### The Pendulum

# Harris

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#### centing cost advantage.

The study reveals that, even though the nuclear plant cost less to operate, a coal power plant requires a much smaller investment to construct now.

The study also, emphasizes that the purchase of additional energy and be more economical than operating Shearon Harris.

The focus of the report is economical. It says that environmental on ideration is important but that "a careful economic analysis is me important input; into an informed discussion of the options we ace."

illiams was cited in *The Daily Times-News* as saying that, "we on't think this is a definitive study. We've raised some issues and sked some questions. What we want is for the powers that be to see here questions and look at them in more depth."

illiams and Cottrell said in their study that the savings gained from abandoning Shearon Harris would include the repayment of investors for money already invested in the plant.

The report also said that CP&L could provide customers with an incentive to conserve energy by encouraging consumers to buy more efficient appliances. This study takes into consideration only air conditioning, water heating and lighting. Replacing old appliances and insulling those which are more efficient will not only mean lower monthly rates for the consumers but will also help to conserve energy. To further encourage the consumer to buy more expensive, yet efficient appliances, Cottrell and Williams suggest that CP&L grant a 100 percent rebate to customers for the price difference between the tow and high-efficient appliance.

At present, there has been no formal response from Carolina Power nd Light.

# Academic retention standards defined

With the end of the fall mester approaching, students hould be aware of Elon's policy oncerning academic retention undards.

"In the past, it's been unclear o students about how they were blaced on warning, probation or uspension," said Dr. Gerald funcis, dean of academic affairs. The following represent a classification of academic retention terms:

Warning: Students are notified hat their GPA is below 2.00 and hat they are expected to show significant improvement in their lext semester or term.

obation: Students are notified that their GPA is significantly below 2.00, that they are limited a maximum load of 13 senseter hours and that unless there is significant academic pro-

Suspension: Continued ademic deficiencies necessitate at students be separated from on College and one academic mester elapse before they are gible for reinstatement. Whereas warning and probation will be based on cumulative GPA, suspension for fall and spring semester will vary in that at the end of fall term suspension will be based soley on fall term grades while suspension at the end of the spring term will be based on cumulative GPA.

At the end of the fall semster, any student who has a semester GPA of below 1.00 will be placed on suspension.

At the end of spring semester, any freshman or sophomore with a cumulative GPA below 1.60, any junior with a cumulative GPA below 1.80 and any senior with a cumulative GPA below 2.00 will be placed on suspension.

These guidelines should be relatively clearer in that a student's GPA must increase from the freshman's first semester 1.00 to 1.60 for beginning sophomore, to 1.80 for beginning junior to 2.00 for beginning senior.

This step up in GPA is the most commonly used criteria for colleges with regard to measuring academic progress.





## News Briefs

### Sigma Chi Holiday Activities

The brothers of Sigma Chi Omega sponsored a can drive at Holly Hill Mall and opened doors at the mall entrances, greeting people and wishing them a Merry Christmas during the weekend of Dec. 5, 6, and 7.

The fraternity would also like to welcome its new Beta class brothers: Sam Bossong, Kevin DeVol, Dave Dogan, Haden Edwards, John Floyd, Thomas Howell, Steve Loy, Michael Taylor, Sam Tulenko and Daniel Perry.

### **1987** Commencement Date Changed

Commencement ceremonies will be held on Saturday, May 24 at 11 a.m. rather than on Sunday. Activities will be compressed into Friday and Saturday. A religious service will not be held this year, due to poor attendance in the past.

#### Kappa Alpha Psi Holds Food Drive

The newly-organized Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. marched to collect canned goods for less fortunate families. The ten members of the fraternity include: Howard Coe, Dennard Barnes, Timothy Carlton, Sir Walter Mack, Teddy Blackwell, Maurice Withers, Darryl Brittain, Rodney Evans, Thomas Edwards and Jeffrey Thompson.

### **ARA Sponsors Study Break**

ARA will sponsor a study break for Elon students in the McEwen Cafeteria from 9-10 p.m on Monday. Pizza, hot dogs, soft drinks and coffee will be made available to the students.

