DR. TED SPRING CHOSEN FOR WHO’S WHO IN WEST VIRGINIA BUSINESS CLASS

CHARLESTON—The State Journal has selected Dr. Ted D. Spring, president of New River Community and Technical College in southern West Virginia, as a member of its 2010 class of Who’s Who in West Virginia Business.

The State Journal, a statewide business and leadership publication, started Who’s Who in West Virginia Business in 1993 to focus on business and community leaders who have made a difference in the Mountain State. A panel of five independent judges selected the Who’s Who honorees from nominations submitted by readers of The State Journal.

In its 18th annual Who’s Who edition, The State Journal said Who’s Who honorees “have helped improve the lives of clients and customers while providing West Virginia families with employment opportunities.”

In a story that profiles Spring, The State Journal quoted the New River president as saying he is a devoted supporter of community college education.

“We offer opportunities to people who never thought they would go to school, who never really considered they could go to college because they didn’t think they could afford to go and didn’t want to move away from home,” he said.

The honorees represent diverse elements of the West Virginia economy, including health care, education, industry, finance and natural resource development.

Joining Spring in the 2010 Class were Ralph Beckwith of Beckwith Lumber Co. in Slatyfork; Julian Chipley of Chipley Chiropractic in Beckley; Robert Contragüerro of Panhandle Restoration & Cleaning in Wheeling; Thomas DeWitt of Swanson Industries in Morgantown; Mark Doak of Davis Health System in Elkins; Vicki Dunn-Marshall of VCD Management in Huntington; John Elliot of AMFM Inc. in Charleston; and Philip Vallandingham of First State Bank in Barboursville.

The State Journal Chose Gary West, a Wheeling entrepreneur and philanthropist, as the Lorenelle White Lifetime Achievement Award recipient. The award is named for the late owner and publisher of the State Journal.