

Guilford Bids Farewell to Longtime Trustee, Supporter Stanley Frank

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Faculty and staff paid tribute Jan. 5 to longtime college Trustee and benefactor Stanley Frank with a brief ceremony at the Frank Family Science Center. Frank, a member of the Board of Trustees since 1969, died Jan. 2 at the age of 91.



with the death of Stanley Frank," said President Kent Chabotar. "Besides his wonderful wife, Dorothy, and two fine sons, Bill and Barry, Stanley always thought that his proudest accomplishment was building a thriving business from nothing and giving back to his community.

"He served with great distinction on our Board of Trustees for 36 years, modeling exemplary leadership and mentoring four college presidents, especially me, whom he always called 'No. 8.' Most importantly, Stanley had a deep interest in the welfare of our students and supported the college's efforts to provide the best liberal arts education possible."

The retired chairman and chief executive officer of Carolina By-Products, Frank was chairman and a member of the Piedmont Triad Airport Authority for many years. Among many civic leadership posts, he was former president of the United Community Services (now the United Way) and former chairman of the Greensboro Chamber of Commerce.

Both of his sons, as well as his daughter-in-law, Hughlene, are members of the college's Board of Visitors.

En route from funeral services to Hebrew Cemetery, the procession traveled through the Guilford campus and paused at the steps of the science center. Rabbi Jonathan Malino, John A. Weissenfluh Professor of Ethics and Religion, offered a blessing during the tribute, which was attended by 150 members of the college community.

In addition to his continuous service as a trustee for 36 years (including a term as vice chair), Frank established the Stanley and Dorothy Frank Fellows Program at Guilford in 1983, and made a major gift to support construction of the Frank Family Science Center, which opened in 2000 and was named in honor of the family's commitment to the college. Frank and his wife, Dorothy, are among Guilford's top donors all-time.

"Guilford College lost a great friend

John Stoneburner to Speak at May Commencement; Tribute Planned April 7-8

John Stoneburner, who is approaching retirement as E.F. Craven Professor of Religious Studies, will be the invited speaker at the college's 169th Commencement exercises May 6.



Stoneburner, one of the college's most beloved professors, arrived at Guilford in 1968 with his wife, Carol. Whether teaching together in one of their popular courses, or working separately, the Stoneburners have made memorable contributions to the college for parts of five decades.

Additionally, their careers will be celebrated at the college April 7-8. Included in the tribute will be a day-long gathering at New Garden Friends Meeting April 8, which will reflect on the changes in religious and women's studies during their tenure.

For more information about the tribute, contact **Karrie Manson '82 Opaleski** (336-316-2148, kopalesk@guilford.edu) or visit www.guilford.edu.

Seth Macon Publishes Memoir, *Uphill Both Ways*

Emeritus trustee **Seth Macon's '40** memoir, *Uphill Both Ways*, recounts his childhood in Depression-era Randolph County, his career with Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Company and his 70-year association with Guilford College.



The 364-page hardcover is subtitled "Overcoming Difficulties...With Lots of Help," and is available at Borders in Greensboro. Proceeds from sales of the book will benefit student scholarships at Guilford.



Guilford has no fraternities or sororities, and Imani Abdul-Haqq '07 has no plans to change that.

But it is somewhat ironic that the nation's first Islamic sorority is the brainchild of Abdul-Haqq, a 34-year old CCE student who remembers feeling os-

Greek Life, Islamic Touch

CCE student behind creation of America's first Muslim sorority

tracized when she attended informational meetings for sororities as a student at Bennett College. Her traditional Muslim dress (including a headscarf) attracted quizzical looks and reactions.

"I came to the conclusion pretty quickly that none of those places would be good for me," said Abdul-Haqq, who converted to Islam in 2000 and got the idea to form the sorority during a religious service. Gamma Gamma Chi, which translates to mean "women on earth for a period of time," was born.

"The imam was talking about how we as Muslims needed to be more active in community," she says. "So it hit me that starting a Muslim sorority would both accomplish that and provide more positive role models for women growing up today."

With the help of her mother, former Bennett College president Althia Collins, Abdul-Haqq began to solicit interest in the sorority in Muslim communities nationwide. Scores of e-mails, letters and phone calls poured into the group's headquarters in Alexandria, Va. – including some from

places as far away as Pakistan and the United Arab Emirates.

Membership is open to all female college students and college graduates who "promote the mission of the sorority: a positive image of Muslim women and Islam in general," says Abdul-Haqq, who adds that members need not be African-American, Arab or even Muslim. Some who have inquired are members of other faiths.

"The women who we've received interest from are an excellent group," she says. "We reflect diversity, and embody a picture of Islam that isn't seen in the media. We're not oppressed. We're educated and outgoing. We take care of our communities."

Her goal is to have Gamma Gamma Chi chapters in all regions of the U.S. and internationally by 2015. Today, interested participants can be considered for membership in the sorority's national chapter, and this spring, the group hopes to establish its first official campus chapter at the University of Kentucky.

Top Principals Feagins, Burks Honored for Shaping Young Minds

Two school leaders with Guilford College ties have been honored by Guilford County Schools.

Tony Lamair Burks II, principal of The Early College at Guilford, has been named 2005-06 Secondary School Principal of the Year. He was joined as a finalist for the district's overall Principal of the Year award by Tanya Ward '71 Feagins, principal of Jefferson Elementary School.

Burks and Feagins were first recognized as two of the 11 nominees for the overall Principal of the Year honor, and were selected to advance to the final group of five finalists.

Burks has been the Early College's principal since the school's founding in 2002, and taught at schools in California and Tennessee before coming to Guilford. Under his leadership, the Early College was the first Guilford County

high school to be named a North Carolina School of Excellence. Burks is past winner of the prestigious Joseph B. Whitehead Educator of Distinction Award.

Feagins' background includes experience as a teacher, as an assistant principal on the elementary, middle and high school levels and as an adjunct professor. Jefferson Elementary, which borders the college and is located off New Garden Road, has earned School of Excellence and Honor School of Excellence designations since she was named principal in 2002.



Tanya Ward Feagins discusses a "Backpacks for Haiti School Kids" program with her students at Jefferson Elementary.



JULIE KNIGHT

Greenleaf: Community in a Cup

Popular student-run co-op serves up more than coffee

fitting that the venerable dormitory would serve as home of the college's latest successful co-op venture.

"It fosters a sense of community," says **Stephen Watkins '06**, a Greenleaf

member and one of the co-op's organizers. "It's a student initiative that helps support other students. The general sense of empowerment helps foster a positive circle."

The Guilford College Co-operative Association, which oversees Greenleaf, currently includes a bicycle co-op and vegetable co-op and exists

"to organize and nurture cooperative activities in the Guilford community... [and to] abide in the spirit of solidarity, social justice, and environmental responsibility," according to the group's mission statement.

"When students work collectively for a cause, so much can be accomplished that wouldn't be otherwise," says **David Norton '08**, who works at the coffee shop. "I've come to believe that by working together and living our lives as we would want others to live, that students can make a difference here and work for change on a wider scale in the world outside Guilford."

Stand in line to order a hot drink or baked treat at the Greenleaf, Guilford's student-run coffee cooperative located in the basement of Mary Hobbs Hall, and you can't help but notice the large slogan written above the menu: "Drink the change you wish to see."

It's a takeoff of the famous Mahatma Gandhi saying, and embodies the spirit of the Greenleaf, which moved into the space last April and has quickly become one of the most popular gathering places on campus. Students, faculty and staff come to study, socialize or enjoy a cup of coffee or tea – and to contribute to what is fast becoming a successful enterprise. Those working at least four hours per week receive a 25 percent discount at the coffee shop, which is already profitable after less than a year in business.

Special events hosted in the Greenleaf have included everything from live music to a discussion featuring the Indigo

Girls and former vice-presidential candidate Winona LaDuke (pictured above).

Furniture (which includes couches, loveseats, chairs and game tables) was donated or constructed by students and employees. Equipment was purchased and the Mary Hobbs basement was renovated with a grant from the college, and what resulted was a popular gathering space which brings students together, creates an environment for valuable work experience and even offers customers an opportunity to be socially conscious just by choosing a beverage (only fair trade and organic coffees and teas are served).

Mary Hobbs Hall itself was a co-op from 1907-97, with residents sharing cooking and cleaning duties for the common good of all who lived there. So it's



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Strike Up Die Band

Die Quäkerhosen, an oompah band composed of faculty, staff and students, belts out a tune during campus-wide community time on the Founders Hall patio as Professor Dave Limburg directs. New last fall, community time brings the campus together on Wednesday afternoons for fellowship, community service and other events.



LEE OWEN

College Community Gives Money, Time to Worthy Causes

During the fall semester, the Guilford College community contributed more than \$52,000 in its annual charitable giving campaign, donations to the Guilford Annual Funds and a special drive for Hurricane Katrina relief.

The community raised \$16,940 in the annual "Guilford Shares" campaign, with 26% of employees supporting the campaign.

Funding was provided to the United Arts Council (\$559), Community Shares (\$2,642), Earth Share (\$5,401) and the United Way of Greater Greensboro (\$8,338).

College employees, including retired and emeriti faculty and staff, contributed \$11,256 for the Guilford Annual Funds from July 1 to the end of the year.

The Hurricane Katrina relief effort netted \$24,536 in donations to the American Red Cross and American Friends Service Committee.

A total of \$17,241 was contributed in the month-long drive, and the college added \$7,295 by matching on a 50 cents-to-the dollar basis all cash and check contributions by students and employees and payroll deductions by employees.

The American Red Cross received \$12,355 and American Friends Service Committee received \$12,181.

Additionally, groups of more than 25 students and staff members assisted with recovery efforts in Bogalusa, La., during a pair of week-long trips – first in October during fall break and again in January. A third trip to Bogalusa is planned during spring break.



Alison Holt '08 and Jake Blumgart '08 repair the roof of a house in Bogalusa, La., during a January work trip.

Bryan Honored with Prestigious North Carolina Award

After decades of service to his alma mater and many other organizations, **Joseph M. Bryan Jr. '60** has joined an exclusive club which includes David Brinkley, Maya Angelou, Andy Griffith and James Taylor. Bryan, a college trustee since 1973 and chair of the Board since October 2004, received the North Carolina Award from Gov. Mike Easley in a November ceremony in Research Triangle Park, N.C.

The award is often called the "Nobel Prize of North Carolina." Bryan's father, Joseph M. Bryan Sr., was presented with the award in 1986.

"Not only has Joe Bryan contributed mightily to Guilford College, but also to the arts and the public service throughout the state," said President Kent Chabotar. "The respect that he has earned was clearly



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demonstrated by the audience that night."

Bryan was one of six honorees to receive the award in 2005. An awards committee selected the recipients from nominations submitted by the public in the categories of fine arts, literature, public service and science.

In addition to his service as a trustee, Bryan was a member of the cabinet for the **Our Time in History** capital campaign and has served on the Board of Visitors and Alumni Board of Directors. He is a private investor and active community leader who has been involved with the Triad Health Project, New Garden Friends School, the Eastern Music Festival and many other organizations in addition to Guilford. The auditorium in the Frank Family Science Center on campus is named in his honor.

Fowler Hits the Books as New Controller

Scott Fowler, who has 18 years of experience as a public accountant, was appointed controller and director of budgets in January. He succeeded Curt Bradbrook, who is in phased retirement after 15 years at the college and is serving as a senior accountant.

In his new role, Fowler is responsible for the operating fiscal affairs of the college and the management of the Offices of Accounting, Student Accounts and Purchasing. He provides analysis, development and control of budgets, financial modeling and forecasting and supervision of short-term investments.

"Scott's outstanding background in accounting will enable him to be an effective controller and director of budgets," said Jerry Boothby, vice president for finance and administration. "He has the experience and people skills to be a good manager of the college's accounting, student accounts and purchasing offices. Guilford has been



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well served by longtime controller Curt Bradbrook, and we believe Scott will keep the college on the same steady fiscal course."

Fowler worked for the Burlington, N.C. accounting firm of Stout Stuart McGowen & King for the past seven years. He said, "I'm pretty excited about doing something so different. In fact, I'm very motivated about getting started and learning about Guilford's budget process. I look forward to putting my experience to work for the college."

In addition to his tenure with Stout Stuart McGowen & King, Fowler worked with Moore, Elliott & Company CPAs of Burlington and Persinger & Company of Beckley, W.Va.

He is a 1988 graduate of West Virginia University with a bachelor's degree in business administration.