

Young becomes new Senate president

◆ Molly Martin and La Shaira Fullwood resigned, leaving two vacant positions

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The year for Community Senate has gotten off to a tumultuous start. Events of the summer leave many wanting answers from the administration while others, including the new Senate administration, want to focus on the future.

In mid June, Molly Martin resigned from the position of Community Senate president and withdrew from Guilford College, citing as her reasons her "health and the best interests of the college."

With her resignation, Martin added to rumors dating back to the alleged racial attack of which she claimed to be a victim last spring. After the Greensboro Police Department closed their investigation, concluding that there wasn't sufficient evidence to back up or discredit her story, many suspected that Martin had staged the attack.

While the administration declines comment, Mona Olds, direc-



Molly Martin
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tor of student life, said, "We don't have any more information about the attack than we had back last spring."

In Martin's letter she apologized for "acts that were inappropriate and that were injurious to them (the Guilford College community) and to the college." She added, "I deeply regret those actions." The letter does not outline specific actions, and because the administration agreed with Martin not to discuss the issue, further clarification seems unlikely.

According to a *Greensboro News and Record* article by Beth McMurtrie, Martin returned home following her resignation to be with her mother, who is a victim of advanced breast cancer. La Shaira Fullwood, who was elected to be Martin's secretary this year, adds that the stress of last semester was seriously affecting Martin.

"Molly needed to leave to become a healthy person. She needed some down time and a safety zone to relax for a while."

Gary Young, who was elected

last year as Martin's vice-president, became president accordingly to the terms of the student government constitution. Usually the secretary then has the option of "maintaining the office of Secretary or assuming the office of Vice-President."

When Young called Fullwood to inform her of Martin's resignation, she told him she had decided to transfer into the Center for Continuing Education program for financial reasons. "Becoming a CCE

student would reduce the amount of hours I'd have to work and the amount of jobs also; so why not do it?" she said.

Fullwood will serve as vice-



Cragie, Riordan, and Young recruit new Senate members.

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president of the C.C.E. student government this year and according to the Guilford College Summer Newsletter, hopes to strengthen communication between the two student governments on campus.

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The class of 2002 arrives for Chaos

◆ First-year students represent success of admission office and entire community



Students participate in activities on opening day.

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Guilford welcomed the largest group of first-year students in years to campus last week. The students come from all over the world, with only 22% hailing from North Carolina. Many of them also share an

interest in African drumming.

The increase in numbers represents the culmination of years of hard work by the Guilford College admissions staff. The

process of recruiting is a several-year process because students are usually identified as potential good fits for Guilford as juniors and sophomores in high school.

Al Newell, Director of the Admission Office, credits the extraordinary work of his staff with the improvement. He also says that the Guilford College community has

come to realize that "recruitment is a community activity." The willingness of student admission volunteers and faculty to make students feel welcome is a successful part of the college's recruitment strategy.

The welcoming process continued at Chaos, Guilford's orientation program. This year arrival went well. "I was very happy with how it went—arrival went smoother than ever and we were very well prepared," said Anne Lundquist, Director of the First-Year Program. "The leaders did an outstanding job of answering questions and being positive."

The Chaos program was somewhat different this year. "Chaos was one day shorter in response to the evaluations from last year," said Lundquist. "We prepared student leaders better by training them in a two-

credit seminar. We also added some new features, which were very well-attended."

Leaders were enthusiastic as well. Reggie Wilson, a senior, was a team leader at Chaos and will be participating in the mentoring program. "I am looking forward to the fall semester so that I may get a chance to work closer with the stu-

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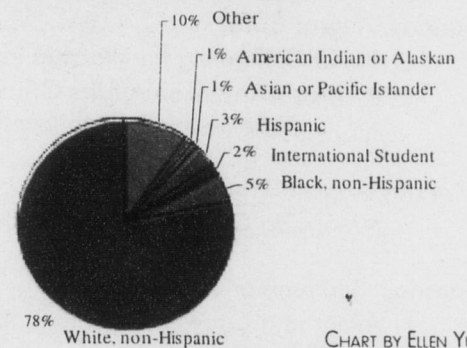


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