



Organization Briefs

Catholic Campus Ministry- Our masses this Sunday, are in the Elon Community Church proper. Join us for Mass on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 25, at 12:30 p.m. in the Parish House, and at 9 p.m. in the Elon Community Church.

America Reads- Looking for some extra cash this semester and enjoy working with children? The Federal Work Study program, America Reads, is looking for tutors. If interested, pick up an application in Moseley 230.

Teaching Fellows- Ben Wentworth, 2001 Disney Teacher of the Year, will be speaking in McCrary Theater on Monday Feb. 23 at 7:30 p.m. Wentworth is a wonderful educator and his speech will be "The Motivated School, The Motivated Classroom, The Motivated You!" This event is free and

the Teaching Fellows Program invites the entire Elon community to hear Wentworth.

Safe Rides- Safe Rides runs every Thursday from 10p.m. - 2 a.m. and Fridays and Saturdays from 10:30 p.m.- 2:30 a.m. If you are interested in volunteering come by Moseley, or call ext. 7250. You don't need a car to volunteer, plus free pizza is provided every night!

Elon University Gospel Choir- The Elon University Gospel Choir will be hosting its annual Gospel Extravaganza Feb. 21 at 3 p.m. in McCrary Theater. This is an opportunity to come out and enjoy some great gospel talent through song and dance. General admission is \$3 or free with your Phoenix card.

Alpha Phi Omega- Alpha Phi Omega

is beginning the semester off strong by starting new service projects and keeping with old ones. Alpha Phi Omega will be running Safe Rides tonight and ushering at many upcoming events.

PRSSA- The Public Relations Students Society of America is accepting new spring members. Dues of \$65 are to be turned into the School of Communications office by Tuesday. For additional information, contact schanpimol@elon.edu

The Pendulum runs organizational briefs free of charge as a service to the Elon community. Due to a limited amount of space, The Pendulum asks that briefs be informative of upcoming events and meetings for your organization. Briefs should be no longer than 40 words. All briefs should be turned in by Monday at 5 p.m.

Crime Watch

All information was compiled from Feb. 8 through Feb. 17. These are charges made by the Elon Campus Police and the Town of Elon Police.



Feb. 8

Welsey Rumsey, 20, buying/receiving weapon

Feb. 9

Ashley Baker, 17, failure to appear
Anne Castellano, 17, failure to appear

Feb. 11

Alexander Baur, 21, speeding
Kailey Crandall, 20, seatbelt violation
Ana Desouza, 22, speeding
Malwina Jakubowski, 19, seatbelt violation
Neal Petrosky, 19, speeding
Sara Shisler, 21, speeding
Rebecca Sparler, 22, speeding
Courtney Tomaini, 20, fictitious license
Wendi Wyrick, 22, seatbelt violation

Feb. 12

Marjory Bejos, 18, speeding
Jessica Beyers, 20, speeding
Lindsey Westcott, 21, seatbelt violation
Antonio Williams, 22, speeding
Antonio Williams, 22, buying/receiving weapon

Feb. 13

Ethan Boudreau, 18, possession of a malt beverage
Jason Weiner, 18, possession of malt beverage

Feb. 14

Jason Barrett, 19, possession of malt beverage
Bryan Snyder, 21, obstruction of justice

Feb. 15

Brian Giuffra, 19, possession of malt beverage
Kevin Mckenna, 18, vandalism
Charles Mueller, 19, vandalism

Feb. 17

Tyler Vrael, 20, shoplifting

Unviersity encourages code of conduct at games

Atheltic Department asks students to abide by gudelines set forth by SoCon

Jay Dorne

News Editor

The men's basketball game between Elon and The Citadel Feb. 9 was momentarily stopped when a player for The Citadel had to be restrained after attacking a taunting Elon student. The incident resulted in both individuals being removed from the building.

This issue of free speech at college sporting events has gained national recognition this month through media coverage of the incidents at the University of Maryland that included the televising of obscene language. However, issues of civil liberties and institutional discipline apply differently at Elon.

"Since Elon is a private institution, we have the flexibility to establish guidelines in regard to student conduct at athletic events," said Jana Lynn Patterson, associate dean of students.

Head basketball coach Ernie Nestor expressed dissatisfaction at the actions of both the student and the player, but said he believes players should be held to a higher standard.

"Players not only represent themselves, but also their teammates and their institution," said Nestor. "Our games are family activities and we have standards of decent behavior."

Elon abides by a code of conduct set forth by the Southern Conference as well as a code

encouraged by the Athletic Department, according to Tripp Durham, assistant athletics director for marketing, promotions and home game management. He indicated that a section of the Southern Conference code is read before each home game.

According to the code, "The Southern Conference encourages and promotes good sportsmanship by student athletes, coaches and spectators. We request your cooperation by supporting the participants and officials in a positive manner. Profanity, racial or sexist comments and other intimidating actions directed at officials, student athletes and coaches will not be tolerated and are grounds for removal from the site of competition."

"Our athletic department code encourages for our events to be conducted with integrity and class in order to lead with a positive message," said Durham. "It concerns me when more negative energy is spent knocking the other team than positive energy uplifting our players."

Nestor expressed the importance of a positive atmosphere in winning games and stated that negative attitudes towards the opposing team do not have a positive affect on the home team.

"Athletes are competitive beings. Any type

of taunting will only propel them to higher levels of performance," said Nestor, who indicated his players feel the same way at away games.

"When we are on the road, fans poke fun and root for their home team. It inspires us to do more to beat them," said freshman guard Brian Jones. "We can't go get in the faces of the fans. It's a give and take relationship."

Durham indicated that they are taking the occurrence as an isolated incident and will continue to encourage positive sportsmanship at games.

"I don't think it's a serious problem for schools in the conference," said Steve Shutt, associate commissioner for public affairs for the Southern Conference, who described the incident as an anomaly.

Durham said he believes the key to developing a positive atmosphere at athletic events lies in the fan base accepting ownership as our sports programs continue to grow.

"If fans take ownership for their teams, they will want to conduct themselves in a positive manner. I think in the next two to three years we should see this happen," Durham said.

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