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better relations between students and faculty," Ekulona said.

A total of 688 students voted on Thursday. This figure is down from last year's when 885 students turned out to vote.

Current SGA president Mike Mooney said that he thought the turn out this year was encouraging despite the decline in numbers.

"I am glad to see so many students taking an interest in student government. I think it (the turn out) has a lot to do with the coverage on the Elon Channel," Mooney said.

According to Mooney, the newly elected SGA officers will be sworn into their positions at an SGA banquet on May 11.

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The positions of senior president and senior secretary/treasurer are yet to be filled.

"These positions will have to be filled next fall," said current SGA president Mike Mooney.

"We usually have freshman elections in the fall and we will hold an election for these positions then," Mooney said.

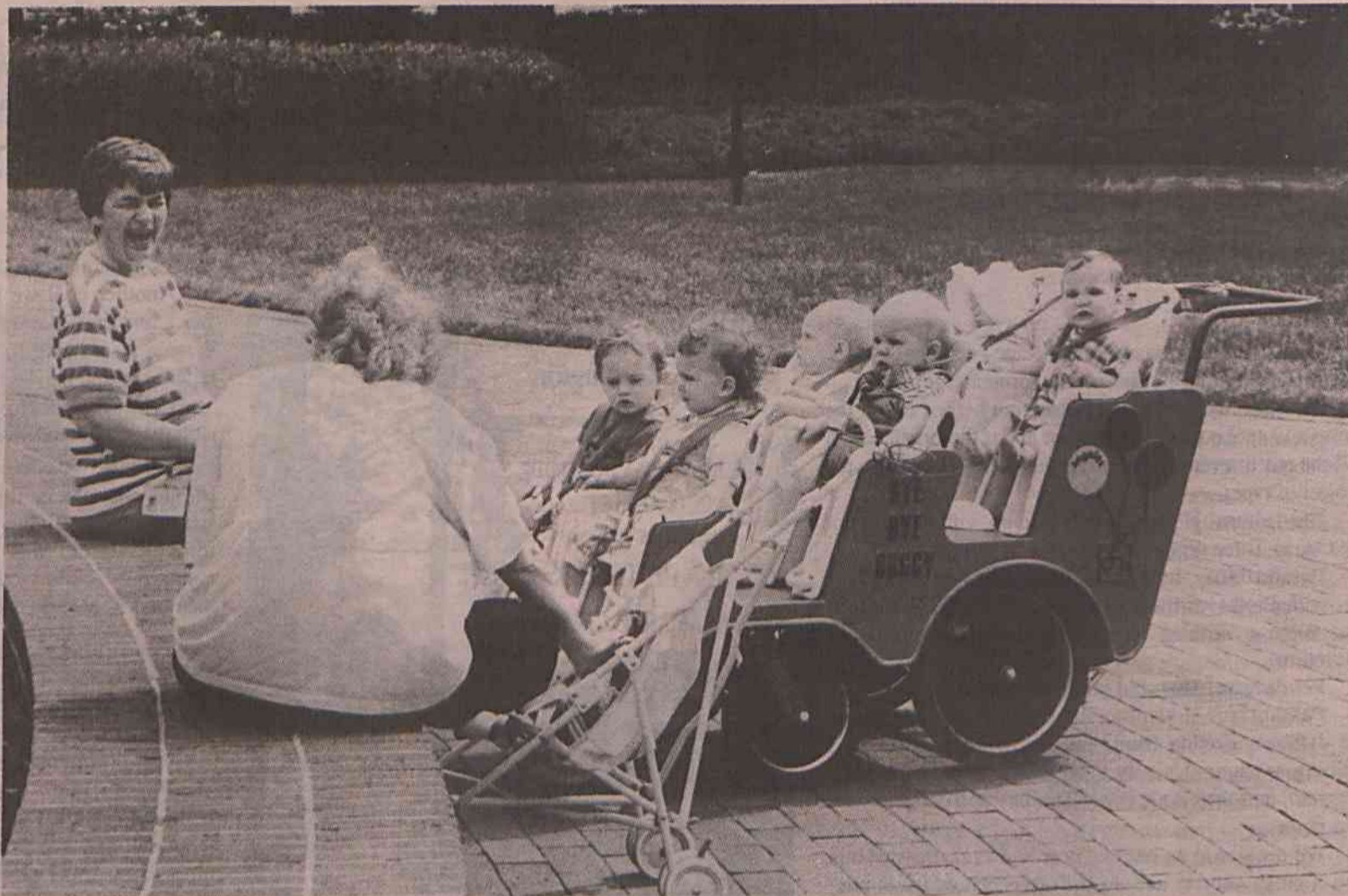
Other winners in this year's election were:

Senior class senators: Kendal Rasnake, Lynne Scott and Nicole Smith.

Junior class senators: Floyd Barrett, Linda Goode, Jason Hillman, Tres Morley, Jeff Potter, Maria Quinones, Stephanie Sabatino and Phyllis Taylor.

Sophomore class: President, Neil Grindstaff; Vice-president; Carrie Stiles and secretary/treasurer, Johanna Burris. Senators: Scott Cox, Natalie Duda, Rachel Dugger, Zuni Johnson, John Larranaga, Kate Ruth, Catherine Sparks and Stephanie Sutton.

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Young participants in the Community Agency Fair get splashed by the fountain on Monday.

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Awards honor achievements of black students

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with staff members Ronald Klepcyk, Annette Orbert, Janice J. Ratliff and Yvette Slade.

"It was definitely the first of its kind. It shows that this school does have an interest in multiculturalism and supporting and retaining minority students," Walker said.

Elon College President Dr. Fred Young, Senior Vice President and Provost Warren Board, and Dr. William Rich, Associate Dean of Academic Affairs were among the administration present at the banquet.

"I'm glad that L'Tanya had the insight and that the administration helped her with it," said committee member Janice Ratliff.

President Young reported that of the 196 African-American students enrolled at Elon, 46 have achieved a G.P.A. of 3.0 or better and 14 of those have a 4.0. Young said that he would report these statistics on African-American students to the Board of Trustees.

"I think that black students

are given an opportunity to share their academics and other talents," said Ratliff. "It shows the college community that they achieve academically, that students are not just on athletic scholarships."

Ratliff and Walker both agreed that the awards should serve as incentive for students to work harder.

LaToya Whitt, who accepted an award for the highest G.P.A. among black juniors, said that this awards ceremony should serve to show the talents of African-American students.

"It says that the black students are quality students, that we are not just filling a quota," Whitt said. "We are here because we deserve to be here."

On Saturday the admissions office held its second annual Black Awareness Day which was organized by Black Student Ambassadors and Burch. This was an effort to expose prospective African-American students to the Elon experience. Approximately 70 high school students and their parents visited the campus.

Young also announced at the banquet that in addition to her admissions position, which she has held since 1989, Burch would assume responsibilities as Elon's first coordinator of minority services.

Burch shed tears as the parents, students, faculty and staff rose to applaud her. She got up to address the students with words of encouragement. As students and parents stood in line to embrace her after the banquet, they said simply, "Thank you."

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