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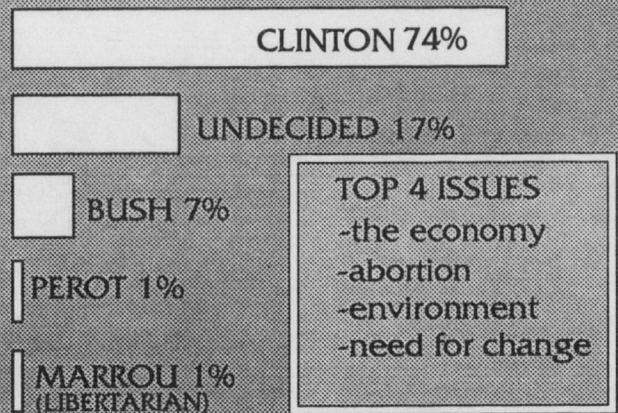
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Pony kegs only; no horsing around

WHICH CANDIDATE ENJOYS THE SUPPORT OF GUILFORD STUDENTS?



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Main campus and CCE students were stopped and asked who they support for president and what they consider to be the main election issues for them.

Matthew Levy
News Editor

The Administrative Council met Wednesday morning to discuss the fate of private keg parties on Guilford's campus, deciding to retain the current policy but limiting students to half-kegs.

The pre-existing policy gave Residential Life authority to accept or deny student petitions for kegs, if stringent guidelines for safety and legality were observed, according to Provost Dan Poteet.

"Ad Council decided today to support the current practice of George [Segabade] and Helen [Mulhern] in reviewing keg party applications," said Poteet.

"We made one change. Given that the rooms that these parties can occur in sometimes have a small capacity for people, we decided to instruct George and Helen to permit only one pony or half keg rather than full kegs."

Senate President Jen Hill, who represents the student body in Ad Council, dispatched senators to their constituents with questionnaires prior to the meet-

ing to gauge student opinion.

"Most people agreed with the policy as it was. A couple said it was too lenient but more said it was too strict," said Hill.

"The majority of the surveys said that they wanted keg.... But there was a lot of hesitance in Ad Council, because they think kegs encourage drinking and that there is a problem with drinking on campus.

"The big question was, 'Should we have no kegs on campus at all?' So what we were arguing for is to keep the policy the same and to keep kegs on campus."

With the threat of losing the privilege altogether in mind, Hill regards the decision as an acceptable compromise.

"Today was a big step," she said. According to Hill, the questionnaires showed that students are unaware of this policy and confused it with the subject of last year's deliberations.

"When we asked people if they agreed with the policy or not, they said 'What policy?' and so I think the first step is, now that we've decided upon a policy, to publicize it to the students so they know exactly what's expected of them, so they can

abide by the rules.

"No one understands that it is a different issue this year. Last year they were dealing with kegs at institutional functions. Which would mean that the college would supply the keg, which is huge liability for the College. So they can't do that.

"Now were talking about private parties where students provide the keg and everyone is 21 and it's a lot more under control and it's a pony keg not a full keg."

While Poteet expects Res. Life will be less reluctant to okay keg petitions, he explained that the policy does not guarantee approval.

"I don't think satisfying the minimum stipulations would automatically turn into permission; the people being asked to provide permission still have to use their own judgement. I would imagine permission would typically be granted," said Poteet.

"Ad Council doesn't think for a minute that keg policy—permission to have alcohol or permission not to have alcohol—that these particular decisions have any significant impact on alcohol use."

New access policy placed in effect

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Following a decision made by the Security and Safety Advising Committee last year, the Division of Security and Safety has developed a new policy to control the access of students to academic facilities on campus after the facility that houses those areas has been closed.

After-hour access to academic

facilities such as the chemistry lab and art building, and student organizational offices such as Union's office and the Publication Suite, will be regulated by the system. It will not be a general building procedure but an access control for specific areas.

This new access policy is now in effect, according to Director of Security and Safety Mary Ann Weedon. Students who are granted regular access to buildings and facilities will have to get an I.D. card from security along with a key. The student is responsible for the deposit of \$25. Any additional charges for keys will be billed against the student's initial account, said Weedon.

The I.D. card will be provided by Security. It will not have a bar code like the regular student I.D.'s, but it will include information referring to the particular facility the student will be accessing. It will be a laminated, personalized card which will enable security guards on duty to know and control who has approved access to the areas after hours.

For safety, at least two students will need to be in the building at a time if labs and facilities are to be used after-hours.

Students who need access to a

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faculty office will need the signature of that faculty member and then the signature of Academic Dean Kathy Adams.

Security hopes this procedure will be beneficial to individuals, as well as to the school's property and organizations.

"No one individual act specifically" has triggered the creation of this policy, Weedon re-

ported. "It is an effort to make this campus a safer place for everyone."

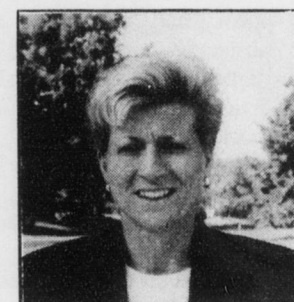
While acknowledging the need for safety, Justin Cohen, who manages the Peace Studies reading room as a student assistant, pointed out some "peculiarities" in the new system.

"I have an enormous amount of respect for Kathy Adams, but I have trouble understanding why it is necessary to have her ultimate approval on key distributions.

"What wonderful piece of enlightenment is Kathy privy to about my character that security or my supervisor couldn't access as well? She doesn't know me well, and I doubt she knows most of the people whom she is deciding about keys for at all," said Cohen.

"I would think it's an insult to our faculty that they need to seek Kathy's permission just so they can give a key to their student assistants.

"Moreover, I'm sure Kathy has better things to do with her time than to sign forms for keys. It seems on the surface, at least, to be an



Weedon

unnecessary layer of bureaucracy," he added.

Tracy Davis, an art student, also expressed frustration with the new policy, and skepticism about getting her deposit back.

"The controlled access policy is going to be a big hassle. Essentially, it's tacking on a \$25 fee and a lot of red tape for the right, not the privilege, of using facilities at Guilford.

"That means a lot of classes, including all the art classes, will cost extra money to take. I'm not aware of any incident that has prompted this, at least not in the art building. It's unnecessary," she said.

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