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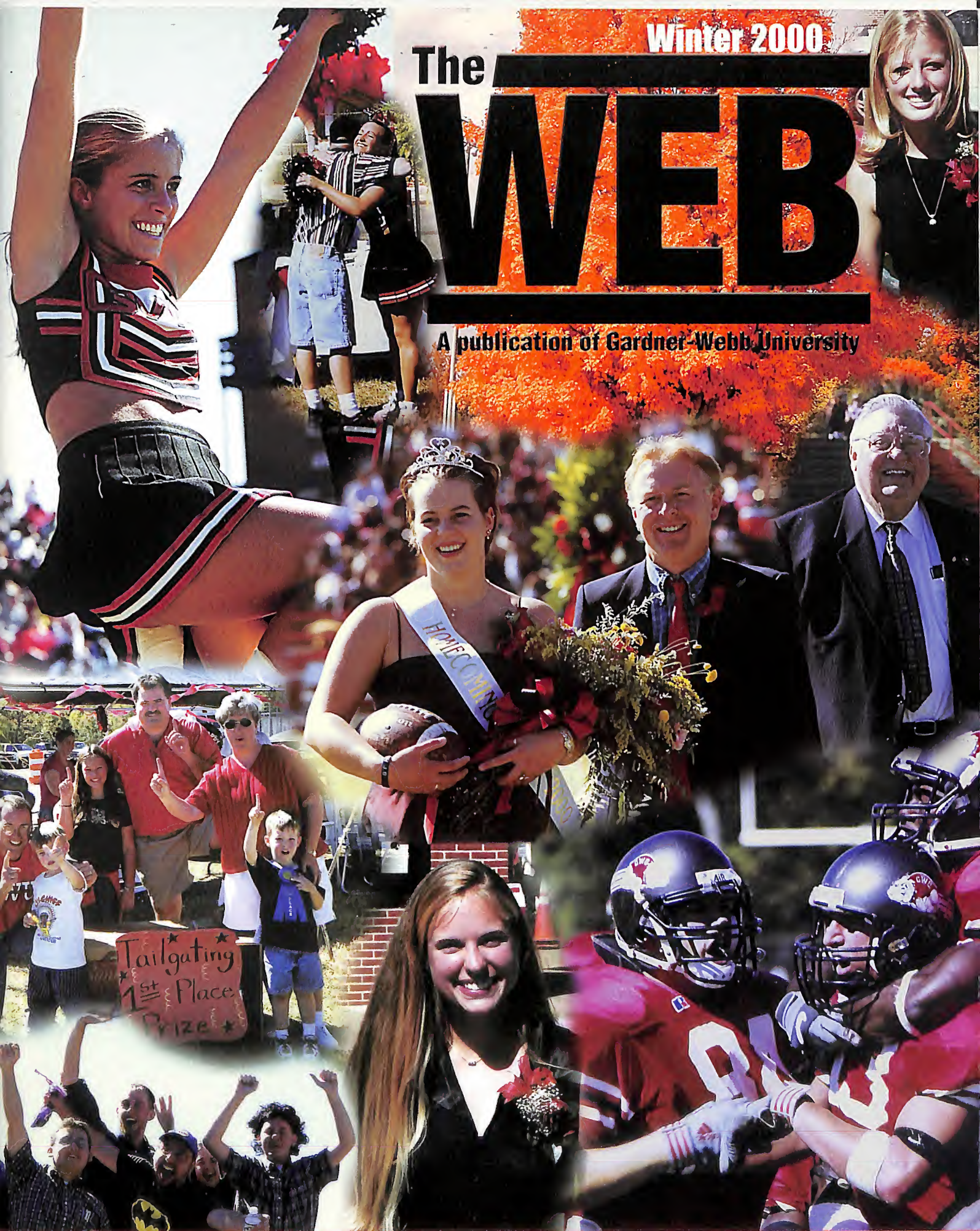
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SENIOR PINNING CEREMONY



ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP LUNCHEON



**THE GWU PRODUCTION OF
SHAKESPEARE'S "A
MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S
DREAM"**



GWU Football rolled to a Homecoming win, as well as surprise victories over Samford and New Hampshire on the way to a 7-4 season record

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"My Honor Is My Life"

*A New Initiative By Dr. Gil Blackburn and
SGA President Hannah Woody Places The
GWU Honor Code In Every Classroom*



**There is never a better
measure of what a person is
than what he does when he is
absolutely free to choose.**

- William M. Bulger -

The year 2000 will always be remembered as a time when America was challenged to examine the issues of trust, integrity, honesty and character more closely than ever before in our nation's recent history. During this time when our nation is being divided at the seams - Americans are asking the questions who are we as a country and what do we stand for as individuals. Americans have also been forced to make choices on how to accept and embrace those answers.

Many Americans are actually realizing for the first time that living in a democracy is not always easy. Nor should it be. We must also understand that how we choose to sail our ships through the midst of these storms will not only do more for our individual character but the nation's character and unity as a whole.

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hon-or /ahn-ur/ **n a** : a keen
sense of ethical conduct :
INTEGRITY **b** : one's word
given as a guarantee of
performance

When a defining moment comes along, we can do one of two things. Define the moment, or let the moment define us. We are all given the opportunity each day to exhibit our character when faced with overwhelming choices. No one is exempt - young, old, rich or poor. The choice of who we are and what we become is in our hands.

Since Gardner-Webb was named to the John Templeton Foundation for Character Building Institutions a few years ago, character and issues related to character have been on the minds of many students, professors, staff and alumni. And, as a character building institution, it is Gardner-Webb's responsibility to continue to encourage and build upon the ideals of integrity that we as an academic establishment believe in.

For several years, Gardner-Webb has required all students to adhere to an honor code and sign it as a covenant with the University. The code states that students pledge "to uphold honesty, integrity, and truthfulness in all realms of University life."

"The honor code came from the realization that as a Christian institution we did not have a formal code which held students to a high level of ethical conduct in the academic realm," noted Dr. Gil Blackburn, vice president and dean of academic affairs. "Of course, we enforced policies in the classroom which required students to refrain from cheating and other dishonest behavior, but students were not initiated into the process and they had no sense of ownership in the process. The formal honor code has done that."

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This honor code serves as a foundation for Gardner-Webb. It also serves as a reminder that Gardner-Webb is interested in the values of its students.

"During my internship on campus this summer, I went and asked Dr. Blackburn what he expected out of the SGA (Student Government Association) President," remembered current SGA president Hannah Woody. "One of the ideas we discussed was the Honor Code and the importance of it, not only in the academic realm of college life, but in every aspect of a person and his or her integrity."

Blackburn suggested that an honor statement could be placed in classrooms to emphasize Gardner-Webb's mission of encouraging honor. Woody took that idea and ran with it. This fall, the SGA placed framed versions of the honor code in all campus classrooms.

"The seal of GWU is at the top, representing Gardner-Webb and what

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Integrity: A name is the blueprint of the thing we call character. You ask, What's in a name? I answer, Just about everything you do.

- Morris Mandel -

we stand for,” explained Woody. “We strive to be a character-building institution, and I felt it my obligation as the SGA president to make an effort to incorporate honor into that. Also in bold letters above the code it reads: ‘My Honor is My Life.’”

Said Blackburn, “I think this is a wonderful legacy for the SGA and for Hannah Woody and was just happy to have played a small part in it. We believe that students who look at these signs for four years are affected because they constantly remind them that we expect and demand integrity at Gardner-Webb University.”

Woody added, “I labeled this initiative ‘Know the Code’ and I have changed how freshmen sign the code. During their



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*John Templeton Foundation
Honor Roll Member*

University 101 class, which every freshman takes, at least one class period is set aside to present the Code, discuss it, and the students sign it then. I have spoken to almost every University 101 class and have witnessed every student in those classes sign the Code.”

As students follow their own paths, and pursue their desires and dreams, officials at GWU hope that in some small way that students remember that the issues of trust, integrity, honesty and character actually mean more than just words.

Honor is like an island, rugged and without a beach; once we have left it, we can never return.

- Nicholas Boileau -

Integrity is not a 90 percent thing, not a 95 percent thing; either you have it or you don't.

- Peter Scotese -



My Honor Is My Life "Know The Code"

S.G. A. 2000-2001

Gardner-Webb University students are pledged to uphold a code of academic honesty and integrity in all realms of university life.

Student Responsibilities:

1. Students should recognize that the regulations governing academic integrity exist for the protection of the honest and that dishonesty in an academic setting must not be tolerated, much less condoned.
2. Students are responsible for their own work. Any assignment turned in by a student is assumed to be the work of the student whose name appears on the assignment.
3. Students are ultimately responsible for understanding a faculty member's instructions for any assignment. If instructions are not clear, students must seek clarification from the instructor.
4. Students must understand the definitions of plagiarism and academic dishonesty.
5. Students should familiarize themselves with the proper use of citations and quotations in order to avoid accidentally passing someone else's work off as their own.
6. Students are expected to report incidences of academic dishonesty to their professor.
7. Any student who threatens or coerces another student of faculty member for reporting an Honor Code violation will face disciplinary action, with expulsion being the recommended punishment.

You signed it, so mean it.
Hannah Heather Woody
President, Student Government Association 2000-2001

WHEN IT WAS A GAME



Pictured at top is Dr. Sam Craver (#38); bottom right is Dr. Gil Blackburn (#54). Photo courtesy of The Anchor, 1960.

Dr. Gil Blackburn, v.p. of academic affairs, enjoyed a pleasant surprise recently when he and an old friend, Dr. Sam Craver, happened to be presenting academic papers at the same conference on the Virginia State University campus in October.

"We were both Gardner-Webb graduates; we played on the same Gardner-Webb football team; and later, when we attended UNC-Chapel-Hill, we had the same adviser," said Blackburn.

"We got a chuckle out of telling the audience we had been two 'bonehead football linemen' on the same Gardner-Webb team."

Dr. Craver (GWU class of '61) has been a professor at Virginia Commonwealth University for 30 years. He is the author of two books:

Philosophical Foundations of Education and Busing: A Moral Issue. Dr. Blackburn at the conference presented his paper, "Racial Metaphysics in Nazi Textbooks."

INNOVATIVE MISSIONS MAJOR SET FOR 2001

The M. Christopher White School of Divinity announces a new mission concentration for the Master of Divinity degree. All Master of Divinity students may currently choose to concentrate on pastoral studies, Christian education, church music or pastoral care and counseling.

Beginning in the Fall of 2001 students who feel called to the mission field can select the mission concentration that would prepare them for a wide variety of mission settings.

The seven required courses will prepare students to understand the biblical, historical, and theological foundations for mission. Building upon this foundation a variety of practical courses will help the student prepare for the many challenges and opportunities in mission fields all over the world, including the United States.

Students will be encouraged to learn about cross-cultural mission and to experience cross-cultural mission first hand. Mission trips and carefully structured mission immersion experiences will allow the student to put their education in practice under the supervision of a divinity faculty member and a field supervisor.

Because of the number of mission courses required for the mission concentration combined with the mission immersion experience, this concentration is unique among other Master of Divinity degrees with a mission emphasis. Inquiries about the new mission concentration can be made by contacting the M. Christopher White School of Divinity.

FACULTY NEWS OF NOTE



Adams

• **Dr. Sheri Adams** (associate professor, theology and church history) spent the month of June in Scotland for sabbatical project research and will leave September 7 for Chile. In July, she attended the Baptist Peace Fellowship of North America conference at Wake Forest University, and preached at a worship service for the Second International Conference on Baptist Studies.

• **Dr. Alice Cullinan** (professor, religion and religious education) has a book entitled Sorting it Out: Understanding God's Call to Ministry which is entering its third printing with Judson Press.

• **Earl Godfrey** (assistant professor, accounting) presented a paper entitled "Federal Appropriations for Distance Learning Efforts" at the national Institute of Management Accountants (IMA) conference in Philadelphia on June 25, 2000.



Cullinan

• **Dr. Susie Beck-Little** (assistant professor, nursing) has been named Director of the MSN (Master of Science in Nursing) Program in the School of Nursing. Along with other nursing faculty, she is developing the specifics of the program which will enroll its first students in January 2001.

• **Dr. Charles B. Moore** (assistant professor, Spanish) published a book review of "Latin American Art: Ancient to Modern," by John F. Scott, in *South Atlantic Review* 65:2 (2000): 199-201.



Moore

• **Keith Cagle** has taken the position of chairperson for the national ASL Teacher Association (ASLTA) Certification and Evaluation. ASL teachers across the United States will contact Keith for their ASLTA Certification application and evaluation. Keith was also invited to give a presentation of "Manipulating Semantics, Registers and Non-manual Signals" at the New England First Annual Interpreting Mentorship conference in Nasha, New Hampshire on September 9-10, 2000. Also, he was invited to DeafFest in Des Moines, IA, to give a presentation on Deaf Culture and 1000 ASL Faces.

• **Dr. Shirley Toney** made a presentation about Nursing Education at the Reunion of the North Carolina Baptist Hospital School of Nursing in Winston Salem on September 16. Three alumnae spoke about "NCBH Graduates Making a Difference in ... Nursing Education ... Nursing Administration ... Nursing Research," giving her an opportunity to speak of her work here at GWU. Five hundred people attended the weekend events.



Cagle

• **Dr. Charles Tichenor** has been nominated to a seat on the Federal Reserve in Charlotte. Dr. Tichenor was instrumental in bringing Federal Reserve Bank President, Dr. J. Alfred Broadus Jr., one of 11 such presidents in the United States, to Gardner-Webb University this fall. Broadus, who serves under Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan, addressed business students and faculty at the invitation of Dr. Tichenor. Broadus' speech was only his fifth public speech of the year.

• **Dr. David Yelton** has a book under contract entitled The German Volkssturm: Strategy, Politics and Morale in the Third Reich, 1944-1945 which should be out in early 2002. He also had an article appear in "The Journal of Military History 64" (#4, Oct. 2000): 1061-1084, entitled "Ein Volk Steht Auf: The German Volkssturm and Nazi Strategy, 1944-1945." The Univ. Press of Kansas' General Editorial Board voted unanimously to issue Dr. Yelton a contract for the book length monograph on the German Volkssturm.

SENIOR PINNING TRADITION GROWS STRONGER

The fourth annual Senior Pinning Ceremony this fall filled all in attendance with unmistakable emotion. The ceremony, first held in 1997, is a time for seniors to reflect back on sacrifices made by families, tears shed with friends, and personal obstacles overcome as they near graduation. This year over 600 people attended the ceremony, held in Lindsay Court on campus.

The cornerstone of the ceremony is the presentation of a specially designed pin from the University to the seniors. Marked with the Gardner-Webb arch, the most traditional and recognizable symbol on campus, and also marked with a cross, the pin is placed on the coat or lapel of the senior by someone who is of special significance to the student. Professors, parents, boyfriends and girlfriends, grandparents and roommates were among those who were invited to present this special memento to a senior.

Seniors were asked to explain why they chose the pinner, and the pinner was asked to explain why their student was important to them. "The pin is just a symbol, but it holds significance," said Drew Van Horn, GWU v.p. for university relations. "In generations past, students marched through the arch on graduation day as a rite of passage. It is made of granite, standing firm and unable to be moved. The cross is reminiscent of our Christian heritage, and we hope you have come into contact with God and become a changed person while at Gardner-Webb."

Van Horn added, "With the placement of this pin on you by someone you love, you are sealing friendships and memories of your college experience."



N.C. COLLEGE REPUBLICANS HONOR GWU'S ANDY POLK

The North Carolina Federation of College Republicans (NCFCR) named Andy Polk, the chairman of the College Republicans at Gardner-Webb, as chairman of the year for the state of North Carolina. The award is given every year to a person who has sacrificed time and effort to help elect conservative Republicans to office, and to further the goals of the Republican Party. Currently, Polk is the chair for both the GWU College Republicans and the Cleveland County Young Republicans.

"To be elected the best chairman in the state of North Carolina is one of the greatest accomplishments of my life," said Polk. "The award puts Gardner-Webb on the political map as a school that is producing tomorrow's leaders for this country. The state party looks very closely at this federation and is beginning to see Gardner-Webb as an emerging force that might one day produce some of the state's new politicians. "

The NCFCR was founded in 1971. The NCFCR comprises clubs from North Carolina's large and small universities, from NC State and UNC Chapel Hill to Gardner-Webb and Davidson. Wendy Rouse, chairman of the NCFCR, said "Andy has exemplified leadership by sacrificing his time and effort so that his club could attend events that ranged from local party activities in Cleveland County to the presidential debate in Winston-Salem. He is a leader in every sense of the word and a rising star in the NCFCR."

SCHOLARSHIP LUNCHEON BRINGS DONORS, STUDENTS TOGETHER

"These scholarships do more than provide money. They provide opportunity to know Christ, build character and become a person of integrity."



The Fifteenth Annual Scholarship Luncheon and Reception, hosted by President Chris White and his wife, Linda, successfully connected scholarship donors to the scholarship recipients with a meal and brief program.

Students were given an opportunity to spend time with the person behind the money funding their education. Donors were provided the opportunity to see the individuals who benefit from their giving.

Two outstanding GWU students spoke about the impact the scholarships have on their lives. "There's no way I could be at GWU if it wasn't for that scholarship," stated Alicia McMahan, junior and recipient of the Presidential Scholastic Achievement Award and Charles S. Andrews Memorial Scholarship.

While considering the financial implications of attending college, she recalls asking direction from a God she didn't know well while sitting on the basketball court of her high school. "The staff and faculty at Gardner-Webb showed me Jesus Christ. You (donors) may be making it possible for someone to meet Jesus."

Walter Miller, senior and recipient of the Presidential Academic Fellows Award and Mae Cline Stroup Memorial Scholarship, stated, "The young man who stands before you now is indebted to these scholarship donors."

He admitted to not knowing what it meant for Gardner-Webb to be a character-building school when he began as a freshman. Now he has seen the character-building qualities displayed through the professors at Gardner-Webb. He is a religion major with intentions to become a pastor.

Dr. White wrapped up the event with brief statements, pointing out the diversity of the types of scholarships given and how that diversity reflects on the diversity of individuals who support this institution.

A moment was provided for each donor to tell their scholarship recipient the story behind the founding of their scholarship.

Dr. White addressed the donors, saying, "I appreciate you supporting the aims, values and character of the institution."

He added, "These scholarships do more than provide money. They provide opportunity to know Christ, build character and become a person of integrity."

The Race of Her Life

The ultimate goal for many athletes is to become an Olympian and compete for the title of the world's best. Sylvia Chelimo, a Gardner-Webb junior track and field athlete from Kampala, Uganda, had dreamed of representing her country in the Summer Olympics in Sydney, Australia, but her dream turned into a nightmare.

Last summer, Chelimo was asked at the eleventh hour to participate at the African Championships in Algeria and represent her country. A good showing at the championships and Chelimo would be Olympic bound. But, no one could have imagined the three weeks that followed – three weeks that would test her faith, her courage, her endurance and her human spirit.

Chelimo was just recovering from a patella fracture that she had sustained earlier this year, so even the possibility of competing for an Olympic spot seemed like a long shot. Yet, here she was with this golden opportunity. "Chelimo is an NCAA champion in the 5,000- and 10,000-meter races and she is most definitely a world-class athlete," said GWU Track and Field coach Bryan Fetzer. "One day the Olympics will happen for Sylvia. Most of the good runners are in their late 20s, and she's only 21. She could go to two or three Olympics."

Chelimo had planned to participate in the 10,000-meter time trials (her specialty), but she knew this would truly be a race against the clock to make it to the championships in time. A travel agency was contacted that handles passport, visa and airplane ticket chores for athletes. It looked like things were falling into place, but they weren't. "The day of my flight I couldn't get my ticket," she said. Chelimo had now missed the 10,000 meters race, but the Ugandan coach still wanted Chelimo for the 5,000 meters. "I left for Charlotte and was flying for two days," she said. "I got to Algeria about 11 o'clock at night. I ran the next day."

After little rest and having eaten nothing more than snacks on her flights, Chelimo competed in the 5000 meters. Although Chelimo finished sixth in the race and was short of the qualifying standard, she did run a personal best in the event – a time of 16:46. "That was amazing because when we go to big events," said GWU's Fetzer, "we have a whole day of rest before we compete."

It was during Chelimo's return to the United States that things began to go from bad to worse. Because of visa problems, language barriers and just plain bad luck, Chelimo had extended stays in three airport jails from Barcelona to Algeria to Senegal.

"I was at the counter in the (Barcelona) airport, and all of these policemen were around," she said. "I really didn't know what the situation was. I had my papers from school and my ticket and I gave that to them. I tried to explain, but they didn't know English."

Chelimo was eventually taken to the airport security holding area



Sylvia Chelimo is a world-class athlete who has brought instant recognition to the new GWU track and field program.



until the problem could be rectified. The wait went from hours to days. "It was really bad," she said. "It was glass on the sides, and there was no carpet. It was untidy, and there was no water."

She attempted to speak to the guards about the situation, but each time she would open the door, the guards would pull their guns on her. "I just sat there and cried and prayed," she said. "I had to pay someone to bring me water."

Meanwhile, officials at Gardner-Webb were working on their end to find a solution to this dilemma. They got help from Congressman Cass Ballenger's office in Hickory and made contact with the U.S. and Ugandan embassies.

Finally, after a three-day stay in the "Hotel Barcelona," Chelimo was told that she was being deported back to Algeria, not the United States, even though she had only been in that country to compete. When she got to Algeria, she discovered that her difficulties were far from over. "They took my ticket and said there was a problem with the airline. Then the visa I had for eight days (for the meet) expired."

Algerian security then took Chelimo to yet another airport jail. Those working on her case back in the U.S. were now dealing with the same headaches, but with a different country. "The frustrating part was that in Algeria they had all the documents they needed," Fetzer said. "The problem was it was a Muslim holiday and everything was closed. Also, Uganda doesn't have an embassy there."

After two more days in the Algerian airport security area, Chelimo was released and able to return to the hotel where she had stayed previously during the track meet. It looked like she was finally able to see the light at the end of the tunnel. But, that light must have been an oncoming train, because two days later she was deported ... yet again. "I couldn't get a visa and so they sent me to Senegal," Chelimo said.

Once she arrived in Senegal, another jail cell awaited her, but she also found an angel in disguise. "I didn't know anything about Senegal," said Chelimo, who had four days of jail time to serve. "There was a policeman I talked to and he was sympathetic and helped me. He was older and very kind. He spoke very little English." The policeman volunteered to deliver her papers from the Ugandan Federation for Olympic athletes to the commissioner at the Senegalese embassy.

Finally, 11 days after she tried to return to the U.S., she was allowed to get on a plane and start back. "Her ticket only got her as far as New York. So, arrangements had to be made to find a way to get her home to Boiling Springs," noted Fetzer. "I called a friend in Philadelphia," Chelimo said. "She came and got me. I stayed a week with her, and all I did was sleep and eat."

Having seen her share of plane flights, Chelimo finally returned to Boiling Springs via a Greyhound bus. "I surprised myself," she said of her experience. "I kept on thanking God. I couldn't handle this alone."

"Sylvia is an inspiration," added Fetzer. "She experienced first hand what you only read about in the papers or see on TV. She lived a nightmare and her faith got her through."

(Special thanks to the Shelby Star for contributing to this article.)

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"WHO WILL YOU PLAY?"

During its transition to Division I, GWU is finding that the fans are all asking the same question

No one ever said Gardner-Webb University's move to NCAA Division I status would be easy. Perhaps the single biggest challenge during GWU's transition period involves scheduling. "The first thing people ask is who you're playing," Runnin' Bulldog head basketball coach Rick Scruggs said.

It's presented a whole set of opportunities and difficulties for GWU coaches and Chuck Burch, Vice President for Athletics. "We're definitely running in a whole different circle of friends," Burch said.

In GWU's former days as a member of the South Atlantic Conference, the Bulldogs already had eight football dates and 16 basketball doubleheaders already taken care of, plus the other sanctioned sports by the league. Since the announcement of the move early last year, every sport had to start from scratch for this year and beyond. Each sport has its own obstacles as well. That's especially true in football and basketball, the "revenue sports."

In basketball this year, both teams have 27-game schedules against largely new opponents. Among the named opponents on the men's schedule are former NCAA Tournament teams such as VCU, Old Dominion and Murray State, plus respected teams from the Carolinas like Appalachian State and College of Charleston.

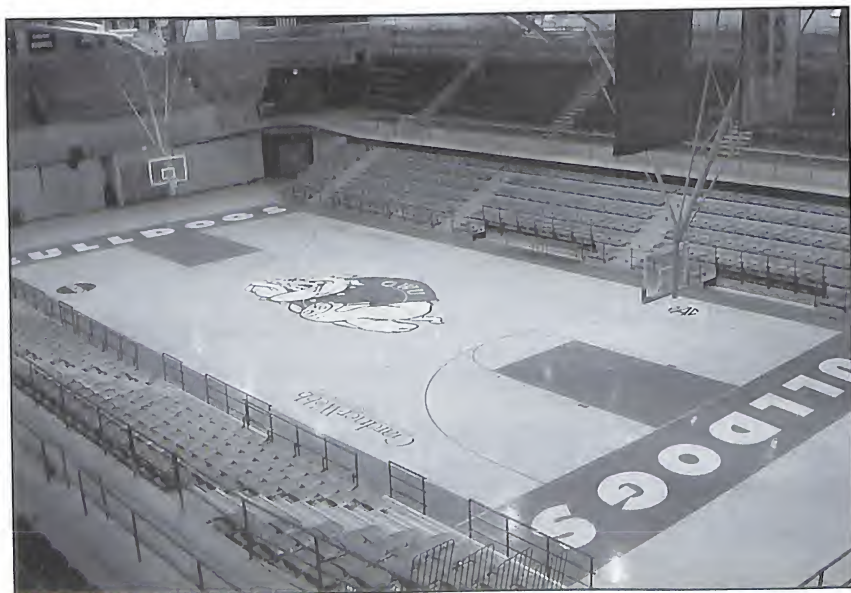
On the women's side, Davidson, Campbell, William & Mary, East Carolina and UNC-Asheville highlight the schedule. Another twist: a large portion of both team's schedules are on the road. "Being the new kids on the block, we knew during this (transition) we'd have to pay our dues," Burch said. "That means going on the road a lot. That's just what you have to do."

The GWU men's team, except for its Nov. 24-25 Bulldog Classic, plays on the road exclusively until a Jan. 13 home date with Savannah State. "We'll definitely have to be road warriors," Scruggs said.

The women's team has a similar itinerary. In fact, there will be only two home men's/women's twinbills in the entire season.

Playing into the basketball scheduling process is the RPI factor. The NCAA Basketball Tournament selection

committees use the Rating Percentage Index as a key criteria for inviting and seeding teams in the postseason. GWU will not, at present, be eligible to attain a RPI rating. That affects other teams' willingness to schedule the Bulldogs. "Because we won't have a rating, a lot of people don't want to play us until the 2002-03 (season)," Burch said, "when we'll have a RPI. If someone plays us now and beats us, they don't get any points for it. The selection committee would have us as a non-game. Also, when you figure in that we won 25 games last year (men's basketball), people don't want to play us now anyway."



Already for next season (2001-02), GWU is talking to the likes of South Alabama and Mississippi State. Colorado State has already been locked in. For the following year, they've even spoken with UNLV about a possible matchup.

"We're also talking about going to South Carolina for the '02-03 season," Burch said "We've also been in touch with Buzz Peterson at Tulsa about playing. Rick and Buzz are friends. When you get to '02-03, then the sky's the limit for who you might be able to play."

Right now money has a lot to do with scheduling in basketball. It's not uncommon for Division I teams in major conferences to offer guarantees ranging from \$8,000-\$40,000 for teams making the trip to their location.

"That's something we have to look at," Burch said of the give-and take that goes on in negotiations between schools. "If you can get help with your plane travel and your hotel expenses, and the only thing you have to worry about is your food and ground transportation, that helps a lot."

Also, in basketball, GWU faces the problem at present of landing games in January and February. "We could probably play our entire schedule in November and December," Burch said, "but getting games after that is harder. That's when teams are in their conference schedules."

The fact that GWU already has a quality basketball facility in Paul Porter Arena also enhances GWU's ability to land quality basketball opponents in the future.

Football scheduling is an entirely different animal for GWU. "It's a little bit different because right now we don't have the dressing facilities at the stadium for some programs to come here yet," Burch said. "When we get our stadium project going, we'll be able to upgrade our home schedule."

GWU already has nine games on next year's schedule at present. "Eight of those are against I-AA teams," Burch said. "The only Division II team is Virginia Union. Next year we'll have Samford and Liberty at home. We've also signed a three-year deal with Elon."

On the football horizon is a 2002 excursion to play I-AA power Georgia Southern. "Football (scheduling) can be more difficult," said Burch. "Schedules are done more in advance, often several years. We want to schedule more of The Citadels, the Furmans and people like ASU, Western Carolina and the Southern Conference. The thing is, they already have eight games on their (league) schedule and they also want to have a big (Division I) money game with someone. That cuts down on the available dates to play."

The scheduling process re-emphasizes one important point about GWU's athletic future. "During this time, the challenge is still going to be for us finding a conference (to join)," Burch said.

As for GWU's other sports, similar dramatic steps have been made in regards to new facilities (tennis and baseball) and scheduling. Virginia Tech played here for soccer on Nov. 4 and baseball is looking at playing N.C. State. Right now a lot more teams in our other sports are finding teams to play that are compatible. Burch added, "Our teams and coaches have been on the road and seen what other schools offer. We think what we have is very nice."

(Special thanks to Alan Ford for this article about GWU athletics.)

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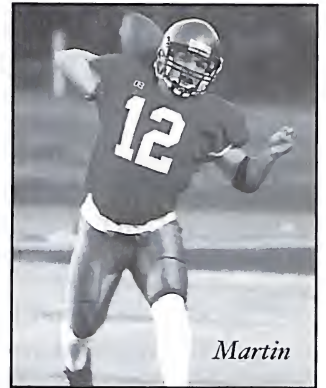
Football's Big Finish Provides Special Moments

**Patton Guides Team To #35 National Finish;
QB Martin Gains National Honors Along The Way**

If Gardner-Webb University head football coach Steve Patton had stood before the media at the school's preseason rouser and predicted his Runnin' Bulldogs would finish their first season at the NCAA Division I-AA level with a 7-4 mark, nearly everyone would have surely questioned the coach's optimism. After all, the 60-player GWU roster was filled with 34 sophomores and freshmen, and because of stricter eligibility guidelines at the Division I level, most of last year's Bulldog defensive front was no longer able to even dress out.

In a year that saw the Runnin' Bulldogs defeat four NCAA Division I-AA opponents, including their first ranked team in the school's history (New Hampshire, 38-35), several individuals posted impressive numbers along the way. In his first season of starting every game, QB Jeremy Martin finished the season hitting on 191-of-381 attempts for 2,543 yards and 18 touchdowns to bring his career totals to 3,580 yards (sixth on GWU's career list in only two years) and 28 touchdowns. This campaign's total also gave him the third-best seasonal performance in the school's history.

Running Back Justin Richardson continued to climb the team's career rushing list, bringing his three-year yardage count to 2,114 – the school's fifth-best amount. His 1,110 yards was also the school's third-highest total for a single season. And, of course, there's Coach Patton, who not only led his team into GWU record books by securing a fourth consecutive winning season, but also reached the 28-win plateau faster than any other coach in GWU history. He continues to maintain the highest winning percentage (.636) of any GWU football coach. An extra special moment for Patton came in the form of a #35 national ranking among over 200 Division I-AA teams at season's end, finishing ahead of teams like East Tennessee State and the University of Pennsylvania.



V.P. Speaks About Postseason Play And ESPN

Chuck Burch, v.p. of athletics, said two of the most common questions he's asked deal with postseason possibilities during the reclassification process to Division I, and when GWU fans can see Bulldog scores on the ESPN and CNN tickers that appear at the bottom of the stations' screens. In response to postseason play, Burch noted, "We have attempted to address this by aligning ourselves with several different organizations. These are: 1) the National Christian College Athletic Association (NCCAA). GWU joined this organization of Christian colleges and universities this past summer. Regional and national championships are contested in a number of sports that Gardner-Webb participates in; 2) the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC). This is an organization of several hundred NCAA Division I, II, and III institutions on the east coast and it sponsors numerous championships that our student-athletes will be able to participate in. Membership was granted in October; 3) forming a men's and women's basketball scheduling alliance with four other institutions, which are Centenary (LA) College, Lipscomb (TN) University, University of Texas-Pan American, and Texas A&M at Corpus Christi. With regard to NCAA competition, GWU will be eligible for NCAA Division I championship play in September 2002."

And what about when GWU scores will appear on the CNN/ESPN Sports Ticker during football and men's and women's basketball? "Unfortunately," said Burch, "Gardner-Webb's scores will only appear when our opponent is a NCAA Division I institution. Until GWU becomes officially reclassified (September 2002) contests against non-NCAA Division I opponents will not be listed on the ticker."



ATHLETICS

*Remaining contests for winter sports. For more info, see www.gardner-webb.edu

MEN'S BASKETBALL

1/2 - 3	Warner Southern Tournament	Lake Wales, FL	
1/8	Morris Brown	Atlanta, GA	7:30
1/10	Winthrop	Rock Hill, SC	8:00
1/13	Savannah State	Boiling Springs	7:30
1/18	Virginia State	Boiling Springs	7:30
1/20	Southern Wesleyan	Boiling Springs	7:30
1/24	Morris Brown	Boiling Springs	7:30
1/27	Birmingham Southern	Boiling Springs	2:00
1/29	Lipscomb	Nashville, TN	7:30(C)
2/3	Southern Virginia	Boiling Springs	7:30
2/5	Virginia State	Petersburg, VA	7:30
2/10	Birmingham Southern	Birmingham, AL	2:00 (C)
2/13	Voorees College	Boiling Springs	7:30
2/17	Savannah State	Savannah, GA	7:30
2/20	Lipscomb	Boiling Springs	7:30

(C) denotes Central Time

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

1/3	UNC-Asheville	Asheville, NC	7:00
1/6	Livingstone	Salisbury, NC	2:00
1/9	N.C.-Pembroke	Pembroke, NC	7:00
1/10	Campbell	Buies Creek, NC	7:00
1/13	Savannah State	Boiling Springs	6:00
1/18	Virginia State	Boiling Springs	6:00
1/22	Newberry	Newberry, SC	7:00
1/25	Morris Brown	Boiling Springs	7:00
1/29	Mars Hill	Mars Hill, NC	6:00
1/31	Presbyterian	Clinton, SC	6:00
2/8	Virginia State	Petersburg, VA	5:30
2/14	Morris Brown	Atlanta, GA	7:00
2/17	Savannah State	Savannah, GA	6:00
2/20	East Carolina	Greenville, NC	7:00
2/22	Livingstone	Boiling Springs	6:00

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD

INDOOR

1/20	Clemson Invitational	Clemson, SC	
1/26-27	Sprint Invitational	Johnson City, TN	
2/9-10	Valentine's Invitational	Blacksburg, VA	
3/2-3	USA Indoor Championships	Atlanta, GA	
3/3-4	ECAC/IC4A Championship	Boston, MA	

OUTDOOR

3/17	DanielChapterOne Relays	Boiling Springs	
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SWIMMING

1/5	University of Tampa Relays	Tampa, FL	11:00
1/13	Catawba Pentathlon	Boiling Springs	2:00
1/20	N. Florida/NC A&T/Ga. South.	Statesboro, GA	1:00
2/3	Cumberland College	Cumberland, KY	TBA
2/14-17	So. States Conference	Davidson, NC	All Day
2/21-24	ECAC Championships	Sewell, NH	All Day
3/27-4/1	US Senior Nationals	Austin, TX	All Day

WRESTLING

1/2	Pensacola Christian	Boiling Springs	
1/5-6	Midwest Classic	Indianapolis, IN	
1/12-13	Virginia Duals	Hampton, VA	
1/26	Longwood College	Farmville, VA	
1/31	Duke University	Durham, NC	
2/7	UNC-Pembroke	Pembroke, NC	
2/10	Campbell University	Buies Creek, NC	

BASEBALL

2/3	Armstrong Atlantic State (DH)	Savannah, GA	11:30
2/4	Armstrong Atlantic State	Savannah, GA	1:00
2/6	Augusta State	Augusta, GA	2:00
2/10	Anderson College (DH)	Anderson, SC	1:00
2/11	North Georgia College & State	Dahlonega, GA	1:00
2/13	Anderson College	Boiling Springs	2:30
2/14	Brevard College	Brevard, NC	2:00
2/15	Newberry College	Boiling Springs	2:30
2/17	Georgia State	Atlanta, GA	1:00
2/18	Georgia State	Atlanta, GA	1:00
2/20	Mars Hill College	Boiling Springs	2:30
2/24	Brewton-Parker	Boiling Springs	12:00
2/25	Brewton-Parker	Boiling Springs	1:00
3/3	Austin Peay State	Jacksonville, FL	11:00
3/4	Jacksonville	Jacksonville, FL	1:00
3/4	University of North Florida	Jacksonville, FL	6:00
3/5	University of Detroit	Jacksonville, FL	11:00
3/6	Mercer	Macon, GA	4:00
3/7	Mercer	Macon GA	12:00
3/7	Marshall	Huntington, WV	2:00
3/10	Marshall (DH)	Huntington, WV	12:00



Suttle Family Sees Facility Dedicated

"What was once a dream has become reality for the Gardner-Webb University campus." Those were the words of GWU President Dr. Chris White during the October 18th dedication ceremonies for a new wellness center on the GWU campus.

Earlier this year, the J.L. Suttle Jr. Family Wing was completed for GWU students, faculty and staff to take advantage of recreational and wellness activities. The wing is named after its primary donor, the late Dr. J. L. Suttle, Jr., a longtime Shelby businessman and former GWU trustee who passed away this February, in gratitude for his lifetime

of service and support to Gardner-Webb. Included in the new addition are two large workout/weight rooms, a general fitness and aerobics area, game room, office suite and student gathering area.

Members of Dr. Suttle's family were present for the ceremony, including all of his three children and their spouses. Suttle's son, Shelby businessman Linton Suttle, addressed those at the dedication of the facility, saying, "Dad was so fond of Gardner-Webb University and its mission to help young people gain a quality education. He did not live long enough to see this wonderful building completed, but he saw the majority of it be constructed. He was so happy that he could help make the Gardner Webb

college experience more enjoyable to all who work and study here."

Enrollment Breaks Record

University officials announced a milestone in the institution's history this fall, revealing that GWU has reached and exceeded the 3,200-student mark. Gardner-Webb is currently the fifth-largest private institution in NC.

This year's total of 3,251 undergraduate and graduate students is a 6 percent increase from last year's fall enrollment of 3,057. The University has grown by approximately 38 percent since 1992 and has tripled in size since Gardner-Webb's current president, Dr. Chris White, arrived on campus in 1986.

There are 1,519 undergraduates in the regular day program on campus. Of that number, 618 are new students, a GWU record. Approximately 950 GOAL (Greater Opportunities for Adult Learners) students

are completing their four-year degrees at night on 16 satellite campuses around North Carolina.

Additionally, 780 graduate students are enrolled on five GWU campuses in North and South Carolina.

"To surpass 3,200 after having 2,000 in 1992 is remarkable for our institution," said White.

Grant Boosts Chemistry Labs

The George I. Alden Trust of Worcester, MA, this fall has made a grant of \$75,000 to the GWU science program to purchase equipment for the GWU chemistry department. Of the total grant, \$15,000 is placed into endowment, the proceeds of which will go to the upkeep and maintenance of the new equipment.

Two types of equipment are being purchased with the grant. First, a collection of handheld, multipurpose measuring instruments is being acquired that can be used in a variety of lab settings and in conjunction



The family of J.L. Suttle

with the Gardner-Webb computer network. Second, the grant makes possible the purchase of "major instruments," which includes devices such as electronic balances, stirrers, and other updated equipment needed to modernize the chemistry lab.

Visitors Bring National Flavor

This fall GWU was visited by two nationally recognized figures. Dr. J. Alfred Broaddus, Jr., one of only 11 Federal Reserve Bank presidents in America, made just his fifth public speech this year at GWU in September. Broaddus serves under Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan.



He is president of the Richmond Federal Reserve Bank, whose fifth district covers Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, most of West Virginia and the District of Columbia.

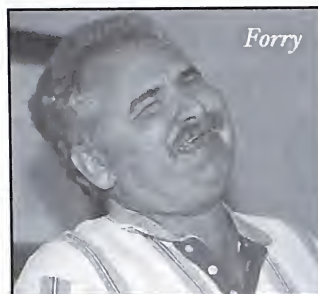
Such was the impact of Broaddus' appearance that his speech was carried live from the GWU campus to several countries worldwide. Said a reporter from the L.A. Times in attendance, "When Dr. Broaddus speaks, his words can impact economies all over the globe."

Also this fall, William Proctor spoke to students regarding his new book The Gospel According to the New York Times. Proctor told an audience in Hamrick Hall that every facet of culture in America is affected by the Times' coverage of news and its editorial positions.

And, he added, Christians should be highly aware of this media outlet's influence because "it is apparent that the Times is pursuing a highly potent, largely clandestine, and unnoticed strategy to promote a particular worldview."

Blind Pioneer Wows Students

GWU students this fall also were treated to yet another unusual visitor to campus. Jay Forry is the nation's only blind movie critic. Yes, you read that right – a blind movie critic. During his visit, Forry



brought his wit, his wisdom and a motivational speech on overcoming life's obstacles. "Do not fear challenges and adversities. Embrace them," said Forry.

"As a joke, since I was blind, someone asked if I'd write movie reviews for the (college) newspaper. And having the sense of humor that I do, I jumped at the chance to do it. And to my surprise, it became the most popular part of the newspaper."

His college column, *Blindside Movie Reviews*,

now appears in several newspapers and he can be heard on numerous radio stations around the country including GWU's own WGWG-FM.

"I like to have a lot of fun with it," said Forry about his reviews. This is evident in his rating system. His highest rating is an "A" ("So good, blind people like it!"), and his lowest is an "F" ("Blindness is a blessing!").

Notes :

Other items of interest this fall:

- Gardner-Webb's unique sponsorship of Team Shaklee's cycling team has yielded even more notable results. In the Sydney Olympics, several Shaklee riders fared well, including Jonas Carney & Jame Carney, along with former Shaklee riders, Derek Bouchard-Hall and Dylan Casey.

- GWU's radio station, WGWG-FM, is releasing a compilation CD of artists who have performed and recorded tracks at the campus studios. "Live from the Webb Sessions, Volume 1" features artists from Atlanta to New Orleans to Virginia Beach to Shelby, NC.

Homecoming 2000: A Celebration of the Century

Homecoming 2000 will long be remembered for a variety of reasons ...

In classic fashion, the campus was once again rolled with toilet paper, a fact that a local newspaper thought would be frowned upon by GWU officials and visitors. However, President White smiled at the notion, saying, "It's tradition. No one gets hurt. And, everyone has come to expect it. I think more people would be upset if the campus were not rolled the night before the big game."

Speaking of the big game, it turned out to be one of the most memorable in recent Homecoming history. Last-minute heroics from the Runnin' Bulldogs gave GWU a dramatic win over Virginia Union.

At halftime, the special ceremonies included the naming of Hannah Woody as Queen, and the recognition of several alumni and former athletes. Udean Burke took his place in the spotlight and was recognized as GWU Junior College Alumnus of the Year. (Alumnus of the Year JJ Abernethy was recognized but could not attend the ceremonies.) Also sharing in the festivities were Wayne Church, Bob Humphrey, and Jimmy Franklin, who were inducted into the GWU Athletic Hall of Fame the night before.

The weekend was also a special time for alumni who have been honored as members of the Gallery of Distinguished Graduates for the 2000-2001 year.

The classes of 1975 and 1976 held informal gatherings; a golf tournament at nearby DeerBrook Golf Course brought a record number of participants; and bonfires, tailgating and concerts drew alumni from far and wide to campus.

Laurie Varley, director of alumni and parent relations, said, "Homecoming seems to gain more excitement every year. There are so many activities to be involved with now – all alumni should feel welcome to come back every fall for what I think is the most special time on our campus."





A special feature of the Homecoming weekend was the annual alumni banquet (pictured above), which recognized a number of our outstanding graduates.

This year's honorees include: Alumnus of the Year – JJ Abernethy, '71; Junior College Alumnus of the Year – Elmer Udean Burke, '60; Alumnus of the Future – Hannah Woody.

Alumni who will appear in the Gallery of Distinguished Graduates for 2000-01: Willard P. Armes '66, Marsha S. Baker '73, '87, Elmer Udean Burke '60, Lana Gayle Chambers '91, Edward W. Cook '80, Larry Keith Dixon '76, Larry Darnell Durham, Jr. '99, Lena Dula Engstrom '50, Samuel Monroe Freeman '48, Artis Gilmore '69, R. Scott Good '71, L. Stephen Hendrix '69, William Marion Honeycutt III '72, Bob E. Patterson '50, Carolyn Harless Pettyjohn '53, Julius Pinkston '51, Sharon Case Randall '68, Joe A. Roberts '50, Lara Grace Sellers '89, Sherri K. Shaver '86, Andrew Christopher White '94, Heather N. Robertson White '95



Adventure, Travel and Service is Alum's Life

"Working in OB ... changes your perspective. I think that has got to be one of the best jobs in the world," states Laurie Johnson, Major (Sel) US Air Force Obstetrician Nurse. Laurie (GWU class of '89) is attending the University of Florida as a full-time student at the expense of the US Air Force. She was chosen to pursue a graduate degree in women's health practice and is seeking certification as a women's health nurse practitioner. She will owe the Air Force 3 years of service upon completion of her studies, "hoping to go overseas at least one more time."

Laurie has made a career of adventure, traveling to exotic places and learning new things. "I chose the Air Force because I had a fascination with planes, flying and traveling. You are constantly learning new things, negotiating new circumstances and people. And you grow from the experiences. It has made me think broader and given me a wider perspective on life." On a space shuttle support team, she was flown to Morocco, Africa to be available in case an emergency landing was needed.

The first OB assignment took her to a small island, Portuguese Azores, 900 miles from either America or Europe. The Air Force paid for her OB certification exam and travel expenses for certification as an inpatient obstetric nurse. While providing training and education along the way, the Air Force is continuing to encourage her education with this newest adventure of seeking a master degree. "After being out of school for eleven years it has been tough! But I love it!"

Thinking of retirement, Laurie is considering medical mission work in other countries, "There is so much that we take for granted in our country, and I'd like to share something with less privileged, as well as teach them about the love of Jesus our Savior. I may pursue additional training as a midwife in order to do this. Then maybe teach at GWU? Who knows!"

Her husband, Jay, played for the Bulldogs baseball team while at GWU. They have fond memories of Gardner-Webb. "The students knew one another and the professors were so personable."



Laurie Johnson, Major (Sel) USAF

Young Alumnus Becomes Town Manager at 24

Beth Dirks has achieved a rare accomplishment at the age of 24 by becoming Town Manager of newly incorporated Bermuda Run. She is also the first town manager of Bermuda Run.

Dirks (class of 2000, MBA) became Town Manager of Bermuda Run in September of 2000. Bermuda Run is located near Winston-Salem on the east side of Davie County. It received status as a town when incorporated in July, 1999. Beth is a Shelby, N.C., native who worked with the Town of Mocksville for eight years before assuming the position of Town Manager. She assisted Bermuda Run in a consulting capacity over the past year, making this a natural transition with the degree she received in May in hand. "An enormous contributing factor to their hiring decision was the MBA degree that I received from Gardner-Webb." She adds, "I enjoy the interaction with the public. It is a wonderful feeling when a resident of the town comes to you with a problem and you are able to help," when asked what she enjoys most about her new position. As Town Manager, she is to educate the council through recommendations and enforce policy generated by the board. The Town Council consists of five members. She also oversees the day to day activities of the municipality.

Dirks resides in Clemmons, NC, and spends her leisure time coaching high school cheerleading. Beth adds, "As I continue through life, both personally and professionally, the outstanding reputation of (GWU) continues to help me long after graduation. I appreciate GWU's efforts to keep the University's high accreditation and to ensure that the graduates receive a quality education that remains unsurpassed."

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CLASS NOTES

The '40s

Nellie Earp '45, who has worked many years in rest home ministry through visitation and leading Bible study, is being assisted by a friend in carrying on the ministry while she suffers from a collapsed vertebre. She continues her ministry through prayer.

Betty Lee Peeler Johnson '47 A.A. is currently volunteering one day a week at Casar School of the Arts in the kindergarten department where her grandson, Christopher Childers, is attending school.

Elizabeth Grigg '48 A.A. was not able to attend the 1948 Class Reunion and missed seeing her GW friends. She was married to Bob Grigg, who died in June, 1986. She has two sons, four grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

The '50s

Dr. Bob Patterson '50 B.A. has a book entitled Carl F. H. Henry that has been translated into Chinese for sale in China and Southeast Asia. He is employed as professor of religion at Baylor University in Waco, TX. The book is part of an eighteen volume series, in which he wrote two of the books. He has collaborated on 37 books either as author, editor or contributor of a chapter.

Alex Bromir '52 A.B. has been appointed to the South Florida Executive Board of the Red Cross.

Jack M. Allison '55 and his wife,

Juanita Quinn Allison, had been married for 53 years when she passed away on July 27, 2000.

Louise G. Fisher '55 A.A. has received awards as a volunteer from the Thad and Alice Eure Walk for Hope, which raises money for mental illness research, and the NC Mental Health Consumer's Organization. Louise lives in Raleigh, is a retired speech therapist, a certified teacher of the deaf, and has four adult children. She also speaks with church and community groups about mental health issues.

Rev. Lee Roy Smith '56 and Faye A. Smith

celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in March, 2000. They have 3 children and 4 grandchildren. Rev. Smith has served as pastor and interim for over 45 years. He now serves as interim at Sabbath Home in Supply, NC.



The '60s

W. James Euliss '60 B.A. retired as director of information technology from ICI Paints on February 1, 2000.

Joan Spurlin '60 B.A. is preparing for retirement after 33 years of teaching at White Plains Elementary School. Her husband, John, has been retired for eight years. They have 4 grandchildren.

Charlotte Anderson Tilley '61 has retired and moved to Boiling Springs, NC after 28 years at Duke University Medical Center. Her husband has retired from IBM, "and now they are working harder than ever!"

Rev. M. Clay Warf '65 was guest minister for the fall revival at Trinity Baptist Church in Arcadia. Warf serves 1.2 million Baptists as the head of the oldest Baptist foundation in the US. He has been active in denominational life, serving on the general board and

the World Hunger Task Force.

Timothy F. Cates '67 B.A. has written and published 3 books: Confessions of a Dandy, A Dandy's Quest, and Gazing through an Opaque Window, A Dandy's Vision.

Bobby Spain '67 A.A., B.A. has a new grandson, Zachery Tyler Spain, "who will be a future Bulldog!" He lives in Lexington, Kentucky. His e-mail address is: bobbyspain@worldnet.att.net.

The '70s

J. Stanley Bland '71 B.A. rejoins First Union National Bank as a lending specialist for the Forest City and Rutherfordton offices. He is a vice president who has worked for 19 years with the bank and 29 years in the banking industry. He and his family live in Spindale.

Terry Florence '71 B.A. is preparing for the PGA Senior Tour after working 20 years as director of golf at Wild Dunes Resort in Charleston, SC. He and his wife reside in Charleston.

Dr. Collette Deviney '72 B.S. has been selected as the 2001 Wachovia Principal of the Year for Cleveland County Schools. She has been principal of Union Elementary School for six years. Collette and husband, Jim, have two daughters and two granddaughters.

Brenda Gray '73 B.A. is serving as executive vice president of development and communications for Baptist Children's Homes of NC. She has devoted 25 years to the ministry of children and families. She is a native of Roanoke Rapids, NC.

Ronald L. Thomas '73 B.S., former assistant professor of biology at Gardner-Webb, has been named chair of the packaging science department at Clemson University. He is known internationally for his research on ultrafiltration technology.

Dr. Robert M. Blanton Jr. '76 B.A. was guest speaker at revival services for Baptist Temple Church in Reidsville, NC, in September. He is married with three children.

Bidgie Buchanan '76 B.S. was married to William "Bill" Sue on June 24, 2000. Bidgie worked for 25 years as a high school English teacher prior to becoming a full-time wife. Bill is the chief commissioner of Brunswick County in Leland, NC. They now reside in Leland.

Judith M. King-Pierce '76 B.S. has been teaching at various levels in GA, NC, and OH. She is now teaching special need children age 0-3 and their parents.

Shelia Ann Hardin Wilkinson '76 B.S. has become math department chair of North Hardin High School in Radcliff, KY. Her husband, Robert, is a registered nurse with Medshares Home Health. They have 3 children and reside in Radcliff. Their e-mail address is: swilkins@hardin.k12.ky.us.

Lloyd Guffey '77 B.S. is coordinator for the Chase High School at Promise Community Learning Center. He is married to DiAnne Lowe Guffey. They have two children.

Rev. Greg Mathis '77 M.Div. received the Order of Long Leaf Pine presented by Gov. Jim Hunt during the Sunday morning worship service August 6, 2000. Mathis received the award on his 20th anniversary as pastor of the 2,000 member church. He has taught evangelism at Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute, preaches in revivals, Bible conferences and seminars, and has served on several boards and committees in the NC Baptist State Convention.

Robin D. Mikalunas '79 B.A. began doctoral studies in music this summer at the University of North Texas. She is teaching general music to K-3 students in Wichita Falls, TX. She can be reached at: rmikalunas@wfisd.net.

Gordon Pendarvis '79 B.S. was promoted to territory/branch manager of western NC at Combined Insurance. He and his wife, Kay, live in Forest City, NC. Their e-mail address is: theaterrat@yahoo.com.

The '80s

Mariam Wright '81 B.S. has been named plant manager at Corning Cable Systems' Hickory Telecommunications Cable Plant. She previously served as plant manager of the company's Winston-Salem Facility. She lives in Hickory with her family.

Ryan Cannon '82 B.A., '00 M.A. is the student assistance program coordinator at Troutman Middle School. She also has a private practice at Carolina Counseling and Court Services in Statesville, and works with the Probation and Parole office through the Day Reporting Center.

Jeffrey R. Carswell '82 B.S. has been named city executive for the city of Morganton. Jeffrey has worked with Wachovia Bank as retail management associate and was named vice president in 1995. He, and wife, Janet, have two daughters, Kaitlin and Keri-Jo.

Hartwell Charles Hoey '82 B.S. and Janie Sue Coleman were married June 3, 2000 at Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church in Shelby. Charles is data processing team leader at First Union Bank. Janie is employed by Play Palace Preschool as a teacher. After a cruise to the Caribbean Islands, the couple lives in Waco.

Lori Biggers Hastings '83 B.S. received the 1999-2000 Anne Dover Bailey Teaching Excellence Award from the Cleveland County Schools Education Foundation. She resides in Shelby with her husband, Gary.

Ronald Melvin Stowe '83 B.S. GOAL has been promoted to the rank of captain with the High Point Police Department, where

he has been employed since 1980. He is married to Debra Harold Stowe. They reside in Jamestown, NC, and have two children, Holly Nicole and Jordan Thomas.

Dr. Evans P. Whitaker '83 B.A. received two international awards for outstanding research from the Council for Advancement and Support of Education based in Washington, DC. The winning dissertation examined the organizational commitment of students in American higher education. The dissertation received the "H. S. Warwick Award" and the "John Grenzebach Award", the first double award winning work in the 14-year history of the recognition program. Whitaker is vice president of Belmont University in Nashville, TN. He previously served as executive assistant to the president, and as associate vice president and director of development at GWU.



Rev. Olin Byrum III '84 B.A. is the new minister of Covenant Baptist Church in Gastonia. He and his wife, Jane, have a 3 year old daughter, Leah, adopted from China. They are in the process of adopting a second daughter, Madeline, also from China.

Barry Johnson '84 B.S. was promoted to the position of director and chief of university police at Gardner-Webb University. He has been a campus police officer since 1996.

Kimberly Ballard Reardon '84 A.D.N. and husband, Keith, announce the birth of their daughter, Kira Elizabeth, on January 11, 2000. They reside in Union, SC, and can be reached at: reardonk3@infoave.net.

Virginia Shaw '84 B.S. is director of basic skills in the continuing education division of Surry Community College. She administers the college's adult basic education and GED

programs. She lives in Yadkinville.

Lisa C. Atkins Ballantyne '85 B.S. recently accepted the position of youth director at Canton Freewill Baptist Church. She teaches Junior Children's Sunday School class and directs the youth choir. Lisa and husband, Bruce, co-own Highland Dental Lab. They have a son, Erik Thomas.

David Donovan '86 B.A. has pastored Horeb Baptist Church in Millboro, VA, since November 1, 1999. His wife, Anne, is a nurse with Good Samaritan Hospice in Roanoke, VA.

June Hoffman '86 has been promoted to administrative assistant at Compassionate Companions of Hendersonville.

Mike Vogal '86 B.S. has been named staffing supervisor at The Reserves Network in Elkin. He lives in Hays, NC, with his wife, Sherry, and their two children.

Brenda "Faye" Bishop '87 B.S. has been appointed as assistant vice president and manager for the financial center of First Charter Bank in Lake Lure. She and her husband, Jim, have two children and live in Forest City.

Lisa (Darlene) Mathis Courtney '87 B.A. and Rev. Scott Courtney are working with New Vision Fellowship Church in Mayodan, NC. They have three children, Caleb, Casey and Colton. They can be reached by e-mail at: CourtneyFarms@juno.com.

Martha A. Hartzog '87 B.A. and fiancé, David Golding, are co-owners and founders of Golding Multimedia Group and Lighthouse Design Group located in the US and UK. Martha lives in Hilton Head Island, SC, with her son, Robbie. She can be reached by e-mail at: martha@lighthouse-design.net.

Brent Emmitt Winslow '88 B.S. and Cara Barker Winslow '88 B.A. reside in Yadkinville, NC, with two children, Emily and Bennett. Brent received his M.B.A.

degree in May of 1999 and works for the Briggs-Shaffner Co. as v.p. of finance. Cara is part-time director of children's ministries at Union Grove Baptist Church.

Marshana Cole '89 B.S. has been recognized as Account Executive of the Month at The Nolan Group. Marshana lives in Matthews with her daughters, Jordan and Jaslyn. She can be reached at: marshana@mindspring.com.

Emmabeth Hambricht Wingate '89 B.S. and husband, Jon Marcus (Mark) Wingate, announce the birth of their daughter, Emmaleigh Lauren, on July 11, 2000.

The '90s

Doug Andrews '90 B.S. and wife, Wendy Andrews, have relocated to Charlotte, NC, from Richmond, VA. Doug is an industrial sales manager for Hughes Supply, Inc. in Charlotte. They have two children: Zachary and Meredith. Doug can be reached by e-mail at: DougA28269@aol.com.

Paula Myers Elmore '90 B.S. and husband, David, announce the birth of their daughter, Lindsay Grace, on February 15, 2000. They also have a four year old daughter, Madison. Recently, they relocated to Leesburg, VA. Their e-mail address is: paula.elmore@mindspring.com.

Wendy Karen Propst '90 B.S. was married to Enrico Mortarino on September 23, 2000. Wendy is a registered dental hygienist. Enrico is a textile engineer at Comez North America, Ltd. in Hickory, NC. The couple reside in Hickory. Their e-mail address is: wendymor@yahoo.com.

Don Kevin Owens '91 B.S. married Colette Deneen Mary LaChance on June 17, 2000, at The Charleston Chapel in Charleston, SC. He is employed by Owens Construction of Spindale. Colette is owner of Collette's Cleaning Service of Rutherfordton. The

couple honeymooned in Charleston. They reside in Rutherfordton.

Joyce "JP" Pearson '91 B.S. has been awarded the Certified Residential Specialist designation by the Council of Residential Specialists. Joyce is a sales associate with Premier Real Estate Network in Hickory. Her e-mail address is: ask4jp@hotmail.com.

Rev. Donnie Peeler '91 B.A. is currently unable to serve in ministerial positions due to disability. He welcomes any contact you wish to make by phone at (864) 489-9914 or by e-mail: drpeeler@bellsouth.net.

James Madison Atkins '92 B.S. and Michele Leigh Bowman were married July 22, 2000, at Dobson First Baptist Church. James is employed by the NC State Highway Patrol and is a member of the N.C. Troopers Association, Renfro Masonic Lodge 691 and the Fraternal Order of Police in Stokes County. Michele works for the NC Baptist Hospital Intermediate Care Unit. They reside in King, NC, after a trip to Aruba.

Jackie Cooley-Finger '92 M.A. has been named guidance counselor at Swofford Career Center of SC. She previously served as placement director.

Rhonda Ann McNeely Kiser '92 B.S. and husband, Charles William Kiser, Jr., are proud parents of a new daughter, Pressley Ann, born June 10, 2000.

Brian Miller '92 B.A. and wife, Holly, have relocated to Bristol, VA where Brian is minister of education and youth at First Baptist Church. Their second child, Brandon Patrick, was born July 26, 2000. They can be reached by e-mail at: bandhmillar@yahoo.com.

Joyce L. Perkins '92 B.S. GOAL and Woodrow W. Graham, Jr. were married November 4, 2000. Joyce was recently promoted to Director of Developmental Disabilities Services at Southeastern Regional

Mental Health. Woodrow is an environmental engineer at Willamette Industries, Inc. in Bennettsville, SC.

Shannon Keller Davis '93 B.S. and husband, Joe Davis, announce the birth of their third child, Bethany Renee, on August 7, 2000. They have two other children: Jakob, 5, and Haven, 2. They reside in Chesnee, SC.

Bryan Johnson '93 B.S. has been hired as regional cost manager for Hickory Springs Manufacturing Company in Hickory, NC. He oversees cost accounting for six locations in North and South Carolina.

Lauren Kay Lee '93 B.S. and Jeffrey Mark Dixon '94 B.S. were married at the First Baptist Church of Shelby on May 20, 2000. Lauren is employed by Gaston County Schools. Mark is employed by Belk, Inc. After a wedding trip to St. Lucia, West Indies, they reside in Gastonia.

Sarah Ruth McBrayer '93 B.S. was married to Dr. Norman Zelig Einstein on May 13, 2000, at Maple Grove in Hickory. Sarah is employed as a medical social worker at Catawba Memorial Hospital in Hickory. Norman is an emergency room physician at the hospital. They honeymooned in Rome, Sorrento and Mattinata, Italy. They reside in Lenoir.

Salli Elizabeth Phillips '93 B.S. was married to Joseph Michael Petty June 24, 2000, at Cherokee Avenue Baptist Church in Spartanburg, SC. Salli works as a teacher at Northwest Elementary School in Gaffney. Joseph is employed by Morris Communications as a field engineer and is a member of the Air Force Reserves. After a trip to Mexico and the Grand Cayman Islands. They live in Gaffney.

Dee Pollard '93 B.S. was married to Kevin Greene of Shelby on July 8, 2000. Dee is program director at Shelby City Park. Kevin is a physical education teacher at Burns High School. The couple resides in Cherryville.

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Aimee Michelle Stewart '93 B.S. was selected to be a guest of Japan in November, 2000, as part of the Fulbright Memorial Fund Teacher Program.



Aimee has been employed by the Buncombe County School system for 7 years and is a third grade teacher at Pisgah Elementary School.

Crystal Rice White '93 A.D.N. and her husband, Brian, announce the birth of their daughter, Kinsey Faith White, born February 12, 2000. Crystal is a registered nurse at Mission St. Joseph Health Systems. Brian is employed as service manager at Jimmy's Automotive Center. They live in Swannanoa.

Brian E. Winn '93 B.S. has been named general manager of the NC Division of Nationwide Logistics, Inc. He lives in Salisbury, NC.

Christina "Tina" McDaniel Wright '93 B.A. and husband Jeff Wright announce the birth of a son, Jeremy Daniel, on September 16, 2000. They have a two year old son, Hunter, and currently live in Blacksburg, SC. Tina received her masters in educational media from Winthrop University in May.

Julia Mash Crews '94 B.S. GOAL and husband, Steve, announce the birth of their daughter, Olivia Faith, on September 18, 2000. Julia is an accounting specialist with the Lowe's Companies. Steve is a self-employed painter working as Crews Painting Company. They reside in Millers Creek, NC.

Janice G. Johnson Lee '94 B.S. and husband, Dennis Lee, announce the birth of their daughter Danielle Elizabeth Lee on May 9, 2000. Janice is a kindergarten teacher at Norwood Elementary in Stanly County. Dennis is an independent salesman for Richmond County. They reside in Wadesboro, NC.

Noel T. Manning, II '94 B.A. has been selected to serve on the board of directors for the Cleveland County United Way. He has also been accepted into the UNCC Grad School's Master of Communications program. Noel and wife, **Beth Lamb Manning '89**, live in Boiling Springs with 2 children, Kathryn and Thomas. His e-mail address is: noelt@shelby.net.

Lisa N. Miller '94 B.S. and Tim Barnes were married June 17, 2000, at Lakewood Park in Statesville. Lisa is employed by Piedmont Mediation as the Statesville director. Tim is employed by Engineered Sintered Components. After a trip to Boone, the couple lives in Statesville.

Penny Lynn Smith '94 B.S. and Michael Kevin Allen were married July 29, 2000, at Centenary United Methodist Church in Winston-Salem. Penny is an MRI technologist for Novant Health in Winston-Salem. Michael is a police officer for the Winston-Salem Police department.

Dana Biehler '95 B.A. has been named executive director of the Humane Society of Catawba County.

Tommy Drum '95 B.S. is a probation officer in Forsyth County, supervising 82 people. An article appeared in a July edition of the "Winston-Salem Journal" outlining his achievements in the law enforcement field.

Steven M. Duncan '95 B.S. has accepted a teaching and coaching position at St. Joseph High School in Greenville, SC. He and his wife, Kristina, announce the birth of their second child on September 22, 2000. They also have a 2 year

old son, Steven Robert. Steven can be reached by e-mail at: steveduncduncan@aol.com.

Laura Anne Brooks Gould '95 B.A. and husband, Tom, announce the birth of twin girls, Katherine Grace and Sarah Anne, on August 15, 2000. The couple resides in Maiden, NC.

Crystal Higgins '95 B.A. is working as the disability careers coordinator for the University of Tennessee. Her e-mail address is: higgic@dos.gv.utk.edu.

Andrea Dockery Johnson '95 B.S. and husband, Joe, have relocated to Everett, WA, where Andrea is pursuing a masters degree in agency counseling. Their e-mail address is: doc_90@hotmail.com.

Melanie Renee Hain Potter '95 B.S. and husband, Darren, announce the birth of twin girls on May 26, 2000, Renee and Kaitlin Mae.

Clinton Mathiew Calhoun '96 B.S. was married to Chasitty Darlene Camp on September 9, 2000, at Green Hill Baptist Church in Forest City. He is employed by Chimney Rock Park as a naturalist, and the bride is a physician's assistant at Family Medical and Chiropractic. The couple resides in Rutherfordton.

April Cherry Jenkins '96 A.D.N. and Jamey Jenkins

announce the birth of a daughter, Kaleigh Iris, on February 9, 2000. They reside in Stanley and can be reached by e-mail at: apriljamey@cs.com.



Kerry Anne Kettenacker '96 B.S. married Robert Scott Bloomingburg on July 22, 2000, at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Charlotte. Kerry is a school teacher and athletic trainer at Charlotte Country Day Middle School. After a trip to Mexico, the couple resides in Charlotte.

Jennifer Ollis '96 B.S. has returned from a two year mission trip in Chaing Mai, Thailand, where she was a teacher. She now attends Columbia International University, working on a masters in teaching English as a foreign language. Her e-mail address is: jen72@teacher.com.

Phillip Robert Rogers '96 B.A. was married to Amy Rebecca Beam on July 29, 2000. He also received a masters degree in education from Converse College in July. Phillip is employed as head varsity boys basketball coach, assistant varsity baseball coach, and teaches in the social science department at Rutherfordton-Spindale High School. He was named Southwestern 3A Conference Coach of the Year 2000. The couple resides in Rutherfordton.

Donald Robert Roper '96 B.S. was married to Julie Ann Jurgensmeyer on September 16, 2000, at Lake Wylie in Gastonia. He is employed by the City of Gastonia Police Department, and she is employed by PSNC Energy. The couple resides in Gastonia.

Rev. Frank Shelton, Jr. '96 B.A. is currently working as the assistant to the director of federal relations in the Capitol Hill office, working with the Governor of Maryland. He is also minister of evangelism and outreach at Dunkirk Baptist Church. He and wife, Julie, have one daughter named Hannah Grace, born April 30, 2000. They reside in Waldorf, MD, and can be contacted at: shelton143@aol.com.

Aaron Heath Blackwelder '97 B.S. was married to Abbye Victoria Robinson on September 23, 2000, at Elkin Presbyterian Church. The bride is a pre-kindergarten teacher for the Surry County school system. The couple lives in Jonesville, NC.

Caroline Dickson Cantrell '97 B.S. graduated in May with a Master of Social Work degree from USC, and is working as a clinician at the Carolina Center for Behavioral Health in the needs assessment office. Her husband,

Nathan, is a Sheriff's Deputy with the Spartanburg County Sheriff's Office. Their e-mail address is: natcar@bellsouth.net.

Ryan Deuel '97 B.A. has received his master's degree in history from Kent State University. They plan to relocate to Binghamton, NY, with their daughter, Gwendolyn, and assume positions at the Binghamton Press and Sun Bulletin newspaper.

Jill Amy Fredricksen '97 A.D.N. was married to Chad Alan Reuille on August 12, 2000, at Cornerstone Baptist Church in Greensboro. Jill is employed as a Registered Nurse at High Point Regional Hospital. Chad is currently employed by BB&T. Following a wedding trip to Cancun, Mexico, the couple reside in Kernersville, NC.

Kristi Knox Goodrum '97 B.S. and Chris Goodrum announce the birth of their daughter, Abbey Nicole Goodrum, on January 11, 2000. Kristi works for Southern Constructors, Inc. Chris is employed by First Union National Bank. The family resides in Mooresville.

Mandy Smith Hice '97 B.S. **GOAL** has accepted the position of social worker for the Western NC Early Intervention and Preschool Program for children who are deaf or hard of hearing. She and her husband, Stephen, live in Valdese.

Elizabeth Hoyle '97 B.S. and Christopher Hutchins were married July 29, 2000, at First Wesleyan Church in Kings Mountain. Elizabeth is employed by the Department of Social Services. Christopher is employed by the Cleveland County Sheriff's Department and serves in the M.P. division of the Army National Guard. After a wedding trip to Gatlinburg, TN, the couple lives in Shelby.

Philip Byron Keefe '97 B.A. and Mindy Kay Dangerfield were married Saturday, August 19, 2000, at Planter's Point, Mount Pleasant. Philip is employed with Quincy

University as assistant football coach. The couple lives in Quincy, Illinois.

Robert Eric Narvaez '97 B.S. and Kerryanne Lynn Rishko '97 B.S. were married August 5, 2000, at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Columbia, SC. Kerryanne is employed by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of SC. Robert is logistics manager at W.W. Grainger.

Brittain Perry Phillips '97 B.S. was married to Melissa Anne Jones on August 26, 2000, at Lafayette Street United Methodist Church in Shelby. Brittain is employed as assistant manager at Lowes of Charlotte. The bride is a student in the Foothills Nursing Program. After a wedding trip to Cancun, Mexico, the couple lives in Patterson Springs.

Micah Boyd Raub '97 B.S. and Jennifer Elizabeth Sechrist '00 B.S. were married July 15, 2000, at Calvary Baptist Church in Winston-Salem. Jennifer is a fourth-grade teacher at Township Three Elementary School. Micah is a field supervisor/technician for Stein Services.

Kimberly Michelle Webb Strickland '97 B.A. was honored as Teacher of the Year for Cleveland County. She is a chorus teacher at Burns Middle School who has taught for four years.

Laura Elizabeth Bell '98 B.A. was married to Matthew Holland on October 21, 2000, at the First Baptist Church in Kings Mountain. Laura is working as an educational interpreter at Kings Mountain Middle School. Matthew is a network process manager for Bell South. The couple resides in Kings Mountain.

Melanie Dianne Coker '98 B.A. was married to James Spencer Barker on July 16, 2000, at northside Baptist Church in Columbia, SC. Melanie is a Spanish teacher with School District 5 of Lexington and Richland Counties. James is employed as a hydrologist by the County of Lexington.

Timothy Michael Leophard '98 B.S. was married to Amy Melissa McPherson on July 22, 2000, at Tuckasee Baptist Church in Gastonia. He is employed by the Gaston County Police Department. Amy is employed by Gaston County Schools. Following a trip to Hilton Head, SC, the couple live in Mount Holly, NC.

Vonda Templeton Marlow '98 B.S. GOAL and husband, Kevin, announce the birth of their first child, Chandler Vaughn, on July 14, 2000. Their e-mail address is: vmarlow@energyunited.net.

Jennifer Payne '98 B.A. is working in the social work/case management department at The Charles Lea Center. After successfully undergoing brain surgery in 1998 to eliminate epilepsy, she continued her education and volunteered at the hospital in Gaffney. She now lives in Spartanburg, SC.

Rebecca Calladine '99 B.S., '00 M.B.A. was selected as Department Leader of the Year at Caldwell Memorial Hospital. She is employed as the director of acute and sub-acute care nursing. Calladine serves on a variety of hospital teams and committees. She resides in Valdese, NC.

Rachael Yvonne Cash '99 B.S. and Chris Allen Connor were married on August 26, 2000, in Fountain Inn. They are both students at the Medical University of SC. The couple plans to reside in Greenville, SC.

Jason Richard Cole '99 B.S. married Eugenia Caroline Suggs on May 6, 2000, at Floyd's Creek Baptist Church. Jason is employed by Hollifield Builders. Eugenia, works as a hair stylist and as a real estate agent. After a wedding trip to Gatlinburg, TN, they live in Mooresboro, NC.

Natalie Crosby '99 B.S. has been promoted to store manager of Friedman's Jeweler's in Union, SC. She has worked for the company for almost three years. She resides in Gaffney, SC, and can be reached at: gwu_girl99@hotmail.com.

Amanda Kate Crouse '99 B.A. and Joshua Lee Burns were married July 15, 2000, at First Baptist Church in Icard. The couple have moved to Fort Worth, TX. Amanda works at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in the educational ministries department. Amanda can be reached by e-mail at: akb@swbts.edu.

Roger Douglas Foutty II '99 M.A. and Dana Suzanne Hayes '00 M.A. were married on September 2, 2000, at Peace Haven Baptist Church in Winston-Salem. Dana is a teacher at Sedge Garden Elementary School in Kernersville. Roger teaches at North Davidson Middle School in Welcome. They live in Winston-Salem.

Marsha L. Gregory '99 B.S. successfully completed the Uniform Certified Public Accountant examination. She works at Wachovia Bank in Winston-Salem as a corporate financial analyst.

Robin Honeycutt '99 M.S. was named assistant principal at St. Stephens High School in Catawba County. His wife, Lynn, is a teacher at Sweetwater Elementary. They live in Conover with their two sons.

Heather Rene Hoyle '99 B.S. was married to Thomas Blake Thomas September 23, 2000, at Mt. Ruhama Baptist Church in Maiden. Heather is employed by Abernethy Child Development Center. Thomas is employed by the State of NC. After a trip to Jamaica, the couple reside in Claremont, NC.

Brad Huss '99 B.A. has recently accepted a full-time position with First Union Bank of Charlotte as an operations associate in their Retail Investment Group. His e-mail address is: Brad.Huss@FirstUnion.com.

Emily Alderman Johnson '99 B.A. and David Reed Parker, Ph.D. were married June 24, 2000, at the First Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church in Statesville.

Emily is a teacher at West Lincoln High School. Dr. Parker is an assistant professor of English at Gardner-Webb University.

John D. Keever '99 B.S. GOAL and wife, Kelli, announce the birth of their daughter, Meredith Riley. Meredith was born September 12, 1999. John is currently employed as product manager for Energy United. Kelli is a customer development training specialist for Husqvarna. They reside in Mooresville.

Mary Kirkman '99 B.S. was married to Richard Nunnally, Jr. on July 22, 2000, in Chester, VA. Mary is a graduate student studying physical therapy. Richard is a professional firefighter. They now reside in Richmond and can be reached at: atcptzb@cs.com

Rhonda Parker '99 B.A. has been promoted to banking officer at BB&T. She joined the bank in '76. Shull is a member of Shelby Civitan Club and Westview Baptist Church. She and her husband, Danny, live in Shelby and have three children, Derek Reeves, Dustin Reeves and Austin Shull.

Vanghi Deane Rollins '99 B.A. was married to Charles Jeffrey Hardin at the John R. Dover Jr. Chapel of Gardner-Webb University on August 5, 2000. She is employed as disability specialist in the NOEL program at GWU. The groom is employed by Henson Building Materials in Forest City. The couple resides in Forest City.

Jenny Roebuck Smith '99 B.S. and Charles Smith were married September 4, 1999, at Woodland Heights Baptist Church in Chesapeake, VA. They can be reached by e-mail at: ctsmith2@hotmail.com.

Dawn Stanley '99 B.S. has recently began work at Surry Community College as instructor of criminal justice in the social sciences division where she will teach all classes in the criminal justice curriculum. She lives in Mount Airy.

Michelle Triplett '99 M.A. has

been chosen as a Teacher of the Year in Burke County. She is a second grade teacher at Salem Elementary School.

Class of '00

Bryan J. Baker '00 B.S. has graduated from the 102nd Basic Academy of the NC State Highway Patrol. He began work with Troop E-IV in Winston-Salem on August 9, 2000.

J. Kenneth Cox '00 M.B.A. has joined Christman and Parsons, Inc., a division of the AME Corporation as director of operations and business development. He and his wife reside in Spartanburg, SC.

Tonya Michelle Geiger '00 B.S. married Steven Wayne Price on June 24, 2000, at Antioch Baptist Church in Haymarket, VA. She has taken a teaching position at Forrest Hunt Elementary School in Forest City, NC. Steven is employed by UPS of Shelby. After a wedding trip to Lake Tahoe, the couple live in Boiling Springs.

Angel Marie Hagar '00 B.S. was married to Christopher DeLong on May 20, 2000, at Vanderburg United Methodist Church of Mooresville. Angel is employed at NCR in Peachtree City, GA. Christopher is an estimator for Vistawall Architectural Products in Newman, GA. The couple resides in Peachtree City.

April Michelle Houston '00

B.S. and Josh Lee Crafton were married August 11, 2000, in Nassau, Bahamas. April is employed at Houston Hosiery Mills, Inc. Josh is employed at H.T. Hackney.

Brittany Jarvis '00 B.A. has taken a position with the International Mission Board as a staff writer with the editorial department. She recently relocated from Jacksonville, FL to Richmond, VA and can be reached by e-mail at: bjarvis@imb.org.

Kelly Harrill Hudson '00 B.S. has been named program director of the PATH Shelter of Family Resources, Inc. of Forest City. She lives in Forest City with her husband, Keven.

Gina Marie Kidd '00 B.S. and W. Russell Smith were married August 12, 2000, at Oakhurst Baptist Church. Gina is manager of human resources and payroll at Sew Special, Inc. Church. Russell is employed by Southern Pride Auto Sales, Inc.

Rev. Shane Allen Kirby '00 M.Div. was married to Emily Lois Scruggs on July 1, 2000, at Floyd's Creek Baptist Church in Forest City. Shane is pastor of Floyd's Creek Baptist Church.

Cynthia Lail '00 B.S., M.B.A. has been promoted to office manager for the CHANGE Center PSR Program and the CHANGE Center Annex, a day psychosocial rehabilitation center, in Morganton, NC. Lail lives in Connelly Springs with her husband,

Mark, and son, Austin.

Amy Catherine Lowman '00 B.S. and Mark William Johnson were married July 15, 2000, at Dunn's Mountain Baptist Church. Amy is employed by Rowan-Salisbury Schools. Mark is employed by Food Lion Corporate Office. After a trip to Ocho Rios, Jamaica, the couple lives in Salisbury.

Brandi Perdue '00 M.A. has accepted a teaching position at Independence High School in Charlotte, NC.

Christy Gregory Trouille '00 B.S. is currently a fourth grade teacher at Shuford Elementary School. Her spouse, Corey, is a police officer in Conover. They recently moved to Maiden, NC. Her e-mail address is: ladee_bugg50@yahoo.com.

Jason Carlton Webb '00 B.S. was married to Angela Elaine McCall on September 30, 2000, at Drexel First Church of God in Drexel. Jason is employed as an assembly supervisor with Southern Devices in Morganton. Angela is a medical assistant with Mountain View Pediatrics in Morganton. After a wedding trip to Florida, the couple reside in Drexel, NC.

Derick Javon "D.J." Williams '00 M.A. and Ishan Sadiqa Canty were married June 10, 2000, at Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Winston-Salem. After a wedding trip to Puerto-Vallarta, Mexico, the couple reside in Greensboro. Derick has been named assistant

director of the Center for Academic Services at Greensboro College. He is a licensed school counselor in the state of NC.

Tina Buchanan Woody '00 M.Div. has become interim minister of education and administration at Fernwood Baptist Church in Spartanburg, SC.

Deaths

Rev. Dr. Arthur Charles (A.C.) Bridges passed away September 27, 2000, at his residence in Charlotte.

Edith Hamrick Bridgers passed away August 3, 2000, at her home in High Point, NC.

Janice Perkins Clayton, 44, died July 29, 2000, at her home in Anderson, SC.

Rev. Olin D. Hefner, 75, died July 16, 2000, at Cape Fear Valley Hospital in Fayetteville, NC.

John Elmore Lawrence died at the Brookridge Baptist Church Retirement Community Health Care on August 17, 2000. He served as chairman of the Board of Trustees at Gardner-Webb College.

Grace Craig Lee, 86, died August 8, 2000, in Boiling Springs, SC. She was founding director of the Associate Degree Nursing Program at Gardner-Webb.

Billy Wade Styers, 63, died August 11, 2000, at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center after an illness of two months.

Randy Lamar Thompson, 38, died August 2, 2000, at Upstate Carolina Medical Center.

Anna Wooten-Hawkins, former Gardner-Webb College professor, died September 19, 2000, at UNC Hospitals in Chapel Hill.

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Lana Gayle Chambers '91 B.S. is a corporate training instructor for Lowe's Companies, Inc. in Wilkesboro, NC. She also is a professional contemporary Christian singer. She resides in Salisbury. She said, "I received a quality education ... and grew personally and professionally. I'm grateful GWU provided an environment that helped me meet my goals."



Edward W. Cook '80 B.S.B.A. is senior vice president, Chief Financial Officer and Director of Forward Air Corporation. He is a member of the America Institute of CPAs and the Tennessee Society of CPAs. He lives in Greeneville, TN. He said, "My experiences at Gardner-Webb ... helped me develop the basic skills necessary to succeed in business."



Lena Dula Mayberry Engstrom '50 A.A. retired as Dean of Administration and Professor of English from Chattanooga State Technical Community College, TN. Among other academic pursuits, she did post-doctoral studies at Oxford and Cambridge, England. She said, "Gardner-Webb served me as a substantial springboard for further formal education."

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L. Stephen Hendrix '69 A.A. is senior vice president of Store Operations for Krispy Kreme Doughnut Corporation in Winston-Salem, NC. He was senior V.P. for Support Operations from 1994 to 1996. He lives in Winston-Salem. He said, "Gardner-Webb provided a small school environment which allowed me to grow and change at a conservative pace ..."



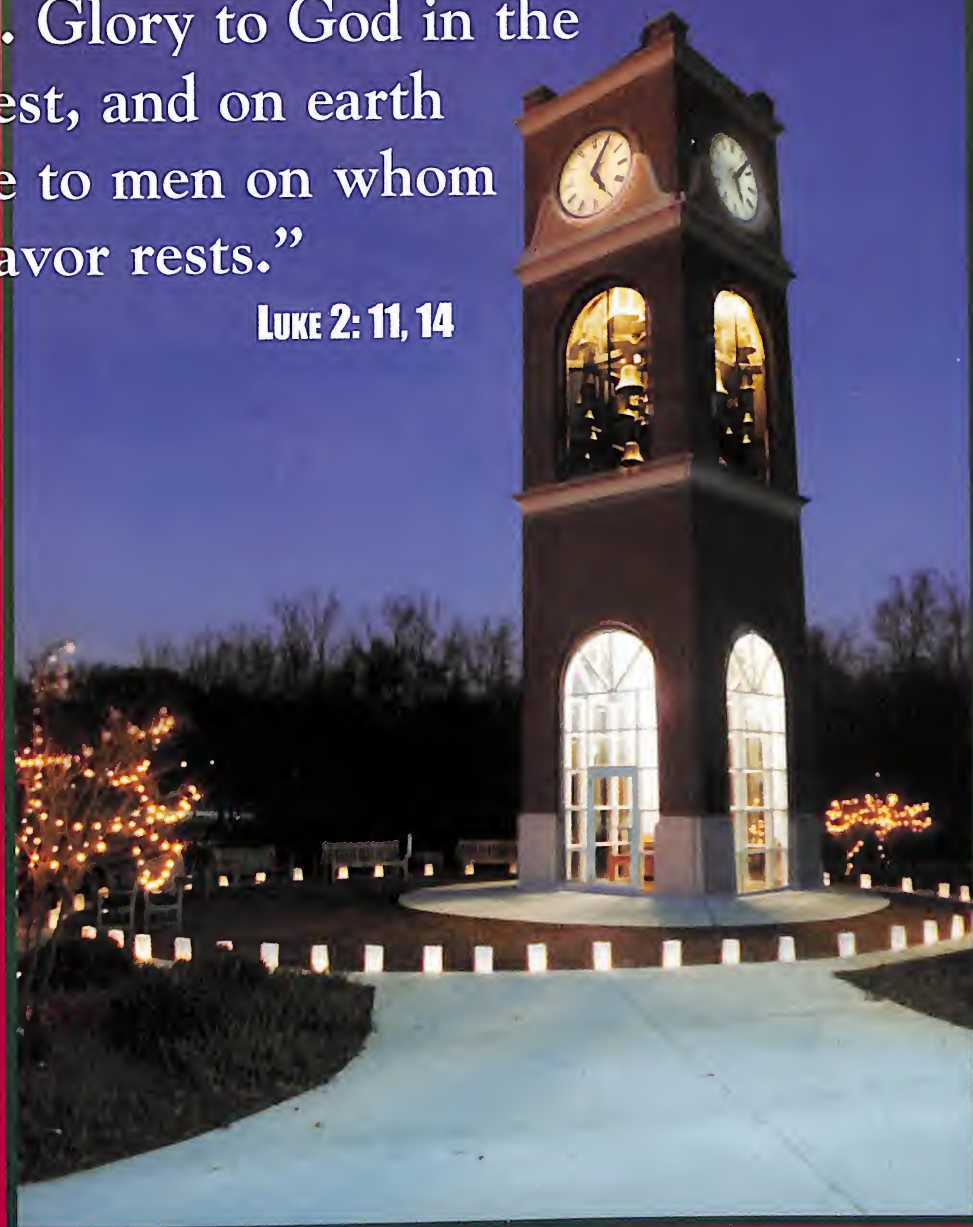
Julius Pinkston '51 A.A. retired as assistant corporate comptroller with the J.P. Stevens & Co. Inc., after 29 years. He was GWU Alumnus of the Year in 1976. He lives in Yanceyville, NC. He said, "I learned from the Gardner-Webb professors who encouraged me to read the poets, who have given us hope and direction for a better world to reside."



Heather Robertson White '96 B.S. is resident physician for obstetrics and gynecology at Carolinas Medical Center in Charlotte, NC. She received her medical degree from the UNC-Chapel Hill in May. She lives in Charlotte. She said, "Gardner-Webb provided me with a solid foundation and endless support to achieve my childhood dream of becoming a doctor."

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has been born to you; he is Christ the
Lord. Glory to God in the
highest, and on earth
peace to men on whom
his favor rests.”

LUKE 2: 11, 14



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