

Happy Birth Anniversary Beam!



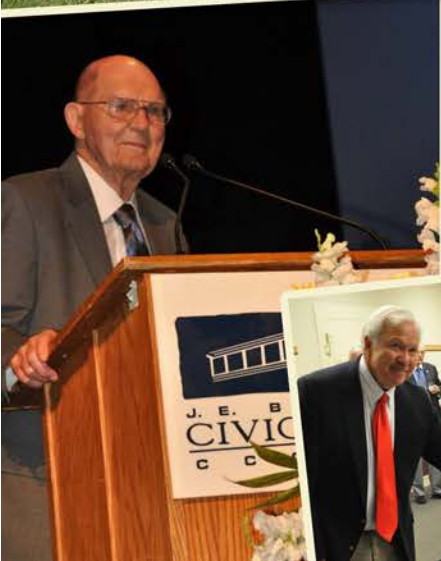
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Wrapping Up a Year of Celebration

Throughout 2014, Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute celebrated its 50th Anniversary. With events ranging from a cookout for employees to a formal reception for donors to birthday celebrations for our students, each activity was another opportunity for us to recognize that our continued success as an institution is only possible because of the vision, dedication and leadership of those who came before us.

In December, the college held its annual Christmas Luncheon for Trustees, employees and retirees. At the event, Dr. Kenneth Boham dedicated a special time capsule to be opened during the college's Centennial in 2064. Items in the capsule included essays written by students, photos from our history and from the past year of events, copies of CCC&TI publications from throughout the year and much more.

As we wrap up a year of celebrating our heritage, we look forward to seeing what the next 50 years will hold for Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute and the communities we serve. We hope that the next 50 years will bring as much success, joy and fulfillment as the last 50 have brought for all of us whose lives have been impacted by this institution. While we know many things will change, we hope that some things will remain the same – tradition, excellence, hope and educational opportunities for all.

A Note from Dr. Boham:

Thank you to the 50th Anniversary Committee for their work to make the year of celebration such a resounding success in marking this milestone in the history of the college. The Committee put together a number of excellent events that were enjoyed by all those that participated. My heartfelt thanks and appreciation is extended for their commitment.



CCC&TI Grad Begins Journey to Success in 7th Grade

IMarcus Abernethy earned a Master’s Degree in Public Administration from Appalachian State University and currently serves as the City Manager of Hamlet, N.C., a small city near Rockingham. But just 12 short years ago, Abernethy was a seventh grader at Granite Falls Middle School about to be inducted into Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute’s TRIO/Educational Talent Search program.

TRIO/ETS is a federally-funded program that works with middle and high school students, most of whom will be first-generation college students, to assist them with all aspects of college enrollment. The program affords the students in its ranks a tremendous amount of opportunities – and Marcus Abernethy took advantage of as many as possible.

“Through ETS, I was able to visit several colleges and universities to determine what type of college I wanted to attend. I was able to learn more about various careers and what degrees were generally required to hold certain jobs,” said Abernethy. “TRIO helped me realize where I wanted to be in life and what I had to do to get there.”

Abernethy says that even more than helping make decisions about his education and career path, the TRIO program helped him discover what it takes to be a leader and his own passion for public service. “ETS instilled in me a strong desire to lead others,” said Abernethy. “I knew by the time I left high school that I wanted to pursue a career in public service.”

Abernethy said that once he finished at South Caldwell High School, CCC&TI seemed like the perfect place to begin his college education. He received the G. Lewis Bernhardt Fellowship, a scholarship for ETS students, which also helped pay some of his tuition. “CCC&TI was close enough that I could stay home and continue to work part-time while I went to school,” he said. “CCC&TI allowed me to start college at a much lower cost and attend with much less risk involved.”

While at CCC&TI, Abernethy further developed his leadership skills with a variety of student activities. He continued his involvement with TRIO, in the Student Support Services program for college students, served as both a senator and vice-president for CCC&TI’s Student Government Association, served as a CCC&TI Student Ambassador and also attended the NC Community College System Student Leadership Institute, a yearlong program that selects only a few students from across the state for participation.

Abernethy earned his Associate in Arts degree in 2010 and transferred to ASU where he earned his Bachelor of Science Degree in Political Science in 2012 and his Master of Arts degree in Public Administration in 2014. Later in 2014, Abernethy accepted the City Manager position in Hamlet where he serves as the chief administration officer overseeing the city’s operation and a staff of 95 employees. “Hamlet has such a strong sense of community, and it has something to offer for everyone. Although I will never forget where I am from, this is my new home. I am so excited to be here, and I am thankful to all of those who helped me to get where I am,” Abernethy said.

Abernethy says that his success is due in part to his hard work and the support he received through CCC&TI’s TRIO program, but also to those who have helped him along the way. “If I am a success story, then it is partly because of the hard work that others have done to help me along the way. To all the mentors, for whatever reason you saw potential in me and decided to make a lasting impression on me – thank you! You know who you are.”



J.E. Broyhill Civic Center Presents David Holt and the Lightning Bolts

Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute's J.E. Broyhill Civic Center will present David Holt and the Lightning Bolts on Thursday, Jan. 22 at 7:30 p.m.

David Holt and the Lightning Bolts delivers old-time music with a new time jolt. With more than ten different instruments including banjo, fiddle, bottleneck blues guitar, mouth bow and even paper bag, the Lightning Bolts present an entertaining and dynamic show filled with humor, stories and music. Four-time Grammy winner David Holt has assembled a group of stellar musicians and entertainers: Laura Boosinger, Josh Goforth, Jeff Hersk and Byron Hedgepeth who bring to life the joy and spirit of mountain music. Every concert sizzles with music learned directly from musical greats like Doc Watson, Tommy Jarrell, Grandpa Jones, Roy Acuff and the oldest person in the world, 123-year-old Susie Brunson.

David Holt and the Lightning Bolts is a concert band that all ages will enjoy. Their new album was recently #1 on the Roots Music Charts. The wide diversity of material, styles and instruments gives the Lightning Bolts the spark that keeps their music fresh, fun and fired up.

Tickets for the show are \$12.81 for adults and \$5.34 for children. CCC&TI student tickets are free with a valid student ID. For more information or for tickets, call the Civic Center Box Office at 828-726-2407 or visit www.broyhillcenter.com.



CCC&TI Culinary Students Prepare Holiday Feast for Women's Shelter

While local families were sitting down to a delicious Thanksgiving dinner, so were the women and children living at The Shelter Home of Caldwell County, thanks to a group of Culinary Arts students from Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute.

The students volunteered their time Tuesday and Wednesday during the week of Thanksgiving to prepare a feast that included: roasted turkey, smoked ham, sweet potatoes, mashed potatoes, stuffing, mixed vegetables, cabbage with bacon and onions, brownies, apple cobbler and spiced cookies. The students, who came in on the first day of the Thanksgiving break to finish the meal, prepared enough food for the shelter's residents to have Thanksgiving and plenty of leftovers.

"The students came up with it," said Keith Andreasen, director of the Culinary Arts program. "They approached me with the project, which is a good thing."

Food donations from JustSave in Lenoir and a local church that wanted to remain



anonymous, as well as CCC&TI's Culinary Guild student club, supported the project.

"This is indicative of what Caldwell County is," said Sharon Poarch, executive director of The Shelter Home of Caldwell County. "This is another example of how this county supports its human service missions."

Poarch said there are currently more than 40 women and children living at the shelter, and the culinary students' effort allowed those residents to skip the stress of preparation and to enjoy a Thanksgiving meal prepared by someone else.

CCC&TI student Christian Stone said he and his fellow students wanted to demonstrate their appreciation for the way the community supports the Culinary Arts program.

"This is a good way to say 'thank you' and to give back to the community," he said.



From left to right, Culinary Arts student William Ward, Shelter Home employee Kim Wyckoff, Culinary Arts student Lynn Miller, Culinary Arts Director (sunglasses - back) Keith Andreasen, and Culinary Arts student Christian Stone, pose for a photo after loading a Thanksgiving feast for delivery to the Shelter Home of Caldwell County.

Entrepreneur Day, Watauga Campus By Christopher Lawrence

On Nov. 19, the Student Government Association of the Watauga Campus held a fundraiser for Relay for Life. On Entrepreneur Day, any student or faculty/staff member who wished to sell crafts or products of their choice paid a small \$10 fee for a table that was set up in the main lobby. The \$10 fee was donated to Relay for Life. The students, or faculty/staff who signed up for the event had tables in the main lobby for the most of the day. Five entrepreneurs chose to participate in the fundraiser. The five students and faculty/staff members had a wide range of items to sell. Cazzie Tester sold her family's home farmed sourwood honey. Mark Jordan also participated; he sold a variety of jewelry ranging from necklaces, rings, and loose stones for setting. Kenneth Freeman sold hand carved wooden Santa ornaments and had a tremendous marketing strategy, as he made his product at his table during his time selling. Alana Baird sold various crafts and Christmas ornaments. Finally Kathy Schlect sold homemade kitchen items. Many students stopped, looked, and shopped through the five makeshift shops, and the five entrepreneurs enjoyed practicing business strategies. Overall \$194 was raised and \$144 was donated back to us from one of the vendors who wishes to remain anonymous. We are so grateful for all the support of the Watauga Campus faculty/staff and students for a great day for a very important cause.



Attn: Students-MBS Book Buyback Dates!
 January 21 – Caldwell Campus; 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. • January 22 – Watauga Campus; 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.



CCC&TI Alert Messaging System

CCC&TI offers an instant campus alert service called Regroup. Sign up and you can receive message alerts regarding campus emergencies and inclement weather.

Opt-in and choose your preferred method of notification: Cell phone text, phone voice message, email or all three. Be sure to join a group: either Caldwell Campus or Watauga Campus.

So how do you sign up?

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A Note of Thanks from the Beams

Nov. 24, 2014

Dear Dr. Bohann,

November fourth was such a happy day for Ed and me. It was a triple "whammy": the tree planting celebrating the success of the Foundation's fund drive, the anniversary of CCC&TI's fifty years and Ed's 91st birthday. What a lot of history rolled into one!

There were so many people who were involved in this celebration, and we wish we could personally contact each one. The planners, the CCC&TI staff, the refreshment providers, as well as the guests were much appreciated. Thank you to everyone who contributed to the celebration.

The wonderful photos and the beautiful scrapbook are such meaningful reminders of the college



and all it meant to so many.

I thank you!
 Sincerely,
 Ed and Evelyn
 Beams

Service + Learning: Students Doing Good

CCC&TI students and clubs worked to collect much-needed items for local support agencies. Student Government Association hosted a club competition to help the new Lenoir Emergency Outreach Shelter or LEOS.

“It was another amazing show of generosity from our students, faculty and staff,” said Activities Director Kim Roper.

The results were:

1st place: Science Club with 387.2 lbs

2nd place: PTA with 121.4 lbs

3rd place: TRIO with 66.0 lbs

The Ambassador Club also contributed 49.2 lbs. The total contributed 623.8 lbs.

The SGA food drive collected 1,370 food items for distribution to food pantries in Caldwell County with the Cosmetology Club winning the competition.

Pictured top right, SGA officers pause for a photo before delivering items donated to the LEOS Emergency Shelter in Lenoir.

Below, The Daytime Cosmetology Class enjoys their pizza lunch reward for collecting the most food items.



NCAEOP Angel Tree

The North Carolina Association of Education Office Professionals (NCAEOP) chapter on the campus of Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute in Hudson distributed Christmas toys and gifts for 62 local children on Monday, Dec. 15. For 14 years, NCAEOP members have collected donations from CCC&TI faculty, staff, retirees, students and friends for its annual Angel Tree drive. The Appalachian State University Center on the CCC&TI campus in Hudson also helped with the effort. The project provides gifts for the children of qualifying CCC&TI students.

Pictured (from left to right): Martha Minton, Connie Wilson, Christina Guzman and Stacy Styles.



*Spreading
Good Cheer!*



BLET Graduation



The Basic Law Enforcement Training (BLET) program at Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute hosted its graduation ceremony for the Fall Class of 2014 on Dec. 8 at the J.E. Broyhill Civic Center in Lenoir. Pictured top left, BLET program director Dennis Hopkins administers the Oath of Honor for the new graduates. The Fall 2014 graduates include: Christopher Anders, Landon Annas, Seth Byland, CJ

Curtis, David Davis, Kenneth Macchia, Devan Mackey, Michael Miller, Joseph Mitchell, Mark Noble, Alexander Pfeffer, Adam Robbins and Eric Scronce. For more information about the Basic Law Enforcement Training program at CCC&TI, which starts its next class in January, call Dennis Hopkins at 828-726-2750.



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Nursing Graduates Earn 100 Percent Passage Rate

CCC&TI's Nursing Class of 2014 has reported a 100-percent passage rate on the North Carolina Board of Nursing Licensure Examination. This is the third consecutive year that graduates have achieved the 100-percent passage rate. Graduates in the class are: Katherine Burt, Kim Constans, Joni Cowick, Sarah Crawford, Erin Darby, Rebecca Dilley, Margo Eatmon, Jennifer (Nickie) Eller, Sharon Geatz, April Hilario, Samantha Kincaid, Jennifer (Jenny) Lanier, Meggan Lytle, Kala Maltba, Kinsey Mash, Monica May, Jana Messer, Kateland Miller, Shannon Millsaps, April Morgan, Courtney Peterson, Patricia Potter, Carrie Robbins, Crystal Southard, Donna Stevens, Ashley Thomas, Tiffany West, Josie Williams and Emily Yates. Congratulations to these students.

