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Craven E. Williams Observatory to be Constructed at Gardner-Webb College

Gardner-Webb College has announced plans for the construction of a $107,000 observatory on its campus.

The observatory will be the only one within a 40-mile radius of the campus and will offer telescope capabilities that equal or surpass any facility in western North Carolina.

The 1734-square-foot structure, with adjoining 16-foot terret to base the dome, will be constructed in an open area on Stadium Drive, at the south end of the Gardner-Webb campus. It was designed by John T. McCulloch of McCulloch England Associates in Charlotte. The building will include one major classroom, which will also serve as a multi-purpose room for small luncheons and meetings, two equipment storage areas, a faculty office and interior and exterior restrooms.

The Craven E. Williams Observatory, named for former 10-year college president Dr. Craven Williams, will house the College's existing collection of telescope equipment. In addition, the facility has been designed to allow for expansion and growth with the addition of larger telescope equipment.

Currently, the Department of Natural Sciences has five high-quality telescopes, valued at $14,000. Two of these telescopes must be mounted under an observatory dome to achieve adequate protection and freedom from vibration necessary for such precision instruments.

These large telescopes will permit viewing of "deep sky" objects such as galaxies, nebulae and star clusters that cannot be seen by the smaller portable telescopes presently utilized.

Three of the existing telescopes are portable and can be set up and used on the concrete observation pad or on open ground surrounding the observatory. On a given night one group of observers may use the large telescope in the domed observatory while others use the portable units mounted on the ground outside. Rotation of these groups will allow everyone an opportunity to view with these top-quality instruments.

The observatory will be utilized in a variety of ways:

- As a learning tool enhancing Science Education 103 (astronomy and oceanography), a course requirement for all education majors K-9 at Gardner-Webb College
- To support additional astronomy courses taken as part of a projected minor in physics
- In providing observational and research opportunities for faculty, staff and students of the college
- To promote community relations through open houses and weekend and holiday programs
- As a facility enhancing the astronomy classes made available to area public school systems, technical and community colleges
- In offering astronomy courses for local volunteer groups and clubs such as Sierra Club, Scouts, Girls and Boys Clubs, church and community organizations and other interested associations.

Funds for the observatory were made possible through area donors and a matching grant of $43,000 provided by the Janirve Foundation of Asheville.

A groundbreaking ceremony was held Nov. 19. Dr. Williams was in attendance. Also recognized during the ceremony was Dr. James Herman. The major telescope to be used in the observatory has been dedicated for Dr. Herman, who contributed the telescopes to Gardner-Webb nearly seven years ago. In addition, it was announced that the multi-purpose classroom will be named for the late Mr. M.A. Moseley Jr., who contributed greatly to the astronomy program at the College.

Depending on construction time, a target date for the dedication is Fall, 1989.
On the cover:

Gardner-Webb is swingin'

New vice president, Dick Franklin, is really in the swing of things at Gardner-Webb. Due to the efforts of Dr. Franklin, vice president of student development, swings have been placed at various sites on the campus. The swings, shown on the front cover, welcomed students on their return to campus this fall.

Darrell Middleton led SAC-8 in rushing with 1090 yards in 10 games. The Gardner-Webb football team also broke many other records this year. See related article on page 19.

Back Cover: Groundbreaking—(l-r) Dr. M. Christopher White, Hobart Smith and Dr. Craven E. Williams

"Amahl and the Night Visitors" was presented by the GWC Opera Theatre. See story on page 10.

Biggest Brother and Biggest Sister, Tracy Jessup and Carol Dawson, (center) were host to their younger brothers Trent Jessup (l) and David Dawson (r). See story on page 8.

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Homecoming '88 Brought Memories Alive for Many

Gardner-Webb College was host to Wingate College in the Ernest W. Spangler Memorial Stadium for Homecoming 1988.

A number of events flavored the Homecoming weekend, including class reunions for the classes of '83, '78, '73, '68, '63, '58, '53, '48, '43 and '38.

Pre-game activities were presented by the Class of 1968 with a focus on the Robin Gatwood story. Gatwood, a native of Hickory, was a fellow classmate reported Missing in Action during the Vietnam War.

The highlight of Homecoming 1988 was the crowning of Mary Beth Searcy of Mountain Home as the Gardner-Webb College Homecoming Queen.

Saturday's activities began with a 9 a.m. breakfast for alumni in the Dover Campus Center. Alumni participated in a baseball game, tennis tournament, women's basketball and volleyball games, a men's basketball game and golf.

In addition to the athletic events, seminars were held Saturday morning. Topics included Return to Class -- Computers Today, conducted by Dr. Glenn Bottoms; A Look at the Baptist Faith Today with Dr. Robert Lamb; and English: the Language of Success led by Dr. Bill Stowe.

A picnic and pep rally began at noon, leading into the 1:15 p.m. Homecoming parade down Main Street in Boiling Springs.

Culminating the weekend's activities was a Homecoming '70s Swing and Sway party Saturday night at the Hamrick Center in Shelby.
Dr. Betty Emmett Knox of Raleigh was named Alumnus of the Year during the Gardner-Webb College annual Alumni Banquet, held in the Dover Campus Center Lounge Sept. 30.

Dr. Knox, executive director for the N.C. Community Colleges Foundation and resource development officer for the N.C. Department of Community Colleges, is a bachelor's and master's degrees graduate of the Gardner-Webb Class of 1954. She also holds bachelor's and master's degrees from Appalachian State University and the doctorate in education from North Carolina State University.

The Gastonia native has held positions in public secondary and higher education including high school counselor, department administrator and teacher. She has served as assistant director of admissions at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, as director of Women's Leadership/Management Institute for Meredith College and as director of development, planning, public relations and personnel for Randolph Community College.

Dr. Knox is a church deacon and Sunday school director. She is a trustee of Gardner-Webb College and serves as national chairman of the Gardner-Webb Annual College Fund.

Other awards presented and their recipients follow:

Dr. Robert R. Blackburn of the Class of 1952, was presented the Service to College Award.

Dr. Blackburn, who has been with Gardner-Webb College for 30 years, is professor in the department of health education and physical education at Gardner-Webb and a member of the graduate faculty. He holds a bachelor's degree from Erskine College and a master's and educational doctorate from George Peabody College for Teachers.

He is active in the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance and has received numerous honors and awards for his service in this area. He has served as president of the Catawba Valley Lung Association and was appointed by the Governor of North Carolina to serve on the State School Health Education Advisory Board. He is current chairman of the N.C. Task Force for the Smoke Free Class of 2000.

Dr. Blackburn is a member of Boiling Springs Baptist Church, where he serves as deacon and Sunday school teacher.

James L. Williamson of the Class of 1952, was presented the Service to Profession Award.

Williamson, a native of Forest City, is a full partner in the accounting firm of Peat, Marwick and Mitchell Foundation of Charlotte. He holds a bachelor's degree from Catawba College and a master's degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Williamson has served as a member of the Gardner-Webb Alumni Association Board of Directors and as national chairperson for The Annual College Fund. He has been active in the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the N.C. Association of CPAs, has held leadership positions with the Charlotte Athletic Club, Providence Day School and has served as president of the Council on Finance and Administration of the Western North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church.

Alan Wayne Bandy, a 1974 graduate of Gardner-Webb and a 1977 graduate of Southeastern Seminary, was presented the Service to Profession Award.

Bandy was formerly involved in clinical pastoral education at North Carolina Memorial Hospital in Chapel Hill. He served six years as chaplain at the N.C. Burn Center in Chapel Hill.

Following a serious illness, Bandy became involved in the Professional Golfers Association and now serves at the Dunes Golf and Beach Club in Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Greensboro native Steve Michael Simpson, a 1971 graduate of Gardner-Webb with a degree in chemistry, was presented the Service to Community Award.

Simpson became associated with the Calibre Company in 1974, managing over 3000 apartments in Atlanta. He later became involved in managing development properties and established The Calibre Company of North Carolina, with offices in Raleigh.

Simpson is a member of the Raleigh Home Builders Association and Raleigh Board of Realtors. He has made significant contributions to Gardner-Webb College through his service on the Board of Advisors.

M. Henry Garrity, vice president for College Relations at Gardner-Webb, was presented the Service to Staff Award.

The Trenton, N.J., native is a 1948 graduate of Wake Forest University. He is recognized nationally as an outstanding professional in the field of institutional advancement.

He has served as director of development for Rider College in New Jersey and Wake Forest University. Prior to joining the staff of Gardner-Webb he served as vice president for College Relations at Mount Olive College. Positions held on the national level include director for the resources and...
development division of Boy Scouts of America, director for financial development for Camp Fire, Inc. and director of financial resources and membership for the Washington-based American Forestry Association.

Garrity has served as a member of Kiwanis Club, Rotary Club, Toastmasters Club, Council for the Advancement and Support of Education and National Honor Society of Fundraisers.

Darrell Jack Heath of the Class of 1962, was presented the Service to Denomination and Church Award.

A Winston-Salem native, Heath also holds degrees from Mars Hill College and Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. He has recently completed 20 years of service as minister to children at First Baptist Church in Greensboro and has served 18 years as visiting professor of Christian education at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Heath has served as leader and speaker for N.C. Baptist State and Associational Conferences for Children's Leadership and as writer for Southern Baptist Children's Curriculum Materials and Periodicals. He is a past president of the Greensboro Chapter of the N.C. Association for the Education of Young Children, is a licensed N.C. Wildlife Rehabilitator for Injured Animals and is a member of the Association of Wildlife Rehabilitators.

Ruth Kiser, director of women's services at Gardner-Webb, received the Service by Faculty or Staff Award.

Miss Kiser has degrees from Win- gate College, Carson-Newman Col- lege and New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. She has been with Gardner-Webb since 1969.

Cantrell, a graduate of the Gardner-Webb Class of 1950. Judge Cantrell was appointed by Gov. Jim Hunt and re-elected twice without opposition.

Judge Cantrell is the daughter of James L. and Louise S. Ledford of Cliffside. A 1952 graduate of UNCG, she graduated from the UNCG School of Law in 1954.

Ruth Kiser receives the Service by Faculty or Staff Award.

Alumni Updates

By Dr. Larry L. Sale

Thank you for your contribution to the success of Homecoming 1988. I enjoyed meeting each of you at the class reunions, football game, picnic and related events. We had the best attendance in several years and a fantastic football victory over Wingate College!

We are in the process of establishing several new alumni clubs across the region. We established a new club in Gaston County on Oct. 25. The program for the evening featured Dr. Chris White, Coach Woody Fish and the Joyful Hands. Congratulations to all the new club officers and Gaston County GWC alumni.

Bob Decker Jr., Class of 1975, is providing excellent leadership as chairman of the Annual College Fund. This fund is designed to raise unrestricted monies essential to meeting the operational needs of the College, including scholarships, computers and faculty salaries.

Last year, only nine percent of our alumni participated in the Annual College Fund. The national average for alumni participation is 24 percent. Bulldogs can do better!

I urge you to give generously to the Annual College Fund this year. Each gift, large or small, is critically important and greatly appreciated.

We will be conducting our Annual College Fund Phonathon Feb. 5 through March 30. Each class will be assigned one evening. We need 24 class volunteers for each evening. If you would like to help, please contact our office (704) 434-2361 for more information.

Thank you for your response to the Alumni Survey. A committee will be meeting soon to analyze and report the results in a future issue of The Web.

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Admissions Staff
Staying Busy to Boost Enrollment

By Ray Hardee

Winter is approaching with its cool, icy fingers, but the admissions effort is as hot as ever at Gardner-Webb! With a record enrollment of 2183, Gardner-Webb is building upon the solid foundation established during our first 80 years.

You are one of the reasons we are successful at The Webb. As students see alumni like you succeed, they catch the spirit and see that goals can become realities. One of the reasons the Gardner-Webb undergraduate admissions effort is so successful is that many of the admissions officers are Gardner-Webb graduates.

Meet your admissions staff: Randy Kilby, '78 -- Director of Admissions and Enrollment Planning. Randy facilitates all admissions efforts and financial planning concerns. Phyllis Meredith, '78 -- Associate Director of Admissions. Phyllis supervises publication and advertising development and recruits in Eastern North Carolina. Shirley Lail -- Associate Director of Admissions. Shirley supervises all leads from various sources and manages the student work force. Ray Hardee, '84 -- Assistant Director of Admissions. I supervise the student admission team, the alumni/admissions effort and Western North Carolina recruiting. Lynn Edwards, '85 -- Assistant Director of Admissions. Lynn supervises the student admissions team and recruits in South Carolina, Georgia and Florida. Buddy Freeman -- Assistant Director of Admissions for Church Relations. Buddy manages all admissions, church-related functions and works closely with ministerial students. Richard Hardee, '88 -- Admissions Counselor. Richard heads the recruiting effort for Maryland and Virginia. Jonathan Wirt, '87 -- Admissions Counselor. Jonathan facilitates recruiting efforts in New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania and other states. Dewey Lusk, '87 -- Athletic Admissions Counselor. Dewey serves as a liaison between athletics and admissions to insure the qualifications and abilities of student athletes.

Now you know who we are. We are here to help make Gardner-Webb grow and reach its fullest potential. Would you help us? Can you send us another winner like you? Call us at (704) 434-2214 (1-800-222-2311 in N.C.) or write GWC, Box 817, Boiling Springs, N.C. 28017. Thanks for helping us to keep on winning.

Endowment Program is Meaningful Part of Gardner-Webb

By Joann Lutz

Nothing snazzy about the title -- but the need is real! At Gardner-Webb we emphasize the continuous need to maintain our long time Christian heritage. And you, a friend of the College, can become a very meaningful part of that mission by supporting our endowment program.

Over 80 percent of our students receive some type of financial aid. Many of you received financial assistance and are now in a position to help the future generations of students. There are several types of giving vehicles available to you. These not only help many students but can strengthen your personal security as you fulfill your need to contribute to the betterment of society.

Are you aware that you may make a substantial gift to the College, receive a tax break and receive an income for life from the College? Are you aware that you may transfer the title to your home, farm, etc. to the College now and still retain the right to live there for the rest of your life?

Are you aware that Gardner-Webb College now has a Pooled Life Income Fund that pays you or your beneficiary income for life, gives you a tax break immediately and helps assure the future of Gardner-Webb College? Your investment is combined with other contributors' funds in an investment pool in order to get the highest rate of return. Each quarter you receive income from the earnings in the pool.

Are you aware that you may set up a trust to the College for a specific period of time --10 to 15 years -- receive a tax break now and at the end of the trust agreement receive your initial gift back? Are you aware you can name the College as beneficiary of insurance policies, stocks, bonds, etc.? These are just a few examples of how you can help build the endowment today.

Are you aware that you may consider becoming an important part of your college today by helping build our endowment as you help to build our youth of tomorrow? Remember, no matter the size of your gift, the support of our endowment program is essential for the survival of the College.

For more information on ways to support the College, please contact Joann W. Lutz or Ralph Dixon.
Several Students Honored, Awarded at Fall Convocation

Gardner-Webb College presented honors and awards to students Sept. 1 during the Fall Convocation held in the Lutz-Yelton Convocation Center Paul Porter Arena.

The Spangler Leadership Award was presented to an incoming freshman who has displayed leadership in activities involving church, community and high school. The 1988 award recipient was Lynn Schuman of Claremont.

This year's Presidential Scholars, selected on the basis of academic performance and demonstration of excellence in leadership, including involvement in school and community activities, were: Dawn Marie Blankenship of Upper Marlboro, Md., Dawn Elaine Camp of Cedartown, Ga., Dottie Jane Cross of Stoneville, Douglas M. Danner of Charleston, S.C., Gina Felty of Gore, Va., Christy Diane Hart of Hiram, Ga., Jennifer Keen of Pembroke Pines, Fla., Melissa Anderson Pasour of Bessemer City, Karen Diann Pitman of Statesville, and Kristy K. Young of Clinton, S.C.

Annual scholastic awards were presented to the member of each class with the highest scholastic average. This year's awards recipients were: 1988 freshman award, Hien Thanh Nguyen of Greensboro; 1988 sophomore award, Mary Norma Cook Bowers; and 1988 junior award, Nancy Ann Reid of Charlotte.

Dr. A. Frank Bonner, vice president and dean of academic affairs advised the students to "bloom where you are planted." He urged them to make the best of the situations in which they find themselves and reminded, "There is a best that you can be."

Dr. Bonner continued, "You must first resolve you will be that best, accept the responsibility as yours and yours alone and be true to yourself and to that ideal."

Dr. Richard H. Franklin, vice president and dean of student development, stressed the importance of knowing who the students are -- their strengths and weaknesses intellectually, socially, physically and morally.

Addressing the students, Dr. Franklin said, "We wish for you the best possible growth and development."

In his comments, College President Dr. M. Christopher White spoke of the importance of new beginnings, remembering the past and looking at today.

"You the students, you are the reason this college is here," he said, reminding, "Everybody is somebody here at The Webb."

GOAL students displayed their learning tools during a recent science fair.

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Schools, Groups Join in Effort to Halt Alcohol Abuse

Gardner-Webb College and Cleveland Community College joined with Community Organization for Drug Abuse Prevention (CODAP) and the Cleveland County Mental Health Department in an effort to bring up-to-date information, and positive solutions, to the community about students and alcohol.


The videoconference was shown in two parts -- one aimed at teachers, helping professionals, ministers, counselors, parents and other interested persons and one for college and high school students.

Program topics included alcohol problems particular to college campuses, changing attitudes, blood alcohol levels, alcohol and the law, drunk driving, alcohol dependency and special population issues concerning alcohol abuse.

Among the panelists for the live event were representatives from The American College Health Association, The National Council on Alcoholism, Mothers Against Drunk Driving and The Inter-Association Task Force on Alcohol and Other Substance Abuse Issues.

Local panelists were Patty Greene, Manning Farley and Craig Lutz of CCC; Bill McCullough of CODAP; David Swan of Cleveland County Mental Health; and Ben Davis, Rodney Scott and Kim Freeman of Gardner-Webb. Shawn Lewis of Gardner-Webb was moderator.
Honors Program Challenges
Participants

The challenge of bright, young minds is an objective of the Gardner-Webb College Honors Program.

"It offers a student the ability to go to the limits he can go," says Dr. Barbara Burkett, acting co-chairman of the program with Dr. James Taylor.

The interdisciplinary program, offered this year for the first time at Gardner-Webb, is designed to nurture academically qualified students.

Freshmen selected to enroll in the Honors Program are those who demonstrate outstanding leadership qualities and abilities in academics and extracurricular activities.

To be invited, a student must rank in the 85th percentile of entering freshmen, have earned a significant rank in high school and receive a positive evaluation on the written application for the honors program.

The students will be enrolled in two honors section courses per semester. Honors courses for this fall's 17-member honors group were English 101 with Dr. Dennis P. Quinn and History 101 with Dr. V. Michael Leslie. The honors courses are taught by faculty members who are recognized for excellence in both scholarship and teaching.

Existing courses can be contracted as honors courses with professors. The contract arrangement outlines the student's commitment to a leadership role in the class. The contract may require the student to serve as tutor, either in class or out of class, or to conduct a class discussion or project.

The students dictate what they will learn, explains Dr. Burkett. A student must successfully complete a minimum of 24 hours of honors courses in order to be identified as an Honors Program Graduate. A written theses or project, such as an internship or community service, will also be required of Honors Program graduates. "They are good students, but they are being tested," Dr. Burkett adds.

Lynn Shuman of Claremont, one of this year's participants, notes, "The honors courses are a whole lot more personal." In discussing the program, she says, "It gives us the chance to be more than just students."

Dr. Burkett points out that the Honors Program provides an opportunity for students and faculty members to "get out of the rut."

"The faculty need to get turned on by the students who challenge them every step of the way," she says.

The Honors Program, according to Dr. Taylor, will enhance the overall academic reputation of the College. "We believe in it," he says, adding, "These students can give something back to the College."

The program operates under the direction of the Honors Program Committee and Dr. Frank Bonner, vice president for academic affairs. The committee was originally chaired by Dr. Richard F. Wilson, then assistant dean for academic affairs. Committee members, in addition to Dr. Taylor and Dr. Burkett, are Dr. Mike Leslie, Dr. Tony Eastman and Dr. Ted Monroe.


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Parents, Students
Gather for Special Day

Parents came from far and near to be with their sons and daughters for a day of information and fun Oct. 15.

Parents' Day '88 was a full day for all involved, beginning with a meeting of the Parents' Association that morning. Dr. Chris White, Dr. Dick Franklin, Melvin Lutz and Mary Beth Searcy addressed the group.

Then, it was on to a picnic lunch on the grounds before heading to the stadium for an afternoon football game.

The day ended with the Variety Showcase, presented by the students. Those performing included Tracy Jessup; Cari Anders; Cheryl Dillard and Doug Peninger; Anne Lawing; Bruce Corregan, Daniel Dye, Noel Manning and Charlie Owen; Tara Russell; Crystal Timmons; Jimmy Iretor; and Mike Kirby and Jennifer Richards.
Life Members Recognized by Christian Service Organization

The Christian Service Organization of Gardner-Webb College recognized three Life Members this fall during a meeting in the lounge of the Dover Campus Center.

Life Members, noted for gifts of $5000 or more to the Christian Service Organization, included John and Lillian Corbett of Marshville, Lamar Herndon of Kings Mountain and Bethlehem Baptist Church in Kings Mountain.

CSO member Herman Best presented the plaque to his life-long friends, Mr. and Mrs. Corbett. The Corbetts, members of First Baptist Church of Marshall, are the parents of Margaret Sanford of Boiling Springs.

The Rev. Ed Sessom of Boiling Springs presented plaques to Herndon, a member of Bethlehem Baptist Church in Kings Mountain, and to the Rev. Randy Gardner, pastor of Bethlehem Baptist, who accepted the honor on behalf of the church.

Udean Burke, president and owner of the Christian Tours Company of Newton, provided the program for the evening. Burke shared his personal testimony with the group and sang, accompanied by pianist Dr. Christopher White, Gardner-Webb College president.

The Christian Service Organization provides scholarships for young people preparing for the Christian ministry -- as pastors, ministers of education, ministers of music, directors of youth and children's work, chaplains or missionaries.

Twenty-two students were awarded with $19,000 in scholarships for the 1988-89 school year. The organization was formed in 1971 by the late J. Thurman Lewis, professor of religion at Gardner-Webb, and the Rev. Charles "Buddy" Freeman, then college minister, out of their concern for the financial needs of ministerial students.

Gifts to CSO, a non-profit organization, are primarily direct gifts, bequests and memorial gifts. All gifts go into an endowment fund for scholarships, with the interest used to assist students. All gifts are tax deductible.

Students applying for aid through the organization are interviewed by the directors and the executive committee concerning their salvation experience, their call into a full-time church vocation and their financial need. Each student must maintain an overall "C" average in his or her studies.

Big Brothers/Sisters Host Own Brothers

The school year is now well underway. Students are deeply involved in studies and school activities as well as the day to day buzz of campus life.

But, question any freshman or transfer student about how he felt his first day on campus. Most will relate a story of mixed emotions -- a blending of excitement and anticipation with awe and confusion (Now which building was Craig? And, where do I find the cafeteria?)

However, the anxiety soon disappeared. Almost as fast as a Big Brother or Big Sister could say, "Welcome to Gardner-Webb."

The Big Brother/Big Sister Program activities begin during orientation week each year. The program is designed to help incoming freshmen and transfer students adjust to campus life, the curriculum, and to assist them in learning individual and group responsibilities and dealing with people.

This fall, two incoming students received advice two-fold -- from Big Brothers and Big Sisters and from big brother and big sister.

Tracy Jessup and Carol Dawson, who served this year in the capacity of Biggest Brother and Biggest Sister, had their younger siblings in the program. Tracy’s brother, Trent, and Carol’s brother, David, each entered Gardner-Webb this year.

Was having their own brothers in the program any different? Not really, say the two. Carol says that working with her brother and knowing his needs helped her in her role as a Big Sister. "It made me more sensitive to all of them," she says.

The role of Big Brothers and Big Sisters is to aid the freshmen and transfer students in becoming acquainted -- with Gardner-Webb and with one another. "It helps them to feel that they’re a part of Gardner-Webb," Carol says.

Activities range from a talent show early in the week to a special worship service which includes a concert by the upperclassmen in the program. "We try to get them spirited for Gardner-Webb, and we try to get them to know each other," Tracy says.

Big Brothers and Big Sisters are selected after interviews and evaluations. The year’s Biggest Brother and Biggest Sister are chosen by the administration. They assist in coordinating the week and presiding over the various meetings and functions.

The rewards for those who participate? "To know you can have a part of making a positive impact on someone’s life," Tracy answers.
High School Students Learn Business Tactics at Gardner-Webb

High school business students from Shelby, Kings Mountain, Cleveland and Rutherford Counties participated in a business symposium on the Gardner-Webb College Campus Thursday, Oct. 13. "High School Business Symposium: Current Issues and Trends in Business" was sponsored by Gardner-Webb's Broyhill Academy and the Broyhill School of Management. Dr. Keith Griggs, associate professor of business and management information systems, and Dr. Stan Smedley, associate professor of business, were co-directors.

Business teachers whose classes participated included Linda Bridges, Crest High; Peggy Eaker, Burns High; Sue Smith, Shelby High; June Pope, East Rutherford; Doris Wilkins, Rutherford-Spindale Central High; Rebecca Hoyle, Chase High; and Sheila Sisk, Kings Mountain High.

William G. Karslake, president and co-founder of Southwood Reproductions Inc. and The Fairington Company in Hickory, was keynote speaker for the day.

Karslake is director of the Catawba County Chamber of Commerce and chairs the Foresight Steering Committee of Catawba County. He is a trustee of the Chautauqua Institution in Chautauqua, N.Y., and Catawba County Community College.

Students broke into small groups to attend hour-long presentations on Public Relations and Advertising; Equal Employment; and Arbitration, an Alternative to Litigation.

Speakers for the groups included:

Ruth Ellen Kinzey, director of advertising and public relations for Carolina Freight Carriers Corp. Ms. Kinsey is a member of the National Association of Female Executives, Women in Communications and International Association of Business Communicators.

Curtiss P. Todd, compliance manager in the Charlotte District Office of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Todd has held the positions of investigator, conciliator, supervisor and area director in the Charlotte, Atlanta and Raleigh offices.

Jerry J. Brewer, trial court administrator in the 28th Judicial District since 1987. Brewer worked in the Madison County (Indiana) court system for nearly 10 years and served as court administrator for seven years.

Following lunch, the students attended a panel discussion including Ms. Kinsey, Todd, Brewer and Dr. Gerald Slice, assistant professor of economics at Gardner-Webb. Jim Hartman, assistant professor of management at Gardner-Webb, served as moderator.

Gardner-Webb to Host Teacher Education Job Fair

Thursday, Feb. 9, 1989
1:00 until 3:30 PM
Charles I. Dover Campus Center

School personnel from North and South Carolina will be on campus to talk with prospective teachers about job opportunities with their school systems.

For a complete list of school systems and for additional information, please contact Jodi Manning at (704) 434-2361, ext. 276.
"Amahl and the Night Visitors" was Season's Highlight

The Gardner-Webb College Opera Theatre, under the direction of Dr. Terry Fern, presented Gian-Carlo Menotti's "Amahl and the Night Visitors" Thursday and Friday, Nov. 17 and 18 in the Kathleen Dover Theatre.

The group also presented "Amahl and the Night Visitors" for the 13th Annual Student Day at the Opera. The performance for students, made possible in conjunction with the Shelby Arts Council, was held 9:30 a.m. Nov. 15 at Shelby Middle School for the Shelby City Schools and 9:30 a.m. Nov. 16 in the Kathleen Dover Theatre for the Cleveland County Schools.

"We have been presenting our operas in the ‘Student Day at the Opera' format for 13 years now on campus," said Dr. Fern. "We are particularly excited about the challenge of touring the opera to Shelby Middle School."

Dr. Fern explained that the exciting, dramatic stories combined with music and song make for an event that both students and adults find appealing.

The one-act opera is about a 12-year-old crippled boy and his poor mother who are visited one night by three kings journeying after a star.

"Amahl and the Night Visitors" was the first opera ever performed on television and has become perhaps the most viewed opera of all time.

Cast Members for "Amahl and the Night Visitors"

The cast of "Amahl and the Night Visitors," included not only students but a community resident and a Gardner-Webb faculty member.

The role of Amahl was played by Robin Hawkins of Cliffside. Miss Hawkins, a senior music education major at Gardner-Webb, has served as interim music director at Race Path Baptist Church in Ellenboro and Pleasant Grove Baptist Church in Shelby. The opera was her first such appearance.

Jeanne England, wife of Dr. Ken England of the Education Department at Gardner-Webb and a Shelby resident, performed in the role of the Mother. Mrs. England, who is taking private voice at Gardner-Webb, has appeared in "The Sound of Music" as Mother Abyss and in "Calamity Jane." "Amahl" was her first opera appearance.

The three kings were portrayed by two Gardner-Webb students and Dr. Fern, who also directed the play.


King Kaspar was played by Doug Penninger, a junior sacred music major from Charlotte. Penninger appeared in the Gardner-Webb production of "The Toy Shop," in the role of Paul.

King Balthazar was played by Dr. Fern, professor of music at Gardner-Webb. Dr. Fern, a resident of Kings Mountain, has been a professor at the College for nine years.

The Page was played by Mike Loftis of Boiling Springs. Loftis is a junior music education major. "Amahl" was his first opera appearance.

Cari Andrews of Wytheville, Va., served as accompanist. Miss Andrews is a sacred music major and is president and accompanist of the Gardner-Webb College Concert Choir.

Upcoming Art Events Worth Noting on Calendar

Several exciting events will be taking place on campus this winter and spring. A sampling of planned performances follows. Mark your calendars now and make a point to visit Gardner-Webb this season.

-- The Department of Fine Arts recital and concert schedule begins Thursday, Jan. 19 with guest pianist Eric Larsen performing at 8 p.m. in the Dover Theatre.

-- Vocalist Dr. Terry Fern will have a faculty recital at 8 p.m. Feb. 23 in Dover Theatre

-- Vocalist Nan Francis will have a recital at 3 p.m. Feb. 26 in Dover Theatre

-- Carolyn Billings and Patti Peterson will hold a faculty/guest recital at 8 p.m. March 14 in the Dover Theatre

-- A departmental recital will be held March 21 in the Recital Hall

-- Organist Dr. Barbara Burkett will hold a qualifying recital March 28 in Dover Chapel

-- Guitarist David Stevenson will have a faculty recital April 11 in Dover Chapel

-- The Piedmont Opera Theatre will have a solo vocalist production, "Flower and Hawk," Tuesday, Feb. 28 at 8 p.m. in the Dover Theatre. The Theatre is affiliated with the North Carolina School of the Arts.

-- Magician Bob Gardner will be performing in the Dover Theatre Friday, Jan. 20 at 8 p.m.

-- The Gardner-Webb College Music Department, the Foothills Piano Teachers Forum and the Cecilia Music Club will sponsor a matinee festival Sunday, Jan. 29 at 2 p.m. in the Dover Theatre. The program will be presented by pre-college students from the community.

-- A drama performance will be held Friday, Feb. 17 through Monday, Feb. 20 in the Dover Theatre

-- A drama performance will be held April 1-3 in the Dover Theatre
Gardner-Webb Voices Ring Out

The Gardner-Webb Concert Choir has been invited by the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board to sing at the 1989 National Baptist Doctrine Conference Feb. 20 at First Baptist Church in Charlotte.

There will be a 20-minute concert at 6:45 p.m. and the group will sing for the Monday evening session.

The conference is sponsored by the Church Training Department of the Southern Baptist Convention. It should attract several hundred people from across the South and Eastern United States.

This year's Concert Choir Spring Tour, March 3-8, will be to the Shenandoah Valley in the Blue Ridge Mountains. The group will sing in churches and schools throughout this area of Virginia.

The choir will appear 3 p.m. April 2 at Rock Springs Baptist Church in Easley, S.C., for a combined concert with the North Greenville College Concert Choir.

A performance is slated for 7 p.m. April 13 at Columbus Baptist Church in Columbus with another scheduled for 3 p.m. April 16 at First Baptist Church in Nebo.

The choir will highlight its season with a home concert in the Kathleen Dover Theatre at 8 p.m. April 13.

March 19, the College Chorale will perform Rutter's Requiem with the Asheville Symphony Chamber Orchestra.

John Rutter is the most popular new composer of the 20th century. Requiem includes his well-loved "The Lord is My Shepherd."

The performance will be 4:30 p.m.

Other Chorale concerts will be held 7 p.m. April 19 at Mount Pleasant Baptist Church in Mooresville. A home concert will be held 8 p.m. April 20 in the Kathleen Dover Theatre.

Gardner-Webb Enjoyed the Arts This Fall

The Arts have been alive and well on campus this fall. From Shakespeare's "Macbeth" to Gian-Carlo Menotti's "Amahl and the Night Visitors," students, faculty and the community have experienced a taste of Gardner-Webb's cultural offerings.

Events enjoyed this fall included:

- The recital and concert series presented by the Department of Fine Arts. This series included guitarist Stephen Robinson, guitarist Bruce Corregan, pianist Stephan Moeller, marimba player Mario Gaetano and saxophonist Neal Ramsey.
- An opera workshop, "Amahl and the Night Visitors," directed by Dr. Terry L. Fern. The performance was also the highlight of Gardner-Webb's 13th Annual Student Day at the Opera.
- The Annual Festival of Lights with the Gardner-Webb Chorale conducted by Dr. Phil Perrin
- The College and Community Orchestra performance conducted by Dr. Robert L. Decker. The concert featured Mozart's "Concerto for Two Pianos, K-367" with Dr. Carolyn Billings and Dr. George R. Cribb, pianists.
- The Gardner-Webb College Theatre's presentation of the comedy, "The Nerd," directed by visiting professor John Brock
- The North Carolina Shakespeare Festival Touring Company's performance of "Macbeth," sponsored by the Gardner-Webb Communications Department and the Cleveland County Arts Council
- An evening of "creative readings" sponsored by the staff of "Reflections," the college literary journal -- the evening featured imaginative writings of both students and faculty
- A musical revue and dinner presented by Alpha Psi Omega and Greater Shelby Community Theater Cabaret, including Vaudeville, Big Band, Hollywood, Broadway and a salute to Irving Berlin
Rain Did Not Dampen the Third Annual Earl Scruggs Festival

The Gardner-Webb College campus was a hub of activity Saturday, Sept. 17, with the Third Annual Earl Scruggs Festival.

Sounds of bluegrass were in the air as early as 9 a.m., with a kick-off performance by Riverbend Bluegrass. The College Chorale, under the direction of Dr. Phil Perrin, participated in the opening rituals for the festival.

Although rain forced the "shade tree pickers" indoors for a bit of picking and playing, it never dampened spirits.

Dr. Charles K. Wolfe, country music historian from Middle Tennessee University and producer of over 20 albums of folk music, led a workshop on music. Also present at the afternoon workshop were The Original Briarhoppers, a country music band that performed over radio station WBT in Charlotte during the 1930s and 1940s.

Storytellers Louise Anderson and Stanley Hicks began spinning yarns mid-morning, and held the audience captive. Ms. Anderson, current artist-in-residence at Martin Community College, brought her Afro-American heritage to life for her audience. Hicks, a traditional instrument maker and musician, shared stories from the Beech Mountain area.

Bobby McMillan of Caldwell County and artist-in-residence at Montgomery Technical College, was also on hand to share his old-time ballads, guitar playing and storytelling.

Craftspersons offered samples of their arts throughout the day in Bost Gym.

The afternoon featured The Original Briarhoppers, Riverbend Bluegrass, Lincoln County Partners and Dan Padgett & Band.

Polishing off the day was the evening performance by John Hartford, one of America's most versatile country musicians. The performer, billed as a riverboat captain, tap-clogger, banjo picker, fiddler and singer, shared his talents with an audience of nearly 2000.

Hartford is also noted among local festival-goers for his friendship with Earl Scruggs, who not only made a special appearance during the concert, but took up his instrument and joined in on the music making.

The audience delighted at the surprise performance, which made for a perfect ending to an already successful day.

Crafters came from all over to exhibit their hand works and talents.
Rutherford County Campaign is Now Underway

The Rutherford County portion of Gardner-Webb's $5.9 million capital campaign, with a $500,000 goal, was kicked off Wednesday, Nov. 9.

Judith Toney, director of the Rutherford Vocational Workshop, is serving as chairman of the Rutherford Campaign. "The success that Gardner-Webb College enjoys is important to the future of Rutherford County," she said, "and we are proud to be a part of Gardner-Webb's future."

Gardner-Webb College is Rutherford County's senior college, with Rutherford County serving as the College's second largest supplier of students.

Campaign chairpersons and their areas include: Doug Huntley of Community Bank and Trust Co. in Forest City and Linda Edgerton of Rutherfordton Elementary School (Forest City); James Cowan of Stonecutter Mills (Spindale); Barbara Hodge of the Rutherford-Spindale Chamber of Commerce and Jim Ruppe of Bolick, Ruppe and Associates (Rutherfordton); and Johnny McDonald of Cone Mills Corp. and Dr. Betty Solomon (Cliffside/Ellenboro).

Additional members of the steering committee were Ray Crawford of Community Bank in Rutherfordton; Sherri Lutz Curtis; Dr. Bob England; Steve Meador of Burlington Industries; Roger T. Petty of the Rutherford County Schools; S.B. "Bobo" Tanner of Tanner of North Carolina; Boyce Grindstaff of Grindstaff Interiors; and Jack Lutz of Petroleum World.

Dollars from the capital campaign, entitled, "The Future: Building on a Solid Foundation," will be used for campus improvements, academic enrichments and endowments, such as scholarships. The campaign effort also provides an opportunity for Rutherford County residents to establish endowed scholarships specified for Rutherford County students attending Gardner-Webb College.

Christmas Came Early for Special Olympics

For the Children's Center and Gardner-Webb College, it was Christmas in September with the awarding of a $5000 grant.

On Sept. 22, the first Community Outreach Grants, funded from the proceeds of the Christmas album "A Very Special Christmas," were announced by Eunice Kennedy Shriver. Mrs. Shriver is chairman of Special Olympics International, the year-round program of sports training and competition for persons with mental retardation.

The grant was recognition of the progress the Children's Center and Gardner-Webb College have made in support of the "Join the World of Winners" campaign, aimed at doubling the number of athletes, families and volunteers in Special Olympics by 1991.

The local emphasis has been on enrichment and enlargement of programs such as the Adult Workshop Group, which develops individuals' abilities in bowling and roller skating to encourage socialization and improvement of motor skills; the Day-Care Group, which allows the children to experience a wide variety of developmental and sequential activities while improving cardiovascular fitness; and the Children's Center, where the first intramural program in softball and soccer has been organized with Gardner-Webb students assisting and sports equipment purchased.
Speakers . . . Highlight Fall Events

Charles F. Crocker, minister of music at First Baptist Church in Asheville, conducted a children's choir workshop Oct. 11 at Gardner-Webb College.

The free workshop was open to church ministers of music and children's choir leaders and workers. Crocker had his formal music training at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary School of Church Music, Furman University in Greenville, S.C., and Belmont College in Nashville, Tenn.

The Glendale, S.C., native has appeared as guest soloist in many cities throughout the Southeast in such oratorios as Handel's "Messiah," "Elijah" by Mendelssohn, Stainer's "Crucifixion," and "Seven Last Words" by Dubois.

Dr. Gerilee Gustason, internationally known lecturer in the field of teaching English and reading to the deaf, spoke Sept. 29 on the Gardner-Webb campus.

Dr. Gustason was deafened by spinal meningitis at the age of 5. She earned a degree in English from the University of California at Riverside and master's degrees in education of the deaf from Gallaudet, English from the University of Maryland and administration and supervision from California State University at Northridge. Her Ph.D in education was earned at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles.

Dr. Gustason, professor in the Department of Education at Gallaudet University, spoke at Gardner-Webb on "Current Research and Approaches Being Explored in Teaching Reading and Composition in the College Classroom."

The seminar was sponsored by the Gallaudet Regional Center at Flagler College and the Language Mission Board of the N.C. State Baptist Convention.

Sherman Leads Staley Lectures

Dr. Cecil E. Sherman came to Gardner-Webb College in September through the Staley Distinguished Christian Scholar Lecture Program.

Dr. Sherman has been pastor of Broadway Baptist Church in Fort Worth, Texas, since 1985. He holds degrees in English and history from Baylor University. He graduated from Southwestern Seminary in 1953, Princeton Theological Seminary in 1956 and received his doctorate in theology from Southwestern Seminary in 1960.

Dr. Sherman is the author of a number of publications, including "Being Baptist Means Freedom," and "Freedom of Individual Interpretation," published by the Southern Baptist Alliance.

The 1988 Staley Lectures at Gardner-Webb were devoted to the topic, "Applied Christianity," from a personal viewpoint. Dr. Sherman's sessions included Surprises Along the Way, The Bible Base for Ethical Concern and How God Shaped His Children.

The Staley Distinguished Christian Scholar Lecture Program began in the late 1960s as part of the Thomas F. Staley Foundation, a charitable organization formed in the 1950s.

Through this program, small colleges throughout the country are afforded an opportunity to hear the Christian faith proclaimed and defended by able evangelical scholars.

George Blanton, center, is shown with two Blanton Scholarship recipients, James O. Allen and Helen H. Smith, at the Nov. 2 Annual Scholarship Luncheon.

Gardner-Webb President Dr. Chris White and Dr. Bob Morgan present Kay Archer Price with this year's United Way contribution.
Sharon Jennings has been appointed Handicapped Students Coordinator. In this capacity she will be responsible for identifying the needs of potential and current students, faculty and staff who are handicapped in some manner.

John W. (Jack) Folk has been named to the position of Assistant to the President. Folk graduated from Gardner-Webb in May, 1988 with a degree in communication studies. He and his wife, Julia, have lived in the Boiling Springs community for the past nine years. They have four children and are active members of Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church.

Richard Arthur Drye Jr., assistant professor of communications at Gardner-Webb, has been named to the 21st Edition of Who's Who in the South and Southwest. Drye holds a master of media arts degree from the University of South Carolina. He is currently enrolled in the doctoral program in higher education administration at the University of South Carolina.

J. Kinney Schulte has been named to the position of Registrar. Schulte comes to Gardner-Webb from West Virginia University, where he was assistant director of records. Schulte has a degree in economics from West Virginia University, an M.B.A. in general business administration with an emphasis on management from Babson College and a master's in industrial relations from West Virginia University. Schulte is married and he and his wife have one son.

Alice Rae Cullinan, professor of religion, has been asked to write 12 sessions of study for "Baptist Youth" curriculum (youth church training materials of the Southern Baptist Convention Sunday School Board). She attended a writer's conference in October. The materials, on the topics of alcohol, drugs and suicide, will be published in 1991. Miss Cullinan has also written an article, "Dealing with Stress," which will appear in this month's issue of "The Student" magazine. She was one of two speakers at the N.C. State Convention meeting of the Religious Education Association in Fayetteville. Her topic was "Vanishing Heroes." Miss Cullinan also spoke on "God's Will" as a seminar leader at the Fall Baptist Student Union Convention at Ridgecrest in September.

Dr. Larry Sale, associate vice president for development, was recently presented an award in recognition of service to the North Carolina Association of Summer Sessions. The award was presented during the association's annual meeting in Chapel Hill in September. The association is composed of deans of summer sessions in public and independent colleges and universities in North Carolina.

Dr. Sale has served as president, vice president, secretary/treasurer of the association. He holds bachelor's and master's degrees from Appalachian State University and the doctorate in education from Indiana University.

Dr. John Chesky has been appointed to a three-year term as Chair of the Department of Education. Dr. Chesky holds degrees from Clarion University and Georgetown College as well as a doctorate in education from the University of Kentucky. He joined the Gardner-Webb faculty in 1984.

Carolyn McKinney has been named administrative assistant to the director of admissions and financial planning. Carolyn was previously employed as secretary in that department.

Several changes have occurred in the business office. Roberta Parris has assumed responsibilities in payroll and personnel. Meloni Wray has transferred to accounts payable and Lisa McFarland is assisting with student accounts.

Pat Partin, professor of psychology and education, has accepted a position as a software reviewer for the Editorial Board, American Association for Counseling and Development software publication. She will also chair the Women's Network of the Southern Association of the American Association of Counselor Educators and Supervisors.

Debbie Miles, nursing instructor, was guest speaker at the Carolinas Heart Institute's first Cardiovascular Symposium. She spoke to physicians and nurses about the current trends in diagnosis and treatment of peripheral vascular disease.

Dr. Andy Ash, associate professor of biology, has been chosen to receive a $2,400 Burroughs Wellcome Science Faculty Scholarship for a course in Tropical Ecology. Dr. Ash is currently involved in the course, which will be held.
through Jan. 27 in Tahiti and the Fiji Islands.

Julia Benfield, assistant professor of nursing, has received a Burroughs Wellcome Scholarship to help fund her doctoral program.

The Rev. Buddy Freeman has been chosen by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina to speak in World Mission Conferences in the Bladen, Tar River and Atlantic Baptist Associations.

Dr. Robert Lamb, chairman of the Department of Religious Studies and Philosophy, is serving as visiting minister of music at First Baptist Church in Gastonia. Dr. Lamb also serves as a member of two committees for the N.C. Baptist State Convention and is a member of the executive committee of the N.C. Baptist Religious Education Association.

Johnnie Hamrick, assistant professor in the Education Department, presented a qualitative research paper, "Looking Through the Eyes of the Teacher: Preservice Educator's Views of Students and Themselves" at the 1988 Annual Conference of the American Educational Research Association in New Orleans. The paper was also published in the Fall, 1988 National Middle School Selected Studies Journal.

Dr. Robert Morgan, professor of math and French, has been elected president of the Association of Professors of Math and Science of the Baptist Colleges of North Carolina. Dr. Morgan is the only full professor of French and math in a college or university in North Carolina.

Marie Martin, financial planning director, has been named program chairperson for the N.C. Association of Financial Aid Administrators for 1988-89.

Shirley Toney, director of the associate degree nursing program, served on a panel for the N.C. Department of Community Colleges Instructor's Conference Oct. 18 in Winston-Salem. The panel topic was, "Nursing, and Educational Odyssey: Challenge for Education and Practice."

Sheila Coggins, staff accountant and part-time accounting student at Gardner-Webb, was named a Presidential Associate this fall.

An article written by Dr. Gil Blackburn, director of graduate studies at Gardner-Webb, has been published in the 30th anniversary edition of "Modern Age" a quarterly review published by the Intercollegiate Studies Institute in Bryn Mawr, Pa.

Dr. Blackburn's article, "Courage and Modernity," is the story of his uncle, a war hero who won the nation's second highest award for bravery on his first day in combat in 1944. The article describes his activities as well as the environment which produced a man of instinctive bravery.

Dr. Blackburn notes that this war hero grew up in an area which produced a disproportionately high percentage of military awards for heroism (the Appalachian mountain area of the south.) In speculating about what conditions in the region might have produced such distinctive individuals, Dr. Blackburn asks, "Is the nation still producing such individuals?"

Bell Illustrates Two Poetry Books By Helen Steiner Rice

Susan Carlisle Bell of Shelby, an instructor of art history, studio and art education at Gardner-Webb College, is the illustrator of two books of poetry recently released by Helen Steiner Rice.

Mrs. Bell's illustrations appear in "Loving Promises" and "Somebody Loves You." Each publication boasts over 60 illustrations.

The books were originally published in 1976. The latest releases, featuring Mrs. Bell's work, are now on the shelves in area bookstores.

Mrs. Bell holds a degree in studio and art history from Mary Baldwin College. She earned a master's degree from the Presbyterian School of Christian Education. In addition, she has studied portraiture with Conger Metcalf of the Boston Museum School.

Locally, the books are available at the Gardner-Webb bookstore, Waldenbooks and The Door at Cleveland Mall.
Robert T. Parsons Jr. has been appointed as director of the B.E. Morris Academy.

Parsons, former pastor of Race Path Baptist Church in Ellenboro, began his post Jan. 1. He is the chief church and college relations official.

As director, he will represent Gardner-Webb at associational meetings and conferences from the local to the state level. He will be responsible for organizing, promoting and conducting a wide variety of seminars, events and experiences for church ministers and lay people in area churches. Although this concentration will be primarily in Baptist churches, it will include other denominations as well.

Parsons now serves as Gardner-Webb’s liaison with the Ministerial Board of Associates, a 100-member board made up of varying denominations on which he has been a member. In addition, he has joined the faculty of Gardner-Webb as assistant professor of Ancient Biblical Languages and Religion.

Parsons, 38, is a 1972 graduate of Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute and is a 1975 Summa Cum Laude graduate of Gardner-Webb College with a bachelor’s in Biblical Languages and Literature. While at Gardner-Webb, he won the President’s Greek Award, the Suttle Bible Award and was inducted into the Alpha Chi Honor Society.

Parsons earned a graduate theological fellowship in 1978 from Baylor University. He is nearing completion of a doctorate of ministries at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary at Wake Forest.

In addition to his pastorate at Race Path Baptist Church, Parsons has recently served as an instructor at Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute and as part-time professor of Greek at Gardner-Webb. He has been commentator for the A.V. Washburn Sunday School Teacher’s Radio Program through the B.E. Morris Academy at Gardner-Webb.

"Put all the facets together and it appears to me that Robert Parsons is best equipped and most suited for this role," Dr. Chris White stated in his recent announcement. "We have selected a long-time Southern Baptist who has been well trained in Baptist institutions," he said.

"From the very beginning there has been a close relationship of this institution and the churches, and the close connection has continued," Dr. White said.

"What we’re doing is not a new venture, but a continuation of the heritage of this school since its founding," he explained.

Garland Hendricks, retiring Academy director, noted that the Rev. B.E. Morris began his education late in life, yet served three long pastorates in North Carolina, as dean at Fruitland Academy following his retirement and taught Bible on a part-time basis. "He got excited about setting up an extension of his ministry as a Bible teacher and preacher," Hendricks said.

The B.E. Morris Academy at Gardner-Webb is made possible by generous gifts by the Rev. Morris and others who are interested in a better-informed ministry, church and denominational leadership. The Academy offers special learning opportunities for these groups on campus and off campus.

During the announcement Hendricks said, "I am pleased that the mantle is being passed to the best-qualified young minister that I know -- to carry out the B.E. Morris dream and the part that I had in developing this program."

Parsons is married to Teresa Maxine Ownbey Parsons. They have a 7-year-old son, Robert Thad Parsons III.
Sports . . . in the Web

1988-1989
Gardner-Webb
Basketball

Gardner-Webb has started the season off with a bang with seven consecutive victories and a rating of 15th in the NAIA national poll. The Runnin' Bulldogs are 7-0 overall and 4-0 in District 26.

Stan Easterling and Donald Simmons have been the key cogs in Gardner-Webb's attack, scoring in double figures in each of the Bulldogs' games thus far. On the year, Easterling, the District 26 Player of the Year the last two seasons, has averaged 20.3 points (making 64.8 percent of his field goal attempts), 8.0 rebounds, 2.6 assists and 2.7 blocks per game. Simmons, All-District 26 last season, is averaging 18.7 points, 4.7 rebounds, 3.0 assists and 2.3 steals per game.

Other key players thus far have been Blease Young (9.3 points, 4.8 rebounds, 3.7 assists and 2.2 steals), Thomas Plaster (9.0 points, 62.9 percent from the floor, 83.3 on free-throws), and Patrick Colson (8.3 points, 5.3 rebounds, 3.2 assists and 2.2 steals).

HIGHLIGHTS

...Gardner-Webb is outscoring opponents by a margin of 15.2 points per game (76.5-61.3).

...Gardner-Webb has shot 52.6 percent from the field to opponents' 40.8 percent.

...Gardner-Webb has blocked 26 shots so far this year, an average of 4.3 per game.

...Gardner-Webb has out rebounded its opponents by an average of 5.9 rebounds per game (36.7-30.8).

...The seven game winning streak to start the season is the longest in a decade. The last time Gardner-Webb opened the season with a 7-0 record was 1978-79.

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Women's Basketball

First year coach A.M. "Bud" Black has the Women Runnin' Bulldogs off to a fast start with a 6-3 record, the best start since 1979-80.

The three consecutive victories to open the season marked the first time on record that the Women Runnin' Bulldogs have had a 3-0 start. Gardner-Webb has defeated Central, 77-64, Columbia, 87-73, Pfeiffer 103-88, Erskine, 89-80, Meredith, 92-36, and for the first time in Gardner-Webb history, Lenoir-Rhyne, 88-81.

The losses have come from Guilford, 80-65, Belmont Abbey, 76-62, and Catawba, 90-81. In addition the six wins so far this season surpass the total of five for the women in the entire 1987-88 and 1986-87 seasons combined (5-19, 0-25).

Leading the way for the Women Bulldogs is freshman Fredia Lawrence, who is averaging 21.0 points, 7.2 rebounds, 2.9 assists and 2.6 steals per game. Freshman Val Crowell has averaged 12.1 points per game, and 6.0 rebounds per game and has shot 53.4% from the floor. Junior Benita Tilley has contributed with 12.5 points, and 5.1 assists per game and has hit on a team leading 14 three-pointers. Freshman Terra Miller is also a major force to this young team with 10.1 points per game average, while pulling down an average of 6.4 rebounds. Freshman Hattie Young is coming on strong with a scoring average of 5.8 points, a rebounding average of 6.6 and a team leading 16 blocked shots, an average of 1.8 per game. Freshman Shanda Young is averaging 4.5 rebounds and 6.4 points per game and continues to improve in her first season for the Women Bulldogs.

Gardner-Webb has demonstrated a fierce defensive effort derived primarily from a wealth of talent. However, with 13 freshmen on the 17 lady squad, the future looks even brighter than the present. Watch out District 26 and in 1989-90 the SAC-8, for the up and coming Gardner-Webb Women Runnin' Bulldogs!
FOOTBALL TEAM HAS DISAPPOINTING YEAR

The football team suffered through a 4-6-1 season, losing four games by two touchdowns or less. However, the Bulldogs return a very good nucleus for the 1989 season and could once again challenge for the SAC-8 conference crown.

Despite the disappointing season there were numerous high notes including 14 school and SAC-8 records. Following is a list of the team and individual records broken during the 1988 season:

FOOTBALL RECORDS SET IN 1988

INDIVIDUAL

Single Game

Longest Run From Scrimmage: Darrell Middleton 89 yards set against Presbyterian, breaking the record of 84 yards set by Chris Poston, 1987.
Longest Pass Completion: Bruce Benson to Kelvin Richardson for 89 yards against Catawba, breaking the record of 82 yards held by Kelvin Richardson on a pass from Jesse James, 1986.

Season


Career

Most Points Scored: Jeff Parker, 215 (230 including playoffs). Broke his own record which was at 168 and 183 including playoffs entering season.
Most Yardage on Receptions: Kelvin Richardson 2314 (not including playoffs, 2152) Record held by Duane Foster, 2238, 1978-82.
Most Field Goals: Jeff Parker, 38 (41 including playoffs) Also a SAC-8 record. Breaks his own record of 29 and 32 (including playoffs) at the start of the season.
Most points scored by kicking: Jeff Parker, 215 (230 including playoffs) Also a SAC-8 record. Breaks his own record of 168 (183 including playoffs) entering the season.
Most PATS: Jeff Parker, 101 (107 including playoffs). Breaks Carlisle Koontz's record of 87, 1979-82.

TEAM

Most Offensive Plays: 90 against Mars Hill, breaking record of 87 against Catawba, 1976.
The 1988 soccer season, only the second at Gardner-Webb, proved to be one of improvement, although a lot of it did not show up on the scoreboard.

The team, coached by first-year coach Tony Setzer finished with a 3-18 record, an improvement on the 2-19 record in the Bulldogs initial campaign. The Bulldogs did not have a senior on the squad.


Leading scorers on this year's team were freshman Steve Petrenick (11 points), freshman Tommy Hucks (9 points), freshman Pablo Cantilla (8 points), sophomore Jason Barnes (6 points), and freshman Andy Lamb (5 points). Other players who made significant contributions were sophomore midfielder Efrin Tirado, freshmen wingbacks Pete Pietras, and John Schafer, sophomore outside midfielder Jon Wilson, junior defender Mike Dudko, sophomore center midfielder/defender, Mark Smith, and sophomore defender Jimmy Mitchell. Goal keepers were freshmen Jess Roberts and Geoff Smith.

With continued improvement from the returnees and a few good recruits, next year could be the year that the progression on the field begins to show up in the win column.
Mickey Sharpe is shown with Tina Cox-Essick in Li'l Abner.

Mickey Banks Sharpe, a 1987 graduate of Gardner-Webb's Education Department, recently played the role of Li'l Abner in the Lexington Chair City Players production of Li'l Abner.

Sharpe, a middle school teacher in Davidson County, has appeared in a number of musicals and productions as part of Friends of the Theatre and Chair City Players group.

Class of 1988

Debbie Ann Fagg married Allen Emory Bricker. She is a legal assistant for the district attorney's office. Her husband is an investigator for ADT Inc. They are living in Winston-Salem.

Carol Lynn Hamrick and Phillip Carl Brown '86 married on Sept. 24. Lynn has a degree in psychology. Her husband is a sales representative for St. Timothy Chair Co. in Hickory.

Lynda Susan Lackey married Charles Lonnie Bowyer on July 23. Susan has a degree in elementary and intermediate education. Her husband is employed by Eaton Corp. in Kings Mountain.

Rebecca Jackie Littlejohn married Melvin Totten on July 23. The bride is employed by Harris-Teeter in Charlotte in the management development program. Her husband graduated from Catawba College. They are living in Lincolnton.

James Herndon Martin III and Natalie Lynn Nickerson were married on Aug. 20. Natalie is employed by Piedmont Airlines in Charlotte. Jim is employed by Gold Bond Building Products in Charlotte in sales. They are living in Rock Hill, S.C.

Kimberly Irene Porter is now an assistant at the "Happy Days" child care center in Landrum working with children through 4 years of age. She is living in Tryon.

Deborah Kay Tutterow married Gregory Scott Young on Aug. 13. The couple are living in Hendersonville. The bride has a B.A. degree in music. The groom is assistant pastor of Naples Baptist Church in Hendersonville. They are making their home in Hendersonville.

Lisa Renee Wright married Kenneth Wade Cash. She is employed by the Shelby Police Department. Her husband is manager of Dennis Pack 'N Go in Bessemer City. They are living in Kings Mountain.

Class of 1987

Sharon Diane Blackwell married Timothy Shane Howell on Sept. 17. The bride is employed in the business office at Margaret R. Pardee Hospital. Her husband is a sheet metal fabricator with B&S Metal Works, Inc. in Hendersonville where they are making their home.

Kara Lindsay England married George Robert Luckadoo on Aug. 14. The bride is working toward a B.S. degree at Gardner-Webb and is employed as a registered nurse at Rutherford Nursing Center in Rutherfordton. Her husband is employed at Ellenboro Upholstery Supply Co. in Ellenboro, where they are making their home.

Angel Allen McCray and Carroll McCray '83 celebrate the birth of a son "Trey." Henry Carroll McCray III was born on Aug. 12. Carroll is an assistant football coach at Appalachian State University.

Kimberly Ann Austin and Mark Crane Sanders were married on Sept. 3. The bride is a sales representative for Peachtree Software in Atlanta. The groom is an inventory analyst for Nabisco Brands. They are making their home in Dunwoody, Ga.

Terry Jerome Clark was promoted to director of medical imaging at AMI National Park Medical Center in Hot Springs, Ark. His wife Deborah Ingle Clark is an adverti-
ing sales representative with Village Publications, Inc.

Catherine Ann Cline and Willard Lamar Donald Jr. were married on Sept. 3. The bride is a histotechnician with Baptist Medical Center in Montgomery. The groom is a computer programmer with Standard Systems Center at Gunter Air Force Base in Alabama. They are living in Montgomery.

Kathy J. Hooks completed Basic Dental Assistant School at the Naval School of Dental Assisting in San Diego, Calif. She joined the Navy in January, 1988.

Olivia Nella Osborne married Gregory Scott Atchley on July 23. The bride is a project coordinator with BGD Computer Systems in Statesville. Her husband is director of planning and inspection for Alexander County. They are making their home at Mt. Pilot, Taylorsville.

Elizabeth Parker Todd, agent with Allstate Insurance, is becoming a neighborhood office agent upon the opening of her new Allstate office in Shelby. She is married to Ray Todd.

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Class of 1985

Ronald LaMount Hoskins married Karla Elisa Haynes on Sept. 10. He is a business instructor at Cleveland Community College and is program director of Partners with Kingston Youth. His wife owns and manages Carolina Grill in Shelby. They are making their home in Shelby.

Edward Kevin Kirk married Marla Kelley Brown on July 29. The groom is employed by MDI in Hickory. His wife is a store accountant at Harris-Teeter in Statesville. They are living in Statesville.

Dina Smith McClure has accepted a job as girls physical education and health teacher and head coach of varsity basketball and track at East Rutherford High School in Forest City.

Melanie Marlene Messer married Douglas Elton Tipping on July 23. She is working toward a master's degree at Southwestern Theological Seminary and is employed as director of a daycare center in Fort Worth, Texas. The groom is employed as graphic designer with the Tandy Corp.

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Class of 1984

Renee Briscoe Brinton and her husband Matthew Lewis Brinton announce the birth of a son, Matthew Lewis Brinton II. He was born on June 2.

Rick A. Clanton was elected assistant vice president of Wachovia Bank and Trust in Winston-Salem. He is married to the former Vickie L. Ledford of Valdese. They have one son.

Tim A. Davis was a finalist in Queens Community College Tennis Tournament. He is a flight crew member for Pan American World Airways.

Robert Michael Dockery is the new pastor at Southside Baptist Church in Gaffney, South Carolina. He just graduated from Southwestern Seminary. He is married to Debra Little Dockery '82.

LuAnne Winecoff Lail and her husband, Don, announce the birth of a son, John Edward was born on May 23.

Cynthia Gaye Coble Smith and her husband, Thomas Mark Smith, announce the birth of Mallory Marie Smith on July 16. Their first child, Sally Virginia Smith, was born on Aug. 26, 1985.

Marla Vollmer Thomas and her husband, Eddie, announce the birth of twin boys, Joshua Lee and Jesse Scott, on May 17. Maria is a contract nurse and Eddie is a N.C. highway patrolman.

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Class of 1983

Timothy Dale Abernathy married Teresa Fawn Kellis on July 30. He is an assistant manager at Harris Teeter. His wife is employed by the Cabarrus County Schools. They are making their home in Concord.

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Class of 1982

Timothy Ray Justice married Kathleen Marie Lotz on Sept. 10. The groom is employed as regional accounting manager with U.S. Shelter Corp. in Greenville, S.C. The bride is employed as a client communications manager with Sullivan Co. Inc. in Greenville, S.C.
Gustav C. Koch graduated from Gammon Theological Seminary at I.T.C., Atlanta and received post-graduate certificate in Gerontology from Georgia State University in October. He is presently serving as chairperson of the Federal Emergency Management Agency Local Board (housing and food) for Henry County in addition to serving two churches.

Max S. Pettyjohn married Pamela J. Hungerford on July 30. Max is employed by Woodfield Park Baptist Church. His wife is employed by The Fresh Market in St. Andrews. They are making their home in Columbia.

### Class of 1981

Ronald E. Flynn completed the MBA program at Pfeiffer College and was elected to the Outstanding College Students of America. He is manager of Operations Planning at Carolina Freight Carriers.

William Barron Scarborough married Elizabeth Ruth Barker on September 18. He is employed by Center State Farm in Eastover, S.C. They are living in Columbia.

### Class of 1980

Scott Brisendine has been employed with Signal Apparel in Chattanooga, Tenn., as master scheduler in production planning since November, 1987. His wife Karen Calton Brisendine ’79 is executive secretary to the General Manager of Wheland Foundry in Chattanooga.

Charlotte Fletcher is now chaplain resident at Charlotte Memorial Hospital and Medical Center. She resides in Charlotte.

Dexter Greene is now pastor at West Hendersonville Church, Carolina Association. He and his wife, Gloria Banks Greene, have three children, Christi, 18, Allison, 16, and Timothy, 11.

### Class of 1979

Randy M. Warlick was promoted to vice president of Sovran Mortgage Corp. in Charlotte. He has been with the company since 1984.


### Class of 1978

Karen Faye Poole married Tony Daniel Dawkins of Roxboro on Sept. 24. She is an R.N. in adolescent psychiatry at Duke University Medical Center in Durham. Her husband is an electrician for Bryant Durham Electric Co. They are living in Roxboro.

### Class of 1977

The Rev. Greg T. Mathis, pastor of Mud Creek Baptist Church in Hendersonville, held revival services for the French Broad Baptist Association July 31-Aug. 5.

### Class of 1975

Ronald D. Arndt is now pastor at First Baptist Church of Hillsbran. He and his wife, Donnell, have two children.

John E. Barnhardt assumed the pastorate at North Catawba Baptist Church on Sept. 4. He and his wife Carol Bates Barnhardt ’77 have two children, Kimberly and Adam.

### Class of 1974

Robert Durene Jacobs Jr. married Victoria Jane Aiken on June 11. He is head baseball coach and assistant football coach at A.L. Brown High School in Kannapolis and teaches health and physical education. His wife teaches advanced English and is drama director for the Kannapolis City School System.

### Class of 1973

Connie Butler Bumgardner became head nurse of the skilled nursing
Shown during a recent meeting of the Gaston County Alumni are, from left to right, L.E. Alford, host for the evening, and Luci Hamrick and John "Red" Painter, members of the Alumni Board of Directors.

Dak Marie King was selected to attend the Carolina's Mathematics Conference in Charlotte. She teaches third grade at St. Paul School in Spartanburg, S.C.

Mike Renny is a full-time missionary in Haiti. He was in the States from mid-July to the first part of September delivering slide presentations. He has a son at Wingate College; a daughter, Idolette, at Gardner-Webb; and two children in high school in the States.

Dr. Michael H. Jamison was elected to serve as the 1989 President of the N.C. Chapter of the Southern Seminary alumni. Dr. Jamison is pastor of College Park Baptist Church in Greensboro.

Debra Rutledge Blackburn married Charles Joseph Scozzie on Sept. 10. She is employed by Piedmont Airlines as a reservation sales agent. Her husband is a nuclear scientist for Harry Diamond Laboratory. They are living in Herndon.

Ernest G. Ensley was promoted to area sales manager for Emery and Purolator Worldwide Courier and Cargo Services. His air freight experiences date to 1979.

Class of 1967

Barbara Bridges Lovelace now teaches American History and Civics at Kings Mountain Sr. High School.

Billy H. Brackett of Burlington is the recipient of the Order of the Arrow Distinguished Service Award.

Class of 1956

Betty Jo Williams is employed by Safeguard Business Systems. She has been married for 27 years and has two children, Chris, 25, who is a student at Atlanta Art Institute in Georgia, and Amy, 23, who is a student at Georgia State University.

Vera Johnson is a missionary in residence at Campbell University in the department of Religion and Philosophy. She has served in the Philippines since 1968.

Class of 1951

Julius Mahon is retired and has been serving as interim pastor since 1983 in Charleston, Tenn. He has spoken to groups of senior citizens and retired teachers, does mission emphasis throughout the year, and has served on the FMB.

Class of 1921

Lila Ernestine Freeman Corn of Shelby has a daughter, Carol Corn Whisnant, who is an immunologist in bioorganic chemistry in Chapel Hill. Her grandson, Richard E. Whisnant, is a first year student at Princeton.

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In Memory . . .

Paul Daniel Tucker, '58, of Pauline, S.C., died July 27, 1988
Marjorie Hoyle Rogers of Shelby died Oct. 18, 1988. Mrs. Rogers, a 1948 graduate of Gardner-Webb, was a current member of the Gardner-Webb Alumni Board of Directors.
Phyllis Dianne Rufty Hall of Salisbury died Nov. 7, 1988 after several years of declining health and months of serious illness. Mrs. Hall had attended Gardner-Webb College.
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