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What's Happening?

The purpose of this newsletter is to inform Haywood County Taxpayers of what transpires at the bi-monthly County Commission Meetings. This newsletter will be written from the perspective of a casual observer, myself. Any opinions expressed will be mine.

On a personal note, don't forget to try "Carolina Pig Polish", a very tasty BBQ sauce that Teresa Starrs and her family make and sell.

Outstanding County Employee.

From time to time, in a small way, I honor those county employees that (to me) perform outstanding work. It's always easy to find fault with people, and just as easy to recognize outstanding qualities.

Legend: If any name is in **bold**, it can't be a good thing.

- Teresa Starrs Haywood Community College
- Sherri Rogers Register of Deeds
- Judy Hickman Business Tax Assessor
- Julie Davis Finance Director

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Appointment of HCC Interim President.

During the time I have spent at Haywood Community College Board of Trustee meetings, I have come to know a great many people associated with the college.

I came to know Teresa Starrs early on, as she was assistant to (outgoing) **Rose Johnson**. Ms. Starrs impressed me immediately as being one of those people that you instantly trust. She also impressed me with the knowledge she has of the college, and, for example, while sitting in Julie Davis' office one day, was the person to interact with Julie on complicated college financial matters. [re: Outstanding County Employee list, above. Note: both these people are on it].

A special committee has been created to explore candidates for interim president. They are comprised of board members:

- Peggy Melville
- Bill Barker
- Brian Briggs

There will most likely be a discussion (report) of committee findings at the next BOT meeting on September 4, 2012 [re: Agenda item XII, Chair's Report, 1., Action Items, New Business, 1. Potential - Interim President].

Appointing Teresa Starrs seems like a no-brainer, unless somehow "[At least two top-notch, local candidates who are well-respected for their abilities were among the applicants](#)" wander into this discussion [re: Vicki Hyatt, The Mountaineer, Toeprints, Vol. 3, Issue 5]. Who are these two candidates? Will they please identify themselves?