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■ WCC was featured in the November “**Member Spotlight**” on the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development (NISOD) website.

On the Docket

Fine Arts Festival - 6 p.m., Dec. 5 ▪ Wayne Learning Center Atrium

Basic Law Enforcement Training Graduation - 6 p.m., Dec. 11 ▪ Moffatt Auditorium

Employee of the Year Awards Presentations, Retiree Recognitions, and Holiday Lunch - 11 a.m., Dec. 12 ▪ Moffatt Auditorium and WLC Atrium

Medical Laboratory Technology Pinning - 5 p.m., Dec. 12 ▪ Moffatt Auditorium

Commencement (summer and fall curriculum graduates) - 4 p.m., Dec. 18 ▪ Maxwell Center

Truck Driver Training Graduation - 6 p.m., Dec. 19 ▪ Walnut 101 and 104

Spring 2020 Classes Begin - Jan. 8

2020 Board Retreat - Jan. 31 ▪ Walnut Building

Curriculum Graduation Ceremonies - May 12, 2020 ▪ Maxwell Center

TPCC Graduation Ceremony - 11 a.m., May 13, 2020 ▪ Moffatt Auditorium

■ The Upsilon Chi Chapter of **Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society** inducted 101 members in its fall ceremony. Phi Theta Kappa members represent the top 10 percent of students enrolled in two-year schools.

■ WCC is now an **AWS (Amazon Web Services) Academy** member. Information Systems Technology instructors can earn Academy accreditation and become authorized to teach courses about cloud computing that prepare students to pursue industry-recognized certifications and in-demand cloud jobs.

■ The Associate Degree Nursing program has a **new clinical/lab nursing instructor position** made possible by Wayne UNC Health Care. The hospital committed \$225,000 to completely fund the new position for two years and partially for the third year.

■ Around 120 community college instructors, high school teachers, corporate partners, and NC3 (National Coalition of Certification Centers) employees participated in an **NC3 Train-the-Trainer event** at the college. Hands-on professional development opportunities were provided by master instructors in areas such as diagnostics and torque using equipment by NC3 industry partners Dremel and Greenlee. WCC is an NC3 certified Leadership School.



Wayne Community College and Fayetteville State University signed an agreement that permits WCC graduates to earn a degree at FSU for no more than \$10,000.

The “**\$10K Degree Pathway**” partnership gives associate degree graduates the option of completing an online bachelor’s degree at FSU at a total cost of no more than \$10,000 in out-of-pocket expenses, or approximately \$5,000 at WCC and \$5,000 at FSU. Students eligible for federal and state grants will likely pay less than \$10,000 out of pocket.

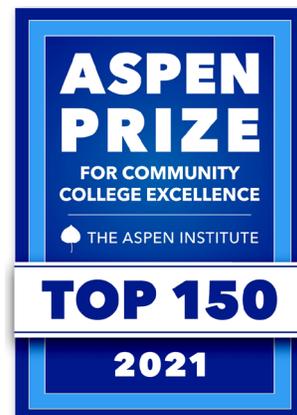
The plan opens the door for WCC graduates to pursue affordable bachelor’s degrees in these FSU programs: Accounting, Birth through Kindergarten (non-teaching), Business Administration (general), Criminal Justice, Fire and Emergency Services Administration, Intelligence Studies, Nursing (RN-BSN), Professional Studies, Psychology, and Sociology.

■ The Aspen Institute College Excellence Program named WCC as one of 150 community colleges eligible to compete for the \$1 million **2021 Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence**. It is the nation’s signature recognition of high achievement and performance among America’s community colleges.

Community colleges are invited to apply for the prize based on strong and improving in student outcomes, including in learning, completion rates, employment rates and

earnings, and equity.

The “Top 150” were selected from a pool of nearly 1,000 public two-year colleges nationwide using publicly available data on student outcomes.



LATE FALL 2019



WCC has been on the conference circuit, showing our colleagues how it is done. Congratulations to Math Instructors **Michael McKenna**, **Katie Mullins**, and **Elizabeth King** (above) who spoke about some of their techniques at the 45th Annual American Mathematical Association of Two-Year Colleges Conference; Wayne Business and Industry Center Director of Training and Development and Soft Skills **Nicole Brown** who led a session titled “It Takes a Village: Partnerships for a Work Ready Community and Beyond” at the 2019 N.C. ACT Conference; Biology Instructor **Lynn Swafford** who discussed iNaturalist at the 64th Annual Association of College and University Biology Educators Meeting; and **Dr. Thomas Walker, Jr.** who served on a panel of community college presidents at the N.C. Council on Resource Development’s annual conference. Stay tuned for more presentations by WCC’s experts.

KUDOS TO ...

- **Tyrone Starkie**, a WCC graduate and tutor in the Academic Skills Center, for being presented the Committee Member of the Year Award by the City of Goldsboro Mayor’s Com-

mittee for Persons with Disabilities.

- Information Systems Instructor **Jerome Brooks** for earning the Cybersecurity Operations credentials which will allow him to teach the Cyber Ops curriculum in the college’s Cisco Networking Academy.
- **Emily Bryd**, donor relations and communications coordinator for the Foundation of WCC and conference chair for the NC Council of Resource Development, for planning a successful annual conference for that organization.
- Automotive Instructor **Bryant Keel** and Transportation Department Chair **Kevin Jordan** for their completion of a course at the Nissan/Infinity Training Center in Franklin, Tenn. that will allow WCC to give ATEP students “hands on” credit for the Nissan/Infinity

Basic Electrical Concepts course.

- **Dr. Patty Pfeiffer** for her insightful words as a member of the panel during the Wayne County Chamber of Commerce’s Leading Wayne luncheon.
- English Instructors **Jeff Williams**, **Ashley Merrill**, and **Dean Tuck**, editors of *Renaissance*, the college’s literary and arts magazine, for its latest award from the Community College Humanities Association. The publication was named Best Magazine in the Southern Region, Small Colleges. Last year the publication placed second and it received this same award in 2017.
- **The college family** for its contributions to the United Way of Wayne County as a Major Investor. WCC reached its goal and raised \$5,420 which will change more than 100 lives.

As cadets in the 75th Basic Law Enforcement Training Academy cadets watched from the sidelines on a Saturday morning, a cruiser broke a police tape “ribbon” to unveil upgraded driving ranges.

The college took advantage of site preparation for the automotive and collision repair building to make improvements to adjacent parking lots. Those enhancements upgraded the lots for use for law enforcement driver training and replaced some spaces lost to the building project.

Interior islands were removed

in the back north parking lot. The adjoining “Magnolia lot” was expanded by removing grass medians and relocating light poles to the lot’s perimeter. The lights on those poles were upgraded and that lot was repaved.

Both of the lots are used as the range for the practical portions of driver training in the two academies the college holds each year.

Trustee Debbie Harris, Vice President Patty Pfeiffer, and County Manager Craig Honeycutt were passengers for the celebratory jaunt. The car was driven by BLET Instructor Chris Crawford.

