CVC's presentation of Smoky Mountain Wrestling turns into brawl; makes front page news in weekly national magazine

Chris A. Cline
Staff Writer

Last December some twenty-five CVC students must have felt like they were professional wrestlers when they were involved in a Greear Gymnasium brawl. The fight, which resulted in the Smoky Mountain Wrestling crew being escorted out of town caused some injuries both physical and mental.

It has been alleged that some racial slurs were used in the brawl which pitted students against the wrestlers of the popular federation. Because of the incident, a national wrestling magazine has interviewed Clinch Valley students and published stories about the mini-riot.

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Cornette was working with him... in another situation (Shonn Bell) got up and said, "get away from my brother," then he shoved Cornette.

Bell said, "I told Cornette we don't get paid to be a bodyshield. Cornette said, 'What you gonna do about it?' I told him to let Shane go. Then the Gigolo guy (Jimmy Del Rey) showed me and called me a nigger. I pushed him back. At this point, the Bruise Brothers came in and broke us up, telling the Gigolo to "pick on someone your own size."

It was at this time, according to the article, that members of campus police then approached the ring and were talking to Bell and announcer Brian Matthews about the incident.

Bell also said that, "The announcer (Matthews) was telling campus security (p o... face) to arrest me, saying I shouldn't have done what I did. Then out of no where, Del Rey hit me from behind. Shane (Killgore) then was restrained by one of the Bruises and I hit Del Rey. Then Cornette shoved me and called me a nigger, so I hit Cornette. At this point, the Bruises came at me and Killgore with a chair, but campus security (police) and some fans got between us and them. Campus security (police) then told me to go back to my dorm until I received a call."

Jared Bentley, host of MCA Cable's Sportswatch, also witnessed the brawl that night. Bentley said the Torch that everything seemed to get back to normal at that point. "Before the battle royal started (the last match on the card), the announcer asked the fans over the microphone, 'Do you want us back?' and everybody shouted 'yeah,'" Bentley said. "They seemed to think the incident earlier was part of the show. They just laughed it off."

They didn't know what really happened until later," Bentley said in the interview. According to the story one wrestler was eliminated from the match. On his way back to the locker room, a few fans in the bleachers shouted at Del Rey. "They were giving him hell, as you're supposed to do in a wrestling card," says Bell, who referred to the stands by this time to watch the rest of the card. "Then the Gigolo grabbed his crotch and said, 'F*** all you niggers.' At that point, a group of fans ran after him."

Bell also said that six to eight guys went after Del Rey and police had to hold them back. Del Rey got to the locker room before they could get to him, but other wrestlers got involved. "At this point, things got wild," Bell told the magazine. "The battle royal ended without a winner and all of the wrestlers, including some coming from the locker room, brawled with fans or tried to break things up."

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Patrick Raines, a sophomore, was attacked from behind by Gigolo Del Rey when Del Rey was "swinging towards Bell."

SMW, see pg.4

Rosenkranz to direct Peer Health Educators

Lisa Helbert
Staff Writer

Clinch Valley College extends a heartfelt welcome to Cory Rosenkranz, the new Health Educator and Counselor. She comes to CVC with a Masters Degree in Educational Psychology and a combined twenty-six years experience counseling the private and public sector. In addition she has approximately ten years experience with inpatient alcohol and other drug treatment counseling. She has developed and run a similar program at Indiana University East in Richmond, Indiana.

The Health Education and Counseling program objectives are to implement a "free" counseling program for all resident and commuter students. They wish to train volunteer students as Peer Educators and set up an educational program on campus. The directed schedule for the intervention will include recruiting and training volunteer students and have the program up and running by the fall semester. The long range plan will take the same package into the community and educate schools in anticipation that upon graduation of high school they will be prepared to come to CVC and continue as Peer Educators. At that time their training will be expanded to include topics on a college level.

The two duties that Cory considers most important in implementing the Health Education and Counseling program are to provide counseling for all students, to include training residents and commuters. Some of the issues that will be confronted will include problems with self-esteem; marital problems; family problems; eating disorders; rape awareness; which will include the triggers to rape such as prevention, casualties, emotional, physical and mental trauma of a victim; assertiveness to include active communication skills; alcohol and other drug abuse which will include the effects on the body, physically, mentally, emotionally, and how the use affects study, mental abilities and grades; sexual abuse; AIDS/HIV and the risk factors; crisis intervention which include value clarification. One of the main concerns that will be addressed will be Self-awareness which will focus on self and learning who I am and how to control self. The spiritual health will be addressed to include the physical, mental

-See Health, pg.4
Students need access to Chapel and ministers

Recent efforts have made students aware of the Chapel's role at CVC. Many students are still slightly in the dark about the services and opportunities available. Some students have expressed their desire for ministers who would have the same spirit and care for students as the teachers do. The opportunity is available through the Student Alliance and through Student Senate services.

Students need a place to worship and gather.

The Chapel Building is a place for students to gather and worship. The Chapel is a place for students to find comfort and solace. It is a place where students can reflect on their faith and find guidance. The Chapel is also a place where students can find community and support. The Chapel is a place where students can find a sense of belonging and belonging.

GLBSS answers Adams

Dear Editor,

I am writing to respond to the article by Adams on GLBSS. Adams is right to criticize the club's policies and practices. The club needs to do more to support and include all students, regardless of their sexual orientation.

I have heard many stories from students about their experiences with GLBSS. Some students have felt excluded and unwelcome at club events. Others have felt pressured to conform to the club's policies.

I urge Adams to continue to speak out against GLBSS's policies and practices. We need to work together to create a more inclusive and welcoming campus community that is welcoming to all students, regardless of their sexual orientation.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]
SMW, from pg. 1
Bell also told the Torch that the Rock & Roll Express' Jeff Jarrett and Mike Rotunda (who de¬
clined) were the only two who remembered who
were trying to come things down, other than
fight, but there could have been more. The
Roushage of Jeff Jarrett and Mike Rotunda were the
men who were obviously fighting with the crowd.
One attendee, allegedly, was sent to the hospital after being beaten by the referees.

The article stated that a SMW employee, R.C. (no last name given), heard that a knife had been pulled, but nobody heard it.

EachEW said. "You have to work
around it, and the crew can yell at you," he
said. "They're not going to give you any
direction on the course of the wrestling event.

That's how the story went. "We can never say anything.

Dee Ray reportedly pushed a gun on back, but not from a knife.

There is some fear within SMW that the
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It is felt that the Peer Educators will have
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El Gleno Grande: An old tradition comes to Wise

Wednesday, 20th of February: The biggest event in Wise, Kentucky this year, El Gleno Grande, will be held at the Wise County Coliseum. The event celebrates the journey of the horse, a tradition that dates back to the days of the pioneers.

El Gleno Grande is a horse race that has been held every year since 1816. The race is named after the Spanish word for "grande," which means "big." The race is a 500-yard dash, with horses racing over a dirt track.

The race is open to both registered and unregistered horses, and is considered one of the most prestigious events in the region. The event also includes a parade, a carnival, and a live concert.

Tickets cost $5 for adults and $3 for children. Gates open at 10 AM, and the race begins at 2 PM.

Lay Reaves  
Wise Daily Echo

**El Gleno Grande**

**Wise County Coliseum**

**February 20, 2023**

**Time:** 2 PM

**Tickets:** $5 for adults, $3 for children

**Gates Open:** 10 AM

**Event:** Horse Race, Parade, Carnival, Live Concert

**Location:** Wise County Coliseum
**Classes**

- **Attention Women!** There will be a Leadership Conference Sponsored by the Sears corporation to be held for two weeks in May. Those interested may call toll free 1-800-486-8921. The deadline is Feb. 15.

**CVC Staff News**

- **Professor Garrett Sheldon** has joined the Advisory Board for a reference book that will be used by secondary schools, community colleges and four-year colleges. The book, a Documentary History of American Political Thought and Action, 1776-1791, will be published by Greenwood Publishing Group in Westport, Connecticut.

- **Edward L. Henson, Jr.,** Professor Emeritus of History at CVC will speak Friday, Feb. 11, for the first Faculty-Colloquium of the semester at 7 p.m. in Smidly Lecture Hall. His lecture is entitled "Doing the Right Thing: Joe Smiddy and the Politics of Culture." Welcome new faculty:

  - **Shelia Rinehart,** Assistant Professor of Nursing, earned a B.S. in nursing from the University of Virginia and a Masters of Public Health at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.
  - **Carla Schulte,** Lecturer in Business, is at CVC for the spring semester under the Faculty Mentor Program. She earned a B.S. from the University of Colorado and an M.B.A. from West Virginia Graduate College.
  - **Jean Patton,** Assistant Professor of Nursing, earned a B.S. from Radford University and an M.S.N. from the University of Virginia.
  - **Cory Rosenkrantz,** coordinator of Health Educator Project and Lecturer, is project director of the funds for the Improvement of Post-secondary Education, grant which has been funded for two years. She earned B.S. and M.S. degrees from the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee.

**Welcome New Staff:**

- **Regina Warren** has joined the staff of John Cook Wylie Library as a Library Assist in Public Services. She has a B.S. in education from Cumberland College and a M.B.A. from Eastern New Mexico University.

- **Dr. Peake** will present a slide show on South Africa in C206 at 4:30 p.m. on Feb. 10.

**For Sale**

- Desperate for $$$ Rock-bottom prices- games, comics, CDs and more for sale. Stop by Crockett room #7.

- Books for Sale...

**Bio Lab Workbook, section for lab 112 untuned, $25.**

- Sociology 101 for Pitt, $7.
- Guide to Biology Lab for all biology classes, $10. for more info, leave message in CVC Box S877, or call 328-3154.

**Help Wanted**

- **HELP WANTED!** An experienced accompanist for two choral groups. Needed to work approximately 8 hrs per week, at mid-day hours on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, and to play for public spring concert. Call Suzanne Masters, CVC Music Department, 328-6826 or 328-8819.

- **The Highland Cavalier** is looking for writers. If interested, please contact Kari Eaves at 328-0212 or show up at our meetings on Mondays at 5:00 p.m.

**Upcoming Events**

- **February is Black History Month** - festivities include a film series, poster contest, trivia contest, a health workshop, lectures, and a gospel extravaganza.

- **Observance of Martin Luther King Day,** which was postponed from Jan. 17 because of the snow, was re-scheduled for Feb. 27, in the Chapel of All Faiths.

- **Chi Delta Rho Sorority** will be sponsoring a "campus clean-up" on Sun. Feb. 13 beginning at 2:00 p.m. The clean-up will begin at New Hall (Room 213)

**For your info...**

- **The Highland Cavalier** is looking for additional classifieds which may be submitted to HC CVC Box 5637 or call at 328-0212.

- **Virginia Museum of Fine Arts Fellowship Program** provides funds to grad & undergrads. For more info, call the office at (804)367-0824.

**Answer, from pg. 2**

"homosexuals." If this is so, it would be in Mr. Adams' best interest not to join the GLBSA.

Mr. Adams also refers to the "homosexual mindset," and while we are somewhat uncertain as to what he means by this, we can assure him that being bisexual, gay or lesbian is more than a "mindset." Science has found that there is a genetic predisposition towards a persons orientation. We are certain that Mr. Adams would find it just as impossible as we would to change his mind about his orientation.

As for his question of our right to exist, we were told by the administration that if we wished to receive SGA funds, we would need to follow the guidelines outlined in The Source. At this time, we have neither the need nor the desire for SGA funds. Mr. Adams' lurid concern as to our right to use the words "Clinch Valley" in our name is also baseless. It would be impossible for the college to own these words as a trademark: Did Clinch Valley Cab or Clinch Valley Medical Center gain the college's permission to use the words "Clinch Valley"?

Did the college acquire permission from the valley to use "Clinch Valley" in the college's name? We are certain that everyone will agree with us when we say that the Clinch Valley was here long before Clinch Valley College was even thought of.

As for Mr. Carico's statement that we would receive no "special treatment" from the SGA, this is also a pointless statement. We have never asked the SGA for any throwing away with them. It is a waste of the SGA's time to concern themselves with our existence, we're here!

The College has said it would not discriminate on the basis of "sexual orientation" and we expect them to stand behind this claim. If any student reading this is not interested in joining the GLBSA, then our existence should be of no concern to them. Just because a student likes fraternities or sororities doesn't mean that they will disappear. Neither will we.

- **Church, from pg. 2**

the New England town meetings were held in churches because they were the only buildings large enough at the time to hold the community. The Chapel today is merely following that tradition whether Student Council meets there or the organization or the administration presents a program there. Yes, God is important, but I don't think He minds us using His house of worship as a meeting place for earthly matters. After all, the Lord did hand down civil law to Moses as well as spiritual law.

On a side note, I wish that they would fix the "bells" on the Chapel so they would sound on the hour like they did last year. Hearing the bells chime was one of the things that first attracted me to CVC. Hearing the bells ring always gave me a sense of peace, of church, from pg. 2

no one to show them an alternative lifestyle to the one most college students advocate.

For students who previously were active members of their church and who were also possibly sheltered, college can be a terrifying yet irresistible free for all. There is no one to advise them, no one to give them the guidance and comforting assurance that church provides for many people.

I know that Reverends Jim Collie, Larry Dau, and Tom Collins desire to be there when students need them. But it seems that many students don't know how to reach them or even who they are. The BCU and the Wesley Foundation offer some services, but the Chapel needs to fulfill its primary function as spiritual center for CVC. Ideally we would take time to find out what religions are represented here. Are there Jews? Muslims, Buddhists, perhaps? If so, we need at least to provide an open building so that students can worship in the manner that they see fit. We also need Sunday services (perhaps in the afternoon, when everyone is awake) for the Protestant majority. I am glad to see that Mass is being held for Catholic students.

I have heard that services were held in the past, only to be discontinued because of insufficient interest. Insufficient interest? What about the few who did benefit from them? Where were they left?

It does not matter if there is a small turnout. It makes no difference if there is only one. What pastor would make light of preaching to one soul that needed to hear his words, if only to help them make a choice?