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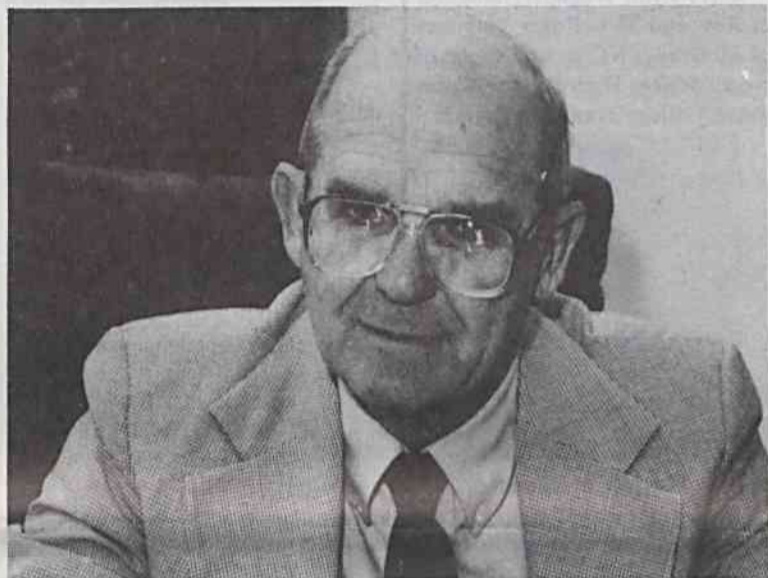
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Twenty Third Graduation

CONGRATULATIONS GRADS



1989



Dr. H. Edwin Beam, Interim President

From The President

As the interim president in the spring of this year, much of my work relates to closing out the academic and fiscal year, and to short-term planning in areas such as staffing, budgeting, salaries and educational offerings.

Too little of my time has been devoted to meeting and talking with students. I have done some and hope to do more. Perhaps there is yet time, though you are preoccupied with graduation, the end of the quarter, or upcoming summer interests.

Stangers who come to this campus are impressed immediately by its beauty and obvious community support. You have a great college with a wide variety of educational

opportunities from which to choose. I am aware of much of your college's history, which includes being extremely successful with students.

While educational success is not visible like gardens and buildings, over time and the accomplishments of students who enroll here will be reflected in a very tangible way — improved social and economic communities where we live, work and play. I encourage each of you to add to the record of success of former students.

It's a great honor to have been asked to serve as interim president of Wilkes Community College. It is great to be a part, even though a brief part, of your history.

Dr. H. Edwin Beam

Spring Gala Kicks Off WCC's Silver Anniversary

A formal dinner and dance kicked off Wilkes Community College's 25th Anniversary celebrations.

The Spring Gala was held Saturday, May 6 at 6 p.m. in the John A. Walker Community Center.

"The gala marked the beginning of WCC's silver anniversary festivities, and was a celebration of the college's accomplishments," said Bob Miller, chairman of the committee who planned the event.

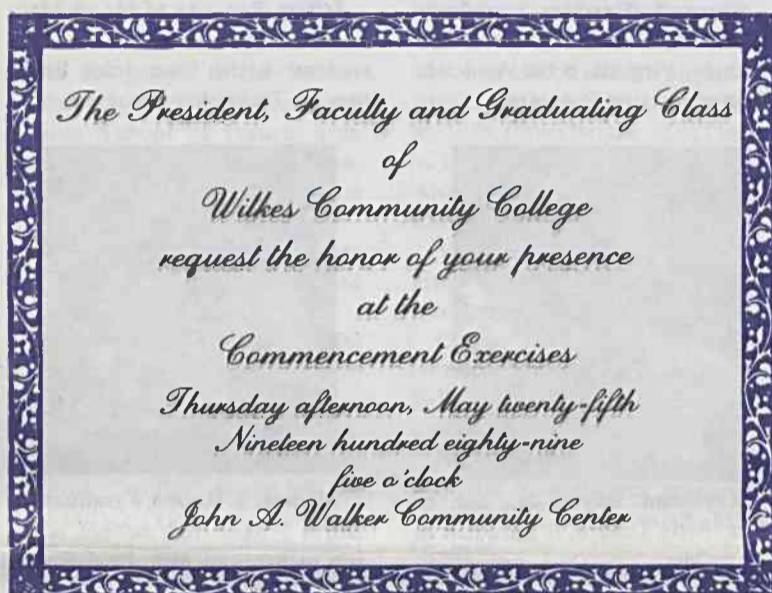
The black-tie gala featured the 21-piece Sawtooth Swing Band from Winston-Salem and a five-course dinner.

About 196 people attended, Miller said. Special guests were Dr. and Mrs. Howard E. Thomp-

son, Dr. and Mrs. David E. Daniel, Dr. Edwin H. Beam and Gov. and Mrs. Robert W. Scott.

Dr. Thompson is founding president of WCC, Dr. Daniel is immediate past president and Dr. Beam is interim president. Scott is president of the North Carolina Department of Community Colleges and is former governor of the state.

The gala was sponsored by the WCC Endowment Corporation. It was planned by a committee composed of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ogburn, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Heitzler, Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Eller, and Mrs. Nan McNeil.



Graduate Plans

As the 1988-1989 school year winds down, many graduates are making plans. Some hope to achieve a 4-year degree at a senior institution while others are ready to put to use the skills they have learned at Wilkes Community College.

A mini-survey of sophomore students revealed the following goals: Paul Edmiston plans to enter ASU in the fall and major in political science. Kim Johnson plans to begin a nursing career at Wilkes General Hospital. Melissa Tedder intends to enter Elon College and major in communications. Lisa Jarvis will call Appalachian home for the next 2 years as she begins her major in special education. Kelly Dorsett's goal is to obtain a degree in elementary education from ASU. Kim Whitley has set her sights on obtaining a degree from ASU in insurance and real estate. Julie Elder also foresees a degree from Appalachian; she plans a career in social work. Shirley Welborn plans to enroll in the Gardner Webb satellite program and obtain a degree in accounting. Donna Garris hopes to utilize the electronics skills she learned at WCC in a major business organization. After graduation, Jeff Clark plans to transfer to UNC Charlotte and pursue a 4-year degree in electronics. Danny Rash will put his nursing skills to use at Watauga Hospital.

Good luck to all the WCC graduates!

Janis Harless

The 1989 Wilkes Community College Alumni Reception was held on Saturday, April 22 at 6:30 p.m. in the John A. Walker Community Center.

About 250 alumni and guests attended the annual event along with over 50 faculty and staff members. Alumni attending included Helen Anderson, WCC's first graduate in 1967, and John B. Roten, WCC's second newest graduate-4,739th, who graduated in 1988.

Following hors d'oeuvres, door prizes, and remarks by WCC Alumni President Carolyn Frazier-Pardue, Dr. Bob C. Thompson, Dr. Conrad Shaw, and Dr. Ed Beam, Interim President, the alumni were treated to the WCC theater's production of "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum."

Everyone had a great time!!

Robin Dew

1989 Graduates

The graduates of 1989 have completed their goals in their particular programs. They will be participating in the graduation ceremonies on May 25, at 5:00 p.m. in the John A. Walker Community Center. The following graduates and their programs are:

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Sherrie Gaye Bare
Mark Randall Barker
Marlene Gambill Barlow
Rodney Ray Beshears
Sharon Worrell Beshears
Jerry Martin Blevins, Sr.
Patricia Lynn Bolin
Jeffrey Charles Bryant
Amy Maria Bumgarner
Sandy Wade Carter
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Steve Paul Cothren
Anthony Cornelious Cowles
David Scott Deal
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Robin Lynette Dew
William Shaun Duncan
Paul Stephen Edmiston
Kendall Leigh Finney
Ronald James Foster
Karen Faye Gibbs
Judy M. Greer
Amanda Dean Hamby
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Max Alexander Head, Jr.
Lisa Sturdivant Jarvis
Brenda Toone Joyce
Jack M. Ledford, Jr.

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Carnott Michael Mathewson
Lisa Michelle Mathis
Sandra Cleo McCloud
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Darla Rene[®] Miller
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Nikki Ray Miller
Brenda Reavis Money
David Charles Rash
Julia Beth Rhoades
Frances Irene Roten
Marcus Jack Royal
Mark Anthony Royall
Brian Kirk Schoonover
Carlena Johnson Sheets
David Scott Shepherd
James Barry Shumate
Nancy Franklin Sidden
Tamera Dawn Stokes
Melissa Lee Tedder
David Joseph Thompson
Donna Renae Treadway
Karen Leigh Trivette
Melissa Waddell
John David Waldrup
Robert Leon Webb, Jr.
Charlotte Poteat Whitaker
Randy Lynn Whittington
Julie Renee Woodie
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Sandra Cleo McCloud

Darla Rene[®] Miller
David Charles Rash
John David Waldrup

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Jones Brian Darnell

Michelle Leigh Dickens
Randall Scott Miles

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