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## Students Honored "Who's Who" Chosen



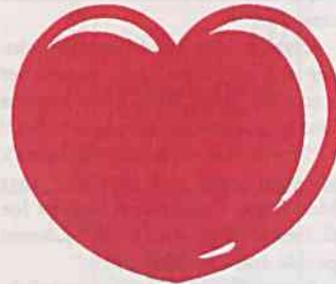
### Eighteen Students Honored for Who's Who in Colleges & Universities

Wilkes Community College announces that eighteen students have been selected nationally as outstanding campus leaders. Their names will appear in the 1993 edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges*. These students join an elite group of students selected from more than 1,400 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations.

Outstanding students have been honored in the annual directory since its inception in 1934. A campus selection committee consisting of WCC faculty and staff was chosen last fall. Candidates for the publication must be full time, second year technical or college transfer students who will be

May, 1994 graduates. The students were selected on the basis of academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and their potential for continued success.

WCC students selected for the publication are: Julie Annette Absher, Anita Blevins Blackburn, Donald Richard Blevins, Jr., Helen Marie Burgess, Patricia Hike Canter, Gurney Gilbert Connolly, Rayford Dale Hill, Richard Perry Kirk, Kimberly Dawn Lawson, Lisa Renee McNeill, Bruce Dwayne Monks, Harley Gray Settle, Brent Deleon Triplett, Jerald Lawson Weaver, Donald Scott Whitten, Penny Marie Wiles, Regina Blizzard Woodie, and Robert Anthony Woodside.



## Student Profile



Richard Kirk is a man with many hats. As well as a full time student of the 1994 nursing class, he is also an assistant Sunday school teacher, a supply preacher for the Southern Baptist Churches, a husband, a father to two boys and a girl, and most recently, a grandfather. When asked which one he most enjoyed wearing, he simply replied, "All of them."

Richard is not what one would consider a traditional college student. At the age of 47 he redirected his path from a successful career as a broker in his self-owned insurance agency, to a full-time student in a very demanding course of study. "I was intrigued by, and drawn into nursing," said Richard. "After being fascinated by the treatment my daughter received in a near death experience, as well as being deeply moved by the care provided for my father-in-law before he passed away, I came to realize that there is much I can give back to humanity. Nursing will enable me to accomplish this."

Richard went on to explain to me the importance of God and church in his life. He explained that his ministry through sermon and Sunday school is just the beginning. Once he completes nursing school and obtains a few years experience, Richard plans to travel with his wife (also a nurse) to do missionary work through medicine and bible study.

...Bruce Monks

## WCC SGA President Meets With Governor



Wilkes Community College Student Government Association President Scarlett Overbay is shown meeting with Governor Jim Hunt at a recent discussion for student body presidents at the Governor's Mansion in Raleigh, NC. The meeting was attended by 50 student body presidents from community colleges, universities, and private schools across the state of North Carolina. Ms. Overbay is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Overbay of Sparta, NC. She is a member of the WCC Volleyball Team, serves as a member of the WCC Board of Trustees, and works at Camp Cheerio as a senior counselor. Upon graduation from WCC, Ms. Overbay plans to continue her education in either sports medicine or law.

## Valentine's Day

The name Saint Valentine is given to two legendary Christian martyrs whose feasts were formerly observed on February 14th. One believed to be a Roman priest martyred c. 269 during the persecution of Claudius the Goth, was buried on the flaminian way; the second was probably a bishop of Terni martyred in Rome. It is possible that those two legends were based on real people, or as some believe, one person. The association of Saint Valentine's Day with love and courtship may have arisen from the coincidence of the date with the Roman festival of LUPERCALIA. In 1969 the feast day was dropped from the Roman church calendar.

# NOTICE

## Spring Quarter Early Registration Dates Have Been Changed

Early registration will be held Wednesday, February 16, Thursday, February 17, Friday, February 18, and Monday, February 21. Classes will be held on Tuesday, February 15. Advisement Day, with no classes, will be Wednesday, February 16. Regular registration will be held on Monday, March 7 from 9:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.