CCC&TI’s J.E. Broyhill Civic Center Set to Kick-off 2007-2008 Season with “The Best of Broadway- The Songs of Andrew Lloyd Webber.”

The J.E. Broyhill Civic Center of Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute will kick-off its 2007-2008 season with “The Best of Broadway - The Songs of Andrew Lloyd Webber” on Friday, September 14 at 7:30pm.

The season opener will feature some of the beloved songs of perhaps one of the most well-known composers of our time, Sir Andrew Lloyd Webber. Webber, who composed such favorites as Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, Jesus Christ Superstar, Evita, Cats, The Phantom of the Opera and Sunset Boulevard, has numerous awards to his credit, including several Grammy awards, an Oscar and numerous Tony Awards.

The show, presented by Windwood Theatricals, is sure to be a hit for those who love musical theatre and those who are new to the genre as well. Performed by stage veterans Raymond Saar, Diane Ketchie, Valerie Perri and Scott Harlan, the show will transport the audience from their comfortable seats in the Broyhill Civic Center, straight to Broadway for a musical experience unlike any other.

Raymond Saar has performed on concert stages and in theatres internationally and throughout the U.S. He has had starring roles in such musicals as Phantom of the Opera, Les Miserables, The King and I and Hello, Dolly! In addition, he has performed as a guest soloist with many symphony orchestras and has appeared with such notables as Bob Hope, Bob Newhart and Joan Rivers. Mr. Saar’s resume even includes a command performance for former President Jimmy Carter.

Joining Saar on the stage will be his wife, Diane Ketchie, an opera singer and concert pianist whose leading operatic roles include stints with the Lyric Opera of Cleveland, the North Carolina Opera, Charlotte Opera, Opera Delaware and Treasure Coast Opera, just to name a few. Ketchie made her Broadway debut in Phantom of the Opera and has made numerous appearances on Community Concert Series with husband Raymond Saar throughout the country.

Valerie Perri is best known for her award-winning performance as Eva Peron in the First National Tour and the second World Tour of Evita under the direction of Harold Prince. Other Broadway credits include starring roles in West Side Story, Jesus Christ Superstar, Fiddler on the Roof and Gypsy, among others. She has performed in concert on various stages throughout the country.

The cast of “The Best of Broadway - The Songs of Andrew Lloyd Webber.”
Way to Go!
Curriculum headcount this year is at a record with 4,050 students. Of those, almost 980 registered online.

Attn: CCC&TI Students
Financial Aid refund date is September 13, 2007 checks will be released in the Business Office.

Rounding out the cast for “The Best of Broadway” will be Scott Harlan. Harlan has shared the stage with such greats as Carol Burnette and spent a season on the CBS show WIOU as series regular Ralph Friedman. Harlan also appeared in several films, including Risky Business and Power opposite Richard Gere and several television shows such as China Beach and Good Advice. Besides his acting credits, Harlan is also a talented musical director and jingle singer.

This talented group of musicians and performers will be presenting songs from some of Andrew Lloyd Webber’s most well-known musicals. Selections will include “Heaven on Their Minds” from Jesus Christ Superstar; “Don’t Cry for Me Argentina” from Evita; “Memory” from Cats; “As If We Never Said Goodbye from Sunset Blvd.; “Light at the End of the Tunnel” from Starlight Express and many more.

Enjoy some of the greatest hits of one of the most successful musical theatre composers of all time and help the Civic Center kick-off its new season. Don’t miss “The Best of Broadway - The Songs of Andrew Lloyd Webber.”

Tickets for the show are $25 to $29 for adults and $18 for children. For more information or to reserve your tickets, call the Civic Center Box Office at 726-2407 or go to www.broyhillcenter.com.

CCC&TI TRIO Students Take a Bite Out of the Big Apple.

Students in the TRIO/Educational Talent Search Program at Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute recently traveled to New York City to explore college campuses, meet with area professionals, and take in the sights. This is the second annual trip sponsored by TRIO/ETS at CCC&TI.

Six local high school students who are part of the college’s TRIO/ETS program participated in the trip as part of the TRIO Youth Leadership League or TYLL. TYLL is a program designed to develop leaders among TRIO/ETS high school students, help students learn about other TRIO programs across the country, broaden students’ perception of higher education and build increased global and cultural awareness.

The students who make up the 2007 TRIO Youth Leadership League are Marcus Abernethy (South Caldwell High School), Cora Liu (Hibriten High School), Lauren Livingston (Hibriten High School), Matthew Mackie (South Caldwell High School), Mark Spears (Hibriten High School) and Vontenea Williams (South Caldwell High School). TRIO/ETS counselors Heather Duncan, Mitzi Fullbright and Melissa Hambright led the students through the TRIO Youth Leadership League training and also joined them on their trip.

During the trip, local high school students visited New York University and its TRIO offices and Baruch College to get a feel for college campuses in an urban setting. Students commented on the differences between institutions in New York City and North Carolina. Several commented on the numerous ethnic groups and cultural differences, while others noticed the differences an urban setting can make. “You would be able to have so many connections in the field you wanted to study,” noted HHS student Lauren Livingston, “but it would be extremely hard to stand out.”

Students also visited Scholastic’s global headquarters. Scholastic is a global children’s publishing, education and media company and the world’s largest children’s book publisher. Students were impressed with the company’s corporate mission of helping children around the world read and learn. “Scholastic tries to ensure that every child has access to books,” said SCHS student Vontenea Williams. “They want to encourage learning and prosperity.”

Students also enjoyed many New York City attractions during their visit, including the Empire State Building, Central Park, Grand Central Station, the United Nations, and a Broadway show just to name a few. Each student named a different “favorite spot” but they all agreed that the city was an exciting, busy place, much different from their hometowns in Caldwell County. “The nightlife in Times Square was so different from Caldwell County,” said Livingston. “The energy was awesome!”
TRIO/ETS students selected to participate in the trip made presentations on various 21st Century Learning content areas such as global awareness, business and entrepreneurial literacy, civic literacy, and health and wellness prior to departing for their journeys. Plans are also in the works for students to share what they have learned with the TRIO Advisory Committee and with other TRIO students at upcoming events.

Overall, students said the trip has helped them gain more perspective on higher education and the options available to them. “[The trip] has helped me realize that to do more with my life, I need to attend college and get a better education,” said SCHS student Matthew Mackie. Marcus Abernethy agrees. “It has helped me to decide what is best for me and where I belong.”

Contributions from several donors, including Mr. John A. Forlines, Jr. and Mr. James E. Sims, helped cover the cost of the trip. Students also helped raise money to cover expenses by selling doughnuts and holding a car wash.

CCC&TI TRIO Director Alice Lentz hopes the TRIO Youth Leadership League program will continue each year and continue to offer local students the opportunity to see different parts of the US and possibly the world. “A student population that is more globally aware and more oriented to college is a definite benefit to our county and our region,” said Lentz, who also chairs CCC&TI’s Diversity/Global Awareness Committee.

For more information on TRIO programs at CCC&TI, contact Director Alice Lentz at 726-2234.
E.M. Dudley Employee Achievement Award
Pictured at left is Dr. David Shockley, Executive Vice President of CCC&TI and recipient of the 2007 E.M. Dudley Employee Achievement Award.

Colleague of the Year Awards
Pictured are recipients of CCC&TI's annual Colleague of the Year Awards. From left to right are Kevin Smith, Shawn Harbison, Faye Lewis and Christina Bryant.

The Brenda Goble Executive Assistant/Administrative Assistant Award
Pictured at left is Pat Pritchard, recipient of the Brenda Goble Executive Assistant/Administrative Assistant Award.

Lydia Beam Memorial Award and NCAEOP Member of the Year Award
Pictured above is Julie Parsons, recipient of the Lydia Beam Memorial Award and the NCAEOP Member of the Year Award.

Part-time Faculty and Part-time Staff Awards
Pictured at left is Outstanding Part-time Faculty Award winner, Rosa Dargan-Powers, with Dr. Ken Boham, CCC&TI President.
Pictured at right is Outstanding Part-time Staff Award winner, Wanda Terry with CCC&TI President Ken Boham.
5 Years of Service!
Pictured are CCC&TI employees honored for five years of service. From left to right are Amy Huffman, Dustin Greene, Margie Starnes, Bobbie Watson, Suzanne Shaut, Jane Lentz, Debbie Mitchell, Lynn LeFever, Dena Holman and Jennifer Sime. Not pictured, Jose Martinez, James Mahala and Heather Wright.

15 Years of Service!
Pictured above is Anita Triplett, left, who was honored for 15 years of service to CCC&TI. Presenting the award is Dr. Ken Boham, CCC&TI President, right.

10 Years of Service!
Pictured are CCC&TI employees honored for ten years of service. From left to right are Anna Alexander, Melodie Yancey, Angela Kanupp, Patricia Joyner, Maggie Buchanan, Linda Wortman Lowe, Dale Joyner, Paula Rash and Susan Wooten. Not pictured, John Hollandsworth.

20 Years of Service!
Pictured at left are CCC&TI employees honored for twenty years of service. From left to right are Bonnie Brown, JoAnne Johnson and Martha Minton.
**Job Opportunities at CCC&TI**

Position: Instructor, Nursing – Watauga Campus (contingent upon funding)

Length of Contract: 9 months

**Job Summary:** To assist in the coordination of the academic subject matter of the Nursing Program; to instruct classes, clinicals, and labs in assigned division; to coordinate assigned activities with other college programs, divisions, departments, and outside agencies; and to provide highly responsible and complex administrative support to the Director, Nursing Program. Must be willing to travel between the Caldwell and Watauga campuses.

**Experience:** Two (2) years of experience as a registered nurse in an acute care setting (Medical Surgical). Current, unrestricted license as a registered nurse in North Carolina.

**Training:** Master’s degree in nursing education from an accredited college or university preferred. Will consider BSN candidate who is willing to continue education for MSN; degree completion by December 2009.

**Application Deadline:** All applicant information must be postmarked by September 21, 2007.

For more information call 726-2269 or visit www.cccti.edu.

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**Culinary Students Participating in “What’s For Dinner?”**

CCC&TI Culinary Technology students are participating in a project this month sponsored by the Healthy Caldwellians Organization. The project, promoting September as Healthy Eating month, is called "What’s For Dinner?" - F.I.N.E. Families Interested In Nutritious Eating. Culinary students will demonstrate quick and easy meals at Lowe's Foods in Lenoir on Saturday, Sept 22. Recipe booklets assembled by the committee will be available to shoppers on that day. Items used in the recipes will be highlighted by shelf markers in hot pink, so that shoppers can easily find what they need in addition to seeing how to prepare it right on site. Also look for details soon on this year's Caldwell Cuisine. Last semester's popular dining series prepared by students included a variety of dinners centering around themes, such as Hawaiian, Jamaican, Italian, Creole food and many others.

**Cobra Calendar**

Want to know more about student activities and workshops? Ready for Cobra athletics? Take CCC&TI's new Cobra calendar for a test drive! Volleyball matches gear up Thursday, August 30th. You're only clicks away from a complete athletics schedule featuring women's volleyball, men's and women's basketball, and golf. Here's how to get yours:

- Log on to www.cccti.edu and click on Services for Students at the left and then the “Cobra Calendar” link.
- Select “Cobra Athletics” in the category drop menu in the upper right corner.
- Choose an end date, such as November 30 or March 1, 2008, and submit.

You should see the most up-to-date listings for all CCC&TI sports. Note: Try different display options (top left corner). For example, select “Date/Time” view for a list rather than a monthly grid.

**SGA Announces First General Assembly Meeting**

You are invited to the first SGA General Assembly Meeting this Thursday, August 30th, at 3 p.m. in the ASU Boardroom H-Building. The General Assembly is a meeting of your Student Government Association (SGA). We are your representatives on many committees affecting student life and academics.

We have formed a new Senate and ask you to join us. To become a Senator, all you need to do is express interest, fill out an interest form and attend the General Assembly Meeting or one of our regular Monday meetings in E-118 at 12:00 p.m.

On September 13th, during the second General Assembly Meeting, elections will be held from all who have signed up as Senators. Six Senators will join the SGA Executive Board and will meet with SGA on Mondays.

All students are welcome! Come see how SGA impacts your life on a daily basis.

**Student Government Association Undergoes Major Changes**

Various changes, additions, and modifications will grant students a more effective voice.

The Student Government Association (SGA) at Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute has announced major changes to the organization that will allow students to have a more effective voice at the college.

SGA is the governing body for students at CCC&TI. Members of SGA sit on college wide committees and have a seat on the college’s Board of Trustees. SGA also has state and national alliances to advocate for issues affecting community college students across the nation. Issues from text book costs to diversity are addressed by SGA.

The SGA constitution had not been altered in almost a decade before being re-written and presented to the College Executive Council on July 30, 2007. The following constitutional changes were approved by the council:
A new SGA Senate was established to represent students at CCC&TI. The senator position is no longer elected but is instead awarded to ANY student that fills out a Senate Information Sheet (SIS) and attends one SGA Executive Board or General Assembly meeting.

A leadership position, Speaker of the Senate, was created for the newly established senate. This position is a voting seat on the SGA executive board and is selected by the SGA Advisor and confirmed by the SGA Executive Board.

A new SGA Senate Committee system, this system allows members of the senate to actively participate in the decision making process of the SGA thru focused committees, such as the Internal Affairs, that will deal with the day to day workings of clubs at CCC&TI. These new committees also create 6 more leadership positions, called SGA Senate Chairs. These chairs will head up these committees and report to the SGA Speaker of the Senate. The suggestions and ideas coming out of these committees will go directly to the SGA Executive Board for action.

Watauga Campus SGA leaders are now able to make decisions on clubs and organizations on campus.

New definitions and recognitions for new clubs on campus were established.

The new senate is currently being organized and any student interested in serving should see an SGA Executive Officer to complete the necessary forms. Senate chairs will be nominated on August 30th at the first General Assembly meeting of the SGA at 3:00 in the ASU Conference Room on the first floor of H Building. If you wish to be nominated you must first complete a SIS and seek nomination from an Executive Board member or student attending the General Assembly (GA) meeting.

At the second General Assembly meeting the final nominations will be brought before the student body to be voted on and those positions will be filled by a majority vote of the GA.

SGA members also adopted an “Open Door” policy and would like to hear from students. If there is an officer in the SGA Office the door will be open and students are encouraged to come and talk with their SGA at any time. “Students are the center of all that we work for, we feel that being in SGA is more than a position,” said Jesse Presnell, SGA President. “We are here to make serious changes in the system that will make life at CCC&TI better for students at all times.”

For more information on CCC&TI’s Student Government Association, contact Kim Roper, Director of Student Activities at 726-2301.

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A Friendly Bet...

When English Instructor Matthew Malloy decided to quit smoking, he sweetened the deal with a friendly bet. Kimberly Turk, Vice President of College Transfer Programs at CCC&TI, vowed to “dye” her hair pink if Malloy could go three months without smoking. On Friday, August 24, Malloy collected on his bet after more than 12 smoke-free weeks. At left, Kimberly Turk with her new ‘do.’

Congratulations, Matthew.

We’re proud of you!
Proclamation!

Hear Ye Hear Ye, by joint decree of our illustrious members of Congress and his Royal Majesty, President George the Bush, long may he reign, with the faithful support of his Honor, College President, Dr. Kenneth of Boham, a contest shall ensue. It shall be a fierce combat featuring the champions of the written word.

This contest has been decreed in celebration of the anniversary of the Constitution of the United States, a most memorable and August occasion. The writers shall take pen in hand, post haste, and begin to illuminate their thoughts regarding the following:

“The most important right guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution or the Bill of Rights is… I believe this is true because…”

Each student may submit only 1 entry of no more than 1 page. Entries will be judged by a panel based on content, elocution, and reasoning. Submissions must be typed, single or double spaced, 12pt font. Essays should be turned in to the TRIO office in the B-Annex to Robert Whitley no later than September 5th at 5pm. Work should be submitted in digital Word format as well as hard copy. Submission implies permission to reprint for college use.

The best essays will be reprinted for distribution on campus and published in the News Topic in celebration of Constitution Day. The author of the essay that is judged best will receive a framed copy of the Constitution as a reward for his/her efforts.

Let the writing begin!

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