Irish American month kicks off

Students, faculty and staff gathered with Center4ME to celebrate March's heritage month.

The Center for Multicultural Fletcher-Davidson Center4ME hosted its third-annual Irish American Heritage Kickoff Friday, March 1.

The front steps of DeMoss Hall, where students, faculty and staff gathered to celebrate the country's culture, were covered with roughly 50 students, and the event was canceled due to poor weather. The original plans for DeMoss Hall's annual Multicultural Festival were moved to DeMoss Hall.

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Lynchburg flights stay grounded

The Lynchburg Regional Airport has experi- enced an unusually high number of weather-related cancellations in January, according to officials. This is a departure from the norm.

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cutting off service at the Chattanooga/Douglas Interna- tional Airport, which is an airline that runs commuter planes coming from Lynchburg.

According to Smith, airfares were higher than normal for flights to Lynchburg, and the flights were canceled due to severe weather conditions.

The airfare was determined by the airline's schedule and availability of flights.

According to Smith, the airline had to look at the costs associated with running a flight and the demand for that flight.

The airline also considered the possibility of rescheduling the flight for a later date, if necessary.

In addition, the airline had to consider the safety of its passengers and crew, as well as the potential impact on the local economy.

The airline ultimately decided to cancel the flight due to the weather conditions and the associated costs.

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Senior artwork on display in DeMoss Studio and Digital Arts gives students the opportunity to showcase their work

Angela Nunezidd

Student crowds poured over the art displayed in the DeMoss gallery for the Lynchburg Art Museum. Students had the opportunity to showcase their artwork in the gallery.

According to Smith, the students were able to express their creativity and gain valuable experience through this opportunity.

The gallery was open to the public, and visitors were encouraged to view the artwork and engage with the students.

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Sequestration could cause problem: for students flying for spring break

According to courtney:

"We will have to come up with a contingency plan to be able to smooth operations in an un-nerved environment," Courtney said.
Apps for everyone
Faculty and students learn new technology
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Though technology might isolate human interaction, Liberty University’s Center for Teaching Excellence (LTE) has made a point to encourage fellowship by hosting Mobile Applications Learning Lab (MALL).

The purpose of MALL is to gather faculty, students and staff together to share their knowledge of the most recent mobile devices and applications, according to Teaching Advisor and Associate Professor of Education for the LTE, Sharon Bickel.

“We don’t want faculty coming here just for work or help; we want them coming here for some more relaxed things,” Bickel said.

For a list of people who attend, MALL is an opportunity to learn about the newest technology that can be utilized in the classroom.

“By attending MALLs, you get a wide perspective from a number of people with different levels of knowledge. Some are different ages, so they like different things,” Electronic Resource Librarian Mike Cobb said.

“You get a lot of information to help you learn more about what you just spent your money on.”

During each meeting, the LTE provides featured applications for attendees to test on their own devices, Bickel said.

During the most recent MALL, held 8th-17 in DeMoss Hall, the applications were “Shazam,” “Flipboard” and “The Night Sky” were a few of them.

However, according to Bickel, not everyone came to the gathering to learn about the newest application.

“I came to figure out what the needs for faculty and staff were in terms of apps,” Liberry senior and employer for LTE’s Information Technology department Neil Harmon said. “I think the industry is moving more toward tablets, and we want to develop that into some type of change.”

According to Cobb, MALL helped learn more about his own device, specifically his new smartphone.

“I don’t even know what I don’t know. Seeing what people do with mobile devices, and how other people use them gives me ideas on how to use mine,” Cobb said.

The LTE will host MALL on the last Wednesday of each month during the Spring 2013 semester, according to the center’s website.

“I would encourage people to get out of their comfort zone and engage with technology because it can help you with your personal life, scholastic life and ... your professional life,” Harmon said.

For more information, visit liberty.edu/academics/cv.

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LaHaye promotes health

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Avoiding sickness is often a challenge for many college students, but Liberty University students will soon have the opportunity to learn how they can prevent themselves from disease.

As part of the LaHaye Health and Wellness Series, Associate Florrene will share her time entitled “Staying Well, Increasing your R.I.S.T.O.N.A.C.E.,” March 6 at 5:15 p.m. The lecture will take place in the front aeroles room of the LaHaye Fitness Center.

According to Florrene, the event will focus on lifestyle changes that students can make in order to naturally boost their immune systems.

“Such events are especially important now, in the spring, because there’s a lot of bugs going around and people are getting sick, so it’s a good way to find out how to avoid catching those things and being put out of commission,” Jamie Sweary, the associate director of fitness at the LaHaye Student Union, said.

Sweary, a health promotion and nutrition professor at Liberty University, has been actively involved in disease prevention for many years. She said that she is looking forward to sharing valuable information at the event.

“When we’re in such a closed environment — when you’re in a classroom, you’re on the bus — and germs are just going everywhere — it’s in boost students’ immune system, that’s probably the best way to prevent an atmosphere like this,” Sweary said.

According to Sweary, the event will feature food and prizes, along with health information. She hopes students will take the initiative to learn healthy habits.

The final installment of the series for this semester is a strength training event with Donna Butter. According to Sweary, those who attend will have the opportunity to learn how to train for specific goals that gymnasts often struggle

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congress is not crying over budget cuts

Andrew Woolfolk

I remember back to the days of my youth, when my parents would frequently lecture me for using bad words — which in those days consisted of vocabulary such as "stupid" and "idiot." But after observing the outstanding failure of Congress that has led to a budget of $10 billion staring March 1, I think my parents will mercifully let me off the hook.

Congress ... is full of idiots.

Due to their inability to create a budget that is consonant to the country's increasing deficit, Congress has plunged our country into a recession that affects millions of people across the country.

Many people predict that this will magnify the growth of a product category like spending away from a variety of critical services. Border security alone is yet to receive part security at $323 billion and FEMA damage is forced to receive $373 billion.

The list goes on, as more big name organizations fail to provide the funds. The Department of Energy, for instance, that alone is expected to have its spending reduced by $90 billion in the upcoming year, Defense Secretary Leon Panetta was quoted as saying as "sad budget day.

"This is not a game. This is reality," said an interview at Georgetown University. "These steps would viciously damage a fragile American economy, and in our fail to appeal to our citizens, we are at risk of precipitating a crisis, at a time of rising international tension."

According to USA Today, nearly 20,000 civilians working for the Marine Corps would have to work with reduced salaries, and the military had alerted another $200,000 employees to expect pay cuts and reductions based on a budget freeze. In an attempt to help solve the issue, Congress has passed legislation that military salaries only decrease by one percent in 2014. Based on the calculations found by the Labor Department's Employee Cost Index, ECI, a one percent increase in pay is lower than the growth of the ECI. Because the ECI includes factors such as inflation, and because the rate of increase in pay is too low than the increase of the ECI, the rate is actually a pay cut.

Jenelle Hatney, a Navy wife, spoke on behalf of all her fellow companions when she talked to CNN about the cuts. "I never thought Congress was unable to think outside of the box."

The future will see: a 24-hour force per 24-hour, smartphone, ideal for on-the-go situations and addressing the pay cuts concerns.

Not with all this new laws help, the air in a large part of the changes that come after the enactment of the WTC. To be honest, the idea ofensible electronics being main reasons to frighten me. Though technology certainly has its virtues, it is also responsible for the rise in pay cuts.

Sure, Apple and other phone companies that they are committed to making products that have had a lot of pay cuts, but in the end, is helpful technology to reduce the pay cuts.

Sad, rather than allowing the Apple to make our lives a little easier, most of us have only faced gadgets centering, resulting in unnecessary, chaotic and hectic lives. Honest, most people in 21-st-century America would feel even more out of touch with the world if a cellphone was left at home. Even on campus, the frustration is tangible where the Internet creators or programmers run slower than usual.

The government has been losing its just to pass just to get users off their phones for the duration of a legitimate, decent. Ranting around the dinner table, saying "I don't have to monitor my child anymore," these often read messages, readers more often than not, take.

Viewer: National defense, perhaps Congress is not crying over budget cuts. Congress is not crying over budget cuts, and the president's fiscal plan is not crying over budget cuts. Congress is not crying over budget cuts.

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1. Fullerton 8.2 percent should the people in the House and Senate, are we going to vote in a bipartisan manner to find a solution. A bill passed during this proposal, "If Congress and the president fail to do so, my legal-"

Shocking, the proposal did not even offer enough support to get a floor vote, which is the most basic priority start a bill's formation.

"So we hold our number of our military and defense system suffer, our politicians' lack of ability is no longer responsible for our financial crisis because of the massive expenditure toward spending will continue to laugh their way to the bank."

I disagree with Obama on one count. In a budget, Congress is not crying over budget cuts, quite simply, "stupid."

A yes to cut our national salary and Comp-Go salary at their same levels.

Pardon my language, but that is just plain stupid.

Fullerton, or any other thing that Congress is not crying over budget cuts.
First lady is finding her footing

Over time, Michelle Obama has adapted to being evaluated by the political microscope by people around the world. She has made her role as the First Lady a political figure, working to establish a profile beyond being the partner of a sitting president. Obama's political decisions and actions have been scrutinized by the media and the public alike. Her growth in confidence and influence is evident in the way she engages with the public and the press, moving beyond the shadow of her husband, former President Barack Obama. Michelle Obama's public speaking engagements, her advocacy for various causes, and her personal style have all contributed to her growing profile.

President Barack Obama's second term began in national controversy, not the least of which was his wife's dramatic haircut. From bangs to presenting the "Two Poems" Academy Award, Michelle Obama has changed her second term as first lady with abandon.

Persisting the Michelle Obama's redaction issues are prevalent in news. Carl Slätt, a historian for the Nationalista Feminist Institute, said in 2010 that the role of first lady seems as much about changing as it is about those who have inhabited the position. Yet Michelle Obama herself "locks those sources in a voice...It's like..." retaining her role at the White House to cross the board.

Michelle Obama did not readily retire her role. As her husband prepared for the presidency, she prepared to guide children to the White House. In her role as National First Ladies Convention speech, Michelle Obama explained that some may concern for her children's well-being. Furthermore, moving forward Obama's legacy remains to be seen, but her confidence is apparent.

The First Lady's role in a precarious political climate, male must be daunting. Barack Obama's presidency has become an example of how women can lead in politics, especially in terms of promoting the role of the First Lady. Michelle Obama's initiatives and speeches have been widely praised for their impact on the public and the country. Her role as First Lady has been controversial at times, but her dedication to issues such as education, health, and the arts has been widely recognized.

David Van Dyck

The Federal Reserve, the Austin-based Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, and the CBA and 485 Chinese government officers, for example, minutia of data that anonymous hackers had been hacked over the past four years. The group whose members call themselves "backvixen," has been active in recent months to expose national pedophiles.

In a 2007 case, Anonymous actions were crucial in targeting CBT Crackdown Hero, an Internet pedophile, who was arranged of multiple child pornography accounts that involved children under the age of 14.

"Internet posts suggest that hackers found evidence on the police radio that some email addresses had targeted the interest of cybercriminologists who seek to access a sexual interest in children," Förstner Sun reporter Jonathan Fruken.

According to the Washi...
School of Business hosts career fair

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Liberty University’s business students and alumni practiced their business etiquette and networking abilities for 20 companies that attended the School of Business Career Fair Feb. 28 in the Williams Stadium Tower.

The event — which was open to all School of Business junior, senior, graduate students and alumni — was hosted by Liberty University’s Career Center. The attending companies included government agencies, national brands and local businesses.

According to the Career Center, the primary purpose of the event was to provide students and alumni with the opportunity to network, apply and interview with companies that are based locally and nationally.

As was very excited to attend this job fair Friday, said a Liberty business alumnus. “I’m thrilled for Liberty University, opening up a great opportunity for me to...connect and interact with employers in the business sector.”

Companies represented at the fair included national brands such as Wells Fargo Bank, Lowe’s Home Improvement, Jones Lang LaSalle and other employers looking to fill post-baccalaureate, full-time and internship openings.

George Perl, a representative for Laser’s Home Improvement, was searching for potential employees to take on a variety of jobs.

"We are looking to hire students for jobs of all kinds — seasonable jobs, part-time jobs, week-time jobs. We are anticipating to see who we can find that is looking to work," Perl said. "I expect to see good, quality candidates for jobs that have good work ethics and students that are hard-working. The Liberty students have met my expectations."
AWARDS continued from A1

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ALD seniors awarded

Courtney Sharp

The Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society hosted its annual Senior Banquet March 2 in the Drible Hall Grand Ballroom.

According to ALD Faculty Advisor Besse Grayson, the banquet honored 137 outgoing seniors, while 73 attended the event.

"This is something we
do in honor of ALD gradu-
ates, and we always use the
theme 'finishing well,'" Grayson said.

With the permit of Dr. Jerry Fable '80 learning about the program, guest speaker Dr. Bell re-
ceived students to "smash well."

Bell recounted the sto-
yes of Piotr, Lance Armstrong, Howard Hendricks.
"We did not may
and battle finished well," Lance Armstrong is an example of someone
that failed to finish well," Bell said.

He also spoke about Hendricks and how he was told as a child that he was most likely to
run up in prison. Hendricks instead became the Edub-
ological Theological Seminary, finished well and then died.

"To finish well, you need to have a heart and
give your heart to this
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Children, seek friends and accountability part-
ners that know you said,
find a good chain is
members and members of the
World," Bell said.

The officers of the so-
iciety were recognized for their
involvement, and awards were given to the two graduating officers.

They have been here since the beginning induction
year, devoted to the core of the organiza-
tion, attended meetings every
Wednesday and doing assignments for every
series opportunity," Grayson said.

Senior advisors Jamie Craig and Sarah Harper were recognized for their
affiliation with Gyanos.

The recipients of the Maria Favored Senior Book Award were
recognized during the ban-
quet. The award is given to
the ALD member with
the highest GPA, which happened to be a 3.88 in
Drew Dickson and Jas-
rlyn J. Van Den Bos received the two as
"finishing well." The book "100 Cities of the
World" will be issued in
2013 by Random House and
Gulliver Lit.

"My responsibility is
more of a community role,
especially different on the
different events," President of External Communi-
ations Austin Edwards said. "I learned how to work as a team.
ALD has inspired me to continue to serve others as I made
good friends and got involved in the community."

The ALD is primarily a community service
with the goal of junior and
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Jenessa Jenesi/ALD Life

HOONORARY — ALD respected senior members at banquet: Saturday, March 2

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“Why is it stopped, all the lights were off,” Travis said. It was almost like a faint glow, and smoke was coming out from the bottom. My friends hobbled out of the car, and I went to park ( and then) ran down there as well.

According to Travis, both Lib­ erty and the Lynchburg police as well as medical cre ws con­ verged on the scene minutes after it hap­ pened.

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Around 10 p.m., police officers and crews from Bee Line Towing began removing the bus from the walkway near the tunnel, having dis­ posed of the broken bricks. This tunnel remained closed for the rest of the night as officials further investigated what happened.

Police have yet to release the cause of the accident.

BATTLE is the ass. sports editor.

LEASURE is the feature editor.

**Students enact “Care for Creation”**

Dylan Frifberg  

Members are rev­ iving a for­ mer Liberty University club known as Care For Creation Associa­tion (CFCA) this semes­ ter with a fresh drive to encour­ age the stewardship of God’s cre­ ation and to pro­ mote an envi­ ronmentally healthy cam­ pus.

According to club President Robert Morris, CFCA vis­ ited in 2010 before be­ ​coming inactive follow­ ing the graduation of lead­ing club members. Morris said that as the club returns from inactiv­ ity, members have been making a push to help make students and the uni­ versity more envi­ ronmentally con­ scious.

According to Morris, first among the objec­ tives of the revital­ ized club is to pro­ mote stewardship. This idea is based on the command found in Genesis 2:28, when God blesses Adam and Eve with domin­ on over the earth and all that lives in it. Members of CFCA believe that God has given humans the earth and placed us in charge of taking care of it. Morris believes that taking care of the earth be­ gins with respect for the environ­ ment.

“We’re sup­ posed to be good stewards of our bodies, good stewards of our relationships, and good stewards of the envi­ ronment,” Morris said. “We want to be good stewards of creation, and we believe that this is a mandated.”

Club Treasurer Caleb Wade said that a primary goal of the club is to have recycling bins placed in every dorm. The club also hopes to place bins in other public cen­ ters, such as the Re­ bel­ Thomas Dining Hall and the Tillie Student Center.

“Most people wouldn’t nor­ mally recycle if they had to go out of their way to find recycling bins, but if they were placed in hallways, or in a con­ venient location, people would be more likely to recycle,” Wade said.

According to Morris, mem­ bers of the club are currently dis­ cussing practical plans with Lib­ erty’s adminis­ trative offices. Morris said that the goal is not just to find ways to increase envi­ ronmental ef­ forts on cam­ pus, but also to do so cos­ mically.

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The fantastic five

Lady Flames seniors are recognized as they defeat Charleston Southern 88-62

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Parents and family gathered with senior players and managers to cel­
brate their last home game before the Liberty Lady Flames faced the Chau­
tenahns Southern Lady Buccaneers (16-15, 3-15 Big South), 88-62.

Something that never hap­
pended in the careers of these five Lady Flames finally took place with 5:45 left in the game. The crowd chanted as freshman Tolu Omotola, Terika Lunsford and Brittany Campbell, as well as guards Washington and Rebecca Brown, entered the court together for the first and last time.

"It was really exciting," Campbell said. "I think it was a little hectic because all of us never have played at the same time before." These five Lady Flames finished the game with 34 points and 36 rebounds before they exited the game with 3:03 left in the second half.

With the victory, Liberty earned their 2000th Big South victory, as well as the second most conference wins in a season with 16 – a mark the Lady Flames set last year.

"I am very pleased for the opportu­
nity of tying our own record," Head Coach Cary Green said. "It is just an indication of a lot of hard work. I'm just thankful to be able to work with such a great group under the leadership of five great seniors."

As seen in the game the Lady Flames were aggressive and attacked the Charleston Southern defense. With a last second, Campbell put the Lady Flames in the lead. Only sealing once the entire game, the Lady Flames were able to put together a 20-3 run, jumping to a 30-17 lead with 1:24 remaining.

Points in the paint and rebound­
ing helped the Lady Flames in they headed into halftime with a 13-29 lead. As a team, they collected 33 rebounds and 36 points.

"I tried to bottle up my em­
otions and leave it all out there on the floor," Omotola said. "I didn't want to have any regrets and didn't want to hold anything back. I was really excited to play in my last opportu­nity to play on this floor."

Omotola ended the half with 14 points and six rebounds. Brown tallied seven points, seven rebounds and two steals, and center Jasmine Gardner added nine points and 10 rebounds.

As the second half began, the Lady Flames continued to con­
solidate the paint and forced 13 Lady Buccaneers turnovers. Thames of the total 14 Charleston Southern turnovers were steals. Washington led Liberty with three steals and finished the game with three points, four rebounds and six assists.

"I was ready," Washington said. "I was so pumped for this game."

ALL ON THE COURT — In her last home game as a Viper, Delhi Brown finishes with 18 points and 11 rebounds.

Flames sweep home invite

Alex Close's walk-off RBI in the 11th inning lifts Liberty over Army

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Friday vs. Army

Liberty Cellular's baseball fans came out to cheer the Flames on in a showdown over Army Black Knights, 6-4, in the Liberty Invitational.

This was the second time Army hit for a cycle in 2013. Army’s Greg McKeever scored as the top of the third at Chase Field.

"It’s great," Paxton said. "I haven’t felt one like that in a game ever, so it felt pretty good." The first two innings were scoreless until Army’s Grant Green hit his first home run of the year leading things off in the top of the third inning. Next came the cycle, before finally the double

We'll see you at the game

Baseball vs. William & Mary March 5 @ 12 p.m.

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M. Lacrosse vs. Delaware St. 4 March 7 @ 12 p.m.

ON A ROLL — Liberty has won six straight home victories.
Phil DeSantis / The Herald-Dispatch

The Lady Flames beat the Lady Champs for Saturday, March 2, vanquishing almost the entire weather.

"It's a real deal that we beat 19-11 at Liberty," Rebekah Jenkins said. "It's a really good feeling when you beat that good.

The Lady Flames played strong in the doubles matches, leading both. Liberty's pairings of Jenkins and Nicole Wehlman defeated Shelby Page and Kimberly Keen of Coastal Carolina, 6-1. In addition, Libby's pairing of Morgan Young and Javisa Bolda defeated Coastal's couple of Vanessa Chine and Mikaela Harker, 6-1.

"First thing is to win the doubles," Cameron said. "That's a big thing if you can win the doubles, and put the point and get the momentum going in the singles.

The next portion of the match is the singles. We're excited to see Liberty defeated Coastal-3, 5-1. Recording victories in the singles were Alabama, Shelley Memon, Brittany Yang, Nicole Wehlman and Virgil Thum.

"We walked into this match with the mindset that each girl is here to play tennis, and we were going to give our best, and we walked on the court with that and gave our best," Jenkins said.

The Lady Flames lost only two of the same matches.

"We're here, and we're coming out for the top spot, and we're coming in strong," Jenkins added.

With the win, Liberty improved its record to 3-0 and 2-0 in conference play. As the season is almost coming to an end, the team recognized the importance of today's game.

The Lady Champs lost a team of three freshmen out of eight total players, a new lineup that is different from what they had in previous years.

"It's interesting to note we didn't know it about them, Head Coach Jeff Marus has said, "I think they had five new players who went to the tournament this year, and that's how the Lady Flames have been one of the few teams in the conference for a new lineup this year.

"Our team, Liberty, has a core group of veterans, two players. They have their own Big South Championship, they understand their success.

"We are about the journey, getting from point A to point B," Moore said. "So, this win is a part of the process that we're trying to make the conference permanent.

The weather played some tricks in the second set. With temperatures in the high 70s, both teams had to push through the heat.

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"We knew that one of the two-goal, two-goal lead, it would take the wind out of our opponent's sails."

"Pitting with a goalie in the net you know you can't make sure getting important times during the game is huge especially in the tournament that you have," said.

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Distances runner junior Josh MacDonald finished with Liberty’s highest placing at the boys’ and women’s track and field meet that wrapped up their indoor season at the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (ECAC) and Interscholastic Association of Amateur Athletes (IC4A) Division I Indoor Track and Field Championships in Boston, Mass. March 1-3.

In three days of competition, 30 Liberty athletes competed in a field including more than 130 schools. Those participating in the championships put on extended ECAC/IC4A qualifying standards in their individual events throughout the entire indoor season.

In the ECAC Championship, sophomore Christina Mitchell finished the pentathlon in fourth place with a total of 3,614 points for the Lady Flames. Mitchell was a top finisher in the championship pentathlon for the second time in her career. She placed third in 2011.

Teammate Audrey Banks finished in eighth place in the pentathlon in her first appearance at the championship meet. Sophomore Riley Beaton also competed in the championship for the first time, earning ninth place in the multi-event. The three Lady Flames combined to produce team points for the women.

On the second day of the meet, sophomore Melissa Reboyer finished in third place, sixth in 1600 meter, with a time of 5:35.33. Janice Jourses jumped for 38.12 and came in third in the triple jump for the 15th place.

On the track, senior Kristina Kanayi set a new personal record in the 5000meter run, finishing the race with a time of 17:13.96. Kanayi’s time earned her 10th place in the event.

In the IC4A Championship, the Liberty men posted notable finishes in the weight throw and high jump during the first two days of competition.

Junior Smith there for 61-6.25 and earned fifth place in the weight throw. Smith placed in the third consecutive year in the IC4A event. On the men’s side, the Flames finished in seventh place after clearing 6-1.5 Smith and Wheeler contributed 5.5 points to the team score.

Kelsby Frederick Cody Bingham also contributed a point to the Flames team total with an Indoor finish place in the heptathlon.

MacDonald reversed the finish line in third place in the men’s 5000meter run, providing six team points. MacDonald’s performance of 14:10.35 won more than three seconds better than the 2012 championship-winning time. He also improved his personal best time by 17 seconds.

Athlete Jordan Bequet and redshirt sophomore Nygic Kipchirchir also set personal records in the 3000 meter. Bequet took 10th place with a time of 8:28.29, and Kipchirchir crossed the finish line at 8:41.08 for 20th place.

After an impressive indoor season, the track and field teams will now transition to the outdoor season.

**BREAKING THE CEILING** — Liberty’s men’s track and field team places fifth out of 44 teams.

**On track to Boston**

ECAC/IC4A qualifiers set personal best against the nations top-notch athletes

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March 1, 2013

**From The Box**

The Tebow Top 10 List

1. Home-schooler’s revenge — For all those loud and proud home-schoolers out there, your lifetime of getting picked on ends today. Tebow will probably say something along the lines of, “Who here was homeschooled — (with thumbs pointed back towards himself) this guy.”

2. Girls will have Scripture written on their face in eye black. Better still (or worse) — guys will too.

3. Girls will be waiting outside the Vines Center for Convocation — On Thursday.

4. Tim Tebow will not say anything noteworthy for the first 20 minutes or so, but in the last four minutes, he will come back and cement his place in Convocation history with an inspiring story that ties together the Gospel, the pro-life movement, international missions and relationships in a nice, repeatable quote.

5. Inevitably, because Tebow played in the SEC, Alabama fans will find a way to be obnoxious either with chants or signs — most likely both. Really. “Tide fans? Really?”

6. Tim Tebow will pull a “Mike Huckabee” and join the campus band. We already know via his NFL ‘Mic’ Up segment that he is an enthusiastic singer.

7. Liberty will make into Twitter’s trending topics for the second time in three months (the first being Christmas Coffeehouse) with all the Liberty-Tebow related hashtags sure to explode during his speech.

8. Tim Tebow will “Tebow” on stage — to roaring applause.

9. During what will be an otherwise eloquently delivered introduction, Johnnie Moore will mistakenly refer to Tebow’s accomplishments “both on and off the football court.”

10. The Tebow Convocation will, without a doubt, become the highest attended Friday-before-Spring-Break-Convocation ever.

**SENIORS continued from B1**

Getting out, playing with the group of gals if we have, we all had energy, we were ready to play.

With 2:55 remaining in the game, Liberty had its largest lead of the evening with 11 points. In all, Otomola finished the game with 11 points and eight rebounds. Both Brown and Gardner had double-doubles. Brown ended with 19 points, 11 rebounds and two steals, while Gardner had 11 points and 13 rebounds.

The Lady Flames out-rebounded Charleston Southern 54-25 and had 22 second chance points. Also, 12 of those 88 points came off from the bench.

“Our identity is to be very, very aggressive. We are blessed, we have to have big four post players, and they have been doing a pretty good job of rebounding, all year long.”

As the regular season game to a close, Liberty fans sit atop the Big South and have lost straight games heading into the postseason play. Most important, the Lady Flames are gearing to win their fifth Big South Championship in six years.

As we go into conference tournament play, we want to be executing and not be on an emotional high,” Green said. “Right now, we want to take the fundamentals of the game and say focused.” It’s like the old saying, “You take your eye off the ball, you get a make.” We don’t want to take our eyes off the small things.”

The Lady Flames have a bye in the opening round of the Big South Tournament and will face the winner of the No. 8 Coastal Carolina vs. No. 9 Gardner-Webb in the quarterfinal Friday, March 8 at 8 p.m. in Conway, S.C.

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Chris Jordan is a Grammy-nominated recording artist and the winner of a Grammy award. His third album, released five years ago, was titled "G.O.A.T." — a name that has stuck with him as his love for music and the recording industry has continued to grow. Though these events have been exciting, Jordan says, "I'd love to see Proclaimation Studios turn into a network of artists and engineers who work together and produce great music."
Virtual exploration
Freshman student starts Liberty video game club

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Each Thursday in D-Mon 4066, video game enthusiasts meet under the leadership of freshman and Liberty University Video Game Club President Jonathan Cole. According to Cole, the group's events range from a variety of game-based discussion, as well as for watching and playing games, but the club might not have been created had it not been for a friendly challenge.

"I was eating at Doe's with a friend last semester, and we were joking about having a video game club," Cole said. "The next day, I was talking about it with other friends, and some said I could do it."

Cole said that he would put them wrong, and, for their part, officially launching the club Nov 27, 2012. The video game club now boasts a unique distinction. Almost all of the club's members are never-before-Liberty freshmen. The only difficulty they ran into when starting up Cole was finding a professor to approve the club. After a week, Associate Professor of Information Systems Jerry Westhall signed the

World of Social Media
Alumnus Josh Beaty visits Liberty to share knowledge

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Diamonds are said to be a girl's best friend, and in a way, Liberty University alum Josh Beaty makes his living as one.

Beaty, the director of social media and content strategy for Diamond Candles in Raleigh, N.C., visited his alma mater Thursday, Feb. 28 to share some of the secrets of his trade with Liberty's chapter of the Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSA).

The "World of Social Media" event, which was held on the 200th floor of D-Mon, was open to PRSA members as well as the public.

According to Kirsten Goesch, the president of Liberty's PRSA chapter, Beaty gave Liberty public relations students an opportunity to learn how to "effectively utilize social media and keep up with trends."

During his address, Beaty revealed some of the best websites to attract customers, manage the company's social media outlets and analyze the effectiveness of their efforts — including deck.com automation.net.

"Students will benefit from the wisdom that Josh Beaty can share from his past and present successes in attracting attention to a thriving business," Goesch said.

According to Liberty in 2008 and completing a master's degree from Liberty, Beaty now oversees all of his company's involvement in various social media, including Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Diamond Candles boasts nearly 200,000 likes on Facebook and has roughly 23,000 followers on Twitter.

Beaty explained the value of effectively utilizing social media through the company, surrounded by a display of various social media tools.

Each scented candle made by Diamond Candles contains a ring worth $10, $50 or $5,000 hidden beneath the wax and the excitement of the PRSA members reached a peak.

All My Sons continued from pp

"This is obviously a grand scale view of what dishonesty can do," Evans said. "It could be, what this is what it does every time."

According to Reader, each production demands approximately 70 hours of preparation from the cast.

"Probably the most gratifying thing is seeing the progression of the ac-

dents, especially because this is a theater education program," Tasler said. "We have some very good actors in this cast."

Talmar said that she is excited to see the reaction that people like her father, a Korean War veteran, will have to the show.

"People who grew up in that time period, I'm excited to see their reac-
tions," Talmar said.

Branch has included a note in the program, dedicating the performance to the veteran of World War II and all the members of the armed forces. According to Branch, that is a message that the cast and crew of "All My Sons" wants to clearly de-

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Mission funding gets creative

Liberty students sell goods and perform music as a new approach to raising money for mission trips

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"Buy a donut to help send me to Southeast Asia," one student yelled as she stood outside of the Vines Center before Convocation. Students at Liberty University are always finding new ways to raise money for their mission trips.

Liberty frequently sends out mission teams to help spread the Gospel. Students who volunteer for these trips usually raise their own money and must get creative in their efforts.

Niki Stuart, a junior majoring in audio broadcasting, went on a mission trip to Haiti last June. Stuart said that he raised money in several different ways before he left, including holding a benefit concert, posting names on FaceBook and selling bracelets and desserts.

"FaceBook was very convenient and could get the word out to all of my friends quicker than asking individually," Stuart said. "I also know people love music and will pay to watch and listen, especially for a good cause, so I thought that the benefit concert was a good idea."

While many students said that raising money can sometimes be a strenuous process, Stuart said that he found it enjoyable. According to him, he scheduled a benefit concert in Tooms Auditorium, which was awash to a smaller classroom because of complications. However, the most likely helped his success, and he was able to receive donations for his entire mission team.

"I think it turned out better than it would have in the Tooms Auditorium because everyone was so close together," Stuart said. "It felt more personal."

Chris Cannon, a senior majoring in criminal justice, took an alternative route to raising money for his mission trip. Cannon went to Guatemala the same summer Stuart went, but instead of asking all of his friends beforehand, he received donations during his trip.

During the three months that Cannon spent in Guatemala, he sold souvenirs through Facebook. He that he bought in Guatemala as well as original songs that he had recorded through iTunes.

"The missionary we were working with in Guatemala mentioned that it would be a good business plan to buy souvenirs cheap in Guatemala and sell them for profit in the United States," Cannon said. "Instead of doing it for profit, I did it for fundraising."

"However, other students prefer a more typical form of fundraising, asking for money from friends and family through letters and after correspondence."

Tom Speed, a junior majoring in psychology and Christian counseling, took the more direct route of asking for donations. Speed has been on numerous mission trips since going to Germany in 2009, including living in Norway for the past four months in order to be a more hands-on missionary.

"I went out letters and then intentionally followed up with people on the phone, FaceBook," Speed said. "In three months, I built my monthly support team, a network of churches and prayer warriors consisting of people from across every profession."

According to Speed, instead of getting all the money he needed right up front, a support team gave him smaller amounts of money each day he was on his mission trip. Speed learned about this technique through his career missionary preparatory course, which helps prepare students for mission trips.

"God put people in my path," Speed said. "It’s credit to him."

From seeking donations to selling goods, Liberty students use many different ways, but the goal remains the same — spreading the Gospel to all the world.

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``All My Sons' premieres

Liberity's cast depicts subtle themes in a play dedicated to veterans

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A storm rolled across the stage of Liberty University's Taylor Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. on opening night March 1 as the cast presented a story ridden with tragic themes.

"When I read Bradshaw's play's diverse, "All My Sons" is a tribute of play set in the mid-20th century. The play follows the story of a post-World War II family who decide with the loss of Larry Keller, who is supposed missing in action.

Kate Keller, the mother of Larry and Glen Keller, struggles through daily life without Larry and with the realization that his previous love has transformed her feelings to Cheta.

"The final act is all about covering up those issues and putting on a smile, but in the second and third acts, things start getting churned up," Whitney Timan, who played Kate Keller, stated.

Joe Keller, the father of Larry, supposedly produced faulty parts for the WWII fighter planes—causing the death of many men. The play leaves the audience unsure about the truth of this until the performance closes.

"Judy talked about losing your son, specifically," Bradshaw said. "The moral of this play is about holding ourselves all being responsible to each other—that we belong to each other."

According to Bradshaw, the symbolic actions and lighting effects were expressions of this. Many of the cast members often acting as a fallen tree displaced on the set. The tree holds hidden value, according to Bradshaw. "After WWII, a lot of families would plant trees in honor of fallen family members," Caleb Torres, who played Chris Keller, said. "The fact that it's set down on this tree, and everything was coming fast, but we refer to that tree, we're thinking about her, their sons, their love. It's still a very real part of the show."

The nine-member cast of Libery students depicts mature themes throughout their performance. According to Timan, each attending audience's reaction is different and

TRUTH — The play demonstrates the consequences of dishonesty.

"I'm really hoping that our work and Brasher's insight will result in something that is truthful and reliable to people who experienced something like this," Timan said. Some audience members may not sympathize with the feeling of such a tragic family occurrence, according to Timan, many values can be taken away from this performance.

See ALL MY SONS, B6

Bridal show provides ideas

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Scout-n-bee brides were invited to attend the annual Blue Bridal Show at Trecca on 8th in downtown Lynchburg, with some practical advice.

Brides attended numerous workshops to help them plan their wedding day. Participants were welcome to attend various vendors from the Lynchburg area from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on March 3.

Jennifer Prince, owner of Hill City Bride, a business dedicated to bringing resources to future brides through print and website, coordinated the annual event.

"I really wanted to do something to educate the bride," Prince said. The prime of this event is to help the bride feel empowered to plan her wedding day after attending.

Brides were treated with a fashion show featuring wedding gowns,egering jewelers, catering food from Catered by the Prince, and wedding bands. Prince said, "It's something we enjoy doing something for you, so it's surprising how few students know about it."

According to Melissa Skinnor, those who arrive at the The Master's Inn will be housed. The camp also offers a kickball tournament in March and a night dodgeball tournament in April.

"We're really looking forward to doing this," Master Inn Director Dean Mills said.

Some of the activities offered have already started, but they will continue throughout the semester.

"To find out more about upcoming events, visit the masterins.com/lib/y."

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