

# The Decree

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## Pro-life abortion forum stirs controversy

By KIMBERLY CURSEEN

"The Silent Vote" forum, held on March 26 in the Student Activities Center, featured the keynote speaker Mike McHugh, a Pro-Life activist and pastor from Grace Church, Essex Junction, Vermont.

The forum started out with a sonogram video, showing a fetus at different stages of develop-

ment in the womb. The tape explained the development and behavioral actions of an unborn fetus.

After the tape, McHugh spoke about the Pro-Life movement and the "guilty conscience of America." He said this "guilty conscience" is because "most people emotionally know it (referring to an unborn fetus) as the life of a child."

Also in the course of his argument for Pro-Life, he said every third child born is aborted each year. McHugh referred to abortion as killing a person, and he said the purpose of the Pro-Life movement is to save the life of the unborn "child."

According to his Pro-Life viewpoint, nothing but an act of God "should" take a life. However, McHugh did point out that

he is not a radical Pro-Lifer; he feels an abortion is justified if the mother's life is in danger. McHugh noted that he also would support the French abortion pill RU-486, on the condition that second and third trimester abortions be outlawed.

McHugh pointed out in his address that Roe vs. Wade, a Supreme Court decision that upheld a woman's right to an abortion,

was not a legislative act, arguing that it was a judicial decision and not necessarily law. He in fact called it "one unrestricted judicial act."

McHugh's organization, the American Rights Coalition, helps women sue abortion clinics for malpractice and helps operate EDAL, an organization that helps

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## Wesleyan does well in contest

By BONNIE CROSS

If you invite Chris Farmer to play golf, and he says, "I don't think I can do that," go right out and buy the Hole-in-One plaque. That's the consensus of the members of Rho Alpha Psi Chapter of Phi Beta Lambda who proudly watched Chris walk away with First Place in the Computer Concepts event of the State Leadership Conference, held at the Raleigh Hilton, April 2-4.

While waiting for his event to be announced, Chris worked hard to convince his teammates that he had little or no chance to place. So much for his ability for predicting the future.

Chris was one of the N.C. Wesleyan College representatives at the conference, along with Frances Bellamy, Chris Brandt, Bonnie Cross, Eileen Draper, April Lane, Jessica Sage, Chris Whitehead, and advisor Dana Ford.

One of the purposes of Phi Beta Lambda is to develop leadership qualities in college students in the Business Curriculum. Each year students come together to determine the best of the best, first on the state level, then at the national level, by taking tests on subjects in various areas of business.

Friday was North Carolina's

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**PIE IN THE EYE** — Resident Director Steve Brummett of Nash Hall slaps a pie in the face of Edgemcombe RD Sue McCormack (above) as part of SNCAE's pie throwing contest held March 31 during Spring Fling. Dean Charles Bennett (below) was also a popular target for the fundraising event. (Photos by Chris Taylor.)



## Convocation recognizes achievement

Emonique D. Wooten won the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award and Judith K. Boyd was presented the President's Cup Award during the Honor's Convocation on April 4.

Other awards presented during the convocation were:

Freshman Writing Award — Joyce F. Debroux.

Religion/Philosophy Award — JoAnne D. Stegall.

James Headlee Memorial Band Award — Thomas Parker.

Outstanding Foreign Language Student — Stephen L. Gardner.

Wall Street Journal Award — Gregory N. Flowers.

Outstanding Senior Accounting Award — Jacquelyne G. Leggett.

Computer Information Systems Award — Neal Latta.

Outstanding Food Service and Hotel Management Senior — Kaori Suzuki.

Physical Education Award — Chris Cash.

NCAE-Student Program Education Award — Kristie M. Warren.

Biology Award — Julie A. Duerler.

American Institute of Chem-

ists/North Carolina Institute of Chemists Foundation Award — Kimberly Gail Rehner.

Chemistry Award — Sarah Lynn O'Brian.

Chemical Rubber Company Award to Best Student in Freshman Chemistry — Matthew J. Snyder.

Mathematics Award — Janet Bowen Beaman.

Psychology Award — Bobbie Shane Robinson and Harriet H. Bullock.

Outstanding History Major Award — Judith K. Boyd.

John Paul Jones History Award — Christy L. Skojec.

Justice and Public Policy Award-Criminal Justice — Brian Dew.

Justice and Public Policy Award-Legal Studies — Cynthia Diana Williams.

Justice and Public Policy Award-Politics — John Edward Hearne.

Sociology Award — Jodi Anne Harris.

Cooperative Education Award, Parallel Experience — Sarah Lynn O'Brian.

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