

# Environmental corner

## Alaska: The Great Land

The Alaska lands have been in controversy since the Statehood Act of 1959. This controversy is caused mainly by the tremendous size of Alaska, approximately 375 million acres.

The Statehood Act and the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of 1971, basically divided these lands into three major divisions. The state lands, from which the state of Alaska can choose 104 million acres, the native people's land, which includes 44 million acres, and the remaining land, which is to be called National Interest Lands.

Before the state or the natives can choose all of their lands, Congress must decide by December 18 of this year, what exactly to do with these lands. Since congress adjourned without acting on this issue, the fate of the National Interest Lands was in the hands of President Carter or Secretary Andrus.

Late last month, Secretary of Interior Andrus acted, using the 1976 Bureau of Land Management Organic Act categorized 100 million acres for 3 years as a National

Monument. These lands will be basically treated as National Parks until Congress decides to change their status. This is a relatively new law that Andrus used, so that it may be possible for some special interest groups (i.e. oil industries) to take this to court, claiming Andrus should not have this power.

As a representative of the Alaska Coalition, (a collection of conservation groups, trying to see that the wilderness lands of Alaska remain preserved in their natural state) I felt that Andrus' efforts would not be strong enough.

As of last Friday; however, President Carter acted, using the 1906 Antiques Act (which also set aside the Grand Teton Wilderness and the Grand Canyon) to preserve 56 million acres, including some of Alaska's greatest wild areas. Some of these wild areas are parts of the Brooks Range, Yukon River and Tributaries, and Glacier Bay.

I applaud this action, for such wilderness lands, as those found in "Great Land," must be protected from the hungry hand of progress, so future generations will be able to enjoy the wilderness lands as we know it today.



Guilford LEEP Coordinator Ann Johnson is shown with Burlington Police Chief Ray Shelton, left, and Sgt. Steve Lynch, who was so impressed by the Urban Center for Continuing Education that he recruited 12 fellow officers, brought them to the Guilford campus and saw that they registered!

# L.E.A.A. increases funds for criminal justice students

By DAVE OWENS

Guilford College's Urban Center for Continuing Education has been awarded \$230,000 by the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration for the 1978-79 academic year, an increase of \$20,000 over the previous year.

Prior to the recent award, Guilford has received \$1.4 million since the Law Enforcement Education Program (LEEP) began in 1970.

Only two institutions of higher learning in the Southeastern United States received more funds for the current year for LEEP programs than did Guilford — Biscayne College in Miami and Eastern Kentucky University.

Ann Johnson, LEEP coordinator at Guilford, explained that the funds are used for grants and loans to pay college tuition for men and women who are either employed in criminal justice or who plan to enter the field.

"It's just a wonderful program," she declared. "The bottom line is that any person who qualifies can get a quality college education courtesy of the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration!"

A qualified person who enrolls at Guilford as a full-time student — three courses meeting two nights a week — is eligible for \$2,200 per year for tuition.

Upon graduation, the loan liquidates after four years if the person continues to work in criminal justice.

Grants to qualified persons taking the two-year Associate of Arts degree at Guilford will liquidate after two years of employment.

Pre-service students — those who declare that they will seek careers in criminal justice upon graduation — are eligible for loans when they begin their sophomore year. (Guilford is the only institution in

the Piedmont granting pre-service loans.)

Ms. Johnson commented that a predicted decrease in enrollment of men and women through the LEEP program has not happened at Guilford, where there are 59 new Administration of Justice majors this semester.

"With the many, many law enforcement people who have graduated from Guilford, you'd think that we had reached all of them, but we haven't," she said.

"One reason is that turnover in law enforcement is relatively high," she explained. "Another is that there are college-educated administrators within the police departments now, and they put more emphasis on education.

"This is particularly true in High Point, where the chief is Guilford graduate John Faircloth, and in Burlington, where Chief Ray Shelton has an undergraduate degree in social sciences and a master's degree in adult education," she pointed out.

She added that the Burlington and High Point departments have accounted for 35 new students in the Administration of Justice major this semester.

"Of course, there is added incentive to earn a degree because many officers who do are rewarded with salary increases," Ms. Johnson pointed out.

Sounding pleased, she said that of the 52 officers recently promoted within the Greensboro Police Department, half of them either are in or have been in the LEEP program at Guilford College.

Anyone interested in the LEEP program is urged to contact Ann Johnson at Guilford College's Urban Center for Continuing Education.

# Musical musings

By TIMOTHY NOLAN

The purpose of this column is to let you know what is going on musically these days. Because my taste is admittedly limited, I will confine myself to telling you about 'rock and roll'. But I also hope to occasionally enlist the help of those who are knowledgeable in other fields of music. So, having said this, I will present you with some quick reviews of some new releases.

The purpose of those reviews is to help you choose what to buy and what to avoid. In the future, you will find longer reviews of the best of the new, an occasional concert review, and some plain rambling, since that is what I do best.

THE CLASH — Give 'Em Enough Rope (Epic JE 25543)

"The Clash" has made quite a bit of noise in England in the wave

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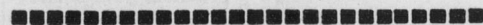
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