

From The Editor

One of the finest points of the Guilford College community is that we can come together and pool our resources to solve extremely difficult and sensitive problems. Guilford's recent decision to divest from South Africa is the product of just such a process.

The same spirit of cooperation is evident in the recent proposal put forth by the Student Affairs Committee at the second Alcohol Forum. It reflects careful consideration of students, faculty, and administrative concerns.

The proposal (detailed on pg.1) recognizes the freedom of those 21 and over, even though they are a student body minority, to drink alcohol, and at the same time it serves as a reasonable effort to uphold N.C. law.

The new guidelines will be tried out at the Oct. 31 Halloween quad dance. That dance will be an important test of student initiative and cooperation. If all goes well, drinking privileges could be extended to lawn dances and also to Serendipity events. If not, it is certain that this current fairly lenient policy will be abandoned in favor of a more stringent one.

This new proposal deserves observance and support. It is possible that the N.C. drinking age will be lowered in the next few years, but until that happens, Guilford and every other higher institution of learning face tough policy decisions. Commendations go to the SAC and other persons who have helped us make ours. •

What's Your Opinion on the Alcohol Policy Proposal?

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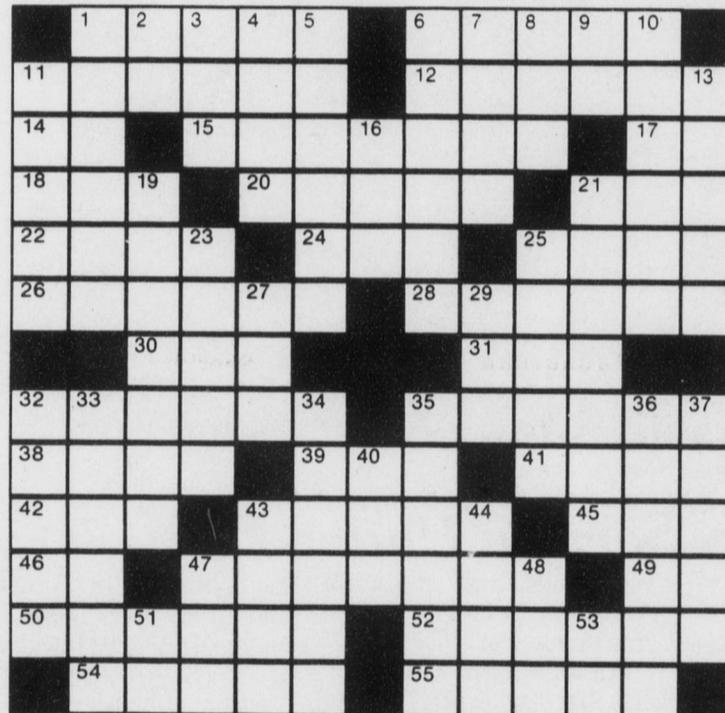
ACROSS

- 1 Chief artery
- 6 Singing voice
- 11 Gratify
- 12 Beginning
- 14 Three-toed sloth
- 15 Boil partially
- 17 Japanese drama
- 18 Watering place
- 20 Disturbances
- 21 Suffice: adherent of
- 22 Temporary shelter
- 24 Organ of sight
- 25 Arrow poison
- 26 Whirlpools
- 28 Imprisonment
- 30 Writing fluid
- 31 Sticky material
- 32 Trade
- 35 Missive

DOWN

- 38 God of love
- 39 Japanese outcast
- 41 Country of Europe
- 42 Alcoholic beverage
- 43 Pointless
- 45 Metric measure
- 46 Exists
- 47 Those bound to drug habit
- 49 Hypothetical force
- 50 Sewing implement
- 52 Diners
- 54 Guide
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The Weekly Crossword Puzzle



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- 4 Former Russian ruler
- 5 Eagles' nests
- 6 Sounded a horn
- 7 Goddess of discord
- 8 Nothing
- 9 King of Bashan
- 10 Washes lightly
- 11 Adhesive substance
- 13 Memoranda
- 16 Lad
- 19 Fire dog
- 21 Indisposition to action
- 23 Shades
- 25 Angry
- 27 Piece out
- 29 Southwestern Indian
- 32 Start
- 33 Gets up
- 34 Deliver
- 35 Spears
- 36 Mistakes
- 37 Musical instruments
- 40 Siamese native
- 43 Unemployed
- 44 Greenland settlement
- 47 Fruit drink
- 48 Music: as written
- 51 Latin conjunction
- 53 Printer's measure

Letter to the Editor: Chemistry

Throughout history humanity has always looked for mysterious and risky things. If you ask me why, I can tell you that it is only the feeling of challenge that has made us do the things that we have done. In my opinion, Chemistry is one of the most challenging sciences that exists, because you never know what can happen. It is obvious that you can prevent certain things, but others are only surprises of nature. The risk in the Chemistry lab can be only managed by the students. The safety rules and the procedures are given by the teacher every time, and it is up to the student how he

manages the experiment.

In my last article many things were misinterpreted because the article had suffered editing at the Guilfordian. The major thing was the change of it's title, which gave it a sensationalist character: from "The Chemistry Laboratories" to "Chemistry Laboratories Dangerous." The reader by his first impression will think of explosions and terrifying experiments. In addition there was the subtraction of the last paragraph which gave the reader the focus of the article. With other minor things, the readers had to focus their attention on minor points in the article

which were not what I meant. It was not my intention to give that drastic point of view that is not completely true. Once again, Chemistry is dangerous and the person that wants to learn Chemistry has to know that. It doesn't matter what safety rules we follow; there will always be the possibility an accident.

My point was that the laboratories are in bad shape. They need immediate attention from the college administration. This issue should be a concern for everyone who uses the labs. •

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