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Professor publishes new book

By CECILIA LYNN CASEY

North Carolina Wesleyan's Book Store held a book-signing March 30 in honor of Dr. Paul J. deGategno's second book, *Ivanhoe: The Mask of Chivalry*, in the Twayne's Masterworks Studies series.

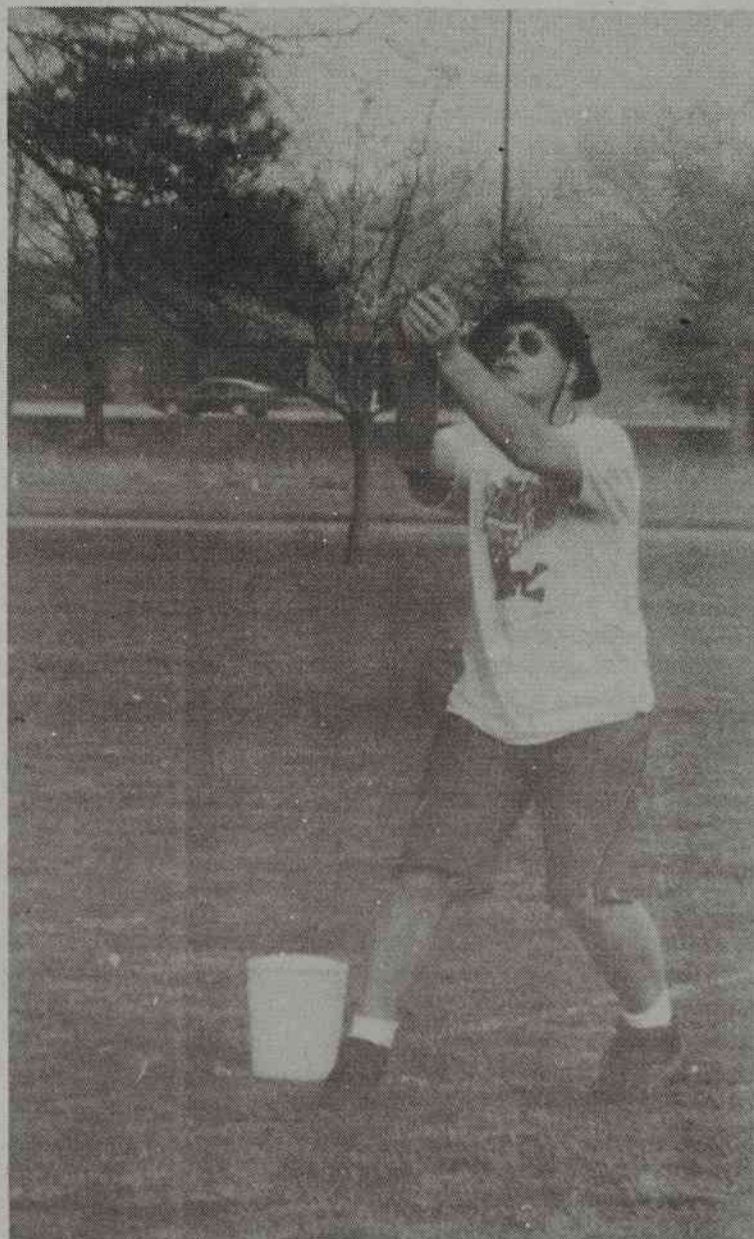
Dr. deGategno's new book not only contains his insights and understanding of *Ivanhoe*, but has students responses to the text.

"Not all the book in the Masterworks series incorporate students responses. I used *Ivanhoe* in some courses I had taught and had some excellent responses to the material as well as what I had to say which help shaped the book," deGategno said.

Dr. deGategno was asked by Robert Lecker, editor of the Masterworks series, to write a book about Scottish authors after Lecker read Dr. deGategno's first book *James MacPherson* in Twayne's English Authors series.

"My colleagues gave me much encouragement and support. It is very difficult to write unless you get that type of backing," deGategno added. Dr. deGategno is now working on an essay for the

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CATCH — Pete Widell of Sigma Pi competes in the Spring Fling Goofy Olympics on Monday, sponsored by Delta Sigma Phi. The Olympics have been part of a week-long series of fun activities that continue today from 1-5 p.m. with Beach Blast '94 on Edgcombe Lawn and Saturday with the Sun Tan Jam Band Fest from 1:30-9 p.m. on the Edgcombe Lawn featuring four live bands.

'Internet' may come to campus

By SCOTT ROLFE

North Carolina Wesleyan College is exploring the possibility of getting Internet campus-wide.

Director of the NCWC Library, Al LaRose, said that he hopes the system will be installed within one to three years.

One problem that must be overcome before Internet is a reality is the financing of the project. LaRose said, "A startup cost of \$3,000-4,000 plus a \$100-200 monthly fee will have to be paid." This is one of the red tape issues that must be solved prior to NCWC gaining the system.

LaRose had several options of paying for the system in mind. Some ideas being discussed are: the school deciding to pay for the program outright, the possibility of a National Science Foundation Grant, and possibly using part of the library's yearly budget. This seems to be one of the most important and undecided issues. The

final decision on the outcome of Internet will be up to the Academic Dean Robert Bussom.

Good news about the system is that it is not "System Specific." This means if implemented eventually, students would be allowed to access the programs from the residence halls through their personal computers. According to Al LaRose, this would be accomplished with a "Router." A "Router" is a device that keeps track of time share, and distribution throughout the halls. The students will be able to gain access to the system by dial-in access.

Recently, Associate Professor of Philosophy and Religion, Dr. Charles Creegan, gave the NCWC campus an informative presentation on the Internet program. Creegan, who has used computers as a hobby since high school, is very excited about the Internet program.

The Internet program, Creegan
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New SGA president sets out priorities

By ALAN P. FELTON

Fresh from his victorious effort to capture the Student Government Association's top post, Chris Brandt is already busy preparing priorities for his term in office.

The incoming Student Government President wants to build a stronger relationship between the Student Senate and the Executive Board, implement a campus-wide recycling program, and improve the overall reputation of the SGA.

Brandt said in an interview

with *The Decree* that too often the SGA is thought of as "the money people." He wants to transform the Association into an organization where students feel they can receive help with solving problems, a process he said had begun this year.

Also, the campus-wide recycling program that Brandt worked on this year will be another top priority. The program has gotten off to a slow start, but Brandt is convinced that recycling on the North Carolina Wesleyan campus can be successful.

In conjunction with this project, Brandt plans to submit a proposal to the SGA Executive Board and Senate to sponsor a Wesleyan Earth Day in October. The day will be one where students work to clean up on campus.

"Various groups on campus sponsor highway cleanup programs, so why not sponsor one to work right here on campus. The maintenance department does a nice job of working in this area, but with all their other responsibilities they are unable to do ev-

erything," he said. "Students should step in and take part in some of the work needed to maintain the campus."

Brandt is planning to improve on Executive Board-Student Senate relations by working closely with the Senate and keeping them involved throughout the year. He wants to sponsor informal get-togethers for Senate and the Executive Board one Saturday each month in order to foster an increased closeness and more effective working relationship.

Brandt, a rising senior from

New Jersey, said he took it "a bit personally" because he was able to run unopposed. As current SGA Vice President, Brandt was responsible for election organization this year and did everything he could, including putting out voice mail announcements and posters campus-wide, to boost election participation.

"I was all ready to run my campaign and had spent a good deal of time preparing for an opponent," Brandt said. But the new

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