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STAYING IN SUDAN—Nine students from the 16-member team will be returning in time for Christmas. Here, Cynthia Thompson stands with some of the neighboring Sudanese children.

"Miracle Day" nears
The "Miracle Day of Prayer" will offer 24 hours of prayer for Dean Vernon Brewer's healing, the Liberty Endowment and personal needs beginning at 9 p.m. Nov 24 and going until 9 p.m. Nov. 25 in the prayer chapel.

Sudan team to return
By M. Anthony Carr
Several Liberty students in Sudan, Africa, are scheduled to return home in early December, following a six-month stay in the drought-stricken country. Mural Majority spokesman Harry Covert said Friday that nine of the 16-member team will return to the U.S. Dec. 2.

The remaining seven members will stay behind to maintain the Liberty Mercy Center until the second term of students arrive in the early part of 1986. The Rev. Rick Lange, project director, and assistant director Steve Coffey and his wife Beth will stay on another six months, Covert said.

Students Sue Adrian, Vernon Brady, Pat Perkins and Cathy Thompson may stay another six months as well, pending the acquisition of temporary permissions by the Sudanese government.

The most recent event reported was suffering from an acute appendicitis on Nov. 11. International SOS Insurance, an emergency medical flight service, flew the seminarian out of Dardeh to Khartoum. The diagnosis was negative, and Brady is now back at the camp.

Covert said that the flight was the first time the emergency service has ever had to be used.

Project Mercy has taken a slight twist from its original plan, Covert explained. At first, the missionaries had planned to serve mainly as a food distribution center, but Covert said there has been more local project work than anything else.

"They've established the camp, setting up running water, electricity, cleaning it and making it habitable. They've become really good neighbors with the nationals and built up their (the nationals') confidence."

Covert said Beth Coffey, a registered nurse, has been teaching personal hygiene in neighboring villages, and Pat Hillman has set up courses in plumbing and electricity at the request of district education officials.

The main goal at this point is the water reclamation project. Several men on the crew have been digging out sand and silt in existing dams. Once the rains come these will supply the area with drinking water, Covert said.

Living Tree slated
By Stephanie DuBurry
Those familiar with Lynchburg know the yuletide season is near when Thomas Road Baptist Church's annual Living Christmas Tree program makes its appearance.

Five performances are planned Dec. 6-8, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 6 and 7, 2 p.m. Dec. 7 and 8 and 6 p.m. Dec. 8.

The theme of the 1985 Living Christmas Tree is "It's the Best Time of the Year."

The program is a combination of music and drama with 28 musical selections, representing both sacred Christmas hymns and popular carols.

The director of the program, Dave Randlett, stated, "The purpose of the Living Christmas Tree is to give a Christmas gift to this part of the country to remind us of Christ's birthday."

This year's co-hosts are Mack Evans and Stephanie Cratcht.

Also taking part in the program are the Old Time Gospel Hour Choir, the Sounds of Liberty, the Branches and Mick and Rick Vigneault.

Solo performances include Don Normun, Kendra Cook, Mark Lowry, Chuck Villenauve and Mike Tait.

The Living Christmas Tree was started in 1971 from an inspiration of the First Baptist Church in Van Nuys, Calif.

CWA
Women's group attacks porn
By Elaine Lucadamo
Lynchburg's Concerned Women for America (CWA) has initiated the "Lynchburg Pornography Purge," a project that will focus on the exposure of pornographic materials from the shelves of several stores, located in the River Ridge Mall.

According to the latest research conducted by the group, the Papers and Paperbacks bookstore contains more than 50 pornographic magazines in a separate section of the store.

A sign below the rack reads, "Must be 18 years of age to read this material."

B. Dalton Books also carries pornographic magazines and sets it among other reading materials within the same type of a warning sign.

"Blatant" was the description used by a woman for Spencer Gifts. Joke books entitled, "The Wedding Night" and "Sex Manual for People Over 30" cover the shelves, and games such as "Foreplay," "Deluxe Dirty Words" and "Sexual Trivia" are located in the center of the store within a child's reach.

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Behind the Iron Curtain

Believers give thanks for gospel

By Carrie Freel

Travelling with a group of Continental Singers in the summer of '84 gave LU student Alan Gentry the opportunity to observe life behind the Iron Curtain.

The Continental Singers, based in California, send about 15 different groups throughout the United States and foreign countries in a singing ministry. Each group, consisting of approximately 40 members, tours three countries during a three-month travel period.

Gentry was a junior telecommunications major, toured Russia, Romania and Bulgaria as well as the former Soviet States.

Gentry spoke compassionately about the people in the communist countries.

"The people were very hungry for the music even though we weren't able to sing in their language," Gentry remarked. "We sang with love, and they knew we cared."

"They would literally lie on the floor and cry with joy," he continued. "Their tears would literally be shed with the dirt. Many times after we performed, people would come and thank us, then warn our group about informers and quickly hurry away."

Gentry said he felt the oppression of the people despite the beautiful, external surroundings. He described the communist-controlled Christians' environment by explaining the church situation.

Two types of churches exist in Russia, Gentry said. The registered church is carefully controlled by the government. A KGB member could even be a pastor. He would be allowed to preach, but only under surveillance. The opportunity to see the people of God as long as he didn't say God was more powerful than they government.

To declare membership in a registered church, an individual relinquishes his rights as a communist citizen, including free hospital care, free housing and free education.

The other type of church is the underground church which is totally unaffiliated with the government. A lack of unity exists between the two types of churches. The underground members feel the registered members are compromising with the government. The registered members believe they are superior because they have sacrificed their citizenship.

Regardless of their church affiliation, according to Gentry, believers in the communist countries are starving for any kind of Christian food they can receive. The Continental Singers are an encouragement to their communist brothers.

"Our going there gives them the opportunity to see there are Christians on the other side of the world and what they have given up is not in vain," Gentry emphasized. "That's what their tears of joy were for."

Gentry plans to travel as assistant director with the Continental Singers again in 1986.

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Commentary

Walk!

Walk 11 miles on a cold December day around the campus of Liberty University?

Yes, Dr. Falwell is serious!

Call up friends and relatives for pledges, ask Mom and Dad for even more $500!

Yes, Dr. Falwell is serious!

What has he done for us?

He has invested 35 years of his life in this ministry.

He has spent countless hours in prayer for LU.

He has traveled the country raising money for our campus.

He has written hundreds, maybe thousands, of letters encouraging people to invest in Liberty—in the lives of students.

He has given to us teachers and courses of study that other Christian institutions only dream about having.

He has given us greater vision, challenged us to change the world.

He has given so much for us. Now it is our turn to help him. We need to help him raise money by participating in the Walk-A-Thon.

So go ahead and walk the 11 miles; it's the principle of the thing.
Emphasis week approaches

By Elaine Lucadano
Speculate if events from a variety of fields are being offered by the school of arts and sciences during its emphasis week this week. A varied combination of plays, recitals, exhibits and special speakers will convey information on the 10 divisions of study within the arts and sciences department.

Dr. H. Glenn Sumrall, arts and sciences dean, commented on the department’s purpose, “We would like to see both students and faculty gain appreciation and knowledge of what arts and sciences has to offer. These events will also offer exposure to our community so that they may gain a good understanding of what arts and sciences are all about.”

As part of the events this week, special music by faculty and students of the department will be presented in chapel. One of the special speakers includes Dr. Steven Wray, a sociologist from the University of Iowa, who will speak on "Death and Dying" Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in TE 183.

Also, executive director of the Lynchburg Bicentennial Commission, Brock Field, will deliver a slide-lecture on Lynchburg’s Bicentennial in TE 101 on the same evening.

A dinner theater will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday in PA 120. The play, “The Good Doctor,” will follow, which can also be seen Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. The human ecology department will host an open house Friday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. in SH 109 and SH 111. The math department will demonstrate physics phenomena, including holography, mirage optics and hair-raising electrostatics by Dr. Robert Chasnov in SH 105. A computer science demonstration and a Concert Choir performance are also scheduled for Friday.

School anticipates return of flags

By Denise Floyd

Question: What’s tall and slender and is silent when the wind blows?

Answer: A flagpole—without the flag.

The Indiana and Texas state flags have disappeared without a trace. The two flags have become victims of apparent practical jokers—or homesick students wanting a little piece of home. There are apparently no motives as to why the flags were taken, but according to Gary Alridge, assistant to President A. Pierre Guillermin, the flags were an expensive investment for the university.

"The whole project is worth thousands of dollars. It’s just too much money for someone to be playing with," Alridge explained.

Grounds crew director Cal Payne agreed, stating that attempts are being made to stop the thefts. Payne stated that the flags have been raised higher to prevent easy access. Ropes

L'U adds new justice courses

By Latisia Snead

Liberty University is working in cooperation with Central Virginia Community College to start a new criminal justice program next semester, allowing LU students to take lower division courses at CVCC and higher division courses at LU for a bachelor of science degree.

“The Criminal Justice program at CVCC offers opportunities and realistic views on criminal justice,” Arnold Dihrberg, who is in charge of the CVCC criminal justice program, said. He also added that the two colleges have a lot to offer one another.

“Liberty University students will be able to offer their dedication to the study of criminal justice, and CVCC students can offer their different views in that field,” Dihrberg said.

Dr. Kevin Clausen, who is in charge of the program at LU, commented that LU has been discussing the combination of a criminal justice program, but the school wanted to develop a program without having to add more faculty members.

Clausen added that the new program will help LU develop a criminal justice program and build on CVCC’s program. Students with special circumstances may take courses this spring; however, the program will not get fully underway until next fall.

In addition, students taking the courses at CVCC must pay their own tuition. Interested students will be able to sign up for the courses when they register in the spring for fall classes. For further information interested students should contact Clausen.

WHERE’D THEY GO?—Two state flags, Iowa and Indiana, appear to have disappeared from the school courtyard. LU officials are anticipating their return.—Photo by John Henley

Porno purge

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CW mosaic is to acquire 2,000 signatures on petitions and 150 letters written by consumers of Lynchburg who would also like to see pornography expelled from the city.

CW officers will hand out fliers Tuesday, Nov. 11, during its annual meeting. The North Carolina state flag, long thought to have been missing were returned last week.

Do you have an opinion about what is happening on campus? Why not let The Liberty Champion know. Send letters to Marsha Wilde, Box 23638.

President’s Forum

A. Pierre Guillermin

Holidays: How we look forward to them. We almost start counting the days before the semester starts, not because we dislike what we’re doing but because it’s human nature to look to the future. But as the holidays approach and with them a break in our schedules, let’s really reflect on the blessings we have in this land of plenty, instead of just talking about how thankful we should be. The following is a suggestion to help focus your attention on your own blessings.

Make a list to visibly acknowledge your blessings. Included in the first list should be all the things that are right about America. Next, compile a list of all the things that are right about your immediate environment, both here at Liberty and at home. Then make a list about all the good things about you personally. How have you progressed this semester? What new things have you learned? What new commitments have you made to the Lord?

I know you can always find things that aren’t right, that need changing, but that’s not important right now. The important thing now is to concentrate on all those things you have and enjoy.

Once you’ve finished your lists, commemorate Thanksgiving by thanking God for every single item on those lists.

Then have a good vacation! Write!

Don’t Be Fooled By Expensive Imitations

It’s easy to be confused. After all, there are lots of fake PCs on the market. The KAYPRO PC, however, has some very distinct characteristics. For starters, two disk drives and monitor are standard. The KAYPRO PC screen boasts the best of both worlds—color graphics at high-resolution level. And, unlike the competition, the KAYPRO PC has a keyboard just like the expensive IBM PC at 50% discount and all.

The KAYPRO PC, with its 8088 CPU and 256K RAM (expandable to 640K), provides 100% IBM PC or PC XT compatibility. It’s got nine slots for easy expandability and service. Plus, every KAYPRO PC buyer gets a “dazzling collection of quality business software, such as WordStar, absolutely free.” But, best of all, you can distinguish the KAYPRO PC from the others by the sticker on the box that says “Made in the U.S.A.” See the KAYPRO PC difference at your KAYPRO dealer. You’ll know it.
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Student MasterCard applications are available at Bank of Virginia to full-time juniors, seniors or graduate students.
Flames Sports

ROUNDBALL!

Scoring big? for Meyer, LU

By Brian Sullivan

This won't be the first year the Liberty University basketball team has endured change under head coach Jeff Meyer.

However, as the Flames face the Tip-Off tournament this weekend, it will be one of the most challenging transitional seasons that Meyer and the Flames have faced so far.

"This year is a transitional year unlike any other we've had since I came here," he stated. "We have not returned any leading scorers.

A lack of reliable scoring is of prime concern to Meyer. Last year Liberty could put center Cliff Hardaway (18.6 ppg, 11.4 rpg) on the baseline and concentrate on getting the ball to him or kick it out to long-range bomber Greg McCauley (14.8 ppg).

This year, however, that will not be the case. They will rely on transitional points and overall player contributions to win.

"Our offensive production will be a big question," Meyer explained. "We will need scoring from our upperclassmen and our incoming freshmen."

Senior forward Dan Kennard (5.0 ppg, 6.2 rpg), junior Brad Hummersley (5.5 ppg, 3.4 rpg), Mike Minett (4.9 ppg) and Jerry Smith (3.7 ppg) join sophomore Andre "Bo Bo" McIntyre (6.5 ppg) as top returnees from last season's 19-10 squad.

Meyer hopes highly-touted freshmen Steve Farquhar (the nation's leading high school scorer last year at 49.8 ppg), Rodney Harrison, Lee Jones, Fred Morgan and Gerald Thomas can step in and make instant contributions.

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Farver likes fast team

By Tim Woltmann

Liberty opens its 1985-86 women's basketball season this weekend with the Lady Flames Tip-Off tournament in the Multi-Purpose Center.

On Friday, North Carolina Wesleyan plays Bowie State and LU faces Mary Washington.

Coach Linda Farver used the words "guarded optimism" to describe her feelings about the season.

The Flames are picked to finish fourth in the Mason-Dixon conference, putting the Flames in a position that Farver likes.

"We'll be the spoiler," she said.

She feels the team has improved over last year's squad, especially in speed and maturity.

"This is the fastest team we've had at Liberty," she commented. "You'll see us fast break more this year."

This year, the team is younger than last year in terms of age and classification, but Farver said they seem better fit mentally.

The weak point in the Flames game is defense. Farver realized this during a scrimmage game against Guilford College. The Flames squeezed by that game 61-60.

Farver was encouraged, however, with the 92 percent free-throw shooting the team had in that game.

"This game helped us realize where we are and where we are going," she said.

Malynda Keck and Sheila Ford are the only seniors on the team.

Ford has started in every game since she was a freshman and will lead the team from her point-guard position, as she looks for her fourth-straight MVP award.

Keck is expected to provide leadership in the middle.

After the tournament, the Lady Flames will travel to Harrisonburg to face Division I James Madison on Monday.

S-T-R-E-T-C-H—LU's Scott Lustig and Christopher Newport's Lou Fiscella reach out for a loose ball during the first round of the VISA tournament last Wednesday at LU. A bandaged arm of Topher Newport's Lou Fiscella reach out for a loose ball during the first round of the VISA tournament last Wednesday at LU. A bandaged arm of Topher Newport's Lou Fiscella reach out for a loose ball during the first round of the VISA tournament last Wednesday at LU. A bandaged arm of Topher Newport's Lou Fiscella reach out for a loose ball during the first round of the VISA tournament last Wednesday at LU. A bandaged arm of Topher Newport's Lou Fiscella reach out for a loose ball during the first round of the VISA tournament last Wednesday at LU. A bandaged arm of Topher Newport's Lou Fiscella reach out for a loose ball during the first round of the VISA tournament last Wednesday at LU. A bandaged arm of Topher Newport's Lou Fiscella reach out for a loose ball during the first round of the VISA tournament last Wednesday at LU.

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Christmas Banquet Pictures
A new offensive style is one of the changes Meyer and his assistants are making to try and strengthen the offense. In the past the Flames have run variations of a pattern offense. This season they will use a five-man motion offense in an attempt to shore up their scoring game.

Unlike the pattern offense, the motion offense does not rely on pre-planned reactions to an opponent's defense. Instead, it gives players the advantage of a fluid reaction offense. A player can react to the defense according to several options, all within certain specified guidelines, such as requiring players to remain no closer than 15-18 feet apart.

This offense, used at Indiana and other programs, requires players who can think fast on their feet and coaches who can teach the game well.

By Marsha Wilde

The Liberty University men's and women's cross country teams will compete in the NCAA Division 2 National Championships at East Stroudsburg, Penn. Nov. 9-10.

Coach Jake Mathes said the men's team will run a regular race and be assured of a place in the top 10. He also said they will attempt no surprises in strategy, explaining, "I like everything to be consistent. Every move we make, we want to do to like the things same." Coach Ron Hopkins stated that by placing eighth or ninth against such tough competition would be a good accomplishment for the women's team.

By Steve Farquhar

Dan Kennard

Scoring big?

By Dave Dentel

Overcoming at least 13 of the 14 teams at the Pembroke State University Classic Friday and Saturday in the Flames third meet of the season made head coach Robert Bonheim believe that his squad is headed for a good year. Bonheim's opinion was also influenced by the Flames tie for second place against 23 teams in the Eastern Nationals at Old Dominion University Nov. 8., plus their seven champions at the Barber Scotia College Invitational Nov. 2.

In the Flames most recent meet at Pembroke, N.C., Bonheim could only estimate his squad's final standing as the meet was unscored. However, he was quite sure of the 11 Flames wrestlers that placed in the tournament. Loren Baum, Patric Bussey and Mike Hatch finished at the top of their respective weight classes, giving the Flames more individual champions than anyone else that day.

Eric Hurley (134 lbs.) and Todd Logsdon (142 lbs.) captured second place for LU. Perry Ainscough (126 lbs.), Dave Rufenacht (158 lbs.) all came in third.

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College basketball -Home vs. Bluffton City State University, 7:30 p.m.

Wrestling -at University of North Carolina Duals

Flames Basketball-Home Flames Tip-Off Tournament

Lady Flames Basketball-at James Madison University, 6 p.m.

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