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Students take a moment to enjoy the fall weather

Security policy changes

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Campus security officers will be seen less frequently in the dormitory halls this year.

For the last five years campus security played an active role in enforcing school policies. According to Terry Creech, director of security, the problem was that enforcement

of school policies was not the primary part of their job description and it ended up being the main function they carried out.

"The top priority job for security officers is to ensure safety of persons and property," Creech said. "Checking parking lots, locking buildings and keeping the students safe from the outside is their main duty."

"I think it's better this way," said Mike Anderson, a

senior at Elon. "It gives people more privacy. I always thought they were too nosy."

Mark Hopkins, another senior at Elon, said he thought it was good that security wasn't going to be around as much. "It seemed like some of them were just out to bust people," Hopkins said. "They were trying to play police."

Creech said even though

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Poindexter resigns two positions

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Robert E. Poindexter has resigned from both his positions as vice president of administrative services at Elon College and as a member of the Burlington City Council.

Poindexter's resignation came after an internal investigation into purchasing practices in his office.

Elon distributed a brief news release that said President Fred Young has accepted the resignation of Poindexter, effective immediately. It said that in accordance with college policy on personnel matters and upon the advice of counsel, the college would make no further comment.

Pat Kinney, director of public relations, said that she wasn't sure if the press release would be sent to students. The release was sent to faculty and administration.

Kinney said that college policy prohibits the release of information on personnel matters.

"It's not a matter of covering anything up. Whatever



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information we could release, we released," Kinney said.

"I'm in a very difficult situation. I do not have the authority to release personnel information," Kinney said.

Poindexter, in a letter to Mayor Jimmy Gerow, said: "This letter is to resign my position as Burlington City Councilman effective immediately," according to the *Burlington Times-News*.

Poindexter's job responsibilities will be distributed among the members of the remaining staff. James F. Johnson, director

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Gantt might speak at college coffee

Elon is a possible stop between stops for U.S. Senate candidate Harvey Gantt at College Coffee on Thursday, Oct. 4.

According to Loveless Johnson, director of campus appearances, there is an 85 percent chance of Gantt, a Democrat, making an appearance.

Gantt will give a two- or three-day notice if he will show. The administration asked that if he spoke, it be limited to three to five minutes because they didn't want it to turn into a political arena.

Carter Smith, vice president of SGA, attempted to invite Senator Jesse Helms or a representative from his campaign, but they have not yet confirmed.

Next Week

There will be a rally at Shaw University on Oct. 1 at 1:30. A statewide student rally is scheduled for 3 p.m. at N.C. State the same day. Gantt will appear at both.

Flu vaccine available

The Campus Health Service will administer Flu Vaccines on Wednesday, Oct. 3, and Tuesday, Oct. 9, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. This will be given in the lobby of Long Student Center. There will be no charge for students. However, there will be a \$5 charge for college personnel.