

## Phi Theta Kappa Fraternity

Phi Theta Kappa has recognized intellectual achievement in American two-year colleges since 1918. Membership in Phi Theta Kappa is conferred on those students of the community/junior college who have "established academic excellence as judged by the college faculty." Initiates must have completed at least one term or semester of the community/junior college work, must be judged of good moral character, and must possess qualities of good citizenship. Its constitution states that the purposes of Phi Theta Kappa are the promotion of scholarship, the development of leadership and service, and the cultivation of fellowship among students of community/junior colleges in the United States. Since its founding Phi Theta Kappa has been the national honor society for American community/junior colleges in the United States.

The local chapter, "Alpha Kappa Omega," has been chartered at the College with ten charter members.

## "Mu Alpha Theta"

The Mathematics Club, Mu Alpha Theta, is an organization for students who enjoy mathematics and/or plan a mathematics related career. They carry out many fund raising activities during the year and participate as a group in different intramurals.

If you are interested in this area, see the Advisor, Mr. Ed Curtis.

## Phi Beta Lambda

All students enrolled in at least one business course are invited to join Future Business Leaders of America - Phi Beta Lambda. The first meeting is scheduled for 1:00 p.m. in Room 145 Thompson Hall, on Thursday, September 12, 1985. Phi Beta Lambda is a local, state, and national business organization for college students.

The purpose and goals of Phi Beta Lambda are to: (1) develop competent, aggressive business leadership; (2) strengthen the confidence of students in themselves and their work; (3) develop character, prepare for unusual citizenship, and foster patriotism; (4) assist students in the establishment of occupational goals; and (5) facilitate the transition from school to work.

On June 7, 1985, the Wilkes Community College's chapter of Phi Beta Lambda held its First Annual Awards Banquet and Officers' Installation Ceremony at the John A. Walker Community Center on the WCC campus.

Ms. Renee Whittington, President, welcomed guests and club members. Special guests were Dr. Bob Thompson, Dean of Student Development, Dr. Jean Miles, Chairperson of the Business Department, and Ms. Gail Jordan.

After dinner, the Sigma Iota Chapter of Phi Beta Lambda presented the following awards. A State Membership certificate was presented to each club member, and Ms. Gail Jordan was presented with an honorary membership to the Sigma Iota Chapter for her outstanding service in the beginning of the 1984-85 academic year. Mrs. Susan Bowers was honored with a certificate of appreciation for her invaluable assistance throughout the year. Outstanding Club Service awards were presented to Mr. Farley Call, returning member,

## Parking Rules And Regulations

1. Personnel operating vehicles on the campus should be aware of the authorized speeds, parking spaces, and other regulations.

2. The college access road from Highway 268 to the parking lot is under jurisdiction of the State Highway Department. Maximum speeds which are established by the state's ordinance are as posted.

3. **Parking:** Vehicles may be parked in the following areas: Lower Lot: Reserved for Faculty/Staff only. Lots A, B, C, D, E, F, and G.: Student parking with reserved spaces for handicapped and Faculty/Staff. Other: Parking area directly in front of Thompson Hall is for Administrative parking only. Parking area in front of Hayes Hall is reserved for visitors, service vehicles, handicapped and faculty. Faculty parking in visitors area is limited to 1½ hours only. Front street parking is permitted *ONLY* if no space is available in student lots. Motorcycles are to be parked two to a space in parking lots.

4. Please observe handicapped spaces.

5. Do not park on curb.

6. Do not "back" into parking space.

7. Do not block traffic lanes or other vehicles.

8. Do not drive vehicles, including motorbikes, on sidewalks or

Dearest Student Body,

As president of the Student Government Association, it is my honor and privilege to welcome all new freshmen, and the sophomores to the beautiful grounds of Wilkes Community College.

I would personally like to take this time to say that if anyone needs me for any reason at all, please contact me here on campus or at my apartment. My services are always open to you as a student and a friend. Not only will my services be available, but also everybody on the SGA staff, as well as the teachers will be glad to help in any way possible to make your stay at Wilkes Community College a very enjoyable one.

We will always be having activities going on in the student commons or elsewhere to make sure you always have something to do. Please feel free to ask any questions that might come up, because I know as a student myself that it is not easy leaving home and starting over in a new environment. To me it was very scary, and I felt lost without my old friends to keep me company. I very much desired the friendship of my old friends and my old school, but now I realize that there are other people in the world, and that there could be no better school.

Please enjoy your stay at WCC and know that the staff, SGA members and myself will always be around to help in any way we possibly can.

Sincerely,  
Shelia Miller (SGA President)

unpaved areas of the campus.

9. Vehicle registration sticker must be displayed on the rear glass. (Driver's side, please.)

10. Students and Faculty/Staff having to drive a vehicle, other than their vehicle which has the parking sticker, for one or two days should place a note on the dashboard with this information in order to not receive a parking ticket **THEY SHOULD NOT PARK IN THE REGULAR LOT.**

11. Fines: Parking tickets will be given the *second day* of classes. A fine of \$2.00 is payable in the college Business Office within 96 hours. If fines are not paid within

this time limit, records will be encumbered and the fine will be increased to \$4.00. All fines must be paid before the student will be allowed to register for the next quarter.

12. A traffic control officer is on duty in order to aid you and enforce all parking regulations.

13. Students, Faculty, and Staff who wish to contest a ticket must make an appointment at student services to be heard on the matter.

14. Persons stopped for traffic violations on campus must show their drivers license and student I.D. card when applicable.



and Mr. David Whittington, alumni member, who also received the Who's Who in the Sigma Iota Chapter of Phi Beta Lambda. The Club Merit award was given to Dr. Jean Miles for her many years of service to Sigma Iota Chapter of Phi Beta Lambda. Mr. Randy Joyner and Mr. Jim Barrow, advisors, received recognition from club members for outstanding service during the 1984-85 year.

President Renee Whittington delivered her farewell address and recognized Dr. Jean Miles who installed club officers for the 1985-86 year: Mr. Farley Call, President; Ms. Betsy Campbell, Secretary/Treasurer. Mr. Farley Call made his inaugural address and presented Ms. Renee Whittington with her own personal gavel in appreciation of her service, loyalty, and dedication for the 1984-85 year. As his first official duty in office, Mr. Farley Call adjourned the meeting.

Anyone interested in joining the Sigma Iota Chapter of Phi Beta Lambda for the 1985-86 year, please contact Mr. Randy Joyner at Wilkes Community College (phone 667-7136 ext. 202). Don't forget September 12. We look forward to seeing you at our first meeting at 1:00 in Room 145.

## Chorus Ready To Sing

If you enjoy singing . . . If you sang in the High School Chorus . . . If you want to have fun, then join the WCC Chorus. Practice is Thursday nights. Just sign up for Music 0121.

## Public Information Director

Alaine Chase has been working as the Director of Public Information for almost two months. She from Elizabeth City, NC and worked as the Community Schools Coordinator for the Camden County Public Schools System. She also worked as the Camden County part-time adult education supervisor through the College of the Albemarle in Elizabeth City.

Alaine has enjoyed working with the faculty and staff of Wilkes Community College, and meeting some of the students.

## From The Editor

Well gang! Welcome to another year of class at Wilkes Community College. We've had our summer of fun, and now it's time to buckle down to many nights of hard work; and I do mean hard work. As mentioned in the Fall Schedule Bulletin, we've come a long way from the "patch-box" in the trunk of Dr. Howard E. Thompson's car to the present curriculum. However, even though it is WCC's 20th anniversary, it has been brought to my attention that many still consider our courses inadequate as compared to those of four-year schools. I plan to change your mind.

For your information, courses at WCC parallel and in many cases put you ahead when you transfer to a four year school. Take the word of someone who knows, Wilkes offers subjects to challenge anyone's intellect and at a lower tuition cost. The location of WCC also allows it to serve other counties that have no college. The tuition, cost, and high quality programs and courses are not all WCC has to offer to assist you in your work. An excellent tutoring program is available in Special Services, "up on the hill." These tutors will not do your work for you, but they are trained in a variety of fields to assist you in understanding your "problem course." For all of you who thought we were still a "patch-box," Special Services is here to help. WCC also offers various clubs which are too numerous to mention in this article.

For enjoyment there are dancers, plays, and all sort of activities held in the Commons—Thompson Hall and in the JAWCC. Also, we have intramural basketball, tennis, table tennis, and tag football for you to participate in and to enjoy.

Well! you see, WCC is not lacking. As a matter of fact, I doubt if you will have time to cover everything and learn about everything going on at this College!

Perhaps most important, you have faculty and staff at Wilkes that are unique. They express a caring attitude about their students.

Well, Freshmen come around to meet the Cougar Cry staff in Hayes Hall.

Also, Sophomores welcome back to Wilkes!

Your Editor  
Bruce Groce

## The Editor Speaks

Wanted: More News Items

This is a filler. It fills space for which nothing was written. The dictionary defines fillers as "copy used primarily to fill extra space in a column or page of a newspaper or periodical." Filler material usually comes from some encyclopedia and though the information is interesting, it is hardly newsworthy. Still, periodicals are full of items like this:

*There are 2,742 varieties of plankton in the Coral Sea during the month of September.*

Or this:

*Thirteen is an unlucky number - but only if 12 dinners were prepared and you were the last guest to arrive.*

Interesting. But so what? How many readers care about plankton varieties and late guests?

Why, then, do periodicals use filler material?

Because the news staff did not have something better to report. . . But you can help!

How?

Just by letting any member of the newspaper staff know what's happening or what is going to happen. If you would rather write it yourself, jot down the who/what/where/when/why of your story and some staff member will do the rest.

Result: more current information and fewer fillers.

Naturally, we will continue to use some filler material too good not to print.