

Six Athletes Receive English Award

Six Guilford College seniors were recognized January 23, as recipients of the 10th annual Nereus C. English Athletic Leadership Awards.

Winners of the 1986 English Award include Lamar Boykin, Lumberton, N.C., football; Tim Diamond, Boca Raton, Fl, lacrosse; Suzanne Lowe, High Point, N.C., volleyball, basketball and softball; Adama Neilly, Pittsburgh, Pa, tennis; Gretchen Rada, Kennett Square, Pa, lacrosse; and Barry Whitlock, Mocksville, N.C., baseball.

Nereus C. English, of Thomasville, N.C., graduated from Guilford in 1926. His loyalty to the College and its athletic program, and his genuine interest in its students, led to the establishment of the English Endowment Fund and the Nereus C and Mae Martin English Scholarship Fund after his unexpected death in 1965.

"Nereus C. English was a man who devoted his life to helping others," said Guilford athletic director Dr. Herbert Appenzeller. "He was always willing to help needy and worthy students obtain an education. This award is perhaps the most prestigious one a Guilford athlete can receive from the College."

Boykin tied the Guilford College record for career interceptions with 19 and is, according to head coach Charles Forbes, "the best defensive back to play at Guilford

in my 12 years here." An NAIA all-District 26 selection in '85, Boykin started every game for four years, anchoring the second best four-year record (21-15-2) in Quaker football history. Also a dangerous punt returner, Boykin

needs just 63 points in his final season to break the Quakers'

career scoring record. Head coach Geoff Miller describes Diamond as "a classic overachiever."

and tennis coach Gayle Currie. She was "the heart and soul," says Currie, of last fall's 22-8 volleyball team and was selected to both all-district and all-conference honor teams.

one of our most consistent players," says coach Ray Alley, "but maybe just as importantly he has always been interested in the team before himself."

Rada was co-MVP of last year's women's lacrosse team and as a freshman helped the Lady Quakers inaugurate lacrosse into the varsity program

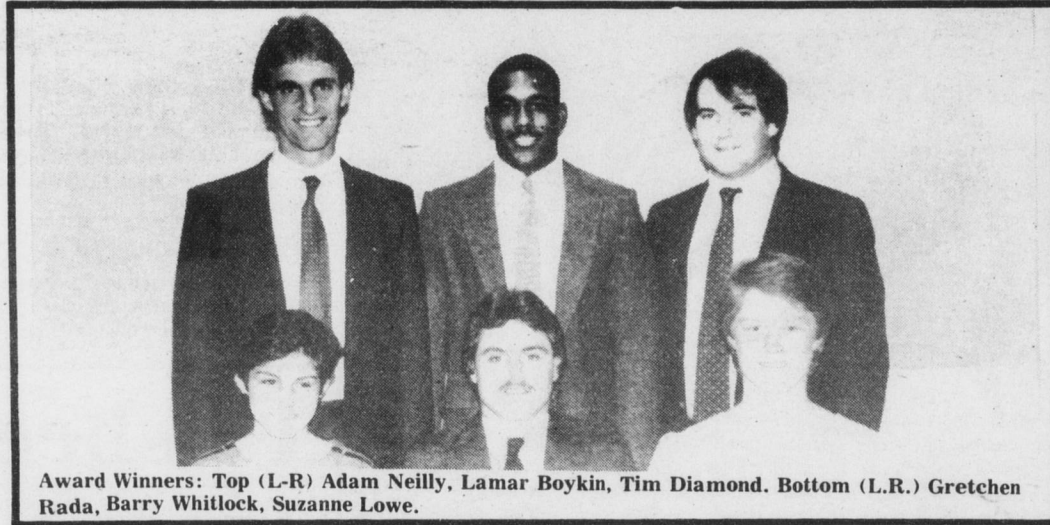
with an undefeated season. She is the team's top scorer with over 40 career goals and is "a dominant force on the field," according to

coach Pat Manzella. "Her skill level is such that opponents have taken to double-teaming her regularly."

Whitlock batted .400, slammed 8 home runs and stole 12 bases in his junior season with the Quakers and owns a .357 career average. He has twice been

selected to the all-District 26 team as an outfielder. "The fact that he made the all-district team

last year when the team was having an off year (14-22) testifies to this ability," says head coach Robert Fulton.



Award Winners: Top (L-R) Adam Neilly, Lamar Boykin, Tim Diamond. Bottom (L.R.) Gretchen Rada, Barry Whitlock, Suzanne Lowe.

recorded an 11.7 career return average including a 57 yard touchdown this season.

Diamond is the first Guilford junior lacrosse player ever to gain all-American recognition. His 53 goals in '85 was the third best in the nation among NCAA

Division III players and established a new Guilford single-season record. With 118 career goals and 15 assists, he

Lowe is one of only two three-sport athletes now at Guilford. Although she does not hold any individual records, she is "exactly the kind of athlete every coach wants," says women's volleyball.

Neilly is a two-time Guilford tennis MVP and was named to the all-District 26 team last year after combining with Markku Salokannel to win the District doubles title. "Adam has been

Tennis Gets National Attention

BY DOUG DROTMAN
Sports Editor

The Guilford men's tennis team begins the 1986 season with the strongest line-up it has featured in years. The teams number 12 NAIA National ranking, by the Intercollegiate Tennis Coaches Association (ITCA), indicates their lofty expectations for the upcoming season.

The team returns five of the top seven players from last years squad that finished second in both the Carolina's Conference and the NAIA District 26 before advancing to the NAIA national tournament in Kansas City. The

solid line-up, sporting two nationally ranked players, Adam Neilly (No. 21), a senior from Pittsburgh, Pa. and Nick Demetriades (No. 36), a senior from Haddonfield, NJ, leaves 11th year head coach Ray Alley with visions of grandeur.

"I believe we will be a contender for the conference and district championships this year and hope to have a shot at a top five finish at the nationals this spring. Doing well in the conference and district is always a goal for us and I believe that the national experience our players gained last year will really help us in the spring," commented Alley.

In the brief fall season, Guilford posted a 7-1 record which included finishing second in the James Madison Quadrangle, with a victory over number six ranked Division III powerhouse Washington and Lee.

On their way to winning the Guilford Classic, the Quakers toppled NAIA number 10 ranked Atlantic Christian College, Belmont Abbey and East Carolina.

"I was very pleased with the results of the fall season. Adam and Patricio (Apey) (a junior from Miami, Fl) had particularly good fall seasons and the addition of freshmen Ed Simko (Huntington, NY) and Ricky Feit (Baltimore, MD) has had an immediate positive impact on our team," remarked Alley. He also indicated that Matt Mason (Greensboro), a transfer in his second year at Guilford, sophomore Ken Relyea (Ohio),

primarily a doubles player, and freshman Davis Grose will make important contributions.

Alley's hard work in recruiting paid off when he landed Chris Loddenkemper. The prized recruit comes to Guilford this semester from his homeland of West Berlin. Alley's confidence in Loddenkemper was exhibited when he positioned the European in the number two playing slot ahead of senior Adam Neilly. Unfortunately for Loddenkemper, and the rest of the squad, the season got off to a rough start when Duke shut the Quakers out 9-0, on January 31.

In keeping with their tradition of rugged schedules, Guilford will also take on defending national champions Lander College and Division I opponents such as Harvard, Appalachian State, UNC-Charlotte, and Penn State.

Alive and Rucking

BY DOC ROBERTS
Rugby Correspondent

The unofficial, unsponsored, and uninsured Guilford College Rugby Football Club has continued to play as a team without a home. The dedicated ruggers have been undaunted in their conviction to play the sport they enjoy, even if the college will not yet recognize them as a "club team."

The reason for which they cannot become an official school club is their lack of injury insurance. According to player/coach John Lenartowicz, the rugby club must raise \$3,000 to obtain team insurance before any progress can be made.

The ruggers are hoping to have some fund-raising events this semester to pay for insurance. One idea is to have a huge party somewhere off campus with an admission charge. The players appreciate the support of the community, and any further help would certainly be welcomed.

Continuing to play on a church field close to campus, they practice three to four days a week. It

takes a lot of conditioning, a lot of drills, and a lot of fun to be a successful team, but those who play agree that the fun is the most important part of all.

Yoshiki "Yogi" Tsuji, the other player/coach and one of the founders of the club hopes that the student body will continue to give support to the team. During a break in a recent practice, after leading a sprinting drill in which he ran almost twice as much as the rest of the team, he commented, "It would be impossible to come out and work like this if the students weren't behind us."

The game schedule for this semester is not yet finished, but the team is hoping that they will have a devoted crowd of fans again this year. Rugby is as fun

for the spectator as it is for the player, if not more. (After all, spectators don't need insurance to watch.)

Football Manager Needed

Head Football coach, Charles Forbes is looking for a responsible student to work as equipment manager for the football team. The position requires anywhere from 12-20 hours per week during the Fall 1986 semester. Managers are expected to assist with equipment repair, field set-up and various other tasks. No experience is needed. Pay will be negotiated on either a grant, work-study or credit basis. Interested parties should contact Coach Forbes at Ext. 159.