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GWU housing feels the squeeze

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Fifty-two students remain without traditional residence hall housing in the fourth week of the 1998-1999 school year.

"We have a maximum of 980 traditional residence hall spaces of which 836 spaces are residence halls and 144 are apartment rooms. This year we have 1,012 students registered as on-campus," Doug Searcy, Director of Residence Life, said.

"I kind of feel alienated from campus. It's like being a commuter but not."

When Searcy noticed the obvious shortage of male residence halls, he called several upper-class males to agree to move to Juniper Terrace Apartments for the same cost as an on-campus residence hall for the 1998-1999 school year.

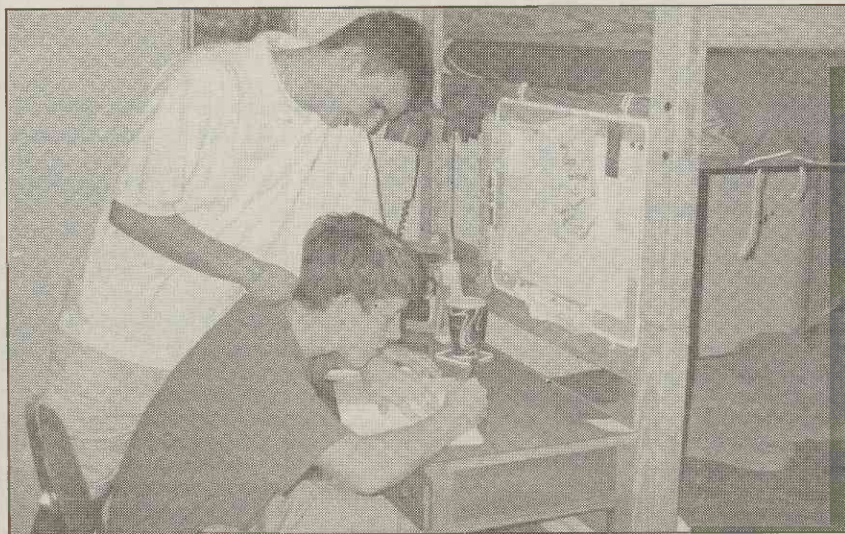
Matt Elliott, Student Entertainment chair, is one of the 20 upper-class males who

agreed to live two miles off campus in the Juniper Terrace Apartments.

"There are two people in each room and four people in each apartment. The school provides the same bedroom furniture as a dorm. They also give us a kitchen table and chairs and a full-size refrigerator. We basically furnish everything else," Elliott said.

Besides having to find his own way to wash his clothes, there are other drawbacks to off-campus apartment-living.

"We just got cable last week and we still don't have a long distance calling plan. That's because we're not paying the communications fee and we have to get our own phone plan. Other than that, I've started to feel disconnected from the campus because I'm basically only there for



Freshman Jason Shrader (top) and his roommate, Baily Smith have found "dorm" life at Gardner-Webb to be interesting. The two are currently housed at the International House on campus.

Photo by Carla Catoe

classes.

People who live here don't know about a lot of stuff that goes on at campus because we don't have signs hanging on our doors," Elliott said.

Freshman Scott Henson,

who stays in Earl Owensby Studios about three miles off campus, agrees with Elliott.

"I kind of feel alienated from campus. It's like being a commuter but not. I'm trying to have a Christ-like attitude

about it. I'm trying to be content but sometimes I get frustrated about it. I'm just disappointed in the school," Henson said.

Students who reside in the See Fall Housing page 2

Faculty additions enhance Gardner-Webb academic life

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Gardner-Webb has always boasted a refined and stately faculty worthy of attention and praise. This year nine new educators were hired to enhance the learning experience even more.

Several of the new faculty either attended school abroad or served in a position of leadership there, including Dr. Kent Blevins who taught in The Czech Republic and Switzerland, and is now associate professor in the religion department. Dr. John W. Campbell was a missionary in East Africa and choral director at several colleges, but is now associate professor in the School of Divinity. Dr. Larissa Bulysheva was a scientific researcher for 15 years in Russia before becoming an assistant professor of computer science here at Gardner-Webb. Dr. Nathalie Davaut is a new assistant professor of French after studying at the Sorbonne in France and earning the graduate student teaching award from the University of Missouri.

The business and education departments each received two new professors all with

impressive backgrounds. Dr. Kimberly Hartman studied and conducted research at Florida State University before teaching at the universities of Arkansas and Nevada. She is joining the education department along with Dr. Donna Simmons who once held the position of chair of the Department of Education at Belmont Abbey College.

Besides being a business instructor, Mr. Robert Jurek is also senior vice-president and chief financial officer for the Carolina State Bank. He received advanced training from the University of Oklahoma and Indiana University. Dr. Philip Swicegood is also joining the business department as well as serving as the associate bank examiner for the U.S. Department of the Treasury.

The communication studies program added Mr. Christopher Parsons who will be an instructor and technical advisor for Dover Theatre. He has 29 plays, 16 comedies, 14 musical revues, and 7 touring productions to his credit.

These nine new faculty members join the list of three other faculty members that joined See GWU Faculty page 2

Hamrick Hall remodeled

Technology Savvy

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With the help of about \$4.5 million, the oldest building on campus, Hamrick Hall, has been renovated and is the most technological advanced building at Gardner-Webb campus, according to President Christopher White.

Hamrick Hall, is the first state-of-the-art, multimedia building constructed on the GWU campus. Hamrick Hall boasts four multimedia classrooms which contain; Hitachi projection systems, VCR, DVD, and CD Rom drives, several 200-335 MHZ Pentium 2 computers and a hand held camera that is used to project images on the projection screen, according to Wayne Johnson, Assistant Vice President of Campus

Technology. For efficiency, each of the apparatuses in the multimedia classrooms can be controlled by a Cresron wireless remote control. To increase functionality, each room comes equipped with auxiliary jacks, which allow individuals to bring in their own personal laptops, so that they can conduct presentations without fear of losing important data. In addition to this technology, Hamrick Hall is connected to GWU's "A.T.M. back bone," said Johnson.

With the help of these multimedia classrooms, professors can inculcate new inventive ways to instruct their students. Professors can show cable-television programs during class, surf the internet, or show multimedia presentations via computer on a large projection See Remodeled page 2