



**YEARS OF SERVICE RECOGNIZED** — Among the faculty and staff receiving awards for various years of service during the Founder's Day convocation were (from left) Dr. Leverett T. Smith and Dr. Kenneth V. Finney, who had 25 years of service with North Carolina Wesleyan College. Presenting them the awards was Wesleyan President Dr. Leslie H. Garner, Jr.

## Volleyball team falls to Chowan

By PATRICK BRANNAN

The North Carolina Wesleyan College women's volleyball team closed out its home season with a strong performance, but were defeated 3-1 by visiting Chowan College.

The Bishops, falling to 6-21 for the season, put forth a strong effort as they were forced to play ironwomen volleyball due to injuries and player absences.

The Bishops won the first game 15-7 as they scored the last 13 points of the set. Chowan took the next three, 15-11, 15-13, and 15-8.

Coach Charlie Long said the team played extremely well throughout the match. When asked about the effect of having only six players, Long said, "It helped everyone pick up the slack because they were mentally prepared, knowing they were going to be in the whole time."

Long was also pleased that players Julie Salkeld and Jennifer Parrish were able to adjust to new positions as they were forced to play the entire match.

A tense moment occurred during the second set of the match as Parrish fell to the court. She said she landed on the foot of an opposing player and turned her ankle. Parrish was able to remain in the game, although the injury did hamper her ability to spike the ball.

NCWC played a strong first

set as Chowan scored five straight points and pulled ahead 7-2. Wesleyan then went on to score 13 points and take the first set, 15-7.

"That's just volleyball, a momentum sport," Long said. "You need to make a set like that to carry over."

In the second set, the Bishops fell behind 4-0 but rallied back to 9-7. Freshman Case Griffin had two aces in a row to pull within one at 11-12. Griffin finished with six aces on the night.

In the third set, Wesleyan went ahead 6-3 and moved ahead 10-7 before Chowan rallied to tie the game at 11-11. The game was tied twice more before Chowan pulled ahead for the 15-13 win.

In the fourth set, Wesleyan again jumped out with two aces to start the set. But Chowan pulled ahead with eight points to lead 8-

2, then moved ahead 13-4. Wesleyan fought hard to hold off match point with a number of impressive volleys before Chowan put away the win, 15-8.

The Bishops' rally pleased Long. "I was more pleased with the fourth set than the others," he said.

Juniors Christy Slaw, Jennifer Parrish, and freshmen Debbie Cameron and Jade Marinelli all had six kills for the night. The Bishops hit the floor hard, registering 92 digs in the match.

Despite the loss, Long was pleased that his team "finished on a high." The Bishops move on to the conference tournament, and Long feels the team is capable of pulling off an upset.

"We must serve well and cut down on the service errors," Long said. The Bishops had 19 service errors against Chowan.

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He concluded that to find the future Wesleyan is looking for, its faculty and administration should look back.

"We've come a long way since 1956, and we've bounced back boldly since 1975, but we have not yet arrived at the promised land," he said. "Have we glimpsed it? Are we taking up the responsibilities that begin in those dreams? We are when we remember!

"We remember the dream of our founders and are kindled by it. Because promise is never without peril we remember the terror and are chastened by it," he said. "As we celebrate what we've been and what we are, and remembering these things and what love is, we do feel the future under our feet, and we are confident we will keep our college."

Jones received the Alumni Distinguished Professor Award this year, presented by Alumni Association President R. Bruce Sharer. Co-winners of the Distinguished Staff Award were Jay Quigley and Pam Gourley.

Several students were tapped into Omicron Delta Kappa national honor society — Patrick

G. Brannan, Roger B. Budd, Jr., Jessica Johnson, Shannon Johnson, Tim Elmore, Delinda Lee, Marie Lanane, Ken Leonard, Lionel Moad, and Julie Salkeld.

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Receiving awards for their years of service to the College were:

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- Ten-Year Award: LaRue L. Elliott, Virgie R. Morehart, William H. Kincheloe;

- Fifteen-Year Award: Dr. Marshall A. Brooks, Robert R. Walton, J. Dewey Weaver, Jr.;

- Twenty-Year Award: Dr. Kenneth V. Finney, Dr. Leverett T. Smith, Jr.; and

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