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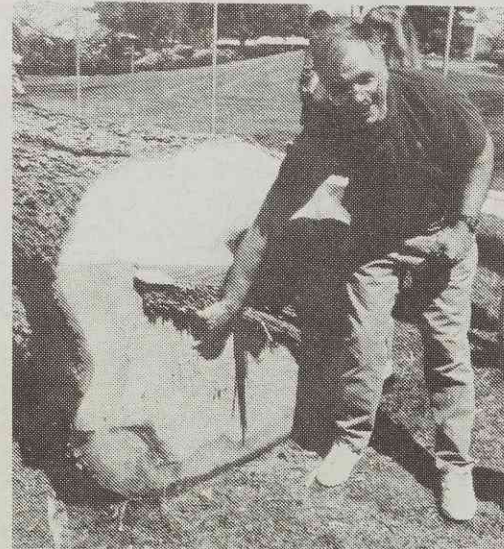
Gardner-Webb is window shopping in the foodservice market. "We're looking to see what other companies have to offer relative to foodservice," said Vice President for Business and Finance Donnie Clary.

Clary met with SGA's Executive Council last week to discuss student concerns about the university's current foodservice, DAKA. They decided to consider switching food providers. DAKA is still being considered as an option, Clary said.

"This action (to consider changing foodservice providers) is in direct response to SGA officers' concerns, and those officers represent the student body....Students are an important part of the process of who we talk with," Clary said.

Clary will send inquiries to various foodservice companies, and a committee will

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Biology Professor Dr. Tom Jones shows his students how to determine a tree's age by counting rings. This tree, recently cut down to accommodate a new foundation for Hamrick's expansion, was dated back to 1833.

(Photo by Matt Webber)

Hamrick renovations change campus look

by Randy Capps
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The ribbon-cutting ceremony for the long-awaited renovations of Hamrick Hall took place on March 26 outside the building.

Hamrick Hall, the oldest building on campus, was damaged by fire in 1987 and has been empty ever since.

President Christopher White, who presided over the ribbon-cutting, is excited about the project.

"I am thrilled about the new classroom and office space that the renovated Hamrick Hall will provide for our students and faculty," White said.

Hamrick will be home to the School of Business, an auditorium and three new computer classrooms.

White recognizes the symbolism of this situation.

"We are uniting the best of our heritage with the best of technology to prepare our campus for the next century," White said.

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Gardner-Webb named to Honor Roll

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The Templeton Foundation recently notified Gardner-Webb that it will be listed in its 1997-98 Honor Roll for Character Building Colleges, said Matt Webber, Director of Public Relations.

The Honor Roll recognizes colleges and universities across the country for "innovation and leadership in promoting character development among their students," according to the Templeton Foundation's website at www.templeton.org.

"I am extremely pleased and appreciative when respected groups like the Templeton Foundation recognize that our faculty and the university as a whole are doing a good job of encouraging an atmosphere of honest inquiry," President White said.

The Honor Roll is based on the idea that "character comes from three primary sources:

the family, the religious community and educational institutions," according to the Foundation's website.

Colleges or universities are invited to nominate themselves for the Honor Roll by submitting a 500-word essay describing their commitment to building character. The winning schools' essays are published in a college guide given free of charge to guidance counselors and libraries across the country.

The essays must address the following: "encouraging students to explore an individual moral reasoning process; fostering a positive attitude and overall well-being; encouraging students to explore an individual moral reasoning process; fostering a positive attitude and overall well-being; encouraging spiritual growth and moral values; promoting community-building values and advocating a drug-free lifestyle," according to the website.

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