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Science majors prepare for senior seminar Open House a success

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CVC graduate and biology major Justin Runyon recently e-mailed professor of biology Dr. Philip Shelton and Chancellor Lemons with an encouraging message.

According to Shelton, the message sent by Runyon from Montana State University in Bozeman, MT, said he entered graduate school far more prepared than most of his classmates.

In fact, Runyon found many fellow students in the field of entomology (the study of insects) had never taken courses in Organic Chemistry or Calculus and were certainly unacquainted with something called seminar.

Runyon was required, as are all science majors at CVC, to delve into a research project or projects in Science 498/499 [Science Seminars] during his junior or senior year. Shelton said Runyon expressed special gratitude for these courses.

The Science Seminars,

described by Shelton as "probably the most dreaded and hated exercise" facing science majors at CVC, are also, as he said, "probably the most appreciated [courses] by our alumni."

Shelton explained that since 1970, when the idea of seminar was instigated by professor of biology Dr. Rex Baird, students majoring in science at CVC have participated in the courses.

For CVC students, Science 498 begins in the fall semester. During this time, students choose a topic of their own interest to research.

The students are then required to write a paper regarding this topic and to deliver a fifteen minute presentation to classmates and science faculty members.

In the spring semester, students take Science 499 where they can either choose a new topic to research or continue reasearching their previous topic more thoroughly. Students are then expected to address their topics of research during a forty-five minute presentation.

This semester students began to present research on various topics as early as Jan. 18. Chintan Patel, the first student to speak, shared research focusing on the bacterial infection Pulmonary Tuberculosis and its treatment.

Many other students have continued to present research since then. On Jan. 29, Katie DeFore discussed sleep. Parts of DeFore's research dealt with sleep patterns, sleep disorders and avenues to healy sleep.

Last Friday, Feb. 5, Heather Schiflett spoke about the process of human aging. Schiflett discussed the effects of aging on different systems and parts of the body. She also spoke about Werner's syndrome and Hutchinson-Gilford syndrome which are rare aging diseases that affect children and young adults.

This week, Eric Goss and Robbie Roark will present research. The following week, students and faculty members

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Damon Garrison
Staff Writer

On the morning of Saturday, February 6 in Greer Gymnasium, Clinch Valley College Admission's Department conducted its quarter-annual Winter Open House. The Admission's Department in conjunction with CVC Faculty, Students, and Staff welcomed prospective students and their parents to a morning which included an activities fair, a campus tour, a financial aid workshop, and a complimentary meal in the cafeteria.

The activities fair was comprised of various academic departments on campus, some of which included the Business Department, the Mathematics Department, the English Department and among others the Natural Sciences Department. In addition to academics, various clubs and organizations came out to represent their groups. Among these include the fraternities and sororities on campus, Student Support Services, the Campus

Police, the Student Government Association, Career Planning, Student Health, the Baptist Student Union, Alpha Omega, Residents Hall Association, Multicultural Alliance, and many others. The students were given time to visit the various departments, clubs, and organizations during the activities fair portion of the day.

Other interesting activities done on Open House Day were the tours given by the Clinch Valley College Ambassadors. All the students and their parents were divided into small groups and led by Clinch Valley College students on tours across campus, through the classroom buildings, residence halls, and the library. Afterwards the Financial Aid Department at Clinch Valley College conducted a brief financial aid workshop outlining tuition costs and financial aid availability to students and parents. Following this the students and their parents were

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Inclement weather policy

Press Release

1. Winter weather in the mountains can often necessitate schedule changes. When severe conditions exist, the decision to alter the class schedule will be made by appropriate administrative offices. An announcement will be made on the College's telephone snow hotline 376-4SNO 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 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 snow hotline and regional television and radio stations. The approved snow schedule for classes is as follows:

M-W-F Classes: Block I- 9:00-9:50; II- 10:00-10:50; III- 11:00-11:50; IV- 12:00-12:50; V- 1:00-1:50; Convocation- 2:00-2:50; VI- 3:00-3:50; VII- 4:00-4:50; VIII-5:00-5:50; IX- Canceled; X- 6:00-7:15; XI- 7:30-8:45

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Women's Fitness Club off and running

Eliza Evans
Staff Writer

Are you a female looking for a comfortable workout environment? We have just the place for you.

Starting February 16, the weightroom and the pool in the gym will be open every Tuesday and Thursday from 7:30 PM until about 9:00PM for The Women's Fitness Club.

The program is female oriented and designed for beginners. It was the brain-child of Andrea McKinney. She noticed that there was no place in the area for females to lift weights together without being intimidated or embarrassed. So, she

decided to take an initiative and with the help of some of her acquaintances, they "took over" the basically empty weightroom.

There has been some controversy about the dates and times the workout sessions were initially scheduled to be. There have been reports that The Women's Fitness Club's meetings were interfering with the football players' lifting schedule. According to McKinney, the football player usually lift around 4:30PM and are gone before they start their workouts. Even if there are a few football players left, they are willing to show the women how to properly do the lifts.

It is unusual for females to get together and just workout because

of the fear factor. So, the initial workout group set up a "phone tree". The "phone tree" is a list of names and phone numbers of other women in the workout group that another member can call if she does not want to work out alone. According to McKinney, it is just safer for females to not workout alone. This workout program emphasizes togetherness. And, even though the program is designed especially for females, they do not exclude males.

"We don't exclude anybody," McKinney said.

All of the equipment is furnished in the weightroom,

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Freedom's hammered out on the arvil of d'scussion, dissent, and debate.
- Hubert H. Humphrey

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all invited to the cafeteria for a free lunch on the school. All in all, Clinch Valley's Winter Open House was a success. The next Open House is scheduled for Saturday, April 10, 1999, and with the name change in place for the Fall 99 Semester, another great turnout for the Spring Open House is expected.

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will hear presentations from Elizabeth Kirk and Shane Moore. Seminar presentations begin at 12:00 p.m. on Mondays and Fridays and are scheduled to continue through April 19. The public is invited to attend all student presentations, and the department strongly encourages any prospective science majors to take advantage of the opportunity to witness the end results of courses looming ahead.

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except for the music. All music is welcomed. If there is a debate over what music to listen to, a vote is taken and majority rules. The group plans to ask for lockers in the weightroom for the CDs and some handweights. They would also like to, sometime in the future, have treadmills and stationary bicycles. According to McKinney, the campus needs better equipment, but she is content with what is available at the moment. Female bonding. Exercise. Not having to hear "cat calls" while you are sweating? The music of your choice blasting from the speakers. Sounds nice, doesn't it? If you would like more information, all you have to do is contact Andrea McKinney. If you don't know Andrea, don't worry, flyers are posted all over campus with all of the information you need.

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T-Th Classes: Block XII- 9:00- 10:15; XIII- 10:30-11:45; XIV- 12:00-1:15; XV- 1:30-2:45; XVI- 3:00-4:15; XVII- 4:20-5:35; XVIII- Canceled; XIX- 6:00-7:15; XX- 7:30-8:45. All-day classes start one hour later than normal except Time Block IX (MWF) and XVIII (TTH) which will be canceled. A faculty member who teaches a class during one of these time blocks may reschedule the class as appropriate. Night classes will begin at 6:00 PM as usual.

Students 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 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 excused absences.

3. The schedule for courses offered by the Department of Extended Learning will be determined by the schedule of the host school where the course is offered. Classes offered at the Higher Education Center in Abingdon will follow the schedule announced by the Center.

Honor Court news

The Honor Court would like to announce that any violations of the Clinch Valley College Honor Code should be reported to Prosecutor Cara Griffith. She can be reached via campus mail at CVC Box 5101 or at home 376-4223.

I think censors do what only psychotics do. They tend to confuse illusion with reality.
- David Cronenberg

SGA Minutes
February 9, 1999

President Betsi Phalen called the meeting to order at 9:15 p.m. Sara Griffith called the roll: Jamie, Adam, and Lance were all excused absent. The minutes were tabled until next weeks meeting. Treasurer's Report: Nicole Boggs announced that the beginning balance was \$3,458.64, the ending balance was \$1,535.97. Phi Beta Lambda came forward to request that funds allocated for the national conference be transferred to the state conference. Carrie made a motion to approve the request, Stick seconded the motion and the motion carried. President's Report: Betsi read emails she had received from UVA and her response to them. The Chancellor and Bill Sturgill discussed the name change situation. Betsi suggested that the senate send a resolution to the Governor in support of the new name (University of Virginia's College at Wise). The old resolution will be rewritten to reflect the new name. Suggestions for members for the election committee are due within the next few days. The Honor Court will hold spring elections a week before SGA elections. A committee to review and change the constitution is being formed. If you are interested in serving on the committee please put a note in Betsi's box. Betsi will meet with Dr. Within on Thursday at 3:30 to discuss extending to hours of the McCraray Lab. She gave Oscar Raile information about the software for on-line voting. Jerry Honaker was sworn in as the new junior senator. The SGA has been asked to donate money towards the Leadership Center being built in McCraray basement. The matter was tabled until next week. There will be a leadership retreat at VA Tech on February 24, if you are interested please tell Betsi. Vice President's Report: Stick discussed the liaison program. He showed everyone the form they need to fill out about their organizations. These forms are due by the 19th. Ms.CVC Pageant: The pageant will be March 27th. The decorations are in and flowers for the winner have been donated. MJ is still working on getting other prizes donated. Spring Formal: Jennifer reported that the Ramada Inn is booked. She asked everyone to please think of suggestions for a location. Jam 4 Man: Stick asked everyone to spread the word about the fundraiser "Cock 4 Rock" New Business: Betsi announced that another freshman senator is needed, Bobbie Moore and Ed Schwartz, and Kristen Maggard were nominated. The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

CVC Black History Month Calendar of Events

- Wednesday, February 17- 12:30 PM in Cafe: Black History Moments (Special Guest)
- Thursday, February 18- 6:30 PM in Smiddy 100: Dr. Onaiwu Ogbomo Lecture: Teaching African History to American Students
- Friday, February 19- Tom Costa's Class: Dr. Onaiwu Ogbomo
- Wednesday, February 24- 12:30 PM in Cafe: Soul Food Luncheon (Regular time- Specialty Bar)
- Thursday, February 25- 6 PM in Cafe: Gospel Singing (Genesis Youth Group)

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Nat "Doc" Law breaks season scoring record Cavs split a pair of home games

Robby Mullins Sports Writer

On Saturday Feb. 13, the Cavs stayed at home to host Tennessee-Wesleyan on Parents' Night in a Tennessee-Virginia Athletic Conference game.

The leading scorer for Clinch Valley in the game was Doc Law, who scored 28 points and even broke the season scoring record of 676 points set by Robert Spears during the 1993-94 season.

Law, who has at least 3 games left this season now has 702 points scored on the year.

Other players producing scoring for the Cavs included Reagan Mullins with 15, Travis Stith with 10, T.J. McAmis with 7, P.J. Tanks with 6, Tim Stewart with 5, Matt Bays with 3, and Brett Compton with 2.

The leaders in total rebounds for the game were

Mullins with 15, Tim Stewart with 7, and Tanks with 6. The assist leaders in the game were Stith and Compton, both with 4.

Law, Bays, and McAmis each led the Cavs in steals with 1.

The score at half-time was 43-32 with Tennessee-Wesleyan leading, but the Cavs came back in the second half to squeeze past Tennessee-Wesleyan by the score of 76-75 after Travis Stith scored a basket at the last second to assure CVC the victory.

With the win, CVC boosted themselves to 9-6 in the TVAC and maintain fourth place. The Cavs' overall record is 11-18.

The Cavs' last home game of the season will be against King College on Thursday, Feb. 18 and they will have one more regular season away game against Bryan College on Saturday, Feb. 20. Come out and cheer the Cavs on to victory!

Robby Mullins Sports Writer

On Tuesday, Feb. 9, in a TVAC matchup, the Cavaliers hosted Alice Lloyd at home.

The leading scorers for Clinch Valley were Doc Law with 32 points, Travis Stith with 15, P.J. Tanks with 9, and Reagan Mullins with 9.

Other players contributing in the contest were Brett Compton with 3, Tim Stewart with 3, and T. J. McAmis with 2.

Rebound leaders in the game were Tanks with 9, Mullins with 8, and Stewart with 6. Other players grabbing rebounds in the game were Stith with 3, Compton with 3, McAmis with 2, Mike Burns with 2, Nat Law with 1.

The assist leaders in the game were McAmis with 4, Tanks with 4, and Law with 3. Other players who dished out assists included Stith with 2, Compton and Matt Bays with 1.

The steal leaders in the game were Bays, Law, and McAmis,

each with 2. Stith, Bays and Burns were among the other players with steal totals, as they all had one pick-pocket a piece.

Players contributing from long-range included Law, who was 6 of 13 from downtown, Stith, who was 3 of 6, and Mullins who sank 1 three-pointer out of his 3 attempts for the game.

The Cavs dominated Alice Lloyd on long-range shots in the game, making a combined 40% of their three-point fieldgoals in comparison with Alice Lloyd's 17%.

The Cavs also buried Alice Lloyd in their free throw percentage comparison, as the Cavs shot a solid 15 of 19 or 79% in comparison with Alice Lloyd's pitiful 53% from the line.

Players contributing in this category were Tanks 5 of 6 in freethrow attempts, Law 4 of 4, Compton 1 of 2, McAmis 2 of 3, Mullins 2 of 2, and Stewart 1 of 2. CVC led at the half 40-27 and finished the game with a 73-66 victory over Alice Lloyd.

On Thursday, Feb. 11, the

College of West Virginia visited the Cavs. The leading scorers in this game were Law with 15 and Compton with 10.

Other players producing numbers in the scoring category were Stith with 8, Justin Holbrook with 8, Bays with 8, Tanks with 6, Stewart with 6, McAmis with 4, Mullins with 4, and Burns with 3.

Rebound leaders in the game were Mullins with 8, Compton with 7, and Tanks with 7. The other players establishing figures in the rebound column included Burns with 4, Bays with 3, and Stewart, McAmis, Holbrook and Law each with 2.

The players leading CVC in assists in the game were McAmis with 4, Stith with 4, and Mullins with 3. Other players with assists in the game were Burns with 2, Tanks, Compton, Holbrook, and Bays, each with 1.

At the half, the College of West Virginia led 50-26 and in the second half they continued to pile on the points, as they cruised on to a 113-72 victory over Clinch Valley.

Lady Cavs Face TVAC foes

Brandon Taylor Sports Writer

The Lady Cavaliers had a difficult and busy TVAC schedule as they played three foes from the conference. The Lady Cavs hosted all three games at Greear Gymnasium.

The First game of the week was against Alice Lloyd College from Pippa Passes KY. The game was a see-saw battle in the first half as the lead kept changing hands.

At the half the Lady Cavaliers were down by the score of 29-23. Despite being down by six at the half the Lady Cavs had played well on offense and defense.

The second half was not as kind to the Lady Cavaliers as they could not find the spark they had in the first half. Despite shooting a marvelous 54 percent from the floor the second half, the Lady Cavs could not overcome 26 turnovers which led to the disappointing 74-55 loss.

In the loss freshman Lauren Carr poured in a game high 23 points on 10-13 shooting from the field. Carr also pulled down a game high seven

rebounds.

The second game of the week was against Tusculum College from Greenville, TN. This game was also a see-saw battle which saw the Lady Cavs go to half-time tied at 30.

In the second half the Lady Cavs dominated the defensive glass eliminating any chance for Tusculum. With an excellent second half performance the Lady Cavaliers picked up a 67-63 victory.

Lauren Carr led the Lady Cavaliers attack with 16 points on seven-10 shooting from the field. Carr also pulled down six rebounds.

Dawn Lewis also played an excellent game as she scored 15 points, most on unstoppable drives to the basket. Samantha Lester contributed 14 points as she gave her typical strong performance and Bettina Vanover played strong defensively as she had six blocks.

The third game of the week was against Tennessee-Wesleyan College. Just like the prior two games, this game was equally exciting as the Lady Cavs came out of the gates hitting on all cylinders. The Lady Cavs played suffocating

defense the first half as the held Tennessee-Wesleyan to an ice cold 22 percent from the field. This game was an impressive 24-17, led to half-time.

In the second half the Lady Cavs continued their strong play defensively as they limited TWC to just 28 percent shooting in the half.

Even with an excellent defensive performance the Lady Cavs lost yet another close game by the score of 56-52. The difference came from the foul line, where TWC went 22-29 in the second half compared to the Lady Cavs three for eight.

Dawn Lewis led the Lady Cavs attack with 17 points on eight of 11 shooting. Lewis also pulled down seven rebounds in a losing effort. Samantha Lester also played a strong game as she scored 16 points. Lester also had six rebounds to go along with her 16 points. Lauren Carr continued her steady play as she contributed 11 and six rebounds.

The Lady Cavaliers will be playing at home again on February 18. This is sure to be another exciting game.

CVC Intramural Report

Kimberly Deel Sports Editor

In intramural action this week the volleyball tournament got underway on February 15 after a couple of fierce and exciting matches on Sunday, February 14. These final matches determined the number one seats heading into the tournament. The final volleyball standings were #1 Spikes R US, who will receive a first round tournament bye, #2 Pi Lambda Phi, #3 Rapid Fire II, and #4 NOD II-GCO all at 6-1; #5Some Bruisers at 4-3; #6 Net Razors at 4-3; #7 Staph Infection at 2-

#8 Pi Kappa Phi at 1-6; #9 No Limit at 1-6; #10 Gamma Chi Omega at 1-6; and #11 SF&L at 0-7. In the women's division the Doobie Sisters are the number one seat at 2-1 in their division and 5-2 overall. They will compete against the Bad Girls (1-2; 2-5 overall).

In other intramural news the third installment of the card tournament will be played on Thursday, February 18 at 8:00 in the CVC den. So far the tournament leaders are David Hampton and Larry Waldron. The Hearts competition looks to be as exciting as the two previous competitions, so come and join in on the fun!

What about sports. .

"A good sport has to lose to prove it." Anonymous

"I don't think we can win every game. Just the next one." Lou Holtz

"You've got to take the initiative and play your game. In a decisive set, confidence is the difference." Chris Evert

"No pole-vaulting, no cross-country running and no away games." -Activities Director
State Correctional Institute of Pittsburgh

Entertainment

Slums of Beverly Hills offers glimpse into 70s California family life

Jarrod Williams
Entertainment Editor

"All happy families are like one another, each unhappy family is unhappy in its own way." Tolstoy's dictum is quoted in the beginning of Tamara Jenkins' debut film *Slums Of Beverly Hills* (now on video) and it fits the subject matter perfectly. Jenkins' based the movie loosely on her own childhood as a teenager growing up in 70s Beverly Hills and the result is a bitingly sharp and painfully realistic take on female adolescence and family life in the period.

The protagonist of Jenkin's tale of familial woe is 15 year old Vivian Abramowitz (Natasha Lyonne) and as the film opens her father is taking her to a lingerie store to purchase her first bra. One can imagine the awkwardness of that situation as it is, but Vivian "got stacked like her mother," as her father puts it, almost overnight and is very self-

zip code so his children can get a good education and all the benefits of having a prestigious address.

Murray tries his best to make ends meet as a car salesman but he relies heavily on his older brother Mickey (Carl Reiner) to give him money when things get tight. When Mickey's daughter Rita (Marisa Tomei) escapes from drug rehab she flees into Murray's arms for support and promises to reform. Since Murray has taken her in, Mickey feels obliged to help Murray out and the family gets a taste of the good life as they move into a luxury furnished apartment with plush shag carpet.

As the family starts to get used to their new place Vivian tries to get used to having another woman around. Rita is hardly a good role model for her, but the two manage to develop a sisterly bond and even share a special secret language they call "gibberish."

Vivian stands alone as the sole ambassador of reason in the midst of her out of control world, which consists of her pothead brother, her gambling hard-luck case dad, and her junkie cousin/confidant Rita.

Every nuance of Vivian's struggle to come to grips with the girl/woman duality of adolescence is portrayed acutely on actress Natasha Lyonne's face. If not for the terrific ensemble cast put together this film would not have been nearly so engrossing or humorous. Natasha Lyonne proves her exceptional acting talent with the role of Vivian, although she is 19, she captures the innocence of her character beautifully. Alan Arkin is simply outstanding as the patriarch of the Abramowitz clan, he infuses the character with both a sense of dignity and loveliness that causes you to feel sorry for him even though you know he's simply living out the consequences of his own bad choices. This film is definitely worth a viewing, look for it at rental stores now.



The Abramowitz Clan strikes a pose

conscious about one of her first physical introductions into womanhood. As the sales-woman measures Vivian for her first bra and comments glowingly on her "Perfect C-cup" chest, Vivian wonders aloud if she is deformed.

Like Vivian's body, many things in her life are out of control, foremost of these her family life. Vivian's father Murray (Alan Arkin) has a gambling problem and is in a slump and keeps the family moving from apartment to apartment just as the rent is due. Murray desperately wants the best for his kids and tries his best to stay within the Beverly Hills

Shakespeare's Twelfth Night entertains audience

Ruel R. Faruque
Staff Writer

Arrayed in traditional Shakespearean attire, The Acting Company captivated the audience of all ages, Monday night, the eighth day of February. The Times Square-based company's presentation for this year was *Twelfth Night*, one of William Shakespeare's more serious comedies.

Twelfth Night is set in a mythical land situated on the eastern coast of the Adriatic Sea, called Illyria. Viola, who has just survived a shipwreck, reaches the coast of Illyria, thoroughly convinced that her twin brother Sebastian went down with the ship. She disguises herself as a man, calls herself Cesario, and takes a position as a page for the Duke of Illyria, Orsino.

Orsino sends Viola - now Cesario - to the Countess Olivia, to tell her of Orsino's love for her. But instead, Olivia takes to Cesario, who - as Viola - is now falling in love with Olivia. So, Orsino loves Olivia, Olivia loves Cesario, Cesario is Viola, and Viola loves Orsino. Meanwhile, Viola's

brother Sebastian in Illyria with his rescuer, Antonio - unknown to Viola.

Aware of Olivia's latent single standing - at least until Cesario arrived - Olivia's drunken uncle Sir Toby Belch, and his friends Maria, Sir Andrew Aguecheek, and Feste the fool, conceive a plot against Malvolio, her rigid and perpetually straight-faced steward. Forging a love letter in Olivia's hand, they get him thrown in jail as a lunatic.

Also in love with Olivia, Sir Andrew - an extreme sissy-type - challenges Cesario to a duel; neither is willing to fight.

Later, Feste encounters Sebastian and mistakes him for Cesario; Sirs Toby and Andrew arrive, and are surprised to find a much more willing combatant. Next, Olivia arrives, mistaking Sebastian for Cesario; the two elope. Later, Olivia mistakes Cesario for Sebastian, and the confusion grows.

Despite the name fiasco, all is well in the end when Viola reveals her true identity and many new couples emerge. This is after all what makes a Shakespearean comedy - a good ending abounding

with marriages.

While many companies have staged *Twelfth Night*, The Acting Company added their own touches. First and foremost was the set.

A marvel of simplicity, the set consisted of a wall of windows and doors, and a small forest of four trees, with movable curtains capable of enclosing the square inside. Very few props were used, and scenes were indicated merely by a rug, or a scepter, or maybe a pillow on the floor.

The acting caliber of The Acting Company is absolutely superb. When one watches their version of *Twelfth Night*, he sees the character, not the actor; the presentation is believable and convincing. Also, though the company is staging the play many times this year, the enthusiasm is alive.

Of particular note, *Twelfth Night* has several songs written into the script, but no musical score. As all of the songs are sung by Feste, the director worked with the actor to create a score that conveyed the message of the song, and capitalized on the actor's talents. Overall, The Acting Company's performance was a success.

Steve's music review round-up

Steve Shell
Entertainment Writer

Punk Uprising-Incompatible
Compilation CD-ROM
Star rating: **** (of 5)

Victory, Revelation, Jade Tree and a whole bunch of other big names in the independent label arena have collaborated on this unique project. Incompatible is a 17 band compilation CD featuring tracks from All Out War, Buried Alive, Atom and His Package, Kid Dynamite, 6 Going on 7, Fast Times, Less Than Jake, Damnation AD, 88 Fingers Louie, The Ultimate Warriors and a whole host of others from a wide spectrum of music. Most notable on the compilation side of this project are the tracks from new Victory Records signees All Out War and Buried Alive. Brutal, honest, metal influenced hardcore—you cannot get much better. Other good selections from this 17 song sampler include the sappily pretty track from 6 Going on 7, a song so sweet I almost hate myself for liking it and 88 Fingers Louie's

contribution of good ol' Fat Wrechords style punk.

But wait, the does not stop with just the music, oh no. Pop this sucker into your CD-ROM drive and let the fun begin. A full on music magazine awaits you on this little silver disc. A zine that features articles and reviews from the likes of Adele Collins (I Stand Alone Zine) and Atom (Atom and His Package) along with a bunch of other notable folks from the underground community. Each band on the compilation has its own section in the CD-ROM complete with pictures, interviews, and in some cases full-on video clips. A wealth of punk/hardcore information for those who want/need it. Pick it up, for more information try www.victoryrecords.com.

Strife-Through Defiance
Star Rating: * (of 5)

This disc was sent to me from the good folks at Victory Records. Now, let me start by saying that I liked Strife, I liked Strife a LOT. I was upset when Strife broke up. However, there is no need to release a collection

of "rare and unreleased" material from the recording sessions of Strife's last two albums. Sure, there are a couple of soundtrack cuts on this CD that are hard to find but the rest of this record is just flat out terrible. I can see now why a lot of this material is "rare and unreleased."

The "remixes" of previously released material the record promises sound like nothing more than poor unmastered board mixes of songs I already like. Case in point: the track "Will To Die," which features Deftones' lead singer Chino Moreno. This is easily one of my favorite songs from the last Strife album. The main reason the song is so good is because of the way Chino and Strife frontman Rick Rodney play off each other. Well, guess what? In the "remix" there is no vocal track by Chino, thus the song sounds empty and generic. If you are obsessed with Strife, and feel the need to own everything they've ever recorded, then buy this. If you want to remember Strife as they were, then do not even think about buying this record.