

Gardner-Webb students put the 'special' in Special Olympics for local athletes

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Students in Dr. Mavis Ziegler's Adapted Physical Education (HLED 402) class helped make this year's Special Olympics truly special for disabled students at North Shelby.

Ziegler's Adapted Physical Education class requires its members to work with North Shelby students over a 10-week period, training them for events in the Special Olympics. Gardner-Webb students planned fitness activities for strength, flexibility and endurance and played games with the North Shelby students in preparation for the "big day." They also trained specifically for the events in which each student would compete.

Events in the Special Olympics are kept "as closely aligned to Olympic events as possible," Ziegler said. Most events are track and field, including wheelchair races, footraces, a softball throw and a long jump.

The April 18 event began with a parade and the track and field competition followed. In the afternoon, students were provided with lunch and entertainment. Visits from the 'Carolina Panthers' Sir Purr as well as clowns and other entertainers added to the day's events.

Ziegler said some North Shelby students could barely restrain their excitement. "I wish I'd had a camera. There are images in my mind I'd like to be able to share forever. It was so precious," she said.

"What you hope for is life experiences that are memorable, and that is what the Special Olympics are all about...I think our students benefitted (from the experience) as much as the athletes did," Ziegler said.

Students in Ziegler's Adapted Physical Education class include Donald Bell, Angela Blair, Michelle Davidson, Penny Dunker, Santiago Espinosa, Scott Grubb, Quincy Hamm, Jason Morris, Walt Moser, Jennifer Mull, Eric Putnam and Jody Raduly.



President Chris White presents Fields and Maggie Young with a brick they later placed in the Walk of Honor. The Walk of Honor and the new Verdin clock outside the DCC were dedicated at a press conference on April 23.

(Photo by Karen Brower)

'Alphies' provide exam study break

by Jenny Rogers
staff writer

An award-winning dance troupe, selections from Les Miserables, "Saturday Night Live" bits, Shakespeare works and a host of other skits are just a taste of what you will see at the Alphies.

The Alphies, an annual theater awards festival presented by theater honor society Alpha Psi Omega, will be held tonight at 7 p.m. in Dover Theater.

Alpha Psi Omega President Chris Green called the event a "good way to come out and show support for those who were active in the theater this year in all forms."

The hour-and-a-half show gives awards to theater students and clubs who participate in the skits. The winning club will receive a donation to a community service organization of its choice, said Green. "(The money) will be given on behalf of the club and Alpha Psi Omega," he said.

Between awards and skits, the festival will feature live "Alphies" and possibly a Christian band.

Each event must fall within this year's theme, "Revolution."

"The main point (of the show) is an exam study break," said Green. There will be "comedy, magic, music, and dance."

Green said that students are invited to participate or to "just come to have a good time" and "get a good laugh."

Master of Ceremonies for the event will be graduate student Paul Leigh.

Clubs who wanted to participate in the skits came to open auditions on April 30.

Performers expected to participate include PUNCHINELLO, S.A.D.D, Alpha Psi Omega, Chris Green, Paul Leigh and Shelby's Stars of Tomorrow.

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Broyhill School welcomes new faculty

by Amy Parker
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The Broyhill School of Management has hired two faculty members, Dr. Charles B. Tichenor and Amy E. Cox, said Arlen Honts, director of Broyhill's day program.

Dr. Tichenor will join the management faculty at Gardner-Webb at the beginning of the first session of summer school. He received his bachelor of science in mathematics and naval science and tactics from Duke University in 1950. In 1996, he received his DBA in marketing from Berne University.

Tichenor is presently at the Indiana University of Pennsylvania as chief executive-

in-residence. He is former president and chairman of Champale, Incorporated Sparkling Beverages, and vice president of Sealtest division of Kraft, Inc.

Cox will begin in August as a marketing professor. She graduated cum laude from Duke University in 1988 with a bachelor of arts in political science. She received her master of business administration from the University of Michigan in 1992.

Cox expects to receive her doctor of philosophy in marketing from Curtis L. Carlson School of Management at the University of Minnesota in the fall of 1997.

Cox has a G.P.A. of 4.0 and received the AgriBank Management Research Fellowship for the University of Minnesota, 1996-97.



Ashley Wilson, Katie Joseph, Katie Jordan and Stephanie Vester pose in front of the Capstone Development Apartment model. These girls were the first group of students in line to sign up for the University Commons Apartments. They showed up at 7:30 a.m. on April 7 outside the Board Room to be sure they got one.

(Photo by Karen Brower)