

# The Cougar Cry THE VOICE OF WILKES COMMUNITY COLLEGE

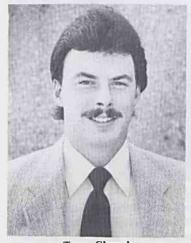


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# Welcome Freshmen and Returning Students



Tony Church

#### Tony Church New S.G.A. President

It's not hard to spot the new WCC Student Government Association President. He stands 6 feet 6 inches tall, even taller in his cowboy boots. Tony Church was elected S.G.A. President last spring. He is the son of Ms. Francis Church and a former West Wilkes High School graduate. In high school, he was all-conference 3 years in basketball and 4 years in track. Church was also a captain of his track team and a state finalist in the high jump. For 3 years, he was a member of the Key Club.

As a sophomore Church is entering his final year of the diesel mechanics program. Of his future plans, Church states, "I plan to enter the job market and use the skills I have learned at WCC to make some money". He added, "When I get a little money ahead I'd like to finish the Bachelor of Technology program at Appalachian State." Church's goals as S.G.A. President are "To represent the interests of the students, try to improve both the educational and athletic facilities and equipment at WCC as well as improving the total student life on campus".

# Visiting Artist

"To enlighten, educate, and entertain the community in music in which I live is one of my goals" stated, Peter A. Lindblom, the visiting artist for 1989-90.

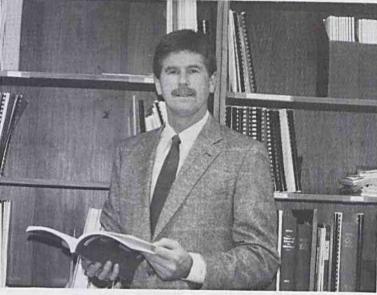
Mr. Lindblom was a trumpet player and the Co-Principal trumpet in the Charleston Symphony Orchestra. He is a graduate of Eastman School of Music, Rochester, New York. He received his bachelor of

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#### To The Freshmen

Welcome to Wilkes Community College!!! As you work out and plan your Fall schedule, and try to find your classes, the excitement of the college experience begins. This is a busy and confusing time for most people. Just remember that you are not alone! The faculty, staff and students at WCC are eager to help you with any problems or questions you may have. All you need to do is ask - and remember, GET INVOLVED AT WCC!!

#### **New President Takes Office**



Dr. James R. Randolph

What is Wyoming missing? The Executive Director of Wyoming Community College Commission, Dr. James R. Randolph. He began his work as President of Wilkes Community College on July 17, 1989. He was born in Carmichael, Pennsylvania and received his education from Thornton Junior College, Illinois State University, and the University of Missouri. He earned his doctorate in Vocational Technical Education with a minor in Computer Aided Instruction from the University of Missouri in 1972. Since then he has been a Research Associate at the Vocational and Technical Education Center at Ohio State University; Director of Occupational Programs at Parkersbury Community College at Logan, West Virginia; President

of the College of Eastern Utah at Price, Utah; Part-Time Faculty member at the University of Wyoming; and the Executive Director of the Wyoming Community College Commission at Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Dr. Randolph has been active in educational associations and many civic organizations. He has published several articles concerning community college work.

He is married to Caroline and they have two sons, Chad and Adam.

Dr. Randolph is looking forward to the coming years at WCC and watching the school grow to great heights that will give it greater distinction as being a school of excellence in education.

## Musicians Wanted

Wilkes Community College is looking for mucisians to join the WCC Jazz Ensemble and WCC Symphony.

The jazz ensemble has openings for trumpets, trombones, saxophones and bass, said director Jerry Bangle. The WCC Symphony or Chamber Music Ensemble has openings for instrumentalists.

The groups met weekly and present several performances during the year. Musicians do not have to be WCC students. Anyone interested should call Mr. Bangle at 651-8240.

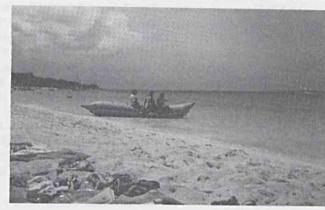
Curriculum music classes are, also, available in strings, piano, music theory and music appreciation. Class piano and music appreciation may be taken through individualized studies, in which the student works at his own pace.

#### Yearbook Staff Attends Workshop

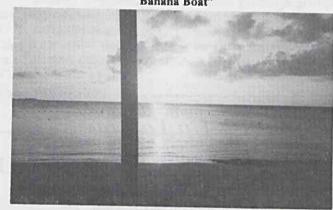
Sophomores Tammy Elledge, Kerry Lynn Wagoner, Brian Barker, and advisor Dr. Jo Hendrix, attended the Josten's Yearbook Workshop at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill on Sunday, July 30, through Wednesday, August 2. Tammy and Kerry Lynn, co-editors, attended classes on yearbook design, copy writing, and layout design. Brian, photography editor, attended classes on picture taking and photo layouts. WCC was the only college who entered the layout design competition to receive an award. An honorable mention award was received for the four-day's work. The yearbook staff learned a lot from the workshop and hope to make this year's yearbook the best ever.

Kerry L. Wagoner

#### **WCC Students Travel Abroad**



"Banana Boat"



Sunset in the Bahamas



The Bahamas' Shore

Donna Billings, Angela Clonch, Angie Bowlin, and Angie Shew traveled to the Bahamas this summer. We departed from Charlotte on June 11 via Piedmont Airlines.

The wild driving of the taxicab drivers made us fearful that we might not reach our villa, Suites in Paradise.

We were all anxious to get to the beach where the natives walked, selling t-shirts, fresh coconuts and braiding hair.

The first night on Paradise Island, we attended a Las Vegas type show, "La Cabaret." Never having seen this type of stage show, we were very much amazed.

The next night we had tickets for a native show, "The Calipso Revue". Angela and Donna participated in the show by singing and dancing with the natives.

We rented mopeds and rode them to Nassau where we went to the Straw Market, which was like a one block yard sale. On the beach, we rode the "banana boat." It was a boat in the shape of a banana, pulled by a larger boat. That was a fun, but soary, experience. We also enjoyed the casinos and discotheques. Angela's beginner's luck paid off well in the casino.

Soon it was Thursday, the day to go home. We had a great time, but we were ready to leave.

The Bahamas are a beautiful place, and the water is aqua blue.

We have never understood what a great place we lived in until we got miles and miles away.

## From The President

We're gearing up for a special year at Wilkes Community College - our 25th anniversary.

The college has come a long way in a short time. WCC started as an office in North Wilkesboro, a phone and a handful of people who arranged the first classes.

Twenty-five years later, we're starting a new academic year with some of the finest teachers and facilities in the community college system, and a far-reaching reputation for excellence in education. We have many reasons to celebrate.

What will the college be like in another 25 years? We expect WCC to change and grow with the educational needs of the area's people. That's the community college's foremost mission, and we feel WCC will continue on its path of excellence.

I hope you will be a part of the celebration in the 1989-90 academic year. After all, students are why Wilkes Community College has been here for the past 25 years.

Jim Randolph

#### YEARBOOK PICTURES

The photographer will be here on:
August 30, 1989
All Freshmen
Faculty and Staff

September 13, 1989

Sophomores Evening Students Faculty and Staff