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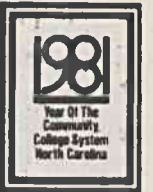
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Merry Christmas From The Cougars



S.G.A. Plans For The Winter

The Student Government Association is now making plans for upcoming events during the winter and spring quarters. On Thursday, December 17, at the North Wilkesboro Armory, the SGA will be sponsoring a Christmas dance featuring the band SUGARCREEK. Refreshments will be provided free of charge, thanks go out to Forester Beverage Corp. and the Coca-Cola Bottling Co. WCC students with current ID cards will be admitted free. Non-students will be charged a \$3 fee.

Also, the SGA will be sponsoring a project for a needy family and senior citizens for Christmas. The Student Government Association donated \$150 to help this family and the senior citizens to have a Happy Christmas!

Tentative dates have been set for the upcoming events: On January 13, a Freshman and Sophomore Mixer; and on April 7, the WCC Spring Fling.

The Student Government Asso-

ciation encourages all WCC students to attend the weekly meetings on each Tuesday at 1:00 p.m.

By: Lana Chambers



Members at work on Long Range Planning Committee

Long Range Planning Committee Creating A Better Future

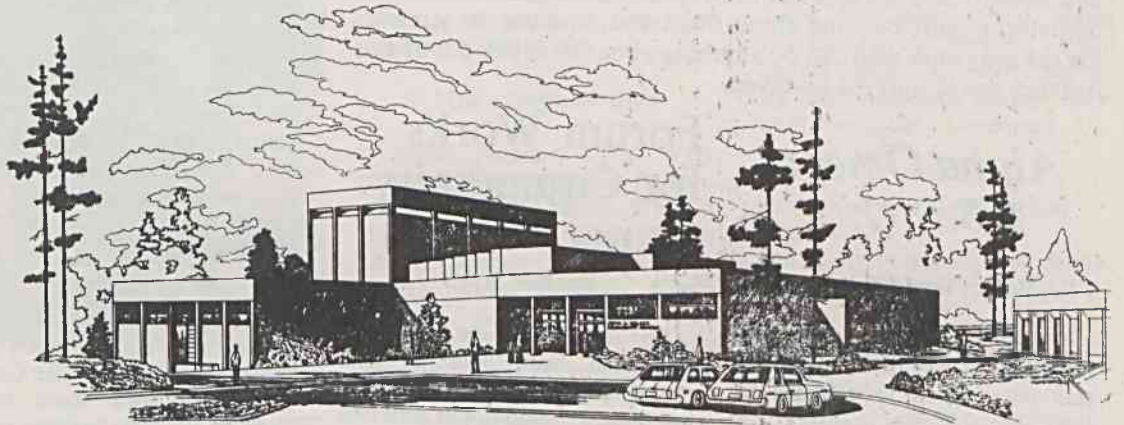
By: Janet Lael

The Wilkes Community College Internal Assessment Committee is hard at work at the present time developing long range goals and furthering plans for the expansion and growth of Wilkes Community College.

This committee was set up to look at the total college picture here at WCC and to set forth goals and assess needs that will ensure a continual growth in our college.

The committee consists of administration, trustee, faculty, clerical, professional/technical, and student members. Each group has a definite part in the make-up of Wilkes Community College and a total combined effort is needed to really determine some of the major goals and needs of each area.

Meetings are alternated, on Tuesday's and Thursday's during selected weeks and the time spent in these meetings is usually from 1-5 p.m. It is a great challenge to meet and discuss openly the problems and opportunities facing Wilkes Community College, but this group is facing the task



John A. Walker Community Center

For Everyone In Wilkes County

By: Jamie McNeil and Eugene Rash

By now, everyone knows about the John A. Walker Community Center to be built on our campus. Even though it will be located here, it is not just for the benefit of the college. The site by the Technical Arts Building was chosen because of its availability and convenience. The land itself was available and located in an ideal place near the center of the county and both highways 268 and 421. Also nearby are conveniences such as eating establishments, lodgings and the airport. The John A. Walker Community Center will be just what it's name says: a center for the entire community's use and enjoyment.

The Community Center was appropriately named in honor of John A. Walker when, in the early stages of planning, he donated \$250,000.00 to the project. His donation was followed by a contribution of \$500,000.00 from the Wilkes County Board of Commissioners. These and other corporate donations have gotten the total amount closer to the expected cost and goal of approximately \$2.2 million. The amount to date is \$1,506,669.17 (as of December 1). Drives for raising the additional money needed have included radio-thons, telephone pledges, and a booth at the Apple Festival in October. A total of 1,110 seats are being sold

before them with great abilities and ideals.

The company helping the college in this long range planning assessment is Faber and Company from Greensboro, North Carolina.

Together, Faber and Company and the Wilkes Community College group will surely make Wilkes Community College a leader among community colleges throughout North Carolina.

The members of the Long

Range Planning Committee are Cindy Beshears, Ed Bryson, Faye Byrd, Ed Curtis, David Daniel, Bill Davis, Steve Desautels, Jonathon Edwards, Ira Gambill, John German, Jo Hendrix, Barbara Holt, Phil Lewis, Janet Lael, Eddie Lyle, Pete Mann, Bud Mayes, Jean Miles, Stokes Pearson, Tony Randall, Pennie Self, Conrad Shaw, Johnny Spicer, Bob Thompson, Kathy Tisdale, Jean Tugman, Bob Watts, Tom Whittington, Austin

with a "full working stage," complete with orchestra pit. Adjoining the stage will be dressing rooms, rehearsal rooms, storage spaces and other rooms necessary near a stage.

The John A. Walker Community Center will be flexible enough to house many different activities such as banquets, club meetings, exhibits, fashion shows, beauty pageants, concerts, plays, recitals, and even graduations. The John A. Walker Community Center will be a great asset for the college and entire county.

The Decameron

By: Daniel Howell

Christmas came early for the Creative Writing Class this year. For the first time in Wilkes Community College history the Decameron will have two editions in one year. The first issue has been released and is doing well. The second will be published by the Spring Creative Writing class. It will be an anthology of three quarters work. We are looking forward to it being one of the best ever.

The staff for the Decameron consisted of our Advisor Dr. Essie Hayes, Bob Watts and Daniel Howell, co-editors, Jane Campbell, Annette Kinney, and Sandy Nichols. With artwork being done by Dr. Hayes and Claudene Johnston. This Decameron represents one quarter of hard work and creativity by our staff and it has a mixture of poetry, essays, and short stories.

Anyone interested in the Decameron should see Dr. Hayes or any other members of the Decameron staff.

Adams, Judith Bloomfield, Ray Stroud, Arlee Andrews, David Hayes, Donalee David and Sam Sink.

Art Students Visit New York

Four WCC students and two advisors recently took an art trip to New York. Those attending were: Bill Moffett, Bill Nichols, Sue Sparks, Kelia Dowell, Trena McGlamery, and Gregg Roten. The four-day trip consisted of many sightseeing tours. On Wednesday, they visited the Metropolitan Museum of Art and rode the Staten Island Ferry across the Hudson River and around the Statue of Liberty. A highlight on Thursday was the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. On Friday, they visited smaller museums across Manhattan. In all the museums throughout New York, the students concentrated on the paintings, primarily Rembrandt and Picasso. Equal in splendor to the Metropolitan Museum were the three churches in Manhattan. These were St. Patrick's, St. Bartholomew's, and St. Thomas. These churches had many statues and golden objects inside their beautifully arched walls. They also had a radiant sparkle when the sunshine passed through the stained glass windows. On Saturday, they went shopping at Macy's and Saks on Fifth Avenue. They also went to the top of the World Trade Center which rises 110 floors and the Empire State Building which towers 102 floors above the city.

These are by no means all of the sights the art students and advisors saw, but it does give you an overall view of the exciting experience they had while visiting New York.

By: Lana Chambers