



CCCMC and ECHS Students Partner for a Community Project

Residential Construction students from the Caldwell Career Center Middle College and Science students from the Early College High School recently teamed to complete a community service project. The project's purpose was to construct an outdoor classroom on the Greenway walking trail in the Lower Creek community. The Residential Construction students built a kiosk that will be used to display information about water quality in our community as well as other important facts and features. The Science students will keep the information in the display current for all community members to enjoy.



**Junior Applications Due
March 31st!**

*Thank you to Mrs. Roxy Poovey, Mr. Grayson Beane,
and Mr. Guy Myers for their presentations to rising
Juniors! Awesome job!*

**Spring Break
March 21-March 28**

**Students must attend their college
classes on Friday, March 21!**

Washington Trip—March 6-8, 2007

(By: Grayson Beane)

Some of us hadn't slept at all, some of us had only had an hour or two of sleep, and some of us had slept for hours; but all of us were on the bus and ready to go to Washington at 5 am on Thursday morning. Some of us had been there before, and some of us were going for the first time, but that didn't matter either cause this time we were going together. The Caldwell Career Center Middle College students were going to the nation's capital.



Since the Seniors had been there before, their trip was a bit different from the Juniors' trip. They toured Washington by way of the Metro and visited the Washington Zoo; a neat place with many unique animals.

We saw the embassies. It would have helped to know the flags of all the countries. We found out that each embassy is a little piece of that country sitting right there in the USA. The bus driver took us to the White House where we all lined up in the dark and had a picture taken. A few of us yelled "Hello" to George W., but he must not have

been home cause he didn't holler back.

We stayed in College Park, Maryland at a pretty cool hotel that served a free breakfast. Some of the guys and a few girls played a few pranks, but not many and nobody got too mad either night. The hotel sure was fun though. We probably got to know each other better those two nights than we had all year.

For two days we toured Washington. We saw all the monuments and memorials. It seems like everyone had a different favorite. The museums were cool too. The construction students were happy to find

a building museum. We saw construction materials and techniques of the future. At the Natural History Museum we saw the Hope Diamond, but the favorite museum for most of the group was the Air and Space Museum. Planes hang from the ceiling. Rockets and space vehicles are all over the place. If a person wants to, he can crawl in a simulator and fly a jet. It's not free though.



We went to the Capitol for a tour. The security there is tight. We found out that steel toed boots will set off a metal detector. There is a place in the building where a person can hear everything that is said in the room, even a whisper. John Quincy Adams discovered it and used it to listen in on his colleagues.

We had a great time in Washington, and we can't wait to go somewhere else. The Caldwell Career Center Middle College believes in hands on education and travel. It was a good trip for all of us, but we were glad to be home too. Thanks to Mr. Jesse Fox, Ms. Tonia Olson, Mrs. Kimberly Poole, and Mr. Nathan Relken for taking us to see our Capital.

Community Board Meeting



On Monday, February 25, CCCMC participated in the Community Board of Education meeting at South Caldwell High School. CCCMC students presented a project portfolio for the students, parents, and School Board members. Mr. Isaac Beane described and displayed a "temporary service" that he had built in his Electrical Technology class. Mr. Carson Annis identified the parts of the three systems in a house: the floor system, the wall system, and the roof system that he had learned in his Residential Construction Technology class. Mr. Clifton Stone explained an oil-based computer that he was

building in his Information Technology class.

Thanks to the students for a job well done!

Senior Reminders



As we near graduation time, which is hard to believe, we will begin listing reminders to Seniors. Please be aware of the following:

- ⇒ If you have not paid your Senior fees; \$35 is now due if you pay before April 11. After April 11, the fees are \$40. These fees will be used to make your graduation ceremony very special.
- ⇒ Lunch charges must all be paid before graduation.
- ⇒ College library fines and parking tickets must be paid before graduation.
- ⇒ May 8-16—Senior PEP Meeting or a form to be sent to parents
- ⇒ May 22—CTE Graduation practice at 1:30 at the Broyhill Civic Center (practice is mandatory).
- ⇒ May 22—CTE Graduation Celebration at 7:00 at the Broyhill Civic Center (six guests maximum).
- ⇒ May 23—Graduation practice at 9:00 at the HUB (practice is mandatory).
- ⇒ May 23—Class picture in caps and gowns at the HUB.
- ⇒ May 23—Lunch for graduates at 12:00 at CCCMC.
- ⇒ May 23—Graduation at 7:00 at the HUB (ten guests maximum).
- ⇒ If you are going to attend Caldwell Community College next year, please see Mrs. Williams. You must complete an application as soon as possible. Also, please check scholarship opportunities.



Prom News

The Prom is Saturday, May 3, 2008 at the Broyhill Civic Center from 8:00 until 12:00. Prom fees may be paid according to the following schedule:

Dates	Cost
March 3-31	\$25 per person; \$40 per couple
April 1-18	\$30 per person; \$50 per couple

No prom fees will be accepted after April 18, 2008. Paying in advance is helpful as it affords you a discount and allows for the ordering of decoration materials and food well in advance. Higher prices and extra costs are often the result of late orders by the school.

Prom guest applications are approved on a case-by-case basis. Guest applications are available now from Mrs. Williams. The Guest Application form will have the guidelines for all prospective guests. No guest applications will be accepted after April 18, 2008. Prom pictures will be available from Mr. Vines. Picture flyers are available in the lobby of CCCMC.

March/April Birthdays!



Lacey Bass	March 1
Mr. Grayson Beane	March 1
Cody Vaughan	March 2
Joshua Rich	March 11
Kayla Poovey	March 11
Tiffany Bratcher	March 19
Matthew Williams	March 22
Aaron Stamper	March 25
Robert Colley	March 30
Kiaya Beheler	March 31
Bonnie Shull	April 19
Austin Conway	April 22
Junior Watson	April 26
Jasmin Dula	April 30

PAC News

Congratulations to Karen Wakeham who won the computer drawing on Monday, March 17!

Plans are now being finalized for the prom. Volunteers are needed from 8:00-2:00 at the Broyhill Civic Center on Saturday, May 3. Please contact Wendy McGhinnis via e-mail at wmcghinnis@charter.net or call her at 310.3521. Thanks for your help to make this a special prom for our students!

PAC Meeting
(Parents' Advisory Council)
Tuesday, April 1st
6:00 p.m., Room J246



Seniors Enjoy GlobeWorks

GlobeWorks is a high-energy, 50-minute touring production featuring four professional actors performing scenes from Shakespeare's most well-known and studied plays. Revised annually, GlobeWorks provides audiences with an opportunity to experience the excitement of Shakespeare's plays in a live, interactive environment, just the way Shakespeare intended his plays to be enjoyed. As an arts-in-education program, GlobeWorks is the perfect introduction to Shakespeare for students. For over 25 years, GlobeWorks has performed in theatres, auditoriums, gymnasiums, audio-visual rooms, libraries and social halls across North Carolina and the southeast, reaching an average of 30,000 students and adults annually.*

On Thursday, March 13, CCCMC Seniors traveled to West Caldwell High School to enjoy this presentation. Mark Reighard volunteered to serve as a character actor during one of the scenes. Students watched scenes from Othello, Romeo & Juliet and Hamlet.

*North Carolina Shakespeare Festival



Juniors Travel to Biltmore House

(By: Grayson Beane)

We believe that seeing is always better than hearing about, so when we heard from Ms. Olson about the rich people and their homes in this country at the turn of the last century, we wanted to see for ourselves. Now, we are lucky here in this area that right up the road, in Asheville, we have a great example of that wealth in the Biltmore House, so on March 14, we loaded up the bus and went there to see for ourselves.

Wow! The Biltmore House is the largest privately owned residence in the country. It is so big a person almost needs an extra eye to see it all. Mr. Vanderbilt wanted a French castle in the middle of the Blue Ridge, and he had the money to make it happen. When he built the house, he had a private railroad that brought materials right up to the front door. He had so much land that a man on a horse couldn't get to the boundary in less than three days. One man's job was to check the property line. When he left for work, he'd be gone for two weeks.

Our construction folks learned about how the house was built. The tour guides explain the process from idea to finished product, and the tour includes blue prints, plans, and a scale model of the house. We saw photographs of the house in various stages of construction.

The house was completed in the early 1900s, so we were surprised to learn that the house was completely electric. The Vanderbilt family enjoyed electric lights and an electric elevator. The engineers used the French Broad River and generators to make electricity, so the family didn't worry about a monthly electric bill.

Most people around Asheville didn't have indoor plumbing in 1900. When nature called, they headed for the outhouse or the great outdoors, but the Vanderbilt family had flushing indoor toilets. The tanks were really high above the seat and not directly behind a person as they are now. We were wondering if there was ever a time when they had a problem and the water landed on someone's head.

The house has an indoor swimming pool that they heated with steam. Working at the pool was a bad job because there was no chlorine. The pool was drained every 5 days and scrubbed before it was refilled.

Biltmore House is full of art. The ceiling of the library is one big painting that Mr. Vanderbilt brought from Europe. Napoleon's chess board is on display. There are so many tapestries hanging on the walls, we can't remember them all.

We all found something about the house that related to our CTE program of study. Going to the Biltmore House is the kind of thing that the Career Center Middle College is all about. We like to learn by doing.



Market Street Research

Market Street Research, Inc. is an organization that provides quantitative and qualitative marketing research and in-depth analysis to organizations who want to improve—their image, their competitiveness, their marketing, etc. Caldwell County is using Market Street Research to conduct custom marketing research. On Tuesday, March 4, Cameron Chandler and Jordan Hoyle participated in the education portion of the research answering questions about their educational opportunities in Caldwell County and in particular, Caldwell Career Center Middle College. Thanks to Cameron and Jordan for representing CCCMC so well!





Caleb Coffey, Joshua Rich, and Winston White earn their IC³ certification!

Students Earn IC³ Certification!

Internet and Computing Core Certification (IC³), sponsored by Certipoint, is the ideal certification for anyone who wants to demonstrate critical computer and Internet skills valued in today's academic and professional environments. Because digital literacy is vital to the success in both of these endeavors, IC³ is the perfect credential for both students and employees.

Three Juniors, Caleb Coffey, Josh Rich, and Winston White, have just recently earned their IC³ national certification by passing the three required tests: Computing Fundamentals, Key Applications, and Living Online. Congratulations!!



Engineering Technology Major Coming to CCCMC!

Project Lead the Way (PLTW) is a project-based, problem-solving program that is hands-on, which fits into what the Career Center Middle College is all about. PLTW is a national program whose purpose is to get students interested in engineering pathways. PLTW has developed a four-year sequence of courses which, when combined with college preparatory mathematics and science courses in high school, introduces students to the scope, rigor, and discipline of engineering and engineering technology prior to entering college.

All Engineering majors will take PLTW courses Introduction to Engineering Design, Principles of Engineering, and Digital Electronics. Additional Engineering Technology college courses will also be available for these students. In the Senior year, students will complete Engineering Design and Development, which is a capstone course which allows students to design and construct a solution to an open-ended engineering problem.



CCCMC House (#5) Progress

The fifth Career Center house is progressing nicely. The sheet rock is complete; the hardwood floors are now being installed. The siding is almost complete. This house has three bedrooms, two and one-half baths, and a full basement. The second floor has two bedrooms and one bathroom. The master bedroom is located on the main floor. The house has a double-car garage with attic storage. The house, located on 113 Deer Ridge Drive, Lot #134, in the Deer Creek subdivision, will be available for sale this summer.

CCCMC has purchased two additional building lots in this same development to prepare for the sixth and seventh Career Center houses. Deer Creek is a very popular subdivision in Hudson and in very close proximity to CCCMC making transportation to the house convenient.



Congrats to Ted Esch!

This past weekend, Ted Esch and his Hibriten swim teammates competed in the Blue Ridge Swim League Short Course Championships. Ted won first place in the 500 Freestyle competition and first place in the 200 Fly competition. In the 400 Individual Medley, Ted earned his best time which is now the new team record. He also earned fifth place in the 200 Free and scored his best time (1:47) which is also a new team record. In the 100, Ted also earned his own best time of 49:89. Congratulations Ted!

Guessing Game

To get those brains thinking again after the semester break, Ms. Wengerd sponsored a contest. A container of candy, Valentines Day cherry hearts, was put in the office. The students guessed how many hearts were in a jar shaped like a cylinder. Students, as well as teachers, made their best guess for the number in the jar for a \$25 award. Congratulations to Senior Clifton Stone who guessed closest with 423 and won the \$25. The actual number was 427.



March/April 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9	10	11 Happy Birthday, Josh Rich! Happy Birthday, Kayla Poovey!	12 School pictures	13 Senior field trip to Globeworks at WCHS SHBA presen- tation at Bo's at 6:30	14 Junior field trip to Biltmore House	15
16	17 Report cards/ newsletters distributed Computer Drawing!	18	19 Blue Ridge Internship Student Interviews; 8:30-11:30 Faculty meeting at 2:45 Happy Birthday, Tiffany Bratcher!	20 Fast Food Day! Hat Day for Special Olym- pics; donate \$1! Please see Mr. Beane.	21 Holiday Students MUST attend their college classes.	22 Happy Birthday, Matt Williams!
23	24	25 Happy Birthday, Mr. Vines! Happy Birthday, Aaron Stamper!	26	27	28	29
 <p>← Spring Break—no school for students or teachers! →</p>						
30	31 Junior Applications due for potential new students Happy Birthday, Kiaya Beheler!	1 PAC Meeting at 6:00 in J246	2 Faculty meeting at 2:45	3 Freshmen Interviews from 3:30-5:30	4 Limited Transporta- tion Day	5
6	7	8 Freshmen Interviews from 3:30-5:30	9 Faculty meeting at 2:45 (PAC Snacks)	10 SHBA meeting at 2:45	11 CCS Employment Fair 9-12 at the Broyhill Civic Center	12 Caldwell Reads from 10-1; Caldwell County Fairgrounds
13	14	15	16	17	18 Mid-point of the fourth nine weeks	19
 <p>← SkillsUSA State Conference In Greensboro →</p>						

Please check out CCCMC's website for more information!
<http://cc.caldwellschools.com>