Dangers of drinking exposed in heart-to-heart

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"I'm not going to try and tell anybody not to drink... I'm just going to tell you my story, and I'm going to tell you what I learned, what I found out, and I'll let you draw your own conclusions."

On October 24, 1996, a young man stood before the student body in Greer Gymnasium to try to influence them with a story that has changed his life forever. The program was sponsored by the Residence Life Council, Inter-Greek Council, and the Counseling Center.

Steve Matting, now 24 years old, was a brother in the Pi Lambda Phi fraternity. His story began at a closed Christmas fraternity party before final exams at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, Pa., which ended in tragedy. A week before the party, Matting was asked to go on a liquor run for an upcoming party.

Matting was no longer attending CMU, but came back to spend time with his fraternity brothers and the pledges.

At the party, a close friend of Matting's, 19 year old Justin Chambers, was also on a leave of absence from CMU, passed out on a couch downstairs.

A few friends came upstairs to tell Matting his friend was passed out. They went downstairs to bring Chambers upstairs to the warmest room in the house—the bathroom.

When they got Chambers into the bathroom, they noticed he was purple. Some brothers called campus security and called for an ambulance.

They immediately rushed Chambers to the hospital, but nothing could be done to save him. He had been dead for a couple of hours.

Matting stayed at the fraternity house that night. The next morning, a friend advised Matting if he left, go out the back door; a mob of media personnel were waiting out front.

The press had been covering a rash of alcohol-related deaths in the Pittsburgh area and Chambers death was publicized extensively.

CMU led an investigation into the incident, and the Pi Lambda Phi's lawyer advised all the brothers to cooperate with the police and tell them exactly what happened.

Chambers' death could not have come at a worse time in Matting's life. Matting's twenty-third birthday was on the same day as Chambers' funeral. He was also being interrogated by the police concerning Chambers' death.

Matting and two others were eventually charged with "Providing Alcohol to Minors," and they were put on academic probation and given community service. The fraternity brothers would not go to trial, but would plead-bargain.

The young men were sentenced a month later. The judge found the whole incident troubling and sentenced them to six to twelve months in jail, but would not give time served.

Matting now resides in Manassas and has a steady job. Matting said he had learned numerous lessons after the incident.

"There was nothing special about the party we were at," said Matting. "There's nothing different about the way Justin was that sets him or us apart from any of you in this room."

Matting stressed the fact that the incident that occurred at CMU could just as easily happen here at Clinch Valley.

"In fraternities, it doesn't matter what the GPA of your fraternity is," said Matting. "It doesn't matter what kind of community service record that you have. It doesn't matter how good you are on campus, what your image is like, or what your reputation is like. As soon as something like this happens, you're labeled as an animal house."

He urged fraternities and anyone having a party to follow a few guidelines. The rules of fraternities are there for a reason, and Matting suggested keeping a couple of examples charged with DUI after accident on campus

Press Release
Clinch Valley College officials recently unveiled a plan that will enable students to obtain a master's degree in social foundations of education in late spring of 1997.

The program, which is sponsored by UVa's Curry School of Education will emphasize special emphasis on higher education.

The degree program is aimed at bachelor's prepared professionals who want to enhance their understanding and skills to work directly with college students.

"The social foundations degree is a systematic inquiry into the historical, philosophical, sociological, and international dimensions of education," said Hal Burbach, professor and chair, Department of Leadership, Foundations, and Policy at the Curry School, and advisor to the program.

"It transcends the particular skills of specialists and practitioners, draws on the insights and experiences of both, and deals with the conceptual bases underlying any educational endeavor," Burbach said.

The degree program will be held on weekends and involves a total of 10 three-credit courses, including such titles as "Issues in Higher Education," "History of American Higher

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Opinion

Generation X: Go out and vote

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You need to vote! You need to vote! How many times have I heard people on television telling me that every vote counts? Some prosperous politicians or some radical rock and roll artists is going to massively win the election if we just show up at our local polling area and cast that vote? That's right.

Besides, voting is the least that comes our way today. One, I wish they would just make out the artist and not worry about student loans or health care. Who cares about those things! All of these political campaigns went to shop the television, blocking all of my favorite programs. The election is a waste of time because one vote cannot make a difference. Then again, this voting thing may have something to it, I mean.

our responsibility does kind of fight with us to insist that we need to vote. Voting does make the difference in the "Great Experiment" called democracy. We have a chance to totally change the face of our leadership without picking up a gun or killing someone. That sounds pretty unique.

Imagine (sort of), world leaders changing the face of the government. The only person who can do that is you. Who knows what would happen?

A lot of politicians really do not listen to the voice of generation X. They ignore the issues of importance for our age group. They can do this because we do not go and vote in large numbers. A slogan trend, to say the least.

No matter how you feel about the candidates, voting is one of the most important things that you can do as an American. Listen to the candidates, make a decision, vote. It's simple and it's American.

Health fair coming!

From Student Health

On November 4, 1996 starting at 10:00 AM, a Health Fair will be held at the University of Virginia. The Health Fair will provide students with information about various health issues and services available on campus. A variety of health professionals will be on hand to answer questions and provide literature about health and well-being.

Can Can comes to Wise

November 5, is election day across the country. Cast your vote at your local polling station.

Students comment on upcoming election

Who are you voting for and why?

"I am voting for Bill Clinton because he is honest and trustworthy. He has a strong record of involvement in world affairs."

- Victoria McDonald

"I am voting for Bob Dole because he believes in the American way of life."

- Mark Johnson

"I am voting for Clinton because he believes in the American way of life."

- Andrea Waldron

"I am voting for Dole because he believes in the American way of life."

- David Joyce

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- Mike LeComet
Clinch Valley's dream season continues with win over Maryville

On October 25, the Clinch Valley Highland Cavaliers played their fifth game of the season against Bethel College in the Maryville Fighting Scots. The game was a critical point in their season, as they were looking to keep their winning streak going into the final weeks of the season. Bethel was their next opponent, and they were determined to come out victorious.

The Highland Cavaliers, led by their star quarterback Jay Withrow, were prepared for the game. They had been practicing hard throughout the week, and they knew that they had to be at their best to overcome Bethel. Withrow was determined to lead his team to victory.

The game started well for the Highland Cavaliers. They quickly got on the board with a touchdown, and they were off to a great start. However, the Fighting Scots were not going to give up easily. They fought back hard and managed to score a touchdown of their own.

The Highland Cavaliers did not lose their momentum, and they continued to push forward. They were determined to win this game, and they were not going to let Bethel get the better of them. They were able to score another touchdown, and they were in the lead once again.

The Fighting Scots were not giving up, and they continued to fight back. They managed to score another touchdown, and the game was tied once again. The Highland Cavaliers knew that they had to be at their best if they wanted to win this game.

In the final minutes of the game, the Highland Cavaliers were able to score another touchdown, and they were in the lead once again. The Fighting Scots were not giving up, and they continued to fight back. However, the Highland Cavaliers were too strong, and they were able to secure their victory.

The Highland Cavaliers came out on top, and they secured their fifth win of the season. They were delighted with their victory, and they knew that they had done everything they could to win this game. They were determined to keep their winning streak going, and they were looking forward to the next game of the season.

Clinch Valley College's defensive unit sets up against Bethel in the 49-14 victory.

The defense then turned up their pressure and shut Bethel down for the remainder of the half. The Highland Cavaliers defense held Bethel to just 14 points. The game was a major victory for Clinch Valley, and they were delighted with their performance.

The next game is set for October 31, and the Highland Cavaliers will face Maryville College. They are looking forward to the game, and they are determined to come out victorious. They are confident in their abilities and are already working hard to prepare for the game.

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Entertainment

CVC cross country loses last chance to gear up for championships

Randolph Forest Ant. Sports Editor

This past weekend, the CVC women’s cross country team traveled to the 31st Annual Covenant Invitational at Covenant College in Georgia to compete in their season’s closest meet.

Injuries to Randolph Forest (knee), who is not for the season yet, and Mike Fields, who is questionable for their next meet, shipped, fired quite well for the meet.

Not having a full team, Jason Mundel, Don Robbins and Bonnie Rollins (the only three runners for CVC), were forced to run for practice and not for the team. Victories would be beneficial due to Next weekend’s meet at Morehouse College and a difficult team would help to carry momentum into the meet.

Two things kept the Covenant Invitational from being the track and playing the muscle.

Running up on a mountainous, muddy trail, the runners gained the muscle. In fact, the second place finisher didn’t find it difficult to catch his breath.

The weather, which was foggy cold and extremely wet played a role in some of the runners’ woes. The cold and mud only shifted the runners more, slowing them down.

Some of the runners noted in particular how it was “foggy and cold and muddy.”

“Despite the weather, you guys did well,” said Mike Fields after the race.

A view from the mountain…the sports editor’s look at CVRIH athletics

This week’s view is based on the students who participate in CVRIH’s respective athletic programs. I don’t have a clue how some of these students get any sleep since they’re playing in some of the more intense events. With You Were Here, it’s not that you need sleep anyway. This is meant to be a funny look at everything. Perhaps you’ll laugh? I realize all of these after-class activities are truly rewarding of the time you’re investing in yourself during these days of the semester. I just hope you’ll stop pointing fingers at their friends and laugh a little at this one. If you’re one of the few pointing fingers and all, at least admit in the fact that you have done a lot, we all have.

First of all, many are quality athletes, though I may not be the best judge of some of the players I played against in high school. Maybe they are or aren’t. Some of you are about to be offered a football scholarship, despite the good Forbes Damásio.

JASON RODRIGUEZ

“We were the most competitive intercollegiate team in Sigman Sigma. Road to Atlantic was Imaginary in the satisfaction, and name the most significant improvements in the program to private in Sigman Sigma, a major problem for the team.

Their starting quarterback will compete in the Covenant Invitational.

The team ended up at 45-4, with victory in the game. Red Coach East, Board X, however, has the ball on the road, but just one. Once again, it looks like game again.

Dave Savorin, the head coach, will continue to build his team to advance to the final. The game was played on Tuesday, March 15th, but that was before any of our visitors got there. Their great team will mount a real challenge in the game.

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Raising your own wall of sound

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Finally your sound is one of the most important things to a musician. A musician's sound is what separates himself/herself from others.

Many things account for a musician's sound: the guitar, the pickups, the amp, and the effects (if any) that he/she uses. With guitar and amp covered, this article will pertain to pickups and effects.

The pickup of a guitar consists of a wire wrapped around six magnetic pole pieces. When an electric connection is made, the electricity causes the wire and magnets to act as a microphone of sorts.

In a single coil pickup, this design causes a hum when played. It was this reason that humbucker pickups were made. A humbucker pickup is two single coil pickups connected together. When this is done, the positive and negative poles on the pickups cancel each other out, thus "buck ing the hum." This also creates a louder, brighter, thicker sound (depending on the type of humbucker).

Single coil pickups work well with clean tunes due to the soft, warm sound they produce.

A lot of blues and rock musicians use the single coil pickup for this reason. The humbucker is more prominent in hard rock and heavy metal because of its tone.

Depending on the sound you want, you can mix and match pickups on a guitar. Many guitars come with either a single coil-single coil set-up or a humbucker-single coil setup.

I use a humbucker-single coil-single coil set-up; which in my tastes gives me the best of both worlds.

Effects is a vast subject that is way to broad to cover completely. There are generally two types of effects: rackmount and stomp-box. The rackmount effects are effects that are programmed in a mini processor connected directly to the amplifier.

The guitarist usually controls this by a footswitch leading from the effects. According to style this may or may not be good for you.

Stompboxes are separate effects contained in a metal box that allow you to separately activate effects.

The rackmount effects allow you to program different effects and customize them to your specifications. Stompboxes allow you to do this also, but they have knobs that allow you to tweak them to your sound. In other words, you don't have to program stompboxes, but you will probably spend more money on them than you would an effect processor.

I only have my distortion stompbox and a wah-wah pedal. Effect processors are for people who use a bulk of effects such as chorus, flanger, delay and reverb to create their sound.

I suggest that if you are considering effect processors to go out and give a few a try. In recent years there has been an off spring of stompboxes and processors. The Zoom 9000 and the Korg Gt 1 and 3 are stompboxes that contain about 20-40 effects that you can access.

One thing to remember with stompboxes is that it takes a guitar cable to connect them together. With every 20 ft. of cable used, you lose some of the signal coming from your guitar.

C-y-a next week.