



# The Pendulum

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## Major artists too expensive for Elon

By Doug Norwood

Many major concerts have been held at Elon. These have included such bands as Lynyrd Skynyrd, the Eagles, Doobie Brothers, Little Feat and Stevie Wonder.

However, no large concerts have been held on campus this year, primarily because of the soaring cost of putting on "big shows."

The cost of bringing a band to Elon has increased greatly. Members of the Student Union Board, the organization that plans concerts, have decided a more practical approach to campus entertainment is to schedule smaller and less expensive events more frequently than occasional major attractions.

"The tremendous cost and amount of work involved in putting on a major concert made us decide to experiment with a series of smaller concerts," said Rae DiProfio, who heads SUB, "and it's gone very well."

There probably will be no major attractions at Elon any time soon.

The recent Anti-Suitcase Weekend that featured three



The Outlaws performed here in 1977 with Willie Nelson.

bands and two films cost about \$6,000, and Livingston Taylor's appearance this year cost \$2,000.

DiProfio said that the promoters of the band Pablo Cruise recently approached SUB last fall, offering to perform at Elon, but wanted \$25,000.

Elon would still have had to provide security, tickets, a clean-up crew and hospitality, which would provide for the food and comfort of the performers.

Pablo Cruise is hardly one of the most expensive bands.

When James Taylor was in the area, he would have played for \$30,000, and Earth, Wind and Fire would be in the neighborhood of \$55,000 to \$60,000, according to DiProfio and Bill Clarke, the adviser to SUB.

DiProfio said that in the past, the concert committee of SUB was allotted approximately three-fourth of the entire SUB budget. This year it has received approximately one-half or \$24,000.

Clarke said that the new distribution of funds allows SUB to "provide as much as

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### Past Major Concerts at Elon

1974

Pure Prairie League and Earl Scruggs

Review

1975

Emmylou Harris, Elvin Bishop and the Ozark Mountain Daredevils

Linda Ronstadt with Andrew Gold and the Goose Creek Symphony

Lester Flatt and the Nashville Grass

1976

Herbie Mann

1977

Jimmy Buffett

Willie Nelson and the Outlaws

Tams, Bill Deal and the Rhondells,

Cornelius Brothers and Sister Rose, and

Electric Funk

Dave Mason and Kenny Loggins

1978

Wet Willie and Mother's Finest

Little Feat and John Hall

Hall & Oates and City Boy

1979

Atlanta Rhythm Section

Mike Cross

Mother's Finest and Nantucket

1980

Dirt Band and LeRoux

Little River Band and Rupert Holmes

1981

Mike Cross

John Price (Price)



CAVE IN—Due to leaking pipes, the once sagging ceiling of the Sigma Pi fraternity house became a large, gaping hole last week. Photo by Nader Hamidpour.

### Leaking pipes collapse ceiling

By Bob Moser

"Well, it had to happen some time," said Sigma Pi Fraternity brother Clay Roberson, looking up at the large hole left when part of the first-floor ceiling of the Sigma Pi house caved in last week.

As a result of leakage from pipes running from the upstairs bathroom at the house, the ceiling had been sagging for some time.

The hole is located above the foyer where a large number of students regularly congregate during Sigma Pi social events.

Fortunately, the damage occurred at 6 p.m. on April 8, when no one was standing underneath the foyer.

The fraternity contacted Coordinator of Student Affairs Bill Clarke several times in the last few weeks.

Clarke said he notified the maintenance office and the office of student affairs "enough times that they were certainly aware of the problem," but no action was taken to prevent the ceiling from falling in.

### 93rd Founder's Day activities planned

By Sherri Moore

The 93rd anniversary of the founding of Elon College will be celebrated April 19 through 21, with an anniversary dinner, convocation and the planting of the 93rd anniversary oak tree adjacent to the senior oak.

The honorable Mills E. Godwin, Jr., former governor of Virginia, will be the guest speaker during the convocation ceremonies. He will speak in Whitley Auditorium at 10:30 a.m. on April 19.

Classes scheduled for 10:10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on April 19 are cancelled so that students will be able to attend the Founder's Day convocation. College programs at 9:30 a.m. will also be cancelled.

The 93rd anniversary dinner is April 19 at McEwen and Harden Dining Halls. Dinner begins at 4:30 p.m. and the menu for students includes carved top round roast beef to order, baked ham, chicken pie, squash casserole, green beans almondine, au gratin potatoes, dinner rolls and butter and Founder's Day cake.

The planting of the 93rd anniversary oak tree is at 3 p.m. on April 21. President J. Fred Young will preside of the ceremonies. This will be followed by an anniversary coffee in West Residence Hall Lounge.

Founder's Day is only celebrated three times every decade to honor the founding fathers of Elon College: Dr. W.S. Long, Dr. J. Pressley Barrett, the honorable F.O. Moring, Col. J.H. Harden and Dr. G.S. Watson.

Elon opened its doors on Sept. 2, 1880 with 108 students. The enrollment for the first seven years averaged 110 students per year and has grown steadily to the present enrollment of 2,400 students.