VVC READY TO RISE IN FALL

Story By
Bill Buttler
Managing Editor

Victor Valley College extends a warm welcome to both new and returning students for what ought to be an exciting and challenging fall semester. As expected, the school staff is ready to support and guidance to a very large enrollment of students.

Orientation Coordinator Rebecca Elmore says the college is anticipating a swell in enrollment in September and adds, “We are open to all in the community, not just those pursuing degrees.”

With dedicated help like hers, students will get assistance in strategy planning, counseling, developing self-esteem and resolving parking issues. Students are offered a wealth of study tools, including tutoring, the writing center, math lab and more.

VVC President Dr. Robert Silverman said he was enthusiastic about the school year and says, “There is a great deal of excitement over the new energy at the college, brought by a larger enrollment.”

Noting the nationwide difficult financial conditions, Silverman pointed to the school as a shining beacon of hope. He comments, “Among the influx of students are those affected by the economy who is seeking new career directions, benefited by education. The college has a bright future and should be able to provide new resources.”

Silverman expects the partnerships the school enjoys with the community will continue to be strong. Addressing the critical bond issue before voters in November, he emphasizes that approval would solidify VVC’s presence in the community.

If the measure is affirmed, proposed off-campus locales would be built to expand firefighter training and to broaden the fine VVC nursing program.

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$297.5 Million College Bond on November Ballot

Story By
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News Editor

The Victor Valley College Board of Trustees has voted 5 – 0 to put Measure JJ, a $297,500,000 bond initiative, on the November general election ballot. Measure JJ is a four-part plan with the emphasis on jobs.

Part One is the creation of the Workforce Development Center, a new campus located on the west side of the college district. This new facility will be designed to train nurses and healthcare workers, hospitality, management, and culinary staff, logistics technicians, business administration majors, and students intent on transferring to universities.

Part Two will build the Public Safety Center, which will train fire, police, and paramedic first responders. The facilities will be designed to accommodate active firefighting exercises, practice with live firearms, emergency driving skills, disaster deployment, and emergency medical services. It, too, will be located off-campus and away from residential areas.

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Pierre Barrera Scholarships Awarded VVC Students

Story and Photos By: Judith Pfepher
Advisor

Laughter, tears and a large audience filled the Performing Arts Center on campus Sept. 4 for the annual scholarship awards ceremony.

Laughter, because the recipients were happy. Tears, because at least a dozen of the scholarships were in memory of students and others who had died too young.

And a full house because the scholarships were made to and administered by the Victor Valley College Foundation.

This was the first time that the Pierre Barrera Journalism Scholarship was bestowed. Barrera, 20, a recent editor-in-chief of the RamPage student newspaper, succumbed to leukemia in August 2007 and so never was able to transfer to any of the many universities that had accepted him.

The scholarship in his name is intended to support students who plan to continue journalism courses at the university level after completing studies at VVC, as Pierre had hoped to do.

Most of the money was raised by the Barrera family of Hesperia through soccer tournaments and similar events, with the balance supplied by RamPage advertising revenue. Guadalupe Barrera, Pierre’s mother, was on the stage along with the other sponsors to greet the two inaugural recipients: Sports Editor Aaron Banuelos and Entertainment Editor Desiree Pena.

“In the spring I will be transferring to Cal State Fullerton and majoring in communications,” Pena said in an email to the RamPage earlier this month. “I hope to work on the newspaper while at Fullerton. Careerwise, I would like to work for a magazine. I also want to dabble a bit in broadcast. Hopefully, journalism can one day be my career.”

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ASB Tries to Fill Senator Vacancies

Story and Photos By Kathleen
Web Editor

The Associated Student Body (ASB) has a total of 16 positions and there are three currently unfilled: Student Advocate – serves as a VVC Representative by attending the ASB weekly council meetings, ASACC (American Student Association of Community Colleges) conferences and the Student Senate meetings twice a year for Region 9; Activities Senator – works in cooperation with the ICC (Inter Club Council) Senator, Tammy Brown, and ASB to plan and implement the activities for VVC; and Athletics Senator – will meet with the head coach at least once a semester, attend as many athletic events as possible and report information on functions and overall scores of the various teams to the ASB council.

Commitment to the ASB council requires working a minimum of five hours in the office weekly, attendance at the weekly meeting, doing research and reading to keep apprised of political issues affecting all students. Each council member must be enrolled in at least six units per semester and maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA. Humanities and Social Science Senator, Caitlyn (pronounced Kofford, pronounced Catlyn) Gempler said, “We are a hard-working group of individuals and are looking for applicants that are committed to fulfilling their duties on council.”

Vice-President, Leif Kofford, has attended VVC a year and a half with 2 majors, Child Development and Liberal Arts, with his main emphasis in Psychology. Kofford started working for the ASB council during the spring 2008 semester and was elected following the summer session. “I’d like to invite all students interested in ASB to apply and empower themselves and fellow students at VVC,” said Kofford.

Officer appointments are limited to three per semester so vacancies are not always filled immediately. Sometimes it may take two or three months to replace an officer or fill a vacancy. Students should take part in ASB because the council is here for them and it is student contributions that bring about changes in the issues facing students everywhere. This is a fact that has been proven in the past and will be repeated in the future. Adviser Robert Sewell said, “Student participation is the remedy for student apathy and will make a difference with ASB involvement.”
**People Party At Pow Wow**

**Story By**
**Bill Buttler**  
**Managing Editor**

A colorful, joyful celebration captured imagination on the lower campus last Saturday, where the Native American Students Association (NASA) of Victor Valley College unveiled its first-ever intertribal annual Pow Wow.

A crowd of more than 200 attended the day-long festivities, which featured Native American food, arts and crafts, and a vibrant display of dancing and singing.

NASA is a club formed to promote Native American cultural awareness and is open to Native and non-Native students at VVC and the surrounding community.

A $5 per-car admission cost gained entrance and eligibility for drawings to win Native American quilts. The proceeds become part of a Native American Scholarship Fund.

Pam James, VVC Counselor/Articulation Officer and Native American Students Association Advisor, was happy with the success of the event. She said, "This was a wonderful turn out for our first Pow Wow, and now that many people will know about it, next year should be even better." Along with VVC involvement with the Pow Wow, both UC Riverside and Chapman College signed on for information booths at the fest.

Linda Booth and family said, "This is really cool! The kids are loving this, and all the people around me are having a good time. We tried some food and like the dancing and costumes. I hope they can have this again next year."

**Campus Gets Caught Up In Fishing Tournament**

**Story By:**
**Bill Butler**  
**Nancy Sexton**

The Extreme Event Fishing Tournament Victor Valley College, September 6, 2008, began at 8 am and continued through 5 pm, with most of the activities taking place around the lake.

The Fishing Tournament was sponsored by Victorville’s Sportsman’s Warehouse. Doug Patch, manager of Sportsman’s Warehouse, guided the Fishing Tournament, the prizes included items such as Rods, Reels, and fishing tackle. The prizes were given for biggest fish and quickest limit, and the raffle of a Pelican Pontoon boat as well as other fishing tackle. The tournament was held in two sections, 8 am to Noon and 1 pm to 5 pm. with prizes given out after each fishing period was completed.

There were all age groups fishing around the lake today, which had been stocked with trout.

It was exciting to see. There was a bait shop area as well as food and sodas available. Patch also had travel trailers for sale.

Patch has worked for the Warehouse in Victorville for approximately 6 months, but has been in retail management for 30 years. Patch said, “It really excited me to see a young boy catch a 2 pound trout today. This is a good, fun day and the first annual event with more to come.”

There was no fishing permit needed to participate in the tournament, only a $10.00 entry fee, with all proceeds to benefit Alpha Phi Gamma Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, VVC.
Story and Photos By: Desiree Pena
Entertainment Editor

The theatre smelled of pine, Frank Sinatra’s “Cheek to Cheek” was playing, as children and elders looked for their seats; all who were at the event were ready for a magical night. Saturday, September 6 was in fact An Evening of Comedy and Magic. The show started promptly at 7:30 p.m. at Victor Valley College’s Performing Arts Center. The Periwinkle Entertainment Production consisted of a lineup of five talented, award winning performers in Dan Birch, Jack Kalvan, Chipper Lowell, Tony Clark and Joel Ward.

The night began with the voice of Knott's Berry Farm, Chuck Burns. Burns, the producer of Periwinkle Productions and host for the night, appeared on stage and welcomed the audience to what would be a great night of illusions and humorous performances.

The first to take stage was magician Dan Birch. Birch astounded the audience with his illusions using doves, fire and handkerchiefs. He shocked the crowd when he turned a dove into a poodle.

Second in the lineup was Jack Calvin, accompanied with his wife Jeri. They juggled bowling pins, flower pots, and charmed the crowd with wit. Chipper Lowell was third with his box of tricks and hilarious antics. Lowell pleased the crowd with his animated personality and continuous audience participation.

Fourth in the lineup was Tony Clark, expert at sleight of hand. The final performer, Joel Ward entertained the audience with his rope tricks and disappearing assistant act.

Audience members Delores and Marvin Eisenbeiss were among the approximately 300 people who attended the event. “We thought oh, magic and comedy... let’s go! I didn’t know what to expect but I’m surprised to see such talent.”

The Periwinkle Production company has come to the High Desert for the past nine years. As Delores Eisenbeiss put it “We don’t have to go to Vegas, we have it here.” An Evening of Comedy and Magic was exactly what it promised to be; an entertaining night of gifted and talented magicians and comedians.

Story and Photo By
Melissa Gomez
Features Editor

The Performing Arts Center at Victor Valley College is hosting the play Bus Stop by William Inge and directed by Ed Heaberlin. The play is scheduled to take off October 2-4 and 9-11 at 8p.m. and October 5 & 12 at 3p.m.

The year is 1955; the setting is Kansas City. The characters are a cowboy, a sheriff, a bus-driver, a professor, a student, a chanteuse, an old ranch hand and the diner owner. They all go through life changing experiences when a massive snow storm hits the town. These misfits are forced to dwell inside a diner where love and patience will be tested in a new way.

The stage performers are Elma Duckworth as Brooke Bishop, Grace as Elizabeth Dennison, Will Masters as Will Blagg, Cherie as Amber Crankshaw, Dr. Gerald Lyman as Nicolas Richard Dye, The role of Carl is to be announced, Virgil Blesing as Jeffrey Hume and Bo Decker as Charles Feverstone. Mariya Gavrikove, assistant to Ed Heaberlin, said, “It’s eight characters that are trapped in a bus stop, and all the characters begin their own idea of love.”

They had auditions Sept. 3, and call backs came Sept. 4. Gregory Harbor, assistant to Ed Heaberlin, commented on the capacity of students who wanted to join the play, “About 30 people auditioned; only eight people made it.” According to Gavrikove, the cast members “complement each other very well.” General Admission for adults will be $10 and $7 for kids and seniors; ASB cardholders get in free.

For any additional information, questions, or ticket concerns please contact Ed Heaberlin at 245-4271 ext. 849.
New Students Clubs Influence Fall Semester

Story By
Melissa Gomez
Features Editor

Victor Valley College has a vast variety of clubs, organizations and associations to choose from on campus, each club brings something different and exciting to VVC students.

Students who are looking to be more informed can attend the A.W.A.R.E club, which provides information and support for non-traditional re-entry students.

The A.W.A.R.E Club also does fundraisers, and activities, according to Christine Dorsey, president of the A.W.A.R.E Club, the “most exciting thing we have planned is to go to three universities in San Francisco this May.”

The Model United Nations deals more with political, local, international issues, and national conferences that are in association the United Nations.

According to Dino Bozonelos, Political science teacher, the MUN is designed to help empower students to be successful. MUN has just recently been placed in the top three percent of all colleges and universities that participated in the National Model United Nations conference, after winning two outstanding awards for the fourth time in a row.

The Nursing Process 4 club, which helps raise money for graduating students and the Ready Rams Club which is a sister club of the A.W.A.R.E Club.

According to Cathy Cosgrove, president of the RRC, they have “expressed an interest,” in going to the three universities A.W.A.R.E Club is so excited about.

VVC also has the Native American Student Association, which is hosting the “first annual victor valley college powwow,” Roderick Gray, Inner Club Council representative.

The Discussion to Action Club is one in which the students focus on the political, educational and financial problems with diverse racial groups, by providing resources that can help.

Victor Valley College is home to Alpha Phi Gamma, a club at VVC from a chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, which is an international honor society for two-year students. According to Christina Zambrano, PTK president, “Phi Theta Kappa has been dormant for a couple of years, however, that is going to change.” The 65 members of the APG club are strong and motivated members, determined to make a difference by fundraising and developing leadership skills. Encouraging academic scholarships is also an important aspect of the PTK organization, Zambrano commented, adding PTK “Encourages students to get involved and is also a good organization that promotes scholarships, leadership, fellowship and service.”

The PTK is planning a Make a Difference Day at VVC. “We are looking for volunteers,” said Zambrano. The APG chapter of the PTK just received the Pinnacle award by successfully completing an enhancement of 10% over last year and accomplishing orientation strategies.

Heard Around the Lake
Interviews by Desiree Pena, RamPage Reporter

“VVC has wide variety of clubs on campus, but if you had the chance to create your own club what would you create?”

“Some sort of easy going club where people could hang out, an artsy cafe sort of place.”
Allison Pollit

“I'm from New Orleans so a club for out of staters. It's kind of hard to figure things out once you get here.”
Garrett Partman

“The school probably won't allow it but a gun or knife club. There's a lot of different styles and varieties of them.”
Dakota Blancett

"An archery club with cross bows!"
Jose Amaya

"If I could make a club it would be one with anything to do with cheer, dance or drill."
Shawnetta Thompson

“A quilting club, I'm interested in quilting and learning from other people.”
Sanda Wessell
Sports

Rams Lose But Are Not Defeated

Story and Photos By
Aaron Banuelos
Sports Editor

VVC’s football home opener resulted in a 52-31 loss against riverside community college.

Still there is much to be excited about this football season in a team that lost its home opener. Our 08 Victor Valley Rams are stacked in offense. The Rams are lead by freshman quarterback O’Ryan Bradley who threw for 236 yards. Our 08 Rams debut an offense that racked up 441 in total yards against RCC.

After an early 7-0 Riverside lead the Rams made the score even when Bradley connected with Deandre Glasper for a 70 yard touchdown pass. Momentum seemed to change often for both teams giving up leads more than twice during the game. Rams’ 17-10 second lead came from a 36 yard punt return touchdown by O.C. Craig. Bradley seemed to move the ball around effectively, passing the ball to nine different receivers. Deandre Glasper from Silverado High School caught 4 passes for 74 yards. Glasper also rushed for 47 yards from 11 attempts.

Rams best ground attack came from running back Ryan Sampson who with only 4 carries racked up 66 yards.

Although showcasing a very impressive offense Rams couldn’t manage to win the game because a lack of defense. Coach Hoover said, “We didn’t play hard enough and we didn’t play physical enough, and it’s only going to get harder from here”. During the weeks meetings coaches and players analyzed tape and focused its practice to correct any techniques and point out mistakes. Rams will be ready to host Palomar College at home September 13.

VICTOR VALLEY COLLEGE
RAMS FOOTBALL
2008 SCHEDULE

DATE OPPONENT PLACE TIME
AUG 29 Pomona-Pitzer (SCRIMMAGE) Pomona 6:00 PM and Antelope Valley College
SEPT 6 RIVERSIDE COLLEGE Riverside 6:00 PM
SEPT 13 PALOMAR COLLEGE Victorville 1:00 PM
SEPT 20 MT SAN ANTONIO COLLEGE Walnut 1:00 PM
SEPT 27 SAN BERNARDINO COLLEGE* Victorville 1:00 PM
OCT 4 GOLDEN WEST COLLEGE* Victorville 1:00 PM
OCT 18 LOS ANGELES HARBOR COLLEGE* Wilmington 6:00 PM
OCT 25 SOUTHWESTERN COLLEGE* Victorville 1:00 PM
NOV 1 SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE* San Diego 1:00 PM
NOV 8 COMPTON COLLEGE* Victorville 1:00 PM
NOV 15 MT SAN JACINTO COLLEGE* San Jacinto 1:00 PM
*AMERICAN MOUNTAIN CONFERENCE GAMES

All home games played at Victor Valley College Ram’s Stadium
College President: Robert Silverman
Athletic Director: Jaye Tashima, ext 2383
Head Football Coach: David Hoover, ext. 2663
Athletic Trainers: Jaye Tashima & Amy Wilkin, ext. 2383
Athletic Eligibility: Tammy Dance, ext 2444
VVC XC SCHEDULE 2008

Day Date Event Location Time
Sat Aug 30 Riverside Short Course RCC/Moreno Valley 9:00 am
Sat Sept 13 Redlands Invite University of Redlands 9:00 am
Sat Sept 20 Orange Coast Invite Fairview Park, Coast Mesa 9:00 am
Fri Oct 3 SoCal Preview Meet Bakersfield 3:00 pm
Fri Oct 10 Irvine Invite Irvine Regional Park, Irvine 9:00 am
Sat Oct 18 Santa Barbara Invite Leadbetter Beach, Santa Barbara 11:00 am
Wed Oct 29 Foothill Conf. Champs Barstow 12:00pm
Fri Nov 7 SoCal Championships Bakersfield 2:00 pm
Sat Nov 22 California State Champs Woodward Park, Fresno 10:00 am

VICTOR VALLEY COLLEGE
MEN’S SOCCER

2008 SCHEDULE
DATE/DAY OPPONENT LOCATION TIME

AUGUST
27 - WED EAST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE VICTORVILLE 4:00 PM
29 - FRI YUBA COLLEGE YUBA TBA
30 - SAT BUTTE YUBA TBA

SEPTEMBER
05 - FRI MIRA COSTA COLLEGE SAN DIEGO 4:00 PM
08 - MON COMPTON COLLEGE COMPTON 4:00 PM
12 - FRI GOLDEN WEST COLLEGE HUNTINGTON BEACH 4:00 PM
15 - MON EL CAMINO COLLEGE TORRANCE 4:00 PM
16 - TUES FULLERTON COLLEGE FULLERTON 4:00 PM
19 - FRI COLLEGE OF THE CANYONS VALENCIA 4:00 PM
26 - FRI CYPRESS COLLEGE CYPRESS 4:00 PM

ROUND 1

OCTOBER
08 - WED COLLEGE OF THE SEQUOIAS VISALIA 4:00 PM
10 - FRI COLLEGE OF THE DESERT* VICTORVILLE 4:00 PM
14 - TUES CHAFFEY COLLEGE* RANCHO CUCAMONGA 4:00 PM
17 - FRI SAN BERNARDINO COLLEGE* VICTORVILLE 4:00 PM
21 - TUES BYE
24 - FRI RIO HONDO COLLEGE* VICTORVILLE 4:00 PM

ROUND 2
28 - TUES COLLEGE OF THE DESERT* PALM DESERT 3:00 PM
31 - FRI CHAFFEY COLLEGE* VICTORVILLE 3:00 PM

NOVEMBER
04 - TUES SAN BERNARDINO COLLEGE* SAN BERNARDINO 3:00 PM
07 - FRI BYE
11 - TUES RIO HONDO COLLEGE* WHITTIER 3:00 PM

*FOOTHILL CONFERENCE MATCHES **PLAYED AT VVC (West Field) – See Reverse
HEAD SOCCER COACH: MICHAEL BRADBURY ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATOR: DR. VICTORIA HINDES
## Victor Valley College
### Women's Soccer
#### 2008 Schedule

**August**
- 22 – Fri, Santiago Canyon (Scrimmage) Victorville 4:00 PM
- 26 – Tue, Miramar College San Diego 4:00 PM
- 29 – Fri, Butte College Yuba 1:00 PM
- 30 – Sat, Feather River College Yuba 11:00 AM
- 31 – Sun, Yuba College Yuba 12:00 PM

**September**
- 6-7 – Sat-Sun, VVC Tournament Victorville TBA
- 12 – Fri, Golden West College Huntington Beach 2:00 PM
- 15 – Mon, El Camino College Torrance 2:00 PM
- 17 – Wed, Long Beach City College Victorville 4:00 PM
- 19 – Fri, College of the Canyons Valencia 2:00 PM

**Round 1**
- 26 – Fri, Mt. San Jacinto College* Victorville 4:00 PM
- 30 – Tue, San Bernardino Valley* Victorville 4:00 PM

**October**
- 03 – Fri, Bye
- 07 – Tue, Antelope Valley College* Lancaster 4:00 PM
- 08 – Wed, College of the Sequoias Visalia 2:00 PM
- 10 – Fri, Chaffey College* Victorville 2:00 PM
- 14 – Tue, College of the Desert* Palm Desert 2:00 PM
- 17 – Fri, Rio Hondo College* Victorville 4:00 PM

**Round 2**
- 21 – Tue, Mt. San Jacinto College* Menifee 4:00 PM
- 24 – Fri, San Bernardino Valley* San Bernardino 2:00 PM
- 28 – Tue, Bye
- 31 – Fri, Antelope Valley College* Victorville 1:00 PM

**November**
- 04 – Tue, Chaffey College* Rancho Cucamonga 1:00 PM
- 07 – Fri, College of the Desert* Victorville 3:00 PM
- 11 – Tue, Rio Hondo College* Whittier 1:00 PM

*Foothill Conference Matches **Played at VVC (West Field) – See Reverse

**Head Soccer Coach:** Michael Brabbury

**Athletic Administrator:** Dr. Victoria Hindes

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## Victor Valley College
### Women's Volleyball Schedule
#### 2008 Schedule

**August**
- 23 – Sat, Cuesta Scrimmage San Luis Obispo All Day
- 27 – Wed, Irvine Valley College Irvine 5 PM

**September**
- 03 – Wed, Southwestern College Victorville 5 PM
- 05 – Fri, Porterville College Porterville 5 PM
- 12 – Fri, Cuesta College Victorville 5 PM
- 13 – Sat, Mojave River Classic Victorville 10 AM – 6 PM (Riverside City, San Bernardino Valley, Palomar, Cuesta and VVC)
- 17 – Wed, College of the Canyons Victorville 5 PM
- 19-20/Fri-Sat, San Diego Tournament San Diego TBA

**October**
- 03 – Fri, San Bernardino Valley Coll.* Victorville 5 PM
- 08 – Wed, Chaffey College* Victorville 5 PM
- 10 – Fri, Bye
- 15 – Wed, Antelope Valley College* Lancaster 5 PM
- 17 – Fri, College of the Desert* Victorville 5 PM
- 22 – Wed, Rio Hondo College* Whittier 5 PM
- 24 – Fri, Mt. San Jacinto College* Victorville 5 PM
- 29 – Wed, San Bernardino Valley Coll.* San Bernardino 5 PM
- 31 – Fri, Chaffey College* Ranch Cucamonga 5 PM

**November**
- 05 – Wed, Bye
- 07 – Fri, Antelope Valley College* Victorville 5 PM
- 12 – Wed, College of the Desert* Palm Desert 5 PM
- 14 – Fri, Rio Hondo College* Victorville 5 PM
- 19 – Wed, Mt. San Jacinto College* San Jacinto 5 PM
For being such a supposedly self-undefined band, Dan Le Sac Vs. Scroobius Pip are surprisingly self-aware of what they do. With their amalgam of sounds and lyrics, their debut album "Angles (Sunday's Best)" produces a charming collection of rough techno-hip-hop meets indie artistry and articulation. And for them, it works. Semi-recently both Sac and Pip were at the Coachella Festival in Indio, California, nudging elbows with other musician's like Prince, Jack Johnson, and Portishead. And even though they admit upfront that everything they do isn't accidental, their songs aren't necessarily on purpose either. You could say they hone their craft down to a science, but according to Dan Le Sac, it's not that either. "Just me and Pip experimenting, and not even experimenting in a scientific way. We hear stuff in everyday life, and see kids raving and sintering..." Dan Le Sac pauses to cough, "Just a spoken word piece with beats and sounds. From Pip into poetry."

It's amazing that the chemistry works, according to Le Sac, they don't show each other what they're working on, even on the road. "Most of my work is on my laptop and his pad in front of him... and we don't want to show things that aren't finished, and actually we don't show anything...not until, say, December, and I'll get something from him. And, I guess I'm a little bit of a perfectionist, in that sense really."

On Angle's we see Dan Le Sac Vs. Scroobius Pip in motion, as the track "Beat In My Heart skipped" opens the album with slam-poetry and straight beats to invite the listener to a night of rebellion, awareness, and fun. It's like being at the coolest protest rally in town.

Dan Le Sac and Scroobius Pip are both from Stanford-Le-Hope in Essex, Scroobius getting his name from the -- purposefully-- misspelled First, came “Animal House,” then there was “American Pie,” and more recently “Superbad.” These movies have made an impact on not only their generations but on pop culture. “College,” an attempt to join this phenomenon, falls short.

“College” is a story of three high school friends looking for a wild and crazy weekend. After the main character Kevin (Drake Bell) is dumped by his girlfriend he doesn't want to go to the freshman orientation at the local college, Fieldmont University. However his friends, Carter (Andrew Caldwell) and Morris (Kevin Covais), convince him that this trip is just what is needed. Kevin, in an attempt to recreate himself, visits the college with his two friends, ready to party. In need for a place to stay the boys find themselves at the campus' rowdiest fraternity house. The fraternity brothers put the guys through constant ridicule and torment. Kevin becomes the main target after sparks fly between himself and Kendall (Haley Bennett), the ex-girlfriend of Teague (Nick Zano), the head of the fraternity. Teague then elevates the amount of social torture and the boys feel forced to retaliate. The movie concludes with the typical boy-gets-girl, while still achieving a comeback on his bully, and of course, Kevin learns a valuable lesson and finds his true self.

Essentially “College” is a collaboration, or duplicate, if you will, of ideas from past comedies. For example; Kevin is dumped by his girlfriend for being boring, (much like the movie “Eurotrip”) and the boys are in search of sexual encounters (much like “American Pie”). The characters alone are the exact formula used in “Superbad,” the overweight loudmouth, the sensitive nice guy and the geek who the overweight loudmouth's life purpose is to tease.

“College” is rated “R”; it contains plenty of scenes with nudity, alcohol consumption, potty language and vulgar humor. And while “College” is entertaining, the fact of the matter is it's nothing that hasn't been done before. It has been done time and time again, only this time with less comedy.
NEWS BRIEFS FOR SEPTEMBER

The Lewis Center for Educational Research and the High Desert Astronomical Society present Astronomy Observing in a series of scheduled viewing dates. Public viewing is offered at the Luz Observatory located at 20702 Thunderbird Road in Apple Valley, and Victor Valley College’s Planetarium has event dates, too.

The programs are in progress through December, and there is no charge to participate. Families are encouraged to bring their children for an exciting and memorable experience.

Show dates and times are available by phoning (760) 946-5414 or by visiting the website www.hidasonline.com.

Anyone interested in taking part in the 2008 AIDS Walk in Los Angeles is invited to join for the event to be held Sunday, Oct. 19. West Hollywood Park is the location for the 10-meter walk, and one may register at the AIDS Walk website at www.aidswalk.net/losangeles or register by phone at the AIDS Walk office (213) 201-9255 for this worthy cause to benefit AIDS Project Los Angeles.

9/11 Memorial

Photos Courtesy of Deanna Murphy of Victor Valley College
Silberman said, "A great side benefit to expansion would be a lessening of traffic congestion on campus."

Newly elected student Associated Body Council members welcome the incoming class, too, with ASB President Christina Zambrano expressing excitement at the prospect of working with and for the students and faculty. The ASB President's duties include involvement with the VVC Board of Trustees, and Zambrano embraces the opportunity to represent on the students' behalf.

Victor Valley College Executive Director for The Foundation, Ginger Ontiveros, is also pleased to greet the new class, and she echoed Dr. Silberman's sentiments regarding the bond measure. Ontiveros said, "The monies for this bond would stay local, in spite of a cyclical economy. The college would realize a net doubling of enrollment with the additional training facilities. In a soft economy, job skills through education will mean a higher salary."

If passed, Measure JJ will be the first successful bond measure for the college since the 1960's, when $2.5 million was approved for infrastructure improvements. That bond has been retired.

Part Three will focus on the main campus. It includes expanding the science building, expanding green technologies, maximizing energy efficiency, resurfacing parking lots, and general repairs.

Part Four will be used to pay off the loan received for past college improvements. The loan funds were used for the Student Activity Center, the elevator from the lower to the upper campus, portable classrooms, maintenance, Central Plant improvements, and other projects. Paying off the loan is expected to provide at least an additional $3 million for the operating budget annually.

If passed, Measure JJ will be the first successful bond measure for the college since the 1960's, when $2.5 million was approved for infrastructure improvements.

The Foundation already has $125,000 in the bank, earmarked for the bond measure. Another $125,000 has been pledged. Funds will be used to pay for direct mail, signage, and other advertising venues. The Foundation has also established a web site – citizenstobuildvvc.org.

"Today, we are a little over half way to our fund raising goal", says Ontiveros. "Measure JJ is a long term solution." "This is a great opportunity when the community really needs…an economic benefit."

Banuelos, as well, has career ambitions. "My plans after VVC are to hopefully land an internship or job at a local paper in San Diego or even be part of any paper for San Diego State University, where I plan to transfer," he told the RamPage by recent email. "After school, I want to work for a sports magazine or website as a blogger."

Primarily supported by RamPage advertising revenue is another annual journalism scholarship, this one in memory of another VVC student journalist. The Robert Vincent Journalism Scholarship was begun after Robert Vincent was killed in a hit-and-run traffic accident in April 2004. This is meant to help those at the beginning of their journalism studies at VVC. Two scholarships were given this year, to Vickie Townsend and Steven Hughes.

There is one annual deadline per year for all scholarship applications, with the next being in March 2009. College officials urge students to begin the application process in December 2008. All applications must be made online.

For information on applying for scholarships, go to www.vvc.edu and click on "financial aid." or call (760) 245-4271 extension 2277. For information on how to donate to an existing scholarship fund or to set up a new one, go to www.vvcfoundation.com or call (760) 245-4271 extension 2523.

Tentative plans are being made for a Barrera scholarship fund-raiser off-campus in December. If interested in participating, send an email to mazalhamidbar@hotmail.com with the phrase “interested in Barrera scholarship fund-raiser” in the subject line.
SHOW ME HOW TO PODCAST

FILM FESTIVAL

Date: 9/30/08
Location: FOOD COURT
Time: 6:00 PM

Students, faculty and staff welcomed!

1ST PLACE WINNER WILL RECEIVE A MAC MINI, IPOD TOUCH, AND FLIP CAMCORDER
TOTAL VALUE $1,225
This film festival is being held in loving memory of C.I.S. Instructor Robert Feddersen who first showed me how to podcast!

-Campus Apple Rep, Armando Perez

**Show me how to podcast**

*Rules and information*

To enter you must be a current VVC student

**What do you need to do?**
- Create a 2-5 minute educational video related to your major alone or as part of a team.

**What is the objective?**
- Show faculty the value of student generated content as an instructional tool.

**What will you win?**
- 1st place - Apple prize package valued at $1,228 (mac mini, iPod touch, flip camcorder).
- 2nd place - prize package from It's a Grind Coffee.

**What are we looking for?**
- Creativity, innovation and personality! Show the faculty why your known as the "YouTube" generation.

All videos must be submitted to the Armando Perez, your campus Apple rep no later than September 29th. Your video must be in quicktime or mp4 format and saved on a thumb drive that is labeled with your name on it. You must submit your video with the entry form below. Your thumb drive will be returned to you after the film festival.

For more information or to submit your entry please contact Armando at (760) 887-6039 or email: mandoc_perez@mac.com.

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**Show me how to podcast entry form**

Your Name/Team Name:

Phone Number:

Your Major/Name of your film:

VVC Student ID:

What would you like the audience to know about your film?
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OCTOBER
2 – 8:00pm
3 – 8:00pm
4 – 8:00pm
5 – 3:00pm
9 – 8:00pm
10 – 8:00pm
11 – 8:00pm
12 – 3:00pm

BUS STOP
BLACK BOX THEATRE
The new Experimental Theatre (BLACK BOX) will have flexible seating up to 140.

November
21 – 7:30pm
22 – 7:30pm
23 – 2:30pm

Directed by: ED HEAGERLIN
The year is 1955. Eight misfits are holed up in a
diner 30 miles west of Kansas City waiting for a
howling snowstorm to end. Love requited and
unrequited. This evening changes all of their
lives.

Directed by: CLAUDIA BASHA
There was once a king who was absolutely insane about
new clothes and one day, two swindlers came to tell him
what they said was a magic suit of clothes. The truth of the
matter is, there was no suit at all.

FALL DANCE CONCERT
Dance and faculty members will present a program of
diverse dance works that will include ballet, ballroom, jazz,
hip-hop, modern and tap.

December
5 – 7:30pm
6 – 7:30pm

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PASSPORT TRAVEL SERIES
Share in the excitement of the world and its
wonders. Join family & friends for a series of
tavelogue film lectures by professional
cinematographers.

September 28, 2008 – 2:30pm
"Prague to Paris via River Cruise & Motor
Coach" – Clint Denn

October 19, 2008 – 2:30pm
"Rails Across Russia: St. Petersburg to the
Pacific" – Mary Lee & Sid Nolan

January 11, 2009 – 2:30pm
"The Soul of Morocco"
- Victor Valley favorite
and Learning Channel producer
Rick Ray

February 1, 2009 – 2:30pm
"Egypt: The Footsteps of Moses"
- Travel Channel producer Dennis Burkhart

March 15, 2009 – 2:30pm
"My Private Italy"
- A Creative Light Production

April 19, 2009 – 2:30pm
"Through the Lens of Adventure: Hidden
Jerusalem" – Modern day Indiana Jones
and NBC Tonight Show cameraman
Dave Banks

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SEPTEMBER
19 – 7:30pm
Free Music Recital! Faculty & Students perform.
Ensembles Galore! Free! Studio Singers, Jazz-Rock
Combo, Guitar Ensemble & College Band.

OCTOBER
10 – 7:30pm
BANDS NIGHT! Studio Band, Symphonic Band, Brass Ensemble.
Oct. 11 – 7:30pm
CHORAL MUSIC! Master Arts Chorale, College Singers,
Women’s Choir.
Oct. 12 – 2:30pm
STRINGS! Preludium String Ensemble, College Symphony &
Beginning String Ensemble.
Nov. 7 – 7:30pm
Free Music Recital! Faculty & Students perform.
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STRINGS & MORE! Guitar Ensemble, Beginning Strings,
Preludium Strings & College Orchestra.
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Studio Singers, Jazz/Rock Combo & others.
Dec. 12 – 7:30pm
A CHORAL CHRISTMAS! Master Arts Chorale, College
Singers, Women’s Choir & Sinfonia.
Dec. 13 – 7:30pm
STRIKE UP THE BANDS! Symphonic Band, Brass Ensemble &
Studio Band.

DECEMBER
5 – 7:30pm
6 – 7:30pm

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