Holbrook pleads not guilty in CVC "baby case" indictment

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Co-Editor

Mandy Holbrook, freshman student from Clintwood, pleaded not guilty to two felony charges Tuesday regarding the death of a baby found on campus last month.

The Wise County Grand Jury charged Holbrook with one count of felony homicide and one count of felony parental child neglect which carries a maximum 10 year sentence.

Felony homicide is intentionally committing murder while committing a different felony, the Commonwealth's Attorney Office said.

Holbrook's jury trial will begin Aug. 24, the 1st day of CVC's fall term.

Gerald Gray, Holbrook's attorney, did not wish to comment on the charges.

Earlier Gray had said that he believed Holbrook was innocent and that she felt the grand jury would not indict Holbrook if they "could hear all of the evidence."

The Wise County Commonwealth Attorney's Office and sheriff's department turned their investigation over to the grand jury last Friday after they found "sufficient and probable cause to believe that a felony or felonies were committed," a statement said.

On Feb. 25, authorities found a dead full-term baby wrapped in towels in a box under Holbrook's bed in her Honor's apartment.

The state medical examiner said the baby was born alive on Feb. 24 and died of extreme post-natal blood loss.

Holbrook went into labor in a locked bathroom around 7:30 am Feb. 24 and gave birth unassisted at 9:30 am, authorities said.

Spring has Sprung!

A group of CVC students take advantage of the unseasonably warm weather of the past week.

Photo by: 
Christopher Cline

Campus Police incorporates local female officer

Lori Little  
Assistant Editor

To strengthen Clinch Valley's security force and begin around the clock campus protection, administration has hired two new security guards.

One of these new employees is the only woman staffed by campus police.

Violet Bledsoe actually began working for CVC on Feb. 10. She says she knew about the crimes that are happening on campus but those are things that are happening on most campuses where there are young people. Those are some of the things that are happening on campus but those are things that are happening on most campuses where there are young people.

"I don't think anyone knows exactly what they're dealing with until they get into it. This is nothing new. Things happen just like in any community and the campus is not an exception. I don't think the campus is really as bad as someone wants to look at it. The few things that do happen, it's happening everywhere," she said.

"Mainly the crimes that are happening on the campus with young people...is more or less disorderly conduct, that is a crime. When you drink and are drunk in public, that is a crime. Those are some of the things that are happening on campus but those are things that are happening on most campuses where there are young people and that can get away with it," Bledsoe continued.

When asked if becoming a police officer was a childhood dream, Bledsoe replied, "No, never in my wildest dreams. In fact, in my growing up as a child I was really frightened of police officers."

Bledsoe wants the students to know that "we are trained police officers and that we are doing our job to protect them as well as others."

"She says that the students need to know that campus police are here to help and not just to harass the students. Campus police are just doing their jobs when they write someone up; it is nothing personal."

One encounter that stands out in Bledsoe's mind was at the scene of an auto accident where two young people were intoxicated and died as a result.

Appalachia native Bledsoe has spent the last 19 years working in Southwest Virginia law enforcement.

Bledsoe graduated from Mountain Empire Community College with a degree in Police Science and the Dean's Outstanding Student Award.

Bledsoe has been through the police academy which includes on-the-road training, classroom skills, physical skills, defense tactics, fire arms, and basic training. In order to graduate, law enforcement officials must achieve 100% in each area.

Bledsoe began her career in police work as a matron. This is where she first became interested in law enforcement.

She has also worked as a matron and dispatcher for Wise County Sheriff's Department and overall, Bledsoe spent ten years with Big Stone Gap as a patrolwoman. She is also a certified DARE instructor. Bledsoe has two children, Melissa and Gene. Her husband, James, is a Wise County deputy.

Bledsoe has several hobbies and interests outside of law enforcement. "When I have the time, I like to read, and I like mystery stories. I like to cook, I like craftwork, I like dancing, and roller skating, would you believe?" Bledsoe says she loves her job and she loves dealing with people. She says, "My work is pretty much my life."
Decreasing ozone layer creates sun tanning awareness

Mark Song
Staff Writer

Many people already know what ozone depletion means to them, but there are many other people that have no idea. The previous issue of The Cavalier already handled the sun's ultraviolet (UV) radiation. For those going to the beaches this upcoming spring break and summer, they should be aware of the ozone depletion that causes our skin to tan.

Ozone depletion is cause for concern, but it's no reason to stay indoors or wear excessive clothing before going outside. Exposure (excessive) to the sun's UV rays has always been dangerous, but the increase in ozone depletion changes the exposure rate while we are blindly thinking it is the normal radiation.

Health risks will rise as ozone depletion increases. Cataracts (blurred vision) of the eyes is a potential effect of overexposure to UV radiation and without treatment, blindness will follow. Risks to the human skin can lead to accelerated aging, wrinkling and various forms of skin cancer. Even the immune system will be affected by the increase in ozone depletion in that the immune system may be more vulnerable to infectious diseases.

The following are protective measures against excess exposure to U.V. Radiation:

•Wear sunglasses that are made to absorb U.V. radiation when outdoors for prolonged exposure to sunlight.
•In summer, use sunscreen with a protection factor of at least 15.
•Wear protective clothing that will not let in U.V. radiation. A baseball cap does not qualify because it leaves the ears exposed.
•Stay indoors as much as possible between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. because these times are the sun's most intense U.V. radiation periods.

This article is not written to scare anyone, but it is one that must be given attention to; One can easily say that, "I'm fine, that sun doesn't bother me," but in the future, he or she will not be so fine. If one ignores the dangers of U.V. radiation and the increased ozone depletion, it is called ignorance. Ignorance can lead to skin cancer, cataracts or blindness and premature aging.

Spring Break '92

Gary Lee Collins
Staff Writer

Well, we made it! We never thought it would ever get here, but it's here! So what's everyone going to do on their break? I guess some of you will go to the beach, some of you will party, and some of you will go to the beach and party on the other hand, some of you will go home and get some well deserved sleep. The time is here for a break from the stressful life of studying for an exam or the life of being a college professor. I personally believe that Spring Break is a concept created by the college professors in order to give us a break from the stress and to recover from the exams given to us by these evil professors and also to get us function properly for the rest of the semester.

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The Highland Cavalier Comment Page

What do you think about the proposed tuition increases for next year?

Photos By: Steven Lewis

I understand that an increase is necessary to help cover the cost of education that Clinton Wilson is currently working on to bring that increase in order to prevent big increases that can be a strain on students and their families.

-Malcolm Bing

I personally do not think the tuition needs to be increased. Most people are affected in this school because the tuition is not as high as other schools. If tuition for next year increases, the other programs could drop because of financial problems.

-Betsy Brack

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Student Government Association Elections

Will be held April 8th and 9th from 8:00-4:30 p.m. in Zimmer Hall. Applications for candidates will be available outside the SGA office. Further information concerning the debate will be disclosed as soon as possible.

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CVC Directing Class tours local elementary schools

Gary Lee Collins
Staff Writer

The Frog Prince, a children's play portrayed by the CVC Directing Class, is being performed March 9-13 in Norton, Pound, and Whitesburg, Kentucky, under the supervision of Mark Salyer, CVC's Theater Director.
The story of the Grimm's Fairy Tale revolves around Gwendolyn, played by Elizabeth "Opie" Booth, who is the daughter of King Harold, Brian Carr, and Queen Penelope, Gary Lee Collins. Gwendolyn meets a talking frog she names Froggie, played by Jimmy Ward, and they become friends. Froggie is really under a spell and near the end of the play, he appears as a prince, courtesy of Drew Gallino.

All the while, the play is being narrated by Simon, played by Dan Kensinger, who also plays a royal servant in one scene. The story is musically underscored by Carol Terwilliger.

Honors Program: Anyone with a 2.5 GPA interested in participating in the Honors Program should stop by Dr. Jeff Cantrell's office in Zehner.

For Sale: Arnold Palmer "Golden Bears," Left-Handed Golf Clubs. Set includes 3 - 9 Irons, 1, 3 & 5 woods, One extra iron & carrying bag. $100.00. For more information call or come by and see Karen at the Bookstore.

Clinch Valley College has nominated two students for the 1992 Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence In Education Program. The nominees are sophomores Lisa Gaye Davis Stanley of Clintwood and Kevin Michael Williams of Pennington Gap.

The sisters of Phi Upsilon Omega would like to congratulate Sherry Summers Keene on her recent marriage to Tommy. Best wishes and lots of luck!

The CVC Upward Bound Office is accepting applications for tutor-counselor positions for the summer residential program. Employment is for seven weeks beginning early June 1992. The Upward Bound Program is an academic and personal support program designed to encourage and motivate high school students to pursue post-secondary education.

During the summer, students from several area counties live on the CVC campus and participate in a variety of educational activities. Tutor counselors are responsible for providing tutoring, counseling, and supervision of students in the dorm. They also assist with field trips and recreational activities. A weekly salary plus room and board are provided.

Applications may be picked up at the Upward Bound office located in Z118. Interested applicants should have completed three semesters of college work; deadline for completed applications is April 3.

Got a hot tip or story idea? Just call the Highland Cavalier office and leave a message 328-0212

Raffle

We will be selling raffle tickets during lunch in Cantrell all next week. Prizes donated from area businesses such as Sportswise coupons, pizza coupons, basketball cards, and free movie rentals. The drawing will be April 14th.

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