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A new redistricting plan for the City of Lynchburg has been proposed by city staff and the electoral board, but has not yet been put on the docket for approval by the City Council. If Lynchburg undergoes a redistricting of its local wards, it would create a ripple effect throughout the community and render Liberty University a possibly new polling location.

When wards are given new boundaries, it changes where people vote, and for whom they will be voting. Lynchburg, yes, the city’s official website, defines redistricting as “redrawing electoral boundaries... and is typically brought on by changes in population.”

“The biggest growth has been in Ward III,” City Clerk Jerry Flawell Jr. has made a push for a new library, the new library is still in the proposal concept stage in terms of scale and location, according to Dean of the Integrated Learning Resource Center Carl Merat.

“We have not yet reached the design stage yet,” Merat said. Even though the design has not been decided, it is clear what is to be expected of the new building. According to Merat, students should expect the building to be a unique mixture of traditional and contemporary design. Also included in a mixture of technology, which will make the browsing-for-volumes of print collection, up from the 275,000 volumes currently in the Library is also estimated to hold 450,000 with Liberty’s student body. The new library. Perhaps the most exciting feature of all will be the automated storage and retrieval system, otherwise known as “book retrieval robot,” where access to documents and books will be simplified.

With universities such as Valparaiso, University of Chicago, Colgate, North Carolina State and even Sweet Briar College here in Lynchburg embracing the use of the robot, it is sure to become an instant hit with Liberty’s student body. The new library is also estimated to hold 450,000 volumes of print collection, up from the 275,000 volumes currently in the library.

“This building, which will replace the current building, will be potentially four floors,” Merat said. “It will have atrium space and natural light.” The building will include flexible learning and studying spaces in most floors, but the idea is that the higher a person goes, the quieter the floors will be. Plans also include a Writing Center, Curriculum Library, Reference and Research sections, Graduate and Faculty Commons and Honor offices. However, most of the space will be dedicated to undergraduate students.

The customer service is also expected to be of a new, high standard because of the reduction of multiple, large service points with mobile service and check-out points located in different parts of the library. Another helpful feature will be the virtual browse aspect of the LIAS catalog, where you can find whatever you are looking for in mere seconds instead of having to go down aisle after aisle to find a single book.

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Lynchburg to participate in 9-11 Heroes Run  
Local commemorative event raises support and fund for fallen heroes

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Across the City of Lynchburg, citizens will participate in a community event on Sept. 11 in memory of the terrorist attack that occurred 10 years ago. One of the events is the 9-11 Heroes Run, a national event that is put on by the Travis Manion Foundation for the purpose of honoring those who have sacrificed their lives for the sake of the nation. The run will take place at 2 p.m. at Liberty University. The organization is honoring a Central Virginia Community College student.

The 9-11 Heroes Run program was inspired by the Manion’s son, Travis, who was a student at Virginia Tech. By being centered in the community, the students’ voices are raised, and the community members in place will protect and provide aid to them.

A leading fund behind the redlining event is Capt. Daniel>Wehner, who explained how the city will reimburse the costs. “Aid is coming to those affected by the terrorist attack on Sept. 11, and with this proposed shift, all four will be within five percent of the total population.”

Even said that by redlining the city, it will prove the city’s voice and prevent putting financial burden on having near equal population per ward. “The keystone population ever and helps preserve the community at the pole,” Even said.

In addition, Manion said that Liberty University is likely to become a voting center after the redlining event.

“This is an great thing for Liberty,” Manion said. “The city has put a lot of work into this, and we will be using the resources that are available to the city to assist those who are affected. We are working with the city to make sure that those who are affected have access to the services that are available to them.”

Manion said that Liberty University is ready to help those who are affected.

“The students who have come through our campus, and we hope to continue to assist those who are affected,” Manion said. “We are working with the city to make sure that those who are affected have access to the services that are available to them.”

To learn more about the 9-11 Heroes Run, visit Lynchburg911heroes.run. Indivisuals can also donate to the cause. For more information, visit Lynchburg911heroes.run.}


giving back to those who gave it all
Heroes Fund Scholarship assists wounded warriors and spouses

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Heroes come in all shapes and sizes, but Liberty University’s Office of Military, Miller’s program gives a personal tribute to those who are wounded in combat during war.

Their contributions are being recognized by Members of the Purple Heart, veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder and widows or widowers of soldiers killed in combat as they right to receive the scholarship to help with education and fees. The Office of Military Affairs is attempting to help those students who have gone through traumatic experiences, and it is also helping those who are military aid available, get an education.

One of the many awards are given out each year, but students are only able to get the money earned is left with a local first- 

“Money is not enough,” Manion said. “One of the reasons we do this is being grateful. We're just amazing to me,” Ellis said. “This is when the money runs out. Ellis is appreciative that the Heroes Scholarship is when the money runs out. Ellis is appreciative that the Heroes Scholarship.

The scholarship is funded completely by the Liberty University community and is known as a 9-11 Scholarship. There is no limit to how many awards are given out each year, but students are only able to get the money earned is left with a local first-aid center. Deserving candidates are encouraged to contact the Office of Military Assistance. The scholarship can get a quality education and benefit their future.

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For more of them it’s just a dream come true,” Ellis said.

Donations can be sent to Military Scholarship Program, 911 University, Lynchburg, VA 24502. Cassedy is a news reporter.
Remembering 9/11

By: Katherine Lacaze

Nearly 10 years ago, the United States of America experienced a terrorist attack on the World Trade Center that destroyed the Twin Towers, damaged the Pentagon and affected the entire nation. This Sept. 11, there will be activities and events held in all states to commemorate the anniversary of this incident, including significant events in key cities, such as New York City and Washington, D.C.

One important event is the dedication and opening of The National September 11 Memorial at the World Trade Center in New York City, which will take place on Sept. 11 and 12, respectively. According to the 9/11 Memorial website, an accompanying Memorial Museum will also be open to the public sometime in September of 2012.

“The 9/11 Memorial is located at the site of the former World Trade Center complex in lower Manhattan, and occupies approximately half of the 16-acre site,” according to the 9/11 Memorial website. “The 9/11 Memorial features two enormous waterfalls and reflecting pools, each about an acre in size, set within the footprints of the twin towers.”

In Washington, D.C., activities will be taking place at various locations within the city. The Washington National Cathedral is hosting an event entitled “Call to Compassion,” which will present several activities throughout the weekend of Sept. 9 through 11, including concerts, an Interfaith Prayer Vigil and other commemorative events.

“In the days following the 9/11 attacks, our nation came together to pray, reflect, and mourn,” according to the Call to Compassion website. “Washington National Cathedral was honored to serve as the spiritual home for our nation during those tragic, uncertain times. Now, a decade later, we come together again to remember the victims and heroes of 9/11, as well as the nearly 6,000 service members whose lives have since been lost in Iraq and Afghanistan.”

Countless other events are taking place within the Washington, D.C. region, including special 10th anniversary commemorative activities for victims of 9/11 and their families at the Pentagon Memorial, according to The National 9/11 Pentagon Memorial website. Many cities across the nation are hosting races, concerts, activities and interfaith gatherings, among a myriad of other events, to honor the memory of those who were injured or died during the attack that took place 10 years ago, Sept. 11, 2001.
FATHER AND DAUGHTER — Krystie Wilson and her father Craig Wilson, fac- tory New Yorkers, spend time together in New York City. Kristen and her family have seen the 9/11 developer at Ground Zero over the past 10 years since Sept. 11, 2001. Wilson said.

"I feel I know him, if he was going to get home that night or what was going on," Wilson said. "He was so dirty from what had hap- pened, he just came home, sat on the couch and said nothing." Wilson said. "I saw, just preserving everyone who saw him, his building was so close. He could see the people who were jumping out of the towers. I could never imagine seeing what he saw and having to deal with that."
Our History

"Today, our fellow citizens, our way of life, our very freedom came under attack in a series of deliberate and deadly terrorist acts. The victims were in airplanes, or in their offices, secretaries, businessmen and women, military and federal workers, moms and dads, friends and neighbors. Thousands of lives were suddenly ended by evil, despicable acts of terror."

—President George W. Bush

"I remember feeling shocked, angry and sad all at the same time when I heard that the first building fell. I then asked what could we do to help anyone? Pray was the only answer. So we prayed. When you teach journalism, you use current events as part of your lab work. Nothing can compare to the news coverage of that horrible day."

—Liberty University Professor Deborah Huff

"A cloudless blue sky with a perfect temperature. But the morning's events would mar the beauty of that September day forever... What could we do to help anyone? Pray was the only answer. So we prayed."

—Chancellor Jerry Falwell Jr.

"Today, our nation saw evil, the very worst of human nature. And we responded with the best of America — with the daring of our rescue workers, with the caring for strangers and neighbors who came to give blood and help in any way they could."

—President George W. Bush

"The greatest thing I can remember about that day was the amazing decision that Jerry Falwell Sr. made. As soon as we heard about the attacks his first response was to pray."

—Pastor Dwayne Carson

"The serenity that we had taken for granted was shattered by terror, and a scar was left, cut deeply into the psyche of all Americans, but especially of young Americans. I remember that moment like it was yesterday. I was in DeMoss Hall 113/114 when the world came to a stop. Class was dismissed, televisions were pulled into the hallways, and Dr. Falwell called a university-wide prayer meeting."

—Pastor Johnnie Moore

American tragedy

WORLD TRADE CENTER — Civilians flee the area as a tower of the World Trade Center collapses September 11, 2001 in New York City after two airplanes slammed into the twin towers in a terrorist attack.

PATRIOTISM IN NEW YORK — U.S. citizens portray resilience and strength in response to national tragedy.

THIRD ATTACK — Firefighters struggle to contain a spreading fire after a hijacked commercial jetliner crashed into the Pentagon in Arlington, Va.
A Patriot moment

Even sports was impacted by tragedy

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Fear, anger, confusion and devastation are few of many words that could describe the Sept. 11, 2001 attack.

Prior to the attacks, the NFL season was well underway, entering its third week of the season. Prior Senate NFL teams were just beginning to light their stadiums, only to be halted by the shattering event.

Before Sept. 11, 2001 the Dallas Cowboys were known as America’s team. But that year changed even our attitude about who that title would go to.

Days after the attacks, the NFL decided to postpone games scheduled that week in order to remember those who lost their lives.

Games originally scheduled for that weekend were moved to the first weekend of January. Meanwhile, that next weekend, the NFL continued to show its support in the Sept. 11 victims by wearing decals and having a moment of silence nationwide.

Each week of the NFL season reminded us how life in the nation had changed. Increased security from government buildings to airports to sports arenas reflected the anxiety.

All during this time, a man and leader was being born in New England. Tom Brady, a quarterback from the University of Michigan, took over as starter for a struggling Drew Bledsoe. The Patriots started the season with a 1-3 record. Fortunately, Brady led the Patriots from a slow start to a first round bye in the playoffs.

The NFL Playoffs began with the Patriots as the number two seed in the AFC conference. After winning two grueling games against the Oakland Raiders and Pittsburgh Steelers, the Patriots made an appearance in the Super Bowl against the St. Louis Rams. A close game throughout, the Patriots were able to cap off a 19-7 victory over the favorite Rams due to a field goal by Adam Vinatieri.

For that moment, America rejoiced with the Patriots. And in doing so, honored the real protagonist who fell on that fateful morning of Sept. 11, 2001.

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Overcoming adversity

Reflecting on the lasting effects of Sept. 11, 2001

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Taking a moment of silence, remembering those who lost their lives or even thanking those who are still fighting for our freedom is not enough. We must never give up—never back down in the face of adversity.

Millions of eyes and hearts gripped the edge of reality as the blackened skies and debris from the streets of New York City marked one of the most devastating moments in American history.

“No matter how long it may take us to overcome this unprecedented invasion, the American people in their righteous might will win through to absolute victory,” President Franklin Roosevelt said in his speech to Congress after the Pearl Harbor attack.

Sept. 11, 2001 was no different.

The World Trade Center attacks caused damage to our people and destruction to two of our major cities, yet as President George W. Bush said in his speech to Congress on Sept. 20, 2001, “Tonight we are a country, awakened to danger, and called to defend freedom.”

After 10 long years, America has yet to back down from that fight for freedom.

We have四季ed a terrorist group of a leader who pledged to bring America to its knees. Economic crisis rises back in at the barrel of a gun, yet the American people hold their ground. The war on terror has yet to come to an end.

Still, we struggle. Still, we never back down.

The bell of truth, the breast of righteousness, the shield of faith, the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which are all from God, speak volumes to how our nation has strengthened in these hard times.

Remembering of that day may have become cobbledweb and dusty. College papers need to be written, yet our lives take up more time than it should and the cup of life is filled too high to fit much more in. Still, when the day nears and words of Sept. 11, 2001 fill the air, the vivid image of where you were, who you were with and how you felt falls well up in your heart.

Just remember that 10 years ago, these children who witnessed the “religious attacks” are now grown and fighting for our country. The younger generation is also beginning to walk in their mother and father’s footsteps, proud to stand up for their country and fight.

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FROM THE DESK BY ASHLEY BOLLINGER

Ten years ago our country was changed—for better or worse. Our very essence as a free nation was challenged by the presence of attacks of a corrupt set of people claiming to act in the name of God.

Ask any American about that day, and they can tell you where they were and what they were doing. The event has been focused into our being.

For many at Liberty University, this is the first act of terrorism we ever encountered—the first rumor of war we can remember.

I was almost 11 years old. I was sitting in my fifth grade science class at Westminster Christian School located just outside of Chicago. All of the teachers were called over the intercom system to meet in the hallway.

As we sat and waited, I can remember feeling confused. Everything seemed off, but no one knew why.

Then, they told us.

Shock, panic, fear and a survival sense of loss all I can remember. My mom was out of town, and I couldn’t remember where she was.

I was only 10.

We huddled together in the center of the gymnasium around a television and watched the events unfold. No one knew if Chicago would be next, or if it was ever. Everyone was crying, but no one fully understood what had happened that day.

Little did we know, as grade school children, that that day marked not only the beginning of a war that we—people in my class and my generation—would fight, but also the beginning of a unity stronger than our nation had ever known.

Terrorist attacks can shake the foundations of our biggest buildings, but they cannot touch the foundation of America,” President George W. Bush said in his Sept. 11 address to the nation. “These acts shatter our world, but they cannot shatter the soul of America. We are not attacked for our freedoms; we’re the brightest beacon for freedom and opportunity in the world. And no one will keep that light from shining.

Over the past 10 years, these words have proven themselves more than we think even the President himself thought they would.

We have fought hard a war that was begun on soil created for freedom, yet those who attacked us wanted to Oppress the freedoms that we hold dear.

The men and women who have given their lives for our nation during this war have each carried us one step closer to justice.

Through a great loss, our nation has claimed a great victory. We have proven that we are, “Our nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.”

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We must never give up—never back down in the face of adversity.”

reflecting on the lasting effects of sept. 11, 2001
A failed attempt at publicity

‘Shore’ cast to stop wearing Abercrombie

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It seems as though half-baked models are not generating enough publicity for popular clothing store Abercrombie & Fitch. Because of this, the advertising department at Abercrombie & Fitch decided to try a celebrity publicity stunt. Unfortunately for the company, the plan backfired.

On Aug. 16, Abercrombie & Fitch sent out a news release to the general public asking the cast of the MTV show ‘Jersey Shore,’ mainly Michael “The Situation” Sorrentino, to stop wearing their clothing. “We understand that the show and the clothing company, are advantageous publicity during the back-to-school season,” said in the news release. “With respect to ‘The Situation,’ Abercrombie & Fitch saw an opportunity to get some advantageous publicity during the all-important back-to-school season.”

Unfortunately for Abercrombie & Fitch, the plan was not successful. Instead of making more money, sales dropped about nine percent in one day.

“The stock price for Abercrombie & Fitch fell nearly 10 percent at one point on Wednesday and finished nearly eight percent lower for the day,” reporter for CNNMoney, Aaron Smith, said in his article, “Abercrombie drops Nine Percent after ‘Jersey Shore’ dies.”

Maybe Abercrombie & Fitch should have thought about Jersey Shore’s audience demographics. It’s possible that when the show’s viewers heard that their beloved ‘Situation’ was asked just to wear Abercrombie & Fitch’s clothes, they opted for a different brand to wear for “T-Shirt Time.”

MARTIN is an opinion writer.
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Lady Flames run a-fowl in weekend tourney

No. 16 Oregon Ducks prove too much to handle despite offensive strengths

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The Lady Flames volleyball team continued their non-tripleg schedule Wednesday afternoon, taking on the University of Oregon Ducks in Liberty's first game against a nationally ranked opponent in three years. Liberty succumbed to the Pac-12 school, losing a three set battle 25-9, 25-21, 25-17. Despite the final score, Coach Painter was able to take many moral victories from the game.

"I was looking to see our team's poise, how to learn to play for points against a team like Oregon," Coach Painter said. After the first set, losing 25-9, I was proud in how our players shifted quick. They battled and made those last two sets very competitive, with respectable scores at the end.

Besides posting 30 points in the final two games, several individuals had impressive outings against Oregon. Lauren Thomas, a 6-0-1-inch junior, posted five blocks as Liberty out-blocked Oregon overall, registering seven blocks in Oregon's two Senior defensive specialist Kelly Hasenius died for a match high 11 digs, keeping her on pace to break Liberty's career dig record sometime mid-season.

On offense, sophomore outside hitter Lille Hoppell followed up her strong tournament last week with a match high 18 kills, her second double digit kill effort in as many matches.

"We out-blocked them today, sealing one more against a very good attack. Our defense got better throughout the match, which was positive. This was a great experience for our program and for these players," Painter said.

Besides the experience for the current players, the game against Oregon served a greater purpose for the future of Liberty's volleyball program in terms of publicity and team recruitment nationwide.

"I feel like so many drives we just negated, were (us) shooting ourselves over. "Penalties hurt us," Brown said. "We had way too many mistakes, way too many mismeans," Rocco said afterwards. "(The seven turnovers) were inexcusable, unacceptable and truly tonight was the difference in the football game. You know I was talking all week about being in the plus in turnovers ratio and maybe we could win this game and obviously, we were nowhere near being in the layover, it's back. The

"We showed allot of aqua in stretch-es to be able to move the football and that was very encouraging," Rocco said. "Most of our drives that were negated, were (us) shooting ourselves in the foot." Liberty's first drive came after forcing an NC State three-and-out. Quarterback Mike Brown threw 5-7 for 44 yards in addition to a 10-yard carry before an indisciplined receiver flag made it first-and-15. An incomplete pass, a hurried quarterback keeper up the middle and then a sack killed the drive and forced a punt.

And such was the haunting alliteration for the tone of the game. "Penalties hurt us," Brown said. "I feel like so many drivers we just stopped ourselves. We'd get a big play and come back with a penalty. Big play, fumble. Big play, interception. Defense comes out and makes a big play then we (the offense) turn it over."
MLS Uprising
How soccer is becoming America’s biggest athletic event

Drew Gula
June 6, 2010

“During last year’s World Cup, America embraced both the game and the U.S. team. But since then, we’ve seen a lot of support from the major broadcast network, which means more games on TV than ever before. There has definitely been a growing interest in the game, and we’ve been able to take advantage of that interest.”

With several seasons under his belt as a MLS player, as well as experience working for the league, Lalas is in a unique position to explain what MLS is actually doing to create a larger sport.

“There are several reasons why MLS continues to grow,” Greg Lalas, editor-in-chief of MLSsoccer.com said. “One factor in this paradigm shift is the steady growth of American soccer into MLS fans. Doing that is all about finding a balance. Focusing on expanding the youth audience is one thing. It builds player interest, giving the league a home-grown feel.”

Beyond that, America has become much more involved in the international soccer world. Bringing in players like Beckham, Henry and Robbie Keane proves that MLS is competitive on the highest level. And that’s really our biggest goal: making American soccer into something that fits in but also can compete with the best in the world,” Lalas said.

“Not only are the NBA and NFL struggling, soccer is becoming the game of choice for a younger audience. As more and more children are exposed to soccer, it’s only logical that MLS will become a part of their daily schedule,” Lalas said.

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“B” was bad decisions, trying to force too many balls. I didn’t protect the ball when I was running, didn’t protect the ball in the pocket.

“Noting some Memes.”

After the first half, a screeching pass
gone wrong by Saints quarterback Drew Brees, the Saints kicked a field goal and went up 13-7. Outside linebacker Billy Johnson forced a fumble and returned it for a touchdown to put the Saints up 20-7. The Saints ran the score to 23-7 before Liberty finally scored a touchdown on a 7-yard pass from quarterback Pat Kelly (9) to tight end Mike Schuler (88), the Safecy Tornado 1.0.

“Definitively, we can all criticize the NFL, but we haven’t seen a product of that scale, Roger said.

“I’m not going to stand up here and tell everyone to get their kids to light tonight. My kids fought hard tonight. We didn’t score just because we made plays on the ball and the defense played hard tonight. I think it’s a very positive impression of what we could do in the FCS portion of our schedule.”

BROWN is the sports editor.
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\[ \text{<S|A's Jazz night event success>}

AMBER WHEELER

As smooth jazz glided through the center of campus, Aug. 31, Moss was transformed into a musical oasis. The stylistic performance of the Bob Peckman Trio allowed students to sink in the soothing, soulful tunes.

The Bob Peckman Trio has been gracing Liberty's stage since 2006 and brings a smile to the faces of students due to their positive relationship with the Liberty campus. Associate Director of Student Activities, Allee Chandra, stated, "Jazz Night has had different versions over the years, but the Bob Peckman Trio is by far our deepest connection and perhaps our favorite."

The evening took place in the Douglas courthouse where the stage was dimly lit, creating a relaxing atmosphere. Students sat and listened, the view of smiles and nodding of heads in time with the music evident among the 200 plus attendees. The concession stand was also a big hit, with a variety of pastries and tea and water being sold. Student Activities member Meredith Smith, a junior in Libery's Communication Department, helped with the concession stand and the Jazz Night event always being a great turnout. "It was a really relaxing atmosphere, and I would love to see the event take place again," Smith said.

The students sat whispering among each other throughout the night, some doing homework whereas causally talking and enjoying the peaceful atmosphere that Bob Peckman's jazz music created. Ashley Watts, a graduate student at Liberty, has attended the Student Activities hosted Jazz Night since 2005. "I love jazz music, it calms my nerves and Jazz Night always has an enjoyable atmosphere," she also makes it a great place to do homework," Watts said.

The Bob Peckman Trio has made numerous appearances at Liberty, in the last few years and is based in Roanoke. The talented trio has Dave Morgan on lead vocals, Alain Watson on the Blaas and Bob Peckman on the drums. They played various classics throughout the night, including renditions of Frank Sinatra and Miles Davis songs. They also allowed audience requests, which helped to keep the students involved in the concert.

"Bob and his band will always say how great it is to see young people enjoying jazz. To them, it's a driving force so to come to a college where kids are intensely enjoying the vibes and trumpeter sounds, as they say, 'they dig it'," Chandra stated.

The event was a definite success. By the end of the evening, the courtyard was bustling of hundreds of students who were able to see the Bob Peckman Trio at their finest. "Jazz Night is a joy to put on but the weather always adds a tricky element. We backed out this time... perfect clear skies, what more could we ask for," Chandra said.

Student Activities hosts a variety of events and activities throughout the school year. For more information about upcoming events, refer to the Student Activities page on Liberty's website, or email Student Activities at studentactivities@liberty.edu or call 540-800-900.

WHEELER is a feature writer.

\[ \text{<Liberty offers new ways for learning languages>}

Seth Vansanto

Communication is universal and learning a new language has become more popular as time has progressed. Prior, guten tag and namaste are ingredients of countless languages and many students would wake up with the realization that learning a second language could lead to better opportunities.

Outside of Liberty's academics, the university also offers courses that will help "develop and enrich an individual's world," the Center for Professional and Continuing Education advertised.

"CPCE, or Continuing Professional and Continuing Education offers these courses to individuals throughout the semester and is open to anyone who wishes to learn," Chandra said.

The courses are open to everyone who wishes to learn a new language. CPCE offers language classes in Arabic, Chinese, Finnish, Hebrew, Hindi, Spanish and English as a second language. Russian Instructor Pavel Vatsarian has also taught Russian to classes of four in the spring semester of 2011. After listening to comments from former students on how to improve the course, this semester he is focusing on verbs and vocabulary and teaching his students how to read and write it.

"We lucked out this time... perhaps a blessing in disguise," Chandra said.

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While most students were enjoying the summer off, a select few were 7,000 miles away from home and the service of their country. St. Matthew Spc. Ryan Campbell deployed to Afghanistan on Jan. 7 with his unit, Bravo Company 1-26, 3rd Brigade, 1st Infantry Division.

Campbell said it is tough to describe an overseas deployment.

"The best word that describes de-
ploying is stressful — at least it is to
anyone who has deployed to an active
combat area, we aren’t hit all that heavily,"
said Campbell.

To Campbell, the worst part about
the unit’s deployment is that, while
they are periodically shot at, the en-
emy is practically invisible. Taliban
soldiers have learned not to directly
engage U.S. soldiers, so they gener-
ally resort to firing mortar shells or
planted improvised explosive devices
(IEDs) in the roads.

"Sometimes they will engage with
small arms fire, but they have learned
when they do that it turns out badly
for them," Campbell said. "They take
a few shots at us, we hit all that heavily, but we still get hit."

"The biggest thing that Liberty
students or anyone who reads this
article can do is pray for the safety of
the soldiers overseas," Campbell said. "I know that is why, at least
for me, I haven’t been seriously
injured — God is looking out for us."

Bravo Company is scheduled to
return home by mid-December, and
Campbell will marry his fiancée,
Ashley Noonan, soon afterward.

Campbell said packages might not
make it before the company pulls
out, but for those who want to help,
Campbell suggested the Wounded
Warrior Project. He also offered to
ask whether the FBI center where
he was treated needed any help.

Student veterans are encouraged
to check out Military Affairs at Lib-
erty, as well as the Student Veterans
Group. Students Behind Our Soldiers
and Silent Ranks will with a Vision
also exist to support veterans and
their families, respectively. For more on
what it is like to go on a patrol in Af-
ghanistan, Campbell recommended
longwaijournal.org, an article on
Aug. 19, "US troops weather rock-
recce, reveal little sign of a respite in
Kandahar" that describes a recent
company mission "gone bad."

ADAMS is the web editor.
How mixing smelling and studying can help your grade

Nose knows: The power of smell

Very important and helpful sense that a lot of people seek. The help of tutors are linked instantaneously. A part of the brain that detects smells, an unpleasant memory, you'll have a negative response. If it's something you like, it's very powerfully associated with memories. If it's something you don't like, Cox said, "Your sense of smell is very powerful." Very often, we cannot put a name to smells from childhood. We can immediately recognize and respond to smells from childhood. Very often, we cannot put a name to these odors, yet they have a strong emotional association," the Sense of Smell website stated. Cox points out a recent research study that was led by advanced physiology students at a graduate school in which two groups were given a test. One group was given drops of rosemary and lemon while they were studying, while the other group was given nothing. According to Cox, the study group who smelled rosemary and lemon did much better on the test.

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Book release a hit with students

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The Liberty University bookstore was flooded with eager readers Sunday night, Sept. 25, lining up to buy an early copy of the first book written by campus pastor Johnnie Moore.

The book launch was a success for Moore, promoting the book and giving students the opportunity to purchase it four days before its nationwide release.

“I actually left church early so I could get here,” said Johnnie Moore. “I’m super excited for the book.”

Hoover College said, “I’ve been following it on Twitter, every update.”

Over 100 students stood in line and patiently waited for Moore to autograph their copy of “Heroes.” Students also received the chance to speak with Campus Praise Band and several campus pastors, as well as enjoying music by Justin Knutzel, door prizes, and munching on chicken wraps and Domino’s pizza.

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“Honesty” required a lot of prayer and faith, Deitch said. “It’s a great reminder that there are more things to focus on in life than myself.”

Freeman, Chloé Friederichsen came to All Night of Prayer with her hall and brother down from 1 a.m. to 2 a.m. She said that the event gave her a new appreciation for the school, as well as a sense of unity.

“I thought it was such a meaningful moment to look up from praying and know that the rest of the school would be praying all night long,” Friederichsen said. “Everyone would sacrifice time they could be spending with time with one Lord. I felt so happy to have the opportunity to come to this school. I felt like a part of something big.”

Deitch said that the fact that students came out all night shows how much students believe in prayer.

“We’re going to show up for a service,” Deitch said. “But we have residence halls that we showed up at 2 a.m. or later, who have to set alarms and wake up and come. I think that shows that we’re committed to the power of prayer. We believe that nothing of eternal significance ever happens apart from prayer, not just in what we say but what we show tonight.”

ABRAMAH is the assistant feature editor.

HONESTLY — Campus pastor Johnnie Moore took time to meet students at his pre-release book party and sign copies of his first book.

Well, it’s kind of my life in the making. It’s a very personal book,” Moore said. “I didn’t share in the book that I didn’t really share before writing this book. There was a healing experience for me in the writing.

“Johnnie Moore’s unique approach to Christian culture is kind of refreshing,” Jose Pichardo said. “You aren’t just getting what is expected, but what is needed.”

Moore is currently working on his second book, which is due out some time next year.

“Honestly” was released nationwide on Sept. 1 and autographed copies are available at the Liberty University Bookstore.

For more information, visit johnnie-moore.org.

DAVIS is a feature writer.

When a tragic apartment fire took the lives of Liberty alumni Rachel Hortin, and her husband, Aaron, off April 6, it seemed like a beautiful future had also died.

After, a bright-eyed and passionate animal lover, had dedicated seven years of her life to the Gentle Care Animal Hospital in Forest and poured her heart into serving the heart-broken patients who sought treatment there. But her hope has been born from the ashes of heartbreak as friends, family and coworkers honor her legacy with the Rachel Hortin Compassionate Care Fund and its first fundraising event, the Rachel’s Paws and Purrs Race.

Friend Teresa Profit spent much time at the shelter and knew Hortin personally. She has taken upon herself to organize fundraising for the cause.

“Rachel was truly an angel on earth here,” Profit said. “Her spirit was so uplifting. It was just amazing. Very importantly, to celebrate the lives and honor the memories of Rachel, Aaron and the couple’s cat, Oscar.”

The non-profit fund can cover up to 50 percent of the cost of treatment and veterinary care for animals with life-threatening illnesses. Medical care for these cases is often expensive and many owners are forced to stop the life of their beloved pet due to their inability to pay.

While working as an assistant at Gentle Care, Hortin witnessed many pet owners reluctantly make this difficult decision.