

# Get involved now

Although studying is important to student life, becoming a part of a worthwhile organization is also an integral part of your college education and growth.

Students will find that involvement in extra curricular activities can truly add to and enhance their college lives.

Participation in an organization not only provides a chance for communications with other collegians, but also a great fulfillment and more educational opportunities.

Elon has many fine organizations from which to choose, most of which are welcoming new members with open arms. Anyone can participate whether they be commuters, transfers, or dorm students.

These organizations are here to support you, the student, and without your help and support they cannot function for your maximum benefit.

Whether you choose the Greeks, S.G.A., intramural sports, religious life, or working on student communications and media, all of these offer you opportunities to learn, grown, and live as you, the individual, desires.

For more information about the organizations and opportunities for participation on campus, check by the student affairs office in the large lounge of Long Student Center or see Bill Clark, the coordinator of student activities, whose office is also located in Long Student Center. Your student handbook also contains a list of the various organizations.

Remember, four years of academic life can be more fulfilling by being a part of your own education through organizations and their offerings.

## We need night lights

Lights! Lights! This campus has lights. They adorn the walls of buildings; they sit atop decorative lamp posts along the many sidewalks; and they sit at neat intervals in the parking areas. But many of these lights are not working.

For some reason, this campus is currently quite dark in many areas. What is the use of having these lights set up around campus if they are not to be kept in working order?

Editorials in years past have called out for improved campus lighting, and for a while it seemed the campus was finally becoming well-lighted and, therefore, increasingly safe.

Everyone well knows the benefits of maintaining a well-lighted campus. It makes it safer for students, male or female, who may be walking across Elon's grounds. This also makes the student security guards' job a little easier. Their job is certainly difficult enough without having to contend with darkness.

As students, we are often told to use our heads when walking after dark, but let's see some other people use their heads and repair these desperately needed lights.

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# Women on the job must combat sexual harassment

by Susan Troxler

As women take their places in the business world after graduating or while working during college, they also increase the probability that they will encounter some form of sexual harassment.

This is more obvious as women are becoming more outspoken about their working situations. In recent years women have admitted to being discriminated against sexually, and it is necessary for all women to be aware that they do not have to tolerate it.

The most important factor in this kind of discrimination is that action can be taken against the offender. As a woman, there is nothing you must endure while on the job that is sexually degrading to you. This is not to say you will not have to take out the trash or do some chore you might not enjoy, but you cannot be punished by your employer for refusing to respond positively to suggestive advances.

Before entering the business world, there are a few simple guidelines concerning sexual harassment that all women should be familiar with. Listed are a few of these guidelines adapted from Title VII of the 1964 Civil Rights Act:

If an employees's response to a request for a sexual favor becomes the basis for a decision affecting that employee, it is considered sexual harassment.

Employers are responsible for the actions of an employee's co-workers; they cannot be harassed physically or verbally.

An employee cannot be promoted because of her sexual involvement if another employee is more qualified.

If you are being sexually harassed, it is important for you to let the person harassing you know that you do not appreciate his attempts. Do not keep it to your-

self — your co-workers should be informed of your situation because you may need them for witnesses later. Talk to those who are in higher positions than yourself, and if you get no results you should file a charge with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC.)

You should remember that you are not wrong; the individual who pressures or badgers you is. Quick, firm action against the person on a local or government level is the best way to end the problem soon after it begins. Don't ignore it and hope it will go away, because it will only get worse.

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