Defense wins ball games and it was the patience and tenacity of the Victor Valley College Rams defense that held the Riverside Community College Tigers to a game total of 14 points. A fumble recovery and 37 yard score by defensive end Anthony Daniels in the third quarter fueled the momentum needed for the Rams’ offense to get on track and put the game away with the final score VVC 27, RCC 14.

On Sept. 5, 2009, the VVC Football team stuck together in moments of adversity, “I love my team; we play with a lot of heart,” said Anthony Daniels.

The conditions on Saturday afternoon were just right, but both teams had to overcome the occasional windy gusts to put points on the score board. The Rams went onto the board first with a 4 yard run by Quarterback Robert Love, but the point after was no good. A play action fake by the Tiger’s offense caught the Rams’ defensive backfield off guard and an inside receiver route lead to a 67 yard pass from RCC QB Nathan Lamonica to Tommy Curry for a score. The Tigers would go up 7 to 6 in the first quarter. The second quarter was scoreless for both teams, but in the opening moments of the third quarter a 32 yard interception by the RCC defense put the tigers up 14 to 6. VVC’s defense answered back with the Daniels fumble recovery, and from that moment forward the VVC Rams did not look back adding to the point tally with a pass from Love to Jones making the score 21 to 14 VVC. “The O-line did a great job picking up blitzes and overall protection,” said Rams QB Robert Love. This allowed Love to connect with Pelton Smalls for a 20 yard pass completion and touch down that rounded out an 80 yard drive in the forth quarter of play.

According to statistic in the Sept. 6 edition of the Daily Press, section D page 2, Love completed 8 of 20 passes for a game total of 170 yards with a touch down, and the VVC defense held RCC to 152 total offensive yards. There were a total of 355 yards in penalties between both teams with RCC committing 190 yards and the Rams giving up 165 yards.

“The talent is similar to the 2006 team, but it it’s still too early to tell, and the next two weeks we will face a challenge,” said Head Coach Dave Hoover.

The Rams face two tough opponents for the next two weeks with an away game at Palomar College this weekend and Mount San Antonio College at home on September 19th.
Writing Center Provides Students with Assistance

Story and Photo by Noel Herron, Managing Editor

The Writing Center, located in the Technology Center, room 177 offers every student at VVC the opportunity to work with tutors and improve their writing skills and essays.

WC facilitator Susan Nylander wants students to feel comfortable when coming to the WC and not feel embarrassed with their work. “Some people say (that) tutoring is only for poor students, and that’s just not true,” said Nylander.

“We have writers coming in from English 6 through 104. We are writers working with other writers, we don’t judge people on their writing,” said Nylander.

Tutors at the WC are well experienced and know what tasks students face. “Some of our tutors are graduate students who started their education at VVC,” said Nylander.

The WC offers VVC students help throughout the writing process, from understanding the assignment to finalizing a draft. The WC can also help students avoid plagiarism by showing how to do proper in-text citations and bibliographies.

The WC won’t proofread essays for spelling or grammatical errors, but they will help students to improve in those areas.

Student Tutor Edmundo Vides has been at the WC for three semesters and knows the students’ most common challenges. “We deal a lot with formatting, MLA and APA (issues). We really focus on thesis statements, because it gives you a big idea of where your paper is going,” said Vides.

There are also classes that integrate the WC’s services into their course. English 10 is a 1 unit lab class for all students in a writing related course. Students in the class are required to be in the WC for three hours a week to practice their writing skills and work one-on-one with a tutor once a week. It’s for students who want or need more structure in their writing development.

For students who cannot make it to the campus, the WC also offers their services online. By visiting the WC’s website at http://www.vvc.edu/offices/writing_center students have access to resources such as formatting references, WC handouts and an online tutor where students can submit a question or a draft of their essay.

The WC is open Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and on Fridays from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and can be reached by phone at 245-4271 ext. 2783.

8th Annual SPICE OF LIFE Multi-Cultural FESTIVAL

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Spice of Life is a citywide multi-cultural festival that celebrates the cultural diversity we share in our High Desert Community.

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