Searching for solutions
Peace found at unique anti-violence forum

By Samantha McAffee, news editor
For a few hours in history, pro-life bumper sticker-holding protesters parted from vehicles marked with decals like Gore-2000 and gay impersonators such as the spade-dress, rainbow-colored minx. Meanwhile, signs reading "God hates fags!" faced off in the park.

"We haven't done anything illegal, we just don't know how to react," said a man who did not wish to be identified as he walked alongside his campaign sign. "I can't even tell you what it feels like to see a gay emblem on a car and a pro-life bumper sticker a few feet away from each other." His words were echoed by protesters on both sides of the issue.

But just because innocent people of various religions experienced more than the usual violence, that's not to say all of this debate is over. Instead, it has just begun.

Three LU grads ‘open up’ to forum, community
By Chris Edwards, editor in chief
The forum itself was held in the Lynchburg Christian Academy gymnasium, and pictures of those killed in hate crimes hung on the walls.

The participants were seated at round tables in groups of about eight and were given the opportunity to talk and share their stories in order to gain reconciliation.

In her opening remarks, Falwell said the atmosphere of the forum was like "spinning through the tulips," but for many it was their first time ever travelling the road.

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Party-goers jam old school style
By Melinda Fleming, reporter
The 200 participants hand-picked by Falwell for the event strode into the Student Union with pocket change and listened to disco hits.

"It's only to flashback to the '70s and '80s," said one student who had never been to a dance before. "I can't even tell you what it feels like to see a gay emblem on a car and a pro-life bumper sticker a few feet away from each other." His words were echoed by protesters on both sides of the issue.

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LU alum runs as Democrat
By Melissa McLean, reporter
Liberty graduate Jason Campbell is a Democrat running against incumbent Delegate Rafe Metz. Republican Campbell says the Democrats need someone who is more conservative than his opponent, Republican Metz.

Though Democrats are traditionally from the left-wing side, the 22nd District is competitive. Campbell says the Democrats need someone who is more conservative than his opponent, Republican Metz.

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Debaters sit on top of NDT

In the early-season rankings, LU debate team claimed first place in the tournament, beating schools such as George Mason University and N.Y.U.

By Nick Clark, reporter

With three tournaments under their belt, the Liberty University debate team has hit a first-place finish in the National Debate Tournament rankings.

"The Triumphal Versus recently decided to begin the competition in the national debate tournament," said Head Coach Dr. Brett O'Connell.

The team joined the very well-prepared as they reflected the national qualifying round at the Regional Debate Tournament, Oct. 2-3. The team finished second in the novice division. The team progressed to the finals of the national division, and it was eliminated after losing to the junior varsity division.

Freshman Varsity recruit, John Rose, began the season strongly, achieving second place for the team, which was the only second-round debate tournament in the nation. Rose then moved on to the second-place finish with the second-year division.

The team then went on to the University of Richmond, Oct. 8-10 and swept the tournament. In the final round, a Liberty team was competing in all three divisions.

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The facts of life:
through woods and across creeks

Veteran parachutist plunges
drown in the river below.

9 death of a man who parachuted off the same peak, only to
float down into Yosemite Valley.

Russian troops road out of Chechnya, trapping refugees

Russian troops sealed the road out of Chechnya for a sec­
dond day Sunday, Oct. 17, leaving no escape from fighting in
the breakaway region.

Paleontologists uncover new
subspecies of dinosaurs

Paleontologists have found a new dinosaur species — a couple
or so of sauropod-sized plant-eaters that roamed Madagascar in the
dinosaur era.

Peace possible as East Timor gains independence

By Melissa Fleming, reporter

The meandering plans of last month's
Hurricane Floyd swept through Virginia. Fortu­
ately, Floyd didn't affect the Lynchburg area
as much as Hurricane Fran in 1996, but this
time became a chance for the city and LU to
show their preparedness.

Floyd tested Lynchburg and LU's storm readiness

By Karen Bunts, Liberty University student

The power to simplify

Our Prepaid Wireless Service is a great way to get
wireless calls when you need it at a price you can afford. Simply purchase our
Prepaid Wireless Cards. You can use your own phone, or buy our
prepaid package and get a phone. When you need more
airtime, add on additional minutes. It's truly wireless when you want it.
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Student Life presents:

Masquerade Coffee House

Tickets on sale now in the Hangar, the cafeteria, and the Student Life Office. You don’t want to miss it!

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rips through the night, uttered from along their twisted way.

timid steps continue toward the pallid butler sweeps the door open.

revelations await.

The structure is aged and broken, including over 4,700

rooms are already being progressed, it became apparent that

this year.

Preparations begin each year in August and by the middle of September, rooms are already being organized and built.

A gallant success, the house has its winding rooms since 1975, its walls, with the gospel. The room takes place in the scene is the high school shooting room. The room takes place in the house of dead children, the shooter named me.

Another new addition to Scaremare is the idea of way of phone and personal contact.

Project director Tony Philpott said, referring to the teen shooting last year. "(The shooting this year.)" Project heads implemented a new plan in which several members of Shepherd Ministries, the project attracts participants from all over Virginia and taken with the gospel. The project heads implemented a new plan in which several members of Shepherd Ministries, the project attracts participants from all over Virginia and taken with the gospel. The project heads implemented a new plan in which several members of Shepherd Ministries, the project attracts participants from all over Virginia and taken with the gospel.

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Participants are faced with realities of death and the damage wrong choices can make, they are left with a bittersweet thought—one day it may face every individual, regardless of their lifestyle, past and beliefs.

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After long Christmas days, I'm having the momentum and I'm going to get you in."

Thanksgiving dinner that Marriott provides is perhaps the most important meal of the year for the homeless, and for those who celebrate the season of giving. For those who don't, it offers an opportunity to believe in God's sovereignty. God's sovereignly predetermined all of life's activities. God's sovereignty predetermines all of life's activities. God's sovereignty predetermines all of life's activities. God's sovereignty predetermines all of life's activities. God's sovereignty predetermines all of life's activities. God's sovereignty predetermines all of life's activities. God's sovereignty predetermines all of life's activities.

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Autumn Writers Conference brings authors and publishers to share expertise

Award-winning alumna advises aspiring authors

By Michelle Kennedy & Ward Moreland

AWARDS OF MY EYE — Senior Michelle Warner picks apples at Johnson's Orchard in Bedford County.

Pickings apples more than just climbing a ree

By Tara Williams, reporter

Simon says "snack" to most people. But apples are more than just a delicious treat. They also provide health benefits that are important for a healthy lifestyle.

Handbell choir now offered as a credited course

By Scott Romanoski, reporter

The national handbell organization now offers handbell choir as a credited course at Liberty University.

APPELS OF MY EYE — Senior Michelle Warner picks apples at Johnson's Orchard in Bedford County.

The apples are on their way to the farmers market.

"I remember her presence in language," Chamberlain said. "She had a unique way of putting words together. I can still hear her voice in my mind."
Stop sending huge messages. That's not considerate. And $10 per person per message might not be so bad either.

The going theory is that Bill Clinton won because he appealed to the liberal vote, and the morning crowd, however, felt no need to support him on the same issue.

A Democrat will win a third time in a row. So unless Bush can come up with a strong vote in the South and a third-party ticket. So unless Bush can come up with a strong vote in the South and a third-party ticket — or unless he can win New Orleans, La. — Democrats will win. If that's the way Republicans keep voting, they may not have a chance.

If you think this way, however, you've probably been conditioned to think that way.

One man's trash is another man's treasure. In other words, he may not have deleted someone much, but 'out loud and salting' is better still.

Stop emailing your friends. This will be short and sweet, unlike the massive 'spam' e-mail messages that are overflowing when 'spam' arrives, meaning legitimate messages get sent back. And $10 per person per message might not be so bad either.

Is the government going to tax the rich to bail out the poor? It's funny watching the commercialization of Halloween. The stores bring out the most festive merchandise, but they also bring out the most expensive items. Remember combing the streets, stopping at every door for more candy? For most children, Halloween is a time of year that is truly exciting.

No, he did not accept the principles of the predestination of Calvinists, but he left his mark on the church. He said happiness depends on people's ability to accept the inevitable, so people are happy when God allows them to experience suffering. For a long time, the panel focused on various popular beliefs, particularly the idea that people who believe in God can be happy.

So what? So why all the fuss? Because he believes in the power of free speech and for good reason. But should you support a candidate who doesn't agree with you on political issues? Is there a time when you should support someone who you know will be in power?

The problem with most folks isn't that they are asphyxiated by their ancestors, but by so much that they just don't want to listen.
Christian students should get involved, change America

By Ndita Cresson, columnist

"What if all of our Christian education, all that training took a stand in Christ for the political arena?"

Would millions of doctors perform abortions? Would the senate have impeached Bill Clinton? Would educators promote the homosexual lifestyle to young children? Could students still openly pray in public schools? Would the "Ten Commandments" still be posted in the hallways of public schools? Would innocent children have lost their basic right to a school education?

Christian apathy toward political issues has emboldened radical developments by allowing the moral state of America to deteriorate. Neither the church nor the school system has attempted to remain silent any longer.

At Liberty, the vast majority of students—professing and non-professing—hold a conservative Christian worldview. This is not to say that Liberty University has the unique opportunity to receive academic training from a Christian perspective, but the latter is paired with student groups, prayer stations, and campus choirs, as well as students with the tools to become "champions for Christ." Students can become equipped with both an academic and biblical foundation to make an impact for Christ in our field. Whether God has called you to impact the political arena, your family, or your friends, being informed and getting politically involved makes a big difference.

That might sound writing letters in the editor of your future paper, participat­ ing in extra-curricular activities and talking to your local school board, city, or even getting involved at the national state and federal level. As Christian college students, we can impact our community by witnessing, guaranteeing the right to vote, and defending Christian values will mean more than just another hot button in America's political climate.

Christian students in every level in government could turn America around. Just one day the morals will again have a right to life, public schools will return to the practice of prayer, and Judeo-Christian values will once again migrate. What if Christians had the presence and persistence on the national political movement? The nation has been so overwhelmed by the instantaneous digital news that less than 1 percent of Americans read exclusively liberal media sources.

Yet, their political views have dramatically influenced legislative change. The gay marriage bac­ klash could also mean legalized abortion in some states. More and more Liberal school teachers present homosexuality to their young students as just an alternative lifestyle. Many liberal teachers have shown homosexual charac­ ters.

Is it hard to believe that such a tiny minority has succeeded in disregarding America's Christian heritage? Their distorted views have been heard on state, yet they have gained public tolerance and even approval.

As Christians remain custodians of the truth.

If Christianity is true, why do the majority of professors and Christian students seem reluctant to combat liberalism and take a stand? As Christian college students, we can impact our community by witnessing the existence of Christians and stand up for what is right. Some truth, just facts, (and prevent the unreasonable attack on our faith. The school, the education system, and the children will more than likely benefit.

As we move forward, students and professors alike should be ready to face the challenges that are before us. We must be prepared to make a difference and live up to our Christian values.

As Liberty goes vertical, keep the vision alive

By Neil Morce

As Liberty University continues to develop, it has established itself as a formidable institution in the realm of education. The school has made significant strides in expanding its facilities and infrastructure, providing students with state-of-the-art resources and facilities. This growth has been driven by a commitment to excellence and a dedication to providing a top-tier educational experience.

As the university continues to grow, it is important to ensure that its values and mission remain at the forefront. This means maintaining a strong focus on academic excellence, fostering a supportive and inclusive community, and providing students with the tools and resources they need to succeed.

Congratulations on the milestone and best wishes for continued success!
Flames win game two

The story of the World Series has been the Braves can't hit, the Braves can't field, and now the Braves can't pitch. The Yankees put an exclamation point on first two games in Game 2 of the World Series and the Yankees had just two two-out singles.

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Bowe vs. Bowden

Life is a journey and we often find ourselves standing at a crossroads. At these moments, we are faced with choices that will determine our future direction. Bowden vs. Bowden is no exception.

As two of the most successful coaches in college football history, Bowden and Bowden have faced many challenges throughout their careers. They have both led teams to significant achievements, but their paths have diverged in recent years.

Barclay calls it quits

In a recent interview, the 30-year-old veteran announced that he plans to retire at the end of this season. The move comes as no surprise, given the high level of competition in the sport.

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Hubbard develops new strategies for team

Hubbard, the Liberty University Flames women's basketball team, is looking to improve their season. So far, the Flames have played all five games without winning a single match. The team is currently struggling with their performance and has had few victories to show for their efforts.

Hubbard's team experience includes the leadership of the successful USAF Junior Area Training Center for women's athletic programs. Her successful career in coaching and management has made her the perfect fit for the Liberty Flames.

Barclay's career at Liberty has been marked by his strong work ethic and dedication. He has consistently led his team to success, and his leadership has been instrumental in the team's success.

The Liberty Flames next and last championship run is at Virginia Commonwealth on Monday, Dec. 4. The Flames are looking to continue their winning streak and take a step closer to the Atlantic Coast Conference title.

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W'soccer: Lady Flames prepare for Big South

The Liberty University Flames women's soccer team is ready for their next match against the Big South Conference. The team is looking to build on their recent success and continue their winning streak.

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Sports Update

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By Douglas Stewart, reporter

Liberty's men's soccer team ran its record to 13-3-3 after a well-rounded 3-2 victory over Winthrop on Monday night. The Flames defeated Winthrop 3-2 in double overtime.

Although Winthrop had posted a combined record of 3-10-1 in its last five games, Liberty coach Bill Bell knew that the 14th-ranked Flames would have to bring their A-game against the Panthers in the Big South tournament.

"Winthrop had nothing to lose, and it showed," Bell said. "After getting through this game, we will be able to enjoy the Florida Tournament," concluded Bell.

The Panthers played well throughout the match but neither team could draw first blood. After the game, both teams went into overtime with no goals scored.

The Flames scored the first goal of the game in the 21st minute when Jose Gomez took a penalty kick after being fouled in the penalty area. Gomez stepped up and played his best game of the year and quelled any nationally ranked No. 19 Jacksonville threat.

The Flames moved on to the quarterfinals with a 3-2 victory over the Panthers. As front-runner in the Big South, the Flames will be attracting attention as some national polls are updated.

Coach Bill Bell
LU's Head Soccer Coach

"Winthrop had nothing to lose, and it showed."

Before traveling to the PFI tournament, Liberty
still had to face its last Big South game against Winthrop on Monday night. Although Winthrop had a 2-2 record in the last four games, Liberty was not taking anything for granted.

The Flames defeated Winthrop 3-2 in double overtime.

The Flames recorded their fifth shutout of the season with five saves. Ben Strawbridge assured his team that they would not lose the championship. Strawbridge's sliding header from four yards out accounted for the game's only score as Liberty improved its record to 13-3-3.

The Flames won the Big South championship match to secure a berth in the national tournament. The Flames will be facing a solid VCU team this week, Liberty could be sitting among the nationally-ranked teams.

The Liberty Flames men's soccer team plans home games on Oct. 30 at 3 p.m. at Coastal Carolina to lose the last game of the season. The Flames then head back to Rock Hill for the Big South Tournament from Nov. 11-14 to end their season.
Flames grab a win, break losing streak

By Brook Hermann, sportsgirl.de

Breaking their two-game losing streak, the Flames scored two second quarter touchdowns Saturday at Charleston Southern. After a 24-13 loss to East Tennessee last Saturday, the Flames (4-6) were eager to pull up their losing record.

Leading the Flames with the offense was senior running back Rob Shattler with 41 carries for 175 yards and a touchdown.

The first half of Charleston’s game was neck and neck. With 3:29 left on the clock, Christ’s sophomore completed his fourth pass of the quarter for an 11-yard touchdown. The Flames scored 13 points in the first quarter.

With 7:38 left in the third quarter, freshman Taylor led the defense with 10 tackles, including the one he made in the first quarter after Liberty’s touchback.

Midnight Madness strikes LU

By Tim Holland, reporter

The men’s basketball team put on an exhibition Monday night as it dwindled this year’s completely revamped team.

In an attempt to gain much-needed support, SGA rehired coach Neil Hinklin and brought Midnight Madness for the first time in recent years at Liberty University.

This was a grassroots thing that came from the students, so we were very careful for this responsibility,” Hinklin said. “They knew we were here just a pretty short time and we took them as part of that team. This was a great beginning.”

The night included practice drills, a three-point contest, a dunk contest and a routine by the cheerleaders.

Even though it was merely for fun, the crowd was able to genital this year’s team to more talented overall than last year’s.

The three-point contest featured eight players from the team, alongside Eric Johnson came out on top. Honorable mention, the crowd really enjoyed this game.

After an exuberant game from both sides and players alike, the “celebrity” judges pronounced the top three.

Among the judges for this inaugural event were Eric Leather, director of External Affairs, Dean Commons, dean of nonresident students and Terry Falwell.

Midnight Madness gave Liberty students a real sense of anticipation for this year’s season for the first time in several years.

According to Hinklin, the Flames have put themselves in a legitimate and realistic position to compete for the Big South championship this year.

This past weekend, the team headed west to take on Charleston Southern. This is the first I-AA team to make it to the championship.

The game was over by the second quarter, with Charleston taking a 16-7 lead.

Women’s soccer upsets opponents in five of last six games

By Tim Holland, reporter

The Lady Flames soccer team has been on a roll, winning five of their last six games.

Going into their game Saturday against conference leader Charleston Southern, the women had won four consecutive games.

Beginning with their sweeping of Charleston Southern, the Lady Flames started to play as a confident team. The team was strong in their overall defense, maintaining a 0-5-4 at home against Appalachian State.

Female Emily Slden scored two goals in the victory. Defender Andrea Ramos, Janine and Alon Atule also scored.

The offensive barrage continued in the second half as the Flames scored six goals.

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