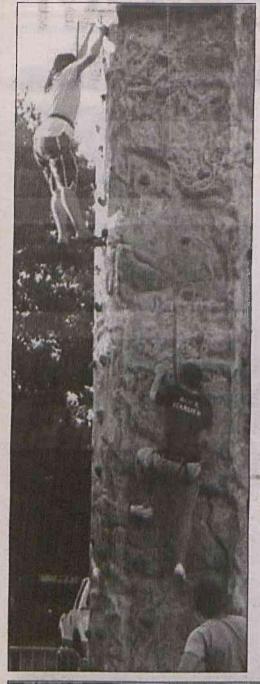
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New students enjoy Elon Under the Lights



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Elon students enjoyed food, recreation and live music Sunday night at Elon Under the Lights in front of Alumni Gym as part of orientation weekend.

From 5:30 to 11 p.m., students, faculty and staff gathered on the green to celebrate the beginning of a new year at Elon with outdoor fun.

Bouncy castles and a rock climbing wall were set up at the side entrance of Moseley, and cookout style food was served for purchase with meal plans. Students participated in pickup games of football, volleyball and ultimate Frisbee, while others simply lay out on the grass to enjoy the weather and community atmosphere.

"It was the first gathering of the whole campus, and it was a good chance to see old friends and make new ones," sophomore John McMillan said.

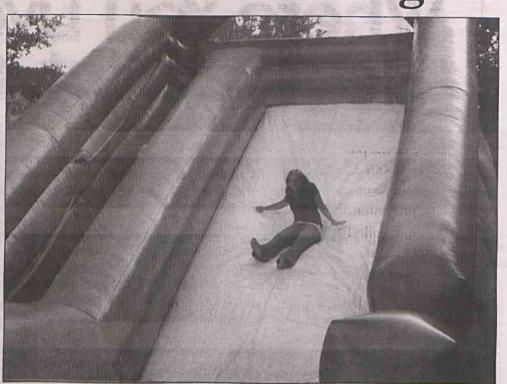
"It was a really relaxing way to get to see people other than the ones who live in your area of campus or are in your OL group," freshman Caroline Fox remarked.

Orientation Leaders sponsored the event, which, unlike last year's festivities, also included live music, with the Sam Fisher Band headlining the event.

Sam Fisher is currently on a cross-country tour promoting his album "People Living," and his laid-back, thoughtful music added to the upbeat feeling of the event.

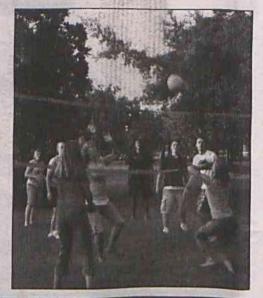
"I thought that the band was really fun, and it was something that wasn't only one genre so only a few people would like it," Fox said.

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New students enjoyed inflatables, rock climbing, concerts and cookout style food and drinks on Sunday night at the Elon Under the Lights orientation event. (Bottom Right): The Sam Fisher Band performed mellow music for the audience. (Right): New students play a game of volleyball in front of Alumni Gym.



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