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The Front Page

### **News Line**

#### Rogers takes position on Board

The National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (NAICU) has recently elected Guilford College President William Rogers to its Board of Directors.

The NAICU, which has 837 member institutions, represents independent colleges and universities, informing members of public policy issues within all branches of the federal government.

#### Three professors granted tenure

As announced at Wednesday's faculty meeting, David Barnhill, Linda Brown and Marlene McCauley were granted tenure.

Barnhill is an Assitant Professor of Intercultural Studies and Religious Studies. He joined the Guilford College faculty in 1986. Brown, an Assistant Professor of English, came to Guilford in 1987. McCauley serves as Assistant Professor of Geology. She has taught at Guilford since 1986.

#### Take notice: no notices

Students will not receive overdue notices from the library this semester, announced Circulation Librarian Karen Behm.

The library staff is involved with the barcoding of the book collection in preparation for the computerization of the card catalog and circulation services.

Behm stressed, however, that students will still be charged fines for overdue books.

## Hobbs residents clash with Res. Life

Jennifer Watts News Editor

With Residential Life's announcement of hall di-

rectors for the uncoming year came an outcry from many Mary Hobbs Hall residents.

The residents were not only angered that Residential Life failed to choose the current hall council presidentwho traditionally moves into the position of hall director-but they also were angered that Res. Life chose someone who has never lived in Hobbs for the role

Hobbs is a co-operative hall with its own kitchen and dining room. Because of this unique environment, many feel that only a woman who has previously lived in the build-

ing can effectively serve as hall director.

Only on one other occasion in the history of the hall has Residential Life not chosen someone who had previously been a Hobbs resi-

Associate Dean of Students Richard Ford explained that the break in tradition was due to a highly questioned Residential Life's mo-

tives, partly because the residents of the hall were not consulted in the decision making process.

did not consult the women of Hobbs about the issue.

"We were made to feel that our opinions don't matter," said

> Hargus, who also felt that the Quaker philosophy emphasizing consensus was undermined. "We felt Res. Life was being hypocritical."

> Student skepticism was amplified by an investigation by Res. Life into the cost of paying professional help to aid in cleaning what is now a selfmaintained hall.

> Residents also feared that the dining hall was in danger of being closed as the College announced its undertaking of a restructuring plan that will result in trimming \$1.3 million from next year's budget.

"If we had a hall director in here who didn't really understand how in-

and the importance of work jobs, she probably wouldn't fight to keep things the way they are," said current Mary Hobbs Hall Director Jen-

teractive the community is

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photo by Scott Shaffer

Assistant Director of Residential Life George Segebade addresses Mary Hobbs residents during a forum held Wednesday night.

#### qualified applicant pool and not an effort by Res. Life to "disrupt the [Mary Hobbs] community." Ten students applied for the seven available hall director positions.

The women of Hobbs, however,

Hobbs resident Jodie Hargus explained that the residents felt cheated, because Res. Life officials acknowledged that it was a difficult decision and one that would not be popular, yet the staff

## Committee proposes alternative to IDS 101

**Matthew Levy** Copy Editor

A possible alternative for Interdisciplinary Studies 101 was proposed by the Curriculum Committee at the Feb. 5 faculty meeting.

The future of IDS 101, which is currently required for all first year students, has been in question ever since the appearance of a memo on April 9, 1991, recommending that IDS 101 cease to be a college-wide requirement," because of a lack of faculty support.

The memo was released by an ad

hoc committee, appointed by President Rogers to evaluate the unpopular program. Its members were Jerry Godard (Psychology), Anne Ilinitch (Management), Frank Keegan (Biology), Elwood Parker (Mathematics) and Tom Powell (Philosophy).

Since 1968, Guilford has had a required first year course unconfined to a single discipline, successively called Man in the Twentieth Century, Being Human in the Twentieth Century, and Interdisciplinary Studies.

Instead of eliminating the pro-

gram altogether, the Curriculum Committee is suggesting that IDS 101 be discontinued and replaced with a newly designed first year student requirement. The new model is more flexible than the IDS 101, only stipulating a common theme and texts, and not requiring the faculty to take an interdisciplinary approach.

Unlike IDS 101's "cluster" model, which gives incoming students a choice of several subjects, supporters believe the new model will provide "...valuable aspects of commonality and comunity," in

which first year students "...share impressions of any one text or speaker which all would encounter as a part of their initial impression of Guilford College," the proposal

One member of the Curriculum Committee, Bill Carroll (Political Science) is dissenting its decision, because he sees no need for a common first year experience in addition to the required English 150 and 151. He proposes "...that freshmen take only disciplinary courses

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