

Album Review:**Sack: the best guitar driven party music you'll hear**by Hall Penn
Editor in Chief**Sack**
Get Wrecked
(Clearview Records, 2005)
★★★★

Alcoholics, stay away.

I'll admit; I didn't know where to start this review so I erred on the side of caution. So if you party too much or like to have fun more than you should you might want to leave this cd alone.

Sack is a band formed from remnants of the breakup of the Lillingtons, one of the best pop punk bands formed in the 90's, and current members of Teenage Bottlerocket, inarguably the best pop punk band around in the last 20 years. Sack lasted just long enough to record the 13 song, 25 minute cd titled "Get Wrecked," a cd that I can not get enough of.

The thing about Sack is that even though they had members from two of the best pop punk bands in this decade and the last, they're not pop punk. They call themselves Street Rock, but even that doesn't do justice to the music.

This is the music that makes you want to grow a mullet, buy a rusty camero and start cooking meth.

There's a very obvious reason they started the cd with a song called "One Helluva Party" with lyrics like "Give me one reason not to do the kegstand / drinking games are for stupid f...ing college ass....." If you listen to any sort of rock 'n' roll or punk or anything loud that has guitars in it, then this is your ultimate party cd. The only problem with that is this cd leads to broken tv's, ugly kids passed out on your couch and something big on fire in the backyard.

Standout songs are "King Of the Beach", and "The Born Loser" that is amazingly hilarious with lyrics such as "they think I'm a piece of s.../ and they think that I should care/ but I don't give a f... cause I'm the born loser" and "17 will get you 20 / yeah I know because I've done my share".

My favorite song from this CD is undoubtedly Rad Biker, a song that's about about a skinny white guy on a dirt bike. Cody, the lead singer, yells "With his t-

shirt off I can see his f...ing ribcage / who's poppin wheelies with the greatest of ease / he's spinning doughnuts like a Texas tornado / hey look at me I'm in the eye of the storm". Anyone listening knows this isn't for your intellect.

As much as I enjoy living in the world of academia, sometimes I have to turn off those analytical parts of my brain, pound a few beers and turn a CD like this one all the way up to 11.

Somewhere around the 10th straight-through listening to this CD, I realized something worth noting. As

cluttered as music is with bands trying to say something important or trying to perfectly describe a feeling, every once in a while a band comes along that makes it fun to listen to music again. No heartache, no politics, just plain guitar driven, straight-forward ass kicking.

Here's to rock 'n' roll and here's to the most fun CD I've heard in years. This is the kind of music that made me want to learn how to play the guitar, and that's as much as I can say for it.

**Faculty Spotlight:****Shirley Arnold directs new Academic Enrichment Center**by Matt Rutherford
Arts & Life Editor

Shirley Arnold, our Director of the new Academic Enrichment Center, was born in Kingsport, Tennessee. She received her bachelors in religious education at Centenary College of Louisiana, and her masters in education at the University of Phoenix. Shirley currently resides in Etowah, North Carolina.

What brought you to Brevard College?

What originally brought me to the area was to be closer to my family in Tennessee. I had worked in admissions at a previous college, and a position in academic counseling came open. I had enjoyed working with students before, so I accepted. Brevard College offered me a chance to work with students, through counseling. So, can you tell me a little about your position here at Brevard?

I oversee all of the academic support

programs such as: tutoring, academic counseling, and eventually to help oversee both the writing center as well as the math lab. The goal of the new Academic Enrichment Center (AEC) will be to help all students. Whether they have a learning disability, are in honors, FYF, or are just looking to boost their grade from a C to an A, we are here to provide the help that's needed.

How long have you worked here?

Right at four years.

Who are your role models?

Both my parents. Even though they had no college education, they instilled the belief that all people are equal and provided me with the support and balance I needed in life.

How do you feel about the Quest program now that it has been through the trial run? Do you feel it will be any more successful in the future?

I think Quest was successful, but also provided growing pains for both students and faculty. We know what works and what doesn't. These courses are meant to make students think critically, and the developing of this skill is detrimental to college life.

What other projects are you currently working on? You mentioned the new AEC. When will it open?

Really, my focus is making sure the AEC is open and working on time. And of course making sure students are on the right track. Part of this is getting a tutoring program up and running. Our goal is to open by fall break, but if not, we will be open by next semester.

Finally, just out of curiosity, what's in your car CD/tape player?

James Taylor's Greatest Hits.