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Fall enrollment sets record for 8th year in a row

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"At this point we have approximately 2,780 students registered," said Registrar Mark Albertson, which eclipses last year's record-breaking 2,715. This makes the eighth year in a row that Elon's Fall Semester enrollment has broken previous records. In 1976, 2,150 students were enrolled here.

Joann Soliday, dean of admissions, said that the number of new students is also up. "There are 1,009 new students as compared with 953 last year," she said.

She said the reason the admissions office is most happy is that they rejected 335 people, almost 100 more than last year, and still managed to increase the number of new students.

Soliday said that the admissions staff has started to raise standards and has begun to be

more selective about incoming students. She also said that the guidelines they are currently following suggest that most students admitted must have a predicted grade point average of 1.8.

She said that this is hard to go by since "of course every student gets individual consideration." Also, the 1.8 figure for the predicted grade point average is not just the grade point average in high school, she said, but rather is calculated by averaging grade point averages, SAT results and class ranks.

In the last couple of years before Elon admissions started raising standards, said Soliday, "The college was more concerned about getting enough students than about the standards."

But now, she said, the college can worry about raising the guidelines for admission. "We have to stay in business," said Soliday, "so we're still

worried about that number."

If the number of new students drops down too much, she said, we may have to review the standards again. "We have 'self-imposed limitations' and 'nobody wants to see dorms tripled again.' She also said that the college just wants everything to stabilize.

Albertson said that President Fred Young's plan for being more selective about admissions "could cut back a little," but would probably stabilize the growing numbers of Elon students.

Overall, Albertson predicted next year's total enrollment will have additional growth since every year the number has increased.

"Past years we just haven't been as well-known and didn't have the choices of students as we have now," said Soliday, "but this means

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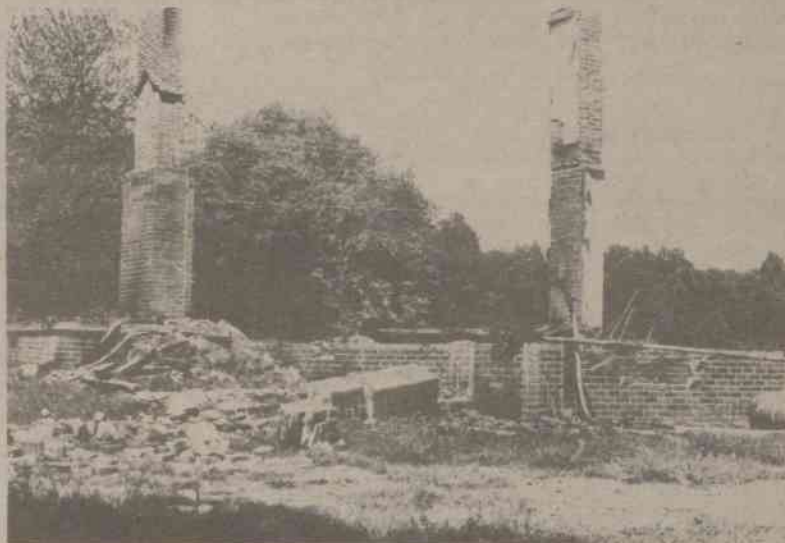


Photo by Stuart White

BEFORE AND AFTER: Former TKE house was used as firehouse training last month.

TKE T-shirt slogan comes true

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"A lot of good memories went up in smoke," said Terry Tera-mo, president of TKE fraternity, concerning the Aug. 19 incarceration of what was the

fraternity's house. The house was burned in a training exercise by Elon College, Altamahaw-Ossipee and Faucette fire departments.

The fire training exercise occurred after the fraternity lost its house last spring be-

cause of violations of college policy that had occurred over a period of time, according to Dean of Student Affairs, Ron Klepcyk. He said the house was not in good condition but the

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