

# Wooten receives first Presidential Award

By AMY RINEHART

The first Wayne Community College President Award for Distinguished Service has been awarded to Dillon S. Wooten, CEO of Wooten Oil Company.

Dr. Wilson, president of WCC, wanted to honor those who have made outstanding contributions to the college.

After brainstorming and gathering ideas from others, Wilson selected Wooten for the prestigious award for Wooten's sponsorship of a golf tournament to raise funds for the Foundation of WCC.

Wooten sponsors the Kwik Mart/Wayne Community College Golf Tournament every June to raise proceeds for student scholarships.

The tournaments have raised \$83,000 in the past 4 years.

Wooten graduated from UNC-Chapel Hill with a master's degree in business administration.

Wooten chose to support WCC because of local community interest and because the money raised goes directly to benefit students through scholarships, not to administrative and hidden costs.

Wooten said, "[Receiving the award] was very unexpected, but I am very honored to be chosen."

"I would like to thank Paul Compton, instructor in the Industrial Maintenance Technology program, for the great workmanship on the medal."



Dillon Wooten, CEO of Wooten Oil Company, displays the President's Award for Distinguished Service, the first ever given.  
PHOTO: AMY RINEHART

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He said exposure to violence, such as depicted in gangsta rap music, weakens inhibitions, weakens sensibility, and gives people ideas about how to hurt others.

He said, "Some rap music portrays blacks who go to school as 'nerds' or 'Uncle Toms.' This causes black students to catch hell from other blacks."

He said that rap artists do not fall into main stream America and that some of rap's negative images affect people on the subconscious level.

He gave the example that in rap black men are called "niggers" and black women "bitches" or "whores" and that children imitate these attitudes.

At a question and answer period following the presentation, students brought up several points, such as the motivation behind selling gangsta rap and the movement away from gangsta rap on the part of rap artists.

**"With knowledge comes the power to make dreams reality."  
-Rianne Disch**

## PIE needs student volunteers

By DEREK SPEIGHT

WCC has had a Partners in Education program in which instructors visit area high schools and team-teach or perform other activities.

Last year WCC's SGA initiated a student component of this program (PIE) and needs more student volunteers, according to Janice Hill, counselor at WCC.

Currently only 10 volunteers travel to Goldsboro Middle School

every Thursday from 3:45 to 4:45 to tutor students in reading and mathematics.

The PIE program is planning a spring tour on campus for the tutored students from Goldsboro Middle School.

The tour is to encourage the students to excel in school at an early age to create a solid foundation in preparation for college.

The PIE volunteers are planning a party at the end of the year to congratulate the students on their hard work.

**Get a slice of the PIE!  
Help an at-risk younger student.  
See Janice Hill for information,  
LC 114, Student Services**

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