

# Diseases related to sex increasing on NCWC campus

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Sexually transmitted diseases (STD's), a major threat in the world today, have become a problem here at North Carolina Wesleyan College.

Since the beginning of the fall semester, several cases of STD's, ranging from Chlamydia and Gonorrhea to Genital Warts and Herpes, have been diagnosed among the student population.

## Library hires senior citizen

Lucy Maxine Lowery has joined Wesleyan College's library staff through Region L's Title V Program. She is one of 59 senior citizens in the region who are currently participating in the government project.

"I like it," Lowery said. "It's the easiest job I've ever had. They're all so nice. It's good to get away from home and do something."

Lowery, born in rural Nash County, has lived in the area for nearly 15 years. She spent 20 years in Greensboro before returning to the area. Three of her four brothers also live nearby in Nashville, Rocky Mount, and Battleboro.

Designed to foster and promote useful part-time opportunities in community service activities for persons 55 years and older, the Older Americans Community Service Employment Act was established in 1965. The Act provides employment for eligible senior citizens in the area in which they live or nearby.

The cases have caused concern about the further spread of STD's on campus. Nurse Janice Stump at the Wesleyan Wellness Center has several preventative measures underway. To help students become more aware of how to prevent STD's, Stump is traveling to the residence halls and talking to individuals who may need help.

"The cases are typical every year," she said. "From this I realize that we need to talk to students and teach them about these diseases, many of which are deadly."

The Wellness Center is not alone in working at educating students about the danger of STD's. Nash Hall held a program on Wednesday entitled, "Safe Sex vs. STD's: Which Would You Rather Have?"

Some of the more common ways to decrease the spreading of STD's include using condoms (which are available to students at the Wellness Center) and practicing monogamy.

"If a partner doesn't want to protect themselves, then they are not ready to have sex," Stump said. Appropriately, the most effective method for preventing the spread of STD's is abstinence.

"The minute a student walks on this campus, they are bringing any diseases that they have," Stump said. "I don't want to tell students what to do with their personal life, I'm just telling them to protect themselves."

Many students on campus are concerned about STD's. Sophomore Tim Elmore noted, "I find it hard to believe that people can be so irresponsible and careless. I just hope people wise up before this becomes a serious problem."



**THE SOUNDS OF SILENCE** — The Mac Daddy's were one of several groups that performed during Homecoming's Airband Contest, lip-syncing and dancing their hearts out to modern music. The contest was eventually one by the group Quiet Storm. (Photo by Beth Sherrard.)

# Halloween ball slated

A Halloween tradition at Wesleyan will continue this year with Delta Sigma Phi fraternity sponsoring the Halloween Ball on Oct. 29.

In recent years the excitement provided by this dance has proved to be a highlight of the fall semester. Despite severely reduced funding by the S.G.A. for this event, the fraternity brothers are trying to find new and innovative ways to make the dance the best in years.

"All members of the Wesleyan community are encouraged to wear their best costumes and attend," a fraternity brother said. "However, if all you plan to do is 'attend,' don't bother to come. This dance is strictly for those who plan to party."

# Wesleyan campus in middle of Alcohol Awareness Week

North Carolina Wesleyan College is now in the middle of Alcohol Awareness Week, sponsored this year by the college's Psychology Club.

Special events have been set up on campus for each day of the week, which began Tuesday and continues through next Tuesday. Activities include guest speakers, movies related to alcohol problems, and a simulator, courtesy of the Rocky Mount Police Department, which gives the effect of drinking and driving.

Throughout the week, students have been participating in "Dead For a Day," wearing black buttons containing the picture and name of a victim of a fatal alcohol-related accident.

"The members of the club are very excited about alcohol awareness," said Ginny Larabee, club president, "and we hope to involve the community in our ef-

orts to prevent more fatalities related to alcohol."

To begin the week, participating students donned armbands and signed contracts on Tuesday stating that they will refrain from drinking the entire week. Next Tuesday, students who have kept their contracts and have worn the armbands will be awarded with tee-shirts honoring their success during the Psychology Club's final reception at 4:15 p.m. in the cafeteria.

Activities already held include the serving of "mocktails" and a chapel service on Wednesday, and a teen speaker and a "booze bowl"

on Thursday. Today's activities include use of the simulator at 3:30 p.m. in the Student Union and two movies tonight in Doc's, "Just Another Friday Night" at 7:30 p.m. and "Clean and Sober" at 9 p.m.

Saturday will feature a special session at Sportsworld from 7-11 p.m. for \$3, with or without own skates. Sunday offers all-day unlimited golfing at Putter's International for \$3.

On Monday, the movie "Sentenced for Life" by MADD will be shown at 4:15 p.m. in the Student Activities Center.

# 26 presented service awards

Twenty-six people were honored with Founders Day Service Awards during the annual Founders Day Convocation on Thursday morning.

Honored for five years service were Joyce W. Ange, Carol A. Carson, Dr. Charles L. Creegan, Dr. Gayle Carlton Felton, Dana M. Ford, Dr. Leslie H. Garner,

Jr., Pamela L. Gourley, Dr. Samuel M. Holton, Dr. Jerry W. Joplin, Michael S. McAllister, Mack B. Pearsall, Rev. Robert C. Redmond, Rev. Albert Shuler, Kimberly Sparks, Vaughn Schütz, Dr. Nash N. Winstead, and Elizabeth A. Yancey.

Recognized for 10 years of service were C. Michael Fox, Melvin

J. Oliver, Jr., and B. Mayo Boddie, Sr.

Jane T. Batts was recognized for 15 years of service, and 20-year service awards went to Dr. Richard L. Watson III, Jeff D. Batts, and J. Reese Bailey.

Jean B. Edge and Donald L. Scalf were recognized for 30 years of service!

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