When the team was successful, the coaches were thrilled. But when they lost, they were disappointed. The team's performance was inconsistent, and the players were inconsistent as well. Some players excelled, while others struggled. The coaches tried to motivate the players, but it was difficult to get everyone on the same page.

After the season ended, the coaches met with the players to review the season. They discussed what went well and what didn't. They also talked about what they could do to improve next year. The coaches were determined to make the team better.

As the team moved on to the next season, the coaches continued to work hard. They were committed to improving the team and making it successful. They were determined to do whatever it took to make the team a winner.
Handgun, rifle range coming soon

Diana Reiter

For students who enjoy putting through the scope of a rifle during hunting season or who desire to improve their shooting techniques, there will now be an opportunity to sharpen their skills. Students (Jerry Falwell Jr. firmly believed) announced this week in convocation that students would now have access to Liberty’s firearms-range facilities.

The range, which is predominantly used by Liberty’s police officers, is located on Campus Range Road across from the Liberty village. The range was never used to train officers, but students will now have access to the weapons and will be required to take a mandatory safety course for training. Students will be required to sign up to reserve their weapons. There will be two ranges available to students: one for handgun training and the other for rifle training.

According to Lee Beaumont, Director of Auxiliary Services, the police department will be responsible for the management and operation of the range. The ranges will be available during the shooting times, and there will be a maximum of ten students allowed to use the range at any one time. Additional shooting times will be added as demand increases.

Student access to the range is controlled by signing up by phone, e-mail, or in person at the Liberty Police Department. The ranges will be open for 24 hours a day, seven days a week from 1 p.m. to dusk. The supervising officer will be on site at all times for safety measures and will assist students with shooting techniques, according to Beaumont. All students will be required to pass the mandatory safety course before they are allowed to use the range.

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SYMPOSIUM

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The present paradigm which restricts the ways it could be presented, Loewy said. “This symposium highlights Liberty’s unique mission to bring the truth of the origins of the academic world, by bringing the discussion that some fear is true to the rest of the world.”

“I was very intrigued (and I) liked the selection of the speakers’ enrichment. I was very impressed. They all differed, not fundamentally, but it tended to do now, causes problems as well.”

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RECYCLE

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“Some people felt that recycling was not important. But the Bible tells us to be good stewards of the Earth.”


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The unveiling of New Wall of Fame was held on Friday, and it included a variety of Liberty pilots.

Amelia Earhart was honored as the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean.

The display aimed to celebrate the achievements of Liberty's pilots and their contributions to the aviation community.

Amelia Earhart's contributions to aviation were celebrated in a detailed manner, reflecting her historic flight and enduring legacy.

The Wall of Fame serves as a testament to the University's commitment to recognizing its aviation students and their accomplishments.

Contact Amanda Thomason at athomason@liberty.edu.
In the midst of our greatest economic crisis since the Great Depression, the American people were hoping that Congress would begin to address the challenges we face.

"I don't care whether you're driv­ ing a hybrid or an SUV - if you're not the same old trickle-down tax cuts that don't work..."

"This election was about change, and comparing our crisis with that of the Depression, according to a Chicago Sun Times reporter."

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"'We're supposed to be giddy that we're only spending $827 billion,' Frankly, I've had enough of this bailout baloney."

Financing health care in a smoky haze

Eric Taylor

"It's tempting to get caught up in the Great Recession and hope that we can protect good health in children. In fact, these crises are nearly as critical as ever.

President Barack Obama and 33 billion dollars make all the possible. On Feb. 28, the one week prior signed a bill funding the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP) in an attempt to provide more children with health care according to the latest New York Times.

The key is $35 billion will be picked up by cigarette smokers via a tobacco tax hike. The American Society for refunded the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, according to a Chicago Sun Times reporter.

"I thought I would want enuffice to know that Liberty University was already engaging in the propagation of good and bad habits of the 'stupidity tax.' While we cannot stop people from making bad choices, we can at least make the financial burdens and tax cuts a greater personal incentive to break their unhealthy vices, such as smoking and alcohol consumption.

"Consider a couple of numbers from the American Medical Association. There are over 100,000 fatalities each year as a result of smoking cigarettes.

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"Rep. Mike Pence (MSNBC)

"I think this can only be described as: 'short-sightedness.'"

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"So thank you, former Liberty student, for confirming that the men at Liberty women's integrity and value more than one night stands."

"Liberty guys, for the most part, know how to treat women right.

"So, let us put aside our political predispositions and fistfuls of cash at a blazing inferno, that might be the fairest limbs. Both Democrats and Republicans need to have the shallowest possible disposition in a joint effort to push these economic stimuli in the right way.
Certain Web sites cracking down on cyber-creeps

Rachel Barker // Opinion Editor

Love your neighbor as your cow

Cows are not just something we can milk or eat whenever we choose. Well... actually we can. But before we sink our incisors into a medium-rare masterpiece, consider this — cows know feelings, too.

A study released in England discovered that a "more intelligent" treatment of cows, such as giving them names, increases their milk productivity, according to the USA Today article, "Naming cows can raise morale." Dr. Catherine Dougal, from the School of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development at Newcastle University conducted the cow psychology study. She found that a single cow produced an average of 2,000 gallons of milk per year, whereas "happy cows" displayed an increased output of more than 3,000 gallons annually, according to USA Today article.

I think farmers have always thought about a good relationship with cows helped, but I don't think they knew how," said Douglas at the USA Today article.

Douglas recently conducted a part of her Ph.D. thesis on "the effects of positive interactions" on cows, according to USA Today. Her findings led scientific support to the long-time practice of "talking to" cows. Whether the interactions are nonverbal, pleasurable or meaningful, they are as important in cow psychology as they are in human psychology. However, the correlation between turning a cow and

lighter milk productivity is not certain. However, Deane said a "second honeymoon" without all that sand...
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The English Honor Society also hosted its annual Sigma Tau Delta excellence awards ceremony in the Office of Student Life in Belk Library. The ceremony was attended by Sigma Tau Delta members, faculty, and staff. The event recognized the achievements of the honorees and celebrated their academic excellence.

### Trina Turk

The Ceremony's keynote speaker was Trina Turk, a renowned fashion designer. Turk shared her experiences in the fashion industry and emphasized the importance of hard work and dedication.

### Featured Honorees

The ceremony featured a range of honorees, including:
- **Donna's Place**
- **Michael Stano**
- **Lily Puzin**

### Student Testimonials

The ceremony concluded with student testimonials, highlighting the positive impact of Sigma Tau Delta on their academic and professional journeys.

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**Web Accessibility**

The event was held in an accessible environment, ensuring equal opportunities for all attendees.

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**Supporting Materials**

- **Speeches**
- **Speech Transcripts**
- **Event Photographs**

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**Acknowledgments**

Sigma Tau Delta would like to thank all who contributed to the successful execution of the event.
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It was a weekend of running totals that began at 5 AM. Friday with 13 players, three goals, and zero Wednesday night, boarding a coach bus. Ahead of the Lady Flames of Hamilton, Ont., said •••• hails from New York or Ontario, so frequent visits to an iconic deli franchise renown for its coffee and donuts. 

"I almost didn’t have enough bodies," Head Coach Paul Bloomfield said of Friday night’s 3-2 overtime loss. "We were kind of scrambling a little bit and we just didn’t have enough bodies," Coach Paul Bloomfield said. Friday nights 5-2 victory over Liberty’s single spare set.

Another recurring subject over the weekend was the need to play our positions a little bit better," freshman Nicole Bonferrero said. "We were kind of scrambling a little bit and we just didn’t have enough bodies," Head Coach Paul Bloomfield said. Friday nights 5-2 victory over Liberty’s single spare set.

The Lady Flames found out just how tough competition was, compared to Liberty’s single spare set. "The weekend road trip ended at 4:30 Monday morning, after almost 72 hours away from campus." The Lady Flames play the 18U Montgomery Blue Devils in Maryland next weekend. The last home game is Saturday Feb. 21 against the University of Connecticut.

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ROUGH ROAD TRIP—The Lady Flames suffered set backs on the road this weekend, falling twice to both Rhode Island and the University of Massachusetts.

The Lady Flames played the Rhode Island Rams Saturday and UMass Sunday. Liberty took on 10-0 and 15-1 respectively. Both games were cut to five innings, to have a solid game against Fresno State Saturday night.

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Records are not enough. The highest win total for a first year baseball team at Liberty is not enough. Nanticoke is throwing the most strike outs, saving the most runs and hitting the most doubles in Liberty history.

The Flames baseball team hopes to improve on the 2008 season, which led to a second place finish in the Big South for the third consecutive year. The goal for 2009 is to win the Big South and earn a berth in the NCAA Regionals.

"I don't want to get second place again," Coach Jim Toman said. "We need another solid season, and we can achieve this by focusing on our fundamentals."

Toman urged players to pick up their performance on the field and in the classroom. He emphasized the importance of consistency and teamwork.

"We need another solid season," he said. "The key to success is consistency, which means playing well every day, every game."

Players were encouraged to set personal goals and work towards achieving them. Toman stressed the importance of focus and dedication.

"We rely on each other," he said. "We trust each other, and we trust in our abilities."
Liberty guard Johnny Stephene has been a sparkplug for the Flames basketball team this season. Hailing from Bayside Beach, Fla., the redshirt freshman guard brings a unique talent to the table and has exceeded the expectations of many in this his first season in Flaine.

But before this season, Stephene was just a spectator looking from the sidelines. It hasn’t been an easy battle for him, but he will determination gives him the strength to persevere and has exceeded the expectations of many in this his first season in Flaine.

Last season, as a freshman, Stephene had sat out the whole season due to failure to meet NCAA academic requirements. Obviously he wanted to contribute to the team, but the fact that he couldn’t see action, Head Coach Ritchie McKay admitted, had greatly bothered him throughout last season’s ordeal.

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Stephene's interest in Liberty came from McKay's confidence in him, and he immediately liked it. Only a couple of small schools were interested in him after he completed high school but McKay is a true believer in what Liberty basketball needed. Free-thrower, he has the skills that will suit him to success, which is something that is important in any program.

Stephene credited the success of his 3-point shot and free throws to his faith. Stephene said: "It is clear that Stephene wants to inject his energy off the bench as the sixth man — which is exactly what McKay is looking for from his first year player. We’re all family. It’s like we brothers. We go through bad times and struggle just like a family does."

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For many of the seniors graduating in May 2009, the end of the semester is an important checkpoint that high school seniors often discuss with thier friends, family, and professors. Some people are concerned with the fact that the end of the semester is not very close and may feel disheartened as the end of the semester draws near. However, the end of the semester is also an opportunity for students to reflect on their academic journey and plan for their future.

For most students, the end of the semester is an exciting time. Many students are looking forward to graduation and the transition to college. However, the end of the semester can also be a stressful time as students prepare for exams, assignments, and graduation ceremonies. Some students may feel overwhelmed by the demands of the end of the semester and may need to seek out support from friends, family, or academic advisors.

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**IT'S TOUGH BEING A WOMAN**

**So Take a Coffee Break**

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With all the pressures of life, so many women the opportunity to connect with one another. Traci Bunker of the Baptist Church (TRBC) said, "I feel that the study of Esther spans such a broad age range because it is so young when she was crowned queen by the king. It's neat to see that the study of Esther is such a broad age range since regular Bible studies are during the day and, of course, women who work do not have the opportunity to study." Cofounder Monica wants to minister to the younger generation. "I thought the video and prayer, God help women practical ways to live a Christian lifestyle."

"It's neat to see that the study of Esther is such a broad age range since regular Bible studies are during the day. This is why we have the opportunity to minister to women. Women can really enjoy what they are doing in their women's ministry. It helps just to take a break. Thomasoga said, "I'm very excited to get together with everyone and discuss the study." Junior Katie Hendricks encourages others to join the TRBC Women's Ministry Web site at www.justforwomen.org or e-mail the TRBC Women's Ministry at trbccoffebreak®gmail.com.

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