Furry friend trains to help sick children

By Robert Sisk

A four-legged student is roaming around the campus at Liberty University. Wrangler, a four-month-old Rottweiler mix, has joined her owner, Shelby Turner, in her classes as part of her Therapy Dog Association (TDA) training.

Wrangler is a therapy dog, and once she is certified and fully trained, she will be visiting terminally ill children along with her friend "Bo" the horse. Turner was given permission to bring Wrangler to class with her from Liberty's Campus Ministry, to help with her training. Before she will be allowed to go visit the kids, Turner's demonstration must be able to remain calm and obedient. "Bo" had his typically only been with one person, so we have to accustom her with people so she gets used to it. She has done very well," Turner said.

According to Turner, therapy dogs offer a wide variety of health benefits. "(Therapy) dogs show that when a dog comes into a room your systolic blood pressure drops and your heart rate slows. Patients look forward to seeing them. (And) many kids love animals."

Each time Turner brings Wrangler from their farm in Amherst to attend a class or walk around the hall with her, it is a training experience for the dog. Currently Turner brings Wrangler to all of her classes at Liberty as well as an EMT class she is taking at Central Virginia Community College. "She just sits next to me and plays quiet," Turner said.

Turner was inspired to train Wrangler as a therapy dog after she brought her horse "Bo" to a nursing home. "He walked down the hall and (visited), he even drank from the fountain. It was really, really nice," Turner said. This summer Wrangler will get her first test when Turner takes her to a St. Jude's branch in Charlotteville. She will get the first taste of visiting with sick children, and helping them feel better both mentally and physically. "She will have to ride elevators and climb stairs. She will be with kids and sit quietly on their backs," Turner said.

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Changes coming for class of 2006

By Tanya Whelly

For some students, the building in which they eat lunch and dinner will be the location where they will receive their degrees. Starting this May, Liberty's graduation ceremony will be carried out a little differently.

Students will be required to assemble with their schools before the procession, which will begin at 8:45 a.m. The ceremony will start at 10 a.m. Students will not walk across the platform in which they eat lunch and dinner, have the opportunity to meet him and shake Dr. Falwell's hand, but will instead participate in a procession. "The principal difference this year is that degrees will be conferred according to degree level, rather than to which floor the student's name read and for each student to walk across the platform," said Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Boyd Rist.

"For example, all candidates for a bachelor's degree will march and have their degrees conferred at the same time. The same will be true for all other degrees."

By Angela Frandalich

The 2007 graduating class of the Liberty University School of Law will qualify to take the bar exam anywhere in the U.S., according to the American Bar Association. That's the bottom line of the provisional accreditation status granted to the school just two years ago.

"(Student) applications have already increased with the announcement," said Julie Nightingale, director of Public Affairs for the school.

Provisional accreditation is the only step to full accreditation with the ABA. For students, a provisional status is no different than full accreditation, according to the ABA.

The ABA's legal education committee recently granted the statute to new institutions that met 78 percent of the accreditation standards. Simply allows the ABA closer oversight of a school's operation and administration during its critical first years.

Currently, eight of the 114 accredited law schools in the U.S. hold a provisional status.

Provisional accreditation is no small feat, however. A new law school cannot apply for provisional accreditation until it has operated for one year at least.

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Bad news for local station

Firearm safety on campus

By Joanne Tang

After WSLS meteorologist Marc Lamarr, 36, suffered a short departure after a near-fatal, another member of the meteorology team, Jeremy Singleton, 28, has stepped forward and admitted to addiction to heroin. On Thursday Feb. 2, Lamarr was diagnosed without a pulse in a Roanoke apartment by a medical team who reanimated him and rushed him to Roanoke Memorial Hospital. Singleton, hearing of his friend and colleague's overdose, admitted to heroin use, and will be testifying in a case against Gilbert Hadden, who is alleged to be Lamarr's supplier. According to a court affidavit, Hadden is from Ohio.

WSLS is Roanoke's News Channel 10, the local NBC affiliate. Lamarre, who joined the meteorology team in 1998, is no longer working for WSLS. Singleton is back on the air after a short departure.

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Please accept our apology

In our communication classes we are taught that sincerity is the chief goal of the journalist who is trying to treat his subject fairly, apply the rules of the AP stylebook, and all of these are essential elements of the art of writing. In the Champion, we make every effort to follow those guidelines. However, in the Feb. 14 edition of the Champion, we published an article about a young woman who was diagnosed with cancer. Unfortunately, the article contained errors that contributed to the young woman's death. While we are aware that we may occasionally make errors, we are committed to providing accurate and respectful coverage of important news events. We have reviewed our policies and procedures to ensure that we are following the guidelines of the Associated Press Stylebook, and we will continue to do so. Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention. We are sorry for the error and the pain it caused. We will not repeat this mistake.
Steve Saint to speak at Liberty's Missions Conference this Wednesday, March 3, at 7:00 p.m. and again at the evening service of 7:30 p.m.

Saint has been a missionary the Waodani tribe in Ecuador. The same tribe that was responsible for the death of his father, Nate Saint, and four other missionaries killed by the tribe.

Briefly, the tribe's path to salvation inspired the feature film End of the Spear.

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Steve told CBN. “Given the circumstances, I would not be willing to change it.”

Virginia’s Gun Laws are somewhat lenient compared to most states. The state does not regulate the sale of firearms. As mentioned before, in 1994, in Virginia, semi-automatic weapons are almost an easy place to purchase as a handicraft or hunting rifle. All offers in the Virginia Firearms laws, there are also limitations on rapid-fire ammunition magazines, that can fire up to 10 rounds without reloading. In Virginia, firearms are not regulated by the Attorney General as other states. There is absolutely no license or permit required for purchasing handguns or safety training. While the state requires law enforcement officials to keep a record of firearms sold to gun dealers for up to five years, there are no regulations for private buyers.

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While there is a state-wide criminal background check for gun buyers, there are no ballistic fingerprinting requirements for firearms. Virginia doesn’t require that guns be registered either. According to a report on Firearms in Virginia by the Brady Campaign for firearm safety, “the lack of registration data makes it more difficult for police to trace guns used in crime, identify illegal gun traffickers or hold gun owners accountable for their weapons.”

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The Litchburg weather has been in flux all week, with cold and warm days throughout. However, the Liberty University baseball team did not suffer with the weather, as they swept Longwood as well as completing a three-series sweep of Rider University.

Traveling to Fairfax last Tuesday afternoon, the Flames knocked off the Legends 4-3. The exact outcome of the previous meeting between the two teams on Feb. 15 at Washington Stadium in Lynchburg.

Longwood (8-6) battled to an early lead in the first inning when Tyler Ayres scored on a two-out single by Tyler Childress. Liberty soon tied it with a two-run home run by management throughout the season.

Longwood southpaw Trent Smith got the win in his 2.1 inning in the eighth, surrendering one hit and two runs, one of them earned, while fanning four Liberty batters. The series at Washington Stadium with Rider (10-6) was a little too good-looking, but a lot more fun to watch. The first game saw Liberty overcome a three-run deficit in the eighth and ninth innings to triumph 9-1 on Friday afternoon, with infielder Patrick Galicki instrumental throughout the game.

He brought in Hunter Terrell on an RBI single and then later scored twice, displaying excellent base-running as he staged two steals of the second. The atmosphere. Billionaire and Knoll also contributed much to the victory with their impressive offensive displays. Saturday afternoon’s contest also saw the Flames come out on top in a 7-5 decision over the Broncos. Liberty players Hollinger and Philip Lauren hit big into a pitcher’s duel very much to the victory with their impressive offensive displays.

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An article discussing the low television ratings for the American Olympics, possibly due to a sense of pride and enthusiasm being overshadowed by a lack of interest in the event. It suggests that American companies, which once provided substantial support for the Olympics, are no longer willing to do so, leading to a decrease in interest among American viewers. The article mentions that the lack of interest is not limited to sports fans, and it is not clear why Americans are less interested in the Olympics than they have been before.

The article also notes that the Olympics are not as popular as they once were, and that the interest in the event has waned. It suggests that the globalization of American culture has led to a decrease in interest in the Olympics, as the competition is no longer seen as a way to bring a sense of pride and achievement to the nation. It also suggests that the Olympics are no longer seen as a way to promote American values and interests.

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A new law school at Liberty University in Lynchburg, Va., has already increased the interest level of potential faculty members. Says Jerry Falwell as stating that the new accreditation status has already increased the interest level of potential faculty members. "Many were waiting for this announcement and are (now) eager to move forward in the application process with the positive news," said Napier.

According to school reports, a Christ-centered law school was part of Chancellor Jerry Falwell Jr.'s original vision for Liberty University. According to the Lynchburg News and Advertiser, Pepsi and Coke, have been vying for the clientele of Liberty University. But as of Feb. 1, Liberty University signed a contract that guarantees Pepsi exclusive sales rights. Though Pepsi and Coke both offered cash guarantees and commission on sales, Liberty University Silverware of Auxiliary Services Lee Beaumont said "the overall package for Pepsi was more lucrative." Beaumont also said that Pepsi's contract was financially stronger than Coke's.

When it came down to choosing Pepsi over Coke, Vice Chancellor Jerry Falwell Jr. said, "It was strictly a financial decision. Pepsi offered more in cash payments and commissions than did Coke." While the university received less money up front for signing, it will be receiving more dollars through other means. According to the Lynchburg News and Advertiser, Pepsi and Coke both offered an overall contract that guarantees Pepsi exclusive sales rights. In the past, the contract that Liberty University had with Pepsi was a five-year agreement. The new contract is only a five-year agreement. Beaumont said this was due to the rapid growth of the university. As the university grows, there are more opportunities for growth. This means more product sales for Pepsi. Because of the increasing sales, Beaumont believes that the university will be able to negotiate a better contract in five years, than in 10 years. This contract offered less money up front than the past contract, but as mentioned, it is for a shorter breadth of time. In addition to commission on sales, the contract also guaranteed cash for scholarships and the general fund. Pepsi did not establish any criteria for how these monies would be dispersed. Beaumont said that was up to the provost office to decide. "Our goal is to provide something to satisfy everyone's tastes and needs throughout the day, and we do that through a large choice of products," said Amy Polacko, spokesperson for The Pepsi Bottling Group. The wide variety of Pepsi products will be available through Sodexho food services, vending machines and via university-sponsored events, and though a recent student survey showed that students are split 50-50 in their beverage preference of Pepsi and Coke, Falwell pointed out that Pepsi products also include Mountain Dew and Gatorade, both which are favorites of the student body. "We've had a great relationship with Liberty, and we are thrilled to be extending that partnership," said Polacko on behalf of Pepsi. As they say, "you've got the right one baby, uh-huh, uh-huh."
Women capture first place

By Adam Trent
SPORTS REPORTER

The Flames have secured their first seed in the Big South tournament after defeating the High Point Panthers 78-49 in a game that was settled in the first half. liberty was ahead by 23 points at the half, and there was no way back for High Point. "They had a huge run," said Larry Blair, who scored 30 points. The Flames seem to be struggling to shoot consistently. They only shot 31 percent on their field goal attempts, and High Point had 33 percent. "We can't sustain our energy," Coach Randy Hubert said. "We usually have lots of energy, but they were out there playing during the game." As the game went on, both teams tried to build as much as possible, but in the end, High Point won the game. The Flames had 51 percent on field goals, but the Panthers had 51 percent. "We were really just getting our turn," said Coach Hubert. "The Lady Flames played with 12 points from three different players, and forward Fisher had 15. Jones and Frazee were part of an amazing short from the Lady Flames bench, but the rest scored just over 50 percent of the points. The Lady Flames went on to face UNC-Ashville on Saturday at the Justice Center. The game was very competitive, but the Panthers were able to win 80-56. The Flames struggled to get to the basket, and we were getting called for blocking and hand checking," said Head Coach Carey Handy. "They had beaten us here earlier in the season, and tore into a tournament division of the American Collegiate Hockey Association. The Flames have been on a roll all season, and have been a dominating presence in the Big South. We are playing to win every game," said Green on 90.9 FM. The Flames played Birmingham-Southern Monday night at 7 p.m. in the Vines Center. Results were unavailable at press time.

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Hockey returns to ACHA National Tourney

The Lady Flames defeated the Winthrop Lady Eagles 61-41 on Saturday before heading to North Carolina. After trailing 14-3 early on, the Flames came back with a 28-27 lead after three minutes in the first half. But for 11 minutes during the second half, Liberty made no field goals while High Point went 32-30, and then limited High Point to just one field goal over the next 14 minutes. The balanced offensive effort helped the Lady Flames build a lead they held onto for the 61-41 win. For the game, the Lady Flames had 12 points from three different players. "We were driving the ball to the basket, and we were getting called for blocking and hand checking," said Head Coach Carey Handy. "It's a balanced game." "They had beaten us here earlier in the season, and tore into a tournament division of the American Collegiate Hockey Association. The Flames have been on a roll all season, and have been a dominating presence in the Big South. We are playing to win every game," said Green on 90.9 FM. The Flames played Birmingham-Southern Monday night at 7 p.m. in the Vines Center. Results were unavailable at press time.

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By Amy Field

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When you are a professional running back for the Green Bay Packers and you did not even start for your college team in a football game, it is hard to stand up. Not so for Liberty University graduate Sam Gado. Gado, Liberty's new first baseman, found the reception he got from both LU students and others on the Liberty campus hard to believe.

"I really don't feel like I deserve all this attention," Gado said.

He returned to his alma mater this past College for a Weekend, where he spoke at an event on Friday morning, Feb. 17.

In his first visit to Liberty since he vaulted into the national spotlight at Green Bay, Gado, who came to the United States from Nigeria with his family when he was nine, expected warm treatment at his hometown.

"It's great to be back where I belong," he told the students, faculty, and CPAU guests gathered in the Vines Center.

During his speech, he displayed his character and humility as he admitted that he was not much of a public speaker. Even so, the message he had for the audience proved more than adequate.

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Track dominates BSC Championship

By Evan Falat

For the ninth consecutive year, the Liberty men’s track and field team won both the top honors from the Big South Indoor Track and Field Championships, which were held in Greensboro, N.C. this past weekend.

The Big South Conference has recognized Indoor Track and Field as a championship sport since 1991, and the Flames have won every single title since the championship’s inception. The Flames scored a total of 196 points, beating second place Radford by 39 points. Charleston Southern (68 points), fifth was High Point (66 points), Winthrop was ninth (59 points), and UNC-Asheville seventh (31 points).

The Flames also had a successful showing as a team as they placed second overall behind Coastal Carolina. Coastal Carolina tallied 232.5 points, and VMI eighth (20 points).

In the distance events, the Flames dominated as a team, and the Flames were the only team to place first and third in both the mile and 3000 meters with a time of 8:43.47 and ninth in the 3000 meters with a time of 8:31.30. While Radford came in second overall with a total of 81 points.

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McDougal, the Flames distance runner, was third in the 3000 meters with a time of 8:28.82, while Falat was third in the 3000 meters in 10:00.26 and sixth in the 5000 meters finishing in 14:30. Ionat хозanu finished second in the mile with a time of 4:39.47 and sixth in the 3000 meters with a time of 8:31.30. Falat also finished second in the mile with a time of 4:39.47 and ninth in the 3000 meters with a time of 8:31.30. In the mile, Falat was third in the 3000 meters in 10:00.26 and sixth in the 5000 meters finishing in 14:30.

The Lady Flames were led by Arlene Zelinskas as she won a handful of events which allowed her to be named the most outstanding track performer. Falat also set new conference meet records. Zelinskas’ time of 8:43.47 was also a new overall conference record.

In the distance events for the Lady Flames, Mynique Robinson placed fourth in the 5000 meters running a time of 15:00.01 and sixth in the 3000 meters and captured the title of the women’s competition. Zelinskas’ time of 15:00.01 was also a new conference meet record.

In the sprint events, the Lady Flames picked up the win and meet title as selected individuals in the distance events.

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The Lady Flames also had a successful showing as a team as they placed second overall behind Coastal Carolina. Coastal Carolina tallied 232.5 points, and VMI eighth (20 points).

While the men’s team received points from all areas of competition, it was the distance events that provided the bulk of the Flames scoring. Led by Josh and Jordan McDougall, the Flames distance crew tallyd of the team’s 190 points. Josh McDougall won both the mile and 3000 meters with a time of 8:43.47 and ninth in the 3000 meters with a time of 8:31.30. In the mile, McDougall was also named the men’s most outstanding track performer.

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The Flames continue their indoor track season this coming weekend as selected individuals head up to Boston, Mass., for the ECAC and ECAC regional competitions.

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Takeover by UAE company not worth the gamble

This past week, a deal was announced that would hand over control of six major U.S. ports, including ones in New York, Baltimore and New Orleans, to a company owned and operated by the United Arab Emirates (UAE). This came as a shock to many Americans, as the ports that had been previously run by a British company would now be controlled by an Arab one in a part of the world that is largely hostile to the United States. Most Americans wonder, “How is it that we can hand over control of our ports to a foreign nation such as the UAE is hardly a step in the right direction. However, even if you believe that our ports serve as a potential entry point for terrorists who carried out the attacks were actually citizens of the UAE, the possiblity of foreign citizens who would see the United States harmed. Furthermore, the vast majority of the money used to prepare for and fund the attacks was funnelled through the UAE. While it isn’t necessarily the responsibility of that country to keep watch over all monies channelled into the Americas, it still shows the willingness of some to take action against the United States.

As for the 9/11 report, the beginning of page 138 details the role the UAE played in keeping the US from striking Osama bin Laden when he was at Sheikh Ali, a desert training camp. On Feb. 11, 1999, field intelligence reported that bin Laden was expected to be at this camp during the next few months. After receiving this information, our military prepared a strike that would have killed the Al-Qaeda leader two years before the attacks against America. However, this military strike never occurred.

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The latest accessories for your ears are small, white, and round. A generation ago this would have meant a pair of pearl earrings. Today, it refers to ear buds. Walk around any college campus and you are likely to see students walking around listening to their iPod while doing their homework. The difference is that they aren’t listening to the latest music from Death Cab for Cutie or Kanye West. These students are actually listening to their iPod to watch educational podcasts. OCR studies quote the iPod as being the “...largest and most diverse personal medium today.”

The entire program is made possible by Apple. As quoted above, Apple told the students ardently that are iPod interactive. Though a limited number of iPods are provided for use in the course, students have been known to buy a few. The limitation is that each class needs to be added to the class roster. The college has two blue computers that are referred to as the “mother ship.” Students are able to dock their iPod to the computer and download MP3s through iTunes.

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The fragrance of love is still in the air though Valentine’s Day was two weeks ago. Young hearts pitter-patter as couples walk hand-in-hand and whisper sweet words in the other’s ear.

But for some, love is not in the air. The reality is that some did not receive flowers, cards or candy this past Valentine’s Day. Though Cupid had been hard at work this season, not everyone had been affected. Some are still flying solo.

Singleness is a hot topic and there are a range of opinions about it. For some it is an appalling idea because it implies loneliness and rejection. And yet, in spite of the negative connotations that come with singleness, there is much to be appreciated about it. This time is crucial to the development of confidence and character, and this is when an understanding of one’s self is gained and identity is established.

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SINGLES PASTOR AT THOMAS ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH

Single and Loving It — Many singles are happy to be free to do what they want without having to make consideration for another person.

Stephanie Finkel

Big Mountain Excitement

“...if two people begin dating or get married, they have to consider the needs of the other person as well as their own; their freedom is limited. Charlie Davidson, singles pastor at Thomas Road Baptist Church said, “You have freedom to explore and discover God given gifts and expand your education without being tied down.”

As Paul said in 1 Cor. 9, unmarried individuals have more responsibility than those who are single.

Also said that married people struggle with “divided interests.” The single person can focus more on the Lord’s work than one who is married. Davidson encourages singles to take Jeremiah 29:11 as a life verse and recognize that God has a plan for everyone. Whether being single for a season, or for a lifetime is part of that plan, he will prepare you for that.

So, if you haven’t been bitten by the love bug this Valentine’s season, don’t worry. Consider your singleness a blessing and take advantage of it. Embrace it, enjoy it, cherish it.

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