

Letter from the President

As Wayne Community College enters the 1990s, a number of challenges must be met in order to maintain the college's position as one of the leading institutions in the North Carolina Community College System.

In November 1987, a commission of distinguished North Carolinians was established at the state level to analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of community colleges in meeting the educational and training needs of our citizens.

The commission's report, entitled "Gaining the Competitive Edge," offered 33 recommendations for retooling the system to meet future needs.

In March of 1989, the State Board of Community Colleges endorsed the commission's recommendations.

Implementing the recommendations will involve a statewide effort, not only by community college officials but also by business, industry and government.

The 33 recommendations cover 6 fundamental challenges to N. C. community colleges: student access to quality instruction, accountability, emphasis on critical thinking skills, closer ties with business and industry, stronger partnerships with public schools and four-year institutions, and strong leadership for the system and for individual colleges.

WCC will strive to address these important challenges in the years to come.

With the economy of the state changing rapidly, we must narrow the gap between the new demands of the workplace and the skills of our graduates.

The community college system offers the most immediate economic and social return possible in education.

Therefore, continued funding to provide educational services is of extreme importance.



Dr. G. Herman Porter
Photo: Malcolm Shearin

The faculty, staff, and administration of WCC will strive diligently within the system to meet the changing needs of education and training in the 1990s.

To the editor

We on the SGA Executive Board found your column entitled "Whisper Effort Thwarted" most unfortunate.

We object to the article which made it appear that the SGA was anti-Whisper, stating in paragraph 2 that the Whisper's efforts were "blocked" by the SGA.

For the record, after a debate by the Executive Board, it was agreed that the Whisper was indeed a worthy publication which would benefit the student body at WCC by getting information to them much quicker.

Our dilemma, however, was to find the needed money for the Whisper from a budget that already had every penny accounted for.

The task of reappropriating funds to the Whisper fell to the Executive Committee.

After many hours of laboring over the budget, it was decided that the only possible way of granting the Whisper its request for funds would be at the expense of other clubs and organizations on campus.

We felt this would be unfair to already existing clubs.

It is our hope that the Whisper will make its request for funding at the proper time this spring so that the needs of the students at WCC will be better met next year and in the years to come.

Kemp Teague
President, SGA and the Executive Board

New employees join WCC



IRMA WIGGINS

Wiggins joined the WCC staff in November as a Job Placement Counselor and reading instructor.

She taught at Goldsboro Junior High for 10 years prior to working at WCC part-time for two years.



BETTY MAYE

Maye recently joined WCC as secretary of accounts payable. She attended Harbarger Business School in Raleigh and also worked for the Department of Revenue for six years. Maye has two daughters and enjoys her work at WCC.

BETTY MCCLELLAN

Betty McClellan graduated from WCC with an executive secretary degree. McClellan formerly worked at Old Dominion College as secretary to the Director of Computer Services.

In November 1989 she assumed the position as secretary to the Chairman of the Business Department. She says she enjoys working at WCC with such friendly people.



CYNTHIA SANTIFORT

Santifort, a former temporary staff member since March of 1988, has now taken the position of Assistant Systems Administrator. She is also attending WCC and will receive her two-year degree at the end of winter quarter.

Funds provide VOICE camera

By MIKE EDMUNDSON

Readers of the Wayne Community College **Campus Voice** will notice improved photography in this issue because of instructional funds which have provided the news staff with a new camera costing about \$650.

The camera, a Nikon N4004s with automatic SLR quality, has replaced a Nikon of lesser quality.

The **Voice** also received two light tables which help the staff lay out the paper with greater accuracy.

The **Voice** still needs tape recorders to use in interviews and style books.

These additions have helped the staff tremendously to produce a better quality paper than in the past.

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☆ At 8:00 p.m. on ☆
☆ March 10, Philip ☆
☆ Stovall, baritone, ☆
☆ and his wife Beth, ☆
☆ soprano, will be ☆
☆ singing "a Tribute ☆
☆ to Irving Berlin" ☆
☆ in the Lecture Hall ☆
☆ on the North ☆
☆ Campus. ☆
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