CVC gears up for accreditation, discusses job revisions

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WISE: As self study committees examine each of Clinch Valley College’s departments for accreditation, Chancellor Jay Lemons said the time is right to review administrative job titles, discuss hiring a vice chancellor and approve a revised mission statement for the college.

"It is imperative to get things reorganized," Lemons told the college’s advisory council last week. Since Lemons has served as chancellor for less than a year and the college is gearing up for an accreditation visiting team in 1995, CVC is at a transition point, he said.

Lemons said a national search for a chief development officer, conducted for the past two months, was expected to yield hundreds of applications. Fewer than 40 have been received, he said.

"That title means nothing outside of the college campus," he said. "That is proven by the low number of responses. We need job titles that have clear, professional recognition outside the school.

Lemons said he would like to review all the administrative titles at the college. If someone handles finances and the college budget or staff development and programs, their titles should clearly reflect that, he said.

Lemons suggested calling those people deans, but said people who use that word solely for academic deans may oppose it. On the subject of a vice chancellor, or assistant to the chancellor, Lemons said he would like to see that position filled by July.

"He does not need advisory board approval to hire that position, Lemons said, but asked the board for their comments.

"As chancellor, I am in the best position to recommend this and this is what I need to function properly," Lemons said. "The chancellor should delegate responsibility, authority and be held accountable for all aspects of the college. Joe Smiddy did all those things, but Jay Lemons cannot. That's the difference between Joe and Jay."

Lemons said the college has grown and become more complex in the years since Smiddy was chancellor, making the job more difficult.

SMW's Cornette responds to Bentley and Bell

Chris A. Clino
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(Although this article is a follow-up to last week's article on the presentation of Smoky Mountain Wrestling)

As a result of last semester’s wrestling brawl, several newspapers and a local television station have reported about the Smoky Mountain Wrestling events of Dec. 10 in Greer Gymnasium.

Articules have appeared in The Highland Cavalier, The Kingsport Times-News and Jared Bentley’s Sportswatch has aired segments concerning the mini-riot. Bentley’s Sportswatch aired a live via telephone interview with a New York City radio station last night. Along with Bentley was fellow CVC student Shirley Shepard. Both were interviewed for the station to give their insights of the brawl.

Another opinion, as to that night was given by Jim Cornette, Promoter, Smoky Mountain Wrestling to The Pro Wrestling Torch Magazine featured in last week’s Highland Cavalier. Cornette gave a very different picture of the events that led up to the brawl. In a letter to the editor which appeared in the Torch, Cornette used very offensive language which cannot be printed in this newspaper. Cornette alleges that CVC student Shona Bell pushed SMW wrestler Jimmy Del Rey. "Belg got up in my face, told me, 'Take your hands off the f—' brother,' and I told him to 'Get the f— out of my face.' Jimmy then put his hand on Bell's chest and pushed us apart as it looked to him like the guy (Bell) was going to fight me. Bell began shoving back and yelling, and the other guards moved in to separate Jimmy again as the Brunei Brothers (SMW wrestlers), trying to continue the match, grabbed Jimmy. Jimmy broke away and nailed Bell in response to the brawl.

Cornette openly admits in his letter to calling Bell a cussing ex-nigger because according to Cornette, he was "following the rules of a cuss fight which state to Bell and that you say whatever will make your opponent the maddest the quickest."

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The GLBAs Responds to Kendrick

Mr. Kendrick,

Thank you for your letter. We politely believe that you have misinterpreted some of our statements and ask you to read our letter again. Our wording was intended to be a little better. Hopefully this will clear up your questions.

You ask why we have gay or lesbian friends? Fundamentalist Christians believe that it is a sin, a wrong orientation. In the belief system, it is a result of ungodly upbringing and special negative associations. They believe it is a moral disorder. Therefore, according to the law, and the constitution as well, it is a form of prejudice, usually in some form or another. We have to deal with it. The world is a strange place, with little dying in our country and people killing people every day. Don’t you think that we need to “free our minds” so the next can follow us? Just thinking out loud.

Editorials

- Threats or comments that are not related to the newspaper or me at the office may be deleted. A reader offers "hopeful advice" to Wesley Adams

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I am an avid reader of yours and would like to write a short letter on a particular writer on your staff, Wesley Adams. His work is very insightful and difficult to read. Now that I know that we are all in this together, I think more of your writers don’t even write on a college level. I thought the point of articles in the newspaper was so that everyone could read. I really have not heard to spend over 15 minutes trying to make sense of one article. Also in his articles, he always repeats the same things over and over again, just a different angle. I’m not sure why. Also he is simply writing general statements getting his point across.

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I'm boycotting Valentine's Day and going to see White Zombie in concert." Amanda Francis

"Absolutely nothing." Matthew Fleming

"Huh?" Wally Elliott

I wrote my girl a poem to express my love for her. Then we had a nice romantic picnic for two under candlelight." Vic Anderson

"I didn't see my boyfriend (Guy) until 10:00 pm, but then we exchanged gifts and spent a special night alone at his apartment." Tina Lambert

I'm not doing anything!" Brandon "Chunk" Fisher

The colonial environment can be intoxicating in the freedom that it allows, but safety experts say Whitman is spreading the word that you can't depend entirely on those self, campus police to keep you and your personal property safe.

"When something goes on about multicultural issues we're not interested. That's not my life." the student said.

"We have lots of harassment with phone calls and people being approached. We've had lot of harassment because they don't want to be open about their sexual orientations, officials said, so it is difficult to get an accurate number of attacks.

"The basic need for the office is to provide factual information about the gay population," Martin said. "People think we're saying that we're child molesters. The myth is that we're young and sexually active. The myth is that women are strong and truck drivers."

Playing it safe on campus

If that's what you're thinking, national safety experts say you're probably well on your way to becoming a crime statistic, though the number of assaults on campuses has declined.

"This is one of the reasons the campus police are doing a lot of work in terms of preventing crime," Martin said. "We're not saying that no one can be victimized, but that the victims are being proactive."
Michael Jordan's pitch to baseball was a successful one. That makes him a great basketball player, but baseball is his third string. The NBA is his best string. When he came to the US, he was be the last time anyone saw Michael in a pro sport. People forget that. The first time anyone saw Michael was when he was with the Chicago White Sox. This season he is with the Northwest Arkansas Naturals, a Double-A affiliate of the Chicago White Sox.

This announcement was made in the wake of a wave of amateur baseball players from Chicago and around the United States. Michael has a history of playing baseball as a youth, and he has a passion for the sport. His decision to pursue baseball was made after much consideration and consultation with his family and advisors.

Michael Jordan is a multi-talented athlete, and his decision to pursue baseball is a testament to his dedication to excellence in all areas. This move will not only benefit him personally, but it will also bring great joy to fans around the world who enjoy watching his skills. We wish him the very best in his new venture.
CVC Lady Cavs Split weekend double at home

CVC Lady Cavs scoot by Cobras, look to King

Jarred Bentley Sports Writer

Clutch Valley Lady Cavaliers ended this hot streak with the Tennessee Wesleyan Lady Bulldogs losing 69-55. While the Lady Cavaliers were coming off a close game the year before, they ended up in the bottom of the five home teams. The Lady Cavs made just five of 15 three-point shots, but the Lady Bulldogs went for 24.

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Martin said, "The study, given to Ohio State faculty members, states that instructors don't have to know if a student is gay, lesbian or bisexual, but that they should recognize that you do need gay, lesbian and bisexual students. It lists special considerations that faculty should take, including not putting gay students on the spot to disclose their orientation, being educated on gay issues and "valuing diversity.""

"In the era of any kind of diverse population, universities and colleges tend to first involve themselves in the classroom. The university's Center for Teaching Excellence has done studies on minority students, and has published a study on gay and lesbian students. Nanci Chidon, director of Faculty and TA Development, and 16 students--nine gay men and seven lesbians--were extensively interviewed about issues they face in all facets of campus life. "The coming out process is not easy," she says, "and the coming out process is painful and full anxiety," she said. "One study said that the faculty needs to notice that during this process their disappearance can put the student over the edge. Grades often drop, and these students may drop out of school and come back later."

"Many students do not want to be open about their orientation, because of bearing and gay jokes or knowing others who are not good people or somehow wrong."
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 of Community Colleges and Four-Year Colleges, will be published by Greenwood Publishing Group in Westport, Connecticut.

- Dr. Lucius F. Ellsworth attended the South Carolina Humanities Festival Jan. 14-15. This annual event brings scholars and the general public together to probe aspects of the humanities. He also met Dr. Sheldon Hackney, director of the National Endowment for the Humanities, and was interviewed by The Beaufort Gazette.

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.

For Sale

- Desperate for $$$ Rock-bottom prices—guitars, comics, CD’s and more for sale. Stop by Crockett room #7.

Upcoming Events

- Experience Virtual Reality, a stereoscopic 360 degree walk-through visit to cyberspace! Feb 16th, 1-7 in Cantrell 206. Free to CVC students!

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.

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New on Video: In the Line of Fire

Fred Mullens entertainment writer

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The terrible events of November 22, 1963, haunt our nation to this very day. The feeling of helplessness and powerlessness hung over the country like a shroud. Not only the President, but part of the nation’s spirit passed away with him. The only thing that could be worse than witnessing the assassination would be having missed the opportunity to thwart it. That is the situation facing Clint Eastwood (Unforgiven) in Wolfgang Petersen’s In the Line of Fire. Petersen is a German director from the stage who received acclaim for his gripping U-boat drama, Das Boot in 1981.

Eastwood, and aging member of the United States Secret Service, has been forced out to undercover affairs concerning counterfeiting operations. He’s a borderline burnout who is ready to throw in the towel until an ordinary assignment turns up evidence that an unknown individual is meaning to assassinate the President. Eastwood’s superiors disregard the incident as merely another crackpot, but that soon changes when the unknown assassin (Best Supporting Actor Oscar Nominee John Malkovich) starts contacting Eastwood. It seems that Malkovich knows all about Eastwood and his role in President Kennedy’s assassination, and he isn’t willing to let the past slip away.

The Oscar nominated screenplay by Jeff Maguire is full of extremely amusing lines, even if they do tend to appear in uncomfortable situations. This also gives the American public a look at a President’s life that is seldom dwelt upon. Eastwood’s role seems to come directly from Silence of the Lambs. His constant taunting of Eastwood makes him come across as a poor man’s Hannibal Lecter who always has to keep his adversary involved in the game.

A slick plot, believable characters, and nice effects (youthful images of Eastwood inserted into historical footage of Kennedy assassination) make In the Line of Fire a target you will be sorry to miss. (207 minutes, Rated R)

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