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School Newspaper Suffers Setbacks, Almost Collapses

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THE PILOT, traditionally the fountain of all accurate information on the Gardner-Webb campus, was just barely able to begin its operations this fall. Forces amassed to bring about its demise. Powerful forces, forces without faces, forces from the dark reaches of the human imagination.

Early reports indicate that active censorship--the desire to squelch information--is not involved. There are, however, clear indications that mischief is afoot.

In the middle of the spring semester (last year),

a crucial piece of equipment took ill and--within the space of three days--died. Extensive examination of the body revealed advanced age (not unlike the advisor's condition) but healthy if somewhat "rewired" internal organs. Grief in the passing of the machine was matched by paralysis of staff activity.

The summer was spent in the search for replacement, resulting in a wonderful new system (thank you, Mr. Scott, Clary, Brooks, Dixon, and everybody else) that IS NOT HERE YET!

Notice, please that typesetting is not quite set

in this issue. Bear with us. We will be (somewhat) better when we get the new computer (have you heard that one before?)

Our most pressing need IS STAFF. Consider joining us as reporter, typist, hostile witness, comforter, or otherwise.

Obviously, we need the help--or we would not be using the front page of this respectable paper for such a plea.

Help us defeat the forces of darkness--electronic and otherwise--that have banded against us.

RA's on Patrol

by Greg Carpenter

Resident advisor. This is the official title given to students employed by the Residence Life office to work in each residence hall. Among the unofficial titles given to the residence advisors by residents this year are "gestapo", the "new security", and "glorified hall monitors."

Most of the furor is caused by a new duty carried out by each resident advisor. Residents have begun to question the new policy concerning student patrol of each residence hall each night.

This patrol consists of a team of two resident advisors, one male and one female due to the fact that resident advisors on patrol may not go on hallways of the opposite sex except during visitation. The team patrols each residence hall from eight o'clock p.m. until two o'clock a.m. Friday through Saturday and from eight o'clock a.m. Monday through Thursday and on Sunday. There is also a residence advisor on duty at the information desk in the D.C.C. to answer questions and log any calls made by the patrol which are made after each hall has been checked or if prohibited behavior is encountered.

Of course, opinion does vary among residential students. While some feel imprisoned due to the patrol, others feel more secure knowing their halls may be a little safer due to regular patrolling of each building.

Concern arises among resident advisors also. At a recent meeting, many resident advisors, or R.A.'s as they are commonly referred to, have a few reservations about the nightly patrol. Concerns ranged from the fear that personal relations between residents and their R.A.'s might be jeopardized to concerns about the extreme hours worked by the patrol on weekends. These were concerns addressed but not expanded upon nor were the concerned parties put at ease.

Another concern mentioned by residents as well as R.A.'s is that this position may have become an extension of the existing security force on campus. In fact, this is not the case. Residence Life is concerned with residence halls on campus and it is there that the jurisdiction of the R.A.'s lie. The patrol is concerned solely with securing each of the residence halls and do not patrol any other building on campus.

At the very base of the issue is the fact that this institution has well-defined prohibited behavior policies. These policies have not been strenuously enforced in the past few years, and the monitoring of prohibited behavior has been lax. This new concept of patrolling each residence hall is to aid the enforcement of Gardner-Webb's mission to educate its students in a Christian atmosphere conducive to learning.

The fact that this new policy is in its infancy must be stressed. The patrol is

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Where's Lacrosse?

by Brian Siatkowski

On the birth of a fresh school year and the onslaught of studies, I have noticed a number of changes in the college that have been profitable and liable. I noticed new things that arrived overlook the new things of the past that are now lost. Lacrosse made its debut no longer than a year ago and has, for now, been forgotten. Most returning classmen have asked a friend or professor, "What happened?," and there have been a few good theories.

Now, the freshman and transfers need a little history. A lacrosse team started at Gardner-Webb last fall as a new sport for the college and competed on the club level. There, how's that? Now the only thing that remains are some equipment, supplies, and players who rightfully feel cheated. To go to a college with the intent of playing a college-level sport is a common dream for most high school graduates and to have that taken away after committing to the college is both painful and offending. Sure, they can travel to Charlotte and play on another club team, but they were undefeated last season! O.K., so that was club level, but this season they were supposed to be intercollegiate.

The man who found his way here as lacrosse coach is Coach Mills, (ex-coach Mills I guess), a stout man with a rough Philly attitude, who is now head coach of a Pennsylvania lacrosse team.

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