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Sudan project offers hope

By M. Anthony Carr

It’s been three months since the first team of Liberty students arrived in the famine-ridden country of Sudan. The 16 volunteers, 14 of which are students, have made a difference in the 90 days they have been there, according to Moral Majority spokesman Harry Covert.

“When they arrived about three people were dying daily (in the area for which they are responsible) that’s down to about three per month,” Covert said. The Liberty Mercy Center is situated halfway between Khartoum, the Sudanese capital, and the city of Port Sudan bordering the Red Sea. The parched land of Central Sudan hasn’t had substantial rain in seven years. Covert said the area contains approximately 40,000 people. About 30 percent of these are starving refugees from Marxist-Ethiopia. Another third is made up of the Eritreans, a tribe from Ethiopia but considered independent of that nation. The final third, and the section on which the students are concentrating, is Sudanese.

To avoid the heat, workers begin at 4:30 a.m. and continue until 2-3 p.m. During this time, four trucks are loaded with special foods and medical supplies and taken to malnourished refugees. Medical surveys are taken by weighing and measuring the youngsters to determine how much food to give them. However, the work can only be done until early afternoon because the temperatures usually reach 120.

Covert said radio communication is now hooked up, allowing contact everyday between the base at Derduba and Khartoum. Lynchburg can briefly be reached through a ham radio. Home students interested in the Sudan project can contact the Missions Office. Those wishing to make a donation can write to: c/o Moral Missions Office. Those wishing to make a donation can write to: c/o Moral Missions Office.

Soccer Romping—Allowing just one goal in the first five games, Flames soccer rolls to a great start.

India Walking—Walk Across America Part III. Two native Indians visit Liberty and tell their tale.

Guinness mistake nullifies record

By Marsha Wilde

In spite of more than 80 hours of continuous volleyball play, it was recently discovered that the Liberty University volleyball marathon team did not break the world record for continuous play. Although Guinness Book of World Records twice confirmed last spring that the standing record was 75 hours, 30 minutes, in a letter dated August 21, Guinness Sports Editor Maris Cakars informed team members that he had “bad news.”

“I supplied you with misinformation regarding the record,” he explained. A team from Bethany College (W.Va.) played volleyball for 84 hours in September 1984. The Liberty time was 80 hours, 44 minutes.

The Bethany record was processed through the Guinness English office; therefore, Cakars and editor Norris McWhirter were unaware of it. “I am very sorry for this failure of communication,” Cakars said.

The team decided to stop at the 80-hour mark although they felt they could have continued the three hours and 16 minutes that separated them from the real record.

“It’s not that we didn’t win because the results were wrong. What is most upsetting is that our goal was not even high enough. We were not even striving for a record,” team member Karen Murnane said.

Shannon introduces programs

By Jennifer Steele

Along with Liberty’s new university status comes new Student Government Association programs, according to SGA President Jim Shannon.

The first program, a new class structure, will alleviate three problems, Shannon said.

The first is no class identity; the second is no tradition; and the third is no class enthusiasm.

There will be two SGA chapels this semester. During the first on Sept. 20, candidates for class officers will give their speeches.

Class elections for a president and vice president will follow Sept. 24. The main duty of these officers will include planning class chapels, fund-raisers and activities.

Class secretaries and treasurers will be implemented later. “The system has to mature,” Shannon commented.

Shannon said he hopes students will get involved in the new programs.

“We’re doing things to make the campus easier to live on. We could work from now to eternity, but students have to pick up the torch and run with it.”

Co-captain Brett Miller echoed her sentiments. “We could have easily gone on without a doubt.”

Bev Buffington, coordinator of student activities, said of the mix-up, “We sent complete records to them. No one else went to the extent that we did (to comply with the rules).”

Liberty’s president, Dr. A. Pierre Guillermin, was “extremely disappointed” in the outcome.

“It is very unfortunate that the organization that handles the record system did not advise us of problems,” he said.

Team members were, most of all, disappointed and hurt. “I could not believe it, and then it began to sink in that we had been badly treated,” Miller said. “My first reaction was to be bitter, but eventually I accepted it.”

Although Guinness has made no further comment on its judgment, the team wants official recognition for its effort. “It was their mistake,” Steve Moser commented, “and they should have given us some recognition. We are going to fight for it.”

Yet the players are not bitter because they kept the “intense personal hurt” among themselves, Buffington said.

“We have a thankful heart regardless of an injustice. We feel hurt because of the foul-up in the communication system, but we have no reason to be bitter against

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FALSE WHAT—Emmett Burns, Regional NAACP Director from Baltimore, MD., speaks at anti-apartheid rally at TRBC on Aug. 31. —Photo by John Henley
The Sears electronics department at River Ridge Mall is one of the busiest on campus. Eighty pairs of eyes are transfixed on a demonstrator color television set that one of the brighter students has turned on.

A hush falls over the expectant crowd as a college scene breaks across the illuminated screen.

"Welcome to 'The Edge of Expulsion','" a voice from the TV begins, "the daily drama which chronicles the lives and loves of the students of Wil­sonville College."

In our last episode, Rex and Lisa were about to break up because Lisa caught Rex playing Rook with Karen at the snack shack.

"Dump that jerk!" a freshman girl screams out. "I've had it. A rest of us can't hear!" shoots back a graduating senior.

"I do feel like a failure," the faceless voice continues, "Roger con­templates asking Jill out for a weekend date.

A muscled Liberty athlete running to join the audience nearly knocks a fragile sophomore girl to the uncarpeted floor.

"I have never been with a guy who has a car over three-hundred and forty-five."

Rex: "Lisa, we were only playing to 300 points. Come on, give me a break. I had a terrible hand when you walked in. I didn't even have a trump card.

Lisa: "You think I didn't notice when you looked at her?"

Rex: "I was trying to see what her cards were by gazing into her pupils."

Lisa: "S-a-u-u-ure you were. You even had the audacity to sit at a table with an unlit candle.

Rex: "We both got to laughing and the thing blew out. Is that a satisfac­tory explanation?"

Lisa: "Oh, I see. You were trying to humor her. That's it, Rex, we're through!"

Roger: "And I just remem­bered I already have a date Friday night with a new 320-Z."

Rex: "Well, Roger, I've never been with a guy who has a car over three­year-old."
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The Liberty University School of LifeLong Learning (LUSLLL) began in the mind of the Rev. Jerry Falwell. LUSLLL is an educational program that is brought to homes through the use of video tapes. Students receive a video tape of the professor teaching the desired course, a worktext and a textbook.

The worktext is a step-by-step workbook that directs the student in the order they should follow concerning assignments, tests and listening to the video tapes. Currently, there are three majors available in religion and counseling. Plans are to eventually offer all the majors that are available at LU.

The courses are given on a semester basis and some majors require a summer practicum. To initiate the project Falwell met with officials from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) in Atlanta, Ga. In a few short weeks the idea became a reality, a staff was formed and LUSLLL was underway.

"This is a pilot program, the only one of its kind, and SACS has been looking for this type of program that has only been underway for four months." The majority of LUSLLL students have been pastors who are getting their master's degree in counseling.

"The program is very good for pastors because they can earn their master's degree without having to leave their church," Hickey said.

Liberty introspects

By Dave Dentel

Five years have passed since Liberty University became accredited as a degree-offering institution.

In accordance to standards set by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS), LU must now apply for its initial re-affirmation of accreditation. This requires the establishment of the LU Self-Study program.

The LU Self-Study is an autonomous program established by the administration. Led by the Vice President of Institutional Research and Planning, Dr. Earl Mills, the study has two main goals.

The first is to discover if the university is meeting the necessary criteria needed to renew its accreditation with SACS. The second is to see how effectively LU is functioning as an academic institution.

"In other words, we are looking at ourselves with a fine-tooth comb," Carl Schreiber, head of financial planning and management, said. Schreiber is serving as the coordinator of the Self-Study Steering Committee, which is comprised of the chairmen of five to 18 faculty members. Some committees include students. The specific committees conduct studies of their areas as directed by the steering committee.

Once the reports are compiled, they are sent to the steering committee; Dr. Mills reviews them; edited as a degree-offering institution.

By Jennifer Steele

A zest for adventure and a search for an understanding of America were two reasons Subramanyan Raman gave recently for coming to the United States. "The people thought we were crazy," he said. "No one dare visit another country and walk the way we do here," he said.

But Raman and fellow traveler Chandrapal Daman did. With backpacks and a portable tent, they have been touring America on foot ever since their flight from Hyderabad, India, to New York on Sept. 8, 1984. Among many things, they are trying to find out what makes American democracy work. "We see that it works here; it doesn't work in our country," Raman commented.

He cited several reasons for this. India's high rate of illiteracy is one cause, he said. Another is "corrupt-conscienced people" in the government. "In our state we have many parties. We have ruling party clashes," he added.

India's broadcast media is owned by the government, and the print media is privately owned. As is true in many countries, India's media stereotypes Americans, Raman said. He was led to believe that Americans were cowboys straight from a Clint Eastwood movie, "shooting first and asking questions later on."

But the two 21-year-olds have found most Americans friendly. "We ask people to pitch our tent on their property. They ask us to stay in their homes," he said.

The only exception was Upper Bucks County, Penn. While the two were staying with a Pennsylvania woman known for befriending strangers, another boarder, Stanley Lowe, shot at Kaman.

"He went berserk and shot at everyone," Raman said. Police came and forced Lowe off the property.

In his search for a better understanding of American culture, Raman was impressed with America's economical use of time. "In our country, time is not as valuable," he commented.

"When they (Americans) work, they really work. When they play, they really play," Raman and Kaman are also searching for answers to the Dec. 3, 1984, gas leak at a Union Carbide plant in Bhopal, India. Some 2,500 were killed, and many were injured as a result of the tragedy.

As they travel the two are collecting funds for the Bhopal victims. Their next stop is a Union Carbide plant in Institute, W.Va., where they plan to talk to workers.

Meanwhile, they have been in Lynchburg talking with Liberty University students and tasting dorm life. "It's great," Raman said.

The two travelers plan to return to India after touring the U.S. for six more months. That will be after they find more answers and cover more ground—on foot.
President’s Forum
A. Pierre Guillermin

With an increase in the size of Liberty University, there comes a corresponding need for an increase in clear communication. After five months of physical labor, planning, meetings and policy reviews, the campus is just starting to adjust to its new identity.

However, in the midst of change, a fundamental policy is still foremost in importance: basic communication among members of the faculty, the staff and the student body.

To help you facilitate encounters with problems that you will have from time to time, I would like to outline the procedures you should follow to help find answers.

First, let me stress the need for every person at every level to learn the chain of command involved and to follow it religiously before taking further steps.

If you have a problem with a particular person, go to that person first. From there you move to the next level of command, whether it be an RA, a department chairman or an office manager. If no satisfaction is realized the person at the next highest level should be contacted and so forth through the chain of command.

An additional step has been implemented this year with the organization of the University Student Assistant Center (USAC). The center has been specifically designed to listen to students and to advise them. To make an appointment, a student should contact the office in Dorm 2 in person or by telephone at Ext. 300.

My intentions this year are to be among the students and the other new majors that are currently offered. I will welcome the opportunity to communicate with students. Your student government association and dorm leaders can arrange this type of group meeting. We’ll arrange a place and time, and we’ll talk.

LU offerings increased
By Denise Floyd

Structural change isn’t the only new thing on Liberty University’s campus. With the increased growth and expansion of the university, several new majors were recently added to better reflect current interest and to help eliminate the problem of overcrowded classrooms.

Health education and teaching English as a second language have been added to the list of 77 majors that are currently offered.

A new two-year associate of applied science in executive secretary science is also available. Because of the school’s increased enrollment, new faculty members were also added to the roster.

The School of Communications obtained more new faculty members than any other department. New faculty members include: Teresa Brinkley, Danielle Combee, Carl Curtis, Sharon Davidson, Christian Davis and Frederick Haas.

Donna Larson, James Nutter, David Partie, Timothy Paulsen, David Sprague, Steven Troxel, Melanie Vennes and Branson Woodard are also new communications faculty.

New members among the School of Arts and Sciences include: John Benjamin, Larry Nelson, Paul Sattler, Lynn Seipp, Sandra Simmons and Bruce Tripholm.

Kevin Claeusen, Shu-Chin Lai, Tsung-Hui Lai, Jeffrey Mather and John Zietlow are also new faculty among the School of Business and Government.

Stephen Streble and Robert Yarbrough are new faculty members in the School of Religion.

Patricia Ashley, assistant professor of Library Services and William McManey, instructor of the Learning Skills Center, also joined the growing staff of faculty.

The Picture Place

Congratulations to all of the DeMoss family in attendance.—Photo by John Henley

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By Robin Brooks

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Any new freshmen with a 1200 SAT score or a 30 ACT score, as well as a 3.5 GPA, are also eligible.

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Anyone interested in membership should contact the office or send an application form to Travers’ office in GE 119.

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Freshman QB leads Flames past Mars Hill

By Dave Dentel

Freshman quarterback Paul Johnson came off the bench to pass for 148 yards and two touchdowns to lead LU to a 23-7 victory over Mars Hill College at City Stadium Saturday.

Johnson came in to replace Flames starter Jacob Pope with nine minutes remaining in the first quarter on the Flames third down. Johnson, starting at the LU 22-yard line, connected with Doug Gerald Green set up the first three carries by Brooks and James Brooks to move the Flames to the Mars Hill 40.

An Edwards 21-yard reverse play took the Flames down to the 12-yard touchdown pass at the 1:42 mark, giving the Flames a 7-0 lead. After Johnson threw his first touchdown pass picked up nine yards, and the ball was stopped for no gain. As the fourth quarter opened, the Flames dominated throughout the second half, getting several close shots. A Steve Schindler header went wide at 52 minutes; Marshall Worthington stepped the Lions on the one-yard line.

Eight plays later at the 4:35 mark, Pizzo threaded a nine-yard scoring strike to Dale Similton to prevent a shut-out. Kicker David Annan could only push the ball short with the inside of his foot, and LU Goalkeeper Paul Shealy added the extra point to make it 20-7. LU added a Kagey 49-yard field goal with 2:26 remaining to give the Flames their final margin of victory.

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Robyn J. Cusick

LU ties Radford, remains unbeaten

By Steve Leer

He may not have been ecstatic, but Flames soccer coach Bill Bell was pleased.

"I'll settle for the result," Bell said with a grin after his team played to a 1-1 standoff against Radford University at home Saturday afternoon. "These last two games (Kings College and Radford) have been the two hardest games this year."

Against Radford, the hardest thing for Bell to take was the intense pressure the visitors were subjecting the Flames to early in the match.

RU's Bill Gerber had the game's first real chance at the 12-minute mark when he slammed a direct kick from just outside the penalty box off a LU defender and wide of the goal.

Speedy Radford midfielder Stephan White followed suit eight minutes later on a blistering shot that just cleared the crossbar.

At the 21st minute, the Flames got burned. White crossed a low volley to Bert Diesel, who was standing in front of the net. Diesel deflected the pass with the inside of his foot, and LU Goalkeeper Paul Annan could only push the ball into the inside of the net.

The Radford goal was the first one allowed this season by Annan. Liberty was able to get two good scoring opportunities from Andrew Bell before the first half ended. The coach's son rocketed a shot just wide of the goal as he fell down 15 yards from the goal. He came even closer at the 30-minute mark when he turned on a Mike Rivus cross and sent it sailing inches over the bar.

The final 15 minutes of the first half produced no chances but did produce four yellow cards as a result of the rough play. The Flames dominated throughout the second half, getting several close shots. A Steve Schindler header went wide at 52 minutes; Marshall Worthington was pleased.

As Radford passed the ball around to eat up the remaining 10 minutes of play, Worthington held the ball off a RU defender's foot and raced alone up the right sideline. Worthington then slid a fast ground shot past Radford goalie Justin Bryant into the net.

The goal came eight minutes from the end of regulation time and set up two mandatory 10-minute overtime periods. In the second of these periods, Worthington nearly won it for the Flames. Running at full speed to catch up to a long lead pass, the forward fired a line-shot into the face of Bryant. The ball bounced over the end line, and LU had its first tie.

The tie kept the Flames unbeaten this year. Worthington nearly won it for the Flames.

MIKE RIVUS CROSS AND SENT IT SAILING INCHES OVER THE BAR.
GOIN’ FOR SIX—Freshman running back James Brooks dives by John Henley

There seems to be some confusion this year about what Liberty’s official sports nickname is. Liberty has been the Flames for years now, but in spite of what last spring’s forest fires did to reinforce the image, everywhere one looks there’s another eagle.

We’ve got an eagle mascot, an Eagle’s Nest and an eagle on our letterheads. There’s even an eagle on our school flag. (With all those eagles, it’s a good thing we don’t have many statues.)

I had one professor suggest that maybe we should change our nicknames to Flagles to keep everybody happy.

But then again, we aren’t the only school or team in the county which could possibly have a better nickname. I was on an intramural football team once that changed its nickname to the Amoebas because whenever we had a game everybody split.

I also recall a women’s softball team that was unofficially known as the Heifers.

On a larger scale many colleges are contemplating changing their nicknames to something more appropriate. Southern Methodist is considering changing their mascot to the Tyrannosaurs.

Like the tyrannosaurs, SMU is a vicious competitor. And also like the tyrannosaurs, after the NCAA sanctions take effect, SMU football will probably be extinct.

San Francisco State is considering the nickname Trolls since mythological trolls also inhabited a land occupied by fairies.

Tech Gerbils. And talk in Pittsburgh is that if Coach Foge Fazio will be Mud. Virginia Tech the Sieves, although there is also support for the Va.

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James Brooks, starting his first collegiate game in a Flames uni­form, led an LU 143-yard ground game with 60 yards. Quarterback Jacob Pope completed six of 25 passes for 65 yards. He also had 53 yards rushing, 36 of which came on a broken pass play that set up the Flames only touchdown.