

# Policies stretch dollars for aid recipients

By Arthur Freund

This year colleges and universities across the nation are forced to work with less federal aid due to the Reagan Administration drastically cutting expenditures in the education field. Like others, Guilford College must now operate with fewer federal dollars, while costs of operation increase.

Anthony Gurley, Director of Financial Aid, is in the process of instituting new methods of maximizing the incoming dollars to Guilford in order to reduce the disparity caused by those cuts in federal expenditures. Gurley recognizes that "as a result of these changes we have had to rethink our institutional policies."

As we are witnessing a "relative" stagnation of institutional dollars from endowments, it's imperative to maximize the federal aid available to this college.

The Guaranteed Student Loan Program, which accounted for 75 percent of the aid granted to 342 Guilford students last year, has become a "need based" program which limits the number of eligible students. In order to judiciously distribute financial aid money, Gurley has employed successful practices used by other institutions, which include the following:

1. A priority deadline of May 31st puts students on a first come, first served basis if applications are received before this date.

2. For the first time, a student's assets will be reviewed before determining his or her need. This means that an on-campus student who owns a car will be assessed 10 percent of its Blue Book value, of which an equivalent amount will be subtracted from his or her financial aid package. This is a small percentage compared to Duke University which assesses a car's value at 35 percent.

3. Since the spring of 1980, the Financial Aid Committee has applied a set of norms known as the "academic satisfaction criteria" which is currently in use by the Retention Committee.

Though the Retention Committee has evaluated a student's performance and decides to let him or her stay in school, the Financial Aid Committee may not renew his or her financial aid.

Renewal is based on the following set of standards:

Minimum Quality Point Average Required	Number of Attempted Credits
1.30	1-19.9
1.50	20-39.9
1.70	40-74.9
1.90	75 or more

4. Next year, the Financial Aid Committee will require a federal income tax statement to accompany each financial aid application. This, in effect, will be a policing action to stop the

false reporting of a parent's income level.

Other changes have occurred in the Work Study Program. 80 percent of which is financed by the federal government.

Reductions in this program for the 1981-82 school year will force many students to be dropped out of the program. These reductions were caused by the Higher Education Amendments of 1980 which stipulated that the federal government would only guarantee 90 percent funding based on what an institution received during the 1970-80 calendar year. Therefore, Guilford College will see a 22 percent reduction in the Work

Study Program from last year.

The College received \$90,000 from the federal government during the 1970-80 academic year, and \$107,586 in the 1980-81 academic year. As a result of this new legislation, during the 1981-82 academic year the college will only receive \$83,266, making it imperative that the college seek new avenues of funding for students who could attend Guilford only with financial aid.

One method of coping with this problem was the creation of a Parent Loan Fund in 1980, which provided funds for ten incoming freshmen last year, and twenty more students this calendar year.

## Office shuffle yields ace

By Elizabeth White

Several administrative and student organization offices were moved prior to the beginning of this academic year. One of the major objectives of this rearrangement, according to members of the Student Affairs Committee, was to move the college infirmary from Friends Home onto the main campus.

The infirmary, which is run by Dr. Robert Doolittle, is now located in Bryan Dorm, in the same suite of offices as the Center for Personal Growth. The Center houses offices for Jane Caris and Paula Swonger in counseling, as well as others.

The suite of offices in upstairs Founders Hall, which had previously been used for student organization offices, is now used by Student Services. That suite now houses offices belonging to Ken Schwab, the Dean of Students, Housing and Security Director Bob White, and Jim Keith, the Associate Dean and Director of Career Development and Experimental Learning.

The community Senate, BASIB, the Student Union, and the Women's Center, which had previously occupied this suite, were moved to the basement of Founders.

The Public Interest Group (PIRG), which also moved out of this suite, is now located in the T-wing hall in upstairs Founders. Also in these rooms, which were formerly used for studying, are the Center for Off-Campus Education, and the office of Dr. William Schmickle.

The old Housing Office is still empty and decisions regarding its use have not yet been made public. One suggestion, according to Ken Schwab, is that the INTER-LINK program could be moved into this space from its present location, a house near the college lake.

According to SAC members, the changes were initiated in

response to student attitudes expressed in the "Dormitory Dialogues," which were conducted by the Student Affairs Committee last year.

The movement of the Infirmary to the more convenient location of Bryan Dorm started what Ken Schwab called "a domino effect" among campus offices. Offices had to be moved and regrouped. This was done in keeping with a plan of better utilization of space and greater student accessibility.

Those persons who were moved feel generally satisfied with the changes, according to Martin Jones, president of the Community Senate. He said, "Offices in the past have not been utilized as they should have been." He stressed the fact that these offices should be used primarily for "student business."

He feels that moving Student Services into Founders has not "displaced" the Student Organizations, "at all," that instead it has "enhanced communications between Student Services and Student Organizations" to have both of the groups located in Founders. He added that the new location of the Student Organization offices, downstairs in Founders, provides a better circulation of the general student body.

General student attitude towards these changes, however, has not been as positive. Some students resent the fact that the T-wing rooms in Founders, which were available for study last year, have been converted into offices. Some felt that there has been a change in the Passion Pit atmosphere since the Administrative offices were moved into the suite there. These feelings are part of the rising concern over lack of study space on campus. Jones said that he "welcomes any suggestions and comments concerning these changes."



Photo by John Mottlen

The docks which formerly graced the Guilford College Lake were dismantled during the summer session of this year.

The docks were taken from the lake to prevent their use as an access to the lake by non-college personnel during the summer. When the docks were in the lake, and there were no lifeguards present, the college assumed all liability for any accidents that might result in personal injury.

Tentative plans for an I.D.S. 101 class to build a portable dock, as a substitute for the old dock, are in the making.

## Students placed in pleasant jobs

The Financial Aid Office announces the establishment of a Job Location and Development Program. The Greensboro Regional Consortium, consisting of Bennett, Greensboro, and Guilford Colleges, is participating in a cooperative arrangement to actively seek off-campus, part-time, or full-time employment opportunities for students, regardless of financial need.

The 1976 Education Amendments allow higher education institutions the use of 10 percent of their work study allocation toward the establishment or maintenance of a JLD program.

The JLD office maintains up-to-date job listings of part-time or

full-time jobs available in the Triad area. Job notices are posted on an "Employment Opportunities" Bulletin Board on each campus. Participation in the program is easy. Students simply register with the JLD office by completing a Student Registration form. The JLD Director will meet with registered students to review their qualifications, after which, an appropriate referral to a prospective employer can be made.

The program's director is Denise L. Nugent, a recent Guilford graduate. She maintains a JLD headquarters in the Administrative Building on the

Greensboro College campus. The Career Library on the second floor of Founders Hall houses the "Employment Opportunities" Bulletin Board. Mrs. Nugent also meets with students in the Career Library on Tuesdays and Wednesdays 10-12, or by appointment by calling 272-7102.

The JLD program is off to a successful start having received nearly 50 job listings. Job vacancies include positions in child care, food service, sales, banks, restaurants, grocery stores, industry and other miscellaneous areas. A Guilford student was recently placed with a local employer as a computer programmer.