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Guilford sets enrollment record

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The college has broken its enrollment record this spring with an increase of 52 students over the fall. The new total is 2,153.

The college surpassed the all-time headcount recorded in the fall of 1965, when 2,101 students enrolled. Normally, colleges and universities have a decrease in enrollment from the spring to the fall.

An increase of 105 students in the Center for Continuing Education (CCE) program helped push the college's total enrollment to its current total, while both traditional-age and Early College enrollment dropped slightly.

The Dean for Continuing Education, Bill Stevens, said that the college has more bachelor's degree courses at night than any other college



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Hendricks Hall, behind King Hall, is home to Guilford's ever-increasing CCE program

or university in the Triad area.

This year the college celebrates the 50th anniversary of its adult degree program.

"Adults are very satisfied with their experiences here," Randy Doss, Vice President for Enrollment and Campus

Life, said: "Guilford has a tremendous academic reputation in the area."

Students and faculty say that the CCE program benefits the college community, both in and out of the classroom.

"Personally, I find it really motivating to be around people who are so adamant to do well," traditional-age junior Elisabeth Villette said.

"Adult students are wonderful assets in the classroom."

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Political activism at Guilford

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The candidates involved in the Democratic National Primary have a range of striking personalities, from the Rev. Al Sharpton to the outspoken frontrunner John Kerry, the junior senator from Massachusetts. At the college, two names in particular are making an impact: Rep. Dennis Kucinich of Ohio and Governor Howard Dean of Vermont.

Senior Hope Bastian, who has been campaigning for Kucinich on campus and in Greensboro, was first introduced to Kucinich as she listened to NPR while driving home after work as a union organizer for the United Commercial Workers Union in Redsprings, N.C. last summer.

In that interview, Kucinich proclaimed, "I'm running for president to bring a new day to America, an administration which will focus on the social, the economic, the human needs of the people and use the resources of our country to make sure that all Americans have decent health care, to get rid of health care for profit, to make sure that when people are sick they can see a doctor, to make sure that no one in

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Black music in historical perspective



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Ann Hunt Smith performs in Dana Auditorium Feb. 10

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At 7 p.m. Feb. 10 in Dana Auditorium, 68-year-old vocalist Ann Hunt Smith gave an interactive, musical, and historical presentation on African-American music. Smith's performance was part of the celebration of Black History Month at Guilford

The original program, first performed by Smith in 1967 at the segregated Lincoln High

in Chapel Hill, N.C., began with work and sorrow songs. Smith presented these all with a powerful and sad voice, dressed as a slave and doing a back-and-forth dialogue to depict the horror, fear, and desperation of plantation life.

Smith continued on her historical journey singing a montage of slave songs, each designed to tell slaves how to escape to freedom. "They were a code to help slaves,"

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