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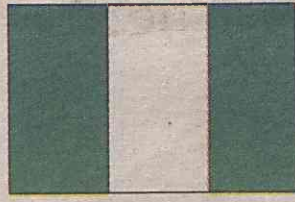
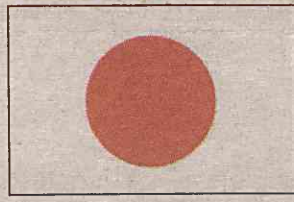
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Multicultural Gala celebrates diversity



Photos Submitted by Carroll Martin

Gala attendees dined on a diverse selection of food from featured countries.



Communications professor Ocek Eke wears festive Nigerian attire.

Madelaine de la Ossa
Reporter

Elon students, faculty and staff members got the opportunity to tell their stories and share their culture at the Multicultural Gala that took place on Friday in Moseley Center. "We each have a story to tell, a culture to share," is the slogan for the Multicultural Student Council.

On the day of the Gala, students were directed to start at the Office of Multicultural Affairs where they were given a map of the Gala to visit the culturally-themed offices and rooms.

After visiting the rooms they evaluated the event and voted for their favorite rooms.

The winner, based on presentation, creativity and cultural knowledge, was The Office of Residence Life for its representation of Occaneechi Tribe of the Saponi Nation.

Some of the other countries and cultures represented at the Gala were Greece, China, Mexico, Panama, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Honduras, India, Japan, France, Puerto Rico, Australia, Bulgaria, Serbia and Korea, among many others.

"I was happy to see how the Gala attracted different groups of people that gathered to

celebrate diversity and learn about different cultures," said Raquel Corona, an international student from Mexico who attended the event.

The event was hosted by the Multicultural Student Council, an organization affiliated with the Office of Multicultural Affairs that works to plan events that foster multicultural celebration and appreciation for diversity on Elon's Campus.

This is the first time that the activity was done. The planners of the event had initially pro-

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A group of Multicultural Student Council executive members and volunteers planned the Gala in four weeks. (Back row, left to right): sophomore Katrina Lo, freshman Stephanie Braddy, freshman Sara Morrison, sophomore Carroll Martin, (Front row, left to right): sophomore Justine Davis, junior Valronica Scales, sophomore Emily Golden, sophomore Ashley Titolo, sophomore Alyssa Morley, junior Katherine Morris, senior Robert-Thomas Jones and L'Tanya Richmond, Director of the Office of Multicultural Affairs

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