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## Johnson Elected Freshman President



### "So You're A Freshman..."

Freshman Elections

By: Janet Lael

As the routine began to become familiar and a pattern began to take form, another college year began to get well under way at Wilkes Community College. For the freshman, it is a year of discovery as well as a time for furthering ones own leadership ability. One of the greatest opportunities open to freshmen is seeking and retaining an office in the Student Government Association (SGA) at W.C.C. The SGA is the student governing and representative body at W.C.C. and this organization plays an important role in the recognition of student needs and concerns. The elected Freshman officers can provide valuable insight and leadership that the SGA needs to be effective and truly be a representative body.

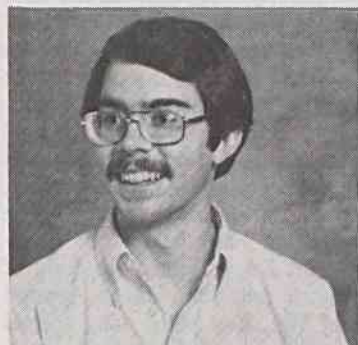
The qualifications to run for a Freshman office are relatively simple and well defined. To run for an elective officer, a Freshman must be in good standing with W.C.C., carry a minimum course load of twelve credit hours, have a cumulative quality point average of 2.25, and after elections, must maintain a quality point average of 2.00. These qualifications are set to insure that each Freshman interested in seeking an office can do so with the full knowledge of what the limitations and expectations that are set with each desired office.



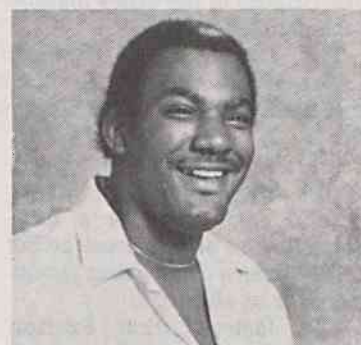
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President



**JAMIE McNEIL**  
Senator



**MICHAEL WINDSOR**  
Senator



**CHARLES MITCHELL**  
Senator

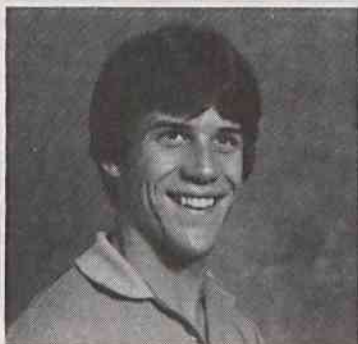
The officers of the Freshman class are set up to consist of a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and six senators. Any student that is classified as a Freshman at W.C.C. and carrying a minimum of ten credit hours (or paying student activity fees) shall be entitled to vote. Each Freshman registered at W.C.C. should take full advantage of his/her privilege to vote. The officers elected will be representing the Freshman class at many important, decision-making meetings with the SGA as well as the administrative personnel.

Elections were held on October 7 and 8, the following people were elected:

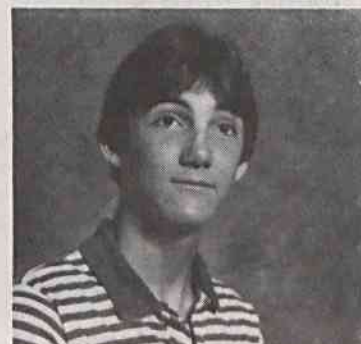
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Secretary - Krystal Kennedy  
Treasurer - Crystal Holloway  
Senators - Jon Edwards  
Glenn Eller  
Robert Little  
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Charles Mitchell  
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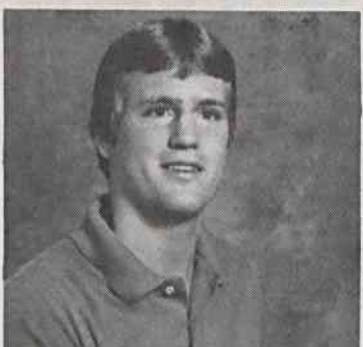
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Senator



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Senator



**GLENN ELLER**  
Senator



**KRYSTAL KENNEDY**  
Secretary



**CYRSTAL HOLLOWAY**  
Treasurer

## NCCCCSGA Fall Conference

By: Keith Barlow

Student governments often limit their learnings to campus affairs; however, the recent Fall Conference of the North Carolina Comprehensive Community College Student Government Association (NCCCCSGA) at Mission Valley Inn in Raleigh demonstrated that the Wilkes Community College Student Government Association has graduated into the area of state level student

### Fall Conference

By Keith Johnson

The North Carolina Comprehensive Community College Student Government Association annual Fall Conference was held in Raleigh at the Mission Valley Inn on October 28. The conference was hosted by Wake and Wilson Technical Institutes and lasted thru October 31. Many distinguished guests were on hand such as Governor Jim Hunt, who spoke at the welcoming assembly, and former senator Robert Morgan. The conference was an

affairs. During the October 28-31 conference, the Wilkes SGA participated with an eight member delegation, including Tonya Woodie, Jeanne Williams, Paul Newton, Keith Johnson, Robert Little, Deke Wade, Keith Barlow, and Steve Desautels. And if the involvement in this year's Fall Conference is any indication, this delegation has quickly pushed Wilkes to the top of the NCCCCSGA.

Before the conference began,

accomplishment with many ideas, problems and issues being discussed by the 40 different schools participating.

Wilkes Community College was represented respectively by a delegation of eight students and their advisor, Alan Whittington. Deke Wade was appointed chairman of the newly found sub-committee, new ideas. He now joins three other WCC students on the NCCCCSGA executive committee council. Congratulations Deke!

Wilkes Community College was represented at the NCCCCSGA level with two committee chairmen, Keith Barlow (Platform) and Steve Desautels (Legislative Liason), as well as by Jeanne Williams as NCCCCSGA Treasurer. An opening during the conference allowed Wilkes to nail down another executive member, however, as Deke Wade volunteered to chair the subcommittee for Conference New Ideas. Pushing the tally of Wilkes SGA members who are NCCCCSGA executive members to four. This year's participation exceeds the combined total for Wilkes Community College has more students active on the state level than any other institution in North Carolina.

For those not familiar with the NCCCCSGA, it is an organization designed to promote better student government as well as push for better academic achievement within the Community College System as a whole. Whenever the NCCCCSGA and its 46 dues-paying members convene for conference, however, its purpose begins to mean much

more. The various institutions with their individual problems become a unit, presenting their common problems and striving together to reach practical answers. The fellowship and exchange of ideas can prove to be significant in the advancement of our community colleges and technical institutes, even if it is only within the Student Government Association. At conference, leadership is sown and a grande exchange of ideas is harvested.

The NCCCCSGA has established standing committees and subcommittees for troubleshooting not only the problems of the organization itself, but for the institutions and community college systems as a whole. The committees include: Constitution, Convention, Delegates with Athletics and New Ideas as subcommittees, Legislative Liason, Platform, Public Relations, Specific Problems with Veterans, Allied Health, and Division subcommittees, Minorities, Finance, and Advisors. It is within these committees that the Wilkes delegation has its strong represen-

tation.

Legislative Liason, the NCCCCSGA committee responsible for legislative matters which concern students as well as the community College system, is chaired by Wilkes SGA President Steve Desautels. At this past conference Steve readied his committee for upcoming State expansion budget requests and studies. This expansion budget determines the funding fate of many issues within the community College system, including equipment allocations and literacy training.

Platform Committee, chaired by Keith Barlow, is the NCCCCSGA Committee responsible for identifying researching, wording, and in assistance with the Public Relations Committee, communicating the issues effecting the North Carolina Community College System. During the Fall Conference, Platform began a new, dropping seven previous platform issues and two previous resolutions, in order to build a new platform foundation for the NCCCCSGA. One issue and one

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