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Tolley elected to Board of Aldermen

In his shirt sleeves, wearing a loosely knotted necktie and propping his foot on his desk as he talks on the telephone, Jerry Tolley seems perfectly at ease in his job as Elon College's director of annual giving.

But two years ago, after coaching the Elon football team to a four-year record of 49-11-2 and two consecutive NAIA championships, Tolley said that he did not know the first thing about the job he had given up coaching to take. "I just like a challenge," he said. "I used to be hesitant about accepting new challenges, but I really like them now."

On Nov. 8, the voters of Elon College gave Tolley another challenge when they elected



Jerry Tolley

him to the town's board of aldermen. Tolley, the top vote-getter in the non-partisan election, said that his new job, just like his one in the development offices, is something "brand new" to him.

"The reason I ran is that I think a lot of the Elon community," Tolley said. "I've lived here for 17 years, and I felt like I needed to do something for the town of Elon."

"In my campaign letter I said that the town of Elon has been good to me, and I'd like to help it any way I can."

Tolley said that he sees the annexation of land south of the town, which is being contested by neighboring Burlington, and the disbursing of a federal

grant for community revitalization as the major issues Elon College faces. While he said he does not know the intricacies of either and has a lot of studying to do, Tolley said, "I'm really looking forward to it; it's going to be a lot of work."

Tolley said that, before the election, he thought that if he could get 150 votes he would be one of the top three vote-getters, all of whom win seats on the board. "I was surprised to be the top vote-getter," he said. Tolley, incumbent Chuck Gantos and Sam Cousins won seats.

Tolley is not the first Elon College administrator to be elected to the board, as the local media reported. Town Mana-

ger Beth Hetzel said that Jennings Berry, a former dean of students at Elon, was on the board when she came to the town.

Tolley said that the relationship between Elon, the town, and Elon, the college, is a strong one. "I don't think there is much of a dichotomy. In some circles, some people have thought that — but I don't."

"Through the last 90 some years there have been some rifts between the college and the town, but it's a good relationship."

Tolley, who has written a number of articles for sports and coaching journals and is

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Photo by Paul Harris

Cracking those books

As the semester draws to a fast close, students can be seen all over campus studying for those last tests and assignments before finals. Here (left to right) Karen Welzant, Bill Harvey, Robbie Smelkoff, Martin Wheeler, and Annie Spaniol have a study session outside of Whitley Auditorium.

Fewer students have pre-registered

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In a slight increase over last year's figure, 1,973 students were pre-registered for Winter Term. For Spring session, 2,020 students were pre-registered. This figure is a decrease over last year's pre-registration figure.

Registrar Mark Albertson says, "I'm confident that we will have as many or more students registered once Spring gets here." On the last day of classes, Dec. 9, there will be a drop/add day for both Winter and Spring terms, from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. "There will be no restrictions as to when a student can drop/add," says Albertson. "Freshmen and seniors can come in at 9 a.m., it really doesn't matter."

Winter term registration will be held on Tues., Jan. 3 in the Registrar's office. On Jan. 4, classes will begin. Also on that day will be drop/add for Winter term. The maximum number of hours that a student can take Winter term is four. If a student is registered to attend Winter term, and then changes his mind, he must notify the Registrar immediately.

"If a student is full time in the fall, it's almost guaranteed that he will be registered for Winter term by mail. They'll receive a schedule marked complete and they're all set."

"If for some reason a student decides not to attend Winter term and doesn't tell me, I'll put them on the roll and they'll get an F for Winter term even though they weren't here."

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