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## Hurricane Floyd socks area

By RIKKI HESS

Hurricane Floyd hit the Rocky Mount area on Thursday, Sept. 16. The college was very fortunate to escape with little damage.

The biggest challenges on campus were the loss of power, water pressure, and phone services, which took place for a period of two days. The inconveniences were minor compared to the surrounding communities of Wesleyan.

Sections of Rocky Mount, closer to the Tar River, have suffered tragic and severe damage. Many houses, apartment buildings, and public shopping centers are so damaged that they have closed permanently.

Further east of Rocky Mount, there continues to be some serious damage.

The Wesleyan community has and continues to be involved in significant events that will shape the immediate and long-term future of Eastern North Carolina.

During the week that classes were cancelled, many students,

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AFTERMATH OF FLOYD LEFT FALLEN TREES AND FLOODED AREAS ON CAMPUS BUT ONLY MINOR DAMAGE.

Hurricane photos by Hana Chelikowsky and Monique Akers.

## New year brings faculty changes

By SHANNON ST. GEORGE

Starting off another new school year wouldn't be complete without some new faces. No, not those cute and inquisitive freshman faces, but the faces of our new faculty.

The loss of Jerry Joplin, Elizabeth Edminston, Al Funderburk, Phil Brown, Michael Cullinane, Chris LaLonde, Warren Stone, Dale Thierrien, Mary Lou Steed, Fay Kucera, and Steve Palmer has brought to Wesleyan new professors and old professors in various different areas of study.

For the students of accounting, Wendy Peffley is the new assistant professor of accounting. Peffley was the

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LARGE PORTIONS OF U.S. 301 AND BUSINESSES WERE FLOODED IN ROCKY MOUNT.