

# Fools in Residence

Unable to muster the full concentration on in-depth, fully-coherent editorial deserves, I decided this week to write a little about a lot.

Coming "home" after the very brief hiatus, I was stunned to find the campus dotted with white posts. Were long-forgotten Confederate graves finally being historically marked?

No, these are the solutions to our eroding paths: obnoxious posts strung with metallic chains bearing messages that randomly call Guilford students (tuition-paying) "village idiots," "city urchins," and "fools."

My favorite is the lonely

the frenzied selling of carnations and Oktoberfest tickets outside the cafeteria. With their infamous "Buy or die" slogans, both groups made entry into the cafeteria comparable to landing on Iwo Jima.

The die-hard efforts paid off for both groups, as Saturday proved to be a day that will go down in Homecoming history as fun and more fun. Carnations adorned collars, hair-do's, button-holes, teeth, lapels, and ears of a lucky majority on campus and an even luckier, minority had the time of their lives at Oktoberfest, sponsored by the German House.

The beer never stopped flow-

Please what? . . . Please

make these signs go away.

"Please," Please what? Please don't steal the pigeons? Please don't walk on the squirrels? Please, faculty thinking? Please make the signs go away!

Another disappointment is the continuing, missing-in-action status of our local pool hall, the recreation room. One finds it difficult to believe that the minor face-lift the room requires can be stretched over weeks. I had felt sure our return from fall break would see "le grand reopening," but "c'est la querre."

But the week picked up with

ing, the food kept coming; feisty fall decoration, beautiful costumed waitresses, and wholesome German music from the live oom-pa-pah band lent an autumnal air to the rousing cheers and folksy dancing.

As the day wore on, the party got better. The same can be said for our Homecoming week in general, but the distasteful thought of that first day of sign-seeing still taints my memories of Homecoming.

Hang this sign on your ridiculous fence posts "I chose the path not taken" (Robert Frost).



The Guilford College Board of Trustees visited the campus on Friday Oct. 26th as a part of Homecoming. Many of the board members sit on the various sub-committees formed under the newly Senate organized Quality of Student Life Committee. Photo by Steve Lowe

## Letters to the Editor

Keep those letters coming; it's better to debate an issue without settling it than to settle an issue without debating it. All letters must be submitted by Friday, and should be no longer 200 words in length. Letters can be left on the office door in upstairs Founders, or mailed to Box 17717.

### Quality for office

Dear Editor:

In response to Mr. Keith Milner's letter to the editor which appeared in the October 9th issue of the Guilfordian, I would like to reply to some of his rather ridiculous assertions.

First of all in making the statement that "as long as there are black students at Guilford there will be a need for black-oriented groups" is segregation in its own right. How can we possibly attain progress in race-relations with such a narrow-minded view?

Secondly, questioning the number of black professors, administrators at Guilford College is equally ridiculous. I certainly hope that this school never resorts to selection of personnel based on factor laess than greatest qualification. The idea of racial-quotas, as Mr. Milner seems to imply is needed here, is detrimental to any hiring practice - especially in education.

It's interesting that Mr. Milner would be so critical of a paper that has given more coverage than most students. In response to Mr. Milner's criticism of this paper, its interesting that Mr. Milner would be so critical of a paper that has given him more coverage than most students. The publication stands on its own merit. This differs from a philosophy some people hold of attaining position and prominence under a quota system.

Beth Eakes

### Thank you

Dear Editor:

We would like to thank all of the people that helped make our 1979 Homecoming a success. It could never have generated the support needed without the combined efforts of all the different factions on campus.

It goes to show that a variety of events can be staged at Guilford that can attract the interest of the diversified groups on and off campus. There needs to be a continual input from all areas of the community if we are going to remain an active, unified group.

Let's keep up the interest and enthusiasm and make the rest of this year one to be remembered.

Thanks again, Homecoming Committee, College Union

## Women's Center Poll

The Women's Center is conducting an opinion poll on sex related attitudes on campus. Please return the completed questionnaire to the box at the information desk in Founders or to the box in the library. Respond to the questions by writing the appropriate letters in the blanks provided. Answer key: A=Agree SA=Strongly Agree U=Undecided D=Disagree SD=Strongly Disagree

- 1. Marriage is more important to women than to men.
- 2. I encounter much sexism on the Guilford College campus.
- 3. There are no inherent differences in personality and intellect between women and men.
- 4. Funding for abortions should be available for pregnant women who can't afford them.
- 5. Affordable child care should be made

- 6. available by both the government and private industry for all working parents.
- 7. I would be interested in taking a women's studies class. Yes No
- 8. If ERA is passed, it will substantially change the lives of people in this country.
- 9. Women should be allowed and encouraged to participate in religious procedures as actively as men.
- 10. My parents are following the traditional roles for men and women.
- 11. If a man and a woman are equally qualified for a job, the man should be hired because he will probably remain with the company longer.
- 12. I think ERA should be ratified.
- 13. Non-sexist language is important enough to justify a little inconvenience or awkwardness.
- 14. I think I am following the traditional role for my sex.
- 15. Women do not make good business people because they are biologically unable to withstand the pressures of the business world.
- 16. I feel threatened by feminism (women's liberation).
- 17. The physical care of a child is the primary responsibility of the mother.
- 18. There are more women in the helping professions than men because they are innately better nurturers.
- 19. I am in favor of affirmative action measures in education and employment.
- 20. There is a need for a "men's liberation" movement to examine how sex roles affect or confine men.
- 21. Do you think it is important to have a Women's Center? yes no

Sex: M----- F-----  
Class: F----- S----- J----- S-----

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