Nursing program is OK'd

By Deborah Wood

The Liberty University Nursing Department has received the go-ahead to start a four-year general education program which will enable students to obtain a bachelor of science degree in nursing (B.S.N.).

The department sent an approval application to the State Board of Nursing last summer after advisers realized that many students were interested in nursing. The proposal stated that the present two-year pre-B.S.N. program was not meeting the students' needs.

Linda Miller, acting director of the nursing department, said that the state gave final approval in Richmond Va. on Friday and that Liberty will consider as many as 50 applicants for the fall semester. At least 250 students have inquired about a bachelor of science program each year. Miller added that to acquire state nursing board approval, the school had to have strong community support, proper facilities for clinical sites and an adequate number of students eligible for recruiting.

Those accepted into the program will take general requirement courses beginning this August, and nursing classes will begin in August 1988. Nursing students will also have access for practicals in various hospitals and agencies in Lynchburg. Students have a bachelor of science in nursing, they are eligible to take the state board exam and become registered nurses.

Miller believes that the four-year program will be the most to the school. "There is a great need for nurses right now; and if Liberty is supplying them, we will have a good, positive image within the community."

Approval for the first stage of the program was given in November, Miller said. Final approval was scheduled for late January. However, snow days, which prevented high school students travelling to Richmond, caused a delay in the decision. "We will begin recruiting right away," Miller concluded.

The Fantasticks' parable of love

By Michael Parker

The Liberty University Division of Fine Arts will present "The Fantasticks," a parable of young love centered on reality vs. fantasy, beginning Thursday night.

Roger Miller, the director of the play, explained that the musical-comedy is based on the attempt of a young man's father and a young girl's mother to unite the two by using reverse psychology. The production has been performed off-Broadway for 37 consecutive years.

The parents, Huckabee and Bel COREY, portrayed by Richard Aldert and Kim Harris, pretend to feud, which builds a symbolic wall between their families' adjacent houses.

They order Matt and Luisa (Rusty Goodwin and Heather Crouch) not to see each other. The parents further scheme to unite them by using such strategies as staging Luisa's abduction in order to exalt Matt as her hero.

Rusty Goodwin said that his role as Matt characterizes feelings that most people have had before. "He (Matt) thinks he knows all the answers and then some girl comes along and throws him for a loop," Goodwin said.

Heather Crouch, who portrayed Juliet in the 1960's version of the classic "Romeo and Juliet" last semester, said her role as Luisa has been a different experience. Crouch said learning lines in Old English dialect for her role as Juliet was challenging. In comparison, playing Luisa has been relaxing and a lot of fun, she said.

Crouch added that the character of Luisa is "Very idealistic and romantic. She sees everything through rose-colored glasses."

Assistant Director Pamela Hurt said the musical's plot isn't confusing and drawn out: "It's very light and entertaining."

Hurt added that Mary Helmy, a professional choreographer from Lynchburg, will assist the cast of five men and three women who have labored nearly 20 hours each week for the past six weeks on their routines.

Additional cast members include Mark Christian, El Gallo; Doug Crouch, El Gallo, El gallo; and Kim Harris, Mock Turtle. Performances will be held Feb. 26, 27, 28 and March 5, 6, 7, in the Liberty University Fine Arts Theatre.

First Gospel Workshop will build unity

By Pamela Durant

The first Liberty University Gospel Workshop and Extravaganza, sponsored by the Black Student Fellowship, will be held Saturday.

Candace Canada, co-chairperson of the event, explained that there is a three-fold purpose. "The purpose of this workshop is to bring unity, to learn more about gospel music, and to glorify the Lord," she said.

Beginning with an introductory seminar on gospel music by Dave Randall, LU chairman of music and arts, the weekend will continue throughout the day.

Mass choir rehearsals will be held at 10 a.m. in the same room and at 1 p.m. in the old gym to prepare for a final performance at 3 p.m. The mass choir will consist of all performing groups along with any other students.

Clarence Sykes, director and lead singer of the New Anointing, a local contemporary gospel group, and his brother, Terrence, singer and pianist for the New Anointing, will conduct the choir.

Clarence explained the format of the rehearsal. "We will talk about the lyrics and the actual message of the songs and how they will minister to people." Afterward, the group will perform four original contemporary gospel selections: groups such as Revelation and the New Anointing as well as student groups such as the Fellowship Gospel Choir. Love (an ensemble of LU gospel singers) and the Sounds of Liberty will perform.

A series of workshops will be held at 2 p.m. These sessions include gospel solo singing (DH 117), choral direction (DH 119) and gospel keyboard techniques (DH 118).

GOOD SHOW— Luisa (Heather Crouch), left, and the Muete (Amy Colvin), right, perform a scene in "The Fantasticks."—Photo by Mike Parker

Seniors can enjoy privileges

By Trish Stirsman

Graduating seniors will enjoy many special privileges during Senior Week, March 1-7.

The Office of Student Activities is offering each graduating senior a booklet full of discount and privilege coupons. The booklet is dedicated to two seniors who died in the last year: David DeMoss (Oct. 9, 1983 - June 6, 1986) and Mark Brady (May 19, 1956 - Jan. 1, 1987).

Senior Week privileges include the following:

• Extended curfew to 1 a.m. during the week.
• Senior-only TV room and free refreshments nightly from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m.
• 20 percent discount at the LU Bookstore, except on food and textbooks.
• A 10 percent discount at the Eagles Nest snack bar and Fast Break.
• A 10 percent discount for town students in the Deli for lunch only.
• Senior recreation night in the gym March 2 from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m.
• Senior dinner with the Falsettos from 7:30-9 p.m. March 5 in the Deli.

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SAGA

Food theft is ongoing problem

By Robert Pitts

Quickly and confidently Peter Pilfer made his way to the back doors of SAGA. His stomach rumbled. It was time for his "hot" meal.

The majority of those students, Traeger believes, think that they are not actually stealing.

The public relations representative believes the problem is not very serious. Rather than denying any re-entry, employees must rely on the honesty of the individual.

However, a small handful of students do deliberately attempt to deceive the food service because of unpaid bills and other reasons.

Of course, Peter had no intention of obeying her instructions. Walking to the service line, he picked up his food and thoroughly enjoyed the meal.

Though the stealing is much less serious now than it was last year, some students still see nothing wrong with taking food out of the cafeteria, especially if they are going through the registers or not paying full price for a Deli meal.

When you get into a habit of going through the registers or not paying full price, it's always been a very small percentage, a very select few, that have stolen food," one door guard stated.

Most of the SAGA employees interviewed believe the problem is not very serious. Rather than denying re-entry, employees must rely on the honesty of the individual.

"We have to take someone's word for it," one door guard stated.

Peter left calmly and, to the best of his knowledge, unrecognized by the door guard who had let him enter SAGA.

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After college?"; "Graduate School: Is it for you?"; "Diamonds: How to get it." Students can send a message to their favorite seniors during Senior Week. A table will be set up outside the main cafeteria.

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UP FOR AN UPSET—Steve Farquhar goes up for two as Brad Hamersley watches in the upset over Randolph-Macon 83-71 Saturday.

LU track moves the Mount

By Greg Bagley

The LU men’s track team won its first ever MDAC indoor championship last Saturday. The Flames ran away with five first place victories and defeated the much favored Mt. Saint Mary’s team by nearly 70 points.

“We won by more than we expected. I think it surprised some teams that we were so tough,” head coach Brent Toloma explained.

Opposing coaches elected LU standout Gerald Swann as the conference’s most valuable player. Swann single-handedly racked up 49 points for the Flames. “I was very pleased with Gerald’s performance. He scored more points than any other athlete at the meet,” the coach commented.

Swann took first place in the pole vault, the 55-meter hurdles and the 500-meter dash. LU also got first place performances from Brent Lawler in the 1000 and from Rob Lewlett in the triple jump. Sprinter Willie Parker outdueled the competition in the 55 for another Flames victory.

Parker sustained a groin injury and had to withdraw from the 300 and the 4x400 relay. He had been picked as a strong favorite in the dash. “I don’t think (Parker’s injury) is too serious, but I didn’t want to take any chances. Willie’s already qualified for nationals, and we don’t want to do anything to jeopardize his performance there,” Toloma said.

Parker and the Flames 4x400 team have also qualified for national competition.

Lacrosse: It’s exciting

By Doug Waymire

Imagine a sport that combines the hard hitting of ice-hockey, the fast pace of soccer, the precision passing of basketball and the agility of football.

Imagine participating in such a sport wearing only a light helmet and a pair of gloves for protection.

“It’s simply the roughest, fastest game on foot,” attackman Andrew Williams said in reference to LU’s lacrosse, a game that was started centuries ago by the American Indians, is relatively new to the LU campus.

Under the direction of LU graduate and Head Coach David Brown, the team has grown to include 35 members in just two years.

“Right now we’re just a club sport,” Williams said. “That means we have to raise all our own support just like the hockey team.

Williams stressed that the Flames should be a greatly improved team this year. “Last year we went 0-13,” he said. “But we’ve been working hard and the enthusiasm on the team is super.”

Led by captains Scott Evans and Steve Schindler, the Flames hope to defeat such top-name schools as North Carolina State, Washington and Lee University, Old Dominion University and James Madison University. The game will be played on the General Electric Field next to the LU campus unless the team can obtain permission to play on the varsity soccer field, Williams said.

A highlight of this year’s schedule is the March 14 Heart Fund Lacrosse Classic Tournament. Students will be admitted free to the six-team tournament held in Richmond.

“No doubt we play a tough schedule,” Williams said. “But we’re ready this year.”

The Flames’ home opener will be on March 20 at 4 p.m. against James Madison University. The game will be played on the General Electric Field next to the LU campus unless the team can obtain permission to play on the varsity soccer field, Williams said.

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