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**Brinkley Amphitheatre construction is underway.**

By Eriana Meadows

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C.—David and Marie Brinkley, longtime donors who have contributed to the advancement of Gardner-Webb University, continue to see their recent investment flourish. Brinkley Amphitheater, a 900-seat venue, is progressing.

“According to our construction schedule, we are looking at the last week in October into the first week of November to get a certificate of occupancy from the building inspector,” said David Wacaster, Director of Operations for Facilities and Maintenance.

The finished project will engage students and the community while also adding a vivacious look to the University. It will serve as a space for the campus shop, The amphitheater will provide a new place to present performing arts, outdoor worship services, Webbstock events and other summer concerts.

Not only does the amphitheater have financial support from the Brinkley family but also a \$500k grant courtesy of North Carolina General Assembly in partnership with the Town of Boiling Springs and Cleveland County. The Brinkley’s have a strong philanthropic background and pledged to give portions of their income to making a difference in the community.

“Every day when I say my prayers, I ask the Lord to give me opportunities that I can share my blessings,” David shared.

The Brinkley family finds joy in giving back and in the past have supported Gardner-Webb academic programs, the Marching Bulldog Band uniforms and the-Brinkley Softball Stadium. When the opportunity presented itself for them to contribute to the amphitheater project, they were excited about the possibilities of a new performance venue for University. They believe that the amphitheater will give the University exposure and open up doors for opportunities for people in the region to become more familiar with the town of Boiling Springs and Gardner-Webb University.

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