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DATES TO REMEMBER -- 1969-1970

September 7, Sunday	Entering students arrive between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.
September 10, Wednesday	Formal opening of the College
September 11, Thursday	First Term classes begin
October (date to be announced)	Tinker Day
November 25, Tuesday	Thanksgiving vacation begins after last class
December 1, Monday	Classwork resumes
December 18, Thursday	End of First Term - Christmas vacation begins
January 5, Monday	Short Term begins at 8:00 a.m.
February 4, Wednesday	Short Term ends
February 9, Monday	Final Term classes begin
February (date to be announced)	Founder's Day
March 27, Friday	Spring Vacation begins after last class
April 6, Monday	Classwork resumes
April 24-26, Friday-Sunday	Parent's weekend
May 20, Wednesday	End of Final Term examinations
May 23-24, Saturday-Sunday	One Hundred and Twenty-eighth Commencement

FOREWORD

College is a place to learn - - not just isolated facts from Biology or History, but knowledge about people, about life, and about yourself. During your years at college, there will be many opportunities for you to encounter new people, new ideas and new experiences which will become a part of you. In addition to classroom experiences, there are numerous opportunities for participation outside of the classroom in those fields most interesting to you. And of course, the Short Term at Hollins offers an excellent opportunity for you to get involved in one area of special interest to you.

College years can be the most exciting and potentially valuable experience of your life, and for the most part, it's what you yourself make it. So it is of the greatest importance that you take advantage of those opportunities afforded you.

Inside Hollins has been prepared with you in mind. We hope the information will be helpful to you as you prepare to come to Hollins.

BEFORE YOU ARRIVE

During the summer you will receive scads of mail from Hollins - - - read it carefully! Those first few days on campus in September will be much less hectic if you have some idea of what to expect and what is expected of you. You may find the catalogue somewhat baffling when you start reading it, but a little time spent with it before you arrive will help you to get a feel of the scope of courses and other opportunities available to you here at Hollins. In addition, The Freshman Year (a booklet you will receive during the summer) will help you get an idea of the courses you may be taking.

Early in the summer you will hear from your upperclass "group leader". She will be "on call" throughout the summer via mail to answer questions you may have. When you arrive in September, she will be here to greet you and the other four or five girls in your group. Not only will your group leader be an immediate and invaluable source of help during those first few busy days, but she will continue to be a friend throughout your years at Hollins. A group leader is someone you can always depend upon.

YOUR ARRIVAL

However you arrive - by plane, train, or car - someone will be at the station or on campus to greet you. Soon after you arrive you'll meet your roommate and be shown your room so that you may begin unpacking immediately.

Your first days here will be devoted largely to becoming familiar with the campus, meeting your faculty adviser and, of course, meeting new people and making new friends. You will meet the President and his wife at their reception for the freshmen. There will be various opportunities to acquaint yourself further with the courses and study programs offered by each department. Then for the most part, it will be up to you and your adviser to select your specific course of study for the year.

About those "books," most of your assignments will be made far in advance, and you'll benefit by doing your work first and then taking it easy if you have time. (Advance tip: Budget your time!) Don't cram for those writtens (tests) but review constantly as you go along in each course. Learn to take accurate notes for much of what you learn will come from class lectures. Some classes are small and take the form of discussions, while others are large lecture meetings. However, your greatest aid in your studies will undoubtedly be the Library, which has an invaluable collection of reference materials, periodicals, microfilm equipment and recordings. Study facilities, which include desks, typing rooms and special smoking areas are modern, convenient and comfortable. When spring comes our way, the Library terrace is the most popular of all for studying.

STUDENT ROOMS

You will probably have many ideas as to where you will live on campus. You need not worry. There is a place for you in one of our residence halls. You are no doubt wondering what your room will contain and what you will have to bring. Frankly, it will look rather bare when you arrive. It will have your bed (freshly made for you), desks, desk chairs, closet space (never enough, of course) a mirror, and drawer space.

It will seem a bit "unhome like" when you first see it but don't worry - - it's fun to decorate your room to suit you and your roommate(s). A word of caution about this though. You had better wait until you arrive and know your room assignment before getting curtains, spreads and other accessories. Residence halls are different and some rooms within a hall are different from others. We might add here that if you are aesthetically inclined, you'll be happy to learn that the Art Department rents good reproductions of paintings to students at the beginning of the year.

Each resident will be provided a room key for 50¢ deposit. This deposit is refunded when the key is returned at the end of the session. Remember, this key is issued for your protection, thus, its use is your responsibility. It goes without saying that a student should not be in someone else's room unless invited by the occupant. With a little cooperation, there can be a great deal of "privacy" even in a residence hall.

The cleanliness of your room is your personal responsibility. Brooms, dust mops, and dust pans will be available in your residence hall. Once a week you may obtain clean sheets and a pillowcase from the College Linen Service in exchange for your soiled linen.

If you want to "put something" on the wall, hang it from the molding. Charges will be made to you for damages from use of tacks, any adhesive type material, rubber cement, or anything else which damages walls, woodwork, doors or other finished surfaces. Irons, percolators, hot plates and sunlamps may not be used in student rooms.

The College accepts no responsibility for your personal property, nor does it assume responsibility in case of fire or theft. If you desire this kind of protection, you should make arrangements for insurance.

By the way, living with a roommate is a simple matter of consideration. Roommates are very much a part - - a pleasant part - - of college life. By the end of the year, you and your roommate will probably have shared everything from trauma to bliss - - much more than just the same room.

The following list is offered as a suggestion of items to bring:

- skirt hangers and shoe bags
- laundry bag
- alarm clock

FACILITIES & SERVICES

desk lamp
sewing kit
typewriter
calendar
wastebasket

You will be expected to furnish your own blankets, towels, and wash clothes.

If you smoke, you should purchase regulation ash trays in the Bookstore.

WARDROBE

First of all, remember to bring a few skirts and sweaters and a dress to wear the first week until your trunk gets here.

Hollins is a rather informal campus. We do have standards of proper dress but there is no need to purchase an entirely new "college wardrobe" before you come. Also your closet may not be large enough for the year's clothing, thus, it is advisable to bring only one season's clothing at a time.

For classes dress is casual. You will want a few "good" dresses, a suit, and heels, of course, for special occasions. (A short white dress is worn to the White Gift Service in December, but don't buy one especially for the service; a summer dress will be fine.) Slacks and bermuda-length shorts are seen around campus during "spare" time. Then if you enjoy sports, you will want to bring your own sports clothes and equipment.

If you want to be ready for a "formal" dance away from school, you may want to bring a formal and a cocktail dress.

For winter months, long socks, a warm winter coat and boots are necessities. During the fall and spring, we rarely have a week without rain so bring your trenchcoat and umbrella.

Remember that much of what you may think you'll need, you'll find out later that you don't. You'll add to your belongings as time passes anyway.

FACILITIES AND SERVICES

You will find at Hollins numerous facilities and services and the ones mentioned below are not intended to be complete.

MAIL from home and friends are things we all look forward to receiving. There is a Post Office on campus and you will be assigned a post office box after you arrive. Mail should be addressed to:

Name of Student

Box _____

Hollins College, Virginia 24020

If you plan to use Railway Express to send luggage to college in September, it should be sent pre-paid to you at Hollins College, Virginia 24020 - - but not earlier than one week prior to the opening of college. Your trunks will be delivered to your room by college personnel.

TELEPHONE calls will become a part of your daily life. Phones are located on each floor for incoming calls, and you may place long distance calls on the pay phones which are provided in each residence. You may be reached between 7:30 a.m. and 11:30 p.m. daily by calling the Hollins College main exchange, 362-6000 (area code 703). However, it will be easier for everyone concerned if you find out the telephone number on your particular dormitory floor after you arrive in September and give this number to your parents.

LOUNGES are a part of each residence hall and are there for your use. Each lounge has a variety of uses around the clock - - from fun to study. In all public lounges that are open to male guests, you

are expected to be appropriately dressed and groomed prior to closing hours.

LAUNDRY facilities (self-service coin operated) are provided at the College Laundromat (just in back of West Hall). (By the way, this is the building where you will exchange soiled linens for clean linens.) Also, clothes for "the cleaner" can be left in this building to be picked up and returned by an established local cleaner.

TELEVISION has its place on a college campus too. In most residence halls, the television rooms are for "girls only". If that is the case in your residence hall, you can relax in pajamas and robe to watch your favorite educational or recreational program.

LUGGAGE ROOMS are available to store trunks and suitcases. After you unpack, your luggage should be stored so it will not clutter your room or the corridor. Be sure all items stored have complete and accurate identification on them.

KITCHENETTES are provided so students may prepare small snacks, especially at night. These areas must be kept clean at all times; otherwise the Student Dorm Council may decide to close them.

BULLETIN BOARDS are provided in each hall on which important and official announcements and information are posted. The Bulletin Board in the Post Office area is an important board to check daily for such things as the Daily Announcement Sheet. Get in the habit early of checking key bulletin boards because each student is responsible for knowing any information posted.

- - - AND STILL MORE

1. Opportunities for stimulating academic activities are abundant here, so take advantage of them! Our biggest off-campus academic program is Hollins Abroad in which approximately 50 members of the Sophomore class leave the United States for Paris at the beginning of the Final Term (February) to study at the Sorbonne. They tour Europe during the summer months, complete a second semester at the Sorbonne in the fall and then return to Hollins in February of the following year.
2. In addition to Hollins Abroad, each area of study offers a variety of activities in which students may participate. For example, Sociology students often do field work in the Roanoke area, attend conferences, and bring lecturers to campus for discussion of social problems. All students may join in community work outside of Hollins through such organizations as the Religious Life Association.
3. Similarly, the Politics Department is very active in conferences on domestic and international affairs both at Hollins and in nearby cities. Election time always finds a number of students helping out at the polls and in campaign centers.
4. Often students specializing in areas such as the Russian Area or American Studies program find opportunities to attend meetings with other scholars and students in those fields. A few students from the Junior Class spend a semester in Washington, D. C., learning about government and international relations and writing a thesis based on their work.

The center of this program is the American University. Hollins also participates in the Drew University Semester on the United Nations.

5. As has been mentioned, opportunities for stimulating academic activities are abundant here. Students studying in the physical sciences often exchange papers and discuss the results of original research and experiments with students and teachers from other colleges. Additionally, some science students share with their professors in work done through National Science Foundation grants.
6. Field trips by the drama and dance groups, exhibitions, and visiting artists and films enrich participation in the fine arts for Hollins students. Roanoke has its own Fine Arts Center which presents a full schedule of events, plus a festival each spring. Occasionally, students have their own literary work published, paintings and drawings exhibited and musical compositions performed. They also participate in recitals and concerts on and off campus.
7. Nearly every evening finds a visiting lecturer or scholar on campus ready to discuss anything from quantum mechanics to medieval architecture. Clergymen and theologians from all over the nation, representing all religions, take part in Sunday evening Chapel services.

TRADITIONAL EVENTS

Tinker Day

October is the month of amateur detectives! Each one of us peeps around every corner, in every window, and opens her ears to discover the date of Tinker Day. Most likely, it will come when you least expect it! And one morning you will be torn out of bed (or breakfast) by clanging bells, screaming girls and shrill whistles as the President cancels all classes and declares "By the authority vested in me, today is Tinker Day!" Then, before you know it, you'll be climbing up Tinker Mountain, one of a motley crew of creatures dressed in the strangest excuses for clothes ever! At the top? Food - - the best the kitchen has to offer - - fun, singing and skits.

Christmas

Christmastide proper really gets under way with the "Golden Rule" dinner in December when we give up our usual dinner for soup and bread. The money saved is given to a local charity. On the last Sunday afternoon before the holidays, there is a Christmas tea in the Main Drawing Room, and that evening we celebrate the White Gift Service in the Chapel. The choir's anthems, the scripture readings and the presentation of gifts in white envelopes create an unforgettable impression.

Student-Faculty Teas

Each Friday afternoon during the year from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., an informal student-faculty tea is held in the Green Drawing Room of Main Hall. These are excellent opportunities to get to know faculty and staff

socially, and an opportunity to chat with friends that you realize you haven't seen in several days. Besides, the refreshments are appealing!

During the Short Term, 3:30 p.m. daily is "tea-time" and each day something "special" is arranged for enlightenment or entertainment.

Then during examination week in December and again in May, the Head Residents give an informal tea each afternoon to provide a little relaxation and cheer for us as we wander in to hash over the exam, or just take a study break.

Founder's Day

An equally exciting event is Founder's Day, February 21, on which we recognize the founder of the College with a program of convocations. The seniors, in a traditional ceremony, place wreaths on the graves of the Cocke family.

Freshman Follies

This is the freshmen class production and one we all look forward to each year. It is usually presented the week before Spring Vacation.

May Day and Parent's Weekend

May Day means "play day" - - and Parent's Weekend. Parents are invited to spend Friday and Saturday at the College attending classes and joining us in our other usual activities. Many special events highlight the weekend, such as a reception by the President and his wife, a dramatic production in the Little Theatre, and the presentation of the May Queen and her court.

CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

Iota of Virginia, our chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, national honor society, recognizes intellectual achievements. Students elected to this society are those outstanding in academic pursuits.

The Dean's List, recognizing those students who achieved a point average of 2.4 for the previous term, is published twice a year.

If you like to sing, you might try out for the Hollins College Chapel Choir, a group that sings regularly for our own Sunday night Chapel services, and at Roanoke Churches as well as other special concerts. Several of the concerts are given jointly with choirs and glee clubs of men's colleges. You will probably be especially interested in the Hollypoofs, a group composed of Freshmen only, who sing popular music on and off campus.

Do you like to dance? Then it's Orchesis for you! This modern dance group performs several times throughout the year, particularly at Thanksgiving and Christmas and for the Parents' Weekend festivities. Admission is based partly on talent and partly on interest and enthusiasm.

If you have literary talent, you, too, have a chance to write the great American novel! Each term the editors of CARGOES publish student writings. GRAPHEON, the literary society, sponsors the spring literary festival. To be elected a fellow of GRAPHEON is an honor, but any interested student can be an active member.

But then, if newspaper work intrigues you, HOLLINS COLUMNS, our weekly newspaper, needs talent of all kinds - - writing, make-up and copy work as well as the real essence of the newspaper - - reporting.

Of course we publish a yearbook, the SPINSTER, and here your journalistic talents are always needed.

Want to be an actress? The Drama Association, open to all who are seriously interested and active in drama, presents at least three performances on campus during the year as well as those productions presented off-campus. Students do all backstage work and scene design. "Ye Merrie Masquers" is the honorary dramatic society to which those who have shown outstanding ability and interest in in drama are elected.

Model Security Council is held in the spring of each year with delegates from other colleges participating. The purpose is to acquaint students with problems and methods of international relations. Students of all classes participate in various ways, so if this is of special interest to you, keep it in mind.

For those interested in sports, The Athletic Association encompasses and coordinates the various athletic activities of the school. If you are by chance a champion of the courts, wield a hockey or lacrosse stick, or shoot a basketball to perfection, the honorary athletic club, the "Monogram Club", may recognize you with a membership bid.

The Religious Life Association, of which each student is a member, was created by the student body and charged with the responsibility of providing leadership in religious life. Its purpose is to offer us the opportunity to realize a full and creative life through worship, study and service.

Members of Campus Activities are always busy providing various forms of entertainment for us. Their usual schedule includes the annual fashion show, informal dances with neighboring men's colleges and universities, Friday and Saturday night movies on campus, a regular clothes, book, and room furnishings exchange, and concerts by visiting musical groups. The committee also cooperates with other campus organizations to sponsor events of unusual interest to the students.

Freya, taking its name from the Norse goddess, has been in existence at Hollins since 1903. The purpose of the organization is to recognize those students who, through their individual efforts, have demonstrated excellence and dedication in some area compatible with the interests of the college. Further, it hopes to cope with some of those problems or situations which might be overlooked by other campus organizations.

Then there is The Cotillion Club, whose main function is fun on a formal note. It puts on a big formal dance each year, sometime in February.

A.D.A.? Well, we're not really sure what A.D.A. is either. All that we can be sure of is that Tuesday is the day that only A.D.A. members may wear purple, and anyone caught usurping this privilege will have ANY purple promptly removed from her person. Most of all, they keep the campus sense of humor wide awake.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

The Student Government Association of Hollins College is composed of all students, and is founded upon the principles of honor and self-reliance. Its purpose is to represent and to further the best interest of the student body, and to promote responsibility, self-control, and loyalty among the students.

Because the Association is not static, but dynamic in its attempt to achieve a more ideal government, responsibility rests on each student to make conscious and continuous effort to uphold and improve it. Individual responsibility for oneself and for the entire group necessitates a clear and comprehensive understanding of the ideals of a student group thus organized. It implies a recognition of the spirit as well as the letter of our laws, and a thoughtful and sympathetic consideration of all phases of student life. From this will follow an active cooperation and a sincere interest in upholding the history, ideals, and spirit of our college.

We at Hollins are proud of the fact that the basis of student life here is honor and trust. Under the Honor System (violations of lying, cheating, and stealing) and the Community Trust System (social violations) each student accepts the responsibility to abide by these two systems. By signing the pledge when you arrive on campus, you will accept your responsibilities of honor and trust as a student at Hollins College.

Each student is required to pay a Student Government Activity fee (approximately \$30.00 per year) at the beginning of each school year.

ROOM ASSIGNMENT

Selection of rooms by upperclass students is done in April - - - seniors have first choice, juniors second choice, and sophomores third choice. Room assignments are made for the academic year and changes are made only under exceptional circumstances. Requests for change by any student should be discussed with the Head Resident. Changes are not permitted before the end of the first five weeks of the school year.

Freshmen and transfer students are assigned to rooms late in the summer and are notified of their assignments UPON THEIR ARRIVAL AT COLLEGE.

HEALTH SERVICE

The Infirmary is the first building you see as you drive into the Hollins campus. Nurses are on duty twenty-four hours a day and the College Physician is available at certain hours during the day. Hours will be posted in your residence hall listing the regular clinic hours.

If you become ill after 8:00 p.m., you or a friend should contact the Head Resident at once. She will make necessary calls and arrangements to get you to the Infirmary.

The College Psychiatrist is on campus for appointments one day a week. Her office is located in one wing of the Chapel and an appointment can be made anytime during the week at this office.

HOLLINS AND YOU

There you are. What we have attempted to tell you has been only a splinter of life at Hollins, yet we believe that these suggestions will be helpful to you as a starter. After you have been here awhile, you'll realize that though we are a community (the coherence of which is very important) and though we are all here for much the same purpose, we are also a community of individuals. You'll find that Hollins is very much interested in you and any interest on your part will be returned manifold.

College is a fabulous experience and a tremendous responsibility. No doubt there will be many pressures affecting you during your college years - - pressure of daily class work and deadlines, pressure to get good grades, and even pressure exerted by other students. Be that as it may, it is only you who can make a success of your college life. It is you who must take the responsibility if you fail.

Have a good summer . . . and, Happy Packing!

