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Emory & Henry had head coach Jeannie

Taylor's squad looking forward to last Thursday's encounter with the second

ranked team in NCAA Division III, the

Lady Maroons of Roanoke College.

## Basketball

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shooting. Freshman Brenda Davis added 12 points and six rebounds for Guilford (2-1).

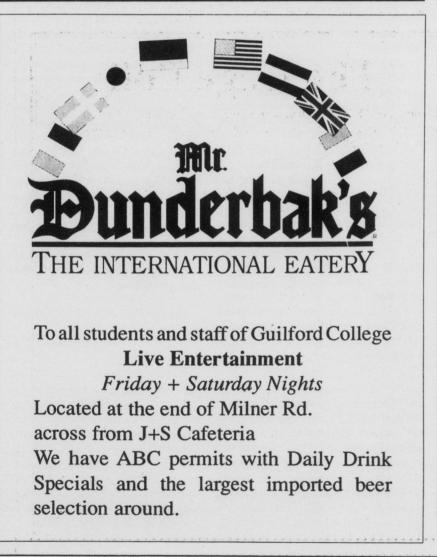
The convincing 32-point victory over

## **The Grid Poll**

Compiled by The Guilfordian sports writers and associates. First place votes are in parentheses. Teams receive 11 points for a first place vote down to one point for an 11th place vote.

		Record	Points	Pvs
1.	Georgia Tech (2)	9-0-1	112	3
2.	Colorado (7)	10-1-1	107	2
3.	Texas (1)	9-1-0	85	5
4.	Miami, FL (2)	8-2-0	83	4
5.	Brigham Young	10-1-0	76	8
6.	Notre Dame	9-2-0	69	1
7.	Florida	9-1-0	52	9
8.	Florida St.	8-2-0	43	6
9.	Penn St.	9-2-0	42	_
10.	Washington	9-2-0	34	10
11.	Tennessee	7-2-2	17	

Others receiving votes: Clemson, Houston, Iowa, Louisville, Maryland, Michigan, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Southern California, Southern Mississippi, Yale.



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## The Parity Party of College Football Needs to be Crashed

Chris Ward Staff Writer

Well, sports fans, the time is drawing near when a champion in college football must be selected. After all of the major bowl games are played on January 1, the confusion will begin again.

Let's take a quick look at last year's season as an example of the awkwardness of finding out who is #1 in college football. Notre Dame, with a 12-1-0 record, defeated previously undefeated Colorado 21-6 in the 1990 Orange Bowl. The University of Miami, the other #1 contender last year, beat previously once-defeated Alabama by a score of 33-25 in the Sugar Bowl. After both games were played, those who make the AP and UPI polls were faced with the problem of determining the national champion. Miami was given the #1 ranking. But one could argue that Notre Dame, which had a harder schedule, should have been the national champion.

A new system is needed to figure out who is the best in college football, and a national playoff is the answer.

I propose to do away with any bowl that is not played on January 1 and transform the major bowl games into gamesites for the NCAA playoffs in college football. NCAA Director Dick Schultz has expressed support for a national playoff system beginning with the top four teams in the country. A special combined AP/UPI poll could be issued at the end of the regular season ranking the best teams from one to four.

For example, the #1 team would play the #4 team at the Rose Bowl in Pasadena while the #2 and #3 teams could play in another large stadium like the Cotton Bowl in Dallas. The winners of these two games could then play for the national championship, perhaps in Miami's Orange Bowl. This game's winner would be declared the undisputed #1 team in all of college football.

To make the competition fairer, the field of teams could be expanded to eight or even 16 for the following year, thus allowing every January 1 bowl to be used.

Any system is better than the one we have now, since many teams such as Notre Dame believe that under the current plan they can have an excellent season and still end up ranked #2.

So the next time your favorite team plays its best season in years and is not recognized, think about this system. If the head man of the NCAA agrees, why not implement the plan next season?

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