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It's dark, you're walking home alone. . .  
 does this make you nervous?  
**Maybe it should.**

*Guilford is not the utopia we wish it were, and we ALL need to take safety precautions. One important step is to call Security for an escort when you need to walk across campus late at night.*

available 24 hours a day

no questions asked

simply dial either 2909 or 0

*Security guards are more than willing to escort anyone, but you may have to wait 15-10 minutes depending on Security's work load — please be patient.*

In addition:

\* don't forget to carry your safety whistle  
 \*if you hear someone blow their whistle, blow yours continually and run towards the sound of the original whistle

# Changes on the Horizon: Resolution begins in Marriott controversy

**CORY BIRDWHISTELL**  
 staff writer

Marriott just wouldn't leave. When Guilford administrators acted to end the college's contract with the food service two weeks ago, Marriott executives begged for a chance to rectify all community complaints.

Complaints included misrepresenting student hours on W-2 forms, not notifying employees of a change in pay period, failing to pay full-time workers holiday pay for many years, mistreating employees, and finally, outright racism.

Last week, officials from Marriott headquarters and the corporation's educational division came on campus to talk to employees and set a plan for improvement.

"We've made some mistakes, and all parties are trying to make things better," explains George Koeng, vice president for human resources in the education division.

Full-time employees will be paid 8 years in back holiday pay, the pay cycle has been changed

back to weekly Saturday through Sunday, and the issue involving students' W-2 forms has been cleared up.

"I thought we had a good week," he comments. "I'm optimistic, but realistic—We have some work to do in pulling our associates together. Once someone's hurt it takes a long time for that to

## Story at a Glance

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\* Full-time employees will be paid 8 years in back holiday pay, the pay cycle has been altered, and W-2 forms for student workers issue has been cleared up.

\* Beth Estep is leaving Guilford College, but remaining with Marriott. She will be relocated to another college in the upcoming weeks.

\* Marriott vows to improve food quality and food choices.

go away."

President Don McNemar says, "We still have a long way to go but

I think we made a good first step." New players are involved, he notes, who are focusing on specific issues of diversity and quality programs.

One key player who will not be involved in the reforms is Beth Estep, director of Food Services. In a few weeks she will be leaving Guilford to take a position with Marriott at another college.

Koeng explains, "Beth, from the beginning, said that she would step aside for the sake of the Guilford community and Marriott."

A new director has yet to be decided upon.

Doug Gilmer, production manager, and Joseph Pinnix, lead cook, are working on revising the cafeteria's menu.

"Marriott has a product that it brings and we believe we can do a good job," Koeng says. "We have to do better than we're doing. We have to make sure we have a relevant menu, including vegan and vegetarian options. We can satisfy those needs."

## INQUIRING PHOTOGRAPHER

*"Do you feel the presence of the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual Association (GLBA) on campus?"*



**Barrett Everett Wylie**  
 sophomore

"I know there's a presence of people of other sexual orientations. I don't know anything about that alliance or organization."



**Blaine Lukkar**  
 first year

"Yeah, definitely I know a lot of people in it. I think it's cool."



**Amy Gorlow**  
 first year

"So far as I know they've only done one thing and they haven't done much publicity."



**Sherry Edwards**  
 first year

"I know a lot of the lesbians. I don't know any of the gays on campus."



**Matt Smith**  
 junior

"Some people know about it. I personally don't know too much about it, but I think that we could stand to learn some more."

by Becca Lee