

# Union Candidate's Platforms

The choices made for Union President and Vice President will be among the most important ever. The normally difficult job of running the Union is of course at stake. But so is the important job of helping to get New Founders Hall started on the right foot. This includes insuring that New Founders is not kept from becoming what it is supposed to be: a center for the social life of the campus.

John Ladd and Sherry Balcar are running for the offices of Student Union President and Vice-President, respectively, to accomplish both jobs facing next years Union. Sherry has worked with the Union this year and last semesters and has also been a Senator this semester. John has worked with the Film Committee and Dance and Pop Arts Committee of the Union. He feels that his experience in opening and managing several record stores over a period of more than two years has given him an understanding of how to organize a group of people into an effective, efficient team.

Organization is something we feel the Union must have. The organizing of the union is not an end in and of itself but the foundation on which the initiative and energies of the Union have to be built. Without this foundation, the Union loses the good people it has attracted, spends most of its time futilely spinning its wheels, and failed miserably to do its job.

The Union Board of Governors, chaired by the Union President, is supposed to meet monthly, among its members being various students, faculty and administrators. It has not met once this year. Its purpose is to help set the tone and direction of the Union as well as insure that the Union does its jobs. We would make sure that the Board meets and functions as it should, for without it the Union can become isolated from the job it should be doing.

There needs to be a re-organization of the way in which the Union Committee Chairpersons and the President and V.P. work together. If these people don't work well together the Union drifts into inaction. The most important object is to get good people to work as Chairpersons. So, if elected, we will talk at length with anyone interested in becoming Chairperson and

make the decisions on the basis of those talks, not merely who we know. Each Chairperson will be given much freedom to make decisions. Also, we will meet with the various Chairpersons once a week to make sure that communications don't break down within the Union and play havoc with our planned activities.

Perhaps the best organizing tool will be our holding regular office hours so that one of us will be available at most times. So either Sherry or John will be in the Union office from 10:00 through 4:30 each day (excepting classes).

To better find out what the campus wants we will, if elected, distribute questionnaires to all students and organizations (including the often ignored Day Students). They will include everything from what types of concerts, lectures, films, etc. you want to what unexplored areas the Union should try to fill. We will do our best to tailor the union's calendar to the wishes expressed.

One problem on the Guilford campus is that too many weekends fall into a pattern of dullness. Sherry and John don't think this has to remain the case. With some imagination and experimentation we can hold a good number of smaller scale events. Like a Spring dance, outside, with good bluegrass music and dancing. There are alot of good bands around we could have come for mini-concerts with tickets prices at under a dollar. (Arrogance for example.) Plus there are a number of things the Union could sponsor that would cost very little but relieve the tedium. For example a Marx Brothers Festival weekend; or greased pig chasing, pool and foosball tournaments, taffy pulling, busses to concerts at other schools. We could turn the intramurals championships into real fun afternoons by combining them with some events like the above. There are many other things Sherry and John have in mind from how to get big name bands into town at reduced prices to holding more art exhibits. But let's just say that they are very excited to work to make next year's Union center of campus-wide activity next year. We hope that we can be a part of that future as the President and Vice President of the Union.

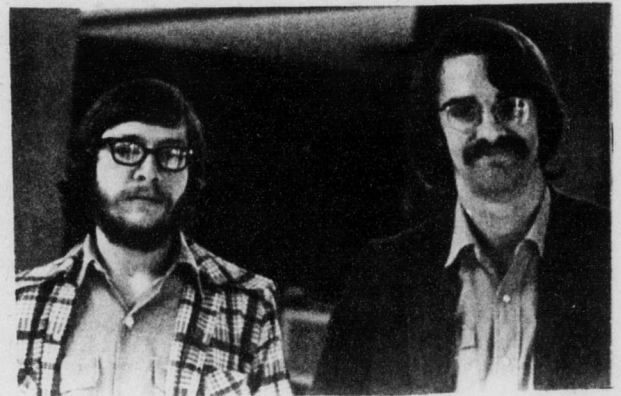
**Craig Putnam:**  
Home: Winston-Salem, N.C.  
Class: rising Jr.  
Experience: Union Coffee-house, Member of Dance and Pop; Artist Committee; Presiding Officer of Quaker Monthly and Quarterly Meetings

**Paul Murray**  
Home: Jenkintown, Pa.  
Class: rising Jr.  
Experience: Union Coffee-house; Both as Chairperson and Regular Member; President of High School Student Body; Head Promotor of Jubilee Concerts and Harbinger Concerts, Inc.

The collegiate learning experience and the educational process should not restrict itself to the classroom. The performing arts are an essential proponent to the contemporary learning process. The Putnam-Murray team is dedicated to exposing the Guilford College student body to a much broader expanse of contemporary arts and activities than has previously been available, as well as to providing for a more economic ratio of Union money spent per student -- a point in which the past administrations have been sadly deficient.

Putnam and Murray propose the following:

1. To utilize Union sponsored student activities in new Founders to the fullest extent.
2. Reorganize the Union committee structure for greater efficiency.
3. To channel Union controlled Student Activity Fees to reach the greater number of students.
4. To satisfy the unfulfilled promise of co-chairpersonship of all committees.
5. To strive to involve all students who so desire in Union programming and activities.
6. To reactivate the Special Events Committee as a review board for student proposed programs and activities.
7. To present more culturally diverse subjects in Union sponsored concerts, films, etc.



Union office seekers Craig Putnam and Paul Murray  
photo by Lo



Union hopefuls John Ladd and Sherry Balcar  
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## Senate Meeting 2/19/75

The meeting opened with a moment of silence. Herb Poole discussed a survey he took involving the times the library was most used. According to the survey Herb Poole decided that the library would open on Saturdays at 9 am and Sundays at 12 noon and would close at the regular time.

Tina Zerilli spoke about the upcoming elections. She also presented a request by John Janney to make an exception for his grade point average, as it did not meet the requirement for a person running for office. After some discussion it was voted in favor to allow him to run for office. The request will now go before the SAC for their approval.

There was some discussion about electing two students for the Analytical Studies Group which reviews all long range budget recommendations. The two students elected by the Community Senate and Urban Center Student Government will attend those meetings (which have already begun) and which will continue through the summer. It would be advantageous for the two students to live in Greensboro. If interested, contact your senator.

George Scholz suggested that there be a Freshmen Hall in Milner next yer on a trial basis. After some discussion it was voted in favor to have a Freshmen Hall.

New Business: Senate minutes will no longer be mimeographed and handed out but will appear in the Guilfordian each week. The bill concerning Job Recruiters being banned from the cafeteria and the Grill Room has been reinstated to the effect that the person recruiting shall not be allowed to set up in the cafeteria or in the Grill Room.

Ken Schwab brought the following to our attention: 1) See Francis Norton if anyone is interested in taking part in a 17 day student exchange with Guiana, South America. This will take place in late May or early June. This opportunity is to help foster and international education. 2) There will be a sign up sheet in Student Personnel for anyone interested in attending an afternoon spree at Grimsley Hobbs' mill on March 22, 1975. The Hobbs will cook and serve supper. This is a great opportunity to become acquainted with the Hobbs.

**Meditation is Life**  
Friendship Friends Meeting  
Unprogrammed Silent Meeting  
Each Sunday in the Moon Room  
of Dana Auditorium  
9 and 11 A.M.