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#### Lockhart Retires from CCC&TI, Receives Governor's Long Leaf Pine Award

After 43 years as an educator and leader in the community, Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute Vice President of Continuing Education and Workforce Development Elaine Lockhart has announced her retirement. She recently was honored for her successful career and lifetime of service with a prestigious statewide award.

At her recent retirement celebration, Lockhart was presented with the Governor's Longleaf Pine Award. The Order of the Long Leaf Pine, one of the most prestigious awards presented by the Governor of North Carolina, is presented to individuals who have a proven record of extraordinary service to the state. Contributions to their communities, extra effort in their careers and many years of service are some of the guidelines by which recipients are selected for the award.

According to one of several nominations for the award, Lockhart's years of dedication and hard work will leave a lasting legacy on the region's economy.

"Her decades of dedication to education, workforce development and economic development have guaranteed a consistently improving workforce for Caldwell County over many years," said Deborah Murray, Executive Director of the Caldwell Economic Development Commission. "Elaine is known as the consummate professional, someone who demands and delivers high levels of professionalism from her teams. She has been a strong leader in many of the new initiatives developed in recent years that have become regional models for workforce development partnerships."

CCC&TI President Dr. Mark Poarch said that Lockhart's contributions to the college and the communities it serves have been invaluable.

"Elaine has dedicated her entire adult life to CCC&TI, the North Carolina Community College System and to the communities we serve," he said. "She has certainly gone above the call of duty and has impacted thousands of lives during her tenure in service to the state. Her leadership will be missed, but her legacy will always be present."

Lockhart began her career as a part-time instructor at CCC&TI in 1974 and a home economics teacher at North Mecklenburg High School in 1975 after earning her Bachelor's degree at Appalachian State University. In 1976, CCC&TI hired Lockhart as an instructor in the Home Economics and Aging departments. In 1980, she was named Coordinator of Health and Home Economics. As she rose through the ranks at CCC&TI, she served as the Coordinator of Fire/Rescue/EMS/Law Enforcement and Health and Safety Services, as well as Director of the Occupational Extension and Foodservice Management programs. In 1997, she was named Dean of Corporate and Continuing Education and in 2004 was named Vice President for Continuing Education and Workforce Development.

In addition to her accomplishments at CCC&TI, Lockhart has led key local and regional projects that helped with getting local residents back to work and retraining them for new jobs following shifts in local industry and high unemployment rates during the Great Recession. Those efforts included establishing new programs, including the IT Institute, Electrical Lineman program and other customized training initiatives, and expanding others, such as the Truck Driver Training program, to meet the demand in new industries. Lockhart and her staff also were important partners with state and local agencies in workforce development initiatives such as establishing the NCWorks Career Planning and Placement Center in Lenoir and developing Caldwell Is Hiring, a semi-annual event that connects local employers with jobseekers.

"Over the years, I have worked with what I consider to be the finest leaders and mentors in education. I have been blessed by being given opportunities to be a part of serving our students and to have some part in their success in meeting their educational goals," Lockhart said. "My decision to retire is bittersweet. While I look forward to the opportunities coming my way, I will miss my colleagues and my college family. I look forward to watching the exciting things to come for this great institution."

Her work and leadership outside of CCC&TI includes serving on the boards of the Caldwell County Economic Development Commission, Western Piedmont Workforce Development Board and many other local organizations.

In her retirement, Lockhart plans to spend time with family and volunteer at her church and Hospice. She also plans to continue supporting CCC&TI by assisting the Foundation of CCC&TI with fundraising efforts. CCC&TI congratulates Elaine Lockhart on her retirement.

## CCC&TI, SCHS, Local Industry Collaborate to Help Students Explore and Prepare For Engineering Careers

Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute has forged partnerships with several local employers to help train current and future employees for available opportunities. A group of South Caldwell High School students and Caldwell Career Center Middle College Students, who are also enrolled in CCC&TI drafting courses, were able to see one of those partnerships at work during a recent field trip to Timber Wolf Forest Products in Hudson.

The students are part of CCC&TI's Drafting 152 course, which is offered through the Middle College as well as tuition-free and on-site to South Caldwell High School students through Career and College Promise. The course intro-

duces extended Computer Animated Design applications with emphasis placed on using the applications to generate and manage drawings. The course is part of the Mechanical Engineering Pathway that helps prepare students for a variety of careers ranging from engineering and mechanical design to architecture and interior design.

CCC&TI Transition Advisor Mitzi Triplett works with South Caldwell High School students to help them enroll in college courses through Career and College Promise or help them apply and transition to CCC&TI following their senior year. Triplett reached out to CCC&TI Engineering Program Director Susan Deal to help coordinate a field trip for the students so that they could see a true workplace application for the skills they are learning in class. Deal says that she knew from the start that Timber Wolf would be the perfect location to help them connect those dots.

"My intention was to raise the interest and awareness of CCC&TI's program and to show the students that they are much more than drawing or machine shop. I wanted students to see these skills and concepts in action," said Deal. "So many of our young people in high school have been led to believe that a four-year degree is what they need to succeed. I wanted them to see for themselves that you can be successful with a two-year degree."

The visit to Timber Wolf provided students the opportunity to not only see drafting and Auto-CAD at work, but also to see a fellow CCC&TI student at work. Nikki Kapetanis is currently employed at Timber Wolf and is also working toward her Associate Degree in Mechanical Engineering at CCC&TI. Kapetanis has been with Timber Wolf for almost a year as an AutoCAD Designer and CNC Programmer designing, creating 3D models and programming machines to create custom pieces for Timber Wolf clients and customers.

For the visiting students, Kapetanis was able to demonstrate many of the steps involved in creating custom wood pieces for Timber Wolf customers. "During my presentation, I showed the students the process I take when dealing



Pictured above are some of the drafting students who visited
Timber Wolf Forest Products in Hudson. The students attend South
Caldwell High School and are also enrolled in a CCC&TI college-level
drafting course through Career and College Promise.
From left, students Jorge Fernandez, Noah Cannon, Andrew Roland,
Landon Powell, Tyler Wike, and Austin Blevins meet with Timber Wolf
employees Nikki Kapetanis and Carl Whisnant.

Below, Timber Wolf Forest Products owner Madison Roper and employee Sonya Cook demonstrate some of the products and processes used by Timber Wolf for a group of CCC&TI drafting students from South Caldwell High School and the Career Center Middle College.



with custom jobs. I showed them how I start off with either physical parts and have to retract dimensions off of them or I start with photographs of what people are wanting," said Kapetanis. "Then, I use design flexibility and dimensions

to 3D model what they are wanting." After Kapetanis' presentation, the students were able to tour the plant and see the machines in action, creating component parts for the furniture and cabinet industries.

Drafting Instructor Marcus Dula says that the field trip was eye-opening for his students. "Students were quite surprised to learn that such a technologically advanced company resides here in Hudson. They were also impressed to see one of my former graduates excelling at Timber Wolf," said Dula. "Field trips of this nature increase student awareness and helps them understand the connections between what they are being taught and how it can be applied in the work-place."

Madison Roper, owner of Timber Wolf Forest Products, says opportunities and partnerships like this one give him high hopes for the future of his industry and for local students interested in the engineering field. "Allowing these students to see their education in application will hopefully reinforce their faith in long-term employment and advancement opportunities in their field. I hope they also regain faith in the woodworking industry as a whole," said Roper. "There are many opportunities for young professionals today to make a great living and accomplish great things within our industry. It is all about having the right training. Other industries will also require similar skills in the future. Plastics, metal, aerospace, architecture, wood and many other industries will need folks like Nikki to help them grow and remain competitive in the global market."

For more information on Career and College Promise, call 828-726-2705 or email dseaglejr@cccti.edu or contact the CCC&TI Transition Advisor at your local high school.

For more information about CCC&TI's Engineering Programs contact Director Susan Deal at 828-726-2497 or email sdeal@cccti.edu.

#### **Honoring New Retirees**

The Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute Board of Trustees, during its meeting on Dec. 15, honored six retiring college employees. Each was presented with a plaque by CCC&TI President Dr. Mark Poarch. The group's combined years of service to CCC&TI adds up to 179 years. The employees honored, from left to right, are: Sherry Wilson, Assistant to the Vice President of Technology and Instructional Support Services; Jane Wesson, Adult Education Administrative Assistant; Martha Minton, Student Services Office Manager; Dennis Wilson, Truck Driver Training Instructor; Margaret Hampson, Vice President of Curriculum and Instruction; and Elaine Lockhart, Vice President of Continuing Education and Workforce Development.



## CCC&TI Physical Therapist Assistant Program Receives Highest Accreditation Award; Graduates Achieve 100 Percent Passage Rate

Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute's Physical Therapist Assistant Program was recently awarded a reaffirmation of accreditation for 10 years, the highest award granted by The Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE).

The reaffirmation comes as the result of a self-study report and a three-day on-site visit conducted by CAPTE reviewers. PTA Program administrators have also submitted regular compliance reports to the Commission since obtaining initial accreditation in 1992.

Accreditation is a process used to assure the quality of the education that students receive. It is a voluntary, non-governmental, peer-review process that occurs on a regular basis. CAPTE is nationally recognized by the U.S. Department of Education (USDE) and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA). CAPTE grants specialized accreditation status to qualified entry-level education programs for physical therapists and physical therapist assistants.

CCC&TI's PTA Director Heather Bowman, who spearheaded the efforts for the program's reaccreditation, says that she's thankful for the team of people who helped make it successful. "Accreditation for any program is a difficult, tedious process. It required a team effort, hard work and dedication to make this a success."

In addition to the reaccreditation, the program is also celebrating a 100 percent passage rate for the Physical Therapist Assistant Class of 2017 on the National Physical Therapy Exam for Physical Therapist Assistants developed by the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT). In order to practice in the state of North Carolina, a physical therapist assistant must be licensed by the North Carolina Board of Physical Therapy Examiners (NCBPTE). To obtain this licensure students must, among other things, graduate from a program accredited by CAPTE and pass the national exam. The PTA program at CCC&TI successfully graduated 16 students in May 2017 and all 16 are now licensed to practice as physical therapist assistants in the state of North Carolina.

"I could not be more proud of the PTA graduating class of 2017," Bowman said. "They kept their focus and met their goals. They are a very special group of people and we are proud to call them Caldwell grads."

CCC&TI's Physical Therapist Assistant program is a two-year program that provides instruction in highly effective lecture, lab and clinical courses. The PTA program is designed to support transfer students from other community colleges and universities to better serve the regional needs of the physical therapy community. Upon successful completion of the program, students are awarded an Associate of Applied Science in Physical Therapist Assistant.

Employment for Physical Therapist Assistants is projected to grow 31 percent over the next decade (much higher than the average for all occupations) due to the increase of Americans reaching the retirement age. According the U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Statistics, the median salary for physical therapist assistants nationwide in 2016 was \$27.22 per hour or \$56,610. Salary averages for PTAs in North Carolina in 2016 were \$28.31 per hour or \$58,880 annually.



Pictured are the 2017 graduates from CCC&TI's Physical Therapist Assistant Program. Back row, from left to right are Clint Patterson, Wesley Deyton, Phillip Eller, Miles Cagle, Jerica Bradley, Eric Baker, Hailey Shumate, Jonathan Long, Casey Perry, Denita Roberts, Lori McCaslin and Jony Chavez-Ramirez. Front row, from left to right are Kevin Pack, Jessica Right, Tammy Anderson and Anna Fleck.

There are employment opportunities for PTAs in a variety of settings such as general hospitals, acute-care, rehabilitation facilities, outpatient clinics, home health, skilled nursing facilities, pediatric clinics and public schools.

For more information on CCC&TI's Physical Therapist Assistant Program, contact Program Director Heather Bowman at 828-726-2605 or by email at hbowman@cccti.edu or contact Health Sciences Admissions Coordinator Amy Huffman at ahuffman@cccti.edu or by phone at 828-726-2710.



#### UGLY SWEATER DAY

The Caldwell Campus SGA hosted Ugly Sweater Monday on Dec. 4 in the Student Lounge. SGA provided hot chocolate, coffee and cookies. Students helped decorate the tree and built gingerbread houses. There was also a contest for the best "Ugly Sweater." Winners were Kendra Triplett, Carlos Gibbs and Jaimasa Williams.

## Sweet Retreat

CCC&TI's Caldwell Campus SGA, Library, Counseling & Advising and CCC&TI Culinary Arts Program hosted the Sweet Retreat Event in the Library on the Caldwell Campus. Information about fun, healthy ways to manage stress was available for students along with a Glittercake Art Contest, Old-Fashioned Cake Walk and all kinds of sugary treats! CCC&TI Counseling Services staff also distributed information about stress management and counseling options available to students. **BECAUSE STRESSED SPELLED BACKWARDS IS DESSERTS!** 

#### Holiday Card Contest

The Watauga Campus Student Government Association hosted a Christmas Card decorating contest in December. The winning card was chosen from Sarah Arrington's BIO 168 class. The winning class got a pizza party and all participating students were entered into a drawing for a tablet. The beautiful cards were delivered to patients at Hospice as well as kids at the Grandfather Home for Children.

#### **Food Drive Competitions**

There was great participation for SGA's annual Classroom Competition Food Drive. A total of 657 items were donated and delivered to South Caldwell Christian Ministries, Yokefellow and the Lenoir Soup Kitchen.

The winner of the competition was Mrs. Schoenen's cosmetology class with a total of 266 items. The class celebrated with a pizza party provided by SGA.

SGA also collected 570 pounds of food and supplies for the Lenoir Emergency Shelter (LEOS) through a campus-wide donation drive by various campus clubs. The Science Club won the competition by collecting 246 pounds of food.







## CCC&TI Compass Presents:

## The Grinch

CCC&TI's Compass Program presented their annual stage production at the J.E. Broyhill Civic Center. Studnets hosted two performances of "The Grinch." Donations were accepted and all proceeds went to support CCC&TI's Compass Programs on the Caldwell and Watauga Campuses.

College Compass classes are designed for adults who wish to improve their academic and independent living skills. The classes are planned to help students acquire basic skills to develop abilities needed to become more independent and self-directed and to meet and manage community, social, work, and personal adult responsibilities.

Their annual stage shows are a highlight of the year!









## Angel Tree 2017

The North Carolina Association of Education Office Professionals (NCAEOP) chapter on the Caldwell Campus of Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute in Hudson began distributing Christmas gifts for 50 local children on Monday, Dec. 11 for its annual Angel Tree project. For 17 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. Dollar General in Hudson also provided stocking stuffer donations for this year's gift recipients. Pictured (from left to right) are: CCC&TI staff Stacy Styles, Tammy Greene, Martha Minton, Ruthie Price, Connie Wilson and Sandra Reece.



### CCC&TI's Annual Christmas Luncheon









#### **Visiting Robin's Nest**

Early Childhood Education students recently visited the Robin's Nest Children's Advocacy Center in Lenoir. They toured the facilities and learned about forensic interviewing, medical examinations, and coordination efforts with law enforcement to decrease trauma for abuse victims.

## **Truck Driver Training Completion Ceremony**

Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute celebrated 12 students from the Truck Driver Training program during a completion ceremony on Thursday, Dec. 14 at the J.E. Broyhill Civic Center in Lenoir. The participating students included, pictured from left to right: (front

row) Amy Portillo of Taylorsville, TJ Jarvis of Hickory, Evan Shatley of Lenoir, Steven Grindstaff of Connelly Springs and Albert Greene of Morganton; (back row) Dustin Short of Mt. Airy, Thomas Dilday of Statesville, Darrell Hammond of Le-

noir, Jamison Littlejohn of Lenoir, James Hoffman of Hickory and Jimmy Dunford of Morganton. Not pictured: Richard Dean.

The next Truck Driver Training classes for the Caldwell Campus in Hudson start Jan. 3, 2018 (day class) and March 13, 2018 (evening class). CCC&TI Truck Driver Training classes also are available in Gaston, Iredell, Richmond, Rowan, Rutherford, Union and Yadkin counties. Tuition assistance is available for those who qualify. To register for Truck Driver Training at CCC&TI, call 828-726-2380.





## Local Lions Club Makes Contribution to Foundation

The Hudson Lions Club recently presented the Foundation of Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute with \$1,500 to provide scholarships for three students enrolled in the college's Ophthalmic Medical Assistant program. The donation was given in memory of Lucy Wagoner, wife of Carl Wagoner, a long-time Hudson Lions Club member. Wagon-

er also expressed his appreciation for the OMA program's ongoing partnership with the Lions Club's free monthly eye care clinics at Caldwell County Department of Social Services. OMA faculty and students have been assisting Dr. Richard Griffin with eye exams since 2001. Pictured, from left to right, are: Hudson Lions Club President Rick McRary, OMA Program Clinical Coordinator Faith Race, Foundation of CCC&TI Executive Director Marla Christie. OMA Program Director/Health Sciences Department Chair Barbara Harris and Hudson Lions Club Member Cecil Clark.



#### Tributes from the Foundation

Memorial gifts and honoraria are very meaningful ways to recognize someone on a special occasion or to express sympathy to a bereaved family. An individual's legacy will continue to live on through the educational opportunities made possible by these special gifts. The Foundation of CCC&TI gratefully acknowledges the following tributes received November 17, 2017 through December 18, 2017:

#### Memorials:

In memory of Lydia Beam, mother of Julie Beam Delgaudio, to the Lydia Beam Award:

Michael and Julie Delgaudio

In memory of Joseph Czarnecki, III, former Watauga Campus Art Instructor, to the Watauga Campus Art Department: Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Arnold

In memory of Cade and Frances Shaver, parents of Jim, on the occasion of the 2017 holiday season, to the Cade Shaver Memorial Scholarship:

Jim and Imogene Shaver

In memory of Lucy Wagner and in honor of Carl Wagner, to the Ophthalmic Medical Assistant Scholarships: Hudson Lions Club Association

#### Honorariums:

In honor of Margaret "Peg" MacQueen Broyhill, CCC&TI Foundation Board of Director Chair, on the occasion of the 2017 holiday season:

Ann and Guy Walters, Jr.

In honor of CCC&TI Curriculum and Adult Education staff, on the occasion of the 2017 holiday season: Margaret Hampson

In honor of Margaret Hampson, former Vice President of Curriculum and Adult Education, on the occasion of her retirement:

Sheila Pritchard

In honor of Margaret Hampson, Vice President of Curriculum and Adult Education, on the occasion of her retirement, to the Writers Symposium:

Communications Faculty

In honor of Elaine Lockhart, Vice President of Continuing Education and Workforce Development, on the occasion of her retirement:

Christina Toy

In honor of Martha Minton, Student Services Office Manager, on the occasion of her retirement: Christina Toy

In honor of Marty Waters, son of Linda Waters and a CCC&-TI Foundation Board of Director, on the occasion of the 2017 Christmas season, to the Linda C. Waters Art Fund:

Mr. Larry Barnes

Mr. John Grimes

Mr. Justin Harris

Mr. Paul Michael Hudson

Mr. Sam Murphy

Mr. Nathan Spears

Ms. Sara Terry

In honor of Sherry Wilson, Assistant to the VP, Technology and Instructional Support Services, on the occasion of her retirement:

Christina Toy

#### **BLET Graduation**

In a recent ceremony, Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute honored its 46th academy of graduates from the Basic Law Enforcement Training program. Seven 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 tests.

Graduates, pictured left to right, are: Front row- Cadet Meredith Noel Haney of Granite Falls, Cadet Christopher Michael Maher of Deep Gap, (Class Leader Award, Top Academic and Overall Fitness Award), Cadet Tevin Marquez Mitchell of Boone (Top POPAT Award) and Cadet Thad Thomas Webb of East Bend; Back row- Cadet Derek Joseph Carter of Granite Falls (GRIT Award and Top Driver Award), Cadet James Austin Brown of Hickory (Top Gun Award) and Cadet Matthew Taylor Bonestell of Beech Mountain.

To apply for CCC&TI's Basic Law Enforcement Training program, contact Program Director Dennis Hopkins at 828-726-2750.



## **Cobras Finish Year with Two Road Wins By Colt Jensen**

The Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute Cobras (10-4) had a rocky start in the month of December. The Cobras suffered a one-point loss to Combine Academy on Dec. 2 and then rebounded with a nice 97-87 win over Stillwater Prep a week later. But, before the Cobras could get any momentum going, CCC&TI had its next game canceled due to inclement weather.

After the up-and-down start to the month, CCC&TI had more time off, as they went another week without a game because of exams. This left the Cobras with only one weekend tournament before the Christmas break and the end of the year.

To finish the calendar year, CCC&TI traveled to Bolivia, N.C. for the 8th Annual Brunswick Community College Holiday Classic. It was a long 5-hour road trip to the Brunswick Holiday Classic, and the tournament featured a grueling three games in three days.

In their first game of the weekend, CCC&TI took on the Bryant and Stratton Bobcats. It was a close game from start to finish, but the Cobras were able to emerge victorious after making some key stops in the final minutes. Caldwell guard MJ Phifer led all scorers with 20 points, and had some important three pointers and free throws in the second half that helped preserve the Cobras 85-81 win. Despite his good night on offense, Phifer credited the defense with the win. "Everything in basketball starts with putting defense first, you get the defense going everything follows," Phifer said. "I believe any time you win the rebound and turnover battle you win the game."

A good night on the boards and a victory in the turnover battle were indeed key to CCC&TI's victory as they needed every possession to earn the win. Phifer wasn't the only one who praised the Cobras' defensive effort. "We had the best effort defensively that we have had all year," Head Coach Matt Anderson said. "I was really proud of our team today as they beat a very good basketball team. We showed a lot of resilience down the stretch."

After a good win in a close game, Caldwell looked to carry their winning momentum into their second game. That was the plan, but that is not exactly how it played out. In Caldwell's second game, against the Shooting for Greatness (S4G) Academy, the Cobras got off to a rough start. At the half, Caldwell trailed 43-36, and were struggling to get anything going on offense and get stops on defense. The only thing working for Caldwell in the first half was Trevor Willis's offense. Willis hit 3 three pointers and had 17 points in the first half alone. Willis finished with an impressive 33 points and seven three pointers.

After some halftime adjustments, Willis got some serious help on offense, and five Cobras scored in double digits. The huge scoring output in the second half helped Caldwell tie the game at 81-81, but that tie is where the second half ended. After a tie in regulation, the Cobras headed for overtime. Caldwell was able to get a clutch overtime performance from guard Jaylon Wray. Wray scored scored 6 of his 11 points in overtime and half of his team's overtime points. That was just enough to allow the Cobras to escape with a 92-91 victory over S4G Academy.

Caldwell relied on a deep rotation to survive overtime in their second game in two days. "We play 11 guys so it helps us to not get so worn down," Anderson said. "We love playing in these tournaments to help prepare us for the end of the year when you have to be prepared to play on back-to-back days to advance."

Even with the deep rotation, fatigue was a factor the final game of the tournament. "I knew that we had a three day tournament and our goal was to go 3-0 down the stretch, so I wasn't even thinking about Christmas break," guard Omari Koffa said. "I was just focused on focusing in and finishing a job."

Unfortunately, the combination of fatigue, mental distractions and a tough matchup got the better of Caldwell in their Dec. 16 matchup. The Cobras only scored 23 points in the first half, and things did not improve much, on either side of the ball, for Caldwell in the second half. Ultimately, Caldwell lost 94-65 to the Chattanooga State Tigers.

Despite the difficult loss, the Cobras have a lot to look forward to in the second half of the season.

After winning 10 games in the first part of the season, Caldwell will turn its attention to the Region X conference schedule, which starts on Jan. 13 against Brunswick. After losing in the conference championship game last year, the Cobras will be anxious to get revenge this year, and win their first ever Division I conference title.

The Cobras will return to action in January. Upcoming home games are scheduled for Jan. 6 at 3 p.m. against Sandhills, Jan. 9 at 7:30 p.m. against Mt. Zion, Jan. 13 at 3 p.m. against Brunswick and Jan. 20 at 3 p.m. against USC-Salk. For more info, visit www.cccti.edu/gocobras



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#### **Upcoming Watauga Carry Out Cuisine**

Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute's Watauga Campus Culinary Arts program will offer "Carry Out Cuisine" events during the Spring 2018 semester to the general public. Meals are prepared by second-year students in the Skills II class.

Upcoming Carry Out Cuisine Event:

Monday, Feb. 6
Herbed Focaccia Bread
Kale Caesar Salad
Braised Chicken Cacciatore with Rosemary
Homemade Fettuccine Noodles
Italian Roasted Vegetables
Italian Cream Cake

Meals are \$20 per person and reservations are recommended. Cash only payments are accepted when meals are picked up on the day of service. Pick up times are 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Watauga Campus Kitchen, Building W141, Room 102.

For more information or to reserve your tickets for one of these events, contact Chef Robert Back at 828-297-3811 ext. 5222.

## **Upcoming Showcase of Stars Events at the Broyhill Civic Center**

American Spiritual Ensemble Thursday, Jan. 25; 7:30

Comprised of some of the finest classically trained singers in the United States, the mission of the American Spiritual Ensemble is to keep the American Negro spiritual alive. The resulting sound of this group is something that choral groups with two or three featured soloists cannot duplicate. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$9 for students/children.

#### FPA Presents "The Diary of Anne Frank"

Feb. 8-10; 7 p.m. nightly, two shows on Saturday at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.

The talented, local players at Foothills Performing Arts will bring to life the Tony Award-winning play, "The Diary of Anne Frank." The haunting story, based on Frank's memoirs, chronicles the nearly two year time period that Anne and her family spend in hiding to escape Nazi persecution in World War II era Holland. Tickets are \$14 for adults, \$12 for students over 12 and \$7.50 for children 12 and under.

#### "A Temptations Revue featuring Bo Henderson" Thursday, Feb. 15, 7:30 p.m.

Bringing the unforgettable songs of Motown back to the J.E. Broyhill Civic Center is "A Temptations Revue" featuring former lead singer of the Temptations and Grammy Award winner Barrington "Bo" Henderson (1998-2003), one of the only Temptations lead singers to have received a Grammy. This dynamic and driving show spans more than a decade of Temptations classics, every one of these songs among the most recognizable and culture-defining songs in pop music history: "My Girl," "Papa Was a Rollin' Stone," "Get Ready," "Ain't Too Proud To Beg," "Just My Imagination," "I Wish It Would Rain" and so many more! Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$12 for students/children.

#### Mnozil Brass Saturday, Feb. 24, 7:30 p.m.

Mnozil Brass is an Austrian brass septet. They play classical, jazz and other styles of music using traditional brass instruments and more unusual instruments such as the customized rotary valved trumpet and bass trumpet. Music is presented with a typical Austrian style of humor. Elements of slapstick exist next to virtuosic brass playing. Tickets are \$26 for adults and \$16 for students/children.