverbs reminds us over and over that we are to have regard for the poor. But are we practicing what the Bible says? How many Christians sit in their nice suburban homes and enjoy their color T.V.s, VCRs and other luxuries while many people in third-world countries fight just to survive? Is it right for us to enjoy the "good life" while many people who have never heard the name of Christ die each day without food?

Whoever said we have to have a couple of nice cars? Did we get that idea from the world or the Bible? It would probably shame us to see the money Christians spend on nice clothes each year.

One of the problems with 20th-century, middle-class Christians is that we fail to open our eyes to the real world. Oh, we acknowledge that the United States is wealthier than most nations, but do we really consider how rich we are?

Do we realize the average person in the world can't just hop in his BMW and go shopping every Friday night? Has it ever occurred to us that many people can't even afford to own a car?

Our concept of poverty is a joke. We complain when we can't afford a car that is less than five years old. We pray that God will help us out financially but in the mean time spend unnecessary money on the luxuries of life. When are we going to realize that we're just plain down spoiled?

Tim Saint

It's time for us to wake up and realize there actually is another world out there that needs our help. We need to stop spending money on ourselves and start spending it on others.

So what if we deny ourselves a color T.V. and two cars. It's about time we spend our money on the people who really need it. After all, who would God rather have us spend our money on?

If we read the New Testament, we can't ignore Christ's words about the poor all throughout the Gospels. Paul spoke about the Christians of Macedonia who gave beyond their ability to further the kingdom. Do we ever give beyond our ability?

Christ explained to us what real Christianity was in Matthew 25:34-40: "Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me water to drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in; Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me."

"Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink? When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and clothed thee? Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee? And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

We Christians need to wake up and face the problems of the world the way Christ told us to. We need to realize that real Christianity is not just a prayer but something that will compel us to act upon the needs of a dying world.

Tim Saint is a staff columnist for The Champion.

Beatty sets record straight on TVs

Editor: I'm sorry to hear that your Point/Counterpoint columnists write "off the top of their heads" without researching the facts. The fact is, WLBU-TV can be seen on EIGHTEEN monitors on campus and more are coming. Every suite in the new senior dorms is being wired to carry the ITFS system and five monitors are being installed in the new student center.

LU-TV is not the biggest waste of money on campus-it's the best investment. I can think of no other Christian university that has a student operated TV station, and most student stations at public universities are only partially run by students. LU-TV is fully operated by students.

Students not only have the opportunity to write, direct, tape, and edit their own programs, they also gain experience in programming, traffic, quality control, master building operation and engineering. LU-TV is helping to build, at Liberty, one of the finest telecommunications departments a university can have.

We are also reaching more than students and benefitting more than telecommunications majors. The "Morgan Hout Football Show," which is produced by our students, in our facilities, is nationally syndicated on five networks and reaches more viewers than FamilyNet. This publicity benefits the university as a whole.

We can also offer Liberty students something that networks and commercial stations cannot-programming specifically geared toward LU students. Our original programs, "The Morgan Hout Football Show," "Inside-Out" and "What's Happenin'," deal with the issues of interest and importance to Liberty students.

Just as any credible journalism department has its own newspaper, any credible telecommunications department has its own TV station. WLBU-TV is an investment in the quality of education at Liberty University.

Jackle Beatty Station Manager WLBU-TV

Missionaries are needed

Letter to the Religion Editor: The task is indeed unfinished. To complete the

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commission entrusted to us by Christ we need more Christians willing to make disciples at home and others available to minister cross-culturally.

It is estimated that by the year 2000, 83 percent of the world's non-Christian population will live in countries closed to traditional missions.

In addition to more people we need a bold new mission strategy to penetrate "closed countries."
Darrow L. Miller Director, Food for the Hungry Corp.

Keene misses point of Dems

Editor: This is in response to Keene's initiating a Democrat's Club here at LU. It seems that Keene has entirely missed the point as to why a Democrats Club should be started.

According to his platform, his club will be nothing more than a pseudo-democrats club. He might as well go and join the CRs. The point of a Democrats Club was to share ideas, convictions, and broaden our perspective. There can be no sharing of ideas if the ideas on both sides of an issue are the same.

I advocate a Democrats Club that generally accepts the current platform. Let me preface the reasons with the statement that not all Democrats are as far left as Dukakis and that the majority of Democrats are moderates or lean toward the right, as the past two elections have demonstrated.

The Democratic platform is not "anti-Christian" as some would lead us to believe. Christians must always consider the individual over any idea or any philosophy. I feel the Democratic Party has a better record of addressing issues that apply to people, rather than addressing issues that protect ambiguous ideas. I am at a loss to why any Christian of any party would advocate a build-up of the war-

machine, especially in the area of nuclear weapons and testing. To advocate a "higher law" of protecting life at all costs, then to turn around and support a build-up of the military (at the expense of social programs, medical programs, etc.) is confusing.

There is no "just-war" for this Christian. The lowering of personal values, the ignoring for Jesus' principle of enemy-love and the indiscriminate killing that occurs to both civilians and military personnel in war can not be logically supported by Christians.

The fact that this is the only non-military country in Western civilization that still executes individuals (a method that does not lead to deterrence) is a slam to any true "pro-lifer." These Democratic platforms any Christian could support.

Although I abhor abortion, at least a pro-choice platform would accomplish two things. First, it would place individual responsibility back on the mother and not on the state. Secondly, it would keep Christians off the political bandwagons and fads, and back into an area of ministry to individuals who are hurting, which is where they should be.

The Democratic Party has a long and positive record of addressing social issues, human and civil rights issues, and advocating programs that were meant to aid individuals--a record that is grossly lacking with the Republican party.

Let's not get caught up in the trap that makes ideals a higher priority than individuals. A true Democrats Club would logically, Biblically and sympathetically support their platform and still maintain a Christian perspective.

David C Baer

Pro-lifers need to take action

Editor: While reading the "activities" bulletin board in DeMoss Hall last week, I came across a flyer that I was surprised was not torn down by one of the fanatic CRs that seem to control the political climate on this campus.

The flyer was promoting "The Lynchburg Peace Education Center," an organization dedicated to advocating peace in the "individual human heart and mind, peace in the family and the workplace, peace in the street, and especially international peace on this beautiful planet." The group

also acts as a local leader in the movement towards disarmament by both the US and the Soviet Union.

What bothers me about both the CRs and the proposed Democrats Reform Club is that both clubs, while pro-life, are aggressive in their support of nuclear weapons, which if ever used, whether purposely or accidentally, would destroy all life as we know it today.

The pro-lifers on campus will block the entrances of abortion mills, but would they attempt to prevent the deploying of nuclear weapons in bases? NO!

This is hypocritical! If these pro-lifers advocate the sanctity of human life, why not the sanctity of mankind? One nuclear weapon has the potential to kill more people than abortion has since it was legalized by Roe vs. Wade in 1973, yet the Right actually advocates such weapons; and worse, the buildup of such weapons.

Conservatives and Christians must consider redefining the term "pro-life." Even better, maybe the term should be changed to "pro-humanity." Their goal should be not only to prevent the killing of the unborn, but the dismantling of nuclear weapons, which could ultimately destroy all life.

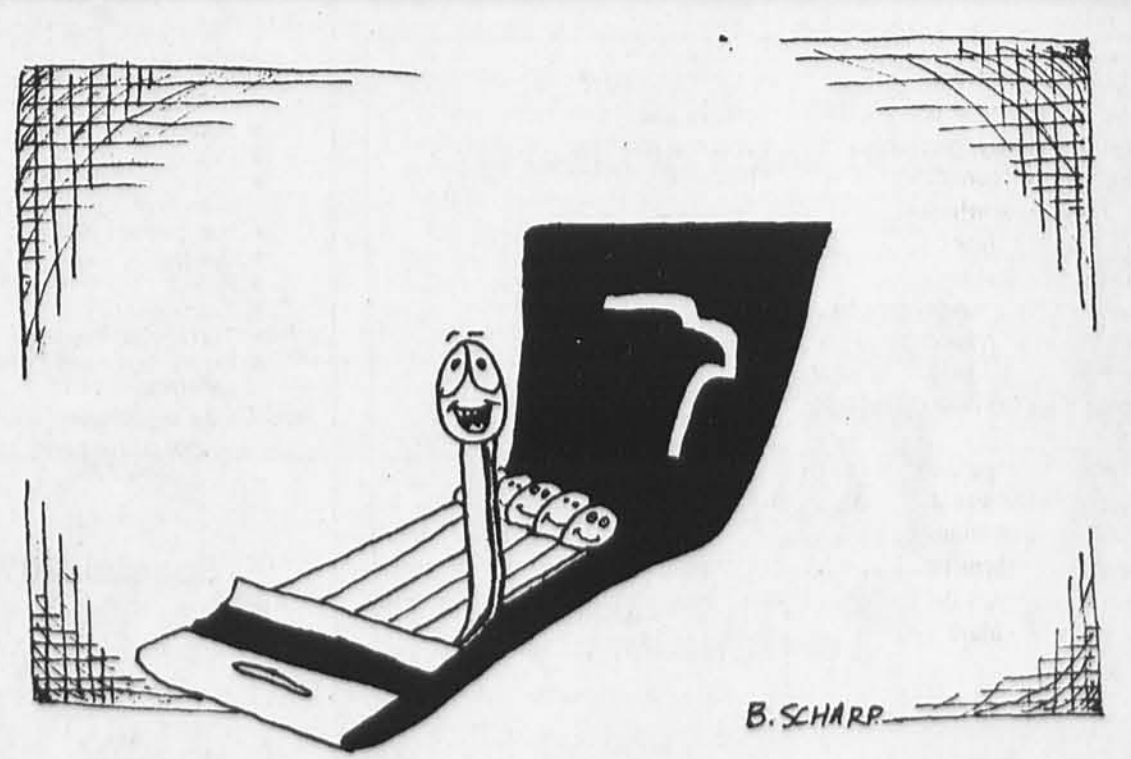
I would encourage all "true pro-lifers" to consider joining The Lynchburg Peace Education Center. The Center's address is: P.O. Box 3143, Rivermont Station, Lynchburg, VA 24503.
C. Andrew Jefferson

Stop irreverent attitudes

Editor: This past Sunday evening (10-16) a dull din of voices was heard throughout the entire presentation made by our new Dean of Urban Outreach. What a testimony to our guest speaker! Sunday morning was not exempt either as a few members of the opposite sex decided to show their disrespect during the song service by reminiscing over an old yearbook.

These types of behavior are uncalled for, appalling and shameful. To think that Liberty University services are so blatantly irreverent and disrespectful to our leaders, let alone to our LORD, causes me great alarm.

Come on LU! Let's get back to worship!
Jeffrey Thompson



WHAT DO I AND A "COLLEGE FOR A WEEKENDER" HAVE IN COMMON? ... YOU'RE THE ONE WHO DECIDES WHETHER OR NOT WE BECOME FUTURE "FLAMES!"

LU's Thompson leads missions

BY KEITH TURGENS
Special to the Champion

Scurrying silently through a coniferous woodland, the squad knows an opposing force is near.

Hands go up, and all halt. The enemy. Ha! We've got them.

Low-crawling towards the enemy checkpoint to guarantee a surprise assault, the squad pauses; and all is quiet.

Suddenly, the squad leader's piercing whistle blows and the squad charges.

"KILL! AH! KILL!" they bellow, charging the enemy's stronghold. "DIE! DIE!" they shout.

Smoke from the smoldering weapons clears, and cheers of victory are heard. Another successful mission for the small group.

Cadets of the 8th Field Artillery Regiment found themselves in the Audie Murphy stage of summer camp June 29 at the Tactical Applications Exercise (TAX) training site.

TAX is a Gold Bar Stakes event consisting of 16 tactical training lanes on which cadets apply all their tactical know-how to handling specific situations.

Operating as members of light infantry patrols, the cadets are faced with a number of tactical scenarios while enroute to an assigned objective.

"The primary evaluation of cadets is done when cadets are in a leadership position," said Lt. Col. John Winchell, TAX OIC and PMS at Mount St. Mary's College. "Cadets get the opportunity to be a leader three times while at the TAX—once as a squad leader and twice as a team leader."

Prior to proceeding down one of the lanes, Cadet George Thompson (Liberty University), the acting squad leader said, "I think I'll perform well during this station. I am ready to lead my troops and win," he said.

Before moving the squad out, Thompson organized the group and told them what was expected of them if enemy contact occurred. "Don't let them see us," he said. "The element of surprise will allow us to accomplish this mission."

The cadets moved out and Thompson's leadership role was key. Giving hand signals and directing the point man, Thompson was obviously motivated to succeed.



George Thompson

After traveling about 200 meters, the small patrol encountered an enemy check-point. Thompson gave a signal for his squad to prepare for attack. Forming a 90-

degree line, the cadets successfully charged the enemy position using light combat weapons including grenades, smoke grenades and the M16A1 rifle.

"Outstanding!" Thompson told his squad after the assault. "Good job, you all were awesome."

Thompson said the key to the successful mission was organizing the cadets before moving out and

showing them what was needed when the enemy was encountered.

Maj. James Pearson, APMS at Appalachian State University and TAX evaluator, said, "Cadets are enjoying this training because it is more challenging and practical."

The 1968 Camp All-American graduate explained that "a good squad leader has many qualities, but the most important is an aggressive self-confidence—a real go-getter."

More than 800 decisions made during World Impact Conference at Liberty

BY REYNARD VALDEZ
Religion Editor

"I choose to go and bear fruit-- fruit that will last," a brochure from SEND International read. Liberty University's World Impact Conference got underway having 10 Missionary guests who spoke in various classrooms, chapel services and Thomas Road Baptist Church services the week of Sept. 26 to Oct. 2.

A total of 800 decisions made by students were recorded saying, "I will pray for," or "I will pray about going to a specific country." Students placed pins into an eight-foot map of the world indicating their commitment to a specific country at the Sunday night service which concluded the conference.

World Impact is held annually to relay the current spread of Christianity in the world and what can be done to help the needs around the globe.

Besides the ten missionary guest, many other pastors and laymen representing different ministries and mission boards also participated in the week-long conference. Students and missionaries were encouraged to share with each other the burdens and ideologies of missions.

Missionaries spoke also at Lynchburg Christian Academy, WRVL and Old Time Gospel Hour for a total of 400 scheduled meetings.

"The missions activity stirred many students' hearts to consider world missions involvement," David Parmer, LIGHT Club director, said.

Earl Sandifer, representing Greater Europe Missions, stated "I believe

that this week will have a significant impact on the world. I believe that God has spoken to many of us and that in our hearts many of us are determined to obey what He has said."

Actually, the World Impact Conference had begun two-weeks prior to the scheduled week, as LIGHT Club hosted two evenings of prayer. The prayer meetings brought 700 students who prayed that God would work during the W.I.C.

"The World Impact Conference has been a good idea and a very positive experience. Liberty University needs to continue the meetings. What I would like to see happen is the cancelling of classes for two or three days so that students can concentrate more on missions. We all need more time to talk to each other," commented Dr. Barry Keiser of SEND International.

Wendell Kempton, President of A.B.W.E. (Association of Baptists for World Evangelization) preached the opening sermon Sunday evening at TRBC. Under Kempton's leadership, this missionary service now serves 879 missionaries in many countries around the world.

On Monday morning, Dr. and Mrs. Haag hosted a breakfast for the missionary guest and urged them to give students opportunities to answer a call from God.

"The Wait of the World," a film about missions, was shown three times during the week and caused many students to consider how a short-term missions exposure led a young couple to surrender to fulltime

missions. An opportunity for missionaries and students to talk more was provided by a reception sponsored by Donna Faircloth, which involved delicacies made by International students from Liberty.

Guest speaker Jack Wyrzten, founder of Word of Life, motivated students through the chapel hour and the evening service at TRBC on Wednesday. Liberty students were transported to TRBC to hear the Light Singers and Wyrzten present their burdens to reach this lost and dying world for Christ.

Wendell Kempton and Joseph Tson spoke at chapel on Friday and urged students to go to the unreached areas of the world. Tson, a Romanian exile, has been to Liberty several times to speak in chapel and lecture in classrooms. His ministry has greatly impacted this campus.

Under the direction of the Missions department, the LIGHT Club will do extensive one-on-one follow-up. It is the goal of Edwardo Soldesi, LIGHT Club chaplain, to solidify as many of the 800 decisions as possible.

The LIGHT Club, a student movement for world evangelization, is asking that all those desiring to be "World Christians" join in "the movement."

Senior Youth Pastor at TRBC Dave Adams is scheduled to speak on his exposure trip to Africa, at the next LIGHT CLUB meeting, to be held on Nov. 1 in DeMoss 160-161 at 7 p.m.

IABC votes Jones in as president

BY RENEE RANKIN
Special to the Champion

Members of the newly formed Liberty University student chapter of the International Association of Business Communicators elected officers for the 1988-89 school year during their Oct. 4 meeting.

Vice-presidents Susan Lingerfelt and Melanie Hagy selected several IABC/LU members to serve on committees. Julius Siert and Renee Rankin comprise the membership committee, while Joy Allmond and Bobby Bunn will work with Hagy to organize future programs.

The IABC is dedicated to fostering

excellence in communication. In pursuit of this mission, the organization provides a full range of services to members in local chapters, regional districts and on the international level. It promotes better understanding and recognition of the value of professional communication.

The individuals chosen to hold leadership positions in the organization include Bonnie Jones, president; Susan Lingerfelt, vice-president for membership; Melanie Hagy, vice-president for programs and Marilyn Troyer, secretary/treasurer.

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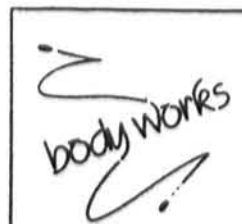
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Lynchburg exodus causes boredom

Anthony Perrone

Spending your summer in Lynchburg can be kind of dreary. All of creation leaving town in May can leave you feeling really bored in June. Being away from home for another four months doesn't help things much. To most, summer is but a short time, a figurative drop in time's bucket. But boredom can make a summer last forever.

After graduation exercises are over and most people have left school, you discover rather quickly just how much of Lynchburg you have failed to notice during the busy winter months. What you do find at first pales in comparison to home (Fort Lauderdale). Lynchburg to a Liberty student appears as sort of a ghost town during summertime. Tumbleweeds even roll down the DeMoss parking lot. The campus is deader than the Library is on Friday nights. Even the mall seems devoid of life. Cruising Ward's Road gains a kind of appeal.

At first you spend considerable amounts of time writing to the people you really miss talking to from day to day. Most write back, some don't even bother. You soon learn who were really your friends.

Soon, you begin to notice the

majesty of the Blue Ridge Mountains.

Finally, you take the time to drive along the Parkway.

You take note of all the trivial things that you missed during the day-in day-out rush of school life.

You become better friends with your roommates.

You notice just how bright the stars shine. You stare at the universe and place yourself in proper perspective.

You start to lean on God a bit more.

Soon the summer is over and another year of school begins. Renewal is in the air. Back to the day to day demands of school life. All of your "friends" are back, among other things.

- Arguments.
- Term-papers.
- Deadlines.
- Quizzes.
- Exams.
- Assignments.
- Reprimands.
- Curfew.
- Hall-meetings.
- Chapel.
- Parking tickets.
- Headaches.

The summer didn't seem so bad, after all.

Anthony Perrone is a staff columnist for The Champion.

Speak Out



By Scott Brown

Last weekend was really spectacular. Thanks to each of you, our Homecoming weekend was a success. Your SGA has been really busy with a barrage of activities and involvements.

In November, we in the SGA will be providing a video production displaying these numerous areas of service.

We are working to alleviate campus problems and needs such as: ascertaining information about, and pressing for things such as split-meal plans for on-campus students and a proposal that will address the problem of dorm-restroom cleanliness. The SGA Academic Affairs Committee is currently preparing an on-campus student survey concerning library facilities and general academic policies.

The Spiritual Life Committee has already met with and discussed campus spiritual affairs with pastor Rob Jackson. Positive things are happening, and they will continue with your support and input.

Listen to WLBU radio (55 AM) on Thursday night at 8 p.m. for the SGA talkshow 'Liberty Live.'

Scott Brown is the SGA President.

Light organizes

BY KIM WESTOVER AND REYNARD VALDEZ
Champion Reporters

The Light Club held its organizational meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 5, with about 350-400 people in attendance.

The program began with the Light Singers singing several songs including "The Spirit of David."

Dave Parmer gave the results of the previous week's World Impact Conference which included 800 decisions, 242 of which made commitments to go to the mission field.

Parmer also explained the four branches of the Light Club that different members can become involved in, like:

•Light Brigade - which is a ministry of soul-winning on high school and college campuses.

•Friendship International - a ministry of encouragement to the students on this campus.

•Prayer Groups - meeting several times each week praying for specific needs and groups of people.

•Light Campaigns - foreign exposure trips over breaks and the summer.

Trips planned for this year include: Dominican Republic, Mexico City, Kenya, Africa, East Europe, West Europe, British Isles, LIGHT '89 (Argentina, Brazil & Chile).

The Light Club president Jeff Bailey challenged each club member to be a "world Christian" and get excited about Jesus Christ and to share His good news.

The next Light Club rally will be Nov. 1.



Don Keller gives the gospel in preaching tents behind Scaremare last week.

Staff Photo by Donald W. Hayden

More than 3,600 pass through Scaremare so far

BY LORI SKUDLER
Champion Reporter

Scaremare is still a hit this year with almost double the decisions for Christ and higher statistics in every area.

This weekend, more than 3,600 people attended the house. More than 500 made decisions, 300 of which were recorded with the people's names and addresses.

Student reaction has been mostly positive this year. One sophomore student attended the first night and was so impressed with the house and the evangelistic emphasis that he decided to volunteer his help for two nights.

"I'm not the type of person who likes to witness door-to-door," he explained, "but I felt like I could

decision and that was very moving for her.

Although follow-up is better this year, more students are needed. This is a hard time of year to get people to volunteer for follow-up, Youthquest president Dean Francis said, but more help is vital.

A senior student said that he was glad that there were more

counselors this year, but he felt that the preaching was somewhat vague. He did think the house was improved overall this year.

Many of the negative comments about Scaremare revolved around the cost. Most students surveyed felt that the price was raised too much this year. Some felt that the house wasn't worth the \$4.50 they

paid. In spite of the negatives, however, Scaremare appears to be a

success. People from as far away as North Carolina and West Virginia have attended the event.

The upcoming Halloween weekend should see the largest crowd through the house.

Miss Liberty

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The question was the final criterion from which the judges based their decision.

Gary McSpadden from the Bill Gaither Trio made a surprise visit and sang a song backed by the

hilarious Hicks and Cohagan.

This was the first pageant in which alumni awards were presented. Dr. Guillermin presented the Alumnus of the Year award to George Sweet and Alumni Eagle awards were also presented.

The runners-up were finally

announced by Dr. Jerry Falwell. The 4th runner-up was Holy; 3rd,

Harris; 2nd, Leonard; 1st, Hubbard and the 1988 Miss Liberty—Julie Ann Harbot.

help a little this way."

Another sophomore student who has volunteered for two years said she was excited about the improved follow-up this year. She had the opportunity of visiting one of the people who made a salvation

CRs to give blankets to D.C. homeless

The Liberty University College Republicans will be working on a different kind of project after the election, and it won't be political.

CR Vice-Chairman Anthony Perrone said that the club will distribute about 100 blankets to the homeless in

Washington D.C.

"We are working real hard to find a company to donate the blankets," Perrone said.

"Everyone seems to think that all our club ever thinks about is politics, and they're wrong."

LU TV

student television

LU TV Programming Schedule

Monday:	1:30 - Wordsong
1:30 - Navy News	2:00 - Love Worth Finding
2:00 - Faithline or Something Beautiful	3:00 - Morgan Hout
3:00 - In Touch	3:30 - This Is The Life
4:00 - Jerry Falwell	4:00 - Faithline or Something Beautiful
5:00 - Discovering Jesus	5:00 - Christian Lifestyle Magazine
Tuesday:	Friday:
1:30 - Morgan Hout	1:30 - Foreign Missions Update
2:00 - This Is The Life	2:00 - Faithline or Something Beautiful
2:30 - Changed Lives	3:00 - Morgan Hout
3:00 - Love Worth Finding	3:30 - Navy News
4:00 - Faithline or Something Beautiful	4:00 - In Touch
5:00 - David Breese	5:00 - Love Worth Finding
Wednesday:	6:00 - David Breese
1:30 - Discovering Jesus	6:30 - Discovering Jesus
2:00 - Jerry Falwell	7:00 - Old Time Gospel Hour
3:00 - Faithline or Something Beautiful	8:00 - Morgan Hout
4:00 - In Touch	8:30 - LU Jams
5:00 - Morgan Hout	9:00 - Inside Out
Thursday:	

RAD Toons

THIS WEEK'S STRIP HAS BEEN CANCELLED WHILE THE CARTOONIST JOINS THE CR'S FOR A WEEKEND OF FIGHTING AND FUN IN NICARAGUA. THE FESTIVITIES WILL INCLUDE REGISTERING REBEL FIGHTERS TO VOTE, AS WELL AS SHOWING MORTON DOWNEY VIDEOS FOR THE ENJOYMENT OF THOSE NICARAGUANS WHO LIKE TO SEE A GOOD FIGHT. GUEST SPEAKER SLY STALLONE WILL GIVE HEALTH AND SAFETY TIPS TO THE LESS EXPERIENCED SOLDIERS. ALL REGISTERED CR'S ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.



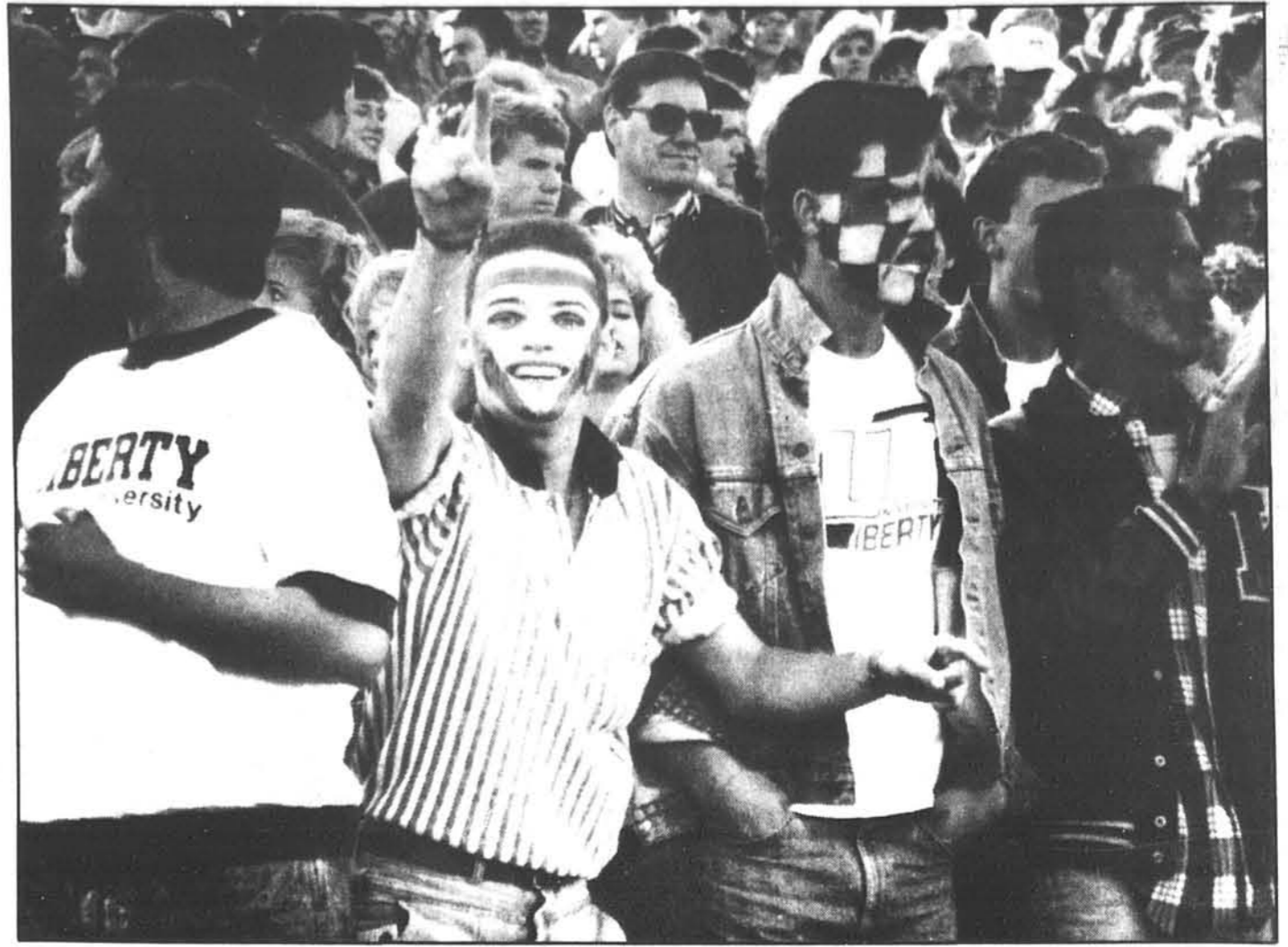
By Shawn Finley

HOMECOMING

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Miss Liberty

Julie Harbot waves to the crowd after being crowned Miss Liberty for 1988-89.



Some of the LU rowdies show spirit in Saturday's game.



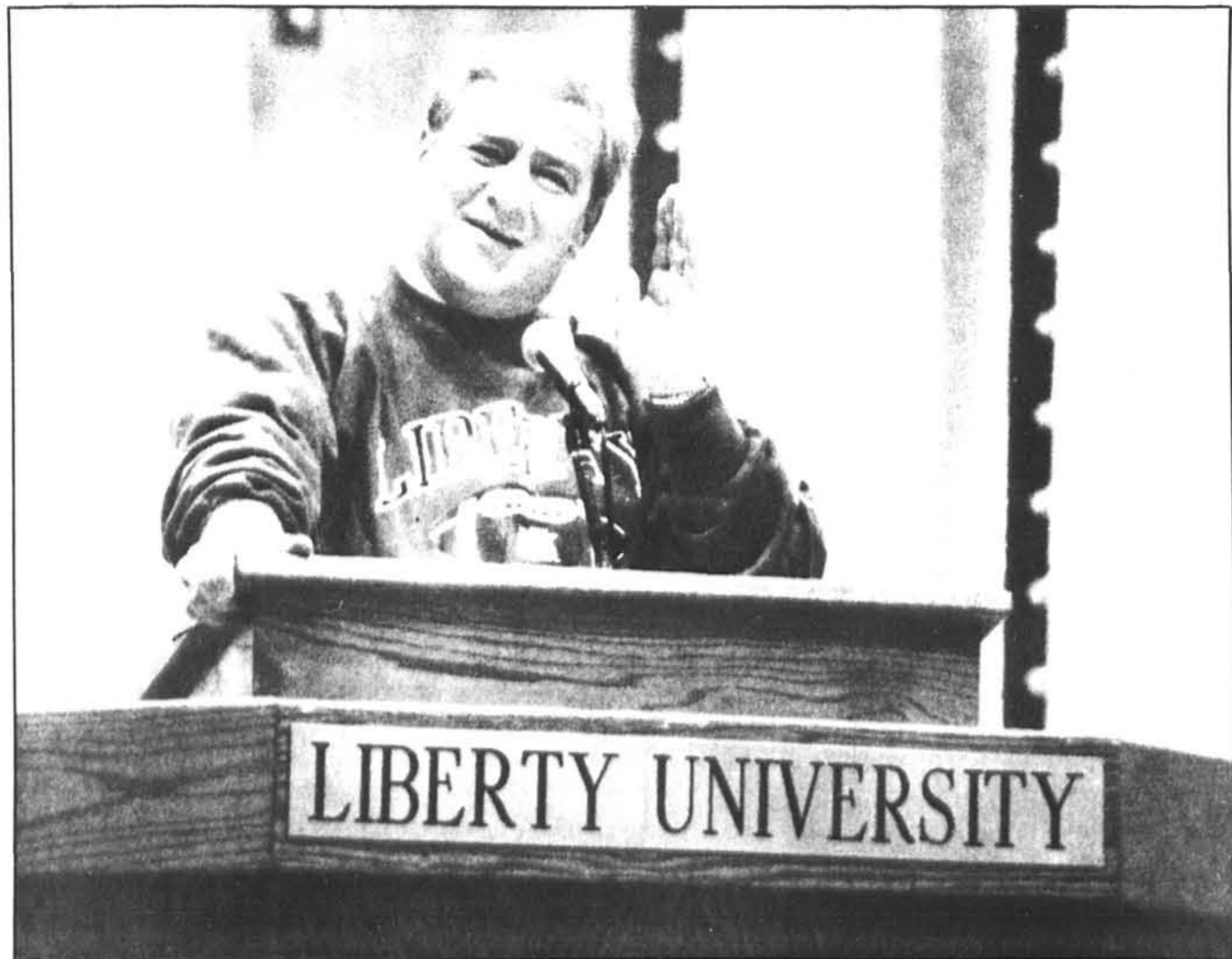
LU cheerleader Fia Pflueger wants to know who wants the football.

Nice block!

Brian Woolfolk takes out a Western defender as Charles McCray runs by.

Nice Shirt!

LU Chancellor Dr. Jerry Falwell sports his new LU football sweatshirt in chapel.



Larnelle Harris entertains during the LU Homecoming concert on Saturday night.

SPORTS

Liberty comes close to upset, but not close enough

BY KEITH MILLER
Sports Editor

Close! The expression "Close only counts in horse shoes and nuclear warheads," comes to mind.

Well, the Liberty Flames learned that close only counts in the loss column as the Western Illinois Leathernecks came back and beat LU 36-35 Saturday at City Stadium.

An LU-record crowd of 11,400 saw the Flames lose their third game of the season in the fourth quarter. WIU scored 19 points in the last stanza to come back from a 32-17 deficit.

After Eric Green's circus catch for a 28-yard touchdown and Pat

Nelson's two-point conversion, Liberty looked like it had an insurmountable lead at 32-17. But the fourth quarter, the nemesis of Liberty this year, was still to come.

The Leathernecks scored with 10:55 left in the fourth on Steve Williams' 2 yard TD pass from quarterback Paul Singer that put Western within nine, at 32-23.

On the ensuing kickoff, Richard Shelton put the Flames in decent field position with a 30-yard return out of the end zone. Then, tailback Charles McCray fumbled on the first play from scrimmage to hand Western Illinois the ball on the LU 29.

WIU promptly put together a

drive that ended with a Brett Grimshaw 1-yard TD run that pulled the Leathernecks within two, 32-30, with 8:57 left in the game.

Liberty then put together their own drive that culminated with a Jary Tindall 35-yard field goal, to put LU up 35-30 with 6:13 left in the game. The big play on the drive was a 45-yard dump pass from Johnson to tailback Leroy Kinard who ended the day with 161 yards rushing and receiving. Could the Flames be out of the woods? No.

On the kickoff, LU kicker Joe Pouncey booted two balls in a row out of bounds. In football, on a kickoff, the kick has to stay in bounds or the team gets a five-yard

penalty. So instead of kicking off at the 35-yard line, Pouncey had to kick from the 25 and with a hard wind blowing in his face, he shanked the ball and Western took over on the 50.

For the third consecutive time, WIU had great field position and this time it proved to be fatal for LU. Mike Cox ramble into the end zone from 25 yards out to provide the Leathernecks with the winning margin.

"You can't give the number one rated offense in Division 1-AA the ball in great field position every time without them scoring," coach Morgan Hout said. "You have to give them a lot of credit. They are a

great team."

The Flames dominated the second and third quarters, outscoring WIU 17-10 in the second quarter and 15-0 in the third. McCray scored the first of his three touchdowns on the day with an 8-yard dash with 7:01 left in the second quarter. With just :58 left in the half, McCray again scored, this time a 5-yard ramble to pull LU within three at 17-14.

After linebacker Johnny Woods recovered a fumble on the kickoff, Tindall added a 22-yard field goal to pull the Flames even at halftime, 17-17.

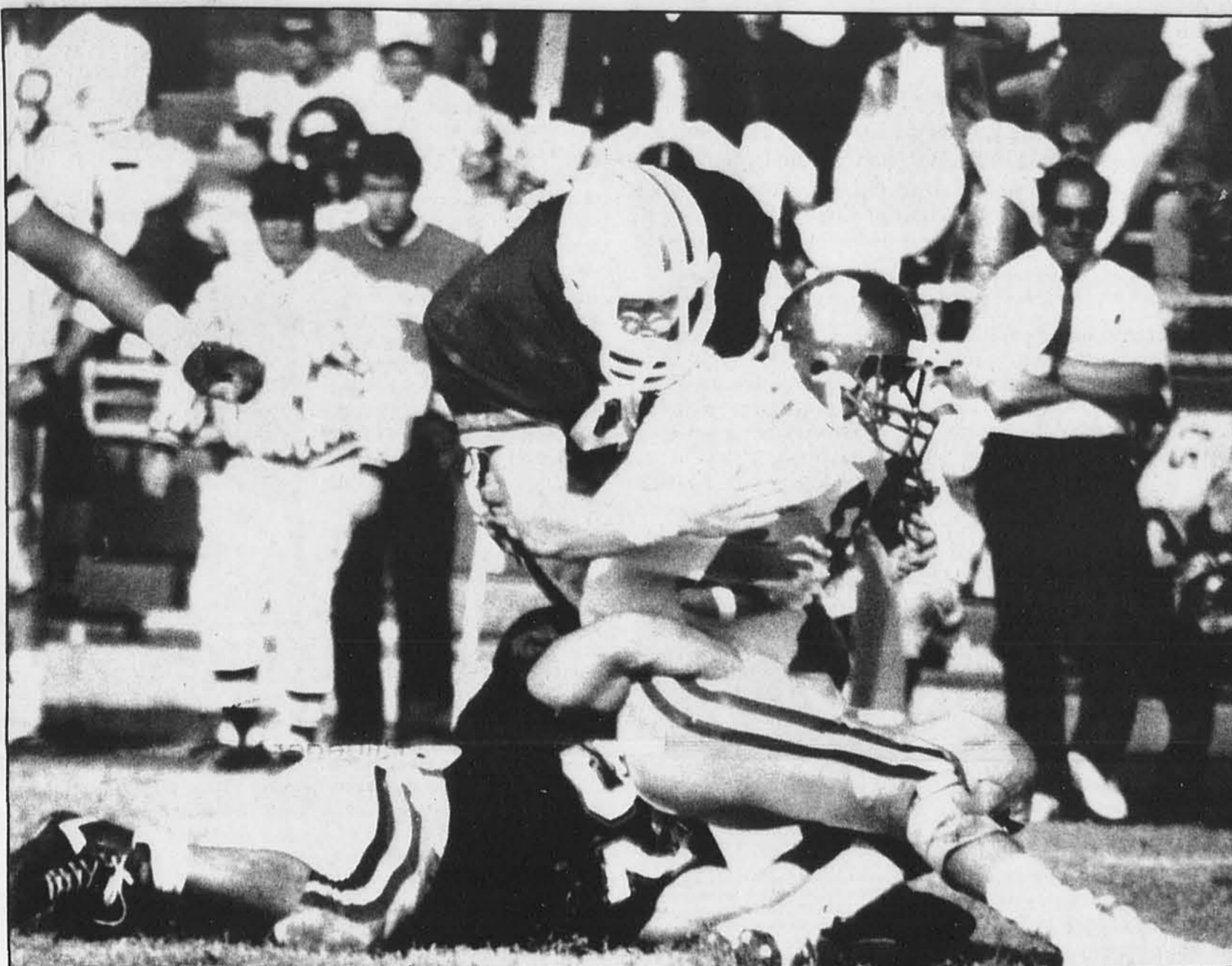
In the third, McCray added another 8-yard TD run before the

Green TD catch set the stage for the WIU comeback.

Kinard led the team with 107 yards on 20 carries and three catches for 54 receiving. McCray added 63 yards on 16 carries along with his three TD runs. Green led the team with 58 receiving yards and one TD catch.

Johnson was 11 of 30 for 165 yards and one TD pass. He also threw three interceptions as the Flames turned the ball over five

times. Donald Smith led the team with 12 tackles while Shelton and Lance MacKenzie each had an interception.



Staff Photo by Donald W. Hayden

Lance MacKenzie and Neal Bryant (52) put the clamps on Western Illinois quarterback Paul Singer.

Sometimes, it's better to be lucky

A wise coach once said, "Sometimes you have to be better than good, you have to be lucky." Luck is something the LU football team has been in short supply of this year.

Last Saturday, mistakes cost the Flames a shot at the number two spot in the nation. In fact, the Flames beat the Leathernecks from Western Illinois in every phase of the game except the scoreboard. And again the Flames made huge mistakes in the fourth quarter that cost them the game.

A fumble, then a bad kickoff let WIU start their last two drives in LU territory. When you're playing the number one-rated offense in the country, you can't contain them forever.

"I think our defensive coaches put together a good game plan," coach Morgan Hout said. "The key was stopping their quarterback. He is the best we've seen since I came here."

Indeed, the Flame defense was very effective in stopping WIU QB Paul Singer. So much so that Seattle Seahawk scout John Donaldson, who I sat by in the press box, went away not very impressed with Singer or any of the WIU players.

The defensive plan for the Flames included shifting linebacker Mickey Paige from his normal weak-side slot to the strong-side. This allowed the Flames to put pressure on Singer and take away the WIU's downfield passing game. For the game, Singer was just 15 of 33 for 144 yards and two interceptions. Plus, the Flames sacked him twice.

So why did LU lose their third game in the fourth quarter? Mistakes. Liberty seems to be making critical mistakes late in the game. Winning teams are able to play their best when the game is on the line.

How are the players handling the tough losses? Cornerback Richard Shelton chalks it up as a learning experience. "We need to be able to come back with class and learn from games like this."

Tailback Leroy Kinard is still optimistic about the season and what the Flames can do this year.

"We just had some mental breakdowns at the wrong times, we'll be able to bounce back from this."

"We can't get down after a loss like this," Flame defensive lineman Tim Smith said. "We just have to play hard for four full quarters."

A lot of people may be blaming the coaching staff right now for the three losses, and they have made their share of mistakes, too. Against Eastern Illinois, the Flame offense could've taken a delay-of-game penalty before LU punted. EIU scored the winning TD in the last :05 of the game, so a delay-of-game would've taken at least 30 seconds off the clock.

Against WIU, the coaching staff had an excellent game plan, both on offense and defense. Good enough to beat the second-ranked team in the country.

"We made some critical mistakes," Hout said. "We're gonna



Keith Miller
From the Bench

win a game like this before the year is over."

The question is whether they will lose another game like this.

Give yourself a hand if you went to the Western Illinois game Saturday. You were a part of the biggest crowd ever to see a Liberty home football game at City Stadium. The new record is now 11,400; and I would like to thank all the fans for showing up to see a really good football game. So would coach Hout.

"I'm so proud of our students. They did everything we asked them to do," coach Hout said. "I know they're disappointed. We are too. We really need the students to get behind us and support us now. I'd

like to see everyone come back out next weekend and watch us play a tough Youngstown State team. We need your support."

W. Illinois 36, LU 35

W. Illinois 7 10 0 19-36
Liberty 0 17 15 3-35

W.Ill-Cox 1 run (Bennett Kick)
W.Ill-FG Bennett 37
Lib-McCray 8 Run (Tindall kick)
W.Ill-Swanson 24 run (Bennett kick)
Lib-McCray 5 run (Tindall kick)
Lib-FG Tindall 22
Lib-McCray 8 run (Tindall kick)
Lib-Green 28 pass from Johnson (Nelson Run)
W.Ill-Williams 2 pass from Singer (pass failed)
W.Ill-Grimshaw 1 run (Bennett kick)
Lib-FG Tindall 35
W.Ill-Cox 25 run (pass failed)
A-11,400

Team Statistics

	W.Ill	Lib
First Downs	15	19
Rushes-Yards	38-206	49-215
Passing	315	165
Passing Yards	144	165
Return Yards	5	100
Passes	15-13-2	11-30-3
Punts	8-45	4-40
Fumbles-lost	2-1	3-2
Penalties-yards	8-70	6-45
Time of Poss.	28:21	31:39

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

RUSHING- W. Illinois, Grimshaw 14-98, Cox 13-57, Bentley 5-46, Liberty, Kinard 20-107, McCray 16-60, Shelton 6-40, Lowry 5-19
PASSING- W. Illinois, Singer 15-33-2-144, Liberty, Johnson 11-30-3-165.
RECEIVING- W. Illinois, Williams 5-32, Grimshaw 4-73, Bentley 2-20, Cox 2-6, Borich 1-9, Courier 1-4, Liberty, Green 3-58, Kinard 3-54, Logan 2-33, Nelson 2-16, Parish 1-4.

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Liberty soccer team defeats Davidson College 5-1

BY CURT OLSON
Sports Reporter

The Liberty University soccer team played the Radford University Highlanders to a scoreless tie on Tuesday at Radford and beat Davidson 5-1 at the GE Field on Friday.

The Highlanders outshot LU 23-7 for in Tuesday's game, and LU's

George Nimo had a spectacular day in goal as he had 11 saves for the Flames.

On Friday afternoon, with all of the rain and the cold, Brian Baker took a pass from Mike Rivas two minutes into the second half and blasted a shot past the Davidson goalie from 20 yards out to give LU the lead for good as the Liberty

defeated the Davidson College Wildcats 5-1.

LU scored thirteen minutes into the game as Mark Senitz volleyed a pass to Jacob Isang who scored the goal. Davidson did come back to tie the game at the half at a goal apiece.

LU came out fired up for the second half though, as Baker scored

to make it 2-1. Eight minutes later, Baker assisted for Rivas on a throw in from out of bounds and Rivas found the Davidson net to make the score 3-1.

Two minutes later, LU's Steve Schutt cruised down the right sideline and was tackled in the Davidson goal box. LU was awarded a penalty kick and James

Ochere made short work of that as his goal made it 4-1 at the 12:40 mark of the second half.

Brian Baker ended his two goal game with another blast from the top of the goal box with four minutes to play.

The win by LU gives them a 5-2-3 record on the year. LU outshot the Wildcats, and George Nimo had

two saves and Eric Partin one save for the Flames.

Needless to say, Liberty's next home game should be a classic as

the top ranked Virginia Cavaliers visit LU for the first time ever.

The final regular season home game will be against Appalachian State on Nov. 1.

Richards leads LU past Tech

BY CURT OLSON
Sports Reporter

VINTON -- Darren Richards scored the game winning goal in the third period as the Flames defeated the Virginia Tech Hokies 7-4 Thursday night at the Lancerlot Arena.

The Hokies were on top 4-2 heading into the third period when the Flames went to work.

Nick Reichenbach started the third period barrage with his second goal of the game on an assist from Dave Graziotti.

Freshman Mike Torrence tied the game at four on passes from Dalen Gundmunson and Dan Davey.

This set the stage for Richards' goal which was set up by John Scism and Nick Reichenbach. Torrence got another goal that was unassisted to make it 6-4 and John Scism's goal rounded out the scoring on an assist from Jeff Schmidt.

Freshman goalie Chris Becker, playing in his first college hockey game, held the Hokies scoreless in the final period.



Staff Photo by Donald W. Hayden

Liberty Four-Miler

Women's cross-country Coach Ron Hopkins (9) gets a head start on the field in Saturday's race. Joseph Easterhouse (center with white sleeves) won the event.

Torrence gets game-winner for Flames

BY CURT OLSON
Sports Reporter

VINTON -- Freshman Mike Torrence scored the game winning goal in the third period as the Liberty University Flames hockey team defeated the Roanoke All-Stars Saturday night 5-4.

The game was a rather hard-hitting one and neither team had control of the game until Torrence scored the

game winner in the third period.

John Scism netted the first LU goal on an assist from Bill Wessner, and he also scored the second goal for the Flames, which was unassisted.

Brian Coleman scored on an assist from Nick Reichenbach. Darren Richards also scored on an assist from Jeff Schmidt. Finally,

Torrence's goal rounded out the scoring.

For the second game in a row, LU goalie Chris Becker held the opposition scoreless in the third period.

The two wins over the weekend gives LU an undefeated record heading into the regular season. LU will go on the road next weekend for two games at Maryland.

Volleyball

Rapp, Shannon stand out in win

BY KELLY CLINE
Sports Reporter

The Lady Flames volleyball team won one match and lost another one, now making their record 19-8 for the season.

Their first match of the week was at home against VCU. The match only lasted three games with the Lady Flames winning 15-4, 15-6, 15-6.

Offensively Kim Thomas and

Tammy Rapp helped the Flames in their victory. Thomas killed 70 percent of her spikes and Rapp killed 50 percent of hers.

Rapp also got the job done serving. She aced 31 percent of her serves. Becky Shannon stood out defensively for the Lady Flames. Eighty-eight percent of Shannon's digs were perfect.

The Lady Flames then traveled to Williamsburg on Friday to face

William and Mary. The Lady Flames lost the match in three, 9-15, 11-15, 11-15.

Kathy Guetterman and Theresa Bream led the team in kills with 44 percent and 38 percent respectively, while Julie Sitler served 100 percent.

The Lady Flames play Shephard College at home on Nov. 1 and then travel to Richmond to play in the VCU Tournament on Nov. 4-5.



Tammy Rapp Aced 31 percent of serves

Christopher logs 600 miles on X-C team

BY B.C. SHEETZ
Champion Reporter

Mark Christopher has run more than 600 miles since starting school this semester at Liberty.

He's a member of LU's cross country team, and since the start of the season he has also run a personal record in the 10K with a time of 32:55. Christopher also ran a 25:20 5-mile race against William and Mary in this season's first meet, which is one of the top 5-mile times in LU history.

Originally from Washington State, Christopher, a junior, started running when he was 14 years-old to get in shape for motorcycle racing. After breaking his collarbone, a doctor suggested running as a therapy for Mark's injuries.

That fall, Christopher made the varsity cross-country team at Battle Ground High School. The team went to the state championships that year, and Christopher went with them. He never looked back after that, and he began to see running as being less expensive and more beneficial physically than motorcycle racing.

He ran all 4 years of high school with what he called, "a small amount of success." He ran "more for the love of it than for the competitive aspect."

Christopher's ideal of a small amount of success included a 4:36 mile time and a 2-hour-and-48-minute marathon.

Even in a 5-year tour of duty in the Air Force, he found the time to run.

It was after leaving the Air Force that he felt the Lord calling him into the Ministry. A friend directed him to Spurgeon Baptist Bible College in Lakeland, Fla. where he still managed to run for 45 minutes 4 to 5 times a week.

It was at SBBC that Christopher met

his wife Debbie, a native South African, and where he decided to run competitively.

He contacted Jake Matthes, LU cross country coach out of curiosity and was offered a cross-country scholarship. In 1986, he came to Liberty. He often placed as one of the top three runners that season.

In May of 1987, Mark went to South Africa to be married to Debbie, who had since returned home to prepare for the wedding. Christopher had planned to stay only 6 weeks in South Africa, but instead spent 16 months ministering as assistant pastor of New Castle Baptist Bible Church.

He continued to run in South Africa and in May of 87 participated in the 56-mile Comrades Marathon, the world's largest ultra marathon. Thirteen-thousand runners competed. He finished the race in 7 hours to place among the top 350 runners.

Because of problems with the American Embassy, Christopher's wife has been unable to return to the United States which has put a lot of psychological pressure on him. He said, "I feel like an empty shell without her. She's the better half by far, and I'm only half a man without her."

Coach Jake Matthes said of Christopher: "He is an excellent leader-spiritually and workwise. He's almost like having an assistant coach. He'll work as hard or harder than the next guy. He is not naturally gifted with speed, but his desire and hard work make up for it."

"During the time he was off from running he laid low but began to come back in the Spring of 88. He's not afraid to put in the miles. During the Summer, he ran 80-90 miles per week."

Christopher and Debbie plan to

return to South Africa to work with the Zulu tribe to train Zulu pastors and help them establish churches. He said the Zulu's are by nature very talented runners and added, "I would like to use running as a vehicle to reach Zulus for Christ."

He would like to coach the runners and help them to get shoes and start a Christian running organization among the Zulus.

He plans to finish at LU next December and then attend The Master's Seminary and return to South Africa.

As far as his future goals are concerned, he said, "running is a sport in which you can measure your success in a very tangible way. It's just you, the distance and the clock."

Mark believes that unless a longer race is added to the Olympics schedule, such as a 100 kilometer run, he doesn't have the talent to run at that level. If the 100 km. race is added in the 92 or 96 games, his goal would be to make the Olympic trials for that event. His current goal is to run a marathon in under 2 hours and 25 minutes.

Christopher said of his own potential as a runner: "If I were ever to make world class, it would have to be in the ultras."

His favorite Bible verse is Hebrews 12:21 which states: "Run with patience the race that is set before you."

For Mark, the Christian life and running are often pure agony, but he is quick to point out that "patience" in this passage means "steady determination."

Mark Christopher has plenty of that.

X-C best friends compete for wins

BY JIM McLAUGHLIN
Sports Reporter

Competition breeds excellence, but is not renowned for its production of friendships. Yet, to every rule there seems to be an exception.

Traci Tidwell and Pam Fauber are the exception. The two have alternated as the number one and two LU women's cross country runners for the first part of this season.

Traci was the number one runner in the first two meets, William and Mary and the Tar Heel Invitational, while Pam took LU's top spot in the last two meets, The Furman Invitational and the Virginia Intercollegiate.

Despite the competition, Pam and Traci remain "best buddies."

"Pam is a real source of encouragement to me," Traci says.

Coach Ron Hopkins says that "they work well together; they push each other. They are better because they work together; there's no ego trip involved."

Traci is a senior from Titusville, Fla. where she ran for Titusville High School. Pam is from Lynchburg and did her running at nearby Rustburg High. Both were the top runners in their schools. They explain that college competition is so much more fierce because "here everybody was number one at their school."

Last year Pam and Traci were the fifth and sixth runners on the number four team in the nation in Division 2. "I really didn't expect them to take charge, but they came in and did it," Hopkins says.

The life of a cross country runner, however, is not full of glory, but rather is one of hard work. For example, a typical workout might consist of running eight miles of hills, or an eight or nine mile distance run and then heading for the weight room.

The efforts of athletes such as



Pam Fauber



Traci Tidwell

Tidwell and Fauber might be comparable to those Olympic athletes who dedicate 10 or 15 years of their life for a few minutes of glory. Their achievements, like those of Pam and Traci, and other cross country athletes, are commendable although often unrecognized.

But glory is no problem. "Without the Lord I couldn't have made the team," Pam says.

And as for their friendship, whether number one or number two, Pam Fauber and Traci Tidwell remain "best buddies."

Individual competition sign-ups begin

Upcoming events for Intramurals include: Slam Dunk Competition (entry deadline- Nov. 10), Punt, Pass and Kick Competition (entry deadline- Nov. 7) and 3-point Shoot-Out Competition sponsored by Nike. Attractive prizes (entry deadline- Nov. 17)

Sign up for these events at the intramural trailer or P.E. office.

Men's Football Results

Division A: Sean Castorina's

Pure Energy and Lee Epstein's Chargers lead the division with two wins each.

Division B: Mike Broomell's Renegades and Troy Thomas' The Brick Layers lead with three wins each.

Division C: Louis Cambeletta's SCROG II is leads with four wins while Rick Kennedy's Holy Squirrels have three wins.

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