

Lesesne: the Information Age is here

America is on the dawn of the "information age" and the college students of today are in the right place at the right time to take advantage, according to Joab M. Lesesne, president of Wofford College.

Dr. Lesesne addressed the Fall Convocation at Brevard College Wednesday morning, telling students, faculty and administration that the majority of American jobs are now in the information related industry: communications, analyzing, high tech, finance, and media.

To the Brevard College students, Dr. Lesesne said, "and this revolution has happened in your lifetime...more than ever your ability to earn your livelihood will depend on your ability to use your minds and communicate effectively.

"The person who is broadly educated is going to be the skilled citizen who can adapt to this new age," he said. "Also, there has been a dramatic growth in world interdependence," citing that new cars

nowdays have parts made all over the world, even if they are built in "Backwoods, Tennessee."

Other major trends to pay attention to: that America has gone from the number one creditor nation to the number one debtor nation, that trade has been internationalized, and that our main exports are entertainment, research, managerial know-how, high tech, and agriculture.

Dr. Lesesne said, "How do we participate in this emerging world. Information is the strategic resource and human capital is the key." He urged Brevard students to examine their values, take responsibility for their lives and to develop their minds.

Praising the College, Dr. Lesesne said, "There's no way you can talk about the best two-year colleges in the country without mentioning the name of Brevard College."

Lesesne advised students to learn to get along with fellow students and faculty. "Learning to get along with people will be as important as anything you do at Brevard College," he said.

He also cautioned students to get plenty of rest, and to not get behind in their work. And finally he said, "You're a college student now and you're on your own; you have the responsibilities of an adult," and he concluded by saying, "Keep the lines of communication open with your parents...your family is precious possession."

Also at the convocation, student Karen Strickland was recognized as a new student marshal. Ray Fisher was named the new faculty marshal, succeeding Grace Munro who has retired.

In a special presentation, Dr. Harry Langley honored Grace Munro with a certificate naming her official faculty emerita after her 36 years of teaching at Brevard College.

The Dunham audience gave the retired professor of business a standing ovation.

Music was provided by the Brass Quintet and the Collegiate Singers.



Ray Fisher and Grace Munro install Karen Strickland as a new student marshal.

Art Film Series starts on Tuesday

Brevard College is introducing a new art film series through the Life and Culture Series on Tuesday nights at 6:30 in the Jones Library on the College campus. Admission is free and the public is invited.

The schedule, which includes everything from photography to art lectures and abstract painting and sculpture, is as follows:

- Sept. 22 Brevard College Art Professor Tim Murray started a five-part art film lecture series, beginning last night with Picasso, a Painter's Diary: "The Formative Years." The series is part of the continuing education program also.
- Sept. 29 Tim Murray, film and lecture II on Picasso: "From Cubism to Guernica."
- Oct. 6 Tim Murray, film and lecture III on Picasso: "A Unity of Variety." Also: Antonio Guadi, architect.
- Oct. 13 Tim Murray, film and lecture IV: "Georgia O'Keefe." Also,

- "American Folk Art."
- Oct. 20 "Navajo Silversmiths" "Alfred Stieglitz, Photographer" and "Birth of Bronze, with Jacques Lipshitz"
- Oct. 27 Tim Murray, film and lecture V: "Mobile" by Alex Calder. Also John Marin, abstract painter.
- Nov. 3 David Smith: "Steel into Sculpture" and Janet Flanner: "Genet"
- Nov. 10 "Eisenstaedt's Germany" (photography)
- Nov. 17 "DeKooning on DeKooning" also "Frank Lloyd Wright"
- Dec. 1 "In Search of Rothko"

Brevard College students may earn credit for Humanities 101 by attending the art film series; two nights equal one Life and Culture credit, the maximum allowable is two credits which is earned by attending four nights of films.

Coach Taylor optimistic

by Juan Kincaid
With the season just underway, coach David Taylor and his women's soccer team have nothing but good things to look for this season.

After coming off a disappointing 8 and 9 season last year, BC should surpass that mark with numerous victories this year. With nine returnees from last year's squad, experience and leadership shouldn't be a problem. One of the returnees is last year's leading scorer in the nation, Paige Jackson. Most of last year's 37 goals will be expected again this year.

Accompanying Paige in the goal scoring is freshman Melody Thompson and sophomore Michelle Morton. The midfield play should be strong this year with Morton accompanied with Tina Little and Karen Ellis stopping the opposition.

Defensive play will be anchored by sweeper Carol Ellison. She, along with

goal keeper Mary Nall, will be directing the defensive players Amy Cearly and Jennifer Howren as they keep the opposition off the scoreboard.

Taylor sees no reason why his Lady Tornados should have a problem in the conference. Making up the conference this year is Anderson College, Spartanburg-Methodist, North Greenville, Lees-McRae and Brevard. All of these teams with the exception of Brevard are starting a women's program for the first time. Brevard has had a team for three years now. Brevard has a number of four year universities on its schedule including UNC-Asheville and the University of Tennessee, but Andrew College is the team Taylor says they will have to beat to make the national tournament. The Region X Tournament is being held at Brevard this year on Nov. 6 and 7.

Taylor is in desperate need of line runners for the home matches. If anyone is interested, please let Taylor know.



Wofford's Dr. Joab Lesesne

Central America discussed

by April Woods

Solve: "Should the United States continue military aid to the Contras in Nicaragua."

That was the topic for discussion the evening of Sept. 10, during the town meeting held in McClarty-Goodson. The debate was sponsored by the local Peace Fellowship.

Before the townspeople of Brevard presented their views on the subject, Amy Evans and Joshua Culley of Warren-Wilson presented the affirmative and negative sides of the topic in a Lincoln-Douglas style debate format. Doug Bartlett, the mentor of peace studies at Warren-Wilson, said the students were given ten days in which to prepare for the topic.

Following the opening presentation debate by the Warren-Wilson team, Brevard townspeople were given the opportunity to present their views.

President Billy Greer mediated, opening the meeting by inviting an affirmative speaker forward, followed by a negative speaker, and continuing in that format.

There were speakers like Barbara Johnson who spoke clearly for the affirmative, saying that Soviet communism

should be ousted from Nicaragua. Others present spoke clearly for the negative; Dale Nash said that the issue was not a confrontation with communism in the east, but an economic confrontation between the northern and southern hemispheres. Nash said he does not feel that the way to export our nation's democracy is by supporting war in other countries.

Several questions were raised during the debate: Does the United States have the moral obligation to aid "freedom fighters" (such as the Contras)? Does the United States have the right to interfere with another country's government? Has United States aid to other countries in the past helped or hindered the development of those countries? Are the Contras really "freedom fighters," or are they merely terrorists antagonizing a government whose ideals they do not uphold?

While the solution to these questions were not always clearly answered one way or another, they were addressed by townspeople and students alike.

Though the debate lasted for over an hour and a half, several people lingered for almost an hour longer, obviously feeling that there is a lot more about the issue that still needs to be said.