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Phoenix ends regular season with 112-108 victory

Men's basketball wins in three overtimes, advances in first round of SoCon tournament



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It would've been easy to pack it in, hit the showers, come to practice the next day and prepare for the tournament. One emotionally charged, draining overtime game was enough for one week.

The odds were stacked against them: Jackson Atoyebi – fouled out. Montell Watson – down with an ankle injury. Steve Harvin – battling a stomach virus. Rasmi Gamble – playing with four fouls. Matt Nowlin – struggling to find his range.

Yet in the face of such adversity, Elon displayed heart, fearlessness, moxie – all the qualities this Phoenix team needed to complete a gutsy performance.

Elon emerged victorious in three overtimes Saturday night, in a game large on length, but

larger on actions. The 112-108 victory against UNC-Greensboro only determined which team would receive the third seed in the North Division of the Southern Conference tournament.

The victory served as more of a trampoline than a spring board into the tournament. No. 3 seed Elon pulled out a 66-56 victory against The Citadel in the first round Wednesday from Charleston, S.C.

Atoyebi scored 18 points and grabbed eight rebounds. Nowlin added 15 points.

“We're very pleased to win the game,” said Elon coach Ernie Nestor. “It's our first Southern Conference tournament. It's a good win for us although we didn't play very well. I have to give The Citadel credit. We couldn't get the tempo where we wanted it.”

The Phoenix will next play No. 2 seed

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Prospective fellows to visit campus this weekend; best of the class of 2008

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Fellows Weekend starts tomorrow and runs through Saturday, March 6. More than 8,000 students applied to Elon this year, and 802 of those students applied to the six different Fellows programs, said Associate Director of Admissions Melinda Wood. Wood plays a large roll in Fellows Weekend.

“I helped plan it and process all of the applications,” Wood said.

Current fellows will help out with the weekend activities.

Of those 802 students, 738 were admitted to Elon's class of 2008 and 552 were invited to participate in the fellows events this weekend. As of last week, 419 students were planning on coming to Fellows Weekend, up from the 380 that were on campus last year, accord-

ing to Wood. These students are expected to be the brightest in the class of 2008, with an average recalculated grade-point average of 4.23 and an SAT score of 1283.

Each of the five programs will accept anywhere between 25 to 60 prospective students. They include: Honors, Elon College, Jefferson- Pilot Business, Journalism and Communications and Isabella Cannon Leadership.

Of the prospective students on campus this weekend, the Business Fellows group is probably the smallest group competing, the largest is Elon College, Wood said.

While the students will separate into their respective fellows groups during most of the weekend, many will follow the same schedule. Rex Waters, assistant dean of students and

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P13: Project Pericles travels to Namibia to study the effects of AIDS on native citizens.

P20: Elon faculty members Janet Warman and Dan Albergotti present in poetry-reading series.