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Cafeteria receives third 'B' in two years, faces possible permit loss

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On Feb. 26, the Guilford cafeteria received its third "B" sanitation score in two years.

The most recent inspection rubric came with an attached, "Notice of Intent to Suspend or Revoke Permit."

The notice's violation section said that there was a, "Failure to reach proper final temperature on dish-machine." The notice warned that the NC Department of Environment and Natural Resources intended to suspend the cafeteria's permit unless the violation was corrected within 30 days.

The cafeteria has lost points on sanitation scores five times over the last five years because of the dishwasher's water temperature. Several past comment sheets acknowledged that the washer's temperature was a "recurring problem."

The cafeteria staff discovered that a faulty valve that gave false temperature readings was responsible for the sanitation grade's largest deduction.

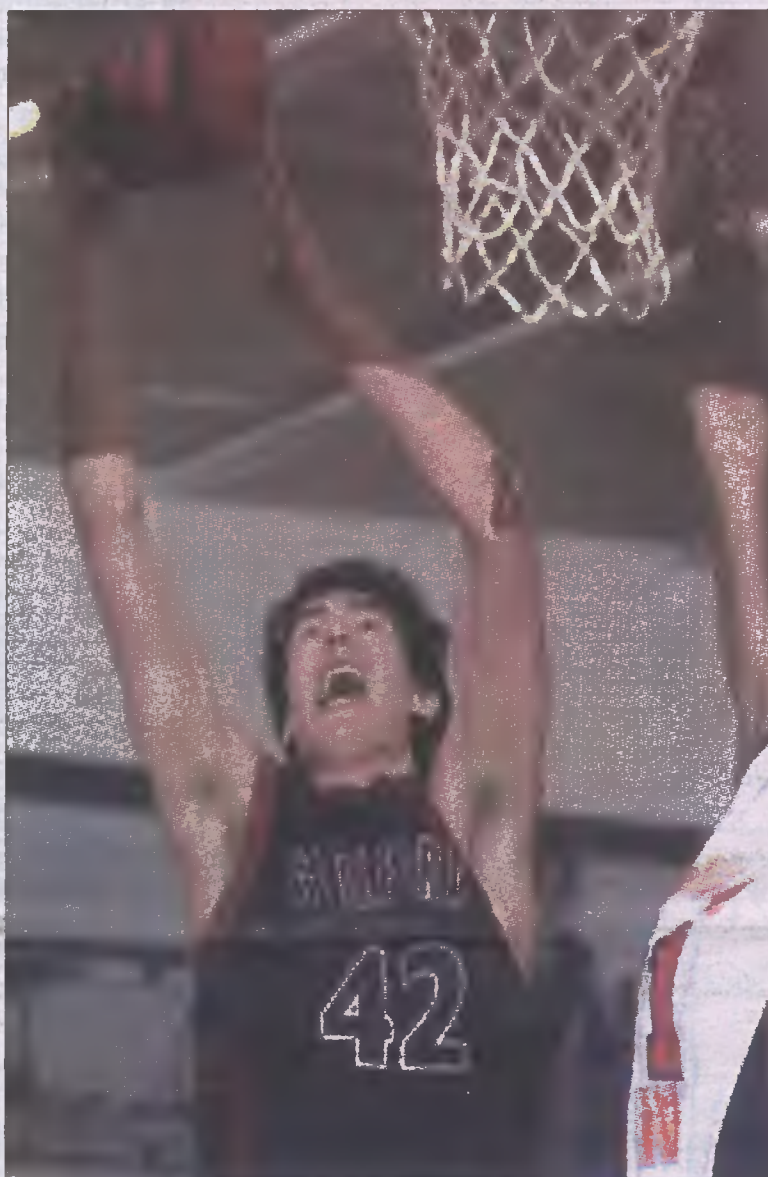
"We took 10 straight days during spring break to fix the dishwasher. Everything is replaced. It is fixed," said Michael Watts, general manager of dining services, "the main valve in the basement was the main problem ... we check now the machine twice a day."

The cafeteria will be re-inspected within 30 days after the first sanitation grade was given. If the dishwasher functions properly, the sanitation grade will be raised from 88.5 to 93.5. If the dishwasher does not work, the cafeteria

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Basketball concludes bittersweet season

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COURTESY OF GARY BRITAIN
BEN STRONG SCORED A DIVISION III TOURNAMENT-RECORD 59 POINTS AGAINST LINCOLN.

The Guilford basketball season ended over spring break with a pair of early eliminations from the ODAC tournament and a surprise run in the NCAA tournament.

Both the men's and women's basketball teams were defeated in the first round of the Old Dominion Athletic Conference tournament in Salem, Va. The men, ranked second in the ODAC tournament, were upset by Bridgewater with an 88-78 loss, but were still invited to the NCAA tournament, and the women were defeated 75-49 by Virginia Wesleyan.

"The girls fell behind early in their first game and scrambled back to get within six at halftime ... but I think we exerted too much energy in the first half getting back into the game, and Virginia Wesleyan was able to pull away," said Sports Information Director Dave Walters.

The VWC Marlins came

out strong and built a 32-15 advantage, which the women were able to beat back to 37-31 before halftime. Strong defensive play on behalf of the Marlins protected their lead to finish ahead of the Quakers.

"The kids came back after our playoff loss and played pick-up the next day because they missed basketball," said women's coach Stephanie Flamini via e-mail. "That is the first time I have seen that happen at Guilford College."

Similarly, Bridgewater came out strong against the Quaker men, leading 45-21 at halftime. The Quakers chipped away at the lead with three-pointers, but they could not close the gap.

"That was a surprise and also disappointing. We were seeded second in the tournament and we were playing seventh-seeded Bridgewater. We'd just beaten Bridgewater handily in their own gym a couple weeks before ... maybe that was part of the

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Army grants waivers to criminals



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Aggravated assault is an unlawful attack when the offender intentionally causes injury and bodily harm with or without a weapon and with no regard to the victim. Aggravated assault includes the intent to kill, rob or rape.

Most people would like to see attempted rapists and murderers serving time. Instead, they are being offered the opportunity to serve in the army.

Recently, the number of so called "moral waivers," waivers which allow known criminals to serve in the army, has increased. Approved waivers for people convicted of both felonies and misde-

meanors have increased since 2006, according to The New York Times.

According to The New York Times, "Fewer than 3 in 10 people ages 17 to 24 are fully qualified to join the Army."

"The data is crystal clear; our armed forces are under incredible strain, and the only way that they can fill their recruiting quotas is by lowering their standards," said Rep. Martin T. Meehan, Democrat of Massachusetts and chairman of the House Armed Services Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight, to The New York Times.

Sophomore Emily Febiger feels that recruiting criminals does not reflect on the army well.

"It seems like the wrong thing to do,"

Febiger said. "Giving a gun to someone with a criminal record and (who) has used a gun violently in the past seems dangerous."

The New York Times reported that Meehan holds these beliefs as well.

"We are endangering the rest of our armed forces and sending the wrong message to potential recruits across the country," Meehan said of allowing criminals into the army.

Sophomore Kat Siladi isn't surprised by the number of criminals in the army.

"It seems that a criminal would join because of limited job opportunities," Siladi said.

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