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Carden succeeds Anderson as football coach



Macky Carden

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Head football coach Wright Anderson, who turned down the head coaching job at Marshall University in December, saying he wanted to stay at Elon, resigned his post two weeks later and joined the Oklahoma Outlaws of the United States Football League as a coach for receivers and special teams.

Anderson, who compiled a 1-6 record for the Christians in the 1982-83 season, was replaced by a man who has been at Elon for seven years as an offensive coordinator, Macky Carden.

The 39-year-old Carden, who graduated from Elon in 1967 and is a native of Durham, becomes the third head coach here in the past five years. First there was Jerry Tolley, who led Elon to two straight NAIA national championships in 1980-81; then there was Anderson, both of whom Carden has coached under.

Carden, who has never been a head coach in either high school or college seems to have the enthusiasm and desire of a leader that Elon demands from a coach.

In a recent interview, he talked about how he learned to adjust his beliefs as a coach after so many years of watching

others. "Wright Anderson was a great X and O coach; his approach was for talent," Carden said. "Jerry Tolley was the confident, cocky type, and I think there is still some what of a Tolley image in me."

Whatever image Carden portrays will be underlined by his most important belief — the player-to-coach relationship. When asked what will make him a good coach, Carden replied, "Good players make good coaches."

Along with returning players, whom Carden noted were "trying me out right now," will be four assistant coaches. Be-



Wright Anderson

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Banks' gift boost campaign over \$4 million

With two recent, major contributions from Wachovia Bank and Trust Company and the First Federal Savings and Loan Association, the total amount pledged to the PRIDE II has gone over the \$4 million mark, according to PRIDE II campaign coordinator Jerry Tolley.

Wachovia made a gift of \$25,000 to PRIDE II. Robert L. Saffelle Jr., senior vice president of the financial institution said the gift will endow the Wachovia Fund for Excellence at Elon College.

First Federal Savings and Loan pledged \$20,000 for PRIDE II. This gift will go toward the construction of the proposed fine arts center.

PRIDE II is a three-year, \$5.7 million capital campaign, the largest in the liberal arts college's history. Funds are being solicited for ongoing expenses, campus improvements, scholarships and endowments, and the fine arts cen-

ter, which is expected to cost approximately \$2.2 million.

"We feel pretty good about it, but there is still a lot of work to be done," said Tolley. Area campaigns to raise funds for PRIDE II are in progress, he said, and campaigns in Greensboro and Richmond, Va., are planned. Another campaign is under full-swing in Charlotte.

Tolley cited the Alamance County campaign as the most critical of the area campaigns. "The people of Alamance County gave a great percentage in the PRIDE I campaign, so it is important to have their support again," he said.

Tolley said that not all of the alumni have been solicited to give contributions yet. "We've been selective so far, but we will go through the masses. The Board of Trustees met their campaign goal of \$1.5 million, and the faculty was also successful in raising more than \$207,000, so things are looking good."



Photo by Paul Harris

Two-wheeler tour

First impressions are lasting impressions, so the saying goes. If true, that might mean these twins, who paused recently by the Fonville Fountain on their stroller tour of the campus, could one day be members of the Class of 2001. The school was looking good on a sun-drenched winter day.



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