



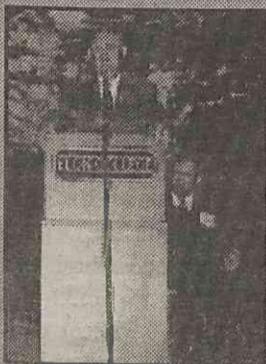
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Board of Trustees votes to adopt new Athletics identity

Fightin' Christian mascot, nickname to be replaced

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The Elon College Board of Trustees voted unanimously to replace the Fightin' Christians nickname and mascot with a new identity for the college's athletic program.

The decision came during the annual fall meeting of the Board Oct. 12 and 13.

It was originally proposed by Trustee Noel Allen, however a change in the college mascot has been discussed for some time, especially following Elon's entrance into NCAA Division I athletics.

"The college needs an athletics identity that honors our great traditions, yet is more inclusive and easily understood on a national basis," Elon College President Leo Lambert said.

Lambert appointed Athletic Director Alan White and Vice President of Enrollment Nan Perkins to co-chair a committee that will spend several months investigating possible athletic identities that are of great significance to the college,

but are also appealing at a national level.

The committee will include representatives from the student body, the faculty and staff, the Board of Trustees and alumni, as well as athletes.

"I think [athletes] will react very positively [to the mascot change]. I think they are very enthusiastic about it and welcome the change," White said.

"I think it is coming at the appropriate time for us athletically because of the new Rhodes Stadium and Division I conference move. The timing for us is perfect and it will add to school spirit."

"One of the factors that makes this an ideal time [for a mascot change] is the way the college now recruits, not only nationally but even internationally," Perkins said.

"We're going to be on the national scene with Division I athletics and we need a mascot that we can really use and one that won't be misinterpreted."

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Hook dorm resident Nina Davis carefully selects the next piece to move during a heated Jenga match versus Carolina hall residents at Rectober Sportsfest Sunday. Davis went on to win the event. The Sportsfest, sponsored by Campus Recreation, offered on-campus residents three days of fun and competition in flag football, soccer, softball and other activities, Oct. 8-10.

PENDULUM FYI

Over the last quarter of a century, The Pendulum has produced 625 issues weighing in at an estimated 175,780 lbs. It has held and retained 17 different mastheads, six different advisers and over 1100 staff writers. The editors and writers have spent an estimated 95,625 man-hours producing over 20 million pages. During the period of its production, the paper has failed to make the newsstands twice: once this year due to a computer meltdown that caused the entire paper to be redesigned, and once in 1989 when Admissions pulled the paper from distribution bins because of its controversial content during Admissions Weekend. The successive Editors in Chief have gone on to become everything from pizza delivery drivers to winners of the most coveted award in Journalism, the Pulitzer Prize.

Danieley Center formally dedicated

Jeff Sanders The Pendulum

Tuesday evening at dusk, President Leo Lambert officially dedicated the

James Earl Danieley Center. The ceremony, held under a gazebo, included

Elon's elite: trustees, benefactors, administration, faculty and staff.

"I'm incredibly delighted and honored to have the facilities bear my name," said Dr. James Danieley. He added that he believed the

Danieley Center flats and apartments serve as "nicely laid out, ideal living quarters." He also commented that parking was still an issue.

Director of Residence Life David Blackman announced that the college would add 80 new spots at \$750 per spot to remedy the parking problem.

"We're not going to be ripping down trees — we'd like to keep the nature in this area as much as possible," said Blackman.

In his welcome, Trustee Noel Allen lauded the accomplishments of Danieley including his love of

nature and the tending of his garden.

"He has shown how to and how not to be a president of a college," said Allen. His comments referred to Danieley's contributions to the Elon College community over the past 54 years.

Danieley holds two age-related distinctions at Elon: he remains the senior faculty member and the youngest to become president (at 32).

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