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## David McCullough speaks in Bryan Series *Pulitzer Prize winner discusses the importance of history*

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On Nov. 2, historian David McCullough, two-time Pulitzer Prize winning author for his works "John Adams" and "Truman," spoke at War Memorial Auditorium as the most recent speaker in The Bryan Series. McCullough sat down with Guilford students and faculty in Hege Library at a question and answer session on the afternoon of his speech. During the session, McCullough touched on education and history's relativity. "Students today know far less history than they used to," said McCullough. "It's sad and it's dangerous." When McCullough was asked how professors can improve education through writing, the former English major

said the key is to take action "Don't tell me; show me," he said. "Writing teaches you how to think," McCullough continued. "To write well you have to think clearly. It focuses the brain

in a way that nothing else does." History's fading influence and interest level were a focal point in McCullough's responses. McCullough said, "History gets written with all the color,

flavor, and humanity squeezed out of it; then it becomes a sequence of events—and it's boring."

McCullough said that historians are now facing a critical moment in the educational process. In order to make history more alive and real to the sense, and less of a sequence of events, McCullough believes it needs one thing: empathy. He said, "Empathy—that's what historians need more than anything else, in my point of view." McCullough added, "It's human nature to be interested in history." He expanded on this point in his evening speech.

"Human beings love to hear stories about times gone by," said McCullough at War Memorial Auditorium. McCullough's speech, "Reflections on 1776 and Nathaniel Greene," touched on the life and times of a few heroes of the American Revolution. Reflecting on past eras in history, some may think of them as the "good old days" when life was simpler. **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2**



PHOTO BY JULIAN KENNEDY  
RENOWNED AUTHOR AND HISTORIAN DAVID MCCULLOUGH SPEAKS IN THE CARNEGIE ROOM TO A SPECIAL STUDENT GROUP BEFORE HIS BRYAN SERIES LECTURE LATER THAT EVENING.

### Cafeteria Forum

On November 1, students held a forum to bring issues of discrimination within the cafeteria to the attention of the community.

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### Political Reality

Bush has made new promises for Iraq, and the gas prices are dropping. But if the past is any precedent, it all ended Tuesday.

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Swords, spells and socks... A spectator's guide to the most light-hearted contact sport ever played on the quad.

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## Border fence issue divides nation *United States approves 700 mile fence*

BY PETE MCGUIRE | STAFF WRITER

The drive from Boston to Guilford College is roughly 700 miles and takes 12 and a half hours. That is approximately the same length as the fence that President Bush has proposed to build along the United States-Mexico border. On Oct. 26, President George W. Bush signed a law that approved the partitioning of 700 miles of the United States-Mexico border. The law comes as an effort to bolster support for the Republican Party before midterm elections.



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BUSH SEEKS TO CONTROL ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION BY BUILDING A FENCE ON THE US-MEXICO BORDER.

"Unfortunately, the United States has not been in complete control of its borders for decades and, therefore, illegal immigration has been on the rise," said President Bush in a press conference directly following the signing of the law. "We have a responsibility

to address these challenges. We have a responsibility to enforce our laws. We have a responsibility to secure our borders. We take this responsibility seriously."

But the President's decision to build a border fence has angered many people who believe that it is solely a political move.

"Some U.S. politicians who wish to get elected and stay there realize their political chances are much better playing to the racially charged fears of misinformed voters than discussing the real issues the country now faces," said Blaine Lukkar, director of Guilford's

Multicultural Scholars Program. "These politicians benefit alongside the corporations who win the contracts to build these walls"

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## Six athletes inducted into hall of fame *Baseball, football, golf, and tennis alums recognized*

BY MEGAN WISE | STAFF WRITER

Family and friends of six former Guilford Athletes gathered eagerly to watch their induction into the school's hall of fame.

The inductees included Jennifer Friend-Kerr, Steven L. Harwell, Calvin Hunter, Walter "Buddy" Smith, Jay Terrell, and Tony Womack.

"There is a committee of former coaches who basically make the selections after the nominations have been made," said Athletic Director Marion Kirby.

As the ceremony began, Kirby welcomed everyone to the event. He then recognized all of the previous inductees who were in attendance that day. President Kent Chabotar then made some opening remarks and turned the stage back over to Kirby who conducted the presentation of the inductees.

Each inductee was recognized with a brief slideshow of their accomplishments followed by a plaque and medal presentation. The inductees then said a few words of their own.

The first member inducted was Jennifer Friend-Kerr, a member of the tennis team under Coach Gayle Currie and 1987 graduate. Friend-Kerr began by thanking her family, friends and former coach. She then told of how she came to be a Guilford tennis player.

"I used to have to sit on the light box outside the tennis courts and watch my dad and older brother play," Friend-Kerr said. "One day I decided I didn't want to watch anymore, I wanted to play."

Friend-Kerr went on to speak of her great experience at Guilford. "If I remember anything about

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TENNIS PLAYER JENNIFER FRIEND-KERR GRADUATED IN 1986 WITH A B.A. IN FRENCH. SHE CURRENTLY WORKS AS A TUTOR IN THE BEAUFORT COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT.