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Virginia Tech crisis
brings up questions

By Joshua King

Virginia Tech students will not easily forget their first day of classes for the past fall semester. What began as a typical Monday morning quickly evolved into a campus security nightmare. It began on Thursday when William Mitch Mova, a 24-year-old Blacksburg resident accused of attempted armed robbery at a local store, escaped from police after being transported to Montgomery Regional Hospital for minor injuries. While Mova, born a short-term inmate, unconditionally readmitted to taking the deputy’s gun and shallowly playing the security on the campus. The shocked student, like Iseman, received mail from Liberty. “Then the eagle started to agree that the logo is the eagle. Sophomore Andrew Harrison also agrees that the logo is the eagle. “The seal,” said Freshman Ryan Morven. He, like Iseman, received mail from Liberty. “The eagle,” said Freshman Kerne Johnson. “The seal,” said Freshman Kathy Hatcher. The answer is, all of them. Creating “brand identity” is one of the many projects of student life. Not only were they given the opportunity to meet upper classmen, “It was fun to see everyone from last year, and see everyone at one event at one time. It was a good, chill setting to meet people-real people,” said sophomore Jack Taylor. The Block Party would not be as big without the audience and brought forth powerful messages, “said Brian Shaw, associate director of Student Recruitment to give potential students a bigger picture of the student body in order to insight into the life of Liberty University, build friendships and get students socially connected.” Not only were they given the opportunity to meet up with old friends, and make new friends, everything was free. Students could watch BMX, bike, use so many different ride, up so many different concerts and watch so many different concerts and fly freckles. “It was fun to see everyone from last year, and see everyone at one event at one time. 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said freshmen Becky Guthrow. "Whenever I feel alone, I’m not. God is Not Alone." I was just reminded by the band about that in their lyrics, but they didn’t show it with their facial expressions," said Guthrow, who graduated from Liberty University in May.

This year of the 2006-2007 Liberty University football season started with not a lot of room on the schedule. "The usual amount of room for us is approximately three-fourths of our schedule," said coach Butch Spence, the Director of Planning and Facilities at Liberty University. "This year, however, we had no room at all. The building was still under construction." Construction at Liberty. "Those items would not be completed in time but they are now close to the original set deadline for living because there has been some flooding in dorms," said Augustus B. "The dorms were due to have substantial, the new housing was still not available to accommodate all of the incoming students this semester. "As a result of the splash page for a person to live there are there," said the Dean of residence life. "However, even after our efforts we still had to temporarily house many of our students in motel rooms. This year we have been able to get all but a very small number of our students who were not the required 21 years old and applied for the dorms." The Dean of Residence Life, "I am not too excited about being a parent with the growing population of students," said the Dean of Residence Life. "However, we have not yet found a way to accommodate all of our students in the dorms due to the limited space available." The Dean of Residence Life. "There is no room for what else happened, however. He fought off badgers, outsmarted Jack Bauer, and even proved a nice shrubbery for the Knights of Ni."

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Need for speed: Campus technology gets a facelift

By Cory Palmer

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In addition, campus employees are running tools that make their jobs much easier. Many employees have recently begun using IP Camm, a company that makes a connection with a Virtual Private Network.

This allows users to view a virtual telephone on our campus or elsewhere. To do this, we need to know where in the country as long as we have broadband Internet service," said Mike Mogren, a DISC Technician and Support Specialist. The software makes it possible to make "local" calls in Lynchburg from anywhere in the country. In other words, it’s relatively cheap.

"This whole concept of the mobile office is exciting," said Mogren. "Some of ouriselsh can be as much as four times the size of the average one."

Mogren said that they are also currently testing software that makes it possible to access old email messages that have been archived in a central location, essentially eliminating all mail server issues.

Students in the video production and graphic design fields recently received a benefit as well. A classroom on the second floor of Seaborn was upgraded last fall to better specifically to the needs of students in those classes of hearing.

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Campus church: "Who is reaching their souls?"

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"Our desire to win students to Christ from our area campuses while ministering to our own LU students prompted the motivation for the creation of this midweek program," Dr. Ergan Caner, the primary speaker for The Campus Church, also expressed excitement over the massive outreach that TRBC now has to the Lynchburg metropolitan area. "With the exception of Thomas Road, no churches are making as profound an impact on these students," Caner said. "Who is reaching their souls?"

Caner also mentioned the mindset of students that TRBC hopes to reach with The Campus Church. College students are not set intellectually," Caner said. "They are engaged. They question, doubt, waver, investigate, philosophize and wonder. The old computers just weren't giving the students what they needed," said Professor Lee Kendall, a communications professor and head of the campus' production facilities. "They were too old and underpowered for the things that students were trying to do."

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Block Party: The fun keeps going

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“...the hand not brought entertainment but with a biblical and theological ‘...Nothing, no, no...’ mixed with a mod mix of pop side show with the story to the scripture. ‘I am not All Right.’ ‘The Face of Love. ’

The music was also varied, and their music was amusing. The words to their songs were also interesting, ‘...Not Alone, ‘I was just reminded by Jodie who is not alone, not alone, whenever I feel alone I am not. God is also here for me. I am not alone, not alone, Mix the words of Don’t sing about that in their lyrics, but they share, ‘I am not alone, this is my expression said friend Becky Guthrie.

So, what would be the Block Party be without the fireworks? Bright bursts of purple, green, and pink dotted the night, so the black party drew it close, to be placed in the memories of the students, staff and faculty who attended.

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How does the acquisition of the gemological side of the business change the Champion's focus and capabilities?

The acquisition will enable the Champion to expand its services to include gemological services, allowing it to provide a more comprehensive range of offerings to its customers. This will likely enhance the customer experience, as clients will be able to receive expert advice on gemstones and jewelry, in addition to traditional printing services.

What is the significance of the Champion's acquisition for the local community?

The acquisition is significant for the local community as it is expected to bring new economic opportunities and growth to the area. The Champion's expertise in printing and its acquisition of a gemological business can contribute to the economic diversification of the region, creating jobs and attracting new businesses.

What does the Champion's acquisition mean for its competitors?

The acquisition could mean increased competition in the printing and gemological services industry. However, as the Champion is already a leader in its field, it is likely to continue to dominate and set standards in these industries.

How will the Champion's acquisition affect its customers?

Customers can expect higher quality products and services, as the Champion will now have access to advanced technology and expertise in both printing and gemological services. They may also benefit from greater customization options and a more personalized customer experience.

What is the impact of the Champion's acquisition on the local economy?

The acquisition is expected to have a positive impact on the local economy, as it will bring new jobs and business opportunities. It may also attract new businesses to the area, which could further stimulate economic growth.

What is the impact of the Champion's acquisition on the local environment?

The acquisition is expected to have a minimal impact on the environment, as the Champion has already demonstrated a commitment to sustainability in its operations. The new gemological services may also have a positive environmental impact, as they could help to promote sustainable practices in the jewelry industry.
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"Survivor" Segregates
Should reality TV divide contestants by race?

"Survivor: Outwit, Outplay, Outlast." It is a game that is meant to bring out the competitive nature of mankind. If you want to eat, you must hunt and win competitions. If you don't want to be voted out, you must form alliances and pull your own weight. In the beginning stages of the game, competitors are divided into different "tribes" that contend against one another in both physical and mental battles. The "tribes" eventually merge together, and the competition is now every individual for himself, the winner declared the ultimate survivor.

In a society that has been immersed by evolutionary thinking, it isn't surprising that a reality TV show such as "Survivor" seems to embrace those ideologies. It is a game that in essence takes the "survival of the fittest" philosophies and flashes it out. But what happens when this is applied to race?

On August 23, 2006, CBS announced on The Early Show that "Survivor: Cook Islands" will divide its "tribes" by race. Asians, Hispanics, blacks and whites will be segregated. "Survivor" host Jeff Probst said that the idea to segregate contestants into racial groups came from an effort to meet the public's demand for more ethnic diversity on reality TV shows. CBS needs to watch this test it again. In the case of "Survivor," segregation would only further the cause of repulsive racism. It becomes a risk for the show, and it might be in the producers' best interest to promote ethnic diversity.

In addition, "Survivor" producer Mark Burnett also told the Daily Variety on Variety.com that, "maybe the taboos (of race) could disappear through this." Burnett seems to have forgotten the great Civil Rights Movement, which taught that taboos in an effort to segregate. Rather, Burnett's statement suggests that re-instituting segregation could bring about mental unity. It also would imply that the centuries of wars, genocides, holocausts and countless other violent acts and demonizing discriminations still encountered by millions of people would be ended by a single season of a reality TV show. Either Burnett doesn't know the reality of the atrocities committed against both racial and ethnic groups, or else he has far too much faith in the influence of a reality TV show, particularly a reality TV show that last one-fourth of its viewers last season.

Despite accusations of trying to pull a publicity stunt to boost ratings, the producers of "Survivor" seem to have nothing to do with their decision. Burnett referred to "Survivor" as being "a social experiment," in which the segregation by race was merely "adding another layer to that experiment," according to Variety.com. Today's society is still disaggregated from the wounds sustained the last time segregation was a social experiment. "There is no need to test it again. In the case of "Survivor," segregation would only further the cause of repulsive racism. It becomes a risk for the show, and it might be in the producers' best interest to promote ethnic diversity.

Students who consider themselves to be socially responsible must ask themselves whether or not they will support CBS's decision to air the program. Many people will tune into "Survivor: Cook Islands" just out of curiosity. However, we must realize that watching the show spikes ratings, generates more advertisers — and with them, more money. Based on the split-offs of past reality TV shows, this season of "Survivor" will probably result in more copy-cat racial-based shows on other networks.

If "Survivor: Cook Islands" had taken an ethically or even simply racially diverse cast and divided them into groups with no regard to race, perhaps the goal of racial unity could be achieved. However, segregating the "tribes" according to race only serves to cause racial disharmony.

By taking the "survival of the fittest" concept of the television show and making competition between races a central theme, society is done a great disservice. The danger of taking the "the survival of the fittest" premise of the television show and making competition between races a central theme, is that in the illusion of one race being better than another, Christians should not forget the biblical directive of equality as outlined in Acts 17:26. "And the has made of one blood every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth, and has determined their preappointed times and the boundaries of their dwellings."

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Will pro-life beliefs drive conservative Christians to vote Democratic?

Have you ever stumbled across the controversial Facebook group entitled “God Is Not a Republican”? The statement itself seems strange. We generally associate the ideas of a “conservative Christian” and “Republican” as being in one accord on numerous issues – most importantly the issue of abortion.

As the 2008 Presidential elections approach, the evaluation of such assumed agreement has never been more critical. The political climate has become such that for the first time in American history, both major political parties may nominate pro-choice candidates. Thus, knowing where the candidates of both Republican and Democratic stand on the issues is of the utmost importance for conservative Christians.

Among the frontrunners for the 2008 Republican nomination, two of the most popular candidates support so-called abortion “rights.” Rudy Giuliani, former mayor of New York, is staunchly pro-choice. The political website, OnTheIssues.org records Giuliani’s support for partial-birth abortion. Another Republican possibility, Mitt Romney, the current governor of Massachusetts, is also pro-choice. The Boston Herald has reported that although Romney personally disagrees with abortion, he believes women should have the right to choose.

Two Democrats with potential to receive the Presidential nomination are pro-choice but consistently vote to ban partial-birth abortion. Evan Bayh, the Democratic Junior Senator of Indiana shows a 50 percent mixed voting record on abortion issues, according to the National Association for Repeal of Abortion Laws (NARAL). The Democrat Junior Senator of Delaware, Joe Biden, has a 36 percent mixed voting record, as reported by NARAL.

When millions of unborn babies’ lives are taken into consideration, I would rather take a 50 percent chance that Bayh would support legislation to restrict partial-birth abortion than place a pro-choice Republican in office who would veto such legislation.

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A pro-life president is crucial in the area of judicial appointments. George W. Bush appointed Justice John Roberts and Justice Samuel Alito to the Supreme Court of the United States in 2005, but what most Americans fail to realize is that Bush also appointed hundreds of conservative federal judges to district and circuit court positions around the nation. Court cases with the potential to overturn restrictions on abortion will potentially arise on multiple occasions during the next president’s administration. Progress can only be made when the Supreme Court of the United States has a conservative majority, and the next president of our country will likely have the opportunity to appoint justices who will either help or hinder the battle against abortion on the federal level.

If given the hypothetical situation of choosing between a radically pro-choice Republican candidate and a Democratic candidate with a stance against partial-birth abortion, the ethically correct choice would be to vote Democrat. Ronald Reagan once said, “There are no easy answers, but there are simple answers. We must have the courage to do what we know is morally right.”

To stand idly by while hundreds of thousands of unborn babies are doomed to silent murder is a tragedy that must be halted at all costs. The dynamics are changing, and conservative Christians must acknowledge that a time may come when a Democrat, rather than a Republican, will be the best President to lead our country through the next wave of abortion legislation. If that means signing my ballot for a Democrat in 2008, then so be it.

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On July 2, 2006, more than 7,000 people packed the new sanctuary at the new facility here on Liberty Mountain.

1: Dr. Falwell stands behind his new pulpit.
2: Guy Penrod sings with his seven sons.
3: Mrs. Falwell gives a command performance.
4: Charles Billingsley belts out "Midnight Cry".
5: Following tradition, columns mark a new facade on Liberty Mountain.

1. Over 7000 people attend. Those on the stage are original members from 1956 and their children.
2. Jonathan Falwell welcomes the congregation.
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FOOTBALL: Changes look to push Flames to top

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The newly hired Athletics Director Jeff Barber referred to it as surpassing “Super Bowl quality turf.” “It boosts morale, it boosts energy, it makes your team play a little bit faster, and I think it’s really attractive to the fans,” said Rocco.

Suffer it to say that during the off-season the football management worked tirelessly to bring a new excitement and vitality to Liberty Football. Look for the “Rocco Era” to bring a totally new football experience this year to Liberty University.

Have you ever read an article about an athlete during his off-season? Doesn’t the “I’m a pro athlete and I can do what I want” attitude emanate from the pages? The reason is that is how so many players are acting these days.

Pro’s think that they can never get hurt and will not stop doing whatever it is they set their mind to. They believe they take for granted how huge of a responsibility they have, though.

The responsibility to their fans, their team, their coach, and most importantly, themselves, is to stay in the top shape that they possibly can, and not do anything dim-witted to jeopardize their hard work.

That responsibility is also making sure that they don’t hinder themselves from competing at the top level with no holds barred. They are being paid per year what most people would dream of making once in their lifetime.

There are way too many people who look up to pro athletes for them to go around acting like crazed animals. Is there any wonder as to why every kid these days supposedly has ADD?

There are three prime examples I want to discuss. Jay Williams, Kellen Winslow, Jr. and Ben Roethlisberger.

In June of 2003, Williams wrecked his newly purchased street bike that still had the registration tags on it, struck a telephone pole and was thrown over 10 feet. The former Chicago Bulls guard broke his leg and pelvis, and many wondered if he would ever play again.

Pay this is, at least 2003, and Williams is still making a comeback. He wants to be in the loop of seasoned vets as he tries to be picked up as a free agent.

Why would he fly going around town on a street bike that he barely had any experience on? Who knows if he truly knew how to drive it, and he’s zooming around at speeds in excess of the legal limit.

Winslow Jr. in a tragic story as well. In 2004, Winslow’s rookie season, he suffered a broken right fibula in a game, and missed the rest of the year.

The Cleveland Browns had expected a full recovery from his injury and they were anticipating his return in 2005. In May of ’05, though, Winslow was goofing off, popping wheelies and racing around a parking lot, when he wrecked his bike.

He tore his ACL in the accident and eventually acquired a high infection in that wound. Winslow, now a year and a half later, still declares himself only 90 percent. How good would he have been on the football field if he decided he would not act like a maniac and fly around the parking lot on a motorcycle?

The latest young athlete not using his mind was Ben. The mind God gave him is Roethlisberger. In June of this year Big Ben was traveling through Pittsburgh on his street bike, and he was not wearing a helmet. A woman did not see him coming and turned in front of him.

Ben slammed his brakes on, but it was too late as his bike slid into the area right above the windshield of her Chrysler. His right elbow and shoulder slammed the windshield, and he was consequently propelled the rest of the way over in a jagged piece of glass.

Roethlisberger suffered multiple serious injuries including shattered orbital bones, a broken jaw, broken cheekbone, lost and chipped teeth, and several lacerations to his face and head. It was exposed later that he had a paramedic not see a slit vein to his throat. Roethlisberger would have eventually drowned in his own blood.

Two weeks from the beginning of the season, the Super Bowl Champion Pittsburgh Steelers prepare for a new season, and it appears they will start with their leader, as Roethlisberger seems to have made a full recovery. This is a crisis averted considering two months ago he was being treated in a hospital bed, with no one knowing if the youngest quarterback to ever win a championship would ever be able to play again.

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They have a responsibility, most importantly, to the owners and personnel involved with the team, who spent their draft pick on them, and invested loads of dollars on them.

I also believe they have a responsibility to the people that spent money on tickets and walks through that gate every Sunday.

They live out their hopes and dreams with every snap they have on that field. I know that they are young kids who “miss out” on their fun years as they have curfew’s, all the aches and pains they have to keep track of. What I’m trying to say here is that they don’t have it easy.

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Ready on defense: Senior Rachel Denton (17) and freshman Britney Parcella (23) prepare to block the ball.

The Liberty Lady Flames soccer team opened its season as the Big South defending champions and a second-half ball held steady on its eye. After defeating UNC-Asheville 3-0 in the title game, the Lady Flames went on to participate in the NCAA tournament. Despite being seeded to the University of Virginia in the opening round, the opportunity afforded great experience to a young team with lofty goals. They begin this season as the top-ranked team, receiving 11 of the first place votes, in the Big South preseason poll. They are followed by Coastal Carolina and High Point at second and third place respectively. Combined, both schools only garnered two first place votes. Despite being the heavy favorites, the Lady Flames open the season with a difficult schedule. Their first six games are on the road and include matches against the University of Arkansas, Wake Forest University, and Virginia Tech. There is a small respite in that they face one of the top 5 ranked teams in the Big South Conference at home. Coach James Price, who is entering his ninth season as head coach of the Lady Flames, told LibertyFlames.com, “Last season, we went into every game planning to outwork every team we played.” With a closing record of 15-7-1 and a Big South Championship Coach Price promises this approach will not change. “In fact,” he states, “we are going to have to work harder.” The Lady Flames started the season with a 3-0 shutout of the Longwood Lady Lancers. Freshman midfielder Maggie Woody, who strengthened an already veteran midfield squad, scored her first career goal when she put the Lady Flames on top 1-0 in the 26th minute. It wasn’t long before senior midfielder Kristin Faxon drilled home a goal in the 75th minute to make it a 2-0 game. The Lady Lancers attempted to mount a strong offensive but were unable to get past senior goalkeeper Katherine Nief and freshman Michelle Rich, who made two saves each. The Lady Flames went on to participate in the NCAA tournament loss at High Point. Though Longwood is not a conference opponent, it was a great tune up game for Sunday’s match against UNA. This is the first opportunity for the Lady Flames to start some revenge for last season’s 5-0 NCAA tournament loss at the hands of the Lady Cavaliers.

The road trip continues with an October 13 match against four-time defending Big South champion Winthrop before travel­ling to the state of South Carolina and Charleston Southern before making the beach trip to face Coastal Carolina and Charleston Southern before playing all but the last of their remaining matches at home.

 UNC-Charlotte of the Atlantic 10 visits “The Furnace” on October 24, followed by UNC-Asheville on October 27, Birmingham-Southern on October 28, and Longwood on November 3 and High Point on November 4.

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The first round will be held at the home sites of the top four seeds, with the semi­finals and finals being held at High Point. “Last year we had a lot of close matches and were just unable to close the door,” said Pinder.

“This year we return five of six starters with a year of experience under their belt and a lot of confidence and energy.” In addition to confidence and energy, team chemistry is also seen as a key to success.

“I think it is the best it has been. We blend well and work well together,” said Black.

“The team has a lot of potential and if we put it together right we will have a very successful season.”

Nichols agreed. “In the past we have had close matches, and we need just to pull together and work harder as a unit,” she said. “We mesh well and learned a lot from last season and we have a lot poten­tial.”

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Florida, Oklahoma and BYU's Holiday Classic Highlight 2006-07 Men's Basketball Schedule

Contents at the defending national champion Florida Gators, Big XII's Oklahoma Sooners, of BYU's Holiday Classic as announced by Liberty University Head Coach Randy Dunton. The Flames will open the season in Norman, Okla., against Big XII power the Oklahoma Sooners on November 16, marking the first meeting between the two programs, followed by seven-straight home games. Liberty will face Cincinnati Christian in its home opener on November 21 followed by games during Thanksgiving week with Houghton College on November 25 and Southern Virginia on November 27.

Liberty continues the home-and-away with East Carolina on December 2, Ferguson Chapel (Pa.) on December 4 and Longwood on December 9. With seven home games prior to the Christmas break that includes East Carolina, St. Francis (Pa.), Longwood and Lipscomb, we have an opportunity to establish successful chemistry prior to the conference games," stated Dunton.

Liberty returns to the road to conclude season series with St. Francis (Pa.) on December 16 than the team travels to Buffalo on December 18. Liberty returns home against Lipscomb on December 21.

The Flames will then take part in BYU's Holiday Classic in Provo, Utah on December 28-30. Liberty will take on BYU on December 28, Seton Hall on December 29 and Oral Roberts on December 30.

Liberty will start the new year on the road at defending national champions, Florida of the SEC on January 2. The Flames open up their Big-South Conference schedule on the road at UNC Asheville (January 6) before returning home against Radford (January 9) and Winthrop (January 15). The Flames will then take to the road for three games against High Point (January 17), Coastal Carolina (January 20) and Charleston Southern (January 21).

Liberty will return home with games against VMI (January 27), UNC Asheville (January 30) and High Point (February 1). The Flames make one road trip to Winthrop (February 7) before returning home for games against Charleston Southern (February 10) and Coastal Carolina (February 12).

The Flames play their next two games against non-conference opponents. First, Liberty will conclude the season series at Longwood on February 15 than they will take part in ESPN's BracketBuster on February 17. The BracketBuster opponent will be chosen by ESPN approximately three weeks prior to the game.

"As a program we are honored to have an opportunity to participate in the ESPN BracketBusters field," commented Dunton. "It presents quality competition with a tournament game atmosphere. This is valuable experience for our players and can be used effectively for post season preparation."

The Flames conclude the regular season on the road at VMI (February 21) and Radford (February 24) before the Big South Conference Men's Basketball Championship begins on February 27. The four quarterfinal matches will be played on February 27 on the home court of the higher seed. The two semifinal games on March 1 will then be played at the regular season champions home court to accommodate ESPNU which will be covering both games. The championship first meeting between the site of the higher seed on March 3 and will be broadcast by ESPN2 at noon.

"This schedule is highlighted with the defending national champion Florida Gators, Big XII contender Oklahoma Sooners, the Brigham Young University Holiday Classic and another action packed Big South Conference season," added Dunton.

The Flames Television Network (FTN) will broadcast 11 home contests including all Big South Conference matches this year LIVE via the Liberty Channel, the SkyAngel Satellite Network and on www.LibertyFlames.com.
Space Management 101

By Jennifer Schmidt

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Block Party a smashing success

Students, activities, food and music combine to make a memorable event for the Liberty community.

“All of orientation week is designed to get students acclimated to the university, build friendships, and get students socially connected.”

— Jeff Boyer, Dean of Student Life