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CCCC's
Caleidoscope
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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK:

Now that things have settled down to a quiet roar, "Coffee With Dr. Anthony" will begin soon. Watch and listen carefully for your appointment time from Judy LaGrone.

THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS:

Nov. 9 Lunch served by Pizza Hut - Central Campus
Nov. 12 Last day to withdraw with a "W" for regular semester

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

This week on CCCC's "Caleidoscope": *"The Environment"*

Guests: Mary Fields, Professor of Chemistry, CCCC
 Rusty Nicar, Professor of Biology, CCCC
 Dale Selgrath, Professor of Geology, EPA member

Moderator: Dr. Shelley Lane

Air Time: Channel 35, Plano Telecable
 Monday, November 7, 5pm
 Friday, November 11, 7:30pm

To those who participated in the fitness assessment and weight training demonstration, your attendance is appreciated. Beverly Triana is now organizing a wellness program for those who sent in their wellness participation form. You will be contacted within the next 2 to 3 weeks. If you have not returned your forms, please return to Beverly, Fitness Center-SCC, or to Jackie at Science and Health-SCC, or to Judy at Science and Health-CC.

The Office of Institutional Research has agreed to host the annual meeting of the North Texas Researchers Group at the SCC on Friday, November 18. More than a dozen area college and university researchers are expected to attend.

Don't forget to attend the Phi Rho Pi fund-raising auction Friday, November 11 at noon in the SCC atruim area. Don't miss this opportunity to buy your holiday presents and to support Phi Rho Pi! Here's a partial list of donations:

1. Antique lithograph
2. Plano Senior High large photo album - "Wildcat Years"
3. Plano East Senior High large photo album
4. Teddy bear T-shirt (for a baby)
5. Cake
6. Cross-stitch
7. Christmas wreath
8. One hour voice lesson
9. Purple splatter paint dress
10. Antique shadow box
11. Leather & suede wallet and key ring
12. Book - "Yeager," by Chuck Yeager & Leo Janos
13. CCCC T-shirt
14. Term paper typing service
15. Lunch with Vice President of Instruction (his treat)
16. Original "Beatle" magazines
17. Gold clubs
18. One hour "handy-man" work
19. Plano East Senior High small photo album
20. Plano Senior High small photo album
21. Book - "One More Sunday," by John D. MacDonald
22. Dual powered pocket calculator
23. Two plastic picture frames
24. Framed teddy bear lithograph
25. Dinosaur T-shirt for a small child
26. Faux pearl necklace
27. Fishing trip - 1/2 day at lake
28. White splatter paint dress
29. "People" board game
30. Victorian cameo photo album
31. Cloth kleenex box holder
32. Heart-shaped wristwatch on leather band
33. Book - "No Greater Power: Perspective for Days of Pressure," by
by Chaplain Richard C. Halverson
34. Sea shell and faux pearl necklace
35. Scuba diving course (\$235 value)
36. One weekday round of golf at Chase Oak Golf Club
37. Cake
38. Pen knife

Toni Allen and Rebecca Crowell announce that a total of 221 contacts were made with prospective students during the successful TI Education Days. A special thanks goes to Barbara Eubanks for her assistance.

The Office of Institutional Research has conducted and processed more than 30 surveys since the summer of 1987. In order to get out from under the mountains of accumulated paper, the office is instituting a new policy: we will store raw survey data, e.g., completed survey forms, for no more than one calendar year following administration of the survey. This means, for example, that on November 15, we will dispose of the 1,620 completed high school senior survey instruments collected through the first 2 weeks of November 1987. Please contact Dr. Gerry Perkus, ext. 6617, if you want to peruse these surveys prior to November 15. Also contact Dr. Perkus for a list of upcoming disposal dates.

The Writing Competency Exam will be offered during the following sessions:

Friday, November 4, from 2 to 5pm at CC and SCC
Saturday, November 5, from 9 to noon, SCC
Saturday, November 5, from 2 to 5pm, SCC.

All students enrolled in English 151 must register with their instructors to take the test. Passing the W.C.E. is a requirement for passing the course.

HOLIDAY SPIRIT - GIVING!

Most of us would like the opportunity to help those who are less fortunate than we are. The Special Events Task Force gives you a chance. Please help us adopt a family (or two) from within the College. If you know of someone in need, please contact Wayne Rush, ext. 6691, Judy LaGrone, ext. 6600, or Dena Wilson, ext. 5802 and they will get in touch with the individual to see how we as a College can make this Holiday Season a special one for them. The family or families selected can be either from staff or the student body and their identity will be strictly confidential to assure discretion.

The second best gift we can give is a happy and joyous holiday. We are already giving the first, EDUCATION!

Faculty Senate Meeting Friday, November 11, CC, Room B301 at 2:30pm. Please call Billie Cunningham, ext. 5847, with any agenda items.

The next WordStar 2000 Basic Class will be held Friday, November 11 and 18, from 8:30 to 11am, SCC, Room J121. There are only a few spaces left for this class. Please call Carlotta Embry, ext. 6611, if you are interested. Also, you can check out training diskettes and quick lesson books from Shari Swift, ext. 6615, in advance of the class if you have never had any training on WordStar 2000. The next WordStar Plus class will be announced at a later date.

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The new pocket/pocketbook-size CCCC Facts, 1988-89, has just been published. It contains an enrollment history, student and faculty data, and "distinctive features" among other things. Some highlights:

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| 1988 Credit Enrollments | 7,150 |
| Range of Age | 13 to 89 years |
| Mean Age | 28.5 |
| Average Credit Hours | 6.9 |
| Total Full Time Faculty/Staff | 225 |
| (Of the full time faculty of 56, all but one hold a Master's Degree or higher). | |

For your very own FACTS BROCHURE, please contact Carlotta Embry, ext. 6611.

STAFF NEWS:

JUANITA AUSTIN has recently been appointed Vice Chairperson of the Small Business Sub-committee as a member of the Plano Community Relations Committee. The purpose of the Small Business Sub-committee is to establish guidelines for the City of Plano to work with small businesses to ensure that they participate in securing contracts with the City of Plano.

SHELLEY LANE and JANET ROSS have been competitively selected to present a paper entitled, "Synergistic Education: An Interdisciplinary Approach to the Teaching of Speech Communication," at the World Communication Association 1989 Biennial Convention August 2-10, 1988, in Singapore, South East Asia. The paper concerns innovative and cross-disciplinary teaching methodologies as they relate to the speech communication area.

LOREN MILLER has been selected to be a panel chair and a discussant on panels at the Western Social Science Association Convention in Albuquerque, New Mexico in April 1989.

MITCHELL SMITH and SHELLEY LANE participated in the annual meeting of the Plano Cultural Arts Council's Grants and Allocation Committee on Saturday, October 29, 1988. The committee awards funds to member performing and visual arts groups.

LATEST FROM THE LRC:

New Books in the Spring Creek LRC:

Donald Trump

Trump: The Art of the Deal

The brilliant entrepreneur offers an unprecedented education in the art of the deal. This remarkably streetwise business book is essential reading for anyone seriously interested in money and success.

Neil Sheehan

A Bright Shining Lie

A memorable work on the Vietnam tragedy, A Bright Shining Lie reveals the truth of the war as it unfolded before the eyes of an American Hero - Lt. Col. John Paul Vann.

Peter Gay

Freud: A Life for Our Time

Nominated for the National Book Award, Gay provides a fresh and illuminating perspective on one of the pivotal figures of our time.

Thomas Register of American Manufacturers

In 21 volumes, the Thomas Register provides access to the products and services, trademarks, and profiles of tens of thousands of American companies.

James McPherson

Battle Cry of Freedom, The Civil War Era

Filled with fresh interpretations and information, puncturing old myths and challenging new ones, Battle Cry of Freedom will unquestionably become the standard one-volume history of the Civil War.

SPOTLIGHT:

"ENTER LAUGHING":

TO: Johann Pestalozzi, Headmaster

FROM: School Finance Committee

RE: Your Request for Student Pencils

We must regretfully respond that your request is denied. After careful consideration of your unprecedented proposal to provide each student with a pencil, the committee has elected to purchase only one such unit for use in your classroom. The rationale for the committee's decision is enumerated below, followed by queries to which you must respond (triplicate) after field-testing the pencil.

- A. Pencils are fragile and break down easily owing to primitive technology.
- B. Acquisition of pencils in quandry leads inevitably to requests for other expensive peripherals such as sharpeners, erasers, tablets, etc.

- C. We cannot justify the expenditures for these systems to patrons whose education was perceived as adequate without any such paraphernalia.
- D. The Committee expressed doubt that students would use the requested pencils for activities more substantial than doodling or tic-tac-toe.
- E. We strongly suggest you reconsider your proposal to allow students to use pencils to work ciphers and related mathematics. Apart from the loss of requisite mental rigor implied by your position, what will happen if students become dependent on pencils to solve problems but cannot locate such in time of need?
- F. Appropriate usage of pencils presumes teachers who know how to incorporate them into classroom activities. Yet very few teachers have such skills; thus pencils would probably be relegated to storerooms.

Within two weeks of the close of the annual school session the committee would like to receive your answers to the following questions:

- A. Does the requested apparatus have applications in schooling beyond the working of ciphers?
- B. Do you recommend the creation of a new discipline of pencil literacy? If so, which of the present legitimate disciplines should be dropped in order to accommodate the new course?
- C. Is this "new tool" (as described by you) especially useful for specific sub-groups of students, e.g. the particularly dull or perhaps the brightest?
- D. Do students from rich families having pencils in the home distance themselves in achievement from those who do not?

In closing, sir, the committee feels compelled to remind you that Aristotle managed to become educated quite satisfactorily without benefit of a pencil.

(Contributed by Jack Turner, director of the Bethel-Eugene-Springfield Teacher Center, Eugene, Oregon).

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