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## Something Old, Something New

By Dawn E. Camp  
*Editor*

The end of the school year is fast approaching. It is time to begin to think ahead to the fall. No doubt the campus will see many changes, including a new core curriculum which will go into effect for the incoming freshmen. But, there are also a lot of changes coming that will affect current students.

One such change is the new Dimensions requirements. Students are no longer required to attend Dimensions each semester that they are enrolled at Gardner-Webb College. Instead, students must pass Dimensions 111-116. Theoretically, a student could complete the requirement in six semesters (three years). But, if a student fails one section of Dimensions, he or she must retake it before moving on.

Another change that students can expect is the increase in tuition and fees. Tuition will increase from \$3,360 a semester this year to \$3,590, starting in the fall. That's an increase of \$230 a semester. Room fees will increase \$55 a semester, as will the charge for the meal plan.

## Graduate Program Active and Growing

By Dawn E. Camp  
*Editor*

The Graduate Program at Gardner-Webb is five years old, and things are looking great. Graduate director Dr. Darlene Gravett is excited about the upcoming additions to the program.

This summer, an MA in English education will be offered on-campus for the first time. Dr. Joyce Brown, English department chair, said, "This degree has been offered in Surrey County in the past for teachers. It has since been modified and improved."

Brown added that the degree is designed to appeal to regional teachers and recent graduates. Classes will be scheduled so that they will not interfere with schedules of area teachers.

The degree will require 10 classes, which are spread out over two full years and one semester. The first course, scheduled to begin on May 25, is "The Reading/Writing Connection," which will be taught by Dr. Gayle Price.

Brown expects the English program to start small, with 15-20 students. She added, "We are excited about the new directions of growth for the English department."

Another scheduled addition to the graduate catalog is an MA in Christian Ministry. Gravett said that this degree is "in process." She added, "We are currently applying for approval from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools."

According to Dr. Alice Cullinan, chair of the religion department, the degree is scheduled to begin in January 1993. She said, "The program is designed for people who are in the ministry now, who have decided not to go to seminary for some reason. This is not a seminary degree. We are still encouraging our graduates to go to seminary."

Current degrees offered by the graduate program include one MA in agency counselling and several MA degrees in education. These programs, according to Gravett, currently have 156 students, with 57 expected to graduate in May.

Graduate students may apply for the ten to 12 assistantships offered each year. These assistantships offer a financial stipend up to \$5,000 and a fee waiver for up to five courses.

For more information on the graduate program, feel free to drop by the office, located in DCC 204.

## Christian Service Organization Active

By Barry Martin  
*Staff Writer*

The Christian Service Organization (CSO) of Gardner-Webb is trying to raise one million dollars in endowment scholarships by December. CSO has been campaigning for three years. They received a \$25,000 challenge gift if they could raise \$75,000. This resulted in the second \$100,000 of endowment. A lot of the other money has come from the work of President Chris White and Dr. Robert Parsons. Director Buddy Freeman feels "very confident the money will be raised." The money will go to needy deserving youth going into full-time Christian

ministry including religious music, youth counselling and religious education. There are no denominational requirements.

CSO was started in 1971 by J. Thurman Lewis and Freeman. That year there were three recipients of \$600 worth of scholarships. In 1992, 60 students received \$47,000. Over the years, CSO has helped 570 young people with over \$300,000.

CSO of Gardner-Webb has about 215 members including churches, businesses and individuals, with an additional 150 contributors.

## Concert of Prayer

By Erik Cummings  
*Staff Writer*

Friday, March 27, has been officially declared a day of prayer on the Gardner-Webb College campus by President Chris White. It is also the day in which Gardner-Webb will host the annual Concert of Prayer, which will be held in the Lutz-Yelton Convocation Center.

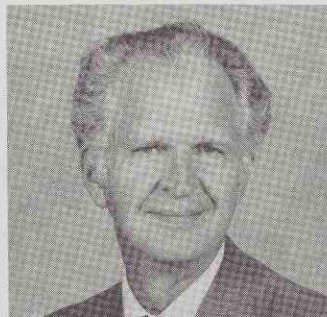
The purpose of the Concert of Prayer is to lead the people who attend to a deeper commitment to prayer. The planning committee for the event believes that they have a quality program planned for this year.

Dr. Avery T. Willis, Jr., will be the leader of the Concert of Prayer. He is a former missionary to Indonesia and author of *Masterlife*. Willis also worked in planning and leading Prayer for Spiritual Awakening conferences and seminars throughout American and many foreign countries.

Ron and Patricia Owens, of Atlanta, will provide the music and direct the congregational singing during the event. They have worked as a musical team exclusively in Christian music ministry all over the world.

The planning committee invites faculty, staff and students to attend.

## In Memoriam



Donald James Kemerait  
December 30, 1936 - March 1, 1992

Professor Don Kemerait, who was injured in an automobile accident on January 25, died March 1, in the Carolinas Medical Center, from complications arising from his injuries.

Mr. Kemerait had been a member of the Broyhill School faculty since 1981. He was remembered in a memorial service attended by the Gardner-Webb family on March 12.

Our heartfelt sympathies to the Kemerait family and Gardner-Webb community.