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## Board of Trustees to vote on sophomore housing requirement

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The Board of Trustees will vote on the two-year residential requirement next week at its annual spring meeting.

The proposal being submitted to the Board states that incoming

freshmen, starting with those entering in the fall of 1998, will be required to live on campus for two years.

Vice President of Student Life Smith Jackson said requiring students to live on campus for two years would increase Elon's retention rate. The rate increased by ap-

proximately 10 percent at Furman University when they adopted a similar change.

"We think its going to provide a more vital campus life," Jackson said about the proposal. He added that students who live on campus tend to be more involved in campus activities and programs.

The Board of Trustees will also be voting on whether or not to build new housing near East Campus apartments. While it is a separate issue, Jackson said the two were very connected.

"You couldn't do this (require see **TRUSTEES**, page 5

## Richter, Meadows to lead SGA in 1998-99

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Last week Elon students voted on the SGA executive officers, as well as class officers and senators.

Junior Mark Richter was chosen as the executive president. Sophomore Corbie Meadows is the new executive vice president. Junior Jeffrey Angel and sophomore Akilah Weaver round out the executive offices as treasurer and secretary.

Both Meadows and Richter were excited after they won their positions.

Richter jokingly said that he wants to "try to get Ashton [1997-98 executive president] out of the office as soon as possible."

Meadows said that she feels 1997-98 executive vice president Jen Hamblen has done a good job and Meadows hopes to follow in

her footsteps.

"I'm hopefully going to take what she's done, keep on that, emphasize what she's done," Meadows said.

Richter said he thinks the experience that he has received as the executive treasurer has been beneficial because he has the knowledge to deal with the money.

Richter said he hopes this knowledge can be used to benefit the school. "There are some projects that people are trying to send our way. So we may take that money and put it toward some big project, for the school, for the students."

Richter would really like to see all organization elections take place at the same time. He said that SGA holds their elections in February because the budget hearings are in March and the new executives need to be there. Several other organizations hold their elections



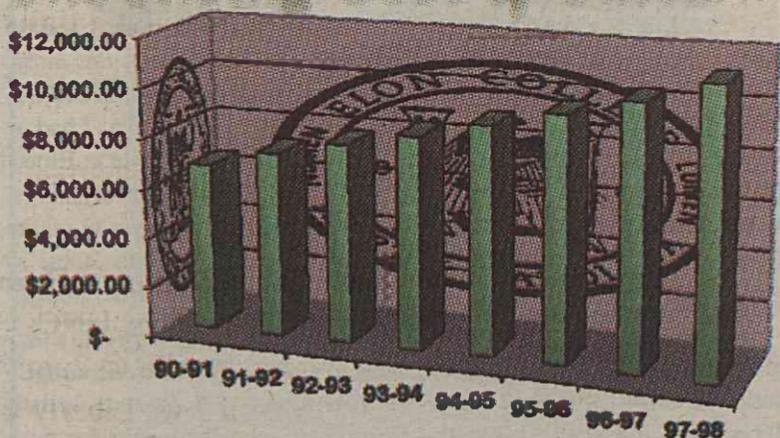
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**SGA Vice President-elect Corbie Meadows anxiously awaits the SGA election results last Friday afternoon while Jill Schwebach offers her support.**

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## Pendulum F.Y.I.

### The Rising Cost of Tuition



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## Woodrow Wilson Fellows to speak

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Two Visiting Fellows will spend the week of March 9 at Elon, visiting with classes and meeting with faculty and staff.

Jack and Christine Hjelt, Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellows, spend most of their time in Africa, where they are involved in peace keeping negotiations.

The Hjelts became interested in the Peace Corps when they were

young adults; at the time, African countries were becoming independent. This led them to seek out ways that they could work abroad on development issues.

The Woodrow Wilson Fellows Foundation is a program that brings speakers to liberal arts colleges; this is the fourth year that Elon College is a part of the program. Each year, the Foundation sends a list of about 50 fellows to the school who then makes the final decision. The Foundation provides some

funding for guests to speak at the colleges, while the school provides room and board.

"This year that we decided to pick it up ourselves, and we're gonna do it once a year instead of twice. It is a good thing for the college," said Thomas Tiemann, director of the general studies program.

Instead of hosting a campus-

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