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Introducing Newcomers to Western

The Reporter will help you get to know the newest members of the Western community. Here are names, photographs, and brief biographies of the people who have entered full-time positions since September 1, 2002. We hope we haven't missed anyone, but please let us know if we have.



Robert Adams, assistant professor, Engineering Technology; M.S., John Hopkins University; previously graduate teaching assistant, University of Alabama–Huntsville.



Nicholas Allmendinger, visiting assistant professor, Geosciences and Natural Resources Management; M.S., University of Delaware; previously research assistant, University of Delaware.



James Arnott, visiting instructor, Business Computer Information Systems and Economics; Ph.D., University of Georgia.



Lydia Aydlett, visiting assistant professor, Psychology; Ph.D., University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill; previously self-employed pediatric psychologist.



Robert Berry, associate professor, Criminal Justice; M.P.A., University of Nevada–Reno; previously grants and projects analyst, emergency planning coordinator, and state public assistance officer, Nevada State Division of Emergency Management.



Susan Blair, office assistant, Health Sciences; previously secretary, Wilkinson Elementary School, Sarasota, Florida.



Jason William Borges, resident director, Residential Living; M.S., Colorado State University; previously residence coordinator, Florida State University.



Jamie Bradley, electrician, Facilities Management; previously electrician/ foreman, C.P. Electric, Dillsboro.



Kathleen Brennan, assistant professor, Anthropology and Sociology/ Center for Regional Development; Ph.D., Kent State University; previously postdoctoral fellow, Johns Hopkins University School of Public Health.



Jane Brown, visiting instructor, Anthropology and Sociology; M.A., Western Carolina University.



Claudia Bryant, assistant professor, Political Science and Public Affairs; Ph.D., University of Tennessee.



Erik Caldwell, visiting instructor, Geosciences and Natural Resources Management.



Stacy Cantley, assistant women's basketball coach, Athletics; B.A., University of North Carolina– Wilmington.



Thomas Carnes, assistant professor, Accountancy, Finance, and Entrepreneurship; Ph.D., Florida State University; previously assistant professor of accounting, University of Arkansas.



Melody Cowan, office assistant, Purchasing; previously commercial lines assistant, Stanberry Insurance, Sylva.



Edward Case, assistant professor, Educational Leadership and Foundations; Ph.D., Clemson University; previously visiting instructor of chemistry, Clemson University.



Magaly DeCastro, visiting instructor, Modern Foreign Languages; M.Ed., University of North Carolina-Charlotte; previously Spanish instructor, Central Piedmont Community College.



Amy Cherry, visiting instructor, Music; M.M., University of Cincinnati; previously visiting professor, Morehead State University.



John DiBari, assistant professor, Geosciences and Natural Resources Management; Ph.D., University of Arizona; previously term assistant professor, University of Alaska–Anchorage.



Bonnie Annette Childers, housekeeper, Residential Living; Certified Nursing Assistant certificate, Southwestern Community College; previously selfemployed.



Amy Dowling, assistant professor, Communication and Theatre Arts; M.F.A., Florida State University.



Robert Christian, assistant strength and conditioning coach; Athletics; B.S., University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa.



Carolyn Kay Egbert, wellness coordinator, University Health Services; M.S., Purdue University; previously wellness coordinator, Purdue University.



Kathleen Collins, office assistant, Mountain Heritage Center.



Steven Elias, assistant professor, Psychology; Ph.D., Colorado State University; previously teaching fellow and visiting assistant professor, Colorado State University.



Allison Eve Cook, office assistant, Physical Therapy; previously cashier at Wendy's.



Deidre Elliott, assistant professor, English; M.F.A., University of Arizona; previously visiting professor, University of Arizona.



Elizabeth Frazier, associate registrar, Registrar's Office; M.B.A., Nova Southeastern University; previously director of human resources, Webster Enterprises.



Inhyuck "Steve" Ha, assistant professor, Business Computer Information Systems and Economics/ Center for Regional Development; Ph.D. University of Minnesota—Twin Cities. Previously forecasting program director, University of West Florida.



Patty Harley, program assistant, Office of Student Affairs.



Dianna Hauser, visiting instructor, Health and Human Performance; M.Ed., University of North Carolina–Charlotte; previously special education teacher, LifeSpan, Mount Airy, North Carolina.



Elizabeth Haynes, grants officer, Research and Graduate Studies; Ed.D., North Carolina State University; previously program officer, W.H. Brady Foundation, Maggie Valley.



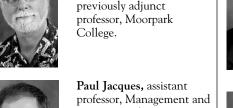
Joanne Heath, visiting instructor, Mathematics and Computer Science; M.Ed., University of Florida; previously math instructor, Smoky Mountain Elementary School.



Christopher Hoyt, visiting instructor, Philosophy and Religion; Ph.D., University of Illinois, Chicago.



Thomas Hughes, visiting instructor, English; Ph.D., University of Oregon; previously adjunct professor, Moorpark College.





Paul Jacques, assistant professor, Management and International Business; Ph.D., State University of New York; previously, visiting assistant professor, Rochester Institute of Technology.



Kristen Jagger, assistant professor, Physical Therapy; Ph.D., University of Florida; previously teaching assistant, University of Florida.



Beth Keefauver, visiting instructor, English; M.A., Western Carolina University; previously admissions representative, North Carolina Outward Bound.



Chris Korsgard, water/ wastewater plant operator, Facilities Management; previously wastewater operator, Charlotte County Utilities, Port Charlotte, Florida.



Lynette Lazar, assistant professor, Business Computer Information Systems/Economics; Ph.D., Clemson University; previously visiting professor of management, Lander University.



Kevin Lee, assistant professor, Communication and Theatre Arts; Ed.D., Oklahoma State University; previously assistant professor, Illinois State University.



Frank Lockwood, assistant professor, Accountancy, Finance, and Entrepreneurship; Ph.D., University of South Carolina; previously co-owner and chief financial officer, WeTrain Technologies, LLC.



Allen Lomax, director, Advising and Student Success; Ph.D., Saybrook Institute; previously director of advising, Texas A & M University.



Stephen Lott, head women's golf coach, Athletics.



Charles Marth, visiting instructor, Chemistry and Physics; Ph.D., University of Wisconsin–Madison; previously research scientist, Angus Chemical Company.



Katherine Mathews, assistant professor, Biology; Ph.D., University of Texas at Austin; previously grant specialist, University of Tennessee–Chattanooga.



Anquell McCollum, enrollment services officer, Admissions; B.S.B.A., Western Carolina University; previously teacher, Cumberland County School System.



Bruce Edward Moore, police officer, University Police; B.L.E.T. certificate, Southwestern Community College; previously deputy/ detention officer, Jackson County Sheriff's Office.



Luke Nicholson, assistant professor, Engineering Technology; M.S.C.E. University of Florida; previously instructor, University of Florida.



Kadence Otto, assistant professor, Health and Human Performance; Ph.D., Florida State University; previously instructor, Florida State University.



Nancy Porter, director, Kneedler Child Development Center; M.A., Rollins College; previously director, Zickgraf Enterprises, Inc., Franklin.



Malcolm Powell, professor and head, Biology; University of Georgia; previously microbiologist, Centers for Disease Control.



Heather Queen, teacher assistant, Kneedler Child Development Center; previously teacher assistant, Southwestern Child Development Commission.



Ron Rash, Parris Distinguished Professor in Appalachian Studies, History; M.A., Clemson University; previously visiting writer, University of South Carolina.



Rebecca Robinson, associate professor, Nursing; Ph.D., Texas Women's University; previously associate professor, West Texas A&M University.



Wayne Robinson, director of service learning, Student Affairs; Ph.D., Jackson State University; previously acting dean of student life, Jackson State University.



Jeremy Rogers, department purchasing agent, Purchasing; B.S.B.A., Western Carolina University; previously controller/business manager, SOAR, Inc., Balsam.



Evelyn Roman, processing assistant, Purchasing; previously secretary/bookkeeper, Johnson Automotive, Clyde.



Michael Schallock, assistant professor, Music; M.M., Ohio State University; previously music and band teacher, Pittsylvania County Schools, Chatham, Virginia.



Krista Schmidt, assistant professor and reference librarian, Hunter Library; M.L.S., University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill.



James Scifers, associate professor, Health Sciences; D.P.T., University of Maryland School of Medicine; previously program director of athletic training education program, Salisbury University.



Alan Sellars, facility construction engineer, Facilities Management; B.S., Western Carolina University; previously construction manager, Lockwood Greene Engineering and Construction, Spartanburg, South Carolina.



Roya June Shahrokh, community development specialist, Continuing Education and Summer School–Cherokee Center; M.B.A., University of California–Berkeley; previously adjunct professor, Mars Hill College.



Debra Smith, office assistant, Advising Center; A.A.S., Haywood Community College.



Jeremy Smith, police officer, University Police; B.L.E.T., Haywood Community College.



Zeta Smith, assistant to the vice chancellor for advancement and external affairs/ special events coordinator; B.F.A., Virginia Commonwealth University; previously publisher/vice president for content, Raceway Marketing.



Andrew Soroka, resident director, Residential Living.



Ronnie Stillwell, visiting instructor, Business Computer Information Systems and Economics; M.B.A., Western Carolina University; previously economic development director, Swain County.



Bradley Sturgeon, assistant professor, Chemistry and Physics; Ph.D., University of California–Davis; previously lecturer, University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill.



Jack Summers, assistant professor, Chemistry and Physics; Ph.D., Georgia Tech; previously senior scientist, Message Pharmaceuticals.



April Tallant, visiting instructor, Health Sciences; M.H.S., Western Carolina University; previously Even Start Family Literacy coordinator, Cherokee County Schools.



Mary Teslow, assistant professor, Health Sciences; M.L.I.S., University of South Florida; previously program manager, health information management program, Broward Community College.



Rey Trevino Jr., assistant professor, Health and Human Performance; Ed.D., University of Northern Colorado; previously assistant professor, Neumann College.



Charles Tucker, visiting assistant professor, Nursing; M.S.N., Gardner-Webb University; previously staff registered nurse, Mission St. Joseph's Hospital, Asheville.



Walter Turner, area coordinator, Residential Living; M.Ed., Delta State University; previously coordinator of student development, Mississippi College.



Brandy R. Venable, assistant track and field/ cross country coach, Athletics; M.S., Purdue University; previously assistant women's track and field/cross country coach, Odessa College.



Amy Walker, Web editor, Public Relations; B.A., University of North Carolina–Asheville; previously freelance copywriter and editor.



Charles Wallin, visiting instructor, Business Computer Information and Economics; M.S., University of St. Thomas.



Julie Walters-Steele, director of the University Center; M.A., Clemson University; previously director of union programs and major events, Clemson University.



Foster Wardlaw III, assistant professor, Health and Human Performance; Ph.D., Clemson University; previously assistant professor, Southern University.



Karla Weidner, visiting instructor, Biology; Ph.D., University of Illinois; previously assistant professor, Furman University.



Abby Whitley, admissions counselor, Admissions; B.S., Western Carolina University.



John Williams, professor, Anthropology and Sociology; Ph.D., The Ohio State University; previously professor, chair, and director of forensic science, University of North Dakota.



Eddie Williams-McCoy, assistant professor, Educational Leadership and Foundations; Ed.D., University of Arkansas—Little Rock; previously Title I/ESL program evaluator, Little Rock School District.



Daniel W. Willis, assistant men's basketball coach, Athletics; M.Ed., Western Carolina University.



Monica Willis, lead teacher, Kneedler Child Development Center; A.A.S., Southwestern Community College.



Sarah York, visiting instructor, English; M.A., Western Carolina University.



James Zhang, assistant professor, Engineering Technology; Ph.D., Purdue University; previously senior member technical staff, Thomson, Inc. (RCA and GE consumer electronics divisions).



Hamish Ziegler, visiting instructor, English; M.F.A. Florida International University.

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Newsfile

- ▲ Brian Railsback, professor of English, was interviewed live August 22 on Jefferson Public Radio, which broadcasts through seven stations across southern Oregon and northern California. The hour-long interview covered topics concerning the environment, John Steinbeck, and in particular Railsback's novel *The Darkest Clearing*, which will be available in January.
- ▲ John Habel, associate professor of psychology, was named one of two recipients of the national Association for General and Liberal Studies Faculty Awards for 2003. He will receive the award at this fall's AGLS conference in Charlotte. Habel is a fellow and coordinator of the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Initiative at Western through the Coulter Faculty Center.

Campaign Gets Ready

The annual State Employee Combined Campaign this year will start with an information event for solicitors on Thursday, September 18, from 10 a.m. until noon in the Hospitality Room in the Ramsey Center. Lunch will be served at noon.

Combined campaign officials from the state office will be on hand to share tips and helpful suggestions for the solicitors as they work with department and offices. Representatives from the 10 agencies that received the most funding from Western's campaign last year will be on hand to share how Western's donations were used and hear about potential future needs.

The Combined Campaign begins on October 1 and runs through November 14 with a goal of raising \$29,000. "We're looking forward to having some fun with this year's State Employee's Combined Campaign, plus we know it's a great opportunity to help our community and state because state employees make a great state even better," said Web manager Bob Orr, chairman of Western's campaign.

The September 18 event will feature door prizes and gifts for the solicitors.

New Faces Not Pictured

Virginia Bixby, processing assistant, CatCard Office; B.S., Western Carolina University; previously office assistant, Gary's Body Shop, Sylva.

Harold Bailey, boiler operator, Facilities Management; previously material handler, Con-Met, Bryson City.

Andy Barber, computer system administrator, Facilities Management; B.S., Western Carolina University; previously technical service representative, IAC Americas, Morrisville.

Amanda Bowers, administrative services assistant, Residential Living; A.A.S., Southwestern Community College; previously administrative assistant, Sylva Pediatric Associates.

Brian Matthew Boyer, resident director, Residential Living; M.A., Appalachian State University; previously resident director, Appalachian State University. Donna Cabe, processing assistant/bindery assistant, Hunter Library.

Jeannine Arlette Cabe, lead customer service technician, Registrar's Office; previously library technician, Haywood Community College.

Nina Camack, personnel technician, Human Resources; B.S.W., New Mexico State University.

Connie Cooper, office assistant, North Carolina Rated License Assessment; B.S., East Carolina University; previously optical assistant, the Vision Center, Sylva.

Melissa Dancy, assistant professor, Chemistry and Physics; Ph.D., North Carolina State University; previously visiting assistant professor, Davidson College.

Delores Deitz, program assistant, Developmental Evaluation Center; A.A.S., Southwestern Community College; previously business manager for Jean Kirkland, MA, LPC.

Shannon Diamond, office assistant, SUTEP; B.S., Mars Hill College; previously stylist assistant and front desk, Visage Salon.

Wanda Sue Dills, housekeeper, Residential Living; previously cook, Robbie's, Sylva. Eric Filipeck, assistant baseball coach, Athletics; B.S., University of North Carolina–Asheville.

Frederick Fisher, visiting instructor, Political Science and Public Affairs. Marjorie Gilchrist-Young, visiting instructor, English.

Stanley Wray Hammer, programmer analyst, IT Services; B.A., Florida State University; previously vice president of operations, I.S. Consulting.

Vang Cheng Her, police officer, University Police; B.S., Western Carolina University. Rebecca Hester, visiting instructor, Psychology; M.A., Western Carolina University; previously peer tutor, Southwestern Community College.

Merilyn Honeycutt, secretary, Nursing; B.S., Southern Adventist University; previously administrative assistant, Client Logic Corporation.

Jennifer Howe, office assistant, Continuing Education and Summer School–Cherokee Center; previously lead teacher, Head Start, Kneedler Center, Mountain Projects, Inc.

Luther Jones, assistant professor, Communication and Theatre Arts.

Jessie Johnson, housekeeper, Facilities Management; previously frozen food manager, Ingles, Sylva.

Leonard Wayne Knight, visiting assistant professor, Criminal Justice.

Jeanne Kovin, office assistant to the associate vice chancellor for development; previously executive assistant, Marconi Communications, Petaluma, California.

Tammy O. Ledford, housekeeper, Residential Living; previously cook, Aramark and Harris Regional Hospital.

Shirley Livingston, visiting instructor, Communication and Theatre Arts.

Jonathan Maddy, safety officer, Facilities Management; B.S., Western Carolina University; previously mechanic's helper, Salem Electric Company.

Charlene Merritt, visiting assistant professor, Criminal Justice.

Aime C. Mitchell, academic adviser for student athletes, Athletics; B.A., Furman University.

William Frederick Moore, grounds worker, Facilities Management; horticulture certificate, Haywood Community College; previously grounds worker, University of North Carolina–Wilmington.

Jennifer A. Mroz, assistant athletic trainer, Athletics; M.S., Michigan State University; previously assistant athletic trainer, University of Scranton.

Kerri Rayburn, secretary, College of Education and Allied Professions; previously administrative assistant, Broken Top Club, Bend, Oregon.

Regan Lee Rayburn, associate CIO for educational technologies, Office of the CIO;

Ph.D., Stephen F. Austin University; previously chief information officer, Central Oregon Community College.

Robert Scott, police officer, University Police; B.S., Western Carolina University; previously captain, Macon County Sheriff's Office

Russ Shoemaker, assistant fitness director, Fitness Center; B.S., Appalachian State University; previously instructor, Randolph Community College.

Dawn Shropshire, medical records assistant, Developmental Evaluation Center; previously legal secretary/receptionist, James Spiro, P.A.

Barbara St. John, assistant professor, Nursing.

Mary-Lynn Starkey, office assistant, Student Affairs.

Alicia Stewart, certified nursing assistant, University Health Services; B.S.N., Western Carolina University; previously certified nursing assistant, Harris Regional Hospital. Albert Tomlinson, drafting technician, Facilities Management; computer drafting certificate, ATI Career Training, Fort Lauderdale, Florida; previously auto cad operator, Siemens Building Technologies, Franklin.

Emery Trowbridge, associate professor and head, Human Environmental Sciences; Ed.D., Northern Arizona University; previously associate professor, University of New Hampshire.

Katie Williams, medical records assistant, University Health Services; B.S., Western Carolina University; previously front desk assistant, WNC Eyecare Associates.

Christi Cabe Young, admissions specialist, Admissions; A.A.S., Southwestern Community College; previously, secretary, C & H Tooling, Inc., Candler.

Glenna Young, administrative assistant, Law, Equity, Auditing, and Technology Transfer; previously administrative assistant, Penn State University.

Grady Young, heating and air mechanic, Facilities Management; previously install/service technician, MASD CO-HVAC, Cashiers.

Emergency Call Boxes Installed



Western just got a little safer with the installation of 11 new emergency call boxes at key locations across campus. The boxes contain specialized radios that transmit directly over Western's police radio frequency to officers on patrol and are designed to provide quick response to anyone in need of police assistance. The \$48,000 cost of the project was financed through a traffic fund supported by campus vehicle registration fees. "While we receive very few emergency calls on the boxes, we do receive several calls a week from people who need assistance or directions or who need to report accidents. We encourage use of the call boxes for these purposes," said Gene McAbee, director of university police.

Tuesday, September 9

Workshop—Americans with Disabilities Act training. Required for all EPA and SPA employees. Offered various dates, times, and locations throughout fall semester, 9-10 a.m., Room 104, Killian Building. (227-7116, course content or requirement; 227-2388, registration)

Training Tuesday—"Leading Successful Meetings" (Part 1). Professional Development Track, 6 credits; must attend both sessions to earn PD credit (second session September 23). 9-11:30 a.m. Cardinal Room, UC. (www.wcu.edu/hr/training or 227-2388)

Concert—guest artist Ginger Kowal, violin, with Margery Kowal, viola, and faculty pianist Lillian Buss Pearson, 8 p.m., RH. (227-7242)

Wednesday, September 10

Workshop—Americans with Disabilities Act training, noon-1 p.m. and 1:15-2:15 p.m. Room 104, Killian Building. (227-7116, course content or requirement; 227-2388, registration)

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

Thursday, September 11

Forum—"Speak Your Peace," designed to give students a chance to speak on issues of diversity in an intellectual exchange of thoughts and ideas. 7 p.m., Club Illusions, UC. (227-7206)

Friday, September 12

Concert—Petey Pablo and Bubba Sparxxx. 10 p.m., RRAC. \$ (227-7206 or 866-928-3378)

Saturday, September 13

Catamount football—vs. Johnson C. Smith, 6 p.m., WS/BW. (227-7338)

Sunday, September 14

Presentation—Tim Barnwell, acclaimed Asheville photographer, presenting slide show The Face of Appalachia: Portraits from the Mountain Farm, the culmination of more than 20 years of his black and white photography, 2:30 p.m., MHC. (227-7129)

Lady Catamount volleyball—vs. UNC Asheville. 7 p.m., RRAC. (227-7338)

Catamount Concert Series— Russian Brass concert, featuring music written by the great Russian Romantic composers. 8 p.m., RH. (227-7242)

Wednesday, September 17

Lady Catamount soccer—vs. Youngstown State, 4 p.m., SSF. (227-7338)

Speaker—"Some Leaders Are Born Women," by Sarah Weddington, lawyer who, at age 26, argued Roe v. Wade before the U.S. Supreme Court, 8 p.m., Grandroom, UC. \$ (227-7206)

Thursday, September 18

Workshop—Americans with Disabilities Act training. Required for all EPA and SPA employees, noon-1 p.m. and 1:15-2:15 p.m., MHC. (227-7116, course content or requirement; 227-2388, registration)

Friday, September 19

Orientation—for new faculty, 3:15-5 p.m., Auditorium, MHC. (227-7495)

Presentation—Jason Carney: "Redneck Superhero and Spoken Word Artist," lesson by former skinhead of tolerance and respect for fellow man, regardless of race, gender, or sexual orientation, 9 p.m., Illusions, UC. \$. (227-7206)

Saturday, September 20

Lady Catamount soccer—vs. Davidson, Southern Conference match, 12:30 p.m., SSF. (227-7338)

Catamount football—vs. Citadel, Southern Conference game, 6 p.m., WS/BW. (227-7338)

Theatre Season Tickets Are Available

Theatre season tickets are on sale now in the communication and theatre arts department.

Western faculty and staff receive the special season rate of \$40.

Tickets are available in Stillwell 123. For more information, call 227-7491.

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 calendar on the Internet at least one week prior to the event.

*** Now Showing ***

Exhibitions:

Mountain Heritage Center

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

North Carolina Women Making History, traveling exhibit that presents the trials, triumphs, and changing roles of women in the colony and the state during the past 400 years. Through December 1.

The Face of Appalachia: Portraits from the Mountain Farm. Through December 2. The People of the Land. Through May 2004.

Belk Gallery Rosemary Beck, Paintings 1965–2001. Through October 17.

Chelsea Gallery

News. Through September 30. Reception for artists, September 17, 4–6 p.m.

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; SSF - Schrader Soccer Field.

Five New Members Join Western's Board

The president of Western North Carolina's largest health care system, the head of one of the world's leading furniture manufacturing companies, an Asheville attorney, the mayor of Asheville, and an economic development executive are the five newest members of the Western Carolina University board of trustees.

They are Robert Burgin, president and chief executive officer of Mission-St. Joseph's Health Systems in Asheville; Gerald L. Kiser, president, chief executive officer and director of La-Z-Boy Inc. in Monroe, Michigan; Steve Wiganarren, a partner in the Asheville law firm of Long, Parker, Warren & Jones; Charles Worley, Asheville mayor, attorney and part owner of Highland Farms Retirement Community in Black Mountain; and Rosemary Foley Wyche, a vice president with North Carolina Citizens for Business and Industry in Raleigh.

Burgin, Kiser, Warren and Worley were appointed to Western's board by The University of North Carolina Board of Governors. Wyche was appointed by Governor Mike Easley. All will serve four-year terms scheduled to expire June 30, 2007.

Raleigh entrepreneur and former U.S. Ambassador Jeanette Hyde was re-appointed by Easley to a second four-year term. The UNC Board of Governors elects four trustees for each of the 16 UNC institutions, and the governor appoints two, every four years. No trustee may serve more than two full four-year terms consecutively.

After the administration of the oath of office by District Court Judge Danny Davis during the board's quarterly meeting September 5, the trustees elected a slate of officers for the year. Phillip D. Walker, senior vice president for BB&T's western region, was elected board chairman. Hyde was elected vice chairman, and retired Mars Hill entrepreneur Genevieve Whitmire Burda was elected secretary of the board.



District Court Judge Danny Davis swears in four new members of Western Carolina University's board of trustees. From left to right are Robert Burgin, president and chief executive officer of Mission-St. Joseph's Health Systems in Asheville; Charles Worley, Asheville mayor, attorney and part owner of Highland Farms Retirement Community in Black Mountain; Steve Warren, a partner in the Asheville law firm of Long, Parker, Warren & Jones; and Rosemary Foley Wyche, a vice president with N.C. Citizens for Business and Industry in Raleigh.

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