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### Dining committee selects Meriwether Godsey to replace Sodexho

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"We are honored and excited to have been picked as a food provider for Guilford," said Marie (Rie) Meriwether Godsey, president of Meriwether Godsey. "We're a great fit with Guilford because of our values and size. We are large enough to compete with the larger companies but we're small enough to remain very hands on."

Meriwether Godsey, an employee-owned dining company, was awarded a multi-year contract, which will begin in August 2008.

The Dining Services Advisory Committee comprised of 16 members, four of whom were students, unanimously chose Meriwether Godsey as a food provider, instead of Sodexho or Bon Appetit.

A total of six students were involved in the decision-making process: seniors Brennan Aberle, Liz Reilley and Katie Yow;

junior Menemsha Milnor; sophomore Jabari Sellars; and first-year Maia Buess.

Aberle said that four students were involved at any given point in time, to represent the four grades.

"I was very happy with the process," said Gerald Boothby, vice-president for finance and administration. "By the end of the process there was consensus between all 16 members. This experience was a great example of the Quaker tradition. There was

good communication and a good presence because everyone was involved."

Chabotar said that he expects a smooth transition from Sodexho to the new vendor. However, Aberle said that some adjustments need to be made and might take time.

"Since Meriwether Godsey will be doing mostly scratch-cooking, while Sodexho is more about opening boxes and putting stuff

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### Mickey Avalon headlines Serendipity amidst controversy

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The Campus Activities Board (CAB) decision to pick Mickey Avalon as the main performance at Serendipity caused controversy among the community.

Once Avalon was announced to perform, Students Against Rape Culture member Katie Yow and CAB held a forum on March 30 to hear concerns about the performer's lyrics and songs.

"A few people came who didn't know about him and were curious," said senior Andrew 'Thaddeus' Herz, president of CAB. "Students and some peo-

ple from the outside community came."

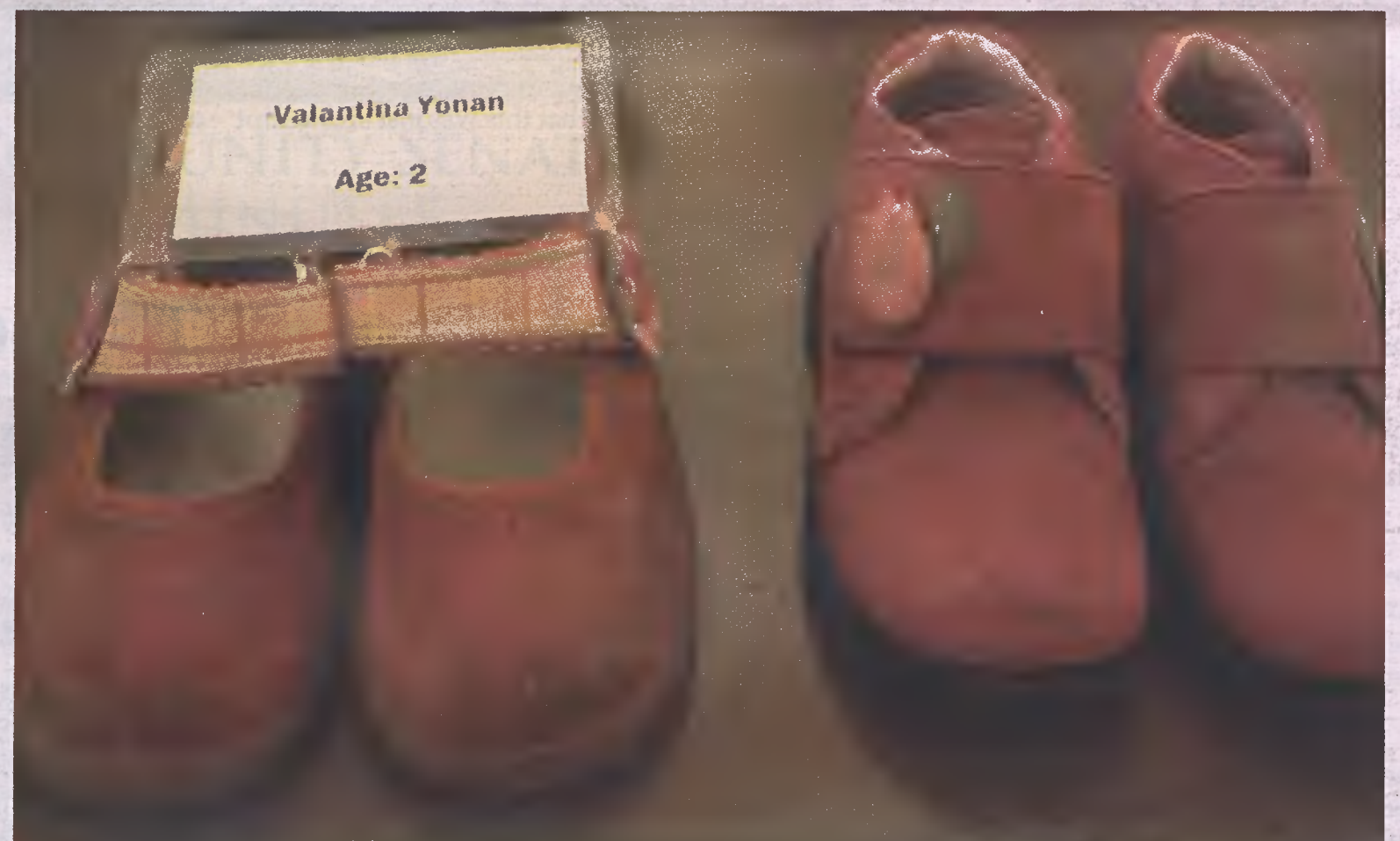
Senior Vital Akimana, president of Community Senate, said that he and Yow tried to make the forum a secure place for people to speak up.

"Both Katie and I attempted to create a forum that would be a safe place," Akimana said. "We wanted to get people to talk and get involved."

Senior Keira Wilson heard of Avalon before learning that he was going to perform.

"I knew about Mickey Avalon before Serendipity and his music

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The shoes of dead Iraqi children sit with those of other war casualties at the 'Eyes Wide Open' exhibit in Hege Library.

### 'Eyes Wide Open' exhibit examines the human cost of war

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Ninety-six pairs of high-top, black combat boots stand solemnly in the Carnegie Room in Hege Library; on each pair a small tag states a rank, a name and an age. A solitary pair sits atop a bookshelf; they belong to Sergeant Elmer Krause, 40, from Greensboro. Killed in action in May 2004, his

smiling picture sits among medals and scrapbook memories. One memento is a letter from President Bush to his son: "Mrs. Bush and I send our heartfelt sympathy. We hope you will be comforted by your faith and the love and support of your family and friends. May God bless you."

On Monday, April 7, "Eyes Wide Open: An Exhibition of the Human Cost of War," came to Hege Library.

The exhibit runs through Friday and is sponsored by the American Friends Service Committee (AFSC). Since 1990, AFSC has worked in Iraq towards social justice, peace and humanitarian aid. The boots began touring the country in 2004 at AFSC headquarters in Chicago. It started with 504 pairs of boots donated by families of deceased

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Mickey Avalon performs at Serendipity on Saturday, April 5.