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This Edition News

Helton is on the go

Many girls are wondering who was behind the Valentine's banquet on Feb. 15 and the cards with the chocolate hearts attached.

Gardner-Webb University's Joanna Helton was responsible for bringing both a smile and a sugar rush to GWU's female students.

A third-year senior, Helton is double majoring in religion, with an emphasis on missions, and sociology. Joanna is currently taking 18.5 hours. Doing 15 hours a week of volunteer work at the office of community engagement. On top of that, she has a six-hour-a-week internship at the Greater Cleveland County Baptist Association, and work study in the AV department of the library 10 hours a week.

But wait, she's not done yet. See HELTON, page 5

Opinion

Support for terrorists

"A conundrum has recently presented itself to America.

On the one hand, Americans firmly believe in democracy; on the other we don't support terrorists. So what do we do about the situation in the Palestinian state?

It is Hamas, the so-called "terrorist" group was democratically chosen in the recent Palestinian elections, which leaves us with a dilemma."

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Life

MISS GWU Plans

Don't think that one night of competition, vocal performance and modeling an evening gown are the only things that Miss Gardner-Webb, Leanna Jones, plans to do with her title.

The senior music major from Simpsonville, S.C., has devoted her platform to Romanian mission work and as far as she is concerned, the pageant was only the beginning of what she has in mind.

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Weekend

Weather

Saturday	Sunday
Feb. 19	Feb. 20
41/28	42/31
Rain/Snow	Chc Snow

Source: NOAA

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Carey gets Super Bowl satisfaction

Ronda Carpenter
Pilot Staff Writer

The Super Bowl battle Feb. 5 between the Pittsburgh Steelers and the Seattle Seahawks was one event that sports fans at Gardner-Webb University had to settle for watching on their television.

However, at least one person from GWU can claim that he was actually there for the big NFL championship game.

Bob Carey, instructor of communications studies, had the opportunity to photograph the game for United Press International.

"I shoot regularly for UPI. I've shot for them since 1990 when I lived in the Dallas/Fort Worth area, and I shot for the Dallas Cowboys," said Carey.

"UPI was looking to add to their photo coverage and they called and asked if I wanted to go. So, I flew out Friday morning, shot the game, and then came back Monday afternoon."

Don't think that Prof. Carey was one of those fans that got to sit back and relax during the game. He was busy working the entire time.

"It was a lot of work," said Carey. "We got

to the field about 9:30 a.m. Sunday and stayed there until 1:50 a.m. Monday. I probably took over 400 photos while I was there."

Even though Carey wasn't down on the sidelines during his visit to the Super Bowl, he had an ideal shooting location.

"I was sitting in the Seahawks end zone area," said Carey.

"I had the ability to get up and move and go wherever I wanted. The player's families were sitting in the area right above me."

Besides taking photographs of the game, Carey was also able to shoot the big halftime performance with the Rolling Stones.

"At halftime, I had to leave early to get where I needed to be," said Carey.

"It was jam packed. I shot from the stands in an upper photo position, and I was able to shoot halftime with the Rolling Stones. I ended up being able to shoot right at the 50 yard-line and was able to shoot directly at them. I had a great location."

With so many avid sports fans being packed into the domed arena, the Super Bowl was quite an experience for Carey.

"It's pretty crazy; in fact it's pretty overwhelming," said Carey. "There were just so many people and it was so crowded; the fans

were just going berserk."

Besides shooting for the NFL, Carey has quite an impressive list of photography coverage.

"I've covered the Olympics and a lot of different stuff," said Carey.

"I shoot the NFL all the time and I've been to four Olympics. This is my first Super Bowl coverage. In that sense, it is a big deal and it is a very big honor to me. It was very exciting and I had a good time. This was something that I wanted to do. I feel very honored to have been selected to go."

While covering the Super Bowl, Carey also had the chance to cover the Super Bowl Gospel Celebration.

"While I was at the Gospel Celebration, I got to see Sara White, the widow of Reggie White," said Carey. "Reggie was named to the NFL Hall of Fame, and they are both very old friends of mine."

So, all work aside, who was Prof. Carey pulling for?

"I don't know that I really had a favorite," said Carey. "I grew up in Seattle so in some way I wanted the Seahawks to win, but there wasn't a definite team I was pulling for."



photo by Emily Slaughter

This cool place off Mount Pleasant Church Road is one of the hot spots in Boiling Springs.

Seek, and ye shall find fun around B.S.

Christie Barlow
Pilot Copy Editor

One stoplight, two fast food places, a coffee shop and about 3,000 students with nothing to do.

In that one sentence the town of Boiling Springs has been described to a T; it's no wonder students aren't sticking around on the weekends. But wait, there may be a little more to this Podunk town than you think.

Spend one day in Boiling Springs and you can pretty much cover the sights.

So, what are the students who are stuck spending most of the year here to do with their time? Sure there are the obvious plans, head home for the weekend, go hang out in Charlotte, or head to Charleston for the weekend.

But little do you know, there are ways to keep yourself entertained right here in Boiling Springs.

A time-honored Southern pastime lies just in your backyard, literally.

For those of you with a love of trucks and mud there are off road tracks all over the place just outside of town.

With the right weather and 4-wheel drive

you've got something to do without having to escape from the Webb for the weekend.

"Me and my friends always jump in my truck and go muddin'," said Jessi Williams, a sophomore biology major from Ellenton, Fla. "We'd just get bored and ride around and end up having a lot of fun."

According to Williams, if you head to the end of College Farm Road and you can find an off-road track that works for a truck or a four-wheeler.

"You never know what you're going to find on back roads," said Williams. "There are a lot of places to go around here, you just have to find them."

If you're not into trucks and your more interested in soaking up some rays you can head to one of two places. If you want to stray from the beaten path, go for a drive down McKinney Road.

A mile or two down the road you'll find a private stretch of rocks that double as a great spot to lay out and nature's own version of a slide.

"It's gorgeous here," said Joanna Ward, a sophomore biology major from Mint Hill. "It's nice because it's out of the way and private so

you can hang out with your friends and have a good time.

If you're up for exploring follow the river down and find trails that include more slides and waterfalls. At the very least you can get in a good swim in the water.

"There's just so much to be found if you look for it," said Ward. "We come here all the time when it gets nice out. We'll probably start looking for other spots too."

If you want to head down the traditional route head on down to the Broad River Greenway and enjoy a day in the water.

With places to cook out and a long stretch of river it is a great way to relax once the weather starts to warm up.

"There's nothing better than just hanging out in the water, and floating down the river," said Brian Wentzel a graduate student from Pennsylvania. "Just relaxing with friends and hanging out in the water is always a good time."

If you find yourself with some free time on your hands why not jump in the car and go for a ride.

You never know what you might find, and at the very least you won't be bored.