

TRIO TRIBUNE

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For and By TRIO/SSS Students

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Student Support Services

Federally-funded TRIO comprises various programs, which, since 1965, have promoted opportunity in education. TRIO/SSS has served over 1000 participants at CCC&TI since its inception here in 1993. Its mission is to provide opportunities for academic development, assist students with basic college requirements, and serve to motivate students towards the successful completion of their post-secondary education.

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for more information.

TRIO/ ETS, launched at CCC&TI in 2002, currently serves 600 middle-school and high-school students. Its mission is to get academically talented Caldwell County students enrolled in college.

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Write On!

TRIO welcomes CCC&TI's Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP), called *Write On!* As the TRIO TRIBUNE launches its third year, TRIO welcomes the opportunity to practice and showcase TRIO students' writing.

TRIO Travels: New York!

by Margaret Gentry

...thank TRIO again for allowing me to change my mind and go to New York. It was a wonderful experience and a trip that I would not have been able to afford. My biggest fears and worries starting out were being lost or robbed. I also thought that we would encounter rude or even hostile behavior. Thank goodness, all of those worries were unfounded. The people that I encountered treated me very well. I was also impressed by the cleanliness of the streets. We had a wonderful lunch in Little Italy, at an outdoor café, with a singing waiter! The harbor cruise to see the Statue of Liberty filled my heart with awe and pride; it was a very moving experience. Everything we experienced had its own unique appeal to different people on the trip. I enjoyed listening to the different comments after each event. Everyone agreed that "Drumstruck" was absolutely wonderful. The most profound experience for me was the Metropolitan Museum of Art. I was surprised to find myself weeping as I walked around to observe each painting. I felt embarrassed to become so emotional; then I thought how could they (the other patrons) not cry. The

power that art, music, and literature have to touch the mind and emotions of someone hundreds of years later is astounding. I saw things that I never dreamed I would see and enjoyed it all. I appreciate everything TRIO did for us to make our trip memorable and successful. It is an experience that I will always remember.

Editors' Note: On September 7, 2006, in New York City, Margaret represented the TRIO Alumni Group at the first national TRIO alumni reunion. The trip to New York included a second visit to the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

TRIO Alumni Group Innovates

TRIO Alumni Group members met with Barbara Currier, coordinator, Foundations Support and Alumni Relations, NC Community College System Office, on June 8 to describe their activities. The next issue of TRIO TRIBUNE will include a summary of the TRIO Alumni Group's planning retreat, which Ms. Currier led on September 21. Please see TRIO TRIBUNE, June 2006 issue, for a report on the second annual TRIO Alumni Reunion and the 2006 TRIO Alumni Scholars.

TRIO Alumnus Published Again

TRIO alumnus Edgar Foster reports that his PhD dissertation, near completion, has been accepted for publication. Included here is a quote from his 2005 book, Angelomorphic Christology and the Exegesis of Psalm 8:5 in Tertullian's *Adversus Praxean*. Edgar was the first chair of the TRIO Alumni Group (2004-05).

"Two types of nomenclature that students of Second Temple Judaism and early Christianity have devoted a considerable amount of attention to in recent years are the linguistic formulae 'angelic' and 'Angelomorphic' Christology. The expression angelic Christology usually refers to the doctrine that maintains Christ is an angelic being as to His nature. Angelomorphic Christology . . . proposes that the Son of God momentarily assumes the form of an angel."



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TRIO Student Leads!

Congratulations to TRIO student Rick Taylor for acceptance in the 2006-07 class of the NC Student Leadership Institute (SLI)! NC SLI comprises 30 student-leaders from NC community colleges. Last June, Rick participated in the week-long SLI conference in Raleigh and will continue with program activities until his graduation from NC SLI in February 2007. Rick is the only CCC&TI student to be accepted at NC SLI. In 2006-07, TRIO/SSS student (and now TRIO alumna) Nicole Fogle represented CCC&TI students at NC SLI.

Dustin Greene Goes the Extra Mile

by Kelly Harrison

For this issue of the TRIO TRIBUNE, English Instructor Dustin Greene will be featured.

Dustin Greene was born in Lenoir, NC. He earned an Associate in Arts degree from Cleveland Community College and a Bachelor of Arts degree in English with a minor in History. He hopes to start a Master of Arts degree program in January.

Dustin is married and has four daughters. From time to time, he enjoys playing guitar and saxophone.

Dustin teaches developmental English courses here at CCC&TI. When asked what he loves best about working at CCC&TI, he replied, "I actively looked for a career in which I could make a difference, and I get that from teaching. And, I seek not to harm anyone." Everyone at CCC&TI should be proud to be associated an instructor as competent and caring as Dustin Greene, for he goes the extra mile.

Editors' Note: Dustin Greene serves on the TRIO Advisory Committee. He stated to a co-editor that he was quite fond of TRIO and that he wished TRIO could be extended to serve more students! TRIO/SSS students have named Mr. Greene a "TRIO Super Supporter" in 2005 and 2006.

Robert Whitley Earns Major Graduate School Scholarship

By Jessica McWhite

The TRIO TRIBUNE is proud to recognize TRIO Academic Specialist Robert Whitley for winning the Jack Kent Cook Foundation Scholarship. Although Robert claims winning the award was a "humbling experience," he is garnering everyone's attention. The attention has left Robert with a whirlwind of emotions,

and an enormous responsibility to keep. Robert explained that he would like to use the award to further his education, and receive a Master's degree and a Ph.D. in History. After earning his graduate degrees, Robert would like to teach at the college level.

Robert has been with TRIO at CCC&TI since November 2005. He helps to set up tutoring for TRIO/SSS students. Also, he helps set up computers for TRIO/SSS student use. Robert feels that the college is all about people you meet and the new experiences gained along the way. He feels there are life lessons not always taught in the classrooms. TRIO would like to congratulate Robert on his award, and we wish him the best of luck!

Editors' Note: For more information on the Jack Kent Cook Foundation, please visit www.jackkentcookfoundationscholarship.org.

TRIO MultiCultural Group Begins Semester Activities

by Dora Bowlin

September 1 started the TRIO MCG's activities this semester, with members hosting a lunch for the Diversity/Global Awareness Committee and campus administrators. Special guest was Dr. Neil Bolick, Associate Director, Worldview. September 11 was remembered in an activity referred to as *9-11 Reflections* that also embraces the CCC&TI "Write On" (QEP) policy. *9-11 Reflections* was a campus-wide writing activity about what individuals remember and felt on the day that devastated so many lives and dreams. The remembrances were collected and will be placed somewhere on campus to be viewed by others. Members of TRIO MCG will also make a presentation at one of the TRIO Delis.

Editors' Note: CCC&TI is a partner institution with World View. TRIO Director Alice Lentz serves on the Advisory Board for World View in 2006-07. For more information on World View, go to www.unc.edu/world/.

¡Saludos!

por María Punch

Como una ex-alumna de TRIO, les mando saludos atentos. Estoy estudiando CNA ahora a CVCC, y les echo mucho de menos.

Greetings!

by María Punch

As a TRIO alumna, I send warm greetings. I am studying now for my CNA at CVCC, and I miss you.

Early Childhood Club News

by Dora Bowlin

The Early Childhood Club had its meetings September 5 in E-130 at 5:45p.m. and September 7 at noon in an effort to increase attendance. There are no club dues and again this year the club card is going to bring a 10% discount at Teachers' Express until Dec. 30 and a coupon for a 15% discount at Creative Learning in Hickory. Plans have also been made for the Fall Festival and Spring Fling and sponsoring a family for Christmas and Easter. It would certainly shine on resumes to say you belonged to the club and tell what the club did to help young children and their families.

TRIO/SSS Tutoring

by Heather Yarber

For the students that are already involved in TRIO/SSS, many of you have already heard about the tutoring program that we have available. The following information will be for those of you who would like to know more about the tutoring TRIO/SSS offers. If you are saying to yourself, "We have tutoring at CCC&TI?" then this article is for you. The fact of the matter is that we have tutors that can help you boost your grade. If you want to maintain that A to B average and you're having problems in a part of your classes, then you can come for help from one of the tutors

TRIO/SSS has available. If you're already involved, ask for Robert Whitley, and he will help you find a tutor. If you have never heard of TRIO/SSS, then come and get signed up. The TRIO Center is located in the B-annex.



The Appalachian State University Center Opens

by Ariane Angley

The much anticipated opening of the Appalachian State University Center is finally here. Ground was broken for the building in February 2005. On July 20, 2006, H building was dedicated in honor of Faye A. Broyhill. CCC&TI is the now home to the first off-campus Appalachian State University full-time, daytime program. CCC&TI continues to grow and serve our communities' needs. The new building is a great start to many more exciting opportunities.

Group Activities and Updates

What are those TRIO/SSS students doing now?!

Helping, working, living, giving....

As you know, TRIO/SSS has created nine service groups in which students can participate to bolster their resumes and applications while giving back to the CCC&TI community. Below, the activities of each service group are updated.

TRIO Alumni Group:

Group members assist in maintaining contact with TRIO/SSS alumni and planning alumni related events.

Plans for the 2006-2007 school year include a spring TRIO Reunion. Rick Taylor is the group leader.

TRIO TRIBUNE Team:

These students create and relate news of interest to TRIO/SSS students by organizing a bi-monthly newsletter.

Kelly Harrison and Shannon Withers are the group co-leaders.

TRIO Orientation and Mentoring Team:

This team consists of TRIO/SSS students who orient TRIO/ETS students. Members will also assist the Caldwell County Public School System and TRIO/ETS staff by mentoring TRIO/ETS students in the public schools and assisting with duties concerning the TRIO/ETS Induction Ceremony.

The group leader is Vanessa Carlton.

TRIO Service Corps:

These team members organize and assist in the deployment of TRIO/SSS student resources across campus and for the community.

The group leader is Katie Clift.

TRIO Large Event Planning Team:

This group is responsible for the coordination and organization of each TRIO deli, TRIO/SSS Awards Ceremony, and TRIO/ETS Open House, and other large TRIO events.

The group leader is JoAnn Moore.

Independent Women:

This group comprises women who gather to discuss issues of interest and importance to them and to support one another.

TRIO Technology Group:

This group comprises current TRIO/SSS students who provide technological support to other TRIO/SSS groups and TRIO/SSS staff, maintain BFA laptops, design workshops, and maintain the TRIO website on the CCC&TI homepage.

TRIO Multi-Cultural Group :

This group comprises TRIO/SSS students with strong interest in increasing their awareness of diversity and global issues. Formally launched in May 2006, the TRIO MCG group will work with other, interested student groups on campus to raise awareness of the issues that link all people.

Jennie Hendrix and Tasha Pearson are the group co-leaders.

TRIO Walking and Wellness Group:

Group members aspire to encourage and develop a state of well being within the Trio CCC&TI community by enhancing our knowledge of healthy eating and exercise habits.

Heather Yarber is the group leader.

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