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BREAKFAST FOR PRESIDENT — Dr. Leslie Garner speaks to the more than 75 town and county officials from Nash and Edgecombe County who turned out to honor Garner at a breakfast Tuesday at the Carleton House, organized by Rocky Mount Mayor Fred Turnage. Garner will be inaugurated April 6 during a two-day inaugural celebration that includes a dinner, musical celebration, displays, reception, and symposium.

Wesleyan gets contemporary art collection

By DELL LEWIS

North Carolina Wesleyan has recently acquired the Robert Lynch collection of Outsider Art — perhaps one of the most important collections of contemporary folk art in the country.

The collection consists of over 300 pieces as diverse in medium as in form. With an appraised value of over \$250,000, the various paintings, sculptures, and furniture represent an important step in Wesleyan's growth. According to Dr. Stephen Fritz, "The college has really expanded into those areas in which a good college should expand into. We started the Wesleyan College Press this year and now we have an art collection."

Fritz reports that the college is currently seeking donations to raise the \$30,000 needed to acquire the collection and an additional \$30,000 to cover the immediate cost of cata-

logging and care of the works. It is because of Lynch's desire to see the collection kept intact, rather than profit from its sale, that Wesleyan has been able to acquire the entire collection at such an affordable price.

"People at the college have known Robert Lynch for years," said Fritz. "Sometime last year he became interested in finding a permanent home for the collection in order that it might be kept intact," Fritz added, "Dr. Gainer wants the college to assume a greater role in recognizing culture of the region."

Dr. L.T. Smith serves as curator of the collection. When asked what appeals to him about this collection, Smith replied, "The first appeal lies in the artists represented in the Lynch collection. They are all eastern North Carolinians. Secondly, I think they represent all the different cultures of

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Time running out to get aid

Time is running out for college financial aid for the fall.

Rick Simon, associate dean of admissions and financial aid at North Carolina Wesleyan College, has presented mini-workshops on financial aid throughout the Nash-Edgecombe area over the past several months. In them, he tells parents and students to

move quickly and deliberately.

"It's urgent that students interested in financial aid consider the possibilities available to them soon," he said. "We suggest that the student contact the office of financial aid at the institution they're considering attending. That office would have more details on the various grants, loans,

work-study opportunities, and programs unique to the college."

The first step is to make a decision on which college to attend. People have to be smart consumers when shopping for a college, Simon said, and be aware of the advantages and

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Dorm survey prompts discussion of concerns

By MIKE TRUBEY

On March 23, Steve Cohen, Anthony Rice, Barry Gilliespie, Tina DeLaine, and the Nash Hall representatives discussed possible solutions to key issues in the Nash Hall student survey.

Many solutions were proposed but only the open house hours for Nash dormitory were temporarily changed. The issues that received the most attention were room swapping, summer storage, and open house hours.

As of April 1, Nash residents will be testing new open house hours for the remainder of the semester. The new hours are for Friday and Saturday from eleven in the morning to two in the morning. An unnamed source stated that Nash dorm received this because the Hall took the initiative and made sure that people

responded to the survey.

In the past room swapping was held only once a semester. The proposal the group came up with would make it possible for a student to swap whenever he wanted to but for a fee. This would deter students from making switches whenever they wanted. The group thought that the money made from this would probably be put into student activities.

Storage in the dorm is also a problem, especially for the student who lives far away. The dorms are not equipped for big furniture and other big items. On Monday, Matt Dyson sent a memo out stating that a storage place in the city is giving a discount to Wesleyan students. Interested students should contact Dyson by April 25.

Editor's note: As we go to press only Nash Dorm has completed a survey.



GROUNDBREAKING — Turning the first shovels of dirt Monday for the new student activities building between the power plant and chapel were (from left) Rocky Mount Mayor Fred Turnage, Wesleyan trustees John Ferebee and Reese Bailey, college president Dr. Leslie Garner, Student Government Association president Lesley Freeman, and campus minister Dr. Carleton McKita.