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The Front Page News Ticker

Gulf War Vets Get Tuition Cuts

USA Today reported last week that numerous colleges throughout the country are offering benefits and tuition discounts to Gulf War veterans. The newspaper cited Bryant College and Marlboro College as examples. Bryant is offering a limited number of graduate fellowships and full tuition scholarships for Gulf War veterans, while Marlboro will slash its annual tuition in half for returning GIs and their immediate relatives. Also mentioned: Temple University will award three credits to Pennsylvania veterans who served a minimum of 30 days in the Gulf.

As of press time, Guilford College officials have not announced plans to provide tuition breaks for Gulf War veterans.

Books Donated to Library

Several autographed books by historian/author Burke Davis were recently donated to the Guilford library by Dorothy Stedman. The collection had been gathered and previously maintained by Stedman's son, the late James D. Stedman III. Among the donated books are biographies of numerous Confederate generals.

Special Events Planned

Noted Quaker author and publisher Chuck Fager will be at Guilford March 27-28. Students can hear him speak on "The Realignment of American Quakerism" at 7 p.m. March 27 at New Garden Friends Meeting. He will also speak on the prospects for peace in the aftermath of the Gulf War at 4 p.m. March 28 in the Gallery.

Other upcoming special religious activities on campus include a Hillel/GCRO-sponsered interfaith Seder April 1 in Dana Lounge. As there are a limited number of spaces, members of the Guilford community interested in attendig the Jewish Passover feast

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Senate High on New Drug Plan

'One Strike' Policy On Its Way Out

Justin Cohen News Editor

After months of discussion and bruhaha, significant modifications to the existing drug policy were passed by consensus at the Senate meeting last Wednesday.

The plan still must be endorsed by the Student Affairs Committee, Clerk's Committee and be approved by the Administrative Counsel before it can be officially instituted. If all goes according to schedule, the new policy should take effect by the fall semester.

For now, however, Senate officials expressed delight at reaching a decision, but did point out that a drug policy in any form will always draw critics.

"The fundamental view of the community has risen above the personal views of the members of the community," said Joe Studivant. "Even though it's not my personal view, I'm glad that the community's voice was heard."

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"I have a feeling that we reached a genuine point of consensus. Obviously you can't please 100 percent of the people out there. If it comes up again, we'll look at it again," said Smith.

Vance Ricks, Senate president, also emphasized the importance of the new policy being passed through consensus.

"The real accomplishment is that we were able to make a decision of this magnitude without having to vote," explained Ricks

Ricks said that much of the success of the new policy depends on how well it is received by those who must enforce it.

"The support of Residential Life staff and security is crucial because they have the primary responsibility of enforcing the policy no matter what is finally adopted," said Ricks.

Current RAs don't anticipate that to be a major problem.

"It doesn't matter to me what the harshness of the policy is," said Erskine James, a Milner Hall R.A. "I would write [violators of the policy] up whether the punishment is a slap on the wrist or a shooting at dawn. They're the ones who break the rules, not me, so I don't feel guilty one way or another."

James, however, said RAs may also exercise other alternatives to keep the residence halls drug free.

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Shane Handy slides into into third base and dislocates his shoulder during Guilford's 15-6 victory over Hamden Sydney/photo by Joan Malloch

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