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New SGA President Bob Leyda and V. P. Ed Gunter.

Leyda Defeats Papke For SGA Presidency

By MARSHA OLD

Bob Leyda became Wesleyan's 1970-71 S.G.A. President defeating Don Papke in a tight race Friday, March 13. With a turnout of approximately 56% of the voters, the entire slate of S.G.A. officers were elected; they include: Ed Gunter, Vice President; Maria Gargano, Secretary; Tom Snyder, Treasurer; Galen Heaps, Attorney General; and John Hornaday, Defense Counselor.

With the exception of Betty Lee's write-in campaign for secretary and Dan Turner's campaign for treasurer; only the office of president and vice president were opposed. The three candidates for vice president were Allen Winter, Da-

vid Walker, and Ed Gunter.

Don Papke based his platform on an improved social schedule for Wesleyan student's. Don urged the formation of a fund from the student comprehensive fee to support more and better social activities. Bob Leyda focused his platform against a reported trend of conservation in dorm regulations and other student concerns. Each candidate expressed concern that the S.G.A. build on the gains made this year.

The vice presidential speeches were primarily directed toward improvements to be made in the Senate. Though each candidate has specific plans, the majority opinion was that the Senate should be made larger in order to make it more re-

presentative. Representation for clubs and groups, increased class representation and other ideas were suggested in turn by each candidate. Tom Snyder promised that he would serve faithfully if elected and that he would regard the election as an honor. John Hornaday campaigning for the office of defense counselor noted his past experience on the Supreme Court as his qualifications for office. Galen Heaps, candidate for attorney general, argued against strict interpretation of Bishops' Law. Though not specific, Heaps stated that after dispensing with strict interpretation there were more things "that we could get into." Speculation in the audience ran high on this point.

Pool Room Paneled By Circle K Chapter

Work began Saturday, March 14, on the Pool Room in Wesleyan's Student Union by the Circle K Club. Plans are to panel the entire room as a project for the service organization.

The SGA locked the doors on Friday in order that work could begin, closing the Pool Room to student use, reportedly, until the renovations are finished. The reported pur-

pose for the renovation is to improve the appearance of the room and to make it more pleasant for student use. The cost of the improvements are being supplied to Circle K, although the manpower is furnished by the Club.

Student opinion on the need of paneling and the improvement it will render ranges between enthusiasm and cynicism.

Senate Considers 1970 SGA Budget

John, Because of my absence, president pro-tem Ken Carter presided over the February 16 Senate meeting. Carter called the meeting to order and opened the floor to committee reports. Betty Lee, chairman of the School Spirit Committee, stated that Dr. Davis has yet to provide suitable lyrics to the proposed alma mater entries. John Kordulak reported from the Grievance Committee that Dean Wilde stated that if Mr. Sawyer and the telephone company could come to terms, the college would provide extra pay telephones for the dorms. As chairman of the Rules Committee and Senate parliamentarian, Bruce Wright was instructed to look into the procedure of submitting Senate bills to the SGA president.

When the floor was opened to new business, several senators expressed concern with the manner of electing class presidents. It was suggested that prospective candidates should employ the DECREE as a means of informing the student body of their political intentions. As a further matter of new business, the idea of dormitory open house on Sundays between 3 and 5 p.m. was brought to the Senate floor. The Senate wishes to hear the opinion of the dorm presidents before such an idea is pursued further. As a final order of

business, it was moved, seconded, and passed that the Senate establish a committee for the investigation of the student court system. Bruce Wright was made chairman of the committee with John Kordulak as co-chairman and Allen Winter, Carolyn Dabney, and Ned Hill as committee members.

Respectfully,
Bill Brantley,
President of the Senate

John, The March 9 Senate meeting was opened with a statement from Ned Hill, chairman of the Food Service Committee. Hill reported that as of March 9 there had been no meeting of the newly instituted Board of Directors. However, he did say that a meeting was scheduled for March 10. John Kordulak, chairman of the Grievance Committee, closed committee reports by informing the Senate that he was unable to obtain from Mr. Sawyer an official explanation regarding the delay in the installation of additional telephones.

When the floor was opened to old business, Ken Carter reported that the Inter-Club Council had assumed the responsibility of entering an N.C. Wesleyan float in the forthcoming Rocky Mount parade. The parade is scheduled for

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Convocations Date Changed

The final convocations program will be held on Friday, April 10 instead of Thursday April 9. All classes that meet on Friday at 10:50 A.M. (time block #3) will be held at 10:50 on April 9.

All students are recommended to attend the Honors Convocation rescheduled from April 9 to April 2.

Leggett Announces Talent Auditions

According to Circle K president Thomas Leggett, auditions for the annual talent show will be held in room 187 from 7 to 10 PM, on March 17. People wishing to audition are requested to notify Thomas Leggett first.

Campus Open House Planned For Mar. 21

Under the auspices of the Inter-club Council, this week end Wesleyan will host returning native sons of Rocky Mount in accordance with the All-American City pageant. The purpose of the open-house is three-fold: (1. Celebrate the All-American City award; (2. Increase effective public relations; and (3. Explore the possibilities of aiding the Capital Funds Campaign. Prior to this Saturday, publicity for the event will have included coverage in the local press, radios, and through churches. The publicity committee was chaired by Julie Robinson.

The first event of which Wesleyan will have a part will be the parade in downtown Rocky

Mount which will start at 9:30 A.M. In this, Wesleyan will have a float of blue and gold preceded by selected cheerleaders. In it will be several students representing the various areas of Wesleyan life. Mary Ann Steiffen, Miss Wesleyan, will be joined by Roger Taylor (athletics), Judy Johnson (theater-Thurber Carnival) and Linda Daniels (chemistry academics). All of these will be engaged in some form of activity indicative of their areas.

After a luncheon sponsored by the Rocky Mount Chamber of Commerce, those interested will be brought, by bus, to the campus. Here they will as-

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Circle K, Club panels the Pool Room as a service project for Wesleyan.