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New Alcohol Policy Proposal

Given At Forum II

by Holly Fairbairn

Although it may sound like the title to a bad movie sequel, this next stage of modifying the alcohol policy was more than repetitive entertainment. Sunday evening from 8-10 p.m., the Student Affairs Committee presented their proposal on alcohol use on campus to the students, faculty, and administrators who were present at "Alcohol Forum II."

The forum was designed to try to improve campus life and to address Guilford's liability under N.C. State law concerning alcohol. Patrick Bowling, representing the SAC, presented its policy and left it open to the criticism of those at the forum.

As it applies to the October 31 Bryan Quad Dance, the policy includes the following:

1. Those aged 21 or over

may bring beer in cans to the Quad. They must first acquire an arm band from the Union personnel who will be available for checking IDs at a table in Founders the week before the event and at the dance.

2. Soft drinks in cans will be provided by the Union. These will be the only beverages allowed in the Quad for those under 21.

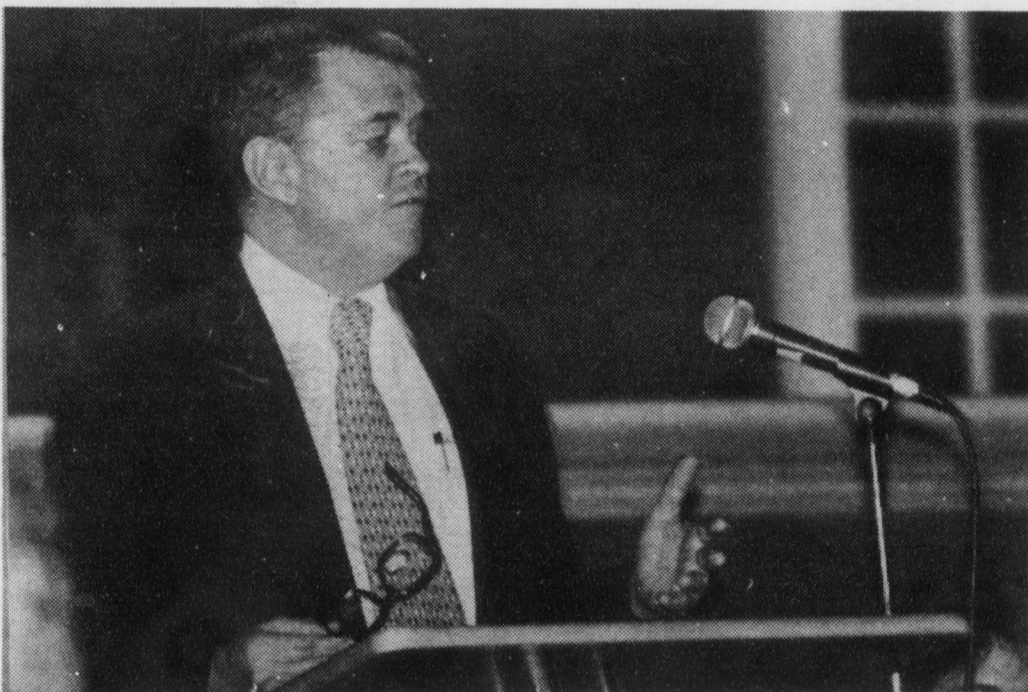
3. All students must carry their Guilford College IDs at the Quad Dance.

4. Guests will be verified at the Dance.

5. There will be ten Union sheriffs present to monitor the "cans only" and armband rules.

If this policy works, it could lead to a broadening of the designated drinking areas beyond rooms and Quad Dance to lawn dances, Serendipity, and

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Ben Loeb responds to questions at Forum.

Photo: Eric Buck

Laundry Service Under Fire

by Peter Smith

Solon Automated Services, the current supplier of laundry equipment for the Guilford College campus, is receiving increasing criticism from both administrators, and students as reports of inoperative or inefficient washers and dryers continue to proliferate.

Reportedly, the situation with Solon has degenerated to the point of the contract being reviewed and possibly terminated by the college administration.

Over 15 washers or dryers on campus are presently either not working or in a state of badly needed repair. This includes washers and dryers in both Shore and English residential halls.

Bob White, Assistant Dean of Housing and Security, believes the problem lies in the company's failure to repair inoperative laundry

machines and maintain proper care and maintenance.

In an interview with the Guilfordian, Mr. White was critical of Solon's business practices, claiming the company has failed to replace old or deficient machines, empty filled coin slots, clean lint and other debris from inside the machine, insure proper ventilation, and ensure that functioning machines are efficient.

Mr. White also said that Solon began making an attempt to repair and replace their flawed machines only after the Guilford administration informed the Charlotte-based company that their five-year contract with the schools was up for review due to poor company performance.

But Mr. White is not the only one disapproving of Solon. Students and Resident Assistants alike are becoming increasingly dissatisfied with the laun-

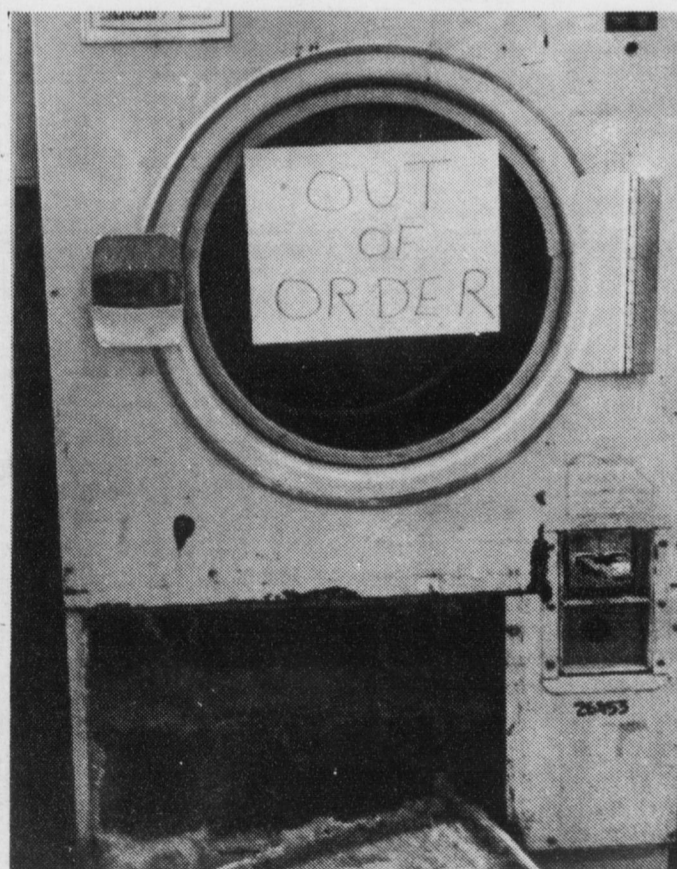
dry situation at Guilford and many have begun to leave campus to take care of their laundry needs.

Other students who are unable to leave school grounds are invading the few functioning laundry areas on campus, causing overcrowding and further exacerbating an already trouble-plagued situation.

Cynthia Duhaney, head Resident Assistant in Binford Hall, says she has to do her laundry around two or three a.m. in the morning due to the extreme overcrowding in Binford's laundry room. She also referred to the laundry equipment as being of "very poor quality," claiming the washers were too small and the dryers often "fried her clothes."

Other students have complained that the machines take coins without functioning, damage clothes, and are generally overpriced.

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Machine awaits repair and cleaning

Photo: Eric Buck