

# Since you asked. . .

By **CRISSY FERRELL**

Dr. Ed Wilson, President of Wayne Community College since April 24, 1992, said that he has really enjoyed being here, and he complimented the student body and entire staff for their help.

Dr. Wilson has several outside interests including sports. He said he is an avid sports fan, regarding golf as his favorite.

Dr. Wilson said that the major concern for our campus is to get all of the classes currently meeting on the South Campus moved to the North Campus.

Wilson said that with the approval of the bond referendum, WCC plans to offer new curriculum programs which include Medical Lab Technician and Physical Therapy.

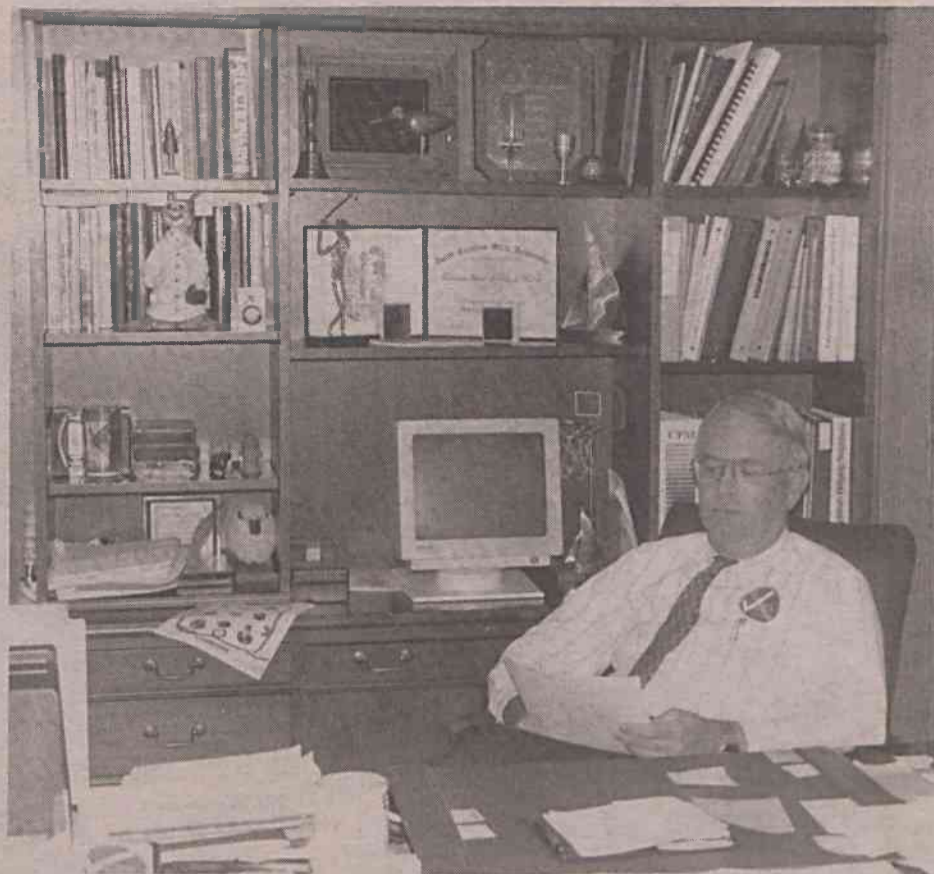
In response to a complaint about the men's second floor restroom in the A&M building being inaccessible to disabled students, Wilson said that all bathrooms were supposed to have met codes. He promised to look into the situation.

Wilson's goal for a smoke-free campus started last June with a policy prohibiting smoking in all buildings except faculty and staff offices.

According to Wilson, all of the feedback from the policy has been positive.

Beginning June 1994 smoking will be prohibited in all buildings.

Once this change is effected, Wilson said he is expecting an "uproar."



WCC President, Dr. Ed Wilson reviews his speech on the bond referendum he delivered at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base. PHOTO: RHONDA JONES

Another issue of concern for the student body is whether we will go to semester hours.

Recently the plan was reactivated by the General Assembly.

Many students have expressed the need for an automatic teller machine on campus.

Wilson commented that this project is "in the works".

## Voice dedicated to Kennedy, Young

By **ROSE PARKER**

This issue of the "Campus Voice" is dedicated to the memory of Jim Kennedy, a former English instructor at WCC who died in July at age 36.

In addition to teaching English, Kennedy worked in The Writing Center.

Kennedy was very well liked and respected by many students and faculty.

Miriam Wessell said that Kennedy was one of the most wonderful teachers she ever had the privilege to work with.

Wessell also said that Kennedy was a real believer in critical thinking, using the Socratic method of questioning to direct

Cynthia Heinbuch said, "I wish that the Writing Center would be named after Mr. Kennedy. He was always in there whenever I needed help. He always left me feeling good about myself."

Many other students have expressed similar sentiments.

In addition to teaching classes and working in The Writing Center, Kennedy worked in Directed Studies as

a part time coordinator with college and high school students.

Kennedy, a former WCC student, continued his education at Campbell University where he got his master's in English, taking a minor in French.

Kennedy spent most of his teaching career at Millbrook High School in Raleigh where in 1990 he was named teacher of the year.

Jenny Smith, Kennedy's sister, said, "He always wanted to be a teacher. He really cared about students."

Smith added that he loved to read, to write, and to rent videos. His love for writing prompted him to keep a journal.

Kennedy's concern for students was evident in his coordination of the Students Against Drunk Driving (S.A.D.D.) unit at Millbrook.

The "Voice" recognizes the many contributions Jim Kennedy made to WCC, especially to encourage students and improve the quality of their writing.

Sue Potter, Director of Directed Studies, said, "He was a genuine

scholar. He had the gift of bringing out the best of everyone. He freed people to express themselves."

Kennedy was greatly respected and admired. His death is a great loss to everyone that knew him.

## In Memoriam

**MICHAEL YOUNG**

On Monday, October 25, 1993, Michael Young, actor, director, and choreographer, died of complications from AIDS.

Young had devoted his last years to AIDS education, participating in six seminars at Wayne Community College at

the request of Dr. Edmond Hogan, Division Head of the Human Services/Social Science programs and friend of Michael's since 1979.

Diagnosed with AIDS in 1984, Young began to suffer the effects of the illness by 1989.

Young worked with the Library Theater; he re-wrote children's stories for the stage in an effort to encourage young people to read.

As an actor, a writer, and a choreographer, Young traveled all over the country with various theater groups.

The CAMPUS VOICE expresses condolence to Young's family and thanks his parents for a son who dedicated his life to helping others.

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