

# R.C.'s goal is to help

by Joy Hamilton

"Dealing with people and being an R.C. has been a bright light to me so I can relate to people better," says Tracey Taylor, first floor resident counselor at Barney Dorm.

Tracey, a human services major and number one strong corner and defensive back on the Fightin' Christians defensive squad, plans to "go into the counseling field." Tracey is in his second year as a Big Brother to a youth at the Elon College Children's Home.

Originally started as a project for Prof. Howard Higgs, the "project" has turned into a special friendship. Tracey tries to help youth "develop good study habits" and offers support and encouragement. He feels a certain empathy and "desire to see someone make something of himself."

"I feel I've gained a lot of friendships facing ordeals with students in the dorm," says Taylor. His major goal at Elon is "to get a base for the future," which is "dealing with other people and their problems to help them live better lives."

"I love football," says Taylor. "The football team is closely knit—we have a unity no one can break up." But the bond of the athletes is strengthened because, "The Lord is a member of our team. I do love football," says Tracey, "but it takes a team effort. I like to devote myself 100 percent to one sport," he adds.

The 170-pound, 5'9" junior from Jacksonville, N.C. was team captain for two years while in high school. Coach Tolley says, "Tracey's a fine kid and an extremely hard hitter." His



Tracey Taylor

philosophy is "to be able to look back on my life and say I've done the best I can to help others to achieve the highest goals possible."

# Spiegel back at LRC

by Robin Adams

Ed Speigel, a one time Elon physics major and radio announcer for WSOE, is back as a media technician for the Learning Resources Center. Ed is filling the position vacated by Bob Wicker. His duties include checking in and out of all equipment and inventory, plus repair and maintenance of all LRC equipment.

At Elon Ed was involved in the Student Union Board, and did major work helping organize Elon's radio station.

Since Ed's leave from Elon, he has worked at WQWX, a gospel radio station in Mebane, at the Methodist Conference Church Camp as director and at Custom Rock and Sound which installs sound systems for clubs and discos.

Ed is glad to be back at Elon, both as a staff member and as a part-time student. By winter or spring, Ed hopes to get back into his physics major. "I hope to be able to communicate with the students and be a successful staff member at the same time."

# Students eligible for aid should apply

by Keith Nelson

Inflation has put a great financial strain on many people going to college. To help ease this expense, Elon College offers a number of scholarships, grants and basic educational loans.

About \$2.9 million has been distributed to approximately 1,600 Elon students this year, according to Barry Simmons, director of financial aid. Two sources outside the college funds provided this money. The federal government provided about \$1.45 million and the state government about \$850 thousand this year "There is a lot of cross-matching of funds," according to Mr. Simmons.

Many students who are eligible have not applied. Simmons said, "I would encourage students needing help to apply. The required forms are in the admissions office."

Students should fill out forms with their parents. "Don't take a form home

and say, 'Here, fill it out' because the student is the main beneficiary. Actually there is not a simpler form; just read the directions."

At Elon there are three types of aid: grants: long term, low interest loans; and college work study, 80 per cent federally funded; and institutional work study, 100 per cent college funded. Certain scholarships are given to preferred students in specific areas, but students are not discriminated against on the basis of race, color, sex, handicap, and national or ethnic origin.

Title IV, passed in 1972

by Congress, allowed for assistance to college students. It set up middle income assistance (MICA), federal insurance loans, which are part of MICA, and the basic educational opportunity grant (BEOG).

North Carolina students who attend an independent college, not part of the UNC system, are eligible for a \$475 tuition offset grant. A need based grant of \$200 is for students applying for the North Carolina contractual grant. The first come-first served North Carolina incentive grant is for students badly needing financial aid.

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# Keyboard teachers trained

A new course for piano teachers is being offered this fall at Elon College.

"Methods and materials of teaching piano" meets each Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning at 8, and even at this early hour four piano teachers arrive punctually for the course.

Taught by Prof. Fletcher Moore, who has taught piano and organ at Elon for many years, the course is designed for people who

teach from beginners to advanced performers. It should also be helpful to those teachers who are just beginning, although participants are expected to be fairly good pianists, Walter Westafer, chairman of the Fine Arts Department, says.

This course, Music 371-A, covers the basic principles of piano playing, repertoire technique, and an intensive study of the most commonly used series of instruction.

# 'We're proud of our sisters'

by Cindy Violette

"There is a lot going on this year," explains Phi Mu's president, Lynn Moore. In addition to the usual car washes and doughnut sales, the girls are active in many other organizations on and off campus. Some of the sisters sponsor little sister programs for the Elon College Children's Home. In fact, Lynn says, "Recently we had a bonfire with the kids."

Lynn congratulates the women who are active in all phases of campus life. In the senate are Colleen Miller, recording secretary; Lisa Garrigues, finance committee chairman; Lynn Moore, parliamentarian and Nancy

Redd, vice president of the senior class.

On the student life committee are twirlers, as Sharon Cox and until recently, Dianne Dewhirst, leading the crowds with cheers for the football team. The Liberal Arts Forum is never without Lisa Garrigues and Dee Dee Saunders. "We are also proud of our five resident dorm counselors on campus," Lynn says.

Phi Mu's are also becoming more involved in the Elon publications. They understand the need for better communications on campus. So some of the sisters have pitched in to help. Two Phi Mu women are on the Phi Psi CII, one is working with the Pendulum, and a sister is on the Communications Media Board. Lynn encourages more students to become involved with college activities.

The Inter-fraternal Council will be sponsoring a bloodmobile Thursday, Oct. 18, from 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m. A blast is scheduled for Oct. 25.

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