JWCC WILL HOST THE 8th ANNUAL INDUCTION CEREMONY FOR THE ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2015

John Wood Community College's Athletic Department will host the 8th Annual Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony **Saturday**, **February 7**, **2015**. The public is invited to attend. One former student-athlete and one former President will be inducted. The program will be held at approximately 6 p.m. in the Mary Ellen Orr Auditorium of the Paul Heath Center on the campus at 48th and Harrison, Quincy. It will follow a doubleheader basketball game against Lincoln Land Community College, with the women playing at 2:00 pm and the men at 4:00 pm. Inductees include:

- Kory Hollensteiner of Quincy, IL a member of the Trail Blazer baseball team (2006-2007)
- **Bill Simpson** of the state of Washington, former John Wood Community College President (1997-2008)

Brad Hoyt, manager of athletics, will serve as the master of ceremonies. Along with Coach Hoyt, JWCC President Michael Elbe will provide a welcome and will present commemorative plaques to the inductees.

Plaques honoring the inductees will be displayed on the Hall of Fame wall in the Student Activity Center. The purpose of the Athletic Hall of Fame is to recognize individuals who have distinguished themselves by their outstanding performance, work, support, and/or contributions to John Wood Trail Blazer athletics. In addition to having demonstrated outstanding ability and having made a contribution to a sport, the inductees must possess such personal qualities as sportsmanship, character and integrity.

Kory Hollensteiner, a graduate of Quincy Senior High School, is one of the most decorated student-athletes to wear a Blazer uniform. Kory earned many national post season awards, including Third Team All-American (2007), Academic All-American (2007), and a Rawlings Gold Glove team selection. In addition, he was named to the First Team All-Region Team, All-District Team, First Team All-Conference Team, and was named an Academic All-Conference selection. He left his mark on the All-Time record books, as well. Kory's name can be found on the following all-time leader categories: Career At Bats (4th), Season Games (8th), Career Games (8th), Season at bats (15th & 16th), Career Batting Average (25th), Season Batting Average (37th), Career On-Base % (39th). Following his time as a Trail Blazer, Kory attended and graduated from Indiana Wesleyan University. He currently resides in Quincy and is the Children's Pastor at The Crossing.

Dr Bill Simpson served as the President of John Wood Community College for 11 years and oversaw a variety of advancements to the campus and the athletic programs. During his Presidency, the Student Activity Center and the baseball and softball complexes were constructed and opened. Dr. Simpson played an integral role in the expansion of athletic waivers and administrative support for each of the intercollegiate sport programs. In addition, he served on the NJCAA Executive Committee as a president representative for 6 years and was honored with the NJCAA Service Award. Following his time as a Trail Blazer, Dr. Simpson has moved to the state of Washington and enjoys spending time with his wife, children, and grandchildren.