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NEWS LINE

Action has been taken to discipline a Guilford student for phone harassment. The student is no longer enrolled at Guilford College.

Approximately 15 students filed complaints with Security of sexually explicit and harassing phone calls. Director Mike Kimell suspects many more students received illicit calls without reporting them. Security determined the perpetrator's identity by tracing subsequent calls to victims.

In order to avoid being victimized by phone harassment, Kimell suggests that students not reveal their names on answering machine and voice mail greetings. It is also vital, he says, that students report all harassing phone calls to Security.

Yet another delay in the procurement of air conditioners for Binford Hall. . . *The Community Newsletter* of Aug. 26 reported that the Facilities Committee decided to provide air conditioning in Binford "immediately." According to Mark Sadowsky of Residential Life, the units theoretically available at the time of the decision are in fact unavailable. Heating/cooling manufacturers, he explains, are only making heating units now. Officials expect to purchase 70 units this winter for installation over spring break.

Real cause of RASCAL breakdown a mystery

Rob Mirchin

Staff Writer

RASCAL, Guilford's seven-year-old communications computer, has gone down four times in the last three weeks. Due to increased use, the system is also becoming increasingly slower.

Every time RASCAL goes down, Guilford's link with the Internet is destroyed. Thus, it is impossible to send e-mail off campus or participate in bulletin boards on the Internet.

Students at Guilford are looking for the reason why RASCAL keeps breaking down. "It disturbs me, because I feel I don't have a link to the outside world," says Jeff Martin.

Assistant Director of Computer Services Teresa Sanford is not sure why RASCAL is breaking down, but is looking for probable causes. She said, "We would not want to speculate as to the exact cause of the problem, seeing as we do not

have enough information ourselves."

Sanford does know the problem is not caused by a loss of memory on the part of the system. She thinks the computer system may be trying to protect itself.

Sanford does not know whether or not RASCAL will go down again. She explains, "We need more technical information to stop it from occurring again—bizarre things happen in computer systems."

Charley White, director of Computer Services, says that this year, with more services and more users, RASCAL is becoming increasingly slower. "There are simply too many people on the system at the same time," he said.

He cites the new hook up of the entire faculty to the system, as well as existing connections to Milner, campus apartments, Hege library, Bauman, and King hall, as all adding to the delays. "Next time the

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Guilford Quakers versus Sewanee:

The admissions debate

Cory Birdwhistell

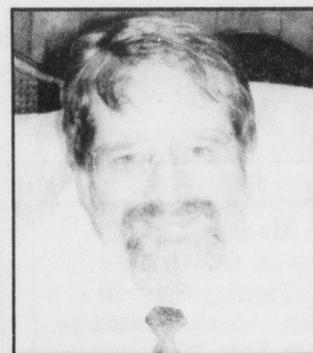
News Editor

Al Newell, the new Dean of Admissions, comes to Guilford from a position as Associate Director of Admissions at the University of the South at Sewanee.

Because Sewanee is perceived to be very conservative and elitist, some members of the Guilford community feared Newell's hire was a step away from Guilford's Quaker tradition.

Newell wishes to nullify this impression. Referring to Sewanee's dress code, he quips, "Even if I had the power to do so, I have no desire to make students wear coats and ties or dresses to class!"

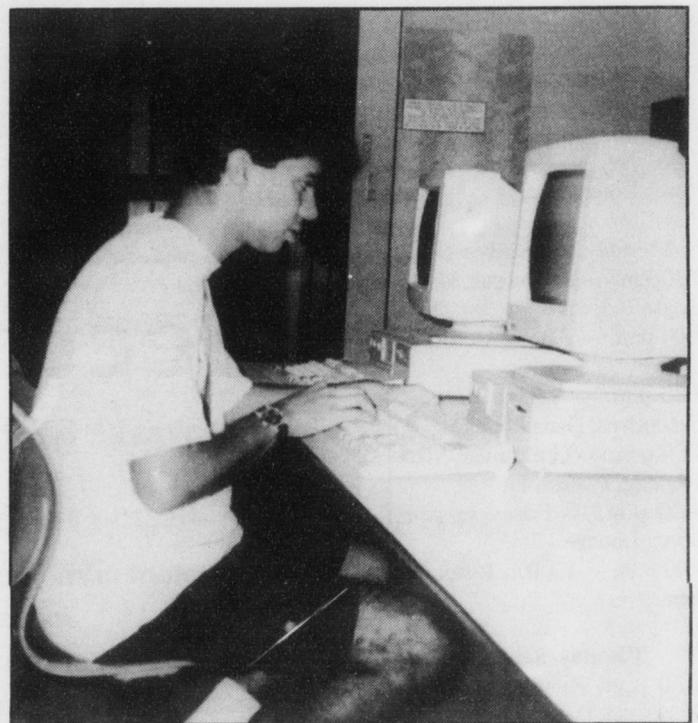
"Sewanee is a traditional school," he admits, "but Guilford has a strong tradition as well—of



Newell
Dean of Admissions

non-traditionality." Max Carter was the second person he met here, and Newell says about it, "We have spent a lot of time talking about the Quaker heritage. . . these conversations were very meaningful to me."

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Kevin Faria, a first-year student, checks his E-mail on RASCAL this week.

Lauren Goforth

Merit scholarship to be full-ride

Cory Birdwhistell

News Editor

A proposal to create a new merit scholarship has passed the Strategic Long Range Planning Committee (SLRP) and has gone to the Trustees for final consideration.

The benefits of the scholarship would include full tuition, room and board, books, and travel to and from home twice a year. It would be given to no more than five entering students. Currently, the top Honors scholarship is \$10,000 per year.

According to Provost Dan Poet and Honors Program Director Sylvia Trelles, the scholarship would attract top students who would not normally come to Guilford. "We think we can provide them with an excellent education and they can benefit the campus tremendously," Trelles comments.

Trelles cites the shift in administration and the re-consideration of the curriculum as causes for the

scholarship proposal. Along with these occurrences, she says, "There comes a consideration of the type of student Guilford wants to attract."

To be selected, the prospective students will have to meet several criteria. They must have a minimum SAT score of 1450 and be at, or near the top of their class. They must also demonstrate leadership capacity at the secondary school level. Their applications must show that they are well-rounded people who will contribute to the community. The proposal also states that students "must be more than a 'book-worm'."

Sophomore Jocelyn Newsome, a member of the Honors program, believes, "The SAT cutoff could easily become self-defeating because unlike the other criteria, the SAT does not truly reflect how a student will perform when they get

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