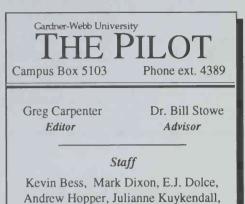
EDITORIAL PAGE



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Editor's Letter - On the lake

U pon returning to school, it was surprising to find that the lake had a small amount of water in it.

After the announcement was first made that Gardner-Webb was to receive this new \$1.5 million lake, there were mixed feelings over the need for a lake, considering the fact that other areas in academics needed, and still need, improvement. There was even a group of students who jokingly referred to G-W as "Lakeside University" in those months. Now, as the lake is filling, it is easier to imagine just what the lake will mean to G-W -

Now, as the lake is filling, it is easier to imagine just what the lake will mean to G-W if the area surrounding the lake is used to its potential. A lake should have comfortable spots, shaded by large tress. Picnic tables should be in abundance and benches should line its edge.

As you approach the lake, there should be paddle boats drifting from shore to shore and a diving board in the middle where people can sunbathe on the planks. There should be fields for dogs to roam and trails for people to walk and bicycle. And what is a lake if it is not for fishing?

Currently, the area around the lake is covered with straw in order to grow grass on the hills which encircle it. It remains to be seen if Lake Hollifield, named for the family who graciously donated the money, will be a such a place of rest and recreation.

There is a legitimate fear that the lake will become a breeding ground for acts of vandalism and littering, as is the case in some residence halls.

After visiting the lake, a visit to the Boiling (or bubbling) Spring, from which our town takes its name, revealed that the ground surrounding the stream was covered with bits of newspaper and fast food receptacles. Upon entering the gazebo, a newspaper was found in the water and cigarette butts were found on the ground along with a shoe.

ground along with a shoe. Hopefully the lake will become, and stay, an aesthetically pleasing addition to the campus and that careless littering, which took place at the Spring, does not turn the lake into an eyesore.

While the administration is partly to blame by not educating students via a campuswide conservation program, we have to realize that Lake Hollifield is here to stay. We might as well make the most of what the lake will have to offer instead of defacing it in the name of protest or indifference.

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The Barkin' Bulldog

In this issue, the Barkin' Bulldog tackles the issue of the necessity and quality of Residence Life's new communications system. Readers respond with their comments:

Q. Do you like the system. Does G-WU communications offer you the services you need? How do you feel about mandatory participation?

No. Yes, but the phone plan really leaves a lot to be desired. I do not like (the mandatory participation). I would rather do it the way it was last year.

Carolyn Whiteside

Not really. (The system) is too much trouble. Sometimes the code doesn't work. Good.

Steve Nanney

No! People cannot get through after 8 p.m. My mom called 13 times on night before she could get through. (Mandatory participation) is not fair.

Katrina Hall

Not Really, there are too many numbers to dial and the lines are jammed at night. Yes. I disagree (with mandatory compliance). We should not be forced to use this or any system.

Letters to the Editor

Gus returns . . .

I t seems as though Gardner-Webb's SGA has eluded placidness once more. Already, rumors are circulating about the fact that the SEA (Student Entertainment Association) and some of the other executive officers are having problems.

For the sake of the student body, I hope that none of its members are nyctophobic because, if the rumors are true, then there are surly going to be some dark days here at the Webb.

Fear not fellow students/peers, the "Catalyst" is not nyctophobic, so if duty calls once again I will come forth in the time of need and again become the ubiquitous iconoclastic catalyst that I was meant to be.

For your sake and mine, I hope that certain members (you know who you are) of the SGA executive branch can avoid being puerile. If they cannot, then let them suffer from their "dean like" megalomania for the day of tough skins has arisen.

Heed my words or we all shall witness an imbroglio within G-WU's SGA. By the way, in case you have not figured it out yet... I'm back!!

Gus King

Hey, good to see you back among the fold Gus, and somebody grab the dictionary!

We do not have freedom of choice. Carla Ramsey

No. No. I disagree (with mandatory compiance). This new service has cost me three weeks without a phone authorizaiton code. There are very few lines when someone needs to call in (*only 40 long distance lines to be exact - ed. note*). Plus the fact that you cannot accept collect calls or use an AT&T credit card.

Joel Frye

Yes. Yes. I like it.

Doug Clark

Yes. We need some way to get call waiting and *69. It saves each student money.

Kevin Cloer

In some ways. Yes. Cost should be included in your room and board.

Crystal Baker

Yes. Yes. I think cost should be included in room and board.

Jennifer Carlton

Yes, I like it. Yes, it is fine with me. It only benefits the long distance students. Christina Greene

As you can see, opinions are varied on this controversial subject. Obviously, Residence Life has a few bugs to work out of the system and students have to become orientated to the system.

Mandatory participation seems to be a hot topic.

We will conduct a follow-up poll next semester, after we have all lived with this system awhile, and compare the reults with this survey.

Quote of the Week

Death destroys a man; the idea of death saves him.

E.M. Forster, Howards End

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The Barkin' Bulldog Question For The Next Issue Q. <u>Do you like the fact that residence halls are locked 24 hours?</u> Send your response to Campus Box 5103 or place in the folder on Pub. House door.