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Campus shows support for the LGBTQA community during Ally Week

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A multicolored paper chain stretches across the walls of Founders Hall's lobby. Near the center of the joined rainbow links, a throng of people crowd around a small table. Students, professors, dining hall staff, women, men, young, and old are all intermingling within this large crowd. From an outsider's perspective, these people may look like they have little in common, but each person wears a small strand of yarn wrapped around their wrist.

This simple bracelet may seem frail, like the paper links that decorate the room, but when hundreds of people wear this multicolored band and link their names together, they represent an idea that cannot be broken.

From Feb. 8 to 12, Pride hosted Ally 'Week, a national event that the LGBTQA community celebrates once a year. During the lunch hours, members of Pride encouraged students to show their support for the LGBTQA community by signing a colorful paper link. Each link would join to form a chain that they would hang up in Founders Hall's lobby.

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Sophomore **Patrick Hyland** joins a crowd of students signing colorful paper links in support of the LGBTQA community. Pride hosted the activity as part of Ally Week, a national event, from Feb. 8 to 12 in Founders Hall. By the end of the week the linked chain was long enough to reach across the lobby.

NEWS

Spring 2010 enrollment reaches record high

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Guilford achieved a record-high enrollment during the 2010 spring semester.

As of Feb. 1, Guilford's total enrollment is 2,797 students. Center for Continuing Education (CCE) students hold 1,322 of those slots, while traditional students hold 1,376. The remaining 99 slots are filled by Early College students.

The record numbers seen in the spring are partially due to the large fall semester enrollment.

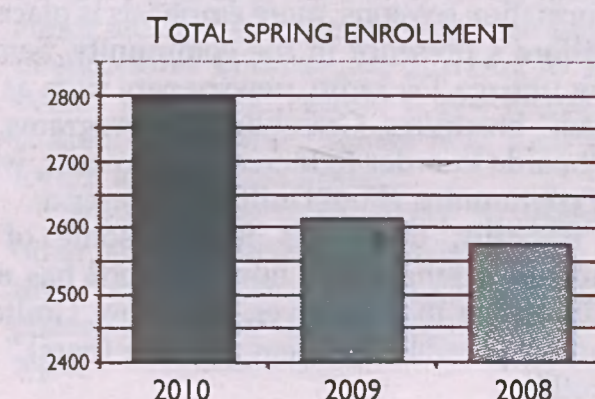
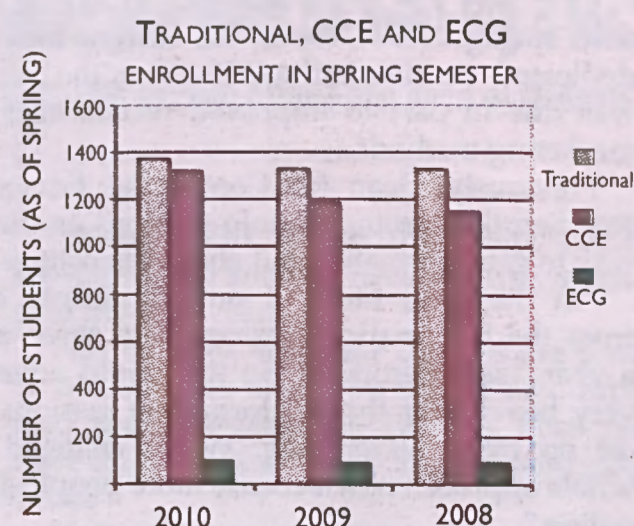
Vice President for Enrollment Services Randy Doss said that because of the large fall enrollment, there were many traditional student applicants who were not accepted.

"A lot of these students chose to spend a semester at community college (before transferring to Guilford)," said Doss.

Students who were not accepted in the fall have now been accepted after spending a semester at a community college, which is part of the reason for the high traditional enrollment this semester.

Another reason Guilford achieved its record-breaking enrollment is that current students and alumni are talking to people they know and getting them interested in checking out the school.

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WORLD & NATION



Members of the INLA, which recently announced its decision to use peaceful actions rather than violent ones, stand at attention.

INLA agrees to decommission

By Becca Heller
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Since its foundation in 1974, the Irish National Liberation Army (INLA) has been the source of much tension in the United Kingdom. Their goal: to separate Northern Ireland from the United Kingdom and create a united Ireland. Their means: terrorism.

On Feb. 8, however, leaders of the INLA officially announced their decision to decommission their weapons and pursue their political goals by strictly peaceful means.

"The armed struggle is over," their statement announced, according to The Guardian.

During the past three decades, the INLA has been responsible for numerous bombings and over 120 deaths. Their decision to cooperate with the Independent International Commission on Decommissioning was an abrupt, but welcome shift in approach.

"The recent announcement that the INLA was to disband and engage with General de

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NEWS

Speakers counter negative black stereotypes

By Hannah Sherk
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In celebration of Black History Month, Guilford welcomed the motivational speakers of the Make it Happen organization to talk with undergraduates on vocational success.

"The goal of their non-profit, Make it Happen, is to provide a realistic context about life and to encourage students to follow their passions and dreams," wrote Jada Drew, Africana Community coordinator, in an e-mail. "The speakers are black males who do not fit the stereotype that we see in the media."

The visiting duo, who co-founded Make it Happen, is John Tobias and Lamont Estes. Tobias is a freelance statistician for the NBA, NFL, FOX Sports, and ESPN News, and Estes is a career firefighter, entrepreneur, and published author.

While the speakers found common ground discussing sports with the group of 25, mostly athlete Guilford students, the discussion focused on a different playing field.

"Being black in America isn't easy," said Tobias. "A

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