

HOMECOMING

Homecoming gathers all of Guilford's best parts: 2011



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The Good Lovelies Concert

Three lovely ladies from Canada helped commemorate the close of Homecoming 2011.

Caroline Brooks, Kerri Ough and Sue Passmore of The Good Lovelies were personable and encouraged crowd participation through snapping and giving the audience pieces to sing.

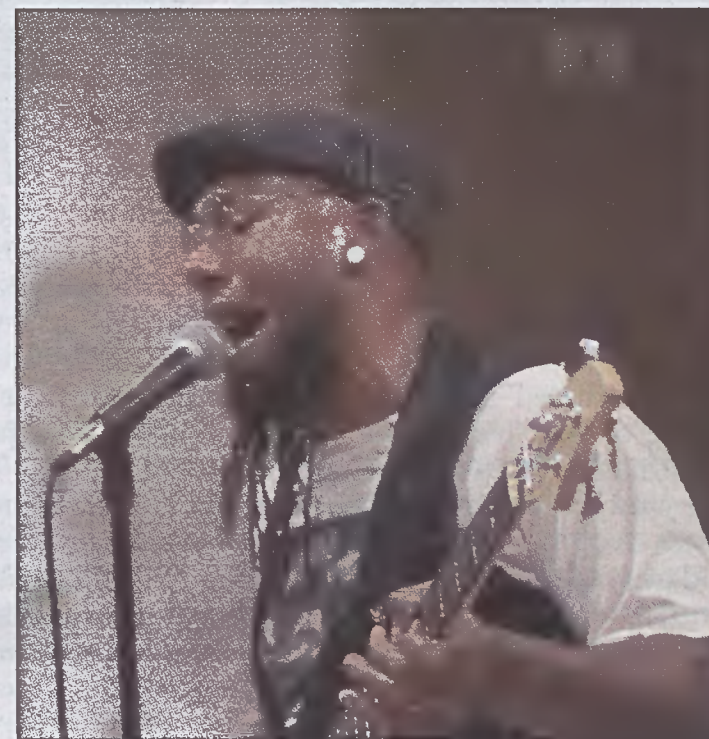
The Good Lovelies loved to tell stories, including one in which they explained one of their first shows. Apparently this show was cheap at just three dollars a ticket, and with a name like the "Good Lovelies," the small Canadian town thought the band were traveling strippers. The story concluded with the comment, "Guilford College is better than a strip club."

The Element

Thursday night kicked off Homecoming with The Element's open mic, which welcomed poets, singers and other musicians from Guilford and around the Triad area. This event was hosted by the Multicultural Education Department.

"The Element gets people to come together to showcase talent over a common interest of the performing arts," said senior Ashley Campbell.

The acts on Thursday included a poem by off-campus guest Keith Burton titled "You're Beautiful," a guitar and song performance by freshman Taylor Hallet, Stroud's cover of Adele's "Someone Like You" and a performance from the returning spoken word artist who calls himself "The Beast."



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Bonfire Pep Rally

"Here we go Quakers, here we go!" rang out through the depth of the woods on Friday night. The chant, led by the Quaker cheerleaders, was coming from the bonfire pep rally by the lake. This event was put on by CCE's Student Government Association.

The cheering continued throughout the night and into the morning, as the Quakers were enthusiastically supported by their peers at the game on Saturday. School spirit was heard and seen everywhere that day, in part thanks to the pep rally the night before.



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(Top left) The Good Lovelies own the stage as they close the Homecoming celebrations with a few ballads. (Bottom left) Students support their team but also get the benefit of roasting marshmallows and socializing with friends at the bonfire pep rally which was held by the CCE's student government near the Guilford lake. (Above) "The Beast" and several other rappers, along with spoken poets, perform for a group of Guilford Alumni at The Element, put on by the Multicultural Education Department in the community center.

Beyond "Green and Beyond"

Solarpalooza shines on Guilford

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Homecoming weekend brings out the true spirit of Guilford. There is a crisp smell of fall in the air; the weather is perfect, it is a lovely 70 degrees, and the sun is shining bright.

Children are frolicking and everyone has a smile on their face; there is an abundance of laughter and an overall feeling of indescribable joy to be a Guilford student.

As you approach the street festival, an annual Guilford homecoming event that incorporated Solarpalooza this year, the aroma of delicious food tingles your

nostrils.

This year's street festival smelled exceptionally sweet because the smell of green at Guilford was in the air.

"Solarpalooza (was) a very different event this year because it goes along with the street festival," said sustainability consultant Bryce Bjornson '11. "Last year, Solarpalooza was its own event. It had live music; it was kind of like a fall festival. This year, we integrated sustainability into the current street festival."

The goal of Solarpalooza is to raise awareness about sustainability at Guilford and within the greater community.

One of the green events for Homecoming included a lecture that addressed current environmental issues.

Physics major Dail Rowe '90 was the speaker for the fourteenth annual Sheridan A. Simon Distinguished Alumni Lecture on Oct. 7.

The lecture was called "Faith in the Future: Changing the Earth ... and Learning to Deal with It".

Rowe described how the world is going to change and how the effects of eco-hazardous living and practices can already be seen.

As the world heats up and the sea levels rise, the weather will inevitably be altered. As Rowe said, "Global warming changes weather, period."

"We have to make decisions on what to do now," said Rowe. "That is my faith in the future, that we can figure things out."

Even though the future may appear bleak, events such as Solarpalooza bring us one step closer to having a brighter, greener future.

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