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CHapel for North Carolina Wesleyan College
DOVE-KNIGHT ASSOCIATES - ARCHITECTS

Architectural Drawing of Proposed Chapel.

Trustees approve campus chapel

On February 25, North Carolina Wesleyan's Board of Trustees approved plans for a college chapel. Construction will begin soon after necessary funding is provided through gifts from private individuals or foundations.

The estimated cost of the structure, designed by Dove-Knight and Associates of Rocky Mount, is \$165,000.

Dr. S. Bruce Petteway, college President, cites that the chapel will be the first new structure on the Wesleyan campus since the library, which was built in 1966.

"Garber Chapel, which was incorporated in a large classroom of the Pearsall Classroom Building, has served us well," Petteway said. "The time has come, however, for the college to symbolize its commitment to Christian education and its permanence in the community."

The proposed chapel will be located on the front campus just east of the Pearsall Classroom Building. It has been designed in the Georgian colonial style, as have all other structures on Wesleyan's campus.

The main area of the chapel will be suitable for educational as well as religious functions, as there will be no fixed furnishings in the area.

After completion, the building will measure 67 by 40 feet, with a total area of 2,578 square feet. It will have a seating capacity of 150.

Aside from the main area of the structure, the chapel will also contain an office for the campus minister, a

storage area and rest room facilities.

The east side of the main area will be glass-walled, opening onto an outdoor court surrounded by a pierced brick wall.

The chapel is the first of a two-phased plan. The second step calls for the construction of a sanctuary adjacent to the chapel. The sanctuary will seat 400.

Detailed plans for the sanctuary have not yet been developed, but preliminary drawings show a structure similar to the chapel in the Georgian architectural style, but much larger. The sanctuary, as well as the chapel, will be nestled in the pine trees that populate the Wesleyan campus.

The proposed sanctuary will seat a congregation of 350, and will have seating for another 50 people in the chancel area. At the rear of the structure, behind the altar, there will be an educational area for classroom use.

The sanctuary will be joined to the chapel by a cloister. A parking area will eventually be constructed behind the sanctuary with access to the main campus drive.

No plans for the sanctuary have been approved, nor has any timetable for construction been made final.

Aside from being the first construction on the Wesleyan campus in 15 years, the proposed chapel marks the first step toward the completion of construction in the college's Third Decade Plan.

In announcing the plan, Judge Carlton said, "Financial support for the Third Decade Plan must be very substantial. With modest allowances for inflation-fueled increases in costs, North Carolina Wesleyan College will need \$12 million to support its annual operations funds and \$14 million for endowment, construction, and

GRADUATING SENIORS ELIGIBLE TO VOTE IN ALUMNI ELECTION

Graduating Seniors are invited to vote in the North Carolina Wesleyan College

academic programs in the 1980-1990 decade."

Under the Third Decade Plan, \$6 million is needed for construction and renovation.

Alumni Association election currently underway. This year's election will select a new slate of officers and eight new members for the Board of Directors.

Ballots will be available in Room 120 of Braswell Administration Building daily through April 24.

FINANCIAL AID FOR SUMMER SCHOOL 1981

.. Summer School Financial Aid Applications Are Now Available In The Financial Aid Offices -- Room 180 and 182 - Administration Building.

.. Financial Assistance Will Be Available During The First 1981 Summer Session Only.

.. Summer Funds Are Limited, Consequently, Awards Will Be Made On A First Come, First Serve Basis To Eligible Students.

.. Students Must Be Enrolled At Least Half-time -- 3 Semester Hours -- To Be Considered For Financial Assistance.

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