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Premiere To Benefit G-W Student Aid

Proceeds of the Feb. 14 world premiere of the new Johnny Cash film "Gospel Road" will go to Gardner-Webb's Annual Fund, and through it, directly to student aid.

Cash has requested that Gardner-Webb sponsor the premiere, to be held at the Charlotte, N. C., Sesiaperk Cinema I, and use the proceeds to financially assist worthy students in securing a Christian education.

The film, subtitled "A Story of Jesus, Told in Song By Johnny Cash," was produced by

the famed musician and singer himself and was filmed in the Holy Land. It is narrated by Cash and stars his wife, June Carter Cash, as Mary Magdalene, and Robert Elstrom as Jesus Christ. It is a simplistic, beautiful portrayal of the life of Christ, shot in music and drama. Twentieth Century Fox is handling commercial distribution of the film, which will begin runs in movie theaters after the premiere.

Cash and his wife will be in Charlotte for the

premiere, and plan to introduce the film and present their own Christian testimony.

Gardner-Webb conferred an honorary doctor's degree upon Cash several months ago in recognition of his humanitarian efforts in such fields as penal reform, prisoner rehabilitation and drug abuse prevention.

College President E. Eugene Poston was invited to Nashville, Tenn., last October to see a private preview of the film for friends and associates.

Cash's request that G-W be allowed to sponsor the premiere followed. He stated his belief in the college's purpose of Christian education and his desire to help students in their quest for it.

The student aid fund is allocated on the basis of need. Among other purposes, benefit proceeds can provide an alternate aid source for students who did not receive as much assistance this year as expected from the National Direct Student Loan fund program, which has been cut back.

Tickets for the premiere were not being sold, although friends of the college were being asked to be sponsors of the event with contributions to the student aid fund.

College Boards Elect Officers

Gardner-Webb College's Board of Trustees and its Board of Advisors elected new officers at late November meetings.

R. Patrick Spangler, Shelby businessman, was re-elected chairman of the trustees. He twice has served as national chairman of college capital fund drives.

Mrs. Nash Stroup of Shelby was named vice chairman. Other officers are Miss Charlotte Stoney of Fuquita, N. C., secretary; H. Paul Bridges of Cliffside, N. C., assistant secretary; Charles I. Dover of Shelby, treasurer; and L. R. Herrill of Raleigh, N. C., assistant treasurer.

Eleven new trustees were installed, including two named to fill unexpired terms.

The board of advisors' new president is

Donald Warren, Rutherford County businessman. Other officers are J. V. Schweppe of Shelby, vice chairman; Bill Gibbons of Gaffney, S. C., secretary; and John L. (Buck) Freely of Cherryville, N. C., assistant secretary.

In the organizational meeting, advisors also named committees and committee chairmen. They are Schweppe, chairman of the executive committee; Earl Spangler of Shelby, finance committee chairman; Clyde Statton of Shelby, public relations committee chairman; Alan T. Wilkox of Charlotte, N. C., curriculum committee chairman; Mrs. Richard Rice of Greenville, S. C., tone and character committee chairman; and James Mattox, communications committee chairman.

Scruggs To Appear

Gardner-Webb's student aid fund will benefit from a performance by another famous entertainer in February.

Earl Scruggs, a Cleveland County native and brother of Boonie Scruggs, superintendent of G-W's buildings and grounds, will appear in campus concert at 8:30 p.m. Feb. 19 in East Gym.

The show will feature the entertainer and the Earl Scruggs Revue, as a program uniquely combining rock, spiritual, country and western music.

The public is invited and all proceeds will go directly to the G-W student aid fund.

General admission and reserved seat tickets will be available at the door for \$3 and \$4. Ad versus tickets can be secured for \$2 and \$3. Contact the student office for information.

Scruggs, renowned for his three finger banjo picking style, has remained close to his native community and has long held a deep interest in G-W's progress.



DONALD WARREN
...heads Board of Advisors



JOHNNY CASH ... shown as he received an honorary doctorate on the G-W campus.

Michael H. Martin '68 lives in Raleigh, N. C., and is a salesman for Delphi Hardware & Specialty Co. He was married last June to Miss Frances Kaye Gibson of Charlotte, who's now the manager of a clothing shop in Raleigh.

70. Tony Parviz '70 is teaching at Jonesville High School near Sparta, N.C. He coaches the junior varsity basketball team and will be coaching with the football team next season.

Larry Smith '71 has been promoted to assistant manager of the Huntersville, N. C., Food Town Super Market. He and his wife, the former Linda Thompson, have one daughter. He serves Berea Baptist Church as deacon and Sunday School superintendent.

Three members of Gardner-Webb's Class of 1971 participated in "An Evening Of Drama" last November on the campus of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, where they're now enrolled. Roles in Thornton Wilder's classic play "Mosses of Red Dawn's Cry" were played by Linda Vancecum of Greensboro, N. C. and Lewis Hayes of Spartanburg. S. C. Also presented was the premiere performance of "Fired On The Right," an original monologue written by Rita Vicki Justice, GWC alumna of Rutherfordton, N. C.

Carmen Stitzer Jordan '71 of Spartanburg, S. C., and Jack Fulton Reynolds were married in August last year. They're making their home in Spartanburg, where she has been attending Spartanburg County Technical Education Center.

Martha Ruth Bryan '71 received a master of arts degree in counselor education at Appalachian State University last August. She is employed as director of student life for women at Ferrum College in Ferrum, Va.

Larry F. Massey '72 is employed by the Internal Revenue Service in Washington, D. C. He works in the service center programming branch, which writes programs and instructs the 10 service centers in the United States how to process tax returns. He formerly was a computer operator in Arlington, Va.

Linda Jean Johnson '72 is a social worker at the MEH Home campus in Thomasville, N. C. Her primary responsibility is maintaining liaison between children in care at the home and their families.

Gail Elizabeth Turner '72 and Alan Houston Mayhew '72 were married last August in Gastonia. They are making their home in Charlotte, N. C., where he is an assistant branch bank manager.

Linda Vancecum '71 writes about a gathering held last November at Wake Forest, N. C. for all Southeastern Seminary students who had attended Gardner-Webb.

Tommy Moore '71 and Bill Neely '71 thought it would be a great idea. They quickly put their idea in motion. Letters were sent out, contacts were made by telephone, and the get-together was held.

Attending were Yvonne Aube '66, Iva Skumatec '68, Tommy Moore '71 and his wife Letitia, Bill and Wanda Neely '71, Thomas Ritter '71 and his wife Marge, Charlie Morrison '71 and his wife Kay, Wade Deffinger '71, James Hill '71, Rita Justice '71, Sam Murphy '71, Linda Vancecum '71, Vickie Bennett '72, Steve Fish '72 and his wife Darlene. There are several other GWC alumni at Southeastern (including former faculty members) who were not able to attend. Everyone enjoyed the meal of hotcakes and fried chicken while reminiscing about the "good ole days" in Heding Springs.



TRUSTEES MEET—Shown at a recent organizational meeting of Gardner-Webb's trustees are, left to right, A. T. Wilhrow of Charlotte, recently named to a new four-year term on the board; L. R. Harrell of Raleigh, assistant treasurer of the board; R. Patrick Spangler of Shelby, trustee chairman; Mrs. Ruth Stroup of Shelby, vice chairman; Miss Charlene Stacey of Palestine, secretary; and H. Paul Bridger of Cliffside, assistant secretary.

Campus Calendar

- Feb. 10 Basketball, GWC vs Belmont Abbey . Belmont 8:00 p.m.
- Feb. 10 VIP Day for visiting student prospects 10:00 a.m.
- Feb. 14 World Premiere, "Gospel Road" Charlotte
- Feb. 15 Basketball, GWC vs UNC-A Charlotte 6:00 p.m.
- Feb. 17 Basketball, GWC vs Western Car. Home 7:30 p.m.
- Feb. 19 Earl Scruggs Revue Bost Gym 8:30 p.m.
- Feb. 20 Basketball, GWC vs Catawba Home 7:30 p.m.
- *Feb. 24 Basketball, GWC vs Guilford. Charlotte 7:00 p.m.
- Mar. 5-9 Spring Holidays

*Welcome, Alumni

The college is planning a get-together for G-W alumni and friends Feb. 24 at Charlotte Coliseum, where the Bulldogs will be playing Guilford College in advance of a game between the Carolina Cougars and the Denver Rockets. A Bulldog Room will be open adjacent to the coliseum press room and you're invited to drop in before the game, at half-time, and after the game's over, for light refreshment and fellowship with college officials, players and coaches. Charlotte and Greensboro alumni are especially invited, along with all members of the Bulldog Club. If you'd like to buy advance game tickets, write the alumni office on campus for information.

Keeping Track

The college alumni office lists addresses for the former students listed below. If you know their mailing address, or know someone who does, please contact the director of alumni activities. Your help will be appreciated.

G. Ted Armstrong '66, Dale Bliss '66, Robert E. Boston '69, Mrs. David T. Brown (Margaret D. Page '67), Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Calkin (Betty J. Jones) '63, Mrs. George R. Cox '63; Mr. and Mrs. James Crocker '66; Charles W. DeLoeff '64; James O. Davis III '67; Kay Elizabeth Douglas '67; Mrs. Robert W. Downing (Marion C. Bagnall '62); Russell W. Drum '66; William Christy Eaker '67; Nina Eaker '66, Mrs. David E. Ferrald (Judith A. Mintz) '62; Billy Funderburke '67; Joseph Timothy Gibson '66; the Rev. and Mrs. E. O. Gore '67; George Waddo Gosse '66; Rozette Harrell '46; the Rev. John O. Hicks '16; Mrs. Leroy Keith Hines (Mary Jane Cobb) '67; Larry A. Hogan '67; and Ervin A. Huffsticker '57.

In Memoriam

David K. Allen '24 of Hickory, N. C. died Nov. 15, 1972, at the age of 71. A former Gardner-Webb College Trustee, he was the retired head of the Hickory branch of Stateville Flour Mills.

Atlie Lawrence Blossey '31 of Hickory, N. C., died Dec. 2, 1972 at the age of 65. He was president of Blossey Furniture Home and a former partner in Panzeron Manufacturing Co.

Charles Larry Gosse '67 died Oct. 14, 1972, at the age of 25. He was employed in the data processing department of Burlington Industries in High Point.

Reading Help

The importance of reading skills has been given added dimension for Gardner-Webb College students. A new course, Communications 101, was added to the curriculum for the second semester.

The purpose of the course is to help the student with a reading problem which is great enough to restrict or interfere with his learning at Gardner-Webb. Only students identified as having reading problems are accepted for this course.

The course is structured to give individual help to each student. Participants are tested to determine strengths and weaknesses. Specific weaknesses in word recognition, comprehension, and study skills will be dealt with.

The course is under the direction of a reading expert, Dr. D. Ralph Schoenkratt. He is an associate professor of education at Gardner-Webb. Before coming to Gardner-Webb in last summer he was a member of the Mixed-Dole Justice College education faculty in one semester at Miami Dade. 2,400 students were enrolled in this same course of instruction that is being offered at Gardner-Webb.



HAPPY BULLDOGS AFTER HOLIDAY TOURNAMENT

Young Team Compiles Good Record

Despite the fact that the Gardner-Webb baseball team is the youngest in the senior college history of the school, it has already compiled a record of 16 wins and four losses, including a holiday tournament title.

Coach Eddie Hoffbeck normally starts one senior, two sophomores and two freshmen in each game. It was this line-up which captured the seventh annual holiday tournament. The young Bulldogs scored an upset 66-59 win over Carson-Newman in the first game and then came roaring back the next night to whip Western Carolina 60-71.

This was the first time since Gardner-Webb became a senior college that the Bulldogs have won their own tournament. The Carson-Newman team came to Boiling Springs with a 9-1 record as it fell to the Bulldogs in the opener.

Other Bulldog wins have come over Livingstone, UNC-Asheville, Western Carolina, Pikeville, Ky., Tennessee Wesleyan, Shaw University, St. Augustine and Allen University. Gardner-Webb has lost games to Belmont Abbey, Catawba, Lenoir Rhyne and Carson-Newman.

Two youngsters, freshman John Drew and sophomore Jim Binkley, are leading the Bulldog scoring race. Binkley is averaging 26 points per game and Drew is pumping the nets at 23 points per outing.

January and February are the big months for the Bulldogs, highlighted by a six-day trip to Hawaii at the end of January. Also included in the final games are some important tilts in the Charlotte Coliseum with Guilford and UNC Asheville.