LU introduces new logo: Alumni play a vital role

By Joe Heitz  

"We want to bring excitement back to LU athletics marketing-wise and entertainment-wise," Josh Oppenheimer, Principle at Prototype Advertising Inc. said. Some skeptic students may say: "How is the new logo going to do that?"

Nearly three weeks ago, the Liberty University Athletic Department launched a new logo via Prototype Advertising Inc. The logo, featuring an eagle appearing to be composed entirely of red flame and a stark black "Liberty Flames" banner, is being graded with much excitement. "The new logo is a striking representation of the determination of the Liberty University athletic teams. The emphasis upon the eagle portrays the strength, fortitude, courage, and grace characteristics of our athletes. The sleek image invokes a sense of movement that will lend itself to versatility in design and application," said Liberty President John Borek.

Prototype Advertising is a locally owned and operated advertising company that assisted in the creation of the new logo. The 206 employees at Prototype are Liberty graduates. "We have invested interest in the school, and we just really want this to be well," Oppenheimer said.

"Prototype Advertising wanted to develop a look for Liberty University that was up to date, as well as consistent throughout the entire Athletics program," the logotype appeals more to a younger audience, and hopefully with this new look we will get the students behind us, then the community," Oppenheimer said. Students can expect the new logo to start appearing on jerseys and banners in the seasons to come.

What many students do not know is the reason that our mascot is the eagle when the team name is Flames. "We would think that this being a Biblical-based institution, that the eagle most likely symbolizes the concept of Isaiah 40:31/32"" said senior Stephen Temple. But, that is not the reason. The eagle mascot was adopted in 1984 because of the patriotic (not spiritual) symbolism and the connection with the ideal of "Liberty."
Another Thanksgiving has come and gone, and I wish if I did to give you some proper advice to make the holiday season more enjoyable. Thanksgiving is a wonderful New Year’s Eve and for my Jewish readers, Chanukah to worry about. (Do even have Jewish readers?)

Anyway, here are some straightforward rules to make your holiday season the best ever. At holiday meal times there are some rules that should always be adhered to.

Never have a turkey gravy-glazing contest with your uncle. This is bad on numerous fronts.

Your arteries will soon clog and harden if you are over the age of 12. It was cute when you were 6, but at 22 it just brings about an awkward silence and a general embarrassment.

Never make change in the Salvation Army kettle. Nothing says I-am-a-cheap-jerk like asking the bell ringer if they have four quarters for your dollar.

No matter how tempting it is, and believe me, I know it is tempting, do not sing the "Sing" Bellman Harry Crowell's version of that song. It is not like you have never heard it before.

If you want to get a good present, never refer to getting a gift as "getting it." To your children, it will ring false.

If you are a veteran of gravy-chugging is going to lose to a young, up and coming gravy-drinker who you may not even know.

So if this is true, it is still hurtful to the families for your dollar.

Never say "that Grandpa hasn't died yet." You never are sure when he will die. It's like telling him, "It doesn't matter if this is true, it is still hurtful to the family.

No matter what the turkey tastes like say, "It tastes like turkey." It doesn't matter if it is true, it is still hurtful to the family that her meat tastes like a well-worn Billabong.

...It is common knowledge that it will never happen. We have to pop a lot of popcorn and refill the drink dispensers more often."

While the children come to cheer on the girls, especially the elves and warriors, particularly anonymous, James Oldham, a sophomore.

"I liked the first one, but I didn’t like the second one," admitted James Oldham, a sophomore. "I knew something was wrong. I'm looking forward to the action in the next one."
Hall gets involved in restructuring Iraqi government

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Hall's infantrymen, along with Hall's 3rd Infantry Division, were in the thick of the fighting in Iraq. Their main goal during the war was to take Saddam Hussein's regime off the battlefield.

The two main roles that Hall gathered information were by questioning enemy prisoners of war and by finding maps, ammunition and other objects useful to the military in any way, which is a broad assignment.

"That's when it hit me," Hall said. "I'm able to apply the worldview that I've learned to use all that I have learned in Iraq to grow even more.

"I'm proud of him for going over there to fight when the enemy was engaging. Hall also used what he learned at Liberty to grow even more.

Hall is a member of the Civil Affairs division. The division had two main roles. One role was to gather "soft intelligence," Hall said, "so many ways," Hall said. "I've had many opportunities to use all that he has learned in Iraq to make the United States a better place."
LU students raise money for orphans

By Brandon Bryant

During the Christmas season, many people are in the spirit of giving to others. Much of the time, we see this in a way that benefits others outside of America. However, Christmas is not simply a time to give to others outside of America who are in need here at home in America. During this giving season, students and faculty have started the "Dimes for Diapers." Students and faculty members at Liberty University are going to Guatemala to present diapers to orphans. "I hope the students have an understanding that this trip is for the benefit of the children in the orphanage," said Novack. After emerging from my bedroom, I would aimlessly flip through all my channels until something struck my fancy, like I wasn't hungry, only bored. Needless to say, I hardly touched my academic to-do list. After this holiday season, I am very thankful for America and all its comforts, but I'm also thankful for the day when a calling into ministry came, making it very important for the children in the orphanage. "We are not doing it for the glamour, but we are doing it is just be able to give some hope for kids that have no hope," Novack said. These interested in becoming future involved in this ministry by placing jars in your church or workplace, can contact Joanna Appar at 785-852-6913. Matthew Novack at gar@liberty.edu or Apgar@liberty.edu. Donations can be made in the jar. Students and residents can find the jar located in the Hungar. Apgar and Novack want this ministry to show the orphans that people love and care for them. "Our culture dictates that they have kind of been forgotten, but we went to see that there are other people that care about them and that their lives are important," Apgar said. She explained that some children in the orphanage have parents that bring them there because they can't take care of them. Apgar and Novack will be going to Guatemala over Christmas break, and during that trip they hope to take even more diapers for the children in the orphanage. Apgar's church has also made it possible for the children to have gifts for Christmas. They hope that these acts of kindness are ministering not only to the children, but to the adults as well. "It also minister to adults because they see we are working for these kids," Apgar said. Novack's desire is to see this project impact the lives of the children in the orphanage. "We are not doing it for the glamour, but we are doing it is just be able to give some hope for kids that have no hope," Novack said.
Ridan Ballard said of his roommate and close friend, "He's encouraged by Hanson's godly characteristics. "He's like probably the most upright man I know."

Hanson shows love for Christ and people. "He's always excited about what he has read in those books," Ballard said. "He's strong-willed, hardworking and determined."

Hanson grew up in Independence, Missouri and describes his childhood as being normal, yet different. His favorite childhood memory was when he hit a homerun with a wooden bat during a Fourth of July Wood Bat Tournament. Sports have been a big part of Han­son's life since his younger years. He plays for the Liberty Flames football team. Football has taught Hanson discipline and it has impacted his life. "I really believe God used football to mold me in a way he wanted me to be," Hanson said.

However, there are two people in his life that have given him a m a d e a difference greater impact on him his parents. Football may have shown him how to be disciplined but it was his parents that showed him how to love. Hanson and his three older brothers grew up in a home where their parents were active as well. They are all involved in church. Hanson says of his parents, "She's not perfect but she's pretty close."

Hanson attempts to show his love to others like his parents have shown to him. "They show me so much love and it's something that I try to do as well."

Hanson says, "I don't like to talk about it, but that he has all of the characteristics a Christian should possess."

Hanson talked about his mom with immense respect, saying that she was a virtuous woman that has the qualities he wants in his future wife. "She's not perfect but she's pretty close," Hanson said.

Hanson's parents began to show how love when his college years came. They insisted that he attend Liberty University. Hanson, who was not so excited about that decision, in the beginning, now thanks God for his parent's persistence in directing him to Liberty. His parents, he says, "They show me so much love and it's something that I try to do as well."

Hanson's childhood memories are filled with events as well as having others invest in his life. With so many things in life, there is a challenge to being a Christian but, says Hanson, "He's an opportunity. I love learning how to deal with staff, because I know that's what I'm going to use in my future occupation." Hanson said as he plans to serve somewhere in the ministry.

Hanson not only ministers to students at Liberty, but he has also reached out into the community to share his love of Christ. He has had the opportunity to lead three kids to Christ while ministering with Campus Crusade.

Hanson spends time sharing his heart with those at the juvenile detention center in Lancaster. He is also involved with the Armor of God, where he joins a group from the church to visit children in prisons and showing God has changed their lives.

Whether it's with family, ministry, or relationships, Hanson strives to put God first in his life. It all begins with a child, when God uses his parents to offer love and guidance, in spite of their challenges. Now he desires to show that love of Christ to others and for God to use him as his instrument. "I have getting up in the morning and getting into the Word of God, and knowing that God's going to use me that day," Hanson said.

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Secularizing Christmas

How far can it go?

There are times when it is almost impossible to believe how far some people are willing to take their cause. The fight to secularize any religious residue is one such agenda. Even the most remote embodiment of government fails system to a type of religious cleansing. As a result, the need to secularize Christmas and abolish within the schools the traditions that accompany it continues to infest all who interpret the U.S. Constitution.

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"We used to celebrate Christmas with a store-bought fruitcake that no one likes. It should be left out of Christmas celebrations too. Instead, those yummy favorites like chunky puddin', roasted chestnuts and deviled eggs are still all safe. That is a religious make or break issue. It doesn't have to be overly religious, but it should be clear that a California school principal prohibited the word 'Christmas' to be spoken by teachers in the school. Just the word 'Christmas' is destined to cause future problems even though its meaning continues to be drained out. Forget about it. I am beginning to believe that if the extremists for a religiously stripped government had it their way, then U.S. Postal Service employees would not be required by law to deliver Christmas cards for fear of contracting religion. The absurdity of the attempts to secularize the religious makes me want to run into a crowded government office or public school and yell (excuse my language), 'Merry Christmas!' I don't know if I will or not, but I do know this: Where the religiously paranoid sect their Christmas trees, the symbols of life in a dying world, they should take a deep breath of accomplishment in knowing that a religious symbol is nowhere to be seen. And as their Christmas tree stands proudly in their foyer, illuminated by its Bethlehem star and glowing with gifts as the Wise Men once brought to the young Savior, they should take comfort in knowing that they have found a way to secularize Christmas, which is literally translated "Christ's Mass." Mass? Isn't that a religious service?"

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Opinion

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Prof. Bruce Kirk

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are detrimental to college campuses simply because they violate the spirit of free speech. It is my wonder that such people as fathers inadequately understand freedom of speech and the Amendment, rather than the Fifth Amendment! To them, it is imperative that they understand what it is that we like and say what we think.

Interestingly, those same college professors who are fighting for the elimination of speech codes also advocate campus speech codes often speak favorably to each other at the same time. In fact, these Christian leaders (e.g. Dr. Falwell), and other conservative leaders, have also been critical of the very institution of free speech. I agree with the majority of free speech advocates that this type of discrimination is completely foreign to the church today. As a church successfully presenting the gospel to everyone. The result is a healthy, God-honoring community that makes discrimination to everyone. If it chooses to do so, the end result will be the church to once again adopt the title of “targeting.” Now, however, a new type of prejudice has begun to spread on college campuses, and it, too, violates the spirit of free speech.

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Role models: a biblical idea

American individualism has seemingly caused some to abandon the concept of a role model. "That doth himself a mastery, I believe, strike life of many of its joys. Even in spiritual matters, initiating a role model's thought pattern can hasten personal development.

Any good friend of mine knows that I deeply admire a 57-year-old pastor in Minnesota. I admire him more than any of my personal development. His thoughts concerning God's absolute sovereignty have brought me confidence that the Great Commission cannot fail. His concept of God's grace has enriched my worship, and his thoughts concerning suffering have enabled me to endure great affliction with glad acceptance.

Occasionally some criticize my Piper-laden mental-ity. They think Piper acts like himself, worshiping the man or believing a statement merely because he uttered it. Of course, both notions are false. However, Scripture actually encourages us to place a worthy individual on a pedestal (if done appropriately).

Piper is probably best known for the slogan that summarizes his doctrine: "God is most glorified in us when we are most satisfied in him." I'm still waiting for American Eagle to put this motto on its clothing. As a little boy, I spent my Piper gear. Or maybe I should get this sentence tattooed on my back. I don't really memorize his sermons, but I do spend obscene amounts of money buying them. I have to reserve one CD case for music and the other for Piper messages. Driving 100 or 200 miles to hear him speak has become the norm whenever he's within a reasonable radius. And I pass up copies of his sermons like candy.

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It's fun to have a role model, and hopefully the next generation will look at us and see that we have purposed to spread a gospel that we can have it all. The search for pleasure and honor men like him, because he almost died for the work of Christ (Philippians 2:29-30).

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Take a break from studying for exams, and come out and cheer for Friday and Saturday evening at 7 p.m. and a matinee on Saturday at 2 p.m. Enjoy the Christmas musical "She Loves Me" showing on Thursday, 12/11. Men's Basketball vs. Chattanooga. Have you set your plans yet for Christmas break? I'm sure your family and friends are excited as well. Draw your family and friends a picture, write them a letter, or send them some of your favorite family traditions...

Christmas is a time of holiday spirit. Each may celebrate Christmas in their own special way of celebrating. Here are some ways to make the holiday season enjoyable and memorable for all.

1. Create a Christmas village. This is a great opportunity to do something that you used to have. It's a chance to get back into the spirit of the holiday season. You can create your own Christmas village, using miniature houses, trees, and other decorations. You can even add a lighted display to create a magical atmosphere. This activity is a fun way to bring family and friends together and enjoy the season together.

2. Go on a Christmas scavenger hunt. This is a fun activity to do with children. You can create a list of items that you need to find, such as a red and green hat, a Christmas tree, or a bunny. This is a great way to get the family moving and thinking creatively. It's also a great way to get some exercise and fresh air during the winter months.

3. Bake Christmas cookies. This is a fun activity to do with children. You can create your own recipe, or follow a recipe from a cookbook. You can even make different shapes and sizes of cookies. This is a great way to get the family involved and creative. It's also a great way to make memories with the children.

4. Watch Christmas movies. This is a great way to spend an evening with family and friends. You can watch a classic movie, or a new release. It's a great way to get into the holiday spirit and enjoy some quality time with loved ones.

5. Volunteer at a local charity. This is a great way to give back to the community and make a difference. You can volunteer at a local soup kitchen, food bank, or homeless shelter. It's a great way to get involved and make a positive impact on the community.

The holidays are a time for giving and reconnecting with family and friends. Make sure to take some time to celebrate and enjoy the season. Remember to slow down and take in the beauty of the season. What are some of your favorite holiday traditions? Share your thoughts in the comments below.

*词语 to live by:* Live so you don't regret dying. Have you found yourself wishing for the childlike attitude that you used to have? Where I see myself 10 years after Liberty: As a mom having a successful career. Best Christmas Present Ever: A ski trip to Colorado. Where I see myself 10 years after Liberty: As a mom having a successful career. Best Christmas Present Ever: A ski trip to Colorado.
Tis the season of giving and the merrier the season the more presents. Friends, family and even the return of old acquaintances fill our doorways in the midst of cramming for finals, projects, papers, and grades. But the dread of finding the perfect gift for that special someone...\n\nBy Ashley Haygood
reporter
\nChristmas and college student do not go together, especially when strapped-for-cash budget is involved. With students digging through couches, ranking petting mats and begging parents for money this Christmas, a glimpse of holiday hope is on the horizon.

Gifts come in all shapes, sizes and price ranges. Large amounts of cash do not have to be dropped on extravagant purchases to prove you care. Present this Christmas with a gift that will be a present to your own wallet.

Parents. Parents seem to be the biggest problem of presents with big gifts with big heart. We've all heard it: "Oh, you don't have to get me anything, it's the thought that counts." Take advantage of that. If your parents don't want anything big, don't get them anything big. Now, some parents do try to pull that reverse-psychology on their kids. But hey, they shouldn't say it if they don't mean it.

Mom is the easiest; they're big on quality time, too. I mean they loving their "baby." Try a movie gift certificates and box of popcorn. Splurging time together and letting her pick the movie is a sure fire way to ease the growing process of leaving home.

Dad, some of them, can be similar. Pay for a round of golf, or a bucket of balls at the driving range. Some dads can't get enough of. If your dad's into the outdoors, pay for some fly fishing, don't make it too more than the tangible side of Christmas, they want to use that. Go in with your dad and buy him one of those new electric rods that are all the rage this holiday season. The ultimate safe gift for parents, though, is the coffee mug. A great deal I've come across is at Macado's. A great gift can be purchased for $20, you can get two DVD's or two VHS's. Titles are somewhat recent, but availability is limited. CDs are also an easy and simple gift for siblings. Gift certificates are even easier, providing them with an opportunity to buy their own gift. For a bookworm, or just selling your home—or just selling your home. Call Philip Pantana Jr., for all your Real Estate needs! For your imagination and the sky is the limit!\n\nAttention Students: Did you know that if you bought a home and got 3 or 4 of your friends to live with you, that you could average about $300 profit?\n
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Musical spreads holiday cheer

By James Nasman

She loves Me has the three standards of a good play: it is pleasing to the eye, energetic music, and is a chance to escape studying in the dorm. Liberty University has just the thing to raise your spirits. She Loves Me is the latest musical to be performed by LU’s theater department. It’s a lighthearted love story full of holiday cheer.

“I wanted to offer students a way to get into the Christmas spirit before exams,” said director Linda Nell Cooper. “As a teacher, I see how stressed students can get. There is always time to relax. This show will help you smile for two hours before Christmas. David Zimmerman and Ashley Wasson star as two co-workers who hate each other, but unknowingly to them are actually secret pen pals. Their tumultuous relationship with each other, along with the other unique characters that populate the department store, create many hilarious and heartwarming moments. It’s the perfect old-fashioned love story. As Zimmerman puts it, “Love is a gift to us from God. It should be shared and enjoyed by his family.”

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Coming together to feed the hungry

By Laura Beaton

“Last year we filled 400 boxes of non-perishable food to give to the hungry in Lynchburg, and this year our goal is to fill 500 boxes to distribute to the needy around town,” said Linley Harrison, pastor Charles Hughes’ assistant. Students here at Liberty really have the chance to make a difference this holiday season by donating non-perishable food items at the different locations around campus.

SLD will be receiving their boxes this week, and commuter students can drop off their food items in the DeMoss hall and at the dining hall. Student Government, Campus Crusade and Campus Pastor Charles Hughes are joining together to make this year’s food drive a big success. "We have been contacting local businesses and asking them to donate non-perishable food or food certificates. One of the local businesses that participates in this project with us is Kroger. In the past, Kroger has donated books, games, and different items. They have also donated gift certificates,” said Brian Fraser, president of SLC. The food drive will be going on for the next few weeks, and the boxes will be delivered after Thanksgiving break.

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ignited the Flames. The Bulldogs would continue its assault behind Tharp and Guard Latoya Dent scored eight points of her own. She was also 3-4 from the free throw line before Providence, R.I. to take on #24 Classic. The Lady Flames shot well Saturday afternoon. The team traveled to Providence, R.I. to take on #24 Classic. The Lady Flames shot well Saturday afternoon. The team traveled

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In overtime, the Lady Flames were able to take a six-point lead into the final minute of overtime, but eventual Louisiana Tech staged a comeback, but their efforts were in vain as Boston College was able to bring the win at 76-70.

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The second half was all Flames.

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The Lady Flames forced 21 turnovers on the night and held South Carolina State to 27 points coming from the floor. Sturgill's finished behind Poore's with 12 points, and Tharp added 10 points of her own. She was also closer than the beyond the arc. "We wanted to maintain the intensity for the whole game," Green said. "And I think we did for the first half.

Liberty would not be so lucky on Saturday afternoon. The team traveled to Providence, R.I. to take on BU reached Boston College in the Brown Classic. The Lady Flames shot well from the field, at 40 per cent for the first half. But Deveny was not through yet. On their next possession, the Lady Flames only had to hold on for the last two minutes of overtime. The Lady Flames were able to hold on for the last two minutes of overtime. The Lady Flames were able to hold on for the last two minutes of overtime.

Boston College, down by five, controlled the ball with two minutes left. Then guard Lauren Deveny got the ball and made a three point attempt. Deveny was able to sink those free throws to get Boston College within two. But Deveny was not through yet. On their next possession, the Lady Flames only had to hold on for the last two minutes of overtime. The Lady Flames were able to hold on for the last two minutes of overtime.

Now in charge of whether a pass was catchable, much like how a baseball receiver has to judge a ball, but they remem-bered everything to do with catching a ball.

In fact, receivers in the NFL get off on way too easily. It's not uncommon for a trash- ing, self-proclaimed "superstar" wide receiver to stake his claim on the field. The "Passes Dropped" stat keeps track of how many times a receiver would then have a column in his catchability column for that pass in catch or no catch. And the standard for receivers to catch a ball is at least 70 percent. The "Passes Dropped" stat keeps track of how many times a receiver would then have a column in his catchability column for that pass in catch or no catch.

The official scorekeeper would drop balls a receiver...uh, receives. We know why you think that when the left guard decides to take a cigarette break from blocking, the QB not only gets rocked, but has his rushing yards drop? About thirty percent of the time, a sack is a missed block or a bad read by a running back, so why do the quarterback's stats suffer? Not only should quarterbacks not be punished against for sacks, he should be given a stat for how many sacks his linemen have given up.

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Walker: Pursuing a degree in sports management

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I had pretty good success at it and I found out about the whole scholarship thing. My dad told me to stick with it because it might pay for my education one day, since he's my father, I decided to listen to him. According to Walker, being both a female and an athlete has its challenges, but it is getting easier. "It's not as hard as it used to be. Women such as Jackie Jocey-Kneece and Lisa Leslie have helped pave the way for us now. We still have to do more to prove our skills. Female athletes have to be extraordinary just to get people in the stands. But I like surprising people and I'm up to the challenge. I'm still waiting for them to let us scrimmage against the men's team."

As Walker enters her third season on the team, she sees many things she personally contributes to the game and has found her place in the program. "I think I contribute my athleticism and I am able to drive to the basket and drive to the foul. Because of my asthma and diabetes, girls on the team look up to me because it's hard to deal with. Girls tell me that I am their hero and even Coach Green tells me I'm his hero because of the obstacles that I've overcome."

Although she has found her niche within the team, there are still areas in which Walker sees room for improvement. She feels she has her heart set on working on her defense because she firmly believes that defense wins ball games. She also wants to rebound more. During the past couple seasons, Walker has had her share of memorable moments and experiences. However, there is one memory that sticks out more than any other. "Last year we played against UVA in a game that was a lot of fun and we ended up winning. Everyone was so excited and hyped and it was such a great feeling. We won the game winning the game. It was such a good moment because I like seeing other people happy." When she's not practicing up the court, Walker is pursuing a major in sports management and a double minor in business and psychology. One day she hopes to coach at a secondary level or become the athletic director for a high school, preferably the one she attended, because of her love of teaching and interacting with others.

Men's Basketball: Picks up a win against NALA opposition VICK

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In that five-minute time span the Flames used a 22-2 run to extended their lead to 32-12 just over midway through the first half. "If we get ahead early it's tough to concentrate and keep pushing the ball up the floor," Head Coach Randy Denton said.

The pressure was applied continuously throughout the duration of the half, giving Liberty a 54-29 advantage heading into the halftime break.

The Flames put eight points into first-half turnovers and 23 total on the game. Virginia Intermont used only 13 of the total 23 turnovers by Virginia Tech to cut the Flames lead on the way with four steals on the game. He also saw his rebounds rise to double-digits, reaching 18 points and snapping down nine rebounds, six on the offensive side.

The second half didn't bode much better for the Cobras. "The closest they were able to get the ball was in the middle of the game, which the Flames turned into a 17-point lead," Denton said.

It was also the last head goal on the night for the Flames. Marcus scored on a basket off a tip-off from a Jaren Sarchet miss.

Sarchet was the third leading scorer on the night. He tallied 10 points in 25 minutes of action. It was another solid night for the starting center, coming off the trip to the Great Alaska Shootout where he was named to the all-tournament team. He joined Chris Dolson of Duke and Kenneth Lowe of Purdue among others on the distinguished honors.

The competition in the Shootout was much stiffer than this game. Virginia Intermont is a NALA school competing in the Appalachian Athletic Conference. The Flames had already matched up against power-conference teams such as Duke University from the ACC and Seton Hall University from the Big East.

The competition in Alaska was real high," Blake said. "It prepared us and grew our confidence in us that carried over to tonight's game." That confidence was especially apparent in tip play against the Cobras. The freshman shooting guard finished the game 10-12 from the field, including 4-6 on four.

"It was a great night," Denton said. "We got a lot of pressure on him right away by putting him in the starting lineup, but he has grown.

The touch from behind the three-point line gave Blair the best shooting performances from downtown in school history. The last guy to go on a complete game without missing a three-point shot and taking at least four was Janmil Rokieti in 1999 against High Point.

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and his soon to be running mate on Blair.

Liberty's earliest memory of the game was when he accompanied his father to the local gym. Blair's first encounter was at the age of three when he would go along with his father to the different parks in Charleston, N.C. and watch his father on the court.

Dees is also a coach and influencer in his life and he would like to follow in his father's footsteps in that aspect. With Liberty's tough schedule coming up, the team will be relying on the rebounding of Dees and Blair's ability to lead in offense. Look for the duo of "Razzle and Dazzle" to deliver the 1-2 punch for the Bulldogs. They weren't alone. Becky Rudnick had 18 points and 13 rebounds, while Theresa Passamani for the team high on the court. Dazzle" to deliver the 1-2 punch for the Bulldogs. They weren't alone. Becky Rudnick had 18 points and 13 rebounds, while Theresa Passamani for the team high on the court.

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Lady Flames find success at home not on the road

By Pat Doney

Despite the first winter storm of the year, the Lady Flames were able to keep "the Flames" hot with a 77-49 win over New Jersey College of New Jersey and a 90-60 win over Wisconsin-Milwaukee. However, the Lady Flames were shut out by Wisconsin-Milwaukee on Wednesday night in their final game of the year.

The Lady Flames began the game getting out to an early lead. After warmups, the Lady Flames ran out to a 15-0 lead before the game was delayed due to bad weather. They lost their first game to Virginia.

After entering the second half, the Lady Flames were able to hold onto the lead. They were out in front by 17 points at halftime. They had a big lead at the end of the half, giving Liberty a 54-29 advantage heading into the halftime break.

The Lady Flames' lead was never in question as they continued to dominate the game. They were on top by 20 points at the final buzzer. The Flames posted a winning streak of 11 games, including four baskets from beyond the three-point arc.

"My shot felt good tonight," said senior guard Randy Duriton. "I'm glad we were able to hold onto the lead. We have a lot of experience in our lineup and we're used to playing with the pressure on our backs."