Demonstrators participate in 17th annual March for Life

By CURT W. OLSON

An estimated 150 Liberty University students joined between 35,000 and 150,000 other protestors for the 17th March for Life in Washington, D.C. Jan. 22 to mark the anniversary of the 1973 Supreme Court Roe v. Wade abortion decision.

People from 39 states gathered at the Ellipse near the mall to hear a short address from President George Bush. "Let me assure you that this protest matters with you on this one," Bush smiled.

From Bush to the anti-abortion marchers, National Organization for Women President Molly Yard was addressing a group of protestors at the reflecting pool across from the U.S. Capitol. They gathered to unveil a memorial remembering those who died as a result of illegal abortions performed at their hospital.

After Bush's telephone message, Don DeMoss, a Buffalo, N.Y. pastor, spoke in chapel Jan. 24. DeMoss graduated from the same kind of school they enrolled in initially." DeMoss stated that neither the public nor even the administrators seemed to have much of an idea about what the university would be doing.

"Our purpose was to not only march, but talk to some senators and congressmen, so we took time to visit some members of the Congress. If we had not done so, we would not have accomplished all we were supposed to do in Washington." Even with the large crowd that marched, people often asked the question, what was it about?

Nancy Boys, College Republican community secretary, said, "The people who only care about the abortion issue were there. The vast number of people at the march gave you a sense of seriousness and a feeling that there are others with you in the fight and abortion in this country.

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Class attendance policy encourages professional conduct among students

With so many extra-curricular activities available on the Liberty campus, academics often tend to take a back seat to recreation. For one reason or another the temptation to skip class comes frequently and is almost impossible to resist.

Then, those words spoken by the professor at the start of the semester come echoing back: “Any student who accumulates more than four absences from this class will not receive her grade lowered one letter.” Is that policy really fair?

The Liberty Way states, “Regular and punctual attendance in classes is expected of all students at Liberty University.” However, the actual attendance policy for each course is determined by the individual instructor, who often seems to take personal offense when a student is absent.

It should be unnecessary to set an attendance policy at an institution of higher learning. Students who are genuinely concerned about their education will not take classes sloppily, nor will they watch their grades (not that classes can’t be enjoyable) only being hurt by themselves. Why lower their grades any more?

Some students are capable of maintaining high grades even while their class attendance is low. Should these students be penalized for knowing their material or perhaps being more intelligent? That seems to define the whole purpose of education: to teach students to think for themselves.

But, after the first semester, when many students are forming their own plan for the rest of their college education, they have experienced in real life what type of pressures there is.

As we all heard, the professional world will not tolerate absenteeism. Employers are expected to keep their schedules unless an unavoidable emergency occurs. Late-night frivolity is not an acceptable excuse for overstaying. The professional world is not one for calling in sick. And skipping work because one “just feels like it” is likely to result in termination.

Another justification for an attendance policy is found in the “Freshman Fling,” that principle upon which freshmen are taught to take seriously. The Freshman Fling is the theory that one has three more years of work so the first year is the time to have fun.

The Freshman Fling is to be set aside to spring fever and senioritis, as many upperclassmen have discovered. The principle behind all three has been expressed eloquently in the Latin phrase “carpe diem” or “seize the day.” All too soon that semester ends, and all the student has to show for it is a handful of ticket stubs and a sheet of paper covered with C’s and D’s.

Students debate semester break activities

By TIM CALDBECK

What factor has affected students more in choosing classes this semester than the new semester policy, or for that matter, any policy?

The goal is not necessarily accomplished by sitting in a classroom all day. “All too soon that semester ends, and all the student has to show for it is a handful of ticket stubs and a sheet of paper covered with C’s and D’s.”

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After recovering from the shock and embarrassment of my question, many students bravely and hopefully relayed their interest in learning things they had experienced over the holidays.

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“Amy R., Blacksburg, Va., "I was very happy to be home.""
... analyze the ethical considerations behind that decision. The committee recognized the difficulty of determining the actual intentions of the tissue's source rather than the central question of its benefits to human life. The tissue research remains an area that needs more research and discussion. As most of you already know, we've been working on the fetal-tissue research panel, created by the National Institutes of Health in 1991. This is the first time that tissue research has been...
Resident Assistants: Program designed to meet student needs

The residence life program is more involved as an entity than ever before, but it has not gone unrecognized. Program director Bruce Traeger, the dean of residence life at Liberty University, said, "This may come as a surprise to many, but there is a lot of growth going on. There are more interactions with the students than ever before."

The student residence committees, which have been established at Liberty, are directly involved in the residence life program. The students are being given the opportunity to participate more actively in the residence life program. The student residence committees are responsible for planning and implementing various activities on campus. They are also responsible for maintaining the dormitories and ensuring the safety and security of the students.

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Romanian revolution: 

**Student experiences revolution**

**BY DAVID E. WALKER**

While people on America's college campuses were celebrating Christmas, the people of Romania were celebrating the beginning of a new freedom when they realized that Nicolai Ceausescu and his wife Elena, his chief deputy, were con­demned by a revolutionary tribunal and executed by the army.

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Matt Selagea, a junior business management major from Chicago left communist-ruled Romania 12 years ago with his family.

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Students raised more than $4,500 in cash and toys for needy families in the city of Timisoara. The demonstration, called Christmas on the Square, was held on Dec. 17.

Competition was held between the 52 residence halls to see which floor could raise the most cash and toys. The brother/sister dorm team of 20-chemistry majors, Ronnie and Doug Fulcher, raised $950, while the residence hall dorm team of 130-chemistry majors, the Fulcher team, raised $800.

The money from the bread and water meal went towards food and necessities for needy families.

For most of last semester the station broadcast from 7 a.m. to midnight, during which time students were given a chance to participate in the new station's programming.

The station currently has only 90 percent of the equipment it needs, according to Dan Young, manager of the station.

The station’s improved programming has not been the only reason for the students' enthusiasm. Some students have also said that they enjoy listening to the station because it is more professional than the old station.

Russ Taff • Steven C. Chapman • Jon Gibson • Mark Lowry • Kim Boyce • Greg X. Volz • Scott W. Brown • Sheila Walsh Newsong • Phil Keaggy • Kenny Marks • Paul Smith • Deniece Williams • Holland, Sheppard & Johnson • Sandi Patti • Allies • Wayne Watson • Wil Comstock • DeGarmo & Key • Randy Stonehill • Steve Camp • Al Denson • Bash-n-the-Code • Farrell & Farrell • Trace Balin • Watchmen • Crystal Lewis • Paul Clark • Bruce Carroll • Morgan Cryar • Rich Mullins • Benny Hester • Carman • Margaret Becker • Jerome Olds • Chaz Bosarge • G. Moore & Distance • Billy Sprague • Edie DeGarmo • David & The Giants • Allis-Brooks • Canaan • Hoglund Band • Q Stone • Barron Cross • The Reach • David & The Giants.
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The major headlines occurred on the field, but the major accomplishments off the field were something else. From the NFL to baseball to the college ranks, sports were making headlines.

For example, the Bay Area Earthquake. The penalty. Drugs, drugs, drugs and the drug runs. Bob Probert. Ben Johnson. Jimmy Connors. The 1980's was a time of extremes, a time of high drama and controversy, a time when sports were on the cutting edge.

In the world of college football, there was the retirement of Lou Holtz after the Tigers were given a victory over Alabama in the No. 1 spot of the NCAA. "What makes it hard is that he was a good man," one source said.

In basketball, there were the Houston Rockets, winners of the NBA championship. In tennis, Bjorn Borg was the king. In boxing, Sugar Ray Leonard was unbeaten.

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ESPN selects Flames-ETSU game

The formerly Liberty University men's volleyball team, led by John Kurtz, Jake DIYer and Tolsma, kicked off its season Jan. 31 with a 3-1 victory over Washington and Lee at the Liberty Multi-Purpose University Faculty. 

The Flames pushed past a 5-set battle with the Flames from Kentucky and Tolsma, while Washington added his final set to send home in the final game of the series 15-8. The Flames claimed that the Flames knocked the Flames out of the game with the victory. 

**Quote from Coach Tolsma**

"We will need to get ready for the next game and have our games going. We will get some rest and then prepare for the next match."
Globetrotters thrill fans, leave fond memories behind

Photography by Tim Albertson