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Student raped by stranger at knifepoint on campus

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A student said she was raped Friday evening on Elon College's campus by a stranger with a knife, Elon College Police Chief Dan Ingle said Tuesday.

The assault was at least the third assault by an unknown person on campus this semester and at least the 10th sexual assault to have occurred on campus since 1990. It was the first stranger rape in years, Ingle said.

The woman reported the attack Tuesday evening to police. Ingle wouldn't give a description of the woman or explain why she waited to report the incident.

The woman said she was attacked near The Faith Rockefeller Model Center between 7 p.m. and 8 p.m., Ingle said.

The suspect, a 5-foot male, was wearing a long-sleeved shirt, "rough pants," possibly jeans, and had curly hair, Ingle said. The

woman didn't know the suspect's race, Ingle said.

During the struggle "the suspect may have been injured to the face," Ingle said. The injury could be a scratch on the side of the face.

The woman struck her assailant on the head several times with her fists, Ingle said.

The woman received minor bruises and abrasions, Ingle said.

If anyone has information concerning this incident or any other assault, contact the Elon College Police Department at 584-1301.

Dean of Students Smith Jackson and Associate Dean of Students Jana Lynn Patterson confirmed that the college is investigating an incident.

Neither would say if that incident was a sexual assault.

Ingle said Jackson had spoken to him about the incident before the woman reported it. However, Ingle said, "we have to have a person who is willing to come forward, sit down and file a complaint," before

an investigation can begin.

The attack was the third assault on a student by an unknown person reported to either police or the college this semester.

■ On Sept. 10, student Michael J. Seck, 20, was assault in a wooded area near the college, according to an Elon College police report.

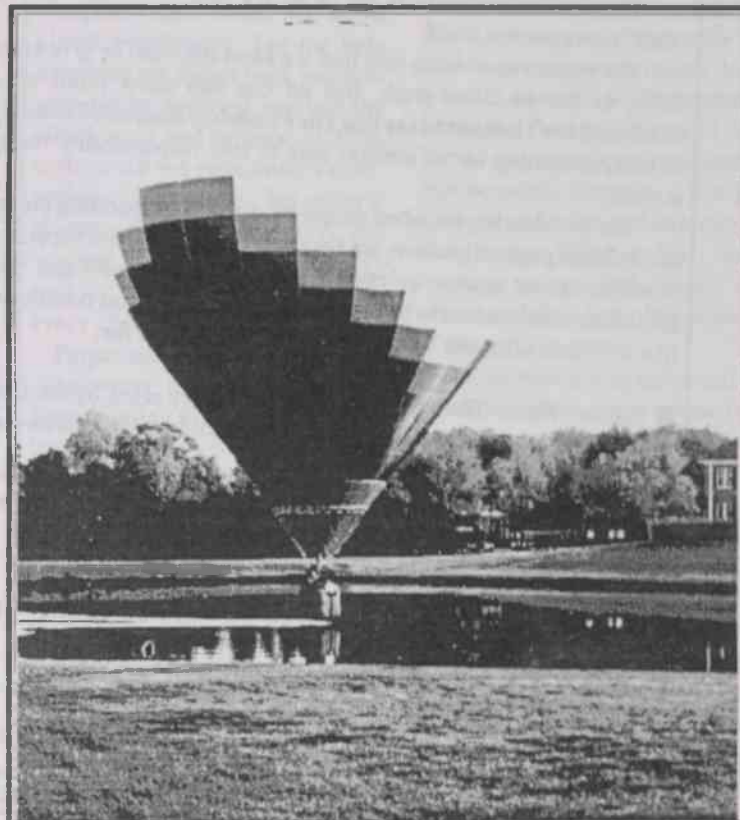
Seck said he was walking in the woods between Sheridan Place Apartments and the greek houses at about 3:30 a.m.

Seck said he kicked his assailant and ran, after the man tackled him from behind.

Seck could not give police a description of his attacker.

■ On Sept. 23, a student said she was knocked down and kicked in the leg between midnight and 1 a.m. while she was walking alone on the sidewalk near Carlton building, according to a memo addressed to students, faculty and staff from Jackson.

The woman said she didn't
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It's all downhill from here!

A hot air balloon crashes into the lake near East Campus Apartments.

Yearbook editor, adviser step down

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The editor of *Phi Psi Cli* resigned Oct. 26 because of problems maintaining a yearbook staff, she said.

The yearbook's adviser told a *Pendulum* reporter Tuesday that he plans to resign as yearbook adviser next week because he can not do "a salvage operation on the yearbook."

The fate of this year's yearbook is up in the air, but a 1994-95 *Phi Psi Cli* edition is still possible, the chairman of the Media Board said.

The Media Board, which governs the yearbook, is not sched-

uled to meet until Nov. 18. The five voting members of the board had not heard of *Phi Psi Cli* Editor Tricia Ziegler's resignation Tuesday night.

Student Brian Weckerly said Tuesday that he resigned last week from the Media Board because he could not make the meetings. Weckerly was one of three students on the board who was selected by the Student Government Association president.

Ziegler said she told Media Board Chairman Rex Waters that she resigned Oct. 26. Six days later, none of the Media Board members who could be reached for comment had officially heard from Waters of her resignation.

Waters said Tuesday that Ziegler's and Weckerly's resignations would not be official until he had their resignations in writing.

Waters said he hoped the Media Board could meet before Nov. 18.

Media Board member George Padgett, chairman of the journalism/communications department, said it was not appropriate that the Media Board had not been officially informed of Ziegler's resignation.

Ziegler said that she was stepping down as editor of the yearbook because of problems with getting enough people to work on
See Yearbook, page 4.

Student body experiences slight decrease in minorities

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Elon College saw a slight decrease in the percentage of African-American students who were enrolled to the college this fall, according to the Office of Admissions.

While the number of African-American students only dropped by two, the percentage fell from 5.6 percent in 1993 to 4.9 percent in 1994. The percent dropped because the enrollment increased by 75 students, said Nan Perkins, dean of Admissions and Financial Planning.

"We're focusing on attracting more minorities," Perkins said. "It's disappointing when it falls, but it should be better this coming year."

The number of incoming Hispanic students remained the same

at three. The number of Native Americans increased from zero to three. There was a decrease in the number of Asian students from six in 1993 to two in 1994. Also, there were 11 other minorities in 1994 and 14 in 1993, according to the Office of Admissions.

Perkins said that she hopes to keep next year's freshman enrollment to about 850 students. There are 933 freshman enrolled this semester.

She also said the college has been trying to target more minorities over the past few years.

"We've been focusing on that for several years," Perkins said. "We've needed more activities on campus for African-Americans."

Perkins said that L'Tanya Burch, director of Minority Affairs
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