

The President's Open Forum

Opening with several light comments and the promise of pertinent information, Dr. Craven Williams once again took the "hot seat" in a recent Chapel for his Open Forum session. Again, as last year, Dr. Williams reserved a large segment of the time for questions and comments about any subject relating to Gardner-Webb in general.

Beginning with a statement concerning the total number of students enrolled this year (1,352 total), Dr. Williams proceeded to give a breakdown of the states and countries represented and the number of students from each. Subjects such as: the number of teachers, their degree status, the evening college programs, recent renovations and improvements, and an auction of the old mobile units were covered by the President. Dr. Williams spent much time in reference to the proposed Convocation Center and covered areas of cost, purpose, plans, and location. He also revealed that the campaign for the three-and-a-half million dollar complex had, at the time of his speech, raised nine hundred thousand dollars in cash and pledges.

At the conclusion of his planned presentation, Dr. Williams opened the floor for questions from the students. He received, and responded to, such topics as: a recent lawsuit against the school, possibility of a December graduation, cafeteria problems, placement services, and other diverse items.

"See why I bring my partners?" Dr. Williams remarked after turning a particular question over to the Dean. Considering the complexity and wide scope of the subjects, Dr. Williams grasped the essence of each question and answered each one as fairly and completely as possible. Indicating his enthusiasm and willingness to communicate with the student body, Dr. Williams concluded the Chapel with the promise of, "... we'll do this again! Thank you."

Homecoming 1978 Style

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Lynn Baker, Dana Jenkins-Seniors; Brenda Harwood, Jr.; Sonya Gray-Soph. and Pam Brown-Freshman.

Beginning at 10:00, the Fine Arts Band will provide music until 2:00 for any student who still has the energy to dance.

As can be surmised, Homecoming this year is guaranteed to divert attention from humdrum studies to the gala occasion of the celebration of Homecoming!



Jerry Maze

Jerry Maze, in association with the owners of the Movie House Restaurant, has made it possible for local people and Gardner-Webb students to enjoy live entertainment while eating in a family restaurant. Jerry plays his guitar and sings on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 10:30 at the Movie House. Jerry, who is from Kalamazoo, Michigan, is a Junior at Gardner-Webb. He is majoring in Business and plans to become a CPA.

Jerry's music is very individual, as he describes it, "melow folk and contemporary." His songs come from his own experiences and from simple, everyday events to which people can easily relate. He has written some songs himself, such as "I Just Want To Be Loved By You." To add to the uniqueness of his music, Jerry uses tapes of his own singing and playing to create background. It sounds as though he has a whole band performing with him.

Jerry plays popular songs by contemporary artists, such as the Beatles, the Atlanta Rhythm Section, Jim Croce, and Elton John. He sings "Just A Song Before I Go" and "Handy Man" by James Taylor, and "Dust In The Wind" by Kansas, which make use of his background tapes.

This experiment is financially dependent on Movie House patronage. There is no cover charge. However, as Jerry has great stage personality and can make his audience feel comfortable and appreciated, this experiment should prove to be a great success.

by Karen Jones

Karate Madness

Have you by chance been walking by the gym on Tuesday afternoons and heard all sorts of grunts and groans? Don't worry, it is only Dr. Queen's karate class.

Dr. Queen is teaching Japanese-style karate to Gardner-Webb students. The class is a mixture of men and women, 20 men and 10 women. The hour-long class meets on Tuesdays. It is sponsored by the Intramural Department.

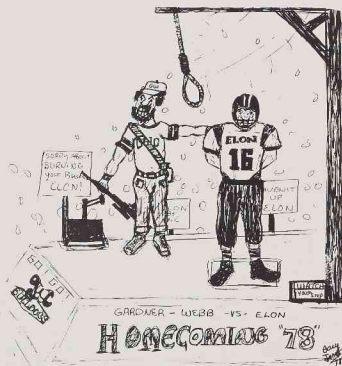
Karate is a very ancient martial art with a philosophy of emptying one's self to receive benefits. An example of this practical philosophy for life would be the fact that the average man only uses about 20 percent of his power for a normal punch while in karate he would use nearly 100 percent. Karate is a type of self-defense technique using blocks, kicks, and punches. It is even said that anyone from ages six to sixty-five can learn the art of karate. Through its disciplinary techniques, one can improve his physical fitness, coordination, and self-control.

Dr. Queen has been involved in karate for 13 years and is a qualified instructor who has conducted schools in North Carolina and Virginia. Dr. Queen presently holds a Second-degree Black Belt in karate and is working toward a Third-degree. He has graduate and undergraduate degrees from Western Carolina, a Ph.D. from the University of Virginia, and is currently teaching education course at Gardner-Webb. Dr. Queen's wife, Patsy is a nursing instructor at Gardner-Webb. One of Dr. Queen's main points about his karate classes is the fact that no one gets hurt. For him, students are "what it is all about."

Are You Sure Figures Don't Lie?

Suppose you were an advertising agent and had been hired by a bread company. The first thing to do would be to find something very attractive about the product and present it to the public. For a jingle you might try something like "Our bread stays fresh 3 days longer!" or "Each slice of our bread has 30% fewer calories!" The public would probably fall for it and never ask any questions. However, I'd like to ask several. First, "Our bread stays fresh 3 days longer than what?" and "Who cares if a slice of bread has fewer calories when each slice is smaller than a slice of a competitor's bread?"

So you see it is easy enough to make a misleading statement, sway opinions, and get away with it. Now suppose a particular college newspaper ran a story in which graduates of that college excelled on a CPA exam. Also, suppose that the article stated that only one other small college (less than 1600 students) had a greater percentage passing the exam. The general impression would certainly be flattering to that college. But, if someone refused to take that statement at face value and investigated, they might find out that only three graduates took the exam and only one passed. How many other small colleges were represented at the examination? That, too, would have been left up to the reader's imagination. So, even if you're not particularly fond of statistics, ponder this: "Figures don't lie, but..."



Before we continue our Homecoming events, I would like to thank the Homecoming Committee for this fine idea, and also I would like to thank the Elon players for their cooperation.

New Club On Campus: Shrinks Expand Activities

In the weeks since school started, back in August, a new club has been excitedly assembled on campus. The Psychology Department is happy to announce the arrival of the Psychology Club of Gardner-Webb College.

Three advisors, Dr. Gaddis, Dr. Henson, and Dr. Morrow were elected during the organizational club meeting on September 28. Also elected were Victor Smith, president; Tommy Holland, vice-president; Kay Ford, secretary/treasurer; and Rita Putnam, program chairperson.

An exciting year is predicted by Club members.

They shall be working toward trips to hear prominent speakers in the field and also to visit clinics in order to observe and gain insight into their chosen profession.

The purpose of the club is to stimulate and promote interest in the field of psychology, to provide on-campus programs of interest to psychology majors, to coordinate activities of the Psychology Club and of the community toward a goal of beneficial interaction, and to develop a sense of professionalism in the area of psychology.

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