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## The Front Page News Line

### NCATE and state teams visit this week

The National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) and a team of state officials will be on campus March 21-25.

During their visit the two organizations will work together in evaluating Guilford's Education Studies Department.

NCATE and state officials will be having formal and informal discussions with all facets of the community to determine campus-wide awareness about the department.

### Union makes plans to "dry out" Serendipity

Union announced plans this week to make Serendipity a "dry" event.

This is the first time in the history of Serendipity that it will be enforced as non-alcoholic.

Concerns have been raised in various areas of the community over whether such a policy can be enforced.

### Student Loan Fund Auction Scheduled

The 1992 Guilford College Student Loan Fund Auction will be held Saturday, March 28 in Founders Hall.

The public is invited to attend both the preview reception beginning at 7:30 pm in Boren Lounge and the auction at 8:30 pm in the dining hall. Tickets will be available at the door. They are \$10 for the general public or \$50 for a table of six.

For more information call 316-3070.

## Guilford safe from Painter

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On Wednesday the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) officially announced that the federally funded, six-lane super-highway named Painter Boulevard will not be built on the eastern route that includes the Guilford Woods.

NCDOT Secretary Tommy Harrelson and his staff instead approved the western route that will circle the city, skirting further out of town toward the Greensboro Triad International Airport.

The NCDOT indicated that it approved the western route because it displaces the fewest homes and businesses, and they also took into consideration an \$850 thousand environmental impact study that outlined the three possible alternatives. The western route also affects the least acreage of wet- and woodlands and avoids all eligible historic sites.

Harrelson's announcement follows some three years of deliberations concerning the best possible

ecologic, historic and economic options for Greensboro's outer belt-line. Greensboro developers, citizens' groups, corporations and individuals have lobbied these last three years, pressuring local, state and federal transportation officials to approve what they felt was the best option.

Because the eastern corridor option was to cut through Guilford

College's nationally registered, historical woodlands, and because the limited access highway was to intersect the surrounding communities, many in the Guilford and Greensboro areas challenged the eastern route.

Vice President for Finance and Development Jim Newlin, who assisted the community in lobbying against the Guilford route, stated that the eastern "plan makes no sense to the col-

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The Union officers for next year are President Scott Thornhill, Vice President Dana Tritsch, Treasurer Matthew Rudzinski and Secretary Jodie Hargus. To get a preview of their plans for next year see page three.

## Faculty replace IDS 101 with First Year Seminars

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Putting to rest the controversy over IDS 101, the faculty approved at its March 4 meeting a proposal by the curriculum committee that replaces the freshman, interdisciplinary courses with a First Year Seminar Program.

A First Year Seminar course will be offered by each department (with concessions for smaller departments), giving freshmen the opportunity to "preview" the departments in which they are interested.

As with IDS, freshmen will be sent a short description of the First Year Seminars and asked to choose on that basis. Course assignments will be based on student choice as far as possible.

Credit for the seminars will be counted as a core requirement and not a distribution requirement or major requirement, which is also the same manner in which IDS 101 was handled. In the instance of a double major, however, the course could be counted towards a major.

All departments will be responsible for the advising of freshmen. Those freshmen who are ready to

declare a major will be assigned an adviser in the department of their interest. Undecided students will be assigned special freshmen advisers. This process is expected to be more beneficial to students than the current system, because students can begin planning for their intended major sooner.

The main difference between the new seminars and the old freshman program lies in the fact that the philosophy of interdisciplinary studies has been abandoned. Interdisciplinary work requires instruction by professors outside of their field of expertise as various as-

pects of one or more disciplines are combined into a course.

Classics Professor Ann Deagon expressed a concern shared by many at the faculty meeting over what she called the "triumph of departmentality." She has actively crossed the boundaries of disciplines in her 36 years at Guilford and does not want to see the College become like larger universities, which are generally more department oriented.

"I would hate to see that happen at Guilford," said Deagon.

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"Asentenceisatransferenceofenergy,notjustacompletethought."--Dick Morton