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## AWARDS PRESENTED AT CONVOCATION



GARY M. GARLOW



JOAN LAMBERTH

### Eight \$1,800 Wesleyan Awards Given To Frosh

The College recently announced eight winners of the Wesleyan Award Scholarships, valued at \$1,800 each. This represents a four-year award for the recipients at \$450 each

The winners are: Patricia Ann Williams of Rocky Mount; Betty Alice Bridgers of Elm City; Joyce Ruth Reynolds of West End; Carol E. Brown of Hobbsville; Mary Patricia Elam of Alexandria, Virginia; Janet Marie Keyes of Merrimac, Massachusetts; Gary Alfred Barteau of Alexander, New York; and Lynda Jean Johnson of Newfield, New York.

The Wesleyan Awards are awarded on a competitive basis, and more than 100 applicants were tested from a wide area. The awards are based upon scholastic ability, leadership capacity, and financial need.

Miss Patricia Ann Williams is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul W. Beaver. She attends Rocky Mount Senior High where she ranks in the top quartile of her class. She is a member of the Junior-Senior Prom Committee, the Service Club, and she was a National Merit finalist. She is a member of the Methodist Church, and she plans to major in math.

Miss Betty Alive Bridgers is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William W. Bridgers. She attends Elm City High School where she ranks second in her class. She is a member of the Beta Club, and she is an officer in her class. She is an active Methodist, and her major will be English.

Miss Joyce Ruth Reynolds is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Reynolds. A West End High School senior, she

#### Pool Rules

The management of Hal Orr's has posted a list of rules concerning the use of the swimming pool at the motel. All students are requested to read the list carefully and abide by them. The list is posted on the SGA bulletin board near the post office.

serves as Editor of the Annual, and she is a member of the Beta Club and the school Glee Club. She has served as treasurer and president of the Methodist Youth Fellowship, and she sings in the church choir. Her plan is to major in religion at Wesleyan.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Brown, Carol Elliot Brown ranks first in her class at Gates County High School. She is president of the Beta Club, and she also works with the student government. She is pianist for her Church School at Zion Methodist Church, and she plans to teach school after

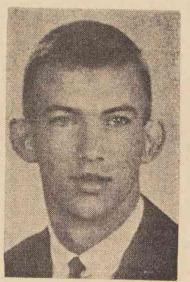
Miss Mary Patricia Elam (Continued on page 6)

## Student Achievement Is Cited; Mrs. Felton Gets Top Trophy

Wesleyan climaxed its third year of operation with the annual Honors Award Convocation yesterday.

Dr. William Friday, president of the University of North Carolina, addressed students and guests of the College at the 10:30 Convocation. He was introduced by Thomas J. Pearsall of Rocky Mount, trustee of both Wesleyan College and the University of North Carolina.

The Convocation, held in the Student Union Building, honored outstanding student achievement for the year. The top trophy for Outstanding Academic Achievement was awarded to Mrs. Gayle



LARRY MATTHEWS

has the highest grade-point average of any student in the College, having accumulated a 4.0 average for her three years at Wesleyan.

The Rocky Mount Junior Chamber of Commerce award for Outstanding Leadership-Service for Men was given to Gary M. Garlow, retiring Student Government Association President.

Joan Lamberth, Student Life Association Chairman for the 1962-63 academic year, received the Outstanding Leadership-Service Award for Wo-

Larry Matthews, Editor of the 1962-63 Wesleyan annual and an outstanding member of the Wesleyan baseball team, won the Award For Outstanding Athlete at the College.

#### Best Essay Awards

The President's Citation for Best Freshman English Composition was awarded to Judy

The John Paul Jones Award for the Outstanding Historical Essay, sponsored by the Nash County Committee of Colonial Dames, was given to Winifred Jones Sawyer.

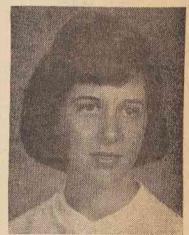
After these student awards were given, Luther W. Hill of Tarboro, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, presented certificates to new members of the Honorary Alumni Association. Wesleyan President Thomas A. Collins presided at the Convocation



MRS. GAYLE C. FELTON



WINIFRED J. SAWYER



JUDY A. THORNLOW

## Trustees Approve Gym And Pool; Gifts Of \$500,000 Announced

The annual spring meeting of the Board of Trustees of Wesleyan College was held Friday, May 17, at the College. Luther W. Hill, of Tarboro, Chairman of the Board,

Highlight of the meeting was the announcement by President Thomas A. Collins of capital and operating gifts to the college in excess of \$500,000 during the previous 12 months.

The Rocky Mount Area Wesleyan College Foundation contributed in excess of \$200,-000 including capital and operating funds. The North Carolina Annual Conference of The Methodist Church contributed more than \$250,000 including capital and operating funds. Friends of the College contributed more than \$75,000 to various causes. Prominent among these gifts was a donation approximately \$50,000 by one donor to construct the campus entrance, a decorative fence across the front of the campus, and prominent markers at approaches to the campus

Gym Plans Approved The Board also approved the report of the Building

Committee as presented by

Chairman Thomas J. Pearsall, calling for the construction of the college gymnasium, including the college pool. This building, estimated to cost \$600,000, will be constructed during the next academic year. Plans are nearing completion by Lashmit, James, Brown and Pollock. architectural firm of Winston-

Mr. Hill was re-elected chairman of the Board of Trustees. Other officers elected were Dr. J. E. Garlington, Clinton, vice-chairman; E. E. Adkins, Rocky Mount, secretary. The following were elected to the Executive Committee: J. Curtis Ellis, Nashville; Rev. Leon Russell, Burlington; Mrs. Pierce Johnson, Weldon; and E. F. Duke, Rocky Mount.

In his report to the Board the president reported that a total of 349 students had enrolled at the college and that approximately 450 were expected in 1963-64. He reported 30 faculty members under contract with three or four soon to be secured. Approximately 65 per cent of the faculty have earned the Ph.D. degree in their teaching field. J. Curtis Ellis, chairman of

the Finance Committee, re-

ported a successful year. With an operating budget this year of \$519,509, the college will complete the year without a deficit. Upon his recommendation, the Board adopted an operating budget for 1963-64 in the amount of \$722,743.

New Dorms Named The Board agreed to designate the two new dormitories nearing completion. The new Women's dormitory will be called North Hall and the new Men's dormitory will be called South Hall.

Dr. Allen P. Brantley, executive director of the Methodist Commission on Higher Education, visited the Board meeting. He reported on the successful College Crusade of the Conference in which approximately \$2,900,000 has been pledged for Methodist colleges in North Carolina. He presented to the college a bronze medallion commemorating the Aldersgate Experience of John

#### CONCERT TODAY

Today at 4:30 p. m. in front of the Student Union, the Symphonic Woodwind Ensemble will present a concert for the Wesleyan Community and others who wish to attend.

### Legislator To Speak

Representative Thomas S. Bennett of Cartaret County will be the speaker at the meeting of North Carolina Wesleyan Young Republicans Club on Thursday, May 23.

Mr. Bennett has the distinction of being the only Republican legislator in the current General Assembly from a port city, specifically Morehead City. He has established an enviable record for a first term minority member, and he is given statewide editorial notice for his forthright comments, both in debate and in committee ses-

Twenty-nine years of age, Mr. Bennett is serving his first term in the Legislature. A native and resident of Morehead City, he attended the University of North Carolina, receiving his degree in law in 1958. He is married to the former Virginia Thompson, and both are Baptists.

All interested persons are invited to attend this event on May 23 beginning at 7:30 p. m. in Garber Chapel.