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## **Lessons From The Dean**

#### By SHELDON WARD

"It's a shame that students have to know him as Dean Eller instead of Craig Eller," stated drama teacher Charley John Smith, "He's a very interesting and humorous person."

J. Craig Eller to most students is 'that man you go to see when you have done something wrong.' They don't know him for anything but the Dean of Students here at Louisburg. They don't know why he chose to be what he is, where he is from, or what he does for pleasure.

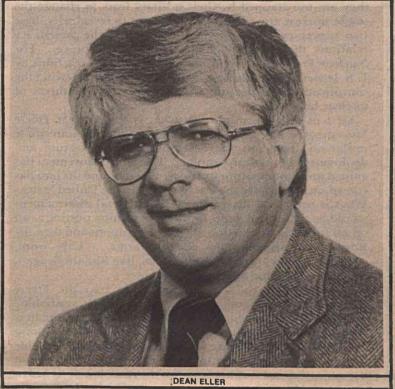
Craig Eller, a native of Swannanoa, N.C., was born on November 14th, 1938. He was the youngest boy out of Samuel higher education in a and Ila Eller's five daughters and two sons. After working for thirty years in the cotton mill, his father passed away during Craig's sophomore year at Charles D. Owens High School. Following his High resided in Louisburg with his School guaduation in 1957, Craig worked his way through one year of Berea College in Kentucky before deciding that he was not yet ready for more school. At this time Craig and socially.

turned to the military in order to broaden his horizons. In 1960, upon the end of his two year enlistment, Craig reentered Berea College and graduated in 1964 with his wife Sylvia, whom he married in 1962. After obtaining his Masters in English from Appalachian State Teachers College, he moved to Cleveland, Georgia, with his wife and new daughter, Jamie.

In Georgia, Craig became a teacher and the Dean of Students for Truett McConnell Baptist College. For three years Dean Eller enjoyed the feelings of accomplishment that came from leading an institution of consistent direction. Mr. Eller then transferred his attention to Louisburg. Five years later, in 1975, Craig was once again dubbed Dean of Students. Since his divorce in 1977, he has daughter. Now that Jamie has gone off to attend U.N.C. at Chapel Hill, Dean Eller likes to spend his spare time bettering himself mentally, physically,

Dean eller can often be seen about campus in sweat suit and sneakers walking or jogging away the pounds (that is when he is not out hiking or white water rafting). And sometimes, when it's real quiet, the full notes of a bass may be heard floating from his home. He used to play guitar as a teenager but says, "in college my roommate played guitar better than I did. . .so I switched to bass." It is quite obvious that he enjoys music; because, he plays for two bands and also sings for his church choir. One of the bands if the 440th Army/National Guard State Band (in which he is under the direct control of both the Army and Gov. Jim Martin). The other is The Troubadors', a small ensemble which plays country, beach music, and 50's rock-n-roll. "We do weddings, receptions, and bar-mitzphas," he states with a smile. Then there is the 'pit-band' that Dean Eller will be conducting for Brigadoon; which is, the first attempt at student orchestration of a play at Louisburg College.

Some of our students might



be interested to know that Craig "there is no greater honor a

Students. teachers and a feeling that, collection of toy cars.

Eller is also a car buff. He is a person can obtain than to be member of the Antique chosen to pass on the Automobile Club of America knowledge of society," Craig (AACA). Being the proud Eller has become the stern owner of a 1951 Chevy coupe, enforcer of our school laws. the first car he ever bought. However, somewhere behind Yet, above all else, he is a that calm exterior there beats teacher and our Dean of the heart of a child. If you don't Spurred by his believe it, stop by his office youthful admiration of his some day and check out his

# **Blood Mobile A Success**

### By STAFF WRITER

The Red Cross invaded Louisburg, February 6, 1984 on a crusade for blood and did not leave empty handed. From noon till 6:00 p.m. the Red Cross set up camp in the Multi-Purpose Room with a goal to collect 110 pints of blood. The dedicated crew of nurses; and volunteers left with an unprecedented 147 pints of much needed blood.

The Christian Life Council and the Louisburg High School Student Government Association sponsored the event and enabled the goal to be surpassed. The two dedicated factions enabled the goal to be surpassed through a collection of posters, solicitation cards and plain hard work. The

people involved were working and his dedicated band of on the event a full two weeks before it occurred. Sidney Stafford, who is the College Chaplain, was a driving force behind the successful blood mobile. Along with Mr. Stafford were Whit Cotney, who is president of the CLC,

followers from CLC. The Louisburg community should appreciate the many hours that went into the successful blood mobile, for their hard work allows the community to have the blood it needs. Much thanks to the donors!



### **A Spring Pilgrimage Begins**

#### By SHELDON WARD

orders to have my sailboat sent to me."

Picture this. You are in a TWA jumbo jet, the states are at your back and you are rushing toward your eight day engagement with Europe. Come March first of this year, this illusion will become reality pup of a town", Salisbury; after and her mother, Mr. and Mrs. Al Williams, and 14 Louisburg be the first of two nights of College students on this plays scheduled for the near excersion entitled London score of folks. As of yet, Theatre (lookout Europe).

For eight days they will be are still a mystery. treated to the sights and sounds

of London and its surround-"If I don't come back", states ing areas. Having plenty of chaparone Ray Mize, "I've left time to explore at their own pace as well as some guided staples' for any tourist.

The ancient Stonehenge will be visited so that these lucky people might observe the power and mystery first hand. From Stonehenge, at Windsor, they will move on to that "mere for 19 Louisburg residence. which, they will make their Teacher, Ray Mize shall be way off the rolling plains back accompanying: Pat Palmer to the bright lights of London.

The evening of the 4th will though, the titles of these plays