

KM native Bud Mayes earns teaching award

Dewey S. "Bud" Mayes, formerly of Kings Mountain and an instructor at Wilkes Community College in North Wilkesboro, was honored recently with the Wilkes Community College Excellence in Teaching award, a joint project of the college and the WCC Endowment Corporation.

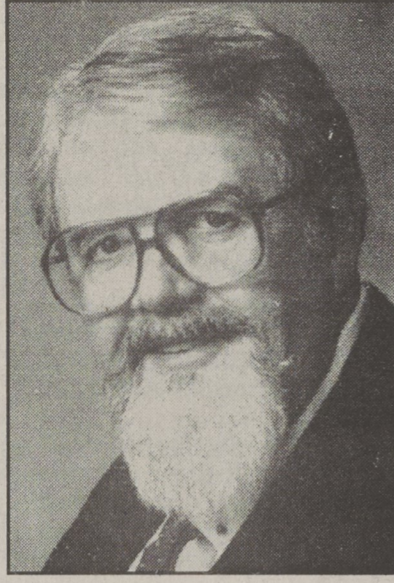
Mayes was also selected as a semifinalist in the State Board of Community Colleges'/First Union Foundation Excellence in Teaching Award.

Mayes is an instructor in three classes of Western Civilization as well as drama, study skills and history courses. He is the son of Mrs. H. Carl Mayes of Davidson, formerly of Kings Mountain, and the late Mr. Mayes and is a graduate of Appalachian State University with bachelor and master's degrees. He and his wife, Rebecca, have one son Sean Mayes, of Bradenton, Fla. He has one sister, Ann Mayes Ware of Concord, formerly of Kings Mountain.

Mayes' sister describes her brother as "dynamic in the classroom." She says his students sit in rapt attention as Mayes, in his unique lecture style, brings other cultures and historical events to life for them with his powers of description and dramatic presentation.

"Bud says that in all his years of teaching he is repeatedly surprised by how much students of all ages still enjoy a good story," said Ware.

Mayes, whose teaching career spans 30 years, was instrumental in the original development



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of the associate in arts and the associate in fine arts college transfer curricula.

Teaching loads of 24 credit hours or more with upwards of 150 students in the last two years have not stopped him from also developing and implementing four new history courses, directing a play, designing sets for another play and teaching Western Civilization three days a week at Ashe Central High School.

His involvement in college theater has led to drama-related projects such as authoring an historical drama, the founding of a children's theater and the development of the Walker Center children's series in which every child in every grade in Wilkes County has a chance to see at least one show or concert each year.

Renaissance Club growing at KMHS

The Renaissance Club, an academic award club at Kings Mountain High School, will hold an awards ceremony Thursday, Feb. 20 at 1:15 p.m. in Barnes Auditorium.

The assembly will honor the new recipients of the Gold, Silver and Bronze awards that KMHS students earned last term. As special guests, the entire ninth grade is invited to attend the ceremonies to acquaint them with the program.

Bill Sherwood, owner of McDonald's in Kings Mountain, will be the guest speaker and will present a motivational speech about setting goals. Students receiving the new cards have met the criteria during the fall semester and many have already met goals of their own.

The criteria for this year's awards remain the same as last year. To receive a Gold Card, a student must have a 4.0 GPA and eight or less absences per term. To receive a Silver Card, a student must have a 3.5 GPA and eight or less absences per term. To receive a Bronze Card, a student must have improved his or her GPA by .5 and have eight or less absences per term.

The criteria was met by a total of 329 students which is an increase from last term's 306 card holders. The largest increase was in Gold Card holders, which increased by 34 percent.

Gold Card holders are entitled to exempt all exams except state End-of-Course exams, and they receive a free parking pass. In addition, they are admitted free to all athletic and school events.

Silver and Bronze card holders receive coupons entitling them to free admission to selected athletic events and free homework "redo" passes. The Silver Card holders can exempt two academic exams as long as they are in good standing, and Bronze Card holders can exempt one exam in a subject where they have good standing.

"The recent increase in card holders supports the idea that the Renaissance Club is a motivation for students to work to better grades and better attendance," said Media Specialist Gay G. Henderson.

A committee of representatives from KMHS faculty, students and parents recently attended a Renaissance Conference at Sun Valley High School in Monroe. Media specialist Gay Henderson, art instructor Sherri Bingham, principal Phil Weathers, and parent Priscilla Mauney accompanied students Katy Rountree and Monisone Phanthalack to Sun Valley to hear how other schools handle the Renaissance program. The program included an academic pep rally.

"The committee was enthused by the things that they learned about the success of the program," Ms. Henderson said. "Those of us who have been involved at Kings Mountain High from the outset of the Renaissance Club look forward to its growing success as we implement the new ideas suited to our student body. We are proud to congratulate each new card holder and wish them continued achievement in the future."

Card holders include:

(Ninth Grade)
Gold Card - David Angeles, Mindy Belt, Melita Betler, Blake

Bolin, Jason Bridges, Brad Bridges, Heather Causby, Thea Creighton, Natasha Crocker, April Curry, MaryLee Dilling, Charlotte Fulton, Basit Gangoo, Anna George, David George, Zachary George, Haley Gingles, Jason Gladden, Cheryl Greene, John Hunter, Jessica Lynn, Danielle Marshall, Michael Martin, Daniel Mauney, Josh McDaniel, Ola Moore, Wendy Neisler, Miranda Ormsby, Mollie Patterson, Manisone Phanthalack, Teresa Rainey, Stephanie Saucier, Crystal Smart, Jennifer Sparks, Andrew Thomas, Melissa Visioli, Daniel Walker.

(10th Grade)
Gold Card - Anthony Ash, Emily Ballard, Kristie Brinkley, Melissa Bruce, Suzanne Buckner, Kathryn Champion, Seth Denton, Joy Dixon, Tisa Duncan, Lee Echols, Jaime Eller, Vanessa Elliott, Kirston Gingles, Cecilia Henderson, Alice Ann Howard, Jennifer Inman, Dione Jarrett, Michael Jolly, Terri Martin, Elizabeth Mauney, Elise Mayse, Paula Mercer, Meline Miller, Liana Owens, Kate Pascoe, Derek Payseur, Linda Phannareth, Clay Phillips, Brandon Putnam, Jessica Robbins, Matthew Smith.
Silver Card - Jonathan Bailey, Ronald Bailey, Bridget Barrett, Dusty Beaver, Benjamin Beck, Blair Cannon, Corwin Clayton, Ashley Dawson, Gimena Elliott, Courtney Fredell, George Goforth, Jenny Goforth, Tina Guest, Ben Howell, Amanda Johnsonbaugh, Chad Jones, Michelle King, Melissa Martin, Jill Mayes, Heidi McDaniel, Chenoa Montgomery, LaShonda Morris, Seth Moss, NoTasha Odums, LaToya Paysour, Chad Pearson, Ebony Phillips, Lee Putnam, Abby Ropp, Josh Rountree, Joy Sloan, Linda Smith, Steven Tesenair, Renee Ware, Banicca Watkins, Candice Webber, Brian Wells, Candace S. Williams, Nicole Willis, Gregory Wilson.
Bronze Card - Kiana Archie, Dawn Bagwell, Josh Bell, Landon Benton, Kevin Bess, Isaiah Blake, Brandon Blanton, Ben Bumgardner, David Chapman, DeAnn Chapman, Brad Early, Jennifer Falls, Toshia Floyd, Jessica Greenwell, Travis Hamrick, Justin Harrelson, Richard Hildreth, Amanda Laye, Amanda Maples, Ricky McDonald, Wendy Moore, Tilese Roseboro, Lawanda Smarr, Jayda Wallace.

(11th Grade)
Gold Card - Emily Anthony, Elizabeth Bentley, Sarah Bunch, Carey Caldwell, Josephine Chan, S. Douangmavongsa,

Ann Glidden, Rebecca Jo, Christine King, Jennifer Loftin, Kristen Miller, Katy Rountree.
Silver Card - Kenneth Baidonado, Kimberly Belt, Maria Boone, Mark Butler, Megan Chryst, Eliza Falls, Collin Goforth, Jennifer Hickman, Heather Hughes, Richard Martin, Bobbie Jo Morrow, Adelaide Moschler, Kimberly Neason, Nicole Ormand, Kimberly Parker, Byron Quinn, Tim Schwantes, Shana Sizemore, Hunter Suber, Michael Scott Wilson, Jason Woody.

Bronze Card - Shannon Anderson, Karis Bess, Brandon Bolin, Brian Bolin, Marlon Byers, Brian Cannon, Charles Evans, Kristie Gordon, Bucky Haskin, Jonathan Mertz, Bradley Philbeck, Neal Rainey, Amanda Sexton, Tui Silaphet, Regina Smith, Patricia Springs, Misty Toney, Avery Turbyfill.

(12th Grade)
Gold Card - Sharonda Adams, Molly Blanton, Sherri Bridges, Wesley Bridges, Jennifer Bronner, Jamie Brooks, Michael Bumgardner, Deanna Byrd, Nancy Ely, Cheryl Fisher, Crystal Fisher, Talia Gangoo, Katie George, Sloan Goforth, Jackie Houston, Drew Howell, Kevin James, Bethany Jimison, Stephanie Lail, Brian Maxey, Corey McCrary, Megan Meade, Kathryn Morrow, Hiroki Nishiyama, Riley Nolen, Joe

Page, Leslie Phifer, Saengmani Philavanh, Candice Robbins, Stephanie Ruppe, Ricky Southard, Katie Subler, Trent Testa, Shannon Ward, Tamra Webber, Brett Wells.

Silver Card - Jordan Angeles, Carrie Biltcliffe, Chris Broome, Melissa Bumgardner, Dee Byers, Octavia Childers, Amy Deaver, Cassie Dowda, Daniel Gardner, Kelly Ann Goforth, Kevin Gunter, Tracy Hall, Rhea Herndon, Mark Johnson, Paul Johnsonbaugh, Sharon Jones, Jennifer Kies, Brian King, Kristin Koenig, Ryan Laughridge, Will Mauney, Kim Moore, Robert Ormand, Eric Paul, Namkhang Phannareth, Katie Phommalin, Rusty Putnam, Mindy Reynolds, Andy Ross, Jaime Sherrill, Krista Short, Leslie Shytle, Johnny Surratt, Tracy Wilson.

Bronze Card - Emory Brown, Tim Cressawn, Sidney Crocker, Debbie Dalton, Lisa Earney, Tim Farris, Jerry Garner, Derek Goode, Crystal Greene, Jamie Hall, Chrystle Hamrick, Christopher Henson, Christy Huffman, Johnny Marshall, Tonya McGee, Crystal Murray, Bryan Odums, Jason Putnam, Jeremy Regan, Styx Ross, Jennifer Russell, Jeff Sisk, Tonya Sloan, Jeremy Towery, Josh Turbyfill.

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Buddy Freeman to join staff at North Greenville College

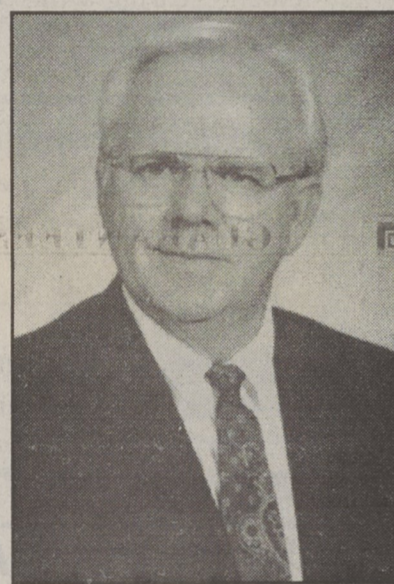
Rev. Charles W. "Buddy" Freeman, a Kings Mountain native and dean of admissions and financial planning at Gardner-Webb University, has announced that he will join North Greenville College on February 27 as that school's executive director of admissions and financial planning. The new post is the equivalent of a vice president's position and Freeman will sit on the president's council there.

A 1962 graduate of Gardner-Webb, Freeman has served the university for 22 years, first as campus minister, then as associate director of admissions for church relations, and finally as dean of admissions and financial planning, a position he was appointed to two years ago. During his time as dean, he has had a significant role in Gardner-Webb's overall enrollment increasing nearly 20 percent, up to 2,648 currently, an all-time time for spring enrollment and the second highest total ever for an overall Gardner-Webb enrollment.

"This is a promotion for me," Freeman explained. "It's an opportunity to join another fine Christian institution that's in an exciting growth phase. But I'm not going there to fix something that's broke - North Greenville is on the rise and it will be rewarding to be a part of that."

He cited North Greenville's recent transition from a junior college to a four-year institution, its growing enrollment that has now topped 900, and the construction of two new dormitories as evidence of the school's progression and commitment to growth.

"Anything to do with students - Christian students,



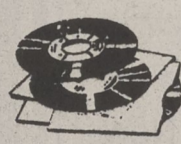
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bright students, students who want to learn and grow and better themselves - I simply love being a part of that," Freeman said. "That's the atmosphere here at Gardner-Webb, and that's the atmosphere at North Greenville. It's what I want to be a part of."

While Freeman has held several positions within the institution, his impact was felt outside of campus as well. A popular after-dinner speaker who has produced two tapes, he was often sought to lead prayer retreats, organize singing and preaching efforts, and to direct efforts that would assist ministerial students who needed funds to pursue careers in the ministry. He even co-organized with the late Dr. J. Thurman Lewis the formation of the Christian Service Organization at GWU, which specifically raises money to help aspiring ministerial students.

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