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Inspector finds dining hall dirty

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October 6, 1994

An Almance County health inspector found dirty utensils and equipment in Harden Dining Hall two weeks ago.

A second inspection last week found Harden cleaner.

The Sept. 21 inspection was not the first time an ARA Services's dining facility at Elon College was found to be dirty. Past inspections revealed rodent droppings, ants, crickets and roaches in campus eating facilities.

ARA Services tries to keep its facilities "sanitary," said Jeff Gazda, director of Dining Service. About 1,740 students have paid



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this semester. ARA, based in Philadelphia, contracts with the college to operate Harden, McEwen Dining Hall, The Varsity Grille, and The Back Door Tavern.

out of 100 on Sept. 21 after a county health inspector found its utensils and equipment were not clean or in good repair, according to the inspection report

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dishwashing machine, and cooking utensils were not clean, according to the report.

The cooking utensils were not routinely being cleaned with approved methods, according to the report. The floors, walls, ceilings, ventilation and storage spaces also weren't clean.

Harden also lost points because a grease fire the previous day had charred a ventilation filter.

Harden's score indicated a place that is "a little bit dirty," said health inspector Dan G. Williamson.

A score below 70 would cost the dining hall its health permit.

Gazda said he asked Williamson to inspect Harden again, even though the score of 87 didn't endanger its health permit.

Harden received a score of 95 for the Sept. 28 inspection. It again lost points because utensils and equipment weren't clean and the lighting was too dim.

Every dining facility is required to be inspected four times a year. The inspections are unanounced, Williamson said.

Inspections of McEwen, The Back Door and The Varsity Grille last month also found that utensils and equipment were not stored in a clean place protected from flies. The ice equipment also was not clean

In the past four years, inspections have found food stored at improper temperatures, rodent droppings, ants, crickets and roaches. Cleaning solutions were either unavailable or not used.

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On Sept. 27, Keith Dimont. an employee of Elon College, reported for the college that someone cut the spare tire cover off of a van belonging to the college. while the van was parked in the Jordan Center parking lot. The van was also damaged when a vehicle collided with it. Estimated damage was \$1,200.

Ami Pathak of Durham, N.C. was cited on O'Kelly Avenue and charged with failure to wear a safety belt.

On Sept. 28, Zachary Perryman of Winston-Salem. N.C. was cited on O'Kelly Avenue and charged with failure to wear a safety belt.

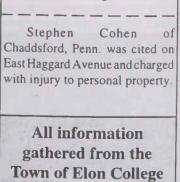
K. Wilhelmina Boyd of Greensboro, N.C. reported that her Honda Accord was damaged while parked in the Whitley Auditorium parking lot, someone had scratched the hood. Estimated damage was \$300.

On Sept. 29, Craig Mizeras of Elon College was arrested at the Elon College Police Department and charged with writing a worthless check.

Thomas Murphy II of Charlotte was arrested and charged with driving while impaired. Bond was secured at \$500. Blood Alcohol Content was .13.

On Oct. 1, Amy McNeill of Elon College was cited on Lebanon Avenue and charged with unreasonably loud and disturbing sound levels.

On Oct. 2, Jason Sauereisen of Elon College reported that someone damaged his mailbox by knocking it over and crushing it. Estimated damage was \$100.



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Harden received a score of 87