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## Hugo Devastates the Carolinas

By R. Shawn Lewis

The terrible tragedy known as Hurricane Hugo has left the Carolinas a shell of what they used to be. Charleston, a city famous for its aged historic sights, was devastated in a matter of minutes by Hugo, 30% of her homes uninhabitable. The Queen City of the Carolinas, Charlotte, was rendered helpless by the natural disaster. Even as this article is being written, over 300,000 Charlotte homes are still powerless. South Carolina's capitol, Columbia, is still 80% powerless. Hurricane Hugo has left her in worse shape than General Sherman did.

Even our fair Boiling Springs was ravaged by Hugo. Right here

on this campus, trees were uprooted, cars damaged, windows busted. All across the Carolinas, schools and businesses are closed, trying to put the pieces back together. Families struggle to find their belongings and once they do find them, a place to put them.

The National Guard works overtime. Power companies throughout the Carolinas spend sleepless night after night trying to replace what Hugo has taken from us. Yet, in this dark hour, this is hope all across the Carolinas; hope that comes from the many fortunates who volunteer their blood, sweat, and tears to help the victims

of this tragic happening. This is a story about hope...

### Help After Hugo

By Kristy Young

As Hurricane Hugo approached the coast of South Carolina, volunteers throughout the state joined forces to combat the coming destruction. Those volunteers included members of the Gardner-Webb family.

On Thursday, September 21, Wade Gamm and Glenn Johnson volunteered their services to the Shelby Red Cross. Considering possible local destruction yet to come as a result of the

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## Honors Program Expands

By Staff Writer

The Honors Program of Gardner-Webb College, in its second year, is alive and well. The freshman class brought in 16 new honors students which increased the total membership to 28.

Honors students are selected based on SAT scores and their high school class rank. Gardner-Webb students with a 3.25 GPA at the end of their freshman year are also invited.

The courses in the program are designed to explore subjects in more depth than normal courses. These honors courses look at issues and perspectives that make course requirements more creative. According to Dr. Rudee Boan, the new Honors Director, "Honors classes have a special dynamic

that comes with a small number of people that love to learn."

In order to graduate out of the Honors Program, students must maintain a GPA of 3.25 and complete 24 hours of honors credit, including a thesis paper written on a topic in the student's major field of study.

"I see the Honors Program becoming a seed bed upon which a strong academic program can be constructed. If honors students filter into every department, it will be good for the school. I hope that we would see ourselves not as elites, but as servants," Boan commented.

Plans for the year include beginning a tutoring program both on campus and in local schools, forming a College Bowl-type competition, and planning a presentation for the regional honors convention in Memphis, Tennessee.

## Freshmen Hold Elections

By Shannon Lewis

special to **The Pilot**

"Hi, my name is ... and I'm going for ... I'd appreciate your vote." Smiling even when you're unsure of yourself... shaking hands until you're beat. All of this is just part of the politics that went on during the freshmen elections, Sept. 7-12.

Freshmen were nominated during a special convocation on September 5th. Then, a campaign meeting was held on September 7th. The "Do's and Don'ts" of campaigning were explained and sample speeches were presented. Director of Freshman Programs Rhoda Sowers and SGA President Chrissy Vaughn presided.

After the meeting was adjourned, up went the posters, fliers, and yes, even bed sheets hanging from residence hall windows. Having just five days to get it together, but these people had what it took to make it.

Presenting the Freshman Class Officers:  
 President: Mike McCalley  
 Vice-President: Jill Galloway  
 Sec./Tres.: Suzanne Rhyne  
 Senators: Tina Allen  
           Mitch Ball  
           Shannon Canady  
           Curtis Shade

Director of Freshman Programs Rhoda Sowers added that all candidates were winners.

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Freshmen Honors Students