MEET THE PREZ



Junior Trey Bolton was elected SGA President on Tuesday. The Pendulum gives the readers the chance to know the man behind the campaign.

What are your plans after graduation? I would truly like to own and manage my own business where I can utilize the skills and education obtained while a student at Elon. I feel comfortable that success can be found in a business environment.

What is your favorite music group?
The Beatles, Jimi Hendrix, Lynyrd Skynyrd

What is your favorite movie?

The Godfather

Do you have any hobbies and if so what are they?

Music, especially playing the guitar and drums.

What are your favorite sport teams?

Carolina Panthers

If you could go on a dream vacation where would it be? I would like to travel across Europe.

What is your most prized possession?

My family and friends.

Who is one person you would like to meet?

George W. Bush

Do you have any good luck rituals and if so what are they?

No, I am not a superstitious person. I love to live life straight up.

Elon Poll finds education continues to be a top concern of residents

Karen Lungarelli
Reporter

The fourth Elon poll, conducted by the Elon Institute for Politics and Public Affairs, showed education is one of the greatest concerns among North Carolinians.

Ninety-two percent of the residents polled said they would like policymakers to make education reform a top priority. Sixty four percent also favored a state lottery, up from 61 percent in December. Of the 64 percent, half feel the profits should be used for education in the state.

Dr. Sharon Spray, director of the poll and an assistant professor of political science, said: "Citizens are very supportive of the lottery, but legislators aren't. Our polls show that support is continuing to grow."

While the state has a budget deficit expected to reach \$791 million, 63 percent of those polled believe the economy is doing well. Twenty-seven percent believe economic conditions will improve, 31

percent feel they will worsen, and 37 percent think the economy will stay the same. Fifty-nine percent of those polled believe the Bush administration is moving the country in a positive direction. The poll showed North Carolinians are optimistic about their future and the future of the state, as well as the future of America.

Political science professors used student input to help design the telephone poll; it

was conducted Feb. 12-14 in the Powell computer lab. It was the fourth in a series of polls that began in September. Under the direction of Spray, 27 students worked to poll 728 citizens of voting age through-



Adam Waterson / Photography Editor PamVitkus completes a telephone poll during the fourth poll conducted on Feb. 12.

out the state of North Carolina.

The next poll is scheduled for March 5-8. Anyone interested in participating in the poll, please sign up on the 3rd floor of Powell, next to the Policy Center in 308.



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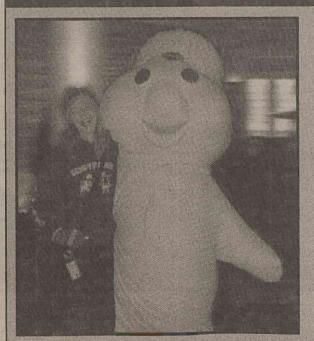
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EYE IN ELON



Just a girl and her dough.

Jessica Vitak had the privilage of spending a little quality time with the Pillsbury Doughboy Himself (or herself as staff suspects).

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