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(Editor's Note: Normally in the first spread you find a profile of an individual, a member of the Gardner-Webb family. With this issue, however, comes news of incredible significance. We feel the subject matter is worthy of being explained in great detail. Therefore, a thing, rather than a person, will be profiled in the following pages.)

The Night Of Our Lives

Mickey Sharpe, GWU director of alumni relations, warned everyone he saw that if they didn't come to campus on Thursday, February 15, they would be left saying to themselves, "I should have been there."

How right he was.

That night was arguably the most breathtaking in University history, as GWU pulled out all the stops to produce a gala celebration that was complete with the finest food, the most entertaining performers, the most festive atmosphere, and the biggest news the institution has ever unveiled.

Announced amid the evening's food, fellowship and fun was this: Gardner-Webb University has embarked upon a five-year, \$20 million campaign to fund facilities, technology and endowment. Even more impressive was the news that \$11,399,712 had been committed by the time of the public announcement that night.

A cheer filled the place and the band played on. "Dreaming, Daring, Doing ... The Campaign for Gardner-Webb University" was officially and publicly announced to the world for all to see, and it had gotten off to a tremendous start.

The whole affair was unlike anything Gardner-Webb had undertaken before, said many of the 650 observers who attended the event. The most obvious characteristic of the evening was how the Paul Porter Arena in the Lutz-Yelton Convocation

Center was transformed into the largest banquet facility in Cleveland County with a massive canopy-like tarp that concealed the ceiling, floor, walls, bleachers and backboards to give an elegant and formal feeling to all the guests.

The canopy was the result of a very generous gift from Mrs. Winifred Lindsay of nearby Rutherfordton, N.C. It was announced that the facility, which not only



can be set up and taken down with ease but is also available to the community to rent, will now be known as Lindsay Court in honor of the lady who made it possible.

Gerry Vaillancourt, Charlotte Hornets TV studio analyst and Gardner-Webb alum, lit up the night as emcee of a brief program that took place halfway through the festivities. A former basketball player for Coach Eddie Holbrook in the 1960s at GWU, Vaillancourt confessed he has never seen his alma mater so alive with activity and excitement as he did on this evening.

In his best "basketball-speak" Vaillancourt told the crowd, "Gardner-Webb is ready to take the big shot. Two seconds left, down by one point and no timeouts left ... and Gardner-Webb wants the ball to take the big shot. Wow. Look around you. Tonight ought to show you that this school is taking the next step toward greatness. What a great slogan for this campaign – Dreaming, Daring, Doing.

All three of those words perfectly describe what tonight is all about."

Fields Young III, a prominent businessman from nearby Shelby, was introduced as National Campaign Chair, a position that provides direction to the campaign, enlists volunteers, and gathers meaningful support from friends and alumni. "I hold Gardner-Webb near and dear to my heart. That's why I agreed to help lead this campaign," Young told the crowd.

John McCulloch, a longtime GWU trustee, spoke to those in attendance about how he has seen Gardner-Webb mature over the years. He also gave an emotional testimony to the Christian atmosphere he has experienced during his association with the school. "I feel there has been a real prayerful desire (at GWU) to be more than just 'religious,' but to balance the spiritual and the academic, and to always be true to that heritage."

GWU President Dr. Chris White also spoke of the visibility Gardner-Webb is developing in this country. "We do not

have all the resources we need ... but, in short, we have quality. And it's quality, not quantity, that moves a college or university to national prominence."

Guests had to know something special was about to take place once they arrived outside the Lutz-Yelton Convocation Center near dusk. In front of the entrance was a four-beam spotlight – similar to those found outside a Hollywood movie premiere – circling and swaying its columns of light far into the sky overhead. When guests looked around inside, they saw an extravagant layout awaiting them.

How extravagant? Adorning the center of Lindsay Court was a six-foot ice sculpture featuring the likenesses of three graduates standing atop a logo of "Dreaming, Daring, Doing." Foods like shrimp and tenderloin were prepared and served by chefs and professional food staff. The richest desserts and sparkling beverages were placed at either end of Lindsay Court. Three stages – one large and two small – featured performing artists that dazzled the crowd with big band, beach music and contemporary selections while magicians, mimes, jugglers and balloon artists worked the crowd in comedic fashion.

Perhaps most noticeable, however, was a giant video screen at one end of the floor that flashed live footage throughout the evening of guests dancing, entertainers mingling, bands playing and special guests speaking. All eyes remained on the screen during a short formal program that started around 7 p.m. A video produced by the University was shown to the crowd, detailing in dramatic form the goals of the campaign while capturing brilliant campus footage of faculty, staff, buildings and landmarks.

Kickoff organizers also extended the invitation to attend this event to the student body at large. At 8 p.m. a host of young people made their way into the new Lindsay Court through the clusters of balloons at the entrance.



With the sounds of the band coming from the stage, the tastiest of foods spread out before them, and news of a \$20 million campaign that would benefit them, no students had anything less than smiles on their faces.

"Wow," a wide-eyed undergrad said to herself as she stood looking around the place. "That's all I can say – Wow."

We couldn't have said it better ourselves.



He Said, She Said

One photographer at the event said he wished he had kept a notebook of the comments he overheard while snapping shots of those in attendance. "I think a lot of folks were somewhat overwhelmed, flabbergasted even, when they saw what was going on and heard the goal of the campaign," he said. "I mean, it's one thing to put on an extravagant party, but also announcing the \$20 million thing blew them away."

In the wake of the kickoff celebration and campaign goal, the local newspaper *The Shelby Star*, wrote, "It's an

ambitious step for any university to announce a \$20 million capital campaign, but such a project would have once been an insurmountable goal for the Gardner-Webb University. Those days are over."

Students are obviously the group of people who stand to be most affected by the efforts of this campaign. The student body was invited to participate in the campaign kickoff, and apparently that gesture made quite an impression.

Crystal Carson, a junior majoring in communications and psychology, said being invited to partake of the evening's activities made her think about the scope of the campaign.

"To be honest, in situations like this, we students tend to think that only alumni or friends of the University will be involved," she said. "But we were surprised – pleasantly surprised – to learn that the administration wanted us there."

Gerry Vaillancourt, kickoff emcee, alumnus and Charlotte Hornets television studio host – "Everywhere you go now, people will say 'How's it going?' and you'll say 'DID' won't you? You'll say 'Dreaming, Daring, Doing' won't you? I know I will."

A young man upon greeting one of his professors at the celebration. – "Is this for real?"

Cover Story:

HOW WILL THE CAMPAIGN AFFECT ME?

Hanging out in the Dover Campus Center, one could hear a lot of comments, reactions and questions from faculty and students.

It wasn't difficult to join their conversations, especially if you had an opinion of your own to contribute. The subject? The night before, of course – the kickoff celebration announcing the University's \$20 million capital campaign. The general feeling in these little groups was one of excitement. One student who had not attended the evening's activities, however, said sarcastically, "Hey, how's this campaign gonna affect me?"

Good question. And everyone who heard it offered a response.

"I don't know about you, but the technology deal sounded great to me," said one student. "And it would surprise me if that wasn't the most important thing to the faculty, too."

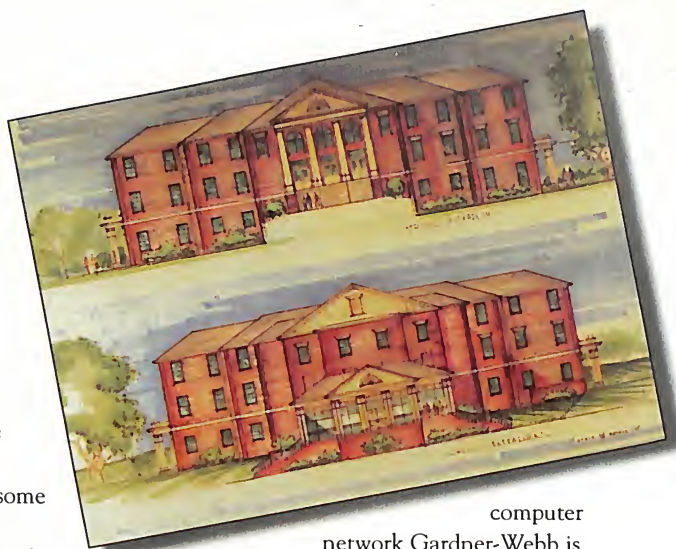
A faculty member who had chosen not to speak until just the appropriate time, took the last comment as an invitation to shed some light on the topic. You can never speak for the faculty across the board, she said, because everyone has their own private wishes for the scholastic environment they work within.

"I don't think it's so much a matter of wanting the technology, but needing it," the professor said. "From a recruiting and competition standpoint, it is a necessity. Students like yourselves are beginning to look through a school's catalogs for the kinds of computer set-ups that are available on a campus. Faculty know the more your school has to offer, the better students it will attract."

Taking a long draw from her coffee cup, the professor added, "But more personally, the younger faculty we're bringing in are expecting the technology offerings to be there for them. Some of us are used to the old way of doing things, and that's fine. But the new folks, they will be attracted to an employment opportunity at a university because of technology the same way students are."

Technology seemed to be the "hot button" in the various conversations. Another student, one preparing to graduate in May, said the technology factor holds endless possibilities for the school. A student like himself, for instance, who is contemplating graduate school could easily be persuaded by a program that would allow for the exchange of information among others around the nation or world who are studying similar subjects.

"And the examples go on and on," he said. "Some people look at Gardner-Webb as being in a little town, isolated from the rest of the world. But with the



computer network Gardner-Webb is talking about installing, you would never be isolated. You could share or gain information from anywhere on the planet if you're just sitting at a computer.

"It's a deep thought, really."

Senior Vice President and Provost Dr. Frank Bonner says that while campus is buzzing with the new prospects the campaign will bring, he hopes the Gardner-Webb family and supporters realize that the nature and the mission of the University won't change when the goal is met.

"It's not that Gardner-Webb will become a different place – I hope people aren't expecting that," he explained. "The basics will remain the same, but the campaign will enable us to do what we've always wanted to do: keep pace, remain competitive and go full-force into the new era with confidence."

Meanwhile, the discussion back at the Dover Campus Center churns on.

An instructor thumbing through his mail sees some familiar faces, is apprised of the conversation's topic, and offers his brief commentary.

"I think every person who has ever attended or worked at Gardner-Webb will be affected by this campaign – not for what it will build or buy, but for what it means to achieve the goal," he says with wide eyes and a half-grin. "You see what I'm saying? The campaign is the thing! By just achieving the goal we are sending a message to our publics, our constituents, our supporters and alumni. We will be saying that Gardner-Webb is worthy of support and that people believe in what we're doing."

"Some will read about us reaching the goal some day and not remember a thing about endowments, facilities or computer technology. They will say 'Wow. Gardner-Webb did it!'"



Campaign Nuts and Bolts

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE CAMPAIGN

What does it all mean? Why is Gardner-Webb embarking on a major campaign at this time? What are the concerns the University has about its future?

Gardner-Webb is at an important crossroads in its maturation as an emerging, regional university. Needs are great. And because the University does not accept state or federal assistance in order to maintain its religious principles and operating procedures, those needs are being brought before the friends, alumni and employees of this University for assistance.

The goals are these:

- Endowment – The campaign is seeking \$10 million in this area for undergraduate and graduate scholarships, professional and minority assistance. Other endowment needs are for faculty development, including endowed chairs, professorships, lectureships and professional development. Enhanced academic program needs also fall under the endowment heading.

The interest earned on invested endowment dollars is what provides the necessary monies for academic aid and attraction of doctoral-level faculty and creation of academic programs that will help us compete in an ever-changing, higher education environment.

- Facilities – By seeking \$7 million for facilities, the campaign is addressing the renovation needs of Hamrick Hall, where the School of Business will ultimately be housed. Enhancement of Dover Memorial

Library and the science facility on campus are also greatly needed, as well as various renovations and upgrades around campus.

The commitment is there to move the School of Business, which enrolls the greatest number of GWU students, into Hamrick Hall. The promise to supply state-of-the-art accommodations, classroom, office and computer laboratory space can only be made if the necessary funds to awaken this historic building are secured. Thousands of former Gardner-Webb students hold Hamrick Hall to be a cornerstone of their college experience. The University wants to allow future students that same great opportunity.

With science advancements making news every day, and with massive

- Technology – A total of \$3 million is being pursued by the campaign for the computerization of campus. By linking all of campus to a common computer network, call WEBBNET, the University can more effectively share information and new advances in technology, thus creating a more efficient working environment and allowing students endless information and resource possibilities.

The first results of the campaign in the technology area are already taking shape. The Dover Memorial Library, at the request of the Board of Trustees in February, currently is being prepared to go “on-line” by securing the proper lines and hook-ups necessary to make the building’s computers and work stations functional on the information superhighway. This is but the first step in an exciting campus-wide project.

When each of our alumni were completing their degrees at Gardner-Webb, they felt absolutely sure that they were getting a comparable and competitive educational experience to other students around the state and the world. However, times and technology are advancing at such a rapid rate, it is easy for an institution to fall behind. To avoid offering anything less than excellence to our current and future students, the University has recognized that the computerization of campus is essential to continue providing an exceptional scholastic experience for all.



amounts of information now available to students, the need for updated science and library facilities is paramount. New equipment and modern resources for student enrichment in both areas will also be obtained with the proper assistance.

As quickly as he arrived, the instructor leaves. His words are sinking in to those in the group he addressed. After a short silence, the conversation is revived. The student who made the earlier sarcastic remark jumps in again.

“Hey, I’m a senior. I’ll be outta here before the first dollar is spent,” he says, this time in a more serious tone. “So like I said before, How is this whole thing going to affect me?”

Dr. Bonner offers this: “I like what the instructor said about sending a message to everyone out there who has an interest in Gardner-Webb. But let’s take that a little further. Maybe that senior won’t reap the direct rewards of the campaign. But if this campaign does what it’s supposed to do – adding monies and facilities and programs to make this a more prestigious institution – then that young man’s diploma hanging on his wall someday is gaining value.”

Two students walk away from the group, recanting some of what they’ve heard. One looks at the other and says matter-of-factly, “Man, you’re lucky. You’re just a freshman. You have three years to see all this stuff happen.”

The (Summer) Games People Play

GARDNER-WEBB HOSTS OLYMPIC TRIALS

GWU admissions counselors often tell prospective students that a strength of Gardner-Webb is its location – on the North/South Carolina state line, halfway between Charlotte and Asheville, near the Blue Ridge Mountains, just above the Greenville/Spartanburg (S.C.) area... and three hours northeast of Atlanta.

Atlanta? That's right, now Gardner-Webb can boast of its proximity to Atlanta because on Tuesday, February 27, GWU announced that it would host the 1996 U. S. Women's Olympic Cycling Trials Road Race in Boiling Springs on June 1.

To put that in perspective, consider this: The Road Race held here will be the final women's cycling event before the Olympics in Atlanta, with the results of the 100-

kilometer race (approximately 62 miles) serving to determine the final spots on the U.S. Olympic Women's Cycling Team that will represent this country in the summer games. Other women's cycling stages – in West Virginia, and Pittsburgh, Penn., – will be held prior to the one in Boiling Springs.

Also consider that the event will be nationally televised.

Around 120 of the country's greatest cyclists will make the dash for the finish line, which will be located in front of Noel Hall on Main Street.

At a press conference to make the announcement, the air was filled with anticipation. Business owners in town said they had heard some big news was coming. Several

Cleveland County commissioners turned out as well. Boiling Springs officials Max Hamrick and Rick Howell, the mayor and town manager respectively, sat at the head table smiling at the prospects of national attention being cast upon the town of 2,500.

Gardner-Webb said it will officially provide facilities, housing for cyclists, volunteers and organizational assistance to the event and to Medalist Sports which has been contracted to be venue directors. The Town of Boiling Springs has welcomed the opportunity to have the race course pass through its streets and neighborhoods, featuring a finish line on South Main Street in front of the University. Prize money for the event is \$10,000.

The Cleveland County location was chosen because of the success,

support and organization the area has shown for races such as the Tour DuPont in 1994 and the Carolina State Bank Criterium in uptown Shelby in 1995, when Gardner-Webb accommodated the U.S. National Cycling Team on its campus while members prepared for the event.

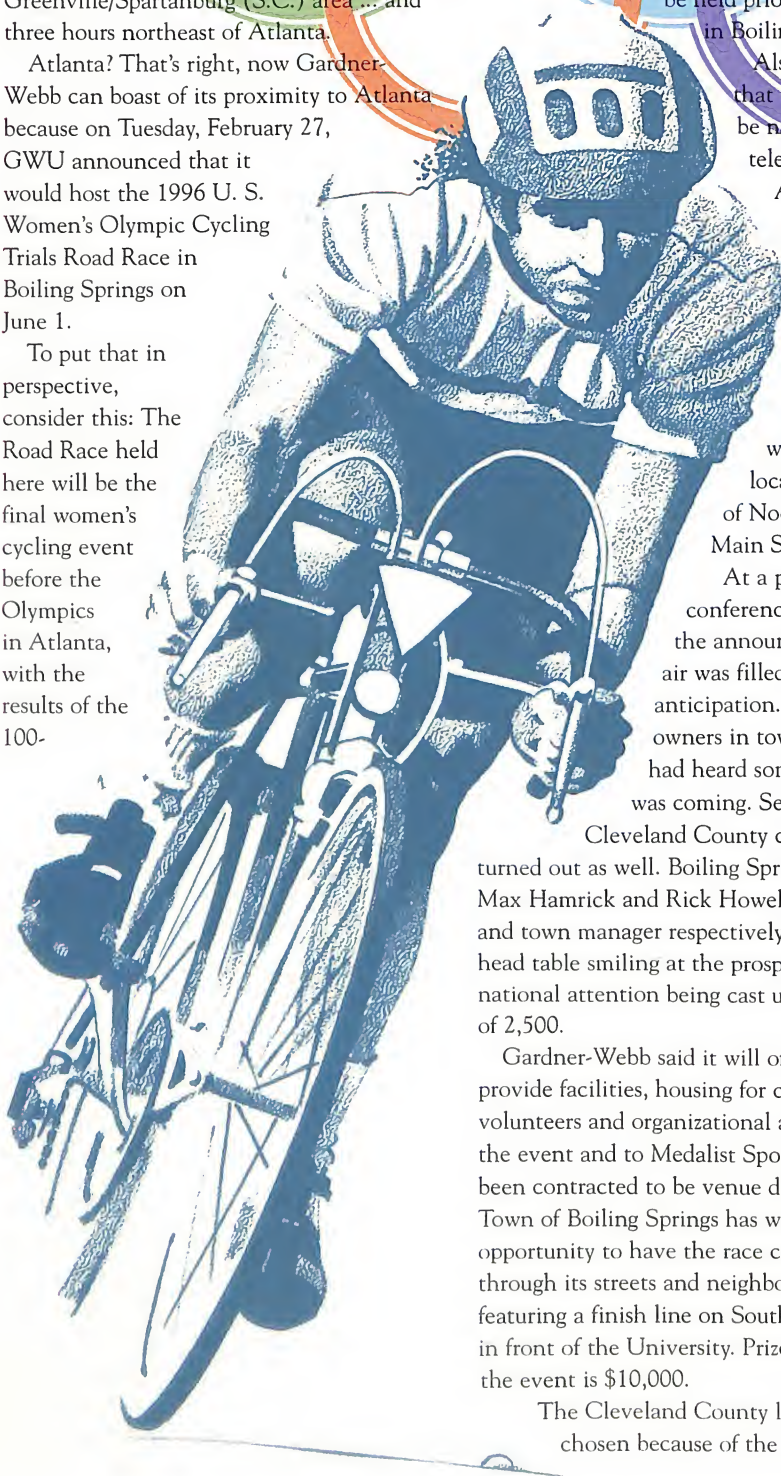
Three Gardner-Webb employees – Kevin Jones, Tom English and Mike Roebuck – are avid cyclists themselves who were directly involved in mapping the race course layout and consulting with venue organizers when the area was being discussed as a possible site for the event (*see related story next page*). Jones has been named Gardner-Webb's event "facilitator," meaning he will coordinate GWU's hands-on involvement with the event. English and Roebuck will lend equal assistance to the logistics efforts as well.

Charlie Rhoden, president of the nearby Shelby Criterium Inc. that organized the aforementioned previous races in the area, explained that the Boiling Springs venue and course route is so desirable because of its similarity to the course that will be featured in the Summer Olympics in Atlanta, including climate, time of event and terrain.

"This is the biggest women's cycling event to ever come to the Carolinas, and we got it," Rhoden exclaimed. "This community should be overwhelmed with joy at what was just announced."

Rhoden also explained that Shelby Criterium Inc. will assist Gardner-Webb with local pre-race planning and organization during the weeks leading up to the event. Those details include coordinating marshals and other volunteers for the race, organizing law enforcement support, and following the procedures for closing town streets and making them safe for cyclists and spectators. Medalist Sports will coordinate activities on a more national and corporate level, including the organization and pre-registration of cyclists as well as the broadcasting of the event on national television and other media outlets.

The path of the race was also unveiled at the announcement, revealing a course that begins and ends in front of the University,



Three Of A Kind

proceeds westerly in a half-circle leading to the north of town, passes through a series of turns and short sprints to the east of town, then circles south of Boiling Springs with the riders turning back north in an exciting dash up Main Street to the finish line. (Please see map on page 8.)

Said GWU President Dr. Chris White, "There has never been a more exciting time to be a part of Gardner-Webb University. First the announcement of a major \$20 million campaign, and now the attraction of an Olympic trials event to our campus and our town – it's magnificent. All eyes are beginning to focus on this institution, and we are developing a strong presence in this part of the country."

Gardner-Webb and Boiling Springs are hosting one of four trials events in the area between May 30 - June 2. On May 30, men's and women's individual time trials will be held in Concord. The Gardner-Webb women's road race will be held June 1, and the men's road race will be held June 2 in Charlotte.

The selection process for the 1996 U.S. Olympic Cycling Team will be the result of an athlete's overall performance in the Olympic Trials, as well as coaches' selection. Two men and one woman will be automatically selected from points accumulated through the road events, for an Olympic team that will consist of five men and three women. Coaches' selection will be based on the United States Cycling Federation (USCF) "Principles of Discretion," which are based on results from the Olympic trials, international competition, teamwork ability and the potential to win medals in Atlanta.

Final Olympic Team selections will be announced on June 2.

Take our word for it – long before the announcement of the women's Olympic cycling trials was made, the planning for June 1 had already begun.

Three men who relish the opportunity to make this thing happen are Gardner-Webb's director of athletic training Kevin Jones, financial planning director Mike Roebuck, and Williams Observatory director/assistant professor of physics and astronomy Tom English.

All three confess they probably have a more keen interest in this cycling event than just the national exposure it gives this area. Jones, Roebuck and English all consider the cycling activities they are involved in year-round as more than hobbies.

Jones is being described lately as Gardner-Webb's "point man" or "facilitator" because he will coordinate the University's logistics in hosting this event. He is an avid cyclist who is a member of the Board of

Directors of nearby Shelby Criterium Committee Inc. that coordinates the now-annual Carolina State Bank Criterium. He has learned preparation, coordination and expertise from other event organizers. He also has made several significant contacts with athletes, coaches and sponsors within the sport over the last several years.

Incidentally, Jones has kept quiet about some great news he discovered recently – he was selected to work several of the Olympic cycling events in Atlanta as a scoring and timing assistant. "With that news and the news of Gardner-Webb being the venue for the road race on June 1, I've been very excited for some time now," he said.

Roebuck is an all-around athlete who has competed regularly in triathlon events nationwide. His exposure to a wide range of courses and events has made his contribution to this project invaluable.

English, also an avid cyclist, has joined Jones in organizing support and assistance for events like the annual criterium in Shelby. He has learned firsthand effective ways to motivate community involvement and, also, has

developed a keen interest in devising actual course routes.

In other words, they know the feeling the rider gets when he or she crosses the finish line; they know how it feels to be in an event that is professionally coordinated; they know the reward cyclists get when they train hard for something and succeed.

"I think we can appreciate the subtle aspects of events like these," Jones explains. "We've all been a part of this kind of thing before and we've seen what it takes to make events go good – and bad."

Roebuck adds, "It might be a matter of us just knowing what the cyclists like and expect. We three are feeling like the official cycling link between this event and the University. To us, though, it's more fun than work."

English agrees, "We talk with cyclists and teams all year long. It's probably easier for me and Kevin and Mike to get a sense for what these people expect from an event like this. We've also picked up some pointers on how to get stuff done, too."

Eddie Holbrook, chairman of the GWU committee overseeing the school's involvement in the event, said simply, "We'd better be thankful we have guys like Kevin, Mike and Tom – they've seen what it takes. We're fortunate to be following their lead."

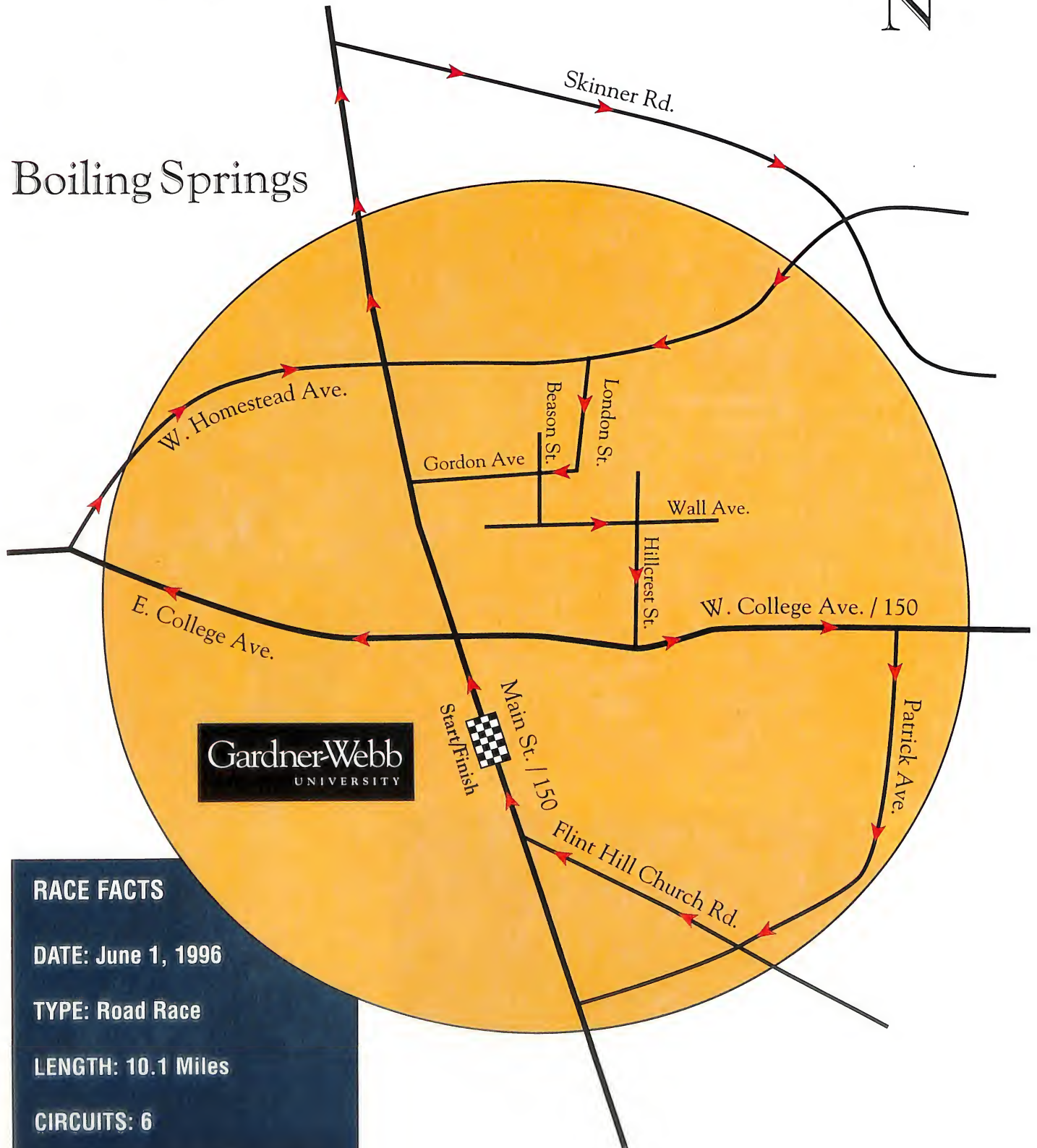


Left to right:
Kevin Jones,
Tom English and
Mike Roebuck

U.S. Olympic Team Trials Women's Road Race



Boiling Springs



RACE FACTS

DATE: June 1, 1996

TYPE: Road Race

LENGTH: 10.1 Miles

CIRCUITS: 6

Talk of the Town



Not two weeks after Gardner-Webb announced the blockbuster \$20 million campaign, the University dropped another bombshell on the community when it announced its association with the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta.

The local papers once again carried the front page stories about yet another Gardner-Webb scoop. And, once again, the coffee shops and classrooms and sidewalks were the stages for public reaction.

What were they saying? See for yourself ...

"This is the big time, Cleveland County. When different people heard the news that Gardner-Webb University and Boiling Springs were going to be the host of a U.S. Olympic Trials event in cycling, the reaction was the same. Jaws dropped open and a sense of disbelief crept into the eyes of the listener. Well, it's all true folks." – Alan Ford, sports editor, The Shelby Star

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"The race right here in Boiling Springs will carry more pressure with it for the cyclists than the race in Atlanta. That's because this is the absolute final chance for them to make the team, the big show.

You people are going to see some fierce competition. You will not be disappointed in seeing America's best riders give their best efforts." – Mike Lepp, Charlotte-area Olympic Organizing Committee member

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"How many chances are you going to get to see up close and personal someone who could be the gold-medal winner?" – Steve Nye, executive director, Cleveland County Economic Development Commission

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"We need 250 volunteers. There will be a place for you." – Eddie Holbrook, GWU assistant to the president for athletics.

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"It's a monumental task and we're going to make every effort. I'm honored and proud we'll be a part of it. When you tell people about this, their faces light up." – Max Hamrick, mayor of Boiling Springs

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"I didn't know Gardner-Webb did stuff like this. I figured only the huge state universities got events like this." – Paul Folger, local television anchor/reporter who attended the announcement.

Keeper of the Flame

THE GOOD NEWS JUST KEPT COMING

Gardner-Webb was notified just before the press conference that its association with the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta would be more than just the women's cycling trials event.

Dr. Chris White told the crowd gathered for the announcement that a Gardner-Webb alumnus, **Sidney Blake Wilkey '85**, had been selected as an official Olympic torch bearer. Wilkey will carry the flame somewhere between its journey from Asheville to Boiling Springs.

Wilkey, who works as a telecommunicator for Cleveland County, lives in Boiling Springs. He said he was anonymously nominated to be a torch bearer based on volunteer work he has done throughout the county.

"I was notified in February and then asked to attend a press conference in Asheville that announced who had been selected. I was thrilled," Wilkey said. "We will soon find out where specifically we will each carry the torch. It's a great honor."

Donned in a special uniform provided to him, Wilkey said he will officially carry the flame about a half mile. He added that the news of the women's cycling event coming to Boiling Springs was a shock. It was even more surprising to hear that the race route that day will pass right by his house.

"Well then," he said excitedly, "I guess I'll just have me a front row seat."



Since We Last Met

A three-month summary of highlights on campus

At The Head Of His Class VP NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED



Three cheers are in order for one of Gardner-Webb's most popular educators and administrators.

Dr. Gil Blackburn, vice president and dean of academic affairs, was recently selected as one of 25 educators nationwide who has been awarded the Fulbright Commission scholarship by the United States Congress. It is considered the premiere, most prestigious award that an American scholar can receive. (Whereas the Rhodes Scholarship is given to recent graduates, the Fulbright Scholarship is given to seasoned scholars.)

He is the first person from Gardner-Webb to ever receive the honor.

Blackburn applied for the scholarship from a college/university administrator point of view, writing a lengthy proposal on how his selection as a Fulbright recipient would increase Gardner-Webb's international contacts.

Begun in 1961 and funded by Congress, the honor allows for research abroad and exchanges between scholars from different countries. Blackburn will spend April 13 through May 4 in Germany, where he will travel from Bonn to Eastern and Western Germany and finally to Berlin. After

visiting the country's universities, he will spend time with German Parliament members and the highest-ranking cabinet officials for German education.

In true form, Blackburn humbly said, "Well, I'm very pleased I was selected. There are some 3,000 colleges and universities in the U.S. I guess I should feel fortunate to be one of the 25 who was chosen."

Upon his return, Blackburn will address civic clubs, promote foreign exchanges of information and scholars between countries, and help the Gardner-Webb community to understand the cultural and professional differences between the German and American societies.

"I taught German history for 20 years prior to joining administration, but I was always too poor to visit the place," he says with a laugh. "Now I can go and have somebody else pay for it."

More National Recognition

STUDENTS INCLUDED IN HONORS PUBLICATION

Speaking of being at the head of the class, a group of 30 GWU students at the end of December were notified of their inclusion among the nation's finest.

The 1996 edition of *Who's Who Among Students In American Universities and*

Colleges selects an elite groups of students from more than 1,800 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and several foreign nations.

This is the 30th anniversary of the directory, which includes the following names from GWU: Jaimala Amar, Crystal Dawn Baker, Natalie Grace Beam, Julie Ann Blanton, Beth Ann Brackett, Darlene Elise Broadhurst, Kimberly Ann Burris, Clinton Mathiew Calhoun, Chasitty Darlene Camp, Melody Elise Cannon, Jennifer Elizabeth Carlton, Shawn Lee Childress, Alonzo B. Custer, Tina Marie Duncan, Charles Martin Freeman, Dina Grace Helderman, Sabrina Yvonne Hoffman, Toby James Hopper, Kimberly Dawn Houser, Marsha Elizabeth Ledbetter, Jason Matthew McIntosh, Keith Gordon McKinney, Tracy Lynn Myers, Jerel Anthony Olson, Matthew Gregory Parker, Amy Lynn Reeves, Jason Scott Setzer, Krista Philan Sheppard, Jeremy John Walker, Michelle Leigh Walters.

Good News Pouring Forth

SCHOOL OF DIVINITY MAKING HEADLINES

The School of Divinity in January unveiled its new World A Resource Center, a feature unique to this region that focuses on spreading the Christian faith.

Created in partnership with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, the Center will feature computer networks, electronic communication, and numerous databases that will provide world-wide information to churches, individuals and groups who want to know about mission opportunities in areas of the world where they are most needed. World A is a term used to describe one-fourth of the world's population – those who have not yet been exposed to the Christian faith because of political, language, and geographic barriers.

The World A Resource Center, located on the lower level of the Dover Memorial Library, can be used by anyone. The Center can provide continuing education for pastors, church staff, students, and lay people interested in participating in Great Commission Christian networks.

Cathy Ollis, who has worked extensively for the Foreign Mission Board, will serve as full-time director for the World A Resource Center at GWU.

PROMOTIONAL VIDEO UNVEILED

Because of new features like the World A Resource Center, the School of Divinity can't tell its story solely by word of mouth anymore.

A new video that showcases the facilities, course offerings, faculty, staff and students has been produced through funding from the Broyhill Family Foundation of Lenoir. The video is being distributed to interested persons, churches and organizations who wish to learn more about GWU's divinity program.

Produced and directed by John Brock, vice president for marketing, the videos are available by calling 1-800-619-3761.

SOUTH CAROLINA BAPTIST MATCHING SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED

The bond between South Carolina Southern Baptists and our School of Divinity became stronger a few months ago when a scholarship program was devised for South Carolinians who are preparing for the ministry.

The School of Divinity announced it would match any scholarship offered by a South Carolina Baptist church up to a total of \$3,600 by guaranteeing that university-funded assistance will at least equal the amount provided by the church. This can result in a total of \$7,200 toward the tuition of any South Carolina Baptist studying at our institution. That represents approximately one-half of the total cost for the three-year Master of Divinity program.

Interested? Call Tracy Jessup, School of Divinity Director of Admissions, at 1-800-619-3761.

BAPTISTS TODAY'S JACK HARWELL MEETS WITH PRESIDENT WHITE

The School of Divinity is not only attracting the best students, but it is attracting the most influential and important people as well.

Take, for instance, the recent visit by Jack Harwell, editor of the national publication *Baptists Today*. Harwell came to Gardner-Webb to have lunch, meet with the president, attend chapel services and take a look around.

Harwell was putting together a feature article that detailed and praised the efforts of the School of Divinity for advancements in graduate-level theological education.

New Leadership

Nine new trustees begin terms

The Board of Trustees, the governing body of Gardner-Webb, has added nine new members. The recent additions began their terms in January and will serve through 1999.

The new leaders are Neal Alexander, Dr. Ralph Bentley, Grady Duncan, H.S. Keeter, James Seagraves, Eloise Spangler, Ralph Spangler, Dr. Tom Warren, and the Rev. Dale B. Watts.

- Alexander serves on the Student Affairs Committee for the Board. He is general manager, OE Services, Duke Power Company. He lives in Lincolnton with his wife, Shirley.
- Bentley serves on the Development Committee. He is a pediatrician in Statesville where he lives with his wife, Caroline.
- Duncan serves on the Financial Affairs Committee as well as the Executive Committee. He is retired as vice president for finance with Wix Filters, a division of Dana Corporation. He and his wife, Jo, live in Belmont.
- Keeter is a Development Committee member. He is president of Keeter Motors Inc. of Shelby. He and his wife, Sandra, live in Shelby.
- Seagraves serves on the Financial Affairs Committee. He retired as senior vice president of Family Dollar Stores. He and his wife, Dot, a former GWU trustee, live in Charlotte.
- Eloise Spangler is a member of the Educational Affairs Committee. She is a Cleveland County native who lives in Shelby. She also serves on the Duke Comprehensive Cancer Board.
- Ralph Spangler serves on the Financial Affairs Committee as well as the Executive Committee. As a self-employed businessman with interests in cattle farming and real estate, he makes his home in Lawndale with his wife, Clevie.
- Warren is a member of the Educational Affairs Committee. He is a physician with Hickory Gynecology Center in Conover. He and his wife, Dee, live in Hickory.
- Watts serves on committees for Educational Affairs and the School of Divinity. He is pastor of New Hope Baptist Church in Hickory. He and his wife, Linda, reside in Hickory.

The University also extends its deepest sympathy to the Garland Bolejack family in Mr. Bolejack's recent death. He served as trustee beginning in 1995 and was a member of the Student Affairs Committee. A valued and personable member of the Gardner-Webb family, he will be greatly missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife, April, and the entire Bolejack family.





Representatives from Gardner-Webb and Selmer Music Company display instruments donated again this year for GWU Fine Arts students' use.

Music To Our Ears

FINE ARTS BENEFITS FROM COMPANY DONATION

The Selmer Music Company and Express Music Company of Spartanburg, S.C., have renewed an agreement with Gardner-Webb to provide the University with approximately \$50,000 worth of new musical instruments for the Fine Arts Department (see photo above).

Selmer first arranged this contribution in 1995, with 80 band and orchestra instruments donated for a year's use. With the renewal of this agreement, Selmer has provided all-new equipment for GWU to use this year. This particular arrangement that Selmer has negotiated is for the University to use the instruments for a period of time, then a local music dealer will sell them as "demonstrators" so to speak. The instruments are sold at discounted prices.

The University is pleased to once again benefit from Selmer's program. A sample of the type of instruments being provided include numerous Bundy flutes, clarinets, alto sax, tenor sax, oboes and trumpets. Also provided are Bach trombones and French horns; Glaesel violins, violas and cello; and Ludwig percussion kits.

Faculty Gets Graded

STUDY PRAISES GWU

A national study of colleges and universities conducted by a Connecticut firm revealed Gardner-Webb University as

the only North Carolina university whose strongest and most recognized characteristic is its faculty.

The study, which was completed by the communications and research firm Collegiate Information Services, asked guidance counselors from across the United States to rate 800 schools nationwide on features that are considered most important to high school students. Of the 23 North Carolina colleges and universities asked to be rated, only Gardner-Webb was mentioned in reference to the personal attention its professors and instructors gave to students.

In addition to Gardner-Webb, other North Carolina schools included in the survey were UNC-Chapel Hill, N.C. State, Duke, Wake Forest, Campbell, Davidson, UNC-Charlotte, Appalachian State, Barton, East Carolina, Elizabeth City State, Elon, Guilford, Johnson C. Smith, Lenoir-Rhyne, Mars Hill, Meredith, N.C. Central, Salem, UNC-Asheville, UNC-Greensboro and UNC-Wilmington.

Duke, N.C. State, UNC-Chapel Hill and UNC-Charlotte were singled out for their academic programs. Other characteristics guidance counselors could have selected as an institution's key strength included leadership opportunities, good for job after graduation, financial aid opportunities, social life and athletic programs. Several schools such as Campbell, Elon, Guilford and Meredith College were perceived most for campus safety.

GWU President Dr. Chris White said the university was not aware the study was being done, but that he was extremely

pleased when notified of the results. "If I could have picked one characteristic for Gardner-Webb to be most identified with, it would be our faculty," he said. "It's very reassuring to know that many of the nation's high school students and counselors recognize us for our quality of instruction."

Library Addition

SHRINERS DONATE BOOK

Recently three members of the Piedmont Shrine Club – Chapter President Don Conn, First Vice President Ron Saunders, and Board of Directors member Dusty Haynes – visited the Dover Memorial Library to make a donation.

The gentlemen presented a copy of 1895-1995: The Centennial History of Oasis Temple, 100 Years of Shrinedom in the Carolinas to library director Valerie Parry. The book covers the extensive philanthropic activities of the Shriners Hospitals, which provide no-cost hospital care to children with burn or orthopedic problems.

Currently, 55 children from Cleveland County are being treated at Shriners orthopedic facilities.

Honor Society Begun

RELIGION STUDENTS, FACULTY INDUCTED RECENTLY

A new religion honor society has formed at Gardner-Webb with membership that includes five students, the faculty of the Department of Religious and GWU President Dr. Chris White.

Called Theta Alpha Kappa, the honor society held its first induction in 1995 and subsequent inductions will occur each fall. Dr. Jack Partain founded the Gardner-Webb chapter and he serves as moderator. Dr. Larry Gregg co-sponsors the group with Dr. Partain.

Student members are at least juniors in standing, have a minimal GPA of 3.5 in religious study coursework (consisting of Introduction to Old and New Testaments and 12 additional hours of religious studies), rank in the upper 35 percent of their class, and be invited by the National Society. Maintaining this level of excellence is also expected of all members.

Goals set aside for the group include meeting three times per semester for theological readings, conferences and fellowship in addition to attending national

meetings. The national society also publishes a journal featuring chapter members' writings. This is a great opportunity for students who might not otherwise have avenues for publication.

They've Got Us Covered

NOTABLE PUBLICATIONS FEATURE GWU ON COVERS

The people who study, work and teach at Gardner-Webb are often explaining the fine features of the University to those they encounter each day. Without a doubt, word is spreading of the exciting events that have taken place on campus recently.

The proof? Two publications that reach a significant number of people in the Baptist community featured Gardner-Webb on their covers for all to see. The Biblical Recorder here in North Carolina and The Southern Baptist

Educator in Tennessee both recognized that the University is currently enjoying the most notably progressive time in its history.



A beautiful shot of Noel Hall, the home of the School of Divinity, is shown on the covers with news inside each issue of increased enrollments and record-breaking campaigns.

The Educator cover was for the month of January and the Recorder cover was for the week of February 24.

10 Great Things About Gardner-Webb

- **THE ARCH.** Although its been moved from generation to generation to all parts of campus, it is still one of the most recognizable landmarks at GWU.
- **THE STEPS OF HAMRICK HALL.** Students still embrace it as a place to enjoy lunch, a chat, or a group photo for a club on campus.
- **WILLIAMS OBSERVATORY.** The next closest university to go to for a view like this is Appalachian State.
- **STROUP DORM LOBBY.** The decor hasn't changed in 30 years and neither has the comfy atmosphere.
- **SPANGLER STADIUM.** Did you know a North Carolina magazine recently named it as one of the top five places in the state to take in a football game?
- **THE ROSE GARDEN.** It doesn't seem to change a bit through each of the four seasons.
- **THE STEEPLE OF DOVER CHAPEL.** It rises above the trees in all directions, the cross telling everyone of Gardner-Webb's mission as a university.
- **THE BANNERS IN PAUL PORTER ARENA.** The retired jerseys of Artis Gilmore, John Drew, Eddie Lee Wilkins and George Adams look peacefully into the eyes of the NAIA National Championship Golf flag.
- **LAKE HOLLIFIELD.** When the orange light of dusk plays on the water, there isn't a more relaxing sight on campus.
- **THE ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS CELEBRATION.** Whether it's a capacity crowd joining the sing-along in Dover Theatre or the luminaries beside the walkways afterward, the atmosphere always warms the heart.

Got some suggestions of your own? We would love to hear them. Drop us a line at the GWU Office of Public Relations, P.O. Box 997, Boiling Springs, NC 28017.



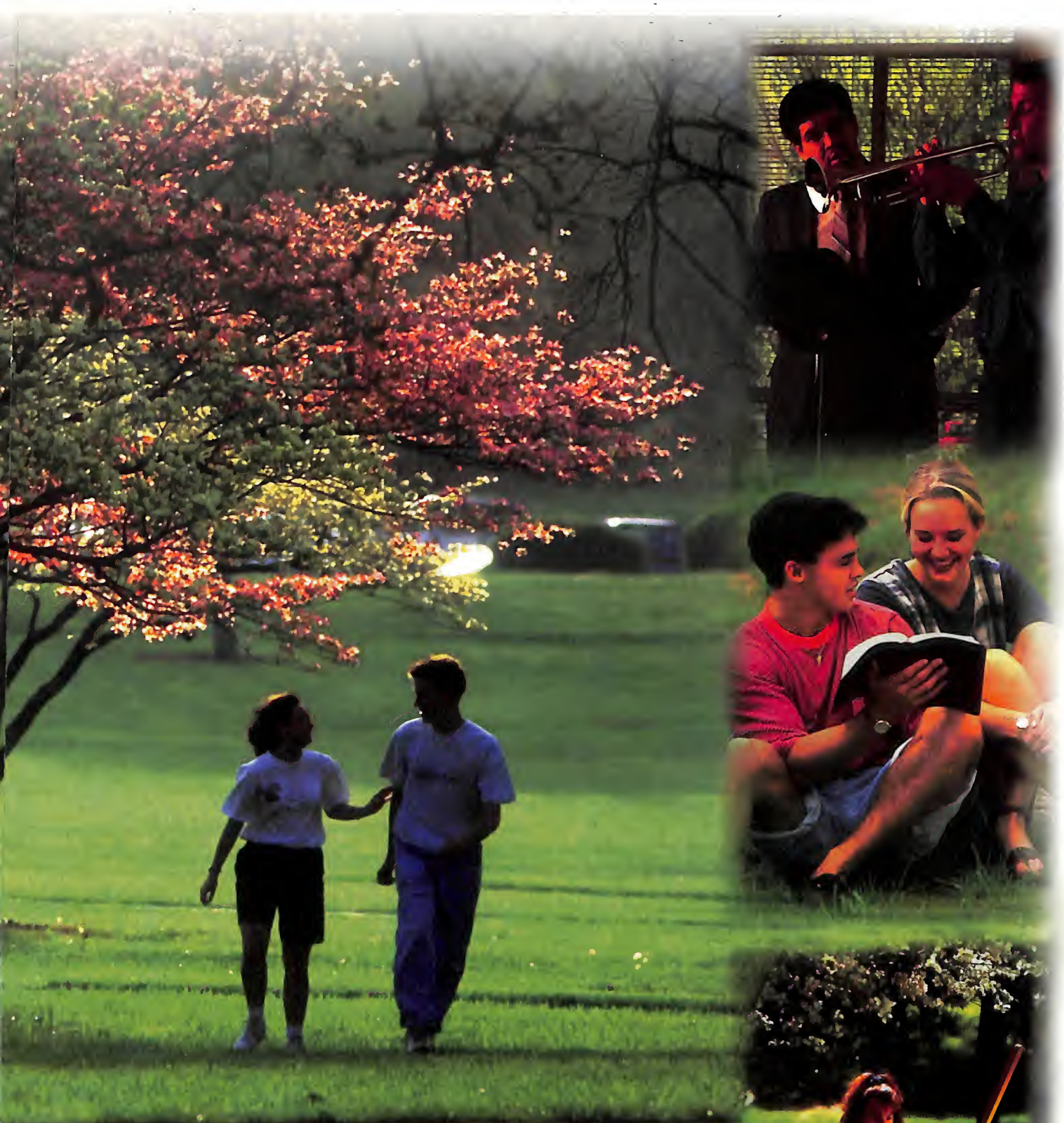
Spring Roars In

March and April are those fickle months in Boiling Springs when springtime is trying its hardest to muscle its way into every day but winter just won't seem to turn loose. Thus, you get days that are 80 degrees and sunny followed by days that are 50 degrees and dreary.

Students, it seems, become impatient with the whole transition. After several months of biting wind and electric blankets, the first warm day of the new year is seized as somewhat of a momentous occasion.

Isn't it amazing how sunshine and mild temperatures can change your outlook on things?





About Face

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL PROGRAM
SOARS TO A NEW LEVEL

Eddie McCurley took over a women's basketball program that was 8-19 a year ago and posted a 20-win season this year.

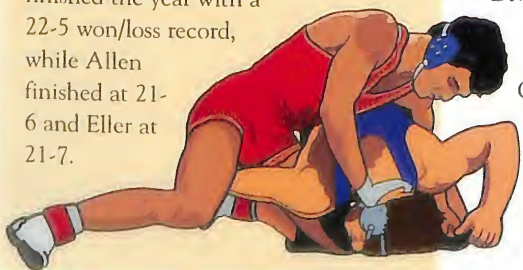
His team finished 22-7, second place in the South Atlantic Conference. He notched wins over three nationally ranked squads, flirted with national rankings himself, and – the icing on the cake – received the University's first-ever invitation to post-season play as a member of NCAA Division II. Although the ladies fell in the first round to Wingate 84-78, the season was still one to remember.

"The ladies really responded well this season; they picked things up quickly and were able to do what we asked of them," said McCurley. "Their efforts have not been a surprise but the results have been."

Flexing Their Muscle

The Gardner-Webb Runnin' Bulldog wrestling team had an impressive outing at the NCAA Division II regional meet, finishing fourth as a team and qualifying two wrestlers for the NCAA Division II National Tournament.

Chris Austin won the 142 lb. division to earn a spot at the nationals and Zeke Allen earned a wild card national berth. Gary Eller was selected as an alternate at 134 lbs. Austin finished the year with a 22-5 won/loss record, while Allen finished at 21-6 and Eller at 21-7.



OPEN LETTER TO TEAMMATES

Dear Former Gardner-Webb Teammate:

Thirty-seven years ago this spring (1959) we were teammates on the Gardner-Webb College baseball team that compiled a 19-1 won/loss record. Dean Jones, whom I haven't seen since those days, called me several weeks ago and in our conversation he stated, "Wouldn't it be great for us to have a reunion?"

I've been thinking about Dean's comments since; and I, too, think it would be wonderful to see everyone again after so many years. The biggest problem is trying to locate the whereabouts of all the guys. I have contacted Ozzie McFarland, GWU Athletic Director, and he graciously agreed to assist any way that he could. The purpose of this letter is to ask for your help in locating as many team members as possible.

I have obtained some mailing addresses. However, they may have changed by now. If an address can be confirmed or you can help locate someone, I would be grateful. The names of team members who we need to find are listed here.

If things come together I would very much like to schedule a reunion some time this year. Again your assistance and early response is very much appreciated.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Last Known Location</u>
Wally Brooks	Cherryville, NC
Jerry Callicut	Asheboro, NC
Marshall Crews	Brookneal, VA
Bill Cudd	Chesnee, SC
Fred Ensley	no information available
David Ezell	Chesnee, SC
Norman Harris - coach	Statesville, NC
Donald Horton	Chesnee, SC
Wesley Hughes	Honea Path, SC
John Jordan	Hyattsville, MD
John Keeter	Stanley, NC
Ed Lohr	Chester, VA
Bill Nix	Richmond, VA
Ken Scruggs	Chesnee, SC
Bill Steele	no information available
Terry Whisnant	Dallas, NC

Sincerely,

Gene Wray
2033 Riverhill Dr.
Shelby, NC 28152
704-487-5626 (home)
704-480-5400 (work)

Turner Becomes GWU's 11th All-American

The GWU men's basketball program received some exciting news recently, as star forward Robbie Turner was named to the Second Annual Sports Information Division II All-American third team.

The 6-3 senior from Gaithersburg, MD, led the South Atlantic Conference in scoring with 22.6 points per game and was named first team All-Conference. Despite constant double teaming, Turner broke the South Atlantic Conference career

scoring average mark and finished fourth in the conference record books with 587 season points.

The Runnin' Bulldogs went on to post a 15-12 record and a third place finish in the South Atlantic Conference.

"I'm extremely pleased with Robbie's selection," said Coach Rick Scruggs. "He's a great kid that shouldered a lot of pressure as the team's only senior. Robbie has been a true leader on and off the court and I couldn't be happier for him."

Building Dreams

ALUM CONSTRUCTS PANTHERS STADIUM



Arnold Isaacs '57 knows what its like to have people counting on him – people like every single fan of the Charlotte Hornets and Carolina Panthers. That's because as president of F.N. Thompson Co. in Charlotte, he has managed the construction of arguably the two most popular sporting venues in the state.

That's correct, the Charlotte Coliseum was in a GWU grad's hands and the Carolina Panthers stadium, scheduled to be completed in 3 to 4 months, is also his responsibility. As the head of a general contracting company, pressures to complete a project on time and on budget are just part of the business. However,

when there's hundreds of thousands fans waiting to see their favorite team play, and an owner expecting to see a finished product before the upcoming season, the word "pressure" takes on a different meaning.

"Well, it's pretty much like building anything else," Isaacs says, taking a moment to put his job in perspective, "except that you're having to account for about 1,300,000 square feet of heated and cooled space in and around the various parts of the stadium."

Like building anything else, huh? Consider that the 1.3 million sq. ft. of space he's referring to is about as much as the NationsBank tower in Charlotte, the tallest building in the Southeast. Isaacs admits it could be thought of as a "mammoth project" but it's something he has become accustomed to, having secured jobs to soon begin construction on a \$50 million entertainment complex in Fayetteville (N.C.) and \$100 million

worth of law enforcement facilities in Mecklenburg County.

A three-sport athlete at Gardner-Webb – while on scholarship he played baseball, football and basketball – Isaacs went on to star at Western Carolina where he played against, of all people, Jerry Richardson, then a player at Wofford College and now owner of the Carolina Panthers.

"It's kind of funny how things come full circle, don't you think?" Isaacs says chuckling. "Really, I think in my business, like anything else in life, you just have to be in the right place at the right time."

Isaacs' philosophy for his success recognizes that timing is but one part of the equation. A reasonable amount of intelligence, he says, and the determination to work hard will also help you get places.

He adds that he considers himself lucky. That's because he chose a profession where you can actually see the results of hard work, and know that it will stand for

all to see for a long period of time.

"When it's all said and done, it's very satisfying to be able to step back and look at what you've helped accomplish," he says. "And it makes you feel good when someone like Jerry Richardson tells you he could have selected any number of people to build his stadium, but he chose you because you're fair and honest and you do what you promise."



Climb On Board

ALUMNI SERVE GWU

One of the most active and creative groups of people associated with Gardner-Webb is the Alumni Board of Directors, made up of enthusiastic and esteemed graduates who are willing to donate their time and guidance to GWU.

The following alumni are currently serving on the GWU Alumni Board. Officers are Jack Creech '55 – President; Michael Rousseaux '87 – Vice President; Martha Bumgardner '82 – Secretary.

Other members are the Rev. Cecil Lee Ballard '58; Dr. Doris Vance Banner '54; Bill

Bates '53; J. Thomas Bowen '63; Bob Bush '53; Richard G. Craft '78; Jami Crisman '84; Jim. C. Faw '89; Clifford E. Hamrick III '84; Mary Willoughby Hartman '86; Betty Ledford Henderson '53; Jack D. King '75; Tara Trotman Land '85; Randy Mayfield '69; Max Padgett '50; Bobby Pettyjohn '52; Minna Rice '38; Amy Ross '88; Joanne Ruhland '84; Terry Kyle Shelton '78; Douglas E. Teague '79; Michael W. Tolbert '80; the Rev. David R. Troutman '75; Doris Walters '59; Kirk Ward '83; Connie Hicks Wiel '82; Debra B. Wike '75; Brent E. Winslow '88; Bonnell Young '83.

You may nominate an alum for this board if you wish. Simply provide the following information to Mickey Sharpe, Alumni Office, P.O. Box. 976, Boiling Springs, NC 28017.

ALUMNI BOARD NOMINATIONS

Nominee's Name _____

Class Year _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Nominator's Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Clip and send to: Mickey Sharpe
Alumni Office
P.O. Box. 976
Boiling Springs, NC 28017.

The '40s

Mabel Padgett '44 was recently married to Henry K. Davis Sr. in September in Spindale. They live part-time in Warren, MI, and Rutherfordton, NC.

The '50s

H. Fred Snipes '59 announces the graduation of his son, Nathan, from the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy in June 1995. Fred lives in Rural Hall, NC.

Sarah Ballard Allen '55 retired from the Pinellas County School System in 1993. She and her husband, Edwin, reside in Largo, Fla.

Joy Cornwell Bell '54 recently spent three months on the Mercy Ship as a volunteer where she ministered in Latvia. She lives in Roxboro, NC.

Rev. Paul Riggs, Sr. '54 is serving as chaplain at N.C. Baptist

Retirement Home in Winston-Salem and is active in interim pastoral work. His wife, Loudene W. Riggs '54, is active in volunteer work for Multiple Sclerosis Society. The couple lives in Winston-Salem.

Thurman Allred '52 is serving as volunteer pastoral ministries director for the Wilmington Baptist Association. He and his wife, Mary, live in Wilmington.

Bob Bolick '52 retired in March from the Gaston Co. Tax Office. He is also retired from the Air Force. He and his wife, Beth, live in Gastonia.

Mary Isaac '52 was named employee of the month for October (1995) for CNC Solutions in Hudson.

The '60s

Larry Ware '68 was named president of the North Carolina Magistrate's Association at their meeting in Southern Pines.

Scott Padgett '67 was elected to the city council of Concord, NC. He is principal of Beverly Hills Elementary School and his wife, Teresa, teaches at Concord Middle School.

Alfred Snipes '66 and his wife, Joyce Snipes '66, retired from teaching in 1993. They live in Swannanoa, NC.

Sylvia Childers Holmes '66 is employed by Oxford Employees Credit Union and was appointed to the National Credit Union Institute Dean's List with honors in 1995. She and her husband, Danny, live in Gaffney, S.C.

William L. Flournoy, FASLA, '66 was named to the Landscape Architectural Parks Honor Roll in Cleveland, Ohio.

Jerry Lethco '64 has accepted the position of director missions for the Wilmington association. He is past president of the South Carolina Baptist State Convention.

Donna Hennessee Bryan '63 and her husband, Dr. Charles Bryan, became grandparents in October when their daughter, Emily, gave birth to twin daughters. The Bryans live in Columbia, S.C.

Vivian Hamrick Dalmas '62 was one of North Carolina's two Christa McAuliffe Fellows, receiving a \$28,987 fellowship for her work with deaf and hard-of-hearing students. She also welcomed her first grandchild, Jean-Pierre Martin Dalmas, in September. Vivian lives in Raleigh.

J. Douglas "Jerry" McKinney '61 is assistant professor at Lake Superior State University. He also received his Ed.D. in 1995.

The '70s

Butch Branscome '79 recently became chaplain at University Hospital in Charlotte after having served as chaplain at Carolinas Medical Center. He was also recently endorsed as a chaplain by the Home Mission Board. He and his wife, Amy Branscome '79, have two children, Courtney and Lee.

Lindy Bradley Glennon '79 and her husband, Fred Glennon '80, live in North Syracuse, NY, where she is Family Development Coordinator for PEACE Inc. and he is associate professor of ethics at LeMoyne College in Syracuse.

Johnnie Conner Hamrick '79 completed the doctor of education degree (Ed.D.) in October. She is assistant professor and director of field experiences in the Gardner-Webb Department of Education. She lives in Mooresboro.

Terry Houpe White '79 and her husband, Scott, live in Shelby with their two daughters, Bethany Marie and Hannah Joy.

Robin Dawn Mikalunas '78 is a teacher at Rider High School in Texas. She lives in Wichita Falls, TX.

Marvin (Buddy) Quinn '78 was recently promoted to senior vice president of the Claims Department for Strickland Insurance Group. He and his wife, Diane Millington Quinn '80, live in Goldsboro.

Terry Shelton '78 and his wife, Linda Cody Shelton '78 have two sons, Kyle and Cody. Terry is owner and operator of two Chick-Fil-A restaurants in the Charlotte area. The family lives in Charlotte.

Dan Cook '77 and his wife, Fairley, welcome the addition of a second son, John Caleb. Dan is a

communications specialist with the N.C. Electric Membership Corp. He and his family live in Raleigh.

Stephen G. Crouse '77 has received his doctor of ministry degree from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He serves as campus minister and senior administrator at North Greenville College. He and his wife, Martha, also announce the birth of a son, Stephen Joshua. The family lives in Tigerville, SC.

Larry G. Honeycutt '77 is a physical education teacher with Stanly Co. Schools. He and his wife, Sharlina, have three children, Elizabeth Grace, Riley Harrison and Zachary Paul. The family lives in Stanfield, NC.

Don E. Stroup '77 has been elected group executive of Wachovia Bank of North Carolina in Winston-Salem. He is manager of Consumer Loan Administration for Wachovia Corp.

Sadie Allran Broome '76 recently had two articles published, in the Spring 1995 edition of "Teaching Exceptional Children," and in the Winter 1995 edition of "Magic in the Classroom." She is an instructional specialist with Gaston Co. Schools. She lives in Cherryville with her husband, Dennis.

Peggy Lynn Fox '76 was recently married to Robert William Browning Jr. She is a teacher with Cleveland Co. Schools. He works for PPG Industries in Shelby. The couple resides in Mooresboro.

Wanda Nantz McKenzie '76 was recently named Parks and Recreation Director for the Town of Mooresville, where she has been employed since 1976. She and her husband, Keith, live in Mooresville with three sons, Matt, David and Luke.

Martha Jane Motley '76 was married March 23rd to C. Dale Sloan. She is assistant vice president for NationsBank. He is vice president and project manager for Greensboro Roofing Co. They live in Greensboro.

David Charles Withrow '76 and his wife, **Carol Tewes Withrow '77**, announce the birth of a daughter, Caroline Danielle, in May 1995. They both work at Greene Taliaferro Comprehensive High School, he as a science education teacher and she as a special education teacher. They live in Woodville, GA.

Robert Decker '75 and his wife, Sharon, announce the birth of their fifth child, a daughter, Emily Allred. He is employed with Decker & Decker Consulting. She is VP of Corporate Communications and Community Relations with Duke Power. They live in Belmont.

Joyce Jenkins Dunn '75 was elected Secondary Teacher of Exemplary Practices (STEP) at Gaffney (S.C.) High School. The award is sponsored by the S.C. International Reading Association. She lives in Gaffney, S.C.

David Greene '75 was promoted to assistant principal at Kings Mountain Middle School, where he had taught since 1978. He and his wife, Judy, live in Shelby.

Daniel Walter '75 is employed as a police officer with the city of Pompano Beach, Fla. He and his wife, Ann, have a daughter, Mary, and a son, Luke. They live in Pompano Beach.

Barbara Bridges Greene '74 is director of the Small Business Center for Cleveland Community College. She and her husband, John, live in Boiling Springs.

Lydia Blanton Farfour '74 is editor of Aiken Co. (S.C.) Magazine. She has a son, Charles Rush Hamrick IV, and a stepson, Matt Farfour. She and her husband, Neil, live in Aiken, S.C.

Vickie Hinson Sanders '74 and her husband, Sam, live in Salisbury. Their oldest son, Sammie, is enrolled at The Citadel and is the recipient of a Citadel Scholarship and Navy ROTC Scholarship.

Ronald L. Taylor '74 was named director of chaplaincy for both the S.C. State Hospital and Crafts-Farrow State Hospital. He also received his doctor of ministry degree in 1995. He lives in Columbia, SC.

Dr. Gene Watterson '74 retired January 14 as pastor of First Baptist Church of Shelby after 26 years of service. He will continue to live in Shelby.

Ben Reavis '73 is partner/owner of Construction Information Services Inc. and has served as VP for Sales and Marketing since 1989. He and his wife, Lin, live in Gastonia.

Larry Wood '72 is executive director of Public Services for the City of Gastonia. He and his wife, **Cindi Alexander Wood '75**, live in Kings Mountain.

At Different Ends Of The Same Career

Journalism is a tough enough business as it is – deadlines, scoops, anonymous sources, letters to the editor. Ah yes, the editor. Imagine being held responsible for all of the activity happening in a newsroom and that's an editor for you.

Two Gardner-Webb alumni are looking at that esteemed position from two very different vantage points these days. **Dr. John Roberts '49** is calling it quits after a lifetime in the business. **Roberta Borden '87** has been on the job a matter of months.

For 30 years Roberts has served as editor of the Baptist Courier, the state Baptist paper in South Carolina. And now, he says, it's time for a break. On March 1, John announced his retirement from his duties at age 69.

He playfully asserts in one of his last "Personally" columns in the Courier that he has edited more than 1500 issues and has broken everyone's tenure record in the Southern Baptist Press Association. Attending a recent meeting of his colleagues, he said, "My place on the program is the one traditionally reserved for the grizzled and wizened. If I am that, I accept the part."

John is a member of the Gardner-Webb Board of Trustees. He is a former recipient of the Distinguished Male Graduate Award as well as former

Director of Communications for Gardner-Webb.

Roberta Borden recently took over managing editor duties nearby at The Shelby Star. But as someone accustomed to being the reporter, she says the new job is taking some time to get used to. "My hours were flexible ..." she says. "Now I spend anywhere from 10 to 12 hours a day in office supervising newsroom operations. I never imagined my phone could ring as much as it does."

As the Star's first female editor, she says it is obvious people are paying very close attention to her. Also consider that she is making the transition from a peer to those in the newsroom to being the boss, which obviously can make life difficult at times. "Luckily," she jokes, "I tend to thrive in stressful situations."

Taking on this new position has definitely changed the way she views her career, she concludes.

"Certainly becoming editor of a daily newspaper has always been one of my goals. I just never counted on achieving this one at such a young age."



Remember when ♦♦♦♦ the Class of 1946 was in full swing?!

In 1946 the students of Gardner-Webb College learned a lot about life from The Porthole, the student handbook. Advice and regulations were just a few pages away on subjects ranging from initiation day for freshman to extending a line of credit (that was a no-no) at the Snack Shop.

- **A sample of the rules of dating:**

"Girls have to sign out in the Dean of Women's office before 6:00. Be sure each blank is filled out clearly because it has to be approved before you leave. You have the privilege of attending campus church with your date on Sunday night and afterwards dating until 10:00. (You may also attend prayer meeting with your date.)"

- **How about the section entitled "For Your Pleasure:"**

"Radio: it takes away that 'homesick feeling.'"

"Roller Skates: healthful exercise and enjoyment at the same time."

"Camera: to take snaps of your newly acquired friends for your memory book."

"Susie: your favorite doll or stuffed animal – she needs an education, too!"

- **Tips on how to remember your 'bringing up'**

"Don't gripe about the food! You will find the food sufficiently adequate. You don't like beans and potatoes? Well, we do have beans and potatoes sometimes, but you will be sure to have a balanced diet while at college."

Beginning on October 4 with a golf tournament and ending with a buffet dinner at 6 p.m. on October 5, Homecoming will provide a weekend full of excitement and memories.

Included in the festivities is the 50th reunion of the class of 1946 with special emphasis on the football team of 1946-47 – the first post-war football team.



*Above, President Phil Elliot
Right, Dorothy Franklin,
1946 May Day Queen*



Jill Sanders Branch '72 is the co-owner and vice president of Sanders Florist. She lives in Durham.

Harold T. Butts, Jr. '72 and Samantha Davis were married July 17. The bridegroom is retired from the N.C. Department of Community Colleges as assistant director for budget and accounting, Division of Finance. The couple lives in Dunn.

Oscar L. Lard, II '72 is currently a registered Radiological Control Technologist for Westinghouse. He and his wife, Deborah, live in Aiken, SC.

James Michael Minnix '72 had a book published entitled Panorama of the Bible, containing 52 chapters covering the entire Bible. He is senior pastor of First Baptist Church of Lilburn. He lives in Lilburn.

Martha Anne Smith '72 is currently director of Mental Retardation Boys' Homes. She lives in Gaffney, S.C.

Beth Trouille, RNC, '72 was named Employee of the Month for August at the Abernathy Center, United Church Retirement Homes, Inc., in Newton. She resides in Maiden.

John Hamrick '71 was recently named principal of Burns Middle School by the Cleveland County Board of Education.

Nancy Simpson Linn '71 was named Yadkin Valley Conference 1995 Coach of the Year as West Rowan (Salisbury) High School head coach of the boys and girls varsity tennis teams. She and her husband, Jim, live in Salisbury.

Dr. Ron Wright '71 was named vice president for academic affairs for Cleveland Community College, where he has worked since 1973.

The '80s

(Correction: The name of Bettina Long Pondo '89 was misspelled in the December section of Class Notes. The Web regrets the mistake.)

Gloria Jean Campbell '89 was recently promoted from support specialist to database administrator/AS400 application support for Lep Profit International. She lives in College Park, GA.

Marshana Cole '89 has been named director of recruiting for the eastern region of Paragon Rehabilitation Inc. of Nashville, TN. She lives in Kings Mountain with her two daughters.

Deborah Phillips McMillan '89 was named 1995 Elementary Math Teacher of the Year for Forsyth County. She and her husband, Arvy, live in Belews Creek, NC.

Regina Whitaker Saiid '89 is currently an RN with Pitt Co. Memorial Hospital after having served as Journeyman with the Foreign Mission Board as an RN in Yemen. She and her husband, Ali, live in Everetts, NC.

The Rev. Carl A Stokes. '89 is now pastor at McColl First Baptist Church in McColl, SC. He also recently received his M.Div. degree from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Evelyn Gwaltney Yount '89 and her husband, Conrad, announce the birth of their first child, a son, Andrew Dallas in September. She is

A black rectangular graphic with white text. The text reads: "Homecoming 1996" in a large, serif font at the top. Below it, "October 4-5" in a slightly smaller serif font. Then "GWU vs. Wingate" in a bold, serif font. At the bottom, "Theme: Celebrating 90 years" in a serif font.

a credit manager with C.R. Laine Furniture Co. Inc. The family lives in Conover.

James E. Chappell Jr. '88 and his wife, Lisa, have a son, James Alexander, born in March 1995. They live in Charlotte.

Terry Eddinger '88 earned the Ph.D. in December from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He also recently was commissioned as a Lieutenant Junior Grade in the U.S. Navy Reserve Chaplain Corps.

Ann Giles '88 was elected president of the North Carolina Association of Medical Assisting Educators. She lives in Morganton.

Judy Lynn Grainger '88 and Charly Hylton were married in 1994 in Florence, SC. She is a computer programmer/analyst. They live in Indian Trail.

Randall C. Hall '88 was named vice president and chief financial

officer for Bank of Granite. He is also secretary-treasurer of the bank's parent company, Bank of Granite Corporation.

Randal Hoover '88 and his wife, Angela Hoover '88, announce the birth of a son, Seth Andrew, in September. They live in Sophia.

Tammy Campbell Hoyle '88 and her husband, John, announce the birth of a son, Tanner James, in January. She is a math instructor at Gardner-Webb. He is graphics and special projects director for The Shelby Star newspaper. They live in Boiling Springs.

Ron Stewart '88 has joined Lowes Companies Inc. as senior corporate accountant. He and his wife, Lois, live in Boone.

Susan Jeannette Hawkins Sullens '88 is an RN with Liberty Healthcare. She was married in 1994 to Larry Sullens, president of Sullens Trucking Co. Inc.

Carolyn S. Turner '88 is academic Advisor at Northern Kentucky University. She lives in Lakeside Park, KY.

Doreen Payne Wacaster '88 and her husband, Alan, welcome the addition of a son, Jordan Graham. She is minister of music at Flint Hill Baptist Church. Alan is a paramedic with Cleveland County EMS. They live in Boiling Springs.

John Yarbro '88 was named assistant principal at Crest High School in 1995.

Greg Young '88 and his wife, Debbie Young '88, announce the birth of a daughter, Susan Kaye "Skye", born in November. Greg is associate pastor at Sebago Center Community Center. Debbie is a medical records technician. They

live in Sebago Lake, Maine.

Rachel McKee Anthony '87 was married in October to Irl Allen Whitaker in Cherryville. She is a human resources representative with Kemet Electronics in Shelby. They live in Cherryville.

Greg Hill '87 has been elected to the North Carolina Association of Certified Public Accountants, an 8,400-member organization. He and his wife, Pam, live in Clemmons.

Abigail Stephens Kalaf '87 is employed with the Gardner-Webb University Counseling Center and was recently named to the Who's Who of American Women for 1995/96. She and her husband, Bill, live in Boiling Springs.

David B. Keim '87 and Laura Shell Strange Keim '88 announce the birth of a son, Noah John, in November. David is an attorney for International Family Entertainment. Laura is a homemaker. They live in Chesapeake, VA.

Teresa Garner Lee '87 is a criminal justice instructor at Montgomery Community College in the associate degree program and in the basic law enforcement training. She lives in Vass, NC.

Rebecca "Becky" Suzanna Blackburn '86 was recently married to Robert Keith Williams in Roanoke Rapids. The couple resides in Roanoke Rapids.

Cindy Strickland Davis '86 and her husband, Jeff, began their own printing business in New Bern called Colonial Capital Printing. The couple also has a year-old son, Brandon Aaron. They live in New Bern.

John Edmund (Eddy) McGee '86 was featured in the November issue of Southern Living Magazine, page 174 of the Food section. He lives in King, NC.

JoEllen Shore Norris '86 is senior vice president for Patient Care Services at Watauga Medical Center. She and her husband, Rex, live in Boone.

John L. Singleton '86 was named assistant principal at Pisgah High School in Canton. He and his wife, Lynn, live in Waynesville.

Bobby Watson '86 was elected mayor of Mooresboro in November. He is director of administrative services for Cleveland Home Health Agency in Shelby.

Alisa Mills Cadenhead '85 and her husband, David, announce the arrival of their fourth child, Tammi

Jane. Alisa is the RN - office manager for David in Bristol, VA. The family lives in Kingsport, TN.

Michael Herman Evans '85 is currently pasotor at Friendship/Shady Grove United Methodist Churches in Connelly Springs.

Doc Lewis '85 has begun a new position as head football coach at Windsor Forest High School in Savannah, GA.

The Rev. Sidney James Stokes '85 has been named minister of education and youth at First Baptist Church of Dover, TN. He lives in Dover.

Phyllis Wilson Von Ebers '85 was promoted to Customer Service Supervisor at Sage Manufacturing Corp. She and her husband, Steve, live in Suquamish, WA.

Julia Pruett Cline '84 and her husband, Joe, announce the birth of a daughter, Anna Elizabeth, in December. They live in Morganton.

Sherri Lutz Curtis '84 is office manager for Lutz Petroleum Co. in Forest City. She and her husband, Dale, have two children, Alan and Brannon, and live in Forest City.

Clifford Elijah Hamrick III '84 and his wife, Gail, now have a second son, Wyatt James, born in June 1995. Clifford is owner of Hamrick's Lawn and Garden in Boiling Springs. The family resides in Boiling Springs.

Thomas Perry Hildreth III '84 is assistant professor of philosophy and religion at Palm Beach Atlantic College in West Palm Beach, FL.

Stephen Elliott Brinton '83 received his master of divinity degree from Asbury Theological Seminary in Whitmore, KY.

Carolyn L. Brown '83 was named financial systems accountant for the Lowes Companies Inc. Corporate Accounting Department.

Linda Kay Martel Campbell '83 and her husband, David, announce the birth of their second son, Drew Martel, in November. They live in Spartanburg, SC.

Susan Elaine Moore Currie '83 is a piano teacher with the Arts Council

of Wilson, NC. She and her husband, George, live in Wilson, NC.

David Brian Cox '83 and his wife, Dee Dee, announce the birth of a son, Stafford David, in November. David is associate pastor of Bay Leaf Baptist Church in Raleigh. The family lives in Wake Forest.

Diana Dagenhart '83 was one of two Catawba County teachers to receive National Board Certification from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. She is a teacher at Claremont School in Catawba County.

assistant at Cape Fear Family Medicine in Fayetteville. She also lives in Fayetteville.

Donna Gail Christenbury Moody '82 recently became a science teacher with West Mecklenburg High School after having previously served with Newton-Conover High School. She and her husband, David, live in Charlotte.

Susan Denise Poston '82 was recently married to David Willingham in Lake Lure. She is a teacher with Henderson Co. Schools. They live in Hendersonville.

Lynne Becker Colley '81 and her

Teresa Shirkey Childers '95 and her husband, Tony, have a new daughter, Reagan Ashley. Teresa also has begun a new position as RN on the CCU floor for Gaston Memorial Hospital. They live in Kings Mountain.

Margaret Ann Cureton '95 and **Stephen Scott Heintz '95** were married in May in Statesville. She is a cost accountant for Toter Inc.. He is employed by Heintz Brothers Automotive in Statesville. They live in Cleveland, NC.

Laurie C. Heavner '95 was recently promoted to director of human resources for the J.H. Heafner Co., Inc. She lives in Lincolnton.

Jeannine Michelle Hill '95 was recently named reporter for The Shelby Star. She lives in Forest City.

Leslie Dawn Hoyle '95 married Jamie Worth Blackburn III in July 1995 in Shelby. She is employed by Gardner-Webb University. He is employed with Alemite Corp. in Charlotte. They live in Charlotte.

Andre Kwasnik '95 is an investment analyst with American Bankers Insurance Group in Miami, FL. He lives in Miramar, FL.

David McAmis '95 in November joined The BridgeBuilder Company in Chapel Hill to design and implement software/systems.

Joy Lynn Parks '95 and Terry Wayne Johnson were married October 21. She is a computer programmer for Floyd S. Pike Electrical Contractor Inc. He is a bio-med technician at Forsyth Memorial Hospital. They live in East Bend.

Margaret Rudisill, RN, BSN '95 has achieved Certified Diabetes Educator (CDE) status as of April 1995.

Thomas J. Tipton '95 was selected to attend the Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law at the University of Memphis.

Andrew Christopher White '95 and Ann Caswell Martin were married September 30, 1995. He is pursuing a master's degree in business administration at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. They live in Charlotte.

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Number of Donors	1,068

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*As of April 1

Charles Todd Dickinson '83 and his wife, Lynn, announce the birth of a son, Mark Robert. They also have another son, Matthew Todd. Charles is human resources manager with Georgia Pacific Corp. The family lives in Keystone Heights, FL.

Norman Hunt '83 and his wife, Vickie, welcome the birth of a son, Norman Gabriel. Norman is pastor of Hopewell Baptist Church in Woodstock, GA. The family lives in Woodstock.

Billy Ray McEntire '83 is now minister at Antioch Baptist Church in Red Oak, VA. He and his wife, Wanda, live in Red Oak.

Susan J. Heise Burson '82 recently spent three weeks with the International School Project in Lithuania. She and her husband, Scott, now live in Wilmore, KY, with their children, Ashley, Lindsey and Ryan.

Mary Lee Cudd '82 is a physician

husband, Clyde, announce the birth of a daughter, Diane Catherine, in February. They live in Irvine, CA.

Rick Lancaster '81 is now serving as pastor of First Baptist Church of Big Stone Gap, VA. He and his wife, Marcia, live in Big Stone Gap.

Gregory Steven Whitener Sr. '81 is an international accountant with Comm Scope Inc. He and his wife, Cynthia, live in Hickory with their children, Gregory Jr. and Victoria.

Teresa Biggs '80 recently received her Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree from Gardner-Webb University.

The '90s

Dana Hallihan Biehler '95 welcomed her first grandchild in November. She is administrator at Hickory Community Theatre. She lives in Newton.

Kristie Wilson '95 is a first grade teacher with Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools. She lives in Matthews.

Sheila Denise Britt '94 and **Ronald Earl Blue** were married in Pinehurst in September. She is employed with the N.C. Dept. of Correction. He is also with the Dept. of Correction.

Audrey Elizabeth Carlton '94 is currently teaching kindergarten at Glen Alpine Elementary in Morganton. She lives in Granite Falls.

Sandy Walker Hamrick '94 and her husband, the **Rev. Rick Hamrick '86**, announce the birth of a son, Richard Clayton, in November. Sandy is Cleveland Co. Evaluation Coordinator for Smart Start. Rick is minister of youth and education at Polkville Baptist Church. They live in Polkville.

Kelly Horton '94 and **Tommy J. Barker '95** were married September 23, 1995. She is employed by American General and he is a pro golfer at Highlands Country Club. They live in Columbus, SC.

Melissa Howard '94 was named supervisor of corporate maintenance in the Credit Operations Group for Wachovia.

Melanie Ann Owens '94 and **Charles Matthew Taylor** were married in September. She is employed by the N.C. Dept. of Corrections. He is employed with the N.C. Dept. of Transportation. They live in Raleigh.

Susan McDaniels White '94 is Community Based Alternatives Case Manager with the Exchange Club Child Abuse Prevention Center of Iredell County. She and her husband, Wayne, live in Statesville.

Ann B. Williams '94 married Bill Journey on October 21. She has accepted a new position as customer service supervisor with Siecior Corp. They live in Statesville.

Frances Louisa Byrd '93 and **Michael Thomas Lentz** were married in September. She is employed by the N.C. Dept. of Environment, Health and Natural Resources. He is employed with NationsBank. They live in Moravian Falls.

Mamadi Corra '93 was awarded the Ruby Newhall Memorial Scholarship upon his acceptance into the doctoral program in sociology at the University of South Carolina. The Newhall scholarship was given by Pilot International

Foundation. Mamadi, the first blind person from his native Gambia to attend college, received his MBA degree from Gardner-Webb in 1995 as well.

Laura Bailey Friar '93 and her husband, Tim, live in Easley, SC, where he is minister of youth and children at Calvary Hill Baptist Church.

Jan Sprinkle '93 and **Patrick Todd Davis** were married in July, 1995. Both are teachers and coaches in Hickory area schools, she at Arndt Middle School and he at Fred T. Foard High School. They live in Morganton.

Susan Dianne Davis '93 and **Mitchell Wayne Whitener** were married in October. She is a sales associate with Estee Lauder Cosmetics at Belk of Mount Airy. He is a N.C. Highway Patrol Officer. They live in Salisbury.

Dunsey La'taze Harper '93 and **Brandy Elkins** were married in June, 1995. He is a police officer with Shelby Police Department. She is employed with Esther Mill. They live in Shelby.

Angela Elaine Fulbright Hicks '93 and her husband, Dale, announce the birth of a son, Michael Dylan, in January. They live in Connelly Springs, NC.

Rhonda Michelle Mode '93 was married to Gregory Scott Jackson in May in Gatlinburg, TN. She is director of nursing at White Oak Manor in Shelby. He is employed by Sunset Memorial Park. They live in Forest City.

David Ramsey '93 is account executive with Dickinson & Co. He lives in Matthews.

Robin Anessa Vassey '93 married Dennis Robert Edwards in May, 1995. She was also promoted to assistant manager with AVCO Financial Services. They live in Shelby.

Tina Suddreth Hart '92 was married in August 1995 to Edward T. Hart, II. She is employed by Foothills Area Program as an Emergency Services case manager and clinician. They live in Granite Falls.

George A. Nuhrah '92 married Stephanie Thompson June 17, 1995. He is employed by Victorian Rose. They live in Gastonia.

Terri Wilhelm Reid '92 was married to Alan Jordan Reid on May 20, 1995. She is a credit

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analyst with Ingersoll-Rand Company. They live in Huntersville.

Michael Todd Duncan '92 was married to Wendy Carol Coats in August 1995. He is a research scientist at Clemson Technical Center. They live in Pendleton, S.C.

Winnie Lee Johnson '92 was married to Alan Keith Hall in September. She is employed with CMI Industries as a computer programmer analyst. They live in Burnsville.

Alanda Michelle Kindley '92 married Stanley Curenton on October 21. She is employed with the finance department at Laurens Co. Disabilities and Special Needs. They live in Greenwood, SC.

Michelle Renee Newman '92 married Danny Wayne Roseman in October. She is employed by Abernathy Center in Newton as director of social work. They live in Newton.

Patricia Dawn Turner '92 is now minister of education and senior adults for Durham Memorial Baptist Church. She lives in Durham.

Robert E. Armour Jr. '91 was elected to the Burke Co. Board of Education in November for a four-year term.

Joy E. Cole '91 graduated from Life College in Marietta, GA, with a Doctor of Chiropractic degree. She also passed the N.C. State Chiropractic Boards in June 1995. She lives in Gastonia.

Jerry Dean Greene Jr. '91 married Pamela Sue Burleson in May 1995 in Shelby. He is employed by United Financial Services Inc. They live in Shelby.

Crystal Hamrick '91 was approved by the N.C. Board of CPA Examiners to practice as a Certified Public Accountant in North Carolina. She lives in Asheville.

June McGuinn Jones '91 graduated from Winthrop University with an MBA in May 1995 and was promoted to human resources manager with Wix Corp. in October. She lives in Gastonia.

Karen Dawn Kidd '91 married Kevin Eugene Barker on July 15, 1995. She attends UNC-Greensboro and is employed by Stokes Co. Schools. They live in King, NC.

Deaths

Jack Richards '91 was promoted to lead construction manager with Plantation Homes in Austin, TX. He lives in Austin.

Shirley Ann Allen, RN, MSN '90 is now nurse manager of Family Services at Lake Norman Regional Medical Center. She and her husband, William, live in Yadkinville.

Joe Scott Alverson '90 was married on July 22, 1995, to Marcia Grant. He is a chaplain at St. Joseph's Hospital in Lexington, KY. They live in Lexington.

Russell Thomas Carroll '90 was married in Winston-Salem on October 14, 1995, to Ann Whitaker. He is an assistant golf professional for Pine Brook Country Club. They live in Rural Hall, NC.

Greg Comer '90 was married August 26 to Angela Pyles in Winston-Salem. He is an assistant golf professional at Pine Brook Country Club. They live in Winston-Salem.

Robert Jones '90 was named pastor at Salemburg Baptist Church. He and his wife, Cheryl, have a son, David.

Johnnie Lynn Anderson McGimsey '90 was named branch manager, banking officer for Wachovia Bank of NC. She and her husband, Mike, live in Morganton.

Stanley Everette Green '24 died January 29 in Boiling Springs.

Veola Jolley '24 passed away October 17, 1995, at Rutherford Hospital.

Bentha Kendrick '26 died November 8, 1995, at Rutherford Hospital.

Homer Alexander McCreary '31 died November 2, 1995, in Landis, NC.

Eloise Green '32 died December 16, 1995, at Crawley Hospital in Boiling Springs.

The Rev. William Lawrence Blanton '38 died November 10, 1995, in Burgaw, NC.

Thomas Plato Lee '40 died January 18 at Cleveland Regional Medical Center in Shelby.

Macie Jeannette Morehead '46 passed away January 23 at Rutherford Hospital.

Dr. Worth Talmadge Bridges Jr. '47 of Troutman, NC, died November 27, 1995.

Jack D. Edwards '49 of Raleigh, NC, passed away November 16, 1995.

Clifford Lewis Holland '49 died September 13, 1995 at Forsyth Hospital in Winston-Salem.

Hilton Eades '50 passed away October 26, 1995, at Rex Hospital in Raleigh, NC.

Peggy Love Jones Ware '52 died December 4, 1995, at her home in Shelby.

Jim Harris '58 died February 2 at his home in Mullins, W.VA.

Hazel McSwain '64 passed away February 29 at her home in Newton, NC.

Deborah Humphries '69 died January 8 at Cleveland Regional Medical Center in Shelby.

Hoke Blackwelder '71 died February 26 at his home in Cherryville, NC.

Ray Hill Craig '74 died September 27, 1995 at his home in Salisbury, NC.

Evelyn Sue Hamrick White '74 passed away November 1, 1995, at her home in Shelby.

The Rev. James Pompey '93 passed away March 1 at his home in Kings Mountain, NC.

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Ina Rufus Stutts, a member of the Gardner-Webb Board of Advisors, passed away December

Kimberly Jones Proctor '90 is a seventh grade exceptional children's teacher at Crest Middle School. She and her husband, Daniel, have two children, Zachary Sutton and Autumn Michelle, and live in Shelby.

Stanford Moody Shoffner '90 was married May 20, 1995, to Leanne Jessup. He is a purchasing agent for Armtex Inc. in Pilot Mountain. They live in Pilot Mountain.

Kathy Williamson, RN, BSN '90 has been named director of

education at Davis Community Hospital.

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