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## THIS WEEK

■ The Gospel Choir will perform at Elon's worship service on Sunday at 11 a.m. in Whitley Auditorium. A love offering will also be collected for the family of student Alice Pulley, whose family home was recently destroyed by fire.

■ Any senior who has taken a Stafford or supplemental loan is required by federal law to attend a loan counseling session on Tues., March 9 at 2:30 p.m. in Yeager Recital Hall. For more information, call the Financial Planning Office at x2478.

■ If you can't cut it at Elon, apply to clown college. Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus will be holding auditions for the 1993 session of its own clown college (we're not making this up) at 5 p.m. on Thursday at the Charlotte Coliseum. Classes are held for eight weeks each fall in Venice, Fla.

## THE PAST

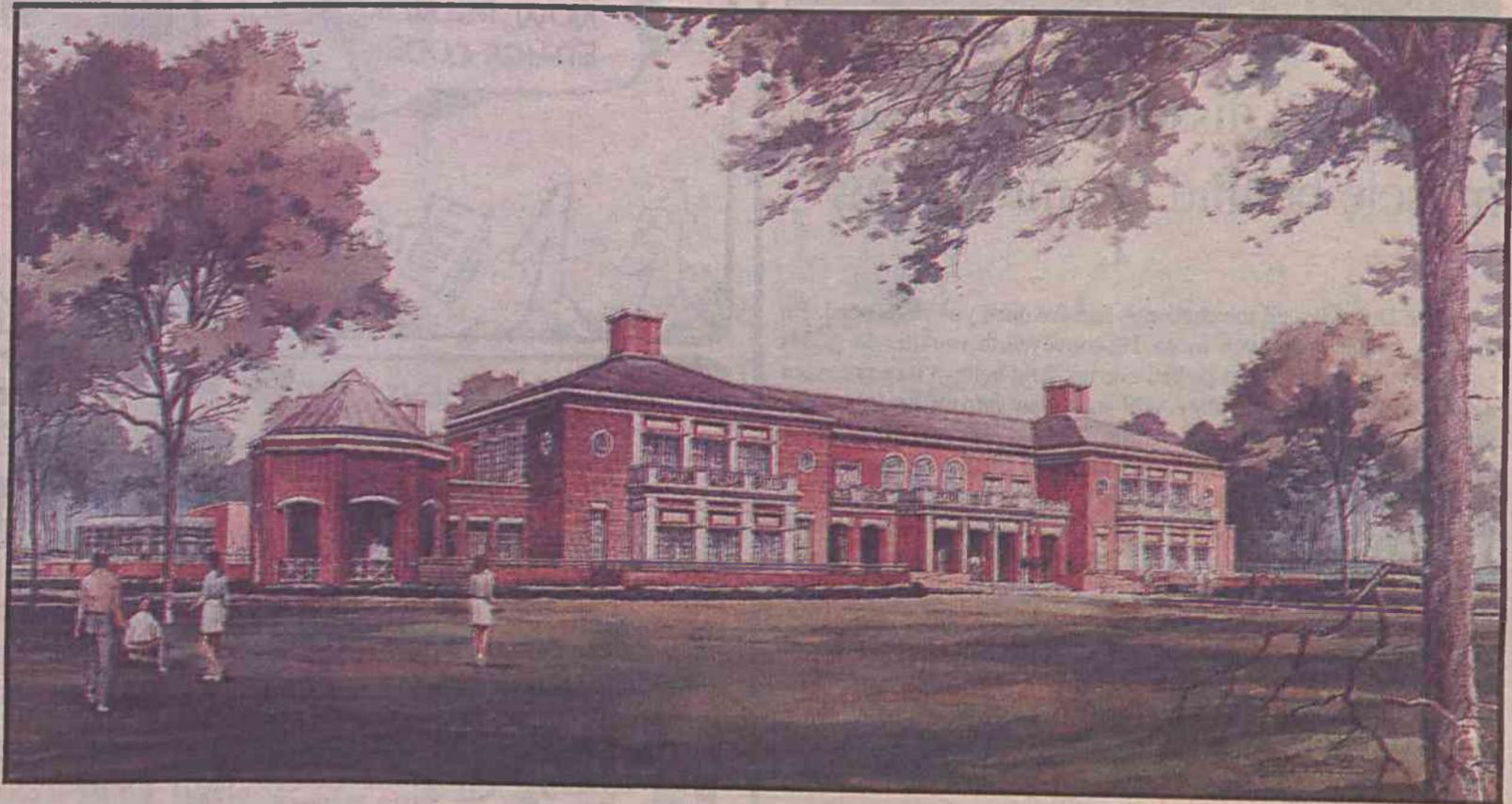
**Four Years Ago:** A west-bound train passing through Elon believed it hit a pedestrian on the tracks behind Long Student Center. No body was found, but four beer cans were. Police were tipped off that the incident was a hoax, complete with dummy.

**Seventeen Years Ago:** In honor of Elon's Founder's Day on March 4, 1989, adviser to President Ford and former cabinet member Rogers Morton addressed the campus on the need for economic literacy and political involvement.

**Eighteen Years Ago:** Political Science major and senior Barry Bradberry returned to Elon after an internship with the 40th district of the Virginia Beach House of Delegates. Bradberry is now associate dean of admissions and financial planning at Elon.

## INSIDE

■ Actor Darryl Van Leer performed two of Malcolm X's famous speeches on Monday. See the interview on page 5.



## NEW CAMPUS CENTER

Above is an artist's rendering of Elon's new 74,314-square-foot campus center, which is scheduled to be completed in twenty months. Groundbreaking for the center will take place on Tuesday at 4 p.m. in the Alumni Gym parking lot. Students, faculty and staff are invited to participate in a "creative shovel" contest, with \$150 for the winner. Judging will be at 3:30 p.m.

## Men's basketball coach resigns after 7 seasons

Erick Gill  
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After seven years as the Head Coach of Elon's men's basketball team, Bob Burton has resigned effective immediately.

Burton submitted his resignation to Director of Athletics Alan White prior to the start of the 1993 basketball season, but requested that the announcement be withheld until the end of the season.

Burton, who has spent the past 24 years of his life coaching, plans to open his own business in the Elon area.

"For some time I have had an interest in changing careers and, with all things considered, now is the best time to make that move," Burton said in a statement released on February 27.

Burton said that he will miss athletics and plans to keep close relationship with college.



Bob Burton

"I will especially miss the players with whom I have worked, their families, and the many friendships I have known throughout the coaching profession. I look forward to cheering for the Fightin' Christians in my new role as a fan and supporter," Burton said.

Burton finished his coaching record at Elon 112-83 overall and 60-44 in conference play. With his 112 wins, Burton ranks fourth overall among Elon basketball coaches. Burton's 60 conference wins earns him a third place ranking behind coaches Bill Miller and Graham Mathis.

While Burton's 1993 team finished fourth in the South Atlantic Conference, he ended with an even 13-13 overall record and 7-7 in the conference.

## Entire campus to be involved in student assessment and evaluation

Linda-Jean Dixon  
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Elon College is taking a different approach as to how it assesses student performance this year.

Students will review the year and plan for the next step in their college career on Assessment and Evaluation Day March 11.

"The purpose of Assessment and Evaluation Day is for the student to evaluate and take stock of where they are during the year and encourage them to make the best use of their time," said Dr. Bill Rich, associate dean of academic affairs.

In the past, sophomores and seniors were required to take assessment tests. This year the Elon faculty and staff chose to make this a campus-wide event to get all students involved.

"We decided to change the schedule of classes so that we can get the freshman and juniors involved," Rich said.

Rich said that the day will be

a way to help improve the college.

"We hope to get feedback from the students which can help us improve anything from curriculum to student activities," Rich said.

Due to the schedule of events, class times will be adjusted and college coffee will be cancelled. However, lunch will be served Under the Oaks, weather permitting.

Various events are scheduled between 1 and 5 p.m. based on the student's class standing.

Freshmen are to meet with their academic advisor or Elon 101 group at 1 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. The purpose of their meeting is to evaluate the year and discuss what they consider to be the strengths and weaknesses of Elon. Preregistration, declaring a major, and transitions to majors will also be discussed.

"What we hope to do is match reality with the advertised product," Rich said.

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