

Volleyball team shows potential in loss

By PATRICK BRANNAN

The North Carolina Wesleyan women's volleyball team showed signs of what they could do as they lost three close games to none against Chowan College on Sept. 28.

First year coach Michon Lubbers said a lack of communication hurt the team. "In our first game we showed what we've been trying to do, work together, pass the ball, set it, put it down. We did that, we were ahead, we played very well and then all communication just stopped," Lubbers said.

By using dinks and hitting to open space, Wesleyan was able

to get points against their opponent. Lubbers said, "Deep shots to the deep corners and dinks to the open spots, that's our only strategy right now." Wesleyan struggled to execute these hits as many shots ended up out of bounds.

Wesleyan was able to climb to leads late in the games, but failed to put Chowan away throughout the match. In game one the Bishops had a lead of 7-4 which was erased by Chowan as they won the game 15-10. In game two Wesleyan led 14-11 but allowed Chowan to score the last 5 points of the game and win 16-14. In game three the Bishops lead

briefly at 10-9 but fell once again 15-10.

In game one the teams traded points as both teams showed a strong ability to attack the ball with powerful spikes. The Bishops pulled ahead 5-4 and Chowan called a time out.

Wesleyan moved ahead 7-4 with well placed dinks falling to the floor between the blocks set by Chowan and the rest of their

defense. The Bishops' poor communication and defense allowed Chowan to climb ahead at 8-7.

In game two Chowan used a powerful attack to push ahead 5-2. The Bishops climbed back to 4-5 but well placed serves helped move Chowan ahead 9-4. The team battled back and forth and Wesleyan slowly was able to build a lead at 14-11. The Bishops fell apart as Chowan scored

the next five points for the win.

In game three, the teams traded leads early as Wesleyan moved out in front 5-2. The teams traded points and continued to stay close as the Bishops moved ahead 6-4, but the match was tied at 6-6 and again at 7-7. This trend continued until the Bishops pulled in front 10-9 but then allowed Chowan to score the next six points and take the game.

Film 'Timecop' fun even though plot predictable

By KEVIN A. CORBETT

Jean-Claude Van Damme stars in the predictable science fiction adventure *Timecop*.

Van Damme plays Max Walker, a hard working security guard with a loving wife (Mia Sara). He soon tells her about his new job offer to be a time enforcement officer (of course he does not bother to explain what that is.) Then after he is called out to work unexpectedly, Walker is attacked by thugs with really bad haircuts, and watches his wife die as their house explodes.

Now, it is the year 2004 and time travel is possible. Walker has the job of going back in time to catch deviants who have the intentions of altering the future. This time Walker has to stop an evil senator (Ron Silver) from going back in time and making the right investments to help finance his presidential campaign for the future. He also has to be professional and resist the temp-

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tation to save his wife from her explosive demise.

Director Peter Hyams gives the audience an overall pleasing film. However, it lacks the suspense and tension of a masterpiece such as *Die Hard*.

The fight scenes were well choreographed and executed. Unlike Steven Seagal, Van Damme plays a character who not only can fight but who can be wounded as well.

Van Damme still can't act, but he's got screen charisma that audiences like. Silver is not given enough time to establish his character with the exception of a few brief scenes of cruelty.

Timecop is a decent film and is worth paying \$6 to see. Despite being able to figure out the plot from the previews, it still provides the audiences with enjoyment.

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