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Photo by Roy Stottler

Busy Guilford byways are traveled by both pedestrians and cyclists sometimes resulting in difficult sidewalk confrontations.

## Safe Roads Act

# Alcohol Policy Adjusted

By Becky Gunn

On Sunday night the student Senate held a special meeting to discuss and change the current policy on the consumption of alcohol so that it will be in accordance with the North Carolina State law which states as of October 1, 1983; that the age to buy and possess beer and unfortified wine is 19 while the legal age to buy or possess fortified wine or liquor remains 21.

The Senate spent three hours revising the codebook policies so that the rules will be in accordance with N.C. laws, but remain in the best interest of Guilford students. Regulations that have been changed include: a petition for a party must be submitted to the Director of Housing 48 hours in advance to the event, contrary to the previous 24 hours. Forty-eight hours notice in writing must also be given to students residing near the area to be used for the event. In addition to the filling out of the petition, there will be the designing of a monitoring system to insure accordance with N.C. law.

The largest policy change is that the buying, selling and serving of alcoholic beverages by student organizations or resident halls through sales of beer tickets or the like is prohibited. Students should also be aware though, that according to N.C. case law the host(s) of an event may be held liable for damages and injuries occurring during or after the event as a result of alcohol consumed at the event by their guest(s). Also added in the codebook under offenses which could result in disciplinary probation, suspension or dismissal are under age drinking, or the aiding and abetting of persons under the legal

drinking age.

All of these revisions were carefully considered and made under the consensus of the elected student representatives. An open forum in which you can

air your views and questions will be held today, September 21st at 4 p.m. in Sternberger auditorium. Everyone is welcome and senate members will be available to answer questions.

## Security

# Parking, Paging Provide Problems

By Rachel Purpel

The Security staff of Guilford College is on the verge of solving two major problems. The first is being solved as you read this article.

The security guards tend to agree that the biggest problem facing them is cars parked in the fire lanes. It is illegal to park in a fire lane, and if your car is found parked in one, it will be towed. If you don't know whether a potential parking spot is a fire lane, look on the curb. If it is painted yellow, it is a fire lane. If everyone follows this law, security will have one less problem to deal with.

The other problem that is about to be solved is the inadequacy of the paging system. Bob White, Head of Security, has been eagerly waiting for years to develop a two-way communications system. Within the next week or two, this will be a reality. The system enables a caller and a security guard to talk with each other. As it stands now, a caller has just a few seconds to state his or her message, and the security guard is not able to talk to the

caller. With the new system, the guard is able to ask the caller important questions.

There are a couple of things to keep in mind while using the system. After dialing the number, you will hear a ring, and the guard will answer. When you hear a beep, you can talk directly to the guard. If you talk before the beep, the security guard will not be able to hear you. Also, the apparatus has a built-in censor which automatically switches from receiving to transmitting and vice-versa, when it hears a long pause. This means that when you stop talking, or take a long pause, the guard will hear a click, and will talk to you. The entire conversation can last no longer than three minutes, and each person can talk within 30 second intervals.

This system should be in operation as soon as Southern Bell does the necessary telephone work, possibly this week or next week. At that time the number to call security will become 292-6112. You should receive more information when the system goes into effect.

## 'En guard!'

By Michael R. Barker

Whence cometh the preponderance of Bicycles to our quaint wooded haven? Ye who pedal, rejoice, for ye are not alone. Woe be unto ye who walk, however, for, lo, the joust is begun. The field of battle is our own system of sidewalks.

I, personally, am quite willing to defer to those who would walk the paved ground. There exists, though, cyclists for whom the approaching pedestrian causes a light to flicker overhead which says, "En guard!" I have been witness and participant (albeit, an unwilling participant) in such mini-duels, at Guilford and elsewhere.

There is an increased number of bicycles on the campus this year. People have taken to cycling in ever greater numbers nationally for a variety of reasons. Whether the reason is health-related, recreation-related, or related to not having a car, there are more of us cyclists vying for the coveted passage on our hard-surfaced byways. Guilford is no exception. The short distance from dorm to class are traversed quite easily by bicycle. Little energy is expended and travel time is reduced. This is an especial boon for the chronically

"rushed."

Leaving the confines of the College, Guilford County and Greensboro City offer an infinite array of roadways. Of particular interest should be the several bicycle trails which span the whole county. The common street is rather functional as a route for those who ride for recreation. The paved trails are better suited, however, because they are designed for the cyclist (no people to clutter the straight and narrow). They also pass through some of the more picturesque areas of Greensboro. Maps of the various routes are available from the Greensboro Department of Parks and Recreation at 300 North Washington Street, downtown.

There are legal matters involved in riding in Greensboro City. Registration of the bicycle is recommended, and in fact required, though I have never been pulled for biking without a registration sticker. If, however, your bicycle is stolen, God forbid, and is registered, the police will perhaps have an easier time tracking it down with the aid of a registration number. For those who so desire to register a bicy-

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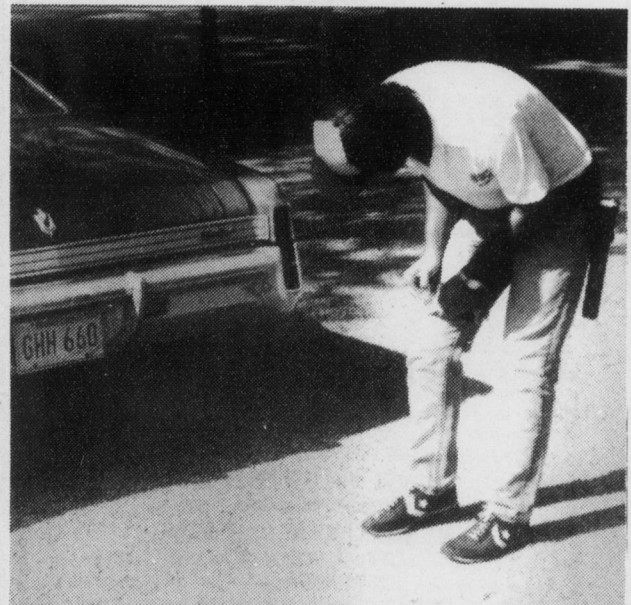


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Nabbed! Wesley Wallace, a security guard, whips out his trusty ticket book, letting the owner of this car from Maryland know that he is parked illegally.