

# Sports

## Miller earns ODAC award

By Tim McFarlin  
SPORTS EDITOR

Guilford College junior Arden Miller (Landenberg, PA/Sanford School (DE)) earned the Old Dominion Athletic Conference's (ODAC) Women's Basketball Player of the Week Award for the week ending February 13th the league announced Tuesday.

The prize marks the first of Miller's career. A four-time member of the league's honor roll, she becomes Guilford's first recipient of the weekly award this season.

A 5'10" forward, Miller averaged 26 points, 16 rebounds, and three steals as the Quakers rolled to three conference wins last week. She hit 51 percent from the field and shot 81.3 percent from the free-throw line.

Miller tallied a career-high 37 points in a February 10th win over Lynchburg, the second-highest total in the league this year and seventh-best figure in Guilford history.

Her 15 free throws in 17 attempts broke Guilford's 10-year-old school record for single-game free throws. She contributed 19 points and 17 boards in a 59-51 win over league-leading Emory & Henry February 9th and ended the week with 22 points and a career-high 18 boards in a win over visiting Randolph-Macon.

Miller's play lifted her team-leading scoring average to 21.3 points per game, the second-best figure in the conference. She leads the ODAC with her 11.2 boards per game average.

Miller paces the Quakers in field goal percentage (.494) and three-point field goal percentage (.387). The team captain ranks second on the Quakers' single-season three-point field goals list (36).

Miller has a career-high 14 double-doubles on the year, the most by a Quakers' player since All-American Laura Haynes, '98, had 14 double-doubles in 1994-95.

Coach Barb Bausch's club owns a four-game winning streak and has won 12 of its last 13 games. Guilford is 17-5 overall and shares first place with Bridgewater in the ODAC with a 14-4 mark.

The Quakers hosted the Eagles in their home finale Wednesday night.

## Men's hoops show much improvement in past week

By Timothy Leadem  
STAFF WRITER

If this season has been a learning experience for the men's basketball team, then the two solid performances turned in this past week indicate just how far this team has come.

The Quakers traveled to Emory & Henry last Wednesday in Old Dominion Athletic Conference (ODAC) play and came away with a 72-66 victory. After seven straight losses, the team thoroughly enjoyed the win.

Sophomore forward Matt Lewis said that the team simply played well across the board. "We played sound defense, took care of the ball, and shot well from the floor. Everyone looked to make the extra pass and to play as a team."

Saturday, Guilford hosted Chowan in a non-conference match-up, and again the Quakers came out on top, 88-77. Sophomore guard Brad Woolley led a balanced attack as he chipped in a team-high 21 points. Four Guilford men scored in double figures.

Down 38-34 at the halftime break, Guilford came back with a

19-0 run early in the second and never looked back. Of the win, junior guard David Zelickson said, "We got a lead and didn't panic, moved the ball around, and played well to the end."

With two wins to boost their confidence, the team looked ahead with optimism to its two crucial home conference games this week.

Guilford faced Roanoke Monday, looking to avenge a 40-point loss to the Maroons earlier this season. The Quakers came out hustling on both ends of the floor, and at the half trailed by a single point, 35-34.

The second half was as hotly contested as the first. The Quakers showed tremendous heart, playing against a very deep Roanoke squad. Down 64-59 with

51 seconds left, Woolley hit a three-point bucket from the top of the key, cutting the Roanoke lead to two.

As Roanoke brought the ball down the floor, the Quakers primed themselves for a key defensive stop. However, Woolley was called for a questionable foul in the lane, and Roanoke sealed its victory from the free-throw line.

Guilford's home game against Washington and Lee on Wednesday became a must-win situation for the Quakers to have any chance of making the ODAC tournament.

A full write-up of the game will appear in the next issue of *The Guilfordian*.

Lewis summed up the team's thoughts on the upcoming tournament, should the Quakers qualify. "We've always had the potential to play with any of the teams in this conference. Talent-wise, we have some of the best players in the league. Making the tournament would be a real bonus because once we get there, anything can happen."



Ashworth leads the defensive effort with 9 total blocks and 7.1 boards per game.

## "John Rocker is an idiot"

The Associated Press

Calling John Rocker "an idiot," Toronto Blue Jays pitcher David Wells said the Atlanta reliever will need bodyguards to protect him from hostile fans.

"People will throw stuff at him," Wells said Tuesday at the Blue Jays' spring training camp. "If I was a bodyguard, I wouldn't even want to be around him. He isn't the president. Nobody will take a bullet for him, no matter how much money he pays them."

Rocker was suspended until May 1st by commissioner Bud Selig after saying in December he would never play for a New York team because he didn't want to ride a subway train "next to some queer with AIDS." He also mocked foreigners and called a Latin teammate a "fat monkey."

"The guy's an idiot," Wells said. "You don't say that stuff out in public. You don't put it in a paper or make those statements. ... He's going to pay the price, and honestly I feel sorry for him."

"He's going to have to look at

that for the rest of his life. A lot of people hate him already. If he ever has any kids and they're out in the public, it'll be a rough time in life because people are relentless," he said. "If you keep to yourself, you ain't going to have no problems but when you hit every religion, your percentages aren't too good."

Wells said the Braves should trade Rocker to the Mets or Yankees.

"If he was traded to New York, someone would take it personal," Wells said. "He'd have to save 50 games for two years straight. Those fans in New York are tough, they don't give in."

On other subjects, Wells disagreed with Toronto's decision to trade Shawn Green to Los Angeles along with minor league second baseman Jorge Nunez for outfielder Raul Mondesi and reliever Pedro Borbon. The Blue Jays made the deal after failing to agree to a multiyear contract with Green, who got an \$84 million, six-year deal from the Dodgers.

"We never should have gotten rid of Shawn Green," Wells said. "It's good that he went where he wanted to but what we got wasn't even up."

Wells thinks Toronto has a chance to make the playoffs.

"I think if we stick to the game plan, read the scouting reports and know the hitters, we'll be OK," he said. "If Chris Carpenter is healthy, he'll be a 20 game winner for five straight years, just like Stew (Dave Stewart) did. Esco (Kelvim Escobar) also has what it takes. He can get away with a pitch because he throws 100 mph, and if he learns how to pitch he'll be phenomenal."

Toronto starts official workouts Friday. Wells already was looking ahead to his post-retirement career.

"I'm going to be a baseball commentator, me and Kirk Gibson," he said. "We'll tell the game like it should be told. I'll tell you if the guy on the field isn't doing his job. I want to go into the booth and be controversial, but in a corrective way."