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Brewer crowned Miss Liberty

By Robin Brooks and Patty Schafer

Donna Brewer, a clinical psychology major from Southhaven, Miss., was crowned Miss Liberty 1986 in the Multi-Purpose Center Friday night.

Donna said she was surprised to hear her name. "It was an honor to be in the group of 24; it was a shock to be crowned," she said at the reception following the pageant.

First runner-up was Wera Menezes from Manaus, Amazonas, Brazil. Kimberly Easton, of Columbus, Ind., was second runner-up. Tima Ellenburg from Travelers Rest, S.C. and Michelle Wright from Lynchburg, Va., were also among the five finalists.

Vangie Long was chosen as Miss Congeniality. The 23 other contestants selected her because of her friendliness and encouragement during the weeks preceding the pageant.

One of the main duties Miss Liberty will have is to represent Liberty University. "I think the first thing will be the project with the March of Dimes," Brewer said.

She will also represent LU by visiting women's groups and local Christian schools.

Beverly Buffington, producer of the pageant, explained the duties that Miss Liberty is expected to undertake. "She'll represent the Lord first, of course, and Liberty University, second. Her third responsibility will be to represent the Liberty University Student Body," she said.

Beverly also said that Miss Liberty will visit women's groups and local Christian schools.

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Alumni Support, Mark Lowry; Alumni Relations, Bev Buffington; Secretary-Treasurer, Morgan Taylor; and President, Nelson Keener.

Debaters sponsor tournament

By Deborah Wood

The LU Debate Team hosted Liberty University's first debate tournament on campus last Friday and Saturday.

Ten schools sent debaters to Lynchburg, including James Madison University, Harrisonburg, Va.; Wake Forest University, N.C.; the U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md.; and Pennsylvania State University, State College, Pa.

The Liberty debaters participated in the debates and the awards banquet, which featured the Rev. Jerry Falwell as special speaker, but they were not allowed to compete officially, according to junior David Sedlacek, an LU varsity debater.

The banquet also consisted of a 30-minute question and answer period with Falwell.

"There were questions such as 'Do you believe you descended from an ape?' and 'Why are you withdrawing from politics?'" Sedlacek commented.

LU sophomore debater, Barbara Dabill, was very impressed with Falwell's answers. "What impressed me the most was how he brought Christ so effortlessly into every answer," she said. "He was poised and intelligent, and we were very proud."

Another LU debater, Dan Schanz, stressed that he felt it was beneficial for Liberty to hold such a tournament on campus. "Having the big-name schools here definitely increases our academic credibility," he said.

The winners of the tournament are as follows: Novice Division, the University of Pennsylvania, an Ivy League school; Junior Varsity Division, the University of Virginia, Charlottesville; and Varsity Division, JMU.
LU English professors will sponsor Christian literature conference

By Robin Brooks

English professors from across the nation will gather on Liberty Mountain Oct. 24-25 for the Conference on Christianity and Literature (CCL). Dr. Helmuth Poggemiller, chairman of the English department, explained that the conference will expose professors and scholars to developments in the field of English Christianity with emphasis on how they relate to Christianity.

"Literature can be such a valuable field of study," Poggemiller stated. "Hopefully through bringing together Christianity and literature, we'll get a better balance here."

The keynote speaker for the conference will be Dr. Leland Ryken of Wheaton College. He is the author of several books including How to Read the Bible as Literature. Professors participating in the two-day conference include Dr. Bruce Edwards, Midwestern regional chairman of the CCL; Dr. Kath Filmer, University of Queensland; Australian; Dr. Kathryn Ludwigsom, Teocoma Falls College, Georgia; and Doctors Wilma Sherwin and Michael Travers, both from Liberty University.

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LU students had the chance to enjoy a wide variety of activities last weekend as parents, alumni and friends arrived for both Homecoming weekend and Lynchburg’s 200th birthday celebration.

The birthday celebration Thursday night at City Stadium and the Miss Liberty Pageant Friday night on Liberty Mountain were two of the biggest events.

Highlights from these included (counterclockwise from top) the reaction of Michelle Wright, Donna Brewer, and Tina Ellenburg as the name of Miss Liberty 1986 was announced; a congratulatory hug from Gail Emerson Chiofalo, Miss Liberty 1985, as she passed her crown to Donna; Virginia Gov. Gerald Baliles and Vice-mayor M.W Thornhill at the Bicentennial celebration Thursday; the Sounds of Liberty performing at the stadium for the celebration; and Joan Bryant, a LU graduate and Miss Lynchburg 1986.

Photos by Aaron Hamrick
Counselors will establish support group to assist students with eating disorders

By Elaine P. Lucadano

Liberty University staff counselors plan to start a support group this month to help students with eating disorders, according to staff counselor Margaret Stevens.

The group will meet weekly starting Oct. 27 and will discuss issues which counselors will establish support group this month to help students with eating disorders, according to Stevens and complete a written personal evaluation test.

By Marsha Wilde

With the arrival of cold weather the Liberty University Maintenance Department is bracing to face a problem which will last for a long time: broken windows.

Currently 77 windows on campus are broken. Fifty-six of these are in dorms 25 through 28.

Steve Gates, craft leader of the general shop, explained, "Every time a little stone is thrown, a small chip is taken out of the glass and that weakens it.

Any object thrown at windows, including pennies, could cause damage, according to Gates, "I am not going to encourage anybody to throw anything at a window," he said.

Students offer a variety of explanations for broken windows, such as horseplay, B.B. guns and water balloons. Gates remarked.

Some have blamed their roommates for breaking the glass from the outside while trying to get their attention.

Regardless of the reasons given, the incidents are reported as vandalism.

Replacing the windows is a top priority because of the danger of broken glass. However, Gates said, they cannot keep up with the demand.

Only 42 work orders have been submitted to replace windows, and 13 of those are duplicates.

Bruce Traeger, dean of resident housing, explained that often students do not report the breakage because they do not want to accept the blame. "It is the reluctance to accept responsibility for one's actions," he said.

Gates agreed and added, "Some have been broken for so long that students may think nothing is going to be done."

The glass to replace one window costs $55.50. It must be ordered from out of town and requires one month for delivery. Currently the staff is awaiting a shipment to replace the windows already broken.

Traeger explained that the cost will be charged to the person who broke the window. If fault cannot be determined, the cost is paid from the student affairs budget.

Thus, Traeger said, all students pay for the loss. "Eventually everyone suffers when just one person is irresponsible," he said.

The problem may be decreased, he said, once the phone system is operational. At that time, anyone throwing rocks at windows will get reprimands.

Students should report broken windows to their RA's, and Gates stressed that they should keep broken glass in the window for safety purposes.

"It is just a standard," Gates concluded. "If you live in glass houses, you should not throw stones."

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"Buffington added that other duties include "community involvement, campus involvement and various speaking engagements for local fund-raising organizations."

"Reflecting back upon her year as Miss Liberty 1985, Gail Emerson Chiofalo noted that it was quite an experience and a year that she will never forget. She encouraged other girls to take part in the pageant."

She then commented that both she and Donna were engaged to be married while carrying the title. "If you want to get married, get involved with the pageant," she quipped.

Chiofalo had this advice for Donna, "Just enjoy your senior year, enjoy people, and don’t ever forget that people are number one."

Being chosen Miss Liberty is an honor. "She does represent us, more I think, than people really realize," Bev Buffington concluded.
By Dave Dentel

A spirited Flames effort to preserve the Homecoming victory tradition fell short last Saturday as LU lost to a more powerful Southern Connecticut State University football team, 27-21, at Lynchburg City Stadium.

Before a crowd of more than 7,000, the 1-6 Flames expended their best performance of the season against the 5-1 Owls, only to lose by the equivalent of three missed point-after-touchdown attempts and one missed field goal.

It was the Flames second consecutive Homecoming loss to SCSU, for a record of eight victories and six losses.

Head coach Morgan Hoot summarized the Flames performance. "It was a tough game," he said. "They were bigger and stronger than us, so we needed to control the ball. We moved the ball well, but our kicking game let us down."

And it was a missed field goal attempt in the fourth quarter that proved to be the turning point of the game. As LU kicker Scott Muliis missed a 40-yard try that would have put the Flames up 16-13.

Instead, the SCSU Owls took possession and ran six running plays and one pass play out of their winged-T offense before punching the ball across the LU goal line to take the lead, 20-15, with 11 minutes remaining to play.

The Owls then thwarted the ensuing LU comeback when defensive back Jack Fucci picked off a Paul Johnson pass midfield with 9:56 remaining.

After the Owls picked up a quick first down to the 38, the LU defense stiffened, forcing the Owls into a third-and-five situation.

SCSU, however, converted on a well-executed pass play and then rolled downfield for the game-winning touchdown.

Refusing to give up, LU battled back. After returning the kickoff to the 26, the Flames completed four passes to move the ball out to the Owl 43-yard-line.

Then, with 4:07 left in the game, Johnson connected with tight-end Kevin James on a 42-yard pass to the one-yard-line to set up a touchdown drive by teammates Charles McCray.

The seven points proved to be too little, too late, as the Flames failed to retain possession on the on-side kick. Southern Connecticut then marched downfield, and time expired with the Owls on the LU one-yard-line.

Hockey proposal

By Elaine P. Lucadano

The Liberty University hockey club considers its fans to be one of its most valuable assets. Students have taken the initiative, through the Student Government Association, to voice their concern for the future of the club. A proposal has been sent to administration and is still pending.

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Ladies win tourney

By Michael Parker

Coming off a victory in the Longwood College tournament, the Lady Flames volleyball team yielded to the dominant Virginia Tech team on Oct. 14, 0-15, 12-15 and 6-15.

Head coach Sue Kelly said, "We expected a tough battle. The second game was tough because we had played the whole match... Everyone saw we were able to stay with them and come back on them. It was a well-fought game."

Kelly added, "Patty Close did an excellent job. She had 10 kills and only six errors, which is good for a spiker."

She also expressed optimism for the team, which is comprised mostly of freshmen and sophomores. "There is something different that makes them stand out... They're really excited about playing volleyball; they support each other and cheer each other on."

The Lady Flames team placed first in the Longwood Tournament on Oct. 10-11, rallying to win five straight matches after losing its first two.

Kelley commented, "They (the Lady Flames) were really on top of the tournament, knowing those two, but they pulled together."

She added, "We had the best offense at the tournament by far. Spiking and net plays were our strengths."

Junior Patty Close and sophomore tournament team, which Kelly said is a very big honor.

The Division 2 and 3 teams participating in the tournament included Longwood College, Randolph-Macon Women's College, Virginia Union University and two teams from Bridgewater College.

The Lady Flames will be hosting the LU Invitational on Oct. 24-25, featuring all Division 1 teams. They are Radford, Marshall, Charleston County, University of Maryland, Baltimore Campus (U.M.B.C.) and the University of the District of Columbia.

Teams in UVA meet

By Jennifer Steele

The LU Men's Cross Country team placed ninth overall in competition against 18 teams in the UVA Invitational Oct. 18 at the University of Virginia.

LU took seventh place on the Virginia Intercollegiate Slate level with a separate scoring was tallied, excluding four out-of-stale teams.

Virginia Tech won first place overall and in the state. In the overall competition, LU scored 200 points. On the state level, the team earned 156 points. Points are tallied by adding up the ranks of the top five positions.

Gary Hill took first place on the team with a time of 25:45. Roy McNamar and Mark Christopher came in second and third with 26:03 and 26:16 respectively.

Doug Holland ranked fourth with 26:34, and Brent Lawler came in fifth with 27:01. David Fouse and John Parks took sixth and seventh places with 27:02 and 27:04 respectively.

Liberty places fourth

By Reynard Valdez

The LU Lady Flames Cross Country team took fourth in the Division 1 Inter-Collegiate Slate meet but placed seventh in overall competition at the dual-purpose UVA Invitational held at the University of Virginia Oct. 18.

Fifteen teams raced in the UVA Invitational, but the results of four out-of-state schools did not count in the state tournament. In the overall invitational meet, LU placed seventh with a score of 157 points. However, in the Division 1 Inter-Collegiate meet LU ranked fourth, scoring 100 points. The University of Virginia took first with 35 points.

Head coach Ron Hopkins was pleased with his team's performance. "This was a very good team race after such an emotional week at last week's state Division 2 and 3 meet where we won the championship. The team ran very well against all Division 1 competition," he said.

“Our team finishing seventh in the UVA Invitational was outstanding. We were only four points behind Georgia Tech," he added.

All American Annie Hut achieved her record time of 18:10 and is closing in on LU 1985 Division 2 All-American Renee Venzel's record of 18:06. Also achieving personal best times in the cross country 5,000 meters are Monica Carmona, Susan Stahl and Eric Toshell. Carmona's time was 18:47, and Stahl's time was 19:31. Toshell felt the race the first mile but finished the race with her record time of 20:03. The team will be competing in the Mason Dixon Conference Championship, to be held at the University of Pittsburgh, on Oct. 25.

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