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Town board considers cable TV extension

By Ginny Westmoreland

Cablevision of Alamance has made a proposal to the town of Elon College to give its residents a 42-channel capability.

The Board of Aldermen was asked on Oct. 11 to extend its contract with Cablevision. Representing Cablevision of Alamance was Tom Prevette, who asked the board for its approval to change Elon's existing 12-channel capability to 42 channels.

This extension would involve a new 15-year contract, voiding the old contract made in 1978 for a 10-year lease.

Prevette said that if the 42 channel proposal is not approved, that 23-channel capability could be installed with slight improvements to existing equipment.

Cablevision's basic service charge would be \$10.50 a month, he said. This charge would include the ESPN sports network, Cable News Network, and a weather channel. Though Elon already has Home Box Office, viewers could also obtain Showtime, Cinemax and a Walt Disney channel at an additional cost.

Burlington has already approved the 42-channel service that is being offered to Elon College. Since Burlington's cablevision equipment was outdated, Prevette said, "We had to start from scratch."

Elon's equipment is fairly new so the cablevision system can be salvaged, he said. If approved, Elon College residents could have this system installed in their homes by the end of 1984, he added.

In another matter, the board unanimously agreed a feasibility study should be conducted on a countywide water and sewer authority to replace several separate systems now operating. Though Burlington and Graham officials are reportedly not pleased with the proposal, Mayor Pro Tim Robert Olsen said, "I do not think the proposal should be a major problem to come between the adjoining local governments of the county."

The board also approved the awarding of a street resurfacing project to Horne Construction Company of Reidsville. Of the three companies bidding for the project, Horne submitted the lowest bid to the board, which was \$39,070. Engineering fees will be another \$3,000 to \$3,500. The streets to be paved in Elon are Sunset Drive, Courtland Drive and Woodland Drive.

Don Witt of the Appearance Commission said that \$2,000 had been raised for the gazebo to be erected in Elon College. He added that an additional \$1,000 is needed to start the project, to construct the walkways, do landscaping and to plant shrubs. Witt said, "I'm optimistic that the money will be raised."

The board also approved the job description for administrative secretary Effie Dascalakis, a former student and 1983 graduate of Elon College.

Mayor Tim Parker offered a resolution to commend A.L. Rich's birthday. Rich, a long-time resident of Elon College, will celebrate his 100th birthday on Nov. 2. The mayor proposed to make this "A.L. Rich Day," and the board approved.



Photo by Paul Harris

Indian Summer Sunday

Enjoying a nice sunny afternoon in front of the library are (left to right) Tricia Nolan, Kelly Sody and Dee Dee Secrist. This Indian summer weather is expected to last through the weekend.

Elon meets United Way goal

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Crisis Alliance and Domestic Violence and Child Abuse Services.

Haworth said the United Way tries to get a balanced program to service the needs of all ages. He said almost all the money raised is spent in Alamance County.

The overall goal for Alamance County is \$725,000. Haworth commented that when a person gives money, he can specify what organization the money goes to.

"The county supports Elon, and raising money for the United Way is one way of our saying thanks. It's a two-way concern between the college and Alamance County," said Haworth.

Haworth said Elon usually has increased, its goal and exceeded it.

"It's very gratifying to see how the Elon College family responded to the local needs of the county. A financial gift is a lot stronger than words," said Haworth.

The association of Elon College and the United Way fund raising campaign goes back 18 years, and each year has turned out a success. This year Elon faculty, staff and students met their \$7,000 goal, and money is still coming in.

"Elon really supports the United Way in a strong manner. Contributions were up over last year considerably," said Dr. Richard Haworth, associate professor of mathematics and campus campaign chairman for United Way.

The time spent, the support and the enthusiasm of the local committee show that Alamance County means a lot to Elon College Haworth said.

The United Way is a non-profit organization that sponsors 31 local agencies. Some of the agencies are Alamance County 4-H Program, Boy Scouts of America, Meals on Wheels, Rape

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