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Brian Viebranz / Photographer

Anna Quindlen spoke at Fall Convocation Monday. Quindlen, who has had books on the New York Times fiction, non-fiction and self-help bestseller lists, told the audience of the joy she finds in reading. Reading, she said, is a vehicle through which she discovers herself and the world around her. Quindlen said the happiest day of her life was the day she learned her eldest child could read. Quindlen was introduced by Shirley Frye. The Baird Pulitzer Prize lecture is endowed by James and Jane Baird of Burlington.

Elon graduates vie for county commissioner seats

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Elon graduates Dan Ingle and Cindy Brady are running for Alamance County Board of Commissioners. Ingle is the school's special investigator. Brady serves as the Healthy Alamance Coordinator for the hospital.

County commissioners oversee the allocation of funds to different county departments ranging from athletics funding to funding for the Special Olympics. They also vote on the county tax rate. There are five County commissioners, with an additional commissioner serving as chairman.

Ingle said his major concerns in the community are continued job growth and the school bond referendum. Ingle said he favors the referendum, which will pay for school repairs and maintenance,

and the purchase of a new school. The bond referendum will appear on the Nov. 2 ballot.

Brady said she hopes to help bring more quality jobs to the county.

"Our recent growth has been a whole lot of retail. We had manufacturing jobs that no longer exist and we're replacing them with positions that don't pay as well and or may not offer benefits," she said.

Ingle said he ran a grassroots campaign in the county, trying to meet as many people as possible. He estimated his campaign budget thus far at \$11,000, coming mostly from individual contributions.

"I've been out all over the county," he said. "Being chief of police, I really enjoyed working with people. This gives me a way

to continue to serve the citizens of Alamance County. It's been rewarding. I've met a lot of fine people campaigning."

Brady's campaign expenses totaled \$9,000 during her primary campaign. She said she will start campaigning for the general election in October. Brady said campaigning and serving will be a challenge.

"It will certainly be a balancing act," she said. "I had been cleaning my plate off as far as extracurricular activities for the past two years so I could devote my time to this. My job is flexible. It's not merely nine to five."

Ingle is a career law enforcement officer, serving as the Town of Elon's chief of police for 18 years. He returned to Elon last



Dan Ingle

January as a special investigator for Campus Police. Ingle is also involved in the Drug Abuse Resistance Education Program and has taught criminal justice classes at Alamance Community College.

He said his political views have actually changed over time.

"I have a conservative view, which is kind of unusual," he said. "I come from a long line of Democrats. I was a Democrat for the greater part of my life, but my views are now more in line with the Republican party."

Brady also said her political views have shifted as well.

"Early in 2001 I started pondering it," she said. "I made a list and there was one more Democratic thing than Republican."

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