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"Jaws of life" demonstrate dangers



This automobile was totalled in an accident caused by a drunk driver. It was on campus to help students visualize the dangers of recklessness.

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The "Jaws of Life" tore the roof and doors from a totalled Mazda. The destruction of the display car was the result of a drunk driving accident which occurred three months ago.

The demonstration was held in Founder's parking lot at 1 p.m., Monday, Nov. 9.

"This demonstration is just one activity of many scheduled for Alcohol Awareness Week," according to Helen Mulhern of Residential Life.

The "Jaws of Life" were operated by three Guilford County EMS workers in a fifteen-minute demonstration.

It showed the actual technique used to pry cars apart so that bodies may be removed after an accident.

R.S. Lindley, one of the Jaws operators explained, "In Guilford County, we have two to three dozen car openings a month."

Lindley warned, "Everybody thinks that the accident is going to happen to someone else. Unfortunately, that's what everyone else thinks; so the chances that you will

be involved in an accident of this magnitude are much greater than what most folks think."

Japera Parker, who wanted to have the car brought to campus said, "We brought it in as a good visual to show people what can really happen from drunk driving."

Parker observed the sign on the car, which read:

"Three months ago, two 17 year-old boys were killed in this car while driving drunk."

She looked down and pointed out that the items in the car—text-books, liquor bottles, everything—were left as they had been found on the night of the boys' death.

Mulhern explained the importance of Alcohol Awareness Week, and specifically the use of the wrecked car:

"We think most college campuses do have a drinking problem, and certainly Guilford is not immune to that. We want to have students become aware of their problems and the problems of their friends."

Responses to the use of car to promote awareness were varied.

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Library theft adds up

Matthew Levy
News Editor

As estimated by Library Director Herbert Poole, the library is now losing roughly \$25,700 annually due to book theft, out of an annual book buying budget of only \$119,000.

The loss of the books is particularly damaging because most of the books that disappear are among the most in demand.

Poole reported the losses to the administration and Budget Committee in a memorandum dated Oct. 5 wherein he requested addi-

tional mid-year funds to improve security.

Provost Dan Poteet expressed concern about the losses, but said that the request will not be reviewed for another couple of months.

The figure was calculated by multiplying the latest set of loss figures (2,400) by the average replacement cost of a book (\$75, including acquisition and processing) and dividing the resulting figure by the number of years over which the loss occurred (seven).

The total replacement cost of the titles stolen over the last seven years comes to about \$180 thousand.

Poole also pointed to the "loss that occurs when a volume one needs cannot be found. How do we attach a dollar amount to this?"

Library security has been a chronic problem for Guilford, according to Poole. Local interpretations of the fire code have prevented the College from installing an effective security system in the past, because locking all the doors but one is considered dangerous.

Director of Facilities and Planning Art Kopsak has since investigated security systems for both the library and the art gallery con-

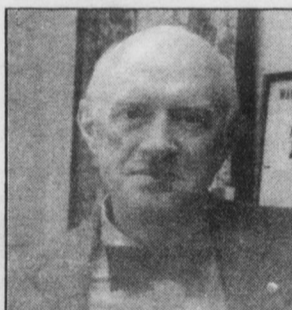


Photo by Elaine Brigham

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tained within.

According to his research, library security could be "enhanced considerably" for \$12,039. The gallery could be better protected for an additional \$2,823. Given the dollar cost of current annual losses, the payback period for the entire \$14,862 would be less than one year.

To preserve safety and legality, the system would have magnetic door seals which would alert the circulation desk when a door opened. If the doors were locked, a pulled fire alarm would release the seals after a short period of time.

Poole appeared in Senate to lobby for support. He asked the student organization to press the Budget Committee to grant the

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SLRP completes Quakerism report

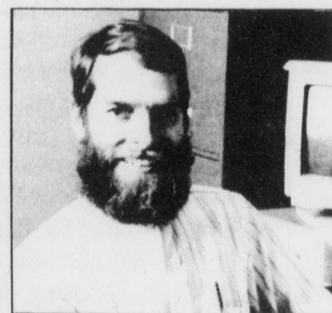
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The first segment of Guilford's long-range plan, which envisions the role of the college's Quaker heritage in future planning, is near completion.

The document, prepared by the Strategic and Long Range Planning Committee (SLRP), is in its next-to-final draft, and will be distributed to the community for response before it is completed.

To generate material for the draft, the Committee received presentations and input from several faculty members. Max Carter and Dick Dyer talked about Quaker heritage and student life; Elwood Parker discussed Quaker heritage and governance; Cyril Harvey spoke about Quaker heritage and the curriculum; and Mel Keiser discussed Quaker religion and academic life.

Once the committee has settled on a draft, it will circulate back to the community. The process is expected



Carter

to be complete in December. The next phase of the study, which examines institutional viability, has already begun.

Future proposals and course selections will be held up to the statement to see if they are in accordance with the college's Quaker heritage.

"I'm pleased the college is spending the kind of time and energy that it is on the college's Quaker heritage," said Max Carter, Campus Minister. "I think the quality of the college is directly related to its

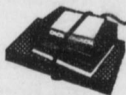
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