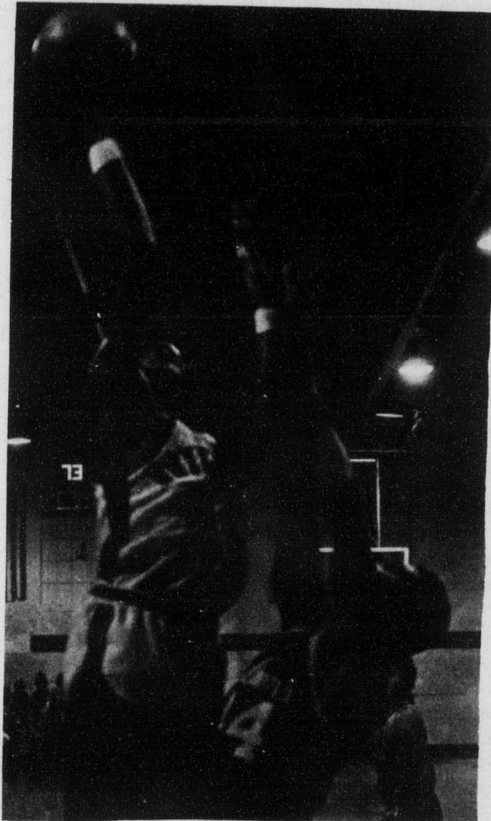


# QUAKERS WIN CONFERENCE!

## Head for Districts Next



The Guilford basketball team faces their toughest opponent of the season tonight as they battle Winston-Salem State University. Senior Ray Branch [above] spearheaded the Quaker, romp through the conference tourney. Kansas City here we come?



Guilford College Baseball

## Intramural Championships

by Frankye Boyles

We have reached the final week of intramural basketball with only men's teams and two women's teams in the running for the championship.

The two men's semi-final games were played last night at 7:00. The men's championship game will be played Wednesday night at 7:00.

If the men's varsity basketball team wins Tuesday night in District competition and continued play on Wednesday night, the championship games will be played on Thursday night at the same time.

The two women's teams trying for the championship in their league are Mary Hobbs and Binford I. Both teams narrowly escaped their semi-final opponents - Bryan and Shore. The women's championship will be played at 8:00 on the same night as the men's championship.

In men's play last week most of the games were very close and some were decided in the last few seconds.

The spectacular play of the season was made last week by Brad McIlwaine of Heaven's Seven. At the end of the first half, he picked off a defensive rebound standing inside the foul line, threw the basketball as if it were a baseball to the basket at the other end of the court and IT WENT IN!

For all we know, there may be more plays like that one so come out to see the championship games!

## Baseball Begins With a Bang

The Quakers opened their 1976 season with two home victories against West Virginia Tech.

Maynard is returning all but one player off of last season's 24-8 ball club and prospects look good for Guilford.

"The main thing will be our pitching," stated the head mentor, "if our pitchers come through and have good games and we can supply them with some hitting power then I believe we'll have a good season."

The Quakers pitching staff looks to be in good shape as the Quakers return two of the top pitchers in the nation to the mound.

Larry Jackson, the Quakers ace left hander, returns to the mound after leading the team in wins last year posting a 10-2 record.

"Larry is a great pitcher," comments Maynard, "he has so many pitches that he can throw at you a curve ball a slider a fast ball and a change up all can keep a batter guessing."

Along with Jackson will be the return of strong armed right hander Ray Cooke. Cooke led the N.A.I.A. last year with the lowest E.R.A. in the nation of 0.54.

"Cooke has great control and he can stay ahead of the batter, that's his strong point," stated Maynard.

Others returning to the mound will be Ed Marsh who went 6-1 last year along with Andy Howerton and Gary Leonard. New comers expected to help out include, rookies Bobby Chamberland, Mark Cubberly and veteran infielder Chip Smith.

The batters should again be led by catcher Stan Smith who led the squad in batting last year batting .372. Smith is one of the better defensive catchers in the state not allowing but 5 men to steal on him last year.

Smith not only led the team in batting, but also lead the team in hitting with 41 hits and tied Randy Black for R.B.I's with 30, along with being the leading home run hitter with 8.

"My junior year we won a lot of games by one run, and that's what makes a great ball team," stated Smith.

"If we can continue to hit like we did last year and get the same type pitching we did last year from Larry Jackson and Ray Cooke, we'll be an excellent ball team," commented the Kernersville native, "my sophomore year we lost a lot of games by one run but last year was different, and now we have all matured and know how to play ball as a team."

Behind Smith in batting last year was the Quakers third baseman Charlie Kearns. "The Mouth of the Diamond" Charlie ended the season batting .367 and if anyone has ever been able to keep an infield busy with chatter then it has to be "Mr. Hustle" Charlie Kearns.

Randy Black the Quakers fleet footed center fielder ended the year batting .309, but was Mr. All-Around for the Quakers.

Black led the team in six categories including stolen bases with 15, triples with 7 and runs scored with 36.

## Women's Basketball Ends Season

by Alina Lebrato

The Women's Basketball Team will play their last game of the season tonight in the Cracker box at 7:00. So far the Women have a 5-14 record. On Friday and Saturday, February 21st and 22nd they participated in the Carolina's

Conference Tournament where they were defeated by Pfeiffer College, 78-53. The next day they won over Catawba College, 60-59 to end up in 5th place in the tourney.

On Tuesday, February 2nd they travelled to Salem College where they were victorious 61-46. Thursday, February 26th the Women played at Charlotte, where they lost a close game to the UNC-G team 61-57.

On Tuesday's game Seniors Elizabeth Parker and Velina Hammond will play their last home game with the Guilford Team.

Tuesday, March 2 at 8:15 pm  
in Sternberger Aud. 25¢/1.00

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**RASHOMON**

Set in the middle ages, RASHOMON probes the ungraspable quick-silver nature of truth and subjective reality. Kurosawa cleverly uses a flashback within a flashback technique to mold the case history of a man's murder and the rape of his wife by a bandit, played by Toshiro Mifune. The film is an eloquent masterpiece, brimming with action while incisively examining the nature of truth.

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