

Greensboro sexual assaults hit close to Guilford

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carried a handgun.

Police say women should lock their doors and windows, and call 911 if they notice any suspicious activity around their home.

"Make sure your windows are clear of bushes and structures people can hide around," said Lt. George Holder of the Greensboro Police. For women who live alone and don't have a dog, a UNCG student suggested that buying a "Beware of Dog" sign is worth the one-dollar investment.

Georgia Kennedy, a first-year at UNCG, said that the way the university informed students was "practically a joke."

"I don't think they did a very good job of alerting people," said Kennedy. "They put up safety bulletins that you wouldn't notice any more than a concert flyer."

In an unrelated incident, Guilford students living in Friendly Hills saw an intoxicated man masturbating in front of their apartment and called the police. The police did not arrest the man

because they did not catch him in the act, but they

cops.

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escorted him off the premises.

Junior Julie Sloane saw the man, and called another student living in Friendly Hills, who then called the

hand and a penis in the other," said Sloane. "The reassuring thing is that the police were here within five minutes, although they couldn't do that much."

"We lock our doors now," said senior Ashley Ross, who also lives in Friendly Hills. "After something like that happens you definitely feel like your safety is at stake."

Sloane said that although the incident was alarming when it happened, she views it now with humor.

Ross feels safe in her neighborhood.

"There are stricter security measures on campus," Ross said. "There is sketchy stuff that happens but Guilford feels safe."%



Senate/Union Elections!

It is time for the current Community Senate to prepare for the elections of new Executive Councils for Senate and to Student Union.

Senate and Union elections will be held between 7:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. on March 22, 2005 in Dana lounge, off Founders Lobby. Ballots will be cast electronically, and voters must present their student IDs before voting.

Currently, there are two tickets running for Student Union and one ticket running for Community Senate. Write in ballots may or may not be accepted on the day of the election. Contact your Senate representative for more information.

Election results will be announced not later than 8 a.m. on March 23, and appeals for election's violations must be submitted before 11:59 p.m. that same day.

If you would like to receive more information regarding the elections process and the rules that govern it please e-mail Laura Wigand, at lwigand@guilford.edu.

Thanks and good luck!

Black History Month celebrated

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Towards the end of the ceremony, CCE student Larry Draughn read of the "Spoken Word" from the Last Poet. Draughn believes that The Last Poet's Blues were very true, and by reading them he intended to enlighten as well as entertain.

"I sang the blues in church on Sunday. Slavin' on Monday, Misused on Tuesday, Abused on Wednesday, Accused on Thursday, Fried alive on Friday, and died on Saturday. Sho'nuff singin' the blues," read Draughn.

Draughn grew up in the '60s, attended a predominantly white school and was very involved in the civil rights movement. He believes that Black History Month should be celebrated simply because accomplishments of black Americans have never been truly and honestly told.

"Everybody has been lied to, black and white. It's important to celebrate Black History Month because it's American history," said Draughn. "It just wouldn't be American, if the accomplishments of black Americans weren't honored."

Senior Kate Doom agrees. She believes the evening's celebration of black history is a part of Guilford's tradition of celebrating diversity.

"(This black history celebration) is not just a formality. It's not something we are obligated to do by any means because it's the month of February," said Doom. "It can be a fun celebration and a fun learning experience. And so (the evening) was."

Junior Tanya Madenyika also thought that the evening served its purpose.

"It attracted a very diverse audience," said Madenyika. "It was a well-organized show that included remarkable poetry, skits and excellent music on black history."

Renee Daye who followed Draughn, summarized the evening's celebrations. She said, "Tonight I want to take a moment to challenge you to take an interest in African American History, not just for February but for the rest of the year."

In her closing remarks, Tonya Marion took Daye's message even further.

"I would like to challenge each and every one of

you to find something you believe in and live it," she said. "You have the power."%



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