CAMPUS BUILDING BURNS—The Liberty Emergency Services office caught fire at about 6:30 p.m. on March 5. The fire apparently stemmed from a faulty electrical box in a hall closet. The Lynchburg Fire Department responded to the blaze.—Photo by Tony Virostko

Marathon looks to set record

By Denise Floyd

The Student Government Association will kick off its second volleyball marathon this month to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association as well as break the world's record for continuous play.

The marathon begins on the morning of March 27 and will continue for 80 consecutive hours, ending at approximately 6 p.m. on March 30. The current record for non-stop play in Guinness' Book of World Records is 75 hours, 30 minutes.

Marathon participants hope to set a new record for MDA. The association raises funds to help combat neuro-muscular diseases that affect hundreds of thousands of Americans.

Out of 29 students who applied to participate in the marathon, 12 were selected. The students who were selected are: Tim Dubois, Russ Lewellen, Jeff McCracken and Bill Morgan.

Joining these four on the team are Steve Moser, Karen Murane, Danny Nixon and Tom Nottoli.

Others who made the team in-clude Mike Snare, Kevin Snyder and Tom Notvdi. The fire started about 6:30 p.m. on March 5 and will continue for 80 hours.—Photo by Tony Virostko

SGA Election Coverage

SGA election coverage gives the views and issues of the candidates involved in the current SGA election. Coverage begins on Page 3.

SGA's presidential candidates will meet in a presidential open forum Monday, March 26, at 7 p.m. in FA 122.

All of the presidential candidates have been invited to the forum, which is being sponsored by The Liberty Champion and WLBU in conjunction with the College Republicans. WLBU will also carry the forum live.

The candidates will be given three minutes in chapel on Monday to present their positions, but the sponsoring organizations did not feel this was enough time to truly inform voters.

The sponsoring organizations decided to sponsor the forum to allow the candidates an opportunity to spend more time communicating their concerns and views to the student body.

A panel, primarily composed of representatives from the sponsoring organizations will pose questions to the entire group. Each candidate will be given an allotted amount of time to reply.

The panelist may then ask a follow-up question. The panel may also ask for clarification on any answers given.

Networks may air shows

By Sherry Coberly

Three radio satellite networks have expressed interest in airing nationally WRVL's "A Quiet Place," and "Health Journal."

According to Dr. Carl Windsor, chairman of the department of telecommunications, National Public Radio, International Broadcasting Network and Learfield Communications have proposed a 90-day trial for each show, after which they will determine whether to run them on a regular basis or not.

"A Quiet Place," hosted by Windsor, airs on WRVL between 10-11 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The "Health Journal," hosted by Dr. G. David Albers, airs at 7:45 a.m. and 3 p.m. throughout the week.

Negotiations are underway as WRVL waits for approval of funding for the programs. If the funding is approved, the programs could be on the networks as early as April 1.

Dr. Windsor added that he hopes these will be the first of many such programs originating from LBC and available across the nation.

Faulty fixture caused recent fire in Security offices

By Tony Virostko

A faulty electrical box fixture in a hall closet apparently started the fire at the campus security building Tuesday, March 5, causing heavy fire damage, Chief of Security David Heerspink said.

The fire started about 6:30 p.m. in a wall closet, spreading to part of the building's attic and then gutting two rooms.

According to Heerspink, security workers didn't notice the fire until the blaze could be seen through the rooms.

Security worker Steve Coffey spotted the flames and tried to douse the fire before calling the fire department, Heerspink said.

Lynchburg firefighters arrived on the scene at 7:15 p.m. with flames shooting from the building and were able to bring the blaze under control in about 15 minutes.

Though no one was inside at the time of the fire, Heerspink speculates that it might have started while workers were still in the building.

Damages were estimated at $60,000.
Concerned student teaches silent hands to talk with signs

By Chris Shrewsbury

She walks into a silent room where several students have gathered, each one moves his hands and mouth, yet nothing is said.

Walking to the front of the room the motions for the class to begin.

Mary Scrughan, a freshman from Charleston, S.C., has been deaf most all her life, her mother contracted german measles during pregnancy.

She is one of the deft students here at Liberty face being unable to communicate with most people every day. Yet she still attends classes and functions.

Mary has a great desire to help others, especially the deaf; and it was this desire that prompted her to organize a small class on sign language.

From age 15 months to age eight, Mary was a patient of The Speech and Hearing Clinic in Charleston where she learned to speak and read lips.

Mary had always attended regular public schools, but in the sixth grade she attended a school for the deaf. It was there that she learned sign language.

Her class currently has 16 students and meets every Thursday evening for 30-45 minutes of learning, fellowship and fun. In addition to the regular weekly meetings, members are expected to practice what they’ve learned with their chosen partners.

In spite of her handicap, Mary has a surprisingly optimistic view of life. She implores the rest of us to accept the people that we do meet and be different from ourselves.

And she also urges deaf students to be the best people they can be.

Vangie asks...

What three things would you have with you on a deserted island?

LUANNE SMITH— I wouldn’t get stuck on a deserted island.

EDUARDO SOLDESI— "My Bible, a Conquest and a camel to ride on."

LISA WELCH— "Tom Sellick, a radio with Everlast batteries and an endless supply of Tropical Blend."

Samantha Greenwood— "An electric car, an electric shaver and a blender to make coconut milkshakes with."

If you find yourself seeing red for the next few days, don’t be surprised. Spring break is over and sunburned bodies are roaming all over campus.

I’ve never quite understood why sophisticated 20-year-olds spend every spring break at the beach. Oddly enough, one’s lack of interest in higher education is not only confined to one’s fellow beach-bum peers.

The whole phenomenon is understandable when one realizes that conversation between sun worshippers rarely goes beyond the current pop music top 40, customized cars or basic anatomy.

No Florida beach would be complete without its resident insects. Pharaoh’s Egypt never endured the afflictions students tolerate along the coast. These six-legged pests have an insatiable appetite for suntan lotion, and many is the time when an unknowing female turns the well-done half of her body to the raw side only to discover she has become a Shell No-Pest Strip.

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Off the record

By Steve Leer

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Commentary

Issues center on voting

"Now is the time for all good men and women to tell how good they really are." The SGA election is here.

Every candidate seems to think he knows the needs of the students and that he has a special mission to satisfy those needs in a way that no other candidate can.

But what issues are really on the mind of those directly affected by SGA? The candidates seem to think the most important issue is obtaining more effective communication between students and SGA and between SGA and the administration.

Some students seem to think the only purpose of student government is to debate exactly what the students want, at which time they sit back and wait for their wishes to be granted. Those students are wrong. LBC, as a young institution, is still in a process of proving itself—to its supporters as well as its critics. It can’t do just anything the students want.

Some people fail to see that, possibly the administration knows what it’s doing. But it’s an idea worth considering. When was the last time students had to deal with the amount of attention that this school gets?

What’s the important issue in this election? Communication.

What’s the best way for you to communicate? Vote.

Questionnaire questioned by SGA?

As I read the editorial, it appeared that the minorities were being asked some questions ourselves.

As I took the survey I found some problems with the questions. They were somewhat unfair. It put those taking it in an awkward position by placing women and minorities in the same category.

Why make a race distinction? God doesn’t. This seemed suspicious,

According to the editorial, if one believes a woman should not be in authority he/she must also take on the label of being prejudice against minorities.

I found the survey and editorial were the workings of a political tactic used by John F. Kennedy 25 years earlier, except it was about Kennedy being Catholic.

If there is a need for concern, as the author states, it is for the motives behind the article and survey. Maybe it’s time we started asking some questions ourselves.

— Tony Vlrostko

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Seven candidates contend for top spot

EDITOR'S NOTE: In the special SGA supplement to The Liberty Champion, each candidate is featured alphabetically in the article.

Seeking the office of Student Government Association president is Paula Coons, a senior English major from Kansas City, Mo.

"The main duty of the president is to utilize SGA's source of power, the student body, which is something I would like to do more," the candidate stated when describing the responsibilities of the president. "This can only be done by listening to the students more and expressing their needs to the administration." She added.

Currently serving as chairperson of the SGA senate proposal committee, Coons stated she considered running for office last year but decided against it because of other commitments and activities.

Although Coons was accepted for fall enrollment in several law schools, she wanted to get another year of experience before attending a law school. She explained that a year as an executive officer in SGA would give her needed experience in this area. "I have a lot of ideas, but I don't want to run a campaign with a grocery list of proposals," the candidate stated in reference to her plans should she win the election. She went on to explain that proposals must be made and considered when needs arise. She did, however, mention a few of her goals.

One of the presidential hopeful's goals includes moving SGA toward a position of working with the school administration rather than under it. Along with this, she stated a desire to bring the goals of the student body, SGA and the administration in line with one another.

"I believe in this school," she added, "and I believe in this student body.

SGA presidential candidate George Johnson, a junior political science major, wants to turn SGA back over to the student body.

"The present SGA setup is the personification of a country club," Johnson said.

If elected, Johnson pledges to engage in personal interaction with as many students as possible. "I want to visit every dorm asking for student input and involvement," the candidate explained.

Johnson feels his lack of actual SGA experience will be an advantage. "We need an average Joe to put fresh water in a stagnant pond," the junior said.

Johnson plans to delegate as much authority as possible to be more efficient. If elected he plans to surround himself with good people and get as many students involved as possible.

The presidential candidate realizes that organizational skills are essential to having the administration run smoothly. He feels he has obtained the necessary organizational skills by working in several local election campaigns and as a Washington intern with Moral Majority.

Johnson researched the role of SGA president by talking to Troy Tins and Scott Schmiedtman about the responsibilities of the position. Johnson concluded that it is a role of representation rather than of authority.

SGA presidential candidate Rich Rossi's campaign is geared towards the common man.

"I have a desire to be a spokesman for the little, everyday person," the 22-year-old junior religion major from Pittsburgh, Pa., said. "I don't put myself above anyone. I want to remain Rich Rossi throughout the campaign, win or lose.

If elected, Rossi plans to aim his efforts in the directions of policy-making and improvement of the spiritual atmosphere around campus.

"Being a spiritual example should be the number one priority," the candidate said, "but I'm not running solely on a spiritual platform. I want to balance out your spiritual needs with needs in the material world and in the spiritual aspects of the job."

The presidential hopeful said he would implement a weekly "tea talk" session, where all students could come to discuss any campus problem or offer suggestions over coffee and donuts.

He said he would also like to begin a student fellowship. The students are hungry for a service and where they are more than speculators.

At the business end, Rossi plans to take on two or three "major problems" he has observed through the years.

One such problem is the financing of students' education, finding more employment opportunities and working with the administration in the handling of on-campus charges.

"When I go to consult with the administration," Rossi pointed out, "I want to have more than one solution to each problem." Rossi said he intends to meet with male students in their dorms while his wife Sherrie meets with female students. "We have a mutual burden for this school."

"I'm asking for two things from the students of LBC," Rossi said. "That they go to the voting booths to vote for me and then go to the praying booth to pray for Liberty."

Another of the presidential candidates is Jim Shannon, a junior finance major from Belfry, Ky.

Although Shannon had considered running for president for some time, he did not actually decide to do so until early February.

"The main responsibility of the SGA president is to make sure those policies being taken to the administration are the policies which the students need, not something I have concocted in my own mind," Shannon said.

"I want to bring SGA back down to the level of the students," he added.

"Too often the only students who ever benefit from SGA are the ones who are extroverts and make noise when something is wrong," the candidate said.

"I want SGA to benefit all students, especially those who are seldom heard.

Shannon plans to bring about these changes by getting out and meeting people to find what their problems and needs really are.

The presidential hopeful also believes that the present dorm representative structure is not working: so he would like to see class representation, with each class having officers to represent its needs, reinstalled.

He believes this will help get more people involved in SGA.

Shannon considers his experience as a leader in a family-owned chain of auto parts stores as more adequate qualification for SGA president.

However, he listed his lack of SGA experience as his major advantage rather than a disadvantage.

He explained, saying he has developed leadership ability while keeping the background of what he termed a common student, with the problems and ideas of the common student.

To Tim Sims the Student Government Association is like a class: he's there every day for about three hours.

Having been actively involved with SGA for three years, serving as vice president of activities for a year and a half, working as an administrative assistant for one year and acting as vice president of town students, Sims feels he is the most qualified candidate running for the office of president.

Sims thinks that it's time for SGA to stop going in circles with new presidents not familiar with the system and to stick with someone who has been involved through the years.

The constant change in the SGA positions causes a problem which Sims feels most candidates face upon taking office. "By the time they learn what their job is, it's time for another election," he said.

The biggest problem is with organization and communication, he stated. Sims would like to see the pyramidal structure of SGA changed, with more effective communication lines opened among the SGA staff members.

He described the pyramidal type of structure as having a man at the top and communication branching down to those under him.

"Communication must be on the horizontal instead of vertically," the Houston native said.

The business administration major would also like to see an executive committee formed to have an overview of administrative decisions that affect the students.

Whoever is elected should know the procedures of getting proposals approved and what takes place in office, Sims said.

"Every year candidates approach the position with promises on top of promises about what they're going to do. We need to concentrate on the problems we have now so that we can become a more effective organization," Sims said concerning his campaign strategy.

"The student body wants someone that is one of them.

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“The attitude around SGA has been impersonal like it’s separated from the students,” he added.

After solving SGA’s communication problems, Sowry said, “The SGA president should concentrating on serving students.”

He would like to dispel that feeling by opening up the campus through communication with other college student governments and by getting similar clubs and organizations to meet together.

Sowry is not only running on his platform of improved communication, but on his experience as well.

Credited to his name include an internship in Washington with the Conservative Caucus and jobs with the College Republicans’ National Committee and United Families of America, both in Washington.

“I have three years experience with SGA—two as a senator and one as executive chief of staff. Coupled with good organizational abilities, I think we (SGA) can branch out,” the candidate stated.

“Experience is not a big factor for the job,” SGA presidential candidate Jeff Wren said.

“We’re not talking about arms negotiations with the Soviets; caring about students is what it takes,” he added, explaining his reasons for seeking SGA’s highest office.

The sophomore business administration major from St. Petersburg, Fla., wants SGA to become more personal with the student body and not just another mouthpiece for the administration.

“SGA does a lot of good things, and those things need to be built upon,” Wren explained. “But students don’t realize what all SGA does.”

Wren wants to instigate a plan that will make SGA more public by seeing to it that senators and representatives have more contact with their constituency.

“The president can’t do it all. Delegation of power is the key,” Wren said.

He added that he believes past candidates lacked the ability to relate to the students and that he has a commonality with students as a whole.

When asked why students should vote for him, Wren said, “The main reason is because it’s not going to be me giving my ideas or beliefs if I’m in office, but the students’ ideas and beliefs.”

He added that his main objective is to make the administration more aware of students’ problems. He declined to say what those problems were.

As for his platform, Wren said he doesn’t want to make a bunch of promises prior to the election and that he will distribute a pamphlet during the campaign stating his goals.

Wren eventually wants to own and operate a sporting goods store in his hometown of St. Petersburg, Fla.

Compiled by Greg Bagley, M. Anthony Carr, Sherry Coberly, Steve Leer and John Peters

GET OUT THE VOTE—Voting Booths open at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 26, and are open until 9 p.m. The booths will be located in the Fine Arts Hall near the fountain.

Why is this election the most crucial and controversial one in LBC history?

This election is critical.

An open letter from SGA presidential candidate Rich Rossi:

Our school began with a man who has a great heart for God and a dream to build a school of champions for Christ. As this dream is growing are we losing our devotion to God and to loving each other? Are we losing the unity of our family and roots of our dream?

After much prayer and thought, I have decided to run for SGA president.

Along with my preparation and training in the specifics of the job, I have a burden for revival. Not a revival from the platform downward, but from the students upward. Students hungry for the reality of Christ.

The time has come for the students to assume a greater personal responsibility in assuring the fact that this dream must not fade away.

I want to represent you as student body president. I also want to be a spark to ignite a fire that will sweep LBC’s horizon. A fire that will return us to the roots of our dream of love and unity.

Join me and 500 students who want progress yet want a student leader to lift high the torch of what LBC is here for.

In His Love

Rich Rossi

for SGA President

Rich Rossi

Qualifications

• Received specialized training for the position of SGA president by former President Tom Barnes

• Received national media recognition by CBS and CBN for his leadership and spiritual impact on his high school campus

• Co-directed a national ministry to college and high school campuses

• Addressed on national television and radio the spiritual problems on school campuses

• Was a government representative at his alma mater

• Co-authored and performed the inspirational program, “The Dream Must Not Fade Away,” designed to revive LBC campus commitment to loving God and others

• Served as a campus prayer leader

• Served three terms as a summer missionary

• Dean’s list student

• Has a coalition of 500 supporting students

Remember

VOTE

The polls will be open from 8:30 a.m. until 9 p.m. Tuesday, March 26, in the Fine Arts Hall.
VP campaign takes off

Mike Broomell, senior history major, is one of four candidates running for vice president of services; and he feels his experience qualifies him for the position.

"I've been actively involved in the SGA for four years," the candidate said. Broomell was service director of dorm seven for two years and activities director of dorm eight. He now serves on the vice presidential cabinet.

The candidate also supervises late bowls and LBC fitness nights for student government. Besides experience, Broomell feels that being qualified is equally important.

"It ranks high on the list," he explained. "Knowing how to run through channels with the administration and knowing how SGA works is important."

Also important to Broomell is improving communication between SGA representatives. He plans to randomly meet male students in their dorms and to send a female cabinet member to the girls' dorms on a weekly basis.

Broomell's goals include completing the already initiated phone service and several of his own plans.

"Eventually, I would like to see phones in each room or at least phones in the dorms where students can call each other without a charge," he said.

"I would also like to see a book mart where students would be able to sell books to other students by going through SGA."

Broomell said this way students can make a higher profit, and those buying the books can pay a lower price.

The next candidate for the office of vice president of services is Martika Parson, a sophomore political science major from Scottsville, Va.

Parson has been thinking about running for office since school began in August but didn't actually decide to run until Christmas break.

"I feel that I know LBC in an in-depth way," said the candidate, who has had sisters in attendance at Liberty every year since 1977.

She explained, saying she had known LBC President A. Pierre Guillermin and Vice President of Student Affairs Edward Dobson for many years.

Comments given on SGA elections

By John Peters

Character and persistence are two of the main characteristics needed for the people who will take over SGA after the March 26 elections, according to Director of Student Affairs Bev Buffington.

"They must be able to handle pressure and be willing to work extra time," she added. "They will not have a normal academic or social life."

LBC President A. Pierre Guillermin also had ideas of what kind of people SGA needs. "They must have spiritual maturity, be understanding of challenges and be sensitive to the needs of the student body," he said.

Guillermin praised the present SGA for its accomplishments during the last year. The new check-cashing policy, the commendable handling of the SGA chapel services and a more open line of communication with the school administration were three major accomplishments he cited.

Guillermin praised the projects SGA has scheduled for the next academic school year. These include an electronic bank on campus, an inter-campus phone system, student suggestion boxes around campus and a merit system by which seniors can move off campus before they reach their 22nd birthday.

Buffington believes that the SGA administration has been very successful in getting resolutions passed through the school administration.

She also praised them for "recovering from what could have been a disastrous situation," referring to the transfer of leadership last fall.

Guillermin did not believe the mid-year change in personnel hurt SGA. "I don't think the transition from one administration to another was any more difficult than any other normal transition," he commented.

He went on to say there is a need for SGA to improve communication between itself and the student body. He also said, "SGA should provide a way for more effective representation of the student body as a whole rather than focus on the attention on the agenda of particular groups."

There's No Substitute
For Experience

Goals

- Establishment of a student book exchange
- Completion of proposed intracampus phone system
- Lights on outdoor basketball courts
- Increased communication between the student body and SGA

Qualifications

- Four years experience in SGA
- Two years as dorm service director
- One year as dorm activities director
- One year as member of vice president's cabinet
- Presently supervises "late bowls" and "LBC fitness nights" for SGA

Vote

Mike Broomell
Vice President of Services
President sets record straight
By Tony Virostko

SGA President Scott Sherman held a press conference Tuesday night, March 5, to explain the reason for the extension of the SGA election application deadline.

The original deadline for applications was February 22. According to Sherman, SGA is better structured in that the organization has cabinets with specific offices doing specific things. SGA officers have manifested more involvement by doing and not just suggesting.

“We've gotten more accomplished this year than any other SGA before us,” Sherman explained. “We've defined our role, and that is to represent the students.”

The list of accomplishments includes the construction of the walkway between SAGA and the Multi-Purpose Center, proposals for the extension of library hours and a program whereby students can earn the right to live off campus.

According to Sherman, SGA has also been instrumental in bringing to campus videotaped programs of student interest, such as “Silent Scream,” a movie about abortion, and the Fulwiler/Kennedy debate held at the National Religious Broadcasters' convention.

The latest hurdle crossed was the opening of the weight room to the whole student body through a weight-lifting club.

Two of these six later withdrew from the race. Sherman stated that the major problem for the mix-up in dead SGAs has scheduled for the next academic school year. These in and the dean's office.

“I wanted the meeting to clear up any questions that might have occurred (because of the changes),” Sherman stated.

Members of the WLBU news staff and The Liberty Champion staff as well as candidates attended the conference. After reading a prepared statement explaining the mix-up, Sherman fielded several questions.

Kim Winson
The Experienced Candidate for Secretary

★ SGA assistant to Kelly Haverkate
★ Secretary of Students for America
★ Debate Team
★ Volunteer worker for congressional campaigns
★ Political science/pre-law major
★ Types 70 words per minute

Candidates for services
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Singh, a junior business administration major from Yonkers, N.Y., Singh, who is the operations director at WLBU, believes that leadership ability is the key to success in any election.

“I've had a year's experience as far services such as management from working at WLBU and being service director in my dorm for a year,” the candidate commented.

Singh also said that his ability to work well with people is an added advantage.

“It's not whether you've been in student government before,” he explained. “It's how you work with people. Your position is to serve the people, not to run politics.”

Even though Singh has always been interested in politics, he had to first be encouraged before deciding to run.

“I never thought I had a valid chance of getting an office until someone I respect in the SGA approached me and said I had a pretty good chance of winning.”

“I've always wanted to serve the student body in a beneficial way without the responsibilities of the president,” he added.

“Basically, we're trying to get the student government back into the hands of the people and get feedback from the students,” Singh said.

Picnics in the ravine and telephones in each dorm room are a few of Singh's plans.

“These goals won't be seen in my time because I'm graduating next year, but I want the students to see the results,” Singh said.

“I don't want to take no for an answer unless the administration gives me biblical reasons,” Jim Whitt, candidate for vice president of services, said.

The sophomore business major said he decided to run because a lot of people complain about problems but don't do anything to solve them. Changes Whitt believes are necessary are the placement of suggestion boxes throughout campus, senate elections in each dorm and the criminalization of society organizations which will relate ideas for more activities to SGA.

He was careful to stress that he was not referring to fraternities or sororities.

Whitt wants to change some basic ideas about SGA, including how it deals with authority.

“I feel that we can respect the authority, submit to the authority, love the authority and still disagree,” Whitt said.

He would also like to see more Lynchburg businesses offer discounts to LBC students.

Whitt said he would have a positive effect on student government, citing his availability to students and his total commitment to the office as two reasons.

Concerned that students perceived the office of vice president of services as useless, he believes he can restore its credibility by communicating ideas from the students to SGA.

Whitt was involved with student government in high school and has held supervisory positions on several jobs, which taught him organizational skills.

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Activities candidates seek VP office

Ruth Powell, a junior psychology and business major from Battle Creek, Mich., believes her past experience is one of her biggest assets as she seeks the office of vice president of activities.

"I've seen what the administration wants, and I've seen what the students want and (I've seen) how to satisfy both," the current SGA treasurer stated.

Powell has been involved in SGA since her freshman year, serving on the cabinet of activities as well as in her present position.

She sees two main responsibilities for the vice president of activities: planning activities, such as the Christmas and junior/senior banquets, late skates and bowls, and presiding over dorm activity directors in the areas of activities and fund-raising.

The candidate believes SGA has enough activities, but the activities aren't promoted enough. She also believes SGA must expand to accommodate the large increase in enrollment expected next year.

"If we can get the students involved as freshmen, they'll stay involved while they're in school," said SGA treasurer Cecilia Mahoney.

"Quality investment for a better future," said SGA treasurer candidate Lisa Evans, a junior finance major from Asheville, N.C.

Evans, who is not presently involved in SGA, believes her leadership potential and experience handling money and balancing financial report books since the age of 15 are her best qualifications for the office.

She says that SGA students are not currently taking on any major activities and that SGA leaders who are committed to progress need SGA leaders who are committed to progress.

By Glynis Mills

Mahoney, Evans vie for treasurer

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Two candidates are vying for the position of SGA treasurer, Lisa Evans and Christi Mahoney.

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Paula Coons
Progressive Choice

Progress: a concept that true leaders must embrace, not avoid. As LBC expands next year in quantity and quality, we will need SGA leaders who are committed to progress.

Personally and professionally, I am committed to the progress of LBC. I am willing and qualified to be your finest choice as a representative, advocate and articulator for your views and requests. That involves my fort: the skill of speaking (with the administration), as well as the art of listening (to your needs as students).

Further, I have developed many specific goals and plans that I challenge you to evaluate. My leadership experience, personal competence, character and communicative skill—these should all be criteria of your decision.

First, I urge you to overcome student apathy: vote on March 26. Second, I challenge you to make a careful evaluation of each candidate. Finally, choose the presidential candidate who can meet your needs—the needs of a progressive student body.

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Dickinson, Winson face off

By Latisa Snead

The candidates running for SGA secretary are Belinda Dickinson, a sophomore TVR major and the present SGA secretary. Kimberly Winson, a sophomore political science major from Grafton, Ohio.

Dickinson's reasons for running are to become more involved with the school and the people and to become an intermediary between the students and the administration. "I feel that I am qualified for the job because I have worked as a secretary in the bookstore, which has given me an idea of how an office is run. I also think I can give the office a friendly atmosphere so that students will not be afraid to come in if they have any problems," Dickinson said.

Winson stated, "My reason for running is I think SGA is superb now, and I believe in it. It is a tradition I want to maintain, and I feel I am the qualified person to do the job."

Winson has worked closely this year with Kelly Haverkate, the new SGA president. She has also served as secretary for Students for America, one of the problems Dickinson anticipates is the transitional period between the old staff and the new staff.

Winson anticipates problems with SGA's poor organization and the amount of time involved. Dickinson, who was the layout editor for The Liberty Champion for one year, plans to become established in public relations in London, England, and then later come back to the United States to work in advertising or television.

Winson, who has been involved in campaigning for Ohio congressmen since the age of 16, plans to attend graduate school at the University of Chicago. After graduate school, she hopes to work in state politics in the Virginia-Washington, D.C., area before moving on to a federal position.

Belinda Dickinson

Candidates for treasurer

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Activity agendas around campus. Other responsibilities the candidate holds are supervising

Belinda Dickinson

Kimberly Winson

Candidate for treasurer

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all financial reports into the administration office on time.

Planning to vary her style from others in the past, Mahoney wants to become more involved in the entire office workings. She also plans to meet the students' needs by talking to them and taking their suggestions into the president's office. Mahoney plans want to establish good relations with the administration by being respectful, willing to cooperate and willing to "go the extra mile" to help the students.

John Baker

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SGA makes smooth transition, dean says

By Greg Bagley

The SGA showed its strength and organization last semester by continuing to function despite a period of leadership transition, according to John Baker, associate dean of students.

"They haven't missed a beat," Baker said. "It's almost as if there were no change."

The dean complimented the administrative staff for the ability to cope with difficulties and still operate effectively. Baker said the dean's office has no intentions of policing future SGA administrative activities.

"We (the dean's office) already work closely with SGA," he said. Baker feels that openness between the two staffs will safeguard against a serious conflict.

Baker stressed the need for future SGA officers to continue the openness. "It (openness) provides the administration inroads to see things from the students' point of view," he said.

Baker commented that an SGA elected official is responsible for being an example of what the world thinks an LBC student should be.

The dean hopes that the future SGA staff will provide quality leadership to the vast number of incoming students.

DEBATE

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activities, is one vehicle through which this is being accomplished.

Several members of the Senate believe many new ideas will be approved by the administration this semester. Mark Melillo said that chances are good that a campus bank may soon be a reality. "I also feel good about the possibility of getting a more relaxed dress code for Wednesday evenings and Sunday afternoons," added Melillo.

Also on the Senate’s agenda are proposals that would place more telephones in the dorms, improve the Saturday market and communication between students and administration.

With the SGA elections coming up, Senate members are hopeful that communication between students and administration will be strengthened.

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Baseball season starts

By Greg Bagley

Strong pitching and hitting are expected to carry the LBC men's baseball team through the 1985 season.

"The team this year is much stronger in pitching and run production than we were last year," said Head Coach Al Worthington.

"Defense is always a big question mark," the coach said. "If our defense holds up we'll be awfully tough." Worthington is expecting good play from several underclassmen. Freshman Andy Barrick (2B) may see playing action this season along with sophomores Tom Maggs (2B and SS) and Tim Foster (2B and SS).

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The LBC wrestling team has piled a tourney record of 2-1, led by Senior John Tau and co-captain Perry Ainscough both

Softball opens at home

By Laurie Wagner

The Lady Flames softball team will kick off their 1985 home schedule tomorrow at 3:30 p.m., with a game against Yale University at the G.E. Field.

According to Head Coach Barb Dearing, how well the freshmen players adjust to college-level competition will determine whether or not the team can improve from last year's record of 24-25.

Returning players from last season are captain Lisa Whisker (1B) and Ann Buswald (P). Whisker won the Golden Glove award last year.

Returning sophomores are Dawn Bailey (P), Karen Elling (2B), and Elaine Lucadano (OF).

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Grapplers take 13th at nationals

By Dave Dentel

The LBC wrestling team closed out the season by taking 13th place at the NCAA Division II national wrestling meet at the University of Dayton, Ohio. LBC improved its 23rd place finish last year.

Southern Illinois at Edwardsville won the tournament for the second consecutive year.

Three LBC grapplers earned All-American honors. To become All-Americans they each had to place in the top eight of their individual weight classes.