

Guest limits worry seniors

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would have been in the Dunn Center.

"In a separate meeting, representatives of the Rocky Mount senior class, the adult degree program representatives, and the site directors wanted to continue the outside ceremonies," she said.

Andre Clanton, a member of the class of 1996, said, "I wish there was no limit, but I understand it. It's logical. If the cer-

emony is inside, some limitations are needed." Clanton believes that things could be worse as he looked on the brighter side and remarked, "What if it were outside and there were limitations?"

Whitener explained that the college runs five adult degree programs in different locations.

"There will be over 300 people graduating and the Dunn Center seats 1,200. If it rains, we will first seat guests with tickets. We

will seat everyone that we possibly can in the Powers Recital Hall (in the Dunn Center) and set up folding chairs in the aisle of the auditorium and in the lobby. This will only provide 400 additional seats," she said.

"We will have sound equipment, so hopefully those guests that won't see the graduation will get a chance to hear it," she added.

Senior Kimberly Curseen is not happy about the arrangement but understands that the school will only accommodate what it can.

"I have about 30 people that are flying from far away with the promise that they will get to see me graduate," she said. "Without those 30 people I wouldn't even be in school. But there's nothing the school can do about it. We can't have a wet graduation."

She suggested that the school broadcast the ceremony on big screens and closed-circuit television sets in the Powers Recital Hall and the gym.

"This is a very difficult situation," Whitener said. "I hope the college will come around to having two ceremonies. If two ceremonies are held in one year then approximately seven guests would be allowed for each graduate."

She also said the outdoor Wesleyan ceremony was "beautiful" and noted, "It is one of the nicest ceremonies anywhere. I don't blame folks for wanting to hang onto it."

Convocation honors student achievements

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were Clare Lindquist-Condon, Psychology; Scott R. Peters, Outstanding History Major; Alan P. Felton, John Paul Jones History; William W. Hall, Corbitt B. Rushing Scholarship; Scott R. Peters, Justice Studies/Criminal Justice; Pikeno Puati and Joseph E. Holliday, Political Science Award; and Debra J. Kleesattel, Sociology.

Christopher Eric Bone received the NCAE-Student Program Education Award in the Education Division.

In the Business Division, winners were Kelly S. Rogers, Business Administration Outstanding Senior; Keith Stolarick, Wall Street Journal Student Achieve-

ment; Dawn Weaver Edwards, Outstanding Senior Accounting Award; Paula E. Wright, Computer Information Systems Award; and Christina McShaine, Outstanding Food Service and Hotel Management Senior.

Francenia Bonner was the Cooperative Education: Alternating Experience award in the Cooperative Education Division.

Richard A. Hannel was named Outstanding Adult Degree Program Student: New Bern.

In Student Life Awards, winners were Phi Beta Lambda, Student Life Organization; Andre Clanton, Sarah Alexander Tulloss award; Kimberly A. Curseen, Leadership and Service; Erin E. Durbin, and James R. Hailey Leadership and Service award.



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