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Prince hands the mic over to Robertson

Krista Naposki
News Editor

Jeanne Swanner-Robertson, professional speaker, humorist and Burlington resident, will replace Prince Hamzah Bin Al Hussein of Jordan as commencement speaker this year.

Hussein canceled early last week. According to Dan Anderson, director of University Relations, he will not be able to speak at commencement "but would hope to visit campus at some point in the future and that he would do whatever is necessary to continue support of the King Hussein scholarship."

Robertson said her speech would be about a strategy for success after graduation, not necessarily in business but in other aspects of life, too. As a professional speaker, Robertson gives speeches to kick-off meetings, conventions and banquets. Each year, she speaks at up to 100 conventions.

Though she also labels herself as a humorist, she stresses that there's a difference between a humorist and a comedian. "The main goal of a comedian is to make laughs at any cost," Robertson said. "Sometimes this could include offending others for the sake of one group laughing at it."

Robertson said a humorist speaks in the corporate market. "Each piece of material you use leads to a point," Robertson said. Usually, her speeches run about an hour, but her commencement speech will only be 10 minutes. "At first I was apprehensive, but now I am excited for the challenge."

Last week, the senior class representatives met with Robertson to decide whether or not she would be a good fit as commencement speaker. "She will make people laugh, she will inspire and motivate students, and she has a sense of our Elon

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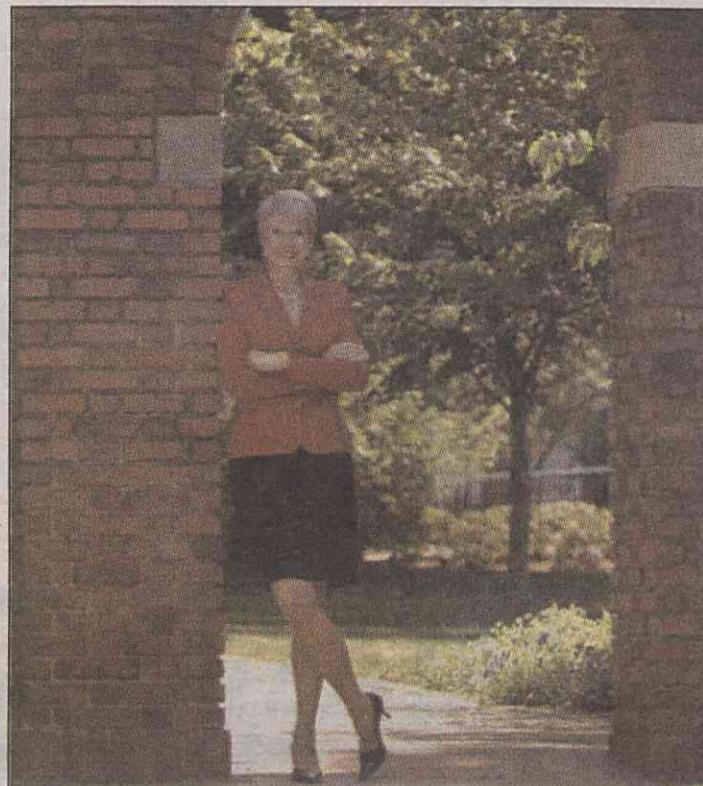


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Robertson poses underneath an archway on Elon's campus.

Future freshmen familiarize themselves with campus during final spring orientation weekend



Laura Hals/ Photo Editor

Sweet Signatures sings in Moseley Center Saturday afternoon to entertain freshmen and parents walking between pre-planned activities during the final freshman Orientation Weekend.

Brittany Smith
News Editor

Over 1,100 parents and high school seniors visited campus last Friday and Saturday for orientation activities.

Future students took tours of the campus and residence halls and attended sessions discussing internships, work experience, leadership, study abroad, student undergraduate research, service learning, learning communities, campus recreation, club and intramural sports, religious life, campus technology, majors offered and how to survive or not survive in college.

Students also took the new computer-based foreign language assessment and had their Phoenix

card photos taken. The new freshmen also met with their academic advisers and student assistants to discuss fall courses of study.

Parents toured campus and attended informational sessions with the future students. However, they also attended special programs designed for them such as discussions about engaged academic learning, a view of Elon from students and advisors and a question and answer session with deans.

The \$300 enrollment deposit for freshmen is due May 1 and housing applications are due June 1. Move-in day and freshman orientation begins Aug. 26.

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