

AROUND CAMPUS

Murrell retires after prosperous career

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There he sat under such great theological minds as Tom Torrance, John Baillie, William Manson, and James S. Stewart. While in Europe, he spent a summer studying German at the University of Heidelberg. After coming back to the United States, Dr. Murrell began teaching at Campbell. While there he was able to go to Duke University, where he was a research scholar.

After he retires in December, Dr. Murrell hopes to sell his Boiling Springs home and build a retirement home on his land near Swansboro, NC, on the White Oak River.

It will not be a dull retirement, as he plans to teach a night course for Campbell University and to continue preaching. Dr. Murrell also hopes to achieve his lifelong goal of writing religious articles for journals.

In providing some words of advice for GWU students, Dr. Murrell says: "You need to have an openness to all types of theological beliefs. You need to hear others out. You should never open the Bible and say, 'I am a Southern Baptist; how should I interpret this passage?' Dr. Murrell says that he "is not Southern Baptist, conservative, liberal or anything else. I am a Christian, a universal man, a world citizen."

Dr. Murrell leaves Gardner-Webb in December with a tremendous sense of accomplishment. He feels that, "If I died today, I'd die happy. I feel like I did what God wanted me to do."

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Students flee home on weekends

by Tonya Cochran
staff writer

It plays like an old Western gun fight scene. The wind whistles, dust balls whirl and leaves scurry across the desolate street. In a moment the area is clear. The townspeople have fled. Any given Friday afternoon at GWU this is the scene you will find. Emptiness is all that is left by the fleeing "townspeople," better known as students.

One can peer out a window or pass by the empty parking lots, and wonder where all the cars have gone. Was there a massive distribution of parking patrol tickets that prompted the towing of all vehicles? Or, is it simply that the students of GWU have fled home en masse?

The latter suggestion is the most likely. When Friday arrives, students abandon their humble dorm rooms and head out of town for the weekend. Some go on vacation, others flee to the arms of their beloved, but most speed home to mommy and daddy. These, of course, are the common reasons for going home, but why exactly is it that more students don't stay on campus throughout the weekend?

To answer this burning question one queries the expert on student life, Audrey Sloan. In regard to the fleeing masses, Sloan says, "I think it just has to do with the times we live in; I mean students have things going on at home on the weekends."

Sloan comments that the reason many students chose GWU is because of its closeness to their homes. "Even when we do offer activities, in relation to the student population, attendance is always low." Sloan also says, "I've been here five years and even at homecoming the crowd is just not as big as I expected it to be." However, Sloan believes that, even though many students leave on the weekends, we still need activities for those who do stay.

Yes it's sad, but it's true. Students have the choice, and most do choose to abandon their beloved campus for the luxuries of home on the weekends. So, to those NASCAR driver wannabees who race home on the weekends, here is a suggestion. Maybe just once this year you might stay at GWU for the weekend and show that Bulldog pride. To those of you who for whatever reasons do stay on weekends, maybe you can take the opportunity to enjoy some of the club and social activities available on campus.

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- * Violent shaking fits
- * His utensils say Vibrating Tattoo Buddy.
- * Artist holds up two needles and asks, "New or Used?"
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