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## **The West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education Announces the 2012 Phi Theta Kappa All-West Virginia Academic Team**

**CHARLESTON, W.Va.** – WV Council for Community and Technical College Education recognized the members of the 2012 Phi Theta Kappa All-West Virginia Academic Team for community and technical colleges. The ceremony was held Thursday, April 12, 2012 at 2:30 pm in the Upper Rotunda. The members of the Phi Theta Kappa All-West Virginia Academic Team are:

- Karen Baker, Blue Ridge Community and Technical College
- Kimberly Bickett, Blue Ridge Community and Technical College
- Susan Heinlein, Blue Ridge Community and Technical College
- Michael Laughlin, Blue Ridge Community and Technical College
- Conrad Carpenter, Bridgemont Community and Technical College
- James Ferrell, Bridgemont Community and Technical College
- Melissa Shank, Eastern WV Community and Technical College
- Rachael Fricke, Mountwest Community and Technical College
- Andrea Thornton, Mountwest Community and Technical College
- Matthew Curry, New River Community and Technical College
- Joanna Post, New River Community and Technical College
- April Roberts, New River Community and Technical College
- Cindy Smith, New River Community and Technical College
- Carrie Toney, New River Community and Technical College
- Anthony Zari, New River Community and Technical College
- Jessica Shanholtz, Potomac State College of WVU
- Kelsey Bailey, Southern WV Community and Technical College
- Chasity Barker, Southern WV Community and Technical College
- Sarah Holzapfel, Southern WV Community and Technical College
- Lindsay Huffman, Southern WV Community and Technical College
- Chelsea Light, Southern WV Community and Technical College
- Brittani Lowe, Southern WV Community and Technical College
- Christina Shade, Southern WV Community and Technical College
- Brittany Smith, Southern WV Community and Technical College
- Tammy Cooper, West Virginia Northern Community College
- John Emery, West Virginia Northern Community College

- Kathi Ferebee, West Virginia Northern Community College
- Nathan Schmidt, West Virginia Northern Community College
- Ian Wood, West Virginia Northern Community College
- Deborah Berg, West Virginia University at Parkersburg
- John Fox, Jr., West Virginia University at Parkersburg
- Kristen Hamon, West Virginia University at Parkersburg
- Lori Marks, West Virginia University at Parkersburg

Phi Theta Kappa is an international honor society that recognizes extraordinary academic achievement and leadership qualities of students enrolled in two-year colleges. Students must achieve a minimum of a 3.25 grade point average and exhibit outstanding campus and community involvement to participate in the All-USA Academic Team competition.

“These students are being recognized for outstanding academic achievements and contributions to community service,” said James Skidmore, Chancellor of the Community and Technical College System of West Virginia. “We are proud of these students for their hard work and dedication that enabled them to earn this prestigious award.”

Governor Earl Ray Tomblin was the guest speaker during a ceremony honoring the members of the Phi Theta Kappa All-West Virginia Academic Team.

The WVCTCS, comprised of 10 institutions, delivers affordable comprehensive community and technical college education in all regions of West Virginia. The System graduates individuals prepared to meet the demands of employers or succeed in subsequent education. Through collaboration with various community members, the WVCTCS strives to provide high-quality workforce development programs and increase the college-going rate in West Virginia.

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