

Students celebrate second year of SMU dual admission program

Congratulations to 14 students selected for the dual-admissions program between CCCCD and Southern Methodist University (SMU)! The program, which began in fall 2002, was created to facilitate transfers between the two schools.

Students participating this year include Deema Alasaad, Amanda Bell, James Brown, Kamila Chyb, Jessica Hale, Krystal Hallums,

Emilee Head, Henry Lopez, Maygan McKool, Rafael Moreira, Matthew Rogers, Saleh Maeyssa, Jennifer Sammons and Abigail Thomas.

CCCCD students may apply at the beginning of their freshman year, and then, provided they meet certain academic requirements, follow SMU's curriculum guidelines, and comply with all SMU admission

requirements, they may transfer to SMU after their first or second year of study.

CCCCD also has simultaneous admissions agreements with Texas Woman's University, the University of North Texas and the University of Texas at Dallas. Requirements and benefits for each admissions program vary by university. Applications for next academic year will open in late spring.

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CCCCD and TWU sign agreement

Officials from CCCCD and Texas Woman's University (TWU) signed an agreement in October allowing students dual admission to both schools.

TWU Chancellor Dr. Ann Stuart joined CCCCD President Cary Israel and Sam Roach, chair of CCCCD's board of trustees, in signing the agreement. The ceremony took place at the SCC conference center.

This agreement—nicknamed "TWU Bound"—allows students to complete the first two years of their degrees at the community college and have automatic admission to finish at the university. College officials say the agreement will clear the path for students who are working toward bachelors' degrees.

"It is important to provide an affordable way for students to earn the baccalaureate degree and to reduce the time it takes to graduate. This agreement will accomplish both goals," said Israel. "TWU's strong health science and education programs

are great complements to CCCCD's unique offerings. This agreement stands to have a major impact by creating more teachers and healthcare professionals to meet the high demands in these fields."

"Texas Woman's University is always pleased to cultivate stronger relationships with the community colleges," said Dr. Stuart. "The 'TWU Bound' Program offers Collin County Community College students the opportunity to map their course to a bachelor's degree and further their prospects in life."

According to Chairman Roach, "Higher education has never been more important than it is today. Our trustees are committed to making education accessible and affordable for our students. Innovative programs like

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Dr. Ann Stuart, chancellor of TWU (seated left) and Sam Roach, chairman of the CCCCD Board of Trustees (seated right) sign the concurrent admissions agreement as President Cary Israel (back left) and CCCCD Board of Trustees Cindy Bauge, Mac Hendricks, Dr. Douglas Cargo and Dr. E.T. Boon look on.

PRC library director gives glimpse into new facility

With construction underway in Frisco, students and college officials are getting excited about the new library, which will be the first project completed in the expansion of the Preston Ridge Campus (PRC).

Look for the doors to open in January 2005 to a new, 50,000 square-foot library—five times the size of the current library. With usage of the current library rising more than 30 percent per year, students and faculty will no doubt welcome the expansion.

The new library will be designed to be a comfortable and welcoming social venue, well-lighted, spacious, and exposing views of the campus on all sides.

"People have always liked to gather in what is being called 'café space,' where they can sit and have discussions," said John Mullin, executive director of the PRC library. "The library will feature laptops with wireless connectivity as well as movable clusters of lounge furniture. We are interested to see what students want to do with such flexibility. We are not sure what to expect."

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November Birthdays



Robin Edwards 01
Joe Hackney 01
Becky Simmons 01
Deanna Smith 01
John Mullin 03
Cynthia Jennings 04
Nell Ard 05
Kevin Henard 05
Julie Miles 05
Christine Busenbark 06
Kelley Reynolds 06
Suzanne Chase 07
Carl Dempsey 07
Barry Wagner 08
Marcia Barbour 10
Shirley Kaczka 10
Ali Kholdi 10
John Perrine 10
Gloria Cockerell 11
Kemal Moola 11
Brenda Kihl 12
Lisa Kirby 12
Nancy Price 12
Joanne Stevens 13
Audrey Newsome 14
George Jackson 15
Windy Pitcock 15
Andy Rush 15
Pam Tooley 16
Andrew Duckworth 17
Lynda Gates 19
Sharyn Art 20
Arlene Bakner 20
Barbara Corbin 21
Jenny Williamson 21
Mary Jo Giles 22
Arthur Griffith 23
Cheri Jack 25
Henry Whalen 25
Carole Fowler 26
Janet Jaworski 26
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Next deadline: Nov. 14, 2003. All submissions are due by 5 p.m. on this date. Photos cannot be returned. Text should be e-mailed to sstewart@ccccd.edu or submitted electronically on disk. Please have submissions proofed, edited and saved in text-only formats or attached as MS Word files.

STAFF NEWS

Retired dentist and CCCC board of trustees member **Dr. E.T. Boon** has tested for and received his first-degree black belt in Karate. What began as a fluke three and a half years ago (he won his first lesson bidding at a silent auction) has become something of a mission for this lifelong lover of learning.



Dr. E.T. Boon, CCCC trustee

“We’re really proud that he’s made it this far, and we hope that he continues,” said instructor Cheryl Keating. “He’s one of the hardest working students I’ve ever met, and he’s in great shape.” Dr. Boon, a resident of Allen, spent eight full hours on Saturday, Oct. 18 undergoing a grueling exam to receive his black belt. There were 36 students testing that day, at Unlimited Success Martial Arts in Allen, ranging in ages from 9 to 62. Dr. Boon represents one end of that age spectrum, and his nearest classmate was half his age. Next stop: second-degree blackbelt?

Liz Grimes, provost’s secretary at PRC, received the Glenn Schmitz Award for Outstanding Service to the Board of the National Council for Staff, Program and Organizational Development (NCSPOD). The NCSPOD is an affiliate of the American Association of Community Colleges and primarily serves a membership composed of the staff development officers at community colleges. The award recognizes Grimes’ contributions in working on a website for the organization.

Coach Martin Berryman and the **Women’s Express tennis team** secured first place in the NCTC 2003 Fall Invitational in

Gainesville, Texas. They defeated Dallas Baptist University 9-0, North Central Texas College 7-2, and SE Oklahoma 8-1, and won every doubles match against all three schools. The team, led by Plano West graduate Mandy Beynon, a sophomore, is 5-0, which is the best start ever in the 14 year history of women’s tennis.

Don Weasenforth, professor of English as a second language, discussed the disadvantages of teaching grammar according to traditional methodologies in a presentation entitled, “Process Grammar: A Sample Lesson” at the fall 2003 conference of Texas Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages. In his presentation, he advocated a balance of deductive and inductive approaches, as well as authentic and discourse-level presentations of grammar structures.

Audrey Newsome, assistant director of advising, and **Windy Pitcock**, advisor, presented at the National Academic Advising Association conference in October. Their topic was “Community College Athletics @ ‘Services R Us!’”

Leslie Cannon, director of transfer programs, and **Norma Johnson**, director of academic advising, along with Myra Hafer, UNT admissions, presented a poster session at the National Academic Advising Association conference titled “Partnership and Collaboration: A win-win approach to the transfer process.” The presentation focused on the model partnership program between CCCC and UNT.

ROSE Awards Deadline November 7

Nominations are being accepted now through Nov. 7 for CCCC’s annual employee recognition awards. Reflecting the diversity and talent of CCCC’s faculty and staff, several awards have been created to recognize their efforts on behalf of the college. The awards to be presented are as follows:

The ROSE Award (crystal obelisk and evening stay at the Southfork Hotel): To recognize those full-time members of the faculty and staff who have shown exemplary service to the college, staff, students and/or public.

The ROSE Award (plaque and dinner for two): To recognize an outstanding associate faculty member or an outstanding part-time non-teaching staff member.

The Ambassador Award (plaque and dinner for two): To recognize special accomplishments, ideas, extra efforts, good deeds and other outstanding activities that take place throughout the year.

The Unsung Hero/Heroine Award (plaque and dinner for two): To honor an employee whose service to the college has primarily been “behind the scenes” and who would not otherwise receive public recognition.

The Innovator of the Year Award (plaque and dinner for two): To recognize an employee who has designed and implemented an innovative approach program or process.

You may read more about the awards and download nomination forms at the following link:

http://intranet.ccccd.edu/ACC/Employee_Recognition/Employee_Recognition_Program.htm

Winners will be announced at All College Day in January. Please forward completed nomination forms to Helen Dupont at CYC Human Resources by the Nov. 7 deadline.

Institutional Research Office Quick Facts

From academic year 1986/87 to academic year 2001/02, CCCC awarded a total of 7,366 degrees/certificates.

2,574 Associate of Arts degrees

2,325 certificates

959 Associate of Science degrees

6,296 students received one degree/certificate each.

1,508 Associate In Applied Arts

1,070 students received more than one degree/certificate each.

For questions or comments, contact Nasreen Ahmad at 972.758.3810.

Students design holiday cards for scholarship fundraiser



Lend a Hand

Artwork created by students in the Applied Graphic Design Technology Department (AGDT) will grace the covers of holiday cards as part of a project sponsored by the Plano Rotary Club. In turn, the Plano Rotary Club, whose community service theme is Lend a Hand, will sell the cards and donate all proceeds to the college's foundation to fund much-needed student scholarships.

The student-designed holiday cards are now on sale. View the six winning designs at www.ccccd.edu. Cards are available for \$1 each or a package of 10 cards may be purchased for \$10, including envelopes. To purchase holiday cards, call Rotarian Kyle Walters, general manager of Elliott's Hardware, at 972.312.0700 or Rotarian Cary Israel, at 972.758.3800. Holiday cards can be purchased by check (made payable to the Plano Rotary Foundation).



"A World of Best Wishes" depicts a Christmas tree outlined with 66 flags from around the world and features continents on ornaments. Created by Angelika Bakhotskaya.



CCCCD students display presentation boards featuring their holiday cards designs. (Back left) Meryl Bratton, Jessica Gray and Angelika Bakhotskaya (Front left) Chris Fain and Justin Harmon

(Nick Young/ CCCC photograph)



"Texas reindeer" captures the spirit of Texas by featuring a Texas longhorn as Rudolph the red-nosed reindeer. Created by Chris Fain.

CCCCD breaks ground on new Preston Ridge library

Last month, CCCC broke ground on a new addition to the Preston Ridge Campus (PRC) in Frisco. The expansion will be roughly 103,000 square feet, making it the second-largest campus in the district.

Several dignitaries were on hand to speak before officially marking the beginning of construction. With shovels in hand, Sam Roach—Frisco resident and CCCC board chair—and fellow trustees turned the first ceremonial spade of dirt along with college administrators and faculty. Speakers and special guests included Cary Israel, CCCC president; Maher Maso, Frisco mayor pro-tem; Dr. David Garrison, president of the Faculty Senate; Amina El-Ashmawy, chair of the college's Council on Excellence; Sue Olivier, a charter college trustee and foundation board member; and architects from Hillier, the firm that designed the master plan.

The new facility will house art studios, music labs, a large lecture hall, general classrooms, faculty offices and a 50,000-square-foot library. Construction will begin immediately, with the library expected to be complete by January 2005 and the remainder of the building complete in June 2005.

According to Roach, the groundbreaking is yet another milestone in the history of

CCCCD. "Frisco had a population of less than 6,000 when the PRC site was purchased in the late 1980s. Today, the city has more than 61,000 people and is expected to reach 125,000 by 2010," he said. "Education is the foundation of the future, and CCCC must continually strive to ensure that we have the necessary facilities, as well as an outstanding faculty and staff, for the benefit of our ever-growing student population."

The project is part of a \$57 million bond package passed by Collin County voters in 2001. Cost is estimated at \$19.4 million dollars.

"With tremendous growth in our district, this expansion is very important to our students and the community. Our strategic plan calls for Preston Ridge to be an academically comprehensive and full-service campus," said Israel. "The structure and placement of the addition is designed to foster a more cohesive feeling of a 'campus' by connecting the buildings and creating a courtyard area. Also, the library becomes the hub of the entire campus, as it should be in a knowledge and information-based society."

College officials said the library is an essential resource for the nearly 3,800 students who attend classes at Preston Ridge.



CCCCD Board of Trustees officially break ground on the new addition to the Preston Ridge Campus in Frisco. (photo courtesy of Nick Young, CCCC Photographer)

According to James Nunn, CCCC student, president of the Student Government Association and a Frisco resident, the new building will make the campus more welcoming and change the whole dynamic of the college.

"The tower will light up at night and will show we are here. The CCCC board of trustees is in touch with the student body by providing something like this. This is a great place for learning. Here professors know your name. They have an interest in your learning. You are not just a number; you are a person. This building adds on to that commitment and says we believe that learning is important," he said.

"The new library and its resources at PRC will greatly benefit our students and faculty in their quest for knowledge. The facility will also provide a home for the expanding Honors Institute as it leads in the college's pursuit of academic excellence," explained Dr. David Garrison, president of the Faculty Senate.

"Funding a library such as this is a tribute to the wisdom and vision of our community. This library, and this college, will repay the people of the county in ways that are sometimes obvious, as when a nurse is especially capable, or more subtle, as when an educated juror makes a wise choice," said John Mullin, executive director of the library at PRC.

Library Questions & Answers

With the district's library system expanding and more students accessing these Learning Resource Centers (LRC), Caleidoscope has summarized some important information for students. For more information, stop by your local LRC or visit them on the web at <http://www.ccccd.edu/cs/lrc/lrc.html>.

Q: Is there someplace I can study that is really quiet?

A: All three libraries have designated areas for quiet study. Ask a staff member.

Q: Is there a place I can study with my class group?

A: All three libraries have rooms set aside for group study. These rooms are available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Q: I'm taking a distance learning course. What library services are available to me?

A: The library website offers:

- Online library card registration for distance learning students
- Ask-a-Librarian email reference service
- Online interlibrary loan request form
- Course reserves via the web
- Online catalog of library holdings
- Off campus access to electronic books, periodicals, and databases
- Full-text articles
- Electronic book collection

Q: How are the books arranged?

A: The CCCCD libraries, known as Learning Resource Centers, arrange their books using the Library of Congress (LC) call number

system. This is the most common system used in higher education, so it is worthwhile to learn how it works. Pick up a flyer outlining the LC system at any CCCCD library.

Q: Why does the library ask for my student ID with library barcode all the time? It is a real hassle to carry it.

A: Library services and resources are costly to deliver. To contain costs and comply with licensing agreements, the library limits its services to faculty, staff, students, and registered community members. Your student ID with library barcode is an efficient way to identify you as eligible for a wide range of library services.

Q: I would like to be able to do my library research from home. Can I do that?

A: You certainly can. On the library's web site, www.ccccd.edu/cs/lrc/lrc.html, you will find an area set aside for "Off Campus Access." Most of the library's electronic periodicals, books, and databases are available here. Be prepared to enter your library barcode number for access to these resources from off-campus.

Q: How do I find the book I need?

A: Talk with a library staff member at your library's reference desk. He/she will help you get started on your research. The "book" you need may also turn out to be an article, a media item, or one of our many databases.



Students in the CPC library surf the electronic books collection.

Q: What can I do if what I need is checked out from my campus library?

A: A library staff member at the reference desk will check the online catalog to see if a copy is available at another CCCCD library. If it is, he/she will place an online request for it to be sent to your campus library for your use. You will be notified when the item has arrived. You can pick it up at the Check Out Desk. Remember to bring your student ID with library barcode!

Q: What can I do if CCCCD does not own the book I need?

A: Go to the reference desk and complete an interlibrary loan request form for the book you need. Interlibrary loans take ten days to

two weeks to arrive, so do not wait until the day before your term paper is due to place the request! You will be notified when the item has arrived.

Q: How can I tell when my books are due if I have lost the little slip the library gave me?

A: On the library's web, site choose "My Account." You will be asked to enter your library barcode number and your PIN (last four digits of your phone number). Then go to the "Items checked out" screen.

Q: Are cell phones allowed in the library?

A: All three CCCCD libraries are cell-phone-free areas.

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SMU dual admission program

What do participating students think as they go into year two of the program? Following are a few comments explaining why students decided to participate.

Matthew Rogers, Communication and Public Affairs major: "SMU has a long-standing reputation for being an outstanding university. I've envisioned myself going there for a long time because of the... connections and resources that are available there. However, the financial burden of attending such a university has always been beyond my capacity."

"Thankfully, Collin County Community College has helped me cross the bridge to achieving my goals. In the beginning, I enrolled at CCCCD because I knew that I could complete core class requirements and save money. During my time at this college, I have enrolled in numerous extra-curricular programs: Student Leadership Academy, the College Republicans, and Phi Theta Kappa."

Ordinarily, SMU accepts a limited number of students for the program, but the program is making special arrangements to open six slots for spring 2004. Those interested should call 972.985.3734 for details.

"Finally, Collin County and SMU joined forces to offer a program geared toward helping eligible students make the transition from community college to a university. I quickly applied to this program and hope to take advantage of its many benefits."

Abigail Thomas, Psychology major:

"Even though I was admitted with a scholarship to SMU, I could still not afford the cost of tuition. This program is a great way to help defer costs and make the transfer process easier."

Amanda Bell, Pre-Med major:

"Not many community colleges have this opportunity, to save money financially, transfer to a well-known, four-year university, and offer scholarships as well. I have always loved the college campus at Collin County, and since I was little I wanted to enroll in SMU. When researching it on the Internet and with counselors, this program seemed to be a perfect opportunity to get my college career started in the right direction."

Maygan McKool, Business major:

"I have a special interest in attending SMU because both of my parents are alumni and my father and grandfather are

graduates of the law school, as well. At this point in my life, my aspirations are in business, and I also plan to attend law school."

Deema Alasaad, Finance major:

"I have wanted to transfer to SMU due to their prestigious business school and the many opportunities available to students within the business school. With [CCCD's] dual enrollment program, the easy transition is an advantage. The greatest advantage is attending one of the top community colleges and being enrolled at a prestigious university at the same time."

Brook Hallums, Accounting major:

"Two years at a more practical price will ease the financial burden so that I can focus more on my academics. Another advantage of the program is that I can begin with an excellent foundation. At CCCCD, the classes are smaller, and the professors can provide more one-on-one attention than students can expect from larger campuses. I know that I have more to gain from attending both institutions than I could ever get if I had to choose between the two. I consider myself extremely fortunate to have been accepted into the program."

For more information, call 972.985.3734.



The CCCCD Guitar Ensemble performed music from Spain, Central and South America at Día de la Comunidad, held in conjunction with the Back to College Fair in October.

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PRC library

The library will eventually seat 700 individuals, and have a collection of 80,000 books, 300 journal subscriptions, and 10,000 media items.

Student surveys have indicated that they want spaces where they can prepare materials in small groups, so the new library will provide eight large study rooms and twelve smaller ones.

"We also know that students also want quiet places where they can read and study without interruption," said Mullin, "so we will have seating for hundreds in carrels and at tables in the book stacks that will be enforced quiet areas."

In addition to wireless lounge areas, the new library will boast 100 hard-wired computers in a flexible "electronic commons" for intensive bandwidth applications, such as Internet video conferencing or online instructional multimedia.

Surveys also indicate that students need and expect to learn the newest software and technologies in the library, so the new facility will offer hundreds of self-paced multimedia tutorials, on topics from web-server set-up to Excel macros.



Architectural rendering of the new building designed by Hillier.

PRC Construction Details

- The first phase of the Preston Ridge Campus (PRC) expansion project consists of roughly 103,000 square feet of space for a larger library as well as art studios, music labs, a large lecture hall, general classrooms and faculty offices.
- The expansion will make Preston Ridge the second-largest campus in the district.
- The plans focus on creating a campus environment with more core class offerings along with fine arts.
- The addition is designed to foster a more cohesive feeling of campus by its location and proximity to common areas connecting all the buildings. The positioning of this expansion will help connect the buildings and create more of a "quad" feel surrounding a courtyard.
- The expansion begins with construction of a 50,000-square-foot library, five times the size of the current library.
- Construction begins immediately.
- The library expansion is scheduled for completion by January 2005. The remainder of the facility will be completed by June 2005.
- Project architect is Hillier.
- The facility will be constructed by Dal-Mac Construction.
- Cost is estimated at \$19.4 million dollars. The project is part of a \$57 million bond package passed by Collin County voters in 2001.
- Additional projects include the renovation of Founders Hall in 2005, consisting of 20,000 square feet for student support services and administrative offices and 6,000 square feet for a science lab and testing center.

Campus background

- CCCCD's Preston Ridge Campus is located at 9700 Wade Boulevard in Frisco.
- PRC opened its doors in 1995 with Heritage and Founders Halls. Alumni Hall was added in the fall of 1997, and University Hall and Spokes Student Life Center were opened in the fall of 1999.
- 3,769 students registered for class this fall at PRC, a 6.1 percent increase over fall 2002.
- Total annual enrollment for the district nears 40,000.

"Earn & Learn" with UPS

United Parcel Service (UPS) earns recognition this month due to several educational partnership programs for students. UPS representatives make frequent recruiting visits to all CCCCD campuses. Congratulations to this CCCCD company partner for their "Earn & Learn" program.

Earn & Learn is an affordable way for students to finance

their education. Available at all UPS facilities, this program provides education assistance to part-time employees, enabling them to pursue a college education without the financial burden, by helping to pay college expenses, textbooks, fees and software. UPS makes a complete offer of competitive compensation, a benefits package including

\$3,000 per year in education assistance. Work only 3 1/2 to 5 hours per day with set shifts, no weekends or holidays. Advancement opportunities available.

For further information contact CS&CWE on your campus: 972.881.5781 (SCC), 972.377.1781 (PRC), and 972.548.6747 (CPC).

Campus Events

Tuesday, Nov. 4

UTD representative
CPC Commons
9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Phi Theta Kappa Satellite Series
SCC F 108 B
7 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 5

Breakfast with the President
CPC Commons
7:30 a.m.

Thursday, Nov. 6

UTD representative
SCC Atrium
9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
and 5 - 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 11

Honors Forum
SCC F 108 A
12:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 12

Fall Transfer Fair
CPC Commons Area
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 13

Middle Eastern Student
Association Film & Panel
SCC F 108 BD
Noon - 2 p.m.

Psi Beta Meeting
SCC F 108 A
7 p.m. general meeting

Saturday, Nov. 15

American Sign Language
Student Association lecture
SCC C 103
4 - 5 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 18

Great American Smoke Out:
Patrick Reynolds
CPC Pike Hall
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Phi Theta Kappa Satellite Series
SCC F 108 B
7 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 19

Honors Forum
SCC F 108 A
Noon - 1 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 26 - Sunday, Nov. 30

Campuses closed for
Thanksgiving

No 'Fear Factor' in career planning

November is National Career Development Month at CCCCD. The Career Services & Cooperative Work Experience (CS&CWE) department has planned a month of special events to help students remove the "fear factor" from deciding on a career path. Activities will be held on all campuses. All workshops are free and open to the public.

Monday, Nov. 3

"NO FEAR" Kick Off
9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
PRC Founders Atrium

Tuesday, Nov. 4

"NO FEAR" Kick Off
speaking at Noon
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
SCC Atrium

Making Major Decisions:
How to Choose a College Major
1 - 3 p.m.
SCC B214

Wednesday, Nov. 5

"NO FEAR" Kick Off
9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
CPC Atrium

Friday, Nov. 7

Making Conflict An Asset,
Not a Liability
6 - 8 p.m.
CYC B115

Wednesday, Nov. 12

Making Major Decisions:
How to Choose a College Major
12:30 - 2 p.m.
CPC E210

Thursday, Nov. 20

Making Major Decisions:
How to Choose a College Major
12 - 2 p.m.
PRC F148

Thursday, Nov. 13

Job Search Strategies: Planning to
Succeed
3 - 5 p.m.
SCC B214

Wednesday, Nov. 19

Resume Writing: Marketing Yourself
On Paper
3 - 5 p.m.
SCC B125

Saturday, Nov. 22

Survival Kit for Stress: Relaxation &
Rejuvenation in the Workplace
8:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.
CYC B115

Students are encouraged to take time to ensure the "Success Factor" during this month of Career Services & Co-op activities. Take advantage of career planning/counseling services all throughout the year on all campuses. For further information contact CS&CWE on your campus: 972.881.5781 (SCC), 972.377.1781 (PRC), and 972.548.6747 (CPC).



Coach Martin Berryman and the Women's Express tennis team secured first place in the NCTC 2003 Fall Invitational in Gainesville, Texas.

Two small scarecrows watch over the festivities at the CYC cookout in October.





Presents

"Clay Art Invitational"

THE ARTS gallery presents the "Clay Art Invitational," Oct. 20 – Nov. 15 in **THE ARTS** gallery at the Spring Creek Campus.

This exhibit will feature professional ceramic artists from across the country. Reflecting current trends in the ceramic world, works will range from functional pottery to vessels and ceramic sculpture. The artists chosen to be in the show are Pete Pinnell, Jack Troy, Tom Bartel, Boomer Moore, Billy Ray Magham, Elmer Taylor, Peter Beasecker, Liz Lurie, Jim Bob Salazar, Gary Hatcher, Daphne Hatcher, Paul McCoy, Roy Hanscom, Vincent Burke, Richard Garriott-Stejskal and Cheryl Tall.

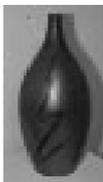
*Gallery hours are Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m., Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., and Saturday 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. For more information, visit the gallery site at www.ccccd.edu/THEARTSgallery, or call **THE ARTS** gallery at 972-881-5873.*



Cheryl Tall's "Heads Above Water" – ceramic, hand-built



Elmer Taylor's "Covered Jar" – ceramic



Gary Hatcher's "2 Tall Trained Bottles" - wood fire stoneware



Tom Bartel's "From Untied Series" - celadon, porcelain, thrown



Tom Bartel's "Pathos Figure" - ceramic, wood, wheels, hand built



Daphne Hatcher's "Bark Textured T. Pot" - wood fire stoneware, hand built



Paul McCoy's "Summer '00" - ceramic, low fire



Billy Ray Magham "Untitled" - soda fired



Vincent Burke's "Blarney '02" - ceramic, hand built wall hanging



Ray Hanscom's "Cookie Jar" - altered stoneware salt glazed, thrown



Boomer Moore's "Bowl on Wheels" - stoneware, thrown and altered



Jack Troy's "Jar" - porcelain, natural ash, thrown

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CCCCD and TWU sign agreement

dual admission are valuable because they help remove the obstacles in transferring and give students a direct link to a prestigious university."

The details of the agreement state that CCCC students who meet TWU's admission requirements or complete an associate of arts or associate of science degree will receive automatic admission to TWU. The university will designate scholarships to qualified "TWU Bound" students upon transfer to TWU. The agreement also provides participating students with special benefits on campus at TWU, including the following:

- TWU Bound student ID card
- Access to the university library
- Complimentary visits to the wellness center
- Discounted rates of the golf course
- Complimentary admission to sporting events
- Free use of the Cyber-Lounge and computer lab in the TWU Student Center
- Student or reduced guest room rate at TWU resident halls
- Free transportation on the Denton Link
- Discounted student ticket rates to art and entertainment activities

CCCCD entered new territory in 2000 when it signed the first concurrent admission agreement in Texas. That agreement was with the University of North Texas. The University of Texas at Dallas and Southern Methodist University followed shortly thereafter. The program is popular, with more than 170 CCCC students participating in fall 2003.

For more information, call 972.881.5782 or 972.548.6782.

Wintermester/Spring Registration

REGISTER EARLY BY TELEPHONE OR WEBLINE NOV. 24 - JAN. 19

All students are encouraged to register early for ample course selection and availability. Telephone & Webline systems are available 8 a.m.–11 p.m. every day beginning 11/24 (except 12/11 & 1/9) until the day before classes start. Students may register by telephone after completing admissions, assessment, and advising call 469.452.2222 or in the Rockwall area call 469.757.2222

TELEPHONE REGISTRATION SIX SIMPLE STEPS

1. Dial the appropriate phone number.
2. Listen to the complete menu.
3. Make your selection from the menu.
4. When you hear the words "Enter your nine-digit Student ID Number," enter your Social Security Number. Your number will be repeated for verification. Listen carefully, and be sure you entered the correct number.
5. Enter your six-digit Personal Identification Number (PIN). Remember that PINs are now six-digits.
6. After you complete your registration, press *2 three times to go to the billing menu to receive your balance and pay your fees.

WEBLINE REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT

1. Logon to www.ccccd.edu
2. Click on "Admissions and Registration"
3. On right side of page, click on "Student Services"
4. This page starts with "Important Notice -Read this page before continuing"
5. Scroll to bottom and select "Login to Student Services"

6. Enter your Social Security Number and PIN and click "Login"
7. On right side, select "Registration & Schedule"
8. Select "Drop/Add Courses" Note: If you do not have course call numbers, you may select "Course Sections/add class with a click"
9. To Register: Enter Call Number into boxes and click "Submit"
10. To Drop: Select "drop" from box next to class you want to drop and click "Submit".
11. After registration is complete - go to bottom of page and select "Account Summary/Payment"
12. Page will show amount of tuition/fees due
13. Select gray box, which reads "Credit Card Payment" or "Check Payment"
14. For credit card payments, fill in the information and click "Submit" ONE TIME ONLY at bottom of page. Be patient - it will take a minute for the payment to process. Wait for confirmation that your payment was accepted.
15. For check payment, complete the information as requested.
16. Print confirmation screen for your record of payment

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The Write Way

Compared to the confusing word pairs in last month's column, today's words focus on some less common but nonetheless troublesome usage. Can you identify the faulty word choices in the following sentences?

"The oversight agency's chief executive officer, never suspecting he would face a hostile press, was therefore completely unprepared as she faced the cameras and delivered an extemporaneous speech to the impatient media."

"Earlier, the executive officer censured a few controversial statements from a press release she planned to issue to some members of the local news media."

"In the document, the executive, along with the agency's vice president, admitted to being in a quandary over two significant developments in her company's comprehensive building plans and awarding of contracts."

"In her official press release, however, the executive officer failed to offer any assurance to the public that the company was not adverse to an immediate audit."

"For that matter, she reiterated to the press that her company had not committed any offense that could lead a jury to indite either the vice president or herself."

In the first sentence, the faulty usage is "extemporaneous" because an extemporaneous speech indicates one prepared but delivered without notes whereas an impromptu speech, the correct word choice, is an unprepared speech. Corrected, the sentence should read, "The oversight agency's chief executive officer, never suspecting she would face a hostile press, was therefore completely unprepared as she faced the cameras and delivered an impromptu speech to the impatient media."

The second sentence confuses the term "censor," meaning to remove objectionable material, with the term "censure," which means to reprimand officially. Corrected, then, the sentence should read, "Earlier, the executive censored a few controversial statements from a press release she planned to issue to some members of the local news media."

The third sentence may stump most of us readers today, for it reveals how little we pay attention to the

terms "dilemma" and "quandary." A dilemma, the correct choice in this sentence, suggests one must make a tough choice between two things whereas a quandary suggests one must make a tough choice among many things.

In the fourth sentence, the correct choice is "averse," not "adverse." The word "averse," an adjective, suggests one has an active distaste, opposition, or repugnance for something whereas "adverse," also an adjective, suggests one has difficult, hostile, or unfavorable conditions ("I enjoy pleasant, not adverse, working conditions"). Corrected, the sentence should read, "In her official press release, however, the executive officer failed to offer any assurance to the public that the company was not averse to an immediate audit."

Finally, the fifth sentence misuses the word "indite," meaning to compose a written communication, with "indict," meaning to charge with a crime. Corrected, the sentence should read, "For that matter, she reiterated to the press that his company had not committed any offense that could lead a jury to indict either the vice president or herself."

As previously noted, space permitting, these monthly columns will conclude with a handful or so of common expressions we should avoid because of their redundancy. In brackets, then, you'll find the redundancy to delete.

[final] completion
his [own personal] opinion
if [and when]
jointly [in this together]
[resulting] effect

As always, I welcome suggestions from students, staff, and faculty for these monthly columns. Please write me at jmiller@cccd.edu. You may also telephone me at 972.881.5981. Students wishing improved writing skills will find useful links to a dozen or so English grammar sites at <http://iws.cccd.edu/jmiller/jmiller.htm>.

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Student Profile

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Hometown: Plano, but originally from Oklahoma City

Major: International Business and Nursing, minor in Spanish

Favorite class at CCCCD: Humanities, Psychology, Sociology, and Western Civilization

Best thing about CCCCD: fountain at SCC and nearness to my home

Extracurricular activities: President of Black Student Organization, Spectrum Student Ambassador, GoCenter, Dunbar S&C Club Debutante, I-Lead member

Volunteer experience: mentor, college breakout speaker, Day Springs Assisted Living Center volunteer, CCNA volunteer

My hero: my father, and young AIDS or cancer survivors

The thing I remember most about my studies: my history professor, Dr. Samuel Tullock

The biggest challenge I've ever faced: friendships lost and new ones generating simultaneously

The person who inspired me: my mother, and life lessons learned

The best book I've ever read: Agatha Christi's "And Then There Were None," and Sophocles's Oedipus trilogy

Favorite places I've visited: Ethiopia and Los Angeles, CA

Most people don't know that I... am Ethiopian-American, born in Oklahoma, the oldest of four siblings

I'm happiest when... I am helping children and elders. I can block the problems of my day and just concentrate on making their day better.

Best honors I've received: being referenced by individuals in the school for various activities, and qualifying to be on the Dean's List

To get away from work, I... just drive around listening to Maxwell or Brian McKnight, so that I can try to relax.

My favorite vacation would be: going to some island with every single descendant of my family and being able to have the time to hear about all their individual experiences

Career goals: some form of hospital administrator, but one that would do that on an international scale

I'm most proud of: I am really more confident now when I speak publicly than when in high school.



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Wednesday, Dec. 3

10 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.

SCC Atrium

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