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#### **January**

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16 Men's Basketball vs. Limestone JV, 3 p.m.; Home

18 Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday, Institution Closed

20 Men's Basketball vs. Clinton Jr. College, 7 p.m.; Home

21 Watauga Campus Welcome Back Event, W372, Lobby

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

26 Watauga TRIO Deli, 12 p.m.; Student Lounge

SGA General Assembly Meeting, 12 p.m.; B118 Caldwell Campus and WC 101 Watauga Campus

27 Men's Basketball vs. Moravian Prep, 7 p.m.; Home

30 Men's Basketball vs. Sandhills CC, 3 p.m.; Home

Jon Reep, 7:30 p.m.; J.E. Broyhill Civic Center

#### **February**

3 Men's Basketball vs. Southern Wenleyan JV, 7 p.m.; Home

7 Men's Basketball vs. Mount Zion, 7 p.m.; Home

9 SGA General Assembly Meeting, 12 p.m.; B118 Caldwell Campus and WC 101 Watauga Campus

NSLS Speaker Broadcast, JuJu Chang, 7 p.m.; Caldwell Campus E-120

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

# New CCC&TI Initiative to Focus on Advising and Student Success

Wouldn't it be great to have a map for navigating the challenges of attending college? A new initiative currently under development at Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute will provide just that for future students.

The initiative is titled "MAP: My Academic Plan," and will lead to a stronger and more comprehensive advising experience for CCC&TI students. MAP was announced in 2015 as CCC&TI's Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) project, part of the 10-year accreditation process with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

"Registration does not equal advising," said Kelly Greene, Director of the QEP. Stressing that the advising process begins when a student walks through the door and continues until they graduate, Greene said that advising is everyone's responsibility, including all faculty, staff and students. "Advising is teaching. And advising is learning," she added.

As part of the QEP, CCC&TI will implement new advising philosophies, resources and technology with a goal of improving overall student success. Training and resources also will be made available for CCC&TI faculty and staff to improve advising.

The QEP topic was chosen through surveys and input from faculty, staff and students in 2014 and 2015. Details of the plan were shared with CCC&TI faculty and staff on Jan. 4, 2016 at the annual Professional Development Day, with information sessions offered on both the Caldwell and Watauga Campuses.

Implementation will take place in 2016 and more details about the effort will be shared throughout the year. There will also be special promotions, contests and giveaways on both campuses to raise student awareness of "MAP: My Academic Plan."

## **Truck Driver Training Graduation**

Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute celebrated the graduation of 20 students from the Caldwell Campus Truck Driver Training program day class during a ceremony on Friday, Dec. 18, 2015 at the J.E. Broyhill Civic Center in Lenoir. The graduates (listed in alphabetical order) include: Adrian Arp, Glen Blair, Johnathan Bowman, Martin Brinkley, James Campbell, Zachary Davis, Derrick Forney, Margaret Hogan, Robert Hord Jr., Roy Hudson, Kellie Kivett, Paul Miller, William Murphy, Brendan O'Malley Jr., Jerry

Parson, Andre Pavon, Ethan Sams, Jerry Stevenson, Tyler Talbert and Joel Trivette.

Registration for upcoming Truck Driver Training classes is ongoing. Tuition assistance is available for those who qualify. For more info about Truck Driver Training at CCC&TI, call 828-726-2380.



#### **CCC&TI Announces Spring Caldwell Cuisine Schedule**

Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute's Culinary Arts program has announced the dates and menus for its spring semester installment of Caldwell Cuisine. Each of the meals will be served at 6 p.m. at the J.E. Broyhill Civic Center in Lenoir and are priced at \$21 plus tax per person. The events are open to the public, but diners are required to purchase tickets prior to the event.

In addition to providing an opportunity for the community to enjoy the gourmet Caldwell Cuisine menus at a reasonable price, the events also provide CCC&TI's Culinary Arts students a chance to apply their classroom knowledge.

Following are the dates and menus for the events:

#### Feb 25: Africa

Salad: Gages, a tantalizing marinated eggplant and tomato salad, tossed with coconut and peanuts just before serving for an exotic crunch

Entrees: Peri Peri, spicy marinated African chicken over lemon herb couscous

Or

Bobotie with African vegetable rice (Bobotie is a traditional South African version of meatloaf)

Dessert: South African Melkert (a traditional South African milk tart)

#### March 10: Italy

Soup: Minestrone (hearty vegetable soup with pasta)

Entrees: Ragu Bolognese (hearty tomato meat sauce with pappardelle pasta)

Or

Bistecca (steak) Alla Florentine with Balsamic-Rosemary Sauce served with fired polenta cakes

Dessert: Zabaglione (Marsala-flavored dessert sauce served with fresh berries)

#### April 14: Australia

Salad: Avocado and mango salad (lettuce, bacon and toasted nuts served with fresh sliced avocado and mango slices)

Entrees: Cornish Game Hens with apricot glaze served with garlic roasted red potatoes

Or

Sautéed Trout with macadamia nuts served over sautéed spinach and currants

Dessert: Lamingtons (small cake with icing)

Space is limited at each event. For tickets visit www.broyhillcenter.com or call the Civic Center Box Office at 828-726-2407.

For more information about CCC&TI's Culinary Arts Program, contact Director Chef Keith Andreasen at kandreasen@cccti. edu or 726-2478.

### **CCC&TI Honors Basic Law Enforcement Training Graduates**

Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute recently honored its 42nd academy of graduates from the Basic Law Enforcement Training program. Four graduates completed more than 660 hours of training over 16 weeks. Following the course, students had to successfully complete a rigorous physical exam as well as the standardized state test.

Graduates, pictured left to right, are Zachary Wickline (Top Gun and Top POPAT Awards), Jacob Crabtree (Platoon/ Class Leader, Andrew J. Burgess, Jr. Top Academic Award, Gary Clark Top Driving Award and Hank Lane Top Report Writing Award), Thomas Gunnells (Overall Fitness Award) and Kerry Edgerton (GRIT Award).

For more information or to apply for CCC&TI's Basic Law Enforcement Program, contact BLET Program Director Dennis Hopkins at 828-726-2750.















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## Hickory Native Jon Reep Comes to the J.E. Broyhill Civic Center

Jon Reep, a native of Hickory, N.C. and winner of season five of NBC's Last Comic Standing will take the stage at Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute's J.E. Broyhill Civic Center on Saturday, January 30 at 7:30 pm.

Reep graduated from Fred T. Foard High School and North Carolina State University. In 1998, he hit the road as a full-time traveling comic, and, according to Reep, "that was the end of my life as a normal human being."

In 2000, Reep moved to Los Angeles to try his hand at an acting career and has played several unforgettable characters including the potsmoking farmer "Raymus" from the movie Harold and Kumar Escape from Guantanamo Bay, and the dim-witted cop "Gerald Bob" from the ABC Sitcom Rodney. But, you probably know him best from Dodge Truck's popular ad campaign as the "Hemi guy." Reep is known to millions as the redheaded hillbilly in the Dodge Ram commercials who leans out of a beat-up car and utters the now famous line: "That thing gotta Hemi?"

Before his success as a actor, Reep was already one of the hardest working comics in America, selling out clubs and getting standing ovations at college after college across the country. You may have also seen Reep on season 5 of Last Comic Standing on NBC. "I was the winner that year, thank you very much," says Reep. You may have also seen Reep on Comedy Central's "Premium Blend," the half-hour special "Comedy Central Presents: Jon Reep," on TBS's "Pit Stop Comedy," NBC's "Late Friday," or CMT's "Comedy Club" & "Comedy stage."



The self-proclaimed "Metro Jethro" stays busy performing in front of sell-out crowds nation-wide. "My show is supersonic energy filled with non-stop characters and super clever writing," says Reep.

Be sure to catch our own homegrown comic, Jon Reep, as he visits his old stompin' ground for a night of nonstop laughs. The show is set for Saturday, January 30 at 7:30 pm. Tickets for the show are \$26 for adults and \$11 for students and children. For more information or for tickets, call the Civic Center Box Office at 726-2407 or visit www.broyhillcenter.com.

# **Support Your Caldwell Cobras!**

**Upcoming Men's Basketball Home Games:** 

Saturday, Jan. 16 at 3 p.m. vs. Limestone JV
Wednesday, Jan. 20 at 7 p.m. vs. Clinton Junior College
Wednesday, Jan. 27 at 7 p.m. vs. Moravian Prep
Saturday, Jan. 30 at 3 p.m. vs. Sandhills CC
Wednesday, Feb. 3 at 7 p.m. vs. Southern Wesleyan JV
Sunday, Feb. 7 at 7 p.m. vs. Mount Zion
Wednesday, Feb. 10 at 7 p.m. vs. Davidson County Prep
Wednesday, Feb. 17 at 7 p.m. vs. Moravian Prep

Friday, Saturday, Feb 19-20 Conference Tournament

#### **Lineman Completion Ceremony**

Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute celebrated a new class of Electrical Linemen with a completion ceremony on Thursday, Dec. 3, 2015 at the J.E. Broyhill Civic Center in Lenoir. Those recognized during the ceremony were: front row, left to right: CCC&TI Lineman Instructors David Coffey and Dean Ford, Brian Pritt, Cody

McDonald, Cody Riddle (Peer Award Winner), Adam Sparks, Cameron Pierce, Derek Rollins and Austin Lancaster. Back row, left to right are CCC&TI Lineman Instructors Scott Murray and Steve Stillwell, Grayden Martin, David Crouch, Avery Lail, Jeffrey Smith, Tyler Williams, Josh Wilcox and Alex Walker. The next Electrical Lineman 1 class with available seats begins Feb. 29, 2016 on the Caldwell Campus in Hudson. For more Electrical Lineman Institute info or to register, call 828-726-2242.



#### **CCC&TI Students Receive Scholarships**

The North Carolina State Employees Credit Union has awarded \$750 Continuing Education Scholarships to Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute Truck Driver Training graduates Margaret Hogan and James Campbell. CCC&TI Vice President of Continuing Education and Workforce Development and NCSECU Advisory Board Member Elaine Lockhart presented the scholarships during the Truck Driver Training graduation ceremony on Dec. 18, 2015. The SECU Foundation Scholarship was established in 2012 and focuses on assisting unemployed and underemployed adults, military veterans and members of the National Guard attain marketable job skills for future employment. CCC&TI's Basic Law Enforcement Training, Electrical Lineman and Truck Driver Training programs are eligible for the scholarship. For more information about enrolling in CCC&TI Continuing Education classes or receiving financial assistance, call 828-726-2242 (Caldwell) or 297-3811 (Watauga).

The North Carolina State Employees Credit Union has awarded a two-year, \$5,000 "People Helping People" scholarship to Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute nursing student Dalton Crump. CCC&TI Director of Enrollment Services and NCSECU Advisory Board Member Dennis Seagle Jr. recently presented the scholarship to Crump, who plans to complete his Associate Degree in Nursing at CCC&TI and transfer to Appalachian State University to complete a Bachelor's Degree in Nursing. Crump is an active volunteer in his community and a member of SkillsUSA a National Career and Technical Education Student Organization since 2011. The SECU Foundation established this two-year scholarship program to assist North Carolina Community College System students in achieving academic success.





## Student Organizes Media Literacy Workshops

Julio Gonzales is a first-year student at Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute. Originally from Mexico, Gonzales came to Caldwell County as an exchange student at South Caldwell High School. After graduating, he decided to continue his education at CCC&TI.

During his time as a student in the United States, Gonzales has developed an interest in media and the impact that it has on society. When the opportunity presented itself to study the issue more in depth through his CCC&TI Leadership Development Class, he jumped on the opportunity.

Through his research, Gonzales explored how the media has evolved over the last few decades, how means of communication have expanded and how some media outlets attempt to manipulate the audience according to a particular agenda. "I have been very interested in the negative impact media has on society. I did not know what could be done to reduce those negative effects. We cannot just get rid of media because media is an amazing means of communication and learning. I do not think censoring everything is the solution either but it is alarming what media can do to people and to society," said Gonzales. "Not too long ago I found out about media literacy education and I thought it was a great solution."

Gonzales completed a research paper about the topic and then developed a workshop based on his findings. He presented the information in two sessions, one for parents and educators and one for his fellow students. The workshops were offered in conjunction with the first ever "Media Literacy Week" organized in the United States by the National Association for Media Literacy Education (NAMLE) during the week of Nov. 2-5, 2015. NAMLE's mission is to expand and improve the practice of media literacy in the United States. The workshops addressed ways for participants to understand the impact of media on individuals and society and how to apply media literacy principles and critical thinking skills to become healthy users and creators of media.

His project made an impression on those who attended, as well as his Leadership Development instructor, Justin Butler. "Julio is very intelligent young man and a highly motivated student. The Media Literacy project which Julio completed for our Leadership Development course was very ambitious and his passion for the topic was obvious through the high quality of work and enthusiasm he brought to the project," said Butler. "Julio exceeded my expectations for the Media Literacy project and implemented two well-crafted workshops for CCC&TI students, faculty and staff."

Another CCC&TI staffer who was impressed with Gonzales' presentation, was TRIO/Student Support Services Counselor Becky Boone. Boone organizes "Wise-Up Workshops" for TRIO/SSS students on a variety of topics throughout the year and has coordinated with Gonzales to add the media literacy topic to the Wise Up schedule this spring. The workshop will be offered on Tuesday, Feb. 23, at 12 p.m., in A-205 on the Caldwell Campus.

# NCAEOP Angel Tree Project

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 50 local children on Monday, Dec. 14, 2015. For 15 years, NCAEOP members have collected donations from CCC&TI faculty, staff, retirees, students and friends for its annual Angel Tree drive. The project provides gifts for the children of qualifying CCC&TI students. Thanks to the effort, 21-year-old student Taisha Perez, who recently moved to Lenoir from New York, was able to grant some of her two kids' wishes. "This is going to be a really big help," she said. "They are going to love it, especially the older one because he really wanted a bike."

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





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# Attn: Students Moodle Password Changes Coming in January

Beginning Spring 2016, you will be required to sign in to Moodle using your MyCCC&TI portal password.

#### **Username and Password Examples:**

For Jane Marie Doe, Student ID = 0099879 Her new username is: janem99879 Her password is: C0099879\*

For Jon R. Doe, student ID 0087665: His new username is: jonr87665 His password is: C0087665\* Common password mistakes:

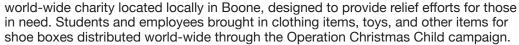
Forgetting the capital C at the beginning Forgetting the \* (asterisk symbol) at the end

If you changed your portal password, your Moodle password will be the same as the password you changed it to.

# Watauga Campus Participates in Food Drive and Operation Christmas Child

CCC&TI's Watauga Campus SGA sponsored a food drive to help support Kari's Home. Kari's Home is designed to help those who battle addiction. Classrooms were involved in a friendly competition to find out who could bring the most items. The winner of this event was Suzanne Shaut's 11a.m. English class, which brought in a total of 31 items. They will receive a free lunch for their efforts. The runner up was Nancy Leonard's English class.







## Fast Track Phlebotomy Course

CCC&TI is offering a "Fast Track" Phlebotomy class for students who have completed Nurse Aide 1 since Sept., 2014, at CCC&TI on either campus. The class, which will be held on the Caldwell Campus will be offered from 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays starting Jan. 12 through April 30. Cost is \$184 for class/lab and clinicals. Malpractice Insurance, Criminal Background Check and Drug Screen are required. For more information or to register for this course, call 828-726-2242.

#### Get Well, Stay Well.

The Mobile Medical Clinic will be on campus each Monday for sick visits, preventative care and more for students and employees. Walk-ins are welcome or for an appointment, call 754-6850.

For more information, visit www.cccti.edu/ medbus

