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Serendipity 2004



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Spectators gathered to get a close view of the "Hambone Competition" - part of this year's Serendipity festival square dancing event

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Vandalism on campus

Kathy Oliver
Staff Writer

"I don't understand. Who's doing this?"

That is the question that has been buzzing around the college community concerning the recent incidents of vandalism on Guilford's campus. Since March 1, there have been five incidents of destruction of private property, including vending machines, cars, and bicycles.

The most recent cases of vandalism have involved school property. On March 23, the electrical cords of 17 Coke machines on campus were found cut in political protest of the practices of the Coca-Cola Corporation.

Earlier the incidents of vandalism were more personal.

Sophomore Malisa Mann received a call from security March 19, advising her to check her car. She found that the windshield of her Jeep Cherokee had been bashed in with some sort of blunt object. Mann is one of three students whose windshields were smashed that week.

"All three windshields had the same residue on them," said Keifer Bradshaw, Public Safety Coordinator. "Because it seems the same kind of instrument was used in all three cases, we believe that the same person or persons are responsible."

Bicycles have been defaced

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Student speakers announced

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Staff Writer

"It's been a really cool adventure getting to this point," said Lucas Wolf, one of this year's commencement speakers. "Guilford's been a launching pad to open my eyes to my own possibilities in the world."

Graduation is upon us and the Convocation and Celebrations Committee announced on March 19 that Kenyona "Sunny" Matthews, Lucas Wolf, and John Allred will be this year's student commencement speakers. The speakers were nominat-

ed and elected by their graduating peers.

"I was surprised to be picked from so many wonderful people," said Matthews. "I didn't think I was going to get it."

Wolf was equally as surprised and pleased to be selected. "It's really humbling and an honor," he said. "I can't say enough words about how honored I am."

Matthews, a traditional student from Greensboro, is a Political Science, Philosophy, and African American Studies triple major.

Matthews has not only been

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Alcohol and drugs trouble Guilford

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Alcohol and other drug use across the nation is a big issue for college students, and it hasn't stopped at Guilford.

One may have forgotten during Serendipity, but students are concerned about the drug use on campus. Serendipity, Guilford's annual spring festival, began Thursday, March 25 and lasted until clean-up Sunday afternoon. Serendipity is known for its bands and parties as well as a campus

increase in drinking and the use of drugs.

Many people in the Guilford community agree that alcohol is the drug most abused on campus.

Statistics back up the overwhelming response. A survey of incoming first-years found that 55% of Guilford students drank beer, compared to the 35% of students from other four-year private religiously affiliated colleges. The survey also found that 64% of Guilford students consume hard liquor and wine, where only 42% of the peer group of did.

"It leads me to think that the percentage of students who choose Guilford may be more likely to use alcohol and drugs than the peer groups," said Anne Lundquist, Dean of Campus Life

Lundquist works in part in educating student's on alcohol and other drug use, along with others in the department of Campus Life, faculty, and staff members.

Campus Life gives students' avenues for a substance-free life style such as substance-free housing, host-responsibility training,

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