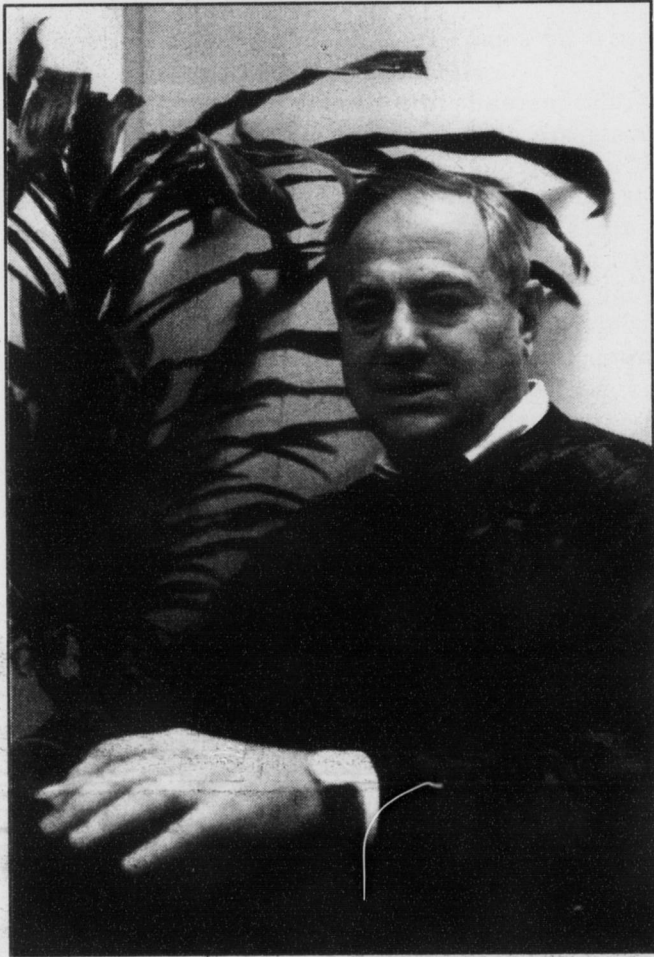


## Art Gillis to retire

◆ CFO's retirement announced amidst controversy stirred by the removal of Academic Dean Martha Cooley



Art Gillis arrived on campus four years ago.

**McNemar says Gillis' retirement is not a reaction to current community anger. "We have been discussing it for some time," he said.**

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Two vice-presidents have announced their resignations in the past two weeks.

On Wednesday, April 12th, President Don McNemar sent a campus-wide announcement stating that Chief Financial Officer and Vice-President Art Gillis was retiring from his position.

The announcement, which surprised most of the college, came as the community was still discussing the forced resignation of Academic Dean Martha Cooley, also a vice-president.

Faculty and students have rallied behind Cooley in the last week, following an address she delivered at a closed faculty meeting, in which she expressed both a deep respect for Guilford and concerns about the diversion of funds from academic programs and the erosion of faculty and student voice in the governance of the college.

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## Plans for King revealed

By Karie Johnson  
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"Although we enjoyed the elaborate, and creative, proposal calling for King hall to be turned into a brothel, we decided after extensive discussions not to include this among our recommendations," writes Richie Zweigenhaft in the Facilities Committee Working Draft Proposal for King Hall.

The old science building will be initially left vacant after the new Frank Family Science Center opens this year. Several different groups requested space in the building. After renovation, the building will still have classrooms, but will also include spaces for various campus organizations, programs, and departments, and be used for everything from storage to lounges.

The Facilities Committee found space for virtually every request. Brian Dumas, the student representative on the committee, commented, "No one's [upset], so I guess student voices were heard."

The proposal suggests that the basement of King be used as storage space for IT&S, which need new storage to make up for the space in Bauman now used for noncredit programs. The committee has also allocated space for SAFE (Sexual Assault Task Force), a classroom, and studio space for advanced art students, and a Community Writing Center (not the same as the ASC, but will be used by Earthbound, the new writer's collective, and for COW's tutorials).

The allocated space for art should accommodate approximately ten students. Due to noise concerns, it is recommended for a one-year trial. No one expects art students to work

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## Serendipity rained out and canceled

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Blame it on the rain.

It was falling last Saturday as Serendipity organizers scrambled to secure concert equipment against the rising storm with tarps and electrical tape. "We began set-up that morning at nine and we were still working on the set when the rain began at 2 p.m.," said Dawn Watkins, Director of Student Activities and Events Planning.

"After an hour of running out in the rain and taping down tarps that were flying loose because of the wind, the electrical equipment became so wet that we knew the evening's events couldn't happen. You can't plug in wet equipment—same reason you can't use a blow dryer in the bath tub, but multiply the voltage by 10,000," said Watkins, explaining why the concert was not moved into Dana auditorium. "So, around three, in the pouring, cold rain, we began

to disassemble everything we'd worked all morning to set up."

Watkins wanted to thank student volunteers Brad Fisher, Cassie Morgan, Megan Page, Abby McCrillis, Joe Sarmento, Cynthia McKay, Brad Waters, Drew Baird, Nick Lamotta, Luke Davis and Michael Simpson for staying to strike the equipment. "These folks went above and beyond the call of duty and aren't getting enough thanks for all they did."

Cowboy Mouth, Two Dollar Pistols, The Nobodies, and The Patrick Rock Band were scheduled to play on the south end of the football field beginning at 6 p.m. Because the bands were under contract, they had to be paid regardless of whether or not they performed, although there is a chance that Cowboy Mouth may return in late April. "I really believe it's time for us to re-think how we structure this day. Having concerts indoors is better than not having them at all," said Watkins.

Many students enjoyed themselves despite the weather. Guilford's women's rugby and men's lacrosse teams still held games, the former of which featured the ladies in their formal wear. Some braved the cold and got jiggly in the Jell-o pits, keeping the Serendipity tradition alive.

Other students just sat in their rooms and drank. "Serendipity sucked. I still got drunk though," said junior Steven Brinkworth. Many simply walked across the street to Just One More,

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