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**Calendar**

- June
- 17 Alpha Omega Club Meeting, 12 noon; E-310
  - 18 Recovery Meeting, 12 noon; E-301
  - 19 Pell Pay Date
  - 24 Alpha Omega Club Meeting, 12 noon; E-310
  - 25 Recovery Meeting, 12 noon; E-301
  - 26 Pell Pay Date

**July**

- 1 Alpha Omega Club Meeting, 12 noon; E-310
- 2 Recovery Meeting, 12 noon; E-301
- 3 Curriculum Student Holiday
- 4 Independence Day; Institution Closed  
CCC&TI Night at the Crawdad's Game!
- 7 Classes Resume  
Last day for students to drop classes.
- 8 Alpha Omega Club Meeting, 12 noon; E-310
- 9 Recovery Meeting, 12 noon; E-301
- 10-25 Online Registration for current curriculum students.
- 15 Alpha Omega Club Meeting, 12 noon; E-310
- 16 Recovery Meeting, 12 noon; E-301
- 17 Pell Pay Date
- 22 Alpha Omega Club Meeting, 12 noon; E-310
- 23 Recovery Meeting, 12 noon; E-301
- 29 Alpha Omega Club Meeting, 12 noon; E-310
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End of Summer Session/Exams

The campus voice of Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute

## What's Happening on Campus

### CCC&TI English Instructor Receives Teaching Excellence Award

Matthew Williams, Instructor in English at Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute, was recently named recipient of the Donald W. Lackey Teaching Excellence Award.

The award was established in 1988 to honor Dr. Don Lackey for his outstanding service as a member of CCC&TI's Board of Trustees. The award recognizes a faculty member who characterizes personal dedication, concern for student welfare and academic excellence. CCC&TI faculty and staff make nominations for the annual award with the final recipient being chosen by a committee of faculty, staff and students.

This year's honoree, Matthew Williams, grew up in High Point, NC and earned both his Bachelor's Degree in English and his Master of English, Education degrees at Appalachian State University. After a short stint teaching high school English, Williams spent a couple of years teaching part-time at both ASU and CCC&TI's Watauga campus before becoming a full-time English instructor on the Caldwell campus in 2004.

Williams says that although his life as an educator is a fulfilling one, he didn't always see himself as a teacher. "I didn't really aspire to be a teacher or envision myself as one until two semesters into graduate school," he said. As a newlywed and a student, Williams says he took advantage of an opportunity to work as a graduate teaching assistant to help pay bills. "I taught under the direction of ASU English instructors Georgia Rhoades and Mark Vogel, and my life was changed forever," he said. "They taught me that teaching was more about the people we taught than the subject itself ...[and] that great teaching best follows a love of humanity."

Williams says his favorite aspects of teaching are the everyday encounters with his students. "I like sharing in their lives and experiences," he says. "I am humbled that I have had the opportunity to have students confide and share their day-to-day worries with me."

Winning the award came as a huge surprise to Williams. "I never expected that I would actually win it," he said. "I feel tremendously blessed. I felt that way before receiving the award, but I am more than ever reminded of how blessed I've been." Williams attributes much of success to his faith and to his love for the students he teaches. "The main way we show our love for Christ is to love the people we come in contact with," he says. "We should all seek out ways to love and support one another. Teaching opens many doors to do this, but then I think most careers do when one has his or her eyes open!"

Williams and his wife, Jenny, are residents of Caldwell County and active members of Fellowship Baptist Church. They have two children, Abraham, 7, and Abigail, 5.



**Pictured above, Instructor Matthew Williams, winner of the 2008 Donald W. Lackey Teaching Excellence Award**

**Inside:**

IT Institute Graduation

TRIO/ETS Senior Breakfast

John Noblitt Receives AAMI Award

.....and more!

## CCC&TI Holds Second IT Institute Graduation.

Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute recently held its second IT Institute Graduation. Fifty-five students received a certificate at the ceremonies, which were held at the college's J.E. Broyhill Civic Center and drew a crowd of CCC&TI officials as well as family and friends of graduates.

The Information Technology Institute, which got its start in June of 2007, was co-developed with Google, Inc. and prepares students for entry-level positions in the computer industry with a unique curriculum focusing on both hard and "soft" skills. Students gain knowledge of current trends and skills recommended for these jobs and produce portfolios of work to share with prospective employers. Students may enroll in the program to refresh their skills or build on it to work toward a degree.

Members of the second class of graduates ranged in ages from 20 to 57 and included area professionals, dislocated workers and students of various education levels including 16 who already held bachelor's degrees.

Speakers at the event included Elaine Lockhart, Vice President of Adult, Corporate and Continuing Education at CCC&TI. Lockhart congratulated students on their accomplishment and encouraged them to continue in their pursuit of education. "I encourage you to continue to be lifelong learners, continue to grow, learn and go to the next level," she said. "We celebrate your success with you and offer our heartfelt congratulations."

Also speaking at the event was CCC&TI's Executive Vice President, Dr. David Shockley. Shockley spoke to graduates about the power and inevitability of change. "As graduates of the IT Institute, you have met the challenge that change brings to make things better," he said. "Information Technology, itself, is constantly changing and opens endless possibilities and opportunities for each of you."

Graduates also enjoyed comments from Jody Belk and Ben Willis, both graduates of the IT Institute who now work for the college. Belk, Coordinator of Vocational and Technical programs and an instructor at CCC&TI, oversees the IT Institute and says that the program changed his life. "I wasn't happy where I was," he said. "This course gave me the confidence to do something about it."

Willis, who is now an instructor with the program, congratulated students on their accomplishments and also presented Peer Awards. IT Institute Peer Awards were voted on by both students and instructors and presented to those students who "embody all-around IT Institute personalities." Peer Award winners were: Karen S. Blizzard, John R. Thomson, Bryan K. Deal, Jerawand J. Holland, David M. Keever and Cory A. Henderlite.

### **Following are the graduates from CCC&TI's latest IT Institute:**

Matthew G. Adams	Heather T. Gragg	Ralph N. McRary
Annie L. Anderson	Donald E. Haigler	John W. Milstead III
Ryan L. Austin	Gary C. Hefner	Jeffrey C. Moore
Sherry A. Bingham	Cory A. Henderlite	Andrew R. Natusch
Karen S. Blizzard	Adam D. Hickman	Michael W. Oakes
Joy M. Brewer	Wendy W. Hinson	Henry N. Parsley III
Bethany L. Brown	Jerawand J. Holland	Cecelia E. Phillips
Jennifer M. Carpenter	Charles M. Hollingsworth	Patricia A. Philyaw
Heather N. Curtis	Mark C. Holloway	Jason J. Piedl
Katie L. Davenport	Steven M. Houck	Gilbert D. Pollitt
James Davis	David M. Keever	Jonathan L. Pope
Bryan K. Deal	Elizabeth A. Keller	Steven R. Riley
Dwight D. Deal	Ka L. Lee	Steven L. Rose
Charles A. Dickson	Eric T. Lefevre	Waylon V. Smith
Eric R. Dooley	Garry D. Lewis	John R. Thomson
Temica J. Ferguson	Bobby N. Martin Jr.	Bradley M. Thorton
Jason R. Frizsell	Jessica L. McClain	David L. Ward
Michael A. Ganey	William T. McNeil	Brain C. Wilcox
Becky L. Goldman		



**Above, IT Institute graduate and peer award winner David Keever receives a handshake and certificate from instructor Matt Connor, far left.**

## The Caldwell Chronicle

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## CCC&TI Instructor Recognized for Excellence in Medical Technology.

The Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation's (AAMI) Awards Committee has selected John Noblitt, CBET, as winner of the 2008 AAMI Foundation Educational Advancement Award. Noblitt is Director of Biomedical Equipment Technology at Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute.



**John Noblitt, Director  
of Biomedical  
Equipment Technology  
at CCC&TI**

John Noblitt's leadership and mentoring, and his dedication to the biomed field, "have influenced hundreds of biomedical equipment technicians throughout the United States," says Glenn Scales, CBET, patient safety specialist with the Duke University Health System.

As the BMET program director at Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute in Hudson, NC, Noblitt "has significantly improved the profession and the operation of every institution in which he has placed students," says Scales. "Former students I have worked with still talk about their experiences as a student of John's, even years after graduation."

An active member of AAMI and the North Carolina Biomedical Association, Noblitt has published articles in a variety of industry journals and publications.

In addition, he is "one of the most caring and supportive individuals I have ever known," says Scales. "His concern and compassion for his students and fellow BMETs is well-known. He is one of those few individuals we have the luck to meet in our lives that change all those whom he touches."

AAMI recognized Noblitt for his achievement at the Dwight E. Harkin, MD Memorial Lecture and Awards Luncheon on Sunday, June 1, during AAMI's Annual Conference & Expo in San Jose, CA. For more information, visit [www.aami.org/ac](http://www.aami.org/ac).

## CCC&TI's TRIO/Educational Talent Search Program Hosts Breakfast in Honor of Graduating Seniors.

Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute's TRIO/Educational Talent Search (TRIO/ETS) program recently hosted a breakfast in honor of the largest group of graduating seniors to come through the program since its inception.

TRIO/ETS at CCC&TI is a federally funded program that works with middle and high school students, most of whom will be first generation college students, to assist them with all aspects of college enrollment. Through the program, counselors employed by the college make weekly visits to area middle and high schools to serve students enrolled in the program. In addition, students are given the opportunity to visit colleges throughout the state, participate in various enrichment activities, and receive assistance from TRIO/ETS counselors with college applications, financial aid applications, and other college-related issues.

A large group of students, CCC&TI staff members and administrators were on hand for the breakfast held at the college's J.E. Broyhill Civic Center. Alice Lentz, Director of TRIO Programs at CCC&TI welcomed the students, extended her congratulations to the group for their accomplishments and encouraged them to continue to work toward their goals.

Overall, of the students who participated in the TRIO/ETS program this year, over 80% are planning to pursue a college education. In recent years, only about 35% of seniors county-wide go on to college. In addition, students in the program have an impressive track record for finishing high school on time. Lentz reported that 97% of this year's graduating TRIO/ETS students are finishing high school as scheduled, compared to just 69% across the state.

**For up-to-date  
schedule information,**



**check the Web.  
[www.cccti.edu](http://www.cccti.edu)**

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**Pictured above are TRIO/ETS Seniors from Caldwell County Middle College. Left to right are Chris Anders, Robert Colley, Zachary Ferguson and Lauren Gragg.**

This year's graduating TRIO/ETS class includes 92 students representing each of Caldwell County's high schools. Among those, many are planning to enroll at CCC&TI in the fall, while others are planning to attend colleges both across the state and out of state including UNC-Chapel Hill, UNC-Charlotte, Western Carolina University in Cullowhee, Campbell University, Winston-Salem State University, University of Alabama and Appalachian State University, just to name a few.

Each student in attendance received a certificate of recognition and white TRIO cords to be worn with their caps and gowns during high school graduation ceremonies. Students were also encouraged to keep their cords to wear at future college graduation exercises to represent their participation in TRIO programs.

Several scholarship and award-winners were also recognized at the breakfast event. The G. Lewis Bernhardt Scholarship program, offering support for study at CCC&TI for four semesters, is open only to TRIO/ETS seniors. The 2008 G. Lewis Bernhardt Scholar is Hannah Greene, and the 2008 G. Lewis Bernhardt Fellows are Marcus Abernethy (South Caldwell High School), Chris Anders (Caldwell County Middle College), April Lovins (Hibriten High School), Jessica Spears (West Caldwell High School), Mark Spears (Hibriten High School), Sarah Walker (South Caldwell High School) and Jessica Watson (Hibriten High School).



**Pictured above are TRIO/ETS Seniors from Hibriten High School. Front row, left to right, Jessica Watson, Kallie Robbins, Cora Liu, Matthew Frazier and Timothy Beler. Back row, left to right, Principal Lewis Wright, Mark Spears, Brandon Meekins, April Lovins, Lauren Livingston, Amber Clark, Tabitha deGuzman and Adam Cockerham.**

Lauren Davis of West Caldwell High School, along with Hibriten senior Lauren Livingston and South Caldwell's Vontenea Williams, received the TRIO/ETS Go Anywhere! award. The award, now in its second year, provides scholarships for TRIO/ETS seniors who plan to go to colleges other than CCC&TI. Davis will be attending Lenoir-Rhyne College, Livingston will be attending UNC-Chapel Hill and Williams will be attending Winston-Salem State University.

TRIO/ETS counselors Heather Duncan, Melissa Hambricht and Mitzi Triplett are preparing for another large group of seniors next year with some 90 TRIO/ETS participants completing their junior year in the coming weeks. For more information on CCC&TI's TRIO programs, contact Director Alice Lentz at 726-2234.



**Pictured above are TRIO/ETS Seniors from West Caldwell High School. Seated on front row, left to right, Kiara Hackett, Amber Miller, Lauren Davis and Hannah Greene. Second row, left to right, Maegan Craig, Nicole Russell, Amanda Philyaw, Kimberly Franklin, Emilee Summerlin, Steven Zimmerman and Diego Francisco Pedro. Third row, left to right, Stella Coffey, Jessica Cozort, Jessica Spears, Jarrett**



**Pictured above are TRIO/ETS Seniors from South Caldwell High School. Front row, left to right, Leah Nelson, Rachel Connor, Vontenea Williams, Stephanie Wilcox and Teresa Scronce. Second row, left to right, Sarah Walker, Megan Russell, Jessica Anderson, Kayla Bryan, Marcus Abernethy and Casey Collins. Third row, left to right, Christopher Townsend, Scott Harmon, Johnna Creech, Eduardo Castaneda, David Alford and Matthew Mackie.**

# ***Job Opportunities at CCC&TI***

**Position:** Instructor, Nursing – Caldwell Campus

**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.

**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 2010.

**Application Deadline:** All applicant information Must be postmarked by July 3, 2008.

**Proposed Employment Date:** August 6, 2008

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## **The Foundation gratefully acknowledges the following tributes received May 16 through June 10, 2008:**

In honor of Eliza Bishop, CCC&TI Dean Emeritus ~ Arts and Sciences Department, to the John A. Frazier Literature Scholarship Fund:

- CCC&TI Retirees Association

In honor of Peg Broyhill, CCC&TI Foundation Board Chair, to establish the Margaret "Peg" MacQueen Broyhill Scholarship:

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In memory of Barbara L. Clark, daughter of Patricia Beaver, to the Barbara L. Clark Scholarship fund:

- Ms. Patricia Beaver
- Mr. Johnny R. Whitley

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