Analysis of women's survey brings alarming conclusions

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In April 1992, a survey conducted by the Ad hoc Committee on Women’s Concerns through mail addressing women’s concerns at Clinch Valley College brought startling results.

According to the “Executive Summary of the 1992 Women’s Concern Survey,” the 72 responses received were divided into two groups: Group A were responses to the survey from women who reported one or more incidents of offensive language, sexual harassment, sexual discrimination, or sexual assault; Group B contained responses from women who did not report any such incidents.

Sexual harassment, discrimination, and assault incidents:

Of the 39 respondents from Group A, 13 reported two, nine reported three, and four reported four types, according to the report.

"Respondents were asked to indicate the number of times they had experienced each type of incident, number of perpetrators involved, and gender and position of the perpetrators, “ according to the report.

Here is a summary by the type of incident according to the summary report:

Offensive language/expressions: Of the 31 respondents who reported an incident of this type, 23 experienced more than one and four experienced more than six incidents. “18 indicated more than one perpetrator with two indicating more than six. 22 indicated males were responsible, one a female, and seven that both were involved. 21 of the incidents involved students, 15 faculty, and two staff.”

Unwanted personal attention or sexual propositions: 23 females indicated that this type occurred with eleven reporting more than once, and one indicated more than six times. Two to five perpetrators were indicated by nine

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Student Health treats record numbers

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CVC's Student Health Services have been visited by record-breaking numbers of sick students this month.

According to CVC’s Student Health Nurse, Jannie Adkins, “this month has broken all records in Student Health for student illness.” There have been three hundred and sixty-two cases reported to CVO's Health Department thus far, Adkins said.

Eighty percent of these cases were upper respiratory tract infections such as sinusitis, bronchitis, cystic fibrosis, and colds. These infections should be treated with plenty of rest and fluids. For those of us with busy schedules, Adkins advised that we "rest when we can," even between classes.

Adkins said that anything we [Student Health] see will agree to big numbers in residence halls, due to classes or exams, and shared facilities. She advised that the sick should try to isolate themselves and cover their mouth for a sneeze or cough, since viral infections travel from host to host in droplets. Furthermore, those that are healthy should wash with soap and water and avoid close contact with the sick.

Habitual practices which lower a person’s chances of getting infected are a well balanced diet, sufficient sleep, and exercise. Adkins said that "much of the amount of stress is attributed to illness...it has a way of wearing on the immune system."

She noted regular exercise as one of the best stress reducers, yet pointed out that diet and rest are also vital to maintain a strong defense against sickness.

Charge upheld in check theft case

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Editor’s Note: It was reported in the Feb. 16 issue that two CVC students were cleared in the theft of a check. This report was incorrect and the following is an attempt to correct that mistake.

The halls of justice prevail one more time as two CVC students were caught red-handed in their attempts to forge and cash a check. The check would have paid for the Student Government Association-funded Homecoming dance last December.

When Ambrose Marshall (“Pete”) Gordon and Patrick Oakley allegedly found a check made out to a Charles Howe, manager of UREA, they made an attempt to cash their discovery. This attempt to commit a federal offense could have been a costly one.

On Dec. 9, 1992 Gordon and Oakley were arrested by Campus Police officer Steve McCoy at 5:45 p.m. Oakley was identified by the bank teller in a police line-up according to the arrest warrant.

Gordon and Oakley were charged with "utter with the intent to defraud a check," which was in fact dismissed. The students pleaded guilty to a another charge, however, that charge being petty larceny.

Gordon and Oakley faced a jail sentence of 30 days while those 30 days were suspended and a $100 fine plus court costs which came to $146. A one-year unsupervised probation was assessed to Gordon and Oakley.
Segregation is politically supported in America

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Very interesting, I read that
In the arena of American history, segregation has been a powerful force for maintaining the status quo. From the days of the slave trade to the modern era of civil rights activism, the American South has been marked by a persistent system of racial segregation.

The recent Supreme Court decision in the case of Roe v. Wade is a clear example of how the forces of segregation can still shape our society. The Court ruled that the constitutional right to privacy includes the right of individuals to make decisions about abortion, a decision that is personal and private.

The decision is a significant victory for the movement for reproductive rights, but it also raises important questions about the role of the government in regulating personal decisions. At a time when many Americans are concerned about the state of our democracy, the Roe v. Wade decision is a reminder of the ongoing struggle for civil rights and the need for continued vigilance against the forces of segregation.
The report explained that these incidents had a negative effect on student behavior. "Almost 40 percent of the total respondents indicated that they had either not enrolled in a class or had avoided being with an individual because an incident occurred once, "two by one individual and one by two to five individuals. Both males and females were involved and both students and faculty were involved. An additional question elicited that two individuals experienced sexual assaults and one rape.

The report also added, "The widespread distribution of information about campus, state, and federal programs, policy, and laws as well as a commitment to improving the climate for all at Clinch Valley College will set a standard for significant change."