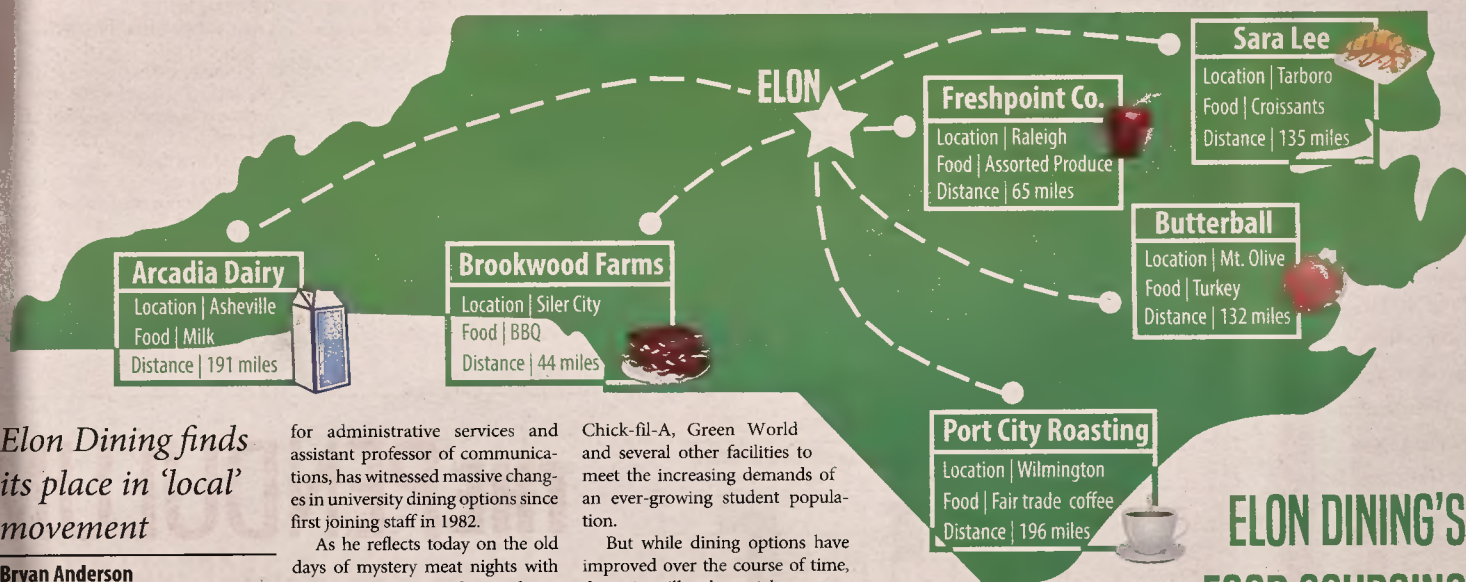


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## GOING LOCAL



### Elon Dining finds its place in 'local' movement

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Chris Fulkerson, Elon University's assistant vice president

for administrative services and assistant professor of communications, has witnessed massive changes in university dining options since first joining staff in 1982.

As he reflects today on the old days of mystery meat nights with little-to-no options for students, he can't help but think positively on how far the university has come in the last several decades. Elon has since added Biscuitville,

Chick-fil-A, Green World and several other facilities to meet the increasing demands of an ever-growing student population.

But while dining options have improved over the course of time, there is still substantial progress

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### ELON DINING'S FOOD SOURCING

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## New housing system causes troubles

### Registration for Mill Point postponed

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Elon University students are struggling to get housing arrangements in The Station at Mill Point approved for the next academic year because of technical difficulties with the Residence Life MyHousing registration system — a housing management system being used for the first time at Elon.

According to an email from MarQuita Barker, associate director of Residence Life for Operations and Information Management, the faulty housing selection process from this evening will be deleted and the signup period scheduled for tomorrow, Feb. 24, is also canceled.

"The servers from the software vendor hosting the system were not operating properly," Barker said in the email addressed to students affected by the registration diffi-



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Students looking to move to Mill Point for fall 2016 were unable to do so through the MyHousing registration system. Residence Life said there were server issues.

culties. "Staff from the University have been in communication with the vendor throughout the evening and they are working to identify and address the problem."

When registration opened earlier today at 4 p.m. through MyHousing, several students could not gain access and received the error message, "The service is unavailable."

"It's the worst nightmare of my entire life," said junior Rachael

Morton.

While there have been some students who have been able to gain registration access, several like Morton have been unable to register.

Morton, who is looking to live at The Station at Mill Point with three roommates next year, said one of her prospective roommates

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## Winter weather delays construction

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Because of the soggy fall and slushy winter weather, construction of Elon University's new School of Communications building is behind schedule.

Crews working on Dwight C. Schar Hall will now work into weekends to have the project completed by its slated timetable of the beginning of next school year in August.

"Rain during the fall months and now winter weather have put construction of Dwight C. Schar Hall behind schedule," said Paul Parsons, dean of the School of Communications. "Construction companies build into every project some lost days because of weather, but the Schar project is behind schedule at this point."

The biggest problem facing crews was the roof not being in place when inclement weather arrived. Because of the open roof, they were unable to work as scheduled, which caused the

delays in progress.

Brad Moore, director of planning, design and construction management at Elon, said the roof should be completed by mid-March, which will hasten the progress for time lost.

"Once they get the building dry, then they'll be in better shape," Moore said. "But right now they had to work outside without a cover over the building, which is hazardous. If it snowed or rained, they were unable to work, which greatly impacted us and slowed things down."

Once completed, Schar Hall will be a two-story, 45,000-square-foot facility equipped with a 250-seat theater, 29 faculty offices and a large media innovation-forum for all student media organizations. In summer 2016, McEwen Communications building will also be renovated, featuring an outdoor glass plaza connecting Studio B to Schar Hall with a large screen to project student productions and world news daily.

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