

## Corrections

- In last week's edition, we reported that 1236 people voted in the SGA election. This was the total number of ballots collected.

Of those, only 1208 voted for president.

We reported Bolton needed 604 votes to win. He instead needed 605.

- On page five, the headline should read, "Fraternity council honored."

- In our February 22 issue, we reported that the roller hockey team was the only club sport with a coach.

The club swim team also has a coach; Kyle Torke.

We also reported that the starting goalie for the team was female. He is, in fact, male.

*The Pendulum is committed to improving the quality of our reporting and relaying facts to our readers. We apologize for error.*

## Fifth annual Carret essay contest

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*Pendulum Reporter*

Philip Carret was born in 1896 and graduated from Harvard in 1917. He flew a Sopwith Camel plane in World War I, then returned to Massachusetts to start one of the nation's first mutual funds, the Pioneer Fund, in 1928. He started Carret & Co. Investment Counsel in 1963 and witnessed 20 solar eclipses in his lifetime from all over the globe.

Before his death in 1998 at 101, this remarkable man and legendary investor visited Elon College to address the Love School of Business and left so impressed, he donated \$40,000 in IBM stock to institute a campus-wide Thomas Jefferson essay contest.

Carret (pronounced kuh-RAY) accepted an invitation from Mark Albertson, registrar and assistant to provost, to travel to Elon in fall 1996. Albertson read about Carret in a Wall Street Journal article that year and was immediately impressed. Coincidentally, Carret was classmates at Harvard with the late Burlington Industries founder J. Spencer Love, for whom the Love School Business at Elon is named.

Albertson says, "I was just about wiped off my feet," Albertson said when Carret's letter arrived, some months after Carret's talk with students, including compliments to the winner and the substantial certificate to continue the contest. "I was overwhelmed by his response," he said. "I will see that this contest stays alive because of my loyalty to Mr. Carret. I owe him one!"

The essay contest panel now celebrates the fifth annual competition and invites all Elon students to submit an essay of approximately 1,500 words by April 13, Thomas Jefferson's birthday. The topic: Looking back almost two hundred years, evaluate Thomas Jefferson's presidency from the perspective of a United States citizen at the beginning of the 19th century.

The first-place winner not only receives \$1,000 but also enjoys an overnight stay at the International Center for Jefferson Studies, along with an honorary dinner and private tour of the University of Virginia and Monticello, Thomas Jefferson's home at Charlottesville, Va. The second- and third-place winners receive \$600 and \$400, respectively.

Elon student Joe Mattern won

the honors two years in a row, followed by Daniel Callaway and Stephanie Newbold. President Dr. Leo Lambert and his family accompanied Newbold on her trip to Monticello last summer. At the dinner held in Newbold's honor Ronald Reagan's White House deputy chief of staff addressed guests.

Newbold, a political science and public administration major from Elizabeth City, N.C., is now a senior. "The program was very well orchestrated," she says. "I didn't expect the red-carpet treatment. They did a fabulous job of making us feel welcome."

Newbold enjoyed her stay in the cottage at Monticello where Franklin D. Roosevelt frequented during summers. "The most appealing aspect of Monticello," she said, "is to see the true diversification of Thomas Jefferson, his many interests from science to math to architecture... and his extensive library collection." Newbold says she was humbled to see the desk where Jefferson is credited for writing some of his 19,000 letters.

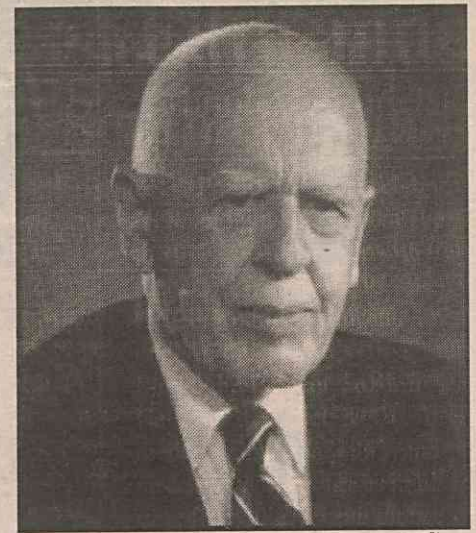


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Paula Newcomb, director of development and public affairs at the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation, says everyone at the foundation is enthusiastic about participating. "We're thrilled. We share a wonderful partnership with Elon," she said. "Our mission is education and preservation. The interest [Elon] students are taking in history would certainly have pleased Thomas Jefferson himself."

The quality and creativity of responses determine winning essays. The faculty panel will announce the three winners at the Thomas Jefferson dinner on Thursday, April 26.



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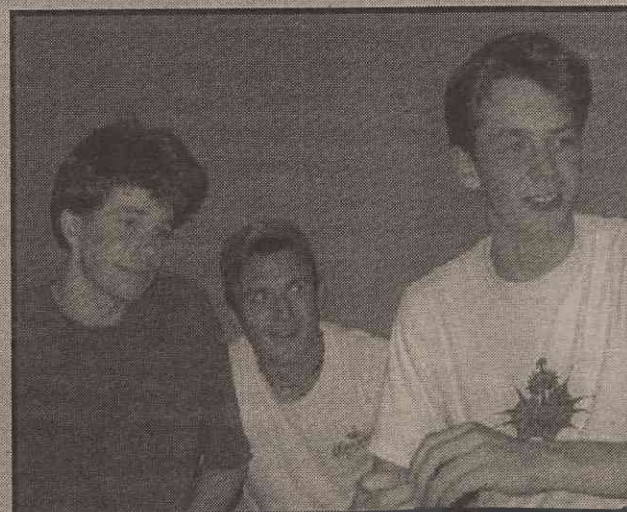
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## EYE ON ELON

### Local Band rocks McKinnon Stage



Kevin Hajek, Jordan Kurn, Chris Juengel, David Shoaf, Steven Harper, and Lisa Manning of the band Big Throated Chimney, three of whom are pictured left, entertained Elon students on Sunday night during their first big show. This local band recorded their first CD at the WSOE studios. They attend Williams and Eastern Alamance high schools.

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