

CAMPUS MINISTRIES

Student Volunteer Corp "Reaching Out, Lifting Up"

special to *The Pilot*

The Student Volunteer Corp (SVC) was formed in 1990 with the purpose of aiding students in discovering and serving in volunteer capacities in the community surrounding Gardner-Webb University.

The SVC is guided by a diverse group of GWU students, reflecting as many majors and student groups as possible. The SVC Student Council makes all decisions related to organizations which are served, publicity, operating policies, and involvement guidelines.

The corp encourages both individuals and groups to be involved in volunteer service. Many Gardner-Webb clubs and athletic teams engage in volunteer activities throughout the school year.

Previous opportunities for service have included hospital work, school tutoring, big brother/

big sister programs, Habitat for Humanity, volunteers for the elderly, homeless shelter, Girls Club, Special Olympics and Lunch Buddies with elementary school students.

Volunteer opportunities are posted on two bulletin boards in the Dover Campus Center. One is in the hallway leading to the Banquet Hall in the downstairs lounge and the other is located in the SVC office in DCC 208.

When a student registers volunteer service with the Student Volunteer Corp, a volunteer transcript will be kept of services performed while a student at Gardner-Webb. This will become a part of your placement file used in job searching following graduation. It is each student's responsibility to register for volunteer service and keep the file updated.

To get involved, see the Student Volunteer Corp Student Coordinator, Lori Champion or Advisors Dr. Bob Shackelford and Don Durham.

Pathfinder groups have informal meetings

by Cindy Whitaker
Pathfinders Coordinator

Do you feel as though you are wandering aimlessly, trying to seek God in the midst of papers, practices, and exams? If so, then Pathfinders can help you find your way.

Pathfinders is a Campus Ministries United discipleship program based on small family groups of about six or seven people who meet weekly in the different residence halls.

During the meeting, the group will study God's word, pray with each other and discuss how they can minister to non-Christians on our campus.

Each group has one guide that leads the group in their weekly meetings as well as a scout. The scout is a faculty member who seeks to guide the students by answering any questions that may arise during the meetings.

If you would like to belong to a Pathfinders family, contact one of the guides in your residence hall. You do not want to miss this opportunity to have a deeper relationship with other Christians and with Christ.

Pathfinder Guides

HAPY Hall	
Vickie Hatem	- #4106
Chrystal Campbell	- #4140
Dina Helderman	- #4107
Tina Duncan	- #4112
NANNEY Hall	
Etta Castles	- #4140
Amy Armstrong	- #4100
STROUP Hall	
Lisa Gore	- #4743
Wendy Davidson	- #4747
DECKER Hall	
Melody Cannon	- #4139
Laura McCreary	- #4045
Royster Hall	
Frank Shelton	- #4619
Lutz-Yelton Hall	
Scott Elliott	- #4154
Jason Farr	- #4145
Mauney Hall	
Brooks Derrick	- #4158
Myers-Spangler Hall	
Jim Moss	- #4548

Were you at the Pole?

by Michael Darnell
staff writer

You may not have been at the "See You at the Pole" ceremony, but 146 other people were.

SYATP has taken place nationwide for the past five years; however, G-W has only participated for the last three years. This year's event had the biggest turnout with 146. Last year's attendance was a mere 63.

SYATP at GWU is part of a national movement that encourages high school and middle school students to meet at their flag pole and voluntarily pray for their school's administration, faculty and students.

SYATP is held on the second Wednesday of September. It includes scripture readings and prayer and is totally student-led. The event shows a sincere desire on the part of Christian students to express their concern for the country and for their fellow students.

"I feel like it's the students reaction against the ban on prayer and their desire to have freedom of religion in the public schools," said Burdette Robinson.

Since its creation, SYATP has not experienced much change. The only considerable change is found in the scope of people that are involved.

"I think the reason for the growth is that it's generally been a desire for students to be more bold in their faith, and to step out and be more tangible to express their commitment to Jesus Christ," said Robinson.

This year alone, over 1.5 million students met at their campus flag pole to pray and share with each other.

Tina Duncan has been able to experience See You at the Pole both at the high school and college level.

"I think See You at the Pole is awesome because it is uniting people across the United States and around the world. Just think; all those people praying together for an hour, praying for their school leaders, for their national leaders, and for their fellow students. That is just so awesome," said Tina.