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# Caleidoscope

Collin County Community College Employee Newsletter

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## Todd's Excellent Adventure

Todd Fields' African adventure began in an unlikely spot: the McDonalds restaurant in McKinney.

But when the five-year CCCC employee picked up an entry form for McDonald's latest contest one day in late February, he touched off a string of events that would find him motoring through West Africa in early July.



Todd Fields and his sister Gina Burk, wear traditional West African clothing they had made during their trip.

The contest's prize, an all-expenses-paid trip for two to Africa, sounded interesting, so Todd filled out an entry form. Although he enters contests as a hobby and has won small prizes in the past, he wasn't prepared to win one of 21 trips awarded nationwide.

When a representative of a local radio station also sponsoring the trip called to tell him the big news, Todd didn't believe it. He promptly called to check it out, and found that he was on his way to Africa.

The trip "Adventure to the Homeland," was sponsored by the Haley Family Corp. is run by the family of the late "Roots" author Alex Haley, who died in 1992. The author's widow and son were part of the 80-person contingent making this trip to visit the African homeland of his ancestor Kunta Kinte.

The trip began with a VIP reception at the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture in New York. Then Todd and his sister, Gina Burk, winged their way to the African countries of Senegal and Gambia for a 10-day tour.

Todd recruited his sister, a nursing director for a home health agency in Oklahoma, as his travelling companion because she liked to travel and shop, which was a key pursuit during the trip. But Gina's nursing skills came in handy as well, because nearly everyone was sick for at least part of the trip.

The two had packed their suitcases with everything from T-shirts to lipsticks for use in bartering. Three-hundred lipsticks in Gina's bag touched off a investigation by airport security officials, who thought they looked like bullets. But they proved useful in the African marketplaces.

Caleidoscope is published every two weeks

Submissions of more than two paragraphs are preferred by diskette in WordPerfect.

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

### Submission Deadline

Monday, Aug. 29, by 5 p.m.

Next issue—Sept. 6

Fax number—881-5971.

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### Teleconference

Title: "Diversity in Higher Education"

Time: Noon to 1:30 p.m.

Date: Thursday, Sept. 8

Place: Bijou II

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

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## Mark Your Calendar for Next Year's ...

# CELEBRATION OF CULTURES!

### Order now for Christmas

**T-shirts \$15**

**Sweatshirts \$20**

The Celebration of Cultures T-shirts and sweatshirts make great gifts. T-shirts are on sale now at SCC/G205. Special order sweatshirts and special sizes (childrens and larger sizes) will be available by Oct. 15. Call Peggy Breedlove at ext. 5703.

### Celebration Fundraiser

Watch for more details about the fall fundraiser. We will sell tickets for drawings for free dinners at area ethnic food restaurants. Bingo Night will be Saturday, Oct. 15. Plan to bring the whole family.

### Adopt a Flag for Central Park Campus

A flag collection is planned for CPC. Anyone interested may adopt a flag for only \$7.50. The flags will be displayed at the campus during the Celebration of Cultures, April 17-21.

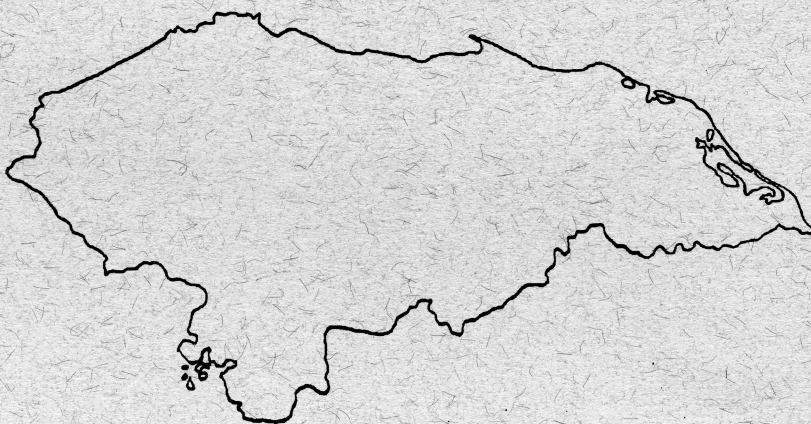
We would also like to continue building the collection at SCC until all of the flags of the world are represented. So adopt a flag today. Call Peggy at ext. 5703 for information.

### Geography Quiz

Welcome back to the Celebration of Cultures' Geography Quiz. Join in and identify the featured country to win a T-shirt featuring the flags of more than 70 countries. Please call Hazel Phillips at ext. 6899 if you can guess the name of the country profiled below:

#### *Attention Flying Bananas and Bombers*

This fruity region has been the site of more civil wars fought between peasant farmers and industrialists than against military uprisings. This country became a U.S. military base in the 1980s, becoming the "Pentagon Republic." Name this place.



### New Dental Claim Forms

Employees covered by the indemnity dental insurance will have a new insurance carrier, Provident Life Insurance Co., effective Sept. 1. The benefits will remain the same but new claim forms must be used for dental visits from that date forward. The old form should be used for claims for expenses up to Aug. 31.

A dental benefit brochure is being sent through inter-campus mail to all current indemnity dental plan participants. Additional copies will be available from any Human Resources office.

DMO dental plan participants will continue with the same carrier, First American, and will have some new benefits. Information will be mailed to participants' homes.

For more information, call Human Resources at ext. 6660, 5666 or 985-3790.



## Co-op Goes Disney

The Cooperative Work Experience Division is stepping out into a new world this fall, Disney World that is. Co-op is excited to report that in September, CCCC student Missy Choate will be heading to Walt Disney World in Orlando, Florida to work as a Co-op student. Missy competed against hundreds of other students across the country and traveled to Florida for the interview. We are proud that she has been selected for this unique, high quality program.

There will be opportunity for top students from CCCC to meet with the Disney recruiter sometime this fall here in north Texas. Disney hires students from all disciplines. Anyone interested may contact the CWE offices. We have many other job opportunities available to our students this fall. Faculty and staff are encouraged to remind students of the benefits of Co-op. Students are able to:

- Obtain valuable work experience to test a career choice;
- See how their academic classwork fits into work on the job;
- Secure work experience for a resume;
- Earn money for school and daily survival;
- Earn three hours of academic credit in their field of study.

All of these options are available through the Co-op program. CWE is located at SCC\B235, at ext. 5730 and at CPC/B252, at ext. 6730. We are looking forward to a great semester working with students, faculty/staff and employers. Watch for an update on our Disney experience.

## Aug. 26-Sept. 9 Birthdays

Brian Boring	8/26
Helen DuPont	8/26
Mary Jane Holloway	8/26
Hillary Kasbarian	8/26
Brian Allison	8/27
Ernie Howell	8/27
Lela Nickel	8/27
Rita Parker	8/28
Chris Grooms	8/31
Nancy Hoff	9/1
Martha Tolleson	9/2
Michael Neiman	9/3
Doug Wintermute	9/3
Lillie Palmer	9/4
Luther Akins	9/6
Kathy Kerby	9/6
Elton Huey	9/7
Joachim Knop	9/7
Christel McCaskill	9/8
Marti Miles-Rosenfield	9/9
Marilyn Miller	9/9
Margo Schmidt	9/9

## Continuing Education Classes

With dozens of continuing education classes beginning each week, a complete listing is impossible. Please see the Continuing Education Class schedule for details or call 985-3750 for information or 985-3711 to register for a class.

Continuing education classes for late August include:

### Central Park Campus

*Aug. 29*

Computer Keyboarding  
Machine Transcription  
Strategic Management  
Beginning Keyboarding  
Intermediate Word Processing  
Medical Transcription  
Records Management  
Beginning Word Processing  
Advanced Word Processing

*Aug. 30*

Computer Keyboarding  
Machine Transcription  
Nutrition  
Real Estate Principles I  
Beginning Keyboarding  
Intermediate Keyboarding  
Medical Transcription  
Beginning Word Processing  
Basic Spanish

### Courtyard Center

*Aug. 27*

Basic Spanish I  
Basic Spanish II  
Spanish for Business  
Advanced Spanish

*Aug. 29*

Computer Maintenance  
Investments  
Real Estate Law of Agency

Real Estate Math

Real Estate Property Management  
Introduction to Microcomputers

*Aug. 30*

I'm Ready to Write  
Public Speaking  
Introduction to Travel Agent  
Windows Programming  
Introduction to Microcomputers  
Technical Writing  
GMAT Exam Review

### Spring Creek Campus

*Aug. 29*

Basic Horticulture  
Basic Digital  
Basic Electronics II  
Computer Keyboarding  
Machine Transcription  
Nutrition  
Principles of Management  
Personnel Management



# Staff and Faculty News

## 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.

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

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## On-Campus Happenings

### Don't Forget

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

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

## Opportunities

### From the Health Safety and Security Task Force

"What's my best defense?"

The attitude you convey can have an effect on would-be assailants. Walk purposefully and look confident. Have a plan: make a mental note of the nearest telephone, emergency exit or escape route.

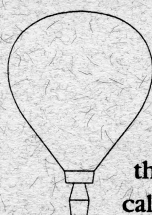
### CCCC Slates Dance Auditions

Auditions for CCCC's dance performance class and dance group will be at 2 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 25 at SCC/A107.

Prospective dancers should have formal dance training in ballet, modern and jazz dance. For the audition, dancers should be dressed to dance with no prepared routine. Dancers also will have an opportunity to choreograph.

For more information, call Jill Whitson at ext. 5848.

### Volunteers for the Balloon Festival Needed



Sign up to staff the college's booth at the Plano Balloon Festival, Sept. 23-25.

Shifts will be printed in the Sept. 6 *Caleidoscope* or call Thomas Stearns at ext. 5712 to volunteer now!

### 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!

### 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.

### 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.

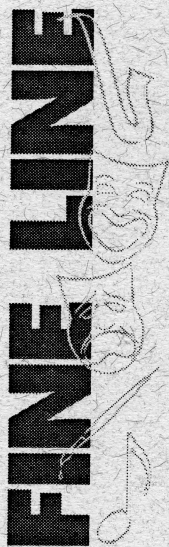
#### Thursday, Sept. 22

Greenville, 9 a.m.—noon

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

Allen, 7-9 p.m.





## 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 1994-95 year and runs Oct. 13-23.

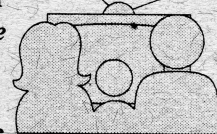
Baker is looking for 16 male and seven female actors ages 16 to 65. Those interested are asked to prepare a 1-2 minute monologue from a contemporary play. For more information, call Baker at ext. 5679.

## Keep a Look Out

The Fine Arts Division has published a brochure highlighting the division's musical performances, theatre performances and art exhibits. Keep one for the entire year for a quick reference to find entertainment at CCCC.

## Caleidoscope Show—Tune In!

Be sure to watch the *Caleidoscope* cable television show to catch host Mary McRae



and panelists Toni Allen, Tamara Turner and Rebecca Crowell discuss single motherhood.

The show airs at 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays and 9:30 p.m. Thursdays on Plano Telecable Channel 35A.

## Thanks to Everyone

"Special thanks to everyone who donated blood during the July blood drive. BloodCare collected 27 units, with 6 others deferred.

The blood drive was held to help replace blood credits used by Austin McGar, son of former CCCC faculty member Michael McGar. Austin had used 125 pints, so all 27 units went to his account with the remaining credited from CCCC's BloodCare account.

Michael McGar and his family are very grateful for everyone's support and the blood donations in Austin's name.

Thanks for keeping the 'community' in Collin County Community College."

Student Activities

## Note of Thanks

"Thank you to everyone for the flowers, thoughts and prayers following the recent death of my father. Your support is helping me through a difficult time."

Margo Schmidt

## Phi Theta Kappa Events

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|-------------|----------------------|
| Sept. 10    | PTK Orientation      |
| Sept. 24    | PTK Picnic           |
| Sept. 20-21 | AIDS Quilt, SCC/G201 |
| Sept. 22    | AIDS Quilt, CPC/TBA  |

Phi Theta Kappa recently chose officers for the 1994-95 school year. Gary Wiseman is president; Craig Drachman, vice president; Candace Eldridge, vice president, CPC; Tami Kirkman, treasurer; Marilyn Miller, communications secretary; Linette Gates, recording secretary; and Cathy Teel, historian.

The group also initiated these members: Kathy Burrow, Connie Cooley, Bob Denker, Kim Downes, Cindy Durrant, Denise Evans, Sheryl Ferguson, Judy Gove, Erin Graham, Ronnie Hiller, Scott Hodge, Jennifer Hogan, Jim Kennedy, Lysa King, Edwina Lewis, Darrell Marsh, Marie Montgomery, Marian Moore, Bradley Norris, Bryce Quine, Karen Riker, Jane Rojas, Robin Rowland, Pamela Russell, Tricia Russell, Moloud Saghafian, Rhonda Staples, Susan Stiff, Janet Sullivan, David Trauth, Louise Trauth, and Kenneth Woodward.

## Todd's Adventure

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Those marketplaces were one of highlights of Todd's trip. The group also toured schools and villages to learn the local culture.

Although Todd says West Africa wouldn't have been his first choice if he had planned an overseas trip, he now says "I wasn't ready to come back."



# CCCC All Staff Meeting

Fall 1994 • August 26, 1994

## Agenda

- 8:15-9 a.m. Continental Breakfast - Sponsored by Dallas Teachers Credit Union
- 9-11 a.m. All Staff Meeting - John Anthony Theatre  
Welcome ..... Dr. John Anthony  
Introductions ..... Dr. Steve Ellis  
Five Year Pens awarded ..... John Anthony & Steve Ellis  
Teaching Awards ..... Steve Ellis  
Announcements ..... Dr. Tom Rodgers, Linda Qualia, Margie Lasek, Brad Baker
- 11:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Concurrent Sessions
- 12:30-2 p.m. Lunch on your own
- 12:30-2:30 p.m. Faculty Senate luncheon and meeting
- 2-4 p.m. Area meetings

Dress: Casual

The Public Relations Office will have its photography equipment set up in the Atrium, before and after the All Staff Meeting, to take photos for the Faculty/Staff Directory. If you are a new employee, if you haven't had your photo taken in the past year, or if you would like an "update," please stop by to say "CHEESE!"

## Concurrent Sessions

### FOCUS • Dennis Holland; Room J121

Have you ever needed a report but couldn't get it in time to be useful? Then this may be the session for you. If you are a VAX user with access to HRS, FRS, or SIS, learn how FOCUS can help provide needed information. Participants will receive a schedule of upcoming FOCUS classes.

### Recycling at CCCC! • Andrea McCullough, City of Plano; Room B123

Come hear about how you can make an impact on recycling efforts at CCCC and our future society. Bring samples of recycling products and papers and focus on CCCC's recycling efforts.

### Get Fit and Stay Fit at CCCC! • Karla Payne-Chunn; Fitness Center.

Learn how to start your very own exercise program and how to stay motivated! How to burn off fat and eat right! This is for anyone who wants to get started or continue an exercise program!! Come on - you can do it!!!

**Managing Your Time Effectively: Personally and Professionally** • Michele Walker, Walker Consulting; Room B124  
This workshop focuses on ways you think about time, ways to get a grip on time, and ways to manage time wasters. You will leave this workshop with techniques and valuable information that can be used personally and professionally!!

### ALC?? What is it? Where is it? • Cathy Barck; Room C104

How does the ALC fit into the scheme of things at CCCC? Learn how we meet the needs of students and faculty with alternative delivery of instruction and where we are going in the future.

### It's a High Stakes Game! • Debbie Zimmerer; Room B125

Learn what cards to hold and what cards to fold as you experience the ins and outs of grant writing and corporate solicitations. Make plans to attend this interactive workshop on the exciting and challenging world of fundraising. Join others who have hit the jackpot and seen their ideas become reality.

### Simply Graphics • Susan Farrar; Room J129

Learn how very simple it is to make graphics in WP6.0. Learn the shortcuts to making great-looking presentations.