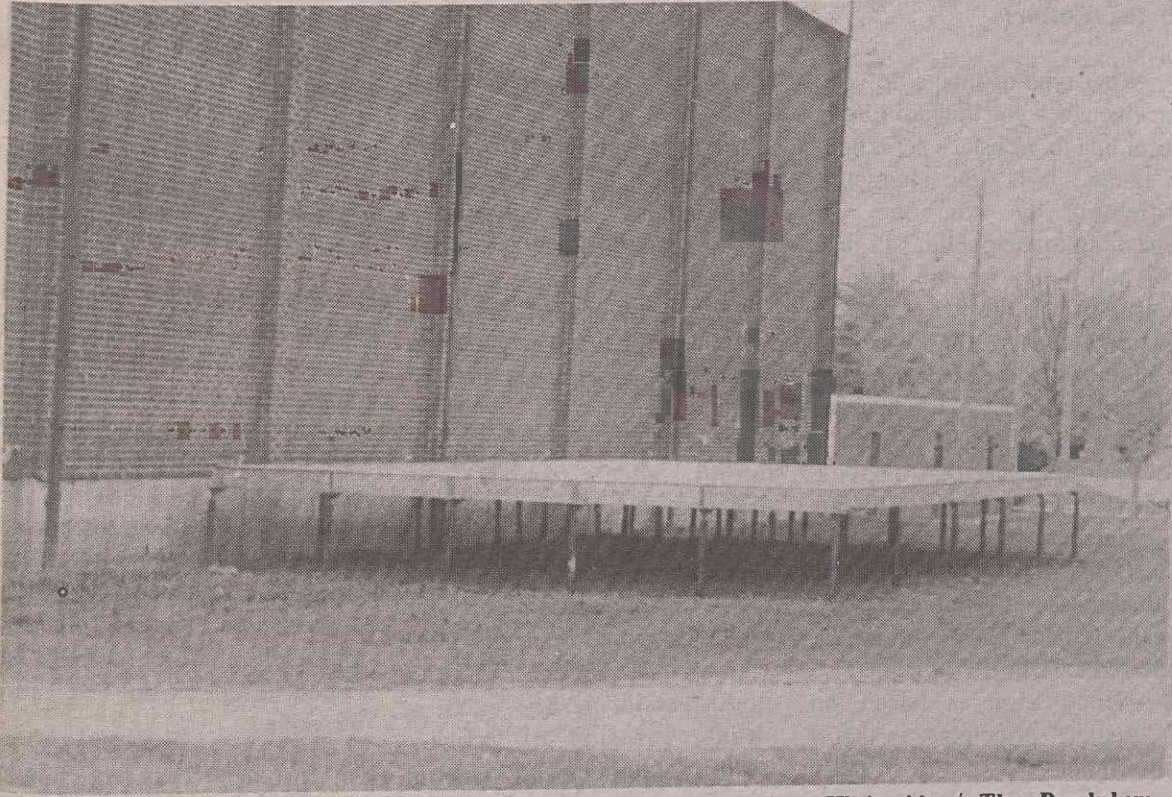


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A stage is being erected near the gymnasiums to accommodate performing artists. A variety of bands will perform on the stage during the Spring Fling festivities.

Earth Week celebration planned

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Environmental groups have a reason to celebrate at Elon College. April 16-20 marks Earth Week, a week-long series of events and programs aimed to help students and faculty realize the dangers facing the environment and what they can do to help.

Monday marks the opening ceremonies at 3 p.m. with a speech by Student Government Association President Ed Boswell. Elon College President Fred Young and President of Alamance County Habitat for Humanity Doug Long will also attend to speak on Elon's involvement with Earth Week. Opening activities will take place in front of Alamance.

Tuesday night will feature author Frances Moore Lappe. Lappe has written several books concerning environmental problems. At 7:30 in Whitley Auditorium, she will discuss some of the conservation topics covered in her books.

Wednesday, "garbage day," promises to be an unusually messy day. Students are asked to

carry with them all the garbage they accumulate over the course of the day. Later that evening, the garbage will be sorted out to see what is recyclable.

At 8 p.m., an informative program sponsored by Students Organized for Animal Rights (S.O.A.R.) is scheduled. Members of S.O.A.R. will talk about the cruelties inflicted upon animals and animal testing. The program will be held in the Fine Arts Theatre and members hope that it will promote awareness and offer solutions to the problems of animal cruelty.

Junior Trevor Moon, a member of S.O.A.R., is glad the organization has an opportunity to raise this issue. She thinks that often it is overlooked. "I understand that many people feel it isn't an immediate thing to look at," Moon said. "It is still one of those things that will effect us in the long run."

Thursday, Dr. Tom Arcaro will be the speaker at College Coffee. He will discuss environmental problems and the effects that they are having on the earth. "Given the warming up effect due to the Cold War, the most important social problem

facing the world today is environmental degradation," Arcaro said.

Later in the day, Dr. Richard Hood will play the guitar and banjo at an ARA-sponsored picnic by Lake Mary Nell. The picnic will last from 4:30-7:30 p.m. and will feature tables displaying information from various environmental groups. At 8 p.m., there will be a "throw down" at the Greek houses, with live bands playing until midnight. At that time, a paper-mache earth filled with flowers will be broken open.

Friday, April 20 marks the end of Earth Week with a tree planting ceremony at 2 p.m. In addition to these activities, there will be some projects that will go on all week. A Habitat for Humanity shack will be set up all week with guests that include college president Fred Young, who will sit in the shack to help raise money for the group.

Additionally, there will also be a recycling bin where students can deposit their recyclables. S.O.A.R. will have a petition table set up everyday in the lounge of Long Student Center.

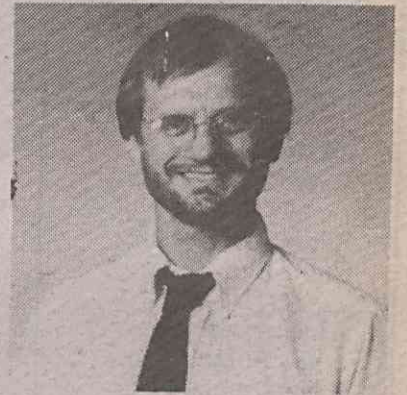
Arcaro involved in summer study-tour journey to India

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One of Elon's sociology professors, Dr. Tom Arcaro, has been selected to participate in an all-expenses paid, six-week study-tour of India this summer.

Accompanied by nine other faculty members from around the state (including another professor from Elon who is yet to be announced), Arcaro will spend June 22 - August 2 traveling through India, visiting sites of religious and historical importance and attending seminars. The study-tour will mainly be "focusing on the impact of technology on traditional culture," Arcaro said.

After they arrive in Delhi, the group will spend two weeks in northern India, visiting Varanasi; Bombay; and Bangalore, the high-technology center of India. The next two weeks will be spent in the city of Pune, attending lectures and taking field trips. In the final two weeks, the group will travel in South India and then will return to Delhi.



Dr. Tom Arcaro

The idea of a faculty study-tour of India was originated by Isabelle Powell of Greensboro College, who noticed that most of today's students have a very narrow global perspective. In an effort to help remedy this problem, Powell wrote a proposal for the tour five years ago.

After several rejections, Powell took her idea to Washington, D.C., where the program finally was funded and received support from PICA, the

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Habitat for Humanity erects 'shack' to raise awareness, interest, money

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Inadequate housing can be found in every American community. To illustrate that point, Habitat for Humanity will place a "shack" on Elon's campus as part of the school's Earth Week celebration, beginning April 16.

"We want to show that this is the type of environment people live in," said John Barnhill, a student organizer for the shack fund-raiser. Habitat hopes to have volunteers staying in the shack 24 hours a day to raise both awareness of and money for their projects.

Habitat for Humanity is a non-profit organization that tries

to offer an alternative to indecent housing by building homes with families who cannot otherwise afford adequate shelter. The motto behind this project is "no more shacks."

Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity has offered to build the shack, which will house community leaders Monday through Thursday nights. Among the "residents" will be Dr. Fred Young, Elon College president; Doug Long, president of the Alamance County chapter of Habitat; Caroline Ansbacher, mayor pro tem of Burlington; and Dr. Warren Board, vice president of academic and student affairs.

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