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Shaping Elon's Campus

Summer construction brings multiple changes



Construction workers dig three wells per day with a future total of 112 wells, each 440 feet deep. The wells will heat and cool the Colonnades Residence Halls.

Sarah Beth Costello
Graphics Editor

Renovations and various construction projects for Alumni Gym, Latham Park, Alumni Field House, Greek housing and the Colonnades commenced in June. The projects will involve some noise disturbances and temporary interruptions on O'Kelly Avenue and the McMichael Science Building parking lot.

Colonnades renovations include the addition of three new dormitory buildings 'C,' 'D' and 'E.' The new heating and cooling systems will heat all five of the Colonnades.

Colonnades 'C,' 'D' and 'E' will include 94 beds per building, suite and single bed living conditions, group lounges

and study areas.

"Colonnades 'C,' 'D' and 'E' will have water main excavation pipe work done this summer," said Neil Bromilow, director of planning, design & construction management.

Bromilow said there will also be some noise disturbance as a result of the construction and drilling.

"So the scope (of the heating and cooling system) is 112 wells, each one 440 feet deep," Bromilow said. "Those wells are closed piping systems. Via modern science and technology, there are devices called heat exchangers, which will basically make the ground hotter in summer time and colder in winter time."

The geothermal system and Colonnades renovations will be finished

by August 2011. A web cam distributes a live feed accessible from Elon homepage enabling viewers to watch construction progress.

Five additional buildings will be added to the Greek Housing in Loy Center this summer as well. The project will be concluded by July 2011.

"Unique features (for Greek housing) is the certification for LEED for Homes that we are pursuing," said Bromilow. "It has not been done before for institutional type houses."

These house will have concrete second floors, sprinkler systems and meeting rooms for 100 people.

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Department of Justice investigates local sheriff's office

Anna Johnson
Summer Editor

Allegations of "discriminatory policing and unconstitutional searches and seizures" by the Alamance County Sheriff's Office have prompted an investigation by the U.S. Department of Justice, according to a letter sent to the sheriff's office. The letter was originally sent to County Attorney Clyde Albright who forwarded the letter to the sheriff's office.

Alejandro Miyar, spokesperson for the U.S. Department of Justice, said the department could not comment on an open investigation.

"The case is open and ongoing," Miyar said. "And the Alamance County Sheriff's Office is cooperating."

The allegations of discriminatory policing were against Latinos, he said.

The letter, dated June 2, was sent by Judy Preston, the acting chief of the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Department of Justice. According to a press release from the sheriff's office spokesperson Randy Jones, the letter "is silent as to whether the allegations were made by a person arrested by the deputies, otherwise confined in the detention center or made by an organization."

The files and detention center logs will be available to the justice department, Jones wrote, as they have been available to "local parties interested in these matters."

"We have no issues, no concerns about anything done wrong," Jones said. "They've asked for our cooperation with whatever they want to do, and we have assured them we will cooperate."

In recent years various groups have questioned Sheriff Terry Johnson's enforcement of the 287(g) section of the federal immigration law. This section of the law gives local law enforcement officers the power to arrest and detain people who have illegally entered the United States.

In 2009, the American Civil Liberties Union of North Carolina requested thousands of public records regarding 287(g). In Jones' press release he wrote the ACLU reviewed the documents and "did not reveal any wrongdoing on the part of the Alamance County Sheriff's Office."

Katherine Parker, legal director for the state branch of the ACLU, said that is not true.

"I don't know why they are spreading this falsehood," Parker said. "We never told the sheriff we were not concerned. I don't know where their rationale is for this."

The ACLU, Parker said, has expressed concerns of racial profiling and checkpoints in predominantly Latino areas.

"We do have these concerns, and we have heard complaints," she said. "The records we have been reviewing suggest (the arrests) are disproportionately Latino."

The majority of the arrests are for no operator's license or driving while license revoked, she said.

"It begs the question, 'Why are they being stopped in the first place?'" Parker said. "We have not drawn any final conclusions, and we did not file the complaint, but we support this investigation."

Crosswalk to be straightened on Williamson Avenue, sidewalk expanded

Anna Johnson
Summer Editor

When students return to Elon University in September the familiar diagonal crosswalk at Williamson and College avenues will be no more. Construction began Monday, June 21 to straighten the crosswalk and expand the sidewalk on both sides of Williamson Avenue. Construction is scheduled to last four to five weeks.

The sidewalk closest to the crosswalk will be expanded eight feet into the road to allow for better visibility.

Bob Stone, an estimator with Triangle Grading & Paving Inc., said each corner of the intersection would take about two weeks to complete. On the east side of Williamson Avenue, the side closest to the university, a planter will be stationed in the middle of the extended sidewalk. The planter will be two feet in height and have low vegetation. The planter will force pedestrians to one of the two crosswalks instead of crossing in the middle.

"We are going to extend the (sidewalk) island farther into the road so pedestrians will be safe standing there," Stone said. "They will be able to cross the street better and cars will have more visibility."

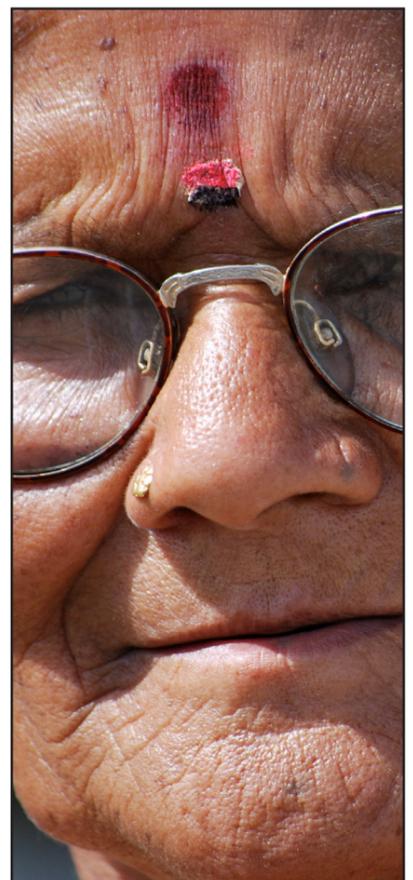


Construction workers are expected to tear up more than 75 feet of curb along Williamson Avenue in order to expand the sidewalk eight feet towards the street.

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Eleven Periclean Scholars traveled to India to work with local NGO, Comprehensive Rural Health Project. The students worked directly with the adolescent girls program by teaching the girls new skills and presenting educational material. They also observed the inner workings of the organization to help increase efficiency within. The majority of the group stayed in India for three weeks and completed internships during their stay.

Periclean Scholars implement lessons learned, teach others

Pam Richter
Editor-in-Chief

When Jamie Milliski first arrived in India, she had a henna tattoo drawn on her arm. But this wasn't just any henna tattoo, it was a piece of art that Milliski treasured.

Milliski was taking a tour of the adolescent girls program at the Comprehensive Rural Health Project and began interacting with a young Indian girl. After learning that this girl was deaf and mute, Milliski let the girl draw a henna tattoo on her arm.

"Throughout the rest of the week she would remember me," Milliski said. "I would point the henna on my arm and she would smile."

Milliski described this as one of her best moments while she was in India for three weeks. Milliski was just one of 11 total students who traveled to India for a few weeks with the Periclean Scholars class of 2012.

"I can't say emphatically enough how much of an impact they are making," said Tom Arcaro, a professor of sociology and the director of the Periclean Scholars program at Elon.

The trip was funded in part by the Carole and Douglas Bruns Endowment for International Service Learning funds scholarships, which helps fund students who are studying abroad and work or intern with a non-religious or non-governmental organization.

The Periclean Scholars class of 2012 consists of 33 students, and Arcaro said it is unheard of that already after their sophomore year, a third of the class has been on the ground in their target country.

According to the Elon University's Periclean Scholars Web site, "students who become part of the Periclean Scholars program take a series of courses (one per school year) culminating in a class project of global social change."

For the class of 2012, the is global impact includes working with the Comprehensive Rural Health Project.

"What CHRP does is their main programs is to train village health workers," said Martin Kamela, the class of 2012's advisor and associate professor of physics. "They come to the (CHRP) campus on a regular basis and get training."

For the 11 students who went and worked with this project, they did a variety of internships while in the country. Several students, including junior Brittany Moore worked with the adolescent girls program.

"The goal of the program is to teach them basic childcare, nutrition, menstruation, karate, job skills like making jewelry and their rights as women," Moore said.

While most students returned back to the states after three weeks in India, Moore is staying until July 1. She is currently working on a manual after spending the first three weeks of her trip observing the girls ages 13-18.

"They learn that they should not allow their parents to pay dowry to their husbands, that the legal age of marriage is 18 and other rights like that," Moore said. "They also have the opportunity to just be kids for once."

While several students worked directly with the adolescent girls



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Junior Simone LaHood and other Pericleans Scholars were invited to various cultural events while in India, including a traditional Hindu wedding. From the experience, they were able to learn more about the culture.

program, Millinski worked closely with helping CHRP create a database for its patients.

"Right now the hospital does patient records through paper records," she said. "They wanted to transfer that to computer so it could become paperless."

Arcaro said Millinski, an accounting major, did the project in a few days, which would have taken CHRP to do in weeks.

"Everybody is using the tool sets from their majors and learning

about the tool sets in their majors to contribute to this cause," Arcaro said "I can't tell you how clearly this class is living out the calling of the Periclean Scholars program."

The class of 2012 has raised more than \$30,000 and the class made a direct donation to CHRP.

"We are not only contributing financially to the program, but we are helping to design and assess and run the program," Arcaro said. "The class of 2010 represents the clearest model of a true partnership."



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Above: Junior Katelyn DeFord engages with the local merchants.

Top Right: Juniors Jessica Zollinger, Ellie Stratton-Brook and Jamie Milliski arrive for a traditional Hindu wedding.

Bottom Right: Junior Chris Carmichael samples the local cuisine while at CRHP.

Far Right: Junior Brittany Moore and the other Periclean Scholars traditionally traveled during their stay in India. Moore decided to stay at CRHP until July.



Elon's software and hardware

Switch to Gmail raises questions of privacy, usage from students

University plans to add, improve technology on campus

Caitlin O'Donnell
News Editor

The transition to Gmail as Elon University students' e-mail provider on June 1, while generally successful, did not occur without a few glitches, Chris Fulkerson, assistant vice president for technology, said.

Elon's technical staff hoped students would have all of their old emails in their new Gmail account when it went live, Fulkerson said. No other school had ever attempted this for their students.

"It took some trial and error at the beginning because the procedures were undocumented, but we were able to come up with a solution and everyone had all of their old e-mails transferred over," he said.

The delay issues some students experienced in the beginning were caused by changes to mail routing.

"The systems had to catch up to all the changes at first," Fulkerson said. "In the documentation we provided, it did address the issue of forwarding email and the fact that the switch would break any forwarding that was in place."

The most common questions the help desk has received involve forwarding emails, using mobile devices and other Google applications.

Fulkerson said students will need to adjust their settings to forward e-mails and set up e-mails with mobile devices.

At this time, there are a limited number of Google applications available with the Elon e-mail accounts.

"Google has control over the applications they make available to Elon users," Fulkerson said. "The good news is that Google wants users to have access to more applications."

According to a May 6 posting on the Google enterprise blog, they will release an update at some point this fall allowing users to have access to Blogger, Picasa Web Albums, Google Reader and more through the Elon account.

"Nine of the top 20 requests from Google Apps customers are for their accounts to work with more services from Google, not just for the core suite of messaging and collaboration

applications," the posting read. "We'll dramatically accelerate customer access to innovation and give users the convenience of using any Google service allowed by their administrator from a single account affiliated with their organization."

According to Fulkerson, no direct objections have been raised since the switch took place and student feedback has been very positive.

"I have received comments like: 'Thanks, this is so much better than what we had before' and 'Why didn't Elon do this earlier?'" he said.

Faculty members have also been asking about how to gain access to the Google Apps. Though faculty and staff did not make the switch to Gmail, Fulkerson said they want to be able to use the available applications and share documents with their students.

Roger Black, a junior at Elon, explained that he is concerned with the privacy offered through Google.

"Google has a lot of flaws with how they handle privacy, and I'm not sure I want to be forced into switching over to this new system," he said. "Recently the University of California at Davis ended their Gmail pilot program because of privacy-related issues, citing the tremendous failure of Google Buzz."

Black said that by privacy issues, he was referring to the storage of user information for marketing purposes, the documentation of web search and the scanning of Google emails for content related to marketing.

"I just hope that all of this went through the mind of whoever made the decision and that the decision was not made lightly," Black said. "The switch is not a wholly bad idea. It will offer some great things to Elon students."

Fulkerson said Elon's agreement with Google guarantees that the company will not look at or share e-mail data with anyone.

"[This is] except in specific cases that are defined in the agreement such as a court order or when something that is in an e-mail causes the system not to operate correctly," he said.

Caitlin O'Donnell
News Editor

In the upcoming school year, Elon University students will be greeted with not only increased, but improved technology with the addition of new computers and projectors as well as virtual desktops and software.

Each year, the Elon budget allows for the replacement of about 25 percent of the computers from all areas of campus.

"There are also funds available to upgrade classroom technology each year," said Chris Fulkerson, assistant vice president for technology. "This year all the money was spent on upgrading the oldest video/data projectors in classrooms."

According to Fulkerson, the new projectors will replace ones that aren't as reliable.

"[They are] not as bright and not able to project the highest resolution that the computers are now able to produce," he said.

The university is also implementing virtual desktops and software, as well as a new type of server through Cisco's Unified Computing System.

In Phase I of this transition process, the computer labs in Koury Business Center and Duke Building will be virtualized, with the desktops tied to machines in the lab.

"When Phase II is added, we can open the virtual desktops so anyone can use a 'computer lab image' on their own computer," Fulkerson said. "The future of virtualized desktops means that any classroom can become a computer lab by having students bring their laptops to class and logging into a 'lab image.'"

Faculty will also have increased flexibility in changing software through the virtualized labs. Currently,

faculty must submit requests for lab software during the year to change, add or remove software.

"Under the new desktop virtualization model, the lab computer software will exist on a centralized server instead of individual lab machines. This means that changes to lab software can be made throughout the semester, without any significant downtime," Fulkerson said.

Through the addition of virtual software, faculty, staff and students will have total access to specialized software from any computer, anywhere in the world with an internet connection.

"Currently, people must visit a particular computer lab during normal hours of operation to use some specific software," Fulkerson said. "While anyone will still be able to visit the labs for specific software, starting in the fall, a new on-demand option will allow people with an Elon username to log in to a web-based system to access software."

This will give members of the Elon campus increased flexibility to use software whether at Elon, at home or while abroad.

Fulkerson said the initial efforts will offer SPSS, Mathematica, Atlas TI and Adobe Design Suite Premier, which includes InDesign, Illustrator, Photoshop, Acrobat Pro, Flash, Dreamweaver and Fireworks.

The software is not platform specific, thus it can be used by both Windows and Mac systems.

"As we move forward, we will provide additional information about the available on-demand software and directions for accessing it," Fulkerson said. "In future years, we will add more software packages to our virtual offerings."

TECHNOLOGY BRIEF

A new study by Elon's Imagining the Internet Center and the Pew Internet Project found most technology experts believe people who use the Internet in 2020 will work predominately from servers accessed through network devices. Or working "from the cloud."

In the survey, 71 percent of experts agreed with this statement:

"By 2020, most people won't do their work with software running on a general-purpose PC. Instead, they will work in Internet-based applications such as Google Docs, and in applications run from smartphones. Aspiring application developers will develop for smartphone vendors and companies that provide Internet-based applications, because most innovative work will be done in that domain, instead of designing applications that run on a PC operating system."

For more information visit: <http://www.elon.edu/e-web/predictions/expertsurveys/2010survey/default.xhtml>

OTHER COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES USING GMAIL

NORTH CAROLINA UNIVERSITY AT GREENSBORO
NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY
CLEMSON UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SAN ANTONIO
KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY
ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
ABILENE CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY
LAKEHEAD UNIVERSITY

Williamson Avenue crosswalk realigned

CROSSWALK from PAGE 1

There will also be overnight work when the construction crew mills up 1.5 inches of pavement and replace it with new asphalt. They will then lay down the paint for the new square crosswalk replacing the 20-year-old diagonals.

"The diagonals have been in dispute for sometime," Robert Buchholz, director of Physical Plant, said. "... We feel the better upgrades will make it nicer and improve the issues with the crosswalk."

The sidewalk and surrounding area has undergone several changes in the past year. A string of pedestrian and bicycle accidents in 2009-2010 prompted university officials to address the low visibility of the crosswalk.

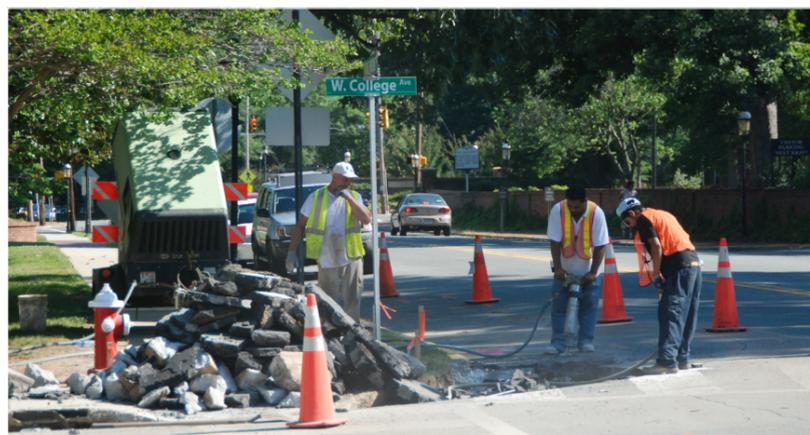
In February 2010 new LED lights were installed in the street lamps along Williamson and Haggard avenues. Later in the same month, larger and

more powerful lighting were installed on Powell Building, Mooney Building, McEwen Dining Hall, The Pendulum office and Smith, Carolina and Sloan residence halls.

In March Elon University officials met with Town of Elon employees to discuss possible enhancements to the old crosswalk. Six parking spots along Williamson Avenue were removed and 4-foot tall yellow street signs were placed in the middle of the street warning drivers of the upcoming crosswalk.

The change in the crosswalk this summer, Elon Town Manager Mike Dula said, was to increase pedestrian safety.

Since 2001 to 2009 there were 15 accidents involving pedestrians and cyclists in the Town of Elon. In November 2009 a vehicle struck Alex Trice, Elon junior and online editor-in-chief for The



The construction on the Williamson Avenue crosswalk is expected to last until mid-July. ANNA JOHNSON | PHOTOGRAPHER

Pendulum. The incident was the second accident at the crosswalk in 2009.

The new crosswalk is an attempt to prevent these accidents.

"I think it will add a lot to visibility,"

Chuck Gantos, director of Campus Safety and Police, said. "We've made a lot of improvements in terms of lighting and now we have to make sure people in the crosswalk can be seen by vehicles."

Students in Elon in New York program gain knowledge from Alumni, internships

Rebecca Smith
Reporter

Many changes were made to the Elon in New York program to prepare for this summer. The nine-week long program has been altered to allow students to get the most out of the city including cheaper housing, a mentor program and a new class.

The students in New York take a class on Mondays called The Streets of New York: Madison, Broadway and Wall.

"We have classes on Monday, and then the rest of the week is for internships," sophomore Dan Koch said. "A lot of us work Tuesday through Thursday, so we have Friday off. The class will go visit a couple places, but these are optional. Most of us work 9-6 jobs."

In The Streets of New York, each student is to pick a street, neighborhood or building in New York City that they want to research. They will research the history of that street from four different perspectives — the beginning of New York City, the 1920s, Sept. 11 and the future. The students will then create a presentation including a research paper and a video.

"We had our first class this past Monday," senior Katie Leggett said. "I picked 5th Avenue because that is where I am interning, so I thought it would be interesting to find out the history of the street. At the time of our last class period, we are all going to hop on a tourist bus and instead of having a guide, we are going to be the guides as we go down our streets and share with each other what we have found out."

There are three different professors teaching the class over the course of the summer. Each teacher is coming up for a couple weeks and teaching a segment of the class. The teachers are professors Lynne Bisko, Bill Webb and Dan Haygood.

"We also have blog posts due a couple of times a week for class," Leggett said. "The teacher of the week will assign us a topic that they want us to write a blog post on and then we respond to that topic/prompt by a certain deadline."

Another new program that was started was a mentor program. Each student is assigned one Elon alum they are to meet with while in New York.

"I have met my mentor," Koch said. "He is a music theatre major and graduated five years ago. He's really



While in New York, the students will complete various internships with the guidance of an Elon alum mentor.

awesome, and he's actually working on getting me involved. I am designing the set for the show he's going to be in this summer, which will play in a theatre festival on 42nd Street."

The mentor is supposed to guide the students with their internship and help them adjust to living in the city.

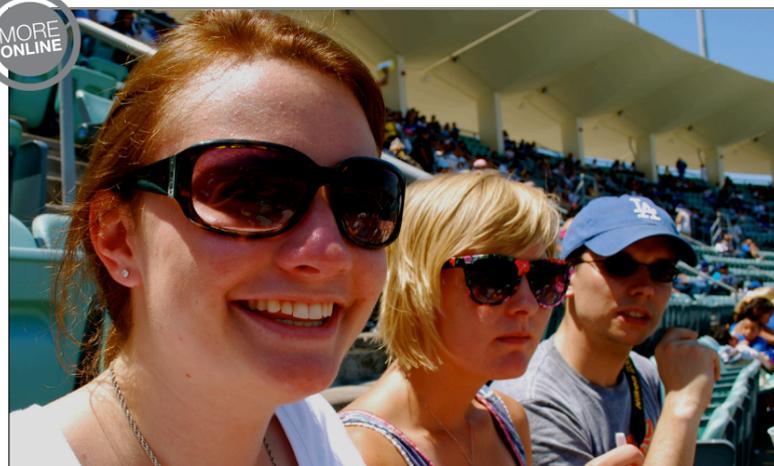
"I'm excited to have someone who is young in the city but who knows her way around and can give me good advice," senior Amy McCloud said. "The mentors will be there if we

have questions about the city and the industry we're working in and can help us get used to living in New York."

Through the various programs the students gain a sense of what it is really like to live in a city.

"I definitely feel that if I can survive here, I can go anywhere from this point on," Leggett said. "I knew that I wanted to intern in New York this summer, so when Elon announced that it was taking the Elon in LA program to New York City, I was ecstatic."

Elon group learns from hands on experiences while on the west coast



From left to right sophomores Lauren Ludlow, Emily Tryon and instructor J. McMerty watch a Dodgers baseball game.

Nick Zanetti
Reporter

For 35 Elon University students, the city of angels represents an opportunity to participate in more than 700 internships and a chance to lay the groundwork for a future career in the media and entertainment capital of the world.

Elon's summer program Elon in LA takes students interested in media and entertainment to the perfect place to learn and be immersed in the industry.

"Everywhere I look, I see some sort of huge entertainment company's building like it's no big deal. MGM, CNN, Disney, Nickelodeon, E!, MTV...it's all here," Elon junior Jenny Austin.

"Everything is always bustling and moving, there's always something going

on," junior David James said.

Elon students are short on time for sightseeing, as most are involved in rigorous internships that are taking up the majority of their time.

"Balancing schoolwork with my internship will be a big challenge for me. My internship takes up a lot of my time," James said.

Most Elon students in the program have hit the ground running in their internships early on. No one said it was going to be easy.

"The first day of my internship was extremely intimidating," junior Alexis DeRosa said. "I walked onto the huge Sony lot and had no idea where I was going or what I was doing. I felt small, which was a huge change from Elon."

Many students in the program are

also taking classes this summer, which offer a break from rigorous internships. At the same time, they give students a chance to grow and learn from experienced teachers.

"Class is very small and everything is very hands on, we do a lot of group projects, and I've been learning something new everyday," DeRosa said.

Some students are finding out that while many of the stereotypes about Los Angeles are largely untrue and blown out of proportion, some things about the big city are very true.

"You hear nightmare stories about the traffic in LA and you say 'it couldn't be that bad...' but it is," James said. "I spent about 6 hours in the car yesterday going to work; I spent more time driving than working."

"On my first day in LA I went straight to In-and-Out Burger because I had been told that I absolutely had to go there because they had the best burgers in the world - and it's true," said DeRosa.

Jason McMerty is the faculty head of the Elon in LA program this year, and he had certain goals in mind for the program from the outset.

"I had a strong interest in running a hands-on program that would give students the opportunity to live, learn and intern in the capitol of the entertainment world," McMerty said.

McMerty said his biggest reward for leading the program is the growth he gets to see in the students that participate.

"I can see students getting inspired by the work they do for the class, the internships and the excitement they have living in LA," said McMerty.

McMerty is a strong promoter of the program, but warns against students seeking a three-month vacation in sunny southern California.

"The program demystifies life and work in LA," McMerty said. "(The students) will be working harder than they have in their life."

With most of the summer still ahead of them, Elon students in LA have quite a summer still ahead of them.

"I'm in the city I always dreamed of," Austin said. "Who knows what could be right around the corner?"



On a hike, cinema production student senior Lauren Kenney stops to take pictures.

Students urge precaution, vaccine to fight H1N1 flu

Janae Frazier
Reporter

It's not going to happen to me.

That is exactly what Elon University sophomore Samantha Simunyu thought about the H1N1 virus until she caught the virus last fall.

The World Health Organization has not declared the H1N1 virus pandemic over and an estimated 18,000 people worldwide has died from the virus.

Simunyu went to the R.N. Ellington Health Center where she found out she tested positive for the swine flu virus.

Elon junior Brandon Marshall also caught the virus last fall.

Both said they felt weak, were light-headed and had sore throats, excessive coughing, trouble breathing, fever and chills. Marshall said the best thing he did after being diagnosed was get a lot of sleep. Marshall and Simunyu said it was difficult to eat, but it was necessary to gain strength back. The two students were quarantined in their dorm rooms and had people they could contact when they needed food or if there was an emergency.

Elon Director of Health Services Kitty Parrish said that,

along with these two students, there were 850 Elon students with flu or flu-like illnesses during the school year.

"With more than 6,000 people on campus there is no way to absolutely prevent any illness, but we had a plan, and it worked well," Parrish said.

The plan included educational programs, hand sanitizers available almost everywhere on campus and self-isolation for anyone with fever or respiratory symptoms. Bed rest for feverish students until 24 hours after the fever broke was strongly encouraged. Professors were provided proper documentation of their

ill students, and everyone coming to the health center was encouraged to wash their hands and wear masks around others.

The university offered H1N1 vaccinations in hopes of preventing the spread of the illness. According to Parrish, no Elon students had any reactions to the H1N1 vaccine. Parrish said it is uncertain if the virus will surface again this fall. But with about 18,156 people killed worldwide from the H1N1 virus as of June 6, according to the World Health Organization, it is absolutely necessary to do everything in one's power to prevent another outbreak.

Parrish suggested that getting the flu shot, having good hygiene, "getting plenty of rest and drinking fluids will go a long way toward keeping everyone happy."

As a girl who thought it could never happen to her, Simunyu advised Elon students to be prepared for things like this to happen to them because no one is invincible.

Simunyu said it is most important not to ignore symptoms and not to hesitate to go to the health center.

Marshall urged "for people who have not had the disease and who have not gotten the vaccine yet to please get it."

Conservatives gather for third TEA Party

Anna Johnson
Summer Editor

Some came donned in red, white and blue. Others wore the bright yellow shirts that read "don't tread on me." Regardless of what they wore, upwards of 500 people battled the 90-degree weather for the third Alamance County TEA Party.

The TEA Party members met 10 a.m. Saturday, June 19 at Holly Hill Mall. A variety of politicians, religious figures and musicians took their turn reiterating the major concerns of the conservative group: to protest government waste and higher spending.

Flags and homemade signs that read "Obama is a socialist" and "there is a Marxist in the white house" were scattered among the crowd.

"I came here to support my rights," Burlington resident Elaine Jones said. "Or what's left of them."

The start of the government's downhill track, Alamance County Sheriff Terry Johnson said, was when prayer was taken out of school.

"If we don't stand up and put the right people in the office we are going to be worse than behind the Iron Curtain," he said.

Organizer Steve Carter has helped with all three of Alamance County's TEA parties. The principles the TEA Party stands for were a "kindred spirit" for Carter.

"(The federal government) is a train wreck," he said. "The federal budget is out of control and all the federal government can do is figure out to spend more money and raise taxes to pay for it."

Snow Camp residents Anthony and Joyce Jones sat in the front row during the speeches, each holding signs protesting illegal immigration and Congress.

"Our country has one more chance to turn it around," Joyce Jones said. "And if we don't take that chance, who knows how many freedoms we are going to lose."

Rob Sharpe, candidate for Alamance County

District Attorney, told listeners the federal government was smarter than them and the government knew what was best for the people. When he said Gov. Bev Perdue knew what is best for Alamance County the crowd erupted in boos.

The current state of the government "couldn't be in worse shape," Alamance County Commissioner Bill Lashley said.

"Apparently Obama doesn't have a clue as far as economics and there is no way someone could be that stupid," he said. "It could not be done by accident, it's got to be done on purpose. It's socialism as fast as they can take us."

Reggie Saddler, former member of the Platters now gospel singer, used song and scripture to drive home his political message.

"The Bible, constitution and declaration of independence is my foundation," he said. "And when you keep chipping away at the foundation, eventually it's going to fall."

Saddler, along with other black speakers, told listeners the TEA Party movement was not racist or affiliated with any party.

While the movement was conservative, Carter said, it was nonpartisan and he invited a variety of speakers across the political spectrum to speak at the rally. Only Republicans and Libertarians accepted, he said.

The number of attendees has increased with each rally, Carter said, and it means, "more people are concerned about what (the) government does."

"Our main goal is to let voters know their is an alternative," he said. "Let them know they have a right to vote and they can do something about their concerns."



Anthony Jones has attended all three Alamance County TEA Party rallies. This year's rally broke previous attendance records with upwards of 600 people packed in the parking lot.

ANNA JOHNSON | Photographer

Burlington receives state grant for grocery co-op

Melissa Kansky
Multimedia Editor

Burlington received a \$300,000 grant from the North Carolina Department of Commerce and Main Street Solutions to assist the revitalization of downtown Burlington. The Burlington Downtown Corporation will channel this money into the construction of The Company Shops Market Grocery Cooperative, a grocery store located on East Front Street.

Numerous local citizens have bought ownership of the grocery store. Stephan Ross, Burlington councilmember, estimated that the number of owners is in the hundreds and describes the co-op as "a mini corporation."

Individuals involved in the co-op requested the city of Burlington apply for the grant through the co-op name, explained Harold Owen, Burlington's city manager.

"A lot of times in order to attract outside interest, you need to show local interest first," Ross said.

The application for the grant indicated strong internal support.

"The Burlington application was successful because it clearly outlined the needs of small businesses and the downtown community," said Kathy Neal, spokesperson for the N.C. Department of Commerce. "It developed a creative solution, provided a timeline and the community's capacity to make the project work and demonstrated its economic impact."

The store will be 7,000 square feet and will offer local products as well as packaged grocery, dairy and frozen foods.

"The co-op was a really interesting business as far as sustainability and design not only for the building itself, but because it is about local farmers and goes back to the core: to be able to produce a product that is able to be sold," said Owen.

The Department of Commerce

praised Burlington applicants for associating the need for healthy produce in downtown neighborhoods with the fact that Alamance County has one of the state's largest organic farming communities, Neal said.

"If you use locally grown organic products, the products are not always more expensive because you don't have processing and shipping and handling," Ross said. "Fruits and vegetables will be cheaper and fresher."

Ross said he believes individuals' commitment to a healthy lifestyle will grow and influence the success of the supermarket.

"If you look at the demographics, people are trying to move toward healthier food," Ross said. "The economy may slow, but commitment to a healthier lifestyle will grow."

Burlington residents said they hope The Company Shops Market Grocery Cooperative will fuel the revitalization of a downtown area, said David Huffman, Burlington mayor pro tem.

"You have to have a spark to start the process and I think that the supermarket will be the catalyst to the project," Ross said.

He said he expects the grocery store to attract a diverse crowd.

"In the master plan that has been developed, the Burlington Downtown Corporation has been looking for operations that would draw a diverse number of people to come into the downtown area," Ross explained.

In addition to the supermarket and already established Lab Corp headquarters, citizens want to bring residents as well as restaurants back to downtown Burlington.

Ross, an Elon University alumnus, said he hopes the establishment of a downtown area will cause people to look at Burlington as a university city.

"I just think that we need to

look at ourselves as a university city and try to find ways to interact with the student population and faculty," he said.

"I recognize that downtowns don't develop like they did in the 40s and 50s because retailers don't develop in downtowns," Ross said. "All over, they are located in shopping centers and malls. The downtown will redevelop itself. We are looking for residential and peripheral businesses."

Council members share a belief that the success of the grocery store will attract other desired businesses and ultimately create a developed downtown area.

"The economy has slowed growth all over, and it's hard for business to start up and expand, but I think the cost of downtown to start up and expand will be beneficial because they will look for a high traffic area, (which the supermarket will supply)," Ross said.

"Success breeds success," Huffman said. "When one venture proves successful others want to be a part of it."

"Grants are designed specifically for revitalizing downtown areas in North Carolina," Ross said. "We were very fortunate to receive one of the grants."

Main Street Solutions awarded seven other North Carolina cities with grants, donating a total of \$1.95 million dollars.

The small businesses benefitted by the Main Street Solutions grants will create or retain a minimum of 233 permanent full-time and part-time jobs, in addition to 195 construction jobs, according to a press release from the Office of the Governor. The Burlington project alone created 11 full-time, 14 part-time and 59 construction jobs.

The project will impact the number of jobs associated with the actual operation (of the supermarket) as well as employment of local farmers, Owen said.

Sheriff's Office dispute allegations of racial profiling

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But Jones and Alamance County Commissioner Linda Massey said when Parker came to the Sheriff's office in April 2009, she said the sheriff's office was not a fault.

"After explaining our traffic stop reporting system," Jones wrote in an e-mail. "She remarked our system could be an example for everyone in the state to follow."

Massey recalls Parker telling the sheriff it was other agencies including the Highway State Patrol who "were arresting most of the Hispanics."

Parker said she was told to come alone to the sheriff's office on April 22 to "review samples and examples of the documents in order to narrow (the) document request."

In an e-mail from Albright to Parker, he writes she needed to come alone in order "to meet the requirements of protecting personal and private information."

In the meeting, Parker said, she did mention other agencies but "reiterated that (the) ACLU had received complaints from Alamance."

"They required me to come to that meeting alone and now I know why," Parker said. "It was so they could clearly misrepresent me. And it doesn't matter if the ACLU has concerns, which we do, but the Department of Justice clearly has concerns."

Another group closer to home has also raised concerns with the sheriff's office. Fairness Alamance has disagreed occasionally with the sheriff's enforcement of the immigration law.

Fairness Alamance Communications Chair David Blair joined the group in 2009 and said the group has served a number of roles in the community, including police watchdog.

"We've monitored the Alamance County Sheriff's Office, and we've suggested policy changes to the Alamance County Board of Commissioners," Blair said.

Fairness Alamance did submit complaints last winter, but Blair said he believed they were to the immigration department and not the justice department. Regardless, he said, Fairness Alamance does support the investigation.

"I think it is a good thing and overdue," Blair said. "What I would like to see happen and like to see this investigation (contribute) to is an open, honest and accountable enforcement of 287(g) in Alamance County."

Sheriff Johnson is not without his own supporters. He was first elected in 2002 and is currently running for reelection. Johnson spoke at the third Alamance County Tea Party held June 19, and he was introduced by Rep. Howard Coble, R-NC, as "the best sheriff in the country." The crowd erupted in applause.

"If the federal government doesn't want me to enforce the laws," Johnson said during his speech, "then get them off the books."

Alamance County Commissioner Tim Sutton called the justice department's investigation "pure harassment."

"They are so pro-Latino, so pro-immigrant," Sutton said. "They refuse to admit we have an illegal immigration crisis. We are not breaking the law. We have a good sheriff."

The people who support the investigation are narrow-minded, he said. When an individual feels compassion for a particular group but can't "stand to hear a negative word against them," he said it was then time to get out of the debate.

It is "Roselle and cohorts," Sutton continued, "who think we have to turn a blind eye if the person is illegal."

Laura Roselle, an Elon University professor of political science, conducted her own study of traffic data in 2009 using state data. When Sheriff Johnson announced in February 2009 that the sheriff's office had made traffic stops on 494 Hispanic drivers from 2004 to 2008, Roselle investigated the claim. She discovered there were actually 1,344 during the same time period, 850 more than Johnson originally reported. The sheriff's office has claimed the difference was the result of software complications.

Miyar said there is no speculation as to when the investigation will conclude.

Editorial

The Pendulum seeks to inspire, entertain and inform the Elon community by providing a voice for students and faculty as well as a forum for the meaningful exchange of ideas.

Societal mechanisms too big Americans feel incapable of changing larger-than-life government, corporations

Oil is spilling. People are being questioned, restrained and deported every day. And slowly but surely, the consciousness of the American people are being awakened from a deep slumber; credibility levels of those in charge are faltering. Finally, Americans are beginning to question exactly why they don't feel safe.

In an age where this nation should be keen on binding together and finding a common purpose to unite them, it seems we are more divided than ever - except for one increasingly prevalent issue: our lack of trust in the governing bodies and organizations that surround us. From our federal government to the large conglomerate corporations that control our most valuable resources, Americans are beginning to wonder about the true intentions behind the results that have been splashed across media headlines over the past few months, and rightfully so.

The public opinion polls about Barack Obama have come to serve as a sort of mirror and indication of the new, crestfallen population. According to a poll by Angus Reid Public opinion, Barack Obama's disapproval rate has stayed stagnant at 45% from February to May of this year.

June 20 marks the 62nd day of disaster in the progressively suffering body of water in the Gulf Coast. The devastating catastrophe has wreaked havoc on the delicate ecosystems that thrive in both the Florida and Gulf coasts. BP is shrouded in malicious sentiments by both political parties and thousands of Americans. The latest wildlife report said 829 oiled birds and 358 sea turtles were found dead. Environmentalists are furious. In various interviews conducted with

southern coast residents uncover the frustrations of those uncertain of their future. Those who subsist off of the areas resources and rely on its products to stimulate their economy are experiencing the calm before the storm of consequences yet to come. Those who have already experienced the horrors of having to rebuild are more frustrated than ever - particularly Louisianans who are still trying to regain their confidence post-Katrina. Some say the damage cannot be undone. But Americans are known to be resilient - do they think that things will get any better?

According to CNN.com, on Friday, A CNN/Opinion Research Corporation survey was released that indicates about half the American public says that the Gulf will eventually recover, with half saying that will never happen. The poll also said that opposition to increased offshore drilling has grown 10 points since May - which is twice as high as the total in 2008. Of those surveyed, 68 percent, favor increased regulation of the oil industry in this country. Apparently, six out of 10 American disapprove of how Obama is handling the spill. It's safe to say that Americans are not very happy.

And while Americans hope to put their faith in their government representatives, even those in position of power don't; like the way things are going. Louisiana Governor Bobby Jindal criticized the coordination of the cleanup: "There is no streamlined system here. This is why we keep stressing that we need to see more of a sense of urgency from the Coast Guard, federal officials and BP. We are in a war here - we are in a war against this oil that absolutely threatens our way of

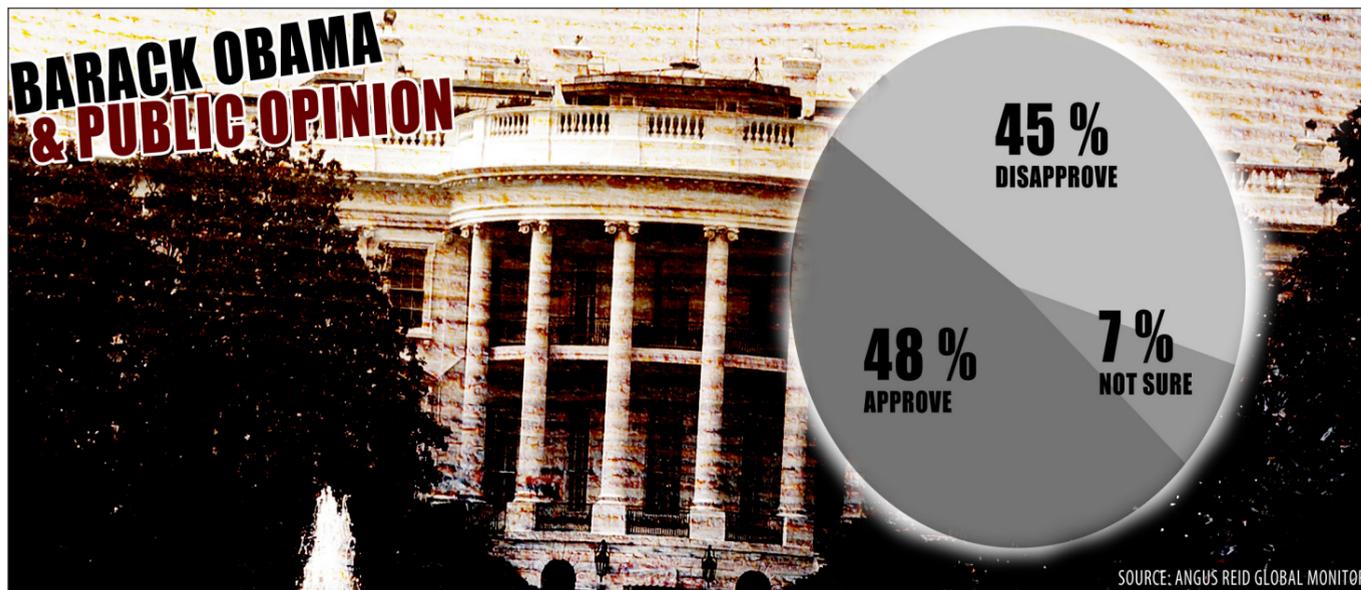
life."

After multiple verbal slip-ups by representatives and extended periods of silence, British Petroleum corporation has not been able to regain their poise and trust in the people it has let down, least of all Obama. On Day 59 on the spill, Obama set a moratorium on deepwater drilling. Some think that that decision may worsen the Gulf's economic problems. The CNN/Opinion Research Corp. survey also showed that a large portion of the public does not support the way that BP has handled its blunder, and 2/3 of those surveyed said that the company's first priority is making a profit, rather than cleaning up the spill.

The brief, unspecific statements made by the BP company aren't helping, either. When Republican Senator Charles Grassley of Iowa demanded to know if BP was aware of the well poetically gushing 60,000 barrels of oil per day, a BP document was provided to the senator that said, "An absolute worst case scenario flow rate of 60,000 barrels a day was calculated."

Discussions have been raised about potentially signing a bill that would make oil companies more liable for damages in the occurrence of a spill.

All told, the oil disaster is just one of the many hot button issues being discussed across America today, and too many of the American public are concerned with lack of representation and methods of problem solving. The huge spectacles we are witnessing currently seem to be out of our hands - handled by those too far to reach, and too big to contain with just discussion alone. Something must be done - only time will tell when exactly that something will be, and by who.



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Opinions

Oil spill: Too little action from government, BP



Edith Veremu
Guest Columnist

More than 60 days and counting, still no action from British Petroleum or the government.

As BP's oil spill becomes a great environmental disaster, BP executives and the U.S. government are playing the "blame game." Everyone wants to blame everyone else for the disaster. The Obama administration blames BP, who, in turn, blames Transocean, their offshore drilling contractor. The public is blaming everyone, but when will someone take full accountability for the disaster?

Eleven lives have been lost and seven people have been injured because of the oil spill and these numbers do not include the sea creatures that have been harmed.

According to Moby Solangi, president of the Institute Marine Mammal Studies in Gulfport, 23 sea turtles were found on the Mississippi shoreline.

Images of oil-drenched pelicans and fish have been circulating in the media. The last time anyone looked up pelicans in the dictionary or encyclopedia, pelicans were described as sea creatures that live in clean water, not oil.

Since the Deepwater Horizon explosion on April 20, BP executives have been mum about how many barrels of oil are being released daily and how long the clean-up effort will take. Initially, BP said that 5,000 barrels were being released per day, but according to CEO Tony Hayward, that number is miniscule.

"The Gulf of Mexico is a very big ocean," Hayward said. "The amount of volume of oil and dispersant

we are putting into it is tiny in relation to the total water volume." In an article published last week, The Guardian stated that the size of the spill was estimated to be between 20,000 and 40,000 barrels, which contradicting BP's initial estimate of 5,000.

It's easy to blame BP for the disaster, because it is a corporation whose main goal is to make a profit. Since the oil rig exploded in the Gulf of Mexico, BP has been secretive about what is actually going on in the Gulf.

A live feed of the water was only available to the public in late May after pressure from Rep. Ed Markey (Mass.) It was then that scientists realized that BP was underestimating the effects of the "tiny" spill.

Cleanup crews hired by BP haven't been authorized to disclose information to the media.

Referred to as "Obama's Katrina," the oil disaster serves as a turning point in the history of the United States. While it took four days for former President George W. Bush to respond to Hurricane Katrina, it took President Obama several weeks to respond to the oil spill. Talk about change.

In his Oval Office speech, Obama said that his administration will make sure BP pays for the damage. Obama also said up to 90 percent of the oil will be removed. What about the remaining 10 percent? Is that amount not important as well?

The disaster in the Gulf could have been prevented if better federal regulations of offshore regulations existed. Congress has accused BP and TransOcean of violating regulations, but is it not the government's job to enforce these laws?

The Gulf of Mexico oil spill is a costly mistake and the environment and public will be paying for this incident. BP claims to have prepared for the worst-case scenario, but is this oil spill not the worst-case scenario?

Internship's tedious tasks pay off



Jasmine Gregory
Columnist

It was June 11, 2009 when I was offered what I thought was a job crafted straight from a dream. I was offered an internship with a large corporation that involved communications, politics and nonprofit work, my three greatest areas of interest.

Naive, I assumed it would be life-changing, delightful, unique and a slew of other adjectives from a fairy tale.

I was asked to begin work Monday, just a few short days away, and had to have all the paper work completed immediately. Frantically, I sped through everything necessary to not only intern, but also to receive a nice sized weekly paycheck.

The first day was a blur as I was introduced to some twenty plus staff members, the sophisticated coffee maker and my very out-of-date computer with enough Web site blocks to drive a 4-year-old crazy. With zero access to Facebook, Twitter and all the other social media Web sites I had come to love, CNN became my new entertainment source; I took all of my findings and wrote blogs on my favorite articles.

Aside from exercising my writing skills, my tasks ranged from completely mediocre, to things that were a little too large to be left in the hands of a lowly 18-year-old college student. There seemed to be no happy medium. Some days, I went home feeling defeated because I barely had any legitimate tasks to complete and found little satisfaction in receiving such a healthy paycheck for doing next to nothing. I honestly feared that at the end of my seven-week term, I wouldn't have gained anything but a superb knowledge of highly structured paper pushing.

Yet, as the last few weeks of my internship neared, it came time for me to complete my final and most significant task. Early on, one of the corporation's newest technological innovations was explained to me. As the intern, it was my job to create a presentation explaining their latest strides.

Now, of course I had no technological training in this field, and a bulk of my remaining weeks was spent learning a lot of nit-picky details that would help me break it down for government officials and, more importantly, their clients. And although it all felt like useless knowledge, it did help me confidently enter the community as a representative.

My second to last week at work proved to be game time as I completed an extensive PowerPoint detailing everything I knew with flashy colors and graphics. After a practice run with my supervisors, I received the thumbs up to present the following Monday during my last week at work. Essentially, I was creating the foreground for a much larger presentation they would be making in the coming months for various government officials in my home state. It was both a great responsibility and honor that left me feeling like more than the ordinary intern. Instead, I felt like a valued member of their team.

After making my final presentations to a team of various officials from my corporation, I received a series of congratulations and well wishes reaffirming that I was, after all, investing in the right major. Something about that single moment made it all worth more than I ever would have realized in those infamous moments when I was ready to smash my head into my desk. Just like my parents told me, it actually was worth the seven-week journey, tedious tasks and all.

Education: More than memorization



Caitlin O'Donnell
Columnist

During days filled with sunshine, swimming and fun, the last thing on Josh and Adam Meyers' minds are their times tables and spelling words. But for the parents of the 9-year-old twins, who will be starting third grade in the fall, summer schoolwork seems the only way to keep their minds alert and newly developed

skills sharp.

Though the structure of the Meyers family's summer is indisputably worth emulating, it is one often neglected or completely disregarded by other families.

A long and carefree summer is certainly a privilege rightfully earned for students after 180 days of school, whether those days are endured or enjoyed. But for those students who do little to no learning during the summer, it is feasible that such an extensive break from substantial brain activity is actually detrimental to growing students. Could it be that summer actually does more harm than good?

The effects of this so-called "brain drain" can be seen in students of all ages and levels of education. After late nights of frantic cramming for a major math test, the majority of high school students would admit that with the conclusion of the last problem, the information is immediately forgotten. When this occurs, the very point of education, to not only learn, but to retain and build on skill, is blatantly challenged.

Though this "drain" is alarming enough, the challenge that a summer void of learning poses to our education system is even greater.

While the previous year's lessons may not be purposefully discarded during summer months of neither task nor instruction, their impact in the students' minds is, to some extent, diminished. With new pencils and a new teacher in the fall comes a mindset influenced by a consistent lack of erudition, a mindset with reduced enthusiasm, as well as aptitude.

Some parents, such as the Meyers, have addressed the issue personally, ensuring that their sons continually practice their newly formed skills of reading and arithmetic. But some school systems as a whole have chosen their own method of preventing the summer slump - year-round school to facilitate

continuous learning uninterrupted by extensive breaks.

Though having been discredited by opponents as yet another way the school system is attempting to oversimplify the problems inherent within the education system of the United States, this method of teaching holds the potential to redefine the learning taking place in our classrooms.

The 10-month system now touted by the majority of schools within the nation was established during a widely agrarian time, when children were needed to work in their family farms. Since such labor is no longer necessary, many have advocated changing this so-called "old-fashioned" method and moving to a more updated system, still operating within the limits of 180 days of class and normal breaks for holidays.

The "45-15 plan" is the most popular among schools, in which students attend school for 45 days and then have 15 days, or three weeks, off from school.

A study conducted by Duke University found that students attending year-round schools were at an academic advantage to their peers in traditional schools. By avoiding the long break of summer vacation, they were less likely to forget what they had learned. Other studies have shown that these students show improved scores on achievement tests.

Arguing that summer employment and extracurricular programs would suffer, others have noted such results cannot be considered conclusive quite yet.

While a definitive conclusion may never be reached regarding the most effective way to combat the growing problem of learning retention, what is irrefutable is the need for students' minds to remain active and practiced during the summer months. Whether that is reached through an hour a day spent practicing addition and writing or through the transition of a student to a year-round school, the decision is ultimately up to the parents. Each student learns in his or her own unique way and the type of school system they attend should compliment, not undermine it.

Just as the process of learning does not end with graduation from high school or college, it should not be momentarily halted during the summer months. Rather, it is a lifelong journey of both knowledge and fulfillment that should be encouraged always.

Style



Matt Berninger of The National sings during the band's Saturday set at Bonnaroo. The festival brought hundreds of musicians and thousands of fans for four days of music and arts in central Tennessee.

JACK DODSON | Photographer

Four days of music, sun: BONNAROO 2010

Jack Dodson
News Editor

It was 2 a.m. and a man in a bunny mask was having a dance off against someone in a Gumbi costume. The audience formed a giant circle to watch it happen, but it dissolved into a mosh pit as Dan Deacon, the performer, yelled, "Now everyone."

The Deacon concert kicked off what was to be an eventful third night at Bonnaroo — one that lasted until the sun was beginning to shine on the 650-acre field packed with tents, performers and vendors. With Deadmau5, GWAR and The Disco Biscuits still in line for sets, the shows went on until 6:30 a.m. Sunday.

From June 10 to 14, the Bonnaroo Arts and Music Festival rocked central Tennessee, bringing about 80,000 fans and more than a hundred artists to Manchester for the festival's ninth year.

Headliners at the festival included Jay-Z, Stevie Wonder, Kings of Leon, Weezer and Dave Matthews Band. But those weren't the only big names, and there were plenty of unknowns. With everyone from Les Claypool to Phoenix and everyone in between, the festival brought almost any type of music to the stage.

Concert-goers battled unrelenting sun throughout the weekend, taking breaks in the fountains when they could. Something about the Bonnaroo atmosphere makes it a distinct feeling — between the push for sustainability, the endless lineup and the feel of not showering for four days, the festival offers an experience that's hard to find elsewhere.

"It was really entertaining, but it was hot," said Nashville-native Julie Godwin. It was her first time at the festival after she decided to come when her friend had an extra ticket. "I thought that the bands were really good," she said. "There were a lot that I knew."

She said her favorite concert was seeing Jay-Z, just because she'd never been to a rap concert and enjoyed seeing him perform. And the Avett Brothers show for her was just as good as it usually is, since it was the sixth time she'd seen them in concert.

But she skipped out on the camping part, something that makes the Bonnaroo experience unique from most music festivals. She stayed at a friend's house in Manchester, near by the festival site.

"I was so happy to get back to the house (every night)," she said, "after seeing how messy I got and seeing how many other people were there."

For Nick Johnson, though, a rising junior at Pennsylvania State University, his first time at the festival this year proved to be everything he hoped it would be.

"It was a once in a lifetime experience," Johnson said. "It was just amazing. Seeing all the bands...one's I'll never get to see living in a place like central Pennsylvania."

He said the vibe of the festival — meeting new people and listening to music all day — is part of why he enjoyed it so much. The National was his favorite set, he said, because of the energy the band had on stage and the unconventional antics of lead singer Matt Berninger.

"When he jumped out into the crowd and was running around — that was really, really awesome," Johnson said.

But his favorite performance was The Flaming Lips, a midnight show on the second night filled with strobe lights, LCD screens and megaphones, not to mention a large amount of confetti.

"It was the most over the top show I'd ever seen," he said, "in a good way. It enhanced the music instead of distracting from it."

But Johnson's favorite moment came during his last night at Bonnaroo. While watching the Phoenix show, he hung out with a bunch of people he'd met and become



JACK DODSON | Photographer

The Flaming Lips played June 11 at the Which Stage in the Centeroo compound. The show included strobe lights, balls full of money, a man in a gorilla costume, confetti and a giant LCD screen on stage.

friends with over the four days at the festival.

"It was that sense of community that just sort of spontaneously formed over the course of the four days knowing each other," he said.

Johnson said he's already started planning his trip for next year to see the festival again with friends because he enjoyed himself so much this year.

"We're plotting out getting a trailer or a camper and trying to learn from our mistakes from this year," he said, "some of our unpreparedness."

More than fruit and vegetables: Local farmers market grows on university students, faculty

Anna Johnson
Summer Editor

Locally grown tomatoes, green beans, green peppers, potatoes and squash filled plastic crates under tented booths. Other vendors peddled their handmade crafts: bags, wooden hatchets, body creams, baked goods and birdhouses. And to beat the summer heat, lemonade and lavender tea was offered to onlookers.

Students and faculty staying at Elon through the summer have grown accustomed to Thursday's arrival of the Elon Community Church farmers' market. The market is open from 3-6:30 p.m. every Thursday throughout the summer. It's the third year the market has been located on the church's lawn adjacent to McEwen Dining Hall.

Sandra Sarlinga, with her husband Fabian Lujan, coordinate the the farmers' market.

"A farmers' market is what (the church) talks about," Sarlinga said. "You're taking care of the land and the Earth. And you are helping the local community."

Thursday, June 17, was kids' day at the market. Usually most of the vendors, averaging at 17 per week, are local farmers, bakers and craftmakers. But on kids' day, it's the kids chance to sell their wares.

Eva and Reno Fahiangier sold their free-range chicken eggs. Reno corrected those who asked if they "had chickens."

"We just don't have chickens," Reno said. "We collect them, inspect them, clean them, weigh them, package them and sell them."

Sisters Logan and Sophia Dill sold vintage bags and flowers collected from their homes.

"This is our first year," Logan said.

"We like coming out because it's local and we meet people."

Sophia said she has always had a sewing machine and, she said, she enjoys being able to sell something she's made.

Cornelia Barnwell was given her mother's formula for homemade body scrub. She said she's saving up for a camera while her younger brother, Xan, sold cookies for a new toy.

But more than children were at the market. The regular vendors were also present. Addie Graves sells her homemade baked goods. Each, she said, made with love. The booth over is O.T. Bailey who sells his specially-crafted blue jay birdhouses.

Raquel Cortes Mazuelas, assistant director of the Spanish Center, has stopped by the market after work for the second year.

"I really like the idea of buying local," she said. "I can get lots of stuff and I like what is seasonal. Why buy something not in season and have it shipped from California?"

When the farmers' market began to wrap up for the evening, the "butterfly lady" released several butterflies for the children to chase after. Suzanne Tilton, an elementary school teacher, raises butterflies and teaches children about the life cycle of the butterfly.

After they were released, some of the butterflies landed on the children, and according to Tilton, granted them a wish.

"I started raising butterflies about 18 years ago," she said. "I love the children's reaction. That's why I do it."

The farmers' market will continue to be open on Thursday through September.



Above: Suzanne Tilton, the butterfly lady, tells children about the life cycle of a butterfly before releasing a dozen butterflies at the end of kids' day. She told the children a wish comes true if a butterfly lands on them.
Bottom right: Two-year-old Aubrey Thompson stares at the butterfly that landed on her hand after the release.
Bottom left: Elon faculty came to enjoy the farmers market including Earl Danieley, Raquel Mazuelas and Jennifer Smith.

Elon alumni join ranks of Teach for America

Rebecca Smith
Reporter

Many students graduated in the middle of their job search and left the grounds of Elon University without a plan. But, 14 alumni of the 2010 class left Elon with a mission, a new home and a job as educators with Teach for America.

Teach for America is a national nonprofit that aims to eliminate educational inequity. Students from all career interests are recruited to teach for two years in urban or rural, low-income, public school. Teach for America members hope to show that educational inequity is a solvable problem.

Sara Pasquinelli, a 2010 graduate, has known what she would be doing after she received her diploma since

November 10.

"I actually received an email saying I was accepted into the Teach for America program while attending a South Africa winter term course," Pasquinelli said. "Five minutes later, President Lambert and his wife came in and told us they would be joining us (on the Winter Term.) Talk about an awesome five minutes."

Students interested in Teach for America have to go through a rigorous application process. There is an initial online application, a phone interview round and a personal interview and presentation.

"The application process is a comprehensive test of your skills," Pasquinelli said. "It tests creativity, conflict resolution, collaboration and leadership. The process is demanding

because the work will be even more demanding."

Pasquinelli and Hunter Gros, another recent graduate, are moving to Phoenix for Teach for America.

"I guess you could say that I went from one Phoenix to another," Gros said.

Before the new members start their jobs in the fall, they must complete a training process.

"Mine don't start until June 12," Gros said. "From what I have heard, they are very hard and challenging. Something like 6:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. It is certainly meant to be a growing process."

Before the formal training process in June, new members participate in more than 40 hours of prep work. These hours do not count the time that new members spend taking the tests they must pass to teach.

The 14 students from Elon University are joining a class of 4,500 college graduates starting with Teach for America this fall. There were a record breaking 46,000 applications this year, and this increased interest in the program has allowed the program to expand into four new locations: Alabama, Detroit, Rhode Island and San Antonio.

Teach for America is a unique program because it allows college graduates to start teaching without a degree in education. Pasquinelli majored in History and Anthropology. Gros majored in International Studies.

Despite not majoring in education, both students realize that this is an opportunity to make a difference.

"Having the ability to work on the front line of a major challenge our nation is facing," Pasquinelli said. "We need to invest in our future by starting the investment today."



2008 alumna Ashley Titolo, above, is an Teach for American corps member in teaching in Eastern North Carolina. While she was a student at Elon she majored in international relations and worked for Teach for America while still at Elon.

BY THE NUMBERS

7,300 Teach for America corps members currently working across the United States

35 urban and rural locations where Teach for America workers are stationed at

17,000 Teach for America alumni

3 million students have been taught by Teach for America workers

1344 average SAT score of a Teach for America worker

89 percent of Teach for America members held a leadership position in at least one activity

3.6 was the average SAT of Teach for America members

2 years are spent by Teach for America members teaching

BREAKING DOWN TEACH FOR AMERICA

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Alamance County child competes in national spelling bee competition, one of the youngest contestants to enter

Melissa Kansky
Multimedia Editor

When speaking with one of the youngest contestants in the national spelling bee, one would expect him to boast about his achievements. But when Jacob Gilliam, 10, chose to discuss his experiences in Washington, D.C. he talked about visiting the Washington Monument and the spy museum.

According to Debbie Weigand, Gilliam's fourth grade teacher, he is modest about his achievements. "He is not stuck-up," Weigand said. "He is just your general all around guy."

Gilliam represented Alamance County in the annual Scripps National Spelling Bee. After winning the classroom, school and county spelling bee, he earned his spot in the national competition.

"I always liked spelling, but I couldn't be sure if I would make it or not," Gilliam said. "I thought it would be really cool if I did."

Gilliam's teacher described him as an excellent student, and was not surprised when he won the classroom spelling competition.

"He sees the words in his head before he spells them," Weigand said. "Before the word is called, he pictures it and calls off the letters from what he pictures."

In order to prepare for the national spelling bee, Jacob and his mother studied a list of 1,500 words that Scripps provided. She would read out the words, and review the spelling until he got the spelling down.

"Because we had never been to the national spelling bee, we weren't sure what else to study," Cindy Gilliam said. "We took their word list and went with that."

Jacob Gilliam said he would often study words in the car between doing homework and Taekwondo lessons.

"As a 10-year-old he never came up to me and said, 'oh, is it time to study?'" Cindy Gilliam said. "It wasn't his favorite thing to do, but he knew it had to be done if he wanted to do well at the spelling bee."

Gilliam earned a black belt in Taekwondo and

Gilliam said he helped a friend named Phillip through Taekwondo. He also included that Phillip earned a black belt in the sport.

Gilliam ranked recess as his favorite school activity. His summer plans include tennis camp, swimming, and going to the beach.

While Gilliam was reluctant to talk about his own competitions and accomplishments in Taekwondo, he did attribute his involvement in martial arts to his success in the spelling competitions.

"I've done demos in front of a lot of people in Taekwondo, and when I get up on stage I don't get nervous," Gilliam said.

Aside from his lack of stage fright, his mother, Cindy Gilliam, said she believes his aptitude for reading also helped him with his spelling abilities.

Jacob said triskaidekaphobia, the fear of the number 13, was one of the hardest words for him to spell. Still, he showed there is little glory in an easy route to victory.

His favorite word to spell is weissnichtwo (pronounced vi-snik(t)-vo), which means an indefinite, unknown, or imaginary place.

"I like it because it's kind of cool and it doesn't sound anything like it's spelt," he said. "I kind of like



John Mathis, 10 studied list of words for hours to prepare for the national spelling bee competition. ANNA JOHNSON | Photographer

that."

Although he accurately spelt both words during the oral portion, he did not score high enough on the preliminary written portion to advance to the semi-finals.

"He will be back next year," Weigand confidently said. "We know he will win eventually."

Law enforcement use summer downtime for training officers

Anna Johnson
Summer Editor

During the summer months, Elon University Campus Safety and Police and the Town of Elon Police Department see a definite decrease in activity. But, both forces stay busy during the quieter months.

"I talk to friends of mine who are chiefs in other cities," Elon Police Department Chief LaVelle Lovette said. "Typically the summer crime wave goes up and (during) holidays crimes go up. Elon is just the opposite."

In both departments major crimes are relatively low year-round. During the summer calls for service, alcohol violations and noise violations go down.

Campus police and security guards still make rounds in the buildings, and in some areas, increase their patrols.

"We still go through the dorms,

still lock all the buildings," Director of Campus Safety and Security Chuck Gantos said. "Just so if someone tried to break in or did break in we can recognize that pretty quick."

And not all of the dorms are empty. Some residence halls are home to students staying for sports camps or for Elon Academy.

"We've not had much of a problem but last year we had a couple of students who snuck out of the dorms," he said. "We caught them on camera and took them back to the dorm. But we haven't had any of that this year."

Both Lovette and Gantos use the summer to undergo departmental and state mandated training.

"There is sensitivity training," Gantos said. "That deals with race, gender, age and how to deal with those types of crimes and what you may encounter. (You) have to do weapons qualifications. You got all your N.C.

legal updates. It is 24 hours of pretty intense training."

The Elon Police Department will receive training in new voice recognition software that will be placed in the police vehicles.

"So the officers can run a tag just by talking to the computer," Lovette said. "So it doesn't require them to look at the computer screen."

Paperwork is another item on the summer agenda. The year's crime data is collected and compiled for publication and to be sent to the state.

John Miles is one of the parking coordinators for Elon University. He still checks all of the parking lots and secures the buildings.

Skateboarders are one of his biggest concerns during the summer.

"They can keep us really busy, most of them know they are not allowed (on campus)," Miles said. "But I guess it is tempting to try and get by. When they

see us, they take off and we try to head them off. It is almost like a cat and mouse."

One skateboarder deterrent are the plants at the base of the underground railroad tunnel. Gantos said it keeps the kids from skating down the ramp and slows them down.

"Knock on wood but there hasn't been any vehicle break-ins or no break-ins to buildings," Gantos said. "Nothing like that so it has been a good summer in that respect. It's been pretty quiet around here."

Lovette said she enjoys the time when students are around town.

"By the time summer is done we are so ready for the students to get back and be back to normal but it gives us a reprieve," she said. "I love the summers for that but it gets a little more mundane after while. It is nice to have the students back because there is a lot more activity when school is in session."

Students in Morocco: Lending a helping hand abroad

Jo Beth Stoddard
Reporter

Helping others while visiting a foreign country is an opportunity some Elon University students took advantage of at the end of May.

Eight students and two faculty advisers traveled to Morocco for an 11-day service trip.

A service trip to Morocco "was a fantastic opportunity to explore and be immersed in a culture that is wholly separate from our own," junior Grant De Roo said.

The students and the advisers, Cheryl Borden and Tim Wardle, participated in several service activities that included teaching English lessons and playing and singing with children at local schools. Some manual labor was performed on the trip when students cleared fields so the children would have a larger area in which to play.

Participants stayed with host families in the cities of Sale and Azrou. De Roo said he really appreciated "the times in which we truly felt welcomed ... we were all genuinely welcomed by our Moroccan hosts and their incredible generosity and hospitality is something that none of us will forget."

One of the highlights of the trip, students said, was when they had the opportunity to meet the vice president of Moroccan Parliament and the mayor

of Sale. Several days of the trip were spent engaging with United Nations representatives, Peace Corps volunteers and local university students. Borden said she will always remember when Elon students got to have "an honest and open dialogue with Moroccan university students about different cultural differences."

Senior Kristin Feeney worked with Lotfi Lamrani, the director of the students' partner organization Bridge of Cultures. Feeney said she enjoyed working with him.

"(Lamrani is) a really incredible guy and extremely motivated to making his community better," she said. "His work has even been recognized by the local community, and he's received many awards for his community improvement efforts."

The students also spent some time visiting local historical sites, meeting with local artisans who make handmade crafts and spending quality time with their host families.

"The best aspects of the trip for me was how well the whole group got along with each other," Wardle said.



Elon students and faculty visited schools in Morocco and completed various service projects. PHOTO SUBMITTED

"And the way in which they embraced the opportunity to learn about a new culture."

Rip_Chord rips in to 'Sing-Off' competition

Lauren Ramsdell
Arts and Entertainment Editor

A few years ago, some Elon University guys got together and thought — hey. We're good singers. A cappella music is fun. We could do that — and do it well. And Rip_Chord was born.

Four years since, Rip_Chord is making its way into the male a cappella world. Its first CD, "Resisting A_Rest," was released last spring and they are making strides toward a second effort. But the summer has not spelled rest for the men yet.

The weekend of May 29 found the group in Atlanta at President Chris Kilgore's house prepping for the biggest audition for the group yet — a sing-off for the NBC reality show "The Sing Off."

"It's kind of like 'American Idol,'" Kilgore said.

The audition took place in Nashville, Tenn., as well as four other cities across the country. He estimates that 25 other groups participated in the Nashville audition to get into one of the eight slots nationally to compete in the show.

Rip_Chord was not the only Elon presence to show up in Nashville. The group ran into both Sweet Signatures and Twisted Measure. "It was a pretty magical thing," Kilgore said.

If Rip_Chord even makes it through the audition process, it will be a success for Kilgore. This is the first professional audition the group has had and they look forward to performing more for an outside-Elon audience in the future. But, if they do get on the show and win, a prize pack of \$100,000 and a contract with Sony Records awaits them.

Oh, and all the publicity won't hurt either.

Typically, Rip_Chord does not practice or meet during the summer since, like most Elon groups, the members are from all over the country. The guys made a special effort for the competition, though, and flew to Kilgore's



FILE PHOTO
Rip_Chord met at President Chris Kilgore's home to practice before the competition. The a cappella group will know in mid-July if they were selected as a finalist. It was the first time they were invited to audition.

house early to practice choreography.

"I think we did a really good job with what we were given," Kilgore said.

If chosen, Kilgore said he thinks the group's more laid-back attitude could be an interesting addition to the show.

"We could bring a fun and energetic style to the show," he said. "We like to infuse fun and vocal accuracy."

But, he still stresses that the group was just happy to be there. "We are all just excited to be invited," he said. Rip_Chord was invited via email from the show's casting directors.

Last season, the first-ever Sing-Off title went to Nota, a Puerto Rican group. Rip_Chord will find out in a few weeks about the result of their audition. Kilgore remains optimistic, but grounded.

"Our original goal was just to audition."

So far, he said, they have met that goal.

MOVIE REVIEW



'Killers' makes a great date flick

Rachel Southmayd
Reviewer

When I first heard of "Killers," I immediately dismissed it into the "Katherine-Heigl-romantic-comedy-been-there-done-that" category. Ashton Kutcher is hunky and Tom Selleck is intimidating and he has a mustache. Big whoop.

But amidst the summer-blockbuster craze and 3-D mania, "Killers," a 100-minute romp through an innovative mix of comedy and action is a refreshing departure from the norm, and makes for a great date-night movie.

The film is an original mix of the standard romantic comedy, with misunderstandings, mix-ups, and of course lots of missteps. But amidst the wit and slapstick, gunfights break out, tires squeal and spy gadgets are whipped out and suddenly you expect a Tom Cruise or even Daniel Craig to pop up to join the fight.

"Killers" even has "Mr. and Mrs. Smith" energy about it, minus the palpable sexual tension and with a much lighter heart.

Heigl is her usual sarcastic and awkward self, which makes her Jen character both likeable and relatable. Kutcher has many opportunities to display his physique, and makes for an interesting action hero, even if he seems to be treading in unfamiliar waters.

And Selleck, in all his mustached glory, plays Heigl's father. He is one of the best people in the world to play the role of spy-turned-overprotective daddy. Catherine O'Hara is equally suited to play Heigl's tipsy



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Katherine Heigl (left) stars with Ashton Kutcher (right) in "Killers" where the two characters meet and quickly get married and learn they are in for an adventure.

mother. For whatever reason, audiences really enjoy perpetually-drunken older women.

The supporting cast, which includes some familiar faces, including The Daily Show's Rob Riggle, is also adequately overdramatic and cliché, adding to the wide appeal this movie is bound to have over audiences.

The entire plot of "Killers" is a bit predictable, but not in a bad way. The characters evolve in a way you'd expect them to evolve, there are twists that can be easily foreseen and there's a cutesy ending. But it's mindless in a good way. It's easy to follow and the laughs are frequent.

Plus there are a lot of cool explosions. And who doesn't enjoy that?

Recent Celebrity Deaths:



Name: Gary Coleman
Died: May 28
American Actor



Name: Dennis Hopper
Died: May 29
American Actor



Name: Rue McClanahan
Died: June 3
American Actress



Name: John Wooden
Died: June 4
Basketball Coach

'China Road' introduces students to the global picture

Rachel Southmayd
Senior Reporter

Every fall, a special committee of Elon University faculty and staff select one book for the entire incoming freshmen class to read the following summer. This year's selection was Rob Gifford's "China Road: A Journey into the Future of a Rising Power."

"China Road" is a record of Gifford's trip as he travels along Route 312 in China. Route 312 follows the old Silk Road and led Gifford from the coastal city of Shanghai, all the way to the town of Korgaz on the Kazakhstan border, which totals to about 2,998 miles.

Gifford served as National Public Radio's China correspondent for six years, and is currently NPR's London correspondent. His journey across China took two months in the summer of 2005, and began as a seven-part radio series.

"I wrote to teach newbies about China," Gifford said. "I told the story of modern China as I see it through the prism of one road, Route 312."

In the book, Gifford recounts visiting dozens of cities, villages, historical sites and riding countless forms of transportation. He also mentions meeting and speaking with Chinese people ranging from two young women from Shanghai, who are members of the Communist Party, to an impoverished farmer and his grandson along the side of the road.

Gifford blends anecdotes from his travels with lessons on Chinese history and commentary on the economic and political situation the nation finds itself in.

"I'd like people to see the complexity of China," Gifford said. "There's a tendency to see China, historically, in very black and white terms."

He said the tendency is for people from the United States to view China with the same eyes as they did the Soviet Union in the 1950s, 60s, and 70s. Even though China is a one-party state, it is more complex than most people believe.

"I say in the book, 'if you're not confused by modern China, then you really haven't been paying attention,'" he said.

Gifford said China's biggest challenge is managing the complicated nature of the economic, political and social scene, which he said he believes are inconsistent with one another.

"I think only a fool predicts China's future," he said.

Books are selected as the common reading based on their ability to fit in with the goals of both GST 110 and ENG 110 courses, which all freshmen are required to take. According to the course description, GST 110, or The Global Experience, focuses on "public responsibility in a global context," or taking the first step to making an Elon student a global citizen.

Gifford said he believes "China Road" fits in perfectly with this goal.

"I think that we can see in every area around the world, not just in Asia, China's becoming more important," Gifford said. "The question is, how does a rising China fit into a global economy without disrupting the global balance?"

Gifford said he believes the rest of the world, and even China itself, is not sure how to deal with its rapidly rising status.

"It's like a student who suddenly becomes a teenager and suddenly shoots up to six foot four," he said. "China has done in 20 or 30 years what America has done in 100 years."

Gifford will be on campus Sept. 21, giving a lecture about the experience described in "China Road," as well as visiting several classes and speaking with students.

CD REVIEW



'Brothers' offer a taste of soulful Southern rock

Alexa Johnson
Reviewer

Ever wondered what the love child of a gritty rock god and a soulful southern girl would sound like? Just listen to the newest album from the Black Keys.

Singer-guitarist Dan Auerbach and drummer Patrick Carney may be simple Ohio boys hailing from Akron, but they ooze sex like the Rolling Stones and exude the cool of soul singers like Etta James.

It's been a busy few years for the Keys. In 2008, Danger Mouse helped them create the divine "Attack and Release" — a CD with more diversity and more lyrics, things that had been lacking in their last few albums. In 2009, they returned to the studio and collaborated with artists like Mos Def and RZA on a rap-rock album called "Blackroc." During this time, they also worked on individual projects and Auerbach released "Keep It Hid," a psychedelic and funky album championed by critics.

Then they dropped this album. And it's a game changer.

Some people — the purists — won't like this album because it isn't the familiar, gritty rock the Keys released at the beginning of their career. But this is to be expected, because the music has slowly changed with each record (something that happens to any great band — evolution and diversification is a good thing), and now the duo has traded much of their former ferocity and intensity for funk and blues.

"We didn't know how to write a song back then," Auerbach said. "We were just starting to get used to playing our instruments. That was fun, and it's fun to hear it because it is so ramshackle and immediate. But we've grown up."

The music of "Brothers" feels like true soul, a creation heavily influenced by the South. Auerbach's vocals are no longer a supplement, they take precedent; there are more, stronger lyrics. For years, the Keys have learned and experimented with chosen tools, but on this album there is also a wider range of often-used guest instruments, like



Black Keys singer-guitarist Dan Auerbach, above, performs on the third day of the Rothbury festival on Saturday, July 5, 2008, in Rothbury, Michigan.

PHOTO COURTESY OF MCT CAMPUS

organs and keyboards — the resulting sound isn't diluted, but it is not quite the sound of just an eager guitar and drum set. "Brothers" feels closer to the Chicago blues of old, rather than the young and hungry Midwestern energy. The song "Howlin' For You" is the poster child for the musical philosophy of "Brothers" — a tantalizing infusion of rock and blues, it's sexy, heavy with groove and full of yearning.

"Brothers" proves that it is more than possible to release an album that will make people sway and move their hips without heavy auto-tune, electro beats and mindless lyrics.

Other notable tracks include the infectious "Everlasting Light", in which Auerbach crones an aching, delicious falsetto; "Tighten Up", one of the most familiar, rock-influenced tracks, with heavy helping of fast guitars and tambourines; and "Sinister Kid", a funky track packed with guitar riffs and scratchy back-up vocals from Nicole Ray.

In the end, this is clearly the group that recorded their album "Rubber Factory" in an actual rubber factory. Despite the swampy sound and smoky beats, Akron is just below the surface. Listen close and you can still hear the hot asphalt and abandoned buildings.

CD REVIEW



Drake sticks to similar themes with debut album

Kara Cardwell
Reviewer

After releasing a Grammy nominated mixtape "So Far Gone", performing with stars like Jay-Z and writing songs for Alicia Keys, Drake has finally released his debut album "Thank Me Later." With 14 songs, he sticks to some of the similar themes he had on his mixtape, which in summary is fame, fortune, love and their effects on his life. When talking about the same things over and over, it gets easier to sound arrogant as time goes on. Thankfully, he does it in a way that makes what he says poetic and relatable. 'Fireworks' has him admitting that even with his coveted lifestyle, "things aren't perfect." 'The Resistance' has a first verse full of clever one-liners, a chorus that is simple and easy to recite and two verses that have him revealing whether he's been successful in resisting the negative parts of his new life.

He has four songs other than 'The Resistance' that are more hardcore rap with a little bit of melody and harmonizing. These songs range from him being honest to just showing off. 'Unforgettable' has solid verses from Drake and Young Jeezy, plus an Aaliyah sample. The theme of the song is very relatable, especially when he sings "I just really hope that you think of me," hoping that he is memorable enough to be remembered. 'Light Up' will surely be a favorite for rap fans, especially since Drake seems to hold his own when rapping with Jay-Z. Drake is proving himself while Jay is showing that he has nothing he needs to prove. 'Miss Me' is like a going away song for Wayne, despite the parts directed at women. Wayne even compliments Drake, saying that he'll be gone until November, but he knows he has nothing to worry about with Drake at the forefront of Young Money. 'Thank Me Now' is the closing track in which he talks about "the entertainment you take for granted" and compares sports to music, saying "cause we wanna be them/and they wanna be us."

Drake shows his versatility by switching to R&B songs with either a short rap verse in each song or no rapping at all. He almost sings the whole time on 'Karaoke', but adds a rap verse at the end. Fans that like when he sings will either like it, grow to like it or tolerate it. 'Shut It Down' features The-Dream, which automatically makes this an upcoming hit for fans of Dream. Plus, another version was leaked weeks ago, giving everyone time to let the song grow on them. The version of the song on the album is longer, smoother and better. 'Cece's Interlude' seems out of place since it comes right after three or four rap songs. But like most of his songs, it's honest and will possibly grow on fans as time goes on. 'Find Your Love' sounds like an extra song from Kanye's album 808s and Heartbreaks. This is not to say it is bad or it isn't catchy. It's just not what everyone expected or

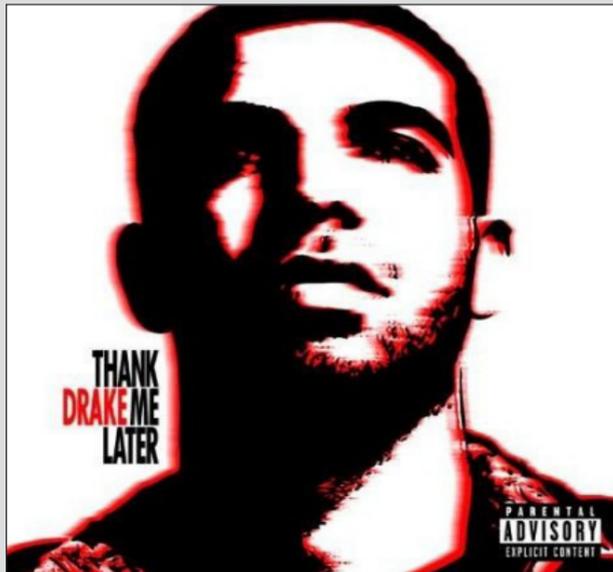


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necessarily wanted from him when he chose it as the second single.

He also has plenty of upbeat tracks. Whether 'Over' was or wasn't the single everyone expected, it has people singing "I'm doing me" whenever the chorus comes around. 'Show Me a Good Time' continues to lighten the mood. This might not be a song everybody would dance to, but it'll at least have you thinking about partying. 'Up All Night' has Drake rapping with an attitude while repping his team Young Money. As for Nicki's feature, people will either hate it or be able to say her verse line for line. 'Fancy' has Swizz Beatz and T.I. assisting Drake on the topic of classy women. Drake has sharp lines "time heals all/but heels hurt to walk in/but they go with the clutch that you carry your lip gloss in" and a catchy hook, which tells females to wave at the people that don't like them. The hook will quite possibly have girls waving arrogantly at invisible haters when they go to a club.

Although "Thank Me Later" isn't a five star classic debut, Drake does a good job of sticking to his own style, which by definition is risky because he is a rapper who sings R&B. He isn't afraid to do a whole song without rapping. With love songs, party tunes and thought-provoking tracks that are all smooth, he gives a good effort for his debut.

MOVIE REVIEW



'Sex in the city 2' turns up the heat for fans

Bonnie Efrid
Reviewer

For six years, the Sex in the City TV series, better known as SITC by diehard fans, provided women with what they wanted: sex, fashion, romance, drama and girls' nights out. No one watched SITC for the acting, complex plots or for deep philosophical undercurrents (or at least let's hope not.) Rather, SITC was always visually pleasing (with the ripped bodies and the fabulous designer frocks,) and it was FUN. And sexy. And entertaining.

So, this must be kept in mind in regards to the newest movie: Sex in the City 2. Who goes into SITC 2 expecting some incredible deep acting and complex plots? Exactly. No one. And if you did, well, you might hate it.

SITC 2 is exactly what you expect it to be. There are really no surprises, no major twists or turns...no one is out of typical character. Rather, SITC 2 is just a sequel to celebrate one of the most fun and feminine shows on TV.

Perhaps the closest thing to a surprise you get in the movie is Liza Minelli's performance of Beyoncé Knowles hit "Single Ladies (Put a ring on it)" at the gay wedding clad with swans. Lets just say anyone would love to have her legs at that age.

Kim Cattrall provides most of the entertainment throughout the movie, taking 'the girls' on a luxurious and paid-for trip to a 5-star resort in Abu Dhabi, "the new Middle East," after she is asked to do PR for the resort. Here is where the action, err... the fun, takes place. Cattrall, as Samantha Jones, claims that her 44 pills, hormones and creams keep her from "the downward spiral to menopause."

After the Abu Dhabi customs takes away her pills, hormones and creams, Jones whines for the rest of the movie, and becomes crazy with eating huge amounts of yams and hummus for the high levels of estrogen. This provides for plenty of entertainment throughout the trip, however, the plot thickens...sort of.

Between an accidental kiss between happily married Carrie Bradshaw, (Sarah Jessica Parker) and...an ex-lover, Samantha getting arrested for making out on a public beach and a camel ride that ends with Charlotte (Kristin Davis) taking a tumble, the girls' trip to Abu Dhabi is filled with excitement and turmoil. Some may argue there is an attempt at a plot between the events, but most fail to see the connection. Nonetheless, it's entertaining.

As always, the fashion is incredible, and more over the top than ever. And the girls, well, they haven't changed a bit. Carrie worries about being stuck in a "boring married couple rut" with Big, Charlotte stresses over the challenges of motherhood and her "hot" and bra-less Irish nanny, Miranda (Cynthia Nixon) faces hardships at work and Samantha struggles with aging and menopause. Although these women may not be your average American women, their worries and fears are ones that most women do face.

Perhaps what makes the movie so much fun and worth seeing is for this type of feminine connection; the female connection that is created when women can understand and empathize with each other. This is something that is and has always been present in SITC.

Softball's season ends shortly after first-ever NCAA tournament bid



FILE PHOTO

After winning the Southern Conference tournament for the first time, the Elon University softball team also saw another first — its first bid into the NCAA tournament. The team traveled to Athens, Ga., competing alongside regional host University of Georgia, Florida State University and Radford University. Its first opponent was Georgia, who came into the tournament ranked No. 6 in the nation. Elon fell to the Bulldogs, 10-4, giving up 14 hits and three homeruns. The following day, Elon was shut out by Radford University, 8-0. The Highlanders hit two homeruns, with only two batters struck out by the Elon pitching staff. Elon finished its season 38-21 overall, with a 15-9 SoCon record.

SPORTS BRIEFS

SoCon tournaments expanded

The Southern Conference said its end of the season tournaments will return to full participation next season, after reducing the number of teams who made some of the tournaments for financial reasons.

Men's and women's soccer, men's and women's tennis and volleyball will go from four to eight teams, and the softball tournament will go from four to nine teams.

Reichenbach signs contract in MLB

Senior pitcher J.D. Reichenbach signed a free agent contract with the Cleveland Indians, becoming the seventh Elon player to get the opportunity to move into the major leagues.

Reichenbach finished his four years with a 7-6 record, striking out 99 hitters in 150.1 innings on the mound.

Campbell goes to AIFA

Former Elon defensive lineman Andre Campbell signed a contract with the Baltimore Mariners, a member of the American Indoor Football Association. Campbell will get the opportunity to play in the team's last two regular season games before heading to the playoffs July 10.

In Campbell's senior season with the Phoenix, he recorded 40 tackles, including 8.5 sacks.

Baseball has three on All-State team

Elon led the state with three players named to the 2010 North Carolina Collegiate Sports Information Association University Division All-State Baseball Team. Senior Mike Melillo and juniors Neal Pritchard and Jimmy Reyes all made the team.

The Southern Conference also had a player from Western Carolina University and Appalachian State University on the team.

Wooten promoted to assistant coach

Basketball head coach Matt Matheny named Jack Wooten, formerly the director of basketball operations, one of his assistant coaches for the next season. Wooten graduated from University of North Carolina in 2009 and served in his previous position for one year prior to the promotion.

Swim earns spot on All-Regional team

Freshman catcher Alex Swim was the lone Phoenix named to the All-Atlanta Regional team. Swim had one home run and six RBIs in Elon's two games in the regional.

Men's soccer adds two to staff

This offseason, head coach Darren Powell has added two to the team's coaching staff for the upcoming season. Chris Little, former director of coaching for the Greensboro Youth Soccer Association, and Justin Hughes, former University of North Carolina goalkeeper, will be joining the team.

Hughes comes from Colorado, where he played with Major League Soccer's Colorado Rapids since graduating in 2006.

Reyes grabs last SoCon pitching award

Junior pitcher Jimmy Reyes was named the Southern Conference Pitcher of the Month for May, the first time he has earned the award in his three seasons with the Phoenix.

Reyes finished his junior season with a 10-4 record and a 4.56 ERA. He was undefeated in his three starts in May and was selected in the seventh round of the MLB Draft by the Texas Rangers in June.

Elon and ISP to continue working together

The Elon University Department of Athletics and IPS Sports, a collegiate sports marketing company, have recently reached an agreement to work together through May of 2015. This agreement assures ISP as Elon's corporate marketing and sales representative for the next five years.

Elon first began working with ISP in April of 2008, switching from Action Media Sports. ISP sells and manages the rights to all sales and marketing opportunities associated with Elon athletics.

Men's soccer sets slate for fall

The Elon men's soccer team announced its 2010 schedule, which includes NCAA Tournament participants Winthrop University, UNC Charlotte, Duke University and Wofford College.

The Phoenix will also host the Elon Classic, beginning Sept. 10, which will include University of Richmond, Jacksonville University and UNC Greensboro.



ONE ON ONE

Conor O'Neill and Erik Kendall
Sports Commentators

Conference Shakeups

And so the dust settles. After a few crazy weeks of discussions about a possible PAC-16 and the dissolving Big-12, only two teams have relocated. University of Colorado is now a member of the PAC-10, while University of Nebraska has jumped to the Big Ten. But the bigger news is that University of Texas, Oklahoma University, Texas A&M University, Oklahoma State University and University of Missouri have stayed put in the Big-12. Are you happy with the end result?

Conor O'Neill:

I'll start this by saying that I am not normally a fan of change. I like the way things are laid out in college football, as there seems to be a nice competitive balance. But real college football fans should be horrified that Texas could not pull the trigger on a move to the PAC-10. Why? Because if Texas and their friends had gone west, we would have been closer than ever before to a possible playoff scenario in college football. Isn't that what everyone, including the United States Congress, wants?

A scenario with four major college football conferences (ACC, SEC, PAC-10, Big Ten) would open a world of possibilities for playoffs. Sorry Big East fans, but with the departure of Brian Kelly this year and Rich Rodriguez a few years ago, you've become a mid-major football conference. We could have a Final Four of the conference champs. Or, still using the BCS, combine the top eight teams in the country and have a playoff.

Instead, we have the same muddled situation as before. Who cares about a Colorado-Oregon matchup? Or Nebraska-Wisconsin? The major gurus of college football have played fans for fools again, and they still get to bask in their multi-million dollar salaries.

Erik Kendall:

College football and the pageantry surrounding the game ranks somewhere within the top-three things in my life, right between a couple of family members, who for my sake I will not name. I love tradition, annual rivalries and bowl games. Yes, bowl games. This potential shifting of the tectonic plates on the college football landscape just about made me crazy. All of a sudden we are talking about selling the huge natural rivalry between Texas Tech University and Washington State University. Believe me when I tell you that is not a short plane ride.

Conor:

Come on, Erik. Everybody loves the bowl games because that's all we have. You're telling me you love watching those New Years' Day bowls and then wonder whether any of those teams could play with Alabama last year? I love bowl games too, but I want them to have more purpose than to say that University of Oregon is the seventh best team in the nation.

Conference realignment, however unnatural it would be, would have put us on the fast track to a playoff system. I thought, being the college football purist that you are, you would want the sport to move to a more effective way of naming a National Champion

Erik:

Okay, so I see this argument is turning towards the BCS is awful section, and I want to stay away. It's what we have; I think it is a good thing for the sport as a whole. So let's get pick up for the world is in a stable place right now, thanks to the Texas. Texas was clearly the key to the whole puzzle falling into place. They garnered the most money, the biggest television audience, and they were the big fish in this deal, and they stayed. I will forever be a little bit of a Longhorns fan.

But what is lost is the little sports. Think about the Oklahoma State women's volleyball team having to take a trip to Oregon twice a year. That's not economically, environmentally or academically thoughtful of the school. Again, that's a long plane ride, if they can even afford a plane for every sport. In the end, Nebraska is a big pick up for the Big Ten, and they finally get out of the dreadful Big 12 North, and Colorado is just kind of a flash in the pan.

It was scary, but we have appeared to have weathered the storm. The dollar didn't win out in this situation like it usually does, so again, thank you Longhorns.

Athletics upgrade facilities this summer

Pam Richter
Editor-in-Chief

As soon as the students of Western Alamance High School threw their hats up in the air and completed their high school graduation June 10, the renovations on Elon University's Alumni Gymnasium began. Elon University Director of Athletics Dave Blank said renovations on the gymnasium began on June 11, immediately following the high school's graduation.

The renovations to Alumni Gym are just one of three major construction projects taking place to the athletic facilities on Elon's campus this summer.

"We want the facility competitive with those we are competing with but also impressive to our student athletes when they see it," Blank said.

The renovations to the gym will take place in two phases. Phase one this summer will include everything inside the gym. Predicated on fundraising, phase two will take place next summer.

Overall, the process includes, Blank said, installing new seating, more efficient lighting, sound and video boards, updated coaches and staff offices, locker facilities and a south entrance.

"The first steps for the gym will be work on the floor," Blank said. "It will (then) progress to all facets of the facility."

Blank said that the renovations may continue until mid-September, hindering on construction schedules.

"It will impact anything that is going on in there in August and September," he said. "What we're looking at now is trying to minimize the impact ... However as the project continues to take shape, we are hoping to gain some of that time back."

The volleyball team is scheduled to have its first home game Aug. 31 against High Point University.

"For volleyball for example, it might work out that we can play volleyball, just everyone who is going to watch volleyball is going to sit upstairs," Blank said. "We just don't know all that yet."

Even though the renovations to Alumni Gym are not supposed to be completed until at least September, the

renovations to Latham Park are expected to be completed in early August.

A new drainage system will be added help remove water from the area of play. The entire surface will be replaced, and FieldTurf will be installed to the infield.

In addition, the entire fence, left to the scoreboard in left field will be raised to a 12-foot fence and it will also be moved back.

Blank said the change to the fence is taking place, "to make it less of a hitters' park and more of a pitchers' park."

Even though Blank said the goal is to be ready for fall practices, rain could be a factor as the project develops during the next month.

"Right now we're on target," he said. "(We're) hoping in the last week of June to begin work with the artificial surface in the infield. So the idea is for the month of June is to prep everything and get it ready to go."

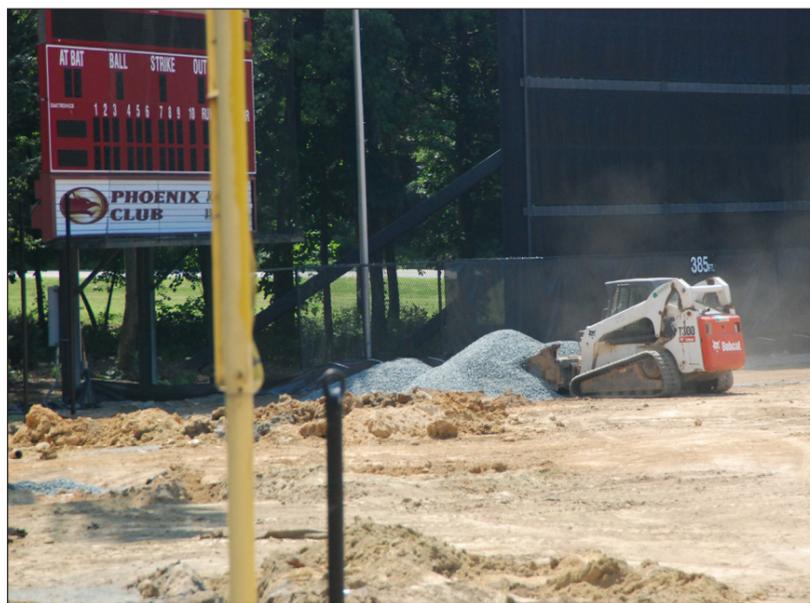
The final construction project the athletic department is working on is the construction of Alumni Field House. The building is scheduled to be completed in mid-December.

"Soon you'll see bricks on the outside and it will start to take shape from that standpoint," Blank said. "I will say accurately that that building is on schedule they are not really ahead or behind, things are just going smoothly."

The facility will include a large team meeting room and locker room for football, a conference room, an advanced athletic training facility, a large strength and conditioning room, study rooms for student-athletes, athletic offices and offices for coaches for the football, baseball, soccer, cross country and track and field teams.

Blank said with all projects most of the time work is being done during the week days and sometimes on the weekends depending on the contractors. He said that work can be done on Alumni Gym and Alumni Field House that is not weather sensitive, where as the renovations to Alumni Gym are weather sensitive.

"The projects go in different stages, it just depends on what stage you are in to what can hold up your work," Blank said.



ANNA JOHNSON | Photographer

Updates to Latham Park began immediately after the final home baseball game. One part of the renovations include moving back the left field fence and raising it to a 12-foot fence.



ANNA JOHNSON | Photographer

Phase one of the Alumni Gym renovations began June 11. The first steps of the renovation include replacing the flooring of the gym. The renovations are expected to be finished in mid-September.

Athletes preparation continues in offseason

Many players stay on campus during the summer to train for season

Jo Beth Stoddard
Reporter

It takes dedication to spend the summers preparing for the fall season. Getting a head of the game three months in advance may seem daunting, but for some varsity athletes they don't give it a second thought.

Some athletes have chosen to stay at Elon University for the summer to participate in training that is similar to what they do during the year. The goal is to not be behind when the season starts.

Others athletes unable to stay at Elon are given a strict work out plan they are encouraged to follow. Experienced players know that they will be suffering during pre-season if they do not work out during the summer.

Junior and volleyball captain Traci Stewart said working out in the summer gives her the extra drive she

needs to work hard.

"You have to be willing to push yourself to the limit in order to prepare yourself for the season ahead," she said.

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-TRACI STEWART
JUNIOR
CAPTAIN, VOLLEYBALL

Stewart said lifting on Monday, Wednesday and Friday includes everything from bench press to squatting and "endless abs."

Some players on the football team also stay at Elon during the summer to get ahead and to make sure they do not fall off track.

While relaxing on the couch watching the World Cup is a great way to spend a day the players have a tight work out schedule. The football team runs and lifts weights five days a week. Their workouts consist of a variety of drills including speed and agility to increase foot speed.

Junior Kyle Herbert is staying at Elon this summer to train with some of the other players and take the extra



FILE PHOTO

Senior soccer player Brittany Hallberg (right) works during the summer to prepare for the upcoming fall season.

steps.

"Even though the workouts are a little hard, you get pushed a lot more by your coaches and your teammates than you would probably push yourself at home," he said. "It pays off ten fold when pre-season camp rolls around."

Brittney Hallberg, a senior soccer player, said she is excited about the potential the team has for this fall

season. But, she said what the players do this summer has a direct impact to what happens in the fall.

"We are expected to follow a schedule and come prepared for preseason in August," she said. "This entails being physically fit and mentally ready to undergo the season. It is our responsibility to put in the extra effort every day."

Sports

SEASON ROUND-UP: Baseball

Sam Calvert
Sports Editor

On May 31, the Elon University baseball team received the news that it would get a chance to extend its season. The NCAA offered the Phoenix an at-large bid into the tournament with a No. 3 seed in the Atlanta Regional.

The team traveled 350 miles to play in the tournament, but when it arrived, it saw only defeat. On the first day, it lost to the University of Alabama 11-2, and the following day, it fell to Mercer University 13-7.

"It's a big disappointment to come down here and go 0-2," senior catcher Mike Melillo said. "It puts a damper on what we did this season. We were looking to get over that hump, but we didn't show up either game."

This is the third year in a row the team has made the tournament, the fourth time in the past five years. In those four appearances, the Phoenix has yet to make it past its regional tournament and into a Super Regional.

"Things got away from us," head coach Mike Kennedy said. "Those were the two worst games we've played all year."

The team scored nine runs on 11 hits for the weekend with four errors.

"It was hard for us to get anything going," freshman catcher Alex Swim said.

This is the second year in a row that the team relied on an at-large bid to get into the NCAA tournament because it did not win the Southern Conference tournament.

The team lost in the fourth day of the SoCon tournament and in as many games when it was defeated by the eventual winners, No. 1 The Citadel, for the second time.

"We had a few mishaps in the two Citadel games," Swim said. "We played well enough to beat them."

After the tournament-ending loss to The Citadel, the Phoenix didn't win another game and finished the season 38-24 overall with a 19-11 SoCon record.

"If you had told me we were going to win 38 games, I would've said, 'I'll take it,'" Kennedy said. "I'm really

pleased. At times, I didn't think we would get that far, but the guys never quit."

The team lost six players to the MLB Draft after the 2009 season, and Kennedy said each of those players was an "every day player." He said it was a challenge to rebound this season.

"We were a different team from last year," Kennedy said.

Elon's strengths flip-flopped, he said, with a more pitching-oriented team for the 2010 season. He said that previously, the potency lay in offense.

In 2009, the team's batting average was .323, scoring 604 runs and a nation-high 138 home runs. This season, Elon batted .293 with 481 runs and 86 home runs.

But from the mound, the 2009 team accumulated a 6.17 ERA compared to this season's 5.59 ERA.

On offense, four leaders were seniors Ryan Adams, Justin Hilt, Matt Hinson and Melillo, who together averaged about 58 games played in a 62-game season. All four will be missing on next year's roster.

The team may also lose three juniors who were selected in this year's MLB Draft. Pitchers Jimmy Reyes, Thomas Girdwood and Ken Ferrer all had their names called in the three-day draft. Each of them had ERAs below the team average this season.

Next year, Kennedy said the loss of players will cause yet another adjustment, but according to Melillo, the team already got a glimpse of what it will look like next season.

In the first game against The Citadel in the SoCon tournament, a fight broke out. Third baseman Scott Riddle and pitcher Jared Kernodle, both juniors, were suspended for three games.

"Those are key guys for us," Melillo said. "It was an unfortunate situation, but in their absence, we saw things Kennedy can look forward to. Guys got playing time who wouldn't have."

Kennedy said next season there are going to be holes to fill, and he hopes players will step up to the challenge.

"It'll be a different club," he said. "We really like our recruiting class coming in and our freshmen, though. The future looks good."



FILE PHOTO
Junior pitcher Jimmy Reyes was drafted in the seventh round, 226th overall to the Texas Rangers in the 2010 MLB Draft. Reyes ranks fifth all-time in Phoenix history on the career strikeout list.

Around the SoCon: The MLB Draft

Rd.	Pick	Name	Pos.	School	MLB Team
1	41	Asher Wojciechowki	RHP	The Citadel	Toronto Blue Jays
5	168	Heath Hembree	RHP	Charleston	San Francisco Giants
8	245	Blake Hassebrock	RHP	UNC Greensboro	Oakland Athletics
13	392	Brian Harrison	3B	Furman	New York Mets
16	487	Rob Kral	C	Charleston	Cincinnati Reds
25	751	Matt Talley	RHP	The Citadel	Arizona Diamondbacks
26	785	Jake Brown	LHP	Georgia Southern	Oakland Athletics
29	889	Chris Patterson	RHP	Appalachian State	St. Louis Cardinals
33	994	Daniel Ottone	RHP	Western Carolina	San Diego Padres
33	1009	Joey Bergman	2B	Charleston	St. Louis Cardinals
39	1167	Kevin Decker	RHP	Charleston	Pittsburgh Pirates
39	1180	Casey Lucchese	RHP	Charleston	Chicago Cubs
39	1189	Ian Parry	RHP	Furman	St. Louis Cardinals
40	1218	Wes Hobson	2B	Appalachian State	San Francisco Giants
41	1234	Brian Altman	C	The Citadel	San Diego Padres
44	1319	Shawn Payne	2B	Georgia Southern	Kansas City Royals
50	1519	Andrew Moyer	RHP	Georgia Southern	St. Louis Cardinals

Elon in the MLB Draft

The 2010 MLB Draft began Monday, June 7, and with it began a new future for the 30 teams in professional baseball. There were 1,525 high school and college players chosen throughout the three-day draft, and among those were six members of the Elon University baseball team. Below are the Phoenix players who were selected:

Jimmy Reyes - L Pitcher, Junior
Seventh round, 226th overall to the Texas Rangers
Career Highlights: In 25 starts, Reyes only lost four games with a 4.95 ERA. He recorded 237 strikeouts and 66 walks during that time. His strikeout total puts him fifth all-time in Phoenix history.

Thomas Girdwood - R Pitcher, Junior
15th round, 465th overall to the Minnesota Twins
Career Highlights: Girdwood made 85 appearances in his three years at Elon, third-most in the history of the Elon baseball, striking out 94 hitters in a combined 78.1 innings. He earned 17 saves in 2009, an Elon and SoCon record.

Daniel Britt - R Pitcher, Senior
29th round, 879th overall to the Milwaukee Brewers
Career Highlights: Britt appeared in 80 games in his four years, which ranks fifth-most in program history. Britt finished his

career with 35 starts, five saves and 164 strikeouts in 257.2 innings. His 35 starts are seventh-most ever for Elon.

Mike Melillo - Catcher, Senior
31st round, 939th overall to the Milwaukee Brewers
Career Highlights: In his four years with the Phoenix, Melillo hit 39 home runs, making him Elon's all-time home run record holder. He also finished his career as fifth in runs with 166, sixth in RBIs with 163, ninth in career hits with 207, tied for ninth in at bats with 652, 10th in games played with 206 and tied for 10th in doubles with 41.

Ken Ferrer - R Pitcher, Junior
35th round, 1050th overall to the Cleveland Indians
Career Highlights: Ferrer pitched his way to a 22-10 record during his three years with the Phoenix, striking out 169 batters in 211 innings. His 22 wins put him at ninth on the all-time wins list in the history of Elon baseball.

Justin Hilt - Outfielder, Senior
36th round, 1081st overall to the Arizona Diamondbacks
Career Highlights: Hilt played two years for the Phoenix, hitting 26 home runs, 91 RBIs and 110 runs. He also stole 36 bases in 41 attempts. Hilt was selected in last year's draft as well, when he went to the Oakland Athletics in the 41st round, but he chose to come back for his final year of eligibility.

TOP-5 MOMENTS OF THE 2010 ELON BASEBALL SEASON

1 Victories over Clemson in Clemson, S.C. — 3/23, 3/24

The team traveled to South Carolina to take on a No. 5-ranked Clemson University who was 17-2 prior to the two-game series. The first game was a shootout, ending with a 15-10 an Elon win. In the second game, the Phoenix outlasted the Tigers 4-3 in 10 innings. Clemson is one of eight teams to advance to the College World Series.

2 Announcement that team earned at-large bid into NCAA Tournament — 5/31

Just two days after losing to The Citadel in the Southern Conference tournament, the Phoenix got the news that it earned an at-large bid into the NCAA tournament. The team was the third SoCon team to get a place in the tournament, following College of Charleston and The Citadel. This was Elon's third year in a row to make the tournament — and the fourth time in the past five years.

3 4-2 Win over No. 20 North Carolina at home — 4/6

Elon took on the nationally-ranked Tar Heels for their first meeting of the season in Latham Park in front of 1,839 fans — just 34 short of the largest crowd ever in the stadium. After getting off to an early 2-0 lead, the team defeated No. 20 University of North Carolina 4-2. Senior outfielder Matt Hinson hit one home run en route to the Phoenix victory.

4 Elon wins first game in SoCon tournament — 5/26

After coming off a weekend series against Samford University, the Phoenix saw the familiar foe in the first game of the Southern Conference tournament. Junior pitcher Jimmy Reyes pitched all nine innings of the game, and with just 114 pitches thrown, he shut out the Bulldogs. Freshman outfielder David Wood scored on a throwing error in the bottom of the ninth for a 1-0 win.

5 Phoenix gains 13-9 victory over NC State — 4/28

Elon took on its sixth ACC opponent in North Carolina State University just up the road in Raleigh. The Phoenix scored 13 runs on 12 hits, pushing it to a win over N.C. State, who later made the NCAA tournament as a No. 3 seed. This was Elon's sixth-straight victory over an ACC team, leading the way to a 6-1 record against the conference.