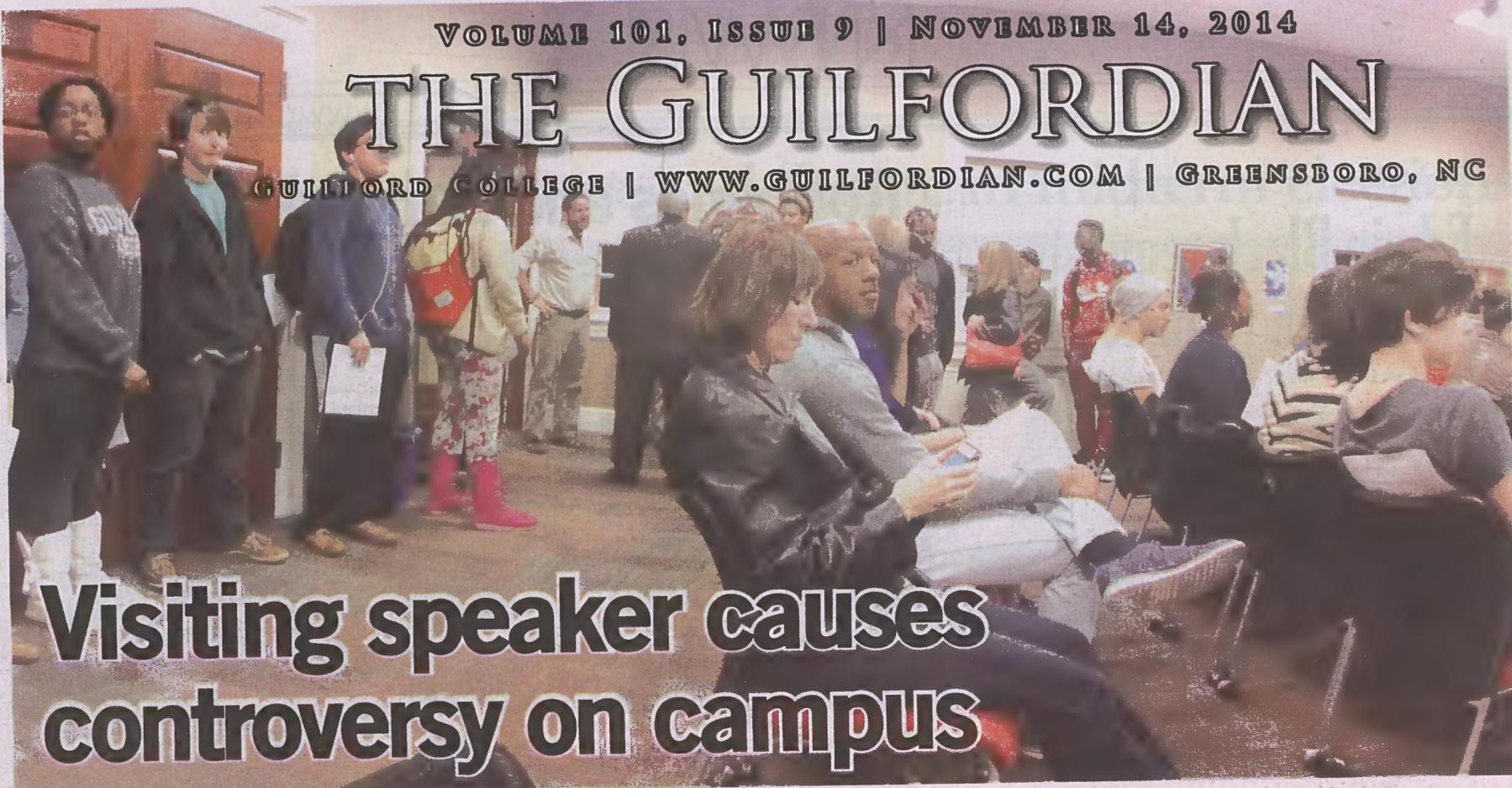
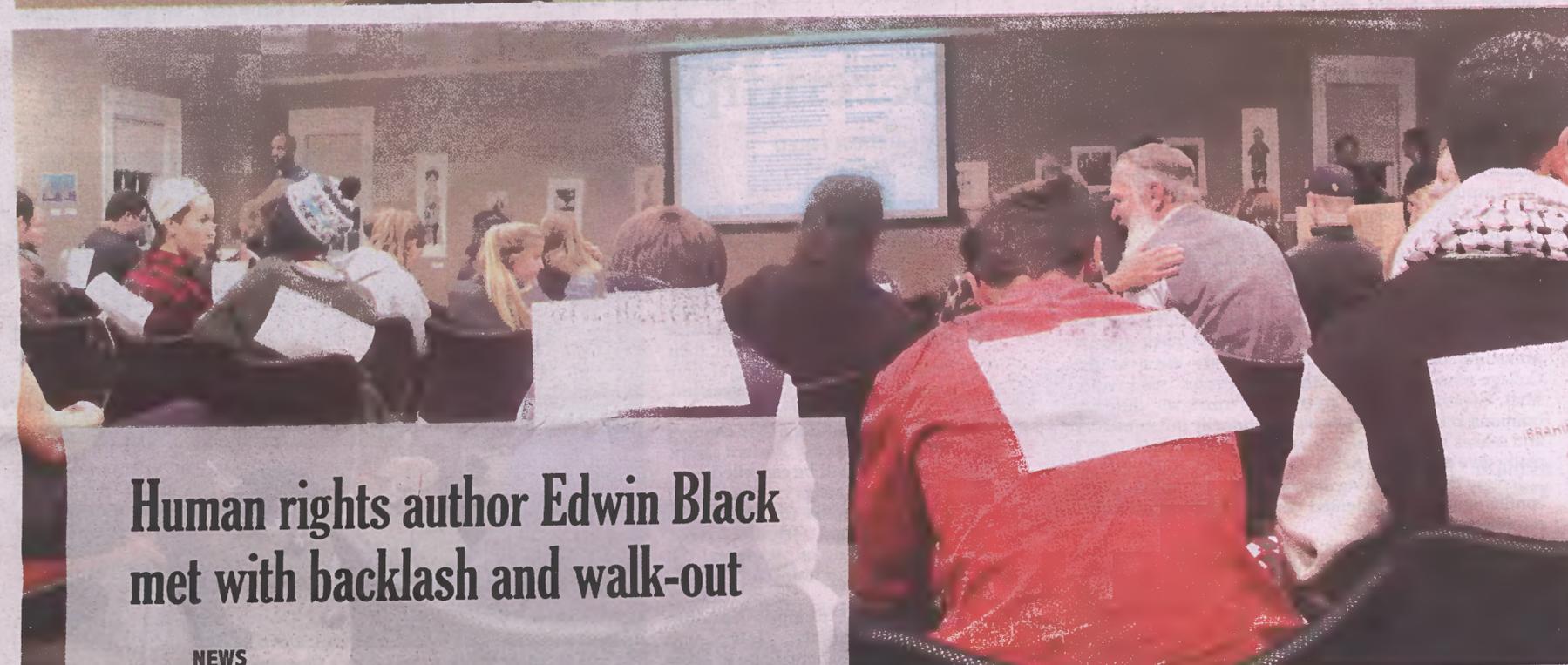


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Visiting speaker causes controversy on campus



Human rights author Edwin Black met with backlash and walk-out

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On Nov. 4, Edwin Black, an award-winning but controversial investigative reporter came to campus to deliver a presentation titled "Financing the Flames," from his book of the same name, which explores the use of American taxpayer money to fund incarcerated Palestinians who have been imprisoned for anti-Israeli activities.

He has been an active journalist for more than 40 years, published 11 books, and been nominated for a Pulitzer prize nine times. He has also received awards for human rights reporting and been interviewed on numerous television shows in the United States, Europe and Latin America.

In introducing Black, Vice President and Academic Dean Adrienne Israel stressed the value of bringing speakers to campus who represent different points of view, as unpopular as they might be.

"When I was in college, we specialized in challenging people we disagreed with and having these kinds of arguments," she said "And I kind of miss that at Guilford sometimes. I think we avoid disagreement and feel threatened by it. I remember vividly being in college and having some fiery conversations. I believe that as long as people continue talking to each other, then we have a chance to make progress."

The Students for Justice in Palestine, however, disagreed

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Community members filled the East Gallery of Founders on Tuesday, Nov. 4, for **Edwin Black's** lecture "Financing the Flames." Many students walked out in protest shortly after he began to speak.

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