Southern gospel
Cathedrals, Talleys will perform.

By Trish Stirsman
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Chapel behavior

Most agree: It’s better to be quiet and listen

Following the administration’s recent decision to place R.A.’s throughout chapel services to monitor talking, a random survey of 808 students revealed that a majority agreed that the choice was the most effective way to combat the growing problem.

Pointing to the left-hand side of the auditorium in the top section of the bleachers, many said the talking detracts from the impact of the service.

Although students said they enjoy chapel, they agreed that the disruption caused by what most considered to be only a few was frustrating.

“Chapel would be much more enjoyable for the majority if only the minority would shut up,” said senior Jennifer Steele. “I have to keep reminding myself to watch the students instead of enjoying the message.”

Is there another solution? Many students say yes.

These students feel that the problem is the required attendance policy and suggest that chapel attendance be optional.

Sophomore Jon Nixon, president of the LU chapter of American Mema, said he feels that those who are required to attend the tri-weekly morning worship service will invariably disrupt those in the “voluntary congregation.”

“For the good of the entire student body I believe the administration should seriously reconsider required attendance,” Nixon said. However, Aldridge stressed that the problem seems to be with approximately 40 to 50 students. “These students persist in being disrespectful to the flow of the services, although we have asked them on several occasions to quiet down.”

“They are just not in tune with what we are trying to do in chapel.”

Gary Aldridge, dean of resident housing, explained that until the chapel disturbance stops, the administration has no choice but to have all of the R.A.’s monitor students during chapel.

However, several R.A.’s said that monitoring chapel takes away from their enjoyment of the services. Tami Crabill, an R.A. in dorm 19, first floor, said, “I have to keep reminding myself to watch the students instead of enjoying the message.”

What should be done to correct the problem?

The questions asked during the poll are as follows:

1. Do you enjoy chapel?
   - Yes: 72%
   - No: 19%
   - Sometimes: 9%

2. Is there too much talking in chapel?
   - Yes: 78%
   - No: 22%

3. What should be done to correct the problem?
   - R.A.’s, others placed in audience: 37%
   - No opinion: 22%
   - No solution: 8%
   - More interesting service: 8%
   - Better attitude among students: 6%
   - Fewer chapels: 5%
   - Optional chapels: 5%
   - More informal service: 3%
   - Better atmosphere: 1%
   - Close chalkers: 1%
   - Improve music: 1%
   - Establish “talkroom”: 1%
   - Embarrass talkers: 1%
   - Ignore talkers: 1%
   - Establish etiquette class: 1%

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The Flames now home contest will be this Saturday night at 7:30 p.m. at Randolph-Macon College.

PLEASE LORD—LU's Fred Morgan makes the three-pointer answering the Flames' prayer for the upset victory over Mt. Saint Mary's.

Wilder approaches end of career

By Kyle L. Knowles

“Dedication and devotion is the secret of being a great basketball player”, 7'10'' senior forward Dan Wilder said. That attitude brought him to where he is today.

The football team may hold a special game this Saturday night.

A THLETICS

By Doug Waymire

The Liberty Champion

Morgan said after the game, "I was hit a three-point jumper to cut the lead by MSM's forward Mike Tate on the Mountaineers' lead to 82-80. Seconds later he hit a free throw to cut the game tie after being fouled on the shot. "I was just looking to the rim and hoping it would go in," an ecstatic Morgan said after the game. "I was falling away and didn't even see the shot. I just fell back and hoped." The shot was just the climax to a dazzling performance by Morgan in the last two minutes of the game. With 1:54 remaining to play, Morgan hit a three-point jumper to cut the Mountaineers' lead to 82-80. Following a Mt. Saint Mary's free throw, Morgan laid the ball in to cut the Mount's lead to 82-80.

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Hockey Update

The LU hockey team snatched two easy wins from the University of North Carolina last weekend. The Flames defeated the Tarheels 10-2 on Saturday and 15-4 on Sunday. Three fights, one ending in the ejection of Flames defenceman Matt Salzine, kept intensity levels high throughout the game Saturday. Rich Hill led the scoring for LU with a hat trick while Keith Ingalls and Dan Davey added two more apiece.

The Flames controlled the game from the drop of the puck but found themselves playing short-handed most of the final period because of penalties. LU goalie Jon Oldhauser canned off 17 Tarheel shots on goal in the third period stifling any hopes of a UNC comeback.

On Sunday Hill and Davey each scored a hat trick to lead the Flames' attack. Davey's younger brother Ben added two more goals of his own to continue the dominance.

Oldhauser, who sat out the game Sunday, said, "We wouldn't have been able to score up so much if (UNC) hadn't kept cheating up."

Hockey officials at the Flames face Duke with the playoff hopes hanging in the balance. "All we have to do is split with Duke and we'll make it to the playoffs," Coach Gary Habermas said.

Midway through her fourth season, Pam appears to be in the middle of her most productive year ever. As she approaches the end of her college career, she is looking beyond the daily routine of a basketball player to her ambition of becoming a basketball coach.

With her degree in physical education, Wilder plans to coach college basketball, but then again she never planned to play college basketball either.

HOBBY

Sports

The Flames, now 16-9 overall and 9-2 in the MDAC, are in the top four of the conference with five games remaining. The Flames next home contest will be this Saturday night at 7:30 p.m. at Randolph-Macon College.

By Doug Waymire

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Wild time at the Buffalo range,

By Jim Levine

The Buffalo range is the place for the out of town guest to get their money's worth. The range is very well run and is the place to shoot if you are in the area.

The range is open from 8am to 9pm and has a variety of shooting ranges. There are many different target ranges including paper targets, clay targets, and steel targets. There are also many different shotguns available for rent.

The range is located on the outskirts of town and is easily accessible. It is a great place to spend some time with friends or family. The range is open to the public and is a great place to practice your shooting.

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Cheerleaders: let's get fired up

By Robin Brooks

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Cheerleaders:
aerobics (five pound weights in each
it.
much they enjoy what they do. Ron
Sanz, a first year member, admits
that it gets tiring, but it all pays off
in the end.

"It's just like in any sport," Sanz
noted. "The good always overcomes
the bad."

Second year cheerleader Julie
Jones agrees that it is hard work, but
it helps the squad. "It brings you
closer together," she said.

"Most of the squad really
love being involved. Melody Dverton, a
sophomore and first year squad
member, echoed her teammates'
feels "We all like big brothers
and little sisters," she noted. "We're
good friends overall."

"Almost the squad really
love being involved. Melody Dvery, a
sophomore and first year squad
member, claims college cheer
is more than she expected. "In high
school there weren't any guys and
it's different," she commented. "You
can do more stunts now."

Sanz noted that he has always
been rambunctious and thought
cheerleading looked like fun. "I've
never had so much fun," he explained.

Inside Intramurals

By Linda Fields

The standings for intramural in-
door soccer season are in following
the first week of games and the stand-
ing is as follows:

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Debate rages over cheerleader safety

By Robin Brooks

Media attention given to two
recent deaths in cheerleading has
turned cheerleading into a safety
threat. However, figures show it
is a relatively low risk activity.

Janis Thompson, a North
Dakota State cheerleader, died
on Oct. 29 from injuries she received
when she fell from the top of a
three-high pyramid.

University of Kentucky
cheerleader Dale Baldwin landed
on his back of his neck falling
a forward flip off a mini-
trampoline Nov. 4 and remains
paralyzed in a Louisville hospital.

In a USA Today article con-
cerning cheerleader safety,
Temple University's cheerlead-
ing coach Charlie Murgia stated:
"The percentage of serious acci-
dents from cheerleading is lower
than most sports; but as soon as
one thing happens, they want to
put an end to it."

A 1981 Consumer Product
Safety Commission Study com-
piled a list of 200 recreational ac-
tivities according to their degree of risk.

Among the top five (highest risk)
activities were baseball, football,
and basketball. Included in the
bottom twenty (low risk) was
cheerleading at 182.

Thompson's death is be-
lieved to be the first cheerleading
related death in 15 years. In com-
parsion a 1984 University of
North Carolina study found that
from 1982-1984, 24 high school
football players died from foot-
ball injuries.

"Cheerleading has an
incredibly safe safety record; when
you consider some 600,000 people
are involved each year," Jeff Web,
President of the Universal
Cheerleaders Association
(USCA) noted in a
Dec. 18, 1986, USA Today article.

Free lance writer Jeff
Riggenbach lent his support to the
cause in a column in USA Today,
and kill themselves by taking
cheers. They also injure and kill
themselves by taking, "
he related. "The fact is there is
no way to eliminate this risk from
living."

Webb added more support to
the cause in his own column in the
Jan.9 issue (USA Today). He
sees the results of all the publicity
as "a movement by some schools
to ban most or even all gymnastic
related aspects of cheerleading.

"Would these same schools
advocate switching from tackling
to touch football," he asked, "or
lowering the basketball goal to six
feet to lessen the risk of injury?
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