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## STUDENTS COMPETE FOR SCHOLARSHIP

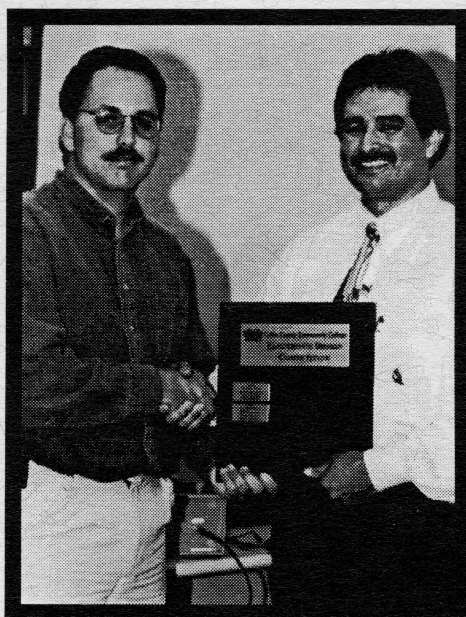
Todd Ashmore and Concepcion Gallegos clinched first place honors at the recent third annual Engineering Design Competition, sponsored by the CCCC engineering technology program at PRC.

With the recognition comes a \$1,200 scholarship, applicable to tuition, fees, books and supplies. Students Mike Willis, Tri Ma and Thai Bui qualified as finalists in the event. An additional participant, Al Schunemann, was named the Shawn Ray Student of the Year by faculty members. The award is named for former engineering technology student Shawn Ray, who died in a motorcycle accident last year. Ray, a Princeton

High School graduate, participated in last year's competition. Coordinator Joe Hackney recalled Ray as one of his best

students, adding the 20-year-old found a way to attend CCCC despite working 40 hours weekly and having little money. "He had a burning desire to learn," Hackney noted. Ray's mother, Dr. Ruth Ray of

McKinney, was on hand to present the award to Schunemann. The annual Engineering Design Competition is open to students participating in CCCC's engineering technology program. Each year, students are asked to construct an electronic device according to specific directions then "market" their product to contest judges. This year, students created a generator and power supply.

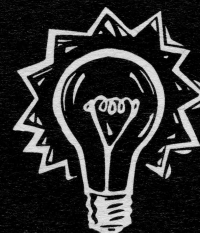


A generator and power supply created by CCCC engineering students Todd Ashmore, left, and Concepcion Gallegos took first place at the Engineering Design Contest. The event, held recently at PRC, is sponsored annually by the engineering technology department. As first-place winners, each received a \$1,200 scholarship, which applies to tuition, fees, books and supplies. (Photo by student Sandra Reyes)

For information, call Joe Hackney at ext. 1746 or ext. 1715.

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## DON'T FORGET

On Saturday, June 7, a  
Children's Art Show will be  
held at SCC in the Atrium from  
1 - 3 p.m.



# NAFTA

## OUR TO ARGENTINA, CHILE AND URUGUAY THIS SUMMER

Study business operations in Argentina, Chile and Uruguay up close by participating in a summer tour of the three nations, sponsored by the NAFTA/Latin American Studies Program at CCCC.

The trip spans 12 days, starting August 12 and ending August 24, in which participants will visit Argentina, Uruguay and Chile, the three nations that make up the region known as the South Cone. Participants will first tour Buenos Aires, the capital of Argentina. From there, the group will travel by hydrofoil to Montevideo, Uruguay, then Santiago, the sprawling capital of Chile.

2 Tourists will have the opportunity to see how each nation operates in business matters through meetings with local business leaders, plant tours and a private tour of the stock exchanges. The three nations, which boasted a combined GDP of more than \$334 billion in 1996, enjoy status as the most prosperous nations in South America. All three countries boast growing economies, large-scale privatization initiatives and liberalized free trade policies, as well as low crime rates and a strong European influence on their cultures.

The deadline to register for the trip is June 30. The cost is \$3,650 per person, which includes round-trip air fare from DFW on Aerolineas Argentinas, or \$3,275 from Miami. Double occupancy boarding will be arranged, but single supplements will be available for \$600.

To register or for additional information, call 1-800-521-0070. To receive an itinerary, call ext. 3750.



## FINE LINE

• Air Brush Painting courses, SCC/B148, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Classes are June 5-July 10 and July 15-August 14. Brian Corry will instruct both classes. Call Phyllis Richmond at ext. 3739.

• James and Jason Adcock Drawings and Paintings, SCC/LRC Galleria, June 23-August 30. Reception August 27, 6:30 p.m., SCC/LRC.

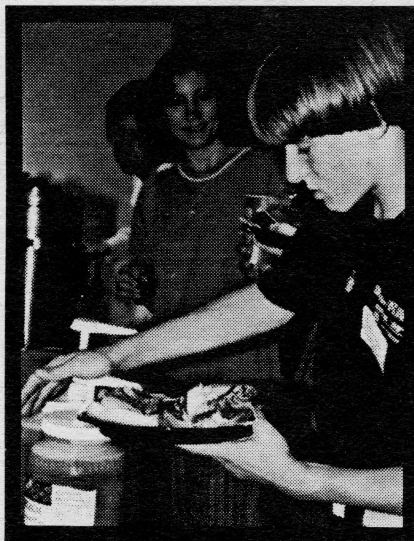
### DIGITAL CAMERAS AVAILABLE FOR FACULTY USE

Your class is completing a unique project, but you have no way to capture the moment — or so you thought. Faculty and staff members now have access to digital cameras at each Learning Resource Center.

The cameras, which are completely automatic, allow up to 50 snapshots. After taking pictures, snapshots must be downloaded through a computer and can then be saved on your own disk. Pictures can be viewed through Netscape Browser, sent through e-mail or used on a Web page. With a high-quality color laser jet printer, prints can also be produced. Computers to download images and a high-quality printer are available for staff and faculty use in any LRC, according to John Mullin, director of learning resources at PRC.

Mullin added that photos shot with digital cameras can be manipulated with a computer to produce a better image. Computer manipulation can lighten dark spots or enhance specific points in an image. However, images produced from the digital cameras are adequate. "They come out nearly as sharp as your Canon or Nikon," he said.

For additional information, visit the media services department at any LRC.



Eighth grade students from Westwood Junior High enjoy lunch at SCC during their recent visit as part of "Middle School Technology Day." These students also toured PRC, the AGDT program at SCC and had a scavenger hunt. Coordinator of high school and jr. high recruitment Kim Ritchey (background) helped lead the event. (Photo by CCCC student Sandra Reyes.)



## FRITO LAY DONATES READING MACHINE



Coordinator of Services for Students with Disabilities Kerry Tate (standing) watches as American Foundation for the Blind executive director Judy Scott demonstrates how the Reading Edge functions.

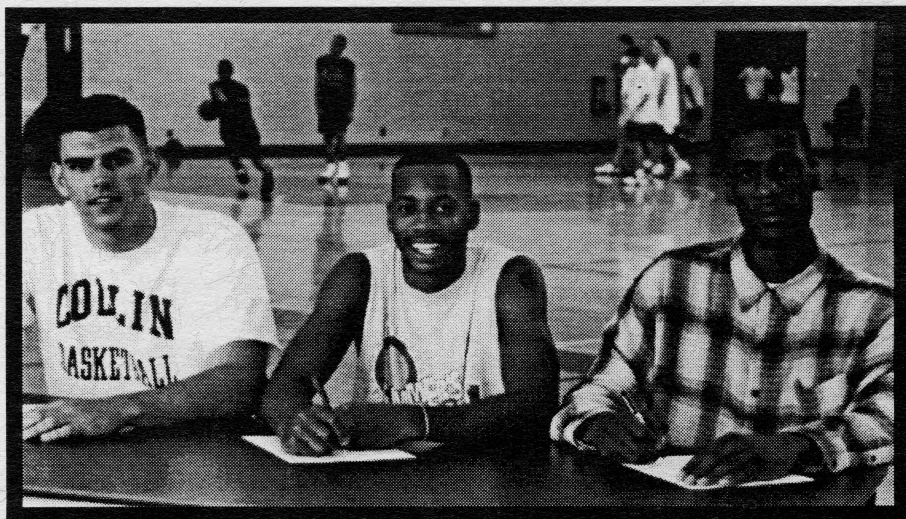
Students who have visual impairments at CCCCD will now have the ability to hear text read aloud, thanks to a new technology which Frito Lay of Plano has purchased for the college.

The Reading Edge, a machine designed by Xerox Corporation, scans text and verbalizes it, according to Judy Scott, executive director of the American Foundation for the Blind (AFB) Southwest, Dallas. AFB received the Reading Edge machine as part of Xerox's exclusive national sponsorship of AFB's 75th anniversary celebration. Frito Lay, which has partnered with AFB on other projects, decided to purchase the Reading Edge machine through AFB and donate it to CCCCD, Scott said.

Kerry Tate, CCCCD coordinator of services for students with disabilities, said there are approximately 25 individuals with visual impairments now attending the college.

"This new piece of equipment will give them the opportunity to be more independent and not have to rely on a reader," Tate said. "They can use it at any time instead of having to schedule a time with a reader. They can read whatever they want to read; they can read a magazine; they can read a book. Plus, they can record it and take it with them."

The machine has a bookedge scanner that can handle books and other bound materials without distortion or damage to the bindings, Scott said. It can hold books of virtually any size—from paperback novels to encyclopedias—and requires no additional support or propping. For more information about services for students with disabilities, call ext. 5950. For information about community services for people who are blind or visually impaired, call AFB Southwest, (214)352-7222.



CCCD men's sophomore basketball players Josh Ihde of Flower Mound Marcus (left), Tommy Shurn of Plano East (middle) and Mark Lee of Houston Sterling (right), recently signed national letters of intent to continue their careers at four-year colleges. Ihde will play at SMU, Shurn will go to Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville and Lee will attend Columbia College, MO.

## BIRTHDAYS

Angela Svoboda 5/26

Mary McRae 5/27

Margo Ford 5/27

Susan Nethery 5/28

Bonnie Payton 5/30

Anita Wormald 5/30

Ladonna Edwards 5/31

Patrick Langford 5/31

Katrina York 6/1

Vicki York 6/1

Nancy Powlen 6/3

Mary Anne Andrade 6/5

Vicki Harris 6/5

Victoria Hoffman 6/5

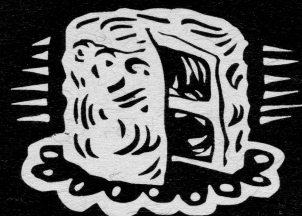
Kim Ritchey 6/5

Elaine Stewart 6/5

Peggy Stroot 6/5

Deborah Anglin 6/7

David McCulloch 6/8





**Ritchey Publishes**

David Ritchey, academic advisor, published six articles in the *Dictionary of Native American Civil Rights* published by Greenwood publications. The dictionary will be available in July. Ritchey also published four articles in *The Handbook of the Sixties*, also published by Greenwood Publications.

**Luft New Director of Recruitment and Retention**

Katherine Luft is the new director of recruitment and retention. Luft has a Masters of Education in Adult and Higher Education Administration from Montana State University and a B.S. in Business Management from Northern Michigan University. Luft has experience in student development, including recruitment and orientation and has been employed at Northern Michigan University, Montana State University, Northern Arizona University and CCCCD. She has

worked for CCCCD since August 1993. She was formerly assistant registrar for continuing education at CYC, associate registrar for PRC/CYC and coordinator of student retention and marketing relations. Her college involvement includes PRC Team, Marketing Task Force, Council on Planning and Institutional Effectiveness (CPIE) and Quality Express 2000.

**Class Trip**

Sociology professor Pam Gaiter and Rickey Shaum, program development coordinator, took 15 sociology students to the Texas Department of Corrections in Huntsville, where they toured the execution chamber. An execution took place there the following week.

**Lilly Elected**

Vivian Lilly, associate dean HPED and child development was elected to the Texas Association of Associate Degree Nursing.

**WORLD WIDE WEB  
TELECOURSE**

Students with hectic schedules may want to consider enrolling in telecourses or courses conducted through the World Wide Web. Both options will be available in Fall 1997 at the Collin County Community College District.

Students can enroll in English 2382.S51 World Literature I or English 2332.TS5 World Literature I. Students enrolled in English 2382.S51 will take part in a live broadcast to be taped at SCC and English 2332.TS5 students will view the broadcast at home and interact with the class via telephone.

English 1301.WW5 Composition/Rhetoric I and English 2333.WW5 World Literature II will be conducted through the World Wide Web this fall. Students who enroll in these courses must possess keyboard skills, Netscape or Microsoft Internet Explorer and 28.8 modem access.

Sherill Cobb, CCCCD English department coordinator and English 1301.WW5 instructor, said the classes represent a growing trend of distance learning. These types of classes are ideal for students who enjoy individual study or students whose schedules prevent regular class attendance. The web-based classes are particularly ideal for students who enjoy electronic forums, she added.

For additional information about the telecourses, call the telecourse desk at the SCC LRC ext. 5828.

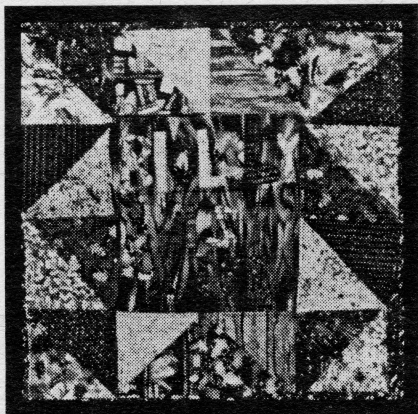
For information regarding English 1301.WW5 Composition/Rhetoric I, call ext. 5812 or ext. 5810 or e-mail Cobb at [scobb@fs7host.ccccd.edu](mailto:scobb@fs7host.ccccd.edu). The class syllabus is available on-line at <http://jade.ccccd.edu/cobb/1301.HTML>.

For information on English 2333.WW5, call ext. 5952 or e-mail [cgrooms@fs7host.ccccd.edu](mailto:cgrooms@fs7host.ccccd.edu). A class syllabus is available on-line at <http://jade.ccccd.edu/grooms/sylwlm.htm>



CCCD President Dr. John Anthony and wife Carole (left) pose for a shot with commencement speaker Dr. Barry Thompson, chancellor of the Texas A&M University System, and his wife Sandra. (Photo by CCCC student Sandra Reyes.)





#### **A Special Thank You**

To: Amy Frazee, Student of Biology, Spring '97  
 From: Professor Cathy Donald-Whitney  
 I never take it lightly when someone thinks of me.  
 The quilt you made is so beautiful I wanted  
 everyone to see. Thank you very much for your  
 thoughtfulness.

#### **COMMUNITY FESTIVALS**

Represent CCCCDD and have fun.

Consider volunteering for a two-hour shift  
 at any of the following community  
 festivals:

##### **McKinney**

Saturday, June 28 (Forever Free)

##### **Wylie**

Friday, July 18 (Jubilation Days)

##### **Celina**

Saturday, September 6 (Celina Fun Day)

##### **Farmersville**

Saturday, September 13 (Old Time  
 Saturday)

##### **Plano**

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, September 19,  
 20, 21 (Plano Balloon Festival)

Call Kim Ritchey at ext. 5110 for more  
 information.

# **TAKE A LOOK**

#### **WEDNESDAY, MAY 28 - WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4**

- Registration Phone Bank, SCC/F108D, Nancy Brown ext. 5732

#### **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4 - FRIDAY, JUNE 6**

- Plano Sister Cities Inc., SCC/F108 A & C, Mitchell Smith ext. 5810

#### **THURSDAY, JUNE 5**

- PEP Test, SCC/F108 B & D, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Stephanie Meinhardt ext. 5739

#### **FRIDAY, JUNE 6**

- PEP Test, SCC/F108 B & D, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Stephanie Meinhardt ext. 5739

#### **SATURDAY, JUNE 7**

- SAT Test, CPC & SCC, Stephanie Meinhardt ext. 5739
- Children's Art Show, SCC Atrium, 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

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#### **CCCCD STUDENTS ATTEND TSID CONFERENCE THROUGH SCHOLARSHIPS**

Two students represented CCCCDD at the recent 34th annual Texas Society of Interpreters for the Deaf, thanks to the Don England Trust Fund Scholarships.

The scholarship, established by TSID Vice President Don England, provides funds for students enrolled in deaf interpretation programs to attend the annual conference. Kathleen Lanker of Plano and Tina Van Cleve of Wylie served as student representatives of CCCCDD's Interpreter Preparation Program for the Deaf at the conference via the scholarship.

Both said the conference was a great learning opportunity. "It was both enjoyable and instructive, and I am looking forward to next year," Lanker said.

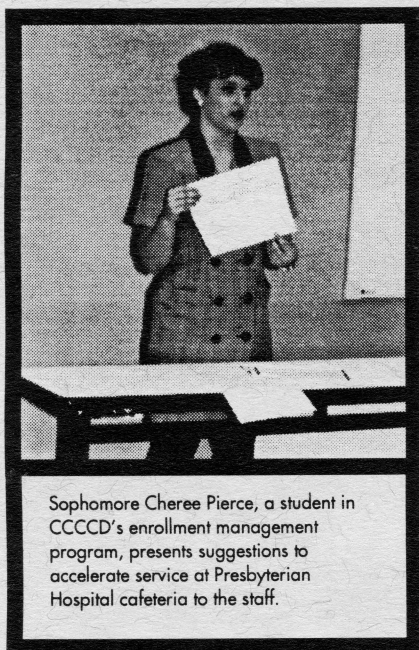
"I enjoyed the entire conference and learned things that will be beneficial to me now and in years to come," Van Cleve added. "If you did not go, you missed out on some excellent workshops."

Conference participants chose from a variety of workshops. Lanker, a freshman, attended workshops focusing on voice to sign, sign to voice, ethics and multicultural issues, as well as a seminar hosted by the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID), a Board of Evaluation of Interpreters (BEI) forum and a processing and translating workshop entitled "Processing is Like a Meal...One Bite at a Time."

Van Cleve, a sophomore, attended seminars entitled "Improving Your Evaluation Performance/Skills," "The Sore Thumb Theory," the BEI forum and "Developing a Professional and Ethical Behavior for the Educational Interpreter."



## STUDENTS CULMINATE CLASS PROJECT WITH PRESENTATION



Sophomore Cheree Pierce, a student in CCCCD's enrollment management program, presents suggestions to accelerate service at Presbyterian Hospital cafeteria to the staff.

Students enrolled in CCCCD's management development program ended a semester-long study on cafeteria operations at Plano Presbyterian Hospital with a presentation of their findings to cafeteria administrators on Wednesday, May 14.

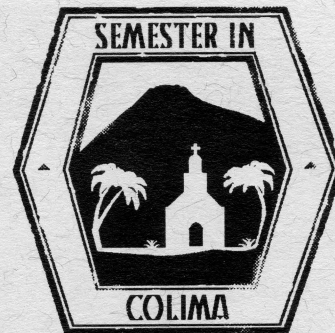
The eight students enrolled in the program's Quality and Leadership class spent the semester examining cafeteria operations at the hospital, with a primary focus on decreasing service time. The hospital cafeteria serves approximately 600 clients and approximately 75 patients daily, as well as 140 day care students and 30 senior citizens at a nearby center, according to CCCCD management instructor Russell Kunz. Specifically, students examined a variety of factors that

effect speed, such as kitchen, cafeteria and service area layout, food preparation methods and personnel.

Kunz noted the project was not only established as a learning exercise, but was also intended to be meaningful, in that the hospital may be able to employ some of the findings to improve service.

"How much they use will depend on the quality of results, and the quality of results depends on the availability of information given to begin with. Plano Presbyterian has been very cooperative. Anything we've needed they've given," Kunz said.

Kunz added the cafeteria at Plano Presbyterian Hospital is well known for its already outstanding service and has been the subject of various newspaper articles.



## HOST FAMILIES SOUGHT FOR SUMMER EXCHANGE STUDENTS

Host families are being sought for students arriving at CCCCD from the School of Languages at the University of Colima, Mexico this summer. The students will arrive in Plano on July 5, a few days prior to the start of the Summer II semester, and remain until the semester ends on August 12.

During their stay, students will participate in special curriculum that integrates ESL classes with U.S. and Texas culture enrichment activities five days a week. Enrichment activities will include field trips to various sites. Host families need only provide room, board and transportation to and from SCC, said Dr. Gerry Perkus, program coordinator and Professor of English at CCCCD. Students will be immersed in classes and other activities from 8 a.m.-5 p.m., which coincides with most work schedules, and host families need not provide transportation for field trips. In addition, the students are able to speak moderately good English and will provide their own spending money.

"This is a great opportunity to learn about another culture and form international bonds," Perkus added.

A videotape in which the students introduce themselves and send greetings in English is also available for viewing. An information meeting for host families has been set for June 6. Details on the meeting will be released at a later date.

To receive an application or for further information, contact Mimi Traynor at ext. 5810.



Director of CCCCD's nutrition and dietary program Marie Walt, left, and Dean of Math and Natural Science Sheryl Kappus, right, sit with Dr. Betty Alford, chair of the nutrition and food science department at Texas Women's University, as she signs an articulation agreement. The agreement will allow courses at CCCCD to transfer to TWU's program.



# EXPRESS SPORTS

## **CCCCD Signs Three Pitchers**

CCCCD head baseball coach Greg Dennis solidified some immediate help on the mound for the Express 1997-98 squad when he signed one left-handed and two right-handed pitchers.

South paw Jay Nowakowski of South Garland and righties Weylen Clary of Hurst L.D. Bell and Jason Mahurin of San Antonio MacArthur all recently signed national baseball letters of intent with CCCCCD.

## **CCCCD to Host Varsity Baseball Tryout**

CCCCD will host an open tryout for its men's 1997-98 varsity scholarship baseball team Friday, June 6 at CCCCCD's Sewell Field, located at SCC.

Competition begins at 10 a.m., and the tryout is open for all 1997 high school graduates or older who still have college eligibility remaining. Participants will compete in running, throwing and hitting exercises to vie for a spot on next season's Express roster.

The Express compete at the NJCAA Division I level in collegiate baseball, and are a member of the North Texas Junior College Athletic Conference with such rival programs as McLennan Community College, Vernon Regional Jr. College, Hill College, Ranger Jr. College, Brookhaven Community College, Grayson County College and North Central Texas Community College.

Call Express head coach Greg Dennis at ext. 5927 for more information.

## **Lady Express Netters Finish Third at National Tourney**

After suffering four near-devastating losses in the tournament's first day, CCCCCD bounced back to take a third place finish at the NJCAA Division II women's national tennis tournament held recently at Pima College in Tucson, AZ.

Making their seventh straight trip to the big dance, the Lady Express added three more names to their already hefty list of All-Americans: freshman Caroline Donders of the Netherlands, who was also named Intercollegiate Tennis Association Rookie of the Year, won out in flight No. 2 singles and sophomores Maria Villarreal of Big Spring and Debbie Hung of Plano East teamed up to take the flight No. 2 doubles championship.

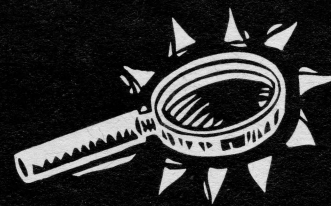
CCCCD entered the tournament's opening day ranked No. 2 in the country, behind powerhouse Miami Dade Community College, Fla. However, day one was not kind to the Lady Express, as they dropped defeats at the No. 1 singles, No. 5 singles, No. 6 singles and No. 3 doubles, many which were not anticipated by CCCCCD head coach Marty Berryman.

"When we got there, we had a lot of high hopes," said Berryman. "We know where our weak spots were, but losing as many as we did on the first day really put us in the hole. But I've got to give credit to our players. The girls could've given up, but when they realized it was still possible to finish in the top three or four, they stayed in there."

With their backs to the wall, Quad C climbed out of their predicament and scored important wins at No. 3 singles, No. 4 singles and No. 1 doubles. And after failing to make the standings the first day, finding themselves at third place at the tournament's end was quite impressive.

"This is a great group of girls," Berryman said. "We had a lot of great play out there, even with triple-digit temperatures. Our nerves got to us a little, but I can't fault any of us for lack of effort. Finishing third like that was a major, major accomplishment."

Coach Berryman continues CCCCCD's quest for a national title when the Express travel to Corpus Christi for the NJCAA Division II men's national tournament.



## **TECHNOLOGY UPDATE**

**Plans to improve technology at CCCCCD are on line.**

Goals in telecommunications include migrating the current wiring system to enable support of a high-speed data network, providing a foundation to allow voice, data and video on desktop in each classroom and maintaining a reliable network, according to Brian Boring, director of telecommunications.

To achieve these goals, telecommunications staff plan to rewire SCC and CPC using fiber and high-speed copper technology, install Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM) technology, install voice mail for faculty, integrate diagnostic tools into the network to diagnose problems, manage the network from a remote location to facilitate and accelerate repairs and upgrade the technology staff's skills.

The first of those goals was attained with the recent release of a pilot voice mail system, and Boring projects faster throughput for registration, new wiring and installation of appropriate electronics by fall.

Watch this section in future issues for more information on technology news and improvements.





## WELLNESS

### Wellness Awards

Once again it is time to give wellness awards (pedometers and t-shirts) to those who have gone beyond the call of duty.

At CPC Kim Sinclair received an award for having the best attendance record at the staff/faculty yoga class. Sylvia Kelley gets honorable mention for her help in spreading the word about our yoga class. Steve Hardy and Shari Swift at CYC acquired glowing accolades and an award for their diligence and unending commitment to the Wellness Program. At PRC Doris Littrell was honored for never missing a Blood Pressure Check. SCC houses many active participants, but Darla Murphy was a regular at the many diversified Wellness seminars. Karen King accepted an award for spearheading the staff/faculty tap dancing class and helping to make it a success. Sandra Morton shows us that walking 172 miles is no big deal, but we know clearly she is a winner.

A special thank you to: Liz Grimes, Karla Chunn, and Shari Swift for being wonderful liaisons; Ruth Payton, Annette Murphy for "being there;" Rex Parcells for his support; Sherri Rivers, Gloria Daniel, and Raquel Meyers for e-mailing and message taking; Mary Wright and Martha Ellis for helping us keep the tap dancing class; and Miguel Alarcon for all of his hours of dedication to tennis lessons.

Thanks to all of you for your help, participation and support of CCCC's Wellness Program.

### Individual Fitness Assessments

Available by appointment only. A fitness and nutritional guidance program is designed for the individual. Each assessment is confidential. If you're interested, contact Linda Adams at ext. 5777.

### Helpful Hint

Turn your break into a walking break. Even 10 minutes of activity can improve your mood, reduce stress and improve your health.

### Beginning Tennis Lessons

Mondays & Wednesdays 5-6:30 p.m.

SCC/Tennis Courts 7 & 8

Instructor: Miguel Alarcon

Please check in at fitness center desk before each class and check out when you are finished. Bring your tennis racquet.

### PHLEBOTOMY PROGRAM GRADUATES NINE STUDENTS

Graduates of CCCC's phlebotomy program were recognized at a special ceremony on May 8.

Nine students graduated from the program this year, according to instructor Anita Lau. The program, which is only one semester long, boasts an extraordinary success rate with a high number of students finding job placement at area hospitals. For additional information, contact Anita Lau at (972) 549-6840.

### CALEIDOSCOPE DEADLINES

Caleidoscope production for 1997 features a 5 p.m. Friday deadline. Please submit lengthy articles on a disk in ASCII-text format only to the Publications office, C225, Spring Creek Campus. Fax short items to ext. 5971. Call ext. 5614 for more information.

Deadline	Distribution	Issue
May 30	June 9	#358



### WHAT'S BREWING

#### •DON'T WAIT TO ORDER YOUR BUSINESS CARDS

Waiting until the last minute to order new business cards may leave you shorthanded. So instead of waiting until the last card has been given away, remember to order new business cards while you still have plenty remaining.

Business cards must be sent to the print shop in groups of 12, since the color shells have been pre-printed for a dozen names. As a result, the publications office must wait for 12 different names before sending the cards to the print shop, which can result in some delay.

For information call Corina Miller at ext. 5134.