

Students raise black awareness at Elon

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Last weekend marked the third annual Black Awareness Weekend at Elon College.

The weekend, sponsored by the Black Cultural Society, is an event geared towards attracting more black students to the college.

"On regular visitation days, there are not a large number of Black students," said David Bynes, Black

Cultural Society president.

"A lot of times, people don't hear of Elon," Bynes said. "In the last couple of years, Elon's name has been thrown out there and it makes them (prospective students) feel special that they are presented the opportunity to come here."

The weekend was geared towards showing the prospective students many aspects of life at Elon. Several events were planned to give a sense of diversity.

The events started April 15 with a mixer at The Back Door.

An official welcome began April 16 with visitations, tours including talks with admissions and financial planning, and entertainment.

"On Saturday, we wanted the students to have an opportunity to learn more about student life at Elon College," Latonya Birch, director of Multi-Cultural Affairs said.

During a picnic on Saturday, the students were presented with a va-

riety showcase on the patio of the Varsity Grill.

The showcase included singing, dancing, and poetry readings. Along with the showcase, a panel of students from Elon were available to answer questions.

"The 'Student Life at Elon College' panel will be an opportunity to let students get a perspective from currently enrolled students," Birch said.

On April 16, the African Ameri-

can Extravaganza was held in an effort to give a historical perspective of African American origins.

"The event is just an opportunity to give students a choice. In the end, each student must make their individual choice, but by showing them the campus, they are able to consider Elon as an alternative," Birch said.

New executives elected for media organizations

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Three of the four campus media organizations will have new student executives in the Fall.

Two of the organizations will have new advisers. The Media Board selected the new editors and manager for next year's college media organizations April 14.

Erick Gill will continue as editor of *The Pendulum*, the college newspaper.

Tricia Ziegler will be the new

editor of *Phi Psi Cli*, the college yearbook.

William Morley was selected as manager of radio station WSOE.

Rick Galiher and Heather Vaughn will be co-editors of *Colonnades*, the student literary magazine.

There will also be changes with some of the organization's advisers.

Don Grady, associate professor of journalism/communications, will step down as WSOE adviser. A new adviser has not been named.

Barb Hanke, director of Student Activities, said Monday that she will step down as a *Phi Psi Cli* adviser as soon as her replacement can be found.

Phillip Powell said Tuesday he will remain as an adviser to the yearbook.

The new editors said next year will be one of change.

Galiher said *Colonnades* will "portray the range of topics written about in and out of classes."

Ziegler said, "I'm really excited about the position. I think

people are going to see a different yearbook next year."

She said the yearbook will cover more aspects of the college and will work more within the journalism department than it did in the past.

Morley said he is looking forward to the move into the new student center. He said his first concern is to find new staff for the summer.

Elon College Television is a campus media organization, but is not recognized under the media

board. Rex Waters, associate dean of Student Affairs, is the chairman of the Media Board.

The following people are voting members of the Media Board: Chris Fulkerson, director of La Rose Resources Center; Helen Mackay, associate professor of English; George Padgett, chairman of the communication department; Brian Weckerly, Elon College sophomore; Brian Wilmer, Elon College sophomore; and Iris Boutros, Elon College freshman.

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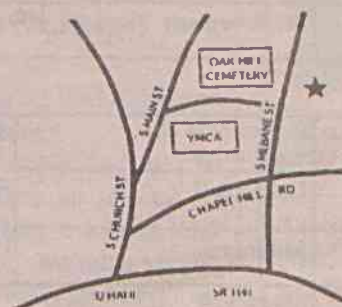
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