Fun Run held at Snowflex

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Liberty University Student Activities and Riverdale Runners held a Fun Run Thursday, April 18 at the Snowflex Center. According to Student Activities, the five-mile race drew more than 30 runners from Liberty, as well as from some of the surrounding community.

One of the reasons to hold the race was to help runners get prepared for the upcoming Bold Mountain Trail 108, which will be held a Goof Hy­daway April 27. Student Activities said.

The Fun Run included both a 5K and a 10K race. According to Student Activi­ties, all runners gathered together, but they had their own starting zones, along the trail to run on the shorter or longer path, about half of the runners opted for the 5K, while the rest ran the 10K.

VIDEO

Video hits 46 million views

What started as a funny idea, has become a viral YouTube sensation

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The pseudonym "BosnianPanda" may not ring many bells, but perhaps "How Animals Eat Their Food" does. What some people might not know is that the two individuals featured in the viral video are Liberty University students junior Nick Sjolinder and senior Ian Deibert.

The YouTube video was posted about one week ago and has already accumulated more than 46 million views. To put things in perspective, the new "Hunger Games" sequel trailer, "Catching Fire," has only gained a little more than 22 million views after six days.

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Debate wins again

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The Liberty University Debate Team took home two national championship titles for their performance throughout the spring, ranking first in Northwesterners and George Mason University. Liberty topped the rankings of the American Debate Association (ADA) and the Cross-Examination Debate Association (CEDA) for the fifth consecutive year. This brings their win tally to 33 championships since 1995, according to the Lib­erry News Service.

According to Liberty's Director of De­bate Michael Hall, the process of planning for these debates is both rigorous and time­consuming.

"We get into preparing for a debate, including practice speeches, practice de­bates, strategy work with partners and matches, and individual time spent screen­ing," Hall said. "For our most of our stu­dents, this amounts to 20-30 hours of work each week.

Students have a topic given at the begin­ning of the year that will be debated for the entire semester. Hall explained. This year's topic was the U.S. energy policy.

"Liberty is also using for the top spot in the rankings of the National Debate Tour­nament (NDT), according to Hall. The NDT is the third and final championship that Liberty participated in, and in

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The School of Communication hosted the event Saturday, April 20

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"Social Scavengers," an event hosted by Liberty Uni­versity's School of Communi­cation, brought in students from all majors Saturday, April 20, to compete for vari­ous prizes based on their social media involvement dur­ing the event.

Beginning at 11 a.m., stu­dents enjoyed their morning on the outside terrace of the Hancock Welcome Center, according to Dickey's and Snow­flex, along with the option to participate in the event, at least one team member needed to be a Facebook or an Instagram account. Local businesses, such as

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Boston Bombings

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Two explosions rocked the Boston Marathon Monday, April 15, killing three people and injuring 183 others. In the ensuing days, local and state police as well as federal agents began their pursuit of the terrorists responsible for the act.

In a press release Thursday, April 18, the FBI revealed photographs of the two suspects, brothers Tamerlan and Dzhokhar Tsarnaev, in hopes of receiving assistance from the public. Approximately five hours after the release of the photos, a Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) police officer was shot and killed, according to CNN. Shortly thereafter, a car and its driver was hijacked on the MIT campus.

Police tracked the vehicle to Watertown, Mass., where it engaged in an extensive firefight. According to CNN, the driver of the vehicle was released by the suspect, but older brother Tamerlan Tsarnaev was shot and killed in the firefight.

At that point, the police said they realized that they were dealing with the two suspects from the bombing. With one suspect dead, younger brother Dzhokhar Tsarnaev remained at large.

According to COI, Dublin police and military officers joined in the manhunt for Dzhokhar Tsarnaev in the 2000 block of Wards Road. On the morning of Friday, April 19, authorities requested that the residents of Watertown and the surrounding area stay indoors. In addition, public transportation, most businesses and most public institutions were shut down.

According to COI, on Friday evening, a resident found Dzhokhar Tsarnaev in his boat, just outside the Champion correction.

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Whitney Rutherford

When I was born in 1993, Margaret Thatcher's tumultuous years in the first female British prime minister had concluded. Her death April 8 made me realize yet again that it was Thatcher's example that taught me that being a woman was a far more worthy occupation than being a Disney princess. Thatcher's example taught me, and many others, what it means to capture and wield your potential. She dared her adversaries to challenge her colossal resolve and became an indomitable leader.

Thatcher was a treasure of determination—not for worldly gain, but for progressive changes that would empower others to be unrepeatable.

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Thatcher was a stranger to hand-holding, claiming that the best way to get to the top was to do hard work. She first became famous for being the youngest woman to serve as a Cabinet minister to run as the Conservative candidate for a strong Labour seat. Though Thatcher did not win the position early in her career, she spoke with conviction as she furthered her education, married, and eventually won a seat as a member of Parliament.

While Thatcher is known for her fiery speeches and skillful judgment of human character, hundreds of handwritten letters mark the passion behind her drive. Her heart for people inspired her to fight each battle until the end.

"She demonstrated a precise setting work ethic. Energy, I have come to realize, is the single greatest common factor of highly successful people," Heather McGregor, editor of British communications firm Taylor Bennett, said of Thatcher in The London Guardian.

Her daring and innovative nature, encouraged numbers to strive beyond their social limitations and afforded, for both genders, that hard work and a sense of purpose could reorder society. Thatcher employees to see their role as a prime minister at a time when her nation was awash in strikes and riveting an economy. Thatcher believed exactly what she believed her beloved Britain needed: an iron lady.

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Students seek job opportunities

The Career Center hosted a job fair for communication majors Tuesday, April 16, in Williams Stadium.

According to Stafford, current students and recent graduates of Liberty were able to speak to 16 different employers. The companies present at the fair were hiring for jobs and internships in Lynchburg, Roanoke, Richmond, and Washington, D.C. Some companies, like Tuna-Kramer Cable, were hiring for national positions.

"The career fair was a great experience for me and helped me make great professional connections," advertising and public relations major Lindsey Blickle said. "I was impressed by the number and variety of companies at the fair and the different opportunities each corporation presented.

According to the Career Center website, the fair hosted a wide variety of employers, including Virginia Wireless, Visual Marketing, Time-Warner Cable, The News & Advance, Humble J News HBV, along with many others - each representing a different field of communication.

"Communication is kind of a diverse field," Career Center Director Richard Glas said. "You have a lot of different majors within the School of Communication, so we need to find organizations that have a good depth and breadth of opportunities."

According to Glas, there have been 13 job fairs hosted at Liberty this year - seven in the fall and eight in the spring - with each fair featuring 15-20 employers. The fall season was the first time that the Career Center hosted offering major-specific job fairs, as previous ones have been generic and usually held off campus.

"A lot of students just want to see more and are excited about the job opportunities," Stafford said. "As long as the students keep coming, the fair is fine and it has been a good year so far."

Glass also said that many excited students continue to return to career fairs.

"The students that are here, finding their future also came in the fall," Glas said. "They're coming back because they're seeing new employers, and also some of the same employers that showed up in the fall have new opportunities."

For students interested in upcoming career fairs, Stafford recommends utilizing some of the Career Center's many services, including career counseling, resume and cover letter assistance, as well as career workshops provided to any individual associated with Liberty.

For more information about the Career Center, visit liberty.edu/careercenter.

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New plans for islands announced
Liberty aims to develop a park for the Lynchburg community on the James River

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Liberty University has announced plans to construct an athletic field on its abandoned Treasure Island in Lynchburg, according to Lee Beaumont, Liberty’s vice president for Auxiliary Services. The park would provide recreation and athletic opportunities for Lynchburg residents.

“We already have enough recreational and National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) facilities to accommodate our needs at this stage in the growth phase,” Beaumont said. This is about getting our students out into the community and being a good neighbor.

Beaumont noted that the plan for the islands is still in the early stages of development, but it currently includes a new access bridge that will connect with a road and sidewalks, portable bathrooms and about 15 multi-purpose athletic fields. The fields will be open to the public for recreational use when Liberty students are not using them and will provide opportunities for students to develop and pursue athletic opportunities at the park, as well as creating new student jobs.

In addition to recreational plans, Beaumont said the university hopes the park will provide facilities for local schools and organized leagues. According to him, Lynchburg schools and local colleges are in need of athletic fields, and he believes the park will help fulfill that need.

Beaumont also said that the new facility may be used for hosting events.

“We’re thinking of possibly bringing in traveling team tournaments during the week to generate some revenue as well,” Beaumont said. “When you bring games into town, it’s good for the local economy. You sleep in your hotels, eat at your restaurants and spend money at your businesses.”

According to Beaumont, park facilities are also being discussed for a garden on one of the islands. Members of the community will likely be able to rent out plots of land and grow the plants of their choice.

“I grew up on a farm, so I’m really excited about the community garden,” Beaumont said. “I think gardening is kind of a lost art.”

Along with possible athletic fields and gardens, Beaumont noted that the islands may also provide an most accurate point to the river for Liberty’s crew teams and for other local crew teams. According to Beaumont, high schools in Lynchburg do not have facilities needed to put teams on the water, so a launch point on the islands would allow students to row for their school for the first time.

Beaumont said the crew facility would also provide an improvement for Liberty’s crew team. Racing in the James River would allow Liberty to host long course races instead of short course regattas at its current location, by Lake. According to Beaumont, a bridge will have to be built to the islands before any further construction can begin. The university will likely develop Treasure Island before building facilities on nearby Daniel Island.

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“...will relax at the end of April. “I believe we will finish at or near the top of the NIT rankings, but we won’t know for another week or two,” Hall said. “Northeastern and George Mason were our two strongest opponents.”

According to Hall, if the team clinches the NIT championship, Liberty will have captured all three rankings in one season for the seventh time.

Even though Liberty has been a dominant force in the last few years, it is important to keep students on track and constantly improving, according to Hall.

“Everyone looks at our consecutive championships and think that we use the same formula each and every year, but every year we have students graduating and students arriving,” Hall said. “So our team changes, so does the formula for success.”

The debate team consists of 12 students this semester, but many seniors on the team are graduating. According to Hall, one of the largest James River debaters will join the team for next year. New students bring a certain amount of unpredictability to the season, but they also give an exciting challenge to the returning team and Hall.

“...in the swimming pool,” Beaumont said.

Beaumont also mentioned that revitalizing the islands is something Chancellor Jerry Falwell Jr. has been planning to do for a long time. He came to Beaumont with the idea for the new athletic park, and the new plans will be going into effect soon.

“TAL is a news reporter.”
"We had no idea the explosion in exposure was about to take place."

— IAN DIEBERT

YOUTUBE continued from A1

Schofield is currently studying at the Zaku Gordon Cinematic Arts School. "With me about to graduate and Schofield in this school, we've had busy schedules, which made finding time to film difficult at times," Deibert said. "We had no idea the explosion in exposure was about to take place. For about a week, we were officially the fastest-growing channel on YouTube, surpassing all others in the race of our subscribers per hour."

According to Deibert, videos from their channel, "Masterpiece Man," have appeared on Daily news stations and all over the Netherlands, as well as on many major international blogging and social media websites. Their latest video was featured on the blog Mahabird.

"We've been invited to and are planning on attending VidCon — which is like ComicCon for YouTube — this summer in California," Deibert said. "It's just been such a crazy, surreal ride so far. We've been so blessed and can't wait to see what God has in store for us next and how we can use this platform for his kingdom." Schofield hopes to break into the film industry, and his YouTube videos may help him achieve that.

"For me, this is especially exciting because the videos have opened up some doors in Los Angeles, but at the same time, I want to glorify God through all of this, which means I really need to consider my steps wisely," Schofield said. "Deibert has been a great partner for the videos because he is always willing to go along with whatever ideas I throw at him."

In "How Animals Eat Their Food," Schofield is the protagonist pertaining to the different animals, and Deibert is the straight-faced commentator. For more videos from Schofield and Deibert, visit youtube.com/masterpiece.

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"I'm training for a 1K, so I thought this would be a good way to do, have fun with it and be with people," and our friend Jillian was interested in joining," Schofield said. "We're actually planning to attend TNC 2013 with our Student Aesthetician Katherine Madison, a nurse in the race."

Eye Klin, who also participated in the race, said that she enjoyed the opportunity to compete in the Fun Run. "I just had my second half-marathon, so I just wanted to keep running," Klin said. "This is a fun way to run with friends."

Klin also said that after enjoying the Fun Run, she is eager to take part in Student Activities' Bald Mountain 10K.

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Track takes two titles

Women return to 200 form, men take seventh consecutive triple crown

Family Review

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The Liberty University men's and women's track and field teams swept the Big South Outdoor Track and Field Championships after three days of competition, April 18-20.

The Flames opened the meet with a 194-7 toss. He finished the meet with his best, and, fortunately, my best was a home run," said Oregon State's Kyle Harvey, the only Big South athlete ever to sweep an event's indoor and outdoor titles in four straight years.

KYLE MILLIGAN

A CUT ABOVE — Freshman Ken Barley finished fourth in the men's pole vault.

Flames baseball keeps winning at home

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The Liberty University men's baseball team (23-16, 8-7 Big South) won two of three games in its series against the Winthrop Eagles (15-27, 5-13 Big South) April 20-21. Second baseman Ryan Smith's two-out, two-run home run in the seventh inning gave the Flames a 12-11 victory and the series sweep over the Eagles.

Winthrop 3, Liberty 2

In the first game of a doubleheader Saturday, April 20, the Eagles defeated the Flames 3-2 despite 11 hits from Liberty. The Flames stranded 10 runners on base and failed to take advantage of multiple scoring situations throughout the game.

"We have to give credit to their pitchers," Liberty Head Coach Jim Tatum said. "He threw a complete game, and on his 125th pitch, he threw a 92 mph. He is a very good pitcher, and they deserved to win that game.

The Flames opened the scoring in the bottom of the second when designated hitter Doug Carter doubled to lead off the inning, and left fielder Justin Sizemore drove him home with an infield single.

But the Flames lead was short-lived. The Eagles responded immediately in the top of the third with two runs of their own, taking a two-run lead.

In the bottom of the third, the Flames appeared poised to tie the game after right fielder A.J. Stone singled to lead off the inning and quickly scored on his own double base hit. Similar

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ICE IN THE VENUS — Despite allowing 10 hits, Carson Hurdin worked his way out of several jams and allowed only three runs in the first game against Liberty.

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Coming in from a day of school or work, some people—primarily men—head straight for the television and catch up on all of the happenings of the day. NFL teams start their organized team activities, NBA playoffs begin, new York Yankees shortstop Derek Jeter is out with the All-Star Book. In between these headlines is yet another NFL mock draft created by football analysts. Honestly, how many writers do we need? The NFL draft begins Thursday, April 25. Currently, ESPN's draft expert Mel Kiper Jr. and Todd McShay are on their high revision ahead of December. McShay, May say had a mock draft last.

He updated his 4/5 draft due to the Oakland Raiders acquiring quarterback Matt Flynn from the Seahawks and the Arizona Cardinals adding quarterback Carson Palmer. With these changes, McShay felt that there were some changes that a quarter- back will be taken in the first round of the draft.

Butler do the in-depth look into which player draft stock has increased or decreased. While it is necessary for fans to know which teams think each candidate can be successful in the NFL, it is more important to the teams to analyze offensive and defensive candidates. In between December and April, respective players for the NFL draft go through college bowl games, the Senior Bowl, NFL Combine and pro days held at their respective colleges.

One problem with the speculation is that players are scouted mostly on their workouts, and not their body of work at college. For example, a player's draft stock may rise if he has a great workout during his pro day. Or it may fall because he did not perform well at the combine. Whatever the case, it is impossible to predict how they will perform. Workout stats that scouts and analysts base their analysis of the process may become hasty.

In McShay's mock draft 3.0, he has the Kansas City Chiefs selecting defensive tackle Star Lotulelei from Alabama, his 4.0 model proposed the Chiefs selecting offensive tackle Luke Joeckel from Texas A&M. On all four, four analysts have Joeckel going No. 1 while the fifth, Franklin Brooks, has offensive tackle Eric Fisher from Central Michigan in the top spot.

As April 25 approaches, the media hyped drafts become more and more certain and certain players a little too much.

Just like in other drafts, no one knows who will be selected first overall or be Mr. Breezeway— the last pick. Only the coaches know who they feel will best fit their team.

One mock draft is necessary, not four.

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Men's, women's tennis teams fall in tourney

Flames ousted in the quarterfinals as the Lady Flames lose in the semifinals to No. 1 seeded Winthrop

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Men's Tennis

The Liberty University men's tennis team lost 4-3 to the No. 7 Campbell Fighting Camels in the quarterfinals of the Big South Championship, Thursday, April 18, after a Fighting Camels rally.

Shane Thomas, won his singles match 6-1, 6-4, giving the Flames an early 1-0 advantage.

"I feel my opponent a couple weeks ago when Campbell was here playing against us," Thomas said, "I knew that his forehand breaks down after four or five shots, so I just kept myself in the point and attacked his forehand.

"After a brief rain delay, Campbell mounted a furious comeback, evening the score, 3-3. The match came down to the final point between Liberty sophomore John Amari and Campbell senior Saul Clavera.

The first eight games of the third set were split evenly between Clavera and the Amari. Clavera claimed the final two points, ending the match for Campbell.

"Our guys fought hard every match. The whole season came down to a few very close matches," Flames Head Coach Chris Johnson said. "I am very proud of the character that our team has shown this entire year." Johnson, who has the Flames fourth best winn ing percentage in Liberty history, looks forward to continuing his success next year for his senior season.

"I am looking forward to being a leader on the team," Thomas said. "Our team is always giving 110 percent on the court. I have never been more proud of my teammates than I am right now." The Flames finished their season 11-11, with a 5-3 conference record.

Women's Tennis

After defeating the Coastal Carolina Chanticleers in the quarterfinals, the Lady Flames tennis season came to a close when they lost to the Winthrop Eagles, 6-0 in the semifinals of the Big South Championship.

"Today, we saw the fruits of our labor as the team played well from start to finish," Head Coach Jeff Marvin said. "Lady Flames Tennis.com. "I couldn't be more proud of our girls." The Lady Flames covered the quarterfinals with strong play from the front row, featuring a convincing, 6-3, 6-2 victory from Karah Jenkins and Nicole Wellman, who defeated the Chanticleers No. 1 duo, 6-2, the Lady Flames No. 2 pairing of Bethany Yang and Rachel Rob got back on their match, 8-4.

Liberty defeated the Coastal Carolina 6-2 in singles play with the Chanticleers only point of the match coming from No. 1 Libby Scott, who defeated Liberty's No. 1 Cameron Richard, 6-4, 6-3.

In the semifinals, Winthrop's No. 1 doubles pair, defeated Liberty's No. 1 pairing of Jenkins and Wellman, 6-4, and Winthrop's No. 3 pairing were victorious against Liberty's No. 1 Richard and Valerie Thong, 6-1, to give the Eagles an early 2-0 lead.

The loss brought Liberty's record to 11-11 in new Coach Jeff Marvin's first season.

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Women return to 2010 farm, men take seventh consecutive triple crown

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The Liberty University men's and women's track and field teams swept the Big South Outdoor Track and Field Championships after three days of competition, April 19-20.

The Flames captured their seventh consecutive and 11th overall conference title. Having won the cross country and indoor conference meets earlier in the week, the men's outdoor victory secured the Flames seventh straight "triple crown."

The Lady Flames' averaged a 203.50 score season last to Coastal Carolina, winning their outdoor championship for the first time since 2010. On the men's side, Liberty posted eight individual event victories on route to an 85-point triumph over Florida Southern.

Redshirt senior Brian Smith made conference history in the men's hurdles becoming the only Big South athlete ever to sweep an event's indoor and outdoor titles in the same four years. Smith won the shot put with a throw of 60.65. The throw was a new personal record for Smith and also set new meet and facility records.

"The shot was record was important to me, but I wasn't focused on it," Smith said. "I was focused on doing my best and proving to my coaches, my stadiums and my family that I was still up for the challenge." Smith is a business administration major.

No. 13 Coastal Carolina placed second overall with a score of 134.50 while Florida Southern finished third with 128 points.

See CROWN, B4

Flames baseball keeps winning at home

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The Liberty University baseball team (22-19, 8-7 Big South) won two of its three games in its series against Coastal Carolina (15-27, 3-13 Big South; April 20-21). Second baseman Bryan Amundson continued his 11-game hitting streak with four hits and an RBI during the series.

Winston-Salem, Liberty 2

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The Flames opened the scoring in the bottom of the first inning with designated hitter Danny Grasser dodging to lead off the inning, and left fielder Justin Stewart drove in the tying run with an infield single.

But the Flames' lead was short-lived. The Eagles responded immediately in the top of the third with two runs of their own, taking a one-run lead.

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Musically inclined students were given the chance to showcase their talent and compete for $1,500 in prizes at the Battle of the Bands, an event that rocked the Tilby Student Center April 19 last year.

The night featured six bands: Glass Oaks, Native Blood, Chasing the Horizon, Jane Macarowski, Piglets and Adalas. Bands competed for the overall prize of the night—a $250 gift card to Lunenburg House, and 90 hours of recording time with Hallow Tree Studios.

In order to compete in Battle of the Bands, the public voted on which band they wanted to compete out of the nine bands submitted to the competition. Macarowski—the only participant who is a normally a solo artist—enlisted the help of other musicians behind her during the competition.

The night began with Glass Oaks and Chasing the Horizon performing in a crowd of more than 210 students. According to the rules laid out by Student Activities' hosts before the night began, each band was required to perform an original song and a cover of a song. Adalas was next to perform, announcing that Battle of the Bands was the band's last show but since returning from a break, Adalas included a cover of "Radioactive" by Imagine Dragons and brought its own, alternative vibe to their music. Although Adalas was not a final constituent, the band received a bit of recognition from one band member of the other bands.

Another band, Piglets, was an experimental instrumental band of three students, according to their Facebook page. Piglets performed a cover of a Muse Math song before playing an original song, the only purely instrumental, original song of the evening. A change in musical genres signaled the beginning of the fifth band's performance.

Native Blood, whose members include drummer Tim Sapp, lead vocalist Luke Thurlby, rhythm guitarist Kevin Bawser and bass player Dane Spormann, the band performed a Black Keys song for their set.

The final performance was Jane Macarowski, who covered a song from the Civil Wars before performing her original song. As the only female performer, Macarowski faced a different kind of pressure than the other bands.

"It's a complete moment of pride being able to stand out as a female artist, and I had a blast," Macarowski said. Throughout the night, studentown were projected onto a screen above the stage if they included "#battle" in their message. Even Liberty University co-founder Elter Townes tweeted about the event, saying: "The silent at the #battle is great. Good job, youngsters."

Students voted for Native Blood and Jane Macarowski as the co-winners of the evening and the competition for the final prize.

Once both finalists had performed, the final round of voting opened for students, and the winner was announced for all of the competitors. Both of the competitors congratulated Native Blood and each other in the win.

"We are friends with all of the other bands who performed, so it wasn't really a competition," Thermey said. "We had fun just hanging out with each other. We are so appreciative to be voted the winner and had such a great time tonight."

The Battle of the Bands was planned by Student Activities, a team of students and staff who...

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AFRICAN ROOTS —"Art from countries such as Ghana was displayed.

FEEDBACK —"Jane Macarowski sang her way into the finals.

Our reporter Alea Lismer contacted Jane Macarowski for more information about the bands that competed can be found on their Facebook pages.

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Including the "Faces of Africa" fashion show, AS.AD. has many different events for students to attend.

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Godparent guidance

David Barron

Professor J.J. Cole, a sociology and psychology professor at Liberty University, is a teacher who sees his classroom as a vehicle for ministry. (He won a Christian film and was named as a South- ern Baptist Today. He spent most of his childhood traveling from place to place. Cole's family was required to move every three years, since his father was in the military.

Cole calls herself a military brat and considers the move spirit a different but wonderful experience, one that has marked her into who she is today. She often uses the patience she learned moving from place to place to help students through their college careers.

"If I could pick up and move every three years, I'd be the most untrained housekeeper in the world," Cole said.

In the late '70s, Cole began a studying psychology and human services at Liberty while activism in a women's rights (RA) for three years. Later, she went on to get her master's degree in social work.

"I only followed my heart, which I think was a good thing," Cole said.

According to Cole, during her seminary days, the late Dr. Ethel S. talked about the Liberty. Cole's philosophy at the LIG, she plans to develop and design it, which sparked Cole's current role.

According to the LIG website, it is a "a residential academic home for girls under the age of 18 facing the responsibilities of unplanned pregnancy. Founded in 1975, ORE students come from diverse walks of life, different socioeconomic backgrounds, and various states across the country. Given Cole's background, it's easy to see why she was selected to head the school.

In her current role, Cole works closely with parents and educators in supporting the students.

"Having your home come back and talk to me about what's going on in your life is really important," Cole said. "I think that's part of the love."

Cole encourages students to speak open and honestly about whatever is on their minds, whether it is about their failures or successes. She also believes in celebrating small victories.

"I think you never know when the next breakthrough is going to come," Cole said. "It can be one sentence or one comment that makes all the difference.

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professors have always made it a point to make sure that all of their students' OK. I always know that I am prayed for."

According to Bowlin, she hopes to become a recording artist and worship leader in a church after she graduates from the program.

"Singing has been the one thing I have always had a certain sense of confidence in," Bowlin said. "As I have gotten older, music has been my greatest passion. If I am singing or playing one of my instruments, I am happy. It is my biggest love in Liberty University."

Another important aspect of Cole's role is to be a mentor to students. She encourages them to reach out and seek help when they need it.

"I hope that students will gain a greater awareness on the topic and gain a passion for saving the lives of others," Cole said. "If there are any who have personally been affected by abortion, whether they've always known someone or don't know their health will now have a greater understanding and hope for them, and that they can share their story for the glory of God."

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Digital media students attend conference

Matt Atkins and Courtney Aube utilized cutting-edge technology at Sony's NAB Student Experience

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While their classmates worked on projects and projects at school, Liberty University digital media students Matt Atkins and Courtney Aube received a different kind of education at the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) Conference in Las Vegas. Atkins and Aube participated in Sony's NAB Student Experience April 6-11, where they were trained to handle some of the company's newest digital media and broadcasting equipment.

Once the conference began, the two worked at booths alongside 49 students from colleges across the country as they were given the chance to demonstrate the technology from their area of interest to media professionals at Sony's booth.

Aube, a Liberty senior who previously worked on "Around Liberty in 90 Seconds" and currently works for Liberty's radio station, 90.9 The Lights, spent most of the conference learning about and demonstrating Sony audio equipment.

"I never expected to learn and remember as much as I did," Aube said. "I was trained by the senior product manager of professional audio, who was extremely knowledgeable."

According to Aube, her booth included equipment that she was not familiar with, such as video camera systems, recorders, lavalier microphones, ENG kits, and head-phones. Atkins, on the other hand, worked with technology that she could be used for the type of work she loves most — live broadcast.

Atkins learned and then demon-

strated shooting a live broadcast in 3K format. According to Atkins, to put it in perspective, high-definition television is shot in 2K. To produce a 4K image, two images shot side-by-side are stitched together by a computer in order to create a substantially higher resolution image.

"Since it's really high definition, you can crop," Atkins said. "Have you ever zoomed a photo, and it just loses quality right away? You can crop four times, and it won't lose any quality, so the potential for replay is in the facts that it does, and the whole image is," Atkins said.

Even though Atkins and Aube got to experience the area, Atkins said that if he was given all six days of the conference to see as much technology as he could, it would still be impossible to see everything.

"You don't realize how big it is," Atkins said. "The floor size of the whole thing was probably upwards of 10 football fields, and therein hundreds and hundreds of vendors. They have an app where you can type in what booths you have to see and it plans the route for you. Just taking in the enormity of everything was kind of overwhelming.

Both Liberty students said that exhibitions are in from opening 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. every day, but Atkins and Aube made time for a little fun. They walked around Las Vegas, saw the fountains in the Bellagio Hotel and Casino, and watched college basketball on television.

However, Atkins and Aube also took the time to build relationships and learn from other students in the Sony program.

"The other students were great," Aube said. "We talked about our different school's programs and about what type of equipment each school uses. We are now all able to say connected through LinkedIn," Atkins "We gained a new appreciation for people who work in other areas of his field.

"I discovered that film gets written off a loco and people say, 'Joe, that's not good.' Atkins said. "I worked with a lot of film people, and there's a lot more that goes into it than people think. I just had a new respect for the intensity and the skill that you have to have in order to pull off this.

For Atkins, one of the most exciting parts of the whole experience was having the chance to learn about some of the equipment that Sony will buy during the course of its company-wide upgrade to high-definition broadcasting.

In the end, Atkins and Aube returned to Lynchburg having gained valuable experience.

"The trip was amazing — one of the greatest things I have ever experienced," Aube said. "I feel so honored that I was able to be a part of this opportunity, and I would go back and do it all again tomorrow, if I could."

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A crowd of students cheered as models made their way onto the stage, strutting down the runway before pos- ing with the colors of different coun- tries flag-mixed behind them. Hosted by the Association of Students of Afri- can Descent (A.S.A.D.), the "Faces of Africa" fashion show debuted April 20 in Douma-Aholi Auditorium.

According to Liberty University's A.S.A.D. fashion coordinator Keith Jones-Nwachukwu, the show presented African cultures, presenting it in a way that enabled each Liberty student to be involved, regardless of descent.

"Everybody's equal—we just have different cultures and traditions," Jones-Nwachukwu said.

Performers from different nations represented the show through song and dance, such as the Tanzanian group—known as the Pfaim Gospel Group—rapper Shiloh Kendall and D-Trek, a Liberty dance team. The dress concluded with an autographed presentation from Naomi McFarland, a guest speaker from the Blue Ridge Autism and Achievement Center.

"This event showcases what African students can bring to the university," founder of A.S.A.D. Yves Adjo-Graind said.

The dresses presented throughout the night were brought to Liberty through local vendors who acquired the prints overseas. Tanzania, Ghana, Nigeria and Kenya were some of the countries whose authenti- c attire was shown, according to Jones-Nwachukwu.

"It was nice being able to show that other nations do exist," Liberty model Jherika Santana said. "We're all the same in a way." See FASHION, B5

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**Night of Worship**

New School of Music makes first official performance

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The Liberty University School of Music presented a Night of Worship Sunday, April 21, in the Thomas Road Baptist Church (TRBC) Sanctuary. According to Don Vennard Whitey, the event was the first time the depart- ment performed as a united body. The Department of Music and Humani- ties and the Department of Music and Worship joined together to form the School of Music in September 2012, making it the seventh-largest school of music in the country.

"We are absolutely thrilled to pres- ent this tonight as our first official presentation at the School of Music," Whitey said.

At the event, audience members were greeted with a choir and pre- sented with a performance by Charles Billingsley. Individual students also performed, and the audience was in- cited to join the choir during certain worship songs.

"I am excited about this event be- cause this is a group of people on this stage that are probably some of the most talented people that you will ever hear from in your entire life put to- gether in one spot," Jonathan Falwell, senior pastor of TRBC, said.

Kurt Bowlin, a sophomore studying worship within the School of Music, performed Sunday evening as one of the few september in the choir.

"The Night of Worship is something that we work on all semester in the School of Music," Bowlin said. "It is a chance for all of us to come together as one huge choir of wor- ship. I hope that the people who come out can really just get up and worship freely. Our God is so incredibly worthy of every single ounce of praise that we can muster. I hope every single member of this audience will just engage and worship with us and not just get special seats." Bowlin originally came to Liberty as a physical therapy major, however, she switched to the worship program after she realized that she is meant to move away from what God wanted her to do with her life—singing for his glory.

"My favorite part of this program is how involved the professors are," Bow- lin said. "Every single one of my

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**Pro-Life Emphasis Week unites students**

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Liberty University Student Government Association Senior Class President Chelsea Paterson directed a Pro-Life Empha- sis Week April 17-21 to inform students about pro-life issues and encourage them to get involved any way they can.

"I think that it is a Christian's duty to fight for the lives of the inno- cent and fight against injustices," Patterson said. "I believe that abortion is the greatest injustice of our time because it literally ends a life. I am clear that I want to plan a Pro-Life Emphasis Week, even though it is a controversial topic, to inspire the student body and equip them on how to be pro-life in the world."

According to Patterson, stu- dents had the opportunity to hear from a variety of speakers throughout the week, includ- ing Mike Spurgeon and Thomas Donacini from the Life Training Institute ministry, as well as Phil Kline, the former attorney gen- eral of Kansas.

In addition to attending vari- ous lectures, students met with different pro-life organizations from around the country. The en- tire student body also received a poster email in which they could encourage their home state's con- gressman and senators to stand up for the pro-life movement.

Although this is the first year a Pro-Life Emphasis Week has been hosted at Liberty, Patterson said that she would like to see it become an annual event. In 2009, then Student Body Presi- dent Matt Mihelic organized a pro-life-focused Convocation and started the ROSEx Initiative, which stands for Reclaiming Our Sacred Existece.

"I thought it would be benefi- cial to have a longer time focus- ing on the issue of pro-life so that students could attend different lectures, such as Abortion and Apologetics and Abortion in the Law, et cetera," Patterson said.

As a testament to their support of pro-life, Friday, April 19, stu- dents wore either a red or white T-shirt to the Convocation in remembrance of the number of babies aborted each year in the U.S. Liberty senior Jill Diblin post- ed a photo of the Convocation on Instagram with the caption, "Today, one-third of our student body went red to re-present the babies that were never given the opportunity of life because of abortion. We are not OK with the babies that were murdered, and we will stand up for their rights as human beings."

Sophomore Lindsey Fugate also posted a photo of the student body on Instagram, with the caption, "Let them live, let them breathe."

"This week is beneficial for two reasons. First, it allows a greater number of people to become more aware of the issue of life and abortion, in general," Liberty student Greg Belse said. "Second, it forces those people to question their own views, thinking about how they personally value life. Simply put, the future of our nation rests in the hands of our universities, and knowledge about pro-life is necessary for them."

Before went on to describ- e the religious implications of the abortion debate.

"Even though the issue of life is a scientific and philosophical question, it is also a religious one," Belse said. "There is never any danger in learning further the importance of life, because ultimately it is an issue close to God's heart."

Students can join a pro-life club on campus called LifeLine in order to become more in- volved.

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