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**Liberty University will graduate 800**

By Glyns Mills

Eight hundred students will participate in the first-ever Liberty University commencement exercises on May 6, 1985.

Of all the schools represented from the college, the School of Education will graduate the most students, according to Jane McHaney, assistant to the director of academic support services.

The program is designed for students who are preparing to teach preschool and elementary children, as well as high school youth.

Eighty-three students will graduate with degrees in elementary education and 38 will graduate with degrees in physical education. This will also be the first year for a student to graduate with a Master of Education with a concentration in Educational Administration.

The School of Arts and Sciences will graduate 57 psychology majors. This will also be the second year for three nursing students to receive their pins.

Fifty business administration majors will graduate from the School of Business and Government and 21 political science majors will also receive degrees.

Thirty-one pastoral majors will graduate from the School of Religion. The Interdisciplinary Studies program, in which an individual designs his or her own track of study based on personal educational needs, will graduate 33 seniors.

Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary will graduate 13 masters of divinity and 16 masters of arts in counseling.

Seventy-eight graduates from the Liberty House Bible Institute, a correspondence credit program sponsored by the Thomas Road Baptist Church, will come in from all over the United States, Mexico, Canada and one from France, to participate in the commencement exercises.

Commencement speaker Sen. Bill Armstrong, R-Colo., will receive an honorary doctorate of law.

Six people will receive double majors and two will receive triple majors.

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**Debate tomorrow**

**Did Jesus rise?**

"Did Jesus really rise from the dead?" will be the topic of debate when Dr. Antony Flew comes to Liberty Baptist College tomorrow to debate Dr. Gary Habermas, professor of philosophy and apologetics at Liberty.

The official topic of the debate, scheduled for 7 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Center, will be "The Historicity of the Resurrection: Did Jesus Rise From The Dead?"

Flew will take the negative position, denying the resurrection, while Habermas will take the positive.

Flew is regarded by many scholars as the most influential spokesman for philosophical atheism. Habermas has gained attention for his work on the subject of the resurrection.

Harvey S. Row, Publishers, has negotiated the rights to publish the transcript of the debate in book form. The advance for the book is in the five-digit range, according to Dr. Terry Miethe, professor of philosophy.

The idea for the debate originated when Flew, Habermas and Miethe discussed the subject following a debate in Dallas. Miethe then began making arrangements for the debate.

When asked if the atmosphere of LBC might influence visitors' impressions of the debate, Habermas said, "What I present is separate from the Christian atmosphere. I hope they look at the arguments for what they are."

Habermas, who has been studying heavily for almost two months in preparation for the event said he is very honored to be debating someone of Flew's stature and would like to see the history of the resurrection developed into a legitimate philosophical case.

Dr. David Beck, chairman of Liberty's philosophy department, arranged the format for the debate, which will last between two and two-and-a-half hours. The debate will open with 30 minutes for each speaker to make opening statements, then 10 minutes each for rebuttals and 15 minutes for discussion.

"It will be a great opportunity for people to learn to appreciate philosophy but states that his main emphasis will be on the resurrection and not on philosophy."

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**14 resolutions passed during 1984-85 term**

By Tony Virostko

SGA President Scott Sherman recently announced that 14 resolutions were passed during his term of the 1984-85 school year.

"As far as I know, this is the most resolutions passed by any SGA," Sherman said.

Since taking over the position in October, the president and his staff have passed through administrative offices resolutions ranging from suggestion boxes to senior dorms.

"For me, it's been personally frustrating trying to fight the figurehead image of SGA president," Sherman said, "but I've been able to assume a constructive image."

An organized system for passing resolutions, as well as a database system for those resolutions sent to administrative offices, has also been implemented by his staff, Sherman commented.

According to the SGA president, plans to distribute copies of the 14 resolutions during the SGA chapel on April 26 were cancelled.

"Those resolutions are public property, and students are welcome to come to the SGA office and see them," Sherman said.

But Sherman also stated that though his administration passed the resolutions, some may not take effect until a few years later.

Five of the 14 resolutions passed are around current rules: senior privileges, late night desk lamps, off-campus sophomore dating privileges and campus television.

The senior privileges consist of an extension of curfew until 11:30 p.m. on weekdays, a no-lights-out policy, an option for all-senior prayer groups, possible upperclassmen rooms and a late study until 2 a.m.

As announced by Dr. A. Pierre Guillermul during the April 26 chapel, plans are now underway for upperclassmen dorms which will include most of these changes.

Besides rule changes, SGA officials have submitted resolutions.
Commentary
If we truly believe, then why debate?

Did our headline on page one shock you? We hope so. We hope you thought about it, too.

Paul wrote in I Corinthians 15:13, "And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith." (NIV)

That's a strong statement. And I is Peter 3:15b, "Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have.

Two statements are the key reasons that Liberty is having the worst top atheist, Dr. Antony Flew, debate our own Dr. Gary Habermas.

The purpose of the debate is not to question our faith, but rather, to allow us to the world that we do have an answer.

The fact that we are debating does not mean that we are doubting. We have not doubts about the resurrection, inerrancy or any of the fundamentals of the faith.

It means, rather, that we believe strongly enough to test our beliefs in "the free marketplace of ideas."

Sort of like Paul challenging the Athenian philosophers at the Areopagus in Acts 17.

But our conduct at the debate should be modeled according to I Peter 3:15c-16, "But do this with gentleness and respect, keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander." (NIV)

Who knows, maybe this could be the first step in a few atheists actually coming to Christ. If the Holy Spirit should so lead, of course.

President's corner
SGA President Scott Sherman

I will be leaving student government on May 6; I will be leaving Liberty University on May 6. I will be sorrowful for what I must leave behind; yet I eagerly anticipate the opportunities ahead.

A consolation to me is that I will leave student government in good hands and this university with permanent friendships.

This year student government developed a comprehensive system for submission of resolutions. We actively sought out the needs and desires of the student body and translated them to paper, sending resolutions to the appropriate people and lobbying for their passage.

We developed a tracking sheet so that I knew whose office each resolution was in at any given time. This system will be continued.

I want to share with you my vision for student government. I want student government to continue in growth and vitality. I shared with the Faculty Committee on Student Life that it is better to attempt new activities or new methods and sometimes be reprimanded than to be left out.

I would also like to see a more definitive role for the student body president. "The Liberty Way" states his power stems from the administration and the student body, leaving the SGA president with ambiguous responsibilities.

Student government and the growing university are in the process of defining themselves. Both are seeking their respective identities.

As I pass on the mantle of leadership, I have full confidence in Jim Shannon's ability to do the job. I urge you to support him in every way.

It has been both a joy and a privilege to serve you in the capacity of student body president. Thank you for allowing me that opportunity.

Twins share unique lifestyles

By Vangie Long

Have you ever seen one person walking around moments after you saw a person that looked exactly like the first person?

Well, don't think you've seen goblins. It could be that you've seen a set of twins.

There are seven pairs of twins at LBC: Gail and Jill Emerson; Jim and John Haughton; Tom and Ron Sloan; Jim and John Haughton; Tom and Ron Sloan; Jim and John Haughton; Tom and Ron Sloan.

Each pair of twins suggested that the major disadvantage is that people compare. "People are always comparing who's the strongest, smartest, who can beat up who, etc," Chris Moerman stated.

Another problem, according to the Moon twins, is that people don't look at them as being individuals.

The twins listed many advantages to having a twin, though.

"No one understands all the circumstances like your twin," Diana Nantz explained. "If I forget to do my room job, she does it," Denise Nantz laughed.

Most of the twins wanted to come to college together. With Jim and John Haughton, it was different.

Jim explained, "He was here before I was. I stayed out for a semester. This is the first time we've been in college together."

The Emersons, like most of the twins, live together. "With our other roommate, Jill Lackey, we feel like triplets."

Others, like Melanie and Melissa Moon, do not. "We were afraid we would get in disagreements."

Each set of twins has special characteristics. The Emerson's and the King's are mirror twins. This means that one writes with one hand and the other with the left.

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**Mountain torched by arsonist**

By Steve Lees

A Lynchburg Fire Department investigator said evidence from two more deliberately set fires on Liberty Mountain may lead to a suspect.

"We've found additional evidence," LFD Deputy Fire Marshal C.C. Mosby said. "Our leads could develop into a suspect."

Mosby declined to say what the evidence was or how close to finding a suspect investigators were. He would only say that the investigation "is going to take a while."

The two fires occurred Monday, April 22, and Friday, April 26. "There is no question that the fire Friday afternoon was arson..." Mosby said. The deputy fire marshal added that investigators are "relatively sure" that the Monday night fire was also arson.

The Monday evening fire was the third in a series of four fires on the Mountain in more than two weeks. Firemen from LFD and the Mountain Walker Fire Department responded to calls at the scene of the fire within 20 minutes.

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The station will be comprised of four channels and will be associated with the Instructional Television Fix System.

The first channel will be a message channel broadcasting announcements relevant to students. The students will be able to see the announcements and programs from monitors located in SAGA lines and other popular gathering places.

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the property involved includes both Lynchburg and Campbell County jurisdictions.

**WLBU television planned for fall ‘85**

By Sherry Coberly

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**President’s Forum**

By Dr. A Pierre Guillermin

As summer approaches, graduates and returning students alike anticipate a host of new jobs and positions. Such a situation presents excellent opportunities for leadership techniques to be exercised.

A leader possesses both responsibilities and privileges. He must persuade students from his own experience that the benefits far outweigh the demands. His desire is that each of you will assume some role of leadership this summer.

This week my column seeks to identify the basic characteristics needed by those in leadership positions. Hopefully these traits are already becoming permanent parts of your lifestyle. If not, I would encourage you to assimilate them.

Most importantly, the leader is a self-starter. He not only initiates projects without the prodding of an authority figure, he finishes them. Someone who constantly needs supervision is more of a liability than an asset.

Secondly, a leader must possess the stamina to overcome obstacles, for no task is without its difficulties. Focusing on the ultimate goal rather than the temporary obstacles insures success to the leader.

No one acquainted with our ministry has not heard this third characteristic needed by the effective leader: he must have a vision.

Appropriate here is the old adage that the man who aims at nothing will hit it every time.

Not only should a leader possess the ability to dream, he must be able to make decisions. He should not be afraid of making the wrong one, nor should he try to anticipate every consequence of the one he makes.

Finally, a plan of action must be developed by the leader who desires to accomplish his goals. Dreams are empty unless accompanied by positive action.

**Saturday Market**

May 4, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. in the new gym

- All lost & found items will be on sale.
- Free ice cream coupons from Swensen's.

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Bill interest charges explained

By Denise Floyd

For the first year in the history of LBC, the college has added interest rates on past due accounts as a means to solve the increasing problem of unpaid school bills. Leslie Leslie, CFO of LBC, said that the main purpose of the added interest rates is to encourage students to pay off past due accounts. As a result, LBC is experiencing because of the larger number of unpaid bills.

"If we don't have funds, we have to borrow more money and pay the interest," Leslie explained. "There are some students who have the money to pay their bills, but they keep it in banks so they can get interest, and we figured that wasn't fair." Leslie stated that the interest rates were added this year because of the rapid increase of unpaid bills.

"At first, it wasn't that great a problem, but as the school grew it became more of a problem," he said. Leslie was referring to the fact that the less money the students pay, the more money Dr. Jerry Falwell has to raise. LBC is currently charging a monthly percentage rate of one percent. LBC, however, pays a higher annual percentage rate than the banks.

"We charge one percent per month on unpaid balances. The school pays 14 percent per year on unpaid balances and students pay 12 percent," Leslie stated. "It (the interest rate) is something large enough for students to think about. We're not out to get every dollar students have got. We realize that it is difficult for students to pay their bills. I'm not in favor of students paying 14 percent," Leslie commented.

Leslie added that although he would rather not see students pay interest rates, he still likes to see students pay off their bill when they first arrive. "Our largest cash outlay is at the beginning of the year," he said. A four percent discount is given to students who pay their bills in full at the beginning of the year. Leslie said that the discount has made more students aware that they can save money as soon as possible.

"Most colleges require that you pay your bill right up front and if you don't pay, a finance charge is added," he said. Leslie cannot see the interest rate being raised in the future. "If it ever came to a point where 12 percent was not an incentive for students to pay their bills, we would raise it," he added.

Correction

An article concerning unpaid student bills in the last issue of the newspaper incorrectly stated that 400 students were asked to leave school because their bills were unpaid. It should have stated that the 400 students were temporarily suspended from classes until they could make arrangements to pay their accounts.

In addition, students may also work for Concerned Women for America, Moral Majority, International Youth Year Commission, Heritage Foundation, Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry, and the Senate Steering Committee.

Dr. Judith Saxton, a TVR professor, is currently trying to get an internship for telecommunication.

D.C. internships provide experience

By Latisha Snead

An LBC student can gain political experience in Washington, D.C., and receive college credit at the same time by being a part of the Washington internship program. The program was started two years ago by Les Larson, the dean of the School of Business and Government. Moral Majority helps support the program by offering $500 scholarship and housing for the students. The interns are only responsible for daily expenses and food.

Students who become interns have the chance to work with Sens. Paul Tripp, John Warner and Jesse Helms; Congressman Bob McEwen; and organizations such as the National Center of Life and the Coalition for America. Students also may work for the Department of Education and the White House.

The internships are offered in the fall, spring and summer. Students receive six college credit hours plus an additional six credits if they take a module course on the weekends. A teacher from the school is sent to Washington to teach the module.

Lee Bruckner, a 1984 fall intern, said, "LBC internship is unique because it is one of the few colleges to offer college credit while being able to gain field experience. The textbook becomes illustrated in living color. I would recommend the program to political science, journalism and education majors.

The requirements for the internship are writing skills, verbal communication skills, high academic standing and good moral character.

Combines is responsible for the academic training of the intern and John Baker is responsible for the personal interviews. Baker said he looks for a student who has a good testimony and would represent LBC well.

"The internship was the best experience that I have had in my four years at school. I worked with the Department of Education, and also saw how education was run and what the government's role in education was. I was also able to meet a lot of different people," Tracy Atkins, also a 1984 intern, said.

Once a student becomes an intern, Moral Majority works with him or her to set up a working schedule and provide housing. Moral Majority provides two houses, located side by side, one for males and one for females.

Roy Jones, the student affairs representative in Washington, D.C., is in charge of student housing. He assists in discipline and counseling.

Each home has a liaison who acts as an RA. They are responsible for discipline, control, counseling and the spiritual, social and academic adjustment of the interns. Each liaison has the authority to administer warnings and reprimands.

Pamela Alford, another 1984 fall intern who worked for the National Center for Public Policy Research, said, "This is the best way to learn in school. I got to do a lot of public relations for the Republican National Committee, and I had to run errands for people."

George Johnson, also a 1984 fall intern who did research for legislation, "When you become an intern you get a feel for the city and for the people. I had to do a lot of opinion writings for local papers and write people back home in certain districts to inform them about a bill being presented. You learn more in two to three months in Washington, D.C., than in three years in college.

Students may also work for the Committee for the Survival of Free Congo and December 21, Free Congress Foundation Judicial Reform Project, Free Congress Foundation Initiative and Referendum Report, Center of Judicial Studies, Leadership Institute and National Center for Public Policy Research.

Across Campus

Compiled by Greg Bagley

The Liberty Champion received a first place ranking from the American Scholastic Press Association placing the paper with publications from several nationally acclaimed colleges and universities.

Receiving 880 out of a possible 1,000 points, the paper ranked with schools such as Ohio University and Northwestern University.

"I feel the rating would be exceptional for any newspaper, especially one in only its second year of publication," the Champion's 1984-85 editor-in-chief Janice Bellair said.

The design and layout were given perfect scores, but the Champion's deficiency was investigative reporting receiving only 35 out of a possible 50 points.

The 1983-84 edition of the Selah yearbook was passed out last week, and the 1984-85 yearbook is scheduled to be delivered on May 6.

The 1982-83 edition was distributed earlier this year, the first of three completed this year.

According to Debbie McSwain and RoseMarie Bateman, co-editors of Selah, the 1986 yearbook has already been started.

The drama department will present two one-act plays 8 p.m. May 3-4.

Senior Ruth Denel will direct "The Marriage Proposal," a Russian one-act play with three characters. The play centers around an unusual marriage proposal with an outrageous turn of events.

Featured in the play will be Glenn Williams, Pamela Griffin and Jeff Buchholz.

The other play that will be featured is a one-man production written by LBC drama professor Stephen Wedan. The professor will direct and act out the play himself.

Campus activities this week include:

• The film "Escape from Alcatraz" at 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

• The Lost and found end-of-year clearance sale, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday.

• Refrigerator pick-up from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday.

• The President's Concert, 7 p.m. in the gym.
White tops Blue in defensive-oriented spring contest

By Dave Dentel

Defensive dominated as the White team overcame the Blue team, 17-10, in a hard-hitting Blue/White annual scrimmage held April 26.

The main point contributor was kicker Bill Kagey, who was also named the game’s most valuable offensive player. Kagey scored nine points on two field goals of 42 and 53 yards and three point-after conversions.

Kagey set the LBC record for longest field goal last fall when he kicked a 53-yarder against West Georgia University.

The most valuable player for the defense was middle linebacker Doug New. New led the White team’s defense with 13 tackles for the day.

Defence won the game for the White team, by forcing two Blue team interceptions and blocking a punt in the first half. The first interception set up a Kagey field goal; the second was run back all the way for a touchdown. The blocked punt then provided the White team with good field position to allow them to march in for another touchdown.

A field goal by Kagey with only seconds remaining gave the Blue team their only score in the first half.

In the second half, the Blue team struck back with the most impressive offensive show all day. Quarterback Amos Horton, who led the squad from their own 20-yard line to the White team’s end zone, 60 yards away on the shortened field. Horton capped the drive by scoring on a one-foot plunge on a fourth-and-goal situation.

The Flames open the first of a 10-game schedule against West Georgia on Sept. 7 at 7:30 p.m. at City Stadium.

At this time, only two other home games are scheduled—a Sept. 14 clash with Mars Hill and the Oct. 19 Homecoming game versus Presbyterian.

Kyle Bryan breaks junior pitching jinx

By Marsha Wilde

The “junior jinx” struck him last spring, and it lasted all season. Having played exceptionally well for two years, he thought he had it made, until he got frustrated. Last season was a bad one for Kyle Bryan.

Starting 10 games, he allowed 52 runs and 80 hits, the highest for the team. His win-loss record was 3-6, and ERA was 6.64.

The 22-year-old pitcher says he lost confidence following early season losses to Hawaii (5-0) and Georgia Tech (12-5). After these disappointments, he started throwing the ball too hard and could not improve his game, despite his best efforts.

“I did not know what I was doing wrong,” he explained. “I would lie awake at night and try to figure it out, but I couldn’t.” He said he would plan his performance before games and evaluate it afterward.

“It’s a game of the mind,” he explained, and I was mentally out of it last year.”

Looking back, Kyle feels he placed too much pressure on himself to impress the scouts and to get drafted.

He was especially conscious of the scouts’ presence, because he played while Sid Bream and Lee Gutterman were draft candidates.

He recalls seeing scouts follow Sid around campus.

However, he felt that the most crucial scouts to impress were those who sat in the stands and did not comment.

Furthermore, Kyle wanted to establish security for his approaching marriage. He recalls that his fiancee did not pressure him to get drafted; however, he did not want to disappoint her.

He and Tammy Rodgers, a junior at Northeastern Louisiana, will marry in December.

His attitude has changed now, though. Kyle is concerned with winning the remainder of the games for the team. “This year is totally different,” he declares. “I can’t afford to let myself think about it (getting drafted). I’ve got to throw my game. I can’t put pressure on myself.”

Kyle Bryan

Graduation
Celebration

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- Precious Moments collectors’ statues
- Liberty logo stationery: 20% off
- Accompaniment Tapes: Word Studio Series, Benson Mastertrax...reg. $9.98 now $5.60
- All cassettes and LP’s in stock: 20% off
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Students and faculty, Thanks for the business. We hope to see you in the fall.
Wrap ups

College Park, Md. snapped a three-game losing streak last Saturday, defeating the University of Maryland, 10-5, at College Park, Md.

SWINGING AWAY—John Barrick takes a cut at a pitch in the recent double-header against Old Dominion University. Barrick and his fellow Flames lost both of the twinbill, 5-4 and 8-6.—Photo by John Henley

Gina Gibson’s track success doesn’t sidetrack humility

By Marsha Wilde

LBC four-time NCAA Division II All-American Gina Gibson has learned to live with her track and field success. Although she never made track stardom her major, she has achieved it with humility; yet, according to her, she has not reached the peak of her ability.

“I’m happy about what I’ve done, but I know there is room for improvement,” she said.

Gibson began her track career in the 10th grade at her Christian high school in Nassau, the Bahamas. She explained that, because the sports program was small, everybody had to try everything and she “showed some potential” in track.

Gibson continues to “show potential!” She has excelled in the long jump and 400-meters and holds both the LBC indoor and outdoor women’s long jump records. In addition, she was the first LBC women’s trackster to long jump over 18 feet.

“She’s the forerunner of our program,” women’s track coach Ron Hopkins commented.

“Being All-American four times is very unusual. It’s not accomplished by many people.”

Hopkins believes Gibson is the most talented runner he has seen.

“She worked herself to the top from the very beginning,” he said.

He also believes Gibson “has got the potential” to make the 1988 Bahamian Olympic team.

“I think that Gina has an excellent chance to make the national team,” he said.

However, Gibson is unsure about a possible Olympic future.

“If God calls me, I’ll run,” she declared.

Above all, Gibson is humble about her accomplishments.

“When people praise me, I pray that God will not let it go to my head.”

Her teammates, whom Gibson considers to be her best motivators, recognize her modesty. One member, Kim Cook, characterized Gibson as “awesome and very humble.”

Cook said that Gibson is always very meek when asked about her performance after a winning meet.

Gibson has a philosophy concerning humility. She said, “If a person is great, they are great. But there had to be a point in their life when they weren’t (great). If they let it go to their head, they are going to have a downfall.”

Thus, Gibson looks at her performance from the standpoint that God is her helper, and when she does badly, it is just His way of showing her that she is not great through her own efforts.

Sports shorts: three of four win

By Don Clunan

Baseball team defeats Maryland, 10-5

The Flames began the three game slide by dropping a double-header to Old Dominion University last Thursday on the Mountain. In the first contest the Flames out-hit the Monarchs 13-8 but lost 5-4. ODU scored seven times in the second inning of the second game and held off an LBC rally to win 8-6.

On Friday the Flames fell to Towson State, 7-6, in another close contest.

The Flames have three remaining home games and all three will be played at Lynchburg City Stadium at 7:30 p.m. The Flames take on the University of Virginia April 29, Virginia Tech May 2, and finish up against the University of Maryland on May 3.

Individual, team heroes records topple

The Flames baseball team has set a new single season record for home runs. The Flames had 52 before going into Monday’s game.

Pat Sipe leads the team with 16 home runs. He also holds the LBC career mark with 37.

Tennis season ends with loss

The LBC tennis team finished its first season with a 1-8 record. The team was defeated by Roanoke College April 25, with a score of 6-3. The team also lost its last match Saturday, being defeated by Newport News Apprentice.

Golfers raise mark to 7-5-1

During its first year the golf team pushed its record to 7-5-1 when it defeated Bridgewater and Washington and Lee by a single stroke on April 24, and topped Longwood and Hampton Sydney the following day.

The victories assure the team of finishing the year with a winning record.

Lady Flames edge Longwood, 3-2

The Lady Flames softball team defeated Longwood, 3-2, April 18. The win was the ninth in 42 games for the team this season. The ladies close out their home schedule with a double-header against Lynchburg College April 30.