

Paralegal program offered

A new program in Paralegal Technology will be offered beginning fall quarter at Western Piedmont Community College in Morganton, said David Puckett, director of the Business Technologies Division.

The new curriculum will train individuals to work under the general direction of lawyers, to relieve lawyers of routine matters and to assist them in the conduct of more complicated and difficult tasks, Puckett said.

A legal technician should be capable of doing independent legal work under the supervision of a lawyer, supervising secretaries in their work and searching out information and court facts, he said.

Training will include general subjects such as English, accounting and computer usage, as well as specialized legal courses such as real property, court systems, civil and criminal law and techniques of investigation.

Paralegal graduates will be able to assist in work on probate matters, conduct investigations, search public records, prepare tax forms, serve and file legal documents, keep books, perform library research and provide office management assistance.

Employment opportunities are available in public and private law firms and with individual lawyers.

For more information about the program, call David McGee at the college at 437-8688.

Single parent grant

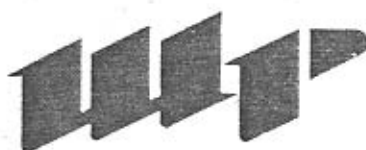
Beginning fall quarter, financial services are available for men and women who are single parents or displaced homemakers and are enrolled in a vocational or technical program of study at WPCC.

Students who are eligible under the Single Parent/Displaced Homemaker grant can choose one of four areas of financial assistance according to their needs. These services include help with books, tuition, and fees, child care and transportation.

For more information, call Pat Gorman at the college.

Elderly entertained

Western Piedmont's Performing Arts Program performed for the Friendly Tuesday senior citizens meeting Tuesday from 10 to



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10:30 a.m. at the Burke County Chamber of Commerce office.

Special guests Harold Johnson, Bill Walker and Lewis Brooks, Channel 9 television journalists, were in the audience as part of WSOC's series entitled "Our Kind of Town."

Greg Young and Kelly Taylor presented Robert Anderson's comedy sketch, "I'm Herbert." The characters were two, old people sitting on a porch in a pair of rocking chairs. Each had one or more previous marriages and perhaps a few flings, but they are hazy as to the details. In fact, they don't always know who the other person is.

Young is a performing arts major at WPCC. Kelly Taylor, a Western Piedmont alumnus, is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro's theater department.

Music was provided by WPCC's Visiting Artist Chris Roselle. He was accompanied by Louise White on the keyboard. Audio support was provided by Buddy Noles and Sherry McCracken.

Sex equity project

Beginning in the fall, women who enroll in the following programs of study are eligible for tutorial services, counseling and financial assistance with books, child care expenses and transportation.

The courses are: computer engineering technology, mechanical drafting and design, mechanical drawing certificate, industrial engineering technology, manufacturing engineering, industrial management, criminal justice, waste watertreatment plant operator, automotive mechanics, industrial maintenance, industrial electricity, welding, light construction, machinist and machine operation.

Also beginning in the fall, men will be eligible for the same services through the Sex Equity Project if they are enrolled in one of the following programs: cosmetology, nursing, secretarial sciences, medical laboratory technology and medical assist-

ing.

For more information, call Pat Gorman at the college.

Day care first aid

Preventing and treating simple injuries of children in day care centers is more than a standard first aid course. Day care workers will cover topics that relate to day care centers and children.

Some of the topics include: sprains, burns, fevers, bandaging, Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever, Reye's Syndrome, seizures and Sudden Infant Death Syndrome.

Students will also learn what to do in case of a tornado, how to use the Burke County Emergency Medical Services and ways to prevent injuries in day care centers.

"First Aid for Day Care Centers" will run for five weeks, Tuesday and Thursday nights, starting Aug. 4. It will be held in room G-130 at WPCC from 7 to 9 p.m.

There are a limited number of spaces available, and pre-registration is required by calling 437-8688, ext. 288. The \$15 fee is payable at the first class meeting, and the course is certified for 20 hours of credit for day care workers.

Childbirth classes

A prepared childbirth course will be offered by the college's Continuing Education Division starting Wednesday, Aug. 19. The six-week course will be held on the campus from 7 to 9:30 p.m.

Students will explore relaxation, physical changes and alternatives. Bring two pillows and a blanket to the first class. This course is for women with due dates between mid-September and late November.

You can register at the first class, Aug. 19, and pay the \$15 registration fee (per adult).

For more information about "Prepared Childbirth," call Fred Bayley at 437-8688.