



WALL WAS DAMAGED BY VANDALISM

## Vandalism Drops Around Campus

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less, than last year, and that has been a result of favorable student body participation."

Nash Hall Resident Assistant, Sleepy Taylor, and North Carolina Wesleyan Student, Randy Wisniesky, also agree that this problem so far has been minimal.

Taylor commented: "I feel there has been less vandalism this year as opposed to the last two years."

Wisniesky added that: "Every school is going to have its share of vandalism, there is no way around it. The problem is

usually the entire college gets condemned for the actions of a few."

Nu Gamma Phi Fraternity President, David A. Langlois, told *The Decree*, "During my tenure here at Wesleyan College I have seen my share of vandalism. There has been no more this year than any other year. College kids will be college kids."

With spring quickly approaching there will be more social activity on campus than usual. Dr. McKita added that one thing the college needs is "more ways of allowing the students to vent their frustrations."

## Trio Uses Classical Guitars In New Arts Performance

By RICK SHOWALTER

If you had spent your Friday evening at the gym instead of the movies, you would have seen the New Arts Series second performance featuring the DeFalla Trio.

The DeFalla Trio is Terry Graves, Kenton Youngstrom, and Dusan Bogdanovic. The trio plays different types of music on classical guitars. "We're unique because we play jazz and pieces that entire symphonies play with just three classical guitars," said Youngstrom.

The audience was made up of New Arts members with a few Wesleyan students attending. The lack of students was probably because the concert was on a Friday night.

The trio wore black tuxedos with red cummerbuns, enhancing the elegance of the evening. They opened the concert by playing some standard classical music before playing the music they have been critically acclaimed for. The jazz pieces and the pieces of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart were the highlight of the first half of the performance. The group took an intermission after playing these works and came back out to play what they called flamenco music, which is a type of spanish classical music. Everyone appeared to

enjoy the trio's performance. "I think it went rather well," said Youngstrom.

The trio performs about fifty times a year and are on tours ten to twelve weeks of the year. The trio has played Carnegie Hall at a festival for guitarist. When they are not touring they have jobs teaching at different colleges and universities in the Los Angeles area.

The members of the trio came from different areas. Terry Graves studied at Indiana University then went on

to the University of Southern California to get his masters degree. It was there he met Kenton Youngstrom, who got both his undergraduate and masters degree at the University of Southern California. The newest member of the trio is Dusan Bogdanovic, who hails from Switzerland and has lived in the United States for the past six years.

The group is currently working on their second album which will be out by the end of March.

## Course Replaces Old Orientation

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topic of interest and each student will be required to attend selected events on campus, as well as doing additional reading and study on the topic and events.

The curriculum of Liberal Studies Seminar will consist of instruction of listening, note-taking, test-taking, study habits, and other academic skills.

Wesleyan's current orientation program (ORI 101) consists of a one-semester pass/fail course which provides the new student with the basic skills needed for succeeding in college. The course also provides the student with information about service and other opportunities in the area of student life. Freshman, Mike Morgan, who successfully completed ORI 101 in the Fall '85 semester, said "the subject matter was vague, but the instructor was motivating, which made the class interesting."

If a student fails to complete ORI 101 satisfactorily, he or she must take the course again the next consecutive semester. The current orientation program is in its fourth year at Wesleyan and is a requirement for graduation.

Those freshmen who successfully complete the two-course sequence will have satisfied the convocation requirement currently required for graduation from N.C Wesleyan College. Cliff Sullivan, Wesleyan Registrar, said "there is a good chance that the student (incoming freshmen) will attend more convocations per term than those students currently enrolled at Wesleyan." When asked about changes in convocations for those currently enrolled, Mar-

shall Brooks said, "students should expect to continue the same convocation program." Brooks added "there may be some modifications, but there will be no modification until we find out what happens after next semester."

The current convocations program consists of three areas or elements. The first area is periodic college-wide meetings. The college-wide events include Opening Convocation, Founder's Day Convocation, and Honors Convocations.

Secondly, each student is required to attend the Spring Symposium. The Symposium usually runs for a two day period and concentrates on a central theme or issue of current significance. This year's Symposium will be held March 18-19.

The third requirement is attendance at several cultural, religious, and scholarly meetings which occur throughout the academic year.

All students, full time and part time who are enrolled in on-campus day courses are required to participate in the convocations program. Those day students taking less than twelve semester hours may be excused from some convocation events by filling out an Exemption From Convocation Requirement form available in the Registrar's Office.

Currently, attendance at convocation events is checked through a card which must be stamped after each event. Senior Steve Scalzi said, "if the convocation program was more appealing to the student body as a whole, there would be no need for convocation cards because students would attend in numbers."

## College Officials Consider Possibility Of Adding Pool

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helpful," says Fleming. "It certainly would be attractive to students who would enjoy it on the intramural level or just for their own enjoyment," says Fleming. Fleming adds, "There are many who are interested in swimming as a competitive sport."

Admissions counselor, Dewey Clark, agrees that a swimming pool would be a

good idea. "I don't think it would solve all of our problems in student life, but it certainly would be a giant step in the right direction," says Clark.

Of 19 colleges — comparable in size and location to N.C. Wesleyan — which were contacted in a telephone survey, 11 have swimming pools. Of nine student life departments which were contacted, four said that the pool is used by a significant number of students, aside from physical education classes. However, four of those student life departments said that the pool does not help in student retention.

Of nine admissions departments which were contacted, four said the pool helps attract students. Five said it does not.

The following colleges were contacted in the survey: Greensboro College, Livingstone College, Methodist Col-

lege, Belmont Abbey College, Pfeiffer College, St. Andrews College, Columbia Bible College, Erskine College, Presbyterian College, Wofford College, Paine College, Shorter College, Bridgewater College, Averett College, Randolph-Macon College, St. Paul's College, Virginia Wesleyan College, Lambuth College, and Lane College.

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