

# Committee selects graduate scholars

The Committee on Graduate Studies has selected nominees for the Rhodes and Marshall scholarships this year. This year's nominees are Barry Kavanaugh Jr. for the Rhodes Scholarship and Donna Phillips for the Marshall Scholarship.

The Rhodes scholarship is for three years of study at Oxford in England.

Kavanaugh, a senior biology major, is a member of Alpha Chi and Beta Beta Beta, the biology honor society, of which he has been the treasurer for two years. He is president of the American Chemical Society and a member of his area house council.

An intramural player and member of the varsity football team for two years, Kavanaugh lettered on both NAIA championship football teams in 1980-81. He has served as a biology lab assistant, a security guard, resident assistant, freshman orientation counselor, junior marshal at the 1983 graduation, and on the Student Evaluations Committee this year.

Also, he has served as chief justice of the Honor and Gener-

al Courts and as a Learning Resources Center tutor. He is a member of the Catholic Newman Society.

Kavanaugh has received an Elon academic scholarship and the Paul Reddish Biology scholarship. He has missed the dean's list only once since he has been at Elon.

The Marshall scholarship is for study at any college or university in England.

Phillips, the Marshall nominee, is a member of the Elon College Choir and the Elon College Chamber Singers.

She is a member of Alpha Chi and Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges. She has also served as a Learning Resources Center tutor.

Outside of the college, she is the organist for the First Baptist Church of Graham. She accompanies the adult choir and Youth Choir, and is a member of the Adult Handbell Choir and a member of Young Women's Ensemble at church.

The Committee on Graduate Studies selects nominees for major scholarships each year. The committee chair is Dr. Robert Blake, and members



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are Dr. Helen Mackay, Dr. David Bragg, Dr. Anne Ponder and Dr. Nancy Harris.

## Committees formed, chairmen appointed

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Last Thursday the Student Senate met at 6 p.m. in the Senate room upstairs in the Long Student Center.

During this meeting the committees met and decided on a time to meet once every two weeks. They will always meet prior to the Senate meetings.

The committees and their appointed chairmen are Campus Improvement, Robert Marabito; Campus Opinions, Mouché Maggio; Campus Affairs, Mike Nutt; Financial, Tammy Jackson; and Judicial, Tripp Owen. Anyone else who is interested in becoming a member of one of these committees should contact vice president Bob Moser in the SGA office.

A total of 10 bills were passed to confirm various committees around campus. Among these bills was an important bill to confirm the Media Board treasurer. The bill confirmed Aaron Chatkin.

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We have today four full-time language faculty whose experience level is phenomenal," he added.

The number of hours required for a major in foreign language has been kept low to encourage double majoring, white said. "For someone majoring in business," he said, "a foreign language study would be beneficial. We don't expect hordes of people to major in foreign language, but we think we can make it go."

President Fred Young said Monday he is "pleased with the foreign language major. The foreign language faculty members have done an excellent job in building that program, and they deserve an opportunity to establish a successful major."

"If we are able to do this, it would be an asset to the entire college program," he added.

A "fail-safe" device for the foreign language major is that if the courses don't reach a certain enrollment level in three years, the major could be eliminated.

"It's very easy to start a program and very difficult to close out a program because of feuds and personal feelings," said White.

He noted that there is a possibility that general enrollment will decline in the future. "It's up to us now to see how far it goes. This college has been very fortunate in the years to have an increased student body, so we've taken that and are increasing the quality of programs available," he said.

"There are different people pushing for both the MBA program and the foreign language major. Both have strengths, but there are risks involved, though less so in the MBA program because the interest in business is significantly higher."

White said that one reason for faculty voting on the MBA program last Friday would have been to get a faculty decision before the Board of Trustees meets next Wednesday.

The faculty, however, still has the power of veto over the board.

"There are several things that might happen," according to White. "The board might approve the MBA program subject to approval of the faculty. The board could defer the decision on approval of the executive committee of the board. This group meets more frequently than the rest of the trustees and can act for the entire board. Finally, the board could take the option of denying approval."

Young said, "It would have been preferable to have this (MBA proposal) acted on at the faculty meeting, but there's no problem because both the board of trustees and the faculty gave to approve an MBA program. Adding a graduate program is different from actions normally taken."

Young explained that both groups must report to the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges independently so that Elon would be permitted to have this program. The Southern Association does not meet until December, so Young said he doesn't feel that the delay will affect the issue. He does, however, believe that because of the delay, the publicity period is shorter and would therefore have to be more effective to pull in a substantial number of students for the anticipated Fall Semester 1984 inaugural MBA class.

He also said that if the MBA program is approved, both programs will receive "full support from the college. We are optimistic that they both have a reasonable chance."

White said, "Community harmony is of ultimate importance. That's not to say that we'll all agree on the issues, but we want everyone to feel he had the opportunity to give input on the process. It's impossible to make accurate predictions. We can project, but it's beyond data. That's where we are on any new program; it's an act of faith to make things work."

## N.C. novelist also loves teaching

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"I'll almost do it for nothing," said Doris Betts, famous North Carolina short story writer and professor of creative writing at University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. Betts was referring to her love for teaching.

Betts, who has been at UNC-CH since 1966, read one of her short stories entitled, "I'll Only Tell It Once," last Thursday in Mooney Theatre.

Betts, head of the faculty senate at UNC-CH, said that she was "elected to the position of faculty senate and that it served many purposes." She presides at meetings and is the ex-officio of several university committees.

Betts, who teaches freshman English honor students at UNC-CH, rates the English program there as "one of the best in the Southeast, ranking second to UNC-G in the creative writing

department." Her classes are no longer than 35 and no less than 20.

Betts said that she teaches some students who are afraid to speak up in class. She believes that smaller classes are more personal and said she tries to make her students feel special.

Her overwhelming fear, Betts said, is that she will lose some of her best students because they are afraid to ask questions. Her job, she said, is "to make them be aware that they are people, too, and shouldn't be afraid to speak up."

Betts lives on a farm in Pittsboro with her husband David and three children. She said that she "gets ideas for her stories and books from places she has been and things she has seen."

Mrs. Betts was the guest speaker at the induction ceremony for the English Honor Society of Sigma Tau Delta. Below are the new inductees.



**SIGMA TAU DELTA INDUCTEES:** Last Thursday night, 11 students were inducted into the English Honor Society. They are (from left to right): Kami Brooks, Miles Johnston, Linda Bell, Margaret Dutchen, Penny Thomas, Kelly Crissman, Christine Maggio, Carol Nix, Diane McSheeny, Vickie Troy and Jo Craven.