



Riza Aquino
Photo by Alan Medeiros/The Pendulum

Riza Aquino

When guests at a Liberal Arts Forum dinner began to compliment one another at their table of the sheer greatness of the dinner's premise, Riza Aquino humbled the guests. In her typically proactive prose, she reminded them how lucky they were to have the opportunity to meet with someone of great significance, and more importantly how lucky they were to have dinner to eat in the first place. Her intentions were obviously not to condescend, and most certainly she didn't, one student related.

Riza's activism manifests itself in many forms, for example in that memorable statement. Late last year she began planning the creation of a Sierra Club on campus, an organization that recently won "Best New Organization" at the OAIC Award Ceremony.

Her efforts in this week's coordination of Earth Day have been largely praised, as well as her work abroad as part of her human services major. Her ideology is one of constant giving and no taking – contributing in full and seeing what comes of it.

The most memorable fact about Riza, however, is the recurring statement from advisers and students that involvement would improve drastically "if only there were more role models like Riza."

Jude Dooley

Jude Dooley knows what it is like to change opinions. As the Head Resident of Jordan Center, he has done just that. Once known as an Elon eyesore, Jordan Center is now one of the most popular places to live on campus. Dooley's leadership has given Jordan Center a new reputation and earned Dooley the respect of students, faculty and staff on Elon's campus.

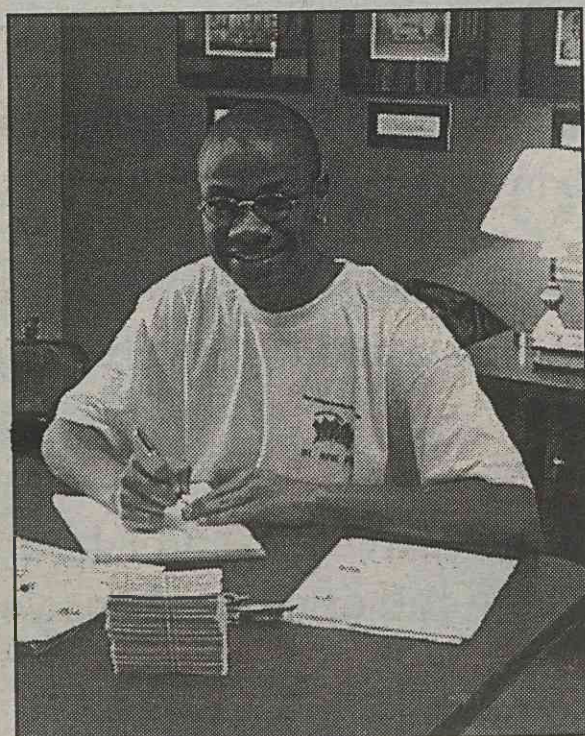
Dooley, a junior Elementary Education major, works in the Office of Residence Life and the Chaplain's office, as well as overseeing a staff of seven CDCs. The CDCs say it is his commitment to the residents that makes him such an asset to Elon.

"Jude really gets to know his residents," CDC Tim Peregoy said. "He makes an effort to get to every person in every room in JC and talk to them. Jude loves Jordan Center."

This year Dooley has overseen many programs, including Marley Fest, Shoutfest, and a white water rafting trip for the residents of JC. Dooley will continue to keep up his commitment to Residence Life in a new way next year by becoming the Head Resident of the Danieley Center.



Jude Dooley
Photo by Emily MacDonnell/The Pendulum



Maurice Gardner
Photo by Emily MacDonnell/The Pendulum

Maurice Gardner

Look in the African-American resource room on any give day and you're likely to see sophomore Maurice Gardner hard at work making the most of his experience at Elon.

Gardner is currently serving as President of the National Pan-Hellenic Council, in addition to being Vice-President of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity. In addition to his Greek activities, Gardner is Chaplain of both the Black Cultural Society and Elon's Finest. He is also involved in the Epsilon Sigma Alpha service sorority and is active in the Gospel Choir.

Fellow Alpha Phi Alpha brother Maurice Williams feels that Gardner is "very dedicated. He puts all of his heart and determination into everything he does," said Williams.

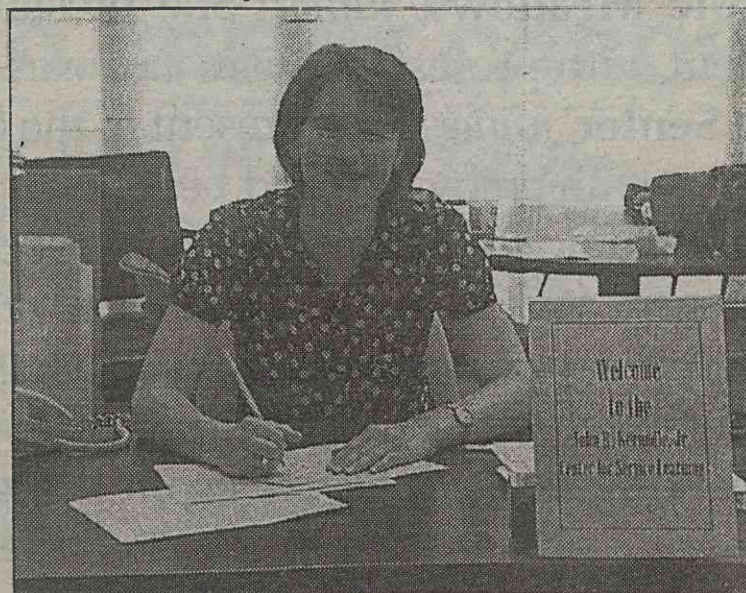
In addition to the numerous organizations that Gardner is involved in, he is also an Isabella Cannon Leadership Fellow.

Kelly Reimer

As the Student Coordinator of Elon Volunteers!, Kelly Reimer oversees almost 3,000 volunteers. She spends between 25 and 30 hours a week in the EV! office working on the administrative end of one of Elon's largest organizations.

Reimer, a junior International Studies and Business major, leads a staff of over 50 directors and coordinators of volunteers throughout the year. She also deals with the administrative end of EV!, overseeing budgeting, local service agencies and management issues.

"Kelly's commitment to the leaders and volunteers of EV! is incredible," Service Learning Intern Cam Tims said. "Her dedication has created a strong and supportive staff which has allowed an increase in the percentage of students participating in service experiences."



Kelly Reimer
Photo by Emily MacDonnell/The Pendulum