

President sets goals

by Martha O'Neal

Dr. G. Herman Porter, Wayne Community College's newly appointed president, cares not so much for power and prestige as he does for achieving several goals.

A native of Grantham, he holds a B. S. in agricultural education, a master's in agricultural education with a minor in sociology, and a doctorate in adult education, all from North Carolina State University.

Dr. Porter stays busy keeping up with the policies of the community college system and with the legislature. He said, "It is important to keep co-related interests with neighboring communities," given the fact that WCC is funded by the state.

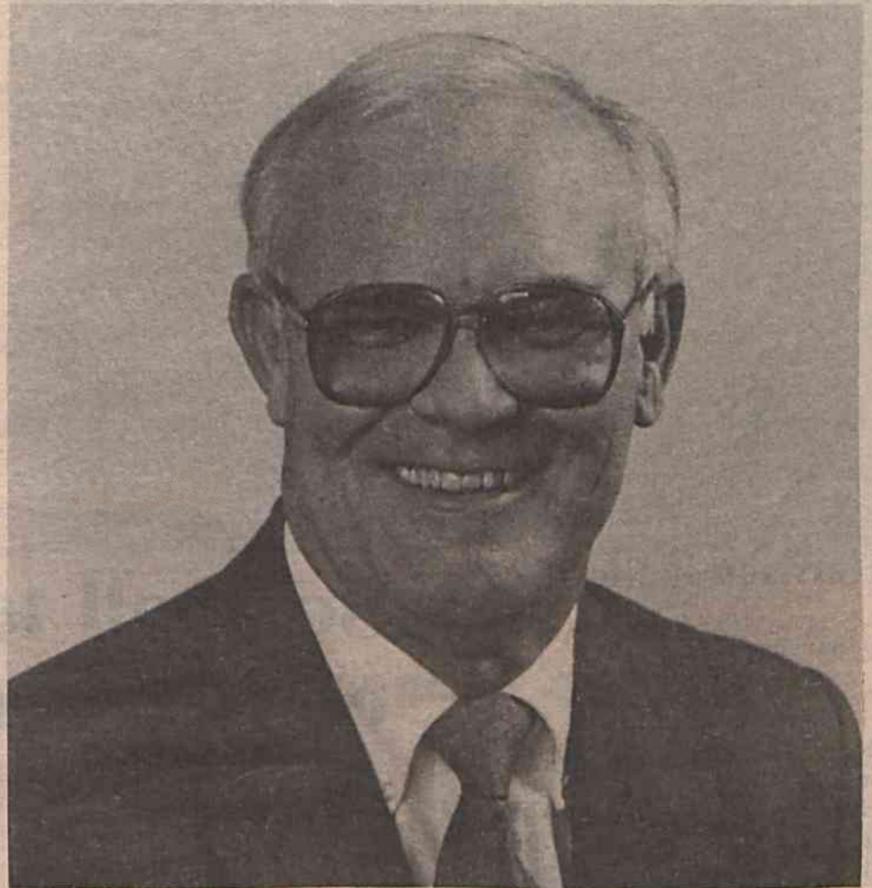
Some of Dr. Porter's short and long term goals include completion of the new campus site, increasing literacy in Wayne County, and encouraging student participation in various activities.

He said, "Education frees man from bondages of ignorance and allows him true freedom."

The increase of student interest in sports has pleased Dr. Porter who sees sports as "a way of bringing students together." He cited the newly formed golf and softball teams as evidence of student interest and participation.

Regarding the new campus, Dr. Porter commented, "Wayne Community College will be a two-campus operation for at least another two years." Plans call for three more buildings at the new site. Dr. Porter said, "The new campus will provide a better teaching and learning environment," than the present campus does.

Dr. Porter's major goal will be to address the illiteracy problem. He stated that illiteracy affects not just people's intellectual lives but their economic and spiritual lives as well.



President G. Herman Porter

Photo: Malcolm Shearin

Men in blue keep campus in shape

by Yvonne Crespo

Usually the cliché--men in blue--is associated with police officers or some form of protective service, and the Wayne Community College maintenance personnel do just that, protect the buildings and grounds of the college.

The day staff consists of eight males and one female. They are Leo Taswell, plant superintendent; Robbie Renfrow, supervisor; Zenobia Allen, day maid; Terry Jones, vehicle maintenance technician; Billy Ray Lane, electrician; Ken Sloan, maintenance technician; Jack Sasser, grounds maintenance; and Todd Grimes, part-time maintenance technician.

The night staff consists of Dewitt Costin, night supervisor; and the custodial staff which includes: John Bradford; Ethel Coley; Eugene Hooks; Belinda Horne; Delphine Morgan; Margaret Moseley; Beatrice Spencer; Annie Smith; and part-timers Odgen Solice and Reginald Winbush.

According to Taswell, "This is a group of versatile and special individuals."

Most of their tasks are done by work requests on a priority basis, but an emergency takes precedence over all requests. The maintenance department performs its tasks on the main campus, the new campus, and the airport annex.

This department is also responsible for preventive and protective maintenance and heads a safety committee chaired by Ken Sloan. The main objective of this committee is to note any hazards on campus so that they can be corrected.

To keep abreast of the latest advances in maintenance technology, each year two members are required to attend workshops held in Mars Hill, North Carolina.

The Voice Box

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Bobby Whitaker of the grounds crew repairs holes in the parking lot.