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SLRP banks on increased enrollment

Community questions capacity for growth

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According to Guilford's Strategic Long-Range Plan (SLRP), the enrollment office plans to have a traditional student population of 1,520 by fall 2009. With only 1,351 traditional students currently attending Guilford, the campus is already facing problems, such as housing shortages and lack of facilities.

These already-present issues raise questions as to whether Guilford will be able to accom-

modate its future enrollment goals adequately.

"We are anticipating a firstyear class size of 432 next fall (compared to last year's class of 429 students)," said Randy Doss, vice president for enrollment and campus life. "The increase of the student body certainly puts pressures on the infrastructure of the school."

In terms of insufficient campus services, students consistently complain about the lack of available eating options and the poor quality of those that are provided. This year, Guilford was ranked sixth on Princeton Review's list "Is it Food?"

"Why do we only have one other alternative to the cafeteria on campus that's terrible?" said senior Noah Forman. "After eating in the Underground, I can feel pimples forming on my face. I think it's

telling that I never see any faculty eating there."

Also, the housing crunch earlier this year, in which students were living in four-person "quad" rooms converted from dorm lounges, illustrated the shortage of space on campus.

However, the SLRP maintains that Guilford "will not become just larger, but better" by increasing student-body size.

"The largest revenue comes from enrollment," Doss said. "The more our revenue increases, the more we can spend on renovation and construction of facilities. These endeavors will increase overall student satisfaction."

The administration hopes that a better quality of life for students will improve the student retention rate. On average, only 50 percent

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Teach-in discusses reconciliation

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On April 2, former Guilford professor Mohammed Abu-Nimer gave a speech entitled "Reconciliation and Justice: What Can Guilford Do Now?"

The Teach-In Committee and the peace and conflict studies "Fleming Lecture Series" spon-



Keep tenure discussion open

STAFF EDITORIAL

The Guilfordian reported on March 23 that the Academic Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees moved to uphold the negative tenure recommendation of Eleanor Branch, assistant professor of English, following her appeal. Controversy persists over her dismissal.

Branch rigorously outlined with evidence the grounds for her appeal in a document that she submitted to the Board.



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sored the event. About 50 students, staff and Greensboro community members attended.

The main theme of the presentation, as the title indicated, was reconciliation. Abu-Nimer discussed the importance of dialogue, emo-



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tions, pride, action and transparency in reconciliation. He said that reconciliation, justice and peace are all connected with basic human needs such as security, equality and identity.

Abu-Nimer has worked around the world to dissipate inter-cultural and inter-ethnic conflict.

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Will Ferrell and Jon Heder star as

rival figure skating champions in

the number one movie in Ameri-

ca, "Blades of Glory," a comedy

bursting with bulging leotards,

excitement, action and humor.

Jewel says, check it out.

The appeal includes claims of numerous procedural and factual violations that, if true, deeply challenge the commitment of both the administration and the Board to Guilford's core values and Quaker heritage.

In a recent letter, President Kent Chabotar wrote that though "some will continue to disagree ... this tenure review and appeals are concluded."

Given the apparent weight of evidence that Branch provides, the relevance of the case to the overall mission of this institution, and in accordance with Quaker consensus, it is imperative that discourse surrounding this issue remains open.

Namely, Guilford's faculty must collectively examine and discuss the contents of Branch's appeal document. They must also recognize that this issue

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Death Row

This month, Alabama death row inmates will take their case to the Supreme Court claiming that they are being denied their constitutional right to a fair trial when their state won't provide them with a lawyer.

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:Eric Mortensen and Don Smith, from the religious studies and physics departments, are planning a team teaching course on Magic, Science and Religion that will explore the profound implications of these paradigms.

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End-of-semester evaluations are quickly approaching. Let's take them seriously so that teachers get useful feedback leading to effective course revision and FAC gets good and clear data for faculty performance reviews.

Men's Tennis

Mental strength, teamwork physical skill, and a new coack lead men's tennis team to eighth win of season The team is on a 7-game winning streak. Players and coach intend to bring a winning mentality to the ODAC tournament.

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