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## PHOENIX TAKES FLIGHT

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DAVID WELLS | Photo Editor

Junior wide receiver Terrell Hudgins makes a catch just inches in front of the endzone. The Phoenix went on to score nine touchdowns during the Saturday game.

## Six join sports legends in Elon Hall of Fame

Michelle Longo  
Sports Editor

At halftime of Saturday night's football clobbering, even after all the players had exited the field, eyes and ears were still glued to the green turf where five former Elon athletes and one non-athlete stood, beaming from ear to ear.

They are the 38th class to be inducted into

the Elon Sports Hall of Fame. Formally inducted in a smaller, more intimate ceremony held earlier in the day at Whitley Auditorium, the six inductees were additionally recognized at the halftime ceremony.

Football star Quinton Ballard, baseball player Paul Braxton, head football and wrestling coach Macky Carden, President Emeritus Dr. J. Earl Danieleley, football player Randy Oxendine and women's soccer

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## Hurricane Ike slams gas stations before Gulf Coast

Lesley Cowie  
Reporter

For local residents, filling a gas tank last Friday was no easy task. Lines at area gas stations stretched through the parking lots and nearly into the streets.

As the country anticipated the arrival of Hurricane Ike, fears — and gas prices — surged in the Southeast. Although the storm came nowhere near Alamance County on Friday, residents still felt its effects.

Several stations ran out of gas, causing drivers to rush to the next closest station.

As a result, flocks of cars headed to the same stations only to be met with long lines, Myra Fuqua, a service attendant at the South Church Street Shell, said.

"Five or six gas stations in the area have already run out of gas," Fuqua said. "We only have about 500 gallons left, and that'll probably only last us another 30 minutes."

The Shell station on the corner of St. Mark's Church Rd. and Church Steet didn't limit gas consumption, but other stations in the area did.

"I went to the gas station over by Elon [University], and I could only get 10 gallons of gas," Susan Fitch, an Alamance County resident, said. "That wasn't enough to fill up my car, so I came to this service station."

The line at each Shell pump was about four cars long. The Texaco station located across the street from Shell encountered the same problem.

For the most part, citizens calmly remained in their cars while they waited in line, gas station attendant Andrew Ross said.

Many drivers thought getting gas that day was necessary, despite the nuisance of waiting in line. Elon University junior Anne Chichester said she wanted to get gas then to avoid paying a higher price later.

"A lot of oil wells in Texas have closed and have been evacuated," Chichester said. "So now everyone here is running out of gas."

The Gulf Coast comprises one of the world's largest concentrations of oil refineries. Many companies shut down early Friday morning so that employees could evacuate.

"It's because of the hurricane," Ross said. "I hear that gas in South Carolina is expected to be close to \$5."

Unleaded gas rose from \$3.69 on Friday to \$3.99 on Saturday at the South Church Street Shell station.

Similar price jumps took place throughout the Triad. At the Exxon station at the Friendly Center in Greensboro, unleaded gas went from \$3.61 a gallon to \$3.85.

The situation was eerily similar to what took place in 2005 after Hurricane Katrina wreaked havoc on the Gulf Coast. Gas prices in the Triad jumped about 70 cents per gallon in the days after the storm hit, and many gas stations had fuel shortages.

## Lighthouse opens with a bang, then a splash

Ryan Catanese  
Reporter

Friday night marked a much-anticipated event on Elon University's social scene as Lighthouse Tavern re-opened. The crowd's enthusiasm was evident — chants of "Lighthouse!" could be heard reverberating through the door.

The bar, a student favorite in the past, closed in January 2008 when the owner, Grayson "Chad" Snyder, was caught allegedly trafficking the date-rape drug GHB.

It was clear from the large turnout on Friday that this incident was just a bump in the road for the venue.

The bar was packed from the stage to the back tables and the newly

extended bar was lined with students the entire night. Senior Jen Johnson was one of the many in attendance.

"I had a blast," Johnson said. "Going to Lighthouse was something we did every Thursday my freshman and sophomore year. I'm glad that it started with a bang."

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# Elon remembers

## Memorial at Fonville Fountain paid tribute to victims of Sept. 11

Hannah Williams  
Reporter

University Chaplain Richard McBride led Elon students, faculty and residents in remembering the events of Sept. 11 on the seventh anniversary of the tragedy in front of Fonville Fountain Thursday. The flags flew at half-staff.

Chaplain McBride recalled events of Sept. 11, on Elon's campus: The community was gathered around Fonville Fountain for the ritual Tuesday College Coffee. The opening of Rhodes Stadium and the introduction of Elon's new marching band, the Fire of the Carolinas, called for a festive celebration. As people in the crowd began to discuss what they had heard, the mood turned somber. "President Lambert approached the microphone, announced the tragic



EMILY GIEGERICH | Photographer

At the evening service, candles littered the lawn between Haggard Avenue and Fonville Fountain. Chaplain Richard McBride asked the community to scatter the 300 luminaries at random, each representing 10 people who died on Sept. 11.

news," McBride said. "There would be no celebration that day. Then he turned to me and asked me to offer a prayer."

Again on Thursday, McBride offered a prayer for victims and families, police and firefighters, rescue workers, hijacked plane passengers and survivors of the Sept. 11 tragedies.

He remembered the 2,974 people whose deaths were recorded, as well as those who remain unaccounted for.

"We need to approach it with reverence and continue to seek to understand it," McBride said. "To understand it with our minds, and also with our hearts."

Commemorators were invited to distribute and light 300 luminaries on the university lawn, each representing 10 people who died on Sept. 11, 2001.

McBride encouraged people to place the luminaries at random, wherever they felt was right, "because there was chaos that day, bodies fell from the sky in uneven patterns."

The ceremony concluded with the lighting of the luminaries and the lowering of the American flag.

"Taking thirty minutes out of my day, just for a quick prayer and to show my support for someone who did lose someone meant a lot," said sophomore Jay Celin.

Junior Kristin Schulz said she came for unity.

"Sept. 11 is a chance for us all to feel united as a country again and really remember we are all part of one world: humanity," she said. "And that's what's important and what we have to remember every day, not just on Sept. 11."



ANDREW DODD | Photographer

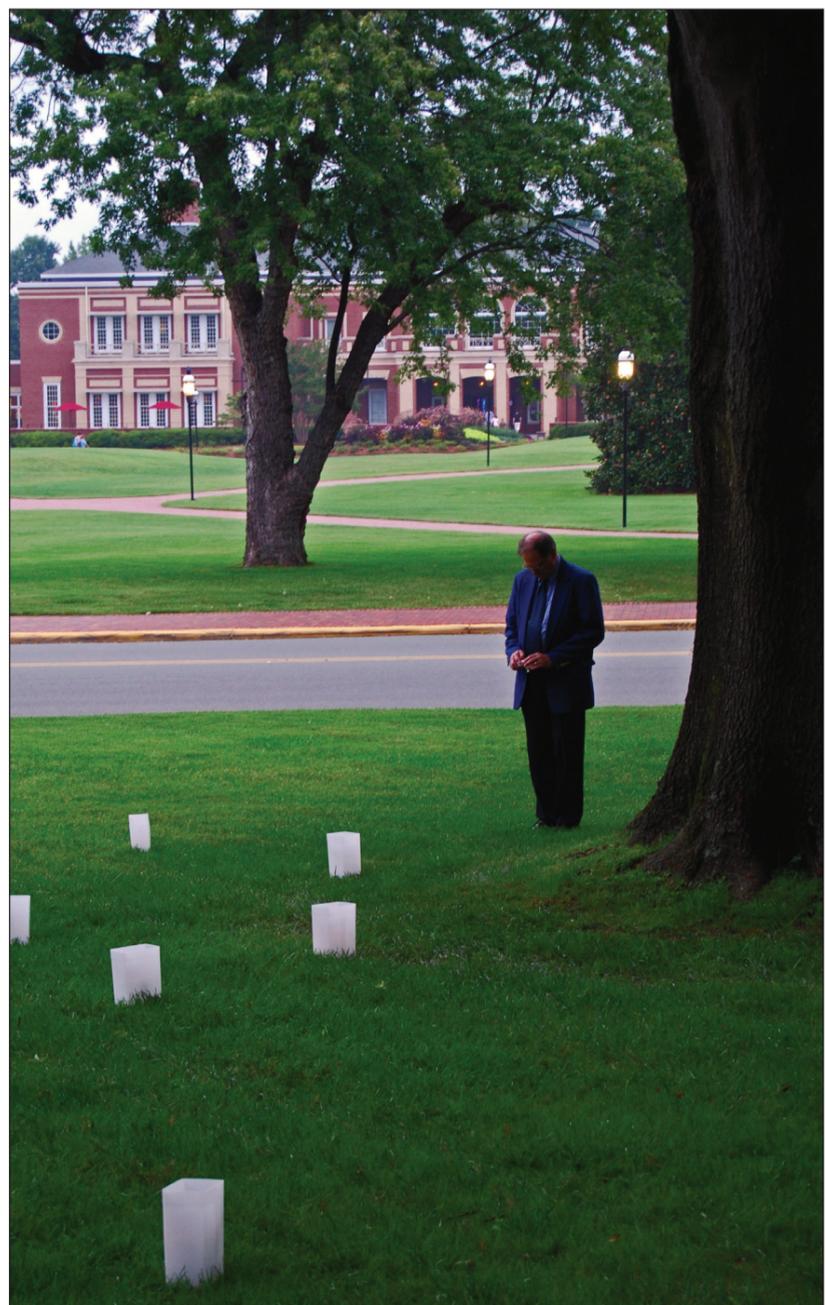
The community reflected on Sept. 11, 2001, when students, faculty and staff were gathered at College Coffee to celebrate the opening of Rhodes Stadium when the tragic news broke.

To hear portions of the Chaplain Richard McBride's prayer, see student reflections or leave feedback, please visit: [www.elon.edu/pendulum](http://www.elon.edu/pendulum).



ANDREW DODD | Photographer

Junior Jordan Frederick and sophomore Class President Justin Peterson join the Chaplain Richard McBride watch campus police officer Preston Moore lower the American flag.



ANDREW DODD | Photographer

The Chaplain Richard McBride stands in silence as he remembers those lost on Sept. 11.

# All eyes on Alamance County for ongoing immigration debate

Olivia Hubert-Allen  
Editor-in-Chief

A controversial immigration program has propelled Alamance County into the center of a nationwide debate on immigration reform. The program, called 287(g) after the code of federal law, grants county sheriff offices the right to pass arrested people on to federal immigration officials after their criminal cases are resolved.

Alamance County is one of seven counties out of the 100 in North Carolina that have implemented a 287(g) program, which grants officers access to a federal immigration database. Since many other counties across the nation are considering adding the program, the success of Alamance County is being closely watched.

A dark shadow was cast on the program after several stories emerged earlier this year.

One story chronicles a Graham Public Library worker who was using a dead person's social security number. She was brought to America illegally when she was 3 years old and her immigration status became an issue when her name popped up in county health records. She is currently going through the deportation process, but her American-born children are not.

"That's taking 287(g) in a direction that certainly wasn't intended when it was embraced by our community leaders," said Thomas Arcaro, professor of sociology, who has been following the program. "The rhetoric was that the program was not going to go looking for people, but if they fell in our lap then we would do something about that. Now, it's taken on a different twist."

Another incident in July involved a Hispanic woman who identified herself as Maria Chavira Ventura. She was arrested after driving with expired tags, no proof of insurance and no identification. After she was arrested and taken to jail, her three children were left unattended in her car for eight hours before their father came and picked them up.

Activists say that these cases will intimidate foreigners from reporting crimes or seeking medical help.

"Our primary concern is that people are being vandalized," said Jose Alegria-Ortega, a spokesperson for a group of citizens with concerns about 287(g). "Their cars and homes are being broken into, but they are not reporting those incidents to the police because they don't want to call any attention to themselves if they are here undocumented."

But Randy Jones, public information officer of the Alamance County sheriff's office, says that officers only check the immigration status of people who are arrested for committing crimes.

"People shouldn't have any concerns," he said. "We have victims come in here all the time and we don't ask what their status is. We're not concerned. We're their advocate at that point."

The sheriff's office stands by the program as being the most effective way to deal with illegal immigration on a local level. It says that the number of Hispanic people who have been screened is proportionate to the population.

"I think it ought to be everywhere," Jones said. "We've uncovered a number of individuals who were in status of 'wanted,' or who were previously deported aggravated felons."

Opponents of the program say that it encourages racial profiling.

"I think that many people are being profiled by their ethnicity," Alegria-Ortega said. "They are being pulled over and don't have a license to drive, but they are being detained, taken to jail and deported."

"When Sheriff Johnson started this he said, 'I'm not just going after ordinary folks. I'm going after people who are drug dealers and violent criminals,'" the Rev. McBride said. "It hasn't turned out that way. Folks without a fishing license are being arrested."

Jones insists that everyone who is arrested is screened and that racial profiling is not happening in the county.

"Everyone is generically screened through the database when they come in," he said. "There are no road blocks, no people going out door-to-door. These 287(g) officers don't have field authority."

Alegria-Ortega and his group would like to see a committee established to monitor the success of the 287(g) program, and to set up a complaint department. At a recent county commissioner meeting, he spoke in favor of finding a group to oversee the program.

Another reason the program has been criticized is because the money used to support the 287(g) program comes from state and local governments.

In Wake County, the program took \$600,000 to start up, and will require another \$500,000 in support each year.

Although Alamance County has experienced these community and financial concerns, many counties in North Carolina are looking to add the 287(g) program.

## Elon Law on its way to accreditation

The school is on track to receive full accreditation in 2010, after it was recently granted provisional accreditation

Keegan Calligan  
Reporter

The American Bar Association (ABA) recently granted the Elon University School of Law provisional accreditation, which will allow graduates to take the bar exam anywhere in the country.

The School of Law, which opened in 2006 and is located in downtown Greensboro, gained provisional approval at the Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar meeting, held in Seattle in early June.

According to the ABA's Web site, "A law school shall be granted provisional approval only if it establishes that it is in substantial compliance with each of the standards and presents a reliable plan for bringing the law school into full compliance with the standards within three years after receiving provisional approval."

According to George Johnson, interim dean, Elon is eligible to seek full approval in 2010.

Students who graduate before 2010 will still be eligible to take the bar exam anywhere in the United States, as ABA rules stipulate.

The ABA's Web site says that students who graduate from provisionally approved law schools are allowed the same privileges as students who graduate from fully approved schools.

Johnson said that while enrollment is not likely to increase as a result of accreditation, the applicant pool probably will.

"There probably is a significant number of prospective law students who consider only ABA-approved schools when they are applying to law schools," Johnson said. "We, therefore, are likely to see more applicants seeking admission to Elon. That clearly is one of the benefits of gaining the approval."

During the 2006 and 2007 academic years, Elon Law enrolled 115 and 107 students, respectively.

According to Johnson, the school must continue to take steps in order to be granted full approval in the future.

"With our provisional approval, we undergo an annual site visit until we gain full approval," Johnson said. "So we will continue to do what we have been doing, only more so — attracting additional great faculty, recruiting strong and talented students and offering a program of legal education that makes a special contribution to the profession and to society."

In the meantime, Elon Law has other goals to look forward to.

"The next major step for the law school is the graduation of our charter class in May 2009," Johnson said. "That is a significant milestone we all look forward to. With that milestone, our graduates take the bar examination and begin to make their professional contributions to the world."

Elon Law is one of 200 accredited law schools. Ten others are provisionally approved, as well. Those schools are: Charleston School of Law, Charlotte School of Law, Drexel University College of Law, Faulkner University Thomas Goode Jones School of Law, Florida A&M University College of Law, University of LaVerne College of Law, Liberty University School of Law, John Marshall Law School, Phoenix School of Law and Western State University College of Law.

### Law professors mark the latest bloggers

The Elon University School of Law recently started a blog called "Center for Engaged Learning in Law." It aims to "contribute to the discourse on teaching and learning in law, from the inspirational to the whimsical, to the mechanical. It includes the varying

perspectives of teachers, administrators, learners and practitioners," according to the Web site.

The blog includes advice from different professors, including Barbara Glesner Fines, Steven Friedland, Gerald Hess, Kerri Sigler and Michael Schwartz.

See what they have to say at: <http://idd.elon.edu/blogs/law/index.php>.

### NEWS IN BRIEF

#### Elon debuts sustainability Web site

Elon University has launched a new Web site devoted to sustainability. The site provides the campus community with information about raising environmental awareness and sustainable practices and programs at Elon. The site also gives examples of how Elon is "going green" and provides information about student groups that address sustainability issues. The Web site is: <http://org.elon.edu/sustainability/ci.html>.

#### Deadline nears for spring study abroad program

Students interested in studying in Florence, Italy during spring 2009 have less than two weeks to apply. The deadline is Sept. 22. Sophomores, juniors and seniors are eligible for the program, which takes place in Elon's newest international location. Students who participate in the Florence program will take several courses, including art history, Italian and contemporary Italian history. Applications are available through the Isabella Cannon Centre for International Studies.

#### Elon groups host international organization

OneVoice, an international organization promoting peace between Israelis and Palestinians, is coming to Elon on Sept. 19. Members of the organization will speak about possible solutions to the conflict at 1 p.m. in Yeager Recital Hall. The event is sponsored by Hillel, The Truitt Center for Religious and Spiritual Life and Students for Peace and Justice.

#### Political group helps students receive absentee ballots

If you are registered to vote in another state, Elon's chapter of the National Campaign for Political & Civic Engagement will mail an absentee ballot to your campus box. To receive one, send an e-mail to [polengage@elon.edu](mailto:polengage@elon.edu) with your name, campus box, state in which you are registered to vote and cell phone number. If you are not registered to vote, send an e-mail to the same address for information.

#### Pet adoption fair

The Humane Society of Alamance County will hold pet adoption fairs every third Saturday, beginning Sept. 20. The fairs will be held at Burlington Outlet Village (Exit 145 off I-85/40) in the Hanes Mill Outlet building from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, call (336) 438-2023 or visit [www.hsaonline.org](http://www.hsaonline.org).

#### Elon Poll welcomes walk-ins

The first poll of the semester will be held 5 to 9 p.m. Sept. 17 and 18.

Students should show up at 4:50 p.m. to be eligible to work. Workers make \$7.90 an hour and receive a pizza dinner. They will also be paid while they are trained during their shift. No experience required.

For more information contact Hunter Bacot at [elonpoll@elon.edu](mailto:elonpoll@elon.edu).

#### Screening of Invisible Children documentary postponed

"The Invisible Children: Rough Cut" documentary, originally scheduled for Sept. 11, will be shown on Oct. 30 in the LaRose Digital Theater.

#### Blood drive scheduled near Elon

From 3 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 30 there will be a blood drive at the Burlington Outlet Village. To schedule your lifesaving appointment, e-mail Susan Holland at [sh@bioallies.com](mailto:sh@bioallies.com).

# Hurricane Ike hits Texas and moves inland, kills 32

**Bethany Swanson**  
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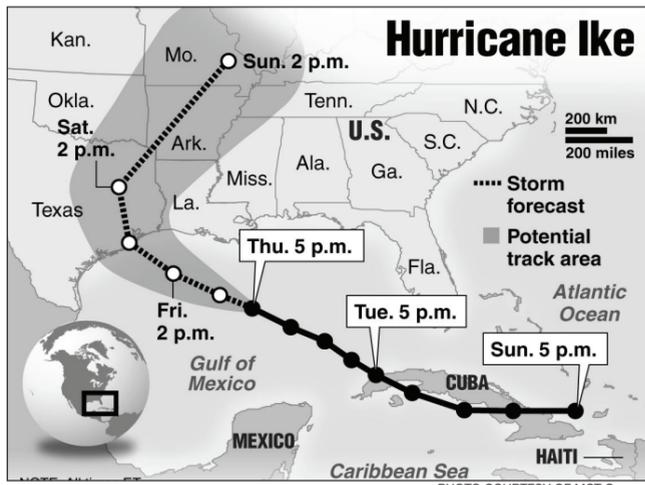
The third in a series of high-powered storms over the past few weeks, Hurricane Ike made landfall Saturday, Sept. 13 at 2 a.m. over Galveston, Texas. It then traveled inland and north leaving a line of destruction and 32 people dead from Texas to Indiana.

Deaths from the storm have been reported in Louisiana, Texas, Arkansas, Indiana, Missouri and Ohio.

Officials in Texas estimate damage in the inland city of Galveston at up to \$18 billion dollars. Since Saturday, more than 2,000 storm victims have been rescued in nearly 500 search-and-rescue missions, according to the International Daily Newswire.

On Saturday, President Bush declared a major disaster in 29 counties in Texas.

On Sunday night, officials in Houston implemented a week-long curfew from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. because of widespread debris and power outages, according to CNN.com. Officials in Houston said federal supplies of food and water would be available



Hurricane Ike made landfall in Texas early Saturday morning and left 32 people dead during its destructive course inland.

on Monday.

Residents as far north as Cleveland reported power outages. They have been told the electricity may not be fixed until Friday. Chicago authorities have asked Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich to issue a disaster declaration after rainfall Saturday broke a single-day record that stood for more than two decades, according to CNN.com.

The Red Cross has established a Safe and Well List for residents to post their name and a wellness status message so family members can check in on their well-being. The Red Cross is also accepting donations to benefit U.S. and Caribbean victims.

The Kernodle Center for Service Learning is asking that students wishing to get involved in the relief effort

donate through the American Red Cross. Many students have already approached the Kernodle Center about the possibility of getting involved, Assistant Dean of Students Jeff Stein said.

"We're currently in the process of investigating what the options are and how we can best serve the communities affected by Hurricane Ike," said Mary Morrison, director of the Kernodle Center. "We haven't set up collection drives yet because of the expense of shipping materials. It's not clear yet what kind of help they really need, and the Red Cross is really coordinating the disaster relief right now."

Bay St. Louis, Miss., where Elon has forged a long-term relationship for rebuilding efforts after Hurricane Katrina in 2005, reported that it did not have catastrophic damage after Hurricane Gustav came through the Gulf Region two weeks ago. Elon has been sending teams of students to Mississippi to help the coastal town during school breaks for the past three years.

Students have expressed interest in sending teams to

the regions affected by Ike, namely the coastal areas of Texas the most impacted, but the service learning center is still working on identifying a specific location and whether trips could be possible.

"We have to be careful about how we do it, and that if we do it, we do it well," Stein said.

In addition, service crews and other volunteers are beings asked to wait to come into the area until the situation has been better appraised.

"People are being asked to hold off sending volunteers to the area until things are better organized and until systems are in place to make the situation safe for volunteers," Morrison said. "But we're working on the possibility of organizing trips, but not until Winter Term or Spring Break."

If you'd like to make a donation to the American Red Cross, please visit [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org). The Kernodle Center will be offering more information about service trips and ways to get involved with relief efforts as more information is made available to them.

## Holland House to jump the tracks next summer

**Andie Diemer**  
News Editor

He counted the number of times on his fingers. "One, two, three, four, five, six," sociology professor Tom Arcaro said. In his 22 years at Elon, Arcaro has moved offices six times. But that number is about to climb to seven, when his current space in the Holland House is physically picked up and moved next to Johnston Hall on South Campus next summer.

"We knew all along it was moving when we started building the Academic Pavilions," Arcaro said. "[Holland House] is in the footprint of the final building."

Though there had been speculation for years, the news only officially broke last week.

Brad Moore, assistant director of construction management, said moving the building will provide additional office space on that part of campus and open up the view into the Academic Village from Haggard Avenue.

"A general contractor will work closely with a house mover and the railroad to move it from one site to the other," he said.

While all of the plans are tentative and will not be finalized until the spring, Moore said there is currently no development plans for the existing site.

Currently, the Periclean Scholars department, leisure and sports management department, faculty and staff lounge and a few administrators from the admissions department are housed there.

Associate Provost Nancy Midgette, who is responsible for assigning departments and individuals to their buildings and offices, said she does not know where any of the current departments of Holland House will move to once the house is gone.

"The admissions piece will



Senior Amanda Gross relaxes in front of Holland House before heading to her next class. The sociology building used to be to the right of the building before it was moved to accommodate the William Henry Belk Pavilion, which is currently there.

be moving into the Powell Building," she said. "I don't know exactly where we're going to move the others. I'm going to do my best to have it sorted out before the truck gets here to move the house."

The new location will serve as offices for the Alumni Relations team and the Alumni Center, Director of Alumni Relations Sallie Hutton said.

Moore said the move will also allow University Advancement to expand within Johnston Hall.

Because of department changes, the need for more or different space and new buildings being built, there is a constant shuffle around campus, Arcaro said.

"By their nature, college campuses are dynamic, living things," Arcaro said. "Change is going to happen and you have to have trust in the people that steward the institution to make the right decision on how the growth and change occurs."

But the entire house won't make the trip.

"The back half is not going," Arcaro said. "No more than half of the footprint that sits here now will be the footprint when it gets on the

other side of campus. That's partially because it would be bloody impossible to move the whole thing."

The house, which once served as the president's personal home, has experienced several additions since first being constructed. To ditch part of the house and go back to its original form is as logical a move as anything else, Arcaro said.

Arcaro said he had neutral feelings about the move since the change that usually happens at Elon has historically been for the better.

The McMichael Science Building now sits where a large Victorian house was knocked down.

"We had a lot of mashing of the teeth when it was being torn down," he said.

But at the end of the day, no one will argue that McMichael is in the wrong place, Arcaro said.

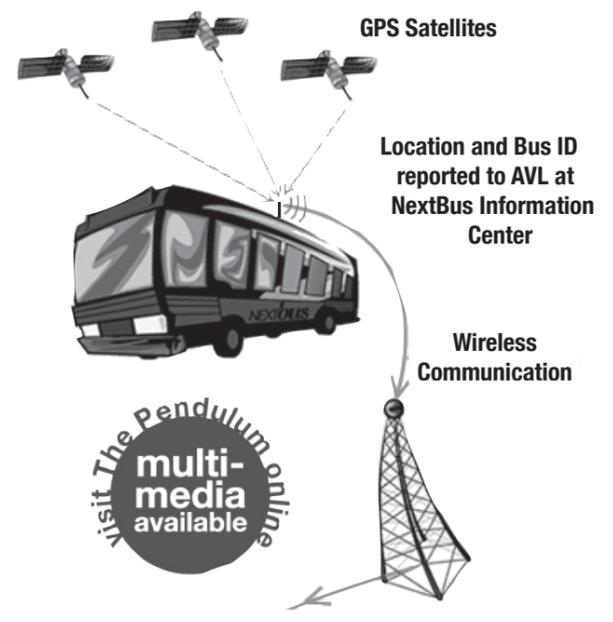
"Certainly the history that goes into this house is worth preserving by moving it," Arcaro said. "The institution of higher education is an organic entity that moves and changes and that's the natural way of things."

### Nextbus a hit with students

Students now have a high-tech way to keep track of Elon transportation.

Instead of anxiously awaiting the arrival of a bus, students can now call a phone number or log on to a Web site, which lists arrival times for any of Elon's bus stops.

The new GPS system is present in all of Elon's BioBuses. To hear how Elon students, faculty, and staff feel about the new system, log on to <http://www.elon.edu/pendulum>



### Piatt named advancement vice president

**Caroline Fox**  
Graphics editor

The Elon administration announced last Wednesday that James B. Piatt Jr. will take the position of vice president for university advancement.

Piatt was the former associate director of development at Stanford University Law School, then the development director in the College of Letters and Science at the University of California, Berkeley.

Piatt currently works at Mount Union College in Alliance, Ohio, where he has helped the school build a \$144 million endowment and developed a young alumni program.

Piatt will replace Nan



James Piatt replaces Nan Perkins as vice president for university advancement.

Perkins, former vice president for university advancement, who announced her retirement last spring.

## Elon looks to net \$100 million through Ever Elon endowment campaign

Rachel Cieri  
Reporter

This year the Office of University Advancement will kick off a new stage of the Ever Elon campaign to build university endowment.

Compared to other universities of similar size and caliber, Elon has a relatively low endowment of \$82 million. Davidson College, for example, has more than four times Elon's endowment.

Elon aims to raise \$100 million through the Ever Elon campaign.

According to Chuck Davis, associate vice president of university advancement, Elon is well on its way to meeting this goal. The university already has nearly \$54 million in commitments for the campaign. Around \$20 million is expected to come in the form of annual giving.

The funds gained through Ever Elon will be put toward student scholarships, faculty and staff recruitment, undergraduate research and campus energy conservation, Davis said.

The university would also like to make study abroad opportunities available to every student and, accordingly, the endowment will also be used to fund need-based study abroad scholarships.

In addition, the university will be using a portion of the funds to build and endow new facilities. The Lindner building, which is currently under construction, has a \$6 million construction budget and a \$1 million endowment.

Davis said some of the money might go toward building new athletic facilities near Rhodes Stadium, as well as an interfaith center.

Endowing buildings on campus will help to cover costs for future maintenance.

"Elon has a zero-deferred maintenance policy," Davis said. "That means if the paint is peeling on Alamance, it gets fixed right away."

Newly endowed buildings may be renamed after the donor as a show of gratitude.

Several events, including a black-tie gala, will officially begin the Ever Elon campaign on Oct. 11.

To learn more, visit: [www.elon.edu/e-web/administration/2008\\_09\\_institutionalpriorities.xhtml](http://www.elon.edu/e-web/administration/2008_09_institutionalpriorities.xhtml).

### University goals for Ever Elon

#### Increase annual giving:

- \$1.8 million for unrestricted annual giving
- \$774,000 for Phoenix Club
- \$500,000 for School of Law scholarship fund

#### Launch public phase of Ever Elon campaign:

- Host successful kickoff on Oct. 11
- Produce web, video and print materials
- Plan and implement series of regional campaign launch events

## Serving up local flavors



DAVID WELLS | Photo Editor

ARAMARK employee Juanita Jackson prepares a dish in Pan Geos.

## Students encouraged to print out game-day tickets

A new online ticketing system allows students to avoid lines by reserving their tickets online

Rebecca Dotson  
Reporter

Elon students accustomed to waiting in line at Rhodes Stadium to gain admission to the football games are in for a treat. All students can now choose to print their own tickets from Elon's athletics Web site.

The process is user-friendly and less of a hassle than rushing to the ticket office five minutes before it closes, hoping to get a seat, Michael Jacobs, director of athletics ticket operation, said.

Jacobs also said the program was created because of the high demand for tickets.

A link under the athletics Web page allows students to log in using their Elon e-mail username and password. Once a ticket has been reserved, the user can then print it.

This method will be used at all home football, women's and men's soccer and men's basketball games throughout the year.

Tickets can be printed from any location any time after 8 a.m. the Monday before a home game.

"A secondary benefit is the ability for us to track usage and reward our fans who support us the most," Jacobs said. "When we have a big contest where our demand is going to exceed supply, we can install a lottery that will run for that game. The number of

points you have accumulated, one per game, equals the number of times your name is entered into the lottery."

The lottery system may later be used to give out prizes, based on who has the most points.

Since Elon is focused on sustainability, two blue recycling bins inside the gates will collect the tickets after admission, Jacobs said.

Since tickets only take up part of the page, the rest will be used for flyers and athletic information.

If a ticket is forgotten, the user can log back in to Elon's athletics page, click on a link that says "Your Ticket" and reprint it. While the ticket can be printed as many times as necessary, it will only be valid for entry once.

If a student fails to print his or her ticket, there will be limited availability of tickets at the student entrance.

Electronic ticketing also helps the administration prepare for specific games, such as Richmond or Appalachian State.

Jacobs said knowing how many tickets have been printed makes it easier to have extra seats in the student section sold to the public.

"It is a great problem to have, where our tickets are in such demand that we have to plan ahead and implement a system like this," he said. "It is a credit to our athletic programs that

we are reaching levels where students can no longer walk up and get a ticket during the game."

### How to get tickets:

1. Go to [www.elonphoenix.com](http://www.elonphoenix.com)
2. Click the 'Tickets' link
3. Click on 'Student Tickets'
4. Log in with Elon e-mail username and password
5. Click 'Request/Claim Ticket'
6. Choose which game to attend (Tickets aren't available until after 8 a.m. the Monday before the game)
7. Print out ticket and bring it to the game

By serving locally-grown foods, Elon can play a part in improving the local economy, environment

Kevin Kline  
Reporter

Before crunching into a bite of that salad, how many students wonder where those vegetables came from? According to the non-profit organization [foodroutes.org](http://foodroutes.org), most foods travel more than 1,300 miles before reaching your fork.

But at Elon, ARAMARK is trying to make that trip a little shorter. Ryan Moore, an ARAMARK employee, said more and more food served at the university is grown locally.

"Twenty to 28 percent of produce is local: from Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina," Moore said. "[We try to] play seasons as much as we can."

Locally grown foods have several advantages over other products, he said.

Elaine Durr, Elon's sustainability coordinator, said local foods help improve the local economy. Plus, because it travels a shorter distance, the food uses less fuel for transportation and is fresher.

Fruits and vegetables from other parts of the country can travel for a week or two before reaching

supermarkets, Foodroutes.org said. Local foods, on the other hand, are usually sold within 24 hours of being put on the market.

"It's all about availability," Moore said, even though it may be difficult to increase the amount of local produce here. "We're looking to expand. We're pulling in anything we can get."

Seasons are a major factor in buying local foods, since some simply aren't available during off seasons, he said. When this happens, the school has to buy from farmers farther away.

When fruits and vegetables are in season, local foods can be much less expensive.

"[ARAMARK] provides local foods at the request of the students," Durr said.

She said students and the university want more local and organic foods on campus, especially since the Elon sustainability master plan calls for food items such as herbs to be grown on campus.

As the Elon sustainability plan continues to unfold, it's possible that Moseley's next stir-fry could have some veggies from down the road and some basil grown right outside the dining hall.

## Fireworks and the Phoenix dazzle crowd



LINDSAY FENDT | Assistant Photo Editor

Ten minutes after the conclusion of the Elon-Presbyterian game Saturday night at Rhodes Stadium, all the lights in the vicinity were shut off in preparation for a fireworks display. Colorful fireworks rocked the audience for about 20 minutes immediately after the Elon football team dazzled the same audience with an extraordinary showing of both its offense and defense. The Phoenix offense erupted for 667 yards, surpassing the previous mark of 633 yards set on Nov. 12, 1983 against Bowie State University.

## Lighthouse reopens doors after months of rumors and speculation

LIGHTHOUSE from PAGE 1



LINDSAY FENDT | Assistant Photo Editor

Between 400 and 500 students showed up to the grand reopening of Lighthouse Tavern Friday. The bands Three Day Weekend and Anonymous kicked off the celebration.

The first band to play was a student band called Three Day Weekend, who played covers of old favorites by Pearl Jam, O.A.R., Bob Marley and Sublime.

While the audience enjoyed the opening band, there was no mistaking the crowd's excitement when the local band, Anonymous, which used to play at Lighthouse on a regular basis, took the stage.

"LIGHTHOUSE! LIGHTHOUSE! LIGHTHOUSE!"

Anonymous's lead singer waved his hands in the air like a conductor, leading the crowd in the chants.

The audience went wild and, after an introduction, the band began its set.

"I thought they did awesome," senior Bennett Hart said. "It was definitely a good night."

Bartender and Elon senior Tim Graham said that the night was largely successful.

"It was a lot of fun in that the crowd was really into it and the show was really good," he said. "It was neat to see people come out really early right when it opened and stay around the whole night. It felt like the old Lighthouse and we didn't get a lot of complaints."

The drinks were flying off the shelves, the music was blaring, people were dancing and then, all of a

sudden...

Splash.

Due to kinks in the plumbing system, water crept out of the bathrooms and seeped across the dance floor.

Before long, there was a quickly deepening pool of water covering the floor.

Graham said that some problems on opening night were inevitable.

"As far as interest and turnout, it met our expectations," Graham said. "But the issues like how loud the music was and the plumbing were kinks we needed to work out but couldn't until opening."

Even the water didn't extinguish the optimism that many students had about the bar's future.

"Oh, I will definitely come back," Johnson said. "This is Lighthouse. I have been waiting for this for a while."

Graham estimated between 400 and 500 people came to Lighthouse throughout the night.

Not everyone was there at once, because the building capacity is 290.

The money made from cover charges (\$5 for students under 21 and \$3 for students over 21) will go back to the university's general funds to help alleviate the costs of renovations.

## Wall Street crisis could have far-reaching, long-lasting impact

Kevin G. Hall  
McClatchy Newspapers

WASHINGTON — Wall Street was shaken to its foundations Monday after a series of historic events that included the bankruptcy of a major investment bank, the hastily arranged sale of another and the near collapse of one of the most iconic of blue-chip companies.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average closed down 504 points, or 4.4 percent, to 10,917.51, its lowest close in two years and its steepest one-day decline in seven years. The S&P 500 fell by 4.7 percent and the technology-heavy Nasdaq was down 3.6 percent.

The colossal market drop came on an unprecedented day that featured Wall Street mainstay Lehman Brothers filing for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection and the sudden, breathtaking sale of investment bank Merrill Lynch to Bank of America for \$50 billion.

If those events weren't enough, one of the nation's most important insurance and financial services companies, American International Group, teetered on the verge of collapse as investors bailed out and its shares lost more than 60 percent of their value in a single day.

AIG, one of the 30 blue-chip component stocks of the Dow Jones Industrial Average, is far larger than the investment banks that have failed or have been sold.

At the center of the storm is a widening credit crunch that's causing lending of virtually any kind to seize

up. Without lending, the economy faces peril.

"There's nothing like this in the postwar period," said Lyle Gramley, a veteran markets watcher who was a Federal Reserve governor during a turbulent period, from 1980 to 1985. "We aren't going into the Great Depression, no question about that. But we could get into a recession that accumulates if things don't get better in financial markets. I think we have to worry a lot that this may be the turning point that puts this economy into a very significant recession."

Wall Street fretted that AIG could be the next shoe to drop.

Late Monday, the Treasury Department and Federal Reserve rejected a request from AIG for an emergency loan and instead were pushing Goldman Sachs and J.P. Morgan Chase to create a private-sector emergency lending facility valued at least \$70 billion to help AIG stay afloat while it tries to shed valuable assets to raise capital and remain solvent.

AIG's problems underscore why Wall Street is in a state of near panic. AIG isn't insolvent; it's already raised \$20 billion this year to shore up its balance sheets.

But its falling stock is forcing it to sell assets such as its aircraft-leasing business and to plead for investment from private equity companies.

It needs to raise about \$40 billion in new capital but it can't borrow because of the credit crunch.

Absent more capital, ratings agencies could downgrade its credit, requiring even more capital to stay afloat.

"It's a perverse situation," Bill Gross, the chief investment officer of Pacific Investment Management Co., the world's largest bond fund, said on CNBC.

If AIG fails, it poses unique problems for financial markets because not only is it a conventional insurance company but it's also a big player in a complex parallel market called credit default swaps.

That's where Wall Street companies take out a form of market insurance against the risks of bond default. This unregulated market was estimated in June 2007 to have a notional value of \$42 trillion.

"The market is opaque, and it is opaque by design," said Howard Simons, the president of the economic research firm Rosewood Trading in Glenview, Ill., noting that there's no exchange or clearinghouse for unwinding these swaps if a big player goes bust. "It's going to come back and bite everybody, because now you are in an information vacuum."

Wall Street has suffered this kind of financial turbulence only a few times before, most notably during the Great Depression.

Fed. Chairman Ben Bernanke is one of the world's leading scholars on the Depression, and he's putting that knowledge to use as he tries to avoid a complete collapse of the global financial sector.

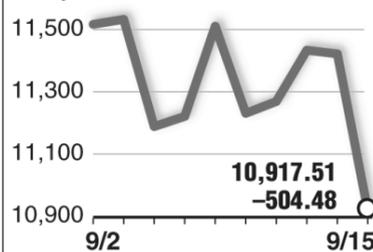
On Sunday, he broadened the collateral the Fed is willing to take as it makes emergency lending to investment and commercial banks to keep them solvent.

### Stocks get shellacked

Stocks fell sharply Monday as U.S. investment banks faltered.

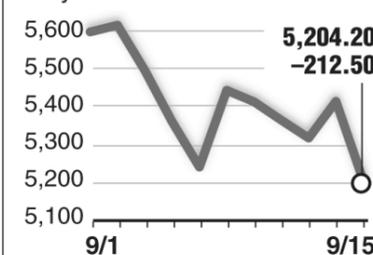
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Stocks fell sharply Monday as the U.S. financial crisis worsened.

## Moffett urges audience to live for stories

Kate Austin  
Reporter

If your dream is to be a journalist, don't major in it. If you want to be a photographer, don't major in it. These professions are all about the stories — study where the stories are. This is the advice given to Elon University students, faculty, guests and all who attended the first Liberal Arts Forum event of the semester.

"An Engaging Look at Nature and Why It's Worth Protecting," a presentation by photojournalist Mark Moffett, didn't focus exactly on the title of the lecture. Rather, through explaining stories and the biological information behind his vivid photography, Moffett focused on how to be a successful journalist.

Moffett, who has a background in biology, has produced over 500 images appearing in National Geographic magazine.

"I'm not interested in photography, I'm interested in the story," he said.

He urged the audience to major in the stories that they want to tell people because infinite numbers of people take pictures.

"Life is about telling stories," he said. "For me, biology is one of the greatest stories out there."

Adventures that many people will never encounter are innumerable in Moffett's story. He has climbed and camped in redwood trees over 350 feet tall, all to learn more about a creature in nature.

For him it is more than a passion, it is true love.

"True love involves taking risks," Moffett said. "You take risks that are meaningful to you because of the stories."

Moffett's idea is to make people fall in love with the unexpected.

"Find something that no one's seen before. That's where the story is," he said.

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## Elon Board of Aldermen accepts pedestrian sidewalk, lighting plan for consideration

Alyse Knorr  
Design Editor

A proposed plan to create new sidewalks, bike paths and lighting around the town of Elon can now move forward with the blessing of the Elon Board of Aldermen.

The board voted unanimously at its Sept. 9 meeting to accept the Bicycle, Pedestrian and Lighting Plan for consideration.

The board heard a presentation of the plan by Jesse Day, regional planner for the Piedmont Triad Council of Governments, at its monthly agenda meeting on Monday, Sept. 1. The proposed plan calls for completion of a system of lighting, pedestrian paths and bike paths by 2030.

With the Board of Aldermen's approval granted, the proposal will now move into the budgetary process.

"They've basically given us a roadmap," Alderman Ron Klepcyk said. "It's up to the town now to evaluate that."

Specific goals of the proposed plan include wider sidewalks, more

adequate lighting in pedestrian areas, separate bike lanes on major roads and bike paths connecting Elon to Burlington and other areas.

Mayor Jerry Tolley said a major perk of the plan is that the bill won't be left for the town alone to pay: The town of Elon will pay 40 percent of the \$2 million tab, Elon University will pay another 40 percent and the Twin Lakes Retirement Community will pay the remaining 20 percent.

Elon University's current construction of new sidewalks along West Haggard Avenue marks the beginning of a long series of pedestrian-oriented projects, Elon Town Planner Sean Tencer said.

At the Sept. 11 meeting, budget committee members discussed the next steps of the plan. Tencer said he expects to see additional construction starting during the next six months.

Tolley said the pedestrian plan will be phased in slowly, as budget decisions are made on a project-by-project basis.

Discussion about the location of a

future public library continued at the Sept. 9 meeting as well.

The board, which has approved the construction of a new 15,000-square-foot library, is debating between two possible locations: One in Beth Schmidt Park on Cook Road and the other at Comer Field, also known as Firehouse Field, across from the fire station on Williamson Avenue.

The biggest attraction about the Beth Schmidt location, Tolley said, is it is so close to the park, and would appeal to families in particular. The pull of the Comer Field location, on the other hand, is it's in the center of town.

At the Sept. 11 meeting, Alderman Jo Grimley read a prepared statement in support for the Beth Schmidt location explaining why she thought the park site would serve the community best.

Grimley noted that a large number of town center residents, who would most benefit from the Comer Field location, are Elon University students who already have access to the school's Belk Library.

## Administration searching for new provost

Whitney Bossie  
News Editor

At the end of this academic year, current Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Gerald Francis will move to the position of executive vice president. Francis has been in his current position since 1994. The university is relying on a committee comprised of faculty, staff and students to find his replacement.

Tom Henricks, professor of sociology, and Paul Parsons, dean of the School of Communications, are co-chairs of the Provost Search Committee. Last week, the committee hosted three faculty/staff forums to develop a better understanding of the expectations for the new provost.

"About 75 faculty and staff participated," Parsons said. "They outlined what they consider the university's strengths and challenges, what they expect of a new provost in building on the strengths and

addressing the challenges and what characteristics they seek in the next provost."

The university has placed a large emphasis on the search for the new provost, as he or she will take on an integral role at Elon. According to the Web site for the Office of the Provost, the provost oversees academic affairs, admissions and financial planning, student life, intercollegiate athletics, institutional research, sponsored programs and cultural affairs. The provost also serves as assistant secretary and assistant treasurer of the Board of Trustees.

In addition to the creation of the search committee, the university has enlisted a search consultant firm, Witt/Kieffer. Lucy Leske, the firm's vice president, met with the committee last Wednesday. Leske also had lunch with several students (including SGA President Chase Rumley and senior class President Danielle Durst) to get a student

perspective on the university's needs.

Breanna Detwiler, who is a student and member of the search committee, also had lunch with Leske.

"Elon is a very student-centered university, which is wonderful, and with that I think they recognize that student voices are necessary in major decisions that affect students, such as administration positions," Detwiler said.

Detwiler added that it's important for the committee to understand what the entire Elon community wants from the new provost. She said she's surprised by the amount of time it takes to properly consider the needs of the university.

"We want to be very clear what we're searching for," she said.

While the forums helped to establish a more comprehensive profile of expectations for a new provost, the search is far from over. A definite timetable has not yet been determined.

## Elon introduces semester abroad in Florence

Rebecca Dotson  
Reporter

After two years of preparation, Elon's Florence, Italy study abroad program kicked off this fall. Florence was chosen as a prime location for a study abroad program because of the high enrollment in its affiliate program in Perugia, Larry Basirico, dean of international programs, said.

Basirico said Italy is one of the most popular destinations for study abroad. In the past, Elon students interested in semester programs in Italy (in locations other than Perugia) have had to enroll in affiliate programs hosted by other schools or institutions. This led Elon to expand its international presence to Florence, the birthplace of the Italian Renaissance.

The courses offered are: Italian language, art history, contemporary Italian history, European economies in the age of globalization and a GST seminar. Italian faculty members teach all courses, with the exception of the GST seminar — an Elon professor teaches that course.

Kirstin Ringelberg, an associate professor of art, will travel to Florence with Elon students next semester. Ringelberg said teaching a GST course will be a new experience for her.

"This results in a funny situation for me; as an art historian, I will be teaching a GST interdisciplinary

course while someone else teaches the art history course," Ringelberg said. "But as upper-level GST courses must be taught by Elon faculty. It gives me an opportunity to stretch myself."

Ringelberg added that new experiences are an integral part of any study abroad program.

"Part of the pleasure of spending a semester in Florence is that you can take that semester to learn what you don't already know, rather than just reinforce already gained knowledge," she said. "So there will be professors there to help you learn why the Medici Palace was built the way it was and how to ask about it in Italian."

This spring, the GST seminar will focus on gender and sexuality in Renaissance Florence.

"I wanted to make good use of the materials that are readily available for study in Florence, but look at them from a perspective that might be different from that of other courses the students may have had on the period," Ringelberg said.

Students participating in the Florence program also have the opportunity to take specialized courses, such as private art studio and music instruction. Those courses are available for an additional fee.

All classes are held at the Accademia Europea de Firenze, which has recently undergone extensive renovation and expansion.

"We've gone to great lengths to

ensure that this program is at its highest academic quality," Basirico said.

Elon's apartments are located in a small neighborhood about 15 minutes from the school in a quiet section of the city. Basirico said living in a neighborhood with Italian families will enrich the Italian cultural experience. Ringelberg added that the area is ideal for art historical study.

"Florence has retained or rebuilt many of its historical buildings, so it is easier to reconnect with other time periods just by walking through the city," Ringelberg said.

Currently, only 10 of the 40 spots have been filled for the spring semester, so the university has extended its deadline for application until Sept. 22.

"We want Elon students to study abroad," Ringelberg said. "I think the semester experience is so unique and can be so life-changing that it really is an important part of one's education. When you study abroad for a semester, you get the opportunity to move further away from the more traditional experiences of tourism and closer to a sense of what life in that place is like for the people who live there year-round."

A minimum GPA of 2.5 is required to apply, as well as a sophomore, junior or senior standing. The spring program will follow a schedule similar to Elon's, beginning in late January and ending in May.

### Programs still open:

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- China:** The Flying Dragon
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#### Spring 2009:

- San José, Costa Rica
- Florence, Italy
- London, England

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# Class of 2012 gathers to commit to Elon's values

Freshmen pledged their commitment to Elon's honor code at the third Call to Honor ceremony, held on Sept. 11



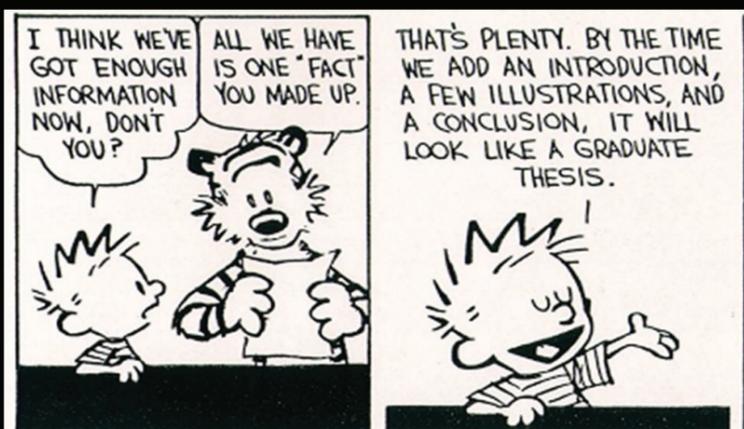
Members of the Class of 2012 assembled in Alumni Gym on Sept. 11 to pledge their commitment to Elon's honor code. Freshmen received special coins engraved with the word "Honor" during the ceremony.



Newly-elected freshman class president Rachel Long addressed her fellow classmates on Elon's core value of honesty during the third Call to Honor ceremony. The sophomore, junior and senior class presidents spoke about the university's other core values of respect, responsibility and integrity.



Matthew Campbell, freshman class treasurer, signed the Call to Honor book. The book contains signatures from alumni dating as far back as 1936.



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# Chapel records available on Elon Web site

## Influential historical Christian records archived for public access

**Lindsay Fendt**  
Assistant Photo Editor

After seven months of work by archivists, two early record books significant to the Christian Church are now available on Elon's Web site. The books come from O'Kelly Chapel, which is recognized as the first "Christian Church."

The university decided to include these books in its archives because of its close connection with the church. Elon was founded by a group of Christian ministers in 1889. These ministers were followers of James O'Kelly, who is credited with founding the congregation that later became known as the "Christian Church." O'Kelly, a former Methodist minister, broke away from the church due to a dispute over the installation of Bishops.

O'Kelly's influence can be seen throughout Elon's campus. The O'Kelly monument near Whitley Auditorium arrived on campus in 1929 and was later outfitted with a cross. O'Kelly Avenue, which runs directly through campus, is also named for this historic minister.

PDF files of the record books are available online to anyone, and original photocopies are available for viewing through the library. Elon's archivist Katie Nash also said they are now working on transcribing the original texts to be included in the Web site.

The actual books themselves were taken to Etherington Conservation in Browns Summit, N.C., to be preserved. Digitized photocopies were made so people can view the

text without actually having to handle the book.

The documents are primarily comprised of congregation member lists, congregation meeting minutes and conference meeting minutes. The books also provide information about the black community by way of member lists, indicating this church was integrated by the early 19th Century. This information has great historical value pertaining to everyday life 100 to 200 years ago.

"Most people are doing genealogy research — and this is where the member lists are useful," Nash said. "Also, having access to meeting minutes can be helpful to researchers by providing them with information about church life."

People researching their genealogy can find out valuable information pertaining to their relatives' roles in the church, information that is hard to find elsewhere.

This information includes everything from why people were excommunicated to the everyday business in the church community. Specific information pertaining to everyday activities is difficult to come by for historical researchers, which adds to the value of the record books.

"This helps keep the originals from deteriorating even further," Nash said.

Before the records were available online, people from all over North Carolina, as well as several other states, had already made the journey to the archives to view them.

"I just can't imagine how many more people will now be able to benefit from these record books now that they are online," Nash said.

# American studies minor introduced

**Keegan Calligar**  
Reporter

The new American studies minor held a kickoff event Monday night, complete with food, beverages and a lecture by UNC-Chapel Hill professor Dr. Joy Kasson.

According to a flyer provided at the lecture, "American studies brings together students and faculty interested in the interdisciplinary study of U.S. society and culture and draws upon

fields as diverse as history, literature, art, religion, philosophy, media studies, popular culture, music, science, folklore, ethnic studies, anthropology, political science, sociology, education, library science and gender studies."

To minor in American studies, a student must take a total of 24 semester hours, said Michael Frontani, coordinator of American studies. The student must choose one history course (either HST121, HST122 or HST123), one English course (either ENG223 or

ENG224), an American studies course (AMS2100), as well as three upper-level courses.

"You come up with a theme, and you take three 300- or 400-level classes in that theme," Frontani said about the upper-level courses. "So if you have an interest in the civil rights movement you might take an American history course, a sociology course that pertains, and then maybe ... even a communications course that looks at media of civil rights, and then that would be your specialization essentially within the minor."

Frontani said English and history courses within the minor are currently offered, but not the new American studies course.

"Currently, we're having courses that are being offered in history and English, out of their beginning sequences in American Lit and U.S. History," he said. "Those courses are being registered as American Studies courses, and we're going to have our first offering of American Studies 200 in the spring."

Though there have been discussions about an American studies minor for the past five or so years, "It was a year's solid work, of really intense work, that finally got it done," Frontani said, adding that 10 to 12 faculty worked on developing the minor.

"We had a survey during assessment week a number of years ago to see if there was interest in minor or a major," he said. "There was a lot of interest actually, even in a major, which, conceivably, that could be something in the future."

Frontani said he believes students will find the minor's interdisciplinary nature attractive.

"An interdisciplinary approach is often the best approach to actually learning and getting to the essence of that thing, so I think that's going to attract them," he said. "Also, I think international students will be attracted by the opportunity to focus in an

## ORGANIZATION BRIEFS

### Sexual assault program seeks art submissions

The Sexual Assault Restorative Justice program is currently accepting postcard art related to sexual assault. The project is accepting submissions from the Elon community and anyone who has experienced sexual assault personally or through a peer. E-mail submissions to sarj@elon.edu or mailed to Campus Box 2970.

### Honorary organization receives national awards

Elon's chapter of Beta Alpha Psi, an honorary organization for accounting, finance and information systems students and professionals, was recently recognized by the national organization. It is the "Most Improved Chapter" for 2008 and has achieved "Superior Chapter" status. Elon's Lambda Chi chapter of Beta Alpha Psi was installed in 2005.

### Sexual Assault Awareness Week

Resident Student Association will hold its annual Sexual Assault Awareness Week from Sept. 22 through Sept. 25. A representative from Angels with Attitude, an organization dedicated to personal safety and empowerment, will speak on Sept. 22 at 7 p.m. in McKinnon Hall. Take Back the Night, an annual event that includes a rally and march in protest of sexual assault, will take place on Sept. 24 at 7 p.m. in McKinnon Hall.

### Invisible Children Walkathon

Sept. 19 is the last day to sign up for the Invisible Children Walkathon. Teams of five to 10 people can register for \$15 per person. Proceeds from the event, which is sponsored by Elon's chapter of Invisible Children, will go to the Schools for Schools campaign. The walkathon will take place on Oct. 11. Sign up at the Kernodle Center (Moseley 230).

### Business fraternity seeks new members

Alpha Kappa Psi, the co-ed professional business fraternity, wants to expand its membership on campus. Recruitment events will be held in Koury Business Center on Sept. 22 from 7:30 to 8:30 in room 242, Sept. 23 from 7:30 to 8:30 in room 355 and Sept. 24 from 6:30 to 8:30 in room 346. Attire is business casual on Sept. 22 and Sept. 23 and formal business on Sept. 24.

American-specific topic."

Dr. Kasson presented her lecture, "A Yearning for Home: American Rural Communities in Mid-Twentieth Century Art and Literature," in Yeager Recital Hall following a reception in the Isabella Cannon Room.

Kasson used pictures and videos to explain the yearning felt by 1950s urban Americans to return to the country. She said that icons such as Grandma Moses, Laura Ingalls Wilder, Scott Nearing, Robert Frost, Thornton Wilder and the plays Oklahoma and Carousel were all part of the movement.



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- One American studies course (AMS2100)
- Three upper-level courses (300-400 level) in chosen theme

# 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.

## Upcoming election will shape Supreme Court Next president will have several seats to fill during term

The 2008 presidential election has brought on the Barack Stars, the McCainiacs and, well, those people who are still holding their breath for Ron Paul.

Key issues like the Iraq War, the economy and health care are heating up as the presidential candidates get closer to Election Day. But among all the fanfare, one consideration seems to be falling through the cracks — the Supreme Court.

The nine justices that make up the Supreme Court are, for lack of a better term, ripe in age. Justice John Paul Stevens turned 88 this year, and Ruth Bader Ginsburg isn't too far behind at 75.

There is a high likelihood that whoever the United States selects as president will get to appoint between one and three judges, depending on how many terms they serve.

But here is where it gets tricky.

The court is currently divided about evenly, with five justices who tend to vote conservatively and four who favor a liberal stance. Though there are often "swing" votes that tip the scales one way or another, the makeup of the court is generally 5-4, favoring the conservatives.

The five justices who generally vote conservatively (Roberts, Scalia, Thomas, Kennedy and Alito) have an average age of 61 while the four liberally voting justices (Stevens, Souter, Ginsburg and Breyer) have an average age of 76. The three judges most likely to depart from the court in the near future are Ginsburg, Souter and Stevens.

The potential of three judges who are ideologically liberal leaving in the next eight years will mean that whoever is elected as president will be able to shape the direction of the court for nearly 30 years to come — and not just by a little.

To be frank, this is a really big deal. Sen. Obama would almost assuredly nominate three liberal justices while Sen. McCain has already stated he would bring in only conservative justices.

Assuming all three justices who are expected to leave do so, a McCain presidency could end in an 8-1 split and an Obama presidency could end in a 7-2 split.

But what might it mean if the balance of the Supreme Court is thrown off?

Well, first think of the landmark cases the Supreme Court has dealt with and think of how they

impact everyday American life.

Consider *Brown v. Board of Education*, which paved the way for integration of the schools. *Miranda v. Arizona* required police to read arrested people their rights before questioning them. *Roe v. Wade* legalized abortion.

The list of landmark cases goes on, but each had a profound impact on the rights and liberties of Americans.

Any of these cases could have gone the other way if the number of liberal or conservative justices on the bench had been different. When there are only nine votes, every single one of them counts.

Whoever America selects in November will be gone by 2012 or 2016, but the justices they appoint will remain with us for decades.

What is decided in our highest of courts shapes how we live our lives, more than any president ever could.

Be wise in voting this November and keep the court that you want making judgments on your behalf in mind.

A wrong decision could bring on decades of regret. No pressure.

## Letters to the Editor

I'd like to offer a differing perspective on the arrival of a new graduate program at Elon.

Your recent editorial worried that the new master's degree in interactive media will drain resources from our excellent undergraduate program.

We've worked hard to ensure that doesn't happen. Our graduate program will have its own physical space in Powell Building, separate labs and edit suites, and separate technology for student checkout. The graduate program will be funded 100 percent through graduate student tuition. We also are adding four new faculty members with expertise in interactive media, and they will teach about half of their courses at the undergraduate level.

As a result, we believe having an innovative graduate program truly will enhance the quality and cutting-edge focus of our undergraduate program.

Paul Parsons  
Dean, School of Communications

I don't think that I'm alone when I say this: I'm fed up with ARAMARK. As a freshman you are required to purchase at least 11 meals a week. Assume that you are paying for September to the end of April (eight months). It costs \$4,004 for 200 meal dollars. The cost per meal comes out to roughly \$10. The math is far from perfect, but my point is that it's expensive to eat on campus.

So what do you get for your \$10?

I have an 8 a.m. class every day, so my breakfast options are limited. Octagon opened late every single day the first week of school. Sure, it was only by five minutes or so, but when you only have a half-hour, time is pressed. On top of that, the service was bad and the employees were rude. The breakfast sandwich was cold, and the ARAMARK employee complained when I asked for a new one.

I know I could list a handful of dining service employees that rub students the wrong way. At Varsity two of the three wraps my party ordered arrived without chicken in them. Instead of getting new wraps, our waitress brought us chicken tenders to put in our sandwiches.

These are just some of the most recent examples, and the worst part about it is that it isn't out of the ordinary for students to have similar experiences.

Ten dollars, let that resonate. It's two foot-long sandwiches at Subway, it's a burrito with all the fixings at Moe's, and it's a few drinks at Lighthouse (if you're 21 of course). Ten dollars goes a long way, and frankly it should get you a lot more from ARAMARK.

Jay Kahn  
Class of 2009

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## University grading scale in need of standardization

The syllabus has become a sacred text for each class taken at Elon University.

Invariably there will be a section about the honor code, office hours and disclaimers about absences, but most students will skip over those sections. They'll look for the grading scale.

At most schools in the United States, the grading scale has become unexciting syllabus type — all students know they are being graded according to a 10-point scale.

At Elon, a student can be graded on a different scale for every class. Those taking Web Publishing and Design need a 95 percent to get an A and General Physics students need a 96 percent to achieve that coveted grade. They compete with the same students who take Strategic Writing and Arabic — it only takes a 90 percent to get an A in those classes.

This competition involves vying for scholarships and honors offered by the university — the Lumen Prize, Beta Alpha Psi and various departmental scholarships — and those offered outside of the bubble.

The university should make a standardized grading scale in order to combat this grading injustice.

Two students who receive the same grade of an 83 should not have different grades when they are both applying for the same Isabella Cannon Research Scholarship.

Phi Kappa Phi admits students based on the percentile they occupy based on GPA. To be eligible, seniors must be in the top 10 percent of their class and juniors must be in the top 7.5 percent of their class.

How can that be a fair criterion of scholastic achievement when aptitude is being measured on severely different scales?

The newly established Lumen Prize

requires its applicants to have a 3.8 GPA. This requisite was established without acknowledging the fact that a student may have received a hard-earned 92 percent in a certain class — which according to a six-point scale leaves one with a B for one's efforts.

In many other classes, that same grade would have been a letter higher and they would have a chance to apply for the prestigious scholarship.

Elon University wants the majority of its students to seek further education after graduation, maybe even go to one of the university's own four graduate schools.

Besides recommendations, GRE scores and personal statements, students have to submit a transcript to the graduate schools they are hoping to attend.

These students' grades and GPAs are scrutinized and compared with applicants who had the fortune of a standard grading scale in which the grade earned was consistently assigned throughout the school.

Does Elon want its undergraduates to be disadvantaged when contending for admissions to top master's programs or for Truman and Rhodes scholarships?

With more grading scales than feral cats running around campus, there needs to be a standardization of the methods by which students are graded for their work.

Students with different majors, or just those unlucky enough to have a particularly cruel professor, shouldn't be unfairly evaluated and matched up against Elon and non-Elon students who received a less brutal syllabus.

Administrations and departments alike need to think in the best interest of students and their future.

If so much of collegiate excellence and achievement is based on grades, make it a fair contest.

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# Opinions

**POLITICS:**

## Palin will persevere in face of false rumors



**Derek Kiszely**  
Columnist

They say that a rumor can travel halfway around the world while the truth is still putting on its shoes.

This was evident during the primary season, when Internet rumors circulated that Sen. Barack Obama secretly practiced Islam as an "agent of Iran."

Ever since then, Sen. Obama has tried to convince Americans he is a committed Christian, but 10 percent of voters still don't believe him according to a USA Today poll.

Now, the same sort of vicious Internet attacks are being leveled against Sen. John McCain's running mate, Gov. Sarah Palin.

It's not only ironic but hypocritical that the same liberals who were outraged when rumors about Sen. Obama attending a Madrassa or being a Muslim were broadcast have been gleefully trading e-mails about Gov. Palin.

Most of them are innocent distortions of her

personal history, but some are downright insidious.

First Matt Damon, a celebrity-turned-political activist, wanted to know if Gov. Palin really believed dinosaurs lived 4,000 years ago.

It all started with an absurd viral e-mail that contained "real quotes" from an "Anchorage newspaper," in which Gov. Palin supposedly said, "God made dinosaurs 4,000 years ago as ultimately flawed creatures," and called them "lizards of Satan." It's so obvious that this is a joke, but Damon apparently believes everything he reads.

Next we have "Diddy," an entertainer of some sorts, who ridiculed Sen. McCain's pick of Gov. Palin to be his running mate because, "there's not even no crack heads in Alaska!" as if the presence of "crack heads" in a person's home state is a qualification for the vice presidency.

Abhorred at the thought of an Alaskan vice president, "Diddy" vowed to "make sure that all the young people will come out in record numbers on Nov. 4!"

Hopefully the "youth vote" won't be an amorphous, collective blob of ignorance and will at least attempt to understand there are two sides to the story.

This brings us to an article in last week's edition of The Pendulum. The article stated Gov. Palin is an "amenable servant of the far right" who opposes "a woman's right to an abortion, even in the cases of rape or incest."

The article failed to mention that while Gov. Palin may be personally pro-life, she hasn't pushed her anti-abortion beliefs as governor. When examining Gov. Palin's record, it becomes clear that she governed from the center and not the far right.

The article went on to say that Gov. Palin favors "creationism based curriculums in schools." For the record, Gov. Palin said she supports teaching creationism alongside evolution in public schools to encourage a "healthy debate," but has never pushed for the public schools to incorporate creationism as part of the official curriculum.

With all of the liberal lies out there it's hard for Americans to sort through it all in search of the truth, but this doesn't mean they shouldn't try.

Either way, it's going to take more than biased media coverage to take down Gov. Palin. She's ready to take on the liberal lies that are part of this historic, if not controversial, race to the White House.

**ILLUSTRATING THE ISSUES:**

## Freshmen sightings around Elon



**ON CAMPUS:**

## Elon should join Amethyst Initiative

"College, now that was a ball. You had some of the best times you'll never remember with me: alcohol." This final line from the chorus of Brad Paisley's song, "Alcohol," is catchy, humorous and for the most part, true for a majority of university students across the nation.

According to an article written by the Associated Press, research has shown a 40 percent increase in the number of college students who have at least one symptom of alcohol abuse, a politically correct term for alcoholism. The same article also reported statistics such as the 500,000 annual alcohol-related injuries and 1,700 alcohol-related deaths across American campuses.

These statistics point out that the current drinking age has created a very dangerous drinking culture throughout American universities.

In July 2008, a group of American University chancellors and presidents worked together to create the Amethyst Initiative.

The goal of this debate is for campus presidents to create open communication with elected officials in order to discuss the current consequences of the high drinking age while creating new ideas on how to prepare underage college students to make responsible decisions.

Any student that is a part of Elon University's community is well aware of the alcohol policy: 0-1-3, which sounds more like the title of a children's song than a stance on drinking.

Though this policy reflects the university's stance of zero tolerance for underage drinking and considers student safety as a top priority, Elon has yet to join the list of more than 100 colleges and universities that have pledged support to the Amethyst Initiative.

Currently within the American society, an 18-year-old citizen can legally vote, sign contracts, serve on juries and enlist in the military, but cannot drink.

The current drinking age has created a culture in which a typical college student can lightheartedly say, "I don't remember doing that last night...blackout, sorry."

As the culture of binge drinking becomes a social norm throughout America, our nation faces the more important question of whether or not the current drinking age is worth a potential generation of future alcoholics.

Though the Amethyst Initiative is only two months old, the topic of America's drinking culture is making headline news.

It is disheartening to see that Elon has failed to join the national movement for public discussion and reform.



**Hunter Gros**  
Columnist

**ON CAMPUS:**

## Elon's coverage of election is fair, balanced

**Bethany Massman**  
Guest Columnist

In response to Mr. Bertone's letter to the editor, a more balanced approach to coverage of the Presidential election should exist. A well informed electorate helps ensure an informed selection in voting, and hopefully the voters of the Elon community take the time to look at and analyze platforms from both parties before choosing a candidate.

There are some points that need clarification. First, the article was authored by Megan Kirkpatrick, one of the student staff writers for the Magazine of Elon and she should receive credit for a well-written piece.

The magazine approached me about the story because the debate was unique in its location and execution — usually, CNN has a month or more to plan and execute such a television broadcast. In this case they pulled it off in 10 days with the assistance of my professional colleagues and student staff members at the Division of Recreational Sports, the

department which manages the facility that housed the debate. This entailed working day and night, coordinating with various representatives of the University of Texas community and CNN departments in conjunction with daily job responsibilities.

It was not because I'm an active member of University Democrats or volunteered for the Obama or Clinton campaigns. I participated because it was a required part of my job, and I am proud of my colleagues for being able to pull off an event of such magnitude. From an event-planning and logistics standpoint, it is an outstanding accomplishment.

In short, I was lucky to be a part of history thanks to my employment at the University of Texas, and to witness students actively discussing, debating, and participating in the political process, something that has been lacking from both sides in the last two presidential elections.

It was my hope through the article to convey how great it is to see the collegiate generation take an active interest in politics, be they a Republican or a Democrat.

In the coming weeks, Elon's campus will be buzzing with activity — from students representing BOTH parties — over this election and balanced discussion and debate will occur.

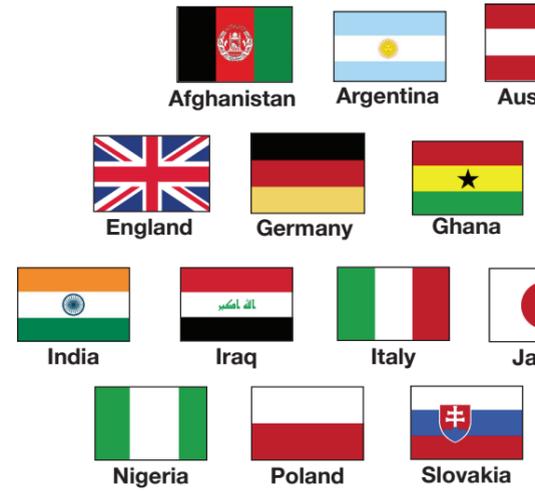
As far the coverage in the Magazine of Elon, the intended purpose was highlighting what alumni and current students were doing regarding the election. If there appeared to be more activity from liberal students and alumni this past spring and summer, maybe that is what eight years of frustration could do to a person. Furthermore, Sen. Barack Obama and Sen. Hillary Clinton are accomplished speakers and debaters, and as a communications degree holder, it was impressive to see them in action.

None of the candidates would be elected to the United States Senate from states such as New York, Illinois and Arizona without some higher level of political aptitude, so it is not a stretch to think of both them, as well as Sen. John McCain as, "great political minds." Bottom line: we will see in November.



With more than 30 countries represented on campus and about two-thirds of Elon students studying abroad each year, it's no wonder that many students and faculty will encounter culture shock, academic challenges and new customs while at Elon or overseas. Through communication and observation, members of the Elon community are becoming global citizens and sharing their knowledge.

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Ashley Barnas  
Reporter

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# Learning through teaching

Elon professor's experience teaching abroad in Kenya yields personal growth, demonstrates diverse

Shelley Russell  
Special Projects Editor

After a semester studying abroad in Germany during her junior year at Cornell University, Professor Heidi Frontani was anxious to travel again after she graduated one semester early. While searching for more programs in Germany, Frontani came across the World Teach program, which sends groups of people abroad three times a year to teach students of all ages.

Started by a group of undergraduates at Harvard University in 1986, World Teach was a relatively new program, and Frontani was accepted in the second group in the program's history. With the unexpected ahead and nothing to lose, Frontani packed her bags for a one-year trip to Western Kenya. There she would stay in a mud hut in the Luhya neighborhood next to corn and sugar cane fields. The community was made up of subsistence farmers, many without an advanced education.



Professor Heidi Frontani

Frontani wasn't concerned by the absence of electricity, but the village had no running water, so bathing and laundry were a challenge.

"Water had to be collected and boiled for bathing and washing," Frontani said. "Everything was time-consuming in terms of preparing food, bathing and other basic tasks."

Some families in the neighborhood offered to have their children collect the water for her, but Frontani never accepted the generous offer. She would soon grow accustomed to living without electricity and running water. The real obstacle was communication.

While the program had promised adequate language training prior to arriving overseas, Frontani and the other volunteers had only

received a few days of training.

"I couldn't communicate with anyone living right near my home because I spoke no Swahili," Frontani said. "One person spoke English but he worked in town and would come home late."

Furthermore, the Luhya neighborhood spoke Luhya as a first language and Swahili as the second language. Only more affluent families with education through high school level could speak English. Frontani described the initial loneliness she felt without the tool of language.

"I read books and prepared lessons in my hut for the next day. I only had a small radio," she said.

Despite communication challenges, Frontani was able to speak to her students, who were equivalent to ninth and tenth graders in a secondary school. Frontani chose to teach math, biology and geography to her students. Frontani described her classroom, full of benches with students crammed shoulder-to-shoulder, as eager to learn.

"The students were so impressive," Frontani said. "No one complained that they were living in mud huts with no electricity and slim future prospects. Materially, they were extremely poor, but there was no whining."

Nine months into her stay, Frontani had to switch schools after the World Teach organization learned that the headmaster was misusing school funds for his own benefit. She extended her stay for another six months.

Frontani said that her students were full of hope.

"It was sad because they couldn't afford pens or notebooks," she said. "But they would come to school on the weekends to learn instead of doing their chores at home."

In several instances, Frontani was asked to her students' homes for dinner.

"They would kill their last chicken sometimes just because they were so happy to have a guest in their home," Frontani said. "They would give you anything they had."

Although she ate some dinners at her students' homes, Frontani ate in the Luhya village most evenings.

"I never realized what a privilege it is to have variety in one's diet," Frontani said as she described her monotonous diet of boiled corn meal and collard greens each night. On her first visit home, Frontani's parents were concerned because she had lost 12 pounds in her first 12 months abroad.

## What's on the menu?

Professor Frontani's diet for one y

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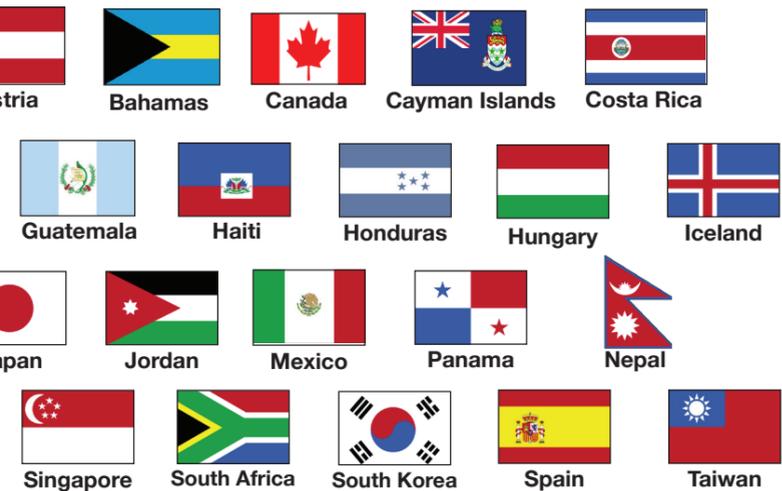
"I did ultimately want to go back to Kenya. There were so many rewarding things about it." Frontani returned to Western Kenya after her training in Swahili.

"When I went back, it was so nice to see everyone hanging out and speaking with the Kenyans. When I went there outside of school, I only came to see World Teach volunteers," Frontani said.

And as for the Kenyans she met during her stay, she says enough about their kind nature.

"Their hospitality and generosity was amazing," she said. "These are values that we talk about at Elon, it is especially apparent in Kenya, where they do it for us."

## International students hail from?



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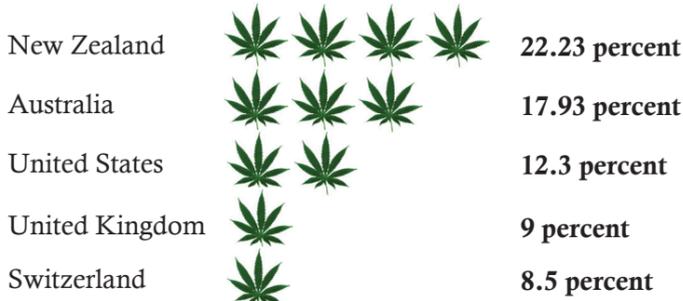
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Cheers: A salutation or way to say thank you  
Bloody brilliant: Really good  
Innit: Isn't it?

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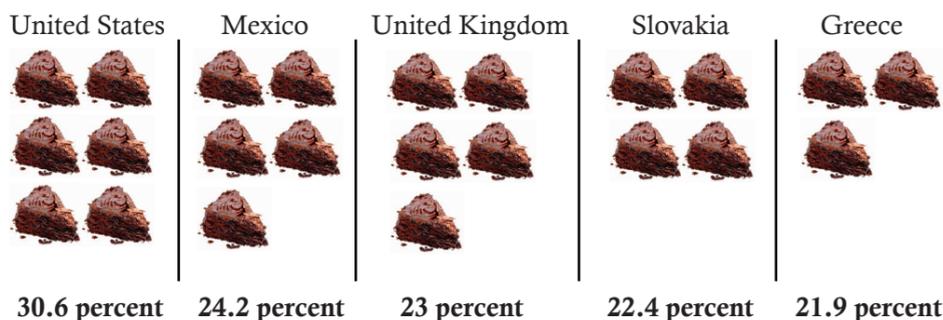
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Statistics from www.nationmaster.com

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Professor Heidi Frontani (center), sits with subsistence fishermen toward the end of her second trip to Kenya. The fishermen held a going-away party for Frontani at Kenyatta Public Beach, just north of Mombasa, Kenya. Frontani spent a year in western Kenya teaching students at a secondary school.

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# Style

## Choreographers take on the environment

**Bonnie Efird**  
Reporter

Choreographed outdoors in the environment of Lake Mary Nell, "Dance in the Landscape" is sure to capture both the beauty of Elon's campus and the beauty of modern dance.

Free and open to the public, "Dance in the Landscape" is a site-specific dance concert located outside McCrary Theatre between the Love Terrace and Lake Mary Nell. The concert will be held Sept. 21 at 5 p.m. Julie Mulvihill, Jennifer Guy, Virginia Dupont and Amy Beasley, all adjunct professors of dance, will choreograph the dances.

**What: Dance in the Landscape**  
**When: 5 p.m. Sunday Sept. 21**  
**Where: Outside McCrary Theatre at Lake Mary Nell**  
**Admission: Free**

The choreographers said they all hope this event will both expand people's knowledge of different types of performance venues and attract passersby who normally would not get the chance to explore this type of dance.

"I have always been an ardent proponent and supporter of bringing concert dance out of the traditional theater space into more public spaces," said Lauren Kearns, assistant professor of dance and coordinator of the dance program.

The use of the environment will play a major part in this concert, according to Kearns.

"In site-specific work, artists use what is present in the environment to form and enhance the work," Mulvihill said. "This means that grass and brick become stage spaces, trees and benches become props and the audience becomes performers."

The dancers will be both using the environment and engaging the audience in the experience.

"My dancers will be performing a playfully combative, highly physical dance that uses the creativity and help of the audience," Mulvihill said.

"One of the pieces, called the 'Door Dance,' is meant to bring awareness to the physical wall between the dancer and audience."

Another piece to be performed is called "Pie Jesú," which will push the limits and barriers on modern dance as the dancers explore the vast spaces between the art of dance and nature.

"Pie Jesú' will explore both the grassy space and trees alongside Lake Mary Nell while drawing inspiration from artwork depicting women at the crucifixion," Dupont said.

But this type of dancing does not come easy. The dancers will have prepared their pieces for "Dance in the Landscape" for only three weeks before the actual performance.

"As dancers, we train hours a day for years in practice and investigation of ourselves as artists and in preparation for performance," Mulvihill said.

Cherie Bower, assistant professor of dance and the concert's artistic

director, said she hopes this concert will help people appreciate the true beauty of Elon's campus and the talented dancers and choreographers involved.

"There is an artistic beauty in Elon's landscape designs that not only captivates the observing eye, but ignites inspirational images of motion and design in a choreographer's mind," Bower said.

Awareness is a major theme surrounding the concert, which applies to the dancers, choreographers and the audience.

"This year's site-inspired dance concert asks our artists and audience members to become more aware of the surrounding environment as they look through a choreographic lens that merges nature and architectural design with dance," Bower said.



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## Student Union Board revamps Movie on the Lawn

New weekly schedule announced with hopes of drawing more students

**Amanda Kennison**  
Reporter

An Elon favorite, Movie on the Lawn, is back and showcasing some improvements.

Movie on the Lawn is a Student Union Board (SUB) sponsored activity that shows recently released movies to the Elon community before they make it to DVD.

In years past, Movie on the Lawn occurred on a monthly schedule. As a result of student feedback, the campus will now be enjoying even more movies.

"Last year we received a lot of student feedback showing an interest in having movies more than once a month," said Meaghan Britain, SUB special events committee chair. "We took this feedback to [Smith Jackson, vice president and dean of student life], who approved an expanded budget, enabling us to continue tailoring our program to students' wishes."

For the first time, Movie on the Lawn will have weekly viewings. Every Saturday at 9 p.m. through Dec. 6, students can enjoy a couple of carefree hours stretched out on Young Commons enjoying a great flick.

This new schedule gives SUB a chance to reach a broader audience and students a chance to see more free movies.

Even though the time has changed, everything else stays the same.

The good people of SUB still provide free popcorn. Students are encouraged to bring chairs, blankets and whatever else promotes their movie-viewing comfort.

And just to stress the point again, these movies are free. The deal



OLIVIA DUBENDORF | Photographer

Students gather on Young Commons to watch Sex and the City, the first Movie on the Lawn of the year, and enjoy a relaxing evening.

couldn't get any sweeter.

For new students, Movie on the Lawn can be especially rewarding.

"As a new student it sometimes can be difficult figuring out which activities you want to participate in, but most people love movies, especially with friends," Britain said. "It's a great program to come to with your new hall friends or meet up with people without having to spend any money, another challenge for college students. It is also a low-risk event so people don't have to worry about being put into a tough situation."

In addition to Movie on the Lawn, SUB offers a wide array of activities including concerts, bingo nights

and other events that students are encouraged to attend.

For a full list of the movies being shown this semester, see the attached sidebar. Other SUB events can be found at <http://org.elon.edu/sub>.



STUDENT UNION BOARD  
[www.elon.edu/sub](http://www.elon.edu/sub)

### Upcoming Movies

- Sept. 20: Wanted
- Sept. 27: Get Smart
- Oct. 4: Wall-E
- Oct. 11: Hancock
- Oct. 25: The Dark Knight
- Nov. 8: Tropic Thunder
- Nov. 15: Mamma Mia!
- Nov. 19: The House Bunny
- Nov. 29: Pineapple Express
- Dec. 6: Traitor

# Latin quintet features traditional Mexican, Latin music

Mary Bedard  
Reporter

Tlen Huicani, a five-member ensemble that has performed in more than 50 countries, will perform at Elon this Thursday in McCrary Theatre.

The group has been recognized as the best folk group in Mexico for its interpretation of folklore and traditional music from all over Mexico, Paraguay, Chile and Venezuela. Originally from the city of Veracruz, the quintet has been performing together since 1973.

Although Tlen Huicani translates to "the singers" in the native Aztec language of Nahuatl, the group specializes in traditional Mexican and Latin American music. The musical centerpiece of Tlen Huicani is the harpa jarocho, a unique folk harp originating

in Veracruz. Unlike the classical harp, the harpa jarocho gives the group an upbeat, festive sound.

Alberto de la Rosa, the leader of Tlen Huicani, plays the folk harp expertly and is highly respected throughout Mexico for his rank among the top folk harpists in the world.

The group specializes in Son Jarocho, a genre derived from 18th Century Veracruz. It combines traditional music with humorous verses and Huapango, a Mexican musical style which sets lively and intricate dance to rhythmic music.

Thursday's performance is the first time Tlen Huicani will play at Elon. The international group is currently touring the East Coast of the United States.

The Lyceum Committee, which is in charge of managing and hosting many of Elon's cultural events, was able to book the performance because of the timing of the group's presence in the area.

The committee selected Tlen Huicani for its authenticity of cultural music, the unique sound of the harpa jarocho and its international acclaim. George Troxler, dean of cultural and special programs and chair of the Lyceum Committee, said he



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Tlen Huicani is a five-member ensemble from Veracruz, Mexico. The group will perform at Elon on Thursday in McCrary Theatre.

has previously seen the group perform and encourages students to experience the variety of Mexican music for which Tlen Huicani is known.

Notable performances by Tlen Huicani include concerts at the Festival de los Pirineos

in Jaca, Spain, Cultures du Monde in Gannat, France, the Festival of the Cultures in Sydney, Australia and Les World Folkloric Festival in Tokyo, Japan.

Although tickets usually cost upwards of \$20,

admission is free for students. The event is ticketed, so Phoenix cards may be used to get tickets from the Center for the Arts box office between 12:30 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

## WANT TO GO?

What: Tlen Huicani  
When: 7:30 p.m.  
Thursday, Sept. 18  
Where: McCrary Theatre  
Admission: \$12 or free with Elon ID

## A&E IN BRIEF

### This week at Elon

#### "Uncounted - The New Math of American Elections" screening (Sept. 17)

This documentary from Emmy Award-winning filmmaker David Earnhardt examines the accuracy of vote counting just in time for the 2008 election. This event is sponsored by the political science department and the Institute of Politics and Public Affairs. The screening is free and will be held Wednesday, Sept. 17 at 7 p.m. in McKinnon Hall.

#### Soprano/piano musical performance (Sept. 18)

Julie Celona-VanGorden, adjunct instructor of music, and Christy Wisuthserwong will sing soprano and play piano respectively in this concert, featuring such songs as Debussy's "Ariettes Oubliees." The event is free and will be held Thursday, Sept. 18 at 5:30 p.m. in Whitley Auditorium.

#### Midnight Meals Karaoke Night (Sept. 18)

In addition to the customary food, this week's Midnight Meals will feature the opportunity for students to show off their karaoke skills, courtesy of Zeta Phi Beta. The event will start at 11 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18 in The Zone.

#### Movie on the Lawn: "Wanted" (Sept. 20)

SUB's Movie on the Lawn this week is "Wanted," the story of a reserved cubicle-dweller whose life is turned upside down when he learns his father belonged to a secret organization of assassins and that he has the same killing abilities. There will be free popcorn at the screening, which will begin at 9 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 20 at Young Commons. "Wanted" stars James McAvoy, Angelina Jolie and Morgan Freeman.

Jonathan Kozol, "Joy and Justice: An Invitation to the Young to Serve the Children of the Poor" (Sept. 23)  
This year's Elon Common Reading

Lecture features Jonathan Kozol, a nationally acclaimed author whose books focus on the need for reform in American public education. Kozol's "The Shame of the Nation" was this year's common reading selection. His speech will take place Tuesday, Sept. 23 at 6:30 p.m. in Alumni Gym. Admission is \$12 or free with Elon ID.

### Beyond the Bubble

#### Straylight Run at Greene Street Club (Sept. 17)

Straylight Run, an indie rock band from Long Island, N.Y., will play tonight at Greene Street Club in Greensboro with Jonzetta, Band Marino, Treaty of Paris and A Clerestory. Doors open at 6 p.m. and tickets are \$12 in advance and \$15 at the door.

#### Triad Stage presents "The Night of the Iguana" (Sept. 17 to Sept. 21)

The final performances of Triad Stage's production of Tennessee Williams' "The Night of the Iguana" will run this week in downtown Greensboro. The play tells the story of T. Lawrence Shannon, an unstable tour guide who kidnaps his tour group and becomes enthralled with the women around him. "The Night of the Iguana" will run Sept. 17 and 18 at 7:30 p.m., Sept. 19 and 20 at 8 p.m. and Sept. 21 at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

#### The Gallery Players presents "Once Upon a Mattress" (Sept. 19 to Sept. 21)

This week, the Gallery Players, Burlington's community theater, will perform "Once Upon a Mattress," a comic fairy tale musical based on "The Princess and the Pea." Performances will be held at 8 p.m. Sept. 19 and 20 and 2 p.m. Sept. 21 at the Paramount Theater. There will also be showings next week, Sept. 26-28. Auditions for the Gallery Players' next show, "The Crucible," will be at 7 p.m. Sept. 22 and 23 at the Paramount Theater.

## PERFORMANCE REVIEW ★★★★★

### 'Deep Blue' an exciting black light trip

Miriam Williamson  
Design Editor

At 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 11 in McCrary Theatre, the Elon community had the opportunity to experience the closest thing to an acid trip most will ever get. ArcheDream for Humankind presented "Deep Blue," an interesting acting and dance performance involving black lights and African mythology.

When the lights went down, audience members wearing lightly-colored clothing began to glow because of the black lights used in the show. As soon as the first character stepped out, the audience was mesmerized. The costumes, designed by artistic director Alan Bell, were possibly some of the most stunning aspects of the entire show. The characters wore hand-painted masks and costumes that illuminated brilliantly against the dark background.

Using the technology of ultraviolet light to make certain things appear bright while others remained almost invisible, ArcheDream put on quite a show. Throughout the performance, gasps and vocal reactions filled the theater as the performers created illusions. Sometimes the characters would seem to float, or extra props would appear out of thin air.

"Deep Blue" presented "a magical journey through the elements of Earth, Air, Water and Fire." Directed by Jacqui Tichenor, this theater company combines the use of art forms from different cultures, including Commedia dell'Arte, folk and fairy tales, morality plays, allegories and mythology.

No words were spoken throughout the entire performance, but through the use of dance and expressive body movements, the actors were able to portray different animals and mythological creatures. They conveyed emotions that ranged from excitement to fear to disappointment.

The music was captivating. It ranged from slow, soulful pieces to upbeat, oddly instrumental songs that sounded similar to something from Blue Man Group. The dancers matched the rhythms and tones perfectly, incorporating styles of ballet, hip-hop, tribal and break dancing.

"The dancing was incredible — contemporary, ballet, popping and locking," said junior Danie Slavitt. "And the fact that it was in black light made it even more magical."

The performance concluded with the introduction of the Phoenix, an important character for the Elon community.



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## TV REVIEW ★★★★★

## 'Top Model' poses the potential to be most promising cycle yet

Mary Nease  
Reporter

The wait is over — "America's Next Top Model" cycle 11 is here. During the first half of the two-hour season premiere, "Top Model" returned to Los Angeles, where Tyra Banks got her start, to sort through the 30 semi-finalists.

The girls had to make it through the futuristic and somewhat freaky "Top Model Institute of Technology." This segment featured the expertise of both "Alpha" and "Beta" (Jay Manuel and J. Alexander) and of course the fabulous Tyra Banks, who resembled a robot in this odd portion of the show. Fourteen of the wannabe models emerged as finalists.

During the second half of the premiere, the girls faced their first photo shoot, which can be summed up in three words: Voting is sexy. Or that was the intent, anyway.

The girls were supposed to portray one of the issues at hand in the upcoming election, which included education, immigration, the environment, nuclear weapons, bureaucracy, privacy and many more.

Whether or not the contestants actually succeeded in giving civic duty some sex appeal, it did become apparent who the forerunners are going to be in this competition.

Television audiences can bet their money on Marjorie, a French immigrant who came out on top during this first shoot. Another contestant, Isis, is pre-operation transgender. She was an extra during the first shoot of the previous cycle, and seemed to be such a natural model that Tyra brought her on the show



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this cycle. She came in second after Marjorie and is definitely someone to watch as well.

Other girls to follow, who may lack in skill but make up for it in intrigue, include McKey, a cage fighter corner girl, Sheena, a fierce dead-ringer for Kimora Lee Simmons, Joslyn, who had tried out for ANTM 30 times before she finally made it onto the show and Elina, a bisexual who seems to have developed a crush on one of the other contestants.

With such a wide variety of girls in the competition, this cycle seems certain to be the best audiences have seen yet. Even if the photos turn out to be substandard (which, judging from this first shoot, is unlikely), with so many characters living under one roof, the drama that everyone knows is going to happen will surely make this season worth watching.



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## MOVIE REVIEW ★★★★★

## 'Righteous Kill' to be remembered as one of Pacino and De Niro's greatest

Adam Constantine  
Reviewer

Many times movies will bring in big name actors to a so-so script, which makes the film a lot better than it would have been just because the acting is so convincing. Every now and then, the formula of a great plot mixed with two of the greatest actors of our time crystallizes on screen for a masterpiece few were expecting. That is the case in "Righteous Kill," starring Robert De Niro and Al Pacino.

Veteran NYPD detectives Rooster (Pacino) and Turk (De Niro) have been partners for 30 years and have worked tirelessly trying to clean up the streets of New York City.

Turk has served as Rooster's role model on the force, and Rooster looks up to him in every way. He also watches out for Turk, as his temper can get him into trouble.

But even though they have served for 30-plus years, a string of homicides they stumble across leaves them puzzled beyond belief.

Is it possible to go wrong with Pacino and De Niro playing two of the toughest cops in one of the world's toughest cities? It's one thing to have two great actors on the screen. One can find that in a lot of good movies nowadays. But the chemistry between De Niro and Pacino is what really makes this movie outstanding.

The two acted as if they had been working together for years before this movie was made. They transitioned flawlessly from a high-tension situation to an easygoing drink in the bar.



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Curtis Jackson, also known as 50 Cent, also appears in the film as Spider, a big time cocaine dealer who owns a club he uses to launder his money.

With this star-studded cast, "Righteous Kill" would be successful even with a mediocre script. But the script has possibly one of the greatest plots of 2008. This film will have audiences wrapped up in a plot that goes in a direction you don't even consider while watching.

Bottom line: this is a must see movie of the fall.

## TV REVIEW ★★★★★



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## 'Fringe' could be TV's new 'Lost'

Chris King  
Reporter

J.J. Abrams, the twisted genius who masterminded shows such as "Lost" and "Alias," is at it again with his new show, "Fringe," another ride into the sci-fi unknowns of our everyday world. While "Fringe" might not hold up to "Lost's" touching beauty, it is a fun ride that carries plenty of promise.

The show starts on a plane, an obvious wink to "Lost's" opening moments, and quickly makes it apparent this is no ordinary plane ride. One passenger's skin begins to melt and an airborne toxin is released, causing the whole plane to suffer the same fate. Abrams taps into fears of bioterrorism, all while making escapist horror.

Thus begins the mystery, as Special Agents Olivia Dunham (Anna Torv) and John Scott (Mark Valley) are sent to investigate the mysterious plane landing. It was on autopilot, which in this show isn't so much of a stretch. Dunham and Scott happen to be lovers, so when he gets hurt during the investigation, she reaches out to the genius father-son team Walter (John Noble) and Peter Bishop (Joshua Jackson).

Abrams is treading familiar territory here. Strange sci-fi twists? Check. Twisted storylines? Check. Government agencies and big shady corporations? It has them. Two attractive leads with chemistry? Most definitely. But Abrams is too smart to repeat himself. Even though these are old tricks, he makes them feel new, mixing together different parts of all the shows he's worked on to make a recipe for good television.

Add two parts sci-fi, a dose of mystery, a dash of romance and just a pinch of black humor. Give it some time to simmer, and voilà, a good TV series is born. It is good rather than great because, like all things made straight out of the cookbook, it lacks that little something extra to make it truly special.

Torv does a fine job of making her FBI agent assertive but not mean, and sympathetic but not weak. Jackson, who most will know from "Dawson's Creek," stands around and looks pretty, but the chemistry between him and Torv is palpable. The standout is Noble, who plays a professor who has been locked up for 17 years with equal amounts mad genius and tortured scientist.

The story, while nothing exceptional, manages to keep the action going at a good pace. The show is well balanced, combining story, action and drama in good measure, never feeling too fast or slow.

The show tries to be "The X-Files," a lofty goal, and unfortunately falls short. Torv and Jackson are good, but they aren't Mulder and Scully, at least not yet. But in aiming so high, the show manages to be good fun and an entertaining run through the edges of mystery and science.

Abrams knows how to build a show (see "Lost") and how to disgracefully let one die (see the final seasons of "Alias"). Given time, this good show could become something great. And in a season thrown upside down because of the Writers Guild of America strike, "Fringe" stands as a highlight, an entertaining show with promise, which is more than enough for now.



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Gray visited some of China's most historical landmarks, including the forbidden city. No matter where he went, he said the Chinese greeted him warmly.

## ARAMARK chef returns from serving Olympians in Beijing

Jessi Dexheimer  
Features Editor

Tag Gray knows all about the breakfast of champions. As a sous chef and food service director for the 2008 Olympic Games in Beijing, Gray helped to feed the entire Athlete's Village.

Gray has been working at Elon for four years as the executive chef and food service director for ARAMARK. He was one of 200 ARAMARK managers selected to travel from the United States to Beijing, where he lived and worked from June 24 to Aug. 31.

Prior to his departure, Gray didn't know what to expect. He didn't know his roommates or his job assignment, and he certainly didn't know any Chinese.

"It was all a big mystery," he said. "I kept an open mind and had to grin and bear it."

Gray soon found out he would be stationed in the Athlete's Village, where he was responsible for preparing desserts for 5,000 Olympians, coaches and trainers. His work day started at 9 p.m., and Gray often found himself working 12-to-18-hour shifts.

Gray's team was partially staffed by 2,000 student workers hailing from culinary schools all over China.

"My students were one of the best parts of the experience," Gray said. "I got to watch them learn, to go from not knowing to knowing."

But the learning process wasn't always easy. The Chinese students weren't familiar with many

American foods, such as bagels, Danish pastries and pudding, and Gray had a lot to learn about traditional Asian dishes.

"The language barrier complicated everything," he said. "I kept a dictionary so I could look things up, and I was lucky to have some students who could translate for me ... everyone really respects the fact that you're trying to learn."

The students even gave Gray a nickname, a Chinese phrase meaning "Bright Day."

When Gray wasn't working, he took time to explore the country.

"I just ventured out, trying to find the real China," he said. "I was just trying to find simple people doing simple things."

Gray visited the Great Wall and the Forbidden Village, but said one of his most memorable experiences occurred at an outdoor market. It was here that Gray tasted China's version of fast food — treats including fried scorpions, silkworms, starfish, seahorses and bugs.

Gray described the scorpions as having an "interesting taste," likening them to fried batter, and said the seahorses were extremely salty, while the silkworms tasted like popcorn.

Gray's last snack of the day was even stranger — a sheep's eyeball.

"It kind of looked like a mushroom, the optic nerve was still attached," he said. "But I figured, it can't be much different from what we eat here in North Carolina, chitlins [pig intestines] and SPAM and stuff like that."

During his travels, Gray said he never felt unsafe, despite international concern for the safety of American tourists.

"Everyone came to us with open arms," he said. "We stuck out like a sore thumb, but there was no animosity. I didn't have any problems with anybody."

In fact, Gray said that the welcoming nature of the Chinese citizens is one of the things he will miss the most, though having a front row seat to the Olympic festivities was also an enviable job perk.

"I was in the kitchen for the majority of the events and ceremonies," he said. "I did go outside [during the Opening Ceremony] and saw the fireworks, which were simply incredible and not like any I had ever seen."

As the Olympians came to eat, Gray was inspired by the fact that athletes from so many different countries share the same dedication, experiences and goals.

"There will be losers, but they are all winners," he said. "And not just the athletes, but everyone that is involved. We have all been training, we have all been a part of the team."

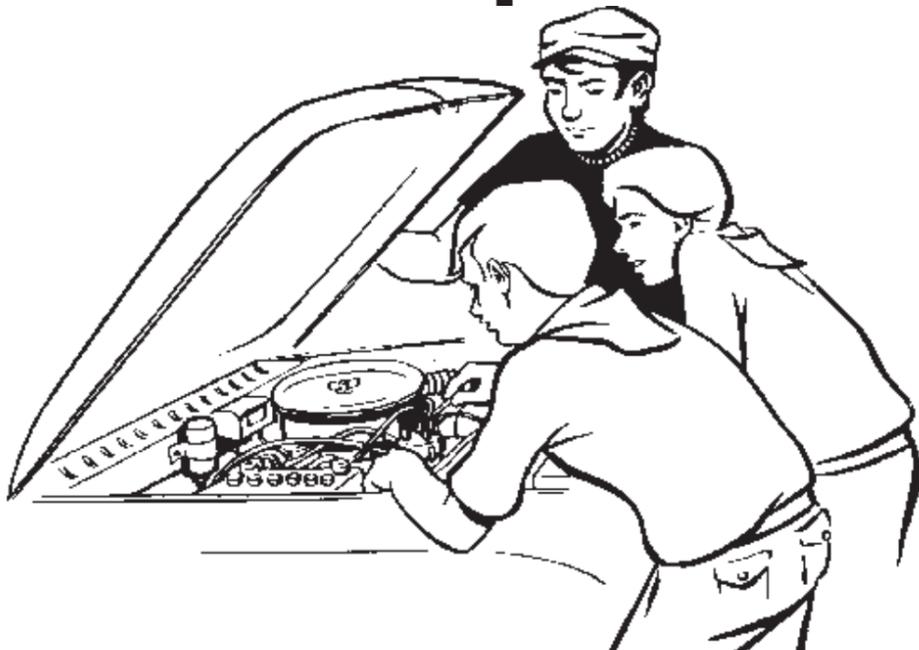
Gray said that although the staff wasn't allowed to approach the athletes, he did see famous athletes like Kobe Bryant and Yao Ming, who came up to Gray and asked for watermelon.

"It's nice seeing the athletes in the dining room then seeing them later on TV," Gray said. "It's like, 'Hey! I fed that guy today!' You feel like you had a part in their success."



Keep this in your glove compartment

### HOW TO: Jump-start a car



- 1) Always start by reading the owner's manual. Consult with a mechanic if you're unsure how to start a particular car.
- 2) Find a friend with a charged battery. Park the cars front end to front end as close as possible without allowing them to touch.
- 3) Put both cars in park and use the emergency brake. Shut off the engines, remove the keys from the ignition, and open the hoods.
- 4) Locate the car's battery. It will have two small metal cylinders called terminals, one with a plus sign and one with a negative sign.
- 5) Attach a red-handled jumper cable to the positive terminal of the charged battery. Repeat on the dead battery.
- 6) Attach the black-handled cable to any unpainted, metal part

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# Learning to drink safely, responsibly

Susan Brink  
Los Angeles Times

Whether the legal drinking age is 18, 21 or something in between, at some point the odds are better than even that eventually a young adult is going to have that first drink. About 61 percent of American adults 18 or older said they've had alcohol in the last year, according to a 2006 national survey by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

For the most part, lessons in how to drink come through experimentation with excess, essentially trial and error, exploring how much can be consumed, as young people go through what has become a rite of passage to adulthood.

With ignorance as a guide, the long-awaited rite of passage too often ends up with mangled cars and ruined lives.

But whose job is it to teach responsible drinking? Middle and high schools have their hands tied.

Beginning in elementary school,

students are given the simple message that drugs, including alcohol, are forbidden and bad, a message that often conflicts with what they see at home -- parents having a cocktail before dinner or a glass of wine with the meal. If statistics are proof, the anti-alcohol messages have little effect on kids' drinking. A CDC survey last year found that 45 percent of high school students drank some alcohol in the 30 days before the survey, 26 percent binge drank, 11 percent drove

after drinking and 29 percent rode with a driver who had been drinking.

Once kids step on a college campus for the first time, they're surrounded by new freedoms and temptations. The largely ineffective "just say no" message is likely to go right out the window. So lessons in moderate and responsible drinking are up to parents and, increasingly, colleges.

G. Alan Marlatt, director of the Addictive Behaviors Research Center at the University of Washington, has been focusing his research on helping students learn about alcohol, to (if they decide to drink) moderate their drinking and to drink without hurting themselves or others. He does the research in a campus laboratory designed to look like a dimly lit tavern. Students of legal drinking age receive real alcohol; younger students get substitutes with little or no alcohol content, though they're often unaware of the substitution.

One study had actors come in and drink a lot, or a little. When the actors drank a lot, the student subjects drank a lot. When the actors drank moderately, so did the students.

"If others around you are drinking just a little, you can bring it down," Marlatt said. The copycat effect was more pronounced with men than with women.

Students say they drink more when they feel stressed. So he had actors insult or annoy them in a "waiting room" outside the mock bar. Sure enough, when they were under stress, they drank more.

With that kind of information in hand, he began developing, with funding from the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, programs to help college students control their drinking. Two of them, Basics and the Alcohol Skills Training Program, are available at many colleges and universities — and some provide training to entire dormitories, sororities, fraternities and even whole incoming freshman classes.

In the Basics program, one-on-one counseling is offered to students at high risk of excessive drinking because of a family history of alcoholism or because they have reported drinking more than their peers in high school. In the Alcohol Skills Training Program, students at normal risk receive group training. All of them learn what alcohol does to the body, how long it takes to feel its effects, how long it takes the body to be rid of the effects and how to be assertive in saying "no more." Marlatt has found that students in either program were able to reduce their drinking by 40 percent and maintain the reduction for two years after the program.

"We don't lecture. We say that drinking is like driving. It can be dangerous. It's a skill. You have to learn how it works," he said.

## Fatal alcohol poisoning

A person who drinks to the point of passing out can die if the concentration of alcohol in his or her bloodstream reaches a toxic level. What happens:

### 1 Person drinks ethanol\*

80% through small intestine

20% is absorbed through stomach

Blood alcohol level rises

### 2 Body processes the alcohol

95% is broken down by liver

5% is exhaled or leaves body in urine, sweat, etc.

### 3 Intoxication depends on amount in blood

#### MILD

Blood alcohol level: 0-0.15

- Euphoria, slurred speech, impaired coordination
- Liver eventually clears all alcohol from blood
- Ability to drive is impaired

#### ACUTE

Blood alcohol level: 0.3-0.4

- Liver can't break down alcohol fast enough
- Blood alcohol level rises to toxic level
- Person loses consciousness or goes into deep coma

#### FATAL

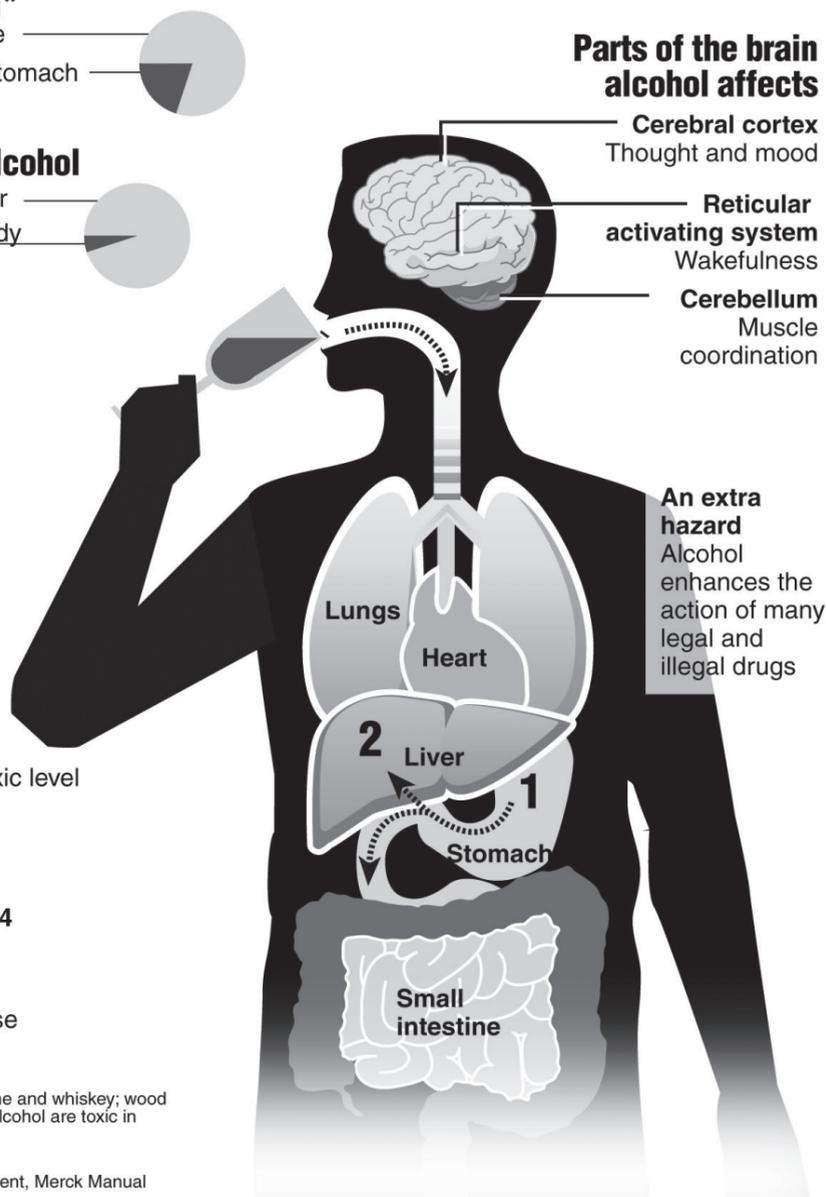
Blood alcohol level: Above 0.4

- Most deaths are caused by inhaling stomach contents
- Brain function depressed; pulse slows; person stops breathing

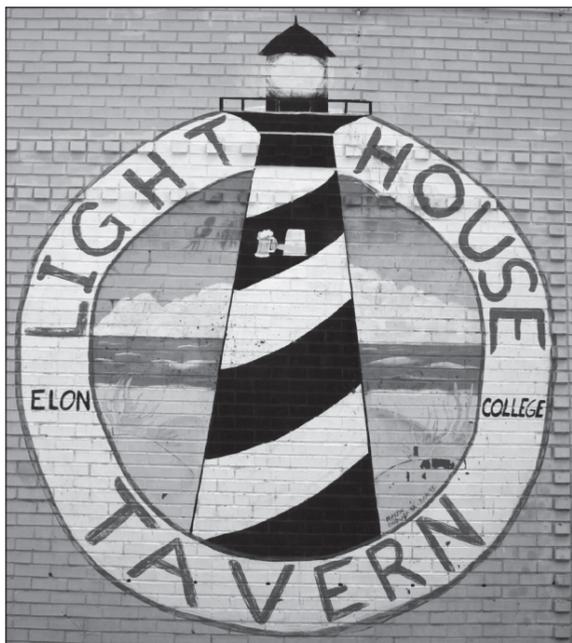
\*Or "grain alcohol," the kind used in beer, wine and whiskey; wood alcohol, rubbing alcohol and other kinds of alcohol are toxic in even small amounts

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## Lighthouse beckons patrons back 'home'



What did you think about Lighthouse's opening night on Friday?

"It was refreshing that they didn't change it. It still has the same old Lighthouse feel, i.e. really nasty floors and loud music." - Craig Campbell

"It was Elon's spin on the classic Lighthouse. It was awesome!" - Zach Koontz

"Overall, I thought it was really good. The inside was very similar to the old Lighthouse and the patio was bigger than I thought it would be. The only complaint I have was that they got rid of the pool tables. Other than that, it was great — the bands were good, the atmosphere was good, and the beer was still good." - Andy Nagele

"I thought it was really fun, and it was

great to have the atmosphere back again, and to see that not too many drastic changes were made. But at the same time, they really need to do something about the bathrooms, because the floor was too slippery. Other than that, it was awesome!" - Liz Lenahan

"I was really surprised how similar it looked, I was expecting it to be a lot different. But it was definitely a good thing that it was pretty much the same." - Kasey Joseph

"The atmosphere was great, and the bands were really good. I'm excited to see who they will be bringing to campus in the coming months. Live music is a really nice alternative to a DJ." - Lauren Bieler



Philomene Sewavi is a resident of Togo who relied on a loan from Kiva to purchase equipment for her cassava flour and tapioca business.



Fatima Syed Shah Esmil and her daughter received a \$175 loan from Kiva to purchase materials for their carpet weaving company.

# Helping others help themselves

Students donate money to Web site that gives individuals in Third World countries a chance to start their own businesses

**Anna Johnson**  
Reporter

Elon's do-gooders, who once had to limit their community service activities to the Elon bubble, are now helping struggling individuals worlds away, all thanks to one dedicated professor and a Web site.

Professor Ocek Eke urges students in his Global Experience class to make a donation to Kiva, a microfinance-lending program that allows individuals or groups of people to donate start-up money to up-and-coming businesses in Third World countries. Once the borrowers begin to find success, they begin to pay the loans back, interest-free. The twist is that the original lender can then re-donate the money to another business or individual, literally doubling their positive impact.

Since the Web site's launch in 2005, more than 336,000 lenders have donated \$43 million to 60,000 borrowers, and at least 98 percent of the loans have been paid back.

Eke first heard of Kiva through a global magazine last year and thought it was a worthwhile opportunity to get his students involved with what he taught: personal responsibility and eliminating poverty.

"I believe this ties into being global citizens and falls into Elon's mission of service-learning," Eke said. "We have to know everything is connected. We cannot sit aside and ignore the rest of the world because our lives are



**Ocek Eke**

better."

Eke asks students in his Global Experience seminar and communications classes to donate \$2 a week, every week, for an entire semester. The project is completely optional, and some students opt to donate more or less money. The classes elect a treasurer and place the collections into a Kiva group called 'Ocek and Students.'

The classes choose businesses based on online profiles at Kiva.org. Thus far, the group has loaned out more than \$2,435 to 44 businesses and organizations and \$1,538 of that has been repaid with no defaults on any of the loans. The loans have gone to help businesses in Kenya, Afghanistan, Honduras, Peru, Togo and Cambodia.

"In a small way, we are beginning to break down the vicious cycle of poverty," Eke said. "We are not just throwing money at people, you are teaching people to help themselves."

Sophomore Eugene Daniels, a former student of Eke's, described the experience as unique and effective.

"What you put in is what you get out," he said. "It's the ultimate charity in the sense that if you only have \$100, you are constantly getting that

"It is our moral obligation to be involved in eliminating poverty worldwide."

—Professor Ocek Eke

money back and lending it out to more and more businesses. It's a great project with a never-ending flow of money."

Eke has also created an Elon University Team on Kiva.org where students, staff and alumni can join together and collectively donate money. Eke would like to see Kiva grow at Elon.

"The interest is there, but things would be so much simpler if we had a cohesive group here on campus instead of having to start over each semester," he said. "More students just need to know about [Kiva]. The students here at Elon want to help, we just need to give them the chance."

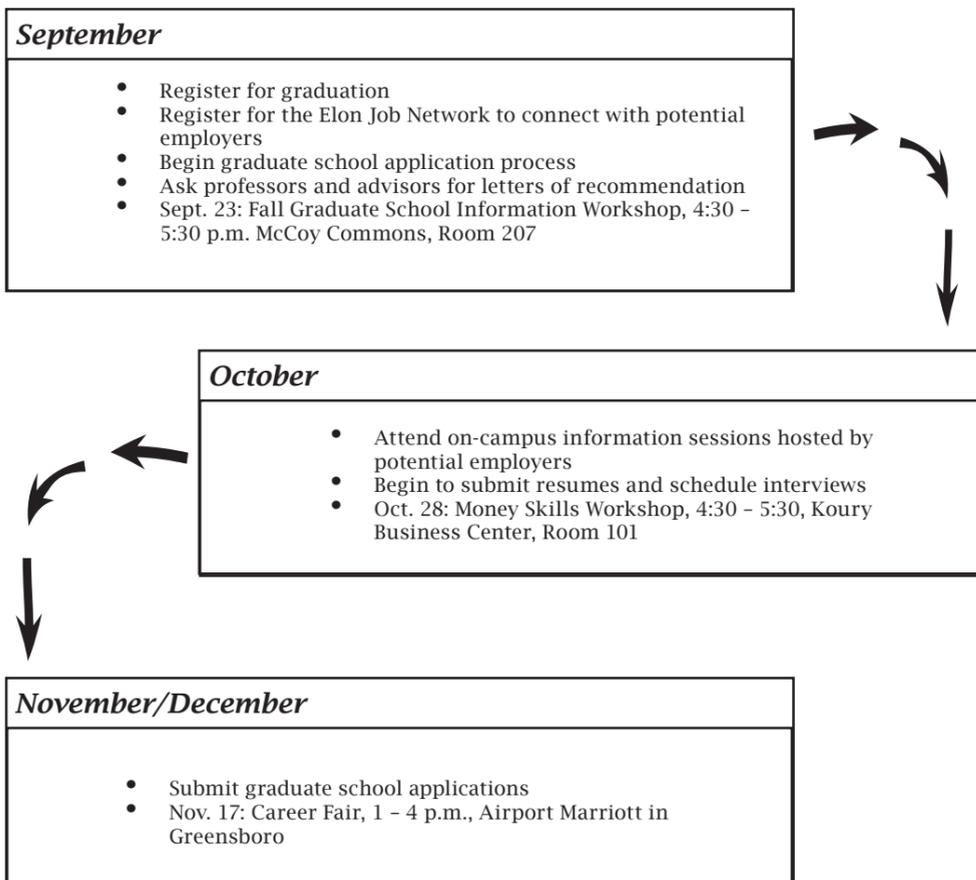
Microfinance-lending programs have greatly accelerated in popularity over the past five years. In 2006, the Nobel Peace Prize went to the Grameen Bank and its founder Muhammad Yunus for creating a microfinance-lending program that helped rising businesses in Bangladesh. But Eke and his students are not looking for rewards.

"We're not doing this for prizes or thanks," Eke said. "It is our moral obligation to be involved in eliminating poverty worldwide."



## Senior Year Timeline

Can't believe graduation is in eight months? No idea where to start? Keep your senior year on track



## OVERHEARD AT ELON U

"Ever walked in on a conversation and wish you hadn't? Overhear a comment that made you wonder just how rigorous Elon's admission process is? Here's the place to share."

Junior Nick Massa created "Overheard by Elon U," a Facebook group that highlights ridiculous comments made by Elon students.

The group features daily posts and hosts more than 780 members.

"Usain Bolt is amazing, but he is so cocky!"  
"So true! I mean, what does he think he is - a track star?"

—Overheard by Katherine Dirks

"Only cool girls take their shirts off!"

—Overheard by Lauren Moehlman

Guy: "I wish I could be an alcoholic."  
Girl: "You'd be a better artist!"

—Overheard by Andie Diemer

"You can leave Elon, but Elon will never leave you ... kind of like herpes."

—Overheard by Jessi Dexheimer

# Healthy Meyers ready to lead her team

## Team prepares for Southern Conference play

Adam Lawson  
Reporter

Stefanie Meyers knows what it's like to play through pain. After suffering a torn ACL that kept her out of action last season, Meyers has two goals in mind: stay healthy for her entire senior season and help lead Elon to a conference championship.

During the 2007 preseason, disaster struck when Meyers fell down in pain after suffering the debilitating injury that would end her season.

Surgery was required in October and she was scheduled for a six-month recovery.

"The injury was awful," Meyers said. "I had to spend two weeks at home during fall just to lift my leg. I went to physical therapy twice every day of the week, and the whole thing was just a nightmare."

Instead of leading the team as a captain middle hitter, Meyers spent her junior season being a leader on the sidelines, encouraging her teammates and making sure the relationship between herself and her teammates stayed strong through the tough times.

Although the Phoenix finished the 2007 campaign at 17-16 overall and 11-7 in the Southern Conference, the most SoCon wins since joining the league in 1999, it was handed an early exit from the conference tournament. In the first round, No. 5 Elon faltered to No.4 Chattanooga.

"It was horrible to just stand on the sidelines and watch," Meyers said.

"That's any teammate's worst nightmare to not be able to help out or do anything. It's frustrating when all you can do is cheer on your teammates and not be able to help make a difference on the court."

After losing senior hitter and leader Brittany Westphal to graduation in May, it was especially important for the volleyball team to get Meyers back on the roster as quickly as possible.

She participated in a couple of practices in the short spring season, which usually consists of small tournaments here and there, but she really worked hard in the summer trying to build up the strength she lost a year ago.

The first time she went 100 percent was this preseason in August, almost exactly a year from her initial knee injury.

With Meyers back in action now, her presence has energized the team to an 8-3 start, tallying three wins and one loss at a Pennsylvania tournament this past weekend.

The start of conference competition is rapidly creeping up as the Phoenix kicks off SoCon play at Appalachian State on Sept. 27. Elon returns to The Nest where it will take on Furman University Oct. 4 to begin a five-game conference homestead.

Elon wraps up the consecutive home games welcoming College of Charleston Oct. 13. The Cougars are the SoCon tournament defending champs, topping off a consecutive four years at the top of the tourney bracket.

Meyers said the goal for the team remains simple: just win.

"We want to qualify for our conference tournament and hopefully win and I think we can definitely do that. Everyone is so diverse in their skills and it's very exciting," Meyers said.



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Senior Stefanie Meyers is back on track after a year-long injury that kept her benched the entire 2007 season. After extensive rehab, she was able to rejoin the team this August.

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# Major football stories this season

This week's 'One on One' discussion with Joey and Chris

Joey Accordino and Chris Bunn  
Sports Commentators

College storyline:

**Joey:** This is a no-brainer. The University of Southern California Trojans have looked absolutely invincible in establishing themselves as the early national title favorite. After wiping the floor with the University of Virginia in Week 1, USC then embarrassed previously No. 5 Ohio State, 35-3. They are loaded with future pros and do not have a discernible weakness. Can anyone beat these guys?

**Chris:** Well, right now no one can. USC is too good, but the biggest story line has to be how bad the Atlantic Coastal Conference is. There was only one team in the top 25 after Week 1 and none currently higher than 18 in the polls from the ACC. Heck, my Duke Blue Devils may well finish in the top half of the conference this year.

**Joey:** Keep dreaming. While you're focusing on the dregs of the college football landscape, I've got my eyes at

the top: USC. I'm curious to see if the Men of Troy will win every game by more than 30 points this year.

**Chris:** USC is good: What a surprise! Seriously, you can follow that storyline any year. The ACC is floundering after its grand expansion idea fell right on its face. The ACC may be worse than the Mountain West.



NFL Storyline:

**Chris:** Unless you've been living under a rock, you are aware that Tom Brady is out for the season. I'm mad because he

was my first pick in the fantasy draft and I'm now starting Jason Campbell. Sympathy cards would be appreciated. With the reigning MVP taking a vacation now, can Matt Cassel lead this team to the playoffs?

**Joey:** The most surprising thing to me has been that so many of the preseason favorites have looked so bad. Indianapolis (your pick) and San Diego (my pick) are limping along, while Jacksonville and Minnesota are 0-2. Maybe my Steelers will sneak into the Super Bowl!

**Chris:** At this rate, we will see a Broncos-Panthers Super Bowl, and who wants that? The Patriots look average. The Bucs have been mediocre. None of the favorites have come out of the starting gate looking like contenders. It's sad, really.

**Joey:** Cheer up, Chris. I have a funny feeling that a couple of dominant teams will emerge. At least, I hope that happens. Because after all, nobody really wants to see a Titans-Cardinals Super Bowl.

## Transferring teams for a winning tradition

Kelsey Glover  
Reporter

The Elon Phoenix baseball team has added several players this year to its already strong line-up, but for junior Justin Hilt, Elon University is not the first stop in his college athletic career.

Hilt already has two other programs in his repertoire, but looks forward to

his opportunities here.

"I picked Elon because of its winning tradition," he said. "[The team] won the Southern Conference last year."

The Phoenix was 44-18 overall and 19-8 in conference play during the 2007 campaign. The team won the division and the conference tournament and played in the NCAA

regional tournament where it faltered at the hands of UNC Wilmington twice.

When Hilt started his college athletic career, he initially signed with the Thundering Herd of Marshall University in Huntington, W. Va., as a pitcher for the team. He explained that it was one of the first Division I programs to seriously look at him and offer a good scholarship, but he never officially attended the school because of coaching changes.

"It was a different coach, and I didn't feel like they really wanted me," he said.

Instead, New Jersey native Hilt decided to go to Louisburg College, a community college outside of the Raleigh-Durham area. He was able to continue to develop his skills and further his education. For the two years he was at Louisburg, he played third base.

Louisburg is a two-year institution, leading Hilt to journey to Elon. He not only brings experience to the team, but versatility as well. With a history of pitching, he said he will either play third or make things happen in the outfield, and hopes to work hard to add something to an already great team.

"I love all my teammates," he said. "I love [Elon]. It's big enough for a college life but not so big a new kid like me gets lost."

Hilt may be new to Elon, but he is certainly not new to baseball. He said he started playing when he was just four or five years old. While in high school, he earned honors such as All-Conference, All-South Jersey, All-New Jersey and Most Valuable Player. At Louisburg College, he was named All-American last year.

"It's really the only sport I was ever good at," he said. "I never consider myself that talented, so I feel like I have to work hard."

Although there isn't any history of baseball in Hilt's family, he certainly has its support. Once he started playing at Louisburg, his father retired and his parents moved from outside of Philadelphia to Louisburg so they could watch him play and support him in his enduring career.

Although a schedule has not been set for the 2008 Phoenix campaign, the baseball stars are already enthusiastic and can't wait to get back on the field.

"I just want to do anything I can to help us win this year," he said. "I really want to win the SoCon again."

### SPORTS IN BRIEF

#### Volleyball wins tournament crown in Pennsylvania

The volleyball team captured the title in the Robert Morris Invitational in Moon Township, Pa., with three wins and only one loss. The team improved to 8-3-0 on the season.

Last Friday, the Phoenix defeated Robert Morris University and Youngstown State University before losing to Howard University on Saturday. Elon wrapped the tournament up by blanking St. Peter's College to win the tournament crown.

Traci Stewart and Mandy Wilson both had 15 kills in the respective games on Saturday. Sarah Schermerhorn led with 15 kills in the first match up on Friday and Stewart tallied 12 to lead the team in the second game.

#### Women's soccer defense leads to tournament win

One seemed to be the magic number for the women's soccer team this past weekend as it won both games 1-0 to claim the 2008 Carolina's Border Classic hosted by University of South Carolina Upstate. Last Friday, the Phoenix upended Gardner-Webb to start off the tournament. Molly Calpin sent the ball past the goalkeeper for the lone score of the game.

In the final game of the tournament, Susannah Gianakos blasted a penalty shot past the Winthrop goalkeeper. Elon tallied 18 total shots, eight of which came off the foot of Katina Boozer.

#### Elon footballers dominate player of the week accolades

Out of a possible four categories, Elon footballers grabbed two player of the week awards passed down from the Southern Conference. Red-shirted freshman A.J. Harris rushed for a career-high 91 yards and three touchdowns on just seven carries in Elon's 66-12 win over Presbyterian College. Bo Williamson was awarded the special teams player of the week award. He tallied a career-high 120 return yards on his way to a career-high 287 all-purpose yards.

#### Gooch earns preseason recognition

Elon's own Damon Gooch, men's tennis senior captain, landed at No. 115 on the NCAA's Division I men's tennis players in the 2008 Intercollegiate Tennis Association preseason singles rankings.

Gooch is a two-year captain, a two-time team MVP, a three-time First Team All-Southern Conference singles and doubles player, a four-time SoCon Player of the Week and a three-time SoCon Player of the Month.

Gooch has been a leader for the Phoenix at No. 1 singles and No. 1 doubles throughout his career. He earned SoCon Freshman of the Year commendation in 2006 and led his team to a pair of SoCon regular-season titles to go with a SoCon tournament title and an NCAA tournament appearance.

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# Hall of Famers join a rich lineage of Elon athletes

## HALL OF FAME from Page 1

and softball star Tracy Shuford grace the Hall of Fame roster.

During the football program's National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics days, Ballard helped guide his team to conference, district and national championships in 1980 and 1981.

"I remember walking across the field when the first championship game was over because I had not seen the trophy, and when I finally got there and I saw the trophy and how hard we worked for it, I was expecting some big magical thing and it was what it was — a trophy. At 19, I was expecting to see the Holy Grail," Ballard said, laughing.

The four-year letterman and senior captain amassed 208 tackles and 20 sacks from his defensive tackle position during his playing career at Elon.

"Anytime someone recognizes you for doing something very well, it is always a privilege and a blessing," Ballard said. "To know that you worked hard and got recognized for that hard work is a joy and a wonderful thing."

Baseball's Braxton played for Elon from 1923-1927. His senior year squad fashioned a 14-4 overall record, establishing itself as the program's winningest team in the first 28 seasons of the school's history.

Braxton was honored to an All-Time Elon Alumni baseball team. In his freshman year, Braxton doubled as a baseball and basketball star.

Carden played Elon football and would return to his alma mater as an assistant and head football coach as well as the head wrestling coach. In his 12 years he recorded four conference championships, six district titles, three national playoff appearances and two national crowns over his seven seasons as an assistant coach.

He was honored as the Conference Coach of the Year in 1986 and still has the distinction of being the only Elon head football coach to log a winning record every season of a career lasting at least five years.

Danieley is the only non-athlete inducted this year, and he is only the third non-athlete to ever be inducted into the Sports Hall of Fame, which he started 38 years ago when he was president of the college.

Most well-known for his widespread support of Elon athletics, Danieley established women's basketball and volleyball and men's wrestling. He also recruited some of the most instrumental people in Elon's history including former athletic director Dr. Alan White, Red Wilson and former basketball coach Kay Yao.

"I am highly honored [to be inducted] as a non-athlete," Danieley said. "One of the great satisfactions is the very first class in the Hall of Fame had a non-athlete in it and that was Dr. A.L.



DAVID WELLS | Photo Editor  
Athletic Director Dave Blank (left) stands with the 2008 Hall of Fame inductees: Paul Braxton, Macky Carden, Tracy Shuford, Randy Oxendine, Quinton Ballard and Dr. J. Earl Danieley.

Hook and I can think of nobody whose steps I would rather follow."

Oxendine powered the Elon defense from 1973-1976, helping Elon capture three conference championships to go with the program's first three district titles and first three playoff appearances. He recovered an Elon-record six fumbles in 1974, including a program-best three in a victory over Guilford College. Oxendine has furthered his career as a teacher and coach the past 16 years, teaching physical education and coaching volleyball and softball at a North Carolina high school.

Shuford was an all-around athlete. She played four seasons of softball, two of soccer and two of basketball during her athletic career at Elon.

"It's been a beautiful day and to be part of history is something beautiful. I always tell people my best memories and some of my best times were here at Elon College," Shuford said. "It gives you chill bumps to come back and see where we are now. It is a tremendous day, a tremendous experience and a beautiful honor to be appreciated in the same class as Dr. Danieley."

When Shuford arrived at Elon she had never even picked up a soccer ball before, but she stepped up when the team needed an extra set of hands. Two years later, she was given the starting goalkeeping spot.

"I always say I didn't know how well I had it when I was here," Shuford said. "Looking back, all the memories you have, the team situations, the



RUSSELL VARNER | Photographer  
Earl Danieley accepts his award at the Hall of Fame ceremony in Whitley Auditorium prior to the football game.

camaraderie you share, you never truly have that in everyday working life. The sense of team and sense of so many other people counting on you and you counting on them and making it all work together — I wish I would have known what a treasure it was."

# Men's soccer gets back on track in home opener

## Phoenix down UNC Asheville in overtime to tally first home victory

Paul Billings  
Reporter

Expected to improve off the success of the 2007 season, the Elon Phoenix men's soccer team uncharacteristically opened their season 0-2-1, with losses to Winthrop University and High Point University and a tie against Old Dominion University.

"We have been playing well all season," fifth year Head Coach Darren Powell said. "We just haven't gotten the good fortune necessary to win in college soccer."

This past weekend Elon hosted the inaugural Elon Classic and proved they are still the talented team from last season.

On Friday night against UNC Asheville, good fortune finally came Elon's way. After missing numerous chances to put the Bulldogs away in regulation, Elon went into overtime for the third straight game.

Elon's Justin Wyatt decided the contest by netting his first goal of the season just five minutes into the overtime period.

"The two losses had put us into a little bit of a slump," senior Aaron Parker said. "This win is big time."

While the Phoenix had Saturday off, it jumped back into action for the last game of the Classic against East Tennessee State.

Although Elon played strong, controlling almost every statistical category, at the end of the 90 minutes it was the Buccaneers who walked away



KATY BURNS | Photographer  
Junior Justin Wyatt dribbles the ball downfield during last weekend's Elon Men's Soccer Classic Tournament.

with a 1-0 win.

Despite taking 19 shots, not one found the back of the net for the Phoenix and a stolen ball in the last 30 minutes of the game led to the game's

lone tally for East Tennessee.

While no team wants to start the season with two losses, Parker said the overtime experience they gained early in the season better prepared the team

for the task of winning their home opener against UNC-Asheville.

"The experience of overtime we gained in the previous two games definitely helped us tonight. We've got our confidence back now," Wyatt said. He netted his sixth career game winner on Friday night.

With that confidence and the great fan support at every Elon home game, the team echoed its beliefs that it can beat anyone, perhaps even defending national champion Wake Forest, who comes to Elon on Oct. 1 for what is one of the most highly anticipated games on campus this year.

"Our first win was very important," Powell said. "I'm happy for our players who have been working very hard at practice. Now it's time for us improve off this win."

### QUICK STATS

Elon dominated UNC Asheville in shots, corner kicks and saves.

Shots by period:	1st Half	2nd Half	OT
UNC Asheville	3	5	1
Elon University	8	8	1

Corner Kicks:	1st Half	2nd Half	OT
UNC Asheville	0	3	0
Elon University	7	5	1

Saves by Period:	1st Half	2nd Half	OT
UNC Asheville	2	3	0
Elon University	0	3	0



ABOVE: Eleanor Meacham and Betsy Sise from "Teamwork" celebrate after winning the tug-of-war portion of the competition. This team took the overall title of Sportsfest Champion.

TOP LEFT: The girls from team "D3" wear black face paint to intimidate the competition.

BOTTOM LEFT: Junior Alex King takes a swing at the ball during the home run derby.



RIGHT: Sportsfest announcer Dannika Lewis welcomes teams to the annual competition and wishes everyone luck.



# 'Teamwork' wins the prize at Sportsfest 2008

PHOTOS BY DAVID WELLS | Photo Editor

A hot and sunny Friday afternoon set a perfect scene for Sportsfest 2008 on the South Campus fields. Teams of 10 from all classes and areas on campus worked together in an attempt to be crowned

Sportsfest Champion.

Teams battled in tug-o-war, Jenga, cornhole, miniature golf, volleyball, homerun derby and bocce ball. This year, it was "Teamwork" that took the crown followed by "Red Hot."



Junior Peyton Hairson stares down his line in the miniature golf competition.



TOP: Teams kept track of how they were doing throughout the competition.

BOTTOM: Team "Red Hot" works together to a final four spot in the tug-of-war. "Red Hot" placed second in the competition.



# Sports



DAVID WELLS | Photo Editor

Head Coach Pete Lembo leads the Phoenix as it storms out of the locker room to a 46-point lead after the first half. It would go on to score 66 points, the most since 1983.

## Phoenix dominates with 66 points

**Michelle Longo**  
Sports Editor

Halfway through the first half Saturday night, a young Elon fan launched her maroon and gold colored balloons into the night sky above Rhodes Stadium. Just as she waved goodbye to them, Elon scored its sixth touchdown in as many possessions, prompting Presbyterian College to also wave goodbye to any hope of victory it still had left.

The Phoenix went on to own the Blue Hose 66-12.

"That's probably as impressive of a first quarter in all three phases of the game that I've seen in my eight years as a head coach," Pete Lembo said. "Maybe even my entire career."

The Phoenix rolled up a school-record 667 yards of total offense, passing the previous amount of 633 set back in 1983.

Elon's 66 points mark the highest total since they clobbered Concord State with the same score in 1968.

Elon scored rapidly and effortlessly as the team amassed 45 points on seven straight scores to begin the game. For the first 23 minutes of the game, Elon scored

on every possession. It was smooth sailing from there.

By halftime, with the score at 52-6, senior captain Bo Williamson had already nabbed 222 all-purpose yards on his way to a career-high 287 yards and two touchdowns. A.J. Harris, red-shirted reserve, joined Williamson in the campaign with a career-high 132 yards and three touchdowns.

"We had to prove something not only to [ourselves] but everyone in the SoCon," Harris said. "We're Elon, and we're here to play."

Despite all of the preseason hype and polls, Elon (2-1), started the season with a loss to the University of Richmond at home. The following week, Elon earned a 30-20 win at Stony Brook, despite playing in the middle of a hurricane.

"Last week, we got a little lead on Stony Brook and Coach [Lembo] said we got a little overexcited and we were out of control on the sideline," Williamson said. "So now we just want to keep pouring on points, as many points as we can. That's what matters most to us."

Quarterback Scott Riddle, who threw 308 of his 386 yards in the first half, said the usually explosive Phoenix

offense has been struggling lately. They used the extra time in the game to really ramp up their plays for next week.

The No. 18 Phoenix travels to Georgia to take on the No. 14 Georgia Southern Eagles (2-1) in a SoCon clash on Saturday. The Eagles defeated Northeastern on Saturday to improve their record to 2-1 for the year. Both teams will be looking for that elusive first conference victory.

"We are a results-oriented organization, so you can feel like you are pretty good, but [it doesn't matter] until you show that you are good," Lembo said.

Both players and coaches agreed the monumental win against Presbyterian would not cause them to be overconfident heading into next week's game.

"We didn't feel too happy with our improvement from game one to game two," Williamson said. "Game two to game three was a big difference and hopefully the momentum will carry over. We know we've got to refocus. It's a whole different focus level. We can prepare for these teams the same, but once we get into league play then it is all different."



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Senior Charles Ball celebrates after Bo Williamson blocked a punt for Ball to return for another Phoenix touchdown.



DAVID WELLS | Photo Editor

Bo Williamson sprints down the sideline for one of his two touchdowns in the Phoenix win Saturday night at Rhodes Stadium. Williamson had a career-high 287 all-purpose yards.

### Football Notebook:

- A scout from the New York Football Giants came to Saturday's game to watch senior punter Brandon Lane and senior kicker Andrew Wilcox. Wilcox kicked one field goal good for 36 yards. He tallied 11 kickoffs for 630 yards with an average of 57.3 yards. Because of the explosive offense, Lane only got one chance to punt, good for 39 yards.
- Midway through the second quarter, Scott Riddle cut his right hand when he caught it on a Presbyterian facemask while following through on a completion. Riddle said he was fine and downplayed the cut as "no big deal," despite the fact that it bled excessively.
- Donny Kirby entered the game in the fourth quarter, marking his first appearance of the 2008 campaign. He was 4-for-6 for a gain of 35 yards with a long of 20 yards. He was not sacked once.
- Defensively, Corey Weaver and Andre Campbell each had one sack for four and seven yards respectively.
- Of six receptions, Terrell Hudgins tallied 80 yards with one touchdown.
- The last time Elon scored more than 66 points was in a 1949 game against the Edenton Marines with a final score of 80-0.
- Elon's 35 first downs came in three shy of the school record from 1992 against Wingate University.