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*Millard Fuller speaks at fall convocation Wednesday; class schedules altered.*



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## Freshmen cast their ballots for SGA; results announced tonight

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*Staff Reporter*

SGA freshmen elections began Wednesday and will end today.

Freshmen can post their ballots from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. on first floor Moseley Center.

Matt Belardi, Student Government Association Election Committee Chair, and SGA executive officers are scheduled to count the ballots tonight after the polls close.

Once the ballots are counted, an announcement is scheduled to be made in the fireplace lounge on first floor Moseley Center, said SGA President Michael Rodgers.

Candidates are also scheduled to receive a telephone call from the committee.

Running for freshman class

president are Erica Babini, Keith Brewer, Brad Carpenter, Giselle Pole, Aaron Sturgis, and Richard Tamulewicz.

Running for freshman class vice president are Riza Aquino, Julie Bean, Adam Kriss, Kevin Rogers, and Tina Sojka.

Running for freshman class secretary/ treasurer are Samuel Eastlack and Ashley Hayes.

Campaigning for freshman class senators are K.C. Barody, Andrea Cook, Kimberly Henry, Eric Marcus, Amy Misselwitz, Laura Rice, Mark Richter, Tene' Sablo, and Jack Vaccarezza.

Upperclassmen were scheduled to have elections to fill the open positions. However, no one submitted petitions to the SGA office.

Interested upperclassmen will

have an opportunity to write a letter of application, Rodgers said.

Letters of application can be turned into the SGA office, and will be accepted until positions are filled.

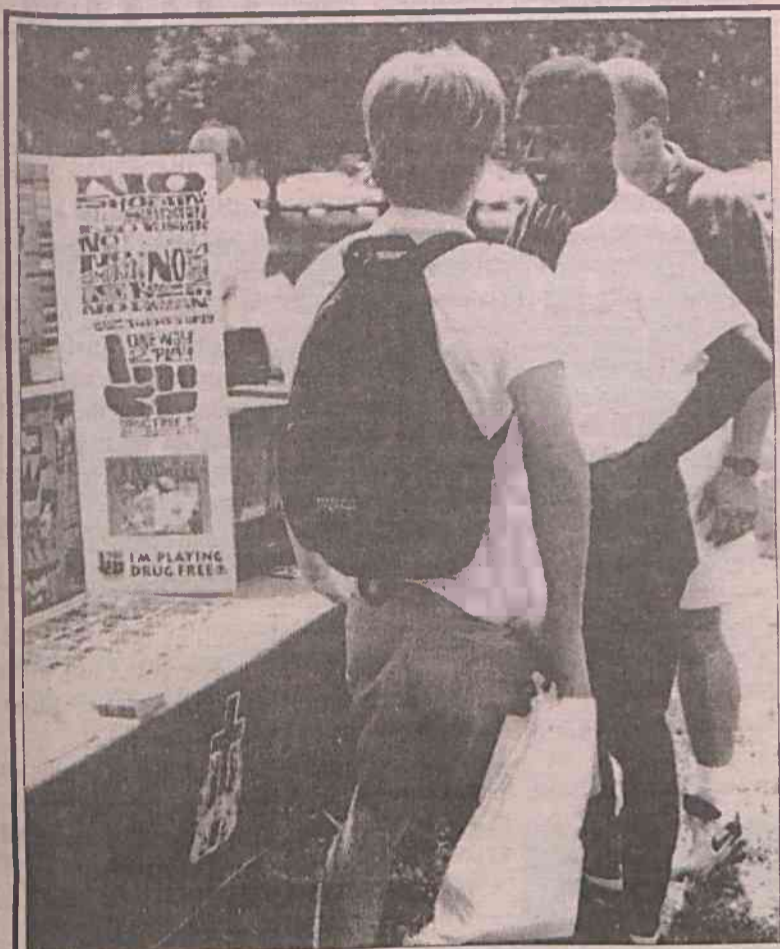
From the letters, appointments will be made by the SGA executive officers. They would then be approved by the SGA senate, Rodgers said.

Freshmen candidates for president, vice president, and secretary/ treasurer were showcased on ECTV Monday.

Candidates were asked questions by SGA President Michael Rodgers, the studio audience, and callers. They gave their platforms and their ideas for office, if elected.

Candidates stated they would not make promises they could not

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### We Want YOU!

Mark Stewart talks to an interested student about the Federation of Christian Athletes at the Organization Fair which took place last Friday.

## Former student dismissed of all sexual assault charges

**Amy Logerwell**  
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GRAHAM-Charges were dropped against a former Elon College student for two counts of second degree sexual offense, according to court documents.

Christopher Charles Jones, 19, of Joppa, Md. was charged with second degree sex offense after a 19-year-old woman told police she had been sexually assaulted on Oct. 16 by Jones following a party at his house, 305 W. Haggard Ave., police said.

The charges were dismissed Sept. 1 by assistant District Attorney Ricky Champion.

In a separate case, Jones was found innocent on Aug. 31 of second degree sexual offense and second degree rape after a jury trial in Alamance County Superior Court.

*The Pendulum* is withholding the names of the alleged victims in the cases.

Jones was last registered as an Elon College student in March 1994. His father, Gary Jones, said his son had plans to come back to Elon before he was charged.

Christopher Jones is living in Carolina Beach and attends community college, his father said.

Christopher Jones was unavailable for comment.

Gary Jones said Christopher

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## Futurist Quinn brings his visions to Elon



Daniel Quinn

**Heather Anderson**  
*Staff Reporter*

A man and a gorilla have a philosophical conversation about the state of the world. Impossible? Not if you are reading Elon College's common reading "Ishmael" by Daniel Quinn.

The novel offers a new way of understanding human presence on earth through a Socratic dia-

logue between a man and a mountain gorilla.

Quinn addresses this message to Elon students Tuesday in his speech, "Finding a Path of Hope for the Future" in Alumni Gym at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free.

"Our problem on this planet is that there are 5.5 billion people pursuing a dream that is devouring our world," Quinn said during a telephone interview this week.

"We can't organize it away or pass laws to take it away or shoot people to take care of it. We can only teach it away, that was my purpose for "Ishmael"."

Quinn said his speech Tuesday will focus on his vision for the future and the responsibility everyone in the world has.

In 1991, "Ishmael" beat more than 2,358 other entries and won the Turner Tomorrow Fellowship. The \$500,000 prize is given by Ted

Turner to promote writers and thinkers from around the world to write about solutions to global problems.

The 59-year-old writer emphasizes in his book that humanity is divided into two groups, the Takers and the Leavers. The Leavers are nomads who leave the earth as they find it. The Takers were created with the agricultural revolution and alter nature to suit human needs.

In an article for *The New York Times*, Quinn stresses that one of the most important things humans have forgotten is that they are rooted in nature as much as any other living thing and that the rules of the world apply to humans too.

Sociology Professor Tom Arcaro had a large hand in bringing "Ishmael" to Elon.

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