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## Senior campaign aims for scholarship

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Have you ever wondered how you can get your name on one of those bricks in front of the DCC? You no longer have to wonder.

You can get your name on one of the bricks and help a future Gardner-Webb student at the same time.

Each year a group of seniors from the Senior Campaign get together to raise money for a scholarship fund for needy incoming freshmen, chosen by the financial planning office, to attend Gardner-Webb. The amount needed to fulfill the scholarship is \$25,000.

To reach this goal, the seniors work together at different fundraisers, such as a phone-a-thon. They call graduating seniors and alumni, trying to get them to pledge money for a personalized brick to be placed in front of the Dover Campus Center.

The current seniors and GOAL seniors must pledge \$150, while alumni donors pay \$500 to have their personalized brick placed in front of the DCC.

The gift of \$150 by graduating seniors can be paid over a three-year

period, with payments of \$4 per month.

"I know that \$150, or \$4 a month for three years, can seem like a lot of money for the seniors to give right now with graduation dues, but it is allowing them to give someone else the chance to come and experience what they did at Gardner-Webb," said Francine Schau, head of the Senior Campaign.

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**Josh Benedict**

The brick can say anything the student or alumnus wants. For example, it can have carved on it the student's name and graduation year, the name of a deceased loved one in their remembrance or the name of someone the donor wants to honor.

The Senior Campaign was established about five years ago. The organization encourages all seniors to join. They meet twice a month to discuss new ideas about raising money for the scholarship and how they can get other seniors involved. They have dinner prepared for the members as well as any seniors who plan on pledging.

The campaign has not yet been able to raise the full \$25,000. The money that is raised, however, goes directly to

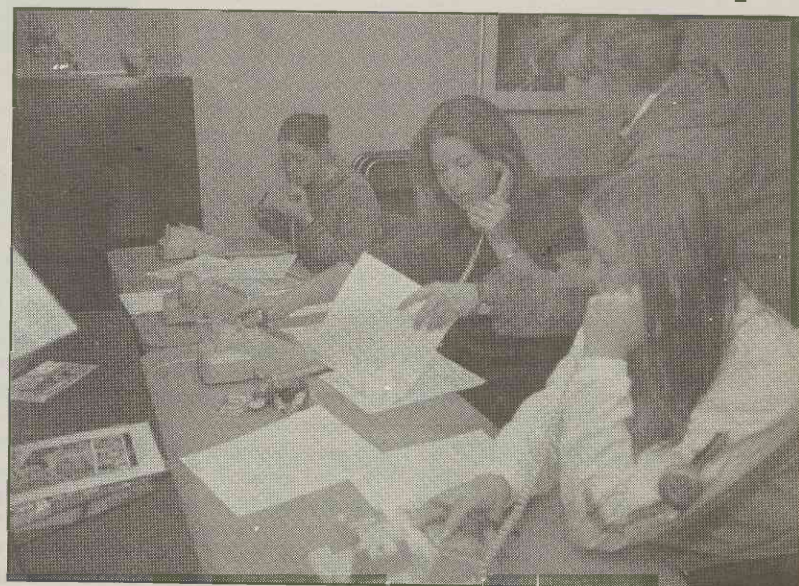


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Student Alumni Council members Erin Boyd, Christina Tyler and Lauren Holdway call graduating seniors requesting donations for the Senior Campaign Scholarship Fund. Francine Schau, director of Student Alumni Council and head of the Senior Campaign helps out.

another scholarship. When a senior class reaches the goal amount, the scholarship will be named after the class.

"This is an important contribution because the scholarship fund creates a feeling of unity among the students and allows them to give to the school," said senior Josh Benedict, president of the Senior Campaign.

"This organization is a part of the Gardner-Webb legacy," Schau said.

"I appreciate everything Gardner-Webb has done for me, and I want the opportunity to give someone else the chance too," said Benedict. "It is not only a brick for ourselves, but a future for a prospective student."

## French week to offer taste of cuisine, culture

### French Week

11-7

Face painting in the Caf during lunch

11-8

French cuisine in the Caf for lunch

11-9

Movie "French Kiss" Blanton Auditorium 9 p.m.

11-12

"Tour de Quad" 3-legged race Quad, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

11-13

Game Petanuk Behind DCC, 1 p.m.

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We are surrounded by different cultures and ideas. In class, in the residence halls and around campus, students of different races and nationalities create a unique learning environment. But two groups on campus, the French honor society, Pi Delta Phi, and the French Club, are combining to do more than just learn from other students. They are bringing some French culture to Gardner-Webb.

The two groups are jointly sponsoring French Week, which will run from Wednesday, Nov. 7 through

Tuesday, Nov. 13. Activities for the week include French food in the Caf, French games, a three-legged "Tour de Quad" race and daily prizes for naming a famous French person.

Senior Karen Burnette, president of Pi Delta Phi, said that the activities of French Week should provide students with a much-needed break from studying. "I think it's fun to experiment with French culture and attitudes," she said. "It's a release from the boredom, and makes learning fun."

With influences in the language, cuisine, politics and architecture, French, as a language and a culture, has left an indelible impression on

America. According to senior Mike McCauley, secretary of Pi Delta Phi, it is this fact that makes studying French a study of ourselves. Unfortunately, he says, few people recognize the contributions of French to modern culture.

"I think French is underestimated in society," he said. "It is an integral part of our culture and has an important role in society."

Raising awareness of other cultures, not just French, and having fun are two of the purposes of French Week, said junior Bryan Morgan, president of the French Club.

"It helps you be aware of other cultures and appreciate

your own culture more. The goal is to promote French culture," he said, "but basically it's just for fun."

Jaimee Bothwell, a junior French minor, who grew up as a missionary kid in Indonesia, enjoys studying French culture for similar reasons. "It gives you an idea of other cultures," she said. "It's good to respect other cultures and realize that everything's not American." Bothwell encouraged other students to take advantage of the activities during French Week. "Who knows," she said, "you might learn something."

"Besides," said McCauley, "it's November. What else are you going to do: study?"