Charlie Brown's coming to Liberty town

By Latisa Snead

"You're a Good Man Charlie Brown," a musical based on Charles Schultz's comic strip, "Peanuts," will be performed Feb. 21-23, 25, 26, 28 and March 1 and 2 at 8 p.m. in the Lloyd Auditorium, Room 102, Fine Arts Hall.

Director Roger Miller said the play is different from others of the past because there isn't a lead character. The musical has six cast members who work together equally to perform the play.

"It's a delightful show. The characters are interesting, and you will be able to see what the cartoon characters are really like," commented Miller.

Kelly Bushey, who plays Lucy, said, "The play is a cheerful analysis of how children look at things. This can lead us to look at children differently and appreciate them for the unique individuals that they are."

Act 1 begins with Charlie Brown (Jin Carpenter) encountering his true love, Patty (Johanna Leonard).

Act 1 also introduces Lucy and her never-ending battle to get the attention of Schroeder (Mark Wilson).

The first act also features Linus (Jeff Buchholz) who refuses to give up his security blanket, and Snoopy (Vic Mignogna), who pretends he is a jingle cat.

Act 2 centers around Snoopy and his dream of being a World War I flying ace trying to bring down the Red Baron, a baseball game, Lucy's personal survey to find out how crabby she really is and supper time for Snoopy.

"The play is not about a bunch of college students acting like little kids. We will try to address certain issues like the cartoon character would," Mignogna said.

"Everyone has a security blanket in life like Linus. Therefore they fantasize about him and the problems he and the rest of the characters go through," commented Buchholz.

Auditions for the musical were held last November. Miller estimated that 80 people tried out. The cast was chosen on the basis of individual acting and singing ability and Miller's idea of how the actor matched the personality of the character.

Roger Bice, director of the LBC Concert Choir, will be in charge of the music; and Jeff Lindsey will be the assistant director.

Tickets are $4 for general admission and $3 for students.

WLBU celebrates the big 05

By Melody Bacos

LBC's student radio station, WLBU, celebrates its fifth birthday Saturday, Feb. 23 in the Eagle's Nest.

Like other WLBU celebrations, the party will have a re-continued on page 4.

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LBC compared favorably to other liberal arts colleges

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the second in a three-part investigative series dealing with LBC's open admissions policy.

By Lisa Landrey Rice

LBC is faring well in its educational development compared to other schools with open admissions policies around the United States. According to Dr. Robert Gaunt, department chairman of health and P.E., Gaunt recently conducted an independent study that compared the trends of LBC's open admissions policy during the past eight years to 10 other schools.

LBC's open admissions policy has become more respected in previous years. In 1979, there were only 17 liberal arts colleges in the United States.

The retention and holding power of students for all four years, however, was slightly lower.

Gaunt explained that LBC is younger than the other, established institutions it was compared to.

Gaunt said he considers the policy a ministry. He gave a hypothetical situation of a public high school student who received poor grades because of peer pressure. Most colleges do not accept students with a low grade point average.

Gaunt said that many students at LBC had similar problems. After arriving at Liberty, they felt comfortable; and their grades began to improve.

"It wasn't that they couldn't...Continued on page 4
**Commentary**

Read a good book lately?

The Liberty Champion trades newspapers with many schools. Recently, a college paper included the top list of ten best-selling books on college campuses as reported by the Association of American Publishers/National Association of College Stores.

1. In Search of the Far Side, by Gary Larson
2. Pet Sematary, by Stephen King
3. The Robots of Dawn, by Isaac Asimov
4. Poland, by James A. Michener
5. The Far Side Gallery, by Gary Larson
6. In Search of Darkness, by Joe McGinniss
7. Motherhood, the Second Oldest Profession, by Erma Bombeck
8. Toons for Our Time, by Berke Breathed.
10. Garfield Loses His Feet, by Jim Davis

Not too wide a range for college students one might think, but the problem comes when one considers what composes the list. Two of the 10 are entertaining fiction, while a third throws in a humorous look at motherhood.

Another four, and this is the most amazing, consist of comic books—two by the same author.

That leaves only three books that could be considered somewhat educational—In Search of Excellence, Poland and Fatal Vision.

How often do college students read books? Everyday they're bom­
ded with homework reading assignments in their high-priced
books—two by the same author.

Signals, symptoms warn of subtle illness problems

God is the greatest source of love, yet many students on campus
suffer from one form of an illness based on no love for self.

Self-conscious standards of beauty cause a distortion of self-love, and according to Dr. Greg Albers, a large percentage of the campus suffers from anorexia.

Anorexia is a self-starvation illness with drastic weight loss and includes a distorted image of one's body.

On the other hand, bulimia is an eating disorder involving repeated episodes of binge eating, followed by self-induced vomiting or purging by laxatives or diuretics.

Worrying signals of the two illnesses are listed below.

**Bulimia**
- Repeated, concealed binging
- Attempts to hide eating habits
- Habit of vomiting/purg­ing
- Fluctuation of weight
- Feeling inadequate, depressed
- Sporadic amount of exercising
- Emphasis on appearance

**Anorexia**
- 20-25 per cent weight loss
- Lack of menstrual period
- Excessive exercising
- Preoccupied with weight/thinness
- Lack of nutritional eating
- High need to achieve

**What to do:**
- Seek proper nutritional guidance
- Seek counseling

**Loss of control begins fight back to health**

By Joni Trumbull

She sat on one arm of the chair and propped her feet on the other. I sat across from her with my feet propped up next to hers. The tape recorder made her nervous, so we hid it behind the back of the chair.

I was face to face with a young, intelligent, beautiful, greatly respected leader on camp­us. Yet she had fought a battle against bulimia and anorexia for a lifetime.

First, she had bulimia, a dis­ease in which victims overeat and then use some type of purging to remove the food. The result is extreme weight loss.

"I became bulimic the summer of 1983," she says. "A bulimic believes she can never be suc­cessful while an anorexic be­lieves if she can just overcome this one thing—food, then she can reach perfection.

She had a poor self image; she felt as if she could never be really successful, never number one.

"Have you ever seen the 'Cir­cus of the Stars?'" she asks. "When Brooke Shields lifts up her arm, her ribcage is super-de­fined. I wanted to be that way. Going to bed at night and feeling my hip bones really felt good."

She began to eat everything in sight. Food was like a pacifier, a sense of security and lust, she said.

"The flesh is never satisfied," she began to experience guilt and fear because of overeating. And even her smallest fears grew into nightmares.

Before breakfast was over, she'd be planning her lunch. She was never content with what she ate. If she could just eat more, then she could push it through her system.

The change between bulimia and anorexia took place when she met a seminary student at the end of September. He believed in her. He taught her how to take her dreams and reach them by using a step­by-step goal­setting strategy.

She began to see perfection in her grasp.

Except for the guilt she felt, she was very much in tune with God. She spent time alone just to find herself; and she felt better when she didn't eat a lot, so she avoided food.

The fear of overeating was taken away when a godly woman told her that the key to dieting was moderation, but then she went overboard. She got anorexia, an illness of self-star­vation.

She finally got to the place where she couldn't handle emo­tional stress. Problems just blew her away.

She asked all over and had a sharp pain in the center of her chest.

Finally, a friend saw through her and asked her three questions: Who is God? What is success? What does it mean to give up control?

"For the first time in my life, I had to be honest before God. And that's when the end began."
The News
Compiled by Greg Bagley

Students plan trip to England
By Don Clunas

The U.S. dollar jumped to record highs Friday against the German mark, French franc, Italian lira, Belgian franc and Japanese yen. Economists believe the increase is the result of rising interest rates in the United States.

A crime ring selling phony college degrees has been smashed by the F.B.I. in Utah and Arizona. An F.B.I. agent reported that the diploma counterfeiters sold about 1,300 bogus degrees in medicine, computer science and aerospace engineering.

A convicted rapist was executed Saturday in Louisiana. Willie Celestine received the death sentence for raping and strangling an 81-year-old woman.

The governments of the United States and Laos combined efforts Sunday to excavate an area where 13 Americans are presumed dead. The Americans are believed to have died when their plane crashed in a jungle of south Laos in 1972, during the Vietnam War.

A woman whose husband and daughter were killed by a drunken driver has agreed to settle out of court with the town of Ware, Mass. Debbie Irwin sued the town of Ware because city police had stopped the driver and allowed him to continue to drive before the accident occurred. The town has agreed to pay a $237,000 annuity for Irwin. Her lawyer reported that payments could total nearly $2 million in her lifetime.

The space shuttle Challenger will begin a four-day mission March 3, a spokesman for NASA announced Friday. Blast off was originally scheduled for Feb. 20 but rescheduled to allow engineers time to overhaul the shuttle’s tile insulation system.

New York police protested the indictment of a colleague for manslaughter Thursday in Queens. About 10,000 off-duty policemen engaged in the rally. The indicted officer reportedly shot and killed a woman he was evicting from an apartment.

Morton Blackwell, former special assistant to President Reagan and chairman of Youth for Reagan in 1980, will hold a leadership seminar at LBC Feb. 16 and Saturday, Feb. 17.

The former member of the Reagan administration will instruct 50 Liberty students and 25 students from other colleges for 32 hours about organizing political action and generating public interest for political causes.

Blackwell, who has a long involvement in youth politics, has taken his Youth Leadership Institute to major campuses across the United States; but the LBC seminar marks the first time it will be held in Virginia.

According to Dr. Jerry Combee, chairman of the school of business and government and sponsor of the seminar, Blackwell will be “looking for young people who have special talents in this area (politics).” Combee said some students could get jobs as a result of attending the seminar. “That’s happened many times before,” he said.

The seminar runs from 9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. and 7:00-12 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

Former presidential assistant to head leadership seminar at LBC
By Dolph Bell

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Student writes for NRB

By Don Clunas and John Peters

Janice Bellairt, editor-in-chief of The Liberty Champion, was one of seven students selected from across the nation to work on the National Religious Broadcasters' convention newspaper last week in Washington, D.C.

Approximately 4,700 people attended the convention, which lasted from Feb. 3 - Feb. 6. The newspaper, called Convention News, was printed daily for convention-goers.

Bellairt, who had six articles published in the paper, conducted interviews with Donny Swaggart (Jimmy Swaggart's son), NRB marketing director Marj Stevens and Ken Eder, president of American Audio.

"Working with professionals from all over the world was one of the greatest learning experiences of my life," Bellairt said.

Admissions

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learn," he said, "but their surroundings were not helping them succeed as a student. If it weren't for our open admissions policy, they would have never seen the victory."

Although some students are accepted into Liberty with low SAT scores, others have scored quite high.

Gaunt said the range has presented a problem for teachers of general courses because they have to present the lesson on a level that slower students can understand yet be challenging enough for exceptional students.

Instead of advising the more intelligent students to enroll in a "big university knee-deep in secular humanism," Gaunt refers them to LBC's academic advising center.

Academic advisor Wilbur Groat said he tries to "encourage them to take the College Level Examination Program (CLEP) to test out of their basic classes..."

"It keeps a balance because not just anyone can test out of the subjects CLEP offers."

He also tells students to select smaller major classes where the professor can spend more time with them.

Gaunt said that Dr. Pierre Guillermin, president of LBC, is "tuned in" to the matter and feels a strong sense of commitment to maximize each student's chance for success.

"Every Christian should have the opportunity to college," Gaunt said.

"Yale, Stanford, University of Michigan may have better looking records, but we're giving students a chance."

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TANTRUM—Linus (played by Jeff Buchholz) attempts to comfort Lucy (Kelley Bushey) in a scene from "You're a Good Man Charlie Brown." Story on page 1.—Photo by Melinda Hoffmann

Across Campus

Compiled by Greg Bagley

Workouts begin

Cheerleading workouts have begun for the 1985-86 squad. The sessions run between 8:45-10:30 every Thursday night. Balance and techniques for partner stunts are the main concentration during the sessions. Student Affairs Director Bev Buffington said, "No one can expect to come to tryouts in April and do well without participating in these workouts."

Students interested in trying out for the 1985-86 squad are encouraged to contact Buffington at the Office of Student Affairs in Dorm 13.

Comedy films scheduled

The Student Government Association has enhanced the entertainment at Eagle's Nest by scheduling two comedy film festivals for the spring semester.

The first festival will be the weekend of Feb. 15, and the other will be held April 12-13. The festivals will feature The Three Stooges, Laurel and Hardy and a myriad of other antique comedy acts.

Trivial Pursuit has also been added to the list of games.

VCR's must copy right

The film industry has cracked down on the use of video cassette recorders and rented videos for dorm parties.

Legal representatives for the industry have notified colleges and universities in the area of copyright laws concerning VCRs. Video cassettes are intended for home use only, legal representatives have warned. Widespread use of VCRs by residence halls and other student organizations costs the industry in lost royalties.

To avoid breaking copyright laws, students are advised to rent films from MGM/United Artists, Film Inc. or Swank Films. Failure to comply may result in legal action.

Australians meet for prayer

Australians on campus have formed a prayer group for their home country. The group meets once a month from 5:00-6:00 p.m. in Religion Hall, Room 112.

The meetings consist of a testimony time, a speaker and prayer time.

Andrew Maxwell, a seminary student from Sanderston, Australia, heads the group. About 15 students participate in the meetings, which contain about a 50-50 mix of Americans and Australians.

The group's next meeting is scheduled for Feb. 28.

Week's activities

Activities on campus this week:

• The SGA Liberty Games will begin at 9:00 p.m. Wednesday in the old gym.
• On Valentine's Day the men's basketball team faces Mount St. Mary's at 7:30 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Center.
• The film for this weekend will be "The Promise," showing 7 p.m. and midnight on Friday and 10 p.m. on Saturday. Parts five and six of "Strengthening Your Grip" will also be shown at 10 p.m. on Friday and 7 p.m. on Saturday.
• On Friday SGA will sponsor an ice-skating trip in Roanoke.

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Ladies split squeakers

By Laurie Wagner

The Lady Flames basketball team lost at Longwood College Friday night, 69-66. The loss brought the Lady Flames’ record point. Longwood then made two to 11-7 for the year and 2-3 in Friday night, 69-66. The loss team lost at Longwood College game with nine points. Malynda Patty Gallant with 13. Freet also Sharon Freet with 15 points and free throws to win the game. half, but with 1:43 left to play Mason-Dixon Conference. The Liberty Champion

Hammers strike for Liberty

By Marsha Wilde

Brad Hamersley and Malynda Hamersley Keck are unique. As brother and sister they both share a special talent for playing basketball and use that talent at LBC.

"It just one of our many similarities; she takes care of her (playing), and I take care of mine," says Brad, who plays forward for the Flames.

Malynda, who plays center for the Lady Flames, explains, "Our parents were big sports fans. We always had a basketball goal and a basketball. Our dad really started us out."

Brad began playing in the fifth grade while Malynda started in the ninth.

Malynda came to LBC in 1981 and was pleased two years later when Brad decided to join her at Liberty. "I hoped Brad would come here because I wanted him here. We're very close."

It was a mutual feeling. "I decided the Lord wanted me to come here," says Brad.

They are competitive, however. "In high school, we were always kidding around (about who scored more points)," says Malynda.

They still keep track of who scores the most; and they advise each other on the court. "I practice first," says Malynda. "And Brad pulls me over to the side afterwards to give me tips. We've both been compliments on our defense," says Brad.

"I try to see things (that need improvement) and offer suggestions."

Brad and Malynda encourage each other at games and off the court. Known as "Big Hammer" and "Little Hammer" in high school, they talk a lot about sports. Malynda, who is married and has a son, says, "Brad comes over a lot, and we sit together talking. When I'm discouraged, he comforts me. We are very close."

This closeness and talent are the things that make Brad and Malynda's relationship a very unique one.

Last Tuesday night, the Lady Flames were down by 12 points at halftime and came back to defeat Randolph-Macon by the score of 62-58. It was the first win on Randolph-Macon's home court in three years for the Lady Flames.

The LBC roundballers placed four players in double figures. Keck and Pam Wilder tied with 19 points each. Ford added 14 points, and Gallant had 10.

Keck had the best game of her career. In addition to her 19 points, she snatched down 12 rebounds.

Some of the players feel that this is the best team ever at Liberty and that the team has grown closer to the Lord.

Senior Trish Harris said, "This is the best team I have played on since I have been here. The team is not playing for themselves, we are playing to glorify God."

Harris is also striving for the team record of most consecutive games. "I do not know if I will break the record, but my eyes are set on it."

The Lady Flames will be in action Friday, Feb. 15, at Maryland-Baltimore County and Saturday at Mount St. Mary's. They will return home on Tuesday to play Randolph-Macon.

Track team starts indoors

By Troy Nelson

The LBC track team had two first place, one second place and three third place finishes in the Converse Relays at Virginia Tech Saturday. Team scores were not kept.

The 3,200-meter-relay team of Curt Kreft, Doug Holliday, Russ Sears and Steve Cumberbatch finished first with a time of 7:57.8.

Gina Gibson placed first in the women's long jump with a school-record leap of 19 feet. Although men's cross country season ended the third weekend of November, the runners were in no position to take the rest of the year off. Indoor track season started the first weekend of December.

This season's LBC team has been strengthened by the addition of some of the faster football players. Liberty is usually strong in the middle distances, and the addition of the football players' sprinters should be a real help to the team.

Joining the team are off-season wide receivers Kelvin Edwards and Fred Banks.

The Liberty "weight men" have already shown their strength this season. Eric Cabbell and Ryan Uta, shot putters and 35-lb. weight throwers, have reached the goal of NCAA Div. II qualifying marks.
By Greg Bagley

The Mountaineers come to LBC looking to avenge a 67-65 upset the Flames handed them at their home court on Feb. 4 when Greg McCauley connected with both ends of a one-and-one situation.

McCauley had 15 points (including the Flames' final four points) and eight assists for the evening.

Saturday night the Flames defeated another MDAC foe, Longwood College, 42-38.

Cliff Webber (41) keeps his eye on the ball as he pulls down yet another rebound. Webber leads the MDAC in rebounding.—Photo by Melinda Hoffman

**MDAC lead on line**

**Mount meets Mountain**

By Greg Bagley

First place in the Mason-Dixon Athletic Conference will be on the line Thursday night at 7:30 as the LBC men's basketball team faces Mount St. Mary's College in the Multi-Purpose Center. The Mountaineers come to LBC looking to avenge a 67-65 upset the Flames handed them at their home court on Feb. 4 when Greg McCauley connected with both ends of a one-and-one situation.

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Saturday night the Flames defeated another MDAC foe, Longwood College, 42-38, maintaining their reputation in the conference as the cardiac crew for heart-stopping basketball action.

Tough defense on the part of LBC pulled the Flames through the second half after the offense seemed to go flat.

In a nine-minute stretch, the Flames missed 11 scoring opportunities and were outscored by Longwood 10-0.

With 7:30 on the clock, the Longwood Lancers were sitting on a five-point lead, running a ball-control offense.

LBC head coach Jeff Meyer said, "Our defense was the main thing that salvaged the win for us. It seems like we were stuck on 28 for ever."—Photo by Melinda Hoffmann

**Sportsscene**

By Steve Davis

The advent of Liberty's new hockey team once again brought to mind the oddity of American sports fans in response to field-net sports (don't look it up in the dictionary; I made it up).

Hockey is one of the field-net sports. In field-net sports a lot of guys gather on a large field (or ice rink, or pool) and try to knock, kick or throw an object (puck or ball usually) past a goalie into a net. In general these sports are marked by low scores and few rules.

The oddity of these sports is that they are extremely popular everywhere in the world but here. Hockey may be the exception, but I think that's because they shrink the field to the size of a pond and gave everybody a stick.

There have always been theories as to why field-net sports (soccer in particular) aren't as popular, but I don't think anybody's ever really hit the nail on the head—until now.

In analyzing the big three in American sports (baseball, football and basketball), I discovered one key common denominator: THE PLAN.

In baseball the coaches devise complex signals based on batting, rubbing and scratching various anatomical areas so that THE PLAN can be communicated.

In basketball the point guard always raises a certain number of fingers so his teammates know which PLAN is in effect. Also, each team is given approximately 30 timeouts for more serious discussions of THE PLAN.

But in soccer and most other field-net sports there is no visible acknowledgment of a PLAN. Oh, I'm sure soccer teams have a plan, but they don't let the fans know they have a plan. Why, most field-net sports don't even have timeouts.

So it's no wonder soccer and its relatives have never really gotten as popular as the big three, but I do have a couple of suggestions.

First, institute timeouts. Each team should be given about 12. This gives players an opportunity to talk about the their newest commercials and drink Gatorade. It also gives TV stations a chance to show truck commercials and viewers a chance to go to the refrigerator without missing one of the three goals to be scored.

Second, make the nets bigger. People feel a lot worse about missing a goal if only two are scored. It seems like they've missed half the game. But if there are more goals, people don't mind going to the concession stand. (In pro basketball there are people who spend the whole first quarter buying hot dogs.)

I hope these suggestions can be used to enhance the popularity of field-net sports. At least now they can have A PLAN.

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