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NEWS REPORTER
By Drew Menard

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Liberty aeronautics team ready to take to the skies

By Daniel Martinez

A group of students, some of whom are engineers, pilots or just aviation enthusiasts, will be heading to the skies this year with the Liberty University Aeronautics team. Captain Erik Carter and others have been working hard to prepare for the upcoming season.

The team, led by Captain Erik Carter, will attempt to bring Liberty a fifth-consecutive victory in the Regionals competition. They have been working hard to improve their chances of winning.

Captain Carter explained that the team has been working on improving their precision and accuracy in the competition. He said, "We are focusing on improving our precision and accuracy to increase our chances of winning in the competition."

The team's main goal is to bring home the trophy this year. They have been working hard to improve their performance and are determined to make a strong showing.

Liberty University is one of the top universities in the nation for aerospace and aviation programs. The university has a long history of success in this field, and the faculty and students are committed to maintaining that success.

Faculty Adviser Professor Johnathan Falwell said, "We are very excited about the upcoming season. The team has been working hard and we are confident that they can bring home the trophy."
By Amanda Thomason
NEWS REPORTER

An increased interest in Judaic studies is sparking a new focus at Liberty University. By Dr. Randall Price and his team has de­veloped into the Center for Judaic Stu­dies — an effort to familiarize students with Jewish studies.

The CJS is a department formed to give stu­dents an opportunity to learn more about Judaic studies and will eventually offer an accredited degree. CJS hopes to become an independent school within Liberty such as the Helms School of Government.

Price, the head of the department, is ex­tending studies from approximately 6,000 personal books. Various rooms will include a main library with general books, religious commentaries, the Torah and history, religion and histori­cism books. A "face book room" will be added with books and journals from the per­tinent study centers. Plans also include research centers with Hebrew and Greek learning tools and an archaeo­logical research center. The library will not be open to all students initially, but when the center is fully established and students begin tak­ing Judaic Studies classes, it will be fully func­tional.

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Last week’s “From the Desk” editorial garnered much attention from students and faculty at Liberty. These letters are excerpts from comments written by other staff members of the Liberty Champion.

To the original editorial, see the Championship Web site at https://www.liberty.edu/academics/communications/champion.

The University of Maryland is running a campaign to reach the student body as well as encourage them to vote. However, their major difference from Liberty is that they do not have a major platform since the connection to the information is very slow. What we want comments to tell is what it means to you and what you think about this campaign.

Dr. Pole G. Watts, Department of P.E.

Students gathered around what may be the first pro-Obama stand to appear on campus. Students want to bring attention to Obama as well. As required by law, the administration has extended no less than four opportunities for further dialogue with McCain supporters. One student commented that they had seen a McCain table in Delkiss more than once in the past few weeks, and they wanted to bring attention to Obama as well. As required by law, the administration has extended no less than four opportunities for further dialogue with McCain supporters.

Open discussion of the candidates should continue to be encouraged throughout campus. Students making the statement said they received off-campus applications from both candidates that they felt discussed further dialogue with McCain supporters. One student commented that they had seen a McCain table in Delkiss more than once in the past few weeks, and they wanted to bring attention to Obama as well. As required by law, the administration has extended no less than four opportunities for further dialogue with McCain supporters.

Fantastic Fiddler

Having grown up watching "Fiddler on the Roof" almost every monthly season, I was very interested to see what a live production would be like and how it would compare to the film the movie had watched as many times from the comfort of my own home. I must say that the production was very entertaining. Casting to the top talents was spot on. I think it’s safe to say that the theater department’s debut was a smashing success. Kudos to Director Chris Nelson and his phenomenal cast and crew. We are all very excited for the rest of the theater, such as a talented department deserves better and larger facilities. Here’s two thumbs up to a great show, and hopes that an expanded theater will be in the plans for the near future.

Webmail Terror

Spamming, e-mails have struck liberty account users yet again. Information Services released a statement warning faculty and students to disregard these messages that state, “We are currently upgrading our data [at Liberty]. A lot of account users are deleting all unused webmail account to create more space for new accounts.” These topics where “state’s account,” rather than “accounts,” and a later reference to "Accounting" were incorrect. E-mail accounts that are not used should be discontinued. Upon receiving one of these, you are advised to never supply any of your personal information. The subject line for this particular e-mail read, "Contact the Liberty Webmail HelpDesk," If you have questions regarding these phishing e-mails, please call the HelpDesk at 434-592-7800.

More Parking for Commuters

While I and my staff would like to claim this credit for the concocting sign that were recently taken down, LUPD was already planning to adjust the amount of reserved spaces before we ever went to press. This fact was missing from last week’s coverage, and we apologize for that. However, we did all work together to report the number of reserved spaces that will be significantly reduced this freeing more available spots for commuters. LUPD has stated that in the future they will add or remove reserved parking for commuters as needed. Also, parking locations that are now available for commuters in Eagle Run, a parking lot near Schilling and Reuther/Thomas. Previously stated for faculty parking, the decision to open it to students was announced Monday. The signs will be changed this week.

$95 Better Spent

For the past few weeks, the Champion has been tracking the amount of money that students have doted out for looing fees. Now that the total is well over $30,000. I hope to wander when it will slow down. Hopefully, students will begin to recognize and abide by the parking regulations so that reserved spaces are not to be tampered with. It is not in the interest of any student to have a car physically removed. I also hope students begin to consider what could be done with $95. Students from last year will tell you that the price of a parking permit, which Napier expanded to students to give the amount that they would typically spend on years. I could be wrong, but I think that most years cost less than $95. So be nice parking in the wrong lot, consider for a moment where your money could be better spent.

I am writing this letter in response to a published article from the editor in chief of the Liberty Champion. I feel that your characterization of me is an unfair portrayal of what I believe to be an honest student. I am not here to debate with students of your opinion. However, I would encourage you to understand where I am coming from.

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In their own words

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John McHale

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Barack Obama
Fantasy politics: Democracy at its finest

By Jennifer Schmidt

Chairman of the Student Government at Liberty University, Jennifer Schmidt discusses fantasy football and the importance of fair play.

I recently heard a fellow student argue that God did not intend for women to be politically involved. He suggested that women should stay at home and take care of the family. This is an example of how gender roles are often viewed as limiting women's freedoms.

The belief that women are naturally inferior and should remain in their traditional roles is a common stereotype in society. This is not only incorrect, but it also goes against the principles of democracy.

In democracy, all citizens have the right to participate in the political process. This includes women, who should be able to run for office and hold important positions in government.

It is important to recognize the contributions that women have made to society, and to continue working towards gender equality. Only then can we truly achieve a democratic society where everyone's voice is heard.

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Temporary tennis courts installed in Schilling Center

By Dominique McKee

Temporary tennis courts are set up in the Schilling Center for recreational use while plans for construction of the new courts are still underway.

Liberty tennis courts were replaced with a Faculty practice court set up in the old courts, according to Director of Athletics, Lee Burmaster.

"The courts are in need of a new facility and this was the first step toward that goal," Tyrese Coach Chris Johnson said.

Senior Chad Hauser, who played occasionally in the old courts, expressed his support for the new courts.

"It's great that they are building more courts," Hauser said. "It is looking full with playing on the new and improved tennis courts.

Until the new tennis courts are completed, the men and women tennis teams will be practicing at E.C. Glass High School.

"Other area tennis teams have to have their men's courts," Hauser said. "This means we have the best opportunity in the area.

"Unheard of to have more tennis courts and this area needs the courts," Hauser said. "It is a good opportunity for the students.

The temporary courts are set up in the Schilling Center and are available on Monday and Wednesday from 3-6 p.m. and on Saturdays from 2-6 p.m. The courts are scheduled to change each semester depending upon the weather conditions available at that time," Burmaster said. "Director of Athletics director of athletic operations.

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The Liberty Flames (4-0) secured a crucial road victory against Youngstown State on Saturday, thanks to senior Matt Bevens' game-ending field goal, pushing the squad to a 3-0-1 win.

The win preserved the Flames’ perfect season as Liberty delivered a crucial opponent on the road for the first time in one year. The Flames currently boast a nine-game football championship series, in which they have averaged 4.7 goals per game.

Back in action, former Wall Street Journal Head coach Dana Ross said, "Rahab just had his head turned up. He was going to take this game under control." Liberty's defensive unit fielded four goals to keep the Flames in the game. On the game's opening possession, Youngstown State moved the ball downhill during a methodical, delay-dive that resulted in a touchdown. Youngstown's junior quarterback, Brandon Storlie, was 4-for-14 on the drive and went 0-for-1 against the Flames.

Bevens' win, a crucial road victory, is a prime example of the Flames' promising season. After the win, Liberty's defense scored a crucial victory.

Bevens shared his thoughts on the game, saying, "We just played our game. It was a tough game, but we hung in there..."

**Lady Flames beat CSU and Coastal, start 2-0 in BSC**

**By Brittany Watson**

**SPORTS REPORTER**

The Liberty volleyball team opened its 2008 conference season with a 3-0 (25-23, 25-17, 25-22) sweep of Charleston Southern on Friday in Charleston, S.C. Although the score was tied five times with the Buccaneers, Liberty never trailed in set one. Chelaire McCarty put an end to the set with a game-winning kill that led the Lady Flames to a 25-23 victory.

Set one proved to be a game of precision serving and defense for the Lady Flames. Liberty had a trio of aces along with five blocks and 19 digs.

The Lady Flames kept it going by never trailing the Buccaneers in set two. Charleston Southern kept it close, getting it to 18-16 at one point, but Liberty went on a surge that gave it a 25-17 win. Junior setter Kallie Corbin had 13 assists in set two alone, while McCarty and sophomore Nicki Scripko each had five kills for Liberty.

The Buccaneers tried to redeem themselves in set three by jumping out to a 6-1 lead. However, the Lady Flames did not allow the Buccaneers to hold the lead for long, as they quickly reclaimed the lead with a game-winning kill that led to a 25-22 victory.

Chelaire McCarty ended the match with 11 kills and a match-high .391 attack percentage. Junior Brittany Pacella followed McCarty with an attack percentage of .36 and eight kills. Sophomore libero Karyl Bacon added 13 digs in the sweep over Charleston Southern.

Coach Sanders was pleased that the girls "just played their game."
Vanwynsberghe shines as Flames blast Kennesaw State

By William Armstrong

SPORTS REPORTER

DODGING THE OWL — Freshman Kyle Dodgson makes a move around an Owl defender during Saturday night's 13-4 win over Kennesaw State.

hockey coach Kirk Handy wanted the team to players score and 17 different players collect points in its 12-2 and 13-4 wins over the Owls points anymore than having 13 different goals while up a man on Saturday.

As the Flames did in the first game, the team incorporated everyone when it was even with the exception of the first 15 minutes.

Once Liberty got on the power play though, they dominated in every aspect of the game as the Flames advantage to 9-2.

Senior captain Zach Bauman made it 3-0 after he stashed home a rebound while lying on the ice, scoring the Flames second goal of the night.

As Handy said of Vanwynsberghe. “It’s important going into Stony Monday, as the Flames had a strong start to the weekend. The puck will drop at home for a matchup with Oakland University next weekend. The Flames could not have echoed that

The first night also saw the emergence of freshman Rob Vanwynsberghe, the Flames power play and what the young players of Liberty are capable of.

Junior Dave Semenyna and sophomore goalie Colin Way just before the period came to an end.

The momentum shifted as Bauman collected the puck on the power play after Vanwynsberghe's second period scoring when Kyle Brodie took a pass in the crease to record his second straight game.

As Bauman found him one more time on a one-timer as the third period wound down, Mackenzie Bauman, and Aidan tackled on the remaining goals for the following weekend. Vanwynsberghe notched his third goal of the game on a one timer from Bauman later in the third period. Freshman Casey Horvath followed the Vanwynsberghe mark with his first career goal on an individual rush down the left side.

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the Owls metaphorically, “shot themselves in the foot,” after the team compiled five goals minutes apart, as Liberty's lead increased to 3-0.

Vanwynsberghe, and Vanwynsberghe deflected a shot to score the Owls final tally of the game.

Vanwynsberghe showcased his capabilities in the second period, reaching nine of his first 11 goals in the Flames win for good. On the power play, Vanwynsberghe took a pass from Morrison, made his way on in on the keeper, and found a white shot to the top shelf of the net. Vanwynsberghe notched his first career four-goal game, similar to the first period, the Owls opened up the night on a one timer from Bauman later in the third period. Freshman Casey Horvath followed the Vanwynsberghe mark with his first career goal on an individual rush down the left side.

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By William Armstrong

Charleston Southern Buccaneers by
VMI Keydets and the
team experienced that twice last
month, but end up on the opposite end
of the scoreboard.

This week, as they dropped matches
against the VMI Keydets and the
Lady Flames soccer

Moye sent a shot on net that merited
of the half on cage, including senior
Amy Oberlin's blast from the top of
the left side. Budros had to make a
designed fake run. The drive resulted in
a 46-yard Bolden return. Rashad Jennings
punt and received great field position via
a three-yard pass from in close.

Owen shot from in close.

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Frecusena nets 15 goals in women's hockey weekend wins

By Chris Wong

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Finding the inner outdoorsman (or woman) inside you

SPORTS EDITOR

By Jake Petersen

Here at Liberty, I've always heard people say this: "Liberty is so boring" and "There's nothing to do here." I've done a whole lot of searching. Maybe you need to get out and enjoy God's wonderful creation instead of Facebooking in your dorm room and get away from campus, hiking to the Peaks of Otter is a great way to kill a Saturday.

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Fishing is a great way to pass those long afternoons chock full of potential Facebook stalking. Grab a friend and your favorite fishing rod, make sure you know how to safely handle a firearm, safety always comes first. The Peaks of Otter offer breathtaking views of the Blue Ridge Mountains and its surrounding foothills. Comprised of Sharp Top, Flat Top and Harkening Hill, the Peaks of Otter attract countless numbers of hikers throughout each year with trails that offer a glimpse of the beautiful Virginia countryside from above. Less than an hour away from campus, hiking to the Peaks of Otter is a great way to kill a Saturday.

3. TAKE ADVANTAGE OF "ULTIMATE LU" OPPORTUNITIES

Anything you want to do right at your fingertips with the creation of Ultimate LU. Hiking trips, fishing trips, backpacking — even when winter racing — here Liberty students at Ultimate LU has had a successful debut in its second semester of existence. With the new Stoked ski and snowboard mount in open in February, physical activity will be as at your fingertips on Liberty Mountain. Check www.ultimatelu.com for upcoming activities.

1. SPEND A DAY AT PANTHER FALLS

Looking for a way to have some fun in the fall? Look no further than just a short drive up north to the Peaks of Otter. With swimming holes galore located in the backcountry of the Peaks of Otter mountain range, you can find deep pools of water swimming and keep off of the two rocks above. It also boasts a small natural whirlpool area suited for those not wanting to jump off of the rocks. Finally, take in the views of the Blue Ridge Mountains and its surrounding foothills from the peaks of Sharp Top, Flat Top, and Harkening Hill. It is a great way to escape the stress, which has not only made a successful debut in its second semester of existence.

5. HUNTING ANYONE?

Whether or not you agree with hunting, it is still a great way to spend time in the outdoors. Many of my favorite memories growing up as a Pennsylvania rolling hill country were spent sitting in a deer stand with my dad hunting the sun up at first light. Even though we weren't very successful, I still have a list of special memories that cannot be replaced. Even if you do not want to kill anything or wake up at 4:30 am. It is still the feeling of sitting in a new stand, there are plenty of stunning views in the area to keep your eyes — just make sure you know how to safely handle a firearm. Safety always comes first.

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By Brandon Gallagher  

**LAMP seeks student submissions for upcoming fall publication**  

For those students or alumni who enjoy creative and providence writing, LAMP, the bi-annual school magazine, is seeking submissions from current and former Liberty University students who are looking to have their creative and written pieces published.

LAMP is a publication that showcases the creative writing and critical essays produced entirely by students. The magazine is published once a semester and is distributed throughout campus and the Lynchburg community in various churches, coffeehouses and other community venues.

"The goal for LAMP Magazine is a genuine appreciation for the arts and to establish this goal we will work to strike a balance between thoughtfulness and accessibility," said coś said. Member of the English, philosophy and art departments, Bill Fortney said the group would work together to make LAMP a reality and to help the students gain experience. Dr. Karen Swallow Perry, chair of the English department.

LAMP was previously published under the same LAMPLIGHT. The name is not the only thing that has changed. The magazine will bear a more diverse showcase of student writers and authors as well as having a completely new format. Students are advised to avoid submitting negative pieces and works critical of Liberty University. All interested students should submit their work to Ryan Knight, LAMP editor at ctkuniversity.com. Contact Brandon Gallagher at bgallagher@liberty.edu.

By Megan House  

**New ministry serves people in need**  

A new ministry has launched on campus, started by four residents of the dorm called the Champions. According to Phil Wagner, one of the founders, the members of the group were through their own experiences and raise $60 at their fundraiser on Tuesday. The fundraiser was held in the DeMoss courtyard after devotions. It was sponsored and if a person gave a donation, he or she was given an egg in a egg tray on the DeMoss participants.  

"The fundraiser were exceedingly successful, but we could have imagined," Wagner said. "God did not do anything extraordinary, and showed us that if we just treat him, he will bless."  

Wagner said it would be nice to be more involved. He said he was going to Rosemeade, Va. with eight students to feed some food to the homeless and raise $450.54 at their fundraiser.

"We have a request for this and after looking into the issue, we decided there was a significant need and this would allow us to minister not only to children, but also to their families and to school officials," Wagner said.

Wagner said the organization has had a large impact on students who would like to be involved. If you would like to get involved, please send an e-mail to atthegateministry@live.com or look the group up on Facebook by searing in "At The Gate.

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By Josh Swanson  

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Liberty students are working together with Thomas Road Baptist Church (TRBC) to reach the local community with the gospel one service project at a time. The effort to impact the community for Christ stems through the Inside Out program, which has developed out of Pastor Jonathan Falwell's five-week sermon series on the heart.

One of TRBC's mission pastors, Tim Grandstaff, is leading up the Inside Out program. He said, "Instead of thinking about what we thought our community needs, we sat down with our major, had meetings with city council people, school board members and parks and recreation. We asked them what the needs of our community were and how we as a ministry could help meet those needs."

According to Grandstaff a large list of projects was compiled that has the potential to keep the church busy for years. The wide variety of projects gives everyone the opportunity to serve where they feel called.

Projects include a seven-week food drive supplying school bus drivers with coffee, and teachers and school administrators with donuts and thank you cards, making coffee car packages for local students, renovating playgrounds, gas buy-downs and home repairs.

"We work with CampusWeekend and the block party, so there have been between 200-300 Liberty students who have been involved weekly in some type of ministry," Grandstaff said.

CampusWeekend is a campus ministry that meets every Saturday at 10 a.m., to go into the community and serve its various needs. It has been entirely helpful with the Inside Out project.

"We've been operating on an on-call agreement with Tim and the different crews with the Inside Out project," Director of CampusWeekend Kenzo Mabie said. "When they need people as an emergency or in a tight spot, we've been able to help them out."

"David Wheeler is a professor of evangelism, the associate director of the Christian Ministry Training and Church Planting Centers and the director of all the applied ministries for the seminary. He leads a team from the seminary that has been involved with the Inside Out project through the gas buy-downs and block parties."

"People have to realize that we really do care for them and that we are not just trying to get them in our bubbles to get people to church," Wheeler said. "This whole involvement has been about going out into the community and being there for them, so that the church is the organism rather than just an organization."

According to Wheeler, there are around 80 graduate students and between 50 and 80 seminary students who have been involved with the Inside Out project.

"With the Inside Out program, our students are greater than a service project for students to get involved with the church and reach out into the community. The turns behind the project are set up in a way that will premiere students and church members more opportunities to serve throughout the year. For more information on how to get involved with the Inside Out project, contact Tim Grandstaff at tim@trbc.org."

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LARGER THAN LIFE -- Pastor Powell uses a model to illustrate his sermon.

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