



Annual Twilight Breakfast  
 Wednesday, April 30  
 9pm  
 WTC Cafeteria



Sunday, April 27, 2003

Western Texas College, 6200 College Ave. Snyder, TX 79549

## Outstanding Students recognized at annual Awards Day

Snyder natives, Amber Russell and Kurt McMillan take honors

Academic achievement was recognized Friday, April 25 on the Western Texas College campus at the annual spring Awards Day ceremony.

The event, sponsored by the WTC Faculty Association, began at 10:30 a.m. in the Fine Arts Theater. A highlight of the event is the announcement of the outstanding Academic Male and Female Student for 2003.

This year's recipients are Amber Russell and Kurt McMillan.

Requirements for this recognition include sophomore status, completing the freshman year at WTC, being a full time student a minimum of three semesters at WTC, maintaining at least a 3.75 GPA and being involved in campus and/or community activities and organizations.

Students are nominated by their instructors, and the winners are voted on by the entire WTC Faculty Association.

Also recognized were students honored as Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges. These include Marie-Noelle Baily, Ashley Baremore, David Beard, Dee Dee Chambers, Trent Cormier, John Dorsey, Ramona Embry, Diajaira Garcia, Ryan Greenwood, Michael Hembree, Christopher Hensley, Kit Yee Ho, Kandace Kimmell, Logan Knapp, Corey Knipe, Ryan Minchew, Jennifer Newman, Marcela Rios, Amber Russell, Ashley Ryan, Sam Spreadborough, Tasha Stevenson, Tyson Thompson, William Tinkler, and Kyle Waltisperger.

In addition, departmental awards were presented to outstanding students in individual divisions for the academic school year. A reception honoring the recipients was held following the ceremony in the WTC courtyard.



Outstanding Female and Male Students, Amber Russell and Kurt McMillan



Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges

## Midwestern Staff plans Campus Visit to Promote Bachelor Degree Program

Area residents now have the opportunity to earn a Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences Degree (B.A.A.S.) without the burden of traveling to Lubbock or San Angelo. Western Texas College and Midwestern State University have partnered in providing a flexible alternative for working adults to earn a B.A.A.S. degree. Sixty-nine hours of the 124-hour degree can be earned at WTC with the remaining coursework completed over the Internet. Dr. David Martin, Director of the BAAS Program, will be on the WTC campus Wednesday, April 30, from 11AM-5PM to meet individually with individuals interested in or currently enrolled in the program. To set an appointment with Dr. Martin, please call 573-8511 ext 250 or email [VoCareers@wtc.edu](mailto:VoCareers@wtc.edu).

What is the B.A.A.S. degree? The Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences degree is designed to offer students with vocational-technical training and/or professional experience in occupational fields the opportunity to obtain a baccalaureate degree. Such experienced

professional/vocational students may obtain credit toward this degree via accredited college-level course work and/or certain types of professional and educational training. Students who pursue the degree are required to complete the academic core requirements, thirty hours of advanced credit that is complementary to the vocational-technical or professional area, and any additional hours necessary to meet the 124-hour university requirement as stated in the catalog.

Will the B.A.A.S. degree aid me in my present career? After a few years of employment, many people find that they have the occupational skills needed for initial employment, but frequently lack the credentials and training for career advance-

ment. The B.A.A.S. degree can provide those skills needed for advancement.

I am pursuing or already have an associate degree. How much of my course work can be accepted towards the B.A.A.S.? Sixty-nine hours of college level credits earned at a junior college are accepted in transfer and applicable to the degree. In most cases the majority of the credits earned will fulfill requirements in the occupational specialty and foundation areas. Junior college credit may also be accepted.

What is non-traditional credit? Non-traditional credit is credit earned from other means of learning than formal courses in a standard classroom. Midwestern

State University accepts non-traditional credit toward the B.A.A.S. from various sources such as: CLEP, DANTES, correspondence courses, work experience, military service, self-study authenticated by examination, ACE and APICS. Midwestern has articulation agreements with many junior colleges.

## WTC Gives Back to Community with Project Graduation

Feed a Body. Feed a Mind

**WHAT:** Project Graduation is a national service program that supports the efforts of community-based organizations to eliminate hunger and illiteracy. This goal is achieved by tapping the collective resources of the audiences at college commencement ceremonies by asking the graduates, their families, and others attending the ceremony to bring books and canned foods.

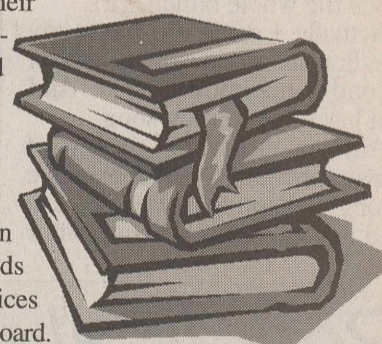
**WHO:** The Psi Zeta Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society at WTC is participating in this national service initiative. After the graduation ceremony, the books and canned goods will be given to Gateway Family Services and the Ministerial Alliance Food Cupboard.

**WHEN:** Friday, May 2nd

**WHERE:** Commencement takes place in the WTC courtyard on campus. Collection points will be set up in front of the Fine Arts Theatre, the Administration Building, and the Student Center. (In the event of inclement weather, the ceremony will be moved to the sanctuary at Colonial Hill Baptist Church.)

**BACKGROUND:** Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society of the Two-Year College administers Project Graduation. Phi Theta Kappa is the largest academic honor society in the world with approximately 90,000 members inducted annually. Phi Theta Kappa includes 1,200 chapters on two-year and community college campuses in all 50 states, Canada, Germany, Japan, and U.S. territorial possessions.

For more information, contact Vicky Rowland at 573-8511 ext. 230.



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**B.A.A.S. PROGRAM**

- 1) Occupational Specialty..... 24-36 hrs.
- 2) Academic Foundations..... 48-54 hrs.
- 3) Professional Development..... 36 hrs.
- 4) Electives..... 0-12 hrs.
- Total..... 124 hrs.

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