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Greek Week competitive?

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There was a new, less competitive atmosphere at Elon's Greek events last week. The Greek Week officials hoped for the decrease in competitiveness by the addition of a few "light" events, including a turtle and a tricycle race.

"There may have been a decrease in competitiveness," said a member

system." Atkins added, "Most of the time, it's too competitive and it does more damage than good."

Many people believe that the organizations' relations return to normal as soon as the games end, but that's not the case. Atkins said, "It doesn't get back to normal after the games. Sometimes a competitive grudge is held for years."

Greek games at other schools have more independent school in-



photo by Cheryl Kern

Look up...The Phi Mu sisters pull with all their might during Sunday's tug-of-war competition in Greek Week.

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-Billy Scott

of Kappa Sigma fraternity, Billy Scott, "but there is no way it will vanish."

"By the end of the week there are always a few people who are fed up with all the competition," continued Scott.

David Atkins, head of Student Activities, and supervisor of the Greek events, said, "Greek Week's purpose is to increase awareness and togetherness in our Greek

involvement, according to Atkins. "It can make a system shine to other independent students. Therefore, these events are also useful as a rush tool," said Atkins.

Also related to Greek Week is an abundance of parties. However, Police Chief Dan Ingle said, "It was the most quiet weekend during Greek Week in five years." There was only one arrest over the weekend for excessive noise.

Introducing: 'theme suites'

By Kelly McBride
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In the fall, according to Lee Proctor, director of housing, Brannock will serve as a female residence hall, the new East Campus Apartments will be ready for occupancy, and New Area suites will have been transformed into "theme suites."

Brannock is currently a male hall, but it will be changed to female housing for upperclassmen this fall.

The East Campus Apartments are open to students who want to live off campus. Each apartment has two bedrooms, two baths, a kitchen, and a living room.

New Greek housing is being built behind the New Area, and the Greek suites in Maynard and Chandler will change to "theme suites." The theme suites' purpose is to emphasize the "growth and development" of students, according to a brochure the college has

prepared. Pamphlets on the suites are available at the housing office.

Whereas the new apartments have been filling only slowly, according to Proctor, the new theme suites are proving popular.

"We will open up the apartments to two sophomores per apartment," Proctor said. "They must live with a junior or senior, or then can live by themselves."

A suite's activities may be oriented toward academic projects, social issues, or special issues and experiments. "A theme suite should provide its residents with the opportunity to work with each other toward the development of a theme of the group's choosing," the brochure continues.

"It is hoped that the students living in a theme suite will learn more about their chosen theme as they work on projects throughout the year . . . Groups are required to share some of their ideas and projects with the Elon College community."

Spence named to Board of Trustees

Royall H. Spence Jr. of Greensboro, N.C. was elected chairman of the Elon College Board of Trustees at the board's annual spring meeting on March 8.

A 1942 graduate of Elon and the current vice chairman of the board, Spence will take office on June 1.

He will replace former Secretary of State Thad Eure, who is retir-

vice president of academic and student affairs.

Scott Lesmes, a senior from Purcellville, Virginia, was elected youth trustee.

Lesmes is an Honors Fellow majoring in business administration and economics. A member of Alpha Chi Academic Honor Society, he holds a Presidential Scholar-

ship and the Dudley Ray Watson Scholarship.

He was named Alumnus of the Year in 1977, and in 1981 the college conferred upon him the honorary doctor of commercial science degree.

Among the generous gifts of Spence Jr. and his wife, Luvene Holmes Spence, a 1943 graduate of the college, are the Spence Library Collection of more than 47,000 volumes.

The collection was donated in 1975 in honor of his father, and a \$250,000 library endowment was established by them.

They also made a generous gift to name Colclough Residence Hall in honor of his friend and mentor, the late George D. Colclough.

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ing after serving as chairman for the past 34 years.

"We are gratified that Royall Spence will assume the leadership of the Elon board," said President Young.

"His interest in the college is lifelong and his leadership proven. Elon is fortunate to enter its second century under the guidance of this able leader," President Young continued.

Other officers elected at the meeting are Wallace L. Chandler, vice president chairman; Thomas E. Powell, III, M.D., secretary and treasurer.

Mr. Robert Poindexter is Elon's vice president of administrative services and Dr. Warren Board is

ship and the Dudley Ray Watson Scholarship.

He has been a member of the baseball team since 1986, was pitcher's captain in 1988, and is the team captain for 1989.

Royall Spence Jr. received his degree from Elon in business administration and history.

After serving in the Air Force in World War II, he joined his father, the late Royall H. Spence Sr., in business in Burlington, N.C.

In 1952 they purchased the Canada Dry Bottling Company in Greensboro, where Spence Jr. currently serves as president.

Appointed to Elon's Board of Trustees in 1959, he has served as vice chairman for the past 15 years.

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