‘Wait Until Dark’ drama premieres tomorrow night

By Deborah Wood

The drama “Wait Until Dark,” directed by Drama Department Chairman David Allison, will begin this weekend at Liberty University. Frederick Knott, author of “Dial M for Murder,” wrote the thriller.

The play will feature familiar actors Jeffrey Moore, Wayne Gray, Mike Novak, Paula Abbott, Kolin Lawler and Steve Bonar. It will also showcase new talent as Stephanie Weidemann portrays the blind girl Susie Hendricks and Scott Kennedy plays her husband. According to Allison, this will be the first blind role ever performed at Liberty. “Stephanie has done a remarkable job with it,” he commented.

The basic storyline is one of drug smuggling. Drug dealers try to recover a drug-filled doll which has fallen inadvertently into the hands of the blind girl, Susie. Weidemann, who portrays Susie, is a freshman speech major from Moorestown, N.J. “I love theatre and acting, yet I never expected to receive this roll because I was up against senior drama majors at the auditions.” Weidemann added that it is difficult to convince the audience she is blind. “I believe I am blind during the performance, and I hope to make them forget that I can see.”

Moore compared the play to an Alfred Hitchcock masterpiece and added that the suspense keeps building to a very climactic ending. Moore, who has played only comedy at LU prior to “Wait Until Dark,” will be playing three characters in this drama: Harry Rait, the drug dealer; Harry Rait, Sr., the old man; and Harry Rait, Jr., the mild-mannered son.

“This play really shows how far a person can be pushed, emotionally and physically, and yet still have the stamina to carry on and endure,” Moore stated.

Allison said he has admired “Wait Until Dark” for some time. Besides being a popular stage production in the past it was made into a major television movie starring Alan Arkin and Audrey Hepburn.

“Wait Until Dark” will have a truly different message and impact than any other past LU production,” Moore concluded.

The play will be presented in FA 102 April 16-18 and 23-25 at 8 p.m. Tickets may be purchased in the Office of Student Activities in the DeMoss Hall.

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“Dreamer”
Easter student production tells story of Joseph

The musical one-act play “Dreamer: What Really Happened to Joseph” will be presented this weekend to commemorate the Easter season.

Senior Mike Klefeker, who is directing the production, explained that the story of Joseph reflects the meaning of Easter. “The story fits in well with Easter because Joseph’s life is a picture of the resurrected life,” he related.

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CONCENTRATION— Trumpet players Diana Nantz, Don Leonard and Matt Gehman perform in the concert band's Spring Concert Friday night. —Photo by Jonathan Moore

‘Mock interviews’ planned again, two scholarships will be awarded

Cynthia Mayle

The Society for the Advancement of Management (SAM) and the American Society for Personnel Administration (ASPA) will sponsor “mock interviews” April 16 and present two scholarships to participants. The $100 scholarships, which will be awarded for performance during the interview, will be presented to a graduating senior and an underclassman. “The scholarships may be used any way the student desires,” Ron Monfils, vice president of programs for SAM, said.

Several major companies from the Lynchburg and Roanoke area will take part. Interviewers include Bill Boyer, news director from WSET-TV; Beverley Lutz, personnel manager from WSET-TV; Joyce Madox, personnel manager for United Virginia Bank; John Sturgill, personnel manager for Aerofin Corp; Mark Burford, personnel manager for Central Electric and Kelly Services.

Each personnel director will interview eight students. Each student must submit a résumé and fee beforehand.

The interviews will be held from 8-12 and 1-5. Each session will last 45 minutes, and the final 15 minutes of each session will be used as time for a critique, according to Monfils. “This time will be used for the professionals to give helpful hints on interviewing techniques and preparing resumes,” he explained.

Several students who volunteer will be videotaped during their interviews. Each one will receive a copy of the tape so that he can study ways to improve his facial expressions and techniques.

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Flames sting rival Hornets

By Linda Fields

The Flames baseball team took it to the diamond against Lynchburg College at City Stadium Thursday night and put the sting on the Hornets with a 7-3 victory.

Following the victory, the Flames lost both games of a double header against Norfolk State on Saturday.

The Flames go to bat against N.C. State today and the University of Richmond on Thursday at Worth­ington Field.

By Robin Brooks

The Liberty University volleyball team has signed two new people for the 1987-88 season, according to head coach Sue Kelly.

They are Theresa Bream of Carlisle High School and Kim Thomas of Jefferson Forest High School.

Bream is a three-year MVP and a two-year first team All-Conference honoree at Carlisle High School in Carlisle, Pa. She was nominated as a 1986 member of Volleyball Monthly Magazine’s Fabulous “50” in the United States.

Other honors for the volleyball 50-year-old Hall of Fame and election as the Old Timer’s Athletic Association’s outstanding volleyball player.

Bream holds the record for most kills in a match and in a season, as well as most sets for a kill in a season. She was also the first athlete to start all four years at Carlisle High School.

Kim Thomas was selected as a member of the first team All-District squad in the Seminole District in Lynchburg this year. She had been an honorable mention selection the previous two seasons. During her sophomore year at Jefferson Forest, Thomas served as vice president of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and as president during her junior year.
SAFE AT FIRST—LU's Mike Rivers beats the pick-off play to first Saturday against North State. The Flames dropped both games of the doubleheader to NSU at Worthington Field. Liberty's record is now 10-16.—Photo by Aaron Hamrick.

Liberty Champion staff faces game with sense of humor

By Robin Brooks

Calling all softball fans! This Saturday at 1 p.m., the Liberty Champion staff goes head-to-head with the staff of WLBU radio in a media battle at General Electric Field. Members of the Champion staff have been preparing for the match-up, and they anticipate an easy victory.

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SPORTSWATCH

with Greg Bagley

Can you say, “Hello, Mr. Sunshine” sports fans? I may be putting myself out on a limb by saying this, but it looks like the warm weather just may stick around ’til next fall.

I’m no weather expert but I’ve been watching one on WSET-TV channel 13 and he informed his viewers that warm weather may just stick around the Hill city for awhile.

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