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Robin Adams, senior in English-Journalism, enters library through new security gate. Photo by Priestley.

New tattle tale security system guards Elon library collection

By Robyn Stiff

A new detection security system to improve service for library patrons by preventing unauthorized borrowing of books has been installed in the Elon College library.

Book losses, steadily mounting, should be greatly reduced, according to head librarian Guy Lambert. The new detection device went into operation Feb. 19.

The 3M system "sensitizes" library materials to activate an electronic detector if patrons attempt to

leave with a book or periodical which has not been properly checked out. A signal sounds, and the newly installed exit gate locks.

The detection device has hidden markers in the book. The system does not slow down the checkout procedures as some may think. The librarian simply places the material into the unit and takes it out again. In a fraction of a second, the material has been de-activated so it will clear the detection sensor and the patron can pass through the gate. The

system also detects materials placed in briefcases and book bags.

Since the new system does its job quietly without any fuss, it will probably have good acceptance among Elon College students, the librarians believe. The library is likely to become a more valuable resource center for all students because the staff will be able to keep up the job of assisting students, and more money can go toward expanding collections and buying new materials.

Board of Trustees to vote on new dormitory plans on March 4

By Mari Behrend and Teresa Warren

Plans to begin construction of a new dormitory will come before the Board of Trustees for approval at their March 4 meeting on campus.

The new dorm is scheduled to house 300 students at completion in the fall of 1982, according to Dr. Brank Proffitt who is in charge of dorm plans.

Funding for the dorm will come from a \$2.8 million loan from the college housing program of the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The loan carries three percent interest and the college has 40 years to pay it back.

The dorm will be located between Harper Center and the gym. Tentative plans are for a three-story, U-shaped building that has outside balconies.

The new dorm will help to relieve overcrowded dorms and living conditions at Elon, administrators say.

The Board of Trustees approved the acceptance of the loan in October and are expected to approve final plans at the meeting March 4.

The board's agenda also includes the election of officers and trustees. Usually this means the re-election of those serving.

Next, Alan White will

present the athletic program resolution which involves material that will be revealed at a later time.

Planned giving will then be emphasized by Reid Montgomery. This "estate plan" encourages people to remember Elon College in their wills. Not only does this arrangement help the college's development, but it also reduces taxes on one's estate.

Anne Ponder will then give a presentation concerning the progress of the Elon Honors Program.

After lunch with the honors students, the president's report and the usual committee reports regarding campus life, development, educational affairs, financial affairs, and executive matters will be given.

BCS to find Mr. Ebony

One black male student will be honored as Mr. Ebony tomorrow evening in Whitley. The Mr. Ebony Pageant, sponsored by the Black Cultural Society, will begin at 8 p.m. This is the second year the BCS has sponsored the contest.

To be eligible, contestants must be members of the BCS.

The black men enter themselves instead of being

nominated. Each of them must write an essay on "What are the obligations of a black man to himself, his family, and society? Then each contestant will present a skit dealing with educational progress.

Tawana Williams will be the mistress of ceremonies. She will introduce all contestants and preside over the judges. Faculty members will

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National Opera Company presents "Don Pasquale," March 3, 1981, 8 p.m. Whitley.

Sororities get extension

Elon College has passed through a major obstacle to obtaining extension of use permits for two sorority houses.

At their Feb. 16 meeting, town planning board members unanimously recommended approval for a 15-month extension of the use permit for the two houses. The houses are now occupied by Tri Sigma at 206 Lee Avenue, and Phi Mu at 310 East College Avenue.

The planning board's recommendation still must go

before the Town Board of Aldermen and then the town's Board of Adjustments before final approval can be given.

If approved, the permit will allow the two houses to be used by the college until July 26, 1982.

The college had originally asked for a three-year extension but because of a new dorm to be built by Elon, the extension of time was cut in half. The new dorm

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