

# Culbertson, Sheldon travel to Istanbul

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Behavioral Sciences, was a three-fold purpose."

One of the main reasons for the trip to Turkey was to visit two universities in Istanbul.

During the month of September, last semester Dr. George Culbertson and Professor Garret Sheldon traveled to Istanbul, Turkey on a diplomatic mission for Clinch Valley College.

Culbertson and Sheldon's trip was a follow-up to some work that Brent Kennedy had done in Turkey in April concerning the Mevlana heritage. Dr. Culbertson, who is the Provost and Senior Vice Chancellor at CVC said that the purpose of his and Sheldon's visit, who is the chair of the Department of Social

"We met with representatives of two different universities; the University of Istanbul and Marmara University, to develop possible exchange programs ultimately leading to sister institution arrangements," Culbertson said. Both institutions are very large with the University of Istanbul having 60,000 thousand students and Marmara University having an enrollment of 40,000 thousand students. Concerning this "mission," Culbertson said, "We shared catalogs, we talked about the possibil-

ity of a CVC student studying for a year at one of the universities and one of their students coming here. We hope that will happen over the next few years." Culbertson also spoke of the possibility of faculty exchanges saying that, "We might have a faculty member going there for two weeks and a Turkish faculty member coming here, delivering

lectures at each place."

Three of the days of the trip were spent at a student fair where Culbertson and Sheldon represented Clinch Valley College. Culbertson and Sheldon also delivered a resolution addressed to the mayor of Cesme. "The town of Wise made us a nice plaque for this occasion and we delivered it for them. They (Wise and Cesme) are in the process of developing sister village arrangements...again a follow-up on Brent's work," said Culbertson. During the Fall Fling, the Minister of Tourism for Turkey visited the town of Wise and the college was impressed by the warm

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## Ewing hired as Assistant Vice Chancellor for Administration

Any Jones  
Staff Writer

Simeon B. Ewing has been director of the Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service (Southwest Virginia Office Branch) since September 1987.

Recently, Ewing's job title has been expanded; he is now Assistant Vice Chancellor for

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# Opinion

## Editor challenges students

### New semester, new year brings much needed changes

Christopher A. Cline  
Editor-in-Chief

With the new semester and new year comes changes. These changes will be evident to all who read our newspaper. We are going to cover more news and present the news in a more serious and professional manner than my predecessors.

When I say my predecessors I include myself. For you see, I was editor of this newspaper for four semesters (Fall 1991-Spring of 1993). The reasons I stepped down at that time are evident to those close to me.

Since that time I have matured and grown. I am now an adult and I accept full responsibility for my actions.

I have had to endure a very frustrating year on this paper and all those times that I had to bite my tongue are gone. I expect no less from my fellow peers. I want this staff and other students to address issues with us and to speak out.

The Highland Cavalier and the Student Government Association will be working together closely to let the students know how we are working for them. If the paper is not heading in the right direction in any part because of me, I expect to be informed.

The Highland Cavalier endured a rough semester whether it was through difficulties with computers or with lack of staff. One thing that has remained strong is the dedication of those people listed below on our masthead. These people gave so much of themselves to publish a newspaper every week and continue to do so. The paper may not have come out every week but an attempt was made on OUR part.

If you know any of these people, thank them for they are, in addition to being students, the people who help to inform you!

I hope that you will take this opportunity to build your resume as well as leadership skills by working on this publication.

And it came...and came...and came....

This photo taken by the HC Photo Editor, Taylor Burgess, shows historic Crockett Hall after the blizzard of 1996. One wonders what another blizzard would be called?



## Invitation extended to all students

Melinda Wadel  
Managing Editor

Well another semester has come and gone, hard to believe. What's even harder to believe is that I'm not writing my usual story about the parking on campus, but that's another day and another story.

What I am actually writing is about the paper this semester. I got a promotion this semester from Typist to Managing Editor, which happens to be appropriate for me, since I am an Enco major. But enough with this. Let's talk about why I am really writing this article.

I have been on The Highland Cavalier staff for the past four years. Three of those years was typing, but once I became familiar with the computers and started writing for my Enco classes, I also started to write stories for the paper.

From the four years of being on staff, I have seen different Editors come and go. And with each editor, you would see the different styles each editor would use and

you would have to adjust. But sometimes those adjustments are more difficult to adjust to, especially when there is utterly total chaos throughout the whole staff.

Besides the chaos and commotion, things have a tendency to work out, and they did, and are. This semester we have a new staff and a good amount of staff writers (which is good to see). We fixed all major problems we encountered and are hopefully on the road to a great paper.

The one thing I would like to point out about this paper is that this semester we are under a new editor and an Advisor who not only has the experience with working on a paper, but who offers advice whenever she thinks we need it or when we ask. Things have changed drastically, and changed for the better.

One of the benefits from working on this paper was of course the access of a computer all the time, but also the experience I have gained from all the years working on the paper. Even a typist can gain

experience, and it looks good on the resume.

I would like to encourage and extend the invitation to all students to come to our meetings which are held on Friday's at 1:00 pm, usually in the women's lounge in Crockett. I would also encourage anyone who is thinking about or is an Enco major and is interested in the field of journalism to join the HC staff and write. The more experience you have will benefit you later on.

Like Chris states in his article, it is a new semester and the paper will be run as if it were a professional paper.

Things in the past have left the reputation of the paper to be slack, unprofessional and a mess. Sometimes it was our fault, but other times it wasn't. Sometimes it may have been our computers and sometimes we couldn't be printed on the time we were scheduled.

In all, we are working this semester to show and to prove to people that we are very capable of putting out a quality newspaper.

# News

Directors of Admissions and Career Services to leave...

## Bickers' move to North Carolina

Kathy Brown  
Features Editor

Clinch Valley College is losing the Director of Admissions, Doyle Bickers and the Director of Career Services, Phyllis Bickers.



Doyle Bickers

Bickers applied for the Director of Admissions vacancy to Western Carolina University in Cullowee, North Carolina southwest of Asheville. Bickers last day at CVC is February 4th.

Bickers always wanted to apply for a position at Western Carolina didn't want to wait another 15 years for a position there. Bickers decided to apply, and they called him before they returned to Wise.

"This is a chance to go home. This is the area where I grew up and it is also a chance to get a lot closer to Phyllis' parents because they are getting older," said Bickers.

Both said they like it at CVC. Bickers said that if the position at Western Carolina did not become vacant, he had planned on retiring at CVC. Bickers talked some about his father, and said that his father moved around areas such as North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, and Tennessee

when he was growing up and home to him is around the Cullowee area. One reason why he calls the Cullowee area "home" is because they had a home place there.

"Western Carolina University is like a bigger Clinch Valley, except you don't get to know the students like you do here. Getting to know the students on the personal level is one thing that I will miss," expressed Bickers.

Through the years, they have made friends at Western Carolina. Bickers boss happens to be an old friend of his. Bickers has done a lot of Appalachian Studies at the University. Bickers will also get to watch ACC basketball, which happens his favorite sport.

Bickers also said that there are 6500 students at Western Carolina and stated that

it is a family institution like CVC. Bickers continued to say that Western Carolina is a part of North Carolina University just like CVC is a part of the University of Virginia.

"One of the biggest transitions from CVC to Western Carolina is the volume of students," said Bickers. Bickers also mentioned that Admission people are like coaches; if the numbers are not there, then they are not either.

Phyllis Bickers, director of Career Services, said that they were not looking to leave CVC as a replacement. Bickers also continued to say that it took them several weeks to make a decision, but smiled and said they were in a di-

lemma over what to do. They both love this place and the people here and said they have made close friends at CVC.

"We are just real sad about leaving and did not realize how attached we have become to the people at CVC. By Doyle's decision, this will let me be closer to my family and I can also work on my Ph.D. down there," said Bickers.

"I have enjoyed working with the students in my classes and working to expand the Career Center on campus. I am not leaving until June so I can give Dr. Juhan some time to find another person for my position and to finish some of the things that I have planned and to see some of my plans through," Bickers continued to say.

Bickers also said, "I don't think that I have ever been on a College campus where there is a personal level. Students here are so real and friendly. I am going to wonder what a lot of them will do after graduation."

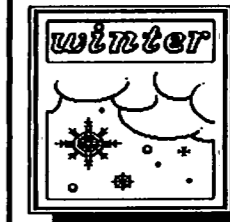


Phyllis Bickers

CVC wishes them both good luck as they continue down the road of life.

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## Weather related announcements to be broadcast on local radio and television stations



Winter in the mountains often brings bad weather which causes schedule changes for Clinch Valley College. When bad weather strikes, the college may operate on a snow schedule or may cancel classes.

Information about CVC schedule changes will be available from a variety of sources, listed below for your convenience.

1. CVC Snow Hotline. By calling 376-4SNO(4766), you can hear updated schedule changes 24 hours a day.
2. Radio. The following radio stations will announce schedule changes.

WAXM	93.5 FM	Norton
WDIC	92.1 FM	Clinchco
WDXC	102.3 FM	Pound
WIFX	94.3 FM	Whitesburg
WNVA	106.3 FM	Norton/Wise
WQUT	101.5 FM	Johnson City
WSWV	105.5 FM	Pennington Gap
WTCW/WXKQ	92.0AM/103.9FM	Whitesburg
WTFM	98.5 FM	Kingsport
WXQB	96.9 FM	Bristol
WXLZ	107.3 FM	Castlewood
WZQK	99.7 FM	Coeburn

3. Television. The following television stations will announce schedule changes.

WCYB	Channel 5	Bristol
WJHL	Channel 11	Johnson City
WKPT	Channel 19	Kingsport
WYMT	Channel 57	Hazard

Sometimes weather patterns change very quickly and this forces us to alter our schedule with little advance notice. In the event of extremely fast-breaking weather, we will first put an announcement on the 376-4SNO number, and we will inform the broadcast stations beginning with these three:

WAXM	93.5 FM	Norton
WIFX	94.3 FM	Whitesburg
WCYB	Channel 5	Bristol

# 376-4SNO

## ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS!

The Student Government Association of Clinch Valley College presents the 1996 Valentine's Dance on Sat., Feb. 10, from 9:00pm until 1:00am in the Cafeteria located in Cantrell Hall. This is a semi-formal dance and alcohol is not permitted. Carnations will be presented to the first 100 students. Food will be provided by the SGA. For more information, please call 328-0213 or ask any SGA member. YOU are paying for this dance, so why not enjoy your money?

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in turn, benefit the students. Ewing's main purpose as Assistant Vice Chancellor for Administration is to somewhat "lighten the load" that Dr. Culbertson and Chancellor Lemons

carry. Ewing comments humorously that Dr. Lemons and Dr. Culbertson work "only 80 hours per week instead of 120." For example, if a water line suddenly breaks on campus and certain dormitories are

without water, Ewing can be consulted. In the past, every issue and dilemma went to the Chancellor.

Ewing's position offers the staff and students of Clinch valley the advantage of availability. He is at

CVC to deal with the ideas, questions, and crisis within his field. Chancellor Lemons and Dr. Culbertson cannot be on campus all the time. Their responsibilities include traveling to Richmond and Charlottesville to attend meetings

which concern academics and finances. The very busy Ewing remains calm and rather untrussed at this point. His positive attitude and love for Clinch Valley should assure his success in his new position.

### Resume service available on-line

Decisive Quest, Inc., of Richardson, offers a computer program to help college students search for a job and internship opportunities at no charge.

To begin, students must download the program onto a disk using a personal computer that operates in a Windows environment and has a modem. After the program is no longer downloaded, a modem is no longer required. Students do not need a resume to participate because the program produces one for them.

The Decisive Quest program helps students locate full-time and part-time employment and internship opportunities by asking them a series of questions about themselves and the type of job they want.

Participants answer questions about their major, GPA, work experience, community and extracurricular involvements, and date of graduation. They then specify the type of employment they are seeking, the type and size of company they wish to work for, and whether they are seeking employment locally, statewide, or nationwide. Students can also write up to 20 lines to explain anything about themselves that is not addressed in the questionnaire. The program then generates a two-page resume for users. This resume can be sent by modem or mailed to Decisive Quest.

Companies, meanwhile, use the program to specify the type of student they wish to hire. When employees of Decisive Quest find that a particular student suits a company's needs, they will ask that student for permission to release his or her resume to the company. If permission is granted, then the computer will create a cover letter for the resume and fax it to the company.

The service is free for students, universities, and companies to use. If it is financed by companies to use. It is financed by companies that actually hire students through it. Decisive Quest does not publish the number of companies or students it services. But Richard Donelli, CPA and president of Decisive Quest, Inc., said "We just sent software to 1270 companies and their response has been phenomenal." Part of its popularity, he claims, has to do with the fact that "small and medium-sized companies often cannot go to colleges to recruit students on their budgets."

The program is self-explanatory and easy to use, even for those who are relatively computer illiterate. (For example, there is a paragraph in the instructions that explains to us-

ers how to manipulate a mouse.) Participants have to little work and spend little time with the program, and resumes can be updated by computer as often as is needed. It can be used by those seeking full-time, part-time, permanent, or temporary employment, as well as internships, and it immediately gives users access to nationwide opportunities if they want them. It is especially helpful to those students who want to begin looking for full-time, permanent employment before they graduate.

However, the program does have some limitations. Students can not specify in which cities, states, or region of the country they wish to work, unless they are seeking employment in their home city or state. And students cannot declare exactly when they would like to start working. This is a problem for someone who, for example, creates a resume in February to find a temporary job for the following summer. but, overall, the program is easy to operate and worth the small amount of time and effort required to run it.

To participate in this program, students can access Decisive Quest's Home Page, located on the Internet World Wide Web (WWW) at this address: <http://www.onramp.net/~dql>.

#### CLINCH VALLEY COLLEGE STUDENT INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

1. Clinch Valley College will cancel classes and close offices when inclement weather is a threat to student safety. In such circumstances, the decision to cancel classes will be made by appropriate administrative officers. An announcement will be made on the College's telephone snow hot line 376-45N0 as well as area radio and television stations at the earliest possible time.
2. Given the variability of the weather in the Southwest Virginia mountains, there will be occasions when classes will not be canceled even though conditions in some surrounding areas may make travel hazardous. When weather conditions in the immediate area permit classes to be held, the College will be open on a snow schedule. This decision will be made at the earliest possible time and will be announced on the CVC hot line 376-45N0 and regional television and radio stations. The approved snow schedule for classes is as follows:

M-W-F Classes	T-Th Classes
I 9:00 - 9:50	XII 9:00 - 10:15
II 10:00 - 10:50	XIII 10:30 - 11:45
III 11:00 - 11:50	XIV 12:00 - 1:15
IV 12:00 - 12:50	XV 1:30 - 2:45
V 1:00 - 1:50	XVI 3:00 - 4:15
Convocation 2:00 - 2:50	XVII 4:20 - 5:35
VI 3:00 - 3:50	XIX 6:00 - 7:15
VII 4:00 - 4:50	XX 7:30 - 8:45
VIII 5:00 - 5:50	
X 6:00 - 7:15	
XI 7:30 - 8:45	

All day classes start one hour later than normal except Time Block IX (M-W-F) and XVIII (T-Th) which will be canceled. A faculty member who teaches a class during one of these time blocks may reschedule class as appropriate. Night classes will begin at 6:00 p.m. as usual.

Student safety is of the utmost importance. When the College is operating on a snow schedule, commuter students who live outside the Town of Wise corporation limits should use their best judgment about whether it is safe to drive from their homes. Commuter students also should use their best judgment on whether to leave the College early on days when snow begins to fall during the school day.

Commuter students who live outside the Town of Wise corporation limits who are unable to attend class because of inclement weather are allowed to make up any academic work missed in consultation with the appropriate professor. Contact with the professor should occur immediately upon return to class. Residence Hall students, including those living in the Townhouse Apartments and students living within the Town of Wise corporation limits are expected to attend classes when the College is operating on a snow schedule and will not be granted excess absences.

3. The schedule for courses offered by the Department of Continuing Education will be determined by the schedule of the host school where the course is offered. Classes offered at the CVC Abingdon Center follow the schedule of Virginia Highlands Community College.

## CVC students invited to join in Alumni Phonathon

The Clinch Valley College Alumni Phonathon will be held February 11-22, 1996, in the Chapel of All Faiths. CVC students have the opportunity to get involved!

The phonathon is held to encourage CVC alumni to make financial contributions to their alma mater. Funds raised through the phonathon benefit current CVC students by creating scholarships for needy and deserving students, improving campus facilities, enhancing library holdings, supporting intercollegiate athletic programs, and much more.

Alumni are also able to designate their gift to a specific department or program.

"We have learned in the past couple of years that our students are our best volunteers for the phonathon. They are excited, en-

thusiastic, and honest, and alumni like talking with them. Alumni want to know what's going on around campus and who can better tell them than our current students?" said CVC Alumni Director, and phonathon coordinator, Valerie Stanley.

Stanley points out, too, that the phonathon gives students good experience that will help them later in compiling their resumes or in job interviews.

The phonathon begins each evening at 6 pm with an information session which lasts about thirty minutes. "We provide a good training program for our volunteers which makes them comfortable before they begin calling," Stanley commented. Calls begin at 6:30 and end around 9pm.

Stanley has started making presentations to many organizations

and classes to recruit student volunteers. Several professors have agreed to offer extra credit, but many students volunteer just to serve their College and get some real experience.

We encourage organizations and groups to participate as a way for them to strengthen the ties within their group. We also provide a pizza party to the organization with the highest number of pledges.

During CVC Springfest, all volunteers are honored at the student-alumni picnic. "We appreciate our volunteers so much. More important than the funds that they help us raise is the fact that they're helping us to update our records on alumni and provide a communication that otherwise would be impossible," Stanley said. She added that last year callers talked with more than 2,000 of our alumni.

"The phonathon is really a lot of fun. We have pizza, drinks, and snacks for the volunteers. We ring bells when pledges are made, and we all celebrate in each other's successes. It's just real exciting to be

part of this type of event," Stanley said.

Any club, organization, class, or individual wishing to sign up should contact Stanley at 328-0128 or stop by the Alumni Hall.



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Glenda Skeen, Heather Deskins, Mark Long, R. Allen Salyers, R. Swindall, A.M. Bandy, Crystal Collins, and Kathy Kincer painted the mural in the office for Student Affairs. Pictured are, L-R, (front) Margie Schoenewald, Tamara Robinson, and; (back) Cole Spencer, Gary Juhan, and Mary Eubanks.

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CULBERTSON, from pg. 1 reception he received. Concerning the visit and sister arrangements, Culbertson remarked, "I think that was the first step in the right direction."

Culbertson shared many of his experiences in Turkey and spoke of a Sunday afternoon he spent with a Turkish family. "A family took me out on a Sunday afternoon. We

went to some museums. We went to a naval museum and they showed me some of the ships the Ottoman sailors used to have and said that this is the kind of boat that my ancestors were in," said Culbertson. Culbertson was impressed with the people of Turkey and said, "I found the Turkish people that I met and talked with to be very pro-American. They

were fascinated with the story and the possible connections between the Melungeons and Turkey."

Another trip to Turkey is being planned for Spring Break. Anyone who is interested should consult Brent Kennedy or Triple A Travel Agency. Culbertson encouraged students to take advantage of the opportunity and said of his trip, "It was a great experience for me."



Students help with annual phone-a-thon conducted in the Chapel.

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As the NFL watches

## Shonn Bell plays in Blue-Gray All-Star Game

Stacy Nicholson  
Sports Editor

For some, Christmas means sitting by a tree and unwrapping presents. Yet for some college athletes, it means football.

For Shonn Bell, Christmas came early this year as he was invited to the 58th Annual Blue Gray All-Star Football Classic in Montgomery, Alabama.

This game has simply featured some of football's greatest athletes that have gone on to NFL. Players like Len Dawson, Jerry Rice, and CVC's own Carroll Dale have all been featured in this Christmas Day Classic.

"I received the invitation the day before I left for break," said Bell. He left soon after that to join the gray squad that was coached by Tommy Tuberville from Ole Miss and Fred Goldsmith from Duke.

Bell got right to work with a team that featured some of the top college players from across the country, including Steve Taneyhill from South Carolina and Curtis Brown from Alabama.

"I was nervous and rusty on the first day," said Bell, "but everything went well. I felt good out there, they have the same style but they're just bigger schools."

Being one of two N A I A players to play in the Blue-Gray Game since Jerry Rice, Bell felt the pressure. "Some of the guys looked at me as a player from a small school," said Bell.

He may be from a small school, but he received the attentions of Pro Football's talent scouts. "As soon as I got there, I was talking to scouts. They asked questions about my background and I was filling

out papers until 3:00 AM," said Bell.

The week's practice gave way to

team."

Although the Gray team went on to lose the game, Bell went on to play a great game.

Coach Bill Ramseyer, who was on hand to witness the game, offered his analysis of Bell's game: "He played real well. At the point of attack, he did a good job and when the play went to the

ter football player according to Ramseyer, "I think it gave him confidence. It made him feel that he has the ability to perform, no matter the size of the school. Ability and work ethic, not the size of the program, as well as how you take advantage of what is presented to you is important."

Christmas wasn't over for Bell however, as he received an invitation to the NFL Scouting Combine in Indianapolis, Indiana.

"I was one of 14 Tight Ends invited to the Combine. Someone wants me out there and this is another step towards getting your foot in the door," said Bell.

Ramseyer praised Bell, saying, "Shonn is a very intense competitor that works hard and takes every rep at practice and works hard at practice. Although he needs to put on weight, he can run and catch the ball."

After the Combine, Bell and other CVC players will play in an All-Star game in Louisville, Kentucky

Ramseyer offered this final remark, "His foot's in the door, the rest is up to him."



HC Photo/ David McMillan

Shonn Bell displays the jersey he wore during the prestigious Blue-Gray Game.

the match-up on Christmas Day, nationally broadcast by ABC. A crowd of over 18,000 people was on hand to witness the American classic.

"I wasn't nervous," said Bell, "but excited to be there. It was new to me, but not to the rest of the

other side, he hussled to make the block. He caught his first pass off a bootleg for a first down."

Bell showed his many talents as he played special teams. Ramseyer said, "He played quite well on special teams."

The experience made Bell a bet-

## Walker beats Bluefield with free throw

Matt McCurry  
Assistant Sports Editor

With 0.3 seconds left in their home game against Bluefield on January 16th, Mario Walker and the rest of the CVC basketball team proved their mettle by winning the game 87-81.

A fierce game was near conclusion, the score tied, but with Walker at the line for two shots.

It may have been to make the final moments more exciting, it may have been a simple slip on his part, or it may even have been nervousness.

Walker missed his first shot before calmly stepping to the line and icing the game.

The free throw concluded an incredible game, which was fiercely played and tight throughout. Bluefield, who beat CVC earlier in the season by three points, surprised

the Cavaliers with their defensive intensity early on.

However, the Cavs scrapped

their way back into the game, diving for loose balls and grabbing offensive rebounds. The 1st half concluded with a tied score at 37.

The second half, while more offensive minded, nearly mirrored the first. Bluefield leapt out to an early lead but CVC fought back.

With 4:56 left, Nat Hash, who led the Cavs with 16 points, buried a three pointer which put CVC in the lead for the first time.

The lead leapt back and forth after this until Steve Dalton buried a huge shot, a jumper from just inside the three point line which put CVC up by one with 51.1 seconds left.

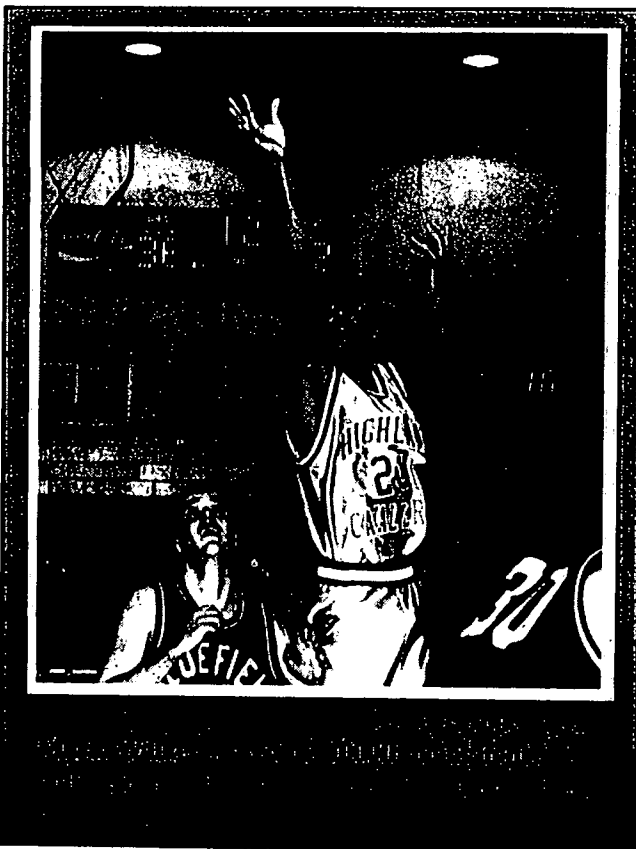
At the other end a fierce defensive possession almost went for naught, but Scott Vermillion's diving rebound

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HC Photo/ David McMillan

Nat Hash surveys the opposing defense.



## Semester leave no break for men's basketball team

Matt McCurry  
Assistant Sports Editor

The return of students to CVC was accompanied by one dominant question: how did the basketball team do over the holiday? Well, here is your answer.

While every other student enjoyed a month's long vacation, the dedicated CVC players were gone but a week, returning on the 27th of December.

Their first game was three days later, on the 30th, when they had to play Charleston Southern at Charleston.

Charleston jumped out to an early lead and CVC never recovered. The score was 40-24 at the half and the final margin was 86-60. The Cavs shot only 42 percent from the field, compared to 55 percent for Southern.

The standouts of the game were Nat Hash, who led the Cavs with 17 points, and Scotty Vermillion, who scored 13 points and grabbed seven rebounds. Mario Walker also contributed 14 points.

Coach Mitchell and his squad would attempt to bounce back from the loss as they traveled down to Florida for tournament play. Their first game was against the host team, Webber College.

It was a close game throughout; 40-39 Webber at the half as the all around play of Scotty Vermillion (17 points, 8 rebounds) and the outside shooting of Nat Hash (4 threes) and Nat Law (3 threes) kept the Cavs close. However Webber pulled away down the stretch, and eventually won 84-79.

CVC's second game of the tournament was against Indiana South-east.

### Walker, from 6

gave the Cavs the ball and the lead with 27.5 seconds remaining.

Freshman guard Nat Law was then fouled and buried both shots, putting CVC up by three. However with 12 seconds left, a Bluefield three pointer by Ryan Larch tied the score.

The Cavs inbounded the ball past half court and called a time-out with 5.6 seconds left, setting up the foul on Walker which decided the game.

By all rights, CVC should have won the game. They shot 55% from the field, compared to 46% for Indiana, and shot 10-23 from the three point line.

The Cavs inside players led the way. Clay Parker scored 20 points and had 13 rebounds while team-

back behind the outside shooting of Nat "Doc" Law, who scored a career high 21 points. The lead was cut to three with five minutes left, but CVC could do no more from there. The final score was 71-67 Covenant.

Two days later, CVC travelled to Alice Lloyd to face the conference co-leaders.

Alice Lloyd, with a pair of all conference guards in Shawn Hagar and Robert Marcum, was simply too much for the Cavs. Although they stayed close, actually taking a 53-50 lead in the second half, CVC was doomed in the final minutes as Marcum and Hagar scored repeatedly.

The final score was 91-78. Despite the loss, there were several standouts for the Cavaliers.

Clay Parker had 18 points and 8 rebounds while Mario Walker contributed 25 points. Scott Vermillion packed a complete statline with 9 points, 13 rebounds and 6 as-

ists. Although the Cavs lost by 13, they were not so far off from Alice Lloyd.

CVC finally returned home for a game on January 13 against Bryan College.

Bryan jumped out to an early lead thanks to the hot shooting from behind the 3-point line, especially by their point guard, John Stonestreet, who hit 4 threes in the first half.

However in the second, a spark was provided by Alan Taylor, whose steadily improving play has earned him a starting role, and the Cavs jumped into a lead which they never relinquished.

Nat Hash led the Cavs with 24 points and 6 rebounds while Scotty Vermillion added 15 points and 7 rebounds himself.

Alan Taylor clearly sparked CVC with an all around game, scoring 15 points, adding 3 assists, 2 steals, and 2 blocked shots.

The break between semesters was finally over, as the students began arriving the following day for the basketball team, it was the end of a long road trip and relief from the boring loneliness of an empty campus.



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Scotty Vermillion looks to pass to an open teammate.

## Clinch Valley crushes Montreat College

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After a rough start the Lady Cavs got on track by crushing Montreat College 85-62.

From the opening tip, the Lady Cavs played on all cylinders. Bobbi Mullins hit the first field goal of the game and the Lady Cavs never trailed.

The Lady Cavs offense was played flawlessly. Every shot was falling for the Lady Cavs as Montreat was having trouble against the Lady Cavs defense.

Every player on Montreat had at least one turnover.

Everytime Montreat would score, the Lady Cavs answered. After the first half of play, the Lady Cavs lead 49-26. In the second half, the Lady Cavs dominated on both sides of the court.

The defense held Montreat without a field goal until 15:08 was left to go in the game.

The Lady Cavs fast break was run to perfection throughout the second half.

The players of the game for the Lady Cavs were Christy Gray who had 22 points, three assists and incredible 17 steals, and Collier, who grabbed six defensive and three offensive rebounds.



Wendell Collier shoots a jumper against the Tusculum College Lady Pioneers. As a Senior, she is enjoying one of her best years.

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## HIGHLIGHTS

WHEN	WHAT	WHERE
1-30(5:30pm)	Women's Basketball	Gym
(7:30pm)	Men's Basketball	Gym
(7:00 pm)	Intr. Volleyball Capt. Mtg.	CVC Den
1-31 (3-7 pm)	Strat-O-Matic Football	CVC Den
(5:00pm)	BSU Supper	BSU
2-1 (1:00pm)	Ron Price(speaker)	Chapel
(5:30pm)	Women's Basketball	Gym
(6:00pm)	SAB Meeting	CVC Den
(7:30pm)	Men's Basketball	Gym
2-2-3	BSU Student Retreat	Norfolk
2-3 (5:30pm)	Women's Basketball	Gym
2-4 (TBA)	Intramural Volleyball	Gym
(4:00pm)	Junius Griffin(speaker)	Chapel
2-5 (1:00pm)	David Rouse	Chapel

# Scorsese's new mob movie, *Casino* surprised hit

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It has been said that Martin Scorsese's gangster masterpiece, *Goodfellas* (9/5), makes all other mob movies obsolete because it effectively ddninks and deconstructs the mythology that has been bulk around organized crime.

Organized crime has always had an appeal that dates back to the media's fascination with Al Capone, but Scorsese showed that leading such a life had heartbreaking consequences.

Perhaps the nagging feeling one experience when watching Scorsese's new mob movie *Casino* is that the conclusion is never really in doubt. A seasoned movie goer knows what will occur in die three hour movie but hopes to be exhilarated in the techniques of conveying the story.

Sam "Ace" Rothsteiri (Robert DeNiro) is a top notch bookmaker who is sent to the neon Babylon of

Las Vegas in 1970 to oversee the operations of the Tangiers Resort & Casino. The main purpose of the Vegas operation is to make as much money as possible because a huge amount of the profit is being skimmed off the top for the mob bosses who are based in Kansas City.

After entrenching himself in the affairs of the Tangiers, he is joined in Vegas by his lifelong friend Nicky Simora (Oscar wiimer Joe Pesci). Nicky's hothead posonality has always been in syiK h with the enforcer duties entrusted to him by other mobsters(it seems Ace can't do any violent act himself), but it is not long before his hot-dog antics bring him into contact with various law enforcement agencies.

These conflicts eventually result in his being blackballed from any and all casinos. This sets Ace's plans back, but it gives Nicky an excuse to engage in the vicious street tactics he has wanted to engage in all along;

Along the way Ace becomes in-

olved with a first rate hustler Ginger (Sharon Stone in a role where she keqis her clothes on), and it is not long before he has convinced her to marry him. It is obvious that DeNiro loves her, but she is just a money grubbing slut who can't believe anybody can be good to her.

Sam tolerates her tantrums and bad behavior, biit she crosses the line with repeated contact widi her former pimp who is always asking for money (James Woods in a wasted part).

When Ace has Woods properly reprimanded, it sends Stone over the edge. She descends into a self-destructive downward spiral of drugs, alcohol, and most importantly of all, and affair with Pesci. This results in Nicky battling Sam for his way of life in a conflict that both cannot win.

The first hour of *Casino* is as fine a piece of craftsmanship as anything Martin Scorsese has ever done. The fihn draws the viewer into the power of Vegas and Scorsese's narrative exposition of

how the money skim worics makes what could have been a difficult point to undentand seem as simple as child's play. The viewer begins to think along the same lines as the mobsters because it seems that the run-of-the-mill gambler goes to Vegas to throw away money, and the mob is simply fulfilling that requirement

The movies begins to take a de-tour firoma strong nairative foundation when it begins concentrating on dwmelodramataidng place between Stone and DeNiro, Pesci and Stone, and especially De Niro and Pesci. Scorsese must believe it takes that long to establish the weird symbiosis that exists between De Niro and Pesci.

Anyone who has ever had a best friend that be or she wants to after-nately love or IdU will understand the relationship best of all because inilfaefi hn, it wiU show them falling out in one scene and the next shows them masteminding some scam.

Some might see this as unfo-

cused direction, but it achieves the highest form of realism in intent and execution. However, oiough is enough and a few less scenes would make the movie flow better as a whole.

Sharon Stone turns m a surprisingly credible performance as the metime hustler who can't shake the pimp mentality. Her descent into self-inflicted destruction is believable and harrowing, and few would have thought someone with her filmography could pull it off. The centerpiece of the movie belcmgs to De Niro though.

He has made a career of portraying thoroughly unsympathetic characters and bringing a sense of moral conflict to the surface.

It is definitely wortl^ of an Oscar nomination, but he probably will not get it because he bu played similar characters before in Scorsese's *Mean Streets* (73), *Goodfellas* (90)i Francis Ford Coppola's *The Go^alher Part U*, and Sergio Leone's *Once Upon A JSmeInAmerca* (54).

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