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Cyclists raise funds

by John Ferguson

"In spite of the weather it was still a success," said Dr. Robert Blake, chairman of the St. Jude Bike-a-thon held at Elon College last Saturday. Dr. Blake said he was pleased with the number of people who participated in riding against childhood cancer and who helped in topping the goal of \$1,000.

Several youngsters rode more than 100 miles, breaking the national record, according to Dr. Blake. Jonathan Blake rode 129 miles; Andre Wilkins, 127; Keith Fogelman, 125; and Fred Perkins, 100.

The participants included all types of people—Elon College students and professors, Kappa Sigma, Pi Kappa Phi, and Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternities, and community residents from seven to 50 years of age.

Forty people pedaled approximately 1,272 miles on a course that started at Jordon Gym, wound around Staley-Moffitt dorms and cut back around to the gym. Once the rain started, there were single bike accidents and even collisions, but no one was hurt.

Mrs. Crowe, president of the Elon College Women's Club, did a thorough job of providing ample amounts of ham biscuits, sandwiches, apples, doughnuts, and soft drinks.

St. Jude Children's Hospital was founded by Danny Thomas, and is the largest childhood cancer research center in the world. It is the first and only institution established for the sole purpose of conducting basic and clinical research into catastrophic diseases in children.



Scott Crook, 7, looks on as he is marked down for his 50th mile by Mrs. Carol Blake, co-chairperson of the bike-a-thon, last Saturday. Scott rode more than 60 miles.

Several citizens file for places in town government election

Interest in work for the town of Elon College has picked up as two men have filed for mayor and one woman and three men have filed for alderman. Three places must be filled on the board in the Nov. 6 election.

Timothy Parker, attorney and four-and-one-half-year resident of Elon College, has announced his intentions of

running for mayor. So has M.E. "Marty" Campbell, who retired 14 years ago from Western Electric and who served three four-year terms as alderman. He worked primarily on town zoning in his last term which ended in 1977.

The present mayor, T.L. Smith, has said he will not run for reelection.

Sidney Norton, president of Norton-Russ Automotive Co., Burlington, and candidate for alderman in 1977, has filed for alderman. He has lived in Elon College for 11 years.

Dr. Mary E. Priestley, professor of English and journalism as well as a businesswoman, filed Friday for

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Sociologist to discuss suicide

Dr. Robert Davis, sociology, will speak to Prof. Regina Bowden's social problems class on Oct. 9 at 2 p.m. in Mooney Theater. Dr. Davis's area of research is suicide. He has done

extensive work at the University of Wisconsin at Madison and Washington State.

He is on the sociology faculty at A&T State University, Greensboro.

Farmer Fryar heads NC-PIRG

by Joy Hamilton

Jordan Fryar is not a student who sits and waits for news to break—he makes it break.

Fryar, newly elected chairman of the state board of the North Carolina Public Interest Research Group, feels that "if one works with PIRG, they deal with real-world issues." Some of these "real world issues" include "A Guide to Off-Campus Housing in the Elon College Area," written by Fryar, and a survey comparing the services and fees of area lawyers.

"I'm a partner on the farm with my father," says Fryar, a Gibsonville native.

Of the 240 acres of land, 100 of which are used for farming. Fryar and his father operate a truck-garden where customers may come and select their own produce.

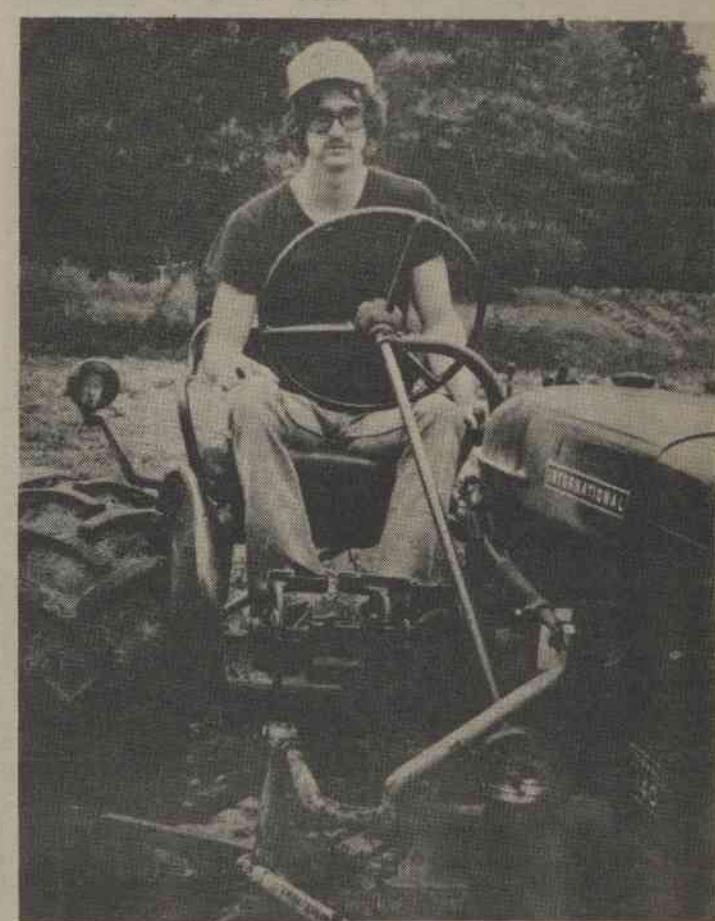
A business accounting major and junior marshall, Jordan plans to enter law school upon graduation from Elon. He says, "I feel farming will help me in the long run because I get a sense of the real world."

Steve Schewel, state PIRG representative, says of Fryar: "We recognized Fryar's abilities and experience, and he was the unanimous choice by representa-

tives from the schools. It is definitely a well deserved honor."

In his free time, which is relatively rare, Jordan likes to "read the classics, lift weights and run." Of running he says, "I like the time alone—there's nobody out there but me, and it gives me a chance to clear my mind."

Fryar's immediate plans with PIRG are to attend the national convention this month in Washington. He also collaborates with other PIRG schools in the state and shoulders much responsibility as chairman of the state board of PIRG.



Jordan Fryar, an accounting major and junior at Elon, has been elected chairman of NCPIRG. He also helps his father operate a 100 acre truck-garden. Photo by Craig York.