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Elon Breaks Its Way Into a New Future

Michelle Cater
Asst. Managing Editor

More than 100 people witnessed the beginning of the next step of the Elon Vision at the groundbreaking for the new science building Wednesday morning.

"We are about to embark on a new chapter in the history of the science program," said Rosalind Reichard, dean of science and mathematics.

Gail Drew, a member of the Board of Trustees, said, "I think it's really exciting. We need a new science building. Until I toured Duke Building a year and a half ago I didn't realize how badly we needed one. It's been a priority of the board

and we are now seeing it start."

The groundbreaking celebration, which took place at the corner of Haggard and O'Kelly avenues featured music by the Emanons. College coffee was served and commemorative T-shirts and buttons were distributed.

Mark McAdams, who laid the first brick for West Dormitory in 1906, was the first person to break ground for the new building.

"I've loved this college ever since I first came here," said McAdams, who graduated from Elon in 1924.

President Emeritus and chemistry professor Earl Danieley, who has been involved with Elon for see **BREAKING**, page 5

Write-In Winners Still Out of SGA

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Ashley Hayes is mad. The current sophomore class vice president followed the rules and was voted out of a position in next year's Student Government Association. On the other hand, several students didn't raise a hand and were voted into the SGA Senate as write-in candidates during the Feb. 24-25 elections.

However, the senate voted not to allow these write-in candidates

into the SGA for a second consecutive week.

"If I had known I could have asked seven of my friends to vote for me (into a vacant SGA position) I would have," said Hayes, who lost to Jeff Angel in the junior class presidential race during the Feb. 24-25 elections.

The senate also voted down a motion by Religious Life representative Matthew Plaster for the SGA to refer the decision back to the elections committee.

SGA adviser Barb Carlton said see **SGA**, page 5

Board of Trustees Holds Spring Meeting

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The Board of Trustees met for its annual spring meeting Tuesday and Wednesday.

While at Elon the Trustees participated in the groundbreaking celebration for the new science building.

The Trustees were expected to vote on the budget for the 1997-98 academic year. The proposed budget consisted of a tuition increase of \$845 and a 10 percent pay increase for faculty and staff.

At the meeting the Board was also expected to vote on whether

to approve financing the rest of the Elon Vision, which includes building a new library and a football stadium.

Voting to approve financing for smaller projects, such as renovating West, continuing wiring the residence halls for Internet access, creating new intramural playing fields and relocating the health center were also on the agenda.

The board also heard a report from the tenure task force. This group, consisting of faculty, administration and members of the board, has been examining the tenure system at Elon.

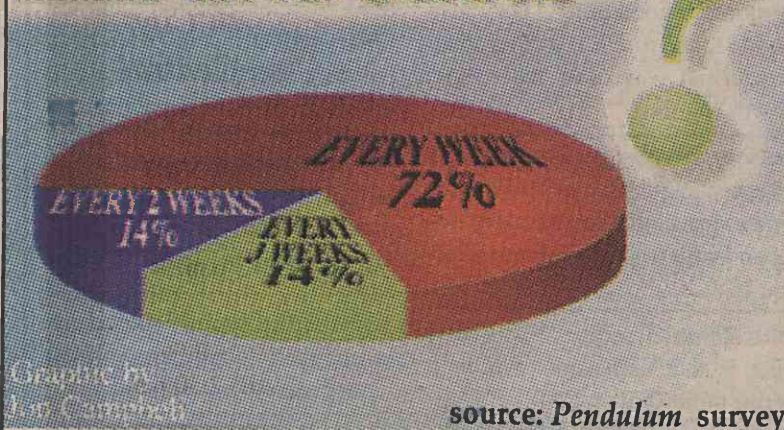


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The Great Strides Walk, held at Elon Saturday, raised more than \$900 for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. About 35 people participated in the walk, which started at Bakatsias Soccer Field. Pictured is Sophia Mandragouras signing up for the event.

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Lights, Camera, Action: Elon Students Can Now Study Film

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Students interested in making movies as a career can now declare a film concentration as part of the communications major at Elon.

Faculty members voted in the new major during last Friday's meeting.

Students can begin taking classes for the concentration as

early as next fall semester.

With this new addition, the school hopes to attract more students interested in film.

"We are trying to build on the fact that North Carolina is the center for filmmaking—we're the third largest," said Ray Johnson, coordinator of film studies.

There won't be any additional fees because students will use a nonlinear editing system, which the

college has already committed to purchasing, Johnson said.

The school is in the process of hiring a professor to teach screenwriting and film production classes.

Students such as junior Jor Campbell, who majors in broadcast communications, are pleased with the new film concentration.

"I think this will bring about great things for the school," he said