



*Freshmen experience Camp Greenville;
return with tired bodies and new friends*

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Once again newly arrived freshmen participated in the mandatory "Camp Greenville Experience," a program for new students designed for the new students to establish friendships and to teach them to work together with hallmates as a team.

The freshmen, along with sophomore leaders and faculty members, loaded buses early on Sunday, August 26, for a fun-filled day at Camp Greenville, S.C. The students were welcomed that morning by College Chaplain Dr. Chuck Zimmerman who conducted a convocation service in the "Pretty Place" chapel, an outdoor chapel on a cliff overlooking hundreds of breathtaking miles of the Blue Ridge mountains. Dr. Zimmerman said that the decisions of the first year of college are very important decisions and "these decisions will affect you for the rest of your life." He also emphasized that college is fun, but also a lot of hard work. "You have to find a balance between the two," he says.

The students were then divided into teams by halls and participated in a

variety of events, including the challenge course, swimming, canoing, volleyball and basketball. When the freshmen were not participating they listened to presentations made by sophomore leaders and heads of campus organizations.

President Greer, faculty heads, deans and resident directors not only spoke to the freshman, but many participated with students in the events.

Freshman Israel Rogers commented, "I think Camp Greenville is good because you get to know more people. I live in The Cottage so it makes it hard to make friends."

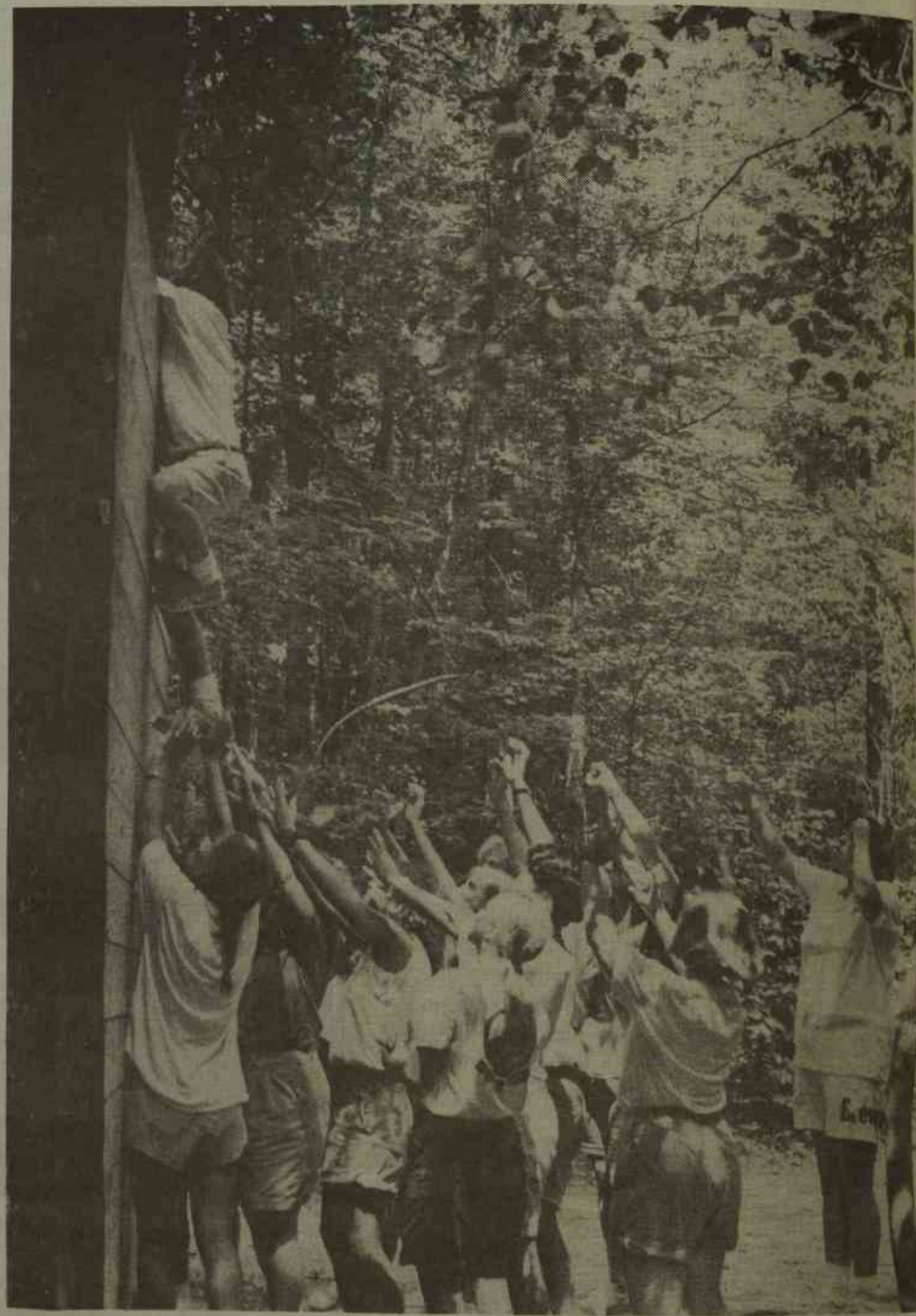
However, as the day progressed, many students gave mixed reactions.

"There's too much walking, and it's very tiring," said freshman Emily Swift of W. Beam.

Freshman Dana Marks, also of W. Beam, said, "I think it's cool. I like the nature -- but that's just me."

"It's awesome!" said Jim Harris of The Cottage.

As the sun began to set many students strayed from their groups with new found friends. Others tiredly anticipated the arrival of the buses to take them back to campus. However all the students left Camp Greenville with tired bodies, new friends, and memories.



Learning to work together -- that's what Camp Greenville is all about. On their first full day after arriving at BC, freshmen scale walls, take the trust fall, and help each other through, over and around obstacles.

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