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Dr. Boham's
Big Announcement

September

1
Academic Support Center
and Writing Center Open
House, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Both
Campuses

7
Labor Day Holiday, Institution
Closed

7-8
No Curriculum Classes

15
Red Cross Blood Drive -
Caldwell Campus

16
Constitution Day Activities

17
Caldwell Cuisine, Thailand,
6:30 p.m.; J.E. Broyhill Civic
Center

23
SGA General Assembly
Meeting, 12 p.m.; B-134 and
WC-101

30
Caldwell Campus Club Day,
10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Student
Lounge

October

1
FAFSA Filling Target Deadline
for Spring 2016

6
NSLS Broadcast, "Al Roker,"
7 p.m.; E-120

8
International Film Series, "A
Path Appears: Breaking the
Cycle of Poverty," 7 p.m.; J.E.
Broyhill Civic Center

13
Watauga Campus TRIO Deli,
12 p.m.; Student Lounge

14
SGA General Assembly
Meeting, 12 p.m.; B-134 and
WC-101

15-17
Curriculum Student Fall
Break

21
Caldwell Campus TRIO Deli,
12 p.m.; E-120

22
Student Fest, Both Cam-
puses

Caldwell Cuisine, Germany,
6:30 p.m.; J.E. Broyhill Civic
Center

**For a complete
calendar of events
including student
workshops and other
activities, visit
www.cccti.edu**

CCC&TI President

Dr. Kenneth Boham Will Retire in 2016

Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute President Dr. Kenneth Boham has announced plans to retire on July 29, 2016. He made the announcement at the Aug. 19 Board of Trustees meeting.

"It has been my pleasure and my honor, and I cannot think of any place I would have rather been," he said, adding that the faculty and staff is the best he's worked with over the last 20-plus years. "I just turned 60, which is not old by any means, and I will finish 21 years at CCC&TI July, 2016."

A native of North Carolina, Dr. Boham has served as CCC&TI president since 1995. During his tenure, he has seen phenomenal growth in both student population and facilities. Under his leadership, CCC&TI has served as a state model in the development of "seamless education" through the Career Center Middle College, the Appalachian State University Center and the Caldwell Early College High School, all located on the college campus. Dr. Boham's pioneering spirit has also led to increases in funding for significant expansion of campus facilities and technology to increase programming and services within the region.

Board of Trustees Chairman Larry Taylor said that a search committee will be formed and the process to find CCC&TI's next president begins immediately. The timeline includes advertisement of the position this fall and interviews in the spring. According to the plan, the new president will be announced in June and begin work Aug. 1.

The task of replacing Dr. Boham won't be easy, Taylor said.

"What he has added to the community to increase the quality of life, people don't even realize," he said.

Dr. Boham is a graduate of North Carolina State University with an undergraduate degree from East Carolina University. Prior to his appointment as president at CCC&TI, Dr.

Boham served as Vice President for Continuing Education at Wake Technical Community College and as interim president for Mayland Community College.

Currently, he is involved with the North Carolina Commission on Workforce Development, NC Association of Community College Presidents, the Caldwell County Chamber of Commerce, Caldwell County Smart Start, Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute Foundation and the Caldwell 20/20 Board.

Dr. Boham was named Community College System President of the Year in 2003 and won the I.E. Ready Distinguished Graduate Award from N.C. State in 1998. Other honors include: CCB's Golden Apple Award in 2002 and the Caldwell Economic Development Commission's Herman Anderson Award and the Caldwell Chamber Visionary Award in 2006.

Originally from Northampton County, Dr. Boham and his wife Betty are long-term residents of Lenoir and have two children, Stephen and Chelsea.



Above, CCC&TI trustees show their appreciation for Dr. Kenneth Boham as he announces his upcoming retirement. Cover: Dr. Boham addresses the faculty and staff at the Fall Kickoff Event.

CCC&TI Honors Employees at Fall Kickoff Event

Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute employees gathered for the annual fall semester kickoff recently with a State of the College address and luncheon. The following faculty and staff members were honored for their work and years of service during the event:



Colleague of the Year Awards

Members of the college's faculty and staff are nominated by their colleagues based on quality of work, job performance, collegiality with all personnel including students, community involvement, professionalism, and other attributes. Pictured (Top, Left) are this year's award winners, seated left to right, Ira Duncan, Myra Moore, Penny Whisnant and Margo Rice. Standing, CCC&TI President, Dr. Kenneth Boham.

Lydia Beam Memorial Award

This award was established in 1988 by Dr. H. E. Beam and his family in memory of Lydia Beam. The purpose of the award is to reward a full-time Clerical/Technical/Paraprofessional Assistant with a cash award in recognition of outstanding service to the institution through quality job performance, professionalism, cooperation with other employees, and dedication to the success of the institution. Pictured (Far Left) is Patricia Joyner, left, this year's award winner with CCC&TI President, Dr. Kenneth Boham.



NC Association of Educational Office Professionals Member of the Year Award

CCC&TI recently recognized the winner of the 2015 NCAEOP Member of the Year Award. The award is presented annually to recognize a member who has been part of the organization for at

least one year, who participates in organization activities, is active in committee work and who regularly attends the monthly meetings. This year the NCAEOP Member of the Year Award went to Connie Wilson, left, with CCC&TI President Dr. Kenneth Boham.



Phi Theta Kappa's Center for Excellence Service Award

The Phi Theta Kappa Center for Excellence Service Award is given to the Phi Theta Kappa chapter advisors whose dedicated service is responsible for the success of the local chapter. From left, Heather Wright and Laura Wollpert, with Dr. Kenneth Boham, center, were recognized for 10 years of service as advisors for the CCC&TI Alpha Lambda Pi Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa.



E.M. Dudley Employee Achievement Award

This award is presented to an employee who has excelled in service to the college, its students and the community. Pictured is this year's award winner, Jeff Herman, left, with CCC&TI President, Dr. Kenneth Boham.

Years of Service Awards

25 Years of Service

Pictured is Myra Sanders with CCC&TI President Dr. Ken Boham.



20 Years of Service

Pictured, from left to right, seated, are Debra Yount, Cheryl Bolt, Sharon McCrary, Cheryl Miller. Standing, left to right, are Dr. Kenneth Boham, Ron Wilson and Penny Whisnant.



15 Years of Service

Pictured from left to right (seated) are Ira Duncan, Linda Lawson, Barbara Harris, Kim Hinton and Michelle Powell. Not pictured are Pat Pritchard, Norman Staines and Larry Stewart.

10 Years of Service

Pictured (bottom, left) from left to right (seated) are Aaron Littell, Mandy Williams, Julie Parsons, Connie Wilson and Jennifer Fisher. Standing, left to right, are Pete Stulginskis, Sam Houston, Tammy Greene, Kelly Greene and Shannon Brown. Not pictured, Christie Arney and Timothy Braswell.



5 Years of Service

Pictured below from left to right (seated) are Amy Gantt, Mark Shell, Holly Hanley, Shanna Kirby and Kristin Harrison. From left to right (standing) are Amy Tilly, Yvonne Cockerham, Ray Kirby, Rick Shew and Matthew Anderson. Not pictured are Kevin Ward and William Knight.



Wells Fargo awards grant to CCC&TI Foundation

The Foundation of Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute has received a \$500 grant from the Wells Fargo Foundation.

The grant, which is designated for scholarships, was awarded based on volunteer service efforts for the 2015 CCC&TI Foundation Fund Drive by employees at the Wells Fargo Advisors Office in Lenoir. "This is just one example of a few people joining together to support a worthy cause," said Marla Christie, CCC&TI Foundation Executive Director. "The staff at Wells Fargo liked the idea of doing something to help students get an education. The support of individuals, as well as businesses within our community, is vital in helping us meet the needs of more students. We appreciate the commitment of all of our volunteers."

Wells Fargo has donated \$1.1 billion to nonprofits over the last four years to support and revitalize communities, help charitable organizations and grow local economies, including more than \$281.2 million to 17,100 nonprofits and schools in 2014.



Pictured, from left to right, are: Foundation of CCC&TI Board Chairman and Wells Fargo Advisors Resident Branch Manager Peg Broyhill, Foundation of CCC&TI Executive Director Marla Christie and Wells Fargo Financial Advisor Ben Boaz. The Foundation of CCC&TI is a non-profit organization that provides funding for scholarships, academic support, childcare and emergency assistance for students, counseling and professional development, along with various achievement awards and grants.

For more information about the Foundation of CCC&TI or to donate, call 828-726-2260.

Welcome Back

The Watauga Campus Student Government Association, pictured at left, hosted a welcome back celebration on Aug. 20. Students, faculty and staff enjoyed free pizza to celebrate the start of the Fall Semester.



Are You Ready for Some Fantasy Football?

Join the CCC&TI Fantasy Football League for a chance to coach your way to victory!

How do you join?

1. Go to www.espn.go.com, and sign up for a free ESPN account.
(If you have an existing account, please use your existing account.)
 2. Go to Fantasy Football on your ESPN account,
 3. Search for "CCCTI Football 1 students",
 4. Use CCCTI Football as the password to join the student league.
- We will have an auto draft on Friday, Sept. 4.
The first game is Thursday, Sept. 10.
You will need to manage your players and your team to win.

Prizes are as follows:

- 1st place will win \$200
- 2nd place will win \$150
- 3rd place will win \$100

Only currently enrolled students are eligible for prize money.

Join the CCC&TI Fantasy Football league today!

Questions? Contact klackey@cccti.edu



Foundation Announces Dr. Alice B. Lentz Work Scholarship & Donation Doubling Crouch Music Scholarship

The Foundation of Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute recently announced the creation of the newly endowed Dr. Alice B. Lentz Work Scholarship, as well as the receipt of a substantial gift to the Kay and Patrick Crouch Music Scholarship, more than doubling the funds available for music scholarships at CCC&TI.

The Dr. Alice B. Lentz Work Scholarship was established by Barbara Freiman, the former Foundation director and continuing member of the TRIO Advisory Committee, to honor Lentz on the occasion of her retirement from CCC&TI. Lentz served as Director of TRIO Programs at the college for the last 12 years prior to her retirement in July.

The fund will aid TRIO/Student Support Services students with income and relevant work experience while they are enrolled in college.

In announcing the scholarship, Freiman cited Lentz's work in expanding the reach of the TRIO programs and the creation of TRIO Youth Leadership League, TRIO student online newsletters, TRIO alumni events and campus-wide Global Diversity Awareness. "I'm just bowled over at the absolute act of grace and generosity," said Lentz of the scholarship. She said the scholarship would be used to match students' interest and program of study with a campus employer who has need for student talent.

Kay and Patrick Crouch Scholarship

In addition to the creation of the newly endowed scholarship, the Foundation has also announced that an anonymous donor made a substantial gift to the Kay and Patrick Crouch Music Scholarship, more than doubling the funds available for music scholarships at CCC&TI.

The gift was made to the scholarship fund in honor of Patrick Crouch's May 2015 induction into the Caldwell County Hall of Honor. Crouch was inducted into the hall for his contributions in both music and education. Patrick Crouch served as band teacher at Granite Falls Middle School from 1980 to 2009.

The gift will help bolster the endowed scholarship, which was established in 2012 in honor of Kay Crouch's retirement from CCC&TI and in honor of their contributions to music education in Caldwell County. Kay Crouch served more than 27 years as Director of CCC&TI's Music Program.

The Crouches, along with Ron Shuffler, make up the acoustic trio Strictly Clean and Decent, a favorite among local music fans since its inception in 1989. Kay and Patrick also helped found CCC&TI's annual Traditional Musicians Showcase, which is hosted each year by Strictly Clean and Decent. 2016 will mark the 18th annual showcase.

Funds from the endowed scholarship assist an Associate, Fine Art – Music student at CCC&TI.

For more information about either of these scholarships or the Foundation of Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute, contact Executive Director Marla Christie at 828-726-2203 or visit www.cccti.edu.



CCC&TI Welcomes New Trustee

Boone attorney Nathan Miller is the newest appointee to the CCC&TI Board of Trustees. Miller is a native of Watauga County. He earned an undergrad degree at University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill and a law degree at St. Mary's University of Law School in San Antonio, Texas in 2006. Currently, Miller focuses on criminal defense and civil litigation at Miller and Johnson, PLLC, located in downtown Boone. In 2010, Miller was elected to a four-year term on the Watauga County Board of Commissioners, where he served as chair of the board. Miller lives in Watauga County. He, and wife Crystal, have one daughter, Lillian Sue.



Adult Education Students Sharpen Skills at STEM Academy

Students enrolled in College and Career Readiness (CCR) adult education programs at Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute recently completed a month-long emphasis on science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) through the annual Summer STEM Academy.

The STEM Academy is designed to address the need to better prepare Adult Education students for completion of their high school credential, as well as encouraging them to consider future careers in STEM fields. The program, which is in its second year, took place over five weeks in July and August. The activities included classes on campus, as well as various off-campus trips to destinations such as the Family Resource Center, Tuttle Educational State Forest, Catawba Science Center, Foot-hills Community Workshop, Redwood Park and J.E. Broyhill Park.

Students in the STEM Academy learned about scientific method, biology, computer programming, chemistry and robotics. They also had hands-on activities and guest speakers to enrich the learning experience. Participants also were introduced to the Landscape Gardening and various Health Sciences programs at CCC&TI. The group shared what they learned in a culminating STEM Fair on the CCC&TI campus in Hudson to display student projects,

“The students were exposed to teambuilding, cooperation, collaboration and leadership roles,” said Mandy Williams, Director of Academic Readiness and Support. “The students have all been extremely excited about doing hands-on activities and learning how these topics relate to their everyday lives. Many of them have said they feel much better prepared for the science GED test.”

The STEM Academy also served students and their children through CCC&TI's Adult Literacy program at the Family Resource Center in Lenoir. A total of 25 adults, some in the Adult High School and others from the English as a Second Language program, along with 30 children, also participated.

“Students and their children participated on a daily basis together on all of the STEM activities,” said Shari Brown, Director of Family Literacy. “It was amazing to see families spending quality time together learning about STEM. As an instructor, I was able to experience the true meaning of intergenerational learning. Parents and children were engaged and learning from each other.”

For more information on this program or College and Career Readiness at CCC&TI, call 828-726-2230.



Above, Vanessa Hernandez and Jorge Hernandez, participants in the Family Literacy Program, look for foliage during a scavenger hunt at JE Broyhill Park in downtown Lenoir as part of the Summer STEM Academy.

Below, GED student Michael Covert of Lenoir works on dissecting a frog during the Summer STEM Academy on the campus of Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute in Hudson.





Calling All Writers and Artists: Branches Seeking Submissions

Submit your original work and it could be published in the twentieth volume of *Branches*, CCC&TI's Literary and Arts Magazine.

Deadline: Sept. 11.

For entry forms or more information
visit www.cccti.edu/branches,
visit the Writing Center or LRC on either campus
or call 726-2624 (Jessica Chapman, Caldwell Campus)
or 297-3811 (Laura Aultman, Watauga Campus).

Good Luck!

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Open House

Tuesday, Sept. 1

9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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*Free refreshments!
Plus, bring your student ID
for a chance to win prizes!*

Save the Date
Caldwell is Hiring
Employment Event

Thursday, Oct. 1 • 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

J.E. Broyhill Civic Center, Lenoir