Hurricane Sandy, dubbed "Frankenstein" by forecasters, is expected to grow into a major threat at the present time to the East Coast and increase in severity by Friday.

According to the Weather Channel, Sandy threatens to hit swaths between southern New England and North Carolina in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia and West Virginia. Rumors are uncertain about exactly this storm will make landfall or how hard it will hit, but residents should still take precautions.

According to the Washington Post, the monster class storm system could be the worst to hit the northeastern United States in a century, affecting millions of people and causing billions of dollars in damage.

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Biden visits Lynchburg
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Sandy slams Coast
Super storm impacts 60 million people
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Joe Biden rallies in Hill City
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FYI Hurricane Sandy has caused both campaign activities to cancel appearances in the week leading up to the election.

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The law school faced the semi-annual event and invited the vice president.

Tabitha Cassidy, an asst. news editor:

With the presidential election quickly approaching the candidates are continuing to promote undecided voters to join their cause.

G. M. Romney, Mitt Romney, and President Barack Obama are traveling the country in the hopes of gaining votes. Third-party candidates from the Green, Constitution and Libertarian Parties are also pursuing votes.

This week, the Champion questioned the presidential candidates on student loan concerns, priorities for stimulating the economy and health care and social issues, among others.

President candidates Mitt Romney and Barack Obama wrote in their stump speeches that their party candidates are focused on women's rights.

"I'm inspired by the leadership of women," Jill Eiden said. "Every woman, every mother, every president, needs a good man in their lives."

Despite the slight slip up of Kaine's first name, Joe Biden sang tunes from previous speeches of Gov. Mitt Romney's "Women in Business." But in the end, the crowd cheered as the Bidens, accompanied by their son, Beau, made their way on stage.

"It's good to be here in a state (re-"considerable)," which he had been portraying as a state where he had a chance to win the state. The real question is whether he can make it happen.

"They have made it very clear that they don't have the same view on women's rights as we do," Biden said. "I'm willing to tell the Romney administration to reverse the power back to the states."

"It's my job to fight and for every woman, every mother, every president, needs a good man in their lives."

"I'm inspired by (Joe Eiden and Jill) Eiden started off the rally, thanking Lynchburg residents for their part in their husband and Obama's re-election campaign. Touching briefly on military affairs and education, the pair focused on women's rights.

"I'm also involved in this election as a woman who cares about the direction of one country," Jill Biden said. "I've seen Barack and Joe stand up for our rights, our freedoms, every single day."

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"The Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act of 2009 amended the Fair Labor Standards Act to include the 180-day statute of limitations in filing a lawsuit on pay discrimination for women to meet after each paycheck that it is violated the only women's right issue that Jill Biden added.

"The president and vice president know how important it is for women to make our own decisions about our own bodies," Jill Biden said. "So many women of my generation have fought hard for Roe v. Wade, for access to contraception and for equal rights. We don't want our daughters and our grandchildren to have to go back and fight those same battles that we fought decades ago."
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WASHINGTON, D.C. — Barack Obama, the Democrat who has a chance of becoming the next president of the United States, was sent the same questions and given the same opportunity to answer them as his Republican opponent, according to a handwriting analysis that showed he pined to prowl his threat of attending college in Hawaii.

President Obama did not have the same opportunity to talk to his father as a child. According to "Dreams from My Father," his parents were divorced when he was 2, and his father returned to Kenya. From there, he went to East-West Center in Honolulu, and then transferred to his home state to live with his mother, who was sent back to Hawaii to become a university professor before marrying his father for safety.

Although he worked two jobs while he was in college,Obama worked his way through college with the help of scholarships and student loans. He studied at the University of Chicago in two years before transferring to Columbia University, where he graduated in 1981 with a degree in political science. After college, he moved to Chicago, where he worked as an organizer to help build communities that had been devastated economically.

He went on to Harvard Law School in 1980, where he served as a president of the Harvard Law Review. While there, he met Michelle Robinson, a fellow student at the Chicago law school of Silky Austin. He graduated from Harvard, magna cum laude in 1991.

After graduating, Obama took a job as a community organizer at the University of Chicago. According to his website, he also returned actively to the community, leading a drive that registered more than 15,000 voters in Illinois during the 2002 election.

Obama was first elected to the Illinois Senate in 1996. According to his website, he was able to pass the major civil rights laws over 20 years, cut taxes for working families, and expand health care for both children and adults during his time as a state senator in Springfield.

He was elected to the U.S. Senate in 2004. According to his website, he worked across the aisle to pass the fastest-reaching bailout reform a generation ago, backed up the weight of dangerous weapons, and brought transparency to government by tracking federal spending online.

In February 2007, Obama made headlines when he announced his candidacy for the 2008 Democratic presidential nomination. He defeated U.S. senator Hillary Clinton for the Democratic nomination and defeated Republican John McCain, Nov. 4, 2008, to become the 44th president of the United States. He became the first African-American to hold the office of the president of the United States. In 2008, he won the Nobel Peace Prize.

President Obama's office is located in the White House in Washington, D.C.

In his first term, he focused on issues such as healthcare, climate change, and economic recovery. He signed into law the Affordable Care Act, which provided healthcare to millions of Americans. He also negotiated a comprehensive nuclear agreement with Iran, which was later upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court.

Obama was re-elected in 2012 and served another term. In his second term, he focused on issues such as the economy, foreign policy, and national security. He also signed into law the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, which was designed to prevent another financial crisis.

Obama's presidency was characterized by a focus on domestic issues, including healthcare reform, economic stimulus, and foreign policy. He was also a strong advocate for civil rights and social justice.

During his second term, Obama faced a number of challenges, including the backlash against the Affordable Care Act, the rise of the so-called Tea Party movement, and the ongoing conflict in Syria.

Obama's legacy is a complex one, marked by both successes and failures. He is remembered for his efforts to improve race relations, expand access to healthcare, and strengthen the American economy. However, his efforts to address climate change and other global challenges were less successful.

In 2016, Donald Trump defeated Obama in the presidential election. Trump's presidency was marked by a focus on conservative policies, including tax cuts, deregulation, and a hardline stance on immigration. He also withdrew from the Paris Agreement and other international agreements.

In 2020, Joe Biden ran for president and won. Biden's presidency has been marked by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Black Lives Matter movement, and efforts to address the ongoing financial crisis. He has also continued to work on issues such as healthcare reform and climate change.
According to Gaedt, the current top 10 student loan debt is over $1 trillion. What is your plan to help students obtain the quality education they need in order to help them better compete in the job market?

Until the budget is balanced, it is unethical to propose any new student loan bills unless they be futile or singularly reduced.

2. What will you do to improve three priorities for getting the economy moving?

Under the Obama administration, unemployment has never been in a better position. Our debt amount is more than $1 trillion under the Obama presidency, which has given us trillion dollar debts.

The United States cannot continue to lose our jobs. It is important on our next president to propose to the overall budget to stop taking our job and put our jobs back on the table. There will be pain, but the old saying that one will not get out of the hole by digging the hole deeper is accurate.

Nearly every department and agency will face significant cuts and some will face elimination. Veterans benefits is a sacred trust that we should not cut. Examples of programs to be eliminated include the National Endowment for the Arts, No Child Left Behind and Biggies Ad, etc.

Reforming regulations and becoming energy independent will also mean more jobs for America. The Canada in Texas pipeline needs to be built and operational expediently and not delayed or stopped as the current administration is doing. Another way to reduce unemployment, reduce the debt, and provide more jobs is for us citizens to reduce illegal immigration. In recent years, about 1.7 million illegal immigrants have been issued annually and more than 65 percent go to foreign-born citizens who are not in the United States and take jobs from American citizens.

I have proposed a moratorium, with a few minor exceptions, on the issuing of green cards until our unemployment rate is six percent. America has one of the most liberal immigration policies in the world, and it is time for the citizens of this country to be at the head of the line for jobs. We also need to truly end diversity visas 50,000 per year, reduce chain migration and dramatically reduce and respect our and their costs to the US taxpayer.

3. Health care is an important issue for college students, especially given the Affordable Health Care plan. What do you support for these students — even those who are married and attending a university? What other issues of the health care program will impact college students now and in the future?

I support the repeal of the Affordable Health Care Plan but would require containing the rate of coverage to make sure that people pay the cost of health care. The Medicare program must be fixed and the deficit reduced.

4. What focus would you place on public policies to go against stem cell research and abortions, immigration amendments and religious liberty?

I support abortion. National Right to Life recommended me on my 100 percent vote record during my years in Congress. I favor and support legislation and constitutional amendments to define marriage as being between one man and one woman. I fully support religious liberty and the right to pray and to assemble.

5. Many students have enlisted in a breach of the military in order to pay college. With the recent defense cuts and force reduction, how are you planning on protecting student veterans, National Guard members and ROTC cadets?

Such programs cannot be expanded until the budget is balanced.

6. Why should a college student vote for you?

I am the only candidate with the courage to make the cuts necessary to balance the budget and to start reducing the debt to today’s students will not face calamity in future years.
Republican presidential nominee hopes for new job creation, tax breaks and reduced stress on the military

President Obama’s campaign has hit the airwaves hard. The core of their campaign is that they want to figure out what Mitt Romney’s plan is to improve the economy.

The real question is how will Romney improve the economy?

Mitt Romney has not put out a plan to improve the economy. He has just spoken in generalities about the economy.

Romney has spoken about reducing government spending. He has also talked about reducing taxes. He has said that he will work with Congress to create jobs and boost the economy.

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Scaremare celebrates 40th year

The Center for Youth Ministries rallies hundreds of students every year to aid in spreading the Gospel

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Scaremare has returned to Lynchburg to spook thousands of Rapids guests from across the region. The ministry is celebrating 40 years of using its haunted fun house to present the gospel to thousands in the Lynchburg area. According to their website, Scaremare had one of its biggest weekends yet Oct. 12 and Oct. 13, with more than 6,000 attendees.

"We were packed Sunday night," said Marshall, director of Christian Ministries. "We fill up the building as fast as we can."

"I love the fact that we have students from all over the country," said Marshall. "They come from all over the world to see Scaremare and experience the gospel message."
The legacy we leave behind for our children, grandchildren, and this great nation is crucial. As I approach my 94th birthday, I realize this election could be my last. I believe it is vitally important that we cast our ballots for candidates who base their decisions on biblical principles and support the nation of Israel. I urge you to vote for those who protect the sanctity of life and support the biblical definition of marriage between a man and a woman. Vote for biblical values this November 6, and pray with me that America will remain one nation under God.
Men's soccer plays to draw

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The Gardner-Webb defense faced a lot of pressure from the Flames offense in the conference opener on Friday. White and Sam Durrett can lose their jobs across the midfield with the Flames' deep talent.

"It's a good result because we found a way to get a tie," Liberty Head Coach Mike Alder said. "I feel we generated enough opportunities to score. Their keeper made some really good saves, but I don't think we took care of the ball like we should have taken care of the ball." The Liberty Flames outshot the Bulldogs 15-7 and managed to win nine corner kicks throughout the game. Gardner-Webb had five corner kicks and only managed to force one save out of the Liberty goalkeeper.

"We thought we had some trouble on offense, but we did pretty well sustaining freshmans," Tyler Bullock said. "In the first third of the match, the second overtime, we just didn't do well finishing." The Liberty offense also came close to breaking the tie six times during the game, but two saves by Gardner-Webb goalkeeper Scott Krome and a strong performance by the Bulldog defense kept the ball out of the net.

The game was closest to seeing a goal in the 69th minute. Liberty forward Thomas Wilson scored on a penalty kick, but the rebound kicked out and back to Krome, which the goalkeeper made some really good saves, but the rebound kicked out and back to Krome.

"There are a lot of positives we could take out of the loss," Scott Krome said. "Everyone on the team was focused that they were No. 1, and we probably played one of the best games of the season because everyone was on focus." Ohio goalie Fred Daniel made 32 saves, while Liberty's Blake Bennett had 16.

SPLIT DECISIONS -

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Ohio State University's Division I men's soccer team fell just short Friday Oct. 26, losing 2-1 to No. 1 Ohio University at the Lahey Ice Center.

"We needed to play a physical game and get on the head hard, win battles and not out of the penalty box," Liberty forward Christopher Garfunkel said.

The Bobcats started fast, scoring with two minutes remaining in the first half on a penalty kick. Ohio responded with an equalizer on a penalty kick minutes later, scoring in the second half.

"Halfway through the second period, Liberty's Rick Turner scored on a assist from Kyle Garcia to bring the goal deficit back to two," Turner said. Flames fans rose to their feet at the goal.

"If we take care of the ball better, I think we can control the game," Turner said. "We just keep the ball out of the net." The Flames were unable to capitalize on their last conference game against the top club in the tournament, with an overall record of 7-6-2, and will play against Radford University Tuesday, Oct. 30 before playing their last conference game against University of North Carolina Asheville.

"It's a sports reporter."
**Editorial: Football's comeback improbable, not impossible**

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For the first four conference games of the season, the Flames played the role of a large underdog — and lost four times. The next three games, they played the role of a large favorite — and won three times.

Saturday's contest against conference rival and perennial Big South powerhouse Coastal Carolina (CCU) was supposed to be the most evenly matched game of the year to date. But Turner Gill's hot and cold team came out cold, losing 36-12.

In soggy conditions resulting from Hurricane Sandy, a Flames offense that had run the ball for an average of 261 yards in each of their three wins, was held under the century mark. Woodrum threw three interceptions, one of which was returned for six points.

The game was much tougher for Coastal, who had been hampered in Lyndhurst last year, 63-27. No unlike most games this season, the Flames won the "wint of possession battle. But despite their ability to control the clock, Liberty was not able to control the scoreboard. They had more first downs than the Chanticleers, but turnovers ended their potential scoring drives.

Senior wide receiver Eli Kelly was one of the bright spots for the Flames-Kelly's 16 receptions set a new school record for most in a game. His 16th catch was the only touchdown of the day. Another positive for the Flames was the return of kicker John Lantoski who had been out since Week 1, with an injury. Lantoski booted field goals of 44 and 30 yards.

**Big South Conference Scenarios**


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The Flames, who have three games left in conference play (Stony Brook, VMI and Coastal Carolina), have the inside track to clinching a share of the Big South title.

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HOCKEY continued from Bl

LU steals victory from top club

Liberty's BI hockey team faced with a 6-5 win against the No. 1 ranked Ohio University Bobcats Saturday Oct. 27 at the LaHaye for Center. The win brings a six-game losing streak for the Flames.

"Tonight went great," senior starter Rick Turner said. "We were able to beat the No. 1 team, and it's all to say it was a pretty good night. And we couldn't be happier. We were matching it bit up until this point, but this game could be setting up for a winning streak, so hopefully that happens."

Coming back from a loss of 5-2 against the Bobcats Friday night, the win was a great accomplishment for the Flames. "The win feels even better. Seeing in the last three games, we were up in the game, but it was just a few, small mistakes that got us out of the game. We knew today that if we fixed these mistakes, which could be on the winning side and that's exactly what happened," senior Scott Morenberg said.

The game began somewhat slow, remaining 6-5 through the first period. The Numbers attempted many shots, but goalie Blair Bennett made 12 saves during the first.

Sophomore Ryley Eggn scored first for the Flames within the first minute of the second period. Freshman Steven Belles scored dearly thereafter to give the Flames a 2-0 lead. The goal was his fifth of the season.

With nine minutes left in the second period, Ohio scored its first, and then tied the game two minutes later. The Flames came back with passes from Matt Berry and Luke Baugniet, setting Turner up for his 22nd goal of the season. Bennett made another great save before Ohio scored its last goal, making it 3-3 at the end of the second period.

Blocker (tense the nerve-racking it with only a minute and 15 seconds left in the game, which justified the score to 6-5, giving the Flames the pleasant of beating the highest-ranked teams in the nation.

"The pack wasn't buzzing our way early in the period," Morenberg said. "But we got our hitting first game and we took it to them, and honestly in the vast, what better opportunity and they couldn't skate with us.

"We were off to a good start and it made us go into a rough inside," sophomore Ryley Eggn said. "We lost six games in a row so it's nice to finally get a win." The Flames next game against the Stoney Brook University Seawolves is set for Friday, Nov. 2 at 7 p.m. at the LaHaye for Center.

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X Country sweeps Big South tourney

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The Liberty Flames men's and women's cross country teams swept the Big South Conference Championships Saturday, Oct. 27. Along with the women's team, Head Coach Bruce Tidwell won his 35th Big South Coach of the Year award.

Led by senior Jennifer Klug, the Lady Flames were able to capture their fifth championship in seven years. Klug also won her third consecutive Big South Runner of the Year award.

The men's team repeated to record right the Big South Championship win. Senior David Rockerick led the Flames in a second-place finish with a time of 24:09:32. Junior Caleb Edmonds and the Men's Freshman of the Year winner N'Geli Kapesho finished third and fourth. The Flames finished seventh in the men's race. Liberty scored 30 points and did not need High Point University by 21.

In the women's race, Liberty totalled only 40 points while Coastal was a distant second with a score of 72.

"This team is all about looking really fast," Klug said. "It's hard to think of it as just dropping a race... and we are all trying to keep our focus at the right spot.

Liberty had six top 20 finishers which included Klug's first place finish of 18:22. Senior Kristina Kanagy, sophomore Jane Christiansen and Bentz Yield s finished seventh, eighth and ninth — all on personal bests, during the even.

"Even if we do not do nationals, it will still show how we stack up to the Division I programs in the southeast," Tidwell said. "We have an outside shot at that, but it's not something we are counting on."

The NCAA Division I Southeast Regional Championship will be Nov. 9 in Charlotte, N.C.

SMOOTH — Derek Haywood looks for an opening against Southern Virginia University.

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four goals and an assist, while Tobias scored once and had five assists. The Knights had trouble advancing the ball against the Flames starters. On multiple occasions, their passes were picked off, which converted into Liberty goals.

By the beginning of the second half, McGuill scored most of its starters, including Klugho, who had another impressive showing in goal. The Knights made a change at goalie as well, but it was too late.

"Tobias is a diamond in the rough," McGuill said. "He's played some college lacrosse out in Oregon and has an opportunity coaching. By chance, his owner is a lacrosse head, and he got this thing going about Liberty. We've been in contact with him for the last two years. He grew up in upstate New York and has lacrosse in his blood. He is just an athlete. We are expecting big things from this upcoming season."

Even with those changes, the Flames were able to stay aggressive. Midfielders freshman Bryce Jacobson and sophomore Craig Duffin contributed to the scoring load for the majority of the second half. Junior midfielder Skylar Sipe also chimed in with a goal.

"He did well," Sipe said. "It felt good to knock some rust off. It helped us to work on our offense and get our timing down. Overall, it was a successful tournament."

Wylie had an impressive showing in the annual tournament, its ability to work younger talent in with veteran leadership will determine the success of the Flames.

"Our freshmen have all played big roles on the team — not just filling in for future roles but they are starting," Captain Nathan Loamey said. "Half of our starting roster is a freshman, and they are performing beyond expectations. They are more than what we asked for this year.

The Flames began their regular season in February when they lost the Glendale College Bulldogs at the Liberty Lacrosse Fields.

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Students in both seminary and law school took to the field at Williams Stadium to raise funds for the Liberty Godparent Home.

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Boots were run, passes thrown and scholarships blown as Williams Stadium on a fall afternoon. Oct. 27. Men and women danced to easy and blue Tunes ran through each other on the playground, fighting for theTurkey Bowl ticket or even which team would emerge as victor — seminary students or law students.

With a profit benefiting the Liberty Godparent Home, Liberty University Baptist Divinity Seminar and School of Law students took to field in a game of Big bully football to compete for a trophy and bringing rings.

Entering this year’s event, the series was 2-2 overall. The School of Law won in 2011, and while seminary students had to the trophy returned to their class, they fell short. The law students won 26-6.

“It was good to see the law school take the lead in the series,” S4/L law student James Johnson said of this year’s victory.

The event raised more than $600 during the night and will continue to raise more through the work from various local and law school organizations.

Soccer fan Jordan Rogers said, “It’s a good way to end the season.”

End of season

Football season is a sport for anyone who watched Liberty University Big South Championship Tourney or against Longwood University Saturday night, Oct. 27, have experienced in all ways.

Besides the fact that the two sides played a Big South Conference match four days before, Longwood capped Liberty’s Ottawa, Ohio, road trip with a loss at the Liberty goal under the 13th minute in both games. Luckily, the Lady Flames hardly missed out on a game-changing goal that hit the result in both games. Both shots occurred in the 10th minute.

Unfortunately for the Lady Flames, the similarities ended there. After being down early, Liberty salvaged a low goal to force overtime but lost in the penalty kick shootout. The Lady Flames won 1-0 after scoring three goals in the shootout. The Lady Flames did not score in any of their attempts.

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However, the players took the game seriously, running more before the game and executing passes mimicking a ninety-minute game.

According to Smith, the players had been practicing the entire month of October.

“I think the players take it more seriously than anyone else does,” Smith said.

The event drew a sizable crowd, with rows of blazers filled with players and families and friends — including Dr. Simmer Tanner. After the game, spectators took part in a chili tasting, sampling different concoctions that people had submitted to a chili cookbook contest earlier in the day.

Overall, the event was a “good way to bring people together,” Smith said.

“Because we’re both high school students — basically the students who come from different undergrad universities, it’s a good way to gather together and have that community,” Smith said.

Beyond the $2 admission fee to raise money for the Godparent Home, shirts were sold for $10.

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Lady Flames make quiet exit from Big South Tourney

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End of the season

Since they have been knocked out of the Big South Championship, Liberty is ineligible to participate in the NCAA Division I Championships. The Lady Flames ended the season with a conference record of 3-4-1 and an overall record of 11-13-5. Though they may have suffered an early exit from the Big South tournament, this season has been far from unsuccessful. According to Kembreys Tanner, the 2012 Lady Flames have tied the 2001 squad for third most wins in a single season.

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Zombies invade Students hold third zombie walk

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Terror recently swept across the campus of Liberty University, and it had nothing to do with a hurricane. Zombies assembled on the front steps of DeMoss Hall before invading popular places on campus, searching to satisfy their hunger for human brains.

Liberty students showed up as a zombie and roamed the campus during the third annual zombie walk on Sunday, Oct. 29.

"My favorite part is seeing the looks on the faces of students that have no idea that it's coming, especially in the 'library' student Jake Holland said.

Students worked on homework in the computer lab locked up from their work to stare at the graving, stamping pack of zombies making their way through the room. Throughout the night, the zombies also terrorized the newest建设项目 of DeMoss Hall, a Liberty bus and the Student Center.

"Feel like zombies are hot right now," Holland said. "It's a thing, especially with the Walking Dead, and some of the zombie movies are everywhere right now. It's easy to dress up like a zombie.

A group of sundry invaders included a zombie looking at a computer monitor named Michael Jackson from his hits video for the song "Thriller."] Holland, who was dressed as a pipe from a "Winnie the Pooh" book, put on makeup and turned into a zombie for the event.

"He's using up anyone, so it's just an excuse to dress up even more," Holland said.

Holland said that the event attracted 40 students when it began two years ago, but only about 20 students were able to attend this year. "It's tough because it always seems to be on a pretzel lazy night," Hollend said. "There are always a million things going on. Schoolwork usually takes precedence."

Samantha Hughes helped come up with the idea for a zombie walk two years ago when one of her friends organized one near her home city of Dallas, Texas. Hughes immediately created a Facebook group promoting it, and she also started writing on white boards in classrooms to get the word out about the student-organized event.

Some highlights from the first three years include walking to Boone on Wards Road and frightening province annotate couple in the Vines Center.

"There were couples in there hanging out, just trying to be themselves," Holland said. "It ended up being the gift's worst fear, being surrounded by zombies, as we took advantage of that. That was when we had the most people so that was probably my favorite moment."

Hughes said they always try to coordinate the zombie walks with other events, which is one of her favorite holidays.

"You get to dress up and do what you want that you normally don't get to do," Hughes said.

Liberty students breathed a sigh of relief as the monsters were barred during the attack.

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Gingriches visit LU

Customers fill the LU Bookstore for Newt and Callista Gingrich signing

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Newt Gingrich and his wife, Callista, visited Liberty University. Newt Gingrich signed copies of his books which included while his wife Callista pr o m o t e d h e r second children's book called "Land of the Pilgrim's Pride."] Callista signed copies of her book as well as held a story time as she read her book to children. After Callista's first New York Times best-selling book about her husband, "Saving Grace,"
her second book "Land of the Pilgrim's Pride," Callista wrote a second children's book. "Land of the Pilgrim's Pride," is the story of Ellis the Elephant learning about our nation's founding, ethnically teaching children about the 13 colonies. Ellis discovers the roles and teaches children about the individuals of each colony. Children get to experience living the life of a Colonial American through the vivid narratives and bright colored pictures.

The book focuses on the importance of teaching children about our country's history, in a way that is exciting and fun. Included in the back of the book is a section with further information to research more about our nation's history.

"We went through about 300 books. Around 600 people were in line... It was a very good turnout," Brian Digia said.

"We went through about 300 books, around 600 people were in line and we had a lot more people shopping around while that was going on as well. It was a very good turnout. They were great to work with. They were extremely friendly, extremely great with the customers, just took pictures with anyone and everyone who wanted a picture," Trade Book Manager Brian Digia said. "They took the time to personalize each and every one of the books for the customer, even if they had a few. They made sure that they were there for the customer. Callista did a great job reading her story, the original event was her coming and reading her story which was great, we loved having them here.

After attracting quite a crowd, parents and fans admired the patience and kindness of Newt and Callista by willingness to take pictures with anyone who wanted our token, and taking the time to sign each book for the customers.

"Newt's visit created a lot of buzz at the LU bookstore. Everyone was excited to be enjoying spending his day on campus. He even went to the Planer football game after his book signing," Liberty University's Social Media Officer Miles O'Gile said.

Liberty University's Social Media Officer Miles O'Gile said: "We worked hard to promote this event through many different mediums. We worked with Liberty Marketing, putting things on the social media, working with the playshop office putting them on their page, put on our Facebook, put on the sign on 408 just got a lot of mentions, was on there to make sure people knew he was coming Digia said.

Liberty University was honored to have hosted this event and given the Lynchburg community the access to Newt and Callista Gingrich while helping to promote their books.

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Professor designs for NEEDTOBREATHE

David Meyer excels in and out of the classroom, working as the creative director for the band NEEDTOBREATHE.

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One of Liberty University’s own professors, Daniel Meyer, works as a teacher and creative manager for the band NEEDTOBREATHE.

Meyer received his degree in graphic design from Liberty in 2000.

"I was a bit of a major jumper for a while, going from hands-on courses to graphic design," Meyer said. "Each aspect of the major jumping has been beneficial to me. I’ve been able to have my own business in graphic design and also use it as a platform for teaching others the Christ."

Meyer said that students who frequent change career paths in college might not be seeking their true passion.

"I would encourage each student to realize that even though they may not be sure what they’re going to do as a career at first, God always knows the things you learn along the way to connect you to others in the most unusual ways," Meyer said.

According to Meyer, he moved to Nashville, Ten., after graduation, where he worked with a historical preservation organization to create images for advertising. He also worked with a Fortune 200 company, Hospital Corporation of America, where he created a number of mass email campaigns, branded a new energy department and created a variety of infographic-type pieces.

Shortly after his creative ventures in Nashville, Meyer began working closely with the rock band NEEDTOBREATHE.

"As the creative manager for NEEDTOBREATHE, I do a wide variety of work for the band," Meyer said. "Most importantly, I oversee all ongoing artwork representing the band, making sure it sticks to the band’s mission and purpose and reflects the image they wish to portray."

Meyer has worked with the band, designing everything from T-shirts, single albums and website design to photography, filming and packaging.

"I most recently finished a project that was a behind-the-scenes film of the band’s Performing Arts Festival sponsored by Kesirik," Meyer said.

Meyer is currently teaching several classes at Liberty, such as Digital Imaging, Art as Communication, Digital Photography and Interactive Multimedia.

"While working as a professor at Liberty, Meyer continues to be the creative manager for NEEDTOBREATHE."

"My teaching career at Liberty has been great," Meyer said. "I feel I am who I am today because of the guidance I received while a student at Liberty. I feel extremely fulfilling to share with students things I have learned along the way and teach them things about the industry that they will be facing in a few years. I’m grateful to still be able to be in the industry while teaching so that I can keep my own design repertoire fresh and relevant."

Meyer’s experience in the professional world has aided his teaching role at Liberty.

"One of the things that is really nice about having Professor Meyer as a teacher is that he becomes his assignments off of things he has had to do in the work place," Liberty student Kristen McCray said. "As students, we know that we are getting assignments that will be given to us when we get out in the real world. I really enjoy knowing that I am being taught by someone who has his credentials."

Although Meyer has enjoyed success in the professional world, he said that he will still follow wherever God leads him and his family.

"There’s no better place than being right in the center of God’s will," Meyer said. "It’s a God thing and I am excited about what God is going to do in and through me as I face the new chapter. He has for me at Liberty University."

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Daniel Howell encourages students to ‘go natural’ by defining the benefits of shoelessness

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We’re doing something.

Growing up, everyone did so as a kid. In the summer and extreme cold or snowy winter days.

For me to put on shoes and walk around is kind of like asking me to get you a football helmet and walk around," Howell said with a smile.

Howell first began his life without shoes for multiple reasons. Growing up on a farm in Central Virginia, Howell often went barefoot, and he occasionally did so as a student at Old Dominion University. When those closed-toed shoes at Liberty required him to use how much it was to wear them all day, he started trail running to get more accustomed to putting his shoes on.

He researched what the scientific community knew about the relationship between shoes and feet, and what he found contradicted him. He never wore shoes again.

Since then, Howell has written a book about his experience without shoes. The book explores why shoes are bad for the human body and the environment.

“We’ve got this culture going on, where shoes are kernel expected,” Howell said. “That’s what I am challenging. I am trying to make our culture and say that we’re doing something on a culture that is unhealthy and not good for us.”

Howell has reached all over the world to talk about his book, even speaking on NBC’s “TODAY Show.”

“The medical community has responded well to that book and I’m very pleased,” Howell said. “There are a lot of barefoot-friendly podiatrists who recognize that shoes are a lot of the problem, and they are trying to encourage people to get out of their shoes, or at least wear better shoes. But wearing a better shoe is like smoking a better cigarette.”

Despite the medical community’s positive reception, Howell still notices society’s lack of love for going barefoot. At first, he was refused service at some businesses, but as time went on, more people began seeing it as acceptable. However, he still bears of students who have the same problem.

Howell has inspired many of his students to go barefoot in recent years, and one of his students helped him in return. Hannah Gorin, now a senior at Liberty, had Howell fix her anatomy and physiology classes. She was allowed in each barefoot to promote his ready-to-wear book, and she tested the term “barefoot professors.”

According to Gorin, the book is a must read for anyone interested in anatomy and physiology. Gorin said that she appreciated his style of teaching, even though his classes were difficult. “I loved him as a teacher.”

Good for you physically and emotionally, there’s a spiritual aspect to getting out in nature and getting out there barefoot.”

Howell readily admits that teaching is his calling, but that was not always his career path.

“I was the type of person who was interested in everything,” Howell said. “My problem was that I couldn’t find a major. My problem was, of all the things I knew, which one was I going to pick as a major?”

According to him, he considered majoring in physics and chemistry before finally settling on biology. He moved on to interests in microbiology in grad school and ended up doing research at McGU University in Montreal.

As a professor, he teaches about 10 years at Liberty each fall, Howell recalled how he believes God brought him there.

Howell grew up in Lynchburg and knew about Liberty, so when he felt like it was time to become a teacher, it was the first place he called. He reached out through phone and email, but he told others that Liberty was not hiring.

Cruising home on his bike from a day of work at McGill, Howell listened to a Christian song in which the singer goes God to show him a butterfly or two.

Howell began to pray the same thinking thing. God showed him a butterfly or two that he wanted students to see as he tried to teach at Liberty.

After Howell got off the bus, he found a note made by his three-year-old daughter on his front door. He had started wearing two butterflies drawn by his daughter.

“Now I might be reading into this but, my God showed me that God would show me a butterfly or two,” Howell said. “This was the note that was hanging on the door. I know this is not from my daughter. This is from God.”

That day, soon after the book’s release, in Howell’s office, along with his “memory rock,” which is painted with two butterflies similar to the ones drawn by his daughter Jan. 7, 2005, according to Howell, they placed a reminder that God gives us what we need.

In July 2003, Liberty had offered Howell a teaching position, but he was in Lynchburg and ready to teach at Liberty.

“I had this huge doubt that this is who I belong,” Howell said. “God wants me here. I’ve been here for 10 years, and love it more now than I did in 2003. It’s amazing place.”

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PUMPKIN PATCH — Liberty students enjoy picking and painting pumpkins at the second annual Fall Festival held at the Liberty University Equestrian Center.

Equestrian Center hosts Fall Festival

Student Activities celebrates the season with hay rides, pumpkin picking and live music by Dogwood & Holly

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Pumpkin patches, apple cider and leaves of red, yellow and orange drew students to the Liberty University Equestrian Center Saturday, Oct. 26 for Student Activities’s second annual Fall Festival.

Students enjoyed horseback riding, live music and games on a chilly, autumn day.

“It’s gorgeous up here,” Elizabeth Kurt, a Student Activities event supervisor and Liberty graduate student, said. “It’s a great fall area. There’s beets, a pumpkin patch, and you have the horses here. It’s just really pretty, and it’s the perfect location for it.”

Hay rides transported visitors up and around the top of the hill, where smells of funnel cakes and cotton candy filled the air on this October day.

“Half your fun is making sure you don’t blow away,” Student Activities worker Devin Gardoll joked to one of his fellow employees working concessions.

Festival attendees not only got the chance to ride horses, but they also witnessed a graph-inducing demonstration that formed one horseback rider hanging upside down on the back of a galloping horse. The rider later made another trip around the circle, this time standing up straight on horseback.

Kurt said that Student Activities had been planning the event more than a month ago, and she enjoyed seeing the event go smoothly.

“That’s just the best part of all of us, just seeing it all unfold,” Kurt said.

Liberty alumnus Sterling Snyder heard about the festival through a friend, and they both decided to come. Their choice paid off when Snyder won the pumpkin painting contest and a $10 gift card to Target for her pumpkin version of the “Vegetable” character Bob the Tomato. Every speak of orange had been replaced with a bright red body, apart of round, white eyes and a green top.

“I’m actually pretty excited because I have been looking at tie-dyes online, and the one I want is from Target anyway,” Snyder said. “So that makes it a little bit more affordable for me.”

Snyder said that she chose her prize-winning pumpkin design because Bob the Tomato’s shape is similar to that of a pumpkin.

Student Activities also gave away prizes for other contests, including a sick face and bobbing for apples.

Dogwood & Holly, a band made up of students, brought the festival to life from a stage surrounded by bales of hay. The band has played numerous Student Activities events in the past, including two Coffeeshop appearances, the Campus Arts Series and the Night of Folk.

Lake Sawyer, a Liberty sophomore, played banjo and guitar and sings the band.

“We like little tunes like this,” Sawyer said. “Student Activities has been good to us, so we try to return the favor.”

Sawyer said that she especially enjoyed performing at the festival because of the time of year.

“This is my favorite season. I just love the trees and seeing God’s Creation,” Sawyer said.

The next Student Activities event will be the Winter concert at the Vines Center during College for a Week, Nov. 2.

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FYI The Liberty University Equestrian Center, this side of the second annual Fall Festival, is located on Sunnymeade Road, 5 miles away from Liberty’s campus.

Student aspires to train dolphins

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As graduation approaches, many seniors financially search for jobs and further career plans.

Liberty University student Sherry Waldrop, however, has no doubt about her plans for the future.

Waldrop has known since she was 5 years old, when she first swam with dolphins in Florida, that she wanted to spend the rest of her life working as a dolphin trainer.

“From that moment on, whenever someone would ask me what I wanted to be when I grew up, the answer was a dolphin trainer,” Waldrop said.

Because Liberty has an excellent dolphin training, Waldrop choose to pursue a degree in psychology with a minor in biology. Now, only four classes remain before her and her dream.

When discussing her future plans, Waldrop is confident.

“It’s not a matter of if I will reach my goal, it is just a matter of time,” Waldrop said.

Dolphin training is a difficult field to get into due to its competitive nature, but Waldrop is not letting this discourage her.

“I am keeping an open mind about where I want to end up eventually, because as long as I am working with animals, I will be happy,” Waldrop said.

Waldrop grew up around animals, and it is obvious that is where her passion lies. In addition to owning various family pets, she has also been involved in racing injured animals. This summer, Waldrop spent more than a month alongside dolphins and various other animals for an internship at Dolphin Quest.

Waldrop’s ultimate goal is to become a trainer and eventually work for a dolphin show.

“I would love to be able to train dolphins in a marine park,” Waldrop said. “I have been interested in marine biology for a long time, and I would love to be able to combine the two together.”

“Being interested in marine biology, I have always been fascinated with marine animals, and I have worked with dolphins before,” Waldrop said.

“I am really just excited to be able to work with them in this environment,” Waldrop said.

Waldrop started working for the Dolphin Quest in January.

Most days start around 7 a.m. and were filled with a variety of tasks designed to further Waldrop’s experience and skills.

“Through this internship, I am completely immersed in the life and duties of a dolphin trainer and learned so much more than I ever expected,” Waldrop said.

Over the course of her time at Liberty, Waldrop has faced some obstacles. Planning has not always been easy for Waldrop as it is for other students. Dolphin training is not a commonly sought after career, but that is not stopping her. In an article by the News & Advance, Waldrop got some help with her resume from her career counselor at Liberty, Michelle Woody.

“My career has been interesting since I feel I was taught my time or totally lost because nothing seemed relevant. But I stuck with it, and through my intern- ship, I have found that I am not on the right track any more. It was the perfect time away from the families.”

“Waldrop said.

Although Waldrop would like to end up working in a marine park training at a place like SeaWorld, she has many other possibilities in mind. Research training for many weeks or interesting training similar to the internship she participated in this summer with both fields that interest Waldrop.

Regardless of where she ends up, Waldrop has big dreams in mind.

“I could not have achieved any of this without the support of my parents who have always been my biggest fans and taught me that through hard work and determination, I can achieve my dreams,” Waldrop said.

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