

Because you asked. . .

By BRIAN JODICE

VOICE: What kind of suggestions have you received regarding the school's master facilities plan?

WILSON: I have received several requests. A dental lab, law enforcement and EMT facilities, and specialized course classrooms are some of the requests we have received for the plan.

A physical education center may also be in the works.

VOICE: What is the next building project the college will undertake?

WILSON: Well, our number one priority is for some multipurpose space. We also need some more attention to student activities and child care.

VOICE: What three qualities do you believe necessary for students to be successful in the workplace and in the classroom?

WILSON: Basic skills, a good work ethic, and the ability to get along well with others are all essential qualities for students to be successful in life.

Being punctual is also a quality needed in both the classroom and in the work place.

VOICE: Also, what qualities do you admire in a person?

WILSON: Someone must be straightforward and a hard worker. Just as in the classroom and workplace, people must be able to get along well with others in life as well.

VOICE: What are the most frequent complaints that you hear about from students?

WILSON: Actually we don't get that many complaints. However, the complaints that are heard are taken very seriously.

The most common concerns have to do with night programs that we offer, the price of books, and childcare.

VOICE: One concern "The Voice" had heard about is the tuition increase. What is the percentage increase and why was it necessary?

WILSON: The exact increase was 33%. It sounds like a lot but the increase was essential due to the lack of general revenue.

We get a piece of the revenue pie. The only problem is that there is not that much pie to go around. The increase is unfortunate but also necessary.

What people fail to recognize is that we are fortunate enough to have the second lowest tuition in the N.C. community college system.



Dr. Edward H. Wilson, Jr., center, introduces new Board of Trustees members, Tommy Jarrett, left, a local attorney, and Randy McCullen, a local farmer, to policies and procedures of the college as part of their training process.

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VOICE: If you hadn't become a community college president, what would you like to have been?

WILSON: I am sure I would be involved with education somehow, maybe as a high school teacher. I also would like to be a football coach.

VOICE: What do you see yourself doing in retirement?

WILSON: Playing golf. Other than that I would like to be active somehow, maybe with volunteer work. I just want to stay active but also keep things less hectic and more relaxing.

New employees fill needed slots

By APRIL DUNNING and BRIAN JODICE

Every fall brings new employees to Wayne Community College. This year is no different. According to Joy Ginn, there are 43 new employees effective as of July 1, 1999.

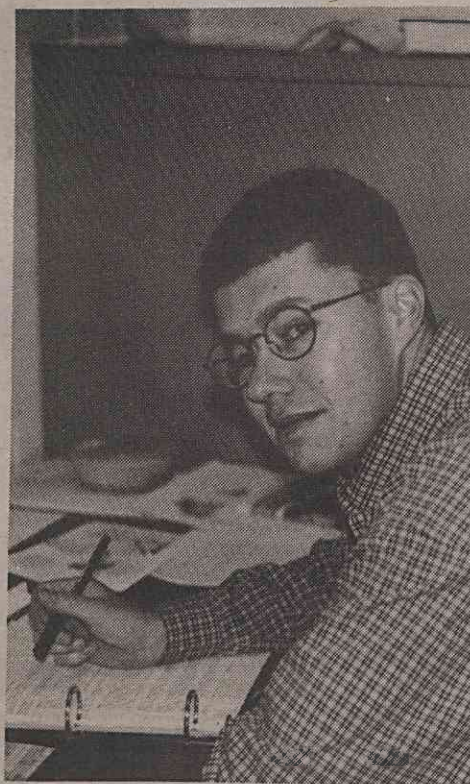
Steven "Todd" King is the instructor for mechanical engineering. He has a Bachelor of Science in industrial technology with a concentration in design and drafting. He also has a minor in business administration.

King was born in Kinston, North Carolina. His family includes his parents, Sam and Beth King, and his wife, Crissy King.

Before teaching at WCC, he was an instructor at Lenoir Community College in Kinston. His hobbies include fishing, hiking, and bike riding.

Virnece C. Beaman is the new secretary for the Foundation of Wayne Community College. She has an associate degree from Pike's Peak Community College in Colorado.

Beaman was born in Marked Tree, Arkansas but moved to Taylor, Michigan when she was six months old. She is married to Don Beamon who is the owner of Circle "B" Turkey farm.



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