What's Happening on Campus

J.E. Broyhill Civic Center Presents A Night of Local Talent with the 11th Annual Traditional Musicians Showcase.

The Performing Artist Series of Caldwell Community and Technical Institute will present the Eleventh Annual Caldwell County Traditional Musicians Showcase entitled Winter Star on Saturday, March 14, 2009 at 7:30 P.M. in the J. E. Broyhill Civic Center.

Winter Star will feature nine Caldwell County musicians accompanied by local favorites, Strictly Clean and Decent. Jaret Carter, Rick Harris, and Dude Shuffler will assist. This project received support from the North Carolina Arts Council, an agency funded by the State of North Carolina, and the Caldwell Arts Council.

Kay Crouch, Patrick Crouch, and Ron Shuffler make up the acoustic music trio Strictly Clean and Decent who are continuing a ten year quest to record one hundred Caldwell County musicians.

Kay, Patrick, and Ron have a tremendous respect for the rich musical heritage of Caldwell County and the musicians who preserve the art of live music. The trio is in the ninth year of the recording project and they have recorded over ninety local musicians.

Stephen Smith is making his debut on the Caldwell County Traditional Musicians Showcase but this is not his first local appearance. Smith performed many professional shows in the late 1960's while he was a student at Lenoir High School. He shared the stage with Gary Shuffler, Rick Harris, and Gary Gragg. He currently performs solo piano and works as a keyboardist in an Elvis Presley tribute show.

Dustin Greene is a seasoned performer with diverse musical influences. He plays guitar, saxophone, keyboards, and sings. Greene, an English instructor as CCC&TI, toured in the rock band Reno for a time in the late 80's and early 90's. He has more recently been involved in Celtic, rock, folk, and beach music.

Greg Crump will be performing original compositions based on his life experiences in Caldwell County. Crump's music features his clean guitar playing and soulful singing. He is presently working in Contemporary Christian music and has completed a CD of his original praise songs.

Mark Tompkins is a ballad singer who plays guitar, banjo, and dobro. He draws material from many sources including pop, rock, soul, country and bluegrass. Tompkins has an easy going manner that endears him to the musicians as well as the audience.

Gene Goforth has been prominent on the Caldwell County music scene for quite some time. He is a solo artist who plays guitar and sings with a rich baritone voice. While Goforth's material is mostly country, he is from a musical family with strong traditional roots. He is familiar to local audiences due to his weekly sessions at Woodlands Barbecue in Blowing Rock.

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High Grass is a well known contemporary bluegrass band. Chad Baldwin, Chad Reiechard, Heath Miller, and Heath Watson play rock influenced music on bluegrass instruments. The band is in its seventh year and is stronger than ever. High Grass will feature several original compositions in addition to their cover repertoire.

Rick Harris is making his first appearance on the Caldwell County Traditional Musicians Showcase. Rick is a veteran drummer who has worked in rock, country, jazz, and gospel groups. He is currently doing studio work performing in a praise band. Harris is known for impeccable timing and dynamic drumming.

Jaret Carter is well known in Caldwell County. His reputation as a dobro player is second to none and he is a highly skilled guitarist. He performs almost every style of music and is a music instructor. Carter has appeared on the showcase many times and he is a favorite of performers and fans.

Dude Shuffler has emceed every Caldwell County Traditional Musicians Showcase and he will be doing the honors again this year. Shuffler plays banjo, guitar, and bass in addition to singing lead and bass vocals. He is a master stylist who performs bluegrass, old time, gospel, and country music. Shuffler is as much of a fan as he is a performer. His love for music and musicians is evident and we are proud to have him as master of ceremonies.

Winter Star CDs will be available for the first time on the night of the showcase and thereafter through the Caldwell Arts Council or www.StrictlyCleanAndDecent.com Individual artists will also have CDs available at the showcase.

Tickets for the show are $11 general admission, $6 for childrens, and are available online at www.BroyhillCenter.com. CCC&TI students are admitted free with a valid student id. For more information, call the JE Broyhill Civic Center box office at 726-2407.

J.E. Broyhill Civic Center Presents “Rejoice, Dear Hearts: An Evening with Brother Dave Gardner.”

Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute’s J.E. Broyhill Civic Center will present the one-man show “Rejoice Dear Hearts: An Evening with Brother Dave Gardner” on Tuesday, March 17 at 7:30 pm.

Live on stage- Brother Dave Gardner is back- and funnier than ever. That’s right, Brother Dave-one of the biggest comedy stars the South ever produced- back with his best routines and real life story. And it’s all wrapped up in the phenomenal new play, "Rejoice Dear Hearts, An Evening With Brother Dave Gardner," a one-man show written, directed by and starring North Carolinian David Anthony Wright.

A Tennessee native, Gardner started his journey into show business through music and drumming, beginning at age 13. After a one-semester term as a Southern Baptist ministerial student at Union University in his hometown of Jackson, Tennessee, he began a musical career as a drummer and occasional vocalist. After a pair of demo singles for Decca Records around 1956, he had a 1958 Top-20 hit on OJ Records with White Silver Sands.

It was his comedic routines between songs, however, that brought him to the attention of RCA Records artist & producer Chet Atkins. The eventual result was a comedy album interspersed with a couple of songs - Rejoice, Dear Hearts! (1959), which propelled Brother Dave into the national eye, along with the first of several appearances on national television talk/variety shows such as The Tonight Show.

During his brief time as a star among America’s socially-aware stand-up comedians of the late 1950s and early 1960s, Brother Dave successfully fused a stream-of-consciousness style of addressing subjects with a classic Southern ‘storyteller manner. Gardner mixed thought-provoking or confounding stand-alone one-liners, or ‘zingers‘ with satirical musings on his contemporary political scene. He also told traditional, humorous Southern stories, the most notable among these being "The Motorcycle Story", "When John Gets Here" (also called "The Haunted House"), and his version of Shakespeare's Julius Caesar as set in Rome, Georgia.
After several years of research, North Carolina native David Anthony Wright, penned the play in which he also directs and stars. The show is sure to be hit with fans of smart southern comedy and anyone who just likes to laugh.

The show is set for Tuesday, March 17 at 7:30 pm. Tickets are $11 for adults and $6 for children. CCC&TI students are admitted free with a valid student id. For more information or to reserve your tickets call 726-2407 or visit www.broyhillcenter.com.

**CCC&TI Foundation Kicks Off Community Campaign.**

The Foundation of Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute held the kick-off for its Annual Fund Campaign at a luncheon on Tuesday, March 3 at the J.E. Broyhill Civic Center and catered by CCC&TI’s Culinary Technology students. The event, which included community leaders, campaign volunteers, and college faculty and administrators, served as the start to fundraising efforts for the Foundation’s Annual Fund drive.

Peg Broyhill, Chair of the Foundation’s Board of Directors, offered opening remarks and welcomed the crowd to the event. Broyhill also announced the goal for this year’s campaign set at $309,000. “The needs of the college and its students are great, greater than last year, greater than they’ve ever been,” said Broyhill. “I am confident that this group gathered here today has the ability and the drive to help us reach this goal for our students.”

Broyhill also introduced a video, a focal point at this year’s luncheon, featuring messages from several CCC&TI alumni. The video included clips from Rebecca Bentley, Hudson Town Manager, Dr. Wayne Hollar, Lenoir Dentist, Eric Fidler, Nurse at Watauga Medical Center and Mr. Marty Waters, CEO and Owner of Marlin Chemical Company. Each expressed the positive impact of Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute on their lives and the lives of their families. Hudson Town Manager Rebecca Bentley started her education at CCC&TI as a young wife and mother. After earning her associates degree at CCC&TI, she went on to earn her bachelor’s degree at Lenoir–Rhyne University and later her master’s degree at Appalachian State University. “Without Caldwell Community College, probably none of that could have been possible,” said Bentley. Marty Waters, who earned his Associate of Science degree at CCC&TI, echoed that sentiment and praised the college for its impact on the community. “CCC&TI has served as a beacon of hope for a vast array of different types of students,” he said. “The monumental success that the school has had makes me proud to be an alumnus.”

After the video, Broyhill recognized the faculty and staff members at CCC&TI, who kicked off their portion of the campaign in February. To date, the employee campaign has raised more than $31,000. Broyhill also introduced each of the team captains for this year’s campaign. They are Dr. Ed Beam, Dr. Tony Deal, Jimmy Hemphill, Peg Broyhill, John A. Forlines, Jr., Barbara Freiman, Ann Hancock, Barbara Weiller, Jason Triplett, Guy Walters, Deborah Murray, Dent Sullivan, Nancy Hemphill and Mary Frances Sullivan.

Dr. Ken Boham, President of CCC&TI, offered his encouragement and thanks to the campaigners in attendance and stressed the importance of the campaign. “This spring we have 10.7% more students enrolled at the college than last spring. That’s over 400 more students taking advantage of opportunities provided by the college. We can’t afford not to continue doing what we’re doing,” said Boham. “The funds you raise allow these students to further their education and help us provide these opportunities to the people in our community who need them the most. It’s your work that makes the difference.”

Deborah Murray, Foundation Vice-Chair, also expressed her appreciation for the college. “It’s not hard to support the college. We’ve seen remarkable evidence as to how valuable it is to the community,” she said. “CCC&TI represents hope. You can’t appreciate Caldwell County without a deep appreciation for the college and what it does for our community.”

For more information on the Foundation of Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute or to make a gift to the Annual Fund Drive, contact the Foundation Office at 828-726-2260.
CCC&TI’s Connections Magazine Receives National Award from Admissions Advertising Awards.

Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute’s Connections Magazine has received a Merit Award from the Twenty-Fourth Annual Admissions Advertising Awards, sponsored by the national Higher Education Marketing Report of Atlanta, GA.

The Admissions Advertising Awards is the largest educational advertising awards competition in the country. This year, over two thousand entries were received from more than one thousand colleges, universities and secondary schools from the US and several foreign countries.

Judges for the Admissions Advertising Awards consisted of a national panel of admissions’ marketers, advertising creative directors, marketing and advertising professionals and the editorial board of Admissions Marketing Report. According to the Admissions Advertising Awards website, awards and certificates were given to “those entrants whose programs and materials displayed exceptional quality, creativity and message effectiveness.”

Judges awarded gold, silver, bronze and merit awards in a number of categories. CCC&TI submitted two issues of its Connections magazine in the External Publications category for institutions of similar size and was the only community college and one of only six colleges and universities from across the U.S. to be recognized in that category.

Produced by CCC&TI’s Marketing Department, Connections features the college’s programs, people and accomplishments. The publication also helps increase awareness of CCC&TI’s success, career options and services.

As a winner, CCC&TI will receive national attention on the Higher Education Marketing Report website, will be included in Higher Education Marketing Report March 2009 issue, may be included the publication’s yearbook and will receive a certificate of recognition.

Higher Education Marketing Report is in its 25th year of publication and is the most widely read publication for higher education marketers.

Tell Me a Story!

Instructor Travis Rountree’s Culture Studies class on CCC&TI’s Watauga Campus recently welcomed special guest Orville Hicks. Orville gave his background and told some local mountain stories.
Attention Students: Check Out CCC&TI’s On-Line Writing Center!

The Online Writing Center is a resource free to all students and faculty of Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute. The Writing Center provides the following services online to assist with writing.

**EMAIL SUBMISSION CONSULTATIONS:** Submit your writing to the Online E-mail Consultation service by accessing the submission form located in the Blackboard Writing Center tab.

**PRONTO CHAT CONSULTATIONS:** Online Chat is available for quick questions concerning your writing. If you need extensive help with your work, please visit the on-campus Writing Center or submit your document for review through email submission.

- To use the chat consultation feature, access your Pronto account
- To add The Wring Center Consultant, select Actions>Add Contact from the Pronto menu.
- Enter ccti-onlinewritingcenter as the Pronto ID then select Add. You may add this contact to a specific group or create a group to the Add to Group field.
- The Writing Center Consultant will then appear on your contacts list.

If you do not have Pronto instant messaging system, follow the instructions in the Blackboard link to download the service or visit the Communications tab in your Blackboard course.

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Attention Health Sciences Students:

**Health Sciences Job Fair**
Tuesday, March 24, 2009
11 am to 2 pm
J.E. Broyhill Civic Center

For more information, contact Wendy Barker at 726-759-4635 or wbarker@cccti.edu.

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**CCC&TI’s Watauga Opportunities**

Compensatory Education Class presents:

**Winter into Spring.**

**A Visual and Performance Art Show**

Friday, April 3, 2009
During the Downtown Boone Art Crawl.
Visual Art Opening and Reception, 6:30 to 8:00 pm.
Performance at 8:10 pm.
High Country Press Lobby
150 North Depot Street, Boone.

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**SAVE THE DATE!**

**2009 Annual Laurette LePrevost Writer’s Symposium featuring NC Author Clyde Edgerton.**

**April 8, 2009**
Reading/Discussion - WC 112, 12 Noon

**April 9, 2009**
Reading/Discussion - E-125 (Gym), 12 Noon
Reader’s Theater Musical, Civic Center Room 206, 7 to 8:30 pm
Landscape Gardening students from Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute brought home yet another award from the Southern Spring Home and Garden Show held at The Park, (formerly the Charlotte Merchandise Mart) March 4 – March 8. This year’s exhibit, entitled “Green Ambition” earned an Honorable Mention from the show’s slate of judges made up of industry professionals.

This is the sixth award for CCC&TI’s Landscape Gardening students in as many years. Their first exhibit at the show in 2004 received “Outstanding Participation” recognition. In 2005, 2007 and 2008 CCC&TI won the Raulston Award. Also in 2008, the student exhibit earned the Palette Award for best use of color in a showcase garden. In 2006, students brought home the “Best of Show” award, the highest award given at the yearly event.

This year’s exhibit, “Green Ambition,” centered around a sustainable, drought-tolerant garden, including a house facade with rain chains instead of gutters and a sculpture made from found objects by CCC&TI art students. The garden was one of only a few gardens to receive recognition in the Southern Nurserymen Association Awards category and the only community college to receive an award.

For more information on CCC&TI’s Landscape Gardening Program, contact Director Debbie Mitchell at 726-2330.