Senate hopefuls debate
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When voting for the president, elig­ible voters will also have a chance to vote for their choice for Congress and Senate.
In line with the Liberty Champion, four congressional candidates answered several questions pertain­ ing to economic and fiscal issues. This week, the Senate candidates, Republican George Allen and Demo­cratic Tim Kaine, have answered similar questions. Review the candi­dates’ answers to gain a better un­derstanding of their stances on the economy, debt and political priorities.

Gingrich lectures
Calls America ‘most radical civilization’
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Former Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives Newt Gingrich visited Liberty University this weekend with his wife, Cal­lib. In an effort to emphasize the importance of American history in the education system and the importance of voting in the up­coming election, Gingrich lectured students, faculty and staff on the importance of understanding what it means to be American in the Helen School of Government.
“Tt came to my attention that if you lived in a country with judges who were unelected officials, who thought that it would be uncon­stitutional for you to vote for your nation under God,” a phrase that comes from Lincoln’s Gettysburg Address and was adopted by President Eisenhower as the theme of the Whig campaign, then something is wrong with our education system,” Gingrich said.
He emphasized the fact that there is a written document signed by the

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SUPPORT — Romney’s vice-presidential running mate, Paul Ryan, hold a gathering in Lynchburg Oct. 16.

Ryan visits Lynchburg
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Republican vice-presidential hopeful Paul Ryan came out campaigning against President Obama Tuesday, Oct. 16, campaigning before a large crowd at Automated Conve­ner Systems (ACS) on Millrace Drive in Lynchburg. Ryan strolled onto the stage from a black A/C, stepping to the beat of AC/ DC’s “Rock ‘N Roll Train.” Estimates from several sources place the crowd size between 1,000 and 3,000 people.
After commenting on our changing­ head-wearing fan and even jokingly­ pointing at a woman declining­ their free for him, Ryan quickly got down to business.
Economic concerns were the curse of the address. Ryan cited the dismal state of the economy as being a product of the poor policy of the Obama adminis­tration.
“We know without a shred of doubt that this country is on the wrong path,” Ryan said. “This is not even refiltable. Obama can’t run on the fact that the economy is barely limping along, slower this year than last year, and its growth slower than the year before that. And so, because he can’t run on his record, hope and change has now become attack, defeat and blame.”

The fourth point Ryan addressed,­ moving forward to the Republican­ plan for the economy, Ryan spoke on­ the Romney-Ryan Five-Point Plan for­ economic recovery. First on the agenda under the plan is North American energy independence, something that Ryan said can be achieved by building the Key­stone Oil Pipeline from Canada into the US, as well as by reducing regulation on resources that exist within our own borders.

The second phase of the plan consists of reigniting the manufacturing industry and foreign trade — namely exports — which Ryan argues is essential to a healthy economy.

The fourth point Ryan addressed, which drew the largest crowd response,

was the issue of debt and deficit spend­ing.
“We have got to stop spending money we just don’t have,” Ryan said. “We have a moral obligation to preserve the Amer­ican dream, not only for ourselves, but for our children and our grandchildren. That’s why we have to get this debt and deficit under control and balance the budget.”

Ryan’s mention of attack on the Obama administration’s record continued into the fifth point Ryan’s on foreign policy. Defeat budget cuts and the sluggish­ response to the recent embassy attack­ fueled much of Ryan’s free.

What we are witnessing is the propor­tion of weakness, and that proportion of weakness emboldens our adversaries and scares our allies,” Ryan said. “We believe the best way for us to keep peace here at home, to keep prosperity overseas, is to engage in a doctrine we call peace through strength,” and that means you don’t gut your military, the strongest­

side of Ryan’s time was devoted to a personal pitch for his running­ mate, Mitt Romney. Ryan, held a gathering in Lynchburg Oct. 16.

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Ryan rallies
Today: Sunny 79/51 Tomorrow: Sunny 80/50

Happy 80th Birthday, Dr. Towns!
Elizabeth Smith  

Every October for the past four years, the Theater Department at Liberty University has taken graduating seniors to New York City to experience theater on a larger scale. This year, 11 students had the opportunity to be treated by major Broadway actors, auditions in front of directors, and attend three different musicals including Peter and the Starcatcher, Once and Newsies.

"The purpose is for them to have professional work taught by Broadway casting directors, producers and choreographers so that they understand exactly what the professional world is going to be like in about six months when they graduate from here," Linda Noll Cooper, Chair of the Theater Department at Liberty, said. "It gives them some connections to some Broadway opportunities.

This year, the workshops were held by Broadway actors, director and playwright Michael Warren and soulmaker and choreographer Nick Holohan. "It's really good for them to hear from other professional people that we might have been telling them for three years, but they don't hear it from us any more, sometimes it resources JSON — Students from Liberty's Department of Theater Arts learn choreography while visiting NYC.

"When you go to see theater in New York, you feel centered and you lose you're watching a musical because the experience is just so magical," Liberty senior and theater production major Tyler Williams said. "It makes you more inspired to work hard and to try even harder to do something that's on a different level."

"Not only did students have the unique chance to attend workshops, but they were also able to audition in person and get their performances critiqued by him. When acts, who is also a good friend of Cooper's, told students to get in contact with him if they ever desired to move to New York."

Extra Mini said she was very encouraged by the feedback given by the professionals on Broadway.

"The audition workshop was really insightful. To hear Watson tell me all my friends things like "You can do this" and "Broadway is not unattainable" was just so encouraging," Mini said.

After she graduated, Mini wanted to attend an equity company, which will not only allow her to audition for major Broadway shows, but also give her connections with casting agents who communicate with directors on Broadway.

"Our Theater Department students enjoyed precisely that type of experience in New York. Our goal is to provide each student the chance to go to school (with ample opportunities to grow both as a Christian and as an artist or practitioner in their craft). Where experiences are rare, from a degree Liberty, we believe that you will have to introduce the world-where God's light is here," Norman McMillin, Liberty University's Dean of Communciations, said.

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"Being married to a business owner is a good thing, we want people, especially women. We don't look at another woman's success with envy or resentment. We're proud of the fact that American women are more willing to work hard and help others."

Ryan discussed upward mobility within the classes as well as the merits of hard work and effort. "If you ever want to, we can nurture the talents you have, but you need to decide where: if you work hard and turn in your work, you can get far.

"We believe in equality of opportunity, not equality of outcomes."

In closing, Ryan appealed to the Virginia audience, to our nation, to the world. Encouraging the leaders of the future, promising to stay true to what they consider the nation's founding principles.

"Look, this is Virginia, this is America, and most people who understand the borders, it is Virginia, Thomas Jefferson and the first: our rights come from nature and our God, not from government... We can try to translate this country into something it was never intended to be... we will not just try to interpret our founding principles, we will actually live up to our founding principles."

Local government officials acknowledged the economy came away very pleased with the mayor's performance. "He definitely is bringing the message that we need to listen to our constituents, which is exactly what we need to grow the economy, we need to thrive in our own controlled government spendings and balancing our budget," Congresswoman Bob Goodlatte said. Virginia State Delegate Scott Garrett weighed in after Ryan's energetic speech, "I think Mitt Romney and Paul Ryan both get it, that only our faith values matter, "

Ryan said, "There are too many people that are trying to define our values for us — not them of them are sealed in the 20th Century, and its time to move on..." Despite what the elected officials say, whether Ryan and Romney have time enough to win over the voters demographic that came out strong for Obama in 2008 remains to be seen. "I think that they've certainly reached out to 20-29 somethings to say, 'You matter, this is your generation'," Garrett said. "They talk about $16 billion in debt, it's not Scott Garrett's debt. I'm 56 years old it's our 'disaster's' things' debt."

Liberty students react (although not overwhelming number, there was a solid showing from the Liberty student body at the event. Review of the speech were generally positive. "As a Christian, the Bible says that the borrower is servant to the lender and so we don't want the Obama administration to pass the bill to the next generation of Americans," Liberty graduate student Christian Colton said, "I think Ryan's free market plan is what we need hear in America".

For some students, a live appearance in Lebowitz is an offered a better view of Ryan than watching the televised vice presidential debate. "I just wanted to get a more personal idea of what Paul Ryan was all about," Liberty senior student Johnson said. I mean, I went on TV, but I don't want to just kick the can down the road, they want to deal with the issues," Liberty student Jared Dehli said. For students like Jar Dehli, the rally was the first major political event they had ever taken part in. "The environment was kind of creepy, smaller than I thought," student Jared Dehli said. "Everyone definitely came here with a live fire fighter at home. No one was really.

Romney and his group of friends managed to work their way right in front of the podium to hear Ryan's message.
Obama, Romney argue domestic policy

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Republican nominee Mitt Romney, and incumbent President Barack Obama debated for the first time once again. During the second presidential debate, based at Hofstra University in Hempstead, N.Y. During the town-hall-style discussion over foreign and domestic policy issues ranging from the war in Afghanistan to the economy to Libya and everything in between, the National Governor's Association selected 12 undecided voters from the New York area, who then provided questions for the candidates to answer.

According to Candy Crowley from CNN's State of the Union opened the floor to Stonybrook-college student Jeremy Epstein to start the questions and answer session.

"Hey, President, Governor Romney, as a 20-year-old college student, I have a question from professors, neighbors and others that is when I graduate, I will have little chance to get married and start a family. What can you say to reassure me, but more importantly, my parents, that I will be able to sufficiently support myself after I graduate?" Epstein asked.

Because we're the economy, Gov., Romney answered.

"Thank you, Jeremy. I appreciate your question, and thank you for bringing this up tonight." Romney began. "I imagine it's one they're being asked all across this country - so what we have to do is two things: we have to make sure that we make it easier for kids to afford college and also make sure that when they get out of college, there's a job. I hope what it takes for this economy going forward is you know what it takes to make sure you have the kind of opportunity it needs for us.

Obama replied by combusting over the importance of investing in higher education and what that means to the individual as well as the nation.

"The most important thing we can do is make sure that we are creating jobs in this country, jobs that can support families," Obama said. "What I want to do is build on the 3 million jobs that we've created over the last 30 months in the private sector alone. And there are a bunch of things that we can do. We can make sure your future is bright.

Number one, we need to build strong jobs in the county again and...number two, we've got to make sure that we have the best education system in the world.

Crowley was cut off several times by both candidates throughout the day in order to speak in extra segments of response time. Crowley also had to intervene multiple times between the bickering candidates.

After Epstein's question about employment post-graduation, Crowley elaborated by mentioning a 40 percent unemployment rate, saying that during currently employed do not have the two years until graduation that Epstein has.

"What is the best way for us to make sure we will be able to compete in the international market place?" Romney repeated.

"The president's policies have been over the last four years, and they haven't put America back to work," Romney said. "If the unemployment rate was 7.8 percent when he took office, 6.7 percent now but if you calculated that unemployment rate, taking back the people also dropped in the week-end, it would be 8.7 percent. We have not made the progress we need to make in order to put people back to work.

Obama reacted by saying that Governor Romney not having his proposed back-five-year plan.

"We have a one-year plan, and the plan to make sure that we help all of us pay different set of rates," Obama stated. "That's what's been a spending solution. We have fought back for four years and we've put this country back to work by going back to the very same policies that got us into this.

According to CNN, the president refused to try to "make up for lost ground" following his "dysfunctional" performance in the first presidential debate Oct. 3.

CNN also reported that the Obama campaign claimed victory during this second debate. David Axelrod, senior Obama campaign advisor, claimed that Romney was 'back-pedaling all night long, in the same cases even trying to trivialize a prominent performance because the president pulled the curtain back on his campaign
talk to the nation, but it is a win in the right direction." Romney responded.

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The 6th District congressional debate was held at Liberty University's School of Law Supreme Court room between Congressman Bob Goodlatte and Andy Schenck Oct. 19.

The debate consisted of several questions from local media outlets such as WSHE and The News & Advance asking questions that each candidate had one minute to respond. The debate was moderated by the dean of the School of Health System closing the economy, reducing spending and balancing the budget.

During the debate, Schenck community that "we are all in this together." When asked about education, he said including growth in the economy, reducing spending and balancing the budget.

"The question we really need to ask ourselves, in what kind of society we need to be," Schenck said. "Education should be a right for all and we need to steer some of the same service inrum as we are in this together.

When asked the same question, Schenck said that the federal government should not be accountable in inquiring into private ratings on private liberal arts institutions like Liberty University, nor should it know it support some kind of private controls over the vast majority of students in the country.

Both candidates briefly adressed job opportunities for graduates. After graduation, Schenck said he did not have a lot to say about this topic, but said that he is an individual who is committed to telling the truth. "If I'm ever asked too much information about that question, I do know when I'm talking about when I have a problem," Schenck said. Goodlatte's response to this question was that it is important to work in a bipartisan community in order to create job growth.

When asked about factors keeping the Chesapeake Bay clean, Schenck returned to the center of all of us are all in this together.

Goodlatte also mentioned his strong record of supporting small businessmen. "I'm not only of a friend of small farmers, but I'm a friend of small businesses," Goodlatte said.

"The National Federation of Independent Businesses, the leading organization in the company that represents small businesses, has endorsed me for election in this campaign." When Schenck was asked about the privatization of Amtrak, he drew applause after his statement that he was suspicious of Mitt Romney's privatization plans.

Women's rights in regard to religious taxes were also debated toward the end of the evening. Both candidates agreed in an audience response when they were asked to position their women's rights to their goals. Goodlatte used this time to maintain his popular values, bringing in a bald apple from an audience member.

Schenck, a Democrat, ABC 13, asked each candidate to admit the positives and negatives of their campaign.

"You're not all I'd like it to be, but it is a win in the right direction," Schenck responded.

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1. What specific policies would you support to create jobs and stimulate the economy?

To grow our economy and create jobs, we must support small and startup businesses that are the lifeblood of our economy. We need to invest in our workforce through better technical training and foster an environment where folks are willing to work and retrain even if that means sacrificing a bit of political party. Too often, Congress gets gridlocked down in politics and does not make the long-term decisions needed for our future. For that reason, we need a presidential term plan for the future. We can do better. As senator, I will work across the aisle to find a middle ground on important issues to put the economy like infrastructure, immigration and our veterans. My vision is one that requires the support and affordable education they need to succeed.

2. What separates you from the other candidates?

I dedicated my life to serving our state. I spent a year working as a missionary in Honduras, I've worked with local government and I learned, I'm a United States general and doctoral student. I've worked with folks of all political parties. Even though we did not agree on everything, I learned to maintain friendships, so that we could continue to focus on good issues. As senator, I've worked with President Bush on critical infrastructure projects, the Commonwealth, and we've made big strides in making smoking in restaurants and bars.

do not see myself as an obstructionist, but rather, it is you the obstructionist.

3. What are your top five priorities and what would you do to make your political platform a success?

I am an idealist and believe in the possibilities of cooperation and compromise. I have not long ago that lawmakers in Washington D.C. work together to achieve common goals. Even if they disagreed on certain points, Congress found ways to compromise in order to govern effectively and move forward. I hope to find common ground between members of both parties to achieve our national goals. Some of my goals include bringing local responsibility back to government, getting our economy back on track to make our health care system more affordable, increasing our energy independence through a comprehensive approach.

4. What steps would you support to reduce the national debt?

Our national debt is a growing issue, and we must take action to help reduce the national debt and ensure the next generation is not saddled with debt. Congress needs to compromise. Some people say that we must balance the budget through an across-the-board cut, which approach would decimate spending on things like education, infrastructure and care for our veterans when they return home. Some people say we can cut tax cuts expiring over $500 billion. I believe we must find a middle ground. If we allow the Bush tax cuts expire for those making over $200,000 a year, we would raise over $500 billion over the next 10 years. Then, now that would be significant, we can cut, but the cuts will not be so deep that they harm innovative companies in our future and our economy. I know how to make it work. I am the only governor in mosquility house to lower office to lower office in my term and I inherited it. But I made cuts that were not so deep on the local line item, starting with my own office, so we can make cuts over the course of three years. This is the right way to an alternative would be to Washington.

5. What specific laws, if any, would you support reducing the national debt?

We all share the goal of reducing unsecured government deficits. The right way is to do this through education and access to affordable health care and corruption rather than locking up someone's reproductive decisions.

6. Where is your position regarding marriage equality for the LGBT community and me woman or whether we should judicially enforce the people of the same sex?

All people should be able to have a committed relationship that is treated equally under law. Uganda should have the complete freedom to choose manner in which they will recognize religious purposes.

7. Why should college students feel inclined to vote for you?

As a law school professor I am inspired by the potential of our students and we must vote in theBipartisan causes that will further our nation's success. America's next generation will fuel our nation's promise. America's next generation will fuel our nation's promise. America's next generation will fuel our nation's promise.
Q&A with the Senate candidates

George Allen seeks Senate seat

1. What specific policies would you support to create new jobs and stimulate the econ- omy?

Creating the right conditions for more jobs is my top priority. First, we must attract as many new industries and businesses to our state as possible. Second, we must invest in our core manufacturing sector. Finally, we must focus on developing a world-class educational system that prepares students for the workforce.

2. What steps would you support to reduce the national debt?

We must follow the principles of the Balanced Budget Amendment. This would ensure that our government operates within the limits of the Constitution and that we never again run a budget deficit. Additionally, we must reduce spending on non-core government programs and prioritize our investments in the long-term economic health of our country.

3. Are you in favor of term limits for Senators?

As a former member of Congress, I believe in term limits. It is important for legislators to be accountable to their constituents and to maintain a strong connection to the people they represent. Term limits would help ensure that our government remains responsive to the needs of the American people.

4. Why should college students feel inclined to vote for you?

As a former member of Congress, I understand the important role that young people play in shaping our future. I have always been a strong advocate for students and their rights, and I believe that every young person deserves a voice in our democracy.

5. What is your position regarding whether Congress should do more to investigate tax fraud?

As a former member of Congress, I believe that Congress should take a strong position against tax fraud. We must ensure that our tax laws are enforced and that those who cheat the system are held accountable.

6. What is your position regarding whether Congress should do more to investigate the government's role in the sub-prime mortgage crisis?

As a former member of Congress, I believe that Congress should take a strong position against the government's role in the sub-prime mortgage crisis. We must ensure that our financial regulatory system is in place and that those who cheated the system are held accountable.

7. Why should you be re-elected?

As a former member of Congress, I believe that I bring the experience and knowledge necessary to serve as your Senator. I have a strong record of fighting for the needs of our state and our country, and I believe that I can continue to serve our constituents with distinction.

8. What are your top five priorities and what would you do to make your political goals become a reality?

1. Education: I will continue to advocate for strong public education and support increased funding for classrooms.
   2. Economic Development: I will support policies that create new jobs and stimulate economic growth.
   3. Healthcare: I will continue to fight for affordable healthcare for all Americans.
   4. National Security: I will work to keep our country safe and strong.
   5. Environment: I will continue to advocate for policies that protect our planet and preserve our natural resources.

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established founders, and it says that we are redeemed by our creator and that our rights come from God. According to Gingrich, if we do not know that because we are not in our logical chains, then we do not understand the concept.

"It is in the classical period that we become civilized, and that is why we say 'America.'" Gingrich said. He believes that model in history, starting with the founding principles of the United States. We are no longer in the conditions under which the road to our rebirth and that we are no longer, in America. He believes that concept will go on leading us to solve some of today's problems. "I would say the most important single characteristic of the American sys- tem is the expectation that the government will work," Gingrich said. Gingrich visited the Republican campaign headquarters in Gingrich's home state of South Carolina. According to Gingrich, on Saturday, Oct. 21, he is en- couraging his supporters to vote in the upcoming election.

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Escaping the shadows of debt

Author gives students a template to avoid the financial burden of student loans they face after graduating

From the desk

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Swing, better batter, worse rounds

As my friends start paying off their loans and make sure that their future selves won't be burned out, the Detroit Tigers will get to play in, and hopefully win, the World Series. After a swinging sweep of the against the most overhyped baseball team in history, the Tigers have dramatically rebounded to win the American League Championship Series (ALCS) and have earned a trip to the World Series. The Tigers want to put to rest all of the noise and start using their bats and hitting enough to win the final result of this year's World Series. It's not too late to make a statement and join the Tigers in winning the ALCS.

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Producers from the faith-based film "Finding Faith"—which features Erik Estrada of the hit show "CHIPS" and multiple Liberty University students—have continued to encourage student involvement in their project with the implementation of a songwriting contest for the movie's soundtrack.

Work for the collaborative soundtrack is in its beginning stages. Christian artists such as Avalon, Newsboys, Charles Billingsley, Meredith Andrews, Jason Crabb and Liberty worship pastor Justin Kintzel will feature songs in the original soundtrack.

Producers from the movie created a contest held by the songwriting specialization department calling for Liberty worship students to enter a song in hopes of being featured in the movie soundtrack.

Kory Lee Scott, a senior center for music and worship major with an art specialization, won the Finding Faith Soundtrack Songwriter's award for his song, "Suit in Your Arms." Megan Marie Belcher will perform Scott's song in the protagonist, Faith. "The song really focuses on the assurance that the Lord is there for all those questions you have," Scott said. "For so long, the Lord has been playing songs to my heart, but, for too long, I let that keep me from sharing them. It's so neat to see the Lord has worked on my heart to overcome fear and start sharing songs and praying for them to be heard by others' lives."

Bedford County Sheriff Mike Brown, who initiated the idea for the movie, encouraged students to have a Liberty student offer a song for the soundtrack and made Devout's contest known to him in the movie. He also said that word of the movie has spread past the Commonwealth of Virginia.

"Someone from the West Virginia state police saw the trailer, and now it's all over the state of West Virginia," Brown said. "Everybody that I spoke with had heard of Finding Faith... it speaks well of everybody working on this project."

Once the contest is finished, a few members of the cast and crew will embark on a screening tour, visiting churches throughout the country. Erik Estrada will also make several appearances, joining the "Finding Faith" tour. Songs will be released on this fall. The film is set to release with a special screening at Thomas Road Baptist Church just 10 days before the movie's release date.

Producers said, "We're just starting to hear these songs and it's looking like it's going to be very moving, very inspiring. It's going to be something that people are going to be excited about."

Producers also said they are looking for students to attend a special screening of the movie in October at Liberty University.
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According to coaches Dillon, and Charity Holland, the entire team contributed to (11) overall success. Several members of the team were key players in the team's overall victory. The contributions of Zach Finn, Melanie Evan, Patrick Spenter, Nathan Edwards, Matt Sylvester, Craig Brown and Bryan Ingram were particularly significant.

According to Finn, he received second place in navigation and first in ground training. Evans stated that she achieved second in the computer accuracy event and first in the simulated comprehensive air navigation test. Both Brown and Sylvester placed first in navigation, according to Holland. According to Ingram, he received second place for power-off precision landings. Nathan Edwards was the top pilot and Melanie Evan was recognized as the top female pilot.

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"We pushed them. They knew if there was a win of 'em in there, it could have been ours," Dillon said. "(It) put us in the familiar air plane, and I'd feel comfortable and at ease, and ready to do what I had been trained for."

This victory did not come without great effort and tough training, according to Dillon.

According to Holland and Dillon, this flight portion of the competition is where the team needed to make the most improvements, especially for nationals. The team's Christ-like behavior and competitive spirit was recognized by receiving the Red Baron award for outstanding team sportsmanship, according to Dean of the SOA, Greg David Young.

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SOA flight team wins regional competition

Flights

B-25 Flying Aerobatics (SFI) Tom Liberty's SOA flight team members in taking four out of the top five spots in the navigation training.

"I felt a lot of pressure from my team and the school to do well because we have been the defending champions for seven years now," Evans said. "However, as soon as I'd get down in the familiar airplane, I'd feel comfortable and at ease again, and ready to do what I had been trained for."

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SPORTS

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Flames lose Blue and Grey Cup against Panthers

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Friday

Liberty University’s DI hockey team defeated 6-3 at the LaHaye Center for Conference, Friday, Oct. 19 against the Dowsett University Panthers.

“It was a little frustrating just ‘cause our team wasn’t going anywhere or actually getting anywhere where they were supposed to, so that made it a little tough,” Liberty freshman BJ Pere said.

“We battled hard. We just needed to execute better,”

The Panthers scored a goal within the first six minutes of the game. Pere was the first to score for the Flames, making it 1-1 at the end of the first period.

The Panther’s three-goal lead in the second period pushed their lead from 1-4 to 4-4 with four minutes left in the period. But senior Rick Turner scored his 19th goal of the season, ending the period with a score of 4-2. Turner leads the nation in scoring.

By the start of the third period, the Panthers scored again to increase their lead to three. Flames freshman Steven Belowski responded for the Flames, adding another goal, which cut the score to 5-3.

Senior night

Senior night comes around every year, bringing a bitter sweet night of communication to the Panthers. This year, the eight graduating seniors celebrated their careers, which fill between two rows of underclassmen that suiv­ered with them through the ups and downs of these past four years.

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“The seniors have done a great job, and they’re going to be one he­re next year,” senior John Lunsford, who was filling in for the injured John Lunsford, said, and it will be one ball we will not forget. Concord’s Even Moore beat up in the middle and blocked the ball up and behind the spot of the left. The Mountain Lions’ Nick Reed took possession and returned it 38 yards for the first score of the game.

Library was able to answer with a 41-yard touchdown pass from Josh Wood­rum to Darrit Pollard on the ensuing drive. The touchdown was only the sec­ond catch of Pearson's young career.

“Darrit Pearson, we put him in that spo­ce, and he caught that touchdown pass,” Gill said. “We have two or three other targets that are in the rotation, and when the opportunity presents itself, we always want these guys to be ready. Darrit Pearson stepped up and made a play—a big play—to keep us going in the football game.”

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The Panthers dominated virtually every facet of the game in their win over the visiting Mountain Lions of Concord University, Saturday, Oct. 20 at Williams Stadium.

The Flames showed the ball twice as much, and they out gained their opponent by nearly 230 yards. They had 16 first downs and were significantly better than their opponent on third down.

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It did not take long for the Flames to find the back of the net against the Mountain Lions. Ryan Ferguson, the second leading wide receiver for the Flames, went down on the first play, ap­pearing to suffer a right leg injury that would keep him from returning for the rest of the game. No official word has been given as to the severity of the in­jury.

Perhaps it was Ferguson’s that let the air out of the Flames, but for what­ever reason, the Flames offense struggled. The first quarter ended with the Flames off­ense struggling. The final score was 21- 13. And that is OK, with Head Coach Turner Gill.

“The first quarter turned out better than we thought,” Gill said. “The first quarter turned out better than the first quarter turned out better than we thought.”

The second quarter started much better than the first, with the Flames knocking on the Mountain Lions door at the 38-yard line. Liberty moved the ball inside the red zone to the 19-yard line before a sack on third down forced a 42-yard field goal attempt.

It was the first field goal attempt of the season for Aaron Sassaman, who was named Big South Conference, Saturday, Oct. 20 at Williams Stadium.

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Volleyball sets new team record

Lady Flames become Big South leaders after defeating Winthrop and Presbyterian over the weekend

Olivia Withiterite / Assistant Sports Editor

The Liberty Flames volleyball team shattered its previous record straight conference home wins and emerged as Big South Conference leaders with a dominating win over Winthrop University Saturday, Oct. 20 in the Vines Center.

Notching its 18th straight conference win at home, the Lady Flames broke a record that was previously set from Oct. 15, 1996 through Nov. 9, 1999. Finishing with an attack of 79 percent, the Flames shut down the Eagles, sweeping three sets and bringing Winthrop’s tournament winning streak to a halt.

“This week, we focused a lot on our offense, and it worked out this weekend,” Head Coach Shawn Plante said. “We were very efficient… We’re really happy we got multiple attackers involved.

The Flames never trailed in the first set, getting off to an early lead from a kill by sophomore Kendra Ballum and capping off the set with a kill by junior Lille Hoppel. Liberty took the first set by a final score of 25-20.

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The Eagles emerged from behind a 3-4 deficit to win the match with a score that mirrored the first, 25-26.

Rebel freshman Landrie

Senior continued from B1

said, “They’re great role models for the team. They’ve done an excellent job leading this year as a group, and we’re really going to miss them.”

All season, with the exception of Short, started the game Saturday night. Seven minutes into the game, Short was carried off the field when she felt down after a challenge by a Radford player. There did not appear to be any foul play involved.

The Lady Flames fell to 1-1 in the Big South Conference. They remain perfect at home in the season with seven straight wins, six of which have been determined in three straight sets. Daniel back to last season, the Lady Flames have won 12 straight matches at home.

The Lady Flames begin a road trip, where they will face three conference rivals, the Radford Highlanders on Oct. 26, High Point Panthers on Nov. 2, and the Campbell Fighting Camels on Nov. 3. Liberty returns home to face UNC Asheville on Nov. 9.

WITHTERITE is a sports reporter.
In last year's game against rival Coastal Carolina Chanticleers, the Flames were 83-27 in front of a homecoming crowd. This year, Liberty enters a hostile environment against a Chanticleers team with nothing but revenge on its mind.

Liberty has won the last three out of four meetings against Coastal.

Ground Attack

The Flames are riding a three-game winning streak, and the key to their recent success is the participation of running backs Akeemts Allen and Jonathan Holloway. Two weeks ago, both running backs combined for 92 yard mark against Presbyterian. The two almost pulled off of the feat again against the Coastal Mountain Lions.

Combined, Allen and Holloway have rushed for 1,275 yards and 19 touchdowns for the team. They also combine for 1,428 all-purpose yards. Over the last two games, quarterback Jahl Woodrum has been able to manage the offense behind a solid running game. Coastal Carolina also has a poor run defense, which allows 189 yards per game. The Flames game plan will be to exploit this weakness.

Woodrum's Progress

In his first season as the Flames' starting quarterback, Woodrum has put up decent numbers. Over the course of the season, he has thrown for over 300 yards in five starts, he also produced 1,299 yards in the air with eight touch downs and has a 73.5 passing percentage. The one thing that has plagued the quarterback has been turnovers. In those five starts, Woodrum also has five interceptions.

Chanticleer Offense

In a key conference game against Coastal Carolina, this week, Liberty's defense will have to come up big. But we battled back, and the Flames won 63-27 in overtime.

Aldrak Fennessey scored to extend its winning streak when they needed it most. It was a character comeback. After this, we will have a good week of practice and then face Presbyterian. The No. 1 team in the American College Hockey Association when Liberty Ohio comes in next weekend. "We just have to chalk this one up as a learning experience and get to work this week to hopefully come out on top next weekend."
before the ball arrived—something his opponent admitted to. “I didn’t see it come and had the safety over the top, so I could place real pressure,” said Richardson. “I basically just hit him on the ground, the quarterback threw the ball, and I picked it up and ran it down the sideline.”

Richardson returned the pick to the one-yard line, and the Mountain Lions punched it in for a touchdown on the next play. The post-touchdown attempt was blocked, giving the score at 15-7 in favor of the Mountain Lions.

Liberty scored again in the second quarter when running back Richard Holloway managed to hang onto a short shovel pass that was slightly off-target. After securing the ball, he shook off a would-be tackler to walk into the end zone. The extra point put the score at 15-13, where it stayed for the remainder of the first half.

With five minutes left in the third quarter, Holloway added another score: a two-yard run up the middle to put the Flames ahead 21-13. Holloway, who ran the ball seven times on the scoring drive, finished the evening with 142 yards on 28 carries for a 0.3-yard average.

The Liberty running attack, which out-gained the Eagles 289 yards on the ground last week against VMI, ran on his last possession. Holloway finished the night just shy of 100 yards with 91 yards.

Holloway scored two touchdowns in the third quarter: the final score of a very successful second half. The teams combined for seven points and one missed field goal over the course of the last 20 minutes.

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"it was exactly what the essay of a major role of our judges," davis said.

"i'm a writer, just as you are." davis and colin's experience, writing conferences are the key to the success of a new writer.

"you that personal connection at conferences," davis said.

according to colin, she spent years attempting to get her first fiction novel, "master's gift," published. it was only when she attended a writer's conference and had a face-to-face conversation with a publisher that she was able to get her book out there.

"you get better results if you conferencing," colin said. "have your papers, one of them not to discard."

"you may not use for years," she said, "but you will have it when you do." davis had a somewhat different perspective on writing and finding ideas, saying, "get up and live your life, and it will come to you."

according to davis, writers should also commit to writing one short story a week.

"it gives you a sense of achievement that you won't get in a novel, and it gives you something to write for the editor," she added.

the most significant thing that colin and davis stressed was the fact that writers have to be committed and passionate about what they do.

"it's not just for fun, you're doing the wrong thing," davis said.

"scribblers" members asked questions throughout the two-hour event, hoping to benefit from the unique perspectives of the two writers.

"everybody seemed like they were very interested," public relations officer rachel werner said after the event. "we got quite a lot of encouragement and ideas for improving our craft."

"i think it was really informative and encouraging that you don't have to be stephen king to get published," werner said.

the story of lynne's adoption particularly stood out to the judges.

"it was the first of the essays by a majority vote of our judges," davis said.

"lynn's adoption was very difficult and the impact of her adoption has on her life also played a role in the judges' decision. from her essay, it was evident that she had been a troubled child for six years of life and grew from a very weak and spiritless child that her parents had in mind.

coming up to liberty was a direct result of the love and encouragement of lynne's parents.

they encouraged me to attend liberty university and take a writing class. the experience was also an exciting moment for both lynne and her parents.

"so went and heard the news, i went to all my parents," lynne said. "i really felt for lynne and her parents."

author davis and lynne are not only cousins, but also neighbors. lynne lives in davis's neighborhood.

according to lynne's parents, lynne had a somewhat difficult childhood with many ups and downs, according to lynne's parents.

"i love all my brothers and sisters," lynne said. "together as a family.

in addition to the presentation of the awards, the family worked bampions, the thomas family won a prize package including a night out at the dinner theater and a chance to win many other things, davis said.

"the main part of the event was to encourage lynne in her writing endeavors for her and her family."
Liberty professor impacts design market

SADA professor Monique Maloney excels with her designs while helping students improve their skills

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Every person has a story to tell, a role to play, a passion in the depth of their soul that ignites change and creativity in people, in an inspiration to be something more than we ever thought possible.

Liberty University is a place fueled by immensely talented teachers whose goal it is to take some of God’s given gifts and pass them on to the next generation in hopes of changing the world for Christ. One of many teachers who share in this responsibility is Monique Maloney.

It takes more than just knowledge to be a great teacher. In the words of William Arthur Ward, “The mediocre teacher tells. The good teacher explains. The superior teacher demonstrates. The great teacher inspires.” The gift of inspiration can be felt and seen to come true, but it shines brightly in Maloney.

Growing up in the town of Springfield, Mass., and moving to the town of South Hadley at age 10, Maloney was embedded with creativity from the very beginning.

“Get a good meal and pack all you went to art school,” Maloney’s mother would remind her sometimes when she thought maybe she could do this or that, but it always fell back to art.

Raised in the Baptist church, Maloney was taught the ways of God at an early age. Maloney said that her parents told her she was baptized and

OTTERBOX Maloney submitted six designs to Otterbox for iPhone cases, three of which were chosen for the company’s “Eternality” line.

...at a young age, but not until college did she define her faith in Christ. “I ended up at a Christian college,” Maloney said. “I was my senior year during a Bible conference when the speaker said, ‘If you can’t remember a time and place where you were saved, don’t go by what other people tell you.’”

Maloney also emphasized the importance of taking a stand for what you believe. “You need to make it a stake in the ground — here we go, this is what I believe in. And I accepted Christ that day.”

Before her years at Liberty, Maloney’s life goal was to be successful in advertising. She would work all day, every day if she had to.

“I learned to be the most successful at a career and make a name for myself,” Maloney said.

But now, her focus has been on what God wants her to do and how she can reflect her art to God and live a life that is different. “I want to find a balance where it’s not just career, but it’s family and community and loving others and giving back and reflecting art to God,” Maloney said.

Maloney has been with Otterbox for around 20 years, but in no way is she slowing down. “Your 20s you spend some of it at college and other parts of it getting experience and just living life and maybe settling down. I think it is the time to feel a little more confident in what you do, because you’re no longer searching out things you’ve just getting better at what you’re already doing.”

According to an article on Liberty’s website, Maloney has even designed a line of iPhone cases for Otterbox called the “Eternality” line. Three of her six designs were chosen for the line, one of which is available in two colors.

Maloney has been married for eight years to her husband John, and they have a 2-year-old daughter, Zoey, and a 4-year-old son named Bella. Maloney is currently residing in graduate school, working her master’s in graphic design.

“I love my job, and I am so thankful. I don’t even think of it as a job. To me, I enjoy waking up every morning and coming to work,” Maloney said.

Bartlett is a feature reporter.

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Lynchburg runs for their lives

Liberty University students and Lynchburg residents gather at Heritage High School to support Freedom 4/24

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On a cold Saturday morning in October, the City of Lynchburg rallied together for a common cause: to fight for the lives of women and children facing the daily realities of sex trafficking. Over 2,300 participants gathered in the parking lot of Heritage High School Saturday, Oct. 20, in anticipation of the 1k, 5k or 10k race held on Leeville Road. "Run for Their Lives" benefited Freedom 4/24, which fights the devastating effects of sex trafficking — globally and domestically.

The price of registering for the race was $20, which gives Freedom 4/24 the opportunity to buy one woman or child for an entire night, saving them from the hands of the men who would regularly buy them in the sex trade. This one night allows Freedom 4/24 minutes to offer the victim spiritual and emotional care in hopes of freeing them from the grip of prostitution.

"It is inspiring but devastating that there is such a need for this ministry," Natalie Badea, a volunteer at the event, said.

With registration booths, runners were given the chance to read five stories about women who Freemen 4/24 ministries helped. Runners selected one woman and had her name written on Sharpie markers on their arms to remember the cause while competing. John Dungan, the pastor at Broadwood Church, led the participants in a time of prayer and remembrance of the victims before the start of the race.

FREEDOM — Liberty students and Lynchburg residents help Freedom 4/24 in the fight to help women get out of the sex trade industry.

"I was running and praying over the girl on my arm. It was really empowering and makes you want to run faster," Haley Van Ness, a freshman from Liberty University, said.

The event was especially emotional for those who have had the opportunity to travel to the places most affected by sex trafficking.

"Last year, I went to Thailand, so today is emotional," Amber Blank, a Liberty alumni volunteer, said. "I was there 10 days, and one conversation I had with a sex-trafficking victim will forever speak to me. The more aware you are of the cause, the more you want to do." Sex trafficking also affects the women and children within the realms of the United States.

"We have a lot of freedom we take for granted," Joshua Colloway, a participant in the race, said. "The race is an opportunity to give people the freedom we have all the time."

After the race, participants were offered refreshments as they gathered to have conversations on the football fields of Heritage High School.

"It was a very fun environment to run in," Libby Campbell, a sophomore at Liberty said.

At the time of the races, 21 individuals in China were also running for the Freedom 4/24 race, demonstrating the global effect that the ministry often encourages.

"If more people got involved, we could put an end to it," Van Ness said.

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Campus band records live album

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Hundreds of excited students filled into the Thomas Road Baptist Church sanctuary Wednesday, Oct. 17 for the live recording of a concert performed by the Liberty University Campus Band. The occasion was evident as the audience erupted in cheers of support when the Campus Band arrived on stage. The floor of the sanctuary was packed with eager listeners as the voices of the band bounced off the high walls, feeding into the recording system.

"I'm excited that I get to be on a CD because I do not have a singing voice," Nikis Green, a student present at the event, said, "This is my one chance so I'm going to do it.

Cameras crossed in the ever-present and caught shots of the growing audience throughout the concert. The flickering blue and yellow lights and crisp feed from the singers' microphones allowed for an exciting worship experience.

"I forget all about the recording," Lauren Sweeney, lead female vocalist for the band, said. "Our CDs were really focused on the Lentille concert time.

The concert consisted of songs written previously by Campus Band members that they were excited to share with the audience. The band had begun preparing for this concert in August, dedicating the majority of their fall breaks to long rehearsals.

The finished product will be released in the near future.

"He used in this capacity by God at this school is such a blessing," Sweeney said.

Many of the band members are also current students at Liberty, balancing academics and band practices to perform for their peers at convocation and campus church services during the school year. "It's a privilege to be able to serve and see God move," Bryce Rogers, drummer for the band, said. "It's such a blessing.

Humbled by the power of God felt throughout the performance, band members noted that their prayers were answered through the reaction of the audience.

"Alumni also traveled to share in the future success of Liberty," Warren said. "It was sweet.

Aurora Alvarado, a Liberty alumna, said, "I chose there-and-there because I love music."

After the band played the final song of the night, Justin Kanzel, lead vocalist of the band, quipped the audience "to close with a final word of prayer.

Before Kanzel could end the concert, many audience members yelled for an encore of the popular praise song, "Oh, Happy Day."

Kanzel laughed at the spontaneous request as the other band members obediently began to pray. The night ended after the encore as hands dropped reluctantly, finishing the last wild motions of the song.

"I enjoyed it a lot," Sarah Wells, a freshman at Liberty, said. "The band was great. I loved it.

As the audience left, compliments for the band could be heard spoken throughout conversations as many students claimed they would be coming back to hear the band in the future.

"Sure, I'll come again," Aaron Brown, a freshman at Liberty, said. "Why wouldn't I?

Details of concerts performed by the Campus Band are released in convocation services, and all of the concerts are open to the community.

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Wasabi serves up Japanese cuisine

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If you have not already heard, there is a new addition to Lynchburg restaurants, the Wasabi Japanese Steakhouse and Sushi Bar. Located at 3700 Candlers Mountain Road next to what many people know in the "dollar theater," this Japanese-style restaurant offers a wide variety of foods from sushi and seafood to hibachi chicken and steak.

According to the restaurant's website, Wasabi strives to provide a fun, inviting atmosphere for customers to come and relax as they enjoy great food with friends. Wasabi combines Japanese new culture and fine cuisine with great service to bring the customer with an environment of fun and entertainment.

One of the many features that Wasabi offers is its hibachi grill. Diners can watch the chef cook their food right in front of them.

"We bring a new style of hibachi to Lynchburg," General Manager Alan Hsu said, "We do the hibachi grill, and our sushi is fresh. We are doing pretty good right now, but we want to do even better."

Hsu sets his goals high, but he is confident that Wasabi will draw in its share of people.

"We want more people to know we are here," Hsu said. "On the weekend, it is pretty packed but on the weekdays, we would like to pick up more business. We opened on Sept. 28. We are a big restaurant, and I think in time, people will get to know about us.

Wasabi offers catering for events such as birthday parties, business meetings or special events. Open daily for lunch and dinner, business hours can be found online at the Wasabi Lynchburg website.

"My favorite thing was the sushi roll itself," Liberty University sophomore Sophie Bourret said, "It was taste quickly, and it was wonderful. I definitely want to go there again."

Bourret came because of the food, but she enjoyed the entire experience at the new restaurant.

"I love sushi," Bourret said. "I saw the billboard for Wasabi on the road, and I really wanted to try it. I looked it up online and saw that they had reasonable prices for sushi. The food was absolutely delicious. I got the entire plate, which came with miso soup and a salad with ginger dressing—wicked good!"

Impressed by both the food and the service, Bourret also appreciated the restaurant's way of doing business.

"The atmosphere was really friendly and relaxed," Bourret said. "Our server made sure we always had a drink and what we wanted. The service was top-notch, and the restaurant was very nicely decorated and fun.

Hsu encourages students to come try Wasabi Japanese Steakhouse for a new dining experience.

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