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ASHLEY BOLLINGER

MARCHING MUSIC — The Liberty University Spirit of the Mountain Marching Band led the Homecoming parade Saturday.

Parade of Memories

STUDENTS AND ALUMNI ENJOYED A HOMECOMING PARADE BEFORE THE FOOTBALL GAME SATURDAY

SHELANNE JENNINGS

People of all ages lined the sidewalks of University Boulevard on Saturday as they awaited an event that has become a yearly tradition for students and Liberty alumni.

Liberty University's Homecoming parade proceeded from the entrance of the newly-renovated Williams Student Union at 1 p.m. The parade kicked off the weekend festivities, combining school spirit and community involvement.

"I think the parade is a great involvement," Sterling Oil's Donna Hensley said. Hensley started driving in Liberty University's homecoming parade 10 years ago, when she would drive Dr. Jerry Falwell through the parade. This year, Hensley drove Dr. Elmer Towns down University Boulevard. Sterling Oil is a local business that takes pride in their involvement with Liberty and its students.

"Even though you have out-of-town students, you are still bringing in business into the community, and you want to involve your community here at the college and at the church. I think it's great," Donna Hensley said.

The Spirit of the Mountain Marching Band and color guard team led the parade, sobering vehicles and fans through the crowds. Some of Liberty's most familiar faces were part of the parade, including Chancellor Jerry Falwell Jr. and his wife Becki, Liberty's co-founder and dean of the school of religion, Dr. Elmer Towns, as well as Vice-Chancellor and Acting Provost Dr. Ron Greaves.

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‘Say Something’

Domestic and Dating Violence Awareness Week challenges students.

CINDI FAHLE

Two hundred red flags in DeVos courtyard are serving as a reminder for students to "Say Something" as part of Domestic and Dating Violence Awareness Week. The Student Government Association and the Office of Student Conduct hosted together to spread the word on Liberty’s campus and promote the importance of healthy relationships.

One of the goals of this co-curricular event is to help students learn to have healthy respectful relationships with members of the opposite sex, Senior Conductor Officer Andrea Adams said.

Negotiating to first place

Law school students win negotiation competition

JONATHAN PARKER

Law school students win negotiation competition

Hannah Reichel and Karlee Shelton spent two weeks preparing case negotiations. A panel of judges rewarded the students’ hard work with the first place finish at the Southeastern Entertainment Law Negotiation Competition on Oct. 3 in Los Angeles, Calif.

"We worked long and hard to keep people out of arrest," Reichel, who will graduate in May, said. The tournament consisted of two-person teams from schools around the country. The teams represented clients and negotiated settlements.

"When you get to the tournament, you don't know what's coming at you," Reichel said.

Reichel and Shelton, a second year law student, tried out for the team with different partners and were paired together two weeks before the tournament. They were given facts to prepare for two copyright infringement cases.

"Hannah Reichel and Karlee Shelton were so impressive to watch that one could hear audible gasps throughout the court," School of Law Director of Student Affairs Don Nickowich, who accompanied them to California, said.

Comedy night benefits Pregnancy Center

ASHLEY BOLLINGER

Christiana’s "class down," Tim Hawkins, brought more than laughter to the hundreds of people who gathered at his benefit show Sunday, Oct. 10, for the Blue Ridge Pregnancy Center.

Hawkins brought together laughter and truth.

"Don't be afraid of your testimony," Hawkins said during one of his frequent sermon-like soliloquies. He brought a sobering gratitude to the crowd as he addressed addiction.

He noted that choosing life was a noble and not decision, and that Blue Ridge Pregnancy Center was a worthy receiver of the funds that were raised during his show.

Hawkins began the evening by gathering around the stage dressed as a western cowboy singing songs about love, the weather, and all-white cows.

Known for his headstand and yells and cornball parables, Hawkins did not refrain from his normal, "puling-fun" self. Everything from homeschooling to Christian denomination was subject to his peculiar notions.

Although his act is corny, it is also a ministry. As he concluded the first half of his show, Hawkins sang a song to tell his own story. Addressing issues such as salvation and peace, he told the audience about the love of Jesus that altered his final destination.

He explained the battle his wife has gone through with breast cancer and offered his simple yet humble advice to others in a difficult place.

"God is good, but life is hard," Hawkins said.

As the evening drew to a close, Hawkins said that he is just like any other normal person, but he has a microphone and talent. "Some of you may have laughed so hard you wet your pants. Well my ministry is the ministry of relief — so just let it flow," Hawkins said.

See COMEDY 5/13

INSIDE THE CHAMPION
Forging a new community relationship

LYNCHBURG'S FIRST — The mosque where over 70 families gather to worship, is located off of Airport Road and is the first of its kind in Lynchburg.

"We need to teach our children all religions," said Edward Smither, professor of intercultural studies at Liberty University, in a Christian whose belief system is rooted in biblical principles. The commandment in Matthew 28:19-20, which mandates all Christians to tell others about Jesus Christ, is one to which Smither holds tightly. That passage is commonly referred to as the Great Commission.

Reaching out to the Muslim community in Lynchburg is a passion of Smither's. Where Smither trained of the mosque, he immediately sent a personal letter to Ahmad and the CLIA welcoming them. His extension of friendship paid off in the form of respect. "When I first heard about the mosque in Lynchburg I was concerned about how they would be received," Smither said. "Having heard in North Africa and South America, I wanted one of the first things they heard to be welcoming. So I wrote a note telling them I was thrilled to God they were in the community.

Receiving a positive response from the Lynchburg community was, in the main, encouraging. Building relationships is important to the CLIA as they keep open doors to everyone, offering many services to those of all faiths. "A mosque is just like the church families come together in fellowship for prayers," Ahmad said. Smither uses this time as an opportunity to meet other Muslims in the area and to build a stronger relationship with their differing religions. As a professor of introduction to Islam, Smither also works with Ahmad to present an opportunity for his students to attend Friday prayers once in the semester. The purpose of this field trip is to observe and continue their education through first-hand experiences.

"In seeking to make disciples of all nations, it is imperative that we understood the worldview and beliefs of those whom God has called us to reach," Smither said. "This is moving toward them, building friendship and trust, and learning firsthand what they believe."

* THOMASON is the special assignment editor.
Applause erupted as he concluded the evening with a six-minute song that he described as "takes you back to the 70s."

The estimates are not in yet as to how much "God is good, but life is hard," said Hawkins, "God is good, but life is hard," said Hawkins, "God is good, but life is hard," said Hawkins, "God is good, but life is hard," said Hawkins. Never ceasing to grasp a comical opportunity, Hawkins left the stage skipping and high-fiving all he could reach.

The estimates are not in yet as to how much money the Blue Ridge Pregnancy Center actually raised throughout the evening, but volunteers were unanimously pleased with the attendance and offerings.

"God is good, but life is hard," said Hawkins. Offering hope to anyone who may have been in need, yet never missing a comical beat.

**BOLLINGER is a news reporter.**

### Walk to raise awareness for Alzheimers

**ABIGAIL KOPPENHAVER**

"(The walk is) the largest fundraiser that we do," said a Liberty Student Association member, Erica Shahinian-Miller. But it is not the only money the Blue Ridge Pregnancy Center offers. Offering hope to anyone who may have been in need, yet never missing a comical beat.

Walkers from Lynchburg and surrounding areas are expected to participate in the Memory Walk at Riverside Park, an event that is critical in raising money to fund research, care, support and treatment for those impacted by Alzheimer's.

The walk is the main event of the day, which will be filled with activities and entertainment for all ages including an opening act by local magician Anthony Vorce. There will be activities for kids and even a dance, according to Alzheimer's Association Constituents Relations Director Mary Sandridge.

"The walk is the largest fundraiser that the Alzheimer's Association has to promote their research," said Mary Sandridge. "The more support we can garner from college students the later we could probably find a cure."

The opening ceremonies for the walk will start at 9 a.m. and the actual walk will start at 10 a.m. In between those times the Liberty University Women's Basketball team is expected to lead warm-ups. Also the Liberty Christian Academy Band is set to perform during the opening and closing ceremonies.

While last year's walk raised $76,847, this year's goal is $86,000. For more information or to sign up for the walk, visit the Association's website at alz.org/cwa, visit lynchburgmemorywalk.com or call 540-345-7600. More information also can be obtained by contacting Mary Sandridge at mary.sandridge@alz.org or by calling 434-973-6122.

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BLOCKBUSTER BANKRUPTCY: Patrons find alternatives in RedBox

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The video rental store is slowly becoming the dying breed of technology. The video rental chain Blockbuster Inc. filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy on Sept. 23, according to The New York Times. The move caused the company's stock to be delisted from the New York-Stock Exchange and a large majority of its 3,300 stores are expected to close in the coming year.

This announcement came on the heels of Hollywood Video, another of the nation's major video chains, filing for bankruptcy early February, essentially ending its staying power in August.

The two major challenges that the traditional video store model have from Netflix and RedBox. Both, the former with a monthly subscription service and the latter with a convenient credit card and a quick and easy access to films. Other venues do not require physical copies of their product. Websites such as Netflix, Amazon's Best Buy's CinemaNow, Microsoft's Xbox Live Marketplace, Sony's PlayStation Network, Netflix and Wal-Mart's Vudu allow online viewing of movies and television shows.

The collapse of this video store is degrading the very essence of what movies themselves are supposed to be — a social experience. Video stores were places of camaraderie and nostalgia. Members of the neighborhood once came together on Friday nights to pick out a weekend movie for service film buffs looking for indie titles, young couples seeking romantic comedies and families looking for kid-friendly films, the

"Everybody who runs CNN is a lot like Stewart, and a lot of people who run the other networks are a lot like Stewart, and to imply that somehow, they're the people who are in this country who are Jewish, are an oppressed minority? Yeah. — Rick Sanchez, during satellite radio show"

CNN loses anchor Rick Sanchez over harsh words

By Tyler Flynn
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As an unemployment sign, so to speak, even the idea of being unemployed is a bad time to be out of work especially when one is fired be­ cause he is Jewish. He then said

"hit me. Come May I will be starting a new chapter of my life. I would like to do before I die. Sure, everyone creates this cli­ dest with under the specter of comments about the first amendment, one can­ not blame CNN for being offended. All such allegations as San­ chez accused were so high­ charged that it was clear they would not go by unan­ ticipated by the general public. Just as Don Lemon said its pro­" <>
TV’s ‘Glee’ takes on religion

Many Christian viewers of the popular television show ‘Glee’ may have felt rather uncomfortable during the Oct. 5 episode. The episode was centered around the varying religious beliefs of the show’s characters. Entitled “Grilled Cheesus,” it began with a main character making a grilled cheese sandwich bearing grill marks with the likeness of Jesus’ face.

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The show was riddled with irreverent comments and jokes about the “Grilled Cheesus” and how he answers the characters’ trivial and immoral prayers. The show’s disrespect towards God is truly wrong. How can non-believers who do engage in that behavior. The church can step up in this crucial area of society and engage those who are skeptical, critical or uninterested about Jesus Christ, rather than ignoring them.

SHOFFNER is an opinion writer.

We asked 20 people:
How many hours of homework do you do per night?

Out of those polled, most said their homework load depended on the night and whether or not they had a test.

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"The parade sets a perfect tone for homecoming weekend," Godwin said. "It's all about celebration, victory and welcoming our alumni back. It's important to the whole day.

Unique floats wound down the road, tossing candy and T-shirts to onlookers. Floats were made by Liberty's psychology and nursing departments as well as groups such as the College Republicans club.

A LITTLE OLD, A LITTLE NEW — (Above) Chancellor Jerry Falwell Jr. and Becki Falwell ride in a Rolls Royce during the 2010 Homecoming Parade. (Bottom left) Falwell poses with members of the College Republicans. (Bottom right) A member of the Spirit of the Mountain Marching Band participates in the homecoming parade.

 HOME COMING: "Everyone was so excited for the parade," Adams said. "Due to last year's expansion of a one-day event, 'The Clothesline Project, hosted last year, was tremendous, positive response from our campus community, we realized that the topic was important to our students, faculty and staff. Thus, it was important for us to expand our awareness campaign.'

The Red Flag Campaign is being handled by the Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Action Alliance and sponsored by Verizon Wireless and the Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Action Alliance, as well as the Verizon Foundation.

"We've also been to the Ay Caramba' salsa dancing event, hockey games and football games," Edwards said. "It makes it fun to be here."

Homecoming weekend is Liberty's way to unite current students with students from the past, as they come back and visit their alma mater. "We always come up for homecoming weekend," 1993 Liberty alumna Belinda Hensley said. "Last year was the first time we got here in time for the parade, so the year we made sure we got here early enough to get seats and see it."

Belinda Hensley, now part of the adjunct faculty at Liberty's Richmond nursing program, enjoys coming back to Liberty's campus. "We love the parade; my kids love the parade and there's always a nursing float so we come and support that," Belinda Hensley said. The homecoming weekend takes place each year in October. Liberty's Student Activities hosts the homecoming parade and float competition. To find out more information about the homecoming parade and to find out how you can be part of it next year, contact Student Activities at 434-942.300 or online at libertys.com/campus/rec/student-activities.

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EDUCATIONAL ENTERTAINMENT

Part history. Part entertainment. The historical sites in the City of Lynchburg and surrounding counties offer a number of opportunities for something to do.

HISTORIC SANDUSKY

Located a short five minutes from campus in the Historic Sandusky. The site tells the story of Charles Johnson who built the house around 1797. Prior to this in 1790, the Johnsons were members of one of the many early white families who moved to the area. In 1841, the Johnsons sold the house to George C. Hutter, a United States army officer, purchased the home in 1841 and the home stayed in his family until 1952. In 1952, Hutter family descendants purchased it for the Historic Sandusky Foundation, whose mission is to preserve and interpret Sandusky and its history.

The Johnsons and their descendants filled and donated a decorated wooden document titled Hutter's Real: The Battle for Lynchburg. For more information about events, tours and activities, call 434-832-1220 or visit historicsandusky.org.

THE NATIONAL D-DAY MEMORIAL

Now open seven days a week for the month of October, this Memorial stands in tribute to those who fought heroically and died while fighting for a cause much larger than themselves. The Memorial honors the 150,000 American troops who fought in battle. Each stop honors soldiers from a different war — including the Civil War, the Spanish-American War, World Wars I and II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War. Monument Terrace is free and open all year around — however, there have been closings due to icy conditions in winter.

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MONUMENT TERRACE HISTORICAL WALK

Located downtown, starting at Church Street and ending at Court Street. Monument Terrace Historical Walk is a 1.96-step staircase that takes in views on 139 steps through American war - specifically commemorating soldiers from Lynchburg who lost their lives. At the base of the staircase stands an American soldier, known as a "doughboy" and other plaques providing information about the monument itself. There are numerous stops along the way where visitors can learn about the soldiers who died in battle. Each step honors soldiers from a different war — including the Civil War, the Spanish-American War, World Wars I and II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War. Monument Terrace is free and open all year around — however, there have been closings due to icy conditions in winter.

A few of the other historical sites around Lynchburg include:

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- Located: 403 Monroe St., Lynchburg, Va.
- Price: Free (other museum fees may apply, see website)
- For more information: www.graveg­arder.org

ANNE SPENCER HOUSE AND MUSEUM

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When Specialist Curtis Davis returned from Iraq in August, his life was nothing short of uncertain. Due to his later arrival back at Liberty, Davis was unable to finish paperwork to begin the fall semester. To add to the uncertainty, Davis also decided to switch his major from criminal justice to nursing.

"One of the reasons to consider switching is the bigger opportunities out there, especially for a male nurse," Davis said. "I'm looking into my future for that but I am also looking at something to strengthen in the military.

Davis has always been met with difficulty on the job front. "I have been actively seeking a job since my arrival home," Davis said. "I'm looking towards my future, Davis said that nursing will allow him to juggle both the military and civilian life.

"Being in the National Guard makes it easier because we only take one weekend a month so I could still take a civilian job with nursing," Davis said.

Davis said that he has been slowly returning home but misses the friendships that he formed with fellow soldiers while in Iraq.

"(I miss) the camaraderie — being able to be with friends all the time where here it's not so much because of school," Davis said. "Once I get back in next semester maybe some of that will come back."

While in Iraq, Davis continued his spiritual accountability with fellow Liberty classmates who met regularly for Bible study.

"A couple of my buddies from Liberty were there with me and they had started a meeting on Mondays and Saturdays," Davis said. "We had bible study and worship so we carried on a little church group; I guess you could say."

According to Davis, the friendships he forged while in Iraq helped him in his battles during times of pressure.

"There were probably a few times that everyone felt a little weary or not really confident, but we all knew each other and knew that the other would be there for one another!" Davis said.

Davis said that even now he still has friends and family that constantly worry for his safety.

"A lot of people have said they can sleep more now that I'm back."

Camaraderie — (Above) Davis served as a gunner with the 1-116th Infantry Battalion in Iraq for seven months. (Left Below) Davis enjoys the company of a fellow soldier while on patrol. (Right Top) Davis is pictured with some of his fellow soldiers. (Bottom right) Fellow Liberty student Taylor Upchurch served alongside of Davis in Iraq.

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Men's Hockey team creates turning point in the season

JESSICA YOUNG

The Flames were anxious to secure another win, following two midseason losses. The home team came out to play in front of a sold-out Lahaye Livingroom. The game was a crucial component of Liberty's weekend sweep of Oakland.

Level 1: The bantering

For the first six consecutive drives of the game, both teams squared off, setting the stage for an exciting back-and-forth battle. The game was decided by another Docksteader's third goal in the final moments, giving him a hat trick. The Flames entered the third period with a 3-0 lead, having outscored the Golden Grizzlies 6-0 in the final period.

Level 2: The big moment

The game was a turning point in Liberty's season. The Flames were able to take the lead in the second period and maintain it throughout the game.

Level 3: The swings

In the fourth quarter, the Flames took the lead, and again I commend their defense.

The Flames' 44-20 victory Saturday with flying colors on Battle Red Homecoming Day.
At a towering 6 feet 5 inches and weighing 234 pounds, Liberty wide receivers coach Charlie Skalaski said, "You literally have to plan for him because his skill can take over a game."

Summers has already shown his ability to take over a game and not going to be able to stop me," Summers said. "Every play he wants the ball. It's not like 'Come to me if I'm open,' no. If I'm 'I'm open,' it's 'If I'm covered, I'm open. Just give me a chance and I'll make the play,'" Brown said. "That's the mentality he has to start making me a lot more comfortable playing with him this season." Summers has already delivered touchdowns catches from last year and really 42 yards away from setting his receiving yards from last year. Last week, Summers was named Big South Offensive player of the week after his eight catch, 132-yard performance with three touchdowns. Summers' dominating play will be formidable opposing coaches in the Big South.

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The Liberty Flames Division I men’s hockey team and the New Media Communications department have teamed up to bring all home games live to the Club Sports website.

"(Division I Coach) Kirk Handy called me and asked if there was any way we could video stream the games," Director of New Media Communications Bruce Braun said. "I knew that the Chancellor had a passion for involving students by providing to them meaningful mentoring and hands on opportunities, so I saw this as a perfect fit."

Since Braun saw the opportunity to give students production experience, the crew is completely made up of students.

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Former Flames successful after graduation

Sid Bream

Bream attended Liberty from 1979 to 1981 and was a star player on the baseball diamond. The first baseman was drafted in the second round of the 1981 MLB Draft by the Los Angeles Dodgers. Bream, who was listed in the MLB for 12 years, helped the Pittsburgh Pirates win the 1980 National League Championship Series and the Atlanta Braves to back-to-back World Series titles in 1991 and 1992.

Megan Frazee

Frazee graduated from Liberty in 2003 to 2007. Frazee helped continue the Lady Flames basketball team’s post-season tradition in 2003, 2005, and 2006. Frazee was drafted by the San Antonio Silver Stars in the second round of the 2007 WNBA draft. She holds the career scoring average and free throw percentage records for the Liberty women’s basketball program and is a member of the 1000-point club.

Eric Green

Green graduated Liberty from 1985 to 1989. The right end was picked in the second round of the 1990 NFL draft by the New York Giants. He later played for the New England Patriots and retired during his career.

Katie (Freestea) Mattina

Mattina attended Liberty from 2002 to 2005. She helped the Lady Flames to the “Sweet Sixteen” in the NCAA Tournament by leading off No. 4-ranked Penn State and No. 3-ranked DePaul. The Connecticut Sun drafted her at the eighth round of the 2008 WNBA draft. She still holds the Liberty women’s basketball record and is a member of the 1000 point club.

Whoa! There, Tex

The Adventures of Tex Rombara and Okie O’hare

NATE BROWN

A weather heater, burn-out agar, flag dips and curls in the sign of the breeze. Okie naps on the front porch. A faded white "O-S-U" brown flag whips in the breeze. Okie rolls his eyes and is not able to find holes in the Flames defense.

Last Minute Heroics

DERRICK BATTLE

Saturday was picked with homecoming events and ended with a successful women’s soccer game against Winthrop. An unseasonable storm turned into a cold fall evening, for a supportive crowd.

Defense was the thematic element in this game, but in the first half, the Lady Flames played aggressively, outplaying Winthrop twice. By the end of the first half, Okie had two booking opportunities and was unable to convert.

Aldo Marmie was with Okie in the second half of the game. The Flames took advantage of the limited possessions, putting the ball on breakdown shots. As the flag of regulation, the score remained 0-0.

In overtime, it took only seven minutes for the Lady Flames to score. Forward Casey Allen scored a goal and is a member of the 1,000-point club.

"I’ll remember this game for the rest of the season," Marmie said.

“Tough game,” Okie said. "But we were able to get the win on the road." The Flames dropped to 6-4-1 and 2-2 in conference play.

Men’s Soccer Slumps

PETER SAWYER

The Flames took a 14-20 lead, only two losses, but the Panthers were unable to put any in the net.

According to Alder, the Flames did plan on finding a way to win. 

Alder spoke of his players’ ability to fight back and said he planned on seeing the team in the next game. 

The Flames men’s soccer team hit a slump late last week and fell to the Virginia Cavaliers Tuesday, 2-1, on the road before returning to Athletics Stadium Saturday and getting shut out by the High Point Panthers, 2-0.

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While the Flames are still able to play with anyone in the country, Flames victory is a season of highs and lows for the Flames

"We approach it like [it is] any other game because they’re winning?" Alder said.

"That’s the way we are," Okie said. "That’s the way we play." The Flames dropped to 4-6-1 in the conference.

"This is the last bit of hope away for a Flames victory," Alder said.

"We haven’t got it to put it in the newspaper," Alder said. "You can’t feel sorry for yourself too long.""
Checking out the Asian buffets

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Best Selection: China Super Buffet

an Asian accent to describe the selection of this buffet features. Located in Warrenton Plaza on the intersection of Tim­berlake Road and Waterfall Road, the China Super Buffet is the largest Chinese buffet in the greater Lynchburg area, according to the restaurant’s website. China Super Buffet also offers a sushi bar and American classics like macaroni and cheese. To start off, the Mongolian pork dish is just spicy enough to wake the taste buds, and the green beans are impeccably spiced with a hint of garlic. Next, you can dive into the sweet and sour chicken, the wonton soup and the dessert buffet is a large chocolate fondue

Best Atmosphere: Jade Palace

While China Super Buffet boasts a wide selection, Jade Palace makes up for its atmosphere. Located just off of Lynchburg Expressway (501) on Timberlake Road, the restaurant actually lives up to its name. With Chinese-style architecture and orange golden dragons flanking its doors, this restaurant invites guests to partake in an authentic experience of Chinese food. The high points of the buffet include a Chinese and American buffet, steak and sushi, the grill features teriyaki chicken, steak, salmon, baffle-wrapped and a myriad of other dishes. The sushi, surf and turf grill and desserts are

Best Quality: Choice Hibachi Buffet

The most noticeable aspect of Choice Hibachi Buffet is quality and variety. Newly opened on Ware Road across from the River Ridge Mall entrance, the restaurant includes a Chinese and American buffet, steak and roast duck. Chinese Hibachi Buffet has higher quality food than most buffets. The sushi, and turf grill and dessert dishes are no cheap meals. Next to the wide variety of

ASIAN PERSUASION — Lynchburg sports a variety of Asian buffet restaurants with delicious meals and affordable prices.

CHOICE CHOCOLATE FONDUE — The Choice Hibachi Buffet offers a dessert bar complete with a chocolate fondue fountain, fruit selection, cookies and pastries, as well as griddles and marshmallows for making s'mores. There is also a sugar-free section for those who have dietary restric­tions or want to eat healthier.

Choice Hibachi Buffet serves an $8.40 lunch buffet and a $10 dinner buffet Monday through Saturday and dinner all day Sunday. For more information, go to choicehibachi.com.

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CHOICES FOR BURG FANS

Getting the culture: Eric Metaxas challenges students

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Author, commentator and Yale graduate Eric Metaxas spoke in the Towns Alumni Hall Tuesday, Oct. 5, on his critically acclaimed book "Amazing Grace," which he has written as the companion piece to "Wilberforce," a play he wrote about Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Metaxas was the narrator for Veggie Tales" Esther videos and wrote several children’s books along with his nationally recognized books about Dietrich Bonhoeffer and William Wilberforce. "Amazing Grace: William Wilberforce and the Heroes Campaign to End Slavery" was written as the companion piece to the real events featured in the movie entitled "Amazing Grace," which was released in February 2007.

- PLOWLEY is a feature reporter.
A Safe Place: The Blue Ridge Pregnancy Center

TIFFANY EDWARDS

From the front, it just looked like an unassuming one-story house except for the driveway large enough to hold painted lines for multiple parking spaces. Walking up the front steps, the heavy glass panel door became evident as well. What would be the living room, however, is richly decorated and warmly colored, with a bright oil paint mural stretching across the far wall at the other end of the room.

“The painting of the Garden of Eden, symbolizing God as the Center of Life, was done by two E.C. Glenn High School students, and the play that overshadowed the children’s play area was built by an Eagle Scout for one of his projects,” Blue Ridge Pregnancy Center (BRC) Executive Director Lori Meetre said. She then walked down the hallway leading to various decorated sitting rooms, small and intimate, meant for finely tuned, yet confidential discussions of life-changing topics.

“This is where we meet with clients to talk with them about circumstances or life options for their pregnancy and most importantly about the gospel. We share the gospel with all of our clients because we believe that no matter what a woman’s Jesus is her greatest need,” Meetre said.

As you walk further through the building, however, there are many more rooms than expected, some of them, like the Mommy and Me Boutique, filled with parenting and practical resources for Moms including maternity clothes, baby clothes, diapers, wipes, formulas, and any number of items children need through age two. Anything that has been donated to the Center is made available to the women who participate in “Parenting and Life Skills” which teaches skills for parenting and life. The Center has approximately 115 volunteers, which include peer counselors. There are a myriad of ways for people who are passionate about life to get involved, according to Development Director Stephanie McBride. The ministry gets a steady stream of volunteers and donors throughout the year, many of them from various church groups and local organizations as well as many of life’s students.

People can donate in three ways with their time, money or talent,” McBride said.

“The Center relies entirely on donations and grants, none of their funding is received from the government. The Center specifically features free pregnancy testing and counseling, free limited obstetrical/ultrasound, parenting and life skills programs, prayer and evangelical ministries, domestic training and referrals to other community resources.

“All of our services are free and confidential, however we are not a full service medical facility so we do refer to an outside medical practice for further care throughout their pregnancy,”Meetre said.

Although BRC’s educates their clients on all of their options — adoption, abortion and parenting, they never advocate or refer for abortions.

“We do not make any referrals. We do refer clients to places such as the Liberty Godparent Home as well as other adoption agencies,” Meetre said.

“One of the things we are most blessed with is our ultrasound capability. Although the services we offer are limited, studies show that when women are able to see an ultrasound image of their infant’s child they will choose life for their baby,” Meetre said.

The Center also offers a men’s ministry for the men in their client’s lives.

“The main in the relationship is half of the equation and he plays an important part in what a woman will decide,” Meetre said.

“The Center is working on establishing more bible study groups, and they currently offer one on one peer counseling for men.

“It’s one thing for a woman to give advice to a man about what being a Christian man really looks like, but it makes more of an impact when they hear it from another man,” she said.

The ministry also offers a post-abortion ministry for women struggling with the psychological and emotional issues after abortion, whether it is 3 days or 30 years after the fact.

“People argue that women do not suffer any consequences after abortion, but many do experience symptoms that are similar to post traumatic stress disorder, including nightmares, flashbacks, uncontrolled anger and substance abuse,” Meetre said.

For more information about the Center, how to become involved or scheduling a tour please contact Stephanie McBride at (434) 528-9750 or visit their website at blueridgepc.org.

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Going the Distance at Deep Hollow

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Running the Race — Liberty students and Lynchburg community members took part in Student Activities’ latest installment in the Liberty Mountain trail series, the Deep Hollow Half-Marathon and 5k Race.

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Fasting from Fashion — Seven Items or Less

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"We just started doing it a year ago and we obtained. The book stresses that the worldly things they have have been more mentally prepared," Franks said. "There are 12,000 students on campus, 25 of which you could potentially see three days a week without class," Franks said. "The amount you can reach tens items alongsidewe accessories is only limited to your imagination. I guess we double our reach. If we do, I do even more that they would care."
Student Activities hosted its annual homecoming bonfire Oct. 8, bringing students and alumni together to kick off homecoming weekend.

People gathered in the parking lot of Thomas Road Baptist Church Friday night to join in the celebration, roasting marshmallows and making s'mores courtesy of Student Activities. The night commenced with a performance by the Alpha Delta Omega step team. According to Alpha Delta Omega's representative Courtney McGill, they are a women's ministry team that travels around the community to share the gospel.

"We're actually very excited about performing," McGill said. "This is our first time actually performing on campus."

The performance was then followed by the Peace Makers Crew's extensive performance. The performances got the crowd so active that 1990 Liberty alumnus Cooper Taylor went out to join the performers.

A few Liberty favorites, including the Spirit of the Mountains drumline and Liberty's cheerleading squad, added to the excitement with performances that continued to keep the crowd energized and entertained.

After Liberty's football team's head coach Danny Rocco and the Flames' football team made their way onto the stage, the celebration for the next day's homecoming football game began with Rocco lighting the enormous bonfire.

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PACKAGING TAPE PEOPLE

SUBTLE SILHOUETTES — The VCAH 330 Sculpture class puts students' waterproof works on display in the DeMoss courtyard every semester. The statues are made of packing tape and saran wrap.