

Features

Dr. Board finds job, students rewarding

by Lydia Derr
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He is wearing a dark business suit, the executive's attire. Missions, however is the hectic business office: room. He welcomes me with a congenial handshake. A student might be surprised by such sincerity from a vice president of the "corporation," as the catalog states.

Dr. Warren Board has been vice president of academic and student affairs at Elon College since July 1986, when he left a similar position at Kalamazoo College in Michigan. Board says he was ready for a change, and after visiting Elon decided, "I was ready for it, and it for me."

No one could accuse him of being shy. One of his first acts upon joining the administration was participation in a "game show" staged at Whitley Auditorium.

Board roared onstage on one of the "prizes," a fullfledged, no-nonsense motorcycle like a kind of academic Hell's Angel.

When asked what he likes most about his job, Board quickly responded that, "no two days are alike; each day is filled with variety, problems, possibilities, and surprises." Also, "this is an intensely human enterprise, this place is filled with people of good will."

The vice president admits to a love for young people. "I find a kind of energy in young people

that stimulates me." In response to the question of his position being one of "power," Board immediately dispelled the notion, preferring to think of it as a major job responsibility. The job is "frightening on the one hand and potentially rewarding on the other," he offers.

For example, the decision to withdraw recognition from a fraternity last year was a difficult one. Board, the College Disciplinary Committee and the Student Affairs staff knew there would be opposition from the students and, possibly, some parents. But they also knew that the college could not tolerate illegal drug sales and use.

The advantage of his position, he said, is that important decisions will have a positive impact on students' lives before and after graduation.

Board believes that open-door faculty-student relationships are important in education, but quality education depends on the students' aspirations.

He would like to instill in students the desire to serve humanity and is interested in providing opportunities for students to study other cultures.

Ultimately, Board concluded, "The quality of your education is defined by the limits of our joint aspirations."



Dr. Warren Board

Sports

Men's team inconsistent ; Women end season

by Doug Gorman

This has been a very inconsistent season for the men's basketball team. Elon has won some very big games and lost some games it was expected to win.

Last weeks action was no different. On Tuesday Elon was at home to take on the top ranked team in District 26; the Gardner Webb Bulldogs.

Brian Branson, the team's leading scorer, finished the game with 21 points. Like the Guilford game, this game came down to shooting free throws.

Against Guilford, Elon missed several free throws causing the game to go into overtime. Elon

eventually lost. Not this time. Elon hit its free throws down the stretch and came away with a 77-66 victory.

The win seemed to clinch a spot in the district 26 play-offs. However, few people expected Elon to lose to Pembroke State on Thursday. Elon trailed at Pembroke 32-15 at the half. The Christians could not get on track all night. The team shot less than 40 percent from the field and attempted only four free throws all night.

It was the worst loss of the year for the Fightin' Christians, losing by the score of 83-57. The loss puts Elon second in the district.

District play-off teams are determined by a complicated points system. What Elon fans need to keep in mind is the top three teams get to go. One at large bid goes to the Carolina Conference Tournament and one at large bid goes to an independent team. Elon still has regular season games against Lenoir-Rhyne and Pfeiffer.

The winner of the district tournament goes on to the NAIA National Championships in Kansas City. At the conclusion of the regular season Elon plays in the Carolina Conference tournament. The Tournament runs March 2-5 on the campus of Catawba,

The Lady Christians concluded their season this week with a big win against the Lady Bulldogs from Gardner-Webb. Lady Christian Jill Seawell lead all scores with 15 points.

Coach Jackie Myer's club

finishes the regular season with a 15-11 record. The Lady Christians will compete in the Carolina Conference Tournament this weekend at Pembroke State. After that, the team will play in the District championships.

Baseball team ranked fifth in pre-season

By Greg Tobolski

The Elon College baseball team opens its 1988 season at home against UNC-Ashville Sunday. The Christians ranked fifth, in a pre-season poll, are looking for their fourth straight District 26 title and third trip in four years to the NAIA World Series.

Led by senior Tom Alessi, the hitting should be as strong as last year. Billy Nemenz, Roger Knick, Jeff Kipilla and Tony Bellovia are expected to add punch to the lineup.

The defense is anchored by David Terry at third, Jimmy Duncan at shortstop, catcher Jerry

Russell and Allen Hammett at second.

Overall, this team appears to be deeper than last years 37-13 club. Coach Rick Jones feels "that we have the most depth ever in all areas. If we can generate power and stay healthy, we will be in the thick of things."

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