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New employment policy not adopted

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The executive committee of the Board of Trustees chose not to adopt a change in Elon's equal employment opportunity policy this summer. The proposed change would have added that the college would not discriminate on basis of sexual orientation.

Last spring the faculty voted in an overwhelming majority to make the change to the policy, said James

Bissett, the chairman of last year's Academic Council, who proposed the change.

"We felt like it was an important statement to make in regards to the faculty and students who may have a different sexual orientation," Bissett said.

Trustee G. Melvin Palmer said the executive committee chose not to adopt the change under advice from their legal counsel.

The federal government does not currently ban discrimination based

on sexual orientation. If Elon had adopted the policy, the school would be open to a lawsuit if any employee or student felt he or she had been discriminated against because of sexual orientation.

"We didn't want to assume a legal obligation that is not required by law," Palmer said.

So far there have been no reported cases of discrimination based on sexual orientation at Elon.

"We do not discriminate in any way who we hire or who we en-

roll," said Provost Gerry Francis.

Current Academic Council Chairman Brian Digre said, "I don't know of any cases where discrimination has occurred on that (sexual orientation) basis. I don't think the college does discriminate. I think that's why we need a clear policy that says we don't."

While nobody knows of an exact number, it is believed that there are currently gay employees of the col-

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Getting down and dirty: Freshman Amanda Seagaard starts painting an angel on third floor Staley. Students painted the halls to prepare for Family Weekend.

Elon adds new sorority

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Dust off the togas ladies because yet another sorority has been added to Elon's list of chapters.

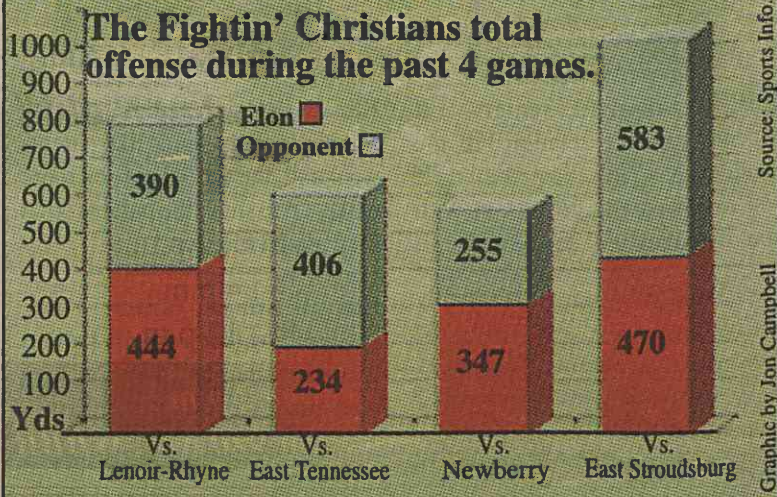
Sigma Kappa was recently voted on by a panel of students, consisting of representatives from each of Elon's existing sororities as well as non-Greek members, to become part of the campus' Greek life.

Plans have been organized by Amanda Harless, director of Greek Life, to prepare for the new chapter. A traveling consultant will arrive on Oct. 1 to help colonize Sigma Kappa and assist with the initiation and rush preparations.

According to Anne Simmons, assistant director of Greek Life, initiation should take place approximately see SORORITY, page 5

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ELON FOOTBALL



Fountain swimmers cause \$400 damage

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Two late-night dips in the Fonville Fountain last weekend resulted in more than \$400 damage, said Assistant Director of Utilities Paul Holt.

Six students were allegedly caught swimming in the fountain near Alamance building — four at 2:47 a.m. on Saturday and two at 4 a.m. on Sunday, said Chuck Gantos, campus director of safety and security.

The case was turned over to the school, said Scott Nelson, as-

stant dean of students.

The students will meet individually this week with Nelson to "determine if they are responsible" for the incident.

The students allegedly bent three of the 15 fountain heads that shoot water out of the structure. Edward Pruitt, the campus plumber in charge of maintenance on the fountain, said he had to replace the copper tubing in one of the fountain heads. The other two were bent back into place.

Gantos, who was present for both apprehensions, said the Saturday swimmers "gave me their

names and were very cooperative." After receiving a call about the swimmers at the security office, campus police officer Allen Poe saw the four students on the Duke side of the fountain "soaking wet."

Sophomore Eric Whitehead, one of the students involved, said there were several students already in the fountain before his group got there.

"We were walking back to Virginia (dormitory) and we saw a bunch of guys in there, so we jumped in," he said.

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