

Hollins News Flash for September 2007

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CAMPUS

Hollins to Host Free E-Waste Recycling Event October 10 – 13

Hollins is providing businesses, schools and households in western Virginia the opportunity to recycle their old computers, televisions, cell phones, and other electronic devices at no cost during the first-ever [Hollins E-Waste Recycling Event](#).

Companies, colleges, and public and private schools are invited to bring their end-of-life electronics to the Hollins campus from Wednesday, October 10 through Friday, October 12 between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. The general public is encouraged to look through their closets, attics or basements and bring old equipment to Hollins on Saturday, October 13, also from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

For a complete list of items that are acceptable and not acceptable for e-waste recycling as well as other information about the event, visit www.hollins.edu/ewaste.

Attention Richmond Alumnae and Friends:

The University of Richmond is going to partner with Hollins on the [E-Waste Recycling Event](#) and serve as a drop-off site for companies, schools, and residents in the greater Richmond area. Please visit the University of Richmond's web site for information: <http://is.richmond.edu/ewaste/>



Turner Hall in progress

Campus Improvements

Over the summer Hollins completed many campus improvements, including:

- All academic buildings and residence halls now have **wireless access** to the computer network.
- **West Building** has been repainted, and with the relocation of the [Batten Leadership Institute](#) to Bradley Hall, the first floor of West will be returned to residential use, including handicapped-accessible rooms.
- **Turner Hall** has been undergoing many improvements, including a new heating and air conditioning system, carpet and roof replacement, and a new porch that will provide handicapped access to the building.



Additional exterior work and landscaping will continue into the fall.



Hollins to Play Major Role in First-Ever Roanoke Arts Festival

Hollins will proudly display its significant contributions to the region's arts scene during the inaugural Roanoke Arts Festival, October 4 -7.

The festival, which commemorates the 125th anniversary of the founding of Roanoke, features a "movable feast" of performing and visual arts appealing to local audiences and visitors alike, including more than 20 performances, events and exhibitions at multiple venues across the city.



James E. Buttersworth (American, 1817-1894), *A Racing Yacht on the Great South Bay*, oil on canvas, 19th-century. Courtesy of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, gift of Eugene B. Sydnor, Jr. Photo by Travis Fullerton.

Hollins students, faculty, and alumnae and the Eleanor D. Wilson Museum will be showcased at the following events:

- **“Paper Cup Ocean,” an original play by Rachel Nelson '07**, will be staged by the Hollins Theatre Department at Mill Mountain Theatre's Waldron Stage. Thursday, October 4 at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, October 6 at 2 p.m., and Sunday, October 7 at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$10 general admission, \$5 for students.
- Hollins students, faculty, and alumnae of the [graduate program in creative writing](#) will **read from their works of poetry and fiction** at 202 Market Street on Friday, October 5 at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 general admission, \$5 for students.
- Throughout the festival, the [Eleanor D. Wilson Museum](#) will present the exhibition “Speed” from the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts. The museum is open from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. on Thursday and Friday, October 4 and 5, and from 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, October 6 and 7. Museum admission is free.

Tickets are now on sale for all Roanoke Arts Festival events. For more information and a complete schedule of activities, visit www.RoanokeArtsFest.org.



President Signs Initiative To Fight Global Warming

President Gray has joined more than 260 other college presidents in signing the American College and University Presidents Climate Commitment. A high-visibility effort to address global warming, the initiative's goal is to gain pledges from colleges and universities throughout the nation to sharply reduce and eventually eliminate greenhouse gas emissions on their campuses and to increase research and education toward re-stabilizing the earth's climate.

Hollins and other institutions who sign the Commitment agree to take the following steps:

- Complete a greenhouse gas emissions inventory
- Within two years, set a target date and interim milestones for becoming climate neutral
- Take immediate steps to reduce greenhouse gas emissions
- Integrate sustainability into the curriculum and make it part of the educational experience
- Make the action plan, inventory and progress reports publicly available

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ALUMNAE/I

CareerNet: Competitive Internships



The Career Center, with the help of Alumnae Relations, has developed exceptional internships which will be offered on a competitive basis to students seeking a January Short Term internship for academic credit in five key locations: New York, Washington D.C., Atlanta, Raleigh/Durham, and Richmond/Chesapeake. Each internship offers a stipend of \$250 along with housing options. If you can help connect Hollins with a prestigious internship, please contact Tina Rolen, director of the Career Center, at trolen@hollins.edu or (540) 362-6364.

Housing Hosts Needed! If you are able to house a student during her J-term or summer internship experience, please let us know. We hope to expand our offerings in all geographic locations, especially in the New York City and Washington, D.C. metro areas. Please contact Amy Hunt, associate director of the Career Center, at ahunt1@hollins.edu or (540) 362-6938.

The Career Center would also like to welcome Amy Hunt as the new associate director who joined the staff in July.



Ellen George Smith '80 has been named Pennsylvania Family Physician of the Year. Dr. Smith earned her medical degree from Pennsylvania State University College of Medicine and graduated from Lancaster General Hospital Family Medicine Residency in 1987. She has been practicing medicine and teaching in the mid-state her entire career. As recipient of the PAFP award, Dr. Smith becomes the state's nominee for national Family Physician of the Year as awarded by the American Academy of Family Physicians.



Karrick

Three Alumnae from 1985 on Radio Talk Show

On September 14, **Ann Karrick '85** hosted two of her classmates from 1985, **Colette Foster-Franck** and **Kay Kerman**, on a radio talk show on WICC 600 AM in Connecticut. They were on to talk about events and life changes from the 2001 attacks, changes in aviation, and changes in air-travel security.



Save the Date: Reunion 2008, May 30 - June 1

Reunion 2008 will be held May 30-June 1, 2008, for classes ending in 3 and 8 and the class of 2006. Reunion will feature a photography exhibit by **Taisie Berkeley '70** in the [Eleanor D. Wilson Museum](#) and a special celebration of the 20th anniversary of the [Jamaica Service Project](#).

[Jamaica Service Project](#) leader Jeri Suarez will take alumnae who participated in the program on a return trip May 4-11, 2008. For more information, please contact Jeri at jsuarez@hollins.edu.



Alumnae Referrals: Refer a Student to Hollins

Did you know that if you refer a student to Hollins, that student can receive a \$500 scholarship? It's as simple as that!

Every year, Hollins encourages referrals from alumnae to boost admissions figures and improve student retention. Statistics show that students referred by a family member or friend who went to Hollins are more likely to enjoy their Hollins experience and stay enrolled. If you have a daughter, niece, or neighbor who might be interested in receiving information about Hollins, fill out [the online form](#) or contact the Admissions office at (800) 456-9595 or huadm@hollins.edu. They will explain more about the \$500 scholarship and make sure your contact receives the attention she deserves.



Visit campus and stay at the 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.

► Read [Alumnae Accomplishments here](#).



Belk

FUNDING

Belk International Scholarship Fund for Study Abroad

The Claudia W. Belk International Scholarship Fund was established this summer by John Montgomery Belk in honor of his wife, **Claudia Watkins Belk '60**, Hollins Trustee. The endowed program will offer deserving Hollins students the opportunity to [study abroad](#) for a semester or year, participate in an international experience during the university's [January Short Term](#), or engage in community service or career internship placements abroad.

John Montgomery Belk, who passed away this August, was chairman emeritus of the board of Belk, Inc., and former mayor of Charlotte. Claudia was the first female district court judge in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, and her legal acumen has been recognized with the Claudia Watkins Belk Center for Justice at Central Piedmont Community College.



1842 Society Weekend in Charleston: November 16-18, 2007

[Make your 1842 Society gift today!](#) Join President Nancy Oliver Gray and Hollins Trustees for a weekend in this historic and charming South Carolina city. Highlights of the weekend include:

- Cocktail party at the mansion of Richard Jenrette, founding partner of the investment firm Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette.
- Private tour of an 18th century plantation that is not open to the public.
- Walking tours of historic homes, golf, exclusive shopping, and more!

Contact us at rsvp@hollins.edu or (800) 846-5371 for more details.

STUDENTS/FACULTY



President Gray and Kiefer

Hannah Kiefer '09 has been crowned Miss Virginia 2007. During her reign as Miss Virginia, she will be making appearances throughout the state and raising awareness for her platform, creating healthy choices for teens. Kiefer is double-majoring in communication studies and psychology at Hollins, where she is also active in the [Batten Leadership Institute](#).

Kiefer will be making a guest appearance at the [Hollins in Norfolk event on November 2](#).

The Board of Trustees approved promotions to full professor for **Renee Godard**, biology, and **Marilyn Moriarty**, English. The Trustees also approved promotion with tenure to associate professor for: **LeeRay M. Costa**, anthropology and women's studies; **Kristi Stroud Fowler**, education; and **Darla Schumm**, religious studies.



Banshi Kalra, professor of chemistry, and Professor David Lewis of Connecticut College have been awarded a research grant from the National Science Foundation. Their research will involve the investigation of the chemical mechanism of various important classes of organic chemical reactions. The broader impacts of this research involve the training of the next generation of scientists; in particular, this research is being carried out with undergraduate students. A Hollins student will be given a paid summer research position at Connecticut College for the next three summers (2008-2010).



Riding Director **Nancy Peterson** received the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association's (IHSA's) Lifetime Achievement Award at the IHSA National Championships in May. Peterson became assistant to the director of riding at Hollins in 1972 and was chosen to head the program in 1985. During her 35 years at Hollins, the school has produced 16 individual national champions, four Cacchione Cup winners, two national championship teams, and one reserve championship team. A five-time Old Dominion Athletic Conference Coach of the Year, she was named Virginia Horse Shows Association Horse Person of the Year in 2004.



Wayne and Diane Markert have embarked on a five-month visit to Bulgaria, where Dr. Markert is serving as a Senior Fulbright Scholar at the University of Plovdiv. (Read about their adventures on their blog: <http://blogs.chatuniversity.com/hollins/index.php/dianewayne>) During Dr. Markert's absence for the fall and January terms, his duties as Provost will be assumed by **Alison Ridley**, Dean of Academic Services, and **Tom Edwards**, Professor Emeritus of Economics. Following Dr. Markert's return in February, he will be stepping down as provost at the end of the 2007-08 academic year. A search for his successor, who will have the title vice president of academic affairs, will be conducted this year. Diane will return to External Relations as Director of Planned Giving.

- ▶ Read [Student Accomplishments](#) and [Faculty Highlights](#).
- ▶ View [Student Artwork](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

[Campus Events Calendar](#)

Theatre Production at Roanoke Arts Festival: October 4, 6, 7

E-Waste Recycling Event: October 10 - 13

Theatre Production – *Nickel and Dimed*: October 24 - 28

Family Weekend: October 26 - 28

Fall Dance Gathering: November 8 - 10

White Gift Service: December 2



- ▶ [Art Exhibitions in the Eleanor D. Wilson Museum](#)



[Alumnae Events](#)

Oktoberfest Alumni Mixer in Virginia Beach: October 4

Jacksonville Alumnae/Admissions Event: October 12

New York Alumnae Event: October 22. Presentation of the Distinguished Alumnae Award to Caroline Arnold Davis '60.

Cincinnati Alumnae Event: October 29. Hosted by Francie Reeves Morrison '75.

Hollins in Norfolk - Event to honor Frank and Jane Parke Batten '58: November 2

1842 Society Weekend in Charleston, South Carolina: November 16 - 18

▶ [Photos from alumnae events](#)

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LINKS

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▶ [Update your information](#)

▶ [Log in to Connect@Hollins](#) – find friends in the Online Alumnae Directory

▶ [Send your class news](#)

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QUAD QUOTE

“In terms of its breadth and scope, we believe our e-waste collection event is unprecedented in Virginia. We feel very privileged to be part of this initiative, particularly since it strongly supports one of the hallmarks of the university’s Strategic Plan, environmental sustainability.”

– President Nancy Oliver Gray on the first [E-Waste Recycling Event](#) to be held at Hollins October 10-13.

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