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Guilford rated near the top

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News Editor

Guilford College has been ranked near the top in a recently published booklet, *The Princeton Review: The Student Access Guide to the Best Colleges*.

The guide, which claims to provide "everything you need to know about the 250 best colleges in the country," placed Guilford in the top 20 twenty schools in these categories:

- Class discussions encouraged
- Most liberal students
- Most politically active
- Town-gown relations are good
- Great college radio station

Guilford was also listed with a group of schools "stuck in the 60's."

"We're pleased to be rated so highly," Provost Dan Poteet com-

mented to the Greensboro News and Record. "We're stuck in the '60's in a positive sense. It means we're still a place of intellectual and social ferment."

Poteet expressed concern about a section in the review which referred to drinking at the college.

"Guilford does have its share of parties and its share of collegiate drinking," the review reads. "One student complained, 'weekends on campus are pretty boring if you're not drunk.'"

Poteet commented, "Of course, we know there is alcohol use and abuse on campus, but I think we were singled out there in a way that was not accurate. For the most part, Princeton Review captures us very well. It is one of the more accurate college write-ups, in my opinion."

Puddles delay construction crew

"The sun will come out tomorrow"

Joe Gaines
Staff Writer

Weather permitting, Director of Grounds Bill Scott projects the completion of the brick sidewalk before Christmas. Communication devices (fiber optic cords and other wiring) will be installed under the walkway after its completion sometime in the spring.

Up to now, rain has been the biggest obstacle in laying down the walkway. On average, Guil-



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Scott ford College receives 1.68 inches of rain for October. Last month the college had 4.09 inches of rain. Already for the month of November 3.41 inches have fallen. Once it quits raining, "it won't be long at all" before the walkway will be finished.

"Weather has more to do with digging than the average person realizes," Scott explained. Once a hole is dug, rain can collect in it. It takes a while for rain to dry if the temperature is too cold or there is an absence of wind. Both of these conditions apply to the current construction on the walkway.

Bill Scott personally monitors the weather for Guilford. He has a rain gauge, barometer, and temperature gauge in and around his

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Photo by Carl Beehler

The Guilford College Rugby Team tangle within the UNCW scrum Saturday. Guilford came from behind to win 19-15.

Guilford graduates dig up recognition in Geology

Greg Loughlin
Staff Writer

The Southeast Asia operations of three of the world's largest oil companies are managed by Guilford college graduates, according to the magazine *Explorer*.

Guilford's Geology department received international recognition in the geology magazine's Sept. article, "Small School Hits Big Time."

Marjie White Heymon manages Southeast Asia for Chevron, Mary Beth Donaldson for Amoco and Jack English for Texaco. Also, Kelly Dempster is an advanced exploration geologist for Texaco and Lindley Taylor is a geochemist supervising exploration research for Amoco.

The graduates attributed much of the college's disproportionate success to the "Quaker Quadrangle" computer program invented by Geology Professor Cyril Harvey.

The Quaker Quadrangle, often called "the Quad," simulates

not only a geological search, but also "the activity of a person who is investigating a scientific question," said Harvey. Students "experience for themselves the excitement of achieving a creative insight as an integral part of the scientific investi-

"We want them to be just as mystified and just as excited and interested as a geologist is when he finishes a project.... You don't know if you're right."

**--Geology Professor
Cyril Harvey**

gation," added Harvey.

The Quad simulates a slab of the earth's crust which is 16 miles from east to west, 26 miles from north to south and more than 5 miles deep. Students work in teams of 2-3 for 10-12 weeks in order to compile a report describing the area and summariz-

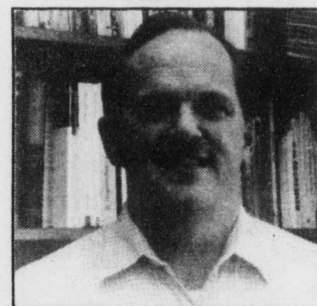


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Harvey

ing its geological history.

Students are given a contoured topographic map, rock samples and field notes from the explorers "Clewiss and Lark."

Students obtain additional data by drilling holes at locations and depths of their choice. The landscape has 7000 possible drill sites of 40 acres each, which can be drilled down to 25,000 feet. Students must work with a budget of \$3,000,000 a week.

The students must use their imaginations, and confront the ambiguity involved in a geological exploration. The drillings give a

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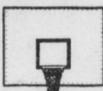
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