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Kappa Sig in the dark

Town may buy frat house

by Dana Hill

The board of aldermen of the town of Elon College voted Tuesday night to buy a portion of land owned by Elon College to be developed as a site for the new town hall. The property is a vacant lot located across from the town post office and also includes the lot on which the Kappa Sigma fraternity house now stands.

remain there until the end of the spring semester.

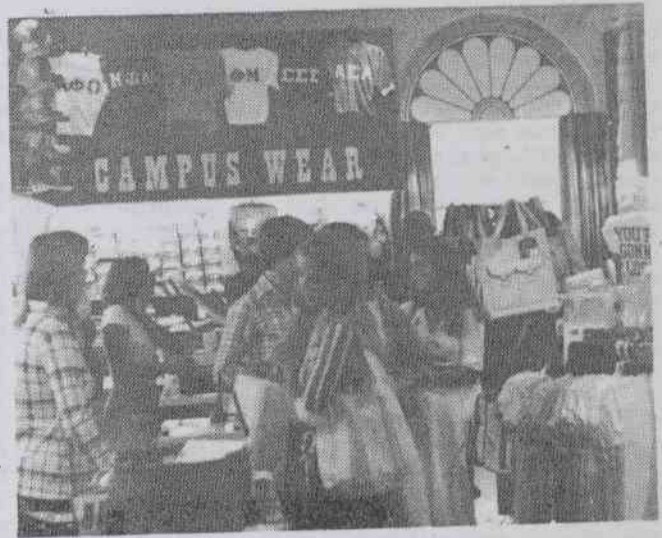
The property measures approximately 200 feet by 175 feet and is centrally located in the town. The town board moved to buy the property with the understanding between the town and the college that the fraternity house will be vacated at the end of May 1978.

The board's action was prompted by an offer of the property to the town in a letter from Elon President Fred Young. The price tag placed on the land by the college is \$30,500.

The purchase will be finalized upon receipt of the money by the college and an assurance from the town that the people living in the Kappa Sigma house be allowed to

When asked after the board meeting if his fraternity had any knowledge of the college's action, Kappa Sigma President Steve Slough said that Kappa Sigma had heard absolutely nothing from the college concerning the sale of the property. Dean of Student Affairs William Long also said that he had not been previously notified of the pending sale of the property.

President Fred Young, who was out of town at the time, could not be reached for comment.



The ever-present line appeared once again last week in the Campus Shop as students attempted to purchase supplies for the semester.

McDowell to be legislator

by John Atkinson

Tim McDowell, director of public information and public relations for Elon College, has been nominated to fill the vacancy in the N.C. House of Representatives left by Rep. Sandy Harris who accepted a newly created district judgeship in Alamance County. McDowell was nominated by the Alamance and Rockingham district committee over a slate of four other candidates. The nomination is subject to approval by Gov. Jim Hunt.



Tim McDowell, nominee for state representative from the 15th District

McDowell, 31, was the state coordinator for Jesse Rae Scott's unsuccessful campaign for commissioner of labor in 1976. He assisted former Gov. Bob Scott in the local campaigns of Gov. Jim Hunt and President Jimmy Carter in 1976. McDowell has been at Elon since February.

Interviewed on Monday, McDowell said that he was not going to Raleigh with specific goals. He said that he would work hard to serve the people of Alamance and Rockingham counties and that he wanted to be fair. His prime concerns were in elementary and secondary education. However, he felt that money was not the answer to the problem. "I am not one of those who believe that educational problems can be cured by spending more money," McDowell said. McDowell said that he was in favor of the passage of the Equal Rights Amendment but had not yet decided his position on the liquor-by-the-drink issue. He did say, however, that he felt that the people of Alamance and Rockingham counties would not be in favor of local option liquor-by-the-drink.

Frosh elections

Freshman officers will be elected Tuesday, Sept. 20. Senators will be elected Thursday, Sept. 22. Registration forms may be picked up in the SGA office in Long Student Center.

Big-party days fade at Elon College

by Robin Moser

On Oct. 17 in Alamance County Courthouse, a hearing will occur which will affect several hundred Elon students. The hearing involves the topic of whether or not fraternities and sororities can live among the townspeople of Elon College.

"The days of parties involving 150 people are gone from Elon," said Steve Slough, Inter-Fraternal Council president. Instead, the fraternities now find themselves complying with the new "article IX." Article IX places the specific limitation of no more than 30 people at any fraternity house party. However, most fraternities now have more than 30 members within their own organizations. Slough thinks the answer is

off-campus partying at least until the October hearing.

Sororities are not faced with this complication. According to Donna Sowder, president of Panhellenic, "we don't use our houses for parties." Even though sororities will feel the tighter restrictions on parties, most of the girls seem more concerned about the lack of repairs on the houses rather than the lack of "over the hump" parties.

What then are the Greeks going to do? Reports are that the fraternities are trying to comply with article IX for the present. They also plan to attend the October hearing as interested observers in an attempt to show the Elon community that Greeks can and are capable of being quiet, orderly, and organized. Will this approach work? Who knows?

One thing remains certain — the fraternities and sororities have nothing to lose.

Student grill gets big-screen TV

by Doug Hayes

A \$3,000 six-foot diagonal TV screen was installed in the Varsity Grill of the Long Student Center last July. The purchase was a joint effort of the SGA, ARA food services, and campus shop.

The television was purchased from Winston-Salem firm, the lowest bidder for the set and installation. SGA paid \$1500 for it, and the remainder was split between ARA and the Campus Shop.

In an interview about the purchase SGA President Tim Moore said "This is a rare instance where the student body can directly benefit from the money it gives the SGA. The TV offers a chance to relax between classes and at the end of the day, so I urge the students to patronize this benefit to the fullest, and hope this purchase proves to be worthwhile."

Howard Southerland, head of ARA food services at Elon, is also hoping the TV is successful and says, "If there is a good response to it (TV) the Grill hours could be lengthened to accommodate more people."

W. E. Butler, business manager for Elon, said that the screen originally had a one-year warranty but was negotiated to a five-year warranty on parts, labor, and mileage cost. The SGA will be distributing a survey sometime in the future to find out what TV programs are most popular with students so that fair viewing can be established.

Overcrowding bulges dorms

by Bryant Colson

The number one problem confronting many students here at Elon, as the 1977-78 school year gets underway, is housing. Many are finding that the usual two-in-a-room arrangement now has added a third student. A few even find themselves housed in a relatively luxurious room at a local inn.

The hardest hit dorm was Staley which started the year with 25 rooms having three beds in each. This number has now declined to 15. This decline is due to the opening of off-campus housing.

The number of students at the Ramada Inn is now down from 45 to 26 and declining daily, as on-campus housing becomes available. Needless to say, not many complaints have come from the students at the Ramada. The students at

Ramada have transportation three times daily to and from the main campus.

Many students say they suffer, in one way or another, because of the overcrowded conditions. Some resident counselors say they were promised one roommate; however, upon arrival at school they found that they were given two roommates. According to the resident counselors, no effort was made by the office of student affairs to inform the R.C.'s of the three-in-a-room change.

The intentions of the administration were to open the fall semester at capacity. This in turn, would make it cheaper for all students. The fewer students you have, the more they all have to pay. "Our main objective," according to Dean William Long, dean of student affairs, "is to offer private education to a maximum number of students."

NEWS BRIEFS

Deadline--study abroad

Students who wish to be on the jetliner bound for London on Dec. 30 must pay the \$25 deposit and register with Dean W. G. Long, tour coordinator, by Sept. 23. Tour leaders are Dr. David Crowe, history; Prof. Betty Gerow, English; Dr. Mary E. Priestley, art and humanities; Dr. Fred Watts, political science; and Dr. Walter Westerfer, music.

McDowell is the former editor of the *Mebane Enterprise Journal*. He held that