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By SARAH K. POLLAK
Champion Reporter

The Senate's Rules & Judiciary Committee is currently researching proposals possibly to create a bicameral (two-house) legislature involving the class officers. They might take effect next year.

"This year, SGA has had a lot of groundwork for SGA as a whole," Student Government Association President James Beck said. "Specifically, Greg Long in his position (vice president and chairman of the Senate) sees a specific need for improvement in the Senate." Long sees the possible restructuring of the Senate as an opportunity to aid the student body because he feels that it will lead to legislation of better quality and create more guidelines for the class officers.

There are basically two proposed changes being researched and planned.

1. **BICAMERAL LEGISLATURE.** The proposed restructuring of the Senate would entail creating two houses of legislature, much like the U.S. Congress. The tentative plans are such that there would be a Senate and a House of Representatives.

   According to Long, creating another legislative body would increase the research and study of bills that come before the Senate as well as integrate the class officers far more efficiently into the full legislative process.

   "A lot (of bills) have been written that the Senate has not had quality research on. I think that a whole new focus of criteria and a better structure, would provide more specificity for the bills, and that's where the quality will come from," Long said.

   Dean of Student Life Mike Stewart and Chairman of the Senate Rules & Judiciary Committee Adam Callawn agreed with Long that it is time to involve the class officers in a more federal sense since they represent the Senate; hall and club representatives would then become the new house.

2. **RESTRUCTURING OF THE SENATE ELECTION CONVOCATION.** According to the Callawans, under the new restructuring plan 16 class officers would be chosen in the Senate; the class officer elections would then become the new house. Previously the class officer election convocation required no guidelines on class officer elections. Participants would just give them oral arguments as to why they should represent the student body.

Long expects critical changes to the Constitution and the Senate rules. The proposed restructuring of the Senate would entail creating two houses of legislature, much like the U.S. Congress. The Senate would be a Senate and a House of Representatives. The bills would be required to go to Senate meetings. The bills would be required to be monitored and signed into law if the Senate passes the bill. The Senate would have the power to veto the bill. The Senate would have the power to override the veto. The Senate would have the power to amend the bill.

By KEITH LUDLOW

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Hill says yes to lab bill

By BETSY SEARS
Champion Photographer

Students were exuberant Seniors Senate members at the 1996 March for Unity. The March for Unity was carried out by the Office of Minority and International Student Affairs.

Greg Dowell, dean of Minority and International Student Affairs, said that more than 100 LU students attended the March for Unity.

Dowell said that the students had made the march the year before, last year, including prayer leaders, spiritual life directors, and the Minority and International Student Affairs members.

Dowell said that Black and white students were more united this year as they marched.

Several people felt that the atmosphere was a lot more community-minded than in the previous year.

"If you ask me, we are more unified in campus life than in the previous year..." Dowell said.

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The Espressway Cafe has offered specialty drinks such as flavored coffee, fresh-squeezed lemonade, and iced tea.

According to the Espressway Cafe, making a crucial move at the chess tournament last week.

Wednesday, February 14, at 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 21, and may run until April 21.

The elimination format — each player has to lose two matches to be disqualified.

Rojas beat Dumos, Robinson said, "I usually play chess on Sunday mornings, but I haven't found a good chess club here yet."

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Students dress crazily

By TIMOTHY J. GIBBONS

No, the rules of fashion have not changed. Stripes do not mix with plaid, and orange and green still don’t go together.

That doesn’t mean the hopefully desired students roaming campus Monday have lost all sense of fashion.

They might just have been taking part in Liberty’s second official Ad club tournament, scheduled to take place Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Organizers hoped for a high level of participation. Beck said, “A good 95 percent of those who announced will take part,” the president said. “I’ll participate.”

The only problem Beck anticiped was students who “go too far” in their dress.

“The idea is to dress as plaid, and orange and green are not changed. Stripes do not mix,” Beck said.

The SGA-sponsored Spirit Week was designed to engender school spirit before the Big South basketball tournament, scheduled to take place Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Students are required to be dressed in plaid, and orange and green in accordance with the Liberty Way’s casual dress code.

The idea of Spirit Week was developed by the SGA two years ago, but ran into trouble when it was not approved by the administration.

“The significant difference this year is that the administration has approved it and it is in favor of it,” Beck said.

The administrative approval is vital to the success of Spirit Week. “For the administration to say it is more important for the student body to have school spirit than to adhere to the dress code is a big thing,” the president said.

The purpose of Spirit Week is still uncertain, Beck said, and depends on how well this year’s attempt goes. “This is a trial run,” he said. “If it goes well, we’ll try it again next year.”

Campus anticipates Smith’s May 4 visit

BY CHANNING SCHNEIDER

Contemporary Christian artist Michael W. Smith brings his concert tour of “I’ll Lead You Home” to the Liberty Vineyard Center May 4. According to Word Music, Michael W. Smith is the best-selling male artist in the history of contemporary Christian music.

“I’ll Lead You Home,” his most recent project, released in August 1994, entered the Billboard Pop Album Chart at No. 16 and the Contemporary Christian Album Chart at No. 1. The album was Billboard’s highest debut of the week and its highest debut ever for a contemporary Christian album.

“My favorite song is “Cry For Love,” the first single from the “I’ll Lead You Home” album, which was promoted by Atlantic-Fest Productions, Three Cousins and Jan of Clay.”

Smith’s concert at Liberty will be the last of his current tour, which was promoted by Atlanta-Fest Productions, Three Cousins and Jan of Clay.

The concert, Smith’s first ever in Lynchburg, will be the opening concert tour. According to Jeff Smyth, Liberty Student Life coordinator of student activities, the biggest show of this year thus far.

“This year is that the artist has never been to Liberty before,” Smyth said. “It’s pretty sure this concert will be a sell-out.”

According to Smith, the cost of tickets will probably be the same as the past years, between $14 and $20. “I think it’s great,” Dean Parker, director of Student Life, commented. “Having a big-time concert in a school where we once couldn’t have been considered to host such an event is quite an honor for Liberty.”

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Crude tanker spills oil

A tanker ran aground on the Welsh coast Feb. 15, spilling more than 65,000 tons of crude oil into one of Britain's most environmentally sensitive areas.

The tanker, the Sea Emperor, spilled more oil than the Exxon Valdez, whose oil was more concentrated and did not dilute much because of the tide conditions. Although the damage should not be as bad, it will still have a significant effect on the islands surrounding the Welsh Coast.

Judy Phillips, a conservation group's spokesperson quoted in The New York Times, said, "The loss of 500,000 migratory birds will still have a significant effect on the island's surrounding the Welsh Coast."

This could have been prevented. In 1993, a tanker ran aground off the Hardened coast, spilling 8000 tons of crude oil. A commission recommended that the British government provide tugboats near oil ports to keep the accidents from happening again. No tugboats were put in place.

The Labor Party leaders have joined the Environmentalists in insisting that the government do not keep this from happening again.

-Gregory Morris

Virginia passes bill requiring photo I.D. to buy cigarettes

A bill requiring Virginians to present photo identification to purchase cigarettes was approved Friday by the Virginia House of Delegates.

The House of Delegates approved the bill 28-10, with most opposers of the bill saying the measure was impractical and almost impossible to enforce.

Two segregated churches merge because of shrinking memberships

Two segregated Methodist churches in Beaumont, Texas, are taking a dramatic step toward racial reconciliation.

In an attempt to curb shrinking memberships and over-stretched budgets, the two churches, one black and one white, have decided to merge.

Although the original congregations were only a mile apart, many members at first resisted the change because of racial differences. Also, the black McCabe members didn't want to lose their 90-year-old church building.

A total of 100 members from both churches were present at a recent meeting of the black McCabe church joining the white Roberts Avenue church.

"We were literally a dying church," said Henry Happer, a white member who grew up a block from the newly unified church. "My feeling is, my God, we should have done this sooner."

Tom Abbage, the new church's business manager, said, "It is the first time something like this happened in Beaumont. Some of these members may not have had a premonition of what is to come for other small segregated churches."

-Gregory Morris
BHM serves as a reminder teaches valuable lessons

Black History Month 1996 is winding down, but we hope that the lessons learned during February will continue throughout the rest of the year.

First of all, taking the time to recognize and appreciate personal differences is important for members of every race. We all share the same world, the same country, the same campus. In order to relate to those around us, we first have to understand who our neighbors are and what makes them unique.

After all, a different point of view can be a valuable thing. Especially when it comes from someone with experiences that you don’t have.

Second, recognizing the achievements of an integral community within America should help strengthen the morale of the entire nation. Black Americans have made numerous, great contributions throughout our nation’s history. As we encounter these contributions on a day-to-day basis, we should remember to appreciate them.

Finally, Black History Month reminds us all that the principle of brotherly love should be practiced on a day-to-day basis (see Commentary, Page 6). It isn’t enough to know someone’s back-story. Brotherly love should be practiced on a day-to-day basis (see Commentary, Page 6). It isn’t enough to know someone’s back-story. Brotherly love should be practiced on a day-to-day basis (see Commentary, Page 6). It isn’t enough to know someone’s back-story. Brotherly love should be practiced on a day-to-day basis (see Commentary, Page 6). It isn’t enough to know someone’s back-story. Brotherly love should be practiced on a day-to-day basis (see Commentary, Page 6). It isn’t enough to know someone’s back-story. Brotherly love should be practiced on a day-to-day basis (see Commentary, Page 6). It isn’t enough to know someone’s back-story. Brotherly love should be practiced on a day-to-day basis (see Commentary, Page 6). It isn’t enough to know someone’s back-story. Brotherly love should be practiced on a day-to-day basis (see Commentary, Page 6). It isn’t enough to know someone’s back-story.

We all have to understand our neighbors and work towards a future where we all share those around us. We first have to understand who our neighbors are and what makes them unique.

Pat Buchanan’s victory = the Republican voters’ SOS

P at Buchanan has taken New Hampshire. And it isn’t the first time. He was second behind George Bush in the Iowa caucuses, and second again behind Bob Dole in New Hampshire. In both states, Buchanan took a strong message to the voters: racism must be fought, and the GOP should be the party of the poor, the working-class Americans. Both messages found a strong and passionate audience.

Buchanan’s success is important for us all. We first have to understand who our neighbors are and what makes them unique. In New Hampshire, Buchanan held a strong message to the voters: racism must be fought, and the GOP should be the party of the poor, the working-class Americans. Both messages found a strong and passionate audience.

Out-of-state LU students get ready to vote absentee

Calling all students — you have registered to vote? And, if so, are planning to vote absentee during the presidential primaries? Come on people. We can all complaint all we want about the current administration. We can criticize the Republican nominees and choose our choice of a new one. But, if we don’t put forth the effort actually vote, we have no right to gripe.

Even at this point in the campaign, the stage is being set for the next four years. Most of us will be out trying to run a count and raise a family by then.

It’s time we start thinking of our futures. It’s time we start thinking of being responsible, concerned citizens. It’s time to vote.

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The heart is more important than the appearance

By WARREN TILMAIN
Champion Reporter

The dress code of The Liberty Wire has a perfectly legitimate reason to exist: it is simply house rules. However, there is a lack of common sense, in reality, does not say all that much about the extent of a person’s spiritual or moral life. Under the individual’s control, personal appearance does not make a statement.

There are more important matters on which to attend than questions regarding someone’s potential personality. Styles and trends are only temporary and are of no lasting value. Liberty’s administration has the authority to ban or promulgate a dress code.

And if their decision offends, it is not the individual’s fault, but the one who attended a different school or college. If one can undervalue their own feelings, then they can undervalue anyone else’s. I am sure there are racists by others. Some may think that the person he observed occurred were purely circumstantial. Others may think I am simply being paranoid. So I will discuss events that occurred in my life and allow you to decide.

The first example is one very common in the black American community. Let us say that I go to the department store and believed that I was being closely watched. I then go over to the men’s section and watched someone in a suit walk by. I then watched him observe me through an oversized mirror. Once he noticed that I was watching him, he quickly turned away. He had walked to the same side as I and pretended to notice my clothes that had already been shifted.

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tomer, I was still the only black American and the only one being followed. If I went to ask the watchful of his face following me, I would be wrong. I don’t know why his answer would be no. Why not the other customer being watched? You decide.I could offer a similar example that this man, in his self-effec-
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Overcoming the Hurdles of Dorm Life

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ust night I had the most wonderful dream. I was living in my own room, in my own apartment, ready to move out... The wonderful part of the dream wasn’t that the book was great, but I was happy because I had my own room in an apartment designed to my liking. Now don’t get me wrong: living with someone’s always bi-times. Sometimes I can be quite lonely. However, the thought of having my own room is one of the best dreams I’ve ever had.

Ah, the thrill of dorm life. How exciting dorm life was when I was a freshman. The first semester was great when I was fresh-faced and every day I turned something around to keep my mind off home.

Unfortunately, my love for dorm life was short-lived. This first hurdle in dorm life to overcome is living with strangers. Sometimes a person gets stuck on top of a roommate you past curfew. Or worse, one roommate

Despite common bond, problems still exist. For example, with four people in one room, there are too many problems because of different sleep patterns. One roommate goes to bed at 9 P.M. and the others like to stay up past one. Or worse, one roommate has insomnia.

Not always bliss. Sometimes it can be frustrating. The room was always dark. The only light was the Turtle night-light. I don’t think my mother ever thought of dorm life

One of the good things about Liberty is the dorms. As a part of student life, having different views about life.

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RAs overcome the misconceptions
They talk frankly about their job

By LISETTE FLORES

There are two sides to every person — Resident Assistant Nathan Long demonstrates the way students perceive RAs. According to the survey (right), an overwhelming majority believes most RAs care about students.

What does an RA's job entail?
1. Conduct weekly room checks.
2. Take convocation attendance for their halls.
3. Check rooms each night at midnight, 12:30 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays.
4. Conduct weekly hall meetings.
5. Provide referrals in the area of discipline and counseling.
6. Attend weekly meetings with resident directors.
7. Attend weekly meetings with spiritual life directors and prayer leaders.
8. Monthly meetings with other RAs.
9. Help students in spiritual, social, academic areas, etc.

What do the students think?
1. Do you have a good impression of your resident assistant?
   - No — 18%
   - Yes — 82%

2. Have you ever received a reprimand from your resident assistant?
   - Yes — 45%
   - No — 55%

2a. If you've received a reprimand, did you feel you deserved it?
   - No — 48%
   - Yes — 52%

3. Do you believe the majority of the resident assistants care about the students?
   - No — 37%
   - Yes — 61%

4. Do you believe many resident assistants are just out to give as many reprimands as they can?
   - Yes — 27%
   - No — 73%

—Survey was given to 140 on-campus students

CLOWNING AROUND — It's not an easy job, but someone has to do it. No matter what impression students have of RAs, the supervisors of residence halls provide assistance to students in many different situations.

There are two sides to every person — Resident Assistant Nathan Long demonstrates the way students perceive RAs. According to the survey (right), an overwhelming majority believes most RAs care about students.
By KEITH McArdle finds his niche on LU hockey team

As a roller hockey computer since he was 15, Jason McArdle has always dreamed of one day playing on ice. This year, as a junior, Jason has gotten the chance to play for the Liberty University Hockey Club. In only his second season on the ice McArdle has grasped the back-up netminder position behind starter Corey Walshe.

Growing up in New Jersey, Jason had always surrounded himself with friends who were avid ice hockey spectators. "I've always wanted to play and my friends kept encouraging me to step out on the ice," McArdle said. "With his burning desire to step closer to his dreams as well as his performance on the ice, McArdle has succeeded in impressing upon many his determination to play.

McArdle commented on what the transition from the roller hockey floods to the ice has been like.

"It has been very tough, each sport is so unlike the other with regards to skating," he said. McArdle does feel that he is getting a good feel for the ice at the present time.

Although he is feeling more comfortable on the ice, Jason is not too sure of his exact role on the team, nor can he anticipate what kind of playing time he will assume. McArdle does expect more ice time in the future, because he has at least one more season with the Flames.

Flames Head Coach Corrado Puglisi spoke briefly about Jason: "Jason has improved his game in the net dramatically — it is unfortunate that he has to stand in Corey's shadow," Puglisi said.

With regards to McArdle's future, Puglisi is not sure at this point. "Corey is pushing for returning for next season, but I make no guarantees to anyone; we could have six new goalies trying out next season — but Jason does have a fair shot at starting."

As the Liberty Flames skipper handles preparation for an exhibition season for next year, Jason McArdle is content with his current position. 

"I've always wanted to play and my friends kept encouraging me to step out on the ice," McArdle commented on what the transition from the roller hockey floods to the ice has been like.

"It has been very tough, each sport is so unlike the other with regards to skating," he said. McArdle does feel that he is getting a good feel for the ice at the present time.

Although he is feeling more comfortable on the ice, Jason is not too sure of his exact role on the team, nor can he anticipate what kind of playing time he will assume. McArdle does expect more ice time in the future, because he has at least one more season with the Flames.

Flames Head Coach Corrado Puglisi spoke briefly about Jason: "Jason has improved his game in the net dramatically — it is unfortunate that he has to stand in Corey's shadow," Puglisi said.

With regards to McArdle's future, Puglisi is not sure at this point. "Corey is planning on returning for next season, but I make no guarantees to anyone; we could have six new goalies trying out next season — but Jason does have a fair shot at starting."

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Burch sets sights on Olympics

By MARTY CLARK

However, Burch sets the gold medal like every other track-and-field runner does. His lifelong goal is to reach the Olympic games and see them roll into Atlanta, Ga., which is a scant 25 miles from his own home town — that would be really special, Burch said.

Burch, a 25-year-old junior at Liberty University, Burch is a native of Stone Mountain, Ga., which is a scant 25 miles from the Olympic games. He is a top 10-ranker in the country, having won 400- and 800-meter races.

In this gold medal, however, Burch has some pretty stiff competition to cope with at the Olympic trials. With competition from both the amateurs and the professional ranks, Burch, he said, will have his work cut out seriously.

"I would have to say that I am one of the better people in America, and the gold medal is always up for grabs," said Burch. "I think I have that chance. But I am also a kid who is going to run hard and fast to the finish line."

"I think I have that chance. Track is not like other sports. You can have a bad day, but unlike other sports, you can win it," said Burch. "I think I can do just as well as I said it, and I want to be known for doing that."

Before Burch can even think about a gold medal, he has to qualify for one of the spots or the alternate spot. Burch believes he has prepared himself for the last sprint to make one of those spots.

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The Flames defeated Liberty 79-67 in the regular season finale at the Vines Center with guard Ben Ferebee throwing down a career game for the Flames. "I don't think there is a bigger game for a kid than this," Rutigliano said.

A Liberty loss at home Jan. 27.

UNC Greensboro<br>grabs top spot

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is left is to sort through the stats and
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see who’s been named to the basket-
All-Big South team (as chosen by
Rich Maclone and Josh Howe).

Point guard: Anthony Walker, 6-0, junior, Radford University —
Walker is the Big
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tive point guard, bar
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Power Forward: T.L. Latson, 6-7, senior, Charleston Southern — Latson emerged from the shadow of team-
mate Eric Burks, last season’s Player of the Year. His numbers speak for
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topping the century mark this
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Coach: Randy Wiel, third sea-
son, UNC Asheville — Randy Wiel
showed in his third season at the
helm at UNCA that there was some
bite in those Bulldogs after all.
After going 14-40 in his first two
seasons on the bench, Wiel had his
team at the top of the heap, graving
at the conference championship. The
Buccaneers are led by Brett
Larrick and T.L. Latson, who are two of the Big
South’s premier players. Head Coach Gary Edwards
is a good man to have behind
the bench with the game on
the line. Keep in mind, though, that the toughest
thing for a team to do in
sports is repeat.

UNC-Asheville has played Cinderella all season. Will the
Bulldogs be able to keep it up?
It will be tough. Josh Kohn
will need to have a huge per-
fomance for Cinderella to
make the dance.

Radford is always tough, but the Highlanders just
don’t have the horses to get
the job done.

Winthrop got off to a fast
start but has faded down the
stretch. The Eagles will con-
tinue to fade.

As far as UMBC and
Coastal Carolina, there is a
better chance of seeing Dr.
Falwell crowd-surfing with
the LU mascot than either
of those teams winning.
UN-GENTLE BEN— Ben Avery was named the Champion's Player of the year.

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Who needs to play like he’s the man? Maurice Ingram 13.7 ppg. Ingram needs to fill the hole a whole lot.

Working in their favor: Stranger things have happened.

Working against them: Not many stranger things come to mind.

Important stat — The Chanticleers shot only 57 percent as a team from the free-throw line during the regular season.

CCU wins if ... Let's face it, they just don't.

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#3 Charleston So.

Who's the man? T.L. Latson (top) and William Coley (bottom) are two of the premier players in the Big South Conference. They helped lead CSU to the championship last year. Important stat: Eleven Highlanders averaged more than 10 minutes per game this season. UNCG wins if they get out from the outside and play enough defense. Biggest win: 96-64 humbling of CSU at home. UNCG got its first taste of revenge in that game. Worst loss: 74-48 smashing at the hands of Virginia Tech. UNCG didn't show that it could hang with the big boys in that one.

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Who's the man? Eric Cartelli, 10.2 ppg, 9.0 rpg. Cartelli averages nearly a double-double and is a menace to opponents. Who needs to play like he's the man? Scott Hartnett, 13.3 ppg. He has had a down season and needs to prove he can get it done when it counts most. Working in their favor: Experience and revenge. Worst loss: 101-73 drubbing at Marshall University. Working against them: There is nothing harder to do in sports than repeat as champions. Important stat: The Spartans averaged 37 minutes per game. In a three-game tournament, they'll need rest. CSU wins if they don't have to play both Liberty and UNCG. Worst loss: Home game to LU in overtime. The loss causes them to lose the tie-breaker.
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Working in their favor: The Highlanders have an extremely deep lineup. It is always a plus when playing three games in three days.

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UNCG wins if they play like they did when they started Big South play with a 7-0 record.

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