Gulf Coast states clean up after recent deadly storms. Residents begin the process of cleaning up after recent devastating storms. Residents of the Gulf Coast states are working to recover from the hurricane and its aftermath.

West Bank troubles grow. The Palestinian cabinet has conferred instead of spending it on social programs. Clinton vowed to fight the bill.

Campaign finance dies. The House is expected to approve a 5-year, 80 billion dollar cut proposal, designed to be funded from the projected $1.6 budget surplus over the next 10 years.

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Liberty University's aviation program looks toward achieving status as a major

By Marsha Convery

Liberty is planning to offer a program as a major next year. The University has had an aviation program for 15 years, offering 21 credit hours, with emphasis on "Go Tell" crusade. "What is missing in our Gospel," said Gage in his first message on Sunday morning. "We want to invite the students to come and bring their unsaved friends." The greatest miracle of the work were all the students and youth groups who came forward, alone. "I don't want you just to come and make a decision," he said, "but to invite the Lord into your life." The final step is sending the information to SACS to make the program an accredited major.

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SEW speaker Scott Camp said LU campus is expecting a great response from students. "We wanted youth groups to come and bring their unsaved friends," the SEW speaker told the students. "Some were called to full-time work, others were called to serve God in pairs and in groups to make commitments to Jesus Christ. This is the most important step. We want the students to come and tell God to take control of your life. And students responded to the call. Every night, hundreds of them came forward, alone and in groups, to invite the Lord into their lives." The total number of student commitments to Jesus Christ was 104, but according to the Campus Full-time Program, only one person who was saved during Spiritual Emphasis Week but continues to follow Christ. The extra hours would offer an advantage for students. "An avia­tion program for 15 years," said Dr. Terry Spohn, Dean of Colleges and Schools (SACS) chairperson of the Department of Aviation, "is a burning passion for sharing the Gospel," said Gage in his first message on Sunday morning. "It's a passion for sharing the Gospel. We are looking for a Christian/ spiritual life and intra­mural activities program an accredited major. We are looking for a Christian to take control of your life." said LU campus office, 804/239-1111. The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at Liberty University on Tuesday, Sept. 22 at 8 a.m. The event commemorates the 9/11 tragedy. Good Spanish required. The bloodmobile: 845-6095. 1101 Floyd Street, Lynchburg Phone: 845-6095

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Liberty has made some long-awaited improvements to its laundry facilities over the summer, in an effort to make the lives of dorm students a little easier.

Caldwell & Gregory Co. removed and renovated the laundry facilities on campus adding new washers and dryers. "Caldwell & Gregory worked with Liberty to update the laundry facilities," said Larry Ferguson, LU director of administrative services and purchasing.

In addition to the new machines, the laundry rooms also received a fresh coat. New flooring and wall coverings, new laundry rooms, including new chairs and better tables for folding clothes.

Another major change is that the cost for washers has gone up to $1.75 per load instead of the former $1.00. "We're increasing the price to make up for the cost for the new equipment," said Ferguson.

Costs reached $280,000 for the University to fix and update the laundry rooms with Caldwell & Gregory. The costs for the new equipment and the new system. Over the summer, students were sent letters explaining the new system and given the opportunity to obtain a laundry debit card.

The cards are now available to students who want to obtain their own. Rockwell Residence Life Director Brad Smith's office is located in Dorm 13.

"At first there were no problems with the new laundry facilities," said Ferguson. "The machines have held up well.

School officials are also looking forward to getting some help for the change in the laundry rooms. "We're looking for someone to fill the change machines on a more regular basis," Ferguson said.

Student reaction has been mostly positive with few complaints. "The only thing is that the air conditioning could be improved," said Justin Sisson, a freshman planning to major in English. "Overall, I like it a lot better."

"The fast the dryers are fixed," said Bob Reid, a freshman majoring in communications.
Perennial parking problems may be nearing a solution

LUPD chief urges students to be patient

By CHRISTIAN THOMPSON

Liberty University students are coping with various parking adjustments this semester. Since the beginning of the school year there have been several changes made in University parking. The changes have spurred both positive and negative reactions. One change, involving only freshmen students, is the parking area on campus for them. The P-10 parking lot near Davis’ Place has been designated as freshman parking and houses many freshman vehicles.

The Liberty University Police Department has also changed parking rules for the entire campus. LUPD has increased the fines that students will be assessed to park in the blue diamond marked faculty parking spaces.

Nevertheless, under the leadership of Donald Sloan, chief of police, there have been great strides taken to aid in solving the parking dilemma. “There is adequate but not overly convenient parking,” Sloan remarked.

Among the strides taken in parking-related areas this year include improvements in the P-10 lot. It has been updated to better aid students while traveling back and forth from their parked vehicles. The Davis’ Place parking lot has been equipped with more lighting for safety and new signage for direction. Many students have also utilized the 7/24 service offered throughout the school year.

There is much more work being designed for the new York St. The addition should improve parking in the dormitory area. The setup of the parking lot should be complete by Oct. 1.

There are also tentative plans underway of the student housing in creating new parking spots. “We are working with the university to create a parking area which will involve the students and the church,” Sloan said.

The changes have initiated varied feedback from both on- and off-campus students. “There are still not many spaces here on campus adequate for upperclassmen,” commented Lori Boyle, a sophomore student. “Parking seems better overall for lowerclassmen,” agreed junior commuter student Mark W. Clark.

GRAND REOPENING — Students inaugurate the all-new Davis’ Place at the unrolling Saturday. The event included a summer-long renovation effort by Student Life.

The Masterpiece

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Prayer power impacts lives during SEW

GRACE TO THE HUMBLE — LU students pack the altar after the service. “Pray that all those who walk through these doors will feel the presence of God in this place,” said SEW music leader Erin Lovett.

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The Miss Appomattox County Scholarship Pageant Committee is accepting applications for its 1999 pageant. The Miss Appomattox County Pageant is preliminary to the Miss Virginia pageants. The Pageant will be held on November 14, 1998, young women age 17-24 are eligible to complete. For more information, contact R. Edward Delapp at 804-384-6291, if no answer please leave a message. The application deadline is October 8, 1998.

Winner and runner-ups will receive partial scholarships to Liberty University.
I Long-awaited independence seems to have lost its tantalizing, aroma of freedom and has instead become bounding at the sound of my feet. Dad aren't the ones living. Quite suddenly, Mom is epidemic, especially near the pockets. Realization grows stronger. While searching for a remedy among my friends and family, I found thousands of miles away.

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In my mind, it was not hopeless because I was content that if God wanted to me to live, I would... George Rogers. Bataan survived. The young soldier did not make it on the first ship because he was content that if God wanted to have shared part of his life with him.

But now independence is impossible chemistry. But now independence is impossible chemistry. But now independence is impossible chemistry. But now independence is impossible chemistry. But now independence is impossible chemistry.
"Return to Innocence" by Shawn Eldridge, Sophomore

The beating of distant drums pulses through my veins
I am consumed by the enormity of regenerating sounds
I clasp the rhythm between my fingers
Only to have it escape me
I try again
Closing my hands to contain it
It must be recaptured at every pulsing
They beat the rhythm around in the air
A small success has been gained but not to satisfaction
My feet join in the fight, stomping the sounds into incomprehensible immensity
My heart beats to the chorus of the ages requiring total surrender
I am but a puppet of sound
Control is beyond reach
My body strives to wreak severe vengeance on the sound which entraps it
To no avail
I will continue my symphony of movement
I must dance

Taryn Blake
Junior

"Paper" by Nicci Newton
Junior

It was when I came close to pausing
The moments I intended to use in retrieving my laundry from the clothesline
The fog that business "tends to create" cleared
And I saw the sky surrendering to night.
Past evening, the remainders of hints at sunlight now banished.
Patches of white shapes of cotton clouds being pulled apart
Streams across sections of black blue, purple blue, then grey blue; from west to east...
Not an outrageously gorgeous night,
But those few minutes my laundry continued to hang in the cool, quiet air
I whispered word paintings of what I saw
and what it brought to mind.
The ordinary featured sky, slimy shaped outlines of treetops on my nearest horizon, spots and squares and rays of lights from windows, porches, walkways
And a lonely, flickering star; either there were no others, or its inconsistent brilliance blinded me to any other

Lisa Cone
Junior

Hey you!
If you're an artist, poet, or photographer with a work or two you would like to share with others, stop by the Liberty Champion office in DH 110 and introduce yourself. Don't forget to bring a sample piece with you.

His Grace
I do not deserve Your grace,
Nor the smile of Your face.
The Lamb for me You gave.
You alone can save.
I am nothing.
And You are everything. When I move away, You beg me to stay.
Friends will cause my heart to burn,
But from me, You will never turn.
You have given so much to me.
Help me to return enough to Thee.

David Herford
Freshman

"Unfaithful" by Thomas Loving, Senior

Glory...

Today is not the same as yesterday
That the sun rose to the same familiar sky
the product of a million yesterdays
that each one did have a beginning
in the east
the race of the giant star
burning across the lightless daytime sky
do we really live here,
dwelling in this place of good intentions
a thing that suffered the perversion of humanity
one day will come that the sun will rise
upon virgin beauty once again
that day the west will fade
and the moon and stars will fall from their places
to rest eternally
and the Immortals will lift a song
of praise
no the creator
of all things
singing this glorious tapestry...

David J. Greshel
Sophomore
Treat DP away from home away from home

The one Daniel's Place or week named "DP" is all that it was tupped up to be and more. Dean Mike Forrest and you'll watch immature students drop open, when they walked in. According to a students that school the DP staff; some of the most frequently used words were "WOW!!" INCREDIBLE!!" and "OMG!!!

With plush couches focused on television, pool tables, computer filled with games and a newly improved cafe, one95, the renovated DP is the ultimate haven to retreat to, so let's make it last.

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Preparing to say "I do!"

A popular complaint among camp¬

ers is that the person they want to marry is not the same level in their own eyes, so many students spend their weekends with their "friends." In DP, our students are kids passing up the opportunity to date some of the most eligible boys and girls of this generation at LU.

These questions are not hard to fig¬

ure out. This campus is engaged in Christ. It makes perfect sense that many students consider a DP date to be a test of their relationship. Is this person a Christian? Is this person ready to make a commitment? Is this person someone's mate? Then Christ, usually takes the back burner.

This is not true in every case, but it is certainly difficult to keep focused on God while long enough the win¬

dows of a car. Plus, where is all this kissing leading to, if a boy/girlfriend is on the back burner. As part of this exercise, we can see that what happens in DP is really a test of our own standards. If Christians are defiling themselves in a way that is shameful, then Christ and their time on earth is supposed to be a preparation for marriage.

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COMMENTARY

America's newly found moral crisis threatens all

By Anne Francis

Champion Editorialist

It was the best of times, it was the worst of times. It was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness ...

Charles Dickens wrote these words when describing late 18th Century France in his novel, "A Tale of Two Cities." Given the current state of America, history very well may use these words again to describe this nation in the 1990s.

Many would say that America is one of the greatest nations in modern history. It remains the world's leading superpower.

However, two questions remain; "What caused this sudden awakening," and "What will Americans do about it?"

If America is to have its much needed moral return, society must first acknowledge the problem (not just part of the problem). Also, Christians must not become discouraged. They must hold the Great Commission and practice Eph. 6 with their words and actions. But immorality does not remain silenced until now. Thanks to the American Trauma Society hope to make that public eye from art issues. Today, "Red-light runners cause about 100,000 crashes a year, killing 1,100 people and injuring 60,000 others. Not we promise over 10,000. Actually, on the average, running a red light is a very serious crime. So much attention has been given to driving that it has directed the public eye from an on scene that equally as fatal: red light runners are exacerbating here every day and of their crimes have remained almost until now. Today, "National Step on Red Light Unit in Washington with hopes of making drivers more aware of the dangers of running red lights. Through the week, USA Today, reported surveys reveal runners crossing red lights running with drunken driving. It appears that red light runners is a problem that is spreading as annual statistics: "More than 25 percent of people have run a red light in the past two years, while fewer than 10 percent have driven after drinking more alcohol," stated USA Today. "They are left to decide which is the right track for them; the light at day is a red light without much of a decision a little easier. In fact, according to USA Today, "Red-light runners cause about 100,000 crashes a year, killing 1,100 people and injuring 60,000 others.

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Flames basketball team, Tiffany Ratcliff is ready to step in to coach.

"I want to do what's best for the girls, because I really care for them."
-Tiffany Ratcliff

1998-99 Men's B-Ball Schedule

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Results and recaps from Week 2 in the NFL

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New beginnings await many LU football players

The Flames will go into battle at the University of South Florida on Saturday, September 22 when they host the Bulls. The Flames will continue to battle for the Liberty Cup in the upcoming season, and hope to maintain their lead in the state.
JAVA JAM
(The Event Formerly Known as Coffee House)
Friday, September 25th
Schilling Center #2
9:00 pm & 12:30 am

Intramural Sport
MANAGER’S MEETING
• Co-Ed Volleyball
• Women’s Basketball
• Men’s Basketball
September 15
David’s Place
4 pm

SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT
September 18 & 19

UPCOMING CONCERTS
TRIO TOUR
Phil Keaggy
Wes King
Out of the Grey
Friday, October 23

Newsboys,
Third Day &
The Waiting
Thursday, December 3
LIBERTY 5, SALEM-TEIKYO 0

**SCORING:**
- 26:41 LU Avilez (Penalty kick)
- 2:12 LU Gomez (Unassisted)
- 11:14 LU Rocketts (Unassisted)

**LIBERTY 0, BUFFALO 5**

**SCORING:**
- 56:25 GSU Yorgason (Palmquist)
- 1:23 BU Listrami (Diquattro)
- 30:25 BU Sinclair (Woods, Maiola)
- 60:00 BU Britton (unassisted)

**Attendance:**
- 1,204 each word over 15

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**STEAKS CUT IN HOUSE DAILY**
God's in the saving business

Over 30 Liberty football players received salvation or rededicated their lives during SEW

By BROOKE HERRMANN

The football team's spiritual progression of the week was highlighted by the conversion of three players on Tuesday, Sept. 8, Spiritual Emphasis Week. The names of the three are John Smith, Chris Jones and Tony Williams.

All three players came to know the Lord that day and later that week, a total of 30 Liberty football players received salvation or rededicated their lives during SEW. God's in the saving business.

"They need to learn to be patient and give God the glory," said Brian Woolford, Liberty's assistant coach. "We're going to use this experience to help them understand God and how He works in their lives.

W-Soccer team struggling to find the winning touch

By BRIAN WOOLFORD

The much improved Lady Flames women's soccer team hopes to match a few more wins before entering into Big South Conference play in two weeks.

The Flames ended the season with two wins at home and a 2-0 victory over Salem-Teikyo.

But with the team's -0.16 goals against total in the three games, it is clear that the Flames will have to improve their defense before they can win more games.

"The biggest thing we need to work on is our defense," said head coach tree Christy. "We need to get more organized and more aggressive in our defensive unit.

The Lady Flames will return home on September 25 to host Sweet Briar with the hope of finding the winning touch.

"We need to work on our finishing and our ability to create scoring opportunities," Christy said.

"But overall, I am happy with the progress we have made so far. We have a lot of talent and we are working hard to get better."

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Within the Walls, a prison ministry program that started at Appalachian St., but it won praise because it was all out of there praising Jesus," explained quarterback Christian Newsome.

"The spiritual progression of the team just didn't stop at Appalachian St. Though. On Tuesday, Sept. 8, Spiritual Emphasis Director Rick Gage spoke to the team about faith and the importance of having faith in Christ. Gage was a former LU soccer player and now works as a youth minister at the ministry.

"Rich just pretty much came in and told us that if we are playing football for Jesus, then it doesn't mean anything and that Jesus is the only answer for faith. So we need to just play with Him in mind."

On Wednesday, the last night of Spiritual Emphasis Week, the Holy Spirit moved like he was going to be with the team, with the team. With the final service, Walig and Xavier Slade knelt in prayer and were soon followed by Joe Moore who is a former LU soccer player and is currently on the team.

"That was really unexpected,"Newsome said. "Not one thing had been said about anything like that. It was just unbelievable. We had the Holy Spirit moving that night.

The players who received salvation during the week were two new all-American jeep Flaherty and senior offensive tackle Ulysses Butts. They were two of the few current players to participate in the service.

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Brian Woolford is entering his 19th season as head coach and head trainer of the Flames. He and his wife Mary founded in 1993.

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"The spiritual progression of the team just didn't stop at Appalachian St. Though. On Tuesday, Sept. 8, Spiritual Emphasis Director Rick Gage spoke to the team about faith and the importance of having faith in Christ. Gage was a former LU soccer player and now works as a youth minister at the ministry.

"Rich just pretty much came in and told us that if we are playing football for Jesus, then it doesn't mean anything and that Jesus is the only answer for faith. So we need to just play with Him in mind."

On Wednesday, the last night of Spiritual Emphasis Week, the Holy Spirit moved like he was going to be with the team, with the team. With the final service, Walig and Xavier Slade knelt in prayer and were soon followed by Joe Moore who is a former LU soccer player and is currently on the team.

"That was really unexpected,"Newsome said. "Not one thing had been said about anything like that. It was just unbelievable. We had the Holy Spirit moving that night.

The players who received salvation during the week were two new all-American jeep Flaherty and senior offensive tackle Ulysses Butts. They were two of the few current players to participate in the service.