



## Celebrating New CobraCare Clinic



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Women's Basketball Home Game vs. Carolina Christian College, 6 p.m.; Caldwell Campus Gym

Men's Basketball Home Game vs. Combine Academy, 7 p.m.; Caldwell Campus Gym

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**For a complete calendar of events, including student workshops and other activities, visit [www.cccti.edu](http://www.cccti.edu)**

## CCC&TI, West Caldwell Health Council Celebrate Campus Clinic

Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute (CCC&TI) and West Caldwell Health Council, Inc. (WCHC) recently celebrated an innovative partnership that is improving health care access for local college students and employees.

Officials from CCC&TI and WCHC hosted an open house on Friday, Nov. 9 for the new Hector Estepan CobraCare Clinic on the campus in Hudson. The event included tours of the clinic, as well as presentations on its impact in the short time it's been open and an announcement on the naming of the facility.

CCC&TI President Dr. Mark Poarch said that he's not aware of another community college in North Carolina that offers a medical clinic on campus.

"The health clinic simplifies the lives of our students and employees," Poarch said, adding that now basic health care services are available five days a week without having to leave campus. "It's a tremendous asset and a benefit to our students."

The partnership that led to the new clinic, which opened on Aug. 27 and operates Monday through Friday while classes are in session, began in 2014 when WCHC began bringing its Mobile Unit to CCC&TI's campus. As the demand for the service grew, officials began discussing ways to provide more services and see more patients on campus.

"If students are healthy, they will be more successful in their classes," said Thomas McRary, CEO of West Caldwell Health Council. "If faculty and staff are healthy, they will be more effective in their jobs. There are a lot of benefits from an educational standpoint."

Bill Stone, who serves on both the WCHC Board of Directors and CCC&TI Board of Trustees, praised the collaboration that led to the creation of the CobraCare Clinic and described it as a nationwide model for improving access to health care. Stone said the clinic has served more than 300 patients since opening in late August.

The clinic offers a wide range of services, including: physicals, preventative care, immunizations, behavioral health, minor office procedures and chronic disease management. Uninsured patients may apply for a sliding discount scale, based on their income level. The clinic also waives co-pay fees for CCC&TI students who receive Pell Grant financial aid.

To conclude Friday's event, McCrary and Sheila Triplett-Brady of the Broyhill Family Foundation, which had donated funds to purchase equipment for the clinic, unveiled a plaque honoring Dr. Hector Estepan, WCHC's Medical Director.

On the Cover:

Top: Dr. Hector Estepan, left, West Caldwell Health Council CEO Thomas McRary and the Medical Center staff members pose with the sign for the Hector Estepan CobraCare Clinic on the campus of Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute in Hudson.

Bottom: West Caldwell Health Council CEO Thomas McRary, left, West Caldwell Health Council Medical Director Dr. Hector Estepan, center, and Sheila Triplett-Brady of the Broyhill Family Foundation pose for a photo with the new sign.



**COBRACARE CLINIC**

**E-101**

**M - Th: 8:30 am - 4 pm**  
**F: 8:30 am - 12 pm**

**Walk-ins Welcome**  
**Appointments: 754.6850**

Patients may apply for a sliding scale discount program, based on their income level. Insured patients will pay the primary care co-pay required by their insurance. Co-pay is waived for Pell Grant recipients.

Services offered include:  
Complete Physicals, Health Checks, Sports Physicals, Family Planning, Gynecological Care, Preventative Care, Immunizations, Urine Drug Screens, Behavioral Health, Adult Care, Acute Care, Minor Office Procedures, Self-Care and Chronic Disease Management and Developmental Screenings.

Services Offered by West Caldwell Health Council

## CCC&TI Will Add Two New Sports: Baseball and Softball

The Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute (CCC&TI) Board of Trustees on Wednesday approved the addition of two new sports, men's baseball and women's softball. Both sports are scheduled to begin play in Fall 2019, and the hiring process for coaches will begin immediately.

"We have been thinking about this for a couple of years and we are glad to be able to finally make this happen," said Larry Taylor, Chairman of the CCC&TI Board of Trustees. "Adding baseball and softball will help with enrollment by encouraging additional students to attend CCC&TI.

CCC&TI President Dr. Mark Poarch told the Board of Trustees that offering the additional sports would attract students who might not otherwise enroll at CCC&TI. He cited the men's and women's basketball programs as a good example, adding that students from as far away as New Jersey and Florida are currently enrolled at CCC&TI as student athletes, as well as several international students. Poarch also said that the additional athletic programs will increase awareness of the college in the community and also will provide a boost to the college's budget with an anticipated enrollment increase approximately 7 percent.

The start-up costs are estimated at approximately \$100,000 per team with an additional \$144,800 total needed annually for both teams' ongoing costs. Poarch said the baseball team will play its games at Walker Stadium in downtown Lenoir and the softball team will play at Mulberry Recreation Center in Lenoir.

As is the case with other CCC&TI athletics, state funding cannot be used to support the baseball or softball programs. Both will be supported through private donations and student activity fees collected by the college.

"This is huge for our community," CCC&TI Athletic Director Matt Anderson said. "There is a tremendous amount of baseball and softball talent in this area, and we're excited to provide those student athletes will another destination to continue their athletic careers after high school."

CCC&TI baseball and softball will compete in the National Junior College Athletic Association's Region X.

## Upcoming J.E. Broyhill Civic Center Events

### **Milton Harkey Bluegrass presents Dailey & Vincent Saturday, Jan. 5, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.**

Milton Harkey Bluegrass presents Dailey & Vincent on Saturday, Jan. 5. Dubbed by CMT as "The Rock Stars of Bluegrass," the Dailey & Vincent duo has been hailed throughout the music industry as one of the most exciting, reputable and elite Bluegrass bands in America. Get your tickets early as Dailey & Vincent is usually a sell-out show! Tickets are \$32 for adults and \$18 for students/children.

### **FPA Presents "A Wrinkle in Time" based on the book by Madeleine L' Engle February 14-1 • Thursday and Friday at 7 p.m.; Saturday at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.**

Recently adapted into a major motion picture by Disney Studios, this beloved science fiction book for young audiences is brought to the stage through this spirited and imaginative adaptation. A Wrinkle in Time is the story of Meg Murray, a high-school girl who is transported on an adventure through time and space with her brother and friend to rescue her father from evil forces that hold him prisoner on another planet. Tickets for the show are \$14 for adults; \$12 for students and \$7.50 for children 12 and under.

## Upcoming Performing Artist Series Event

### **CCC&TI Chorus Concert**

**Tuesday, Dec. 11 at 12:15 p.m. in the CCC&TI Recital Hall (B-100), on the Caldwell Campus  
Encore performance: Thursday, Dec. 13 at 12:15pm at St. James Episcopal Church in Lenoir.**

Free and open to the public. For more information on CCC&TI's Associate in Fine Arts – Music Programs contact Program Director Justin Butler at 828-726-2457 or email [jbutler@cccti.edu](mailto:jbutler@cccti.edu).



## Former President, Dr. Ken Boham, Awarded Emeritus Status

The Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute Board of Trustees recently approved President Emeritus status for former CCC&TI President Dr. Kenneth Boham.

Emeritus status is the highest honor bestowed on former CCC&TI employees. He was nominated by current CCC&TI President Dr. Mark Poarch, who said “Dr. Boham’s exemplary leadership as President for 21 years makes him very deserving of this honor. During his tenure as President at CCC&TI, Dr. Boham was a true champion of education.”

Boham served as CCC&TI President from 1995 to 2016, when he retired after presiding over the largest growth in enrollment and facilities in the institution’s 54-year history.

During his tenure, construction began on the Watauga Campus in Boone, two high schools were launched on the Caldwell Campus, buildings were constructed on the Caldwell Campus, the Transportation and Public Service campus was added in Hudson and CCC&TI experienced record enrollment growth. In 2016, the CCC&TI Board of Trustees dedicated K Building, one of several added to the Caldwell Campus during Boham’s presidency, in his honor and renamed it the “Kenneth A. Boham Building.”

Boham joins founding CCC&TI President, the late Dr. H. Edwin Beam, as one of two President Emeriti named during the college’s history.



## 45 Local Students Receive Dream Awards to Attend CCC&TI

In a recent ceremony held at Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute’s J.E. Broyhill Civic Center in Lenoir, the Foundation of CCC&TI named 45 local seventh-grade students as this year’s Dream Scholars. The Dream Award ensures free tuition to attend CCC&TI upon graduation from high school. The program, offered through the Foundation, is in its 29th year and has presented 1,233 awards since its inception.

Dream Award recipients are selected from among sixth-grade students in Caldwell and Watauga counties. Those selected must be first-generation college students who have demonstrated academic achievement and civic involvement, and who have the potential to succeed.

CCC&TI President Dr. Mark Poarch opened the ceremony by welcoming scholars, their families and guests. “I’d like to be one of the first to congratulate you on receiving this award. Congratulations to the class of 2024,” said Poarch. “You are a remarkable group of students. We look forward to seeing you shine.” Poarch also recognized members of CCC&TI’s Board of Trustees who were in attendance for the event.

Peg Broyhill, Chairwoman of the CCC&TI Foundation, spoke to those gathered at the ceremony and congratulated this year’s scholars. She reminded them that the room is full of their supporters.

Broyhill also recognized her fellow Foundation Board members and CCC&TI administrators as well as various county school officials, local organizations, civic groups, churches and clubs whose contributions help make the program possible. She gave special thanks for endowments and grants made possible by the Broyhill Family Foundation, the Coffey Foundation, the Granite Falls High School Class of 1963, the Hogan Family Foundation and the Rose and Dwight Church Family.

Dena Holman, Vice President of Student Services at CCC&TI, spoke about the history and purpose of the program, which was first introduced at CCC&TI in 1989 by Dr. Tony Deal. The program was later implemented by The Foundation of CCC&TI Board with a purpose of encouraging students to identify career options, earn good grades, complete high school and attend college.

Holman then introduced speakers Billy Woods and William Rominger, two Dream Scholars who attended CCC&TI and went on to successful careers. Both were first-generation college students.

Billy Woods received the Dream Award in 2004 while attending Hudson Middle School. Woods studied Logistics at CCC&TI and now works at First Citizens Bank.

William Rominger, a 1994 Dream Award recipient from Granite Falls Middle School, attended CCC&TI and went on to N.C. State, where he studied engineering. He now is an owner of a multimillion-dollar engineering company, Power Relaying Solutions in Charlotte, and a licensed engineer in nine states.

Dream recipients introduced themselves to the audience and shared their career goals. Each received a certificate commemorating their award. A reception for recipients and their families was held following the ceremony.



## 2018 Dream Award Recipients

Yasmin Angove, William Lenoir Middle School  
 Jada Ball, Gamewell Middle School  
 Jenna Ball, Gamewell Middle School  
 Rylie Beane, Happy Valley School  
 Destiny Bentley, Hudson Middle School  
 LaChelle Bivens, Kings Creek School  
 Ambar Bravo Gonzalez, Hardin Park School  
 Charles Burgess, Blowing Rock School  
 Noah Caldwell, Collettsville School  
 Abigail Campbell, Granite Falls Middle School *\*Debbie Yount Dream Award Recipient*  
 Christopher Church, William Lenoir Middle School  
 Thomas Cook, Cove Creek School  
 Maddison Craig, Oak Hill School  
 Brittany Daniel, Parkway School  
 Rylee Dula, Collettsville School  
 Benjamin Foust, Kings Creek School  
 Sarah Fredenburg, Cove Creek School  
 Hunter Gaddy, Green Valley School *\*Optimist Club of Boone Dream Award Recipient*  
 Paradise Harris, Granite Falls Middle School  
 Delmi Hernandez, William Lenoir Middle School  
 Kasey Hicks, Hudson Middle School  
 Hollie Hill, Granite Falls Middle School  
 Riley Hollars, Mabel Elementary School *\*Optimist Club of Boone Dream Award Recipient*

Skylar Ice, Hardin Park School  
 Layla Isbell, William Lenoir Middle School  
 Lucero Escobar Jaramillo, Parkway School  
 Eleanor Lake, Valle Crucis School  
 Haley Lemons, Mabel Elementary School  
 Gauge Manning, Bethel Elementary School  
 Kimberly Mendez, Happy Valley School  
 Cameryn Miller, Green Valley School  
 Emma Moser, Hudson Middle School  
 Phuc Nguyen, Hardin Park School  
 Savannah Norman, Valle Crucis School  
 Amarius Pena, Gamewell Middle School  
 Gracelyn Pennell, Happy Valley School *\*Dwight and Rose Church Dream Award Recipient*  
 Emily Perez, Bethel Elementary School  
 Ashley Ponthieux, Hudson Middle School *\*Dr. Tony Deal Dream Award Recipient*  
 Gabrielle Pope, Kings Creek School  
 Sydney Ricker, Blowing Rock School  
 William Roberts, Oak Hill School  
 Oscar Sage, Gamewell Middle School  
 Gerald Shew, Collettsville School  
 Cheyenne Trivette, Cove Creek School  
 Adyson Walker, Kings Creek School

## 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 October 16, 2018 through November 16, 2018:

### Memorials:

In memory of Jonathan Bryant, son of Jimmy and Brenda Bryant & nephew of Donna and Gary Church, to the CCC&TI Continuing Education Department's Electrical Lineman Program Funds, on the occasion of his November 2nd Birthday:  
Mr. and Mrs. Scott Triplett

In memory of Joshua Steven Buss, to the Joshua Steven Buss Memorial Engineering Scholarship:  
Ms. Tracy Andrews

In memory of Eloise Harren, former CCC&TI Faculty Secretary, to the Dan and Ila Stallings Scholarship:  
Mrs. Ila Stallings

In memory of Dr. Dan Stallings, CCC&TI Retiree – Vice President of Instruction, to the Dan and Ila Stallings Scholarship:  
Mrs. Ila Stallings

### Honorariums:

In honor of Chef Robert Back, CCC&TI Culinary Arts Instructor, to Watauga Campus Culinary program:  
Mr. and Mrs. John Burnett

In honor of CCC&TI Nursing students:  
Ms. Nancy Haslup

In honor of Mary Frances Sullivan, CCC&TI Foundation Board member, to the Dan and Ila Stallings Scholarship:  
Mrs. Ila Stallings

**Your Genius is Showing!**

**CCC&TI Student Research Expo 2018**

**Wednesday, Dec. 5 • 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. • Library**

**10:15 a.m. - Expo Winners Announced**  
**12 p.m. - Famous Scientist/Researcher Costume Contest**  
**Projects on Display • Refreshments • Photo Ops with Einstein**

**Want to Change the World?  
Change a Life.**

**Become a Teacher.**

**NC Teaching Fellows Application Deadline:**

**Jan. 7, 2019**

**\$4,125 available per academic semester.**

**NC Teaching Fellows is a forgivable loan for service program designated for students studying for STEM and Special Education teaching careers.**

**For more information or to apply visit  
[www.ncteachingfellows.com](http://www.ncteachingfellows.com)**

**Attention Students: Book Buy Back Hours:**

**Caldwell and Watauga Campus**

**Dec 12 & 13 • 9 am - 1 pm and 2 pm - 4 pm**

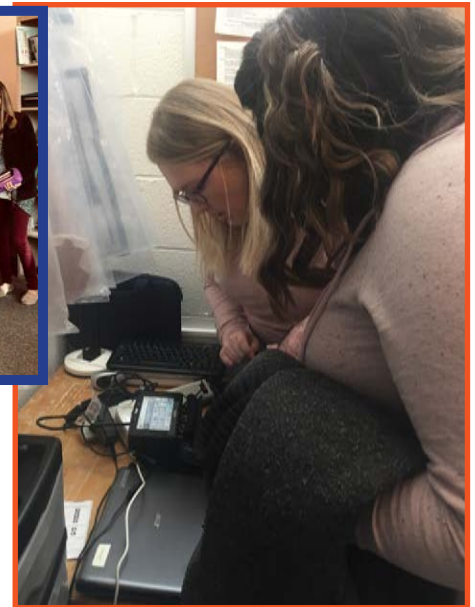
**Dec 14 • 9 am - 2 pm**

**Student ID# or state issued ID required.**

**Rental Books due by Dec 14 at 3pm.**

## SLPA Field Trip

Students enrolled in CCC&TI's Speech Language Pathology Assistant Program recently took a field trip to the North Carolina Assistive Technology Program (NCATP) in Morganton, NC. Students had the opportunity to learn about the NCATP program and assistive technology, specifically augmentative and alternative communications devices (AAC) that are available through the program. Students used the information gathered during the trip to prepare presentations for classmates using either a low-tech or high-tech AAC device later in the semester.



## OMA Activities

Ophthalmic Medical Personnel (OMP) students in the OPH 107 Clinical Skills II class recently studied perimetry, visual fields and associated visual field defects. OMP students wore goggles that simulate different types of visual field defects.

## Compass Class Presents Annual Holiday Play

Continuing a holiday tradition, the Compass Program at Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute performed a free show for the community during the month of November. The students presented their version of the Ralphie's Fragile Christmas Story at the J.E. Broyhill Civic Center in Lenoir. Donations were accepted to help support the program.



## Automotive Club Makes Donation

CCC&TI's Automotive Skills USA Club recently presented \$100 to the Granite Falls Rotary Club to support food programs for elementary students. Pictured are Automotive Club President Jacob Huskey, Vice President Rebecca Jaime, and Rotary President Bill Schreiber.



## SGA Hosts Holiday Meal

The Watauga Campus Student Government Association hosted an International Holiday Meal on Thursday, Nov. 29 featuring a variety of dishes and desserts from around the world. Students, faculty and staff also enjoyed treats provided by the Culinary Arts program.



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