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From the President's Desk

First I would like to take this a moment to introduce myself. My name is Ken Collins and I am an officer in the Campus Security Department. In June I was elected as the new President of Executive Staff Council, succeeding Rodger Campbell.

On June 25, 2007 the Staff Council Executive Committee held its first monthly meeting as the newly elected group. I recommend taking a look at our updated website to view our new members and learn more about the committee. Please visit the following webpage:

<http://www.lc3net/LCCC/CommitteesandOrganizations/StaffCouncil/StaffCouncilHome.Normal.1174.lccc>

We have a plethora of great ideas and initiatives that we are striving to put together over the next two years. One of these events will take place in June 2008 when we host the Ohio Staff Councils of Higher Education (OSCHE) summer conference. We hosted this event in 2005 and it was a great success. We will have many visitors from various colleges around the state visiting for this two-day event.

Also on the agenda is the Annual Spring Break extravaganza in April of 2008. Next year's focus will be similar to that of Route 66, except a little further down the road.

I look forward to working with the team that has been assembled and I believe it will be a very productive year.

Kenneth H. Collins
Staff Council President
'07-'09

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LCCC TO HOST OSCHE MEETING

Submitted by Tim Howard

LCCC will be hosting OSCHE's first Executive Board Meeting August 2, 2007. The purpose for the meeting will be to frame the upcoming year's events and the summer conference which will be held here at LCCC sometime in May of 2008. The new OSCHE Executive Staff Committee is made of up of:

President - Tim Howard (Lorain County Community College)

Vice President - Joanna Stoltzfus (Ohio University)

Treasurer - Tami Smith (Wright State University)

Secretary - Lorrie Sawaie (Bowling Green University)

Parliamentarian - Brad Nicodemus (The Ohio State)

OSCHE EXECUTIVE MEETING

August 2nd, 2007

Lorain County Community College

Tentative Agenda

10:00 a.m. Greetings & Welcome Breakfast - Tim Howard, President of OSCHE

10:30-12:00 p.m. – Guest – Rocky Campana on Part-Timers' Health Insurance Discussion

12:00-1:00 p.m. – Lunch

1:00-2:00 p.m. Guest – Dolly Cooper on Jewelry Fund Raiser

2:00-4:00 p.m. Housekeeping Topics

- Advertising OSCHE – *Chronicle of Higher Education*
- Fund Raising
- Membership Fees
- President's Advisory Board
- Recruitment
- Schedule Yearly Meetings w/ Topics
- School Meeting w/ Council Members
- Training Future Leaders
- Vision/Mission Statement
- Web Page Updates



Back row left to right: Miguel Rivera, Vice President, LCCC Executive Committee Staff Council, Brad Nicodemus (Ohio State) OSCHE Parliamentarian, Lorrie Sawaie (Bowling Green University) OSCHE Secretary, Ken Collins, President LCCC Executive Committee Staff Council, Tim Howard (Lorain County Community College) OSCHE President

Front row left to right: Tami Smith (Wright State University) OSCHE Treasurer, Joanna Stoltzfus (Ohio University) OSCHE Vice President

The LCCC Convocation

Wednesday, August 15, 2007

8:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. in
Stocker Center and
the Spitzer Conference Center.

Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. and the program begins at 8:30 a.m.

The theme for this year's Convocation is "Imagining Our Future through Abundance." Please register in advance at <http://www.lorainccc.edu/convocation> or by calling extension 4042.

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Lorain County Community College Staff Council Executive Committee Meeting

Tuesday, June 19, 2007
2:30pm – 4:00pm, SP 210

Minutes

Members PRESENT: Rodger Campbell, Ken Collins, Judy DeMarino, Julie Ford, Chelly Gonzalez, Tracey Maxwell, Cheryl Miltner, Miguel Rivera, Miriam Silva and Dussina Warfield

Members ABSENT: Peggy Betts, Kelly Meyer, Mike Mielcarek, Nate Neeland, Theresa Sullinger and Teddy Witt

New Members PRESENT: Sandra Daniels, Mike Harmych, Gina Maxwell, Sun Jamerson, Andrea Lyndes and Fran McCaffrey

New Members ABSENT: Dan Carrero

Past President PRESENT: Tim Howard

1. Meeting called to order at 2:55pm

2. Approval of Minutes: Approval of the March meeting minutes with corrections was moved by Tracy Maxwell and seconded by Ken Collins. The motion carried.

3. Open Business

- OSCE Report: Tim Howard has accepted another term as president. Staff Council members were able to participate with the OSCE Conference held at Ohio University in Columbus on June 14 & 15, 2007. The next OSCE Conference is to be held at LCCC in June of 2008.
- Spring Break was a success. Next year's event will continue the Route 66 path.

4. New Business

- Rodger Campbell has appointed Peggy Betts to the ex-officio position as his replacement.

- Members ending their terms were recognized for their participation with Staff Council.
- New members were inducted in the Staff Council Executive Committee. Sandra Daniels became representative for Group 1, Andrea Lyndes became the representative for Group 4, Miguel Rivera (second term) became representative for Group 8, Dan Carrero became representative for Group 9, Sun Jamerson became representative for Group 10, Gina Maxwell became representative for Group 12, Mike Harmych became representative for Group 11 and Fran McCaffrey became at-large representative.
- Election of Officers:
 - ✓ Tracey Maxwell nominated Ken Collins as President and the motion was seconded by Fran McCaffrey. All were in favor.
 - ✓ Sandra Daniels nominated Miguel Rivera as Vice-President and the motion was seconded by Gina Maxwell. All were in favor.
 - ✓ Gina Maxwell nominated Miriam Silva as Secretary/Treasurer and the motion was seconded by Tracey Maxwell. All were in favor.

5. Adjournment

Next Meeting, July 11, 2007 – 2:30 -

4:00pm, location to be announced.

*Minutes submitted by
Miriam Silva,
SCEC Secretary/Treasurer*

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THE 14TH ANNUAL
LORAIN COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

FAMILYFEST

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2007
NOON TO 6 P.M.

On the campus of Lorain County Community College,
1005 North Abbe Road, Elyria, Ohio

Food, Fun, Artfest, Rides and Kids Activities
Check out LCCC and its University Partnership during
this all day open house!

**Free Admission
to Festival.**

(Kiddie Ride Tickets are \$2 each or \$10 for an all-day
wrist band. Available the day of the event.)

**Want More Info?
Call (440) 366-4109
or visit
www.lorainccc.edu/familyfest**



G3 Band



Hue People



**Paul Kiska
TV 5 personality**



Colin Dussault's Blues Project

Computer Tips

By Diane Nott

Source: worldstart.com

CD and DVD Space

Have you ever wondered how much space CDs and DVDs have on them? I mean, if you do a lot of CD or DVD burning, you need to know how much room you'll have, right? It's pretty much the most important piece of information you need to know before you start any burning projects. Well, I'm here today to give you all the scoop, so listen up!

I'm going to start with CDs, because I'm guessing more of you use CDs on a regular basis over DVDs. There are several different sizes of blank CDs that you can buy, including 21, 74, 80, 90 and 99 minutes long. The most popular though, as far as I know, is the 80 minute CD. This translates to approximately 700 MB of open space. If you were making a music CD (you know, throwing a bunch of your favorite songs all onto one CD), you could fit around 20 songs (give or take a few) on one 80 minute CD, depending on how long the songs are. Cool, huh?!

Now, on to DVDs. Most blank DVDs can hold up to 4.4 GB of data. Most of the package labels will say 4.7 GB, but that's pretty much just a marketing ploy. If you're burning a movie, pictures, etc. onto the DVD, by the time everything is actually said and done, you can only fit 4.4 GB of material on one single DVD. That's nothing to be upset about though. That sure adds up to a lot of information on one tiny little disk. So, now that you know how much space you have when you're working with CDs and DVDs, you can plan ahead to get the most out of your work!

Using the Keyboard for Some Highlighting Fun

Here's another quick key combination you can use in MS Excel!

This one allows you to highlight an entire row or column with just two keys and no mouse. Here's how:

- **Ctrl + Spacebar** will highlight the column of the cell currently selected.
- **Shift + Spacebar** will highlight the row of the cell currently selected.

You can then combine this information with the **Shift + Arrow keys** to highlight several rows or columns. There you have it. Just a couple more tricks to add to your ever growing list of keyboard shortcuts. Happy highlighting, everyone!

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QUICK MOVIE REVIEW

by Barb Armstrong

Fracture: This is one of those thrillers—a whodunit type of film where you really don't know what happened until the end. I thoroughly enjoyed this movie, but then anything with Anthony Hopkins in it is good, as far as I'm concerned. In *Fracture* he plays a very wealthy and brilliant aeronautical engineer, Ted Crawford, who is married to Jennifer (Embeth Davidtz). Jennifer, rich and bored, is having an affair with Willy Beachum (Ryan Gosling), who just happens to work in the District Attorney's office. Ted finds out about the affair and shoots her in the face, and (surprise) the prosecutor called in just happens to be her lover. The movie has a courtroom drama that pits a very clever Anthony Hopkins (acting as his own attorney) against the young prosecutor/wife's lover. I won't say any more, because it would give away the ending.

Recommendation: This is probably not in theaters any more, so rent it as soon as it comes out.

Wild Hogs: I loved this movie! It had a great cast and was hilariously funny! Four guys Doug (Tim Allen), Woody (John Travolta), Bobby (Martin Lawrence), Dudley (William H. Macy), who happen to belong to a feeble motorcycle gang (Wild Hogs) to relive their past, are suffering from mid-life crisis. When Woody decides they should take a cross-country road trip on their bikes, all hell breaks loose. In New Mexico they run into a real motorcycle gang called the Del Fuegos who steal one of the Wild Hog's bikes. The rest of the movie is set in a quiet New Mexican town, that ends up not so quiet when the Hogs and Fuegos battle it out.

Recommendation: This is probably not in theaters any more, so rent it as soon as it comes out.

Shrek the Third: This movie was every bit as good as the first two. It still has that double level of humor, one for kids and one for adults that made the other two Shreks great family movies. When Princess Fiona's (Cameron Diaz) father takes ill and dies (even this was funny), he wills the kingdom to Shrek (Mike Myers). Shrek is an ogre, not a king, so he sets out to find a long lost forgotten son that the king had tucked away in some boarding school. Of course, Donkey (Eddie Murphy) and Puss in Boots (Antonio Banderas) accompany him on his quest. Meanwhile, back at the kingdom, Princess Fiona, who is pregnant, leads the other princesses (Snow White,

Cinderella, Rapunzel, etc.) in a revolt against the jilted Prince Charming, who returns to take over the kingdom after King Harold dies. Mayhem ensues in both subplots and all kinds of storybook characters are called upon to help, including Cookie, who is my favorite.

Recommendation: This may be in the "cheap" theater by now, so you have no excuse to go see it.

Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End: I must have been tired, because I had trouble following the plot of this third Pirate's movie. (Had you noticed that this is the summer of the thirds?) Elizabeth (Keira Knightley), Will (Orlando Bloom), and Barbossa (Geoffrey Rush), rescue Jack Sparrow (Johnny Depp) from the land of the dead. Now they must join together to fight Davy Jones (Bill Nighy) and Lord Beckett (Tom Hollander), who have formed an evil alliance to wipe out all the remaining pirates. The pirates form an alliance of their own and some really great battle scenes take place in this movie, one of which is in a maelstrom. I found this to be a very far-fetched story line, borrowing from deep sea tales and Greek Mythology, as well as from history (and don't forget this series of movies was based on a Disney ride!). However, it did make a good action-packed movie.

Recommendation: It's worth the price of admission to go see it now. I wish I had watched the second Pirates movie again before I saw this one.

Two Words Come from Two Clues By Diane Nott

Question 1:

Name two outdoor sports, or games, in seven letters. The first two letters of the first sport's name are the same as the first two letters in the second sport's name. And the last two letters of first sport's name, are the same as the last two letters in the second sport's name. And here's a hint: The names do not end in NG. What sports, or outdoor games, are these?

Question 2:

What do the words below have in common?
ADAM CLAIM GALL BUOY FOND
RAMP

Source: npr.org & thinks.com

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Dear Reader

Submitted by Peggy Nesbit

The Left Hand of Darkness

By Ursula K. Le Guin

I just finished reading a book I know I read in high school but had long since forgotten. All I remembered was that *The Left Hand of Darkness* was about an alien envoy on a planet caught in the middle of an ice age and that the envoy and a native ended up walking across a glacier. I had forgotten a lot.

Published in 1969, *The Left Hand of Darkness* won the two most prestigious awards in science fiction—the Nebula Award and the Hugo Award—and rightly so. Le Guin says in her introduction that the book is a thought-experiment rather like Mary Shelley imagining what would happen if a young doctor created a human being in his laboratory and that a thought-experiment is just another way to describe our present reality. There may be space ships and telepathy but, in the end, the story is more about us than it is about aliens.

The main character is an earthling, Genly Ai, sent to a distant glacial planet called Gethen. While there, he is befriended by the country of Karhide’s prime minister, Estraven. But all is political intrigue and Estraven is declared a traitor and must flee to the neighboring country of Orgoreyn. Ai is shuttled aside because of fear in Karhide and eventually also goes to Orgoreyn. He tries to tell these people about his people and the Ekumen, a confederation of planets joined together in cooperation. The Ortoga don’t believe him either and he is sent to what is eerily similar to a forced labor camp. (Orgoreyn all around is remarkably similar to the USSR.) Estraven rescues him and together they walk across a glacier in the dead of winter.

This may sound as if she simply took our own countries and political systems and transplanted them to another world but there is one great difference between Ai and Estraven and the rest of the Gethenians. Ai is a human male but the Gethenians are all androgynes—humans with both male and female anatomy and the capability of bearing or siring children. Le Guin’s thought-experiment is really about what such a society of hermaphrodites would be like—that and what a technologically advanced society in the grip of an ice age would be like.

I’ve come to the conclusion in my many years of reading that sometimes the greatness of a book is in its ability to make me cry. And the ending of this one made me cry—again. (I’m sure I must have cried when I first read it years ago and perhaps that is why I pushed it out of my mind and only remembered that I really liked it.) Having said that, however, I still highly recommend this novel as more than what some would consider “escapist” science fiction. There’s no escape here because we are them and they are us.

Grade: A+

Puzzle Answers from page 5

First Answer: Cricket and Croquet

Second Answer: Each can have ANT appended to it to form a new word.

Bat Cave Update

Submitted by Peggy Nesbit

Just thought I’d let everyone know that my solution of closing the sliding glass door on my apartment in the evening didn’t work. Several weeks ago, I had another home invasion of the batty kind. The apartment management has not been very helpful so I guess it’s time to look for another apartment.

Perhaps you can help me:

As it stands, I would like a two-bedroom apartment (or rental house or duplex) in a good neighborhood near the college, preferably Elyria.

The biggest issue I have is that I would dearly like to have a cat (or two!) again and need an apartment (or house or duplex) that will allow me to have my heart’s desire.

I was actually surprised to find that you truly can find anything on the internet and have a list of some complexes in Elyria that allow pets but I don’t know a thing about them. Any advice for me? My lease is up in December so I have a little time. Any assistance would be greatly appreciated!

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WACKY WE VIEW by Paul and Barb

This month is a review of all the places that we have visited over the years. See how many of them are out of business.

Barb: What fantastic establishment are we going to review this month?

Paul: There aren't a whole lot of restaurants left to go to in the area.

Barb: And unless we want to review Drug Mart or Giant Eagle, I guess there aren't too many other places to go to either.

Paul: Aren't most of the places we've reviewed out of business now?

Barb: Probably; why don't we do a word association with places we've visited – and bankrupted - just give a few impressions.

Paul: Like where?

Barb: Cracker Barrel.

Paul: Gift shop; rocking chairs; phony decor.

Barb: Anything else?

Paul: Wood fire smoke; down-home cookin'; faux décor.

Barb: Smokey Bones (Elyria).

Paul: Slow food; too many TV's; out-of-business.

Barb: The Tree House.

Paul: Quaint décor; gift shop; crab bisque.

Barb: Quaker Steak and Lube.

Paul: Corvette décor; buffet table; grease pit.

Barb: Lucky Find Shop:

Paul: Cheap junk; expensive junk; out-of-business.

Barb: China Buffet.

Paul: Chinese-fried everything; sushi; stuffed mushrooms.

Barb: Suzin-L's (Avon)

Paul: Chocolate; chocolate; chocolate; (and ice cream); out-of-business.

Barb: Gander Mountain.

Paul: Girls' guns; boys' guns; clothes.

Barb: Weiner Construction.

Paul: Beer; hot dogs; out-of-business.

Barb: Steak and Shake.

Paul: 50's decor; steak burgers; ice cream shakes.

Barb: Sugar Creek.

Paul: Corny décor; huge quantities of food; stuffed pepper soup.

Barb: Five n' Diner.

Paul: Poodle skirts, juke boxes, out-of-business.

Barb: Petrucci's Ice Cream:

Paul: Ice cream; cones; ice cream.

Barb: Wacky We View.

Paul: Funny; Silly; out-of-business (?).*

**The Wacky is currently taking suggestions for places to visit. Preferably they must be within 15 minutes of the college, so that we can get there during lunch. You can email us at bell.tower@lorainccc.edu. Thank you*

WE NEED YOU!!

The *Bell Tower Bulletin* is looking for a few good staff members who would like to add their two cents to our great publication!

No previous experience is necessary !!

You can join the *Bell Tower* Committee or submit a one-time article or photo.

Meetings are held once a month and (almost) any type of article, feature or photo will be accepted.

Have a great idea for an article but aren't comfortable writing about it? Contact editor Diane Nott and she'll find a "co-author" for you.

Just have an idea?

Let one of the *BTB* staff know and we'll work on it for you!

The *Bell Tower Bulletin* is a publication of the LCCC Staff Council and is for all LCCC staff members. It is distributed to all college employees and is available to the public via the lorainccc.edu website.

Now's the time to get
your name in print!

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The Recipe File



Blueberry Month

Submitted by Barb Armstrong

July is National Blueberry Month and with good reason, because blueberries are plentiful in July. Blueberries are one of the healthiest fruits to eat for a large number of reasons. They contain antioxidants which help to neutralize something in the body called free radicals and tannins which reduce inflammation in the digestive system. Free radicals are maverick cells that are looking to bond with something and can lead to a number of problems, including heart disease and cancer. Blueberries are best when eaten raw. Just wash the protective “bloom” off the skin and enjoy! Cooking blueberries destroys the antioxidant properties of the fruit. Blueberries are native to North America, come in 30 different species, and are in the same family as cranberries. They can be dried or frozen and still retain their protective properties. But enough said about their healthiness. They also have a great taste! Enjoy these two recipes.

Berries ‘N Cannoli Crème

1 pint sliced fresh or frozen blueberries (strawberries or raspberries can also be used)
2 teaspoons sugar
One 12-ounce container low fat cottage cheese
1/3 cup powdered sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 1/2 tablespoons grated orange rind
1/2 square (1/2 ounce) semisweet chocolate, grated

In a small bowl, toss berries with sugar; set aside. Whip cottage cheese in a blender until fluffy. Add powdered sugar and vanilla and whip until smooth and light. Stir in orange rind. Divide berries among 6 dessert dishes. Top with cheese mixture and garnish with grated chocolate.

Grandma Wilhelm’s Homemade Fruit Kuchen Submitted by Peggy Nesbit

Dough:

2/3 cup sugar
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 egg
7 cups flour

1/2 cup shortening
1 package dry yeast
1 cup warm water
1 cup milk, scalded—heated until hot then turn off)
Desired fruit: peaches or apples—peeled, pitted, cored, and sliced
blueberries or cherries, pitted

Sour Cream Topping (for four kuchen):

2 cups sour cream
1 cup brown sugar
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg—and/or 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Mix together flour, sugar, and salt; then cream in shortening and egg. Dissolve yeast in the warm water and one teaspoon of sugar and allow to sit for 5 minutes. Cool milk and add to yeast water. Stir liquid into flour mixture and allow to rise in a greased bowl until double in size. Divide dough into four pieces and press into 8 or 9" cake or pie pans. Let rise again.

Put sliced fruit in a circle around the center of the risen dough and press lightly leaving about a 1" wide edge. If using berries, simply scatter on top and press lightly, leaving edge as above. Mix together all the topping ingredients and divide into fourths. Pour half of each fourth over the fruit and dough. Bake for 20-25 minutes until golden brown. Remove from oven and pour on the remaining sour cream topping to each kuchen.

Easy Fruit Kuchen— Grandma’s Alternative Doughs

Hot Roll Mix version: Prepare hot roll mix as per the box and divide in half. Let rise in greased cake or pie pans as above and press in the fruit. Cut the sour cream topping mixture ingredients in half and prepare as above. Top as above and bake.

Frozen White Bread or Sweet Roll Loaf version: Thaw and divide loaf in thirds. Press into pans as above and let rise before putting on fruit and sour cream topping as above and bake.

**Be sure to prepare and divide the sour cream mixture according to the number of kuchen you have and remember that the topping will be divided in half again when you put it on the dough—one half before baking and the other half after.*