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Photo by Ken Dundon

*Members of the media take a tour of the Preston Ridge Campus led by Tom Rodgers and Lillie Palmer at a recent sneak preview.*

## CCCC Hosts Media Sneak Preview

Members of local newspapers and magazines were treated to an early look at the Preston Ridge Campus on Friday, August 4. Approximately 30 journalists-reporters, editors, photographers and publishers were given tours of Heritage and Founders Hall by Tom Rodgers, Lilly Palmer and other CCCC faculty.

Representatives from the Dallas Morning News, the Plano Star Courier, the McKinney Courier Gazette, the Frisco Enterprise, the Wiley News and other publications attended to learn more about CCCC's newest campus.

Business, Engineering, Computer Science, the LRC and Academic Computing representatives were all on hand to help get the facts straight for upcoming reports about the campus. Peter Brierley, CIS professor, demonstrated the high-tech podium he designed and invented while working at the college.

The event provided an opportunity for campus faculty and staff to answer questions for reporters and a chance for Preston Ridge to be seen by those who can get the message out in the community. Hopefully, the exposure will help CCCC to meet its projected enrollment goals. ■

## Caleidoscope Info

*Caleidoscope* is published every two weeks.

Because of the volume of information received for *Caleidoscope*, lengthy items **must** be submitted on diskette in WordPerfect.

Brief items may be faxed to the editor. For more information, please contact Lisa Tanner at ext. 5615 (F102/SCC).

Fax Number:

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## Submission Deadline

**Friday, August 11 by 5 p.m.**

Next issue—August 21

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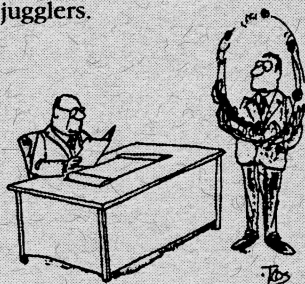
The Preston Ridge Campus Sneak Preview is on August 12 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.



## From Comedians to Jugglers

The Student Activities Office at CPC has finished hosting the N.A.C.A. (National Association of Campus Activities) Showcase Selection for an upcoming conference. The South Central Regional Conference will be held October 12-15 in Houston.

The Showcase Selection Committee included six students and two professional staff from the South Central Region (Oklahoma, Louisiana, New Mexico, Arkansas, and Texas). The committee had a difficult task during a three-day meeting, deciding between 263 different acts ranging from ventriloquists to acoustic rock bands and from comedians to jugglers.



"Besides the juggling, what other managerial qualifications do you have?"

The committee persevered and has selected a diverse showcase for the regional conference.

The CPC Student Activities Office would like to thank everyone for their help and patience during this conference. It was a great success and the delegates from the other colleges and universities were very impressed with our campus. You can be proud that CCCC was well received. ■

**FINE LINE**

## Photo Exhibit of London Homeless

When photographer Tom Norman came to visit America from his home in London, he brought along a piece of history from his British homeland, his photography exhibit entitled "41 Days at Artillery Mansions."

The photography exhibit, which will be displayed in the SCC LRC, depicts 41 days that Norman spent interviewing, visiting and photographing residents of the Artillery Mansions in England. In 1994 the Freedom Network, a non-militant political activist group, opened up an old mansion block on Victoria Street to house the area's homeless. Although the project fell apart, Norman said it heightened awareness of the city's problem.

The artist/photographer is currently taking a Photoshop and an electronic publishing course at CCCC.

The exhibit runs from Aug. 7 to Sept. 1 in the LRC. LRC hours are Monday through Thursday 7:45 to 10 p.m., Friday 7:45 to 5:00 p.m. and Saturday, 9 to 4 p.m. ■

## Jazz Camp

The first ever Texas All-Star Jazz Camp at SCC put 20 of the country's finest jazz musicians together with 100 students ranging in age from 13 to 80 for a week of intense study of jazz music. The camp ended with a finale concert featuring performances by both professional and student musicians.

"There are lots of music camps all over the country, but few with the setting we have here -- the big band setting. With this, hopefully we can reach more people and keep the art form alive," said Jim Widner, leader of the Jim Widner Big Band, the resident band for the camp.

Widner, who teaches annually at similar jazz camps he set up in Missouri, said he decided to bring his expertise to Collin County because former student Kris Berg, director of jazz studies at CCCC, wanted to organize the first jazz camp in Texas.

Many of the guest artists at this camp were also involved with Kenton's program and teach with the same basic formula, fine-tuned for the '90s.

"This gives us a chance to pass on what we've learned to future

generations from what was passed on to us from masters," Widner said.

Because musicians are brought in from the profession, the Texas All-Star Jazz Camp differed from other music camps that use the faculty of the host school, Berg said. Under this set-up, participants could interact and learn from jazz greats they otherwise might never have met.

"They're working with people who are at the highest level of this art form," Berg said. "The people who are here are making recordings, setting trends, breaking ground. Not only do (the students) get to meet them, they get to know them, understand them, learn from them and hear them night after night."

Not only did the musicians offer their expertise to camp participants, they also performed in free jazz concerts nightly, demonstrating how all the elements come together to create the true jazz sound.

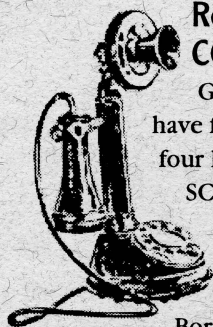
"Our job is not just to teach, but to inspire," Widner said.

Aside from the resident Jim Widner Big Band, guest artists included: Roger Ingram, lead trumpet with Harry Connick Jr.; Paul McKee, former jazz trombonist with Woody Herman; Kim Richmond; and Gary Hobbs.

Both Berg and Widner said working together in a jazz ensemble and learning to

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## Reach Out & Touch CCCC

Good news! We now have four digit dialing to all four locations: CPC, CYC, SCC and PRC. If you have any difficulty, please contact Martha Ellis at ext. 6606 or Brian Boring at ext. 6644.

A new telephone list with all the numbers will be out in September. Have fun dialing and thanks for your patience.

## Say, "Cheese"

Plan to have your photo made for the faculty/staff directory at All-Staff, Aug. 25 at Preston Ridge Campus. For more information, call ext. 5615.



## Caleidoscope Update

*Caleidoscope* production for the upcoming school year features a 5 p.m. Friday deadline, one working day earlier than the current 5 p.m. Monday deadline. This should help minimize delayed issues. Also, the production schedule is varied slightly to allow for holidays, including Spring break and the December break.

Deadline	Issue Date/#
Aug. 11 (Friday)	Aug. 21-#317
Aug. 25 (Friday)	Sept. 5-#318
Sept. 8 (Friday)	Sept. 18-#319
Sept. 22 (Friday)	Oct. 2-#320

## Wellness News

### Open aerobics:

SCC/Dance Studio  
M/W/F; 12-1 p.m.  
Instructor: Jae Gendron

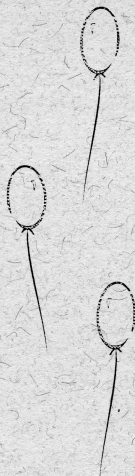
CPC  
M/W; 4-5 p.m.  
Instructor: Karla Chunn

Call Raquel Meyers at ext. 5925 (SCC) or Karla Chunn at ext. 6891 (CPC).



## August Birthdays

Billy Gidney (7)  
Michelle Henry (7)  
Tom Martin (7)  
Linda Mizell (7)  
Lisa Tanner (8)  
Heather Chatskis (9)  
Mitchell Smith (9)  
Gary Philbrick (10)  
Tony Howard (11)  
Kathy Lingo (11)  
Catherine Barck (13)  
Jeffrey Ewers (13)  
Frozina Goussak (13)  
Keith Haley (13)  
Jean LaFollett (15)  
Jessie Abbott-White (16)  
Elaine Boski (16)  
Judy Richardson (17)  
Jennifer Mitchell (18)  
Douglas Sebastian (18)  
Silvia Herrera (20)  
Sheryl Kappus (22)  
Shari Swift (22)



## Quad C's 1995-96 season

Four shows & ACTF coupon for \$24.  
Students and Senior Citizens \$16.  
Quad C Theater Box Office ext. 5809.

### Stand-up Tragedy

Oct. 12-15, Oct. 18-22

### The House of Blue Leaves

Dec. 7-10, Dec. 13-17

### Bram Stoker's Dracula

Feb. 15-18, Feb. 21-25

### Picnic

Apr. 25-28, May 1-5

### American College Theater Festival

Nov. 1-4

## Jazz Camp

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express their feelings through the music are the hardest parts of the art form for students to grasp.

"In classical music, you're still just performing what's written in the music. With jazz, it's improvisation," Berg explained. "That's why it's so scary, because it's almost like you're opening up your soul and telling the audience, 'This is who I am. This is what I feel.'"

Art Newton, a junior at PESH who participated in the camp, seems to agree.

"The music, becomes a part of you," Newton said. "It's a way to let go - to just play what you're feeling. In jazz, you can express yourself. You can be who you really are."

Students say the camp has provided a wealth of inspiration and support.

"In this atmosphere, you're really playing with such great people, you're really learning a lot," Newton said. "I'm getting really what I wanted out of this camp. It's turned out to be a great experience."

While some would say jazz has lost its mass appeal from the '40s and '50s, camp organizers and participants said events like the one at CCCC will keep the art form alive forever.

"We have to teach our children from where it came and where it's going. It's not just jazz history; it's American history," Widner said. "And that's what we're trying to do with this camp."

Mark your calendars for Jazz Camp 1996, July 13 - 20. ■

*Edited from Plano Star Courier, Jennifer C. Wang*





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## PT at CCCC

Collin County residents who need physical therapy could soon find more local folks able to meet their rehabilitation needs.

The Higher Education Coordinating Board gave tentative approval Thursday to a new, two-year, associate-degree program in physical therapy at CCCC.

Supporters say the degree -- which will prepare students to become physical therapy assistants -- will help slow a statewide shortage of physical therapists.

In the 1992-93 academic year, CCCC had an 86-percent placement rate for graduates of its technical degree plans.

"We have had lots of interest and student inquiries," said Steve Ellis, Vice President of Instruction at CCCC.

The college is also working to link the program in Denton and the University of Texas Southwest Allied Health Science Center in Dallas. Each school has a degree program for physical therapy.

The program will be a joint arrangement between CCCC and Grayson County College. Faculty and campuses at both schools will be used.

The need for physical therapists and assistants is growing in part because of an increased emphasis on providing preventative care nationwide. Insurance companies now push programs like physical therapy because they often eliminate the need for expensive surgical procedures.

When complete, the program will add 10 new technical courses to the colleges and make use of the 11 existing related courses. By sharing resources in the program, the two colleges intend to reduce the cost to both as opposed to pursuing the program separately.

CCCC is in the process of raising \$800,000 to fund the construction of a new center of health studies. The project is still in the design phase, and about \$300,000 has been earmarked from private sources. ■

*Edited from the Plano Star Courier,  
Reynolds Cushman*

## RRC Programs Completed Spring 1995 Semester

Community Programs	618
Corp/Industry programs	436
H.S. Programs	735
Middle School Programs	246
subtotal	2035
Special Admits	
International	88
Concurrent/other	159
subtotal	247
Tours	520
TOTALS	2802

## Public Relations Staffers Available this Fall at CPC

Soon faculty and staff based at CPC won't have to travel to visit with representatives of the college's public relations office. Beginning this Fall, Lisa Tanner, Public Relations coordinator or Susan Huber, Public Relations writer, will set up office at CPC on the second Monday of each month.

The public relations staffers will be available during regular business hours on Sept. 11, Oct. 9, Nov. 13 and Dec. 11. Anyone who wants to submit an article for *Caleidoscope* or has an idea for a story or press release may bring by information on these dates.

For more information, call ext. 5615 or ext. 5610.

## Stride for Excellence

Join the CCCC Foundation, Inc. as it raises funds for student scholarships through the Stride for Excellence 10K & 5K Run/Walk. The event will be held Saturday, September 23, at Towne Lake Park in McKinney. Registration is from 7 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. The 5K will begin at 8:30 a.m. and the 10K will begin at 9 a.m. Free T-shirts and prizes will be available for all volunteers, runners and walkers. For more information, call ext. 5611.

