



# Tiger Times

The Student Newsletter

Cincinnati Technical College

October 1991

## Honor graduates recognized at Convocation

On September 12, Cincinnati Technical College held its first Honors Convocation to recognize 189 students who graduated with academic honors.

The students who were recognized completed their degrees between November Term 1990 and June Term 1991. The levels of honors were *cum laude* (grade point average 3.50 to 3.79), *magna cum laude* (3.80 to 3.89), and *summa cum laude* (3.90 to 4.00).

The Honors Convocation ceremony began with a procession of students and faculty members wearing academic caps and gowns. The students and guests were

welcomed by Mr. Ernest Robinson, Chairman of the CTC Board of Trustees, and by President Long. Mr. Robinson said that the honors students "started out with a crowd, but have gone beyond the crowd."

Two faculty members spoke during the ceremony. Dr. Prem Batra, the 1991 winner of the Bruckmann Award for Teaching Excellence, discussed "The Meaning of Excellence." Dr. Batra said that honors graduates are "guilty of hard work and practice, and have a passion for being the best." Ms. Sue Dolan, winner of the 1991 House Award for Coordination Excellence, spoke on "Excellence in the

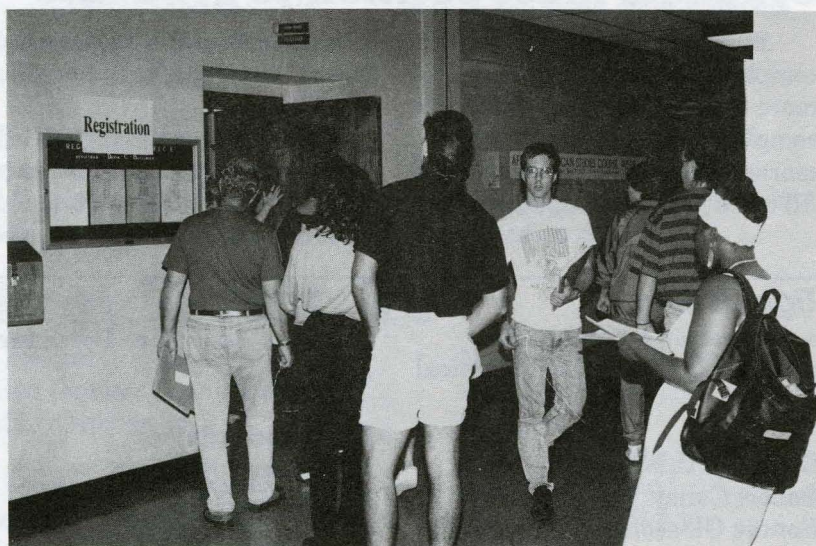
Workplace." She described some of the personal qualities that apply to honor graduates, including determination, courage, a positive attitude, and the desire to continue gaining more education. "Believe that your future is whatever you make it," she told the honored students.

Each honors graduate receive an honors cord to wear at Commencement, and a plaque.

After the ceremony, a reception for honors graduates was held in the cafeteria.

### Inside This Issue

CTC/CPS summer school is praised	2
Graduation Petitions	2
Student writes to Gripe	3
Pre-enrollment	3
Tiger Sports	4
Student Awards	6
Child Care	6
Reality Check	7
Club news	7



Students register for September term. According to the Registrar's office, CTC has about 8% more students this year than last September.



# CTC/CPS summer school is praised

from the CTC Office of Public Information

Procter & Gamble executive Lavatus V. Powell, Jr. joined Cincinnati Public Schools (CPS) Superintendent J. Michael Brandt and Deputy Superintendent Lionel H. Brown in commending Cincinnati Technical College faculty and staff for the success of the college's summer school project for high school juniors.

Mr. Powell is a member of the CTC Board of Trustees. In a letter to the CTC board, Mr. Powell said, "Providing summer school for high school students was a 'win-win' for the students and CTC. It saved an academic year for some students; it allowed others to graduate on time."

Final reports on the program were released recently and the results indicated higher-than-normal pass and retention rates. Ninety percent of the students passed their courses, and 92 percent completed the entire program. More than 200 juniors

enrolled in one or two classes at CTC's summer school.

After reviewing the report, Mr. Brown noted in a letter to CTC President James P. Long, "The grade distributions for both first and second semesters were impressive. The failure rate and withdrawal rate were extremely low."

Dennis Matthews, the CPS principal at CTC for the program and five-year veteran of Western Hills High's summer school said, "The attitudes of the students were completely different. Our kids thought they were in college."

Student evaluations of the program reflected this difference in attitudes. Catherine M. Rahmes, dean of CTC's humanities and sciences division, noted that students' number one reason for liking the program was "being treated like an adult." Ms. Rahmes added that these students were treated

no differently than CTC's regular students.

"We gave the students college I.D. cards. They were allowed the freedom to use all of our facilities," Ms. Rahmes said.

Mr. Matthews also said that most of the students did not know what college is about, and the experience is making many of them consider this option after completing high school.

The majority of students ranked CTC services, facilities, and instruction as excellent or good. Over three-quarters of the juniors had previously attended summer school. Of these repeat students, 87 percent said the CTC summer school was better.

CTC offered 26 classes in chemistry, social studies, English, algebra, and geometry. Nine instructors were involved—seven CTC faculty members, and two teachers from the Cincinnati Public Schools.

## Students must petition to graduate

Students who have completed 70 credit hours or more toward a degree, or have completed 40 credit hours or more toward a certificate, should fill out a graduation petition,

available from the Registrar's Office, room 153.

The petition must be filled out completely and returned to the Registrar's Office 20 weeks ahead of the expected date of

completion for the degree or certificate.

Students who expect to complete their studies in the November Term should file a petition no later than October 2.

### Tiger Times

a publication by and for the students of Cincinnati Technical College

#### Staff for this issue:

Robert Colley	TWE
Bonnie Gleason	TWE
Tom Green	GC
Donna Riegel, editor	TWE

**Student Activities Director**  
John Hurley

**Editorial Advisor**  
Pam Ecker, Program Director, TWE

The mission of *Tiger Times* is to promote cohesiveness among CTC students by providing timely, valuable, interesting information about students' lives, activities, concerns, and attitudes. The news and opinion contained in this publication are not intended to be interpreted as official policies of Cincinnati Technical College.



# GRIFE #1: Does mail-in registration work?

by Tom Green

*GRIFE is a new column in Tiger Times. Its purpose is to give students a chance to voice their concerns. When letters are received, the GRIFE reporter, Tom Green, will investigate possible solutions and report on the results.*

Dear GRIFE:

I wish to express a criticism as well as a compliment on the state of affairs at CTC.

The area of criticism concerns registration through the mail for classes at CTC. I have used mail-in registration twice and it has been ineffective both times. As a handicapped student, I thought registering through the mail would be a nice convenience. Not at all!

The first time I registered by mail, the cashier's office lost my check and said I owed them money. I canceled the first check, went to the cashier's office, and personally delivered my check for registration. About ten days later, my check miraculously appeared at the cashier's window. Then I was told I owed CTC money because I had not started my grace period as a financial aid student. The cause of my frustration and inconvenience was an error by

the cashier's office.

The second time I sent my check and registration form by registered mail to avoid any further complications. Again, I had to come to CTC and personally put my check through the cashier's office in order to register.

Based on my experience, the mail-in system seems ineffective and frustrating. The communication system between the cashier's office and the registrar's office regarding mail-in registration seems very poor.

I suggest that the present mail-in system be changed. Other students who have mailed in their registration have expressed similar frustrations to me.

Finally, I would like to express my appreciation that CTC is giving handicapped students a special parking rate. Handicapped students often do not co-op, so their education is more expensive than the able-bodied students. Any small expense saved is appreciated.

Sincerely,  
A frustrated, irritated (but grateful in regard to parking) handicapped person

Dear Frustrated:

To begin, I would like to thank you for writing to GRIFE!

When I received your letter I became concerned. I have not registered by mail but I was considering it for next term. After reading your letter, I decided not to. I believe that the process for mail-in registration sounds simple, but it does seem to have some problems.

I called the registrar's office to see what I needed to do if I wanted to register by mail. I was told I would need to pick up all the appropriate forms, fill them out, and mail them in. Then I'd need to do the step I'm sure we all hate, and that is wait for the bill. (I take that back. I hate paying the bill more than receiving it.) It does indeed sound like a very simple process.

After calling the registrar's office I called the cashier's office and asked them what happens when a check is misplaced or lost. I didn't like the answer I received.

I was told it is up to the student to cancel or void the lost  
*continued on page 6*

## Pre-enrollment ends Oct. 10

Pre-enrollment for November term classes began September 9 for CTC students who are enrolled in degree programs. Advance information was distributed to currently-enrolled students. November Term schedule bulletins are also available beginning Sept. 9.

Pre-enrollment bills will be mailed October 11 and must be paid by October 25.

In-person registration begins October 28. The Registrar's Office will be open these hours:

- October 28 to November 1  
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

- November 4 to November 7,  
8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- November 8,  
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- November 12 and 13,  
8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

The November term begins November 13. A late fee is charged beginning the first day of the term.





# Tiger

## Women's Basketball Schedule 1991-92

Wednesday	Nov. 13	O. U. Chillicothe	Away	5:30 p.m.
Saturday	Nov. 23	Sullivan	Home	2:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Nov. 26	Lees College	Home	5:30 p.m.
Friday	Nov. 29	Muskegon Tournament	Away	TBA
Saturday	Nov. 30	Muskegon Tournament	Away	TBA
Tuesday	Dec. 3	Miami U.- Hamilton	Away	5:30 p.m.
Saturday	Dec. 21	O.U. Chillicothe	Home	12:00 noon
Saturday	Jan. 11	Wittenberg J. V.	Away	12:00 noon
Tuesday	Jan. 14	*Sinclair	Home	5:30 p.m.
Saturday	Jan. 18	Sullivan	Away	4:00 p.m.
Monday	Jan. 27	*Clark State	Away	5:30 p.m.
Friday	Jan. 31	*Lakeland	Home	6:00 p.m.
Monday	Feb. 3	Wittenberg J.V.	Home	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Feb. 5	*Clark State	Home	6:00 p.m.
Monday	Feb. 10	*Sinclair	Away	5:30 p.m.
Friday	Feb. 14	*Cuyahoga	Home	6:00 p.m.
Saturday	Feb. 22	*Cuyahoga	Away	2:00 p.m.
Sunday	Feb. 23	*Lakeland	Away	2:00 p.m.

Feb. 27-29 OJCAC Tournament

At CTC

\* Denotes Conference Games

## Women's team prepares for second season

by Bonnie Gleason

CTC women's basketball coach Lisa James said she is recruiting some promising new team members for the 91-92 season. The new players are Amy Boerio, Stephanie Jones, Heidi Smith, and Selena Williams.

Amy Boerio is a graduate of McNicholas High School and is planning to study Nursing at CTC. At McNicholas she was point guard on the basketball team, a 4 year starter, All Star

for 2 years, Most Valuable Player for 1 year, and team captain for 2 years. Amy also played volleyball and soccer in high school.

Stephanie Jones graduated from Williamsburg High School where she played center on the basketball team. Stephanie was all-time leading scorer and rebounder at Williamsburg High. She was an All Star for 4 years, and All City her senior year. She also played volleyball in high

school. Stephanie plans to study Occupational Therapy at CTC.

Heidi Smith graduated from Norwood High School and participated in basketball, volleyball, track, and softball. Heidi, a point guard on the basketball team, was a 4-year varsity player. In basketball she was All League on the first team and All City on the second team. At Norwood High School Heidi was Most Valuable Player in basketball and Athlete of the Year. At CTC Heidi is planning to study Real Estate.

*Continued on page 6*



# Sports



## Men's Basketball Schedule 1991-92

Wednesday	Nov. 13	O.U. Chillicothe	Away	7:30 p.m.
Friday	Nov. 15	Queen City Classic	Home	5:30 & 7:30p.m.
Saturday	Nov. 16	Queen City Classic	Home	5:30 & 7:30p.m.
Wednesday	Nov. 20	O.X.U. - Lima	Home	7:30 p.m.
Tuesday	Nov. 26	St. Catherine	Away	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Dec. 3	Miami U. - Hamilton	Away	7:30 p.m.
Saturday	Dec. 7	St. Catherine	Home	2:00 p.m.
Monday	Dec. 9	Thomas More J.V.	Home	7:00 p.m.
Saturday	Dec. 14	Defiance J.V.	Away	1:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Dec. 18	Sullivan	Home	7:30 p.m.
Saturday	Dec. 21	O.U. Chillicothe	Home	2:00 p.m.
Thursday	Jan. 2	Thomas More J.V.	Away	5:30 p.m.
Saturday	Jan. 4	Sullivan	Away	TBA
Tuesday	Jan. 7	*Sinclair	Away	6:00 p.m.
Saturday	Jan. 11	*Owens Tech	Away	2:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Jan. 14	*Columbus State	Away	7:00 p.m.
Thursday	Jan. 16	Vincennes	Away	7:30 p.m.
Saturday	Jan. 18	*Cuyahoga	Home	2:00 p.m.
Thursday	Jan. 23	*Edison State	Home	7:30 p.m.
Saturday	Jan. 25	*Lakeland	Home	2:00 p.m.
Monday	Jan. 27	*Clark State	Away	7:30 p.m.
Saturday	Feb. 1	*Owens Tech	Home	2:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Feb. 4	*Sinclair	Home	7:30 p.m.
Wednesday	Feb. 5	Wilmington J.V.	Away	5:30 p.m.
Saturday	Feb. 8	*Edison State	Away	2:00 p.m.
Monday	Feb. 10	Vincennes	Home	7:30 p.m.
Saturday	Feb. 15	*Cuyahoga	Away	2:00 p.m.
Sunday	Feb. 16	*Lakeland	Away	2:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Feb. 18	*Clark State	Home	7:30 p.m.
Saturday	Feb. 22	*Columbus State	Home	2:00 p.m.

Feb. 27 - 29

OJCAC Tournament

At CTC

March 5-7

Region XII Tournament

Site TBA

\* Denotes Conference Games

## Co-ed Golf Team forming

In the spring of 1992 CTC will be participating in Co-ed intercollegiate golf.

The golf team will be competing against other two-

year colleges and a few four-year colleges. The team will also compete as a member of National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA), Region XII and the Ohio Junior College Athletic Conference (OJCAC).

Students interested in joining the golf team should contact John Hurley in the Student Activities Office in room 146 or call 569-1555.



Selena Williams graduated from Bethel High School. She is planning to study Nursing at CTC. Selena was a forward on the school basketball team and the second leading rebounder on her team. She was a 4-year varsity player and an All Star for

2 years. At Bethel High, Ms. Williams also played volleyball and softball.

"I am still actively recruiting players for the women's basketball team," Ms. James said. "I welcome any women students for tryouts,

whether they have played basketball before or not."

Students interested should leave their name and phone number at the Activity Office, room 146 and Ms. James said she will contact them.

## **CTC news is sent to neighborhood papers**

*by Bonnie Gleason*

Information about CTC student and faculty honors is published every term in many greater Cincinnati, Indiana, and Kentucky community papers, but not always on a timely basis.

Michele Imhoff, CTC Director of Public Information & Publications, said the dean's lists, scholarships, graduates, and other news from Cincinnati Technical College is sent to area newspapers.

Many communities and neighborhoods have their own

local paper which reports only the news pertinent to their area. Not every area has a paper so that accounts for some names not being printed.

Names of students earning dean's list status are received by Ms. Imhoff about a week after each term ends. This information is then sent to the appropriate area papers. Scholarship and graduate news is sent to the community papers as it is received.

Ms. Imhoff said the awards and graduate lists are also sent to

area high schools to keep the schools informed about their former students.

According to a spokesperson for the *Hilltop Press*, one of the Northern Hills area papers, the date of publication of any school information cannot be predicted, because so much other local news is competing for space. The *Hilltop Press* spokesperson advises, "Just keep looking every week so the articles will not be missed."

## **Gripe, continued from 3**

check. Personally, this doesn't sit well with me. It costs me \$15.00 to cancel a check. Why should I pay for other peoples' mistakes?

Also, I was told it is up to the student to replace the lost check. I can understand that, but if the check doesn't get to the proper place before the deadline, there is a \$20 fee for late registration. (I found that out almost four terms ago.)

Dan Ramsey, the CTC Assistant Treasurer, said that the College as a practice tries to

work with students to resolve registration problems. He said if it is proven that the College misplaced the check, the student would not be responsible for the late fees.

So my advice is that if you believe that you were unfairly penalized for your misplaced check, you should contact the cashier's office or Mr. Ramsey.

I would also like to thank you for expressing the compliment. As a student I also am thankful for any little breaks I can get to make things run more smoothly.

**Note:** If other CTC students (and any other college student who just might pick up this publication) have had similar experiences, or ideas on how to solve the problems, please write to GRIPE. (You can send your letter to *Tiger Times* or to the Student Activities Office.) If you have concerns about other issues that affect us as students, send those to GRIPE, too.



# Reality Check goes to Oshkosh

by Robert Colley

*Reality Check is a column that takes a tongue-in-cheek look at student life.*

This is the city, Oshkosh, Wisconsin. It is a mid-sized city, along the western shore of Lake Winnebago. Although known for overalls and children's clothing, people here also build specialized trucks for the Army. When they do, I go to work; I carry a CTC student ID card. (Actually I have never bothered to get a student ID card, but I do have quite a few parking tickets from campus security.)

A CTC Technical Writing & Editing student, I arrived in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, as a part of my latest co-op position. I worked for a Dayton, Ohio, firm that is providing technical manuals for a new truck designed to carry ammunition for the army.

I wanted to get a feel for my home for the next two weeks, so I went out and explored the surrounding area.

As I looked at Lake Winnebago, I couldn't figure out how the local residents ever gave the lake its name. The lake is not shaped like a giant recreational vehicle. Lake Winnebago is a large source of both recreation and revenue to

Oshkoshians. (Yes, they do call themselves Oshkoshian.) Sport and commercial fishing, as well as boating, are summer activities pursued by many Oshkosh residents.

I found out that Oshkosh B'gosh clothes really are made in Oshkosh, not in Hong Kong or in some bomb crater left over from the Korean war. There is a factory outlet store where shoppers can purchase Oshkosh B'gosh clothes at prices close to wholesale. Sorry, I am not taking orders for clothes. I can only get so much luggage on the plane. (That is the subject of a different article.)

Having grown up in Norwood, Ohio, I did find a few similarities between my boyhood home and Oshkosh. There are saloons on every corner of both cities. Residents of both cities also consider beer consumption to be a high art.

Oshkoshian speak with an accent that many Cincinnatians would find odd. In a grocery store the checkout clerk is likely to ask you if you want your *fooood* in a paper or plastic *beg*. No, those words are not misspelled. Oshkoshians use vowels in a different manner. They have a tendency to add a

short 'e' sound to the end of almost every vowel. They also pronounce 'a's as short 'e's.

Oshkoshian had similar difficulties understanding my speech. I was asked if I was from Tennessee or Georgia. Rather than argue that I was from Southern Ohio instead of the deep south, I asked the person to repeat the question numerous times, adding that I couldn't understand what he was saying through a thick Wisconsin accent.

Wisconsin is America's Dairy land. If a person likes cheese, and wants to see miles upon miles of black and white cows and dairy farms, it is the place to be.

Oshkosh is certainly an unusual place to spend time as a co-op student. Great things to experience can be found: Good food, good beer, cool temperatures, and the odor of livestock in the morning. As a co-op experience it has been a valuable learning experience. As a vacation spot, it is quiet and restful. If you want to bore your family to death, take them to Oshkosh for a vacation.

## Service Fraternity forming at CTC

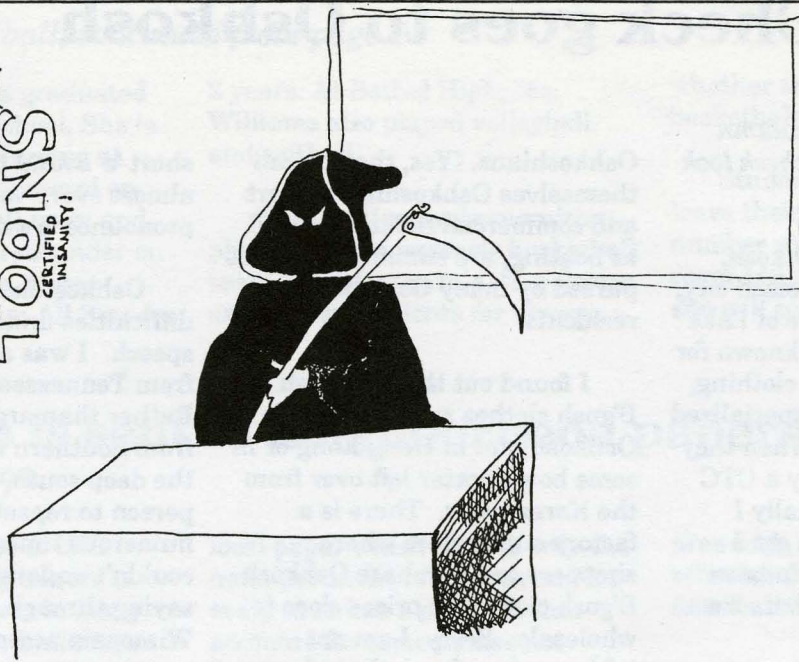
Director of Student Activities John Hurley has announced that during the 1991-92 academic year, Alpha Phi Omega, a national service fraternity, will be organized on the CTC campus.

Membership is open to all students with an interest in serving their campus, community, and nation. Since Alpha Phi Omega is associated with the Boy Scouts of America, prospective members may have

been former Scouts and Explorers, or members of volunteer or service groups.

Interested students should contact Mr. Hurley in room 146A or by phone at 569-1556.





"GOOD MORNING CLASS,  
WELCOME TO ENGLISH 101!"



## Tiger Times

Cincinnati Technical College  
3520 Central Parkway  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45223  
513-569-1555