

## Hollins News Flash for March 2004

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### ---CAMPUS NEWS---

#### Trustees Establish Largest Endowed Chair of Any Women's College in the Nation

In just three weeks, current and former Hollins trustees raised \$3.25 million to create the Nora Kizer Bell Endowed Chair in the Humanities, which will support salaries, research and travel for faculty. Dr. Bell died on January 24 due to complications from pneumonia.

<http://www.hollins.edu/alumnae/chair.htm>

#### Presidential Search Begins

Hollins has formed a Presidential Search Committee to assist the Board of Trustees in selecting the university's eleventh president. The 12-member committee includes representation from trustees, the alumnae board, faculty, staff, and the student body.

<http://www.hollins.edu/about/search/search.htm>

#### Master Plan Update

Following a presentation by Sasaki, Inc., the Board of Trustees affirmed the Master Plan and referred it to the Trustee Executive Committee and to the administration who will work with faculty colleagues and student representatives to develop priorities. A campus-wide presentation is being planned for early April.

### ---ALUMNAE/I---

#### Reunion 2004: June 4 - 6

Visit with friends, enjoy front quad, and listen to a reading by William Jay Smith. We'll also celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Horizon program. Classes ending in 4 and 9 and the class of 2002 are celebrating reunion this year. All alumnae/i are invited to join us.

<http://www.hollins.edu/alumnae/reunion/reunion.htm>

#### Hollins Offers Online Classes

Through AllLearn, a non-profit online educational company created by Oxford, Stanford, and Yale universities, Hollins is offering online non-credit courses in the arts and sciences. Hollins alumnae/i and friends receive a 20% discount off the tuition cost for a course. Offerings range from ten-week courses to 90-minute forums, and a lot in between. Visit

<http://www.alllearn.org/partner/index.jsp?p=hollins&c=1&cmp=1> to receive the special discount for Hollins alumnae/i and friends.

### ---FUNDING UPDATES---

### Senior Giving News

A \$10,000 gift was presented to Hollins by senior Kelley E. Shinn, in honor of Tina Salowey, associate professor of classical studies. "Hollins is truly blessed to have such fabulous human beings on the faculty and staff, but Tina stands out as one of the brightest stars in an often overlooked sky...she alone would make me consider making this gift an annual one," said Kelley. The class of 2004 has raised \$15,929 with 25% of the class participating - well on their way to their \$20,000 goal.

### A New Museum for Hollins

The Eleanor D. Wilson Museum, housed in the new Richard Wetherill Visual Arts Center that will open in the fall of 2004, has already been named a Museum Partner by the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts (VMFA). The combination of galleries and climate-controlled storage areas will enable Hollins to begin building a permanent collection of important works, realizing a dream of the donor Eleanor D. "Siddy" Wilson '30.

<http://www.hollins.edu/news-events/museum.htm>

### Ribbon-cutting for New Batten Tennis Center

Hollins will celebrate the new Batten Tennis Center (currently under construction) with a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Saturday, June 5. The event will be held in conjunction with the Athletic Hall of Fame induction at Reunion 2004. The center will be dedicated on October 15, during the dedication weekend for the new Visual Arts Center.

<http://www.hollins.edu/athletics/tennis/tennis.htm>

### ---STUDENTS AND FACULTY---

#### In Memory of Guy Burkholder

Guy Burkholder, who served with distinction as Hollins' director of riding from 1959 until 1985, passed away March 11, 2004. Under his leadership, the Hollins riding program grew from 30 to 80 riders and achieved success on both the state and national levels. Burkholder was inducted into the Southwest Virginia Hunter/Jumper Hall of Fame in 1994 and in 1999 won the Virginia Horse Shows Association's prestigious Susan H. Hagan Award for lifetime achievement as a horseman. In 2002, he was honored for his contributions to the horse business in Virginia with induction into the Virginia Horse Shows Association Hall of Fame. Memorial donations may be made to the Guy Burkholder Building Fund for the Hollins University Riding Center, P.O. Box 9629, Roanoke, Virginia 24020.

<http://www.hollins.edu/athletics/riding/riding.htm>

#### Hollins' Colleges Against Cancer Chapter Gets National Press

This month's issue of the American Cancer Society's Colleges Against Cancer Impact Update, a national newsletter, features a story on Hollins' CAC chapter: "For Hollins University CAC President Danielle Thompson, there just wasn't a place she felt comfortable talking about her mother's death from colon cancer. So, she started a support group on campus that makes it easy to do just that - talk about cancer." Hollins will host its second annual Relay for Life for the American Cancer Society on May 8.

Laurie Powell-Ward and Joey Neighbors of the Theatre department led a very successful presentation at the 2004 Southeastern Theatre Conference Convention, held in Chattanooga, Tenn. The panel, "Creative Projects for the Design/Tech Classroom," was attended by over 60 educators of theatre from throughout the Southeast, and has been requested for a repeat/follow-up session at next year's convention.

<http://www.hollins.edu/undergrad/theatre/theatre.htm>

### Students Compete in Ethics Bowl

Joanna Jessee, Sophia Koinis, Erika Langsjoen, and Hannah Savino from Hollins competed in the 5th Annual Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges Ethics Bowl, held Feb. 15 - 16. The competition consisted of four rounds of head-to-head matches between teams from the 15 member schools in Virginia. Each team had to present its solutions to dilemmas concerning ethical issues in wartime.

<http://www.hollins.edu/undergrad/philosophy/philact.htm>

### New Faculty in Spanish and Sociology

Elda Stanco Rojas, whose specialty is Latin American literatures and cultures, will be joining the Department of Modern Languages this coming year. A native of Maracaibo, Venezuela, Ms. Stanco holds a B.A. from the University of Chicago in Psychology and in Romance Languages and Literatures. She is currently a Ph.D. candidate at Brown University. The Department of Sociology will welcome Adia Harvey in the fall of 2004. Ms. Harvey, who is a graduate of Spelman College, is about to complete her doctorate in sociology at Johns Hopkins University.

### Tenure and Promotion

Effective July 1, 2004, promotion to associate professor with tenure has been granted for T.J. Anderson, English; James Downey, philosophy; and Kimberly Rhodes, art. Casimir Dadak, associate professor of finance and economics, was approved for tenure. Congratulations!

### ---UPCOMING EVENTS---

Campus Events Calendar: <http://www.hollins.edu/calendar/index.html>

Alumnae Events: <http://www.hollins.edu/alumnae/alumnaeevents.htm>

Spring Dance Program: April 23 - 25

Featuring work by senior dance majors and other student choreographers.

<http://www.hollins.edu/undergrad/dance/dance.htm>

Historic Garden Week Tour: April 24

The tour starts with the President's House at Hollins, open for the first time for Garden Week. For tickets, contact the Roanoke Council of Garden Clubs at (540) 343-4519 or <http://www.VAGardenweek.org>.

Commencement: May 23

Noted author Elizabeth Forsythe Hailey '60 will be the keynote speaker.

<http://www.hollins.edu/news-events/commencement/commencement.htm>

Alumnae Reunion 2004: June 4 - 6

<http://www.hollins.edu/alumnae/reunion/reunion.htm>

Alumnae College & Travel: Tuscany-Cortona

August 4 - 12, 2004

Queen Mary 2: A Transatlantic Voyage

April 22 - May 1, 2005

Hollins Abroad-Paris 50th Reunion

September 25 - 29, 2005

For more information on these learning vacations, contact Dotty Weaver at (540) 362-6393 or [travel@hollins.edu](mailto:travel@hollins.edu).

<http://www.hollins.edu/alumnae/alumcoll/alumcoll.htm>

#### Overnight Accommodations at Barbee Guest House

The Barbee Guest House, located on the east side of campus at the base of Faculty Avenue, offers overnight accommodations for visiting alumnae/i, prospective students and their parents, and other guests. To check availability or reserve a room, please contact Chris Powell, director of special programming, at (540) 362-6225 or [cpowell@hollins.edu](mailto:cpowell@hollins.edu).

<http://www.hollins.edu/alumnae/guest.htm>

---QUAD QUOTE---

"I think we've tapped into a key part of the Hollins experience, and it's crucial that we guide Hollins athletics in the right direction." - Director of athletics Lynda Calkins in the Hollins Columns, on the current review of the Hollins athletic program.

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