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## Survey: students say 'no' to raising the drinking age

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A major issue in the Nov. 18 senate meeting was the question of raising the drinking age in North Carolina. At the present time, the legal age for the consumption of beer and wine is 18. The North Carolina General Assembly will consider raising the age in the next session.

A recent survey done at Elon indicated that 76 percent of the students here are opposed to raising the legal age. Since people are considered legal adults at age 18, and legal duties of an adult citizen begin at this age, then the legal rights of an adult should also begin at age 18, according to the poll.

Elon College senate will send a letter with the results of the survey to North Carolina's governor, lieutenant governor and local representatives to the North Carolina General Assembly and legislature and the committee chairmen of the General Assembly and legislature.

Another issue discussed in the Senate involved the athletic survey which the Student Government Association conducted. The results showed that the students would like the athletic facility hours more publicized. They feel that they are not well-informed about these hours and a posting system of these hours is needed.

Although the hours are written in the student handbook, the Senate said that students do not use the manual that often. The senate recommended that the Athletic Department post a large bulletin board outside Alumni and East gyms stating the athletic facility hours.

Students in the West Area expressed concern for their safety by signing petitions explaining the need for a better fire alarm system. The petition stated that the present alarm system is activated only when heavy flames are on each floor. This places the residents in danger, even during a small fire. The administration was advised to make the necessary improvements by installing a

central fire alarm system in the West Area.

An issue from a previous senate meeting concerned the payment for the recent purchase of the student activities van. The school purchased the van at a face value of \$11,420. The SGA will replay the college the face value less \$2,500. This will be the first of four payments made semi-annually, no later than Feb. 1 and June 1 until 1984.

The SGA will make the first initial payment of \$2,230 before Feb. 1, 1983, with the remaining balance being \$6,690. The remaining amount of \$1,730 will come from the unrestricted funds and \$500 from the Presidential Discretion Fund.

A final discussion involved the need for better lighting on the tennis courts. This was also indicated on the athletic survey. The SGA has spoken with administration and faculty on this issue. It has been recommended that a better lighting system be considered. Coin-operated timers on the tennis courts were also suggested by the SGA.



### How's the water?

A skeleton is helped out of the Fonville Fountain on the morning of Nov. 23. He apparently wandered off from his home in the Duke building. Photo by Gayle Fishel.



LONG LINES and last minute changes were a common sight last week during pre-registration. The Registrar's Office declared it an overall "smooth" event. Photo by Ron Kruppa.

## Pre-registration runs smoothly

Pre-registration for the spring semester went smoothly last week, according to Registrar Mark Albertson. For the upcoming Winter Term, 1,777 students were preregistered, an increase of 180 students

over last year's Winter Term. For the Spring semester, 2,250 students were preregistered, an increase of 60 students over last spring.

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## ODK taps members

Omicron Delta Kappa, the national leadership honor society, will induct 17 new student members and two faculty members in a special ceremony to be held on Dec. 7 at 9:30 a.m. in Whitley Auditorium.

These new student members are David L. Beahm, senior, Luray, Va.; Patricia L. Brammer, junior, Rockville, Md.; Kimberly E. Daniel, senior, Charlotte; Ellen L. Holland, senior, Vienna, Va.; Pamela J. Jacobs, senior, Burlington; Deborah L. Jones, senior, Bennett; James A. Kouchinsky, senior, Tazewell, Va.; F.W. Lewis, senior, Stony Creek, Va.; Julie A. McGhee, senior, High Point.

Also, Diane E. McSheehy, junior, Plaistow, N.H.; Marash N. Nikaj, senior, New York, N. Y.; Aaron K. Price, senior, Asheboro; Angela D. Rakes, senior, Patrick Springs, Va.; Edward A. Reinheimer, senior, Rockville, Md.; Pamela T. Roach, junior, Reidsville; Donna M. Stone, senior, Long Island, Va.

The faculty members who will be inducted are Mrs. Helen H. Euliss, associate professor of English, and Dr. J. Michael Marr, associate professor and chairman of the Business and Accounting Department. In addition, Margaret C. O'Connell, executive housekeeper of the physical plant, will be inducted.

A new system of tapping was used this year. The selected persons were "tapped" by one or two members of ODK, at the beginning of their 10:10 a.m. class on Oct. 11.

This national honor society, according to the Elon college catalogue, "recognizes students, faculty, alumni, and outstanding citizens for exemplary character, scholarship and intelligent, service and leadership in campus life, good citizenship within the academic and larger community, fellowship and consecration to democratic ideals."

This ceremony is open to everyone. One college program credit is available.