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Terra Wilson was named an All-American. The senior's career doesn't end there, however. See more on Page 5.

No. 5 Clemson was on the ropes Tues. against GWU, but Coach Stoupe's Bulldogs couldn't hold it. See Page 5 for more.

Weekend Weather

Saturday March 31	Sunday April 1
72/48	70/42
Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy

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GWU makes joyful noise at NYSE

Ringing opening bell gives school great exposure to worldwide audience

By Matt Tessnear
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Dr. Carolyn Jackson and nine Gardner-Webb University students and faculty members participated in the opening bell ceremony at the New York Stock Exchange on March 14. As a result, the phone has been ringing a lot for Dr. Anthony Negbenebor, dean of the Gardner-Webb University School of Business.

A group of GWU students and faculty were participating in "Campus New York," an annual GWU trip that students can take for course credit. A routine visit to the stock exchange turned into an opportunity to participate in the opening trading ceremonies, thanks to a relationship between Dr. Barry Hambright, a GWU professor, and Murray Teitelbaum, the stock exchange's educational coordinator.

Teitelbaum has visited GWU before, according to Hambright and Negbenebor.

Ten individuals from GWU were chosen to stand on the stock exchange podium, while the rest of the 48-member group watched from the floor below.

Jackson rang the bell at 9:25 a.m.

"We were given instructions, we clapped for 30 seconds and Dr. Jackson rang the bell for 10 seconds," said Hambright, who was on the podium during the ceremony. "It's sort of a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity."

The GWU logo appeared on the screen behind the group during the bell ringing, which gave a



Courtesy of: GWU Business School

Dr. Carolyn Jackson rings the opening bell of the New York Stock Exchange March 14 as part of Gardner-Webb University's "Campus New York" course. Dr. Barry Hambright, at the far right, arranged this exceptional opportunity for the group of GWU students.

lot of publicity to the university, according to Jackson.

"What matters is that they flashed GWU," said Negbenebor, "because if GWU wins, we all win."

Negbenebor said the opportunity was especially important to the GWU School of Business because of the relationship between the stock exchange and what is taught in business class.

"For business folks, this was

the ultimate in business, to participate in the ringing of the bell," said Negbenebor. "Since the bell ringing on the 14th, I've gotten calls from my colleagues across the country, asking 'How did you do it?' These folks made the business school proud. (Hambright) deserves all the credit because he made it happen."

The business school is currently doing fundraising projects for technology and scholarships,

so the stock exchange experience came at the perfect time, said Negbenebor.

Potential students and faculty members could also have interest in the business school because of the stock exchange experience, he said.

"This has added value to our program," said Negbenebor. "God is really looking down on the business school."

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Frank R. Nanney Hall under way

Ceremony marks beginning of construction of new Noel Program home

By Rachel Lloyd
Pilot photo editor

Sunshine broke through cloudy skies Thursday morning, matching the upbeat mood of the people at the groundbreaking ceremony for Frank R. Nanney Hall on the Gardner-Webb University campus.

The crowd included the staff and student clients of the Noel Program, which the new building will house. The Noel Program serves students with a range of physical, social and learning disabilities. Faculty and staff from across the campus and members of the board of trustees joined Frank Nanney and his family for the event.

The groundbreaking took place in the valley between the academic buildings and residence halls, in view of the new scar in the ground where the smokestack behind Withrow Hall used to be. The old boiler plant was torn down during spring break to make room for the new 12,000-square foot building.

Vice President for Development Steve Varley served as master of ceremonies, first inviting Cheryl Potter, Noel Program director, to offer remarks.

"We believe we have a tremendous program of support services for students with disabilities here at GWU and now there will be a building that reflects the quality of this program, and that's a great feeling," said Potter. She said the Noel Program began 30 years ago with a deaf student and now serves about 100 students.

Potter recognized her staff, whose teamwork she credited with making the program a success.

GWU President Frank Bonner



Photo by: Rachel Lloyd

These shovels were used for the ceremonial turning over of earth at the ground breaking ceremony for the new building that will house the Noel Program for students with disabilities.

voiced the Noel Program's importance to the university.

"It is critically important to this university, fully consistent with our values, that all students - regardless of disability - have full access and opportunity in the Gardner-Webb experience," he said.

After a brief speech by Rance Henderson, vice president of the board of trustees, Nanney stepped behind the podium to give a heartfelt and humorous speech.

He recounted the purchase of 100 acres of cleared land in the

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Plans afoot to revamp DCC meal exchange

By Grace Whiteside
Special to The Pilot

Rumors have been circulating around campus that the meal exchange located in the Dover Campus Center is going to be replaced. Nothing, however, has been finalized or formally discussed, according to Gardner-Webb University officials.

With the exception of the meal exchange, the entire downstairs of the DCC will be renovated, said Suzanne Glasscock, director of dining services. At present, the only changes in the meal exchange will be the expansion of the menu.

"I know that something is going to happen, because SGA wanted something new down there," said Glasscock, director of dining services at Gardner-Webb.

Matt Walters, president of the Student Government Association, has been corresponding with Wayne Johnson, associate vice president for operations. They agree that the downstairs area of the DCC should offer students more options.

"Administration is really trying hard to make this a better place for the students," said Walters.

Glasscock and Johnson have been communicating, and would like to see the downstairs "fire-side lounge" become more student friendly, especially since it will be a while until a new student center will be built, said Glasscock.

"I'm hesitant to speak about

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