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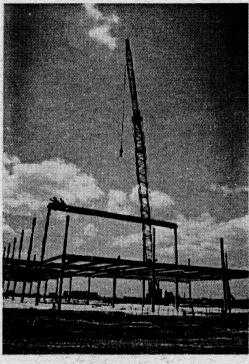
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Preston Ridge Update



Despite the recent rainy weather, construction on the Preston Ridge Campus is still about a month ahead of schedule. Workers are shown erecting the steel for building C.

SACS Response

Copies of CCCC's response to the report of the SACS Reaffirmation Committee have been placed in the LRCs at both campuses as well as at the College and Community Development Office at the Courtyard Center. All faculty and staff are invited to read the response and submit comments to Tom Rodgers at CPC by Friday, Aug. 19.

Students Unite in Learning Community

A group of students at Collin County Community College will form their own community this fall, joining to learn from each other and test their networking skills.

The students will be the first class in the learning community program, enrolling concurrently in a pair of courses, then studying with the same small group in an environment that encourages an understanding of the relationships between topics and disciplines.

Learning community faculty members work as a team as well, promoting student discussion and collaborative learning activities. Course pairs in the program are U.S. History I and American Government I; Calculus II and College Physics I; and U.S. History II and Introduction to Sociology.

The learning community concept helps students establish a social context for learning, said Harriet Schwartz, dean of Social Sciences and Public Services. Once they form relationships with their peers and instructors, students are less likely to drop out of college, she added. And new skills developed from the program are retained for a lifetime.

Teleconference

Title: "Diversity in Higher

Education"

Noon to 1:30 p.m. Time:

Date: Thursday, Sept. 8

Place: Bijou II

For more information, call Wendy Burton at ext. 5828.

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Send submissions to Lisa Tanner, Public Relations Office, F102/SCC, ext. 5615.

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Caleidoscope **Delivery Problems?**

If your department isn't receiving enough copies of Caleidoscope-or if everyone else on campus seems to have their new issue and you don'tplease call Lisa Tanner at ext. 5615. Additional copies will be put in campus mail to your department and the information will be recorded to help smooth future deliveries.

Staff and Faculty News

Grand Opening

Central Park Campus Child Development center workers will host a grand opening and ribbon cutting for their new playground. The 3:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 25 reception will feature tours, refreshments and activities for children. An official with the Lyons Group – creator of "Barney" – will speak at the event.

Review Applications

Discipline coordinators who want to review applications from individuals interested in teaching part time at the college may call Human Resources to receive copies. Call Brenda McNease at ext. 5663 or Helen DuPont at ext. 5662.

Audition Announcement

Theatre Director Brad Baker is holding an audition from 6-9 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 31 for actors interested in performing in "Execution of Justice." The play is the Quad C Theatre's second production for the 1994-1995 year and runs Oct. 13-23.

Baker is looking for 16 male and seven female actors ages 16 to 65. Those interested are asked to prepare a 1-2 minute monologue from a contemporary play. For more information, call Baker at ext. 5679.

Kudos

CCCC's Debbie Zimmerer was one of eleven new institutional advancement professionals awarded scholarships to attend this year's CASE District IV conference.

The Council for Advancement and Support of Education awards the scholarships, which cover registration fees and up to \$300 in travel and hotel expenses, to help attract outstanding professionals to the field.

CCCC Hosts Ceramic Exhibit

The work of six area artists, from porcelain pottery to hand built sculpture, will be displayed through Sept. 9 at the SCC Art Gallery.

Artists displaying their work are:

Cedar Valley College professor Randy Brodnax, who works with Raku pottery and "Louisiana swamp creatures" sculpture. Studio potter Sue Hayes Cobb, who works with glazed landscapes and portraits on terracotta pottery and vessels. And former CCCC student Wendy Cramer, who works in terra-cotta, making vessels and sculptures with aquatic-life imagery. Cramer is now a graduate student at Southern Methodist University.

Others contributing works to the show are:

Gary Huntoon, a teacher at the Creative Arts Center in Dallas, who creates porcelain pottery with colorful stamped and brushed decoration. Madhvi Subrahmanian, an instructor at Southern Methodist University and Brookhaven College, who works in terra-cotta with thrown vessel forms. And James Watral, an instructor at Texas Women's University who works in terracotta, making geometric vessels with decoration in deep earth colors.

A reception honoring the artists will be held from 6:30 - 8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 29, at SCC Room K208. For information, call ext. 5107.

Partner in Education

The college is Barron Elementary school's newest "Partner in Education," joining a program that helps parents, school, businesses and community work together to better improve education.

As part of the program, CCCC faculty and staff will serve as mentors for students in grades K-5. Mentors visit their student for one hour - during lunchtime - each week, helping the student with self-esteem and personal development issues. Mentors are allowed to specify the age of the child they'd like to assist. They also attend orientation before beginning the program.

Barron Elementary, located at Avenue P and Parker Road, has received many honors, including being chosen as a Texas Education Agency Partnership Schools Initiative Campus and being named by Gov. Richards as a "Gold Star" school. Last year, the school received two awards for improved test scores. The school has a significant minority population and large bilingual program.

Already Electronic Data Systems, Plano Chamber Orchestra, Whataburger, Kroger, Collin County Boys and Girls Club and the YMCA are part of the partners' program.

Anyone interested in learning more about the mentor program may call Mary McRae at ext. 5771. She's also putting together a list of speakers to visit Barron during the 1994-95 school year.

Staff Development

Transfer Without Transplanting

\$195 per credit hour

This is a long-distance learning program from the University of Oklahoma for a Bachelor's of Liberal Arts or a Master's of Liberal Studies. You will attend three seminars on campus in Norman, Okla., and have a faculty mentor and a structured independent study program.

Teaching Negotiations

Sept. 25-27 (Harvard Law School) Fee: \$1,950 (includes meals)

Learn to better understand principles behind negotiation framework and pedagogical strategies for teaching negotiations.

Calls for Proposal

Study Grants for College Teachers

National Endowment for the Humanities sponsors these grants. Study to be undertaken in summer 1995. Deadline for proposal: August 15, 1994.

Awards of \$3000 for independent study will be given to invigorate teachers of the humanities.

For more information on the above opportunities, please contact Martha Ellis at ext. 6606.

Aug. 13-23 Birthdays

Cathy Barck	8/13
Jeff Ewers	8/13
Keith Haley	8/13
Jean LaFollett	8/15
Jessie Abbott-White	8/16
Judy Richardson	8/17
Silvia Herrera	8/20
Sheryl Myers	8/20
Sheryl Kappus	8/22
Shari Swift	8/22
Joyce Anderson	8/23

Staff and Faculty Opportunities

Calling all Clerks

Data Entry clerks are still needed to register credit and noncredit students for fall classes.

Call: (SCC-Nancy Brown or Amy Holmes at ext. 5741.)

Volunteers Still Needed

Allen Country Fair kicks off at 9 a.m.—rain or shine—on Saturday Aug. 27. Volunteers are still needed to man the college's booth, which will be open until the fair ends at 7 p.m.

So call Thomas Stearns at ext. 5712 to volunteer!

Join College Programs!

The CCCC recruitment team will join other colleges in September College Day/Night programs at area high schools. The team plans visits at 13 high schools. Anyone interested in joining the team to visit a particular

school should call Rebecca Crowell at ext. 5711.

High schools included are:

Monday, Sept. 12

Plano Senior High, 7-9 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 13

Prosper, 9-11 a.m.

Rockwall, 9-11 a.m.

Plano East, 7-9 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 14

Community (Nevada), 9 a.m.-noon

Thursday, Sept. 15

Pilot Point, 9-11 a.m.

McKinney, 9 a.m.-noon

Ryan (Denton), 7-9 p.m.

The Colony, 7-9 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 20

Princeton, 9-10:30 a.m.

Thursday, Sept. 22

Greenville, 9 a.m.-noon

Pearce (Richardson), 7-9 p.m.

Allen, 7-9 p.m.

Continuing Education Classes

Courtyard Center

Aug. 13

Wordperfect 6.0 II for DOS

Writing for Rent Money

Aug. 15

Wordperfect for Windows I

Aug. 16

Access for Windows

DOS Utilities

PCS/Newest in Wireless

Beginning Wordperfect for

Windows 6.0

Aug. 17

Microsoft Windows 3.1

Lotus 1-2-3

Intermediate Excel 4.0

Aug. 19

Wordperfect 2.0 to 6.0

Aug. 20

DOS Utilities

Intermediate Spanish/Business

& Travel

Aug. 22

DOS Utilities

Reading/Comprehension

Introduction to Windows 3.1

Aug. 23

Optimize Microsoft Windows

Aug. 24

Wordperfect for Windows II Innov. for Teaching Adults

Personnel Changes

At its July meeting, the board of trustees approved the following personnel changes:

Joining the college are Deborah Anglin as Student Activities associate; Paula Elky as secretary in Purchasing; Kelle Horie as Child Development teacher; Dr. Mary Weis as biology professor and Kyle Wilkison as history professor.

Ricky Shaum was promoted to Articulation Associate and Kathleen Hopkins transferred to Math & Natural Sciences as an adviser and Darla Murphy to Counselor's Office as secretary.



New Theatre Season

The 1994-95 theatre season at Collin County Community College offers a rich mix of productions, from a bag-lady befriended by aliens from outer space to legal drama and a classic swashbuckler.

The season promises to be the most challenging and entertaining ever as the Quad C Theatre builds its legacy of artistic excellence, said Director Brad Baker.

It opens with a side-splitting comedy, "The Search for Signs of Intelligent Life in the Universe." The story offers seven weird and wonderful characters, narrated by a New York City bag-lady who's befriended by aliens from outer space. The play by Jane Wagner runs from Thursday, Sept. 8, through Sunday, Sept. 18.

October 13-23 brings "Execution of Justice," a tale of murder and betrayal by Tony Award-winning author Emily Mann. This adult drama recounts the true-life events surrounding the murders of San Francisco Mayor George Moscone and gay city councilman Harvey Milk.

Just in time for the holiday season, Quad C presents "Kringle's Window," written by Mark Medoff, the author of "Children of a Lesser God." The family comedy chronicles a child's efforts to scientifically prove the existence of Santa Claus by using a computer. Medoff will return to CCCC to work on his newest play, which will run Dec. 8-18.

From March 2-12, The Quad C Theatre offers an irreverent new version of the classic swashbuckler "The Three Musketeers." Based on the novel by Alexandre Dumas, the play recounts the fight for king and country, complete with thrilling fight sequences.

The season concludes with "The Foreigner," an explosive comedy by Larry Shue that runs April 27-May 7. The scene is a fishing lodge in rural Georgia, where a shy young man pretends not to speak English, touching off a string of misadventures.

A season subscription is \$20 for CCCC faculty and staff.

For more information, call Baker at ext. 5809.

'Intelligent Life' Coming to Plano

The Quad C Theatre will open its 1994-95 season with a comic masterpiece "The Search for Signs of Intelligent Life in the Universe."

The performance, which runs from Sept. 8-18 in the John Anthony Theatre, was chosen season opener because it's extremely funny yet deeply insightful, said theatre Director Brad Baker.



The play's plot features the interwoven stories of a dozen weird and wacky characters, all narrated by Trudy, a New York City bag lady who is befriended by aliens from outer space. Despite the inherent humor created by these bizarre characters, the play clearly takes a feminist viewpoint of the world, prompting Gloria Steinem to call it "a work of genius and compassion."

Director Jeanne Everton of Carrollton recently announced the cast for the production. The leading role of "Trudy" will be played by Sylvia Luedtke of Dallas, who recently performed in Casa Manana's summer musical "Guys and Dolls." Others in the play are Rita Faye Smith as "Judith Massey," Billie Holman as "Kate," Julia Turner as "Agnus Angst," and Robin Armstrong as the insightful prostitute "Tina."

Collin County residents appearing in the production include Arianna Movassagh of Plano as "Lily," Tiffany A. Kellerman of Plano as the valley-girl aerobics queen "Chrissy," Kathy Kreitz of Plano as "Brandy," and Carolyn Corsano Wong of Allen as "Lyn." Candace Christensen of Plano will portray rabid-feminist "Edie," and Kathy Defrise of Plano the ultra-depressed "Marge."

Other cast members include Thomas C. LeGalley as "Paul," Curtis Haines as the loveable red-neck "Lud," and Alicia Lund as Lud's red-neck wife, "Marie."

Barbara S. Cramer is the production stage manager and Colleen Zapata will serve as assistant stage manager.