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It was only fitting that the most patriotic day in Cleveland County history fell between Memorial Day and July 4th. And it was obvious from the excitement leading up to the June 1st Olympic Trials race in Boiling Springs that the day would also be the most memorable one in the town's history.

In a word, the day was spectacular.

But how can you describe such a day with only one word? You can't – just ask the 10,000 people who were awed by the sight of America's 120 premiere female cyclists speeding through the streets of Boiling Springs at over 30 miles per hour.

The Women's Road Race portion of the 1996 U.S. Olympic Team Trials in Cycling did not disappoint. It's not really possible to say exactly when the crowd that began lining the streets in Boiling Springs turned from skeptics to believers. The hype, the television commercials, the banners stretched across the roads, the newspapers articles – they all promised the greatest show on Earth, our apologies to Ringling Brothers.

"I have to admit, this was a sight to see," said one gentleman who admitted he came just to see if the race could live up to the fuss made by organizers. "It was a first-class show all the way. I didn't recognize this place. It was transformed, really. The people around here will never see anything like this again in a long, long time."

WELCOME ALL VISITORS

What made the day more unique was the outsiders it attracted, like the cyclists themselves. When kids and grown-ups alike saw riders practicing along Main Street in their multi-colored uniforms minutes before the event, you could almost hear spectators' thoughts, like "They're here. They're really

here." And upon seeing the Olympic rings displayed on posters, shirts and scaffoldings, many people confessed to having the hairs stand up on their necks.

Also, consider that it took a group from Richmond, Va., – Medalist Sports – just to erect fencing, start/finish line set-ups, banners, awards stages, a big-screen (no,

A large crowd gathered in Boiling Springs to watch Olympic hopefuls race around a 10-mile course for a chance to represent the U.S. in the upcoming Summer Games in Atlanta.



make that a huge-screen) mobile television unit called "Big Mo" and special events tents.

Or maybe seeing the ESPN cameras and announcers brought the magnitude of the race into focus. The same could hold true of the sight of over 70 media members swarming the course for interviews and photographs.

For many, though, it all sunk in when they realized the riders who crossed the finish line first would represent America in the Olympic games.

"It's an awesome thought, if you dwell on it just for a moment," said a local sportscaster who was seeing potential

Olympic athletes for the first time. "I think we all were simply drawn to these special people who had spent their entire lives for this moment, this chance to cross a finish line in Boiling Springs, North Carolina, and try for a medal in a few weeks while the whole world watches."

Another writer said in his article after the

race, "If it's spills and thrills you want, pro cycling can make NASCAR look tame. The riders stay bunched tightly together, and one slip can send the whole pack tumbling to the pavement."

Maybe that was it. Maybe it was the spectacle of seeing over 100 riders so close together that a wreck could happen at any time. But it's unlikely that's what the people came to see.

THE LASTING IMPACT

Dr. Chris White said that while the pageantry and colors and music and hype kept most people's attention, he thinks the University family viewed this race in a totally different light.

"We've said all along that Gardner-Webb was a regional university," White explained. "But you have to provide proof of that in order to back it up. This event has put Gardner-Webb and Boiling Springs on the nation's map. The possible fallout from this will last years and years."

While the University may reap many rewards from this feather in its cap, your average local citizen will probably remember the unusual sights associated with June 1st. Team Saturn, which consists of both the men's and women's riders, stayed on the Gardner-Webb campus the week leading up to the event. The sight of these riders pedaling through the town's streets, or surrounding the tiny tables in front of the Uptown Cafe for a mid-afternoon break, or sprawled in front of the Campus House listening to music in the evenings – each

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person in town seems to have a different memory of our guests.

A summer school student who stayed in Nanney Dorm next door to the riders noted, "It was kind of neat to witness their routines. They seemed to be a different kind of people."

What many couldn't fathom was how they awoke at 5 a.m. to ride 10 or 20 miles

around a county they had never been to before. Or how they traveled in packs, many times riding in their respective right-hand lanes, seemingly clueless to the line of cars backed up behind them. Or how they all disappeared into their rooms each afternoon for massages from team therapists.

Race winner Jeanne Golay of Team Saturn even gave Dr. White's wife, Linda,

something to remember when, after being presented with her awards on the podium following the race, Golay handed her bouquet of flowers to Mrs. White. With a grin, Golay said softly, "These are for you."

Without a doubt, for a few hours on June 1st, the road to Atlanta definitely passed through the town of Boiling Springs and the campus of Gardner-Webb University.

AND THE WINNER IS ..

Impressive Performance Leads Golay To Olympic Team

Jeanne Golay was one of the members of Team Saturn that stayed and trained at Gardner-Webb the week leading up to the June 1st event in Boiling Springs. During that time, she met Dr. Chris White, Eddie Holbrook, local organizers, their families, students and staff.

It must have made an impression on her because she said she felt as comfortable here in Cleveland County as she had ever been before a big race. Whether it was a comfort zone or simply "The Zone" that athletes talk about being in a precious few times in their careers, Golay used that certain something to her advantage as she crossed the finish line near Dover Chapel first among her 120 competitors.

A front runner in the previous four trials events that began in Seattle and led up to the June 1st event, Golay would leave nothing to chance, saying she needed to win in Boiling Springs to help assure her spot on the U.S. Olympic Cycling Team in Atlanta.

And win she did. She and Linda Brenneman of Dana Point, Calif., broke away from the pack and finished the race a cool three minutes faster than the nearest competitors. For Brenneman, it was a victory of sorts, even though she came in second this day. One spot on the

U.S. Cycling Team is given automatically to the rider that garners the most points that are awarded according to the finish order. Brenneman had fared so well in the previous races that she held a commanding points lead coming into the June 1st race.

So, because she finished on the rear wheel of Golay, Brenneman said she felt like raising her arms in victory much the same way Golay did because she knew her Olympic spot had been locked up.

Golay, however, wasn't as sure of her fate because the final two women's spots on the Olympic team are at-large berths. But in a post-race interview, Golay seemed brimming with confidence as she pondered her chances. "I feel like I should be a member of the team. I did well today and in the other races, I think. But you never know. Coaches can change their minds at any point in the process."

A press conference the next day in Charlotte would confirm what Golay had hoped - the second spot on the team was hers. Alison Dunlap, who finished eighth in Boiling Springs, captured the third spot. Two alternates, Laura Charameda of Team Timex and Dierdre Demet of the Team Saturn squad that stayed at Gardner-Webb that week,



were the final selections made by U.S. Coach Henny Top.

Brenneman's story is impressive when you consider she had quit cycling just two years ago to start a family. But, after climbing aboard her bike a few weeks after giving birth to a son, she said the old feeling was back, and the old confidence was there. "Every race, when I felt like giving up because of aching legs and a sore body, I just kept thinking, 'Hey, no matter how bad the pain gets, it's nothing compared to having a baby.' And that attitude paid off because now I'm going to the Olympics."

Golay added that the support from Gardner-Webb and the town was beyond belief. "On the last lap, on one of the back straightaways, I heard a lot of people chanting 'Atlanta! Atlanta!' That was so cool."

'WE COULDN'T HAVE WRITTEN A BETTER SCRIPT'

What may have been lost in the day's excitement were the people who had served the last three and a half months on the organizing committee that made the race a reality.

Some of them watched the race in a wide-eyed stupor. Some nervously walked around the start/finish line area with walkie-talkies, checking details three, four and five times. Some secretly cracked a smile as they saw the thousands of spectators start flowing onto Main Street.

Endless hours spent in meetings had finally paid off. The smallest of details had been debated. Committees had been broken into subcommittees, and so on. What the casual spectator may have missed was that every tent, every barricade, every vendor, every power line, every person had a specific or assigned spot. And nothing could be left to chance or the event "just wouldn't feel right," said one committee member.

Sponsors had been courted to finance the race. Banners and posters and flyers and T-shirts had been printed to promote the event and recognize those sponsors. A seemingly unending list of media had been



briefed with information about riders, or where to park on campus, or where they could stand along the course in order to take pictures or get quotes.

"Those of us on this committee realized early on the magnitude of what was going to happen," said Eddie Holbrook, chairman of the GWU planning committee. "We knew we were dealing with something unique when four or five phone calls had to be made just to get permission to use someone's name in conjunction with the event."

He added, "Groups like the U.S. Olympic Committee, the U.S. Cycling Federation, Medalist Sports, the Charlotte Sports Commission – all were consulted on a daily basis, answering questions for those of us who had never been involved in anything quite like this before."

Kevin Jones, GWU director of athletic training, had been involved in planning a number of cycling events before this one. He coordinated the logistics effort for GWU's race and was often jokingly referred to as the "facilitator" of the event because the planning committee constantly looked to him for guidance. He says there is no way to appreciate what took place

unless you're directly involved with the decision-making process.

"Normally an event like this takes about a year to coordinate, so that tells you something when you consider we did this in three months," he said. "This is the closest thing to the Olympics that organizers could have experienced in terms of preparation."

Imagine dealing with the North and South Carolina Departments of Transportation, arranging a volunteers effort that involved more than 300 people, and organizing law enforcement from 12 different agencies and you get a feel for what Jones is talking about.

Because the June 1st race at Boiling Springs was one of four races in the "NationsBank Championships," sponsor approval also worked itself into the process. Although many local businesses wanted to be attached to the event in some way, the harsh reality was that some simply couldn't be associated with the Trials because of who they were.

For instance, Coke and McDonald's and NationsBank and Fresca and Home Depot were afforded the "right of first refusal" if a competitor wanted to help sponsor an event on a local level. These national sponsors had paid millions of dollars to have their names connected to the Olympic games. Legal action could have been taken if contracts were disregarded.

"It was an awkward situation at times," Holbrook explained. "A few local sponsors who were competitors with the national guys said they wanted to help us with our race even if it meant their names couldn't be acknowledged in any of our publicity."

As the days drew closer to June 1, and as the preparations had been made to the letter, the planning committee wondered how the event would fare. Only a few things now could ruin the months of planning – like Mother Nature, of course. But the five-day forecasts said early in the week that Saturday would be picture-perfect, 80 degrees and sunny, not too humid. Just the kind of weather that would be the exclamation point on the biggest event this area had ever witnessed.

And sure enough, the day came and went. All according to plan.

Holbrook on that late Saturday afternoon surveyed what had taken place and smiled. "We couldn't have written a better script."



Gardner-Webb's Kevin Jones handled the logistics effort for the Olympic Trials race. Here, he prepares the course for action.

OLYMPIC VILLAGE A HIT WITH SPECTATORS



The race was not the only excitement on the campus of Gardner-Webb University on June 1. If you ask a 6-year-old, the Olympic Village might even be billed as the main attraction.

The Olympic Village was created for the interval between laps; the time it would take for the riders to come back by the start/finish line. To keep the hundreds of children that attended occupied during the down time, a variety of activities were provided. One of the most popular attractions was the amusement rides. Four rides were available to children: the Ninja Turtles, swings, the Moon-bounce and an antique train. The rides ran from 9 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. For those who wanted a different kind of ride, Sundown Stables provided a trot around the campus on a pony.

Those who wanted to test their strength and aim had the opportunity to "dunk" one of the teens from a local Baptist church.

Besides the activities, over a dozen food vendors set up shop. Foods included

the typical hot dogs, hamburgers, cotton candy, candy apples, french fries, barbecue, lemonade, and nachos as well as funnel cakes, orangeade and roasted corn.

The Olympic Village proved to be a success. After all the riders were gone and GWU personnel were cleaning up from the event, children were being dragged, in protest, by their parents from the area.



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- 3... Waterford crystal bowls presented by Gardner-Webb to top race finishers
- 4... hours spent erecting start/finish line equipment, stages and electrical lines
- 6... ponies available for children to ride in GWU's "Olympic Village" area
- 10... motorcycles in the N.C. Highway Patrol's Special Operations Unit leading the race
- 15... minutes devoted to Boiling Springs race on Atlanta TV station's 30-minute broadcast
- 25... Marines who were to be flown in to be used as marshals for the race
- 32... portable toilets located at start/finish line area
- 50... law enforcement officers assisting with race-day activities
- 62... total miles around Boiling Springs traveled by the racers
- 70... media members covering the race from across the nation
- 88.3... frequency of WGWG, the University's radio station, which carried the race live
- 300... volunteers used to staff the course route and start/finish area
- 480... chicken wings consumed by media in press conference room after the race
- 560... June 1st photographs taken by GWU Public Relations Department
- 4,500... approximate hours spent collectively by GWU planning committee to organize race
- 10,000... size of crowd in Boiling Springs to witness the event
- 11,400... dollars in prize money awarded to race winners
- ???... number of gray hairs developed by race organizers in the days leading up to June 1st



PRESIDENT PROGRESS

White Looks Back On A Decade At GWU

Reflecting back on 10 years as Gardner-Webb's president, Dr. Chris White can sum up his decade with a simple anecdote.

Upon his arrival at the college, White often sought advice and wisdom from then-chairman of the trustees Lloyd Bost. Taking a walk in front of what is now Noel Hall, White looked at the blank wall that had stood for some time, looking almost like a concrete movie screen on campus. In an ambitious tone, White recalls saying to Bost, "If it's the last thing I do, I'm going to fix that wall."

Bost looked at his young newcomer who had just been named president and let out a hearty laugh. "Son," he said, putting his arm around White, "you're the third president at this school to say that."

Taking that as a personal challenge, White vowed to organize an effort to improve many aspects of campus, including that blank wall. "All you have to do is tell me I can't do something," he says, "and

you'll bring out the competitor in me for sure."

Since 1986, White has spearheaded what many have hailed as one of the most progressive periods in the life of Gardner-Webb. He is quick to carefully articulate his words when recanting his tenure, making sure to note it has not been a one-man show. He will say, however, that he has felt the responsibility of creating a different kind of attitude among what he calls "the troops."

"I had never been a cheerleader before I came to Gardner-Webb," he says with a hint of a smile. "We had very good people here when I came, including an outstanding faculty. But I felt a more positive working environment was something I could help establish for them to work within."

He admits his work was cut out for him when he arrived here with his family – wife Linda and sons Marty and Andy – from Elon College. During his first few months, he became aware of the difficulties that

were facing schools like Gardner-Webb at the time. Decreasing budgets, increasing debt, no new hirings, and enrollments that weren't growing became issues to be addressed. White knew this school was the perfect fit for him because of its Christian values and the genuine people that associated themselves with the institution. However, there wasn't much time to sit back and be content with being named president of a Baptist institution with a rich history.

"When you're fighting alligators every day, and listening to the concerns of people who cared about the future of the college, it's sometimes hard to develop this rose-colored vision that you want so bad to do. But we hired more good people to complement the ones we had, the kind that just said 'Let's get to work', and we started improving. I thought that if the outlook changed from the top of the organization, it would permeate through the ranks. I think the folks around here saw that we were going to be relentless in our pursuit of our goals."

The statistics don't lie since 1986 for financial growth and student enrollment and new hirings and campus expansion. But White says the real change on this campus is the way students and teachers and supporters feel when they step foot on the campus.

"There is something special going on here. There's a lot of pride floating around here. We're DOING things, really DOING things," he says with emphasis. "We used to say we were going to make this a regional university as a way of setting a goal for ourselves. But that's not a goal anymore – we've made it. We're there."

For example, with new vice president for business Donnie Clary in tow back in 1986, White and Clary purchased 12 brand new vehicles for admissions officers with no money. Kicked back in his chair and staring at the ceiling, White smiles broadly when he recalls that scene. "I mean no money – on credit. People thought we had lost control of our senses. But we just couldn't have our recruiters out there driving rickety



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Dr. and Mrs. White pause for a moment in front of the Charles I. Dover Campus Center following Dr. White's inauguration a decade ago.

old cars in front of prospective students. It was creating a bad image of ourselves.”

That’s where it started, he says, adding that if there is one thing he has learned about being president, it’s that the employees look to that person as someone who develops a vision for the school. Many times it means making suggestions that some aren’t used to – like creating a honors program, or starting a School of Divinity, or becoming a university.

“People sometimes looked at me like I was dreaming. But I found that if the president believes in something, it’s easier for the employees to believe in something. My vision was to help our people build a higher profile for Gardner-Webb, or at least pursue a higher profile for Gardner-Webb. You know, sometimes if you act successful and look successful, sooner or later you’ll become successful.”

But the proof, as they say, is in the pudding. Endowment has increased at the University by \$7 million, now over \$11 million total; enrollment has increased by 1,000 students, two graduate schools have been created; debt has nearly been

eradicated; the budget has nearly tripled to over \$26 million a year.

Goals have been met. The school is full, White says, and the vision has been realized. So what’s next? He’s glad to answer that question.

“The trustees recently passed a resolution that states we should continue growing. We’ve reached a plateau and we’ve been told to catch our breath and get ready to start again. And that’s a very significant decision.”

Be prepared, White warns GWU family and friends, the next decade could be more eventful than ever.

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– Dr. Chris White

In appreciation for Dr. & Mrs. Chris White’s 10 years of distinguished service to GWU, the Board of Trustees presented them with a grandfather clock.

Shown here are (left to right) C.E. “Bud” Hamrick, Dr. Gene Washburn, Mrs. Linda White, Dr. White, and Tommy Hardin. The clock now stands at the White’s residence, the Blanton House in nearby Shelby.



DREAMING, DARING, DOING...

With the excitement surrounding the gift made by billionaire and computer giant Bill Gates, technology has become quite a hot issue around the Gardner-Webb campus. The \$134,000 worth of software contributed by Gates, however, was not the first step taken in GWU's mission to raise \$3 million for technology through the "Dreaming, Daring, Doing" capital campaign.

Recently, members of the GWU Board of Trustees voted to appropriate funds to begin a complete overhaul of computer technology in the John R. Dover Memorial Library on campus. Cutting-edge advancements in computer hardware and software will now streamline all library processes, offer access to worldwide resources with the touch of a button, completely automate the card catalog, and provide Internet service to students, faculty, staff and community.

Convenience and efficiency are the two words being used most often by University officials to describe what this technology will provide. John Brock, vice president for marketing who is responsible for the recruiting of students to all disciplines at GWU, said this project is also significant because it places Gardner-Webb in the forefront among competitors who are also entering the electronic age with full force.

"Students shopping for a college or university are now asking questions about what an institution offers as it relates to state-of-the-art computer offerings," Brock explained. "We have taken a giant step toward making Gardner-Webb even more attractive to high school seniors, transfers and graduate students."

In a related development, Gardner-Webb now offers a "home page" on the World Wide Web, which allows people to use a computer anywhere in the world and with the touch of a button, learn all about GWU, the campus, the programs and school features. Students may even apply for admission through this new technology.

You are invited to visit the GWU home page at www.Gardner-Webb.edu.

BROYHILL FAMILY PLEDGES SUPPORT

Broyhill Family Foundation Inc. of Lenoir has announced a \$300,000 commitment to support the University's business program. Terms of the gift state that \$100,000 be contributed to Gardner-Webb each year for the next three years. The Foundation gave the University freedom to apply the amount in the areas with the most critical needs, whether it be business scholarships, equipment purchases or facilities upgrades. GWU officials felt the gift would most likely be used to refurbish Hamrick Hall, the most historic building on campus and future home of the Gardner-Webb School of Business.

The Foundation traditionally has played a significant role in the formation of business offerings at the University, having

endowed the undergraduate business program that now bears the name Broyhill School of Management. Also endowed by the Foundation at Gardner-Webb is the Broyhill Academy for the Study of Independent Concepts, which promotes the idea of entrepreneurship through workshops, speakers and various symposiums held at the University.

In addition to projects that bear the name of the Foundation, it has also provided seed money for a great number of University endeavors, including the creation of the School of Divinity as well as promotional materials and videos that aid in the recruiting and awareness of divinity students and supporters.

COMPUTER GIANT GIVES SURPRISE GIFT

Bill Gates, chairman and CEO of Microsoft Corp. and recently named the wealthiest man in America, has made a \$134,000 gift-in-kind on behalf of his company to the campaign in the form of computer software. Gates made the gift through the Independent College Fund of North Carolina.

Gardner-Webb received 100 copies of Windows 95, Microsoft Word, Excel, Microsoft Office Standard for Windows 95, and five copies of Windows NT Server. The aim of the gift, Gates explained, is to support and expand technological capabilities, including Internet access, for students at Gardner-Webb and, subsequently, other liberal arts colleges and universities that are similar to Gardner-Webb.

The "Dreaming, Daring, Doing" campaign is seeking \$3 million in total gifts toward new technology for Gardner-Webb. While advancements like Internet access have been in place for the University in

specified locations on campus for over two years, a complete refurbishing of computer technology for the entire campus is currently being pursued. The Microsoft gift will enhance that mission and ensure that GWU is offering the latest in software programs for its students, faculty and staff.

"Without question, this gift will shape the direction the University takes with its

technological development and software applications," said Danny Davis, GWU data processing manager and assistant vice president for business. "It is a determining factor in our



pursuits from this day forth."

"North Carolina is home to many important businesses, colleges and universities," Gates said. "Our hope is that the software and technical support we provide can help to build a connected learning community ..., one in which everyone participates and collaborates on lifelong learning for students of all ages and walks of life."

CAMPAIGN SOARS TOWARD GOAL

Large Contributions Set Pace For "Dreaming, Daring, Doing"

"Dreaming, Daring, Doing ... The Campaign for Gardner-Webb University" has announced the largest foundation gift ever given to the school in support of its \$20 million fund-raising effort to finance endowment, facilities and technology.

Dover Foundation Inc. of Shelby has designated its \$1 million gift, which was pledged in December 1994, to the facilities portion of the campaign. The commitment will serve to help renovate Hamrick Hall, the oldest and most historic building on campus and, so it might become the future home of the University's School of Business, which includes the undergraduate Broyhill School of Management and the graduate Master of Business Administration (MBA) program. "We want this facility to mean as much to the generations of the future as it has to the generations of the past," said GWU President Dr. Chris White.

Dover Foundation Inc. also announced that a second aspect of its commitment involves an increase in the total amount of money it supplies for college scholarships to Cleveland County residents. The amount grows from \$30,000 to \$50,000 annually effective this year. Half of the Foundation's total scholarship gift each year is awarded to students choosing to attend Gardner-Webb.

The first gift ever given by the foundation in 1944 was \$22,000 to Gardner-Webb. Since then, the foundation has made it a priority to fund the University's top capital needs. In 1990, the foundation also made a \$1 million gift to GWU.

HOLLIFIELD LEAVES LEGACY AS BENEFACTOR, ALUMNUS

Hughy Hollifield, a 1935 Gardner-Webb graduate and esteemed benefactor of the University, passed away in May after a long battle with diabetes. He was 81.

Perhaps most people associated with Gardner-Webb will recognize Hollifield and his wife, Wyndolyn, a former GWU trustee, for their \$1 million gift to construct the six-acre Lake Hollifield Complex on the GWU campus. A picturesque spot adjacent to Spangler Stadium, the Complex has become a focal point for recreation among students, employees and members of the community.

Mr. Hollifield had often joined his wife in contributing resources to Christian causes and they were recognized for that generosity by being named the 1995 North Carolina Philanthropists of the Year for support of Baptist activities. Hughy Hollifield was also hailed by the University as Alumnus of the Year in 1993 for his generosity and love for Gardner-Webb.

GWU Vice President for University Relations Ralph "Scoot" Dixon noted, "Hughy was the kind of man who greeted every day with a smile. He had a passion for his church, for Gardner-Webb, and for the students that was truly admirable."

As both he and Wyndolyn are natives of nearby Rutherford County, the Hollifields saw the opportunity to further beautify the area and the GWU campus with the construction of the Lake Hollifield Complex. The couple's wish to have a place where local residents could picnic, utilize walking trails and retreat to a scenic spot on campus has been realized. Another feature of the Complex that the Hollifields had so dearly yearned for was the addition of a bell tower that would include a carillon, which is a system of bells that can be played manually or electronically.

Now the bell tower dream has become a reality.

By late summer or early fall the 70-foot structure will grace the highest point on the Complex' grounds. Complete with a lighted plaza, the majestic tower will be a standing memorial to the allegiance Mr. and Mrs. Hollifield have felt toward Gardner-Webb University.

The tower is being constructed by Verdin Company of Cincinnati, Ohio, a world-famous maker of carillons.

This rendering shows the design of the bell tower that is scheduled to grace the Lake Hollifield Complex later this year.



Seminar (paid for by the German and U.S. governments) consisted of a three-week, all-expense paid trip to Germany. While there, Blackburn visited 18 different educational institutions in an effort to understand and encourage American study abroad and international study in the United States.

While Blackburn had never made the trip to Germany, he was no stranger to the area. In 1985, the State University of New York Press published his book Education in the Third Reich: A Study of Race and History in Nazi Textbooks. Blackburn also taught German history for 20 years and while he cannot speak German, he can read the foreign language.

"In some ways, Gardner-Webb was the least known school of those represented in the seminar," according to Blackburn. But, he said, educators were coming to him because of his educational background and knowledge of the area. Compared to the other institutions, GWU "in quality rates very well, but needs to include more students," says Blackburn.

GARDNER-WEBB RECIPIENT OF \$250,000 GIFT

BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION HELPS PROVIDE SCHOLARSHIPS

Gardner-Webb University officials have received a \$250,000 gift from the Baptist

State Convention of North Carolina for the establishment of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina Divinity School Endowed Scholarship Trust.

According to Dr. Roy Smith, executive director-treasurer of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, the Executive Committee and the General Board of the Baptist State Convention formally approved the gift from a series of funds that have been accumulating since the Gardner-Webb School of Divinity has been operating. Various avenues of giving to theological education in North Carolina were organized about the time the GWU divinity school was founded, he explained. These giving plans allowed Baptists to ensure that proper and meaningful support was provided to those pursuing graduate degrees in church-related vocations.

"Since the time those plans were begun, the funds accumulated faster than were being utilized," said Dr. Smith. "Therefore, a pool of monies earmarked for theological education was formed and grew to a significant size. We recognized this situation and felt that a gift given now would have a tremendous impact on Gardner-Webb's effort to provide more scholarship assistance through its divinity endowment."

Recipients of scholarships from this fund will be restricted to men and women from North Carolina Baptist churches who are enrolled in the School of Divinity.

NEW LEADERS NAMED TO LEAD GWU PROGRAMS

GOAL, CAMPUS MINISTRY SPOTS FILLED

In what Gardner-Webb University President Dr. Chris White described as "progressive moves," the school on Tuesday, May 7, announced new leaders for two vital and highly visible University programs.

Effective immediately, the dean of the College of Extended Professional Studies, who coordinates the activity at GWU's 14 satellite GOAL (Greater Opportunities for Adult Learners)

Program sites, is Dr. Bob Shackleford. A professor of sociology at the University since 1993, Shackleford will now direct Gardner-Webb's night school operations, which offers working adults the chance to complete their four-year degrees at various locations throughout North Carolina.

The GOAL Program, a concept that was pioneered by GWU in North Carolina in 1978, enrolls approximately 900 students and accounts for \$3 million of the University's total \$26 million operating budget. The program offers degrees in accounting, business administration, business management, health management, criminal justice, human services and management information systems.

Equally important, White added, was the appointment of the Rev. Tracy Jessup as minister to the University and director of campus ministries. Jessup, who had been serving as director of admissions for the Gardner-Webb School of Divinity, will focus on coordinating and involving students in religious activities on campus as well as providing service to the University's employees as a pastor.

A former associate pastor in the Baptist church, Jessup is also a Gardner-Webb graduate, having received the Distinguished Male Graduate Award upon completion of his degree. He also holds the Master of Divinity degree.



Dr. Bob Shackleford



Rev. Tracy Jessup



The White's recently held an open house at the Blanton House, their residence in Shelby. Pictured here: Dr. Tony Eastman with Dr. White, Linda White and Diane Rabon.

DIGGING UP THE PAST

CAN GWU FIND SKELETONS IN THE CLOSET?

This spring, Gardner-Webb joined a consortium of educational institutions in a middle eastern archeological project called the Kerak Resources Project (KRP) near the country of Jordan. Led by University faculty members Drs. Larry Gregg and Barbara Burkett, Gardner-Webb will be represented in what is being called a significant expedition to uncover information and artifacts on the Kerak Plateau.

Not only will the project hold certain physical archeological findings, but this "dig" will explore the biblical ramifications this area held in the lives of inhabitants thousands of years ago. The first excavation is set to begin in 1997. It is anticipated that a number of GWU faculty and students will participate in this project over the next several years.

While all artifacts found will belong to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, schools in this consortium will be permitted to hold substantial quantities of these findings on loan from the Jordanian Department of Antiquities. Gregg said he anticipates a number of professional publications to detail discoveries made by team members. Also, future classes for course credit and public interest in biblical archeology at Gardner-Webb could be made available as a direct result of this project, he added.

On October 5 of this year, a conference entitled "The Kerak Plateau: Past, Present and Future" will be held on the Gardner-Webb campus. Scheduled on Homecoming weekend, it is open to the public. A video presentation of the project, plus displays of artifacts uncovered at the archeological site, will accompany a question/answer session about the topic with project director Dr. Gerald Mattingly.

FULL GRADUATE EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP OFFERED BEGINS FALL 1996

Gardner-Webb is offering the first full scholarship in a Gardner-Webb graduate degree program. The scholarship, funded entirely by the University, provides full tuition remission for graduate education courses, beginning in the fall of 1996. The scholarship, which is based entirely on merit rather than need, was created for new

students to encourage high quality, diverse applicants.

"In Gardner-Webb's ongoing efforts to build a diverse graduate student body, we encourage members of under-represented populations to apply," says Dr. Darlene Gravett, dean of Graduate Studies.

To be eligible and maintain the scholarship, applicants must meet four criteria. Each student must: 1) hold a current A level license in education or seek entrance into the School Counseling program; 2) qualify for provisional or full admission into a graduate program; 3) be continuously enrolled in at least one graduate course each semester; and 4) maintain a 3.0 grade point average. New students in GWU's satellite programs are also eligible for the scholarship. Gardner-Webb's graduate education program is accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE). For more information or an application, contact the Office of Graduate Studies, (704) 434-4723 phone or (704) 434-4FAX.

NEGBENEOR CO-AUTHORS NEW TEXTBOOK BOOK HAS GWU FLAVOR

When an educator has the privilege of co-authoring an impressive book, he would be expected to be proud and willing to brag about his accomplishments. The opposite can be said about Gardner-Webb business

associate professor Dr. Anthony Negbenebor.

The book, which was recently published, is entitled Principles of Economics. Negbenebor co-authored the book with James Willis of San Jose State, a man he calls "extremely well-known in this field." According to Negbenebor, Willis and numerous others are deserving of the credit.

"When you write a big book like this, you always get help from everyone you know," says Negbenebor. He goes on to say that the book was a team effort, and gives thanks to all of those in the Broyhill School of Management. In the preface, he even acknowledges fellow professor Dr. Glenn Bottoms for his contributions.

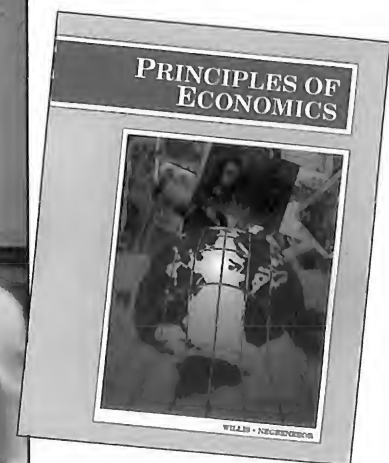
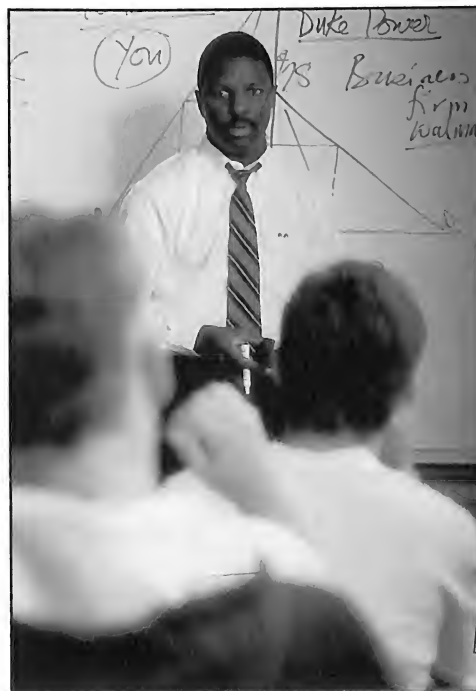
Numerous Gardner-Webb faculty and staff are also mentioned throughout the 936-page work as examples in word problems. Some of those include Dr. Chris White, Dr. Frank Bonner, Dr. Gil Blackburn, Jim Crawley, Dr. Sue Camp, and Susan Bell, to name only a few.

Negbenebor says he added these touches to make it "Gardner-Webb." He says he wanted a book that was user-friendly for students, something with which they could relate. He also added humor and cartoons to spice up the subject of economics, something he calls "a boring cause."

GWU students are already using the book in both Principles of Economics I and II. Negbenebor says he even tested out the material in some of his classes last semester.

This is the second large book written by Negbenebor. He also co-authored a book, Steps to Successful Exporting with GWU's Dr. Keith Griggs in 1992.

While Negbenebor thanks so many people for inspiring him and his work, including his wife Diane, daughter Nicole, and his parents, he is quick to point out where his true inspiration lies: "God made it happen."



DOVER FOUNDATION AWARDS THOUSANDS IN COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

CLEVELAND COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS BENEFIT

The first gift given by the Dover Foundation was \$22,000 to what was then Gardner-Webb College in 1944. Wonder if founders John R. Dover Jr., Charles I. Dover and Charles P. Roberts ever dreamed that college-bound students would be receiving more than double that amount some day in scholarship money?

This year, 10 Cleveland County area students did indeed receive over \$50,000 in scholarship money. The foundation increased the amount from \$30,000 handed out in previous years. Half of the Dover Foundation scholarship recipients attend Gardner-Webb University.

The students who will be attending Gardner-Webb are Kristin Bumbaugh from Shelby, Amber Goode from Crest, Chris Davis and Gena Willis from Burns and Christina Johnsonbaugh from Kings Mountain.

"Dover Foundation has recognized the importance of supporting Cleveland County residents in their educational pursuits," says Dr. Chris White, president of Gardner-Webb University. "And we're grateful that half of the recipients attend Gardner-Webb and that these students can benefit from the foundation's generosity."

Dover Foundation scholarship recipients attending other institutions include Paul Box from Crest, Angela Coffey from Cherryville Junior-Senior High, Christie Hughes from Kings Mountain, Ryan Hull from Burns, and Mark Schweppe from Shelby.

Paul Box and Chris Davis were awarded \$10,000 scholarships, the other recipients received \$4,000.

The Dover Foundation has been a supporter of Gardner-Webb for over 50

years and last fall it committed \$1 million to the capital campaign, specifically for renovations to Hamrick Hall.

EMERITUS STATUS GIVEN LOCAL PASTOR HONORED

The Rev. Russell Fitts of Lawndale was voted by the GWU Board Trustees to receive Trustee Emeritus status. This distinction has been given only four previous times in University history.

Trustee emeriti are considered members of the board, participate in meetings, and receive all related correspondence. Recently, Dr. Gene Poston was voted as president emeritus by the Board as well.

WILD GOOSE CHASE STUDENT FINDS LONG LOST PET

Imagine strolling around Lake Hollifield when you notice "someone" following

you. Are you frightened, do you stop coming to the lake? Well, Lynn McSwain Gantt didn't stop coming to Lake Hollifield. In fact, she started coming more often. The "someone" that was following her was "Keeley," a goose that she had raised several years ago.

After repeated visits to the lake, Lynn found that the goose was indeed her beloved Keeley. The male goose was a gift when she was 10 years old, but had to be given away after the unexpected death of its companion. Meanwhile, Lynn grew up and eventually decided to attend Gardner-Webb. It was here that she was reunited with her former pet, Keeley.

Lynn, who took time off from school to get married, wrote

President White and told him of her unique story. She offered to buy the goose and before being granted that request, to demonstrate her rapport with Keeley. Dr. White responded with an offer to give Lynn the goose. On April 16, GWU faculty and staff, led by Provost Dr. Frank Bonner, gathered at Lake Hollifield to witness the reunion. The crowd, however, was exactly what prevented the reunion from happening. Apparently, too many onlookers spooked the goose and he retreated to the water.

On Wednesday, April 24, 1996, Lynn was finally reunited with her long lost pet. Keeley now resides with Lynn and her husband Tony in Polkville. According to Lynn, Keeley is doing very well and has three ducks to keep him company.

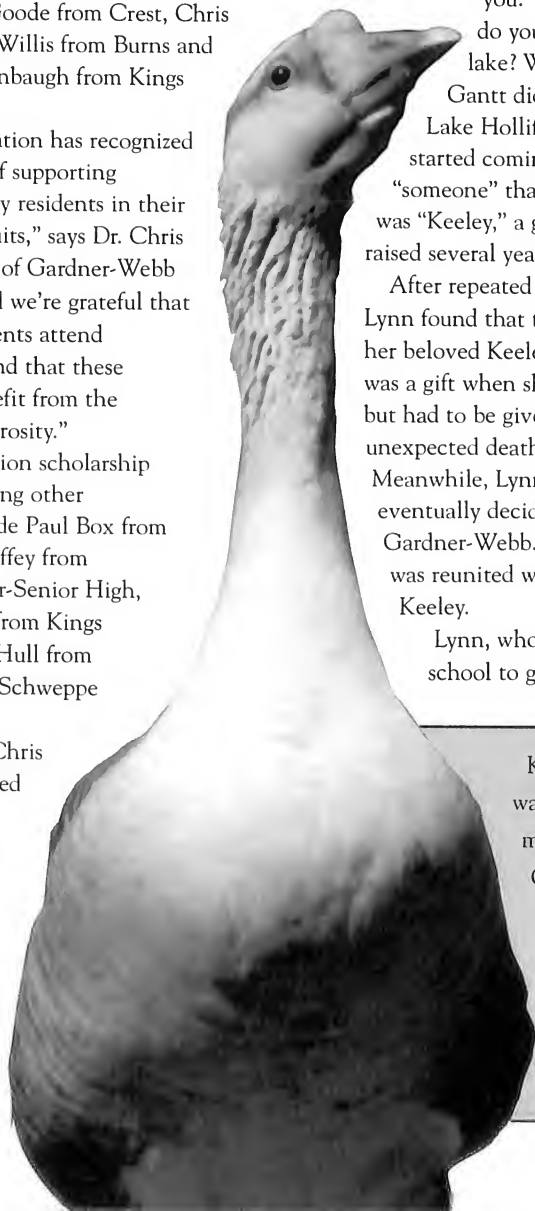
CSO REMEMBERS STUDENTS TWO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS CREATED

At the most recent Christian Service Organization meeting, the group announced it had established two scholarships in memory of students who passed away this past year after battling illnesses.

The Dana Leigh Scott Memorial – Christian Service Organization Endowed Scholarship Fund and the Richard A. Isenhour Memorial – Christian Service Organization Endowed Scholarship Fund were created to perpetuate the memory of these courageous students who exemplified a strong Christian faith among their friends, families and fellow students.

Both scholarships will be awarded to GWU students who have committed their lives to full-time Christian service. Funds may be contributed by interested individuals to either of these scholarships by contacting the Division of University Relations at 704-434-4253.

Keeley, a goose that was living at the Lake Hollifield Complex, was discovered by a former GWU student that had raised the bird many years ago. The story made headlines around Cleveland County and is still being talked about today. Do you have an interesting or unique story that details your experiences as a Gardner-Webb student or alum? The Web staff would like to hear from you. Drop us a line at the Office of Public Relations, P.O. Box 997, Boiling Springs, NC 28017. You may also fax us at (704) 434-3931.





DOWN, SET, HIKE

GWU football star is drafted by the NFL's New Orleans Saints

While Gardner-Webb University had its day in the national sports spotlight with the U.S. Olympic Trials, the University is counting on the second GWU player to be chosen in the NFL draft to keep us in the news for years to come. A few weeks ago, bulldog wide-receiver and return specialist Terry Guess was drafted in the fifth round by the New Orleans Saints.

Terry's career highlights include being named an NCAA-II All-American, leading the NCAA-II in punt returns, setting a division two record for most kick returns for scores (6) and setting the record for the longest kickoff return.

According to Guess's agent David Joseph, Terry would most likely have been drafted earlier if injuries hadn't hampered his 1995

season. Joseph noted that this year's draft was an unusually difficult one for wide receivers due to large number of talented players at that position.

No one is sure exactly where Terry will play for the Saints, but coaches and his agent seem to think he'll be a factor for years to come.

According to the Saints' coaches, Guess had an outstanding rookie camp just weeks after the draft. Although nagging injuries are hampering his progress somewhat, the team feels he will make a definite contribution.

GWU Head Coach Woody Fish said, "The sky is the limit for Terry. Arguably, there has never been a more talented player in the SAC. We're pulling for him to do great things."

With Guess's selection by the Saints, he becomes the second GWU football standout to make the NFL. Gabe Wilkins was chosen by the Green Bay Packers in the fourth round in 1994. While Wilkins (#98 in the 1995-96 season) does not start for the Packers, he sees significant playing time on the defensive line.

GOING ONCE, GOING TWICE, SOLD!

GWU holds second auction for athletics

The second annual GWU auction and barbecue to benefit the athletic department raised nearly \$16,000. Three hundred fifteen items were donated for the event. Some of the most popular choices were vacations, furniture, sporting goods and autographed items.

The hottest item was an autographed soccer ball signed by international soccer star, Pele. The ball, which was the most expensive purchase, went for \$850. The gentleman who bought the ball was visiting a GWU staff member during the auction. He played college soccer at Wofford College and then joined a semi-pro team in the New York/New Jersey area. One summer his semi-pro team practiced against Pele's team, the Cosmos. The Wofford grad had several photos of himself with Pele, but nothing signed.

"Our auction was a tremendous success," said Ozzie McFarland, GWU athletic

director. "The efforts put forth by our coaches and athletic staff were evident. The night of the auction was definitely a night where everyone was a winner."

The Gardner-Webb University athletic program consists of 14 intercollegiate sports; eight for men, six for women. Each sport and cheerleading and athletic training were responsible for supplying items for the auction.

Due to its tremendous success the auction is expected to become an annual event at GWU. If you are interested in

donating items or memorabilia, call Ozzie McFarland in the athletic department at 704-434-4340.



The third annual celebrity golf tournament at River Bend Golf Club brought in over \$5,000 dollars for the community service projects of GWU football team on May 7. Pictured are David Lynn '79, Nascar driver Derricke Cope, Harry Puckett and Van Durrett.

G.W.U. GRADUATES ACROSS THE U.S.A.



Number of GWU Graduates in the U.S.

Alaska	5	Montana	2
Alabama	47	North Carolina	11,066
Arkansas	5	Nebraska	1
Arizona	6	New Hampshire	3
California	46	New Jersey	47
Colorado	12	New Mexico	4
Connecticut	9	Nevada	4
District of Columbia	3	New York	35
Delaware	12	Ohio	36
Florida	261	Oklahoma	13
Georgia	309	Oregon	1
Hawaii	5	Pennsylvania	44
Iowa	1	Rhode Island	2
Idaho	3	South Carolina	1,821
Illinois	20	Tennessee	138
Indiana	24	Texas	95
Kansas	7	Utah	1
Kentucky	57	Virginia	424
Louisiana	17	Vermont	1
Massachusetts	9	Washington	7
Maryland	65	Wisconsin	3
Maine	8	West Virginia	12
Michigan	24	Wyoming	1
Minnesota	5		
Missouri	13	Total Count	14,754
Mississippi	15		

CLASS NOTES

The '50s

Emma Jean Herman '58 and her husband Frank celebrated their 36th wedding anniversary in June. Emma Jean is employed by Shook & Tarlton Realtors in Hickory, NC.

W. Arnold Bell '57 retired as pastor of First Church in Cleveland, NC on May 26, 1996. He and his wife will reside in Lenoir, NC.

Ruth Gibson '55 was named the Teacher of the Year by the staff at Cherryville East Elementary School where she has taught for 30 years.

Dr. Bob Patterson '50 published two books in April 1996; Theology, Philosophy, and Science in the Contemporary World and

Who is Jesus Christ? Dr. Patterson has collaborated as either an author, editor or writer in 36 books. He is employed by Baylor University.

The '60s

Robert C. Vincent, Jr. '67 and his wife Sally announce the graduation of their daughter, Amy, from Woodbridge High School in June 1996. Amy will enter the Air Force this fall. Robert resides in Woodbridge, VA.

Ken Sanford '62 was named principal of Chase High School in Rutherfordton, NC.

Janet Keller Swanson '62 has retired as a physical education teacher from the Caldwell County School System. She and her

husband, Tony, reside in Lenoir, NC.

Patricia Padgett Worley '61 and her husband Charlie have three sons. They live in Glade Hill, VA.

The '70s

Dr. C. David Boan '77 was named pastor of the College Avenue Baptist Church in Lenoir, NC. He lives with his wife Nancy and three children in Taylorsville, NC.

Dr. Dina Braddy '77 was named Principal of the Year for the Shelby City School System. Dina has been principal of Shelby Middle School for the past 19 years.

Becky Gearren-Gunter '77 graduated in May 1996 from Gardner-Webb with a Master of Arts in Christian Ministry. She received the academic award from the School of Divinity. She resides in Hillsville, VA.

Karen Pratt Willis '77 was promoted to clinician at Gaston Memorial Hospital. Willis, who resides in Gastonia with her husband, Daniel, has worked at Gaston Memorial for the past 15 years.

Wofford B. Caughman, Jr. '75 was named the Senior Minister of The Hill Baptist Church in Augusta, GA, June 1, 1996. Wofford is married to Catherine Bailey '75. They have two children.

Julian "Doc" Davis '75 was selected as the Spartanburg Herald-Journal's High School Coach of the Year for 1995. Doc is the head football coach at Spartanburg High School.

Keith E. Hayes '75 and his wife Cindy announce the birth of their daughter, Kathryn Leann, born February 1, 1996. Keith is a contractor salesman for Leeds Building Products, Inc. They live in Roebuck, SC.

Deborah Burgin '74 was honored for the third consecutive year as the Region C Law Enforcement Judge of the Year. She has received this award every year since she was elected to the bench.

Jimmy W. Galloway '74 was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel in the Army Reserve. Jimmy is pastor at the United Methodist Church in Lawndale. He and his wife, Rosa Anderson Galloway '73 reside in Lawndale.

Dr. Marcia Abernathy Duncan '73 was named Career Woman of the Year by the Gaffney Business and

Professional Women's Club. Marcia is principal at John E. Ewing Junior High School. She resides in Gaffney with her husband, Dale, and their three children.

Alan H. Mayhew '72 was named vice president and Mooresville city executive of United Carolina Bank.

William Harrill '71 announces the graduation of his son, Tony, from Clemson University, May 1995. Bill and his wife, Sandi reside in Myrtle Beach, SC.

William Franklin Hibbard '71 was named vice president of national accounts of Epes Transport System, Inc. He now resides in Greensboro, NC.

Dr. R. Scott Goode '70 has been named agency field consultant for

Anne Barrier '88 accepted a position as a sales associate for Realty Executives in Hickory.

Keith Hall Haney '88 and Joy Maxwell Haney '86 announce the birth of their daughter, Sarah Rebekah, born May 10, 1996. This is their second daughter, Olivia Joanna is six. The family resides in Forest City, NC.

Richard Hardee '88 accepted a position as administrator and principal of High Point Christian Academy.

Ronetta Ann Owensby Lackey '88 recently graduated from Gardner-Webb with a master's degree. She teaches fourth grade at Township Three Elementary School. Ronetta resides in Shelby with her husband, Chris, and daughter, Savannah.

Street School where she teaches fourth grade. Lela lives in Rockingham, NC.

Jonathan A. Wirt '87 graduated in May from the Oral Roberts University-School of Theology and Mission with a Master of Divinity. Jon and his wife Melinda Moore Wirt '89 reside in Tulsa, OK.

Bobby L. Carrier '86 joined the Molded Fiber Glass of North Carolina Company in Morganton as controller/computer administrator. He is responsible for all financial, accounting, and computer areas.

Christopher S. Roberts '86 is serving as an adjunct instructor of music, the Director of the Concert Choir and Choral Union at Gardner-Webb University. He is also Minister of Music at Boiling Springs Baptist Church. Janet Ballard Roberts '88 is employed as a legal assistant by Robert W. Wolf in Forest City. Chris and Janet live in Shelby, NC.

Tim Dearman '85 was honored as the 1995 Park Newspaper Publisher of the Year. He is the publisher of Statesville Record & Landmark.

Ronald Lindler '85 was named chairman of the board of trustees for Catawba Memorial Hospital.

Caroline Metcalf '86 and Larry Wellmon were married April 20, 1996 at Mount Vernon Baptist Church in Forest City. They reside in Rutherfordton, NC.

Lu Ellen Poole Richard '85 recently passed the test to become a Certified Public Accountant. Before being awarded the title CPA, Lu Ellen must also complete work experience requirements. Lu Ellen is a senior accountant at Presbyterian Hospital in Charlotte. She resides in Kings Mountain, NC.

Melissa Lail Trecker '85 and her husband Jonathan are the proud parents of a daughter, Sara Elizabeth, born January 3, 1996. They live in Bristol, CT.

Jeffrey C. Hudgins '84 wishes to inform all of his fellow alumni of the passing of his wife, Catherine M. Hudgins. Catherine died February 14, 1996 after a long illness. Jeffrey is pastor of Berea Baptist Church in Fredericksburg, VA.

Hillary Padgett '84 and Alan Lathan were married on December 2, 1995. She is a self-employed piano teacher and performer. They live in Fort Mill, SC.

Lela S. Cobb '87 was named Teacher of the Year at Washington

1995-96 Annual Fund

Goal: \$135,000

Received to Date: \$112,951*

Percentage of Goal: 84%

Number of Donors: 1,383

Thank you
for your participation

* As of June 19

State Farm in Hickory, NC. He and his wife, Barbara, have three children.

The '80s

Frances Brabham Corbin '89 is now the Marketing/Admissions Director of the Baptist Retirement Homes. She and her husband, Buddy, reside in Asheville, NC.

Tracy C. Jessup '89 and Teresa Cannon Jessup '87 announce the birth of a son, Christian Taylor, on January 19, 1996. Tracy was recently named Minister to the University and Director of Campus Ministries at Gardner-Webb.

Sandra Lynch '88 and Timothy Twitty '86 were married on January 27, 1996. She is employed with AT&T Communications. He is employed with Twitty and Associates Designs. They reside in Charlotte.

Cynthia Hollifield Watts '88 and her husband Jody announced the birth of a daughter, Sarah Catherine Watts.

John Christopher Bryan '87 accepted a position as pastor at State Line Baptist Church in Gaffney, SC.

Lela S. Cobb '87 was named Teacher of the Year at Washington

Cheryl Smith '84 was recently named Teacher of the Year at Catawba Heights Elementary School. Cheryl is married to Jeff and they have one son.

Chris Wallace '84 was named vice president of finance for Doran Textiles, Inc. He has been employed by the company for 18 years.

Edwin Webb White '84 was named assistant vice president of First National Bank. Edwin resides in Shelby, NC.

Vickie Clanton '83 was promoted to director of personnel administration and employee benefits for Alba-Waldensian, a manufacturer of medical speciality products in Valdese, NC.

Rachel Luckadoo Dover '83 received the designation of Certified Employee Benefit Specialist (CEBS) in March, 1996. Rachel is director of benefits for Parkdale Mills, Inc. She and her husband, Kenneth, reside in Kings Mountain, NC.

Bernice Church Shuggs '83 retired from Gaston County Schools after 29 years of service as a guidance counselor. Bernice and her husband, Nattie, reside in Gastonia, NC.

Rev. Max S. Pettyjohn '82 and his wife Pamela announced the birth of a son, Andrew Maxwell, born March 15, 1996. They reside in Louisville, KY.

The Rev. C. Philip Frady '82 was named pastor of Lower Creek Baptist Church. The Rev. Frady and his wife, Gray, will move from Gastonia to Lenoir, NC.

William Rash '82 and his wife, Sherree Morris '83 have a new son, Caleb Morris, born August 31, 1995. The family has moved to Kannapolis, NC from Indianapolis, IN. Willie has been named the pastor at Centerview Baptist Church. Willie and Sherree now have three children.

Randall Hall '80 is the new vice-president and chief financial officer at the Bank of Granite in Granite Falls, NC.

Harvey L. Shropshire '80 received a Master in Education degree on May 4, 1996 from UNCC. Harvey is employed by Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools and lives with his wife, Cassandra, in Charlotte.

Sherri Trotter '80 accepted a position as principal at Archdale-Trinity Middle School in Randolph County.

The '90s

Heather Nicole Robertson '96 and Marty White '93 were married March 2, 1996. Heather will attend the University of North Carolina School of Medicine in the fall. Marty recently received a juris doctor with honors from the UNC School of Law. He is also a commissioned officer in the U.S. Navy Judge Advocate

Thomas Richard Furse '95 will have an article published in a book of case studies called IN ACTION: Leading Organizational Change. The book will be published in August, 1996. He works for Stonecutter Mills and lives in Rutherfordton, NC.

Joy W. Gallyon '95 was elected to serve a three year term on the North Carolina Board of Video Software Dealers

Ansonville. The couple resides in Wadesboro.

Laura Robinson '95 received the Trio Achiever Award from the S.O.A.R. program. She is a nursing admissions advisor for Mayland Community College.

Melissa Britt Roller '95 and Richard Lewis Campbell were married October 7, 1995. Melissa is employed by Hardee's. The couple resides in Rockingham, NC.

Daniel Scott Schultz '95 and Michele Lynn Hucks were married September 23, 1995 in Swansboro, NC. Daniel is employed by the Gardner-Webb University Police Department. Michele is currently a student at GWU. They live in Boiling Springs, NC.

Timothy R. Tipton '95 has clinched the Republican nomination in Yancey County for the office of Register of Deeds. He will face a three term incumbent in November. Tim, who is employed by Yancey County Schools, is also studying for his Master's degree in Public Administration at Western Carolina University. He resides in Burnsville, NC.

Jeff Appling '94 was recently sworn in as a parole/probation officer for Rutherford County. Jeff lives in Forest City.

Shirley Bayless '94 was re-certified for professional nursing in perioperative nursing practice by the National Certification Board.

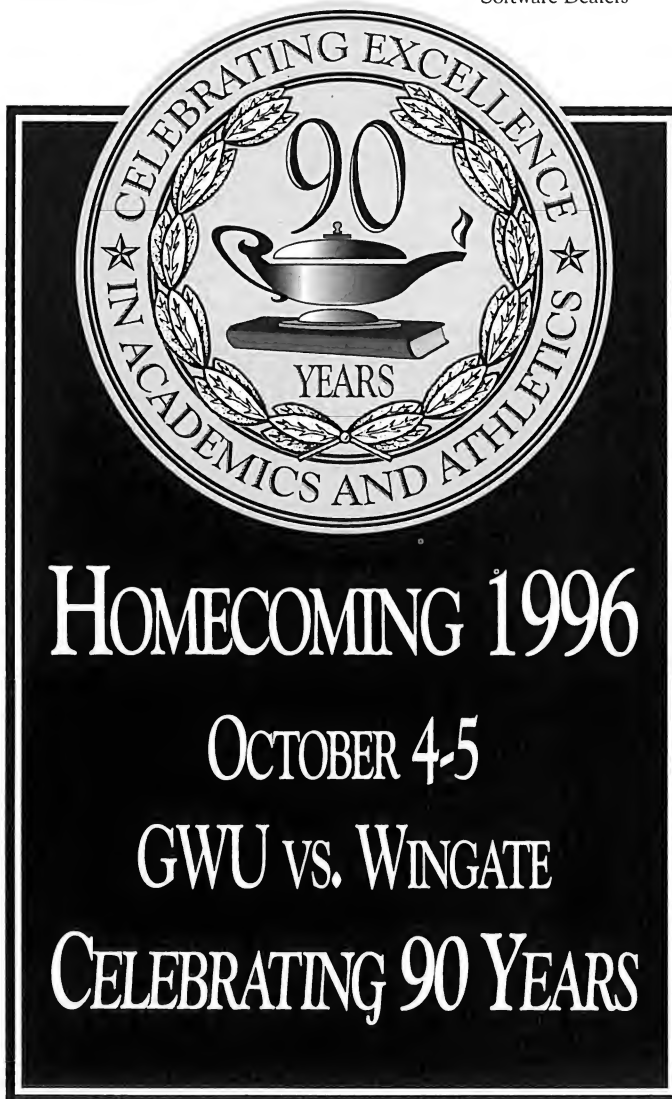
Cary Dwayne Bowman '94 and Tonya Michelle Link were married in December, 1995. He is employed by Siec Corp. as a fiber optic product associate. The couple reside in Hickory, NC.

Amy Elizabeth Bridges '94 and James Lee Black were married November 18, 1995 in Shelby. She is employed with Shelby City Schools at Marion Elementary School. They live in Dallas, NC.

Kevin Andrew Cloer '94 and Maria Elizabeth Garrison were married on December 16, 1995. The couple resides in Roanoke Rapids.

Jeff Dean '94 was promoted to major accounts marketing coordinator at The Greenville News. He resides in Greenville, SC.

Tina Lynn Dobbins '94 and Joseph Christopher White '94 were married September 16, 1995. Tina is the staff development coordinator at Fair Haven Nursing Home. Joseph is employed with Rutherford County Schools. They reside in Forest City.



General's Corps. They live in Durham, NC.

Marty Allen Ballard '95 and Tina Marie Nixon were married on December 16, 1995. He is a registered nurse at Gaston Memorial Hospital. They reside in Gastonia.

Clint Calhoun '95 was promoted to trails supervisor at Chimney Rock Park.

Amy Denise Downs '95 and Charles Kevin Bridges were married November 3, 1995. Amy is employed by Cleveland County EMS and Cleveland Community College. They live in Polkville.

Association, a national organization of video retailers, wholesalers, studios and various support groups associated with the motion picture business.

Kathryn Hutchens '95 has been appointed as director of Alexander Handycrafts, a day service providing organized developmental activities for individuals with developmental disabilities.

Tonya Michelle Lee '95 and Teddy Lindsey Huneycutt were married October 29, 1995. Tonya is employed by Lee Oil and Gas in

Andrew Leonard Hopper, Jr. '94 and **Aricka Fuller Howell '94** were married recently. He is employed by PPG Industries. She is employed by Cleveland Regional Medical Center. They reside in Shelby.

Ruth Jarrel '94 was recognized for the social work she performs at Alexander Community Hospital.

Sherri L. Mooring '94 and **David Anthony Ford '94** were married on January 6, 1996. Both are employed by the VOCA Corp. They will reside in Shelby.

Martha J. Pennell '94 joined the North Carolina division of Adult Probation and Parole in Alexander County.

Darrell Wilson '94 was honored as 1996 Citizen of the Year by the Mooresville/South Iredell Chamber of Commerce.

Jonathon Spencer Barnes '93 and **Dawn Denise Pugh** were married on December 30. Both are currently attending Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. They reside in Fort Worth, TX.

David "Marty" Elmore '93 was named branch manager of the Norwest Financial office in Greensboro. Marty has been living in Sumter, SC, but will relocate to Greensboro, NC.

Wendy Elizabeth Emerson '93 and **William David Bynum II** were married on December 16, 1995. She is employed by Barre-National, Inc. The couple resides in Gastonia, NC.

Linda Greene '93 was selected as December's Employee of the Month at Caldwell Memorial Hospital. She has been employed there for 10 years.

Robin S. Greene '93 has joined Realty Executives in Hickory as a Realtor associate who specializes in residential sales.

Donna Byers Hood '93 was named research assistant in the Institutional Effectiveness and Research office at Isothermal Community College. She and husband, Stephen, reside in Rutherfordton, NC.

Michelle Clary Mullis '93 and her husband, Robert, announce the birth of a daughter, **McKayla Ashley**, born October 2, 1995. The family lives in Columbus, NC.

Marcy Merritt '93 was inducted into Duke University's Sigma Theta Tau, Beta Epsilon Chapter. She also graduated in August, 1995 from Duke with a Master of Science in Nursing. She resides in Winston-Salem.

Wendy Jane Nabors '93 and **Dr. Vernon John Gilliatt** were married on December 8, 1995. She is employed by the Baptist Hospital Emergency Room. The couple live in Kernersville.

Nicole Dawn Nichols '93 and **Jeremy Lloyd Webb '93** were married November 4, 1995. She is employed by Moody's Investor Service in Charlotte. He works for United Companies Lending Corporation in Charlotte. They live in Mount Holly, NC.

Tina Louise Baugess '92 and **Brock Hayden Durham** were married on December 23, 1995. She is employed by Jenkins Wholesale Purchasing Department. They reside in Roaring River, NC.

Michael Andrew Germino '92 and **Kelly C. McKenzie** were married on February 24, 1996. He is employed by Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools. They reside in Durham, NC.

Dana Cherie Hoyle '92 and **Gregory Dwayne Lail** were married December 16, 1995. Dana is employed by Rutherford County Schools. They live in Forest City, NC.

Lori Freeman Lambert '92 and **Kevin Dale Lambert '93** announce the birth of a son, **Jacob Kevin**, December 29, 1995. Lori is

an English teacher at R-S Central High School. Kevin is a credit manager with Dixie Industrial Supply. They live in Spindale, NC.

Anette McClain '92 has accepted a position with Gaston/Lincoln Mental as a mental health counselor. She lives in Shelby.

Sherrill Sue McSwain '92 and **Bradley Claude Underwood** were married on January 2, 1996. She is a deputy with the Forsyth County Sheriff's Department. He is a police officer with the Winston-Salem Police Department. They reside in Winston-Salem.

Melissa Ann Merritt '92 and **Scott Thompson Stephens** were married September 30, 1995 in Morganton. They now live in Raleigh, NC.

Paul Alan Packard '92 and **Kimberly Gibbs** were married October 14, 1995. He is a registered nurse with Cleveland Regional Medical Center and is currently working on a Bachelor of Science in Nursing at the University of North Carolina in Asheville. They reside in Shelby, NC.

Becky Petree '92 was selected as one of the Great 100 Registered Nurses in North Carolina for 1995. She is a clinical nurse

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manager at the North Carolina Baptist Hospital.

James Shuman, Jr. '92 and **Annemarie Perry Shuman '92** are the proud parents of a daughter, Madelyn Elizabeth, born April 8, 1995. He is a manager for the Eckerd Drug Corporation, while she is a teacher with the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools. They reside in Waxhaw.

Lana Chambers '91 was promoted to grocery buyer with Food Lion. She is also a contemporary Christian singer. Her latest recording is "For the Glory of God." Lana lives in Salisbury, NC.

Sheila Marie Craig '91 and **Michael James Sage** were married September 23, 1995. Sheila is co-owner of Union Road Learning Station. They live in Maiden.

Melanie Jordan '91 and **Jackie Thomas Creech, Jr.** were married September 16, 1995. She is a clinical counselor with Tri-County Mental Health. They live in Cheraw, SC.

Robert M. Lawing '91 joined the staff of First Baptist Church of Rutherfordton as minister of youth, education and administration.

Sherry Oxford Lund '91 and **Bryan Lund '93** announce the birth of their second child, Adam, March 1, 1996. Their daughter, Kaitlyn, is two years old. The family lives in Granite Falls, NC.

Tara Elaine Russell '91 was selected to carry the Olympic torch in Charlotte. She is an officer with the Charlotte Police Department.

Tracey Martin Shoaf '91 and her husband, John announce the birth of a son, John Graham, March 7, 1996. Tracey is a teacher at Churchland Elementary. She resides in Lexington, NC.

Sarah Beth Tilley '91 joined the staff of the First Baptist Church in Orangeburg, SC, in August, 1995. She is the director of the Child Development Center.

Bruce H. Corregan, Jr. '90 and **Martha Baker '91** were married in May, 1992. He earned a Master of Music in December 1993 from the University of South Carolina. She earned a master's in Speech Language Pathology in August 1993, also from the University of South Carolina. They reside in Cary, NC.

Ginger W. Dellinger '90 and her husband, Eddie, announce the birth of a son, Cody, born May 1, 1995. They live in Statesville.

Sherry Blackburn Macy '90 was promoted to assistant manager-corporate accounting in Lowes Companies Inc.

Elizabeth Miles '90 joined Fieldcrest Cannon in Kannapolis as a systems analyst in information services.

Anna Christine Vaughn '90 and **Tim Alan Coley** were married December 2, 1995. She is the assistant director of student activities with Mercer University. The couple resides in Macon.

DEATHS

Hughy Hollifield '35 passed away in May in Winston-Salem.

Otha Williams '45 died April 1, 1996 at his home in Lawndale.

The Rev. Jim Harris '60 died February 2, 1996 in Beckely, WV.

Joyce Harris Putnam '61 passed away March 6, 1996 at her home in Cliffside.

Jo Ann Fowler '74 passed away on March 20, 1996.

Mary Best Stanback '87 died recently at her home.

The Rev. James Pompey '93 died March 1, 1996 at his home.

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