

State workers tap McGalliard

Roy McGalliard, chairman of the English and Humanities Department at Western Piedmont Community College, was named "Employee of the Year" last night in a state employee's meeting.

McGalliard was selected from other candidates in Area 19 of the North Carolina State Employees Association (N.C.S.E.A.), which includes Burke, Caldwell, Avery, Mitchell, McDowell, Polk and Rutherford counties.

He will compete against other area nominees for the state title in September.

Dot Whitener, a secretary at WPCC and membership chairman for Area 19, said McGalliard was nominated by fellow workers at the college.

"He had letters of support from Dr. Droze (the college president); Harold Olsen, dean of curriculum; Lenada Williams, his secretary; George Fouts (an English professor) and myself," she said.

McGalliard's qualifications enabled him to win from the approximately 550 Area 19 members. There are two other associations in Burke County, at Western Carolina Center and Broughton Hospital, where Ms. Whitener said the groups are "self-contained."

McGalliard, 43, has been a pro-

fessor of English at WPCC for 11 years. He is a native of Caldwell County and was graduated from Lenoir High School and Lenoir-Rhyne College.

Later he received an M.A. in drama and English from the University of Hawaii and an M.A. in English junior college education from Appalachian State University.

He formerly was employed as assistant dean of the college of letters, arts and sciences at the University of Guam.

McGalliard and his wife, Jolae, have two children and live in the Oak Hill section of Burke County.

In other business the N.C.S.E.A. also elected officers for the coming year.

The chairman is Robert Netherton of WPCC; the vice-chairman, Don Patterson of the Burke County state highway patrol; auditing chairman, Dale Brittain of the Burke County State Forestry Service; resolutions chairman, David Robinson of the Burke County bureau of the Department of License and Theft; constitution chairman, Deborah Carswell of WPCC; nominating chairman, Kay Goins of Mayland Technical Institute in Mitchell County; and delegates, Vicky Greene of Mayland Tech and John Boyd of WPCC.



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