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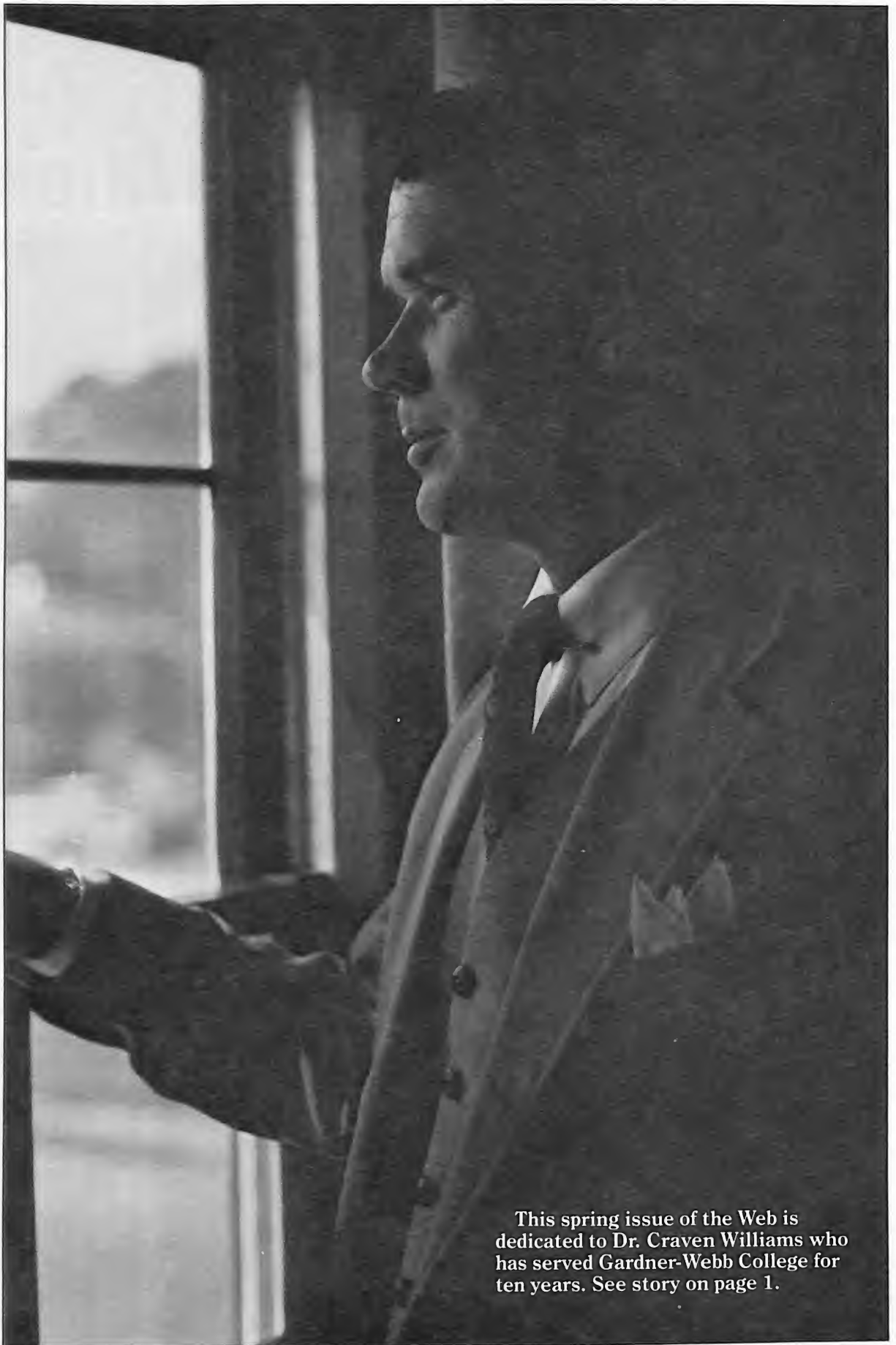
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This spring issue of the Web is dedicated to Dr. Craven Williams who has served Gardner-Webb College for ten years. See story on page 1.

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A Decade of Service

He opened doors, impacted lives

Dr. Craven Williams's 10-year review fact sheet (pg.) clearly states the progress that Gardner-Webb College has experienced under his leadership. At the end of June, his decade of service and leadership will end. The college, though, will always be indebted to Dr. Williams for his contributions to the school in a great time of growth.

When he came on board as the ninth president of G-W in 1976, the school had only been a four-year institution for six years.

Two years later, in 1978, Dr. Williams told the board of trustees in a formal statement, that it was time for Gardner-Webb to do more than pay lip service to the principle of independent education.

"It is time to set an example, to be that voice which does more than cry in the wilderness," Dr. Williams said. "A reaffirmation of independence blends harmoniously with the very essence of this college and its mission."

The idea of not receiving federal aid did not originate with Dr. Williams, but he spoke out for and put into action the idea.

"We build all our buildings, purchase all our equipment, operate all our programs and activities entirely with private funds," he said.

With that statement as a foundation, he led the college into bigger projects, better buildings and innovative curriculum. All was done independently and with only private funds.

The Biblical Recorder August 7, 1976 issue said upon Dr. Williams's election, "We join alumni and friends of Gardner-Webb in welcoming him to the 'college family' of North Carolina Baptists—a family which will be strengthened by his presence."

The Gardner-Webb family has been strengthened greatly by the presence of Dr. Craven Williams. The facts are easy to read, but the facts do not tell the whole story.

Employees and peers during Dr. Williams's decade see him as a leader who opened doors, liked to win and impacted lives. Following are the comments of a few who have worked closely with Dr. Williams.

"Craven Williams has made an indelible mark on Gardner-Webb College, and in the process, he has impacted lives...lives of faculty and students, trustees, Gardner-Webb family and friends," said Lynn Harand, assistant to the president. "He has shared his knowledge and expertise, his wisdom and insight, his wit and charm."

"However, above all he has demonstrated that he genuinely cares for people. Other's needs, other's concerns come first. As he has encouraged students to become servant leaders in their chosen professions, certainly they have seen that a prime example of such leadership was right before their eyes. Truly he is one of the finest."



M. Henry Garrity, vice president of college relations and athletic director, said, "I have known Craven Williams for 25 years and never have I known a harder worker or competitor. He wants to win at everything. Gardner-Webb College shows the results of his winning spirit."

"I came to Gardner-Webb because of Craven's commitment to Christian higher education. His belief that education at G-W could be on par with the best, namely Wake Forest, Davidson, and Campbell, and not lose the best of our Baptist heritage is worth working for. He took a budding four-year college and made it into a first class college academically and athletically."

"It is a joy to work with a leader not for a leader."

"During the decade that Dr. Craven Williams has been president of Gardner-Webb College, we have seen growth in

many areas," said Dr. Paul Jolley, chairman of the department of mathematical sciences. "The most noticeable areas are the GOAL program, the programs for the visually impaired and hearing impaired, and the continued increase in the number of faculty with terminal degrees."

"His leadership through a maturing stage of the college has been greatly appreciated."

Dr. Larry Sale, assistant academic vice president for special studies, said, "Dr. Williams has provided visionary leadership for the advancement of Gardner-Webb College during the past decade. His most significant accomplishment is reflected in the increased visibility of Gardner-Webb College as a qualitative, responsive academic institution within the geographic region."

Dr. John Drayer, vice president for academic affairs, gave this report: "Dr. Craven E. Williams will complete ten years of remarkable leadership as president of Gardner-Webb, June 30, 1986. Those of us who remember his arrival in late summer 1976 can recall the buoyant optimism which swept the campus when we were made aware of the new president's dreams and plans for Gardner-Webb. As this decade closes, it is entirely appropriate to exult in all that has come to pass as fulfillment of those dreams."

"One of Dr. Williams's standards for himself is that he be a person who opens doors for people. He is a gentleman, but opening doors is far more than a courteous act. Providing opportunity for growth, challenge, and fulfillment is the focus of his standard."



Graduation

Pennell Speaks, Smith Receives Doctorate



From l to r: Dr. John Drayer, Dr. Craven Williams, and Dr. Tim Pennell.

Graduation ceremonies at Gardner-Webb College were held May 10 at the Lutz-Yelton Convocation Center. Three hundred thirty-seven graduates received diplomas. Timothy Pennell, M.D. was the guest speaker.

Hobart C. Smith received the honorary doctor of humanities degree and Mrs. Dorothy Edwards was named registrar emeritus. Four faculty and staff members retired.

Dr. Pennell is a professor of surgery and director of International Health Affairs at Bowman Gray School of Medicine in Winston-Salem, N.C. He is a former trustee of Gardner-Webb and participated on the recent presidential search committee for the college.

He holds a bachelor's degree from Wake Forest University and a doctorate from Bowman Gray School of Medicine. He has done additional study at Bowman Gray through an internship and residencies.

Dr. Pennell is the recipient of the "Golden Apple Award" from Bowman Gray, the Gold Medal Award from the Southeastern Surgical Congress, the Silver Medallion from the American College of Surgeons, and the "Service to Mankind Award" from Sertoma International, as well as numerous other awards.

He has held visiting professorships at 33 schools including the University of Malaysia, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Medical University of Hong Kong, and the Institute of Cancer of Paraguay.

A publisher of numerous articles, Dr. Pennell has also developed three movie and video tape presentations.

Smith, president of Hobart Smith Companies of Charlotte, is being awarded the honorary doctorate degree for his long-time service to the college.

As a member of G-W's board of trustees, he has served as the board's chairman and vice-chairman, chairman of the finance committee, chairman of the property committee and chairman of the executive committee.

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dr. Craven E. Williams

Gardner-Webb College



Decades have a disturbing way of appearing on the horizons before us, even as they have a disturbing way of disappearing on the horizons behind us. As 1985-86 gives way to 1986-87 I become acutely aware of just how brief a ten year period of time can be.

The years between 1976 and 1986 will be indelibly imprinted in my mind as a decade of adventure, excitement, challenge and opportunity. In the years ahead the tiring and exasperating elements of that decade will easily pass from memory. That which will remain will be the thrill and inspiration of working with and for people who make the Gardner-Webb College family a very special and intimate place to reside.

However, even as we nostalgically consider the past decade, I am eagerly aware of the excitement and opportunities the future holds for those who will constitute the Gardner-Webb family in the future. The arrival of Dr. Chris White launches a new era in the history of the College. I am honored that my name will be listed with the names of Davis, Wall, Jenkins, Lovelace, Burnett, Cantrell, Elliott, and Poston. I am very pleased that the next name will be White, because we can see in his background and accomplishments all of the elements necessary to make an effective educational administrator. I will follow with great interest and appreciation the accomplishments of this College in the years ahead. Just as I am grateful for the eight presidents who preceded me at Gardner-Webb College, I will always be grateful for the members of the faculty, staff, alumni and friends who, throughout these ten years, have provided me and my family with the companionship, collegiality and friendship which have made these ten years most memorable.

My heartfelt best wishes are with you who will continue the important mission of Gardner-Webb College.

Sincerely,

Craven Williams

Craven E. Williams

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He rotated off the board December, 1985. Smith received his professional education from Burlington Business College and the American Institute of Banking.

Mrs. Edwards served G-W for 38 years as registrar and assistant to the dean of admissions before retiring in June 1984.

The college paid tribute to four retiring employees during the ceremonies. Retiring were: Mrs. Novella Blanton, Dr. Bettye Carpenter, Mrs. Joy Sandifer, and Mrs. Mary Jones.

Mrs. Blanton served the college for nine years as the assistant to the vice president for business and finance.

Dr. Carpenter joined the G-W faculty in 1965 as a professor of psychology. She is a 1941 graduate of G-W.

Mrs. Sandifer has served the college as the reference librarian since 1967. She and her husband, Charley, will be going into



Dr. Williams was honored by members of the faculty and staff for his ten years of service during commencement exercises.

mission work following her retirement.

Mary Jones has served the G-W staff since 1970 in the cataloging department of the library.

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"Many individuals have been afforded the opportunity to experience first-hand the willingness of Dr. Williams to be their door opener. Innumerable students, parents, staff members, trustees, advisory board members, faculty, donors, and friends of Gardner-Webb have been given opportunities to do tasks for themselves, the college, their profession, and their communities because Dr. Williams opened the door of possibility for them."



"In a corporate sense, Dr. Williams has opened doors for Gardner-Webb. We have gone through the thresholds of our programs for the deaf, the blind, and other physically handicapped students. We have ventured far and wide in the GOAL and graduate programs."



"Splendid opportunities have been afforded those whose generosity has been channeled into gifts to Gardner-Webb."



"Doors have been opened by Dr. Williams to enable the college to launch educational programs in nursing (B.S.N.), communications, computer science, developmental studies, and interpreter training. Various other challenges have been made possible for growth through the Broyhill and Morris Academies and the Summer Enrichment program."



"When all opened doors (more numerous than have been mentioned here) are recounted, it does appear that Dr. Williams has more than fulfilled the promise of his coming. He leaves but the departure is itself an invitation to the college to continue opening doors for others and accepting the challenge of the doors left open before us. Just such a challenge may be seen in the recently completed self-study. More than anything else, the self-study provides Gardner-Webb a plethora of further opportunity for growth and development. We can thank Dr. Williams for this style of open door leadership."



Barry Hartis, vice president for business and finance said, "It has been a joy to have worked for Dr. Williams during the last ten years. He has provided an atmosphere in his management style that has allowed his staff to express their thoughts openly and have them considered fully. He has been a 'class act'."



The Gardner-Webb College graduating class of 1986.

Programs

The Facts Tell the Story

The Biblical Recorder praised Dr. Craven Williams when he was elected as the ninth president of Gardner-Webb College. They said, "Gardner-Webb College's new president... seems to have an ideal background for the president of a Baptist college. He is an ordained Baptist minister on one hand and has high educational credentials and experience on the other. At this stage in Gardner-Webb's

history, this combination seems to be most appropriate."

For ten years, the combination has been appropriate in that the college has experienced phenomenal growth under Dr. Williams's leadership.

Following is a ten year review fact sheet that highlights the college's growth with Dr. Williams as president.

FACT SHEET TEN-YEAR REVIEW

General	1975-76	1985-86
Endowment (Book Value)	\$1,500,000	\$ 4,145,000
Total Capital Assets	9,336,455	15,045,000
Operating Budget	4,315,336	11,314,320
*Total Giving (All Sources)	345,913	2,252,525
Alumni Giving	12,360	118,433
Comprehensive Fee	2,830	6,480
All Ranks Average Cash Salary	11,988	22,884
Full-Time Faculty	73	94
Faculty with Earned Doctorates (or dissertations in progress)	24	65
Student Enrollment	1,419	1,830
Library		
Collection	86,639	412,042
Budget (Books and Periodicals)	53,809	124,321
Expenditures per Student	37.92	67.93

*Since 1977 more than \$12 million has been raised from private sources to support college programs, activities and facilities, and nearly \$1 million of capital indebtedness has been retired.

Program Development

- 1978 Established GOAL Program (Greater Opportunity for Adult Learners). GOAL Centers now operate in twelve locations serving 509 degree-seeking students.
- 1978 Established Degree Program for the Deaf. Through the use of interpreters, note-takers and tutors all college programs are available to the hearing impaired. All campus facilities now served by an innovative inductive loop system which enables hearing impaired students, with residual hearing, to use hearing aids with special wireless transmitters.
- 1978 Established Radio Reading Service for the visually impaired using campus radio station.
- 1979 Established Broyhill Academy for the Study of Independent Concepts (BASIC). This is an independently endowed program sponsoring workshops, lectures, and residential programs

designed to heighten citizen awareness of the merits of independence, individuality and autonomy.

1980 Established Summer Enrichment Experience (SEE). This is an on-campus summer program for academically gifted students in grades six through nine.

1980 Established the first Master of Arts Program designed primarily for those currently teaching in public schools. Degrees are offered in Early Childhood, Middle School, Health and Physical Education and Reading.

1981 Established Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Program (BSN) in addition to Associate Degree Nursing (ADN).

1981 Established Gardner-Webb College Press, Inc. as a separately chartered, for-profit corporation. This corporation purchased *The Foothills View*, a commercial weekly newspaper.

1982 Established B.E. Morris Academy for Christian Studies to extend the services of the college into the community, serving churches, the denomination, and individuals.

1983 Established Program for the Blind and Visually Impaired with full range of support services and equipment to facilitate learning.

1984 Established Associate Degree Program in Interpreter Training.

1985 Established academic program in Communications.

Campus Development

- 1978 Renovation of Royster Hall. \$ 110,000
- 1979 Purchase and Renovation of Development House 60,000
- 1979 Construction of four Tennis Courts. 60,000
- 1979 Construction of two Football Practice Fields and Baseball Fields 35,000
- 1981 Construction of Lutz-Yelton Convocation Center 4,100,000
- 1981 Construction of Kathleen Dover Memorial Gardens. 35,000
- 1984 Renovation of Gardner-Webb's Davis School of Nursing 86,000
- 1985 Renovation of Elliott Hall. 229,000
- 1985 Renovation of Decker Dorm. 300,000
- 1985 Purchase and renovation of Beason property. 105,000

Convocation Series Begins



From l to r: Dr. Alistair Walker, Harold Bearden, Mrs. Essie Bearden, Vernon Snipes, and Dr. Craven Williams.

The first convocation of the W. Clyde Bearden Convocation Lecture Series was held at Gardner-Webb College April 15. Alistair Walker, pastor of First Baptist Church, Spartanburg, was the guest speaker.

"I think it's one of the greatest ways to honor my husband since this is his alma mater," Mrs. Essie Bearden said. "He loved young people and dedicated his life to preaching to youth."

G-W's ministerial board attended the service. Special guests attending included the wife of the late Clyde Bearden, Mrs. Essie Bearden, and son Harold Bearden as well as other Bearden family members.

Also, Vernon Snipes attended. He is the initiator of the endowed fund used to produce the convocation series, which will become an annual event.

He chose to honor the memory of Bearden in this way because of Bearden's character and dedication to the church and community.

"It is very gratifying to see such a great man honored by such a fine institution," Snipes said.

Snipes, a classmate of Bearden's at Gardner-Webb, is a Morganton resident. Bearden served as Snipes's pastor from 1948-59 at the Mount Home Baptist Church in Morganton.

"He was always very interested in the school and I think he would be very flattered with what Vernon has established," Harold Bearden said.

A minister and N.C. Baptist leader for over 40 years, Bearden served churches in Greensboro, Morganton, Asheboro, Charlotte, and Kings Mountain. He served at First Baptist Church, Kings Mountain from 1974 until his death in 1982.

Bearden was active in community and local level ministerial organizations. He served as vice president and president of the N.C. Pastors' Conference and served four-year terms as a G-W trustee and member of the college's ministerial board of associates.

"To be a trustee is an honor bestowed by The Baptist State Convention of North Carolina," said Dr. Craven Williams, president of Gardner-Webb. "No one deserved that honor more than Mr. Bearden.

"His life reminds us of the important

role our lives can play when we give that life in service to others."

His personal library, consisting of some 1500 volumes, has been donated to G-W, where he earned his associate's degree in 1950. He later earned a bachelor's degree from Lenoir-Rhyne College and did additional study at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Speakers for the series are selected by a committee of G-W administrators and a member of the Bearden family.



Dr. Alistair Walker.

Heritage Club to Meet

Mr. George Blanton, Jr., chairman of the endowment development committee, recently announced plans for the annual dinner meeting of the Heritage Club of Gardner-Webb College. This meeting, which is scheduled for June 17, will be hosted by Dr. and Mrs. Christopher White. The Heritage Club includes those friends of Gardner-Webb who are helping build more adequate endowment resources

through gifts or by naming the college in their will, insurance program, or in a charitable trust.

Anyone not yet a member of the Heritage Club who has included Gardner-Webb in their estate plans is requested to notify the president or director of endowment development so that they may be included among those invited to the dinner.

Business Manager Resigns

Barry D. Hartis has resigned his position as vice president for business and finance at Gardner-Webb College. Hartis will be leaving the college after 10 years of service to become vice president of College of the Albemarle in Elizabeth City, North Carolina.

In his position, he has been responsible for all business and financial affairs of the college including purchasing, cafeteria and bookstore operations. He also has supervised the campus buildings and grounds.

"During the past ten years the operating budget for Gardner-Webb College has grown from \$4.5 million to \$11.6 million," said Dr. Craven Williams, G-W president. "Management of financial resources has been a key area of responsibility.

"We have been most fortunate to have had Mr. Hartis's talents available in such a significant post. He has served the college

well beyond the normal definitions of a formal job description."

A native of Kannapolis, N.C., Hartis is a graduate of A.L. Brown high school. He completed business administration studies at Evans Business College and earned a bachelor's degree from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

Prior to joining the staff at G-W Hartis was a certified public accountant (CPA) for the firm of Ernst & Ernst in Charlotte. He has also served as cost accountant for Morton Frozen Foods in Concord.

He is a member of the American Institute of CPAs, the North Carolina Association of CPAs, and the Boiling Springs Lions Club.

He is married to Dianne Sides Hartis, a 1985 graduate of Gardner-Webb. They have two daughters, Pam, also a 1985 graduate of G-W and Melissa.

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Programs

New President Speaks Out

Here for the Long Haul



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"I acknowledge that it will probably be the most difficult thing I will ever do because of the expectations on time and the expectations of people of what I will be able to do."



"I have acted very much like Brer Rabbit up to this point. I've just been laying low."

Dr. Christopher White says that if someone would have asked him one year ago what kind of school he wanted to be president of, he would have said the following:

1. A school that is located near Georgia, for family reasons,
2. A school that is obviously Southern Baptist, and
3. A school that caters to the kind of person I am and the kind of environment that I came out of.

"I guess you put all that together and there is only one school like that—Gardner-Webb College," Dr. White said.

Dr. White will take over the reigns as president of the college officially July 1.

"I acknowledge that it is going to be probably the most difficult thing I will ever do," he said. "There is so much to learn, it's phenomenal."

Dr. White comes to G-W from Elon College where he served as vice president. Other positions he held there since 1972 include professor of religion, chairman of the department of religion, associate dean and dean of academic affairs, and director of summer school.

Dr. White holds a bachelor's degree from Mercer University, a master's degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and a doctorate from Emory University. He is an ordained minister and has held pastorates in Georgia, Kentucky and North Carolina.

As vice president at Elon his responsibilities included supervision of all academic programs, student affairs programs, admissions and financial planning, and academic support services. He also worked with budget preparation and college marketing programs.

The trustees and college family feel confident that Dr. White is very capable of

taking over as president at this time. Hobart Smith, chairman of the seven member search committee said, "We feel that we have the right person for this time in Gardner-Webb history."

Dr. White also feels confident. "I am confident that this is what I ought to do and to me, it is one of those situations that when the opportunity came, there was never a question of turning it down."

"To leave a very secure position at a very successful college is an act of real faith, it's a chance and there is a risk involved because the possibilities are enormous."

"I suspect I could give you a global view of what I want Gardner-Webb to become, but it would probably be inaccurate because I'm not yet here."

Dr. White's plans for the college take a broad, objective view, but his opinions are well thought out and sincere.

"I suspect I could give you a global view of what I want Gardner-Webb to become, but it would probably be inaccurate because I'm not yet here," he said.

He gave six priorities for his first season as president: learning the people and the system, admissions, campus beautification, programs, student life, and name recognition.

First of all, he said that he wants to find out what is going on and how the college works.

"I'm sure that when I take office, I will be besieged with well wishers and people who want things done," he said. "But in reality, an institution as large as Gardner-Webb is very much like an ocean liner. We

can change directions but it will be slowly and deliberately."

Admissions is high on the list of priorities. "The bottom line is that we've got to have students," he said.

In reference to campus beautification he said that G-W is basically a fine campus, but is lacking some of the "niceties, like ivy and brick sidewalks."

In the area of academic programs, he says that he does not see any major changes. "I am impressed with the academic programs in the sense that they are all here," he said. "There are no major gaps."

He plans to hear both extremes when it comes to student life and find what is truth and what should be truth. "Somewhere in the middle, this school has its heritage and probably its future," Dr. White said. "We have to find that balance for the future."

He also said that outside Cleveland county, the name Gardner-Webb College is not known as well as he would like for it to be. "We've got a serious name recognition problem," he said. "We're going to have to find all sorts of ways to publicize who we are."

Dr. White has formed his opinions during several campus visits; some announced and some unannounced.

He pointed out several good qualities that he has noticed about G-W. "The number of things that I've seen confirm what I thought in the process of interviewing for the position and deciding whether to come," he said.

He is very impressed with the faculty. "Gardner-Webb has a reputation for having a very caring, teaching-oriented faculty," he said. "I see those qualities in a large number of the faculty. They have a

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Ministerial Board Honors Abrams



Bob Abrams (l) receives an engraved bronze and walnut plaque from Ed Landrus, chairman of the ministerial board.

Robert Abrams, retired registrar and 23-year employee of Gardner-Webb College, was honored by the ministerial board of associates at their April meeting.

The board awarded Abrams with a walnut and bronze plaque to thank him for his unselfish service to so many.

All total, he served in five administrative positions since his arrival at Gardner-Webb in 1962. He joined the staff as director of promotion after serving 17 years as a Baptist pastor of Sylva Baptist Church in Sylva, N.C., Dearview Baptist Church in Asheville, N.C., and Rising Sun Baptist Church in Rising Sun, IN.

He became the college's director of development in 1965, and in 1967 became the first full-time director of admissions. He was named director of church relations in 1977 and in 1981 took the position of registrar.

As a college administrator, he never lost sight of his call as a minister. He regularly served congregations as interim pastor. He saw his work at Gardner-Webb as an extension of his call to the ministry. He saw it as an effort to prepare students to serve to a greater degree than they could have without education.

In his position as director of church relations, he coordinated the work of the ministerial board, and worked with the members to strengthen the college's relationship with the churches.

In addition to giving a great part of his life to Gardner-Webb, he, along with his brother and two sisters established a scholarship in 1978 in memory of their parents, Fred L. and Sallie N. Abrams, which is given annually to needy and worthy students studying for the ministry.

He holds an associate's degree from Gardner-Webb College, a bachelor's degree from Wake Forest University, and a master's degree from Southern Seminary. He is married to the former Elva Spake of Casar and is the father of four children.

He and his wife continue to live in the Boiling Springs Community and are often seen at Gardner-Webb functions.

The board also donated the book *Research Guide to Biography and Criticism* by Walton Beachem to the G-W library in honor of Dr. Craven Williams.

Alumni and Friends

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commitment to the school, commitment to students, commitment to teaching, and they go the second, third, and fourth mile, whatever it takes.

"That, I love. I would be distraught if it weren't here. I probably wouldn't be here."

He is also impressed with the students, especially with their friendliness and basic attitude. "They seem to be a genuine kind of people," he said. "I like that because I like to think that that is the kind of person I am."

He sees the basic campus as pretty. He says that the football stadium and theater are "gorgeous" and that the Lutz-Yelton Convocation Center is "great." "I don't see any major building projects," he said. "What I see is a beautification of what we have."

"A very positive feature is the library," he said. "Not many can touch the resources available there."

Also, Dr. White is impressed with the growth that the college has experienced under the leadership of Dr. Craven Williams.

"Gardner-Webb has a number of good vital signs. Comparatively speaking, Gardner-Webb is doing all right."

"I think it's wise for him to step down at this time; an act of real insight," Dr. White said. "He's basically done the things he's wanted to do. I feel fortunate to have the opportunity to follow him. Gardner-Webb has a number of good vital signs. Comparatively speaking, Gardner-Webb is doing all right."

Dr. White's family includes his wife Linda Fleming White, a graduate of Tift College and an elementary school teacher, and sons Martin Lynn and Andrew Christopher.

He thinks that it is feasible that he could retire at Gardner-Webb, although he admits that retirement is a long way off for him.

"I think it's very important to commit for a long time," he said. "The idea is that this will be home and we are here for the long haul."

ACF Highlights

The Annual College Fund succeeds each year because of the dedication and work of many people. As the director of Annual Giving at Gardner-Webb, I want to thank *these people for the cooperation and support they have given to their institution.* Randy Mayfield has served for two years as the National Chairperson for the Annual Fund. He has given many hours, phone calls, and personal visits to help make our fund raising efforts successful.

Assisting him are some noteworthy class agents who have written letters to other members of their class encouraging their contributions to Gardner-Webb.

They are:

Boiling Springs High School - Mrs. Donniss Yelton

1931 - Broughton M. Strickland

1934 - Rowell Lane

1935 - Alex Ross

1937 - Dan Moore & Julia H. Clayton

1938 - Minna B. Rice

1943 - Ernest C. Upchurch

1944 - Luci C. Hamrick

1946 - Clarence E. Hampton

1947 - Cothenia Jones Jolley

1948 - Wilburn P. Wellmon

1950 - Dorothy S. Seagraves

1954 - Betty E. Knox

1955 - Victoria Whitelock

1961 - William R. Gooden

1963 - Bobby Deviney

1969 - Otis Mull Meacham

1971 - Jerome R. Boyce

1972 - Allen Dover

1974 - Philip D. Bailey

1975 - Wayne D. Wike, Bob Decker,

Rev. David R. Troutman

1976 - Mary H. Troutman, R. Michael

Flanders

1977 - Steve Maxwell, Dina Braddy,

Bill Baucom

1978 - T. Steven Bolton, Kenneth Lewis,

Ken Kessler

1980 - Charles D. Owens

1981 - Mary Lewis

1984 - Jerome Creach & Annie Ruth Hill

This year we have conducted a series of regional phonothons for the Annual Fund. These have been successful in reaching more alumni and friends and in increasing our alumni participation in giving to their alma mater. The location and volunteers are listed below.

Greenville, S.C. - Evans Whitaker, Julius Pinkston, Randy Mayfield, Dawn Parker, Jami McNeely, *Kim Saine, *Michael Rousseaux, *Tammy Braswell, *Cathy Charles, *Sharon Stott

Greensboro - Ann Hardy, Jim Royals, Craig Meadows

Statesville - Lee Fincannon, Max Padgett, Grace Wiley, Beavey Gaither, Gene Abercrombie, Robert Livingstone, Donald Norris

Hickory - Ron Lindler, Emma Jean Herman, Norma Stillwell, Max Padgett, J.G. Early, Ken Brown

Asheville - G. Hayford Hamby, Jan Brooks, Patricia Roberts, Charles E. Reiley, Janet Reese, Talmadge Roberts, Mary C. Thompson Kiser

Charlotte - Evans Whitaker, John Edgerton, Gray & Mary K. Little, Bruce Bowers, Allen Dover, Forrest Dye, Max Smith

More phonothons are scheduled in Raleigh, coordinated by Steve Simpson; Winston-Salem, coordinated by Ken Warise and Julia Crawley; and Rutherford County, coordinated by Forrest Hunt and Doug Pearson.

A big "Thank you" to all of the alumni, parents, and Board members who have given so graciously of their time (and money) to help us with the Annual College Fund.

Dianne Ledbetter
Director of Annual College Fund
and Alumni Affairs

*students

Alumni Update: Venezuelan Missionaries

Anaco, Venezuela is the new home of Michael and Linda Branscome 1974- and 1973 graduates of Gardner-Webb College.

There with their two children and one adopted son, they are area missionaries to the town of 50,000 people.

Michael is the co-pastor of the one Baptist church in Anaco which has 45 members. His other duties include work in nearby cities, some of which have Baptist churches and some that do not. Michael plans to be instrumental in starting new work in these towns with no Baptist witness.

The Branscomes have been in Venezuela since July 1985. The majority of their time has been spent "waiting," according to Linda.

"We waited seven months just to get into the country, and now it seems we've been waiting for something ever since," Linda wrote in a newsletter to the Branscome's stateside church, Konnoak Baptist Church in Winston-Salem.

"At first we waited in lines to transact business. Then we waited to find the right house. Then we waited for our crates from the states and from Costa Rica. We wait on the mail. We wait for repair men to come. It seems to be a part of life, 'waiting!'"

The Branscomes have had to spend four hours per week with a Spanish tutor during their first year studying and learning the

Spanish language. Communicating with the Venezuelan people is a vital part of their ministry.

In March, Michael and the national pastor of the Baptist church began teaching the Masterlife series, a discipleship program of the Baptist convention's church training department.

Linda works with Sunbeams (mission friends) on Sunday mornings. She also attends an English and a Spanish Bible study every week.

The Branscome's children, Amy and Michael Wayne, have had to adjust to new schools and small classes.

Amy is in the 4th and 5th grade combination. She takes piano lessons and enjoys gym class.

Michael Wayne is in the 2nd and 3rd grade combination.

A new edition to the Branscome family is a 12 year old boy from the Anaco orphanage, Rafael. The Branscomes have adopted him, although he does not live with the family.

The Branscomes ask for prayers and correspondence. Their new address is:

Michael and Linda Branscome
Apartado 123
Anaco, 6003-A
Venezuela
Telephone: 58-082-21952

Publications Available

Several informative booklets about estate planning and charitable giving are available from the Office of Endowment Development. To receive your complimentary copy of one or more of these publications, please complete and return the form below.

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Gardner-Webb College
Boiling Springs, NC 28017 (704-434-2361)

Please send me the booklet(s) which I have checked.

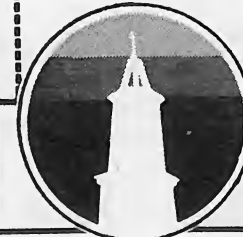
- ☐ Your Guide to Effective Giving, 1986
- ☐ Giving Through Gift Annuities
- ☐ Planning Your Estate
- ☐ Pooled Income Fund Gifts
- ☐ Donor's Guide to Property Gifts
- ☐ Making Your Will . . . What You Should Know Before You See Your Lawyer
- ☐ The Gardner-Webb College Pooled Life Income Fund: A Gift That Benefits You and Christian Education
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Alumni and Friends

Alumnus Honored by Courier

Being editor of a Baptist publication for two decades is a noteworthy accomplishment.

At a dinner at Furman University recently, trustees, peers and friends of John E. Roberts honored him for being editor of *The Baptist Courier* for 20 years.

Roberts, a '49 graduate of Gardner-Webb College, has worked with Baptists since 1954. He is the former director of promotion and associate director of public relations at G-W. From there he became editor of *Charity and Children* and director of Public Relations for Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina.

He joined the *Courier* in 1965 as the associate editor and business manager. Eight months later, he became the editor and general manager.

Roberts has been honored by Gardner-Webb on several occasions. As a student, he received the Huggins Citizenship Medal. As a member of the administration and faculty, he was named Faculty Member of the Year, 1958. As an alumnus, he was given the Distinguished Alumni Citation in 1965 and named Alumnus of the Year in 1968.

While editor of the *Courier*, Roberts has played key leadership roles in the South Carolina and Southern Baptist Conventions.

He was president of the South Carolina Baptist Convention in 1979-80 and was chairman of trustees for the Radio and Television Commission (RTVC) of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1984-85. He was a trustee and officer of RTVC board from 1978-85.

Roberts was also president of the Southern Baptist Press Association from 1977-78.

He is married to the former Helen Goodwin of Greenville, S.C. The Roberts have six children.

Coming Back Home

Every member of the Rev. Phate McSwain family began their lives in Cleveland county, North Carolina. Although they are now residents of other N.C. counties and Virginia, they did not forget their roots when they chose their college.

They all returned to Cleveland County and Gardner-Webb College.

"I always wanted to go back home," said Victoria (Vicky) McSwain Curtis. "There was no other place."

Vicky is a 1977 graduate of Gardner-Webb. Her father Phate is a 1961 graduate, her mother Ann is a 1963 graduate and her brother Chris is a 1985 graduate of G-W. Chris's wife Maureen Davis McSwain is also a 1985 graduate.

Vicky is now a biology teacher at Cary high school in Wake county, N.C. She is married to Ed Curtis who works with C.R. Haffinger Grading in Raleigh. She will be returning to G-W this summer to begin graduate school.

"I had said when I left Gardner-Webb that I would eventually get my master's, but I wanted to wait until I could go back to 'The Webb,'" Vicky said. She will commute during the summers to attend G-W's six week summer graduate program.

Vicky attended kindergarten on the G-W campus while her parents were in school. The kindergarten was located in Boiling Springs Baptist Church when it was part of the campus.

Phate and Ann McSwain have not only challenged their children to come to G-W by their example, but have challenged other students as well.

"We have been responsible for several students that have attended there," Ann said.

Ann is a homemaker now, but was a public school music supervisor in McDow county for seven years. She attended Lenoir-Rhyne College after she completed her degree at G-W.

"Gardner-Webb made a very deep impression on our lives spiritually," Ann said. "What I remember most are the morals and standards that were there when I was there. Even though it was academic in nature, it met your every need. I have a love in my heart for Gardner-Webb that you'll never know."

Phate continued his education at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary (SBTS). He is now pastor of Indian River Baptist Church in Virginia Beach, Va.

Chris is following in his father's footsteps for graduate school also. He is presently attending SBTS working on his master's degree. Maureen is working in the library at SBTS.

Homecoming 1986

November 1st

RUNNIN' BULLDOGS VS. ELON'S FIGHTING CHRISTIANS

Meet President Chris White at Homecoming banquet

PARENT'S DAY

October 4, 1986

GWC vs. CATAWBA

Dear Gardner-Webb Alumnus:

Gardner-Webb College is indeed proud to have you as a member of its alumni family. Your many accomplishments and successes are an indication of the quality education you received from your alma mater. Be assured, the same quality education is still being received by our students today. The faces have changed through the years, but Gardner-Webb continues to care about the person, not just the mind.

There are many ways to say thank you to the college which has had such a positive influence in your life. Many have helped through volunteering for various projects. Important as these are, the best gift you can give your alma mater is recommending the College to a prospective student.

So... in keeping with the Gardner-Webb spirit, here's a gift; for her, for him, for Gardner-Webb College. Your recommendation saves the student the usual \$15.00 application fee, and just think what a difference 10,000 Gardner-Webb College alumni could make in next year's enrollment. This is how the application fee waiver works:

- Talk to a senior from your church, school neighborhood, or better yet, your own family about Gardner-Webb College.
- Assist them in completing the application form and encourage them to have their transcripts forwarded to our Admissions Office.
- Write the student's name on the check and sign yours as a Gardner-Webb alumnus.
- Encourage the student to mail the completed application form and signed check to the Admissions Office (Post Office Box 817, Boiling Springs, NC 28017)

Again, thank you for all you mean to us and for your continuing support. Please let us know if we can be of assistance to you in any way.

Sincerely,

Randy Kilby

Randy Kilby
Director of Admissions

The bearer of this certificate is entitled to waive the normal application fee that is required when applying for admission to Gardner-Webb College. This certificate must accompany the application for admission.

Signed *Randy Kilby* Dean of Admission

Name of Sponsoring Alumnus _____ (print)

Signature of Sponsoring Alumnus _____

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Admissions:

Alumni Can Play An Important Role

Giving the tear-out coupon for free application processing to prospective students is only one way alumni can help the admissions team at Gardner-Webb.

According to Randy Kilby, director of admissions and enrollment planning, there are at least three ways for alumni to help. With the number of high school graduates on the decline and competition for students on the rise, the G-W admissions staff needs positive support from the people who know the college first-hand: alumni.

Alumni can tell the G-W story and have a positive impact on prospective students in their community.

"Talking about Gardner-Webb on their home turf is very important," Kilby said.

After the initial contact, Kilby says that it is also important to get the student on campus. Visitation days are held a minimum of three times per year. Students can also visit for special events including

concerts, sporting events, plays and Youth Jubilee Days.

Alumni can call to find out when the special events will be held and bring students from their hometown to them.

Another way alumni can help admissions is by getting G-W personnel to come to visit their church or civic groups.

"Through our speaker's bureau, there is someone here that can talk about most anything," Kilby said.

Also, student groups like F.O.C.U.S. (Fellowship of Christians United in Service) can visit churches.

Finally, the admissions office will give seminars on "How to Survive College" or "How to Prepare for College" to groups of high school students.

Get involved. Tell the G-W story in your community. Pass the tear-out coupon along to a prospective student.

Alumni and Friends

Miss Annie

Mrs. Annie Mae Miller Walker always gave of herself and her funds to generate interest in higher education, according to a friend of hers.

The Annie Mae Miller Walker Endowed Scholarship has recently been established in honor of a gift "Miss Annie" left to Gardner-Webb College in her will.

"An endowed scholarship goes directly to the heart of higher education," said Dr. Craven Williams, G-W president. "This scholarship will enable students to receive an education which might otherwise be beyond their financial abilities. Through this scholarship, Mrs. Walker's name and commitments will live forever."

"Miss Annie" was a life-long resident of the Green Creek area of Polk county, North Carolina. Reared on a farm, she was the daughter of Marcus Miller and Thirza Wilson and the widow of Worth Samuel Walker.

Her family donated the land on which Green Creek School is built and part of the Green Church property. A donation by the Miller family also helped establish the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina.

"Annie Mae Miller Walker was a kind, gentle lady with an enduring love for her fellowman," said Ray Foster, friend to "Miss Annie" and president and managing officer of Tryon Federal Savings and Loan Association.

Although she had no children of her own, she transferred her love to other young people, according to Foster.

"She was amply rewarded in her lifetime," Foster said. "She had the satisfaction of seeing 'her children' grace the halls of various colleges and she was instrumental in furthering their ideals—and in return, she was loved."

Writer's note: My thanks goes to Ray Foster who compiled the information on "Miss Annie."

We Want To Hear From You!

We'd like to print more class notes, more news about you and your classmates. We can't do it unless you take a moment to let us hear from you. Send your news to:

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P.O. Box 997
Boiling Springs,
N.C. 28017

Love to See Ya!

Love to see ya! was the theme for the 1986 Alumni Day held April 12.

The annual awards luncheon and a band made up of alumni were the highlights of the day.

Eight awards were given this year to eight deserving people. Bruce Bowers, 1968, was named Alumnus of the Year; Luci Causby Hamrick, 1944, was given the Service to the Church Award; Maggie Goodwin was awarded a Service by Faculty and Staff Award; Randy Mayfield, 1969, was given a Service to the College Award; J.J. Abernethy, 1971, was also given a Service to the College Award; Lansford Jolley, 1947, was given the Service to the Community Award; Hal Pratt Causby, 1944, was honored posthumously for her Service to the Church; and Frances Allen Kiser, 1952, was given the Service to a Profession Award.

Bowers, an investigative reporter with WSOC-TV in Charlotte, is a member of G-W's board of trustees. He has served the

college as a member of the board of directors and vice president of the Alumni Association and as a class chairperson for the Annual College Fund.

Mrs. Hamrick of Kernersville has been active in her church as a Sunday school director, Vacation Bible School director and workshop leader, church committee member, and study course teacher.

Mrs. Goodwin of Laurens, S.C. served on the G-W staff from 1957-74 as a counselor and resident director. She was known as "Mom" Goodwin to many students.

Mayfield of Greenville, S.C. has served for the past two years on the G-W board of advisors and as the national chairperson for the Annual College Fund.

Abernethy is the current president of the Bulldog Club and is a life member in the Gardner Society.

Jolley is the chairman of the department of social sciences and a G-W professor. A member of the local Lions Club, he has also held several positions on the board of

trustees of Crawley Memorial hospital.

Mrs. Causby was a member of South Point Baptist Church in Belmont, N.C. where she taught Sunday School and Vacation Bible School. She was also active in the Women's Missionary Union.

Mrs. Kiser, a former Cleveland County Teacher of the Year, teaches English at Crest senior high in Shelby. She is a board member and officer of the alumni association board of directors.

Also featured at Alumni Day was the Golden Year's Reception at President Craven Williams's home in Shelby and a softball game between the senior athletes and the coaches, faculty and staff. The students pulled out a tough game, 19-18.

An alumni dance finished the day at the O. Max Gardner recital hall. "The Scoop," a band made up of former 1981 G-W students Don Spargo, Danny Jenkins, and Pete Decker plus Mike Lothar, played original and familiar music for alumni and students.

Cothenia Jolley, '47, greets Mrs. Mae Cline Stroup, a 1976 honorary doctorate degree recipient at The Golden Years reception during Alumni Day. Standing behind Mrs. Stroup is her niece, Louise Stroup.



The senior athletes beat the coaches, faculty and staff by one run, 19-18, in an Alumni Day softball game.

Randy Mayfield, representing the Alumni Association, presents Dr. Williams with a scrapbook filled with letters from alumni wishing him well in his new position and thanking him for his service to Gardner-Webb.



Sports

Spring Drills Complete

Coach Woody Fish enters the 1986 football season with guarded optimism. The Bulldogs compiled a 6-5 record in 1985. This was only the fourth winning record since Gardner-Webb College became a senior college in 1970.

The defense loses talented seniors Daryl Perry, Wayne Hall, Tim Hardie, David Riddleburger and Kenny Tate. After the completion of spring practice, several new faces appeared in the prospective line-up. In the defensive line Delmonte Hugh and Darryl Griffin return. Anthony Hailstock, a rising sophomore, and David Sumpter, a transfer from Navarro Junior College, looked promising at defensive guard and end.

Ozzie Wright and Kevan Sawyer appear the ringleaders at linebacker.

Terry Lewis, Mike Sexton and James Smith handled the wing position most capably in the spring.

The secondary looks to be the strength of the defense. First team All-American Eric Brewton returns along with Teddy Eaves, Wayne Stewart and transfers Robert Hill from Western Carolina and Barry McCabe from Furman.

Offensively, the Bulldogs lose Tim Twitty, Tony Campbell, Darryl Strong, Al Bianco and Phil Brown to graduation. Jim Chappell, Thurman Leach, Brian Wood, Chris Medford, Mark Miller and Citadel transfer Jimmy Anderson have the inside track on the offensive line positions. Mike Pondo was a pleasant surprise at tight end in the spring. He should be the starting tight end going into next fall.

Freshmen starters Kelvin Richardson and Frank Cunningham return along with Tony Simpson to handle the wide receiver spots.

Chris Poston, Tony Phillips, Jimbo Early, Kelly Thompson and Larry Johnson all showed promise in spring drills at running back.

Part-time starter Jesse James and Bruce

Benson have improved tremendously in running the veer offense at the quarterback position.

Other quarterback candidates include Mike Ward who was injured during the spring, and Jeff Frady who was playing baseball.

The Bulldogs are experiencing a good recruiting season. Signees include the following:

Chris Willingham	LB	Westside high school (S.C.)
Bobby Wray	RB	White Oak high school (N.C.)
Tim Waters	WR	Woodruff high school (S.C.)
Warren Choice	LB	Laurens high school (S.C.)
William Palmer	LB	Gaffney high school (S.C.)
Mike Dudko	K	South Point high school (N.C.)
Wendell Rhodes	DB	Wren high school (S.C.)
Thomas Mack	DB	Byrnes high school (S.C.)
Jim Bowlin	K	Boiling Springs high school (S.C.)
Jay Justice	OL	Boiling Springs high school (S.C.)
Johnny Wood	OL	Boiling Springs high school (S.C.)
Joe Robbins	OL	Asheboro high school (N.C.)
Darrell Middleton	RB	Summerville high school (S.C.)
Steve Whack	DL	Summerville high school (S.C.)

The schedule next fall features the consistently tough SAC-8 schedule. The non-conference schedule will be just as demanding. Gardner-Webb opens up with Western Kentucky. Other non-conference opponents include Livingstone, Georgia Southwestern and Wofford.



Proud Athletes

Some of the graduating athletes pose here with Coach Woody Fish after graduation ceremonies.

Working With Gardner-Webb Experience

by Tony Carter

In 1960, a young Cherryville native, probably feeling a sense of accomplishment from his associate's degree from Gardner-Webb, applied and was accepted to Duke University.

Twenty years later, he's still there. Only now Max Crowder is a head basketball trainer and has five trips to the final four to his credit.

In reflection, Crowder feels it was the needed personal attention he received at Gardner-Webb that prepared him in furthering his education.

It was very refreshing to hear an optimistic opinion on today's youth from a man that has seen more college students than a Florida motel manager. He feels students are very similar today and even have many

of the same goals as they did when he was a student.

Although it is a very obscure occupation to most of the population, the number of persons entering athletic training as a career has soared in recent years. Crowder feels that the way he broke into the business is probably the best way to enter the field. He began this career as a student trainer for Gardner-Webb and today is one of the most respected persons in his field.

Crowder says that he has enjoyed his relationship over the past 20 years with Duke University and looks forward to a continued affiliation with that school. Upon retirement, Crowder will return to live in his native home of Cherryville, North Carolina.

Don't Miss One Exciting Game!

1986 Football Schedule

Sept. 6, 1986	..... Western Kentucky	.....	Away	1:00 *
Sept. 13, 1986	.... Open	.....	
Sept. 20, 1986	.... Newberry College	.....	Away	7:00
Sept. 27, 1986	.... Georgia Southwestern	.....	Home	2:00
	Senior Citizen's Day			
Oct. 4, 1986	..... Livingstone College	.....	Home	2:00
	Parents' Day			
Oct. 11, 1986	..... Lenoir-Rhyne College	.....	Away	7:00
Oct. 18, 1986	.... Catawba College	.....	Home	2:00
	Church Youth Day			
Oct. 25, 1986	.... Carson-Newman College	.....	Away	1:30
Nov. 1, 1986	..... Elon College	.....	Home	2:00
	Homecoming			
Nov. 8, 1986	..... Presbyterian College	.....	Away	2:30
Nov. 15, 1986	.... Mars Hill College	.....	Home	2:00
Nov. 22, 1986	.... Wofford College	.....	Away	1:30

*Central Standard Time

Baseball Team Has Great Start

The 1986 baseball team was off to a very good start before faltering as of late. The Bulldogs opened the season with a convincing 7-1 victory over Winthrop at Winthrop. This was only the 11th home loss for Winthrop since it formed a baseball team in 1979. The Bulldogs then defeated Central Wesleyan twice before losing their first game of the year to Erskine.

Gardner-Webb has since recorded victories over Newberry, USC-Spartanburg, St. Vincent, Pfeiffer, Mars Hill and Wingate, and presently has a 9-11 record.

Junior outfielder Jeff Spargo is leading the Bulldogs with a league leading .443 average. He is followed by freshman outfielder Scott Lee at .400 and Gary Cox at .341. The team batting average is .320.

Senior pitcher Jack Moore is leading the Bulldogs with a 4-2 record.

Softball Update

The 1986 softball team won 4-4 games on the last day of the season to finish second among independents in District 26.

The team scored victories over Lenoir-Rhyne College, Mars Hill College, Guilford College and Barber-Scotia College during the season, ending with an 8-14 record in the district.

Sophomore Mechelle Hamilton led the team at the plate with a .440 batting average, 21 runs batted in, five triples, and five homeruns. She was followed closely by junior Donna Robertson at .435, junior Lisa Stewart at .384, senior Andi Morris at .373, sophomore Donna Hendrix at .366, and senior Angie Black at .353. The team batting average was .333.

The squad loses seniors Andi Morris, Amanda Gentry, Katrina Shambaugh, and Angie Black next year, but 11 players will return.

Sports

New Coaches for Women's Program

Two physical education, health education professors will be filling vacancies in the women's athletic program.

Dr. Dee Hunt will be coaching volleyball and softball and Dr. Jeff Tubbs will be coaching basketball. They will fill the positions left open by six-year coach Sallie Black who resigned this spring, and one-year volleyball coach Janet Dixon who also resigned.

Dr. Hunt, an associate professor, is returning to the coaching ranks after a five year absence. During 1979-81, she coached volleyball at G-W.

"I'm excited about coaching both volleyball and softball," Dr. Hunt said. "It will be a long summer because I'm just beginning to think about budgeting and planning my time as it relates to coaching and academics. I plan to keep in touch with the kids and continue the hard work of Janet Dixon in volleyball.

"My main concern is academics but I also want to make the kids' experience one of meaning, one of pride, one of growth and one of a winning team effort.

"With softball, I would like to carry on what Sallie Black has done in starting the program and keeping it going. I have not coached softball intercollegiately, but recreationally, I have coached and played a total of eight years."

Dr. Hunt has also coached basketball at Middle Tennessee State University and volleyball at East Tennessee State University.

She holds a bachelor's degree from Auburn University and a master's degree and a doctorate from Middle Tennessee State University.

A former Faculty Merit Award winner in 1984, Dr. Hunt has been with the college since 1978.

Dr. Tubbs, an assistant professor and the coordinator of G-W intramurals, returns to coaching after a six year absence. He coached women's basketball at Bryan College for seven years. He also coached cross country there and was named 1979 Southern Christian Athletic Conference Coach of the Year.

"It's a challenge to start coaching again after six years, but I also feel honored that Gardner-Webb has chosen me to continue the program," said Dr. Tubbs.

Dr. Tubbs holds a bachelor's degree from Bryan College, and a master's degree and a doctorate from Middle Tennessee State University. He has been with the college since 1982.

Netters Win Tournament

The men's tennis team has had another fine season. The Bulldog netters, coached by Charlie Reynolds, finished the regular season with a 12-8 overall record and a 7-3 District 26 record. Included in the win column were victories over Belmont Abbey, Pfeiffer, Lenoir-Rhyne, Wofford, Wingate, Mars Hill and Wake Forest.

Highlighting the season was a first place finish in the Gardner-Webb Invitational Tournament. G-W defeated Wake Forest and Wingate to take the title.

Rob Land and Kenny Wilson led the Bulldogs' individual performances with 15-5 and 14-6 records respectively.



Dr. Dee Hunt



Dr. Jeff Tubbs

Regional Clubs, More Members to Help New Campaign

A new Bulldog Club campaign began May 19 for the 1986-87 school year. This year's goal is \$70,000.

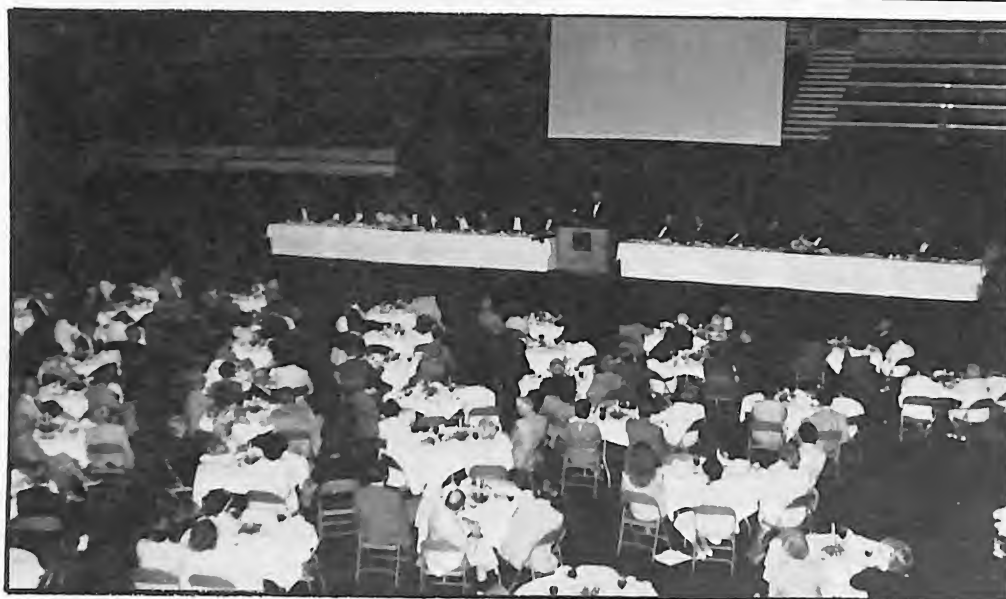
"Ultimately, we would like to be able to raise \$250,000," said Woody Fish, executive director of the Bulldog Club and head football coach. "That amount would cover the total athletic scholarship budget and we would like to be able to do that."

The Bulldog Club fund is used to support intercollegiate athletics.

J.J. Abernethy, '71, served as president of the Bulldog Club this year. Tom Bell, '71, and Catherine Porter, served as vice president and secretary/treasurer respectively.

Fish says that the club plans to use regional clubs to help gain more members. A Greenville Club and a Charlotte Club are already in the beginning stages.

The club hopes to take two trips next year. One will take the club to Nashville in conjunction with the Western Kentucky football game. Another trip will be planned at a later date with the men's basketball team.



Approximately 250 people attended the "Roast" honoring Lloyd Bost, retired president of Bost Bakeries, Inc. Bost is a long-time supporter of Gardner-Webb College.



Lloyd Bost's daughter, Jan Shuford, reminisced about her childhood days with her father.



Arthur Smith of Arthur Smith Recording Studios in Charlotte was one of 11 roasters at the May 1 "Roast".



The Gardner-Webb cheerleaders gave their final performance of the year during the "Roast". The cheerleaders also served as hosts and hostesses.



Lloyd Bost, retired president of Bost Bakeries, Inc. and chairman of the G-W board of trustees and Dr. Craven Williams, G-W president look on while Bost is "roasted" by his peers and family.

People

CLASS OF 1936

Paul H. Bullington writes to tell us that he has retired after 42 years in the ministry. Paul and his wife, Helen, reside in Lugoff, S.C. where he is looking forward to his 50th class reunion.

CLASS OF 1947

Dan T. Camp has retired as dean of continuing education at Cleveland Technical College. He has been in education for 40 years, the past 15 at Cleveland Tech. Dan is a deacon and an active member of the Lawndale Baptist Church. He is treasurer of the Lawndale Lions Club and a past president of the club. He was named 1985 Lion of the Year. Dan and his wife, Ruby, have three children.

CLASS OF 1948

Chaplain Col. Newton R. Hardin recently retired from the Air Force after serving 36 years on active duty. He received many honors and awards while in the Air Force with the most recent one being the Air Force Legion of Merit Award. Chaplain Hardin and his wife, Audrey, reside in Lexington, N.C.

CLASS OF 1950

Dr. Zeb V. Moss, a Southern Baptist Missionary in Africa, was the guest speaker at the worship service on Sunday, Sept. 1, at the Caroleen Baptist Church in Forest City, N.C. He is currently stationed in Nairobi, Kenya, where he is the Foreign Mission Board's media consultant for Africa, south of the Sahara desert. He was the Gardner-Webb College's 1964 Alumnus of the Year.

CLASS OF 1951

Marion T. Lineberger has been a missionary to Argentina for 17 years. Marion pastored 2 North Carolina churches and 1 Virginia church before that. Marion and his wife, Polly, have 3 children.

CLASS OF 1952

Chaplain Maj. Eugene Elmore, who is a member of the Thomasville Civil Air Patrol and is pastor of Oak Hill Memorial Church, has been promoted to lieutenant colonel in the Air Force auxiliary group. Eugene is chaplain of the North Carolina Wing of Civil Air Patrol. He recently received two awards; the Meritorious Service Award and the Gill Robb Wilson Award which is the highest award offered in the senior member training program.

CLASS OF 1955

John G. "Jack" Creech has joined First Southern Savings and Loan Association as vice-president. Jack is an active member of the Shelby community being a past recipient of Shelby's Citizen of the Year Award. He and his wife, Valeria, have three children. They plan to relocate to Asheboro.

CLASS OF 1957

Billie Gallmann Logan and Henry H. Bonnette, Sr. were married on April 7, 1985. The couple lives in Myrtle Beach where they are both active in their church.

CLASS OF 1958

Emma Jean Frady Herman is now employed with Fidelity Federal Savings and Loan as a Customer Service contact in the Accounting Department. She had previously been a homemaker for 12 years.

CLASS OF 1962

Rev. C. Wayne Dixon is the new pastor of the Sweetwater Presbyterian Church in Hickory.

Lt. Col. Donald W. McSwain now resides in Fort Benning, Georgia where he is the chaplain at The Infantry Center Chapel.

CLASS OF 1963

Michael H. Elmore has been selected for inclusion in Who's Who in Religion. Outstanding clergy are nominated for this honor who have demonstrated merit in an area of religion. Rev. Elmore is currently serving as pastor of the First Christian Church of Fayetteville. Rev. Elmore is married to the former Phyllis Hughes and they have two children, Michelle, 16, and Jonathan, 13.

CLASS OF 1965

Oren Wyatt has recently formed his own corporation called *The Wyatt Company*. The firm will concentrate its efforts in the areas of management and supervisory development, and consultation with corporate personnel on organizational problems.

CLASS OF 1967

Dennis Patterson was promoted to vice president of Thermacote Welco in Kings Mountain. He and his wife, Susan, reside in Kings Mountain.

CLASS OF 1971

J. W. "JJ." Abernethy, III recently became a life member of Gardner-Webb College's Gardner Society. J.J. is currently the president of the Gardner-Webb College Bulldog Club. He is employed by Carolina Glove Co. in Newton.

CLASS OF 1972

Sharon M. Adams has been selected as the local winner of the Terry Sanford Award for Creativity by the Catawba County Schools. Sharon teaches at Oxford Elementary School in Claremont and lives in Conover with her husband, Steve, and daughter, Mary Beth. Steve is in management with Hanes Converting Co. in Conover.

CLASS OF 1973

William B. Cooley has been named the new City Executive of Peoples Bank in Roanoke Rapids, N.C. Bill will have loan and administrative responsibilities. He and his wife, Kay, have three children and reside in Jackson, N.C.

Joe F. Hayes and Elaine Butler Hayes, '72, announce the birth of a girl, Amanda Elizabeth, on March 2, 1986. They have two other daughters, Laura, 9, and Leslie, 5. They reside in Florence, S.C., where Joe is Assistant Pastor of First Baptist Church.

CLASS OF 1974

Rev. James D. Russell and his wife, Dale, were named missionaries by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board at Second Baptist Church in Richmond. The couple will work in Japan where James will be a general evangelist and his wife will be a church and home worker. Russell is currently pastor of Perkinsville Baptist Church in Boone.

Timothy K. Norman, pastor of the Ginter Park Baptist Church, Richmond, Va., has been appointed to a five-year term on the Commission of the Laity of the Baptist World Alliance.

Curtis England has become associate minister of outreach at Grace Church, Gastonia. He previously served as youth director of Bingham Memorial Church in Bessemer City.

CLASS OF 1975

Phillip C. Campbell and his wife, Melissa, announce the birth of a boy, Lee Phillip, on December 8, 1985. The Campbell family resides in Lincolnton.

Robert J. Plummer and his wife, Linda Brown Plummer, '62, have been appointed missionaries and will work in the Dominican Republic. He will be a general evangelist and she will be a church/home worker.

CLASS OF 1976

Russell M. Montgomery has been promoted to Area Hospital Sales Manager for Beecham Laboratories Pharmaceuticals. He will be responsible for all medical teaching hospital sales in the states of Fla., Ga., Ala. and parts of S.C. Russell, his wife, and son, Jacob, live in Stone Mountain, Georgia.

James Robert Cline, Jr., pastor of Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, received the doctor of ministry degree from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary during their December commencement exercises. Dr. Cline and his wife, Angela, reside in Shelby.

Carolyn Wallace Newsome and her husband, Mike, announce the birth of a son, William Blake on April 26, 1985. Their older son, Jason, is five years old. The Newsome family lives in Turbeville, S.C. where both are employed by Clarendon County Schools.

Ralph Jett has been called as minister of education and youth at Canton First Church in the Haywood association. He had been serving the Citadel Square Church in Charleston, S.C.

Rev. Roby I. Linebarger has accepted a call to serve as pastor of Oakland Heights Baptist Church in Salisbury, N.C. He is married to the former Virginia Beatrice Poole and they have three children, Todd, Scott and Debbra.

Gary Threatt and his wife, Becky, are now missionaries in Africa. After completing language school, they plan to move to Gabarame, Batswana where they plan to start many churches.

Joe Carol Wrape Thorp and her husband, Dr. John M. Thorp, Jr., announce the birth of identical twin sons, Nathap Farlow and Samuel Hurley, on December 14, 1985. They have another son, Mercer, who is 3 years old. Joe Carol is a homemaker and John is a fourth year Obstetrics and Gynecology Resident at North Carolina Memorial Hospital in Chapel Hill. The Thorps make their home in Durham, N.C.

CLASS OF 1977

Melanie Williams Alexander has been selected as an agent by the State Bureau of Investigation. Melanie previously worked for the Cleveland County Department of Social Services.

Larry Honeycutt and Sharlina Elaine Sells were married on Saturday, December 21, 1985. Larry is employed by the Stanly County Schools as a teacher at Stanfield Elementary School. Sharlina is a student at Pfeiffer College. They reside in Albemarle.

Herbert W. Eplee and Susan Bridges Eplee announce the birth of their second child, a girl, Kari Susan, born on December 17, 1985. Kari has a sister, Kristin, who is three years old. The Eplee's reside in Spartanburg, S.C.

Lisa Tolbert Smith and Michael Gene Jones were married on Saturday, February 15, 1986. The couple lives in Lincolnton where Lisa teaches at East Lincoln High School. Michael is employed by Duke Power, Belmont.

Melanie Rabb Reid was recently promoted to Director of Vocational Education with the Newton-Conover City School System.

Donna Jean Wease Lovelace is a teacher at First Baptist Church Childcare in Shelby. Her husband, LaMoine, is a telecommunicator for Cleveland County. The Lovelaces have 2 children, Olivia Joan and Lucas LaMoine and reside in Shelby.

Philip G. Hughes is now serving at Churchland Baptist Church in Portsmouth, VA., as minister of education.

Dan Cook is employed with the North Carolina Association of Electric Cooperatives as the Associate Editor of "Carolina Country" and as Information Specialist. Also, he is currently doing volunteer work with the N.C. 4-H Performing Arts Troupe and will be serving as the Assistant Director for the 86-87 year. Dan resides in Raleigh.

People

Vicky McSwain Curtis has received two mini grants during the past two school years to help with her teaching at Cary High School in Wake County. The grants were given for "Animal Behavior in Simulated Environments" both years. They total approximately \$500 in value. Vicky has been able to bring as many as 50 different live animals into her advanced and general biology classes because of the grant.

CLASS OF 1978

Michael D. Thomason and his wife, Christine, have established and operate two restaurants, both known as "The Cutting Board", in Lynchburg, VA. The Thomasons make their home in Lynchburg.

Christian Jay Ammons is a missionary with the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. He has moved to Madrid where he will stay one year for language study and then on to Zaragoza, Spain to serve his first term.

Jerry Lail has been called as pastor of Linney's Grove Church, Hidenite (Alexander association). He is a graduate of Southwestern seminary.

Roy W. Smith has been named sales representative by United Cities Gas Co. in Gaffney, S.C. Roy will be responsible for the sale and marketing of natural gas appliances. He and his wife, Hope, reside in Gaffney.

Ann Dodd Philbeck and her husband, Edward, announce the birth of a daughter, Lauren Ann on November 14, 1985. Ann teaches ninth grade math and science at Crest Junior High School and Edward is in the cost systems department of Doran Textiles. The Philbeck family resides in Shelby.

CLASS OF 1979

Timothy Toufielk Ameen and Lorrie Ann Lewis were married on Saturday, December 21, 1985. Tim is the minister of Youth at West Hampton Baptist Church. Lorrie is currently a student at Radford University majoring in Medical Technology. The newlyweds reside in Hampton, VA.

Mike Woolbright is the Director of Music and Education at Myers Memorial United Methodist Church in Gastonia. Mike resides in Mt. Holly.

Rev. Butch Branscome and **Amy Auten Branscome** announce the birth of their first child, a girl, Courtney Lee, born on December 8, 1985. Butch is the Associate Pastor of Chevy Chase Baptist Church in Washington, D.C. The Branscome family resides in Rockville, MD.

Kenneth Sharpe is pastor at First Baptist Church in Lucas, Texas. He is married to the former Nancy Belk and they have two children, Bridget Nicole and Kenneth Richard.

Pamela McCaslin Fleshman and her husband Charles, announce the birth of their first child, a girl, Amanda Leigh born on January 23, 1986. The Fleshman family lives in Lenoir City, Tennessee.

Rhonda Sue Boyd and Paul Lee Phipps were married on Saturday, February 15, 1986. Rhonda is a residential and commercial interior designer for Luxury Interiors in Gastonia. Lee is a licensed contractor and is construction manager at Mady Construction in Davidson. The Phipps' reside in Charlotte.

CLASS OF 1980

Kathy H. Scott has been appointed to the faculty at Western Piedmont Community College in Morganton. Kathy enters WPCC's business technologies division with teaching duties in business administration and industrial management. Kathy resides in Shelby.

John F. Warlick has been hired as police chief of Valdese, N.C. John and his wife, Joyce, have two children and reside in Valdese.

Crissman Dale Nichols received the Master of Divinity degree from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary during Commencement Exercises in December, 1985. He and his wife, Mary, reside in Boonville.

Floyd M. Loftin has been called as pastor of Antioch Church, Lincolnton (South Fork association). Previously, he served as pastor of Maranatha Church, Bessemer City, in the Gaston Association.

Jeffrey B. Jones received the Master of Arts degree in Christian Education at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary during its December Commencement Exercises. He is currently serving as minister of music and education at Berea Church, Mooresville.

Cheryl Cox Brooks and her husband, Ted, have recently moved to Marietta, GA where Cheryl is a systems engineer with Computer Task Group. Ted is an electrical engineer with Southern Net.

Jim Parker has been promoted to Director of Housekeeping at Blue Ridge Nursing Center by ServiceMaster Industries, Inc. **Deborah Lankford Parker** '79, is a staff R.N. at Blue Ridge Nursing Center. Jim and Deborah have a son, John, who is two years old. The Parker family resides in Stuart, VA.

Leann Cloninger and Christopher Lloyd Thompson were married on Saturday, February 22, 1986. The couple lives in Monroe where Christopher is owner and operator of a horse farm and also is a salesman for Prestige Farms, Charlotte.

Carolyn Sue Holt and C. Thomas Dixon were married Saturday, April 12, 1986. Carolyn is a computer programmer for the state of North Carolina. Thomas is an architectural designer at Haskins, Rice, Savage & Pearce. The newlyweds reside in Raleigh.

CLASS OF 1981

Scott Hammett has been named Campus Minister for the Limestone College Campus Ministry Program. He was previously an Admissions Counselor at Gardner-Webb College. Scott resides in Gaffney.

David Hutchins has been called as minister of music and youth at Oak View church, High Point (Central association). He had been serving Mt. Zion church, Hudson.

Frances McManus received her Master of Divinity degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary during Commencement Exercises in December, 1985.

Linda Ann Mills received the Master of Arts degree in Religious Education from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary during its December, 1985 Commencement Exercises. She currently is teaching math part-time at the Edna Gladney Home.

Jamie Trotter and **Cathy Jackson Trotter** announce the birth of a girl, Ashley Marie, born on December 28, 1986. The Trotter family resides in Suwanee, GA.

Lillian Elizabeth Phillips is a childcare worker at the Boy's Crisis Care Cottage with the Connie Maxwell Children's Home in Greenville, S.C.

Kent Greer and Susan Munday, both of Lenoir, were married on April 5, 1986. Kent is a cost accountant at Hammary Furniture in Lenoir. Susan is a teller at First Citizens Bank in Hudson. They live in Granite Falls.

Nikki Yvonne Carroll and David E. Burnette were married Saturday, March 29, 1986. The couple lives in Mount Pleasant, S.C. where Nikki is employed by Charleston Memorial Hospital as chemistry supervisor. David is credit manager at Lowe's Building Supply.

Deborah McSwain and Matthew Gregory were married on August 2, 1985. Debby received her Master of Social Work degree from the University of Louisville and is currently the Executive Director of the Interreligious Coalition on Human Services in Louisville. Matt is a student at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. The couple resides in Louisville, KY.

CLASS OF 1982

Lisa Ann Good and Denver Hack were married Saturday, November 30, 1985. Denver is employed as a law enforcement officer with the city of Louisville. The couple resides in Bardstown, KY.

Zane Kevin Reavis and Mary Katherine Privette were married Saturday, December 28, 1985. Kevin is working on a master of arts degree in religious education at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He is employed as department manager at Minyard Food Stores. Katherine is working on a master of arts degree in communications at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary where she is also employed. The newlyweds reside in Fort Worth, Texas.

Jennie Sue Cassels received the Master of Divinity with Religious Education Degree from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary during its December Commencement Exercises. She is now a personnel assistant at Mayfair Mills, Inc., Glenwood Division, in Easley, S.C.

Connie Marie Hodge received her Master of Church Music degree from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary during their December Commencement Exercises.

Randy J. Johnson received his Master of Divinity degree from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary during their December Commencement Exercises.

William P. Williams received his Master of Divinity degree from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary during their December Commencement Exercises.

David M. Turner has been ordained by Moore's Chapel church, Saxapahaw (Mt. Zion Association), where he served as Interim Pastor. He currently is Minister of Education at Northside Baptist Church in Rock Hill, S.C. His wife, Donna Hamey Turner, '82, is substitute teaching in the Rock Hill area. In December, David received the Master of Divinity with Religious Education from Southeastern Baptist Seminary.

William "Willie" Rash and **Sherree Morris Rash**, '83, have been named church planter apprentice missionaries for service in Hawthorne, Indiana, by directors of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board. In Hawthorne, the Rashs will be assigned to start new churches, along with church and family work.

Philip Dean Rabb and Kimberly Rose Murray were married Sunday, April 6, 1986. Philip is a terminal supervisor with Carolina Freight Carriers Inc. in Salisbury. Kim is employed as company accountant for the home offices of Western Steer—Mom 'n' Pops Inc. in Claremont. The newlyweds reside in Catawba.

CLASS OF 1983

Johnny Arthur Isenhour and Beth Hampton Gordon were married Saturday, December 21, 1985. Johnny is a purchasing agent for Regency Bedspread Corp. in Conover. Beth is a seventh grade language arts teacher for the gifted at Catawba Middle School, Catawba County. The newlyweds reside in Newton.

Pressley B. Hillard has been chosen as captain of operations for the Statesville Police Department. Capt. Hillard most recently served in the capacity of lieutenant of the Detective Division in the police department. Capt. Hillard is married to the former Barbara Brown and they have three children.

Jeff Carlson was commissioned an ensign in the U.S. Navy on November 1, 1985 after completion of Aviation Officer's Candidate School. He is currently under flight training at Naval Air Station Whiting Field and resides in Milton, Florida.

Karen Suzanne Brown and Daniel Robert Jones were married on Saturday, January 25, 1986. Daniel is employed by the Berkeley City School Systems. The newlyweds reside in Goose Creek, S.C.

Amy D. Wilson and Michael R. Sexton were married March 1, 1986. The couple resides in Anderson, S.C. where Amy is employed in the accounting department at Wometco Food Services. Michael is also employed at Wometco Food Services in installation.

CLASS OF 1984

Robyn Dale Autrey and Jimmy Dean McMahan were married on Saturday, December 7, 1985. Robyn is a registered nurse at St. Joseph's Hospital and Jimmy is employed with South Atlantic Distributing Co. in Candler.

Paul Timothy Stikeleather and Lisa Michelle Parrish exchanged their wedding vows on Saturday, December 14, 1985. Paul is a graduate student at Western Carolina University pursuing a degree in analytical chemistry. Lisa is employed by J.C. Penney. The couple makes their home in Cullowhee.

Lori Ann Eller and Merle Douglas Marksberry were married on Sunday, December 23, 1985. Lori is employed by the Horry County School District and Merle is co-owner and operator of Ship's Bounty Seafood Restaurant. The newlyweds reside in North Myrtle Beach.

Tamara Jane Taylor received the Masters of Religious Education degree from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary during Commencement Exercises in December, 1985. She currently is the minister of Education and Youth at Lake Ridge Baptist Church in Woodbridge, Virginia.

Sheila Rebecca Painter and James Robert Price exchanged marriage vows on Friday, February 14, 1986. Sheila is a staff accountant with Cherry, Bekaert & Holland in Spartanburg. James is a mechanic at Hasbro-Bradley Inc. in Easley. The couple resides in Landrum.

Bruce Hugh Hawkins, Jr. and Esther Noelle Perrin were married Saturday, January 25, 1986. Hugh is a salesman at Wolf Camera in Charlotte. Esther has a degree in flute performance from UNC-Greensboro. The couple resides in Charlotte.

CLASS OF 1985

Martha Jo Traywick and Matthew Eugene Gibson were married on Saturday, December 21, 1985. The couple makes their home in Shelby where Matthew is pursuing a degree in physical education at Gardner-Webb College. Jo earned her degree from Gardner-Webb College in psychology.

Sandra Jean Pendleton and James Gregory Duckworth exchanged wedding vows on Saturday, December 14, 1985. Sandra is a tax consultant at Deloitte Haskins & Sells. James is a trooper with the North Carolina State Highway Patrol. The couple lives in Murphy.

Cynthia Ann Hawkins and Randall Fox Swartz were married on Saturday, December 28, 1985. The newlyweds make their home in Gastonia where Cynthia is the minister of education at Malo United Methodist Church. Randall is employed by Petroleum World in Cliffside, while pursuing a business administration degree at Gardner-Webb College.

Stanley Liston Law and Colletta Euvonne Bryce were married Saturday, December 28, 1985. Stanley is the crusade director at the American Cancer Society and Colletta is a retail advertising salesperson at Knight Publishing Co. The couple resides in Charlotte.

Selina Gay Robinson is employed at Charlotte Int'l Airport with Budget Rental Car as a Rental Representative. She plans to attend graduate school in the fall of '86 to work toward a master's degree in psychology/counseling.

Timothy E. Dearman has been promoted to general manager of the Statesville Record & Landmark. Tim, an active member of the Statesville community, is married to the former Jane Johnson and has a daughter, Charity, who is nine years old.

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