



# CCHS NEWS JULY 2008

## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER...

- July 14 Open Forum with President Sheppard
- Fall tuition invoices out
- Student services information session
- TST Clinic
- July 17 Sim center open house

### NEW EMPLOYEES

Larry Turner has joined the college in the role of Institutional Technology Specialist. Larry has an associates degree in network technology from CPCC and has also worked at CPCC. He was a contract employee with CHS Information Systems prior to coming to the college. Larry is originally from Roanoke, VA and has been in Charlotte since 2002. Larry's office is in room 221 and he can be reached by phone at 704-355-7577. Welcome aboard, Larry!

### COMPUTER LAB NEWS AND HOURS\*

We are also pleased to announce the hiring of Charlene Bellamy as the Learning Technology Specialist mainly responsible for the computer lab at CCHS. Charlene comes to the college with a degree in computer science from UNCC and experience working at Wachovia and UPS. Please stop by and welcome her to the college!

#### Lab Hours for July:

Monday - Thursday	8:00 am - 7:00 pm
Friday**	8:00 am - 4:00 pm (**except July 4 <sup>th</sup> )
Saturday	11:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Sunday	1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

\*Hours are subject to change so please call ahead (704-355-7572) on weekends to ensure that the lab is open. As a reminder...food and drink are not allowed in the lab.

### FALL 2008 TUITION INVOICES

Fall tuition invoices will be mailed starting the week of July 14<sup>th</sup>. Your payment will be due by Aug. 18. If you have not completed a 2008-2009 FAFSA (financial aid application) and expect to receive federal aid or loans, please complete the application online as soon as possible at [www.FAFSA.ed.gov](http://www.FAFSA.ed.gov).

### ON-SITE TST CLINICS

TST clinics here at the college are suspended through the summer months. Students who will need their yearly skin test in July or August will need to go to Employee Health. College clinics will resume in September.

### LEARN ABOUT CCHS PROGRAM ADMISSION

Student services holds information sessions for those who are interested in finding out about all the programs that we offer. All sessions run from 4 - 5:50 p.m. Check out the daily schedule for room assignments. If you're a general education student wanting to know more about our programs, contact Joy Godwin at the front desk or call 704.355.5051 to sign up for the session of your choice. The next sessions will be held on July 14 & 28 (check bulletin board in lobby for room location). If you would like more information on our Clinical Laboratory Science/Medical Technology program, contact Betty Anderson, Program Director, at 704.355.4275. If you would like more information on our Emergency Medical Science pro-

gram, contact John Tartt, Program Director, at 704.355.1721.

### INTERESTED IN MORE IN-DEPTH CONTENT REVIEW FOR A&P? Check out the summer schedule:

<i>BIO 101 (A&amp;P I)</i>	Thursday 1:00-2:00	Room 161 (240 on 7/17)
<i>BIO 102 (A&amp;P II)</i>	Wednesday 11:00-12:00	Check daily schedule for room number.
	Friday 9:00-10:00	Check daily schedule for room number.

### INTERESTED IN PART-TIME OR PRN WORK AS A STUDENT?

Contact Nancy Watkins at CCHS (704-355-4025, [Nancy.Watkins@carolinahhealthcare.org](mailto:Nancy.Watkins@carolinahhealthcare.org)) or Beatriz Rodriguez, CMC Recruitment Specialist (704-355-1954, [Beatriz.Rodriguez@carolinahhealthcare.org](mailto:Beatriz.Rodriguez@carolinahhealthcare.org)).

### ITS TIME TO GET GREEN!

A number of students have asked about and proposed ideas for more aggressive, effective, and thoughtful recycling at CCHS. You've been heard! Recycling within a large hospital campus presents special challenges, but the good news is that CMC is also working on becoming more green so the timing is ideal. We hope to kick off our new green initiative this fall. If you want to be a part of it, please see Joy (front desk) to add your name to the list. We'll work on an organizational meeting during the first week of fall semester.

### YOU'RE INVITED!! CAROLINAS SIMULATION CENTER OPEN HOUSE

Please join us at the new Carolinas Simulation Center for a first look at our new simulators. The open house will take place from 2:00 until 5:00 pm on Thursday, July 17<sup>th</sup>. Refreshments will be provided. Get a first hand look at our top of the line patient simulation suites and the brand new procedural simulation suite. View our new Noelle birthing simulator or practice on our new arthroscopy and laparoscopy models. You will be able to try your hand at central line placement or see what you can do to help TraumaMan! Please call Christina Acker at (704) 355 - 7879 or Dawn Swiderski at 704.355.8260 if you have any questions or would like to volunteer to assist with the grand opening.

### OPEN FORUM

This month's open forum with Dr. Ellen Sheppard, President of CCHS, takes place on Monday, July 14 from 12:00 - 12:45 in room 137. Come on down, she'd love to hear your concerns or just talk about issues important to you and your success.

### SUMMER LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

Carolinan College has created a new leadership course being offered for the first time this summer. The Summer Leader-

ship Institute is a one-week, two semester-credit hour course designed to be an intensive exploration of leadership development. An additional one credit hour can be earned by participating in an experiential opportunity during the fall semester where you will have the opportunity to put your new leadership skills into practice in the community. The course will be offered July 21 through July 25 from 8:30am to 3:30pm. In conjunction with this course, the College has partnered with Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools (CMS) to invite 75 high school students to take this course in preparation for a mentoring program these students will take part in during the coming academic year. If you are interested in signing up for this course, please contact Hampton Hopkins in Student Services to register.

### **STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION NEWS: CLASS GIFT OF 2008**

SGA would like to invite you to enjoy the new "Cafe" themed break area in the locker room. This project was donated by the Class of 2008. SGA works year round holding fundraisers to purchase a gift to the college from the graduating class. We hope that you will stop by to enjoy the new atmosphere and we ask that you take pride in CCHS and appreciate this gift by cleaning up after you use it. Paper towels and cleaning solution will be provided on the microwave shelving unit. Thanks so much for supporting our fundraisers in the past year to make this gift possible! ENJOY!

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

- Carolinas HealthCare System, the parent organization of CCHS, is the 3rd largest public healthcare system in the US?
- CHS owns or manages 17 hospitals in two states?
- CHS employs over 1200 physicians?

### **PHI THETA KAPPA UPDATE FOR JULY**

**Meetings:** The board will be meeting in August to set the schedule for the fall. More information will be posted around school and on the yahoo group! (Search the yahoo group site for PhiThetaKappa\_CCHS)

**Fellowship:** We will be having a fellowship event on July 12<sup>th</sup> from 3 to 7pm, location to be confirmed. Keep your eye on the newsletter and the yahoo group for more information.

**Leadership:** We are proud to welcome four new board members!

Kristy Bochniak: President

Jennifer Buell: Vice President

Patti Reese: Recording secretary

Sara Rushing: Public Relations secretary

Danielle Fowler: Outreach secretary

**New Members:** We are happy to welcome our new nursing and rad tech members. We will be holding another induction in the fall. Phi Theta Kappa is not a traditional fraternity/sorority, but an international honor society. For more information, see one of our board members.

### **CONGRATULATIONS TO DR. LORI LIEVING**

Dr. Lieving has been named the college's Director of General Education and Learning Resources. Formerly the college Instructional Research Coordinator, Dr. Lieving assumes the new position in early August. This new position combines co-

ordination of all general education classes and curriculum (English, Psychology, Math, Biology, etc.) with coordination of outside educational resources such as the AHEC library.

### **CCHS ANNOUNCES NEW 5-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN**

The college recently completed its 2008 - 2012 strategic plan. By the end of July overview of our "Bridge to 2012" will be available on the website and in the form of a brochure. Study it to be "in the know" on where we're headed.

### **RAD TECH ALUMNUS NAMED TO COLLEGE BOARD**

The college welcomes the newest member of the CCHS Board of Directors, Ginger Walker. Ms. Walker is a 1976 graduate of our radiologic technology program and is currently employed by Philips Medical Systems, a major supplier of medical imaging products.

### **HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY!**

The college will be closed on July 4th. This means all administrative offices, labs, and quiet study areas are closed. Have a safe and joyous day as you celebrate the founding of our nation.



### **COMPLIANCE CORNER:**

National Patient Safety Goals are formulated by Joint Commission based on problems identified with patient care and with the aim to solve those problems. One priority goal is to help patients to be involved with their care. Over the years this has included patient pre operative teaching to improve outcomes and compliance post operatively. Discharge teaching is done to prepare patients to transition to home and assume maintenance of their health with whatever support systems are deemed necessary. More recently, efforts have been directed at teaching patients and family members how to direct any concerns or complaints about patient care and safety to the right source. At CMC, nurse managers or assistant managers may be the ones on a particular unit to visit each patient to assess their hospital experience. Another initiative is the use of the Code Care Line (CMC-Main 5-5000) to provide patients and families a way to voice concern about a medical care issue or a communication issue. Remember to keep the patient as a participant in their care and be sure they know how to direct their concerns. It is a national patient safety goal, so it is a goal of everyone on the healthcare team.