

CAMPUS NEWS

BREAKING WORLD RECORDS



photo by Wes Rice

Art Mauney plays his guitar at Bulldog Music on Main Street in Boiling Springs. Mauney recently set a world record for playing the guitar for 30 hours straight.

Businessman plays guitar for 30 hours

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At 9 a.m. Aug. 27, area residents gathered at Bulldog Music on Main Street in Boiling Springs to witness history being made.

Hot dogs and raffle tickets were sold in the parking lot as those inside watched co-owner Art Mauney break the world record for continuous guitar playing.

The previous record was 24 hours and 30 minutes. Mauney played from 9 a.m. Aug. 27 until 4 p.m. Aug. 28, a total of 30 hours.

"I played everything I ever knew," Mauney said. "Scales, finger exercises, songs, everything."

Mauney will appear in the next edition of the "Guinness Book of World Records."

According to Mauney, he undertook the feat for two reasons.

"It was fun. I helped set up, and I burnt my mouth on a chili dog, so I made a small sacrifice — even though I didn't play the guitar for 30 hours straight."

"Publicity for the store, and to raise money for the American Cancer Society," he said.

The event raised \$32,000 for the Cleveland County Relay for Life team.

local broadcast news, The Shelby Star and several radio stations.

Senior Josh Earls, an employee at Bulldog Music, showed up to cheer on his boss.

"It was fun," Earls said. "I helped set up, and I burnt my mouth on a chili dog, so I made a small sacrifice — even though I didn't play the guitar for 30 hours straight."

As for the man who did, those 30 hours took their toll on his fingers. "They were numb for about three days afterward," Mauney said.

Mauney and co-owner Kevin Bridges promise similar promotional events throughout the year. "We don't know what it will be, but it will be just as goofy," Mauney said.

Another world record, perhaps? Doubtful.

"I'm glad I did it, I'm very glad it's over, and hope I don't have to do it again soon," Mauney said.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Ebony association makes debut

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duce more diversity to GWU."

The Ebony Student Association is a new student organization at Gardner-Webb University that provides social activities for minority students including guest speakers, round table discussion and debates.

ESA is open to everyone and promotes campus awareness of minority students.

"ESA is a chance for us to present ourselves," said sophomore Melissa Lawrence, public relations manager for ESA.

"We would like to thank the administration and the SGA for allowing us to have this club and for letting us intro-

duce more diversity to GWU."

ESA originally was slated to be GWU's first black student union.

"The President of ESA, Reginald Stevens, wanted it to be a fraternity-type thing, but the school didn't think it was a good idea," said Lawrence. "Then the idea of a black student union came about and people felt threatened by it, so the name was changed to the Ebony Student Association."

ESA meetings are held at 9 p.m. every other Tuesday in the bottom of the Dover Campus Center.

Department to be reaccredited

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sending a total of 19 people to evaluate the department Nov. 6-10.

Every five years the education department undergoes intense scrutiny by national and state officials to ensure that Gardner-Webb University is meeting the standards of quality education.

"Anytime you do a self-assessment and take a look at what you're doing, it's a healthy experience," said Donna Simmons, dean of the school of education.

The National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education and the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction will be

Preparations for the reaccreditation take two years, but according to Simmons, the preparation is worth the reward. "This is our chance to showcase what we do and the quality students we produce," she said.

Being accredited helps attract prospective students, and after graduation, it eases state-to-state transfer of licensing.

The education department has been accredited by the state since the foundation of the program. The school has been nationally accredited since 1994.

NEWS FROM THE DOVER LIBRARY

Welcome. We are delighted to see so many of our students back and to welcome all the new students as well.

In the library we have been more consistently busy since school opened this fall than at any other time we remember.

Have you seen the banner on the front of our building? If you've missed it, it reads "Learning? Teaching? Exploring? We can help you do it better and easier at your GWU Library."

That's what we enjoy doing most. Working on

a research project? Come talk to a librarian about resources and search strategies. Just need a little help? You can also email Ilisa Jenkins or one of our other librarians (see our web page: www.library.gardner-webb.edu) or call the reference desk at 704-406-4294. We don't offer 24/7 virtual reference, but during most hours there will be someone who can help you.

New Faces. Over the summer we hired two new people. Toney Ivey

is our periodicals assistant and replaces Carolyn Duncan who left in June.

Jim Simmons is our Circulation Assistant (evenings), and replaces Emily Zeleski who transferred to Reference in July but is now moving on beyond Gardner-Webb. Stop by and chat with the newest members of our Library family.

New Service. Computer down? Technology is wonderful, but if your computer fails you just when you need to do that paper we can

help. At the three computers in the Reference area we have installed a Microsoft package, including Word and Excel programs.

Three isn't a large number, so you may want to check out the computer labs first, but since we are open more than 85 hours most weeks this is a good backup.

It's also handy if you need to incorporate data from non-circulating Library material (periodicals and reference books) into your paper. Printing is available; bring your

own disk.

Column. We write this column to bring you news of developments in the library; give you some insight into some of our online, print, and AV resources; present feedback from students and faculty; offer you suggestions for reading, etc.

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