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Gov. Hunt compliments Elon

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Elon College was good in the past and is getting better all the time, N.C. Gov. James B. Hunt, Jr. said at last week's Elon College Campaign Victory Celebration.

"I believe the best is yet to come," Hunt said.

Hunt joined college administrators, faculty, staff, trustees and

students in thanking donors who gave more than \$500 to the Investing in Excellence campaign.

The \$18 million goal of the two-year campaign was surpassed by more than \$3 million.

Hunt was given a tour of the Moseley Center, which is expected to be completed this semester, and the Koury Center.

During his walk through the Moseley Center, Hunt met with students who represented organiza-

tions which will be housed in the new campus center.

"When you go around and see these students you know that Elon is a special place," Hunt said.

After touring both new buildings, Hunt joined about 600 people for dinner in the Alumni Gymnasium.

Hunt said, "I believe the progress at this college probably exceeds any other in this state."

Elon Vision reviewed by Trustees

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The Board of Trustees reviewed a proposed plan to finance the Elon Vision during its meeting Oct. 12 in the Isabella Cannon Room, according to a memo from Elon College President Fred Young.

The plan includes recommendations to reorganize the development office, consider the role of the trustees in fund-raising efforts, the development of a new annual giving society of people who give

\$1000 or more a year, and an annual increase in endowment, the memo said.

A reporter from *The Pendulum* was not allowed to attend the meeting.

According to the memo, during the meeting:

■ the Board received reports on admissions, new student profile, and retention/graduation history,

■ the Board heard a summary of a public relations audit;

■ the Board received a 10-year overview of private support of the college;

■ the Board received the financial report and a report on investment performance;

■ the Board authorized the sale of the remaining land from an estate;

■ the Board heard how much it would cost to decentralize the steam plant; and

■ the Board reviewed enrollment management, the library project, science building plans, communications facility needs, use of Whitley and Long buildings, dining hall needs, student housing options and the renovation or replacement of the physical plant.

Stolen religious books returned

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Religious books which were stolen last month were anonymously returned to their owner Oct. 12.

"I was just thrilled," said Jodi

Pearlman, founder of the Jewish student organization, Elon Hillel.

On Sept. 11, a credit car, \$15, \$300 worth of medicine and eight "priceless" religious books were stolen from Pearlman's West dormitory room.

Pearlman, who called the theft a "hate crime," said, "They took a part of who I am."

At the time of the incident, Elon College police said they did not have enough information to call the

theft a "hate crime."

The morning after Pearlman returned from fall break, she said she found her books lying outside her dorm room.

She said she doesn't know who took the books or who returned them, she is just happy they were returned.

The credit card, money and medicine were not returned, Pearlman said.

Fourth drug arrest involving Elon student

An Elon College student was arrested on drug charges Oct. 12, making it at least the fourth drug

arrest involving an Elon College student this semester.

Richard L. Childs, 19, of 101-A Barney dorm, was pulled over by police on Lebanon Avenue.

Childs was charged with driving while impaired, possession of drug paraphernalia and a misdemeanor charge of possession of

marijuana, according to police reports.

He possessed less than one and a half ounces of marijuana, Elon Police Chief Dan Ingle said.

Childs' blood alcohol content was .09. Any number over .08 means the person is under the influence, Ingle said.



Abracadabra!

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Sam the Magic Man makes his way around the crowds at The Festival Under the Oaks on Oct. 8.

Freshman elections come to a close

Stacey Ward &
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Staff Reporters

Jason Dennis was named SGA freshman class president Oct. 6 and Stacey Draper was named freshman class vice president Monday.

Both were prematurely named to the positions Sept. 26. The first elections did not determine a winner for either position because no candidate won a majority, more than half, of the votes cast, said Student Government Association President Larry Williams.

Though eight people ran for class president and six for class vice president in the first election, some candidates chose to withdraw their names

from the second election ballot.

The second elections determined Dennis the winner out of the four remaining candidates running for president. Dennis received 192 votes, a majority of the 303 votes cast.

However, none of four candidates for vice president won a majority of the votes.

To prevent more than three elections or run-offs, the candidates agreed that if no one received a majority, a run-off would be between the top two vote-getters in the second election. Draper and Stephen Cabral received the most votes.

During the run-off, Draper
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