

'Slaying the Dragon'

Continued from page 1

The four-year plan, which uses a dragon as its symbol, is designed to help the 70 to 80 percent of new students who, for one reason or another, test into developmental courses, specifically developmental math. The idea is to keep tabs on them, watching as they progress through their stay at the college and seeing how they do compared to those who test into the higher classes the first time.

For the QEP to come into effect, it had to be approved by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools team, which visited the campus Sept. 26 through 28. The team suggested one

improvement, and the QEP will begin in January 2006.

According to Dr. Archie and Ms. Spicer, the QEP has two main objectives, five goals and four institutional strategies.

The two objectives are to improve the processes and procedures that support student learning in developmental courses, and to improve student outcomes in developmental math.

The five goals range from strengthening the role of math across the curriculum to ensuring the students' understanding of the placement scores. The plans also include establishing a testing center and improving the learning environment of the Academic Skills Center.

Why does the QEP use dragons? In promoting the new

plan, posters, notepads, pens and T-shirts have been made with the slogan "The Quest for Success: Slaying the Developmental Math Dragon." There is also a picture of a dragon drawn by former student Mike Elliot. Ms. Spicer brought up the idea for a dragon as the mascot. She said that it was just an idea that she had because of her love of dragons, but it eventually caught on with everyone in the steering committee.

Though many people love dragons and may cringe at the idea of slaying one, they should agree that conquering the problems of math is a noble goal. With this plan, that is exactly what Wayne Community College hopes to achieve.

SACS visit is a success for WCC

Continued from page 1

Dr. Albertson is vice president of academic affairs and student services.

In an interview with the Campus Voice, she explained the SACS (Southern Association of Colleges and Schools) process, how the college fared in its evaluations, and what is on the horizon for WCC.

An eight-member team from other community colleges in the southeastern region of the United States served as the visiting team at WCC. The team began its evaluation on Sept. 26 and stayed for three days in order to review the

data necessary to make a decision on the college and its overall performance.

In such a process, all areas of the college are evaluated. If there are any improvements to be made, the team makes those recommendations to college administrators.

Upon completion of its evaluation on Sept. 28, WCC was pleased to announce that it was in 100 percent compliance with SACS requirements.

As part of the reaffirmation process, WCC had to develop a Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) that was reviewed by the on-site team.

WCC's plan focuses on improving student achievement of learning outcomes in developmental math. The QEP will be implemented in January 2006. Dr. Albertson said that the process would take at least four years for full implementation.

Dr. Albertson was pleased with the process and had this to say: "Wayne Community College had a very successful SACS process. The students, faculty, staff, community and everyone who participated should be extremely pleased with the outcome. It was indeed a team effort."

Medical care available for WCC students

By **ANDREW HANKINS**
Staff Writer

Did you know that if you need to visit the doctor, the college will send you for free?

Not everyone has insurance today, and those people may also not have the funds for proper care.

Every Wednesday, students can visit James A. Bynum, Student Activities Coordinator, or his secretary,

Beatrice Birdine, for a vitals check, such as temperature, blood pressure and more.

If additional care is needed, a form is filled out and students can go to Immediate Care of Goldsboro, located on Medical Office Place off of Wayne Memorial Drive.

If an emergency develops, and students cannot wait until Wednesday, they can be seen at any time.

The student activity fee covers

the costs for these services.

You can find Mr. Bynum and his secretary in the Student Activities office in front of the student lounge in the Wayne Learning Center.

The office is open on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.; Tuesday from 8 a.m. until 7 p.m.; and Friday from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Appointments aren't needed.

Photofantasy

Glamour shots!

Sitting fee ... \$5

Sheet price ... \$5

919-648-4163
Lobrien_50@hotmail.com

Ice Cream
Hot Chocolate
Espresso-
Cappuccino
Ice Blended Coffee
Carmel Apple Cider
Grounds For
Expression

Berkeley Mall

Warren Supply

- Small engine
repairs

- New and used
lawn care
products sold

919-580-0901

HEROES ARE HERE

208 S. Berkeley Blvd.
Goldsboro, N.C. 27534

Eddie Sutton, Owner

919-751-3131
omner@heroeshere.com

www.heroeshere.com



Happy
Anniversary,
Donnell & Betty
Dad & MaBetty
Love, Danyale



Happy
13th birthday,
Eboney!
From your big sis



YBK Men's Wear

JAMES YEABONG KIM
MANAGER

611 N. BERKELEY BLVD
SUITE E
GOLDSBORO, NC 27534

PHONE (919) 759-1130
FAX (919) 739-0711