

Student victim of robbery

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Wednesday night, Boiling Springs and the surrounding county was victim to several car break-ins. Though a specific time cannot be pinpointed, police suspect that the 27-28 break-ins occurred between midnight and 5 a.m.

Boiling Springs Chief of Police James Clary stated that of the 20 break-ins reported, "not one car was locked." Lt. Gold of the Cleveland County Sheriff's office said that so far there has been seven to eight break-ins on the western side of the county and only a few of the cars involved were locked.

Gardner-Webb student Kristen Trantham, a resident of Juniper Terrace, had her car broken into. "I went to bed at 2 a.m. so it must have happened after that. They cleaned out my glove compartment and everything on the floor and seats."

Gold reported that the things taken have been cell phones, CD's, change and other personal items.

So far Trantham has been the only Gardner-Webb student affected but both Gold and Clary stress the importance of locking the car doors.

"Please tell students to make sure they lock their doors. And if they have trunks that can be unlocked from the inside, make sure there is nothing important in them," said Gold.

Taking time to give



Christi Hallis donates blood in Spartanburg Tuesday afternoon following the terrorist attacks in New York City and Washington, D.C. Many GWU students gave blood at various locations in Spartanburg, Gaffney and Gastonia.

Donations are being taken at the Cherokee County Law Enforcement Center in Gaffney on September 19 from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. For more information call (864) 487-2593. The Red Cross in Spartanburg can be reached at 1 (800) 224-5836.

Gardner-Webb has also planned a Blood Drive for October 25.

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Channel 19 benefits students and community

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This past spring cable television provider Time-Warner approached Gardner-Webb with the chance to produce some of the programming on channel 19, an education channel that GWU shares with Cleveland Community College.

Now GWU students have the chance to reach a potential audience of 65,000 viewers through programs and public service announcements cable on WEBB19.

Floyd Williams, general manager of Time-Warner, stated that the reasons for allowing GWU to share the channel are numerous.

"There is a wealth of information from Gardner-Webb to be shared with the community at large," he said. "It is also a learning experience for stu-

dents in that curriculum [communications] because it gives hands-on experience."

According to Drew Van Horn, GWU vice president of public relations, once the school was approached, the public relations office and the communication department began talking about what programs could be aired.

Noel Manning, assistant director of public relations, was given the responsibility of production and programming on WEBB19.

Manning previously worked with Gardner-Webb's radio station, WGWG, so he uses the resources of the radio to benefit the new channel.

Currently, WGWG is being fed on WEBB19 along with community announcements.

Some of the regular radio shows such as "Insights" and "The Web Sessions" are going

to be used for both the radio and for WEBB19. In a new show, "The General's Gameplan," head football coach Steve Patton comments on the previous week's game.

A committee is being formed to select future programming for WEBB19. It will consist of Manning, two communication professors, two students and Matt Webber, director of university communications.

"This is a great opportunity for students to get involved," Manning said. "There are so many feature packages down the road that need to be done."

Many communications students are excited about the opportunity to produce shows for a large audience.

"It is awesome that we have channel 19 now," said Cristen Trantham, a senior communications major. "It

shows that the communications department is evolving."

"I know we have the Greenroom on channel 74, but 19 is broadcast in 20,000 homes in Cleveland County and they get to see longer packages of work, where [channel] 74 viewers only get to see part of our work," she said.

Manning also stated additional advantages to having WEBB19.

"It gets community leaders into the communication studies hall to see what students have access to and for them to meet students and network," he said.

GWU airs programs on WEBB19 from noon to 6 p.m. and from midnight to 6 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, WEBB19 is aired from 6 a.m. to noon and from 6 p.m. to midnight.

CMU adds new off-campus hispanic ministry

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As the number of Spanish-speaking people in our area increases, Campus Ministries United (CMU) has welcomed the involvement of students in the expansion of a new off-campus ministry. This ministry includes teaching English to Hispanic people from Cleveland county and surrounding areas, as well as the development of a Spanish-speaking church in Belwood.

The English as a Second Language (ESL) program takes place on Monday nights from

6:15 to 8:30 at Bethany First Hispanic Church in Shelby. Juniors Erin Boyd and Jennifer Knecht began participating in this already-established program as a requirement of their Spanish 301 class in the fall of 2000. Spanish majors Knecht and Boyd, sharing an interest in and a heart for the Spanish community, continued participating in this ministry as volunteers last spring semester.

Now, Boyd and Knecht have worked to institute this program as an off-campus ministry. Knecht emphasizes that you do not have to know Spanish to participate in this

program. "You can do anything from playing with the children, to teaching English, to organizing clothes for the church's clothing drive," she said.

Boyd highlights the opportunities this program offers. "Working with Hispanic people in the United States combines North American and international missions, and whether you're called to serve down the street or in a country far away, this is a great way to allow God to prepare you," she said.

Senior Becca Boring is working to begin a similar off-campus ministry involving Bethany First Hispanic Church

and the Spanish-speaking community of Belwood, a community approximately 45 minutes away.

Boring, in cooperation with Pastor José Espinal of First Bethany and community churches of Belwood, sponsor Sunday night activities for adults and children there. A hot meal is provided, and Espinal holds a service for adults while Boring and other volunteers teach a Bible lesson and play with the children.

In response to the success of this program, Boring and others involved are working to begin planting a church.

"We want to begin to plant a church, but we still need to find a building to host the church, a pastor, and other volunteers to disciple the members of the Spanish community," said Boring.

Boring also emphasizes that this is a great way for anyone interested in foreign missions, especially in Latin America, to get a taste of the culture. Like the ESL program in Shelby, individuals do not have to know Spanish in order to participate. Anyone interested should contact Boring at x3780.