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## MCC News

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### MCC News: Woody Places 6<sup>th</sup> in IHSA National Horse Show

Sarah Woody, recent graduate of Martin Community College's (MCC) Equine Technology program, received a 6th place ranking in the Individual Reining Class at the International Horse Show Association (IHSA) National Horse Show, in Burbank California on Saturday, May 10, 2008. The scores of the top ten riders were very close. The first place rider scored a 145.5, and Woody scored a 140. According to Kimberly Kane, MCC's IHSA team coach, she represented the college very well and deserves congratulations from all on her wonderful accomplishment.



Woody, a Wilmington native, completed her Associate in Applied Science degree in Equine Technology this semester but was unable to attend MCC's commencement due to its schedule conflict with the IHSA competition. However, in true student spirit, she proudly wore her cap and gown during rehearsals that week and fellow classmates cheered as she walked across the stage.

Woody plans to return home to pursue a Bachelor's degree in business from UNC-Wilmington and hopes to eventually train horses for herself while continuing to compete at horse shows statewide and across the nation.

For more information on MCC's IHSA western team or the Equine Technology program, visit the program's website at [www.mccequine.com](http://www.mccequine.com) or contact Tami Thurston, program director, at [tthurston@martincc.edu](mailto:tthurston@martincc.edu) or 252-792-1521 Ext. 318.

## **BLET Program Seeks New Recruits for Fall Training**

The Basic Law Enforcement Training (BLET) program is seeking applicants for its fall training period. The rigorous, 33-week course stresses professionalism, academic achievement, discipline and physical fitness in cadets.

Larry Boyd, law enforcement training coordinator, boasts of MCC's BLET, "In my opinion, we offer some of the best Basic Law Enforcement Training in the state."

Accredited by the N.C. Criminal Justice Training and Standards Commission, the BLET course is available through MCC's Law Enforcement Training Section and is required for all potential law enforcement officers. In addition, the college also offers Law Enforcement In-Service Training to provide continuing education for persons who currently work for criminal justice agencies.



Martin County Deputy Sheriff Milon Fenner, Jr. (pictured above right) graduated from the BLET program in 2003 and began employment with the county's sheriff department shortly thereafter.

"The BLET program at Martin has taught me everything I need to know to do my job successfully," said Fenner.

The next BLET course cycle is scheduled to begin in late August. Several application forms are required for enrollment into the program, so persons interested in participating should contact Boyd at (252) 792-1521 ext. 267. Program information is also available on the College's website, [www.martincc.edu](http://www.martincc.edu). Click on "Continuing Education," then "BLET" for more details.

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