

## REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Fall Quarter, 1988

HOW TO APPLY: Visit or write the Admissions Office, Johnston Community College, Highway 70 East, P.O. Box 2350, Smithfield, North Carolina 27577.

APPLICATIONS: Should be submitted as soon as possible prior to September 15.

ORIENTATION & REGISTRATION: Thursday and Monday, September 29 & October 3

TUITION AND FEES: Full-time students, \$82.00; part-time students, \$6.25 per credit hour. Higher rates for out-of-state residents. N.C. residents 65 years of age and older exempt from tuition and fees.

CLASSES BEGIN: Tuesday, October 4

Ori 100 - Orientation: Required course for new Technical and General Education Students

## She's Come All The Way To CPA!

Kathy Young of Clayton has recently become a Certified Public Accountant (CPA). Her path to this valuable credential is truly a success story, one in which Johnston Community College played an important role.

Kathy first came to JCC in order to complete her high school education. She had met a woman with no job skills who had five children to support, and Kathy decided that it was important to go back to get her diploma. "A woman needs an education for a fall-back. She never knows when she'll need to work in order to help support her family." Both Kathy and her husband Gary earned their high school diplomas at JCC.

Several years later Kathy decided to come back to JCC to take college classes in accounting. In order to go to school, she applied for the College Work-Study Program (CWSP), a program which provides part-time on-campus jobs for students who need to earn a part of their educational expenses.

"I got the letter that said I had been approved for the work-study program the same day registration began," she says. "I didn't have time to get cold feet about coming back to school, even though I had to put two chil-

dren in day care in order to come." She knew that her husband and children would support her in every way they could.

Kathy enrolled in the Accounting program, and at the same time she worked in the College library as a work-study student. She made excellent grades, despite her busy schedule and her responsibilities at home. Later she became the lab assistant for the computer lab, a job that she particularly enjoyed. "I liked my instructors," she says, "and I really enjoyed the school."

She graduated with an Associate in Applied Science degree in Accounting in 1985 and began working for Travis J. Hill, CPA, in Clayton. But Kathy was already reaching for another goal: she wanted to become a Certified Public Accountant. The courses she had taken at JCC fulfilled one part of the requirements, and two years of work with a certified public accountant fulfilled a second requirement. In order to pass the challenging uniform tests that are the third requirement, Kathy studied at night by using workbooks. This spring she reached her goal: she is now Kathryn M. Young, CPA.

## Small Businesses Are A Big Concern To JCC

If you are a small business man or woman in Johnston County, here is BIG NEWS! Johnston Community College's Small Business Center offers assistance and training programs free of charge.

Beginning its second year of operation, the Small Business Center was created to deliver technical and managerial assistance to small business owners and prospective owners by providing information, education and training, counseling and referral and other technical/managerial assistance as appropriate.

There are no fees for classes, according to Sue C. Ellis, director of the Center at JCC. A graduate of JCC and Atlantic Christian College, Ellis works closely with local town governments and area Chambers of Commerce to develop a better public understanding of what the program offers to small business people.

"Our seminars and workshops include learning the risks involved with starting a business, venture capital sources, financial loan packages, cash flow control, cash budgeting, profit/loss statements, start-up costs,

location, competition, property leases, partnership ventures, and many more," said Ellis. "Upon request, I can organize such a seminar for a business and have the speaker or consultant conduct the program in the business itself."

She also conducts one-on-one interviews with people who are in need of advice, and says she wishes more people would come in for such in-depth counseling. "The programs I conduct here at JCC are usually from one to three days and all Johnston County residents are welcome to attend. Anyone who is considering starting a business may come; you do not have to be already established in a business to participate," continued Ellis.

Schedules of planned workshops for the upcoming quarter are listed in this publication. If you would like more information about JCC's Small Business Center, contact Mrs. Ellis at 934-3051.

"We are here to serve the community in any way we can," said Ellis. "Our services may save the small business person years of financial turmoil."



Kathy Young

## Don Stephenson Selected As College's Top Teacher, 1988

Don W. Stephenson of Clayton, a biology instructor, has been selected as Johnston Community College's 1988 nominee to the Excellence in Teaching Award program co-sponsored by First Union National Bank and the North Carolina Department of Community Colleges.

Stephenson will be entered in competition with other nominees from each of the 58 community colleges that comprise the North Carolina system. Four finalists and one state-wide winner will be selected.

"I am highly gratified to be chosen by my peers as this year's Excellence in Teaching nominee," said Stephenson, a JCC faculty member since July 1982.

After completing work for his Master of Science degree in zoology at North Carolina State University and a stint in the US Army, Stephenson joined Carolina Power and Light Company as a junior engineer in 1971. Three years later, he was promoted to Principal Environmental Scientist to head the Environmental Assessment Unit, which consisted of 29 scientists and technicians.

From CP&L, he accepted a position as Habitat Biologist with the Alaska Department of Fish and Game to coordinate documentation and report on the environmental effects of construction of the Trans-Alaskan pipeline. Upon his return to North Carolina, Stephenson joined the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and in 1980 was promoted to Supervisory Fish and Wildlife Biologist in the Division of Ecological Services.

His ten years of experience as a professional environmental scientist provide Stephenson with a solid background for outstanding instruction in a number of areas of

biology. Academic courses are augmented with practical situations he has encountered in the workplace.

"Lectures and laboratories in the biological sciences can often be less-than-stimulating," said Stephenson. "I believe in the liberal use of current audiovisuals, field trips and hands-on laboratories."

His acquisition of a microscope video system has helped students tremendously in initial use of the microscope. Stephenson also designed many of the experiments used in environmental biology and microbiology labs to meet specific needs of the community college student.

In addition to his teaching duties, his interaction with the community reflects a true dedication to education in general. He has provided assistance to a number of high school students and their parents in procuring equipment for their science projects and recently served as a science fair judge.

Past honors and awards include an Outstanding Service Award from the Four Oaks Civitan Club in 1980; an Outstanding Service Award from the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service in 1981 and Service Award from the Four Oaks Civitan Club in 1981; and a Fellowship Honor, Executive Board of Tuscarora Council, Boy Scouts of America.

An avid environmentalist, Stephenson currently is a member of the National Audubon Society, Keep Johnston County Beautiful, Citizens for Better Conservation, the North Carolina Environmental Defense Fund (charter member), and the North Carolina Association of Two-Year and Community College Biologists. He was recently elected to the Board of Directors of the Triangle Land Conservancy.

The Four Oaks native recently moved to the Walden Woods community in Clayton where he lives in a passive solar, energy-efficient home he designed himself.

(Editor's Note: As of this publication date, Mr. Stephenson was selected as one of the five finalists state-wide!)

