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3 NSLS Speaker Broadcast, Kat Cole, 3 p.m.; E-120

8 SGA General Assembly Meeting

NSLS Speaker Broadcast, JuJu Chang, 3 p.m.; E-120

10 Watauga Campus Blood Drive, 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Student Lounge

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

NSLS Speaker Broadcast, Janice Bryant Howroyd, 7 p.m.; E-120

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

23 NSLS Speaker Re-Broadcast, Janice Bryant Howroyd, 3 p.m.; E-120

24 Etiquette Banquet, 6 p.m.; J.E. Broyhill Civic Center

28 Easter Holiday, Institution Closed

28 - April 1 Curriculum Student Spring Break

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

Church Receives Industry Award; County Lands High-Tech Jobs

On a historic day for Caldwell County
– which included a high-tech jobs announcement and a visit from N.C. Gov. Pat
McCrory – a member of CCC&TI Board of
Trustees was honored for his support of
local industry.

On Feb. 16, Granite Falls Town Manager and Vice Chairman of the CCC&TI Board of Trustees, Jerry Church, received the Caldwell County Economic Development Commission's Herman Anderson Award. A former Broyhill Furniture Industries executive, Church has been Granite Falls town manager since 2009.

Earlier the same day, the Caldwell EDC hosted a press conference announcing that Krystal Engineering, which currently operates in Florida and Pennsylvania, will create 82 jobs and invest \$20.9 million in a new site in Granite Falls. Among the industries



Above, Krystal Engineering CEO Mark Rauchfuss, right, shows N.C. Gov. Pat McCrory one of the crystals his company produces during a jobs announcement at the J.E. Broyhill Civic Center in Lenoir.

the company serves are: aerospace, automotive, industrial and telecommunications. The jobs, on average, will pay more than \$60,000. Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute will help with training employees to work at the new facility.

According to an article in the (Lenoir) News-Topic, local hiring is expected to begin in the third guarter of 2016.

The Foundation of CCC&TI Launches Faculty/Staff Campaign

The Foundation of Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute launched the faculty/staff phase of its Annual Fund Campaign on Feb. 3 with a luncheon in the Forlines Board Room on the Caldwell Campus. The luncheon featured comments from Peg Broyhill, chair

of the Foundation Board, Deborah Murray, Vice-Chair of the Foundation Board, CCC&TI President Dr. Kenneth Boham and Foundation Executive Director Marla Christie.

This year's campaign theme is "Blastoff for Success."

Broyhill announced that the Foundation Board has set a goal of \$360,000 for this year's effort. Priorities for the fund include scholarships, student aid, the Dream program, academic



support and endowment support. "Your part of the campaign is critical to our success. Together, we can reach new heights for our students and for our community," said Broyhill. "Our mission is to help more students dream, explore, conquer the unknown and discover new worlds. Your work on behalf of the Foundation helps them blastoff for success."

Foundation Board Vice-Chair Deborah Murray announced that the Campaign Chair for this

year will be CCC&TI President Dr. Kenneth Boham, who has announced his plans for retirement in June. "We are beyond thrilled to have our own chief heading up this important mission," said Murray. "We thank him for his leadership of the college, his work for the foundation and on behalf of students. I know you will make him proud."

In his remarks, Boham stressed the importance of CCC&TI's internal campaign and expressed his gratitude for the faculty and staff's past contributions. "You always make me proud because you take this campaign seriously," said Boham. "Our Foundation is what makes this institution excellent and we need to continue to set the bar for excellence among community colleges in our state."

Foundation Executive Director Marla Christie spoke to some of the technical aspects of the campaign and ultimately thanked faculty and staff team captains for their work. "Your support has helped us double the number of students that we've been able to assist in the last two years," said Christie. "During the 2014-2015 academic year, 949 students received some sort of financial assistance through the Foundation. That's only possible because of your support."

Each faculty and staff member is encouraged to give to this year's Annual Fund Campaign. Pledge cards are available in the Foundation office located in Beam Hall (Caldwell Campus A Building) and can also be obtained from faculty and staff team captains who are working to contact each employee individually.

For more information on the Foundation's 2016 Annual Fund Campaign, contact Foundation Executive Director Marla Christie at 726-2203.

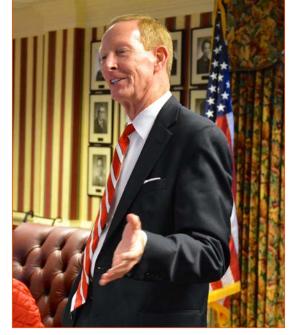
CCC&TI President Ken Boham to Lead Fund Drive

Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute's President, Dr. Kenneth A. Boham, will lead the Foundation's 2016 Annual Fund Drive Campaign.

Boham was on hand for the Foundation's Annual Fund Drive's Faculty/ Staff kickoff on Feb. 3 where Foundation Board Chair Peg Broyhill announced that he will serve as Chairman of this year's campaign. "We are especially honored this year to have Dr. Boham chair our campaign because of his excellent leadership to the college and his tremendous support of the Foundation over the last 21 years," said Broyhill. "His first-hand knowledge of college needs has been invaluable in guiding the Foundation and ensuring student success. We look forward to the 2016 Annual Fund under Dr. Boham's leadership."

Boham expressed to those in attendance both his passion for the institution and his excitement to lead the campaign. "CCC&TI is a great institution of its own merit but it is the work of the Foundation that makes CCC&TI an excellent institution," said Boham. "We need to continue to set the bar high and continue our tradition of excellence for our students and the community. I am honored to lead this campaign and help provide more opportunities for more students."

Boham, who announced his retirement from CCC&TI earlier this year, will step down from his role at president of the college in June, a post he has held since 1995. During his tenure, he has seen phenomenal growth in both student population, as well as facilities. 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, Boham served as Vice President for Continuing Education at Wake Technical Community College and as interim president for Mayland Community College. 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, the Caldwell Economic Development Commission's Herman Anderson Award and the Caldwell Chamber Visionary Award in 2006.

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

For more information on the Foundation of Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute or to make a donation to the Annual Fund Drive, go to www.cccti.edu/foundation or call 828-726-2260.

Cobras End Season on High Note

The CCC&TI Cobras Men's Basketball concluded an impressive 24-7 season with a Region X tournament title, a Region X regular season co-championship, a second-place finish in the District VII tournament, several players receiving post-season honors and a successful hosting of two post-season tournaments for the institution.

On Feb. 21, led by Jalin Alexander's 30 points, the Cobras claimed the NJCAA Division III Region X tournament title with an 85-81 win over nationally-ranked Davidson County Community College. The tournament-host Cobras had beaten Central Carolina Community College 92-66 the previous day to earn a berth in the title game.

Hosting the Region VII tournament the following weekend, the Cobras were impres-

sive against Emory-Oxford on Feb. 26 in a 91-56 win. But in the championship the following day, Davidson County got its revenge for the Region X championship loss. Davidson beat CCC&TI 101-86 on Feb. 27 to win the Region VII title and earn a trip to the NJCAA Division III Championship Tournament in Loch Sheldrake, N.Y.

The National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) announced its Region X All-Region Awards Saturday during the Region X Tournament on the campus of Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute in Hudson. In addition to several CCC&TI players receiving recognition, CCC&TI sophomore guard Jalin Alexander, of Newberry, S.C., was named Region X Player of the Year. According to NJCAA Division III statistics, Alexander is leading the nation in points per game average with 27.6.

In addition to success in the post-season, CCC&TI had a tremendous regular season, sharing the Region X regular season title with Davidson County.

Thanks to all of the students, staff, faculty and fans who showed their support throughout the season and post-season. And special thanks to Cobras players and coaches for a great season!

Region X Awards

Region X Player of the Year
Jalin Alexander

All-Region X Team
Jalin Alexander
Jonathan Curtis

Honorable Mention Quincy Williams Uter Moukimou

All-Freshman Region X Team Ashton Smith

<u>Freshman Honorable Mention</u> Clayton Williams







Above, Region X Men's Director
Lind Hartsell of Craven
Community College presents
CCC&TI's Jalin Alexander with the
Region X Player of the Year Award
during the Region X Tournament, hosted
by CCC&TI.

CCC&TI Announces Latest Edition of Branches, Reception and Reading

CCC&TI has announced that the 20th Edition of Branches, the college's literary and arts magazine will be released in March. The publication features prose, poetry and artwork from both CCC&TI students and members of the community.

A call for submissions was issued last spring and more than 180 literature and art entries were received. The final publication includes 22 written selections and 38 fine art selections.

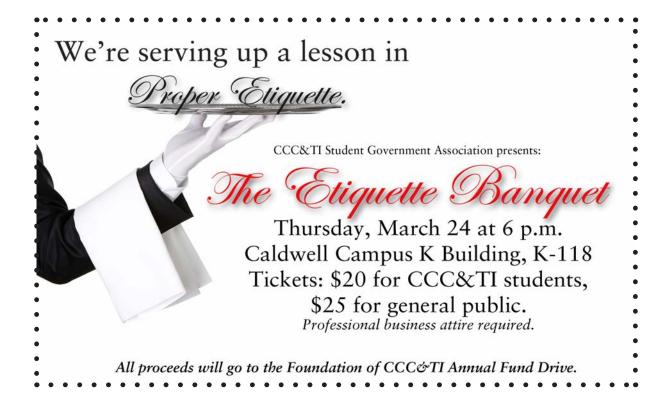
Award winners will be named in the poetry, prose and artwork categories at upcoming reading and reception events planned to celebrate the release of the publication. On Tuesday, March 15, at 5:30 p.m. a reception will be held in the Learning Resource Center (Library) on the Caldwell Campus of CCC&TI. (In case of inclement weather, the Caldwell event will be held on Thursday, March 17.) On Tuesday, March 22, a reception will be held in Room 106 of the Watauga Occupational Training Facility on the CCC&TI Watauga Campus at 5:30 p.m. (In case of inclement weather, the Watauga event will be held on Thursday, March 24.) Artwork from the maga-



zine will be on display and several authors of published pieces will be on hand for a reading at both events. The readings and presentation of awards will begin at 6 p.m.

The CCC&TI Foundation helped fund the project. Providing direction for the project was the Branches Editorial Team, which includes Jessica Chapman, Heather Chapman, DeAnna Chester, Brad Prestwood and Suzanne Shaut as Literary Editors; Laura Aultman, Justin Butler and Tom Thielemann as the Visual Arts Editors; and Ron Wilson as Production Editor.

Copies of the magazine will be available at each of the receptions and on CCC&TI's Caldwell and Watauga Campuses.



CCC&TI Hosts Author Conor Grennan for Writer's Symposium

Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute will host Conor Grennan, author of Little Princes: One Man's Promise to Bring Home the Lost Children of Nepal, for its 2016 Laurette LePrevost Writers Symposium.

The college will host a reading and discussion session with Grennan on Thursday, April 7 at 12 p.m. on CCC&TI's Watauga Campus and at 7 p.m. at the J.E. Broyhill Civic Center. On Friday, April 8, the college will host a reading and discussion with Grennan at 12 p.m. in the gym on the Caldwell Campus in Hudson. All events are free and open to the public.

Grennan embarked on an around-the-world trip in 2004, during which he volunteered in the Little Princes Children's Home in the village of Godawari, Nepal. When he learned that the children in the home were not orphans, but were in fact trafficked, he moved to Kathmandu, Nepal and started Next Generation Nepal, a nonprofit organization dedicated to reconnecting trafficked children with their families. From his experiences, he penned the NY Times and #1 international bestselling memoir Little Princes: One Man's Promise to Bring Home the Lost Children of Nepal, which has been translated into 12 languages so far and has received a number of literary awards. He is a highly requested speaker at universities and corporations and was named a Huffington Post Game Changer of the Year in 2011.

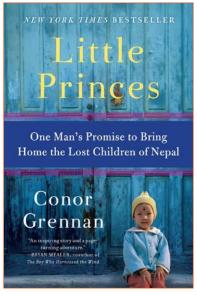
Grennan is a citizen of the United States and Ireland and a graduate of the University of Virginia and the NYU Stern School of Business, where he served as president of the student body. He currently resides with his wife and two children in Los Angeles, Calif.

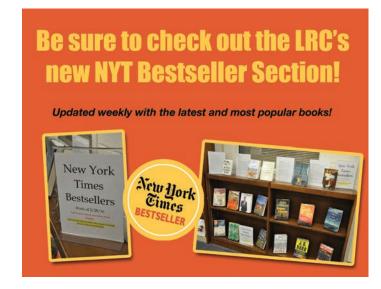
Many CCC&TI students are reading Grennan's novel this semester as part of the English and Reading curriculum.

Laurette LePrevost, former Dean of Arts and Sciences for CCC&TI, was instrumental in building the Writers Symposium into an annual event that has brought in such renowned writers as Maya Angelou, Ernest Gaines, Nikki Giovanni, Robert Morgan and Clyde Edgerton. Under her leadership and guidance, CCC&TI's symposium has become the longest-running consecutively held Writers Symposium in western North Carolina and one of the longest in the Southeast. The Writers Symposium series was renamed in her honor when she retired in 2004.

Support for the Laurette LePrevost Writers Symposium is provided by the Foundation of Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute. For more information on CCC&TI's Laurette LePrevost Writers Symposium, call 828-726-2321.









New SGA President Takes Office

CCC&TI's Student Government Association has elected Krystin Powers as the new president for the remainder of the academic year.

President Krystin Powers is originally from Lexington, Kentucky. She successfully completed her first semester of college as a full time student, while also working full time and paying for tuition out of pocket. "Seeing my struggle, my wonderful mom and amazing stepdad told me that if I made the grades and proved my dedication in the fall, they would pay for me to finish my associate degree at one of their local community colleges in North Carolina," said Powers. "Final grades were posted the week before Christmas and I officially moved to North Carolina on January 3, registered for classes at CCC&TI on January 7, and began classes January 9, 2015."

Powers is currently working on an Associate of Arts degree and plans to transfer to UNC-Chapel Hill and eventually earn a PhD in neuropsychology.



In addition to her work in the SGA, Powers is also President of CCC&TI's National Society of Leadership and Success and is working toward earning CCC&TI's Global Scholar Distinction prior to her May, 2016 graduation. Powers says she hopes to engage other students and get them more involved both in student activities on campus and in the community at large. "As a community college, I believe we should really promote community involvement both on and off of campus," said Powers. "Many of our students will remain in this area after graduation, so why not teach them how to better it while they are here."

Pictured above, Powers, right, is sworn into office by Donna Church at the February Board of Trustees meeting.





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Save the Date: Caldwell is Hiring

The 12th Caldwell is Hiring is scheduled for Thursday, April 14 from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the J.E. Broyhill Civic Center in Lenoir. Caldwell is Hiring offers an opportunity for those seeking employment to meet directly with companies that have immediate or soon-to-fill job openings. The previous event included a record number of employers and available jobs. A number of local companies have already committed to participate in the event this year. For more information about the event, visit www. caldwelledc.org or visit the Caldwell is Hiring Facebook page.

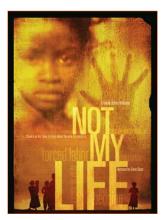
Upcoming Film: Not My Life

CCC&TI's Global Diversity Committee will host a discussion and screening of the film "Not My Life" on Tuesday, March 22 at the J.E. Broyhill Civic Center in Lenoir.

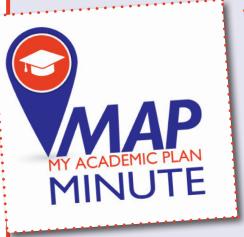
At 6 p.m., Bestselling Author Kimberly Rae will speak about human trafficking. Rae lived in Bangladesh, Uganda, Kosovo and Indonesia before beginning her work writing and training on how to fight human trafficking both in the United States and worldwide. Her novels on international human trafficking set in India (Stolen Woman, Stolen Child, and Stolen Future) are all Amazon bestsellers, and her newest novel, Shredded, deals with trafficking in small-town North Carolina.

The film "Not My Life" will begin at 6:30 p.m. "Not My Life" is the first film to depict the cruel and dehumanizing practices of human trafficking and modern slavery on a global scale. Filmed on five continents, in a dozen countries, "Not My Life" takes viewers into a world where millions of children are exploited, every day, through an astonishing array of practices including forced labor, domestic servitude, begging, sex tourism, sexual violence, and child soldiering.

This event is free and open to the public.







What is Advising?

Academic advising is a developmental process that assists students in the clarification of their life/career goals and in the development of educational plans for the realization of these goals. It is a decision-making process by which students realize their maximum educational potential through communication and information exchanges with an advisor; it is ongoing, multifaceted and the responsibility of both student and advisor.