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SGA tables smoking boundaries on campus

Austin Jameson
Reporter

A resolution that would encourage Elon administrators to prohibit smoking in entranceways of campus buildings was tabled by the Elon Student Government Association Oct. 24.

The bill was presented by Brian Gill, sophomore class senator and chair of the Student Issues Committee, and Nick Rust of the Academic Council. The resolution will be discussed at the meeting Nov. 7, as senators raised questions about the university's current policies.

The resolution, drafted after student brought concerns to the Student Issues Committee, called for the enforcement of clean air zones 25 feet from entranceways.

At the meeting, senators asked about current regulations.

"How well is this issue researched? I don't see a reason to pass something that is already in effect," said Trevor Kincaid of the

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Neighborhood children head to Greek Street to trick-or-treat



David Upchurch/Photographer

Emma Goering, dressed as a witch, received treats from Ann Sympkins while trick-or-treating in Loy Center on Sunday. Each sorority and fraternity house took on a different Disney theme, and the students dressed up and decorated the houses. Read the story on page 12.

University considers beginning law school

Colin Donohue
Sports Editor

A new law school may rest on the horizon for Elon University, as the New Century @ Elon Plan continues its expansion. The law school will address the portion of the plan dealing with the development of new and distinctive graduate programs, Provost Gerald Francis said.

The addition of a law school remains in its fledgling stages, and President Leo Lambert assigned Francis to head an upcoming feasibility study to examine the costs of facilitating a new law school on campus, as well as the annual maintenance costs of the school. The study should also provide an assessment of the market, the mission and the expectations of North Carolina's American Bar Association. Francis and Lambert could not comment on how the money for a law school would be acquired.

"We are only at the stage of putting together a committee to conduct a feasibility study to examine all issues surrounding the establishment of a law school," said Lambert. Elon hired Leary Davis, the founding dean of a law school at another university, as a consultant, Lambert added. Davis is on the faculty at Campbell University.

The possible addition of a law school will most likely not affect tuition, Lambert said. "A law

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Ruwart speaks on Kevorkian, assisted suicide

Allison Clark
Reporter

Author and renowned scientist Dr. Mary Ruwart advocated for physician assisted suicide and the patient's freedom of choice last Thursday evening.

Ruwart is a former pharmaceutical research scientist and associ-

ate professor of surgery. She was a contender for the 1992 Libertarian Party vice-presidential nomination and ran for U.S. Senate in 2000. She wrote the book "Healing Our World: The Other Piece of the Puzzle" with the help of her sister, Martie, who lived with Ruwart as she fought a losing battle with cancer.

In her speech, Ruwart stressed patients' freedom of choice. She said advocates of physician-assisted suicide argue that patients who are terminally ill often want to die; they want to be free of pain and suffering. Assisted suicide helps save healthcare resources and gives physicians more time to help those who

want to live, Ruwart said.

Ruwart said she learned about death at the age of 6 when her aunt died. "Although I was young, she said, my mother was very honest with me when she explained my aunt's death. It was

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