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Cuyiello elected SGA president

By JESSICA BROWN

Scott Cuyiello has been elected as next year's Student Government President at North Carolina Wesleyan College.

The junior says he has not yet decided what he will do once in

the position, but says, "I am here for the students to give me input."

Some plans he has for now are to make the SGA meetings shorter and more enjoyable. He says that, "I'll only have a hard job if people make it hard for me."

Cuyiello has a good outlook of Wesleyan, believing that the school is heading in the right direction. He hopes to be able to work with Wesleyan's President, Dr. John White, to make the campus better.

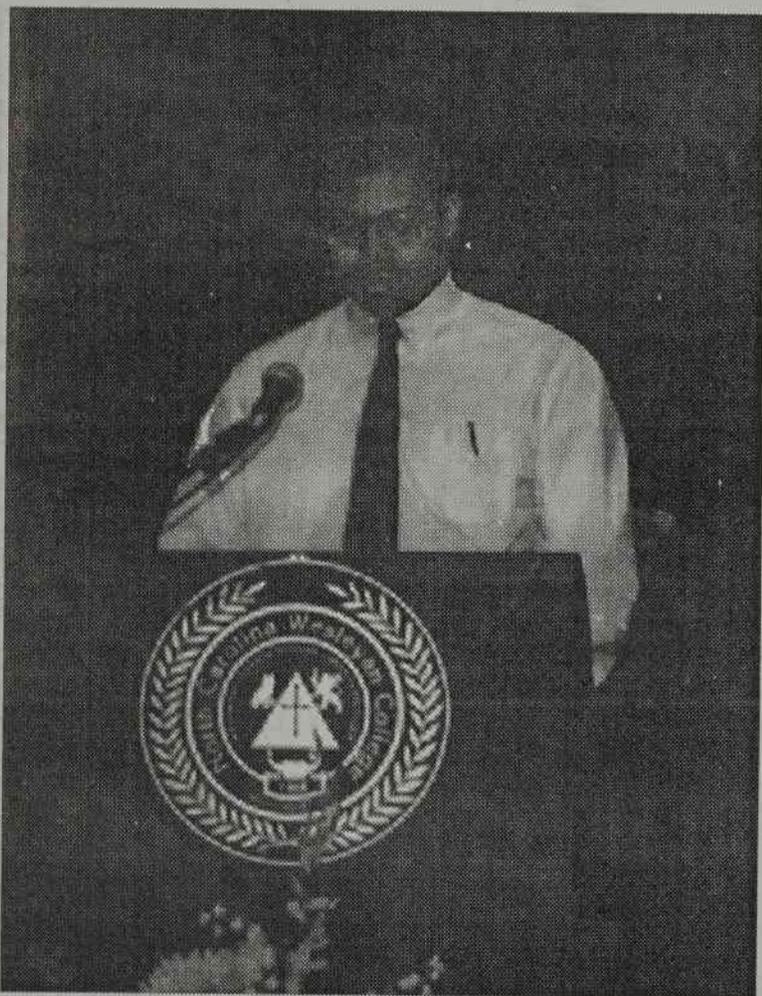
"If the school has any problems

we can get us through it," he says.

Many students said that they voted for Cuyiello because of his involvement over the years. Sophomore Jamie Teachey said, "I saw what he did with his fraternity, how involved he was. There was no question that I was

voting for Scott."

Cuyiello, from Annapolis, Md., is a Food Service major. He is in Sigma Pi fraternity, an SGA senator, served on the Judicial Board, on the Academic Dean Search Committee, and announces baseball and other sports.



ANDRE CLANTON INTRODUCES CONVOCATION SPEAKER.

Convocation honors student achievements

Francenia Bonner received the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award during the recent 1996 Honors Convocation at N.C. Wesleyan College, and Kimberly Curseen received the President's Cup.

Dr. Bonita A. Lawrence was honored as Nu Gamma Phi Professor of the Year.

During the ceremony, students in the college's various departments were honored with a long list of awards and recognition.

Winners in the Humanities Division were Jason Boone, Freshman Writing; Clare Lindquist-Condon, Senior English; Holt A. Clarke, Religious Studies Award; and William W. Hall, Outstanding Foreign Language Student.

Lisa A. Collier received the Biology Award in the Math/Science Division.

In Social Sciences, winners

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Rain on graduation could put real damper on ceremony guests

By FELICIA DAY

On May 4 more than 300 students will grace North Carolina Wesleyan College in their caps and gowns waiting to cross their tassels after the presentation of this year's graduating class.

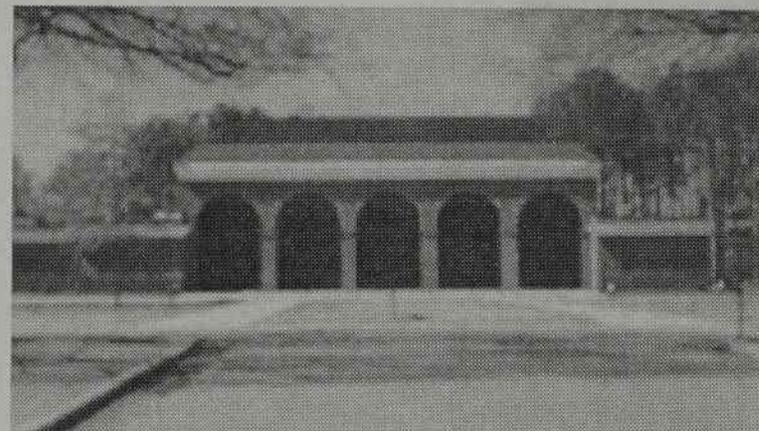
With just 34 days until graduation, many seniors are more concerned about the weather than their future plans.

Traditionally NCWC has always held outdoor graduation ceremonies with unlimited guests. This year the graduates have been informed that if the weather fails, the ceremony will be moved to the Dunn Center and graduates will be allowed three guests each.

Graduates believe the three-guest allowance will pose a problem for those with large nuclear families, those living with extended family members, and those expecting out-of-state relatives to attend. This allowance is also frowned upon by graduates whose parents are divorced and each have significant others.

Raised in a closely knit family with three brothers, graduating senior Tonya McClean is bothered by the alternative indoor arrangements.

"If it rains, then two of my brothers will not be able to see me graduate," said McClean. "If



DUNN CENTER HOLDS ONLY 1,200 GRADUATION GUESTS.

the graduation is inside, then two ceremonies should be held."

Graduating senior Dawn Kolakowski agreed with McClean although her circumstances are different.

"I only have three (people) coming down. But I don't think it's fair for those who have divorced parents that have remarried," she said.

Some graduates in the adult degree program are also concerned about the guest allowance since many adult students are married with children and wish for their own parents to attend the ceremony.

Lori Nash, a member of the adult degree program, said, "I would like to graduate with my fellow traditional students, but I

think the graduation should be set up to accommodate the graduates' wants. After all, it's their day."

Carolyn Whitener, assistant to the Dean, said, "We worked very hard this year to get diplomas issued more than one time a year. In October, NCWC's Board of Trustees met and approved issuing diplomas in May, August, and December.

"We thought about dividing graduation into two (ceremonies). We were looking at having two ceremonies in one day, one for traditional students and one for the adult degree program," she said. "We also thought about having one in December and one in May. Had we decided this, both

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