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Astley's legacy memorialized by campus, hometown

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Warmth and beauty were two of Lauren Astley's top criteria in choosing a college.

"If I am in a beautiful place, I will learn," she once told her father, Malcolm Astley.

In the weeks since her death on July 4, warmth and beauty are just two of the many adjectives used by friends and family to describe Lauren. She would have arrived on campus this week as a member of the class of 2015.

Her body was found by a passing bicyclist at 7:30 a.m. in a marshy area off the road in her hometown of Wayland, Mass. She was originally reported missing by her father the night of July 3. First classified as suspicious, her death was soon labeled a homicide due to strangulation and an incision to the neck.

A classmate and former boyfriend, Nathaniel Fujita, was arrested the day her body was found. On Aug. 4, he was indicted on charges of first-degree murder, two counts of assault and battery with a dangerous weapon and assault and battery, according to the Metrowest Daily News.

A life cut short

Lauren was a fearless, independent-minded young woman on the brink of a bright future, planning to study business when she arrived at school. After playing on the soccer team her first three years of high school, she decided her senior year to pursue her interest in retail and fashion, working at local Shop344, instead of serving as co-captain of the team.

It wasn't necessarily the direction her father would have chosen. But, that was Lauren.

"She was a young woman of tremendous energy and purpose," Malcolm said. "She liked action, she steered away from her father's heavier thinking but also engaged in it as time went by. Her own sense of direction and purpose was emerging nicely."

But Lauren's interests ran much deeper than fashion. The varsity tennis player also sang in the cappella group, Muses, and volunteered doing relief work in New Orleans following Hurricane Katrina.

Her fearless nature could be seen, Malcolm said, in her fascination with sharks.

"It probably started with premature viewings of 'Jaws,' and all the sequels, eventually with nature movies of feeding sharks as a follow-up," Malcolm said at her

July 16 memorial. "She urged me to be the shark regularly in swimming pools while she reenacted highly realistic versions of 'young person pulled under by sharks.'"

But it didn't stop there. As the years progressed, she studied the animals intently, developing knowledge about their life patterns and sympathy as she watched them being slaughtered in large numbers.

She had hoped to travel abroad to study and swim with the sharks.

A campus reaction

Incoming freshman Lauren Bolusky would have been one of Lauren's seven suitemates in Colclough Hall this year. While Bolusky never got to know Lauren, she is one of the many students on Elon's campus working to ensure her presence in the Class of 2015 is not forgotten.

"It is pretty crazy to think that we all consider each other 'family members' even though most of us have never met, but it's the truth," Bolusky said. "No one sees her as a girl they never met, everyone sees her as a member of our Elon family."

SGA has finalized plans to distribute ribbons in Lauren's favorite color, coral, at freshman convocation. Ribbons will also be available on move-in day from SGA executives and placed on faculty seats at convocation.

"I think we all realize that life can be cut short in an instant and we have to make the most of our time here," Bolusky said. "Lauren has brought our class together and I know that none of us will ever forget her."

A legacy memorialized

Most of all, Malcolm said he wants a positive outcome to arise from the tragedy.

"I just hope so much that her death can support positive steps by kids to treasure what time they have and also to work at deeply delving into matters of respecting each other," he said. "There are forces that are pushing both kids and the whole world to be so competitive and work toward dominance instead of mutual cooperation."

Malcolm strove to instill these positive messages into Lauren while she was still with him. She referred to them as "Malcolm texts."

"They were always different and beautifully-worded 160 characters about seizing the day, always being proud of yourself and learning from your



The Elon University community has shown an outpouring of support for Lauren Astley, an incoming freshman found dead of apparent homicide earlier this summer. Family and friends describe her as fearless and determined.

surroundings," said Hannah Blahut, one of Lauren's best friends. "Even though she would laugh, I know Lauren took most of the messages to heart."

Friendship was fiercely important to Lauren, an only child, and she came to view Blahut and other close friends as her sisters.

Close friend Chloe Jacques met Lauren at a young age when their families sat near one another at Luigi's, a local restaurant.

"As soon as we sat down, I saw her little head peep over the booth at me and smile," Jacques said. "It was the same bright, curious and enthusiastic smile I saw time and again throughout her life."

Ariel Chates, another best friend, said her mom, dad and brother came to be viewed as Lauren's "second family".

"I wish now more than ever that Lauren knew, she not only had a second family but an entire world of loved ones who miss her incredibly," she said. "It used to drive Lauren and me crazy when even our own parents couldn't tell us apart in pictures, but it comforts me now knowing that when anyone ever mixes us up again, I can simply say 'that's my sister,' the only true way to describe our bond."

At a memorial for Lauren July 16, Malcolm encouraged a focus on better informing young people about the "challenges of love's powerful influences

Ribbons in Lauren's memory, in her favorite color, coral, will be available this week. Pick them up during move-in today or at convocation from SGA executives.



on our lives."

In lieu of flowers, contributions could be made to do just that. The Lauren Dunne Astley Memorial Fund will put energy and resources toward innovative programs that both support Lauren's interests of art and community service, but also educate people about healthy relationships and self-image.

"Her situation was extreme but not uncommon," he said. "There seems to be so much investment, almost overinvestment, of one's value in a relationship, as if it is the only thing that defines value."

But, more than that, Malcolm said he hopes this tragedy teaches others to live like "this is it."

"It's about creating our heaven on earth," he said. "I hope this is used as a taking-off for knowing how fragile and precious life is."

Students move-in early to prepare for incoming class

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Bobby Rawlings wasn't up to much for most of the summer, but that all changed Aug. 20, when he began orientation leader training. The Elon University junior was one of almost 500 students who began moving back to campus early beginning Aug. 8.

Only students in approved organizations are allowed to move in early to on-campus housing, according to Taryn Njagu, assistant director of residence life for North Area and housing operations manager. Those groups

include resident assistants, orientation leaders and staff, athletes, marching band and some members of Greek Life.

"The athletes come back the earliest, but most early move-in students come during the weekend of Aug. 13th-14th," Njagu said.

Resident assistants go through a week-and-a-half long training session prior to the arrival of freshmen.

"They are learning policies and procedures, how to manage conflict, communicate more effectively to different types of people and work better in teams so that they can better manage the residents assigned to them," Njagu said.

In addition to resident assistants, orientation leaders play a major role in welcoming freshmen to Elon.

A total of 100 student orientation leaders moved in early, in addition to the 16 head staff members, who are former OLS who help to train current OLS. There are also more than 50 students who are members of "O Team," who do not go through formal training but help OLS with move-in weekend. Rawlings was a member of "O Team" last year.

"Members of O Team mainly help new students move their things from point A to point B," Rawlings said. "It was actually a lot of fun."

Orientation leader training lasts for a full week starting Aug. 20, preparing the future OLS to be as helpful as possible to incoming freshman.

"Their training consists of a lot of information gathering so that they can help the new students, it's also a lot of activities that help the orientation leaders work together as a team, because that is important for move in weekend," said Katie Hight, director of new student programs. "The training teaches the orientation leaders a lot about what is available to students on campus, like health and wellness services and student organizations."

New alcohol policy changes consequences for violators

College is one of the first times many freshmen will have the freedom to make their own decisions. One decision many students will face within their first weeks is whether to drink alcohol. In order to make an informed decision, students should be aware of the repercussions of an alcohol violation. Here are some of the Elon policies:

Innocent Bystander:

Students under the legal drinking age are allowed to be in the presence of alcohol. They must, however, request an "Alco-Sensor" to prove they have not been drinking.

Good Samaritan Policy:

If a student is with another

student "in danger" or "of concern" of having alcohol poisoning they will not be charged with an alcohol violation if they call for help.

Drinking Games:

Regardless of age, drinking games are in violation of Elon's alcohol policy.

Medical Safety Policy:

Students will not be automatically suspended for receiving medical attention related to consumption of alcohol.

For more information visit the student handbook at:

<http://www.elon.edu/e-web/students/handbook/violations/alcohol.html> or visit the Student Conduct website.

Violating the Elon Alcohol Policy

Possession and/or Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages by Students under 21 Years of Age

Offense	Consequences
First Offense	[X] Fine
Second Offense	[X] Official Reprimand [X] Official Warning [X] Disciplinary Probation [X] Alcohol Education Program
Third Offense	[X] Parent Notification [X] Resitution Hours [X] Substance Abuse Assessment
Fourth Offense	Suspended from Elon

GRAPHIC BY ANNA JOHNSON

Student leaders and incoming director of new students work together to continue tradition of orientation week

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The incoming freshman class and their parents get a chance to see one of the traditions that makes Elon University unique—when upperclassmen involved with the New Student Orientation program help carry students' belongings into their dorms.

The New Student Orientation team consists of 16 members of Head Staff and 101 Orientation Leaders.

These upperclassmen start arriving to campus as early as August 12 to prepare for freshman orientation week.

"The training week is so important for Orientation Leaders because it provides them with the tools they need to facilitate their sessions with new students," said Lauren King, head team captain of New Student Orientation.

All of these students are led by Katie Hight, director of new student programs, who began the position this fall.

"Orientation week is really important for the incoming students because it allows them to learn about Elon, get connected with the university and their peers and really become part of the community," Hight said.

As director, Hight is responsible for helping to hire, recruit and train student leaders, manage the program's budget, coordinate evaluations,

organize entertainment groups and schedules and be a point person for the students involved with the New Student Orientation program.

Even though Hight is new to her position, she is not new to Elon's orientation program: she graduated from Elon University in 2007 after serving as an OL and a member of Head Staff.

"I have gotten to experience Elon's orientation program in many ways now," Hight said. "I have gone full circle but I really love this program."

Sixteen students with positions on Head Staff returned to Elon's campus Aug. 12. Head Staff are the student leaders who help train the other OLs.

All Head Staff members previously served as OLs and applied to be on Head Staff last fall.

"I decided to apply for Head Staff 2010 because I truly fell in love with Orientation in 2009," King said. "My freshman year I was very shy and quiet. After being an Orientation Leader, I realized that it was okay to be my goofy self and found comfort in a group of dynamic students who I could tell had an unbreakable bond."

Orientation sessions are used to introduce students to Elon's honor code, the basics of academics, the career center, tutoring services, Elon's judicial system and the campus.

The New Student Orientation program



MICHAEL SOUCY | Photographer
More than 100 students arrived on campus early to prepare for orientation leader training. Head Staff facilitates training sessions for the OLs the same way OLs will facilitate training sessions for the new students.

plans more than just the group sessions. They also organize nightly programs throughout the students' first weekend.

"One change to the nightly programs is that the Phoenix Extravaganza is taking place in the stadium," Hight said. "Students will attend the soccer game that night and during half time there will be a pep rally where students get to try food from local vendors."

OLs moved back to campus August 20 to start training. Students interested in becoming an OLs fill out an application and are interviewed by members of Head

Staff before being selected in February. They start training in March and return to campus early for the last few days of training.

During training sessions in the spring and fall, King says OLs are given as much up-to-date information about Elon as possible, are addressed by administrators from different departments and also spend time building team unity.

"The week of training builds camaraderie, leadership and team work," Hight said. "We take it very seriously—it's a vital piece of Elon culture."

Struggling economy affects NC applications for Fall 2011, percentage of international students increases drastically

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The Class of 2015 at Elon University is both the largest and the most diverse in the school's history, with a total of 1,428 students in the freshmen class and 90 transfer students according to Greg Zaiser, dean of admissions.

Forty states are represented in the class, with North Carolina having the most students. Massachusetts has the second-highest student representation in the class for the third year running, while New Jersey, Maryland and Virginia each make up 8 percent of the freshman class.

International students constitute 3 percent of new students, an increase of 27 percent from last year as a result of a focus on international applicants, Zaiser said. The number of dual citizens also doubled this year.

"This is the first year we had a full time director of international admissions who was able to travel to different countries," Zaiser said.

The freshman class is also the most

ethnically diverse in the university's history, with 17 percent classifying themselves as an ethnicity other than Caucasian, a 1 percent increase from last year.

Males make up 40 percent and females 60 percent of the newest class, which is about the average male-to-female ratio on college campuses nationwide.

Susan Klopman, vice president of admissions and financial planning, said this ratio was more difficult to achieve than it may seem. Overall, more females apply to early decision or early action deadlines, while males wait until the final deadline to apply to Elon. This, coupled with the trend of men tending to focus less on liberal arts education, skews the gender ratio.

The freshman class isn't just diverse, it's also solidly prepared academically. New students have an overall average core GPA of 3.9 and the average SAT score is 1833. ACT scores range from 25 to 29.

The top five intended majors are business, communications, biology, psychology and education, respectively.

The admittance rate was higher this year than previous years, increasing from 49 to 58 percent due to a university goal to accept more students.

About 9,000 students applied to Elon this year, a drop by about 600 applicants from last year.

"Last year was highly unusual," Zaiser said. "This year we saw a more normal number of applicants."

Admissions also saw a lower number of applicants from North Carolina, something Klopman said is because of the struggling economy.

"The biggest surprise and disappointment was lower North Carolina enrollment," she said. "More students are opting to go to public schools because of cost."

The number of students who completed a FAFSA to qualify for financial aid increased by 26 percent this year, which Klopman said is another indicator of the economy's effect on students and their parents.

But 10 students with financial need have another chance for aid with the Elon

Commitment Scholarship, which will be implemented for the first time this year.

Eight others will receive the Watson Scholarship, a \$10,000 annual award to North Carolina students who demonstrate financial need.

The Elon Commitment scholarships are awarded to students with financial hardship, doubling the number of students receiving scholarships under the Watson Program. Both scholarships fall under the plan of the Elon Commitment to increase aid to students.

"This is one major step in supporting students who may not be able to afford a private university," Zaiser said.

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Town prepares for liquor by the drink vote, bars hope to expand menus

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Residents and students of legal drinking age in the Town of Elon may soon get to order liquor at bars and restaurants closer to home.

On Nov. 8, a referendum will determine whether the sale of liquor by the drink will be permitted within town limits, a motion that would no longer require liquor consumers to make their purchases in Burlington, Gibsonville and other neighboring municipalities.

The Town of Elon Board of Aldermen discussed the measure in July, eventually deciding to put a referendum on the upcoming ballot.

Peter Ustach, general manager of The Fat Frog, said he and restaurant owner Jeff MacKenzie approached the board last year about the process of the town obtaining a liquor by the drink permit.

"The whole point in having liquor isn't because we're trying to get college students drunk," Ustach said. "The goal is to try to bring more business into Elon that's otherwise going to Burlington. People like going to college towns."

Ustach said The Fat Frog receives patronage from many local residents who

have no affiliation with the university. On a typical summer weekend when the majority of Elon students are not on campus, Ustach said 200 to 300 locals fill The Fat Frog on Friday and Saturday nights.

In order to include the referendum in this year's election, the Board of Elections required the aldermen to make a decision by the end of July, said Town Manager Mike Dula.

North Carolina ABC regulations prohibit such an election to take place on a presidential election day. If the board had not made a decision in July to include the referendum on this fall's ballot, the liquor by the drink vote would have been deferred until November 2013 at the earliest.

If the vote were to pass by a simple majority this fall, the Town of Elon would receive revenue from sales tax on liquor and a portion of the actual sale of mixed drinks that would be sold. Recent changes to the ABC laws indicate that the town would not need to have its own ABC package store to approve the dispensing of liquor by the drink, Dula said.

At a July 5 agenda-setting meeting, Dula said from what he understood, the revenue from liquor sales was "not a lot



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Liquor by the drink may be available in the Town of Elon by 2012, depending on the results of a vote this fall.

and not at first," though the town would eventually see additional funds come in. Dula said Mebane brings in approximately \$40,000 from annual liquor sales.

The passing of the referendum would present new opportunities and allow for menu expansion at existing bars in Elon, such as The Fat Frog.

Ustach has been in contact with West End Station owner Josh Ezrine and said the two businesses are hoping for

the measure to pass. Ustach is already planning for bartenders to review serving and ID checking practices.

"We don't want to have any liquor specials that would cause problems for students," he said. "We're not going to be stupid about it. We're not going to have a \$1 shot night."

From Ustach's understanding, if the liquor by the drink measure passes, no changes will go into affect until 2012.

Summer news roundup

University announces increase in on-campus student pay, new work study program in effort to attract student employees

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The base hourly pay for on-campus student workers will increase this fall to \$9 per hour from \$7.25, the current minimum wage in North Carolina. This includes students employed through Institutional Work Study, Federal Work Study and the recently announced pilot program, Providing Aid Through Campus Employment (PACE), which guarantees on-campus work for selected freshmen from the middle class.

The pay for those students already making above minimum wage will increase proportionally.

The \$1.75 difference as well as all wages for PACE workers will be funded by the university, according to Gerald Whittington, vice president for business, finance and technology.

"This is not an increase in the budget," he said. "We are reallocating from places in the budget we previously thought we'd need to spend money."

Those areas include payments toward the university's debt, due to current low interest rates, funds considered under reserve and the transition of publications from paper to online.

Encouraging on-campus employment

Both initiatives come at a time when the university is attempting to attract more students to on-campus employment. With many students reporting that they go off-campus in order to make more money, Elon hopes to provide more competition against retail and other local jobs, according to Susan Klopman, vice president of admissions and financial planning.

"We believe students have an enormous benefit, beyond the paycheck, in working on campus," she said. "This includes job skills and contact

with campus personnel. We believe working on campus is the best work option."

As of November 2010, a total of 849 students, excluding resident assistants and those paid by stipend, were employed on-campus through Federal Work Study, a partially government-funded program designated for students with demonstrated need, and Institutional Work Study, funded by the university and available to any student.

According to Klopman, this number is not expected to increase by much, unless departments specifically request new positions.

"If the admissions department had 10 positions in January of 2011, the chances are they'd still have 10 positions at \$9 an hour, unless they specifically asked for an increase from 10 to 12," she said.

Targeting the middle class

But that does not mean new positions aren't purposefully being created on campus. A job registry has been established, currently accessible only to the 16 students signed up for PACE.

About 95 students were offered a position in the program, which originated during a phone call between President Leo Lambert and Patrick Murphy, director of financial planning.

"Dr. Lambert called and asked 'If you were to target students with the most problems meeting the expenses of college, who would it be?'" Murphy said. "I told him it's the middle class."

Students from the middle class, are routinely disadvantaged by FAFSA, Murphy said.

"If you have a family of four, with one kid going to college and they're making \$120,000 a year, that's really not a lot to be running a family and sending a kid to college," he said.

Their expected family contribution, calculated



Senior Steve Whitener worked at Belk Library over the summer. Pay for on-campus employees will increase to \$9 an hour this fall.

CLAIRE ESPARROS | Staff Photographer

by FAFSA, may be high enough not to merit financial assistance from the government or university.

But that doesn't necessarily mean the household income of their family may be enough to support them fully, Murphy said, leaving them reliant on scholarships and student loans.

Murphy compared the situation at Elon to the shape of a barbell, with two distinct ends - those students from high-income families that can pay the bill and those who rely on financial aid make up the majority.

"That leaves the middle class not getting much and that's a student population we're worried about losing," Murphy said. "We're heavy on the high-need and wealthy students, but the dwindling population is the middle class."

Through PACE, Murphy said the university hopes to provide money to those students left in the middle to assist with their tuition bill. According to Klopman, invitations were extended to a broad range of students across many academic ranges.

"The goal is to try to assist students who are just short of feeling like they can afford or

attend Elon," she said. "There are limits on the amount of money they can make. It's not enough to make \$10,000 but they could make \$3,000 so they don't have to take out a student loan."

These student workers will be among the first able to choose between receiving a regular pay check or an advance \$1500 credit on their tuition bill they will then be responsible to work off.

Developing a job registry

Rene Jackson, career advisor for graduate school programs, has created the online registry of about 40 jobs across campus. Departments with available positions include the library, Elon Academy, El Centro and University Advancement.

The program is mutually beneficial to the university and students, said Jackson, who will be mentoring the students through the process and leading their Elon 101 class.

"It will also provide aid to offices and departments that might not otherwise have the funds to hire student workers," she said.

Murphy said the registry could eventually be available

to all students seeking on-campus employment.

A student worker task force, led by Rex Waters, associate dean of students, met in the fall to identify problems within on-campus employment. One of the key challenges noted was the lack of a centralized place to find a job.

"There are job postings and we have career services and human resources but most students find a job by walking around and asking," Murphy said. "The ultimate goal is to slowly expand this until there is an office that handles all student employment."

PACE itself will also ideally be expanding in years to come, according to Klopman. This year, only freshman were eligible, due to the need to gradually build a bank of new jobs.

"It is generally the university practice to begin a new 'financial assistance' program with the incoming freshman class and then build it in increments so that in four years students in all classes will be participating in the program," she said. "In this case it shows the real concern of the university to respond to the financial needs of students."

Elon community reflects on loss of communications professor

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An infectious laugh. Full of energy and life. A gift to her students and the world.

Colleagues, family members, supervisors and students used such words to describe Melody van Lidth de Jeude, an instructor in the School of Communications at Elon University. Van Lidth de Jeude died from an undiagnosed illness Friday, May 27. Her illness came as a shock to the Elon community as many were unaware van Lidth de Jeude was sick.

"She didn't want them to worry," said Philip van Lidth de Jeude, Melody's husband. "She wanted to finish out the semester and make sure the students were set to go and she would rest up going into the summer and come back. But that didn't happen."

Melody was set to return to Elon for her fifth year teaching public speaking

when the news of her death reached the campus, said Paul Parsons, dean of the School of Communications.

"It goes without saying how very sad we are," Parsons said. "The faculty and staff are in shock at her death. We had no idea that she had been ill and I'd say it's a great sorrow to us and the school."

Parsons said he was constantly reminded of the impact van Lidth de Jeude made on Elon students.

"She was a very warm, patient, caring and extraordinarily helpful individual to students," he said. "I read all of the course evaluations for the four years she was at Elon and I can say students used words such as those with regularity."

Parsons said he's tried to figure out how many students van Lidth de Jeude had taught. With the public speaking requirement, he guessed close to 1,000 students or 20 percent of the student body spent time



van Lidth de Jeude

in her classroom.

When the news of her death reached social media websites through the School of Communications, student media organizations and E-net, students paid their respect to van Lidth de Jeude.

Kirsten Bennett, 2010 alumnae, tweeted that van Lidth de Jeude epitomized the characteristics of the Elon community as a caring, understanding and engaging

professor.

Elon alumnae Kate Sachs and several others also wrote on Twitter that van Lidth de Jeude was the best public speaking professor they could have hoped for.

"So saddened to hear about the loss of Elon professor Melody van Lidth de Jeude," tweeted 2010 alumnae My Nguyen. "Her energy was infectious."

Close to a hundred students and colleagues have called Philip van Lidth de Jeude to offer their condolences.

"She helped them overcome their fear, he said. "Helped them go beyond themselves, jump out of their shadow. She helped them find self-confidence and always cared about them. She was a ray of sunshine and always upbeat."

"The first signs of the illness began to show in January but it wasn't until April things started to get serious," he said. While many speculated the illness was a type of aggressive

cancer, Philip said her illness was never diagnosed.

Sharon Eisner, adjunct instructor in communications, arrived at the same time as van Lidth de Jeude and also taught public speaking.

The two shared an office for the past four years.

"It's all still so fresh and very shocking," she said. "Melody really was all heart and you saw it in her teaching and you saw it in the way she lived her life. The relationships she had with people, she did all kind of tiny, little kindnesses. I just feel like the word has lost a light."

There was a memorial service for van Lidth de Jeude June 25 in Chapel Hill.

"I think anybody whose life she touched was better for it," Philip van Lidth de Jeude said. "That's the type of legacy that I would hope for myself when my time comes, and it's through her great legacy that she has not really left the world."

Summer news roundup



CLAIRE ESPARROS | Staff Photographer
The Elon Town Center in downtown Elon is now complete. Barnes & Noble at Elon University reopened in its new location Aug. 22. Along with the new office for The Pendulum, other local business will fill the remaining office space.

A campus in transition: Construction update

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Story Center

Demolition of three residence halls in Story Center began the second week of August. Construction of a new 38,000-square-foot dining hall in the space will begin this fall with expected completion late next year. It will connect to the west side of Moseley Center, nearly doubling the size of the building.

The names of the former buildings in Story Center will find a new home in another residence area on campus. Buildings L, M and N in Danieley Center will be renamed Reid A. and Grace M. Maynard Hall, George D. Colclough Hall and Wallace L. Chandler Hall, respectively.

Elon Town Center

Construction is now complete on the Elon Town Center, located next to Acorn Coffee Shop. The campus shop moved from its former location in Moseley Center to a new, 12,000-square-foot space on half of the first and the entire second floor. The bookstore reopened as Barnes & Noble at Elon University Aug. 22. The Pendulum moved into its new office on the third floor earlier this month.

Gerald L. Francis Center

Renovations of the Gerald L. Francis Center on Haggard Avenue, which will house Elon's new School of Health

Sciences, is on schedule for completion this December. Intramural playing fields for baseball and softball are being built adjacent to the Center, along with a road connecting it to Danieley Center.

The Station at Mill Point

In June, construction began on The Station at Mill Point, a complex on Williamson Avenue with available housing for mostly seniors and some juniors. While previously planned for completion in two phases, the project has been merged into one phase with expected completion next August.

Multi-Faith Center

Construction of the Multi-Faith Center, the final pavilion in the Academic Village, will begin this fall. Fundraising and design of the building is ongoing. In June, two trees were removed from the future site of the center and wood from those trees will eventually be used in construction.

Colonnades Neighborhood

Three new residence halls in the Colonnades Neighborhood were completed prior to student arrival. A total of 300 students will live in either single rooms or four-person suites.

Look for in-depth reports on each of these construction projects and others throughout the semester.



JULIA MURPHY | Staff Photographer
The names of the former buildings in Story Center, including Maynard, Colclough and Chandler Halls, found a new home in Danieley Center, another residential area on campus. Demolition of Story Center began in August.



JULIA MURPHY | Staff Photographer
Maynard Hall was one of three former dormitories demolished earlier this summer, along with Chandler and Colclough in preparation for a new dining hall and expansion of Moseley Center to be completed late next year.



JULIA MURPHY | Staff Photographer
Three Colonnades buildings, adjacent to Koury Business Center, were completed prior to student move-in. Highlights of the neighborhood include three faculty apartments, four Learning Communities and new common spaces.

New policy prohibits smoking within 30 feet of all buildings

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A new policy at Elon University will restrict smoking to specific areas of campus, effective this semester. The policy does not reflect a transition toward a smoke- and tobacco-free campus, according to Smith Jackson, vice president and dean of Student Life.

While the former rules prohibited smoking inside all buildings and within 30 feet of entrances, the reformed regulation prohibits smoking within 30 feet of the perimeter of any building. Separate surveys of students, faculty and staff last spring indicated that many people were not aware of the restrictions or chose not to follow

them, Jackson said.

The findings of the survey were taken into consideration by the University Committee on Alcohol, which led discussions about tobacco use on campus last year.

The lack of awareness and compliance with the policy led the administration to reconsider its stance, Jackson said, and an increasing concern for the health of those subjected to secondhand smoke was one of the primary motivations behind the policy change.

The transition may be challenging for smokers in areas of campus where there are multiple buildings in close proximity, such as by Fonville Fountain, and Jackson said the university worked over the summer to

pinpoint acceptable smoking locations.

Temporary signs will be placed around campus to remind smokers of the change as well as to mark areas for smoking that have been measured and deemed in accordance with policy.

There are currently no plans for specific judicial consequences for violations and Jackson said Campus Safety and Police may be asked to give reminders instead of issuing citations.

"The first approach is not how we're going to enforce it but how we can make people aware," he said.

Students may also be asked to assist with making awareness campaigns.

"We'll try to make it fun and not adversarial," he said.

Although there has been talk about making campus smoke- and

tobacco-free, both for health and environmental reasons, Jackson said it is not currently a goal.

"We did not say that, 'OK, this is a first step'. We have not defined a time for that," he said. "This is our stopping point for now."

The administration wants to give people time to adjust to the new rules and even quit smoking, Jackson said. Optional smoking cessation workshops will be offered for students, faculty and staff during the fall semester.

"We're trying to create a norm, an expectation, that we're going to be very respectful of each other in terms of secondhand smoke," Jackson said. "Ultimately, we'd like for people to understand this as a principle, not just a rule."

Common reading encourages reflection

Hannah DelaCourt
Senior Reporter

Each year, Elon University's Common Reading Program selects a book for incoming freshmen and other interested students, faculty and staff that will challenge them to reflect on themselves and the local and global communities in which they live. This year's choice is Muhammad Yunus's "Creating a World Without Poverty: Social Business and the Future of Capitalism."

Selection of the Book

Janet Warman, director of general studies and chair of the common reading committee, said the book was selected for its value in educating Elon's students about poverty as a critical global issue.

Warman said she hopes the book will expose students to an area of the world and a topic that may be unfamiliar to them but which they can use to think about how they might make a difference.

"As a winner, along with the Grameen Bank, of the Nobel Peace Prize in 2006, Dr. Yunus is one of the individuals who has been deemed most responsible for improving life on this planet," she said. "If we want our students to see models of individuals who can take their education and put it to noble ends, Dr. Yunus is certainly such a person."

Some students said they believed the book came at a good time as they were beginning college.

"I think that the message certainly resonates with students my age because we are entering a time in our lives when we will be given the opportunities and knowledge necessary to make a difference in the world," said freshman Brooke Jenkins.

But others said they thought the book might be hard for some of their peers to connect with.

"Sometimes I think young adults,

coming out of their self-absorbed teenage years, have trouble thinking that they can change the whole world on their own," freshman Shannon Popoff said.

No matter how students responded to the book, Warman said the opportunity to hear from a Nobel Peace Prize winner is rare and students should feel privileged to have that opportunity.

Yunus will be the featured speaker at Convocation for Honors April 3, 2012.

About the Book

Yunus pioneered micro-lending, a banking program that provides poor people, mainly women, with small loans they can use to launch businesses that will hopefully lift their families out of poverty. In "Creating a World Without Poverty," he introduces a new means of reducing the global crisis.

Yunus describes how the idea of social business, which uses innovative companies that are designed to address a specific social objective, can tackle problems from poverty and pollution to inadequate health care and lack of education.

According to his website, by partnering with some of the world's most forward thinking business leaders, Yunus has pioneered this idea by creating purposeful social businesses.

Yunus writes about working with companies such as Danone, whose mission is "bringing health through food to as many people as possible, to produce affordable, nutritious yogurt for malnourished children in Bangladesh," and setting up eye care clinics that will save thousands of poor people from blindness.

About the Author

Yunus was born in Chittagong, Bangladesh, and received a Fulbright scholarship to study economics



PHOTO COURTESY OF UNIVERSITY RELATIONS
Muhammad Yunus, creator of the Grameen Bank, wrote this year's common reading book.

at Vanderbilt University, where he received his Ph.D. Later, he returned to Bangladesh and joined Chittagong University as head of its economics department.

In 1983, Yunus founded the Grameen Bank, an institution that provides loans to entrepreneurs too poor to qualify for traditional bank loans.

The goal was to create opportunities for self-employment for the large number of unemployed people in rural Bangladesh. It removed the need for collateral and is a banking system solely based on mutual trust and accountability. According to the Grameen Bank website, as of June 2011, it has 8.37 million borrowers, 97 percent of whom are women.

In early March, Yunus was fired from his position as managing director of Grameen Bank. According to the BBC, the bank said he was improperly appointed after passing retirement age, but Yunus said he thought the attempt to remove him from office was politically motivated. Yunus appealed the attempt to remove him from office, but in April, he lost his final appeal in Bangladesh's Supreme Court.

General studies intended to set tone for Elon education

Caitlin O'Donnell
News Editor

At the heart of Elon University's liberal arts education is the general studies program, which dictates the courses and experiences students must participate in prior to graduation.

For incoming students, four core courses are required as part of the program - College Writing, The Global Experience, Contemporary Wellness Issues and General Statistics - each of which sets the tone for the rest of a student's education at Elon, according to Jeffrey Coker, director of the program.

While math and writing skills are fundamental to any education, Coker said the selection of the other core classes is significant for college students.

"The health course really is a recognition that our minds are attached to bodies and if you're not taking care of your body, your mind can't thrive either," he said. "Especially for incoming freshmen, everything is changing right as they get to college. It's important to remember and to think deeply about healthy behaviors."

"We hope that general studies...is enriching and fulfilling in helping people to see the beauty in the world, in literature and in art."

-JEFFREY COKER, DIRECTOR
OF GENERAL STUDIES

And while each Global course is not identical and the direction of the class often depends on the expertise of the professor, they do share common characteristics. Each must be writing intensive and touch on six common themes.

The general studies curriculum is currently being reevaluated and the incoming class of freshmen is the last before the changes take place in the next academic year. This fall, there will also be three "pod sessions" where many sections of the course meet together for a common lecture.

"The Global Experience immediately tosses out important and challenging interdisciplinary global issues that then set the context for a lot of the things that come later," Coker said.

Along with these first-year core requirements, all students must also complete foreign language classes, experiential learning such as research or an internship, a capstone project senior year and advanced studies outside of their major.

"I think incoming freshmen have to understand the vast majority of jobs they'll have don't exist yet, they literally don't," Coker said. "The majors are important for giving depth in a particular area they want a job or career in. But what's much more important is people having a broad range of thinking abilities."

It is this breadth of knowledge that allows student to adapt to differing conditions and job opportunities over the course of their lives, Coker said.

"We hope that general studies is doing a lot of things," Coker said. "It's helping prepare students for majors and with lifelong skills and abilities they can use throughout their lives. We hope that it is enriching and fulfilling in helping people to see the beauty in the world, in literature and in art."

Planning week prepares professors for students' arrival

Lauren Ramsdell
Arts & Entertainment Editor

The week before move-in weekend found Elon students wrapping up summer jobs, scrambling to collect last-minute dorm necessities and savoring the last free moments before coming back to the campus.

At the same time, professors were on campus preparing for the upcoming school year. Planning week found university faculty in meetings, events and orientation sessions.

"The idea is for faculty members to meet in groups and departments to get on the same page for the upcoming year," said Mary Wise, director of planning week.

The sessions begin with an opening address by President Leo Lambert outlining goals for the year and highlighting faculty achievements.

Professors who concluded research or other accomplishments are awarded medallions in a special ceremony. New professors also go through orientation much like new students.

"It's important to let the new faculty know that they are a part of the Elon family from the beginning," Wise said.

Returning faculty met with their new colleagues in several groups during the week. Nearly each day was crammed with department meetings, discussions on the first-year-core and conferences for academic associations.

"For the most part, they'd like a little free time," Wise said. "But by and large I think it's a positive experience."

Wise said her job is to coordinate when and where the faculty meet, but most of the week is professor-driven. She said that most appreciate time to catch up with their coworkers before a

hectic year of instruction and grading begins.

"It makes for a smoother and stronger opening of school," she said.

Types of Planning Week Events for Professors

- Receptions, addresses and ceremonies
- GST and first year core meetings
- Departmental Meetings
- Academic organization, mentor and advisor meetings
- Engaged learning, diversity and community
- Other committee meetings
- Orientations

NEWS BRIEFS

University begins process of switching to Moodle

Elon University will have fully converted to the use of Moodle as the learning management system by the conclusion of the 2011-2012 academic year.

Currently, about half of the returning faculty members have converted their classes to Moodle while the remainder will switch throughout the year.

Courses for all new faculty members will be available through Moodle, meaning some students will have classes split between the two programs.

Randy Piland, inaugural faculty fellow for technology, said he believes students will have little trouble navigating between Moodle and Blackboard for the year.

Nine training sessions were held on campus over the summer hosted by the Teaching and Learning Center to prepare teachers, which Piland predicts will provide them with a strong advantage over other professors.

Wife of President Emeritus died earlier this summer

Verona Daniels-Danieley, wife of President Emeritus Earl Danieley, died June 24 at Moses Cone Hospital following a brief illness.

Along with her husband, Danieley established the Daniels-Danieley Award for Excellence in Teaching, the highest honor for professors at Elon. A scholarship was also founded in her name for students with strong character and academic potential. The naming of Lake Verona was in recognition of her contribution to the university.

Danieley was 87 years old.

Former members of staff transition to new positions

Ken Mullen, former assistant vice president for business and finance, and Hunter Bacot, former director of the Elon Poll, will not be returning to campus this year, both having accepted new positions at other universities.

Mullen, who began at Elon in 1993, will now work as assistant vice president and comptroller for the business and finance division at the University of the Pacific in California.

Bacot, who began at Elon in 2005, will now work as Director of the Institute of Government at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock.

The university is searching for replacements for both positions. Mullen's position will ideally be filled this semester.

The Department of Political Science and Public Administration is conducting a national search for Bacot's replacement. The Poll will function under the director of the faculty within the department during the upcoming school year.

New restaurant, The Root Trackside, open for business in downtown Elon

The Root Trackside, in the building formerly occupied by Sidetrack Grill on W. Lebanon Ave., officially opened for business in July.

Alumni Chris Brumbraugh '98 and Lynn Terrell '97, who have lived in Denver for the past decade, are returning to their own roots to open the business.

Both were employed at Sidetrack Grill while students and Brumbraugh worked as general manager during and after his time on campus.

While the pair has a combined restaurant experience of about 25 years in various locations across the country, Brumbraugh said his favorite was working at Sidetrack Grill.

Sidetrack Grill was closed last summer following action taken by Joel Brown, the building's owner, because rent was not being paid. The restaurant was also closed briefly by the North Carolina Department of Revenue in March 2009 due to tax evasion.

Elon introduces energy conservation policy to strengthen existing efforts

Elon University has implemented an energy conservation policy that strengthens existing conservation efforts on campus and supports the goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

The new policy, approved in January 2011 by executive staff, is an expansion of concepts in Elon's Sustainability Master Plan and provides ways for the community to get involved.

It includes regulations of lighting, heating, cooling, computers, office equipment, appliances and fume hoods in an effort to reduce energy use on campus.

NEW STUDENT GUIDE

The best places to shop, eat and stay entertained during your time at Elon

Welcome to the Alamance County

FUN

THE FAT FROGG



2009 Timberline Station Drive
(336) 584-5546

Just minutes from Elon is this restaurant, owned and operated by two university alumni. It serves typical bar fare catering to Elon sports fans and maintains a welcoming environment. Live music features local talent.

CAROUSEL CINEMAS



Alamance Crossing
1090 Piper Lane
(336) 585-2580

This movie theater, in the heart of pedestrian-friendly Alamance Crossing, features 16 screens and a wide variety of concessions.



WEST END STATION



138 W. Lebanon Ave.
(336) 585-1227

Just a short walk from Elon's main campus, West End Station is a sports bar and popular student hangout. The bar is known for its wings, quesadillas and wide selection of beers for students 21 and older. West End features seven TVs and a game room with pool tables, darts and arcade games.

COUNTRY CLUB LANES WEST



3010 S. Church St.
(336) 524-9990

This bowling alley has 42 lanes, 10 billiards tables, four dart boards, two arcades and a snack bar. Country Club Lanes is open until 2 a.m. Fridays and Saturdays. Its website, www.cclbowling.com, offers printable coupons for discounted rates.

LAZER X



3356-A S. Church St.
(336) 586-7007

Right down the road from campus, this laser tag facility has an arcade and snack bar. It's open until midnight on Fridays and Saturdays. Large groups can rent out the space and group discounts are also offered.

FOOD

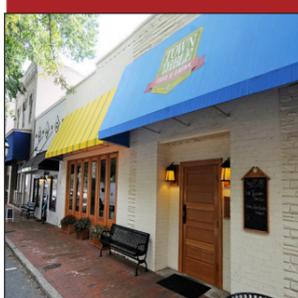
THE ROOT TRACKSIDE



110 W. Lebanon Ave.
(336) 792-1081

In the center of downtown Elon is a traditional American style restaurant featuring salads, wraps and burgers. Owned and operated by two Elon alumni, The Root Trackside offers a variety of dishes, from chicken caesar wraps to BBQ tofu sandwiches.

TOWN TABLE



112 N. Williamson Ave.
(336) 584-7481

This restaurant right off of Elon's campus is a take on French cuisine. There is a bar area with full windows which are kept open when the weather permits. There is more bar seating and another side of the restaurant for bigger parties. Try pizza with homemade sauce, chipotle burgers or duck nachos.



THE VILLAGE GRILL



580 Huffman Mill Road
(336) 584-1497

The relaxed atmosphere makes The Village Grill a fun place to eat with a variety of menu items, including beef, chicken, seafood, salads and sandwiches. Most items on the dinner menu are less than \$20 and prices on the lunch menu are even less. You can also pick up take-out and special order whole pies, such as its signature key lime pie or chocolate chess pie.

SAL'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT & PIZZA



402 Huffman Mill Road
(336) 584-3726

This Italian eatery offers friendly service and a variety of pastas, pizzas, steaks, salads and subs. Sal's provides its customers with good food at an affordable price. It also accommodates large groups on short notice and accepts Phoenix Cash.

COOK OUT



414 Huffman Mill Road
336-586-0007

Cook Out's late hours and 44 milkshake flavors make it an Elon favorite. This drive-through restaurant has burgers, hot dogs, fries, hushpuppies and more. Their signature milkshakes include chocolate cherry, Oreo mint, peanut butter fudge, peach cobbler and cheesecake chocolate chip.



SHOP

TARGET



1475 University Drive
(336) 524-9354

Conveniently located about five minutes from campus, Target is an affordable place to get everything from food and clothes to DVDs and electronics. It has quality products at good prices. Its college-oriented line offers a great selection of bedding, dishes and dorm décor.



WALMART



3141 Garden Road
(336) 584-6400

If it can't be found at Target, it can likely be found at Walmart. Like Target, Walmart features affordable bedding, dishes, storage and decorations for your dorm. It also has a bigger grocery section than Target, allowing students to pick up plenty of food to stock their microfridges.

HOLLY HILL MALL



180 Burlington Mall
(336) 584-5118

The 39 acres at Holly Hill Mall includes shopping outlets, food stores and a bank. Offices are also in the mall. The biggest store in the mall is Sears. Aéropostale, PacSun, Books a Million, GameStop and Hibbett Sports are also found in the mall.

TANGER OUTLET



4000 Arrowhead Boulevard
(919) 304-1520

Featuring more than 70 discount and outlet stores, Tanger Outlets in Mebane is the area's largest shopping destination. Vineyard Vines, Banana Republic, Converse and Yankee Candle are just a few of the places where students can save big bucks on designer brands.

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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.

After difficult summer, Elon family rejoins campus with stronger bond

When the last lecture had been given, the last final exam taken and the last diploma handed out last spring, many Elon students went their separate ways for the summer. Although most weren't living directly within the infamous Elon bubble, life at the university continued on. And this past summer, perhaps more than others, there were quite a few events that drew us all together, even though we were thousands of miles apart.

Matt Hill, a 2008 Elon alumnus, disappeared in D.C. at the end of May, prompting an outpouring of support to his friends and family. Thankfully, he was found unharmed several days later.

Then there were more serious events. Melody van Lidth de Jeude, a beloved professor in the School of Communications, passed away May 27 from an illness that no one seems to have known about. David Edmond Wesley Schlosser, who had graduated just two weeks earlier with a degree in computer science, died suddenly on June 2. On June 24, Verona Danieleley, wife of former Elon president and campus icon Dr. Earl Danieleley also passed.

And most tragically for the incoming Class of 2015, on July 4, incoming freshman Lauren Astley was found dead, her life cut short allegedly at the hands

of a former boyfriend. The 18-year-old man has since been indicted on murder charges.

It has undoubtedly been a mournful summer for the Elon University family.

This is not to say that we have spent all summer wiping the tears from our eyes. There has also been much to celebrate and much to look forward to as the new semester approaches.

The Elon Town Center finished construction on schedule, and we all look forward to a wonderful new bookstore and additional spaces for commercial ventures. On a personal note, The Pendulum can celebrate its return to the corner, this time on the third floor, in a beautiful new facility.

The green construction fences that stood behind the Koury Business Center for a year have finally come down, revealing three new dorms and another quad to join the plethora of beautiful lawns that decorate our campus. Story Center has begun to crumble to make room for even more new dorms, and we are all excited about a Moseley Center that's nearly doubled in size in just over a year.

We have all these thrilling things to look forward to when we arrive on campus, and faces, new and old, to see.

Our campus may be made up of thousands of people from every walk of life and corner of the world, but we also have so much in common. We are all connected by this place, this school, this tiny slice of the universe. And this inherently bonds us, and makes us capable of mutual joy over new experiences and discoveries and empathy and compassion toward the friends and colleagues missing and lost for good.

Jokes may be made about the Elon bubble during the four years spent as an Elon student. You may even grow sick of living in it. But when you're sitting at home during the summer and you get a Smith Jackson email telling you a professor has died and you feel that ache of loss, you can seek comfort in the countless others who are feeling that same grief, because they know the uniqueness of feeling like a part of something that matters.

So, new students, welcome to the circus, the fray, the family, the bubble, the whatever-you'd-like-to-call-it. There are no promises this is going to be a smooth ride and in fact, there is a guarantee you will experience disappointment and heartbreak among the adventure and happiness that you find here. But we'll be here, all of us, through it all.

And we're glad you're here, too.

Bloom and grow where you're planted: Embrace opportunities in your new home

Welcome home.

You're going to hear this at least once during the first few days on Elon University's campus. After any number of applications and months of anticipation, you've finally arrived at the school of your choice. It's new and intriguing, and hopefully it feels right, like a home should.

About a month and a half from now, you'll make that first visit back to your family for fall break after having adjusted to your new life as a college student. And you'll hear it again, maybe from a parent when you pull in the driveway or maybe a younger friend when you go visit your old high school.

Welcome home.

So which is it? To the people who raised you, home will always represent their child's life in their household, where you marched in the school band, took embarrassing prom pictures or worked at the local cafe. But to you students, home will probably take on an entirely new meaning. Your new home at college represents independence, maturity and a chance to prove that you are capable of living on your own.

Your transition to Elon University will not always be an easy one. After the whirlwind of orientation activities has died down, you'll feel varying degrees of homesickness, whether you admit to it or not.

And while this is perfectly understandable, wallowing in that feeling is not the way to go.

Remember the accomplishments and memories you made with friends and family in high school, but don't expect your life to be exactly the same. Your first few days at Elon are

just the opening sentences in an entirely new chapter of your life.

As enthralling and challenging as the next four years are going to be, you don't want to be held back by the last chapter you already completed.

Make the conscious decision to be an active participant in this new home of yours. Find clubs that suit your interest and maybe challenge yourself and discover new talents in an activity never before broached.

Perhaps most importantly, don't neglect the surrounding community. It's easy to see Elon as your entire world represented in the 600 acres of campus. There is a big world outside the well-manicured lawns and impressive buildings, a world that is not always pretty.

Instead of making a trip home every weekend, visit a local homeless shelter. It takes 10 minutes to drive to Allied Churches of Alamance County, a shelter that provides food and accommodations for the local homeless.

Or take a trip on the BioBus to

downtown Burlington and come face-to-face with the realities of the local community.

Parents, don't be overcome with sadness when you accidentally walk into the empty, dusty bedroom and are reminded that your little girl or boy is all grown up. Be excited for the opportunity they have been blessed with. Encourage your students to become active contributors and to take advantage of the four years they have been given to learn, but also to make a difference.

And students, whether you consider your parent's house or a tiny dorm room home, being a part of a home is not just about being static. It's about being involved and recognizing your potential.

You are more than the GPA or SAT score that gained you entrance to Elon. You are more than an occupied seat under the oaks at Convocation. You are more than just another new face in a sea of nervous students on their way to their first college class.

You are integral piece of the puzzle and a part of the family. Welcome home.

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Class of 2015,

Welcome to Elon University!

I remember taking my first steps onto Elon's campus just three short years ago and dreading unpacking the past 18 years of my life that I had somehow fit into two cars. I was anxious of what was to come. Soon, I discovered that Elon was filled with about 1,400 other people who shared many of the same emotions I had been experiencing. After acclimating ourselves, many of these individuals became some of my closest friends, my family away from home. I hope that you too will soon establish life-long relationships with your peers and will come to think of Elon University as your second home.

Embrace this time and enjoy the opportunity you have been given. You're now at a truly great university where there is a place for everyone. Take advantage of all that Elon has to offer you: study abroad, go on a service trip, do an internship,

join organizations and meet a lot of people. The next few years of your life will not only be the best, but they are also the most important. The faculty and staff at Elon University are rare. They will teach, guide and mentor you for the next four years and beyond. Use their guidance and your time here to find your life's passion and embrace it.

I know acclimating to Elon may seem daunting at first, but the beginning of a new journey is trying for everyone. You may be arriving at Elon with your possessions packed tightly in boxes not knowing what to expect, but you'll leave with experiences and memories that you cannot even imagine. I envy your position in life and urge you to take advantage of it. Enjoy your time at Elon University and I look forward to seeing your legacy.

Sincerely,
Sam Warren
Executive President
Student Government Association



HEATHER CASSANO | Photo Editor

MORE ONLINE

Get to know Sam Warren, president of SGA, with this Q&A interview.

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New students will focus on F.U.N.N. during orientation



Stephen Rusterholz
Guest Columnist

New Student Orientation plays a critical role each year in welcoming a class of nearly 1,400 first year students to campus. Planning occurs throughout the entire year to make sure every new student feels as much a part of the Elon community as any other student, faculty or staff member on campus.

A lot of orientation programs from other universities hold several sessions throughout the summer. Elon is unique in that orientation occurs upon arrival to campus for Move-In weekend.

Nearly 100 trained students, also known as Orientation Leaders, lead sessions with first-year students, providing information regarding Elon University, ranging from opportunities to get involved, meal options, academic citizenship and resources offered campus. The sessions also provide a time for first year students to get to know fellow classmates and form friendships before the academic year begins. Each OL was trained by other student leaders who formerly held positions as OLs and are now a part of Head Staff. Head Staff is responsible for recruiting, selecting and training all of these leaders as well as assisting in the planning and facilitation of Spring Orientation Weekends and Opening Weekend in August.

The orientation program holds values of the university as a whole. All training and information provided through orientation is very intentional and purposeful. The entire staff incorporates this through a phrase called F.U.N.N., or "Functional Understanding Not Necessary." This means that while students may not immediately understand why they are doing what they are doing at that time, there is indeed a purpose to everything that is being done, all of which go along with our mission statement.

We hope that through orientation, students are better able to adjust to the university on a much deeper level, rather than just walking onto campus with no knowledge of what to expect. Orientation allows students to walk right into the university and feel as if they were always a part of it, and provides them with an opportunity to become close with upperclassmen, whom they can go to with any questions throughout the year. Orientation leaders are both mentors and guides to new students to make sure that every student feels at ease in the community they are now a part of.

We want to break the barrier between upperclassmen and first year students so that everyone is together and viewed as one whole student body. The great thing about Elon is that you will never be another number in the crowd. Someone is always there to help you with any questions you may have. Orientation Leaders and staff members are here to help in this process.

Rusterholz is a member of Orientation Head Staff.

Elon traditions create sense of community early for students



Rebecca Smith
Columnist

You are ready for that perfect time of freedom, with your cute dorm room and your best friends at your side. Well most likely, that is not what is going to happen during the next week.

Unfortunately, this is real life, not a movie set. So you aren't exactly free... yet. Your parents are probably close by, staying in a hotel for the night, until Freshman Convocation ends tomorrow, and even then your life is scheduled for a week. The perfect dorm you pictured in your head is probably not a reality... yet. It's more likely a work in progress, with your stuff and your roommate's stuff not quite working together, and in need of another extension cord, even though you have been to Target three times. The people you have met seem cool, but you haven't really had a chance to meet them...yet.

Well, it's not supposed to be perfect right away. And Elon is not that made-up college campus you saw on the television screen. Elon is your home and your family. And just like you do with your hometown and your family, you have to accept the quirks of Elon. Luckily, those quirks actually enrich the experience.

When I was a freshman, people called orientation week "Camp Elon." It seemed as if all the freshmen were being forced to do what their counselors (orientation leaders) said, and every minute of the day was scheduled. Elon's orientation program is different. It is much more involved than other schools. But this fits with Elon because the Elon community is much more involved than other schools. Take the time to value this experience. You are getting the chance to develop real relationships with classmates,

an upperclassman (your orientation leader) and a professor (your Elon 101 adviser). I live with two girls I met in my orientation group, studied abroad with five people from my orientation group, went on a Winter Term trip with my orientation leader and my Elon 101 professor is still my academic adviser today and has made a huge impact on my time at Elon.

The upperclassman wearing the khaki shorts, tucked in Elon shirt, belt, watch, name tag and tennis shoes leading you from one location to another may not be the most stylish person, but they can be a huge help during your Elon experience. They reported to Elon a week early to train. By the time they get to greet you, they are sleep deprived from training, filled with Elon information and so excited to see their new students. As a previous orientation leader, I can guarantee they want to be there for you. Don't be afraid to ask your orientation leader questions, to play the name games, participate in the activities and enjoy Camp Elon. It is an Elon tradition that only happens once.

During this week, you will also get introduced to other traditions, including Freshman Convocation and College Coffee. My advice to the incoming class: embrace the traditions. While walking past all the faculty, getting an acorn and sitting under the oaks might not seem that big now, it will be. I guarantee you that if I could go back in time, I would have taken in that moment more, considering in nine months I will be sitting under the same trees getting my diploma (hopefully). And as ready as you are to say goodbye to your parents, appreciate that last moment with them. And most importantly, join President Leo Lambert in saying "Long Live Elon!"

As lost as you feel right now, soon you will be wishing this was not your last orientation week. You will be wishing you are not on the outside watching other people embark on their four years. And Elon will be your home. Right now, you may feel like you are leaving your home, but a year from now, you will have a news feed full of statuses from friends saying "returning to Elon in two days...so glad to be going home."

Be sure to check <http://www.elon.edu/e-web/students/orientation/movein.xhtml> for an updated orientation schedule

Fueling a Passion: Incoming freshman makes biodiesel

Caitlin O'Donnell
News Editor

Evan "Herbie" Lutvak may not take his nickname from the classic, gifted car, but that doesn't make his set of wheels any less special.

For a year, Lutvak has been producing his own biodiesel in his parent's garage. He was first introduced to the fuel while studying abroad in the Bahamas his junior year at The Island School, where students apply classroom concepts to real-world situations. Founded on the idea of sustainable living, the campus had the capacity to produce 400 gallons of what Lutvak referred to as the then "mysterious substance," which powered all boats and cars at the school.

After asking around, he learned that biodiesel could be made from cooking oil or animal fats and run through any diesel engine without any necessary modifications.

"At first, I thought it was cool, but not that it could actually work," he said. "As I learned more and more about it, I realized it's not too good to be true, it actually works. I came home and knew I wanted to consider doing this."

He spent last summer learning more and gathering the tools he would need to complete the project, while setting up a quasi-lab on the far left of his parent's garage.

When he bought his first car, a 1981 Mercedes Benz, for \$650 this time last year, Lutvak knew it was now or never.

"It was a challenge to myself," he said. "When I brought back the car, I knew either I'd be making the fuel or spending more money."

Lutvak estimates he has saved about \$1500, paying \$1.50 for each of the five to six gallons of gas he produces per week to travel to his summer job. That's about half of what he'd be paying if he filled up at a gas station in his hometown of Palm Harbor, Fla., where prices average about \$3.80.

Lutvak has created a method entirely on his own, drawing from research compiled for a class project in the Bahamas and intense Internet study of others work.

"Everyone has their own process and mine is super hands-on," he said. "Some people have setups where you click a switch and it does it for you. But I put it all in by hand."

Lutvak begins with vegetable oil, the molecules of which resemble "an octopus with three legs," he said. The goal is to reduce the oil to the consistency of apple juice, which is done by dissolving the fatty acids and replacing glycerin with alcohol.

It's a process that sounds much more complicated than it is, Lutvak said, but one that results in a "beautiful" golden brown layer of biodiesel after only 45 minutes of work and an eight hour wait time each week.

"It's one thing my friends never ask me about," he said. "They don't really care, it's sort of over their head. For them, they think I'm totally insane when I do this."

And while Lutvak's parents were unable to provide much assistance in the development of the process, their support has been unwavering.

"Their philosophy in raising me is that they wanted me to learn that I can make it happen, but I have to do it myself," Lutvak said. "They told me to go for it, but I'd sort of be by myself."

When he first set out with the project, he was uncertain he could follow through. Though he enjoyed chemistry in high school, he preferred English instead.

On his first try, it took him three days to move from the vegetable oil to a viable fuel, making a total of seven batches before he was sure he had the right one, which filled only a tiny water bottle.

Along with money, Lutvak was also motivated by a desire to save the planet. But, as he puts it, it's a temporary fix.

If everyone decided to produce biodiesel, more vegetable oil would be needed, requiring the planting and harvesting of more corn.

"If we take from our stock and what we're growing now, we're taking from our supply of food but if we grow more, we have to clear more land for growing and that land may only be good for 200

or 300 years," he said. "Then we're back at square one. While it's great for me to do right now, it's not great for everyone to do right now."

Lutvak is considering majoring in anthropology and has decided not to bring his car for his first year on Elon's campus. Attracted by Elon's commitment to sustainability and by living in the Sustainable Living learning community, Lutvak said he is not forsaking what he's learned.

"As much as I'd love to make this stuff forever, I don't know if that's possible," he said. "But if I could make it all day and get paid for it, that would be amazing."

For those who question Lutvak's decision to take the time when he could easily make a trip to his local gas station? He always gives them the same answer.

"You know what, Dumbledore told Harry Potter, 'Sometimes you have to choose between what's right and what's easy,'" he said. "It's not right to buy fossil fuels when there's not much

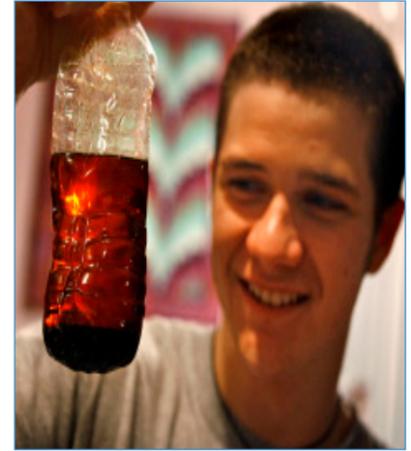


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Elon freshman Evan Lutvak holds a sample of biodiesel he made in his own garage. By making his own biofuel, Lutvak is saving money and making the planet greener.

left and they're super expensive. Why do that when I can go in my garage and make this? But most other people don't see or want to see it that way."

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Here and there: Places around NC to visit

Edith Veremu
Copy Editor

With the excitement of moving in, unpacking, meeting new people and simply trying to figure out where your classes are, you need to take some time off. So grab some friends and check out these places not too far away from campus.



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Carowinds Theme Park: It's true that all work and no play makes life dull. Take a day trip down to Charlotte and see what North Carolina's largest theme park has to offer. With more than 10 exciting roller coaster rides—including the tallest, fastest, longest coaster in the Southeast—and smaller rides around the park, Carowinds will give you the adrenaline rush and pick-me-up you need around exam time or when you simply need a break.



HEATHER CASSANO | Photo Editor

Paramount Theatre: First opened in 1928 and then reopened in the late '90s, the historic theatre has been the go-to place for plays, concerts and classic movie showings in Burlington. With less than 400 seats, the theatre provides a cozy atmosphere. Take some pals and see what Burlington's actors have to offer.



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Nightlife: When you need a break from your busy week, check out the nightlife options in Burlington and Greensboro. Greene Street, in downtown Greensboro, has college night every Thursday.

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Downtown Chapel Hill/Carrboro: Downtown Chapel Hill/Carrboro is a great place to visit during the year. From children's and art museums to local music venues, Franklin Street is bustling and full of creativity and imagination. If you're a lover of all things artistic, downtown Chapel Hill is the place for you. And you'll learn a few things about the area and North Carolina itself when you make the trip.



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Downtown Greensboro: Another historic city, Greensboro has a lot to offer and downtown is the ultimate place to visit. From vintage boutiques and restaurants to cultural interaction and entertainment, downtown Greensboro is blossoming. Participate in First Friday, an artistic open house in the city the first Friday of each month where local artists and performers showcase their work. Stroll down the street to Center City Park to see more musical acts or enjoy a free movie with friends.

Multi-faith, Substance Free Learning Communities added in Colonnades

Grace Elkus
Senior Reporter

A multi-faith learning community and substance-free housing will be established this fall, joining the 17 already established learning communities on campus. Learning communities are meant to unite students around common interests and are given additional funding for floor programming and activities that relate to the community's theme.

The multi-faith community, called Better Together, will house 11 male and female students on the first floor of Colonnades D. Both freshmen students and upperclassmen will live together and participate in the community's programming and events, which will include learning about different religious and philosophical identities.

"The multi-faith learning community is coming specifically out of the strategic plan, so that's a way we can help the unprecedented commitment," said Evan Heiser, assistant director of Residence Life.

The mission of Better Together is to bring together students from various faiths, an idea that goes hand in hand with The Elon Commitment. The strategic plan has eight themes, the first being a commitment to diversity and global engagement.

Promoting interfaith dialogue is one of the objectives in the strategic plan, where Elon University outlines its commitment to prepare students for life in a diverse world. There are

already plans to expand the Better Together community in the coming years, according to Heiser.

"If the demand is there, we will expand," he said. "We want to make learning communities as big as they can sustainably be, so every year the learning community sizes will change."

The new Alcohol and Substance-free Housing for Elon Students (ASHES) is already at full capacity. Elon had made plans to start the learning community last year, according to Heiser, but at the time the number of applicants was not large enough to sustain the community.

"We think part of it is that last year, people didn't know that it was coming," he said. "Now that we had a full year to advertise for it, they knew what it was."

This fall, 14 upperclassmen living in Colonnades E will be committed to living in an environment free of alcohol, tobacco and drug substances. Students in this community are not allowed to be in the possession of these substances regardless of their age or where the substances are used.

The rules of the learning community also indicate students are not allowed to return to their rooms intoxicated or disturb their neighbors because of intoxication. Breaches of this commitment may result in administrative action to remove the individual from the community.

Residents in the ASHES community will interact with faculty outside the classroom and participate in service

projects, study sessions and field trips.

Each learning community has a faculty adviser who oversees programming and works directly with the resident assistant. Residents in the community also often contribute to the programming schedule.

Erica Green, an Elon sophomore who will be returning to the eco-friendly Sustainable Living community for a second year, said she was appreciative that she was able to help plan activities.

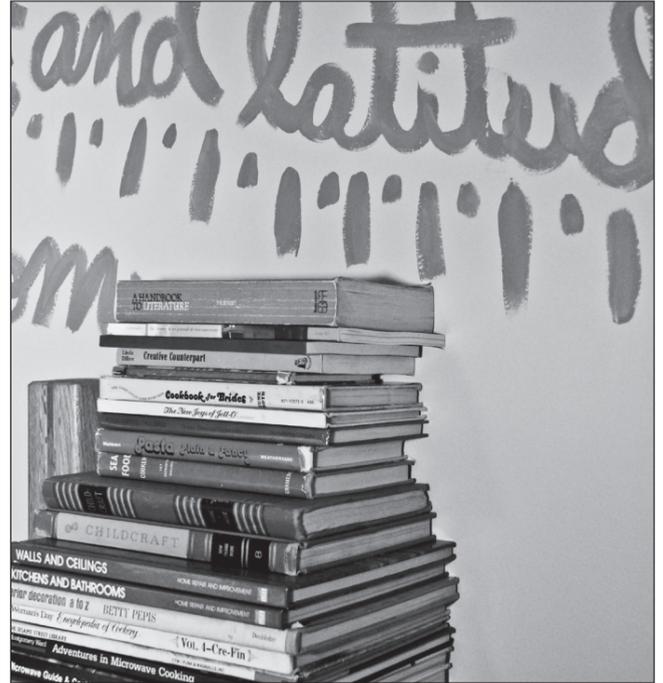
"We had four separate committees each consisting of a different group of people," Green said. "We took on different areas and planned certain events we would want to participate in."

Some learning communities, including the ASHES community, require participation in at least two activities per semester.

"All students in the learning communities go through an application process and write essays, and really show an interest in it," Heiser said.

Green recognizes the impact that living in a learning community had on her first year at Elon and said the addition of the new communities will play a key role in Elon's development.

"I was able to meet people right away and feel a sense of community," she said. "My experience at Elon was affected in a positive way. I think it is great to add new communities and offer new experiences for every type of person at Elon. It is a great way to promote diversity across the campus."



BRIAN ALLENBY | Staff Photographer
Creative students in the Arts and Letters Learning Community are able to express themselves through wall art in Trollinger House. This renovated church is considered on-campus housing and can house up to 15 upperclassmen.

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Japanese House- Colonnades A	Honors Floor- Colonnades C
Sustainable Living- Colonnades C	Honors Pavilion- Academic Village
Love School of Business- Colonnades A	International Pavilion- Academic Village
Arts and Letters- Trollinger House, Staley Hall 1st Floor	Math, Science and Engineering- Colonnades D
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Decorative pillows, wall art and photographs add a personal touch to the standard dorm room. Local stores in the Burlington area have attractive, affordable options for male and female students.

Dorm decorations: Do-It-Yourself

Stephanie Butzer
Senior Reporter

The door opens to an empty, colorless dorm room. This new abode is bleak. Painting, nailing and gluing decorations on the walls are prohibited, so how can a sterile cube become a student's personal space for the upcoming year? With a little creativity, enthusiasm and patience, it can be much more than a place to work and sleep. It can become a home.

When it comes to dorm decorating, there are many choices, and whether to loft a bed is one of them. Raising the bed above the ground provides more room for storage. Depending on the height of the bed, a futon, chair, dresser or desk may fit beneath. An unlofted bed has its perks. It is easier to climb into and it allows you to easily make your bed.

"Bunk beds worked out for me, and it shields the reading lights when one person wants to go to sleep," said sophomore Taylor Bolding.

But there is much more to a room than a bed.

Although every room has a ceiling lamp, small lamps are a necessity. If you choose to raise your bed, having a lamp that can clip onto the bed is ideal.

If your bed is unlofted, you can keep a lamp on top of a bedside table or dresser. String lights are also an attractive way to add light to your room and can be held up along the walls with Sticky Tack.

Curtains, besides keeping the early morning light from shining in, can also make a room brighter and more inviting. Walmart, Target and Pier 1 Imports all have excellent color selections for both genders.

Now that most of the necessities are positioned, it's time to get to the fun part. What else can you add to spice up the room?

·Ottomans: Target has some that are sturdy, portable and double as a seat

and foot rest, which further accents the room.

·Poster Sale: "The Elon poster sale decorated half of my Daniele apartment freshman year," said sophomore Matt Mandile.

·Throw pillows for comfort: Just don't have too many because they may become obstacles when you're trying to get to your actual pillow.

·Wall art: Available many retailers, including the school bookstore, these stick-on accents have attractive illustrations for both male and female students and are allowed on the walls.

·Stick-on hooks: "They're great for hanging up everything, whether it is towels or decorations," said sophomore Gloria So.

·Beanbag chair: It's comfortable, mobile and can be found almost anywhere for a low price.

·Plant: Whether it's a flowering plant or a Venus Flytrap, having foliage can add more life to a dorm room.

·Black lights: These are perfect for a casual rave with friends when you need a break from studying — just be sure it's not during quiet hours.

·Pets: You are allowed to have fish in a 10 gallon or less tank. Fish of all species come at a variety of attractive colors. Plants and sculptures can be bought to enhance the tank and are available at the local pet stores.

·Organizational and storage boxes: Cheap, easy to move and a life-saver when you wake up at 7:58 a.m. for that 8 a.m. class

·Elon decor: The campus bookstore sells banners, foam fingers, flags and much more.

There are many other ways to decorate a room, and it's all up to you. Take time decorating it. You can always do extra shopping around the town of Elon and out in Burlington once the initial craze has died down. A dorm room is like home base, so it needs to be a place of comfort and happiness.



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SPORTS BRIEFS

Basketball takes exhibition games overseas

The Elon University men's and women's basketball teams traveled abroad Aug. 12-22 to compete in exhibition games while also engaging in educational activities. The men visited Germany, Austria and Italy, accompanied by Dr. Eric Hall, who taught a Globalization and Contemporary Sport class, while the women traveled to France, Belgium and the Netherlands.

The NCAA allows teams to make a foreign trip once every four years and this is the first time an Elon team has traveled abroad for such a trip.

Bocock named interim head softball coach

Kathy Bocock, previously the Elon assistant softball coach, has been named the interim head coach after former head coach Patti Raduenz resigned to pursue other professional opportunities.

Bocock, in addition to serving as assistant coach, also spent time as a volunteer assistant with the Phoenix.

Thomas named to 2011 MAC Hermann Trophy watch list

The Missouri Athletic Club has named junior forward Chris Thomas to its 2011 Hermann Trophy watch list. Thomas is one of 42 players named to the list, which recognizes the best men's soccer players in the country. Fifteen semifinalists will be named in November while three finalists will be named in early December. Thomas is the only Southern Conference

player on the list and is also the second player in the past two years to make the list, after goalie Clint Irwin made it last year. Thomas was also named the SoCon men's soccer player of the year last season.

Men's soccer adds two to coaching staff

Elon University head coach Darren Powell has added two people to his coaching staff for the 2011 season: Jonathan Potter and former Elon goalie Taylor Saxe.

Potter joins the Phoenix after serving as the assistant coach to the Carolina Dynamo of the Premier Development League and as the assistant director of the Burlington Soccer Club. Saxe, a four-year starter for the Phoenix from 2003-2006, serves as the executive director of the Burlington Soccer Club and the assistant coach for the North Carolina ODP team.

Silverman wins ITA summer event

Elon University men's tennis player sophomore Cameron Silverman, reigning Southern Conference Freshman of the Year, won the Intercollegiate Tennis Association Summer Circuit event held on Cornell University's campus.

Silverman had to win six matches to secure the title, defeating Brown University's Sam Fife 6-3, 7-6 (6) in the finals.

Berne wins titles at ATA National Championships

Elon University junior women's tennis player Briana Berne claimed both the Women's

Open singles and doubles titles in the American Tennis Association National Championships at the Bitsy Grant Tennis Center in Atlanta.

Berne won seven matches on her way to the title in the championship's 94th event.

Craft joins Elon Strength and Conditioning staff

Elon University Athletics has hired Aaron Craft as the newest member of the Strength and Conditioning staff. He will serve as assistant strength and conditioning coach, working with basketball, track, cross country and the cheer and dance programs.

Craft has worked with teams at Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem State University, UNC Greensboro, Appalachian State University and, most recently, the College of Charleston. He also served as strength and conditioning intern with Hendrick Motorsports.

Two former football players sign NFL contracts

Former Elon University quarterback Scott Riddle and wide receiver Sean Jeffcoat signed contracts in the NFL this summer.

Riddle signed a contract with the Jacksonville Jaguars before being waived at the end of July, while Jeffcoat signed with the Arizona Cardinals and still remains with the team.

Former Elon golfer qualifies for Canadian Open

Former Elon University women's golfer

Danielle Mills qualified for the Women's Canadian Open, which begins Aug. 22 at Hillsdale Golf and Country Club in Mirabel, Quebec. She qualified for the event via an LPGA Future Tour exemption.

This will be Mills' first LPGA event. She gained full status on the LPGA Futures Tour in 2010 and will try to attend qualifying school for the LPGA this fall.

Former Elon tennis player wins professional tournament, defeated en route to US Open bid

Former Elon University men's tennis player Damon Gooch won the men's title at the US Open National Playoffs Mid-Atlantic Sectional Qualifying Tournament at the tennis center in College Park, Md. As a No. 2 seed, he lost only 11 games on his way to the title.

From there, Gooch competed in the US Open National Playoffs Championships, held in New Haven, Conn., at Yale University. He won his first two matches before falling to No. 1 seeded Blake Strode 6-1, 6-1 in the semifinals.

Five former baseball players join MLB

Former Elon University baseball players Ken Ferrer, Thomas Girdwood, John Brebbia, Mitch Conner and Neal Pritchard joined MLB teams this summer.

Ferrer signed with the Washington Nationals, Girdwood with the Oakland Athletics, Brebbia the New York Yankees, Conner the Milwaukee Brewers and Pritchard the St. Louis Cardinals. Girdwood, Conner and Pritchard have already appeared in games in the minor leagues.

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MEN'S SOCCER
The men's soccer team returns nine of its 11 starters from last fall as it looks to win the SoCon.



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With two-thirds of the women's team comprised of underclassmen, the team looks to build leadership from youth.



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