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WQFS, Spin Magazine Promote Safe Sex, AIDS Awareness

by Jay Underwood

WQFS, in reaction to the controversial November issue of *Spin* magazine, which includes a condom in each newsstand copy and which has been banned by many merchants, made a commitment to work with magazine officials in advocating safe sex and the promotion of AIDS awareness last week, and is inviting other area radio stations to join them.

John McSheffrey, WQFS Co-Music Director, said Wednesday, "The management of WQFS denounces any type of censorship and is in 100% support of AIDS awareness and safe sex." *Spin* is sending 200 copies of the issue to WQFS, which is planning to give them away over the air, in hopes of raising consciousness about the dangers of AIDS. Said McSheffrey, "*Spin* is ecstatic about this. They're being completely supportive of our efforts."

WUAG, the radio station of UNCG, declined the offer to join WQFS in its statement,

responding that the station does not get involved in protests. Rock 92, a large independently owned area station, has yet to respond.

In an exclusive on-air interview conducted by McSheffrey last Monday, Bob Guccione, Jr., editor and publisher of the monthly nationwide music magazine, said, "The inclusion of a condom in a magazine is a very emphatic and very bold editorial statement ... We're not telling people 'you must use this.' We're saying you must really for your own good think about it."

"The one thing we know is that condoms dramatically reduce the danger of getting it ... AIDS really is an equal opportunity destroyer. It's something we really must worry about in every sector of our world," said Guccione.

The magazine, which claims to be the only non-medical journal in America to include monthly in-depth reports and editorials concerning AIDS, has been banned by merchants

nationwide because of the inclusion of the condom in this month's issue. Guccione contends that North Carolina leads the other states in the number of stores which have chosen not to carry the November issue. "The reaction has been fanatical down there," Guccione said.

"The way [these stores] react to an epidemic like AIDS is so much like an ostrich, burying their heads in the sand so that the wrong thing is reacted to," said Guccione.

Food Lion, based in Salisbury, is one of the many North Carolina stores that has elected to exclude the November issue of *Spin* from its newsstands.

Mike Mozingo, Food Lion Corporate Communications Manager, said Thursday, "We're trying to maintain the atmosphere of a family place to shop ... We felt something like this would be offensive to the vast majority of our customers."

Mozingo further said that Food Lion did not want to join

Spin in a campaign that centered around the distribution of free condoms. "*Spin's* in the business to make money - especially if you consider who

its publisher is - and we didn't want to be a part of it."

Mozingo said that *Spin* would most likely return to the newsstands next month.

Senate Advocates Campus Condom Machines

by Susan Nelson and David Simpson

authored by Hassett.

In an hour-long session last week, the Community Senate approved an official statement of advocacy for the installation of condom vending machines on campus.

Citing the support of other campus organizations such as Health Services, Senate President, Seth Hassett, proposes a statement which would, when presented to the college community, detail the Senate's stand on the controversial and timely issue of safe sex.

"Furthermore," continues the statement "the Community Senate goes on record advocating the installation of condom vending machines on campus in the residence halls."

Following Hassett's brief introduction, the topic was opened for debate. Becky Morehead, a senator for alternative housing, began the discussion by questioning how the senate would use funds raised by the vending machines. Referring to the statement, which claimed that profits from

New Building to Revolutionize Campus

by Jay Underwood

The gift of \$1.75 million from Edward J. and Vivien Bauman of Greensboro is earmarked for the construction of an 18,000 square-foot telecommunications complex - a facility that is expected to revolutionize computer use and communications on campus.

The unusual telecommunications project is estimated to cost approximately \$3 million and is expected to be completed in 1991 along with the multi-million dollar library expansion.

"It's a network system that gives Guilford an edge over probably any private school in the region, and certainly for North Carolina," said Jim Newlin, Vice President for Finance and Development.

One major aspect of the telecommunications project calls for the wiring of all residence hall rooms, enabling students to connect into the college's main academic computers anytime day or night, and access college, regional, and national educational broadcasting.

"This project represents one

of those great giant steps in the life of a college," said Dr. Cyril H. Harvey, professor of geology and director of institutional research. "It will enable a student's room to become part of the academic workplace and shape a student's attitude," he said. Harvey chairs the college's Computer Systems Study Committee.

The complex will be built on the corner of the two college access roads that intersect across from Bryan and Shore Residence Halls, in part of the area where two Frazier Apartments currently exist. The two apartment buildings will be removed to make room for the two story building.

Upon completion of the complex, students will be able to do everything from write and submit a paper, seek a faculty review of a draft, check on the status of a book or potentially review a bibliography on the other side of the country, and communicate with faculty and other students from the convenience of their rooms.

"It is vitally important that we perceive residence halls as (cont'd. on p.3)



Edward J. and Vivien Bauman

photo by Jon Prestage



One Type of Condom Dispensing Machine

photo by Skip Davenport

"Guilford College has acted responsibly thus far with regard to encouraging safety in sexual behavior, and the Community Senate would like to go on record as supporting the school's actions thus far," read the letter

the sale of condoms would benefit residence halls, Morehead stated that such a claim might emphasize the wrong issue.

"I do support having condom machines in the dorms for safe sex reasons, but I have a (cont'd on p. 6)