

News for the Faculty and Staff of Western Carolina University

Western Presents Top Awards for Teaching, Research, and Service

Western presented its top faculty and staff awards for teaching, research, and service for the 2003-04 academic yearFriday, April 23, at its annual spring General Faculty Meeting and Awards Convocation.

Gibbs Knotts, assistant professor of political science and public affairs, won the Chancellor's Distinguished Teaching Award. The Paul A. Reid Service Award for faculty went to Sharon Jacques, associate professor of nursing, while the Paul A. Reid Service Award for administrative staff went to Gene McAbee, director of university police.

Brian Railsback, professor of English, received the University Scholar Award.

The honors were announced by Western Carolina Chancellor John W. Bardo, who also presented the Academic Program of Excellence Award to the College of Business' entrepreneurship education program.

Other major awards recognized at the convocation include The University of North Carolina Board of Governors Award for Excellence in Teaching, won by Mimi Fenton, associate professor of English; the Collaborative Education Experience Award; and the Scholarly Development Assignment Program awards.



Gibbs Knotts, winner of the Chancellor's Distinguished Teaching Award, is completing his fourth year as a member of the Western faculty. In addition to teaching undergraduate political science classes, Knotts is director of Western's Master of Public Affairs Program. "He empowers students by providing them with the tools for lifelong learning and fulfilling careers," Bardo said in announcing the award. "He generates student excitement and inspires them to become civically engaged. He wants students to develop an interest in the political process and a sense of efficacy about the political system."

Gibbs Knotts

Sharon Jacques, winner of the Reid faculty award, has been a member of Western's nursing education faculty since 1974. She teaches and advises students in the Capstone program that enables registered nurses with two-year degrees to complete their four-year degrees, and she has led the nursing department in distance education,



Sharon Jacques

converting the entire Capstone program so it is offered online. "Dr. Jacques is the backbone and 'go to' person on the nursing faculty. Her many years of experience and wealth of knowledge make her invaluable not only to the Department of Nursing, but to *Continued on page 3*

Mimi Fenton Named One of UNC System's Premier Teachers

A Western faculty member who regularly wins praise from students and colleagues for the knowledge and passion that illuminate her teaching has been named one of the best teachers in The University of North Carolina system.

Mimi Fenton, associate professor of English, is among 16 recipients of the UNC Board of Governors Awards for Excellence in Teaching. The award will be presented at a recognition luncheon May 14 in Chapel Hill. Winners

receive a commemorative bronze medallion and \$7,500 cash prize.

Fenton's teaching at Western ranges from introductory courses for freshmen to Renaissance and 17th-century British literature for seniors and graduate students.



Mimi Fenton

Faculty Senate Announces Election Results

The results of the 2004 university-wide election for the Faculty Senate resulted in the following:

Chair of the Faculty (two-year term): Newton Smith, Arts and Sciences

Vice Chair (two-year term): Scott Philyaw, Arts and Sciences

Athletics Committee (three-year term): Denise Wilfong, Applied Sciences

Faculty Grievance Committee

(three-year term): Marilyn Chamberlin, Arts and Sciences (2003-2006 term) Brian Gastle, Arts and Sciences; Roger Higgs, Business; Beth Jones, Business; Sabine Rundle, Arts and Sciences

Faculty Hearing Committee (three-year term):

Kevin Ayers, Education and Allied Professions; Marilyn Chamberlin, Arts and Sciences; Terry Nienhuis, Arts and Sciences; Sabine Rundle, Arts and Sciences Faculty Assembly Alternate (three-year term): Austin Spencer, Business

Post-tenure Review Appeals Committee (three-year term): Candace Boan, Education and Allied Professions; Roger Higgs, Business; Terry Rose, Education and Allied Professions. (2003-2006 Term) Sabine Rundle, Arts and Sciences

Committee on Nominations, Elections, Councils, and Committees (CONECC) (three-year term):

Dale Carpenter, Education and Allied Professions; Mark Holliday, Arts and Sciences; Nancy Newsome, Library; Austin Spencer, Business

Council on Faculty Affairs

(three-year term): Beverly Jacobs, Education and Allied Professions; Bill Papin, Education and Allied Professions; Deborah Paulson, Library; Sandra Saunders, Arts and Sciences

Staff Forum Holds Election

The Staff Forum recently held elctions.

Keith Ashe is the new chairman; Terry Riouff, vice chair; and Dawn Coward, secretary.

New members also were elected. They are: **Clerical/Secretarial– 3 Seats:** Dawne Coward, executive assistant, administration and finance; Alicia Estes, administrative secretary, enrollment management; and Michele Sutton, motor pool manager, facilities management.

Craftsman–I seat: Terry Riouff, PM coordinator, facilities management. Executive/Administrative–I seat: Linda Beja, accountant, controller's office. Maintenance/Service–3 seats: Ronnie Amster, grounds worker, facilities management; Marvin Baumgarner ; and Clifton Fisher, grounds supervisor, facilities management. Professional–2 seats: Julie Walters-Steele, director of the University Center; and Glenna Young, adminsitrative secretary in law, equity, law, and auditing. Technical–I seat: William Frady, consultant, IT services.

Western to Bestow Two Honorary Doctorates at Spring Commencement

Western Carolina University will bestow honorary doctorates on a longtime dean and on a former chairman of its board of trustees, and present a major alumni award, as the university holds spring commencement exercises Saturday, May 8.

Commencement will begin at 2 p.m. in the Ramsey Center. Approximately 750 students are candidates for undergraduate and graduate degrees, pending final examinations and review.



Gurney Chambers

An honorary doctorate of education will be presented to Gurney E. Chambers, who served as dean of Western's College of Education and Allied Professions for 17 years before his retirement.



Joseph Crocker

An honorary doctorate of humane letters will be awarded to Joseph D. Crocker, an executive with Wachovia Bank and Western trustee for eight years.



The Alumni Award for Academic

and Professional Achievement will

be given to Loretta P. Dodgen, who

services from coast to coast through

her company, Multiple Choice Inc.

provides management consulting

Loretta Dodgen

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Gene McAbee

the university as a whole," Bardo said.

The recipient of the Reid staff award, director of University Police Gene McAbee, is responsible for the day-to-day administration of the full array of duties performed by a local police department including law enforcement, investigations, building and property security, crime prevention, crowd control, parking and traffic, and general assistance to campus residents and visitors. "His job is one that often places him and those with

whom he deals in confrontational—even threatening situations," Bardo said. "He is regularly challenged to find the right balance between strict enforcement of the law and helping a student step away from a life-ruining mistake."

Brian Railsback, who won the University Scholar Award, is a nationally acclaimed scholar and author on the works of John Steinbeck. His first novel, an eco-thriller titled *The Darkest Clearing*, was published earlier this year and has been characterized by distinguished Southern author Fred Chappell as "one helluva ride," Bardo said. "Dr. Railsback's interests are wide-ranging—

journalism, film, professional writing, creative writing, literary history and criticism, and a whole range of American authors figure into his world view and his engagement with multi-cultural literatures."

In presenting the Academic Award of Excellence, Bardo praised the entrepreneurship education program for preparing students for successful careers as owners of small businesses and as entrepreneurship professors, and for helping economic development in the region. Western established the state's first undergraduate entrepreneurship program, and in 2003 launched the nation's first master's degree program in entrepreneurship. "Of the 36



Brian Railsback

master's students, 18 own their own businesses," Bardo said. "Students report that they have opened new offices, expanded their sales, increased their market shares, and hired more people all using skills they gained in the program."

The Collaborative Education Experience Award is designed to support well-rounded student learning experiences that go above and beyond traditional course requirements and support Western's mission related to teaching and learning. Emphasis is on collaborative activities that promote holistic student development. The 2004 winners are Laura Cruz, assistant



Chancellor Bardo, left, presents the Academic Award of Excellence to left to right, Roger Lirely, Joann Carland, and James Carland, representatives of the entrepreneurship program.

professor of history, and student Nathan Best, for "Masterstroke History Simulation," an online World War I role-playing exercise.

Recipients in the Scholarly Development Assignment Program are James Costa, associate professor of biology; Rob Young, associate professor of geosciences and natural resources management; Mark Holliday, associate professor of mathematics and computer science; LeVon Wilson, professor of marketing and business law; Gael Graham, professor of history; Bruce Henderson, professor of psychology; Scott Philyaw, associate professor of history; Mary Adams, associate professor of English; Betty Farmer, associate professor of communication, theatre, and dance; and Marya Roland, associate professor of art. The Scholarly Development Assignment Program provides leave from usual work commitments to full-time tenured faculty so they may pursue concentrated scholarly work. Recipients are chosen on a competitive basis by a faculty committee.

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Lively lectures and class discussions are the mainstays of Fenton's classroom, and she constantly seeks new ways to make literature relevant for students beyond the classroom. Students in her Renaissance literature classes learn about the role of the printing press in early modern culture by collaboratively producing a book, and they also organize an authentic Renaissance banquet. Students in Fenton's senior- and graduate-level classes on English writer John Milton write and deliver "prolusions," formal oratorical performances modeled on those done by Milton at Cambridge University in the 1620s. The students wear Fenton's doctoral gown when they perform.

Fenton received the Chancellor's Distinguished Teaching Award in 2003, and she won the College of Arts and Sciences Teaching Award in 1996 and 2003.

The Board of Governors Awards for Excellence in Teaching are given annually to one tenured faculty member from each UNC institution. Recipients are nominated by committees on their home campuses and selected by the Board of Governors committee on personnel and tenure.

Awards Highlight Spring

OFFICE OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS Microgrant Recipients for 2003-2004

- Sloan Despeaux, assistant professor of mathematics and computer science;
- Sharon Dole, assistant professor of human services;
- Beverly Jacobs, associate professor of human services;
- James Ullmer, assistant professor of computer information systems and economics;
- James Murphy, assistant professor of computer information systems and economics;
- Steven Yurkovich, professor of geosciences and natural resources management;
- Beth Tyson, associate professor of birth-kindergarten, elementary and middle grades education;
- Lorene Todd, visiting assistant professor of nursing;
- Pavel Wlosok, assistant professor of music;
- Luke Nicholson, assistant professor of engineering;
- Mary Deck, professor of human services;
- Heidi Buchanan, assistant professor and reference librarian, Hunter Library;
- Bonnie Martin, assistant professor of human environmental sciences;
- Julie Temple, assistant professor of human environmental science;
- Marie Huff, assistant professor of social work;
- David Luginbuhl, associate professor of mathematics and computer science;
- Joe Klerlein, professor of mathematics and computer science;
- Janet Dickinson, assistant professor of social work;
- Charles Tucker, assistant professor of nursing;
- Mark Holliday, associate professor of mathematics and computer science;
- Bruce Carroll, assistant professor of political science and public affairs.

Vice Chancellor's Instructional Improvement Grant Recipients for 2004–05

Carroll Brown, assistant professor of human environmental science, and Lou Ann Carden, assistant professor of health sciences; John DiBari, assistant professor of geoscience and natural resources management;

Valerie Matthiesen, MSN program director, and Leslie Norris, assistant professor of nursing;

Laurel Vartabedian, assistant professor of communication, theatre, and dance.

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

- Board of Governors'—Creative and Innovative
 - **Teaching Award**—Stephen Jarrell, professor of management and international business, and Rita Noel, professor of computer information systems and economics.
- **College of Business Professor of Excellence Award** LeVon Wilson, associate professor of marketing and business law.

COLLEGE OF APPLIED SCIENCES

Board of Governors' Innovative Teaching Award—

- Ann P. Johnson, associate dean, and Lorene Todd, visiting assistant professor of nursing; and Bernard Dougherty, assistant professor and director of emergency management program.
- **Excellence in Teaching Award**—Aaron Ball, associate professor of engineering technology; Bernie Dougherty, assistant professor and director of emergency management program; Sandra Grunwell, associate professor of human environmental science; Michael Hubble, associate professor of health sciences; Judy Mallory, assistant professor of nursing; Kathy Starr, associate professor of physical therapy.
- **Donald C. Morgan Faculty Scholar Award**—Ann P. Johnson, associate dean and associate professor of nursing, and Scott Higgins, professor of health sciences.

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND ALLIED PROFESSIONS

- **Botner Superior Teaching Award**—Dixie McGinty, associate professor of educational leadership and foundations.
- **Board of Governors' Award for Superior Teaching**—Eliza Dean,visiting assistant professor of birth–kindergarten, elementary, and middle grades education; Ruby Drew, associate professor of human services; Dan Grube, assistant professor of health and human performance; and Mickey Randolph, professor of psychology.
- **Exemplary Service Award**—Marissa Ray, grant project coordinator and instructor of human services.
- **Dean's Research Award**—David Shapiro, professor of human services.
- **Peak Performers**—Ruth McCreary, coordinator of SUTEP and birth–kindergarten, elementary and middle grades education; Dale Brotherton, associate professor of human services; Gurney Chambers, office of the dean and North Carolina state director of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

GRADUATE SCHOOL

- Summer Research Grant—Christopher Cooper, assistant professor of political science and public affairs; Annette Debo, assistant professor of English; Katherine Mathews, assistant professor of botany, biology; Rob Young, assistant professor of geoscience and natural resources management.
- Hunter Scholar Award—Ted Coyle, assistant professor of anthropology and sociology.
- **Excellence in Graduate Student Mentoring Award** Dale Brotherton, associate professor of human services.
- Dean's Graduate Program Coordinator Award— James Addison, professor of English.
- **Faculty Teaching Research Award**—Gibbs Knotts, assistant professor of political science and public affairs.

Recognition Programs

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Board of Governors' College of Arts and Sciences Teaching Award—Julia Barnes, associate professor of mathematics and computer science;

- College of Arts and Sciences Distinguished Career Award—Max Williams, professor emeritus of history;
- H. F. and Katherine P. Robinson Professorship—James Costa, assistant professor of biology;
- **D. Creighton Sossomon Professorship**—Gael Graham, associate professor of history;

Dooley Award for Music—Will Peebles, associate professor of music.

DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

DEPARTMENTAL AWARDS

- **Office of Student Affairs**—Outstanding Staff: Fred Cantler, associate athletic director, athletics;
- **Office of Residential Living**—Outstanding Staff: Amanda Bowers, administrative services assistant;
- Office of Residential Living—Outstanding Faculty Contribution: Brian Railsback, professor of English;

Counseling and Psychological Services—Outstanding Staff Member: Michelle Stefanisko, assistant director;

- **Counseling and Psychological Services**—Outstanding Service: IT Division Staff: Scott Powell, service specialist, networking; Mark Murphy, server speicalist, networking; Ernie Jamison, programmer speicalist, IT applications; Jason Lavigne, consultant, IT services; and John Clark, consultant, networking;
- Health Center—NURSE's Award: Norma Cowan, Barbara Starnes, Laura Gibbs, Wanda Makhoun, Linda Darby, and Peggy Knapp;
- Health Center—DOC's Award—Jeff Davis, M.D.; Tony Esterwood, M.D.; Tom Tabor, P.A.; Debbie Brotherton, P.A.;
- **Health Center**—Innovation Award: Sharlo Farineau-Davis, processing assistant;
- **Fitness Center**—Outstanding Staff: Robert Gecan, assistant fitness director/aquatics coordinator;
- **Educational Talent Search**—Department Award: Leigh McDonald, university guidance counselor;
- **Educational Talent Search**—Outstanding Service Award: Maggie Donahue, outreach counselor;
- **Educational Talent Search**—New Employee Award: Chad Anderson, outreach counselor;
- **Educational Talent Search**—Outstanding Support Staff: Beth Denmon, program assistant;
- **Office of Judicial Affairs**—Outstanding Staff Award: Elizabeth Royal Norris, office assistant;
- University Center—Outstanding Staff Award: Jill Lindsay University Center—Outstanding Faculty Contribution:
- Padraig J. Acheson, visiting assistant professor of communication, theatre, and dance;



Noted historian Max Williams (left), professor emeritus of history, accepts the College of Arts and Sciences' 2004 Distinguished Career Award in recognition of his nearly 40 years of service to the university. During his long teaching career at Western, Williams served twice as head of the history department, as chair of the division of social sciences, and as assistant dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. Presenting the award to Williams as part of a special tribute ceremony is Robert Vartabedian, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

DIVISION AWARDS

- Star Award for Special Achievement—Jill Lindsay, University Center;
- **Star Award for Special Achievement**—Carolyn Parris, housekeeper, residential living;
- **Star Award for Special Achievement**—June Wytock, staff psychologist, counseling center;
- Western Ambassador—Donna Welch, executive assistant, student affairs;
- Faculty Member of the Year—John Habel, associate professor of psychology;
- Bright Idea—Brian Boyer, resident director, residential living;
- **Collaboration**—Tim Inman, residence director, residential living;
- Energizer—Cari Egbert, wellness coordinator, health services;

New Employee—Walter Turner, area coordinator, residential living, and Cari Egbert, wellness coordinator, health services;

Program of the Year—NCLEAD Conference

- **Diversity**—Dwaun Warmack, director of multicultural affairs, and Michelle Stefanisko, assistant director, counseling center;
- John Fry Advising—Jennifer Brown, director of academic support services, athletics;
- **Community Service**—Talent Search: Todd Murdock, director; Maggie Donahue, outreach counselor; Leigh McDonald, university guidance counselor; Beth Denmon, program assistant; and Chad Anderson, outreach counselor;
- **Advising**—Jackie McHargue, judicial coordinator, residential living.

Western Recognizes Service of Retirees

Seven faculty and administrative staff members were honored recently during a retirement luncheon held in their honor. Chancellor John Bardo, second from left, congratulated the retirees and said they were rich in caring and professionalism. He also acknowledged their combined 135 years of service to the university.

Retiring this year are left to right, John Slater, associate professor and interim department head, communication, theatre, and dance; Michael Creason, director of intramural sports and assistant professor; William Medaris, associate professor of engineering technology; and Robert Pittman, professor of educational leadership and foundations, entering phased retirement.

Not pictured: Gary Williams, associate professor of business computer information systems and economics; Oakley Winters, dean, continuing education and summer school; and Robert Godfrey, professor of art, phased retirement.

SPA Service Awards Slated for June 1

The annual SPA Service Awards luncheon to honor employees who have reached specified years of service with Western and the state of North Carolina is scheduled for Tuesday, June 1, at noon in the Grandroom of the University Center.

Scheduled to be honored for their service are 109 honorees. In addition, 18 retirees will be recognized.

Anyone wishing to attend the luncheon should make a reservation by contacting the Office of Human Resources no later than May 19. The cost for the luncheon is \$5.





University Center



Theatre Takes Center Stage with Summer Performances

The summer season of theatre will begin in June as Western's Department of Communication, Theatre, and Dance raises the curtain on four plays. Western Carolina Stage Company employs members of the Actors' Equity Association, the professional

union for actors.

The Compleat Works of Wllm Shkspr (*Abridged*), by Jess Borgeson, Adam Long, and Daniel Singer and edited by J. M. Wingfield, will open the season June 11–13 and 16–20. All 37 of Shakespeare's plays will be performed in less than two hours.

The Sunshine Boys, by Neil Simon, is set for June 25–27, and June 30–July 4. The sentimental comedy centers around the revival of a vaudeville act, and the team hasn't spoken to each other in 20 years.

Joe Masteroff's Cabaret will stage July 9–11 and 14-18. This revised version features some of the most popular musical theatre songs of all time.

The summer theatre season will conclude July 23–25 and July 28–August 1 with the production of *On Golden Pond*, by Ernest Thompson. This is a story about aging gracefully and repairing friendships.

This second season is part of Western's effort to establish a residential theatre company through the Actor's Equity Association.

All summer theatre evening performances, Wednesday through Saturday, will begin at 7:30 p.m., with 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday matinees, in the Niggli Theatre in the Stillwell Building. Season tickets are available for \$50 for adults and \$40 for students and senior citizens. Patrons who purchase season tickets by May 15 will be entered into a drawing for a variety of entertainment-related items, including tickets to popular cultural attractions and hotel stays in Charleston, South Carolina, and Atlanta, Georgia. Ticket prices for individual productions are \$15 for adults and \$12.50 for students and senior citizens.

For more information, contact the communication, theatre, and dance department at 227-2447 or visit WCSC's Web site at westerncarolinastagecompany.com.



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Wednesday, May 5

Open Forum—to collect public input on yearlong comprehensive study examining academic integrity, governance, rules compliance, and university commitment to equity, studentathlete welfare, and sportsmanship, of Western Carolina's intercollegiate athletics program as part of NCAA Division I certification process. 3–4 p.m., Multipurpose Room B, UC. (227-2194)

Saturday, May 8 Commencement

2 p.m., RRAC.

Monday, May 10–Friday, May 14 and Monday, May 17–Friday, May 21

Tiny Tot Swim Program, Session 1—for children ages one–five. Adults must accompany children in the pool. Reid Gymnasium. \$ (227-3551 for more information; 227-7397 to enroll)

Tuesday, May 11

Catamount baseball—vs. UNC Asheville, 2 p.m., Greenwood Field, Asheville. (227-7338)

Wednesday, May 12

Catamount baseball—vs. UNC Asheville, 7 p.m., HS/CF. (227-7338)



Look for regular updates on the university's Web site at www.wcu.edu/cal.html

Thursday, May 13

Presentation—"To the Ends of the Earth: Thirty Years of Photography," featuring internationally renowned *National Geographic* photographer, writer, and mountaineering guide Gordon Wiltsie, 7 p.m., theater, UC. (227-7397 or http:// edoutreach.wcu.edu/photography)

Friday, May 14– Saturday, May 15

Workshop—"Shoot Like a Pro," two-day, non-credit photography workshop featuring internationally renowned *National Geographic* photographer, writer, and mountaineering guide Gordon Wiltsie. Designed for participants of varying abilities, UOC. \$ (227-7397 or http:// edoutreach.wcu.edu/photography)

Friday, May 14

Catamount baseball—vs. Wofford, Southern Conference game, 7 p.m., HS/CF. (227-7338)

$\star\star\star$ Now Showing $\star\star\star$

Exhibitions:

Mountain Heritage Center

Mama's Aprons. More than 60 aprons chronicle the apron's place in the past and present. Through July 6.

The People of the Land. An introduction to Cherokee heritage sites in the Cullowhee Valley. Through May.

All Things Iron: Practical and Decorative Ironware. More than 200 iron items dating from the 1600s to the 1900s, including implements, blacksmith and farrier tools, and lighting devices. Through December.

Migration of the Scotch-Irish People (permanent exhibition). (227-7129)

Chelsea Gallery

The Illusion of Self, senior exhibition by Laura Stillwell. Through May 10. Gallery hours: same as hours for A.K. Hinds University Center. (227-7206)

Saturday, May 15

Catamount baseball—vs. Wofford, Southern Conference game, 4 p.m., HS/CF. (227-7338)

Sunday, May 16

Catamount baseball—vs. Wofford, Southern Conference game, 1 p.m., HS/CF. (227-7338)

Spring into Summer program— "Farm Visit." No admission charge, but reservations required, 2:30–3:30 p.m., MHC. (227-7129)

Wednesday, May 19

Workshop—"Adaptive Leadership," Part 1, 6 professional development credits; must attend both Part 1 and Part 2 (Part 2, May 26). Choose either 9–11:30 a.m. or 2–4:30 p.m. Room 404, BB. (http://www.wcu.edu/hr/ training/professional.asp)

Catamount baseball—vs. Gardner-Webb, 7 p.m., HS/CF. (227-7338)

Wednesday, May 26– Saturday, May 29

Southern Conference Baseball Championship tournament, Riley Park, Charleston, South Carolina. (227-7338)

Wednesday, May 26

Workshop—"Adaptive Leadership," Part 2, 6 Professional Development credits; must attend both Part 1 and Part 2 (Part 1, May 19). Choose either 9–11:30 a.m. or 2–4:30 p.m. Room 404, BB. (http://www.wcu.edu/hr/ training/professional.asp)

June

Slideshow Spotlight, MHC: "Mountain Trout" tells the 10,000-year-old story of people, trout, and flowing water in the southern mountains.

Monday, June 7–Friday, June I I

Camp—Eco Adventures, natural history camp for rising 2nd and 3rd graders, daily 8:30–noon, MHC. \$ (227-7129)

Tuesday, June 8

Open Forum—as part of NCAA Division I certification process, 12:30–1:30 p.m., Multipurpose Room B, UC. (227-2194)

Friday, June 11–Sunday, June 13 and Wednesday, June 16–Sunday, June 20

Theatre—Western Carolina Stage Company presents *The Complete Works of Wllm Shkspr (Abridged)* by Adam Long, Daniel Singer, and Jess Winfield, 7:30 p.m. evenings and 2 p.m. weekend matinees, Niggli Theatre. \$ (227-2447)

Submissions:

Send news items and calendar notices to WCU Calendar, 1601 Ramsey Center, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, North Carolina 28723 or e-mail to Reporter@email.wcu.edu.

Submit items for the university's online calendar at least one week prior to the event.

Key: \$ - Admission fee; HA - Hoey Auditorium; HFR - H.F. Robinson Administration Building; HS/CF - Hennon Stadium/Childress Field; MHC - Mountain Heritage Center; NSA - Natural Sciences Auditorium; RRAC - Ramsey Regional Activity Center; RH - Recital Hall, Coulter Building; BB - Belk Building; UC - A.K. Hinds University Center; UOC - University Outreach Center; WS/BW -Whitmire Stadium/Bob Waters Field.

Newsfile

Barry Wilkinson, associate professor of mathematics and computer science, has had the second edition of his book Parallel Programming: Techniques and Applications using Networked Workstations and Parallel Computers published by Prentice Hall. The book was on display at the 18th International Parallel and Distributed Processing Symposium at Santa Fe, New Mexico, in April by request of the IEEE Computer Society Technical Committee on Parallel Processing. The first edition of the book was published in 1999 and has been adopted in 38 countries and translated into Japanese and Chinese. The National Science Foundation helps support his work.

Wilkinson will be teaching a new undergraduate course on grid computing, which will be broadcast on the NC Research and Educational Network in the fall and will be received at NC State University, UNC-Asheville, UNC- Foundation Board of Trustees. ▲ Debra Burke, professor of marketing and business law, published the article "Thinking Outside the Box: Child Pornography, Obscenity and the Constitution" in the Virginia Journal of Law and Technology.

▲ Julie Johnson, assistant professor of marketing and business law, had a paper published in the top academic sales journal, the *Journal of Personal Selling and Sales Management*, titled "Inter-Relationships of Role Conflict, Role Ambiguity and Work Family Conflict with Different Facets of Job Satisfaction and the Moderating Effects of Gender." She also had "Identifying Precursors to Student Defection" accepted for publication in the Journal of College Teaching & Learning.

▲ James DeConinck, associate professor of marketing and business law, was awarded the Paul Arney Award for best paper in marketing ethics at the Midwest Business Administration Association conference in March. The paper was titled "The Effects of Ethical Control Systems and Moral Intensity on Sales Managers' Ethical Perceptions and Behavioral Intentions." Charlotte, and UNC-Wilmington. ▲ Robert A. Vartabedian, interim vice chancellor for academic affairs and dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, chaired a panel on the "Post-Presidential Rhetoric of William Jefferson Clinton" at the annual meeting of the Southern States Communication Association in Tampa, Florida, April 4. Vartabedian also made a presentation on the "Future Prospects for Post-Presidential Rhetoric." ▲ Robert Caruso, vice chancellor for student affairs, was recently honored with the Diamond Honoree Award from the American College Personnel Association, an international association of nearly 7,500 members serving student affairs educators in higher education. The award seeks "to recognize the lifelong contributions of distinguished professionals in student affairs." Caruso has served as an executive council member and as director of the Core Council on Member Services and Interests, director of state and international divisions, a commission chair, and a member of the Educational Leadership

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