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## The Weekly Buzz

### Mary had a little Bee?

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*Perspectives Editor*

This past week I got to spend some time interviewing one of Guilford's greatest personalities—Mary Hudson! Most students see her every day, but can only share a few words with her, as she scans our student IDs, and smiles.

As I buzzed into the cafeteria in full costume I was greeted by Mary, feisty as ever! "What the heck is that!" exclaimed Mary as she looked into my multi-dimensional eyeballs and fell captive to my glittering wings.

After she came out of the initial shock of being interviewed by a bee we chewed the fat. I hope this interview sheds a little more light on Guilford's favorite, smiling lady!

Bee: How long have you been working at Guilford?

Mary: I'm starting my eighth year.

B: Have you seen many changes over the years?

M: Oh yes. Lot's of changes...most of them for the better too.

B: How about changes in the students?

M: Yeah, we have the best group this year that we've ever had. Of course we still have a little room for improvement...on a few!

B: It seems that while Guilford may be improving that the rest of

the world is going down hill. If you watch the news it is always filled with murders or scandals.

M: Yeah...its pretty bad sometimes. It seems to be going downhill. But I also think that there are more people trying to get behind things to get something done to correct these things.

B: Have you lived in NC all of your life?

M: All of my life.

B: What would be some of your recommendations for newcomers to NC for sightseeing or recreational activities?

M: Oh there are so many things to see; the museums, Battleground Park, the Biltmore house in Asheville...oh, it is fantastic!

B: Why does the card scanning machine breakdown so often? Is it students shaking the table?

M: Well it has some loose wires in it (laughs). Because when you shake it sometimes it'll come back.

B: You haven't been slapping it around have you?

M: Oh no (laughs)! If you ever had to mark 'em all in by hand, twice a day you wouldn't slap anything. You don't bite the hand that feeds you.

B: Have you developed any sort of special techniques to prevent people from sneaking into the cafeteria? Maybe a flying tackle?

M: No, no flying tackle, but I keep my eyes kind of peeled. I'm looking when they think I'm not! (laughs)

B: A few days ago, when I was telling someone about the interview I had scheduled with you, they told me to ask you about some run-ins you had with lightning. Have you been struck by lightning?

M: Well, the lightning struck a tree so close to me that I was knocked out. I was a child, ten or eleven years old.

B: What was it like?

M: Well, it is just like you've been asleep and you wake up in a mud puddle (laughs)! It just stunned me. I'd been gathering peaches that the storm had blown off. There were peaches all around.

B: Where did this take place?

M: At my home. In Wilkes County, the foot of the Blue Ridge Mountains.

B: What are some of your favorite activities?

M: Oh I love yard sales, and auctions. I like to go on little short trips, like up to Asheville and up in Virginia.

B: Two years ago I remember seeing you in Your House (24 hr restaurant) really late at night. Is that a favorite hangout?

M: Well sometimes we go over there if we get hungry at night. My friends and I will go. I am a night person! I don't like to get up every morning.

As our conversation dwindled Mary sent me packing. "I got to go get that box over there. You've got plenty (of info)! Ha ha ha!

## Letter to the Editors

Dear Editors:

It has recently come to our attention that Guilford College security is more interested in apprehending students than it is in protecting them.

Let's get right to the point with a little example: We and several other students were sitting around the low bench on the ropes course, listening to people play drums. One of us noticed someone approaching, or more accurately, noticed a flashlight approaching.

All of a sudden, the light was turned off. No one appeared. About ten minutes later, we all got up to leave, only to discover that a Guilford College security guard had been HIDING IN THE SHADOWS, watching us. Was he standing there with his eyes peeled, vigilant for all bad guys who might try to harm us?

Unlikely. It is extremely frightening, not to mention disheartening to think that our campus security force finds it necessary to secret themselves away in the dark corners of the woods and spy on its own students.

If it is against college policy for tuition-paying students to enjoy their own woods anytime they please then THAT IS WRONG!!! Our security force is here to protect us.

What if an actual emergency were to take place, something that actually threatened the safety of a student, and our one security car was stationed out by the lake, its driver gallivanting around the woods, eyes peeled for heinous sin?

We're not sure who the security guard thought he was protecting, but it certainly wasn't us.

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