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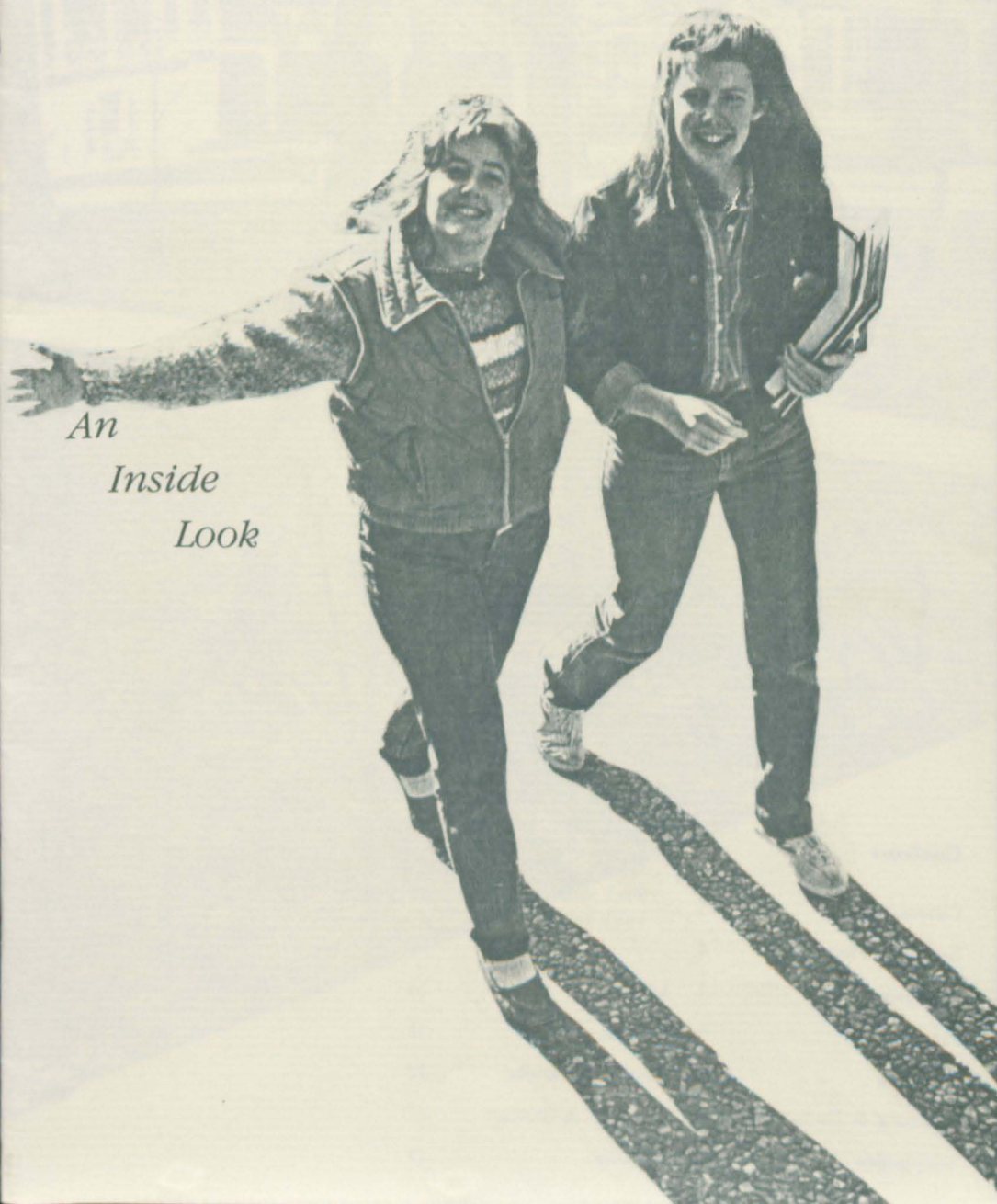
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*An
Inside
Look*





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We're looking forward to your arrival on Sunday, September 2nd between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. . . . and however you plan to arrive — plane, train, foot, car, bike, or balloon — someone will be on hand to greet you.

An Inside Look attempts to prepare you for life here at Hollins. It describes what to expect, what to bring, and it gives necessary information about basic rules and regulations. Also, we hope to give you a feel for the area surrounding the college and an idea of the day-to-day pace on campus.

Before we get down to the nitty gritty, however, we'd like to introduce those of us who volunteered to "impart our wisdom." When the editor was looking for students to help put this booklet together, we pooled our talents and knowledge and came up with our six-member committee:

Nikki Draper '85
Susie Houska '85
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We hope that we can make your transition to college a bit smoother.

Welcome to Hollins life!

*The Committee for
An Inside Look
Spring 1984*

Orientation The orientation period at Hollins is an important and busy start to your college career. There is a full schedule of activities as well as many people available to answer your many questions.



Helen Crumbliss '85 is Orientation Committee chair, and you will get to know her quickly. During the spring and summer months she will be working with faculty, staff, and other students to plan and organize your first few weeks as a Hollins student. On arrival day, you also will meet your resident coordinator, resident assistant (R.A.), and group leader (your group leader will be writing to you this summer). These people are valuable resources for information and encouragement, and all will be eager to help you with everything from luggage to directions and decisions.

The initial orientation period lasts four days although some activities for new students continue through the first month of the fall semester. In your first week, you will spend time with your advisor to arrange your class schedule and prepare for registration. Your advisor will explain graduation and distribution requirements and answer your questions about placement tests and orientation mini-classes. Some other first-week events include: departmental and office open houses; theatre production try-outs; a picnic with the faculty; sports sign-ups; residence hall meetings and gatherings; and a parents meeting with college administrators — to name just a few. Throughout the month, you can plan on bus trips to area shopping malls, a new student mixer with the men from Hampden-Sydney, meetings with your advisor and group leader, sessions on student rights and responsibilities, and Downtown Roanoke Day.

One thing you might like to think about now is the possibility of running for a class office or going out for an intercollegiate sport. Elections and try-outs are held within the first few weeks of September and they provide meaningful ways to become involved on campus.

Throughout the summer, you will receive *The Freshman Year* and the *Student Handbook*; read them carefully. And take our word for it: the better informed you are, the easier the transition will be.

Transfer Students: Those of you who are transfer students will find the adjustment easier, although all orientation activities are for your benefit as well. You will be grouped with other transfer students and you will receive special upperclass attention. We encourage you to participate fully.

In closing, we leave you with this orientation message: don't worry if you feel slightly overwhelmed when you first get here . . . we all went through it and we all survived!

Summer Planning

As you make travel plans, you should know that Roanoke is served by Piedmont Airlines (national), Henson and Air Virginia (commuter) airlines, Best Airlines (direct flights to and from Atlanta), and Greyhound and Trailways bus lines. Amtrak serves both Clifton Forge and Lynchburg, Virginia (within an hour's drive from Roanoke). Since these services are used by neighboring Roanoke College, Washington & Lee University, Virginia Military Institute, and Virginia Tech, we suggest that you make your reservations well in advance.

Nearby motels and hotels include: Howard Johnson's - (703) 366-7671 and Roanoker Motor Lodge — 362-3344 (within walking distance); Holiday Inn — 366-8861 and Sheraton Inn — 362-4500 (near the airport). Others include the Ramada Inn — 366-0341; the Best Western Coachman Inn — 992-1234; Howard Johnson's, Troutville — 992-3000; and the famous downtown Hotel Roanoke — 343-6992.

Hollins College is located off Exit 43 of Interstate 81.



Academic Life Some of your most important orientation time will be spent with your academic advisor and other faculty members as you begin to develop an academic program. You will participate in mini-classes and discussion groups; there will be informal activities to get to know the faculty such as campus picnics, faculty/student softball, and advisee group breakfasts.

When classes begin, you'll find a number of study facilities available. The Botetourt Reading Room and Dana Science Building are open 24 hours — terrific for all-nighters! Computers are accessible in Dana as well as in other academic buildings. The Writing Center staff will help you face your first college papers. There is a typing room in Presser Hall which is a lifesaver for those of us without typewriters. In the Art Annex, you can study slides for art history classes. And the library has good study areas and resources (including a library loan system which locates books and allows you to borrow them from other area colleges). Hollins students also utilize the libraries at Washington & Lee (45 minutes away, open 24 hours), Virginia Tech (40 minutes away), and Roanoke College (15 minutes away). During the warmer autumn and spring weather, Hollins' Front Quad and Beale Garden are relaxing places to work on assignments or to read a novel.

Health Hollins has health services which include medical and counseling staffs. The infirmary is staffed by the college physician, Harry R. Yates, Jr. M.D., F.A.C.P., and a full-time nursing staff. The counseling staff is available to students on an appointment basis.

For more specialized medical attention, there are numerous doctors and medical services in the Roanoke Valley; in fact, Roanoke is the medical center of Southwest Virginia. Students can get information and directions for other services from the Infirmary staff and the resident staff.

If you haven't received your Hollins student health form, you will soon. This form must be completed and returned to Dr. Yates by September 1 in order for you to register for classes.

Housing

Freshmen are usually housed in Tinker House or Randolph Hall; new transfer students might be placed in any of Hollins' ten residences (Tinker, Randolph, East, or West dormitories, Main Building, Carvin, Sandusky, Starkie, or French houses, or the Apartments). Late in the summer — probably August — you will receive a letter from Director of Housing Jo Ferguson who will give you your residence assignment and some information about it (occupancy, singles or doubles, etc.).

One word about roommates now . . . relax! We know that all your friends are finding out about their roommates, writing to them and exchanging photos. You won't find out who your roommate is or which room you will be in until you arrive in September. That's just the way it is at Hollins, but don't worry . . . Ms. Ferguson works hard to match roommates with similar interests and lifestyles. So, spend time and thought on your housing form and answer *honestly*. The more accurate and complete information you provide will help to ensure a good match.

In every residence, there are kitchens, TV and/or social rooms, study areas, and at least one bathroom on each



hall. Brooms, dust mops, and vacuums are provided for your housekeeping use. Each room has a bed, mattress (36 x 72"), pillow, mattress pad, dresser, mirror, and desk with chair.

In Tinker and Randolph, there are coin-operated washers and dryers. There is a laundromat located behind West Dorm, and every residence is provided with ironing boards and ironing space. The laundromat offers irons and ironing boards, a dry cleaning service, coin-operated washers and dryers, and summer storage service.

Hollins cannot assume responsibility for loss of personal property due to theft, fire, water, or other catastrophes (see the *Student Handbook* for more information), so insure your stereos, typewriters, computers, clothing, etc.

In order to minimize fire hazards, irons, percolators, space heaters, hot plates, and sunlamps cannot be used in student rooms.

Oh, one last note: no pets — other than fish — can be kept in the residences. Experience tells us that dogs and cats really don't appreciate "dorm life" anyway!



Finances and Budgeting

Funds are of particular importance to students because they have a way of disappearing very quickly without a trace — depression due to lack of green usually sets in about late September!

In September, you usually need more money than any other month of the school year. One of the first expenses is the room key deposit (\$2 - \$4 depending on your residence). Books and supplies (these may be charged in the Bookshop *after* the first week of school) may run up to \$200 (cash or check); and post office box rental is \$15 per year.

Other possible expenses include: automobile registration (\$25 per year); and refrigerator rental (\$50 per year). Also, be prepared for telephone charges — more about this under “Telephones.” Throughout the year you may face field trip fees, dining room meal costs for guests, dry cleaning expenses, music lesson fees, horseback riding, and medication expenses.

Plan now to set up a budget each month because all of the “little” items do add up. The Snack Bar and the candy and Coke machines are always “calling.” And the convenient pizza deliveries can easily loosen your purse strings!

Check cashing information is probably as important as budget information. The Bookshop will cash checks up to \$25 as long as you have your Hollins I.D. The Snack Bar in the Rathskeller will accept checks for the amount of purchase plus \$3. Just down the road, Texaco and Roanoker Motor Lodge often will cash checks, and Hale's Exxon (open 24 hours) on Plantation Road — about a mile — will cash checks as well. The ever-dependable Kroger store (24 hours except on Saturday nights) will always cash a check if you have a check cashing card with your Hollins I.D.; it's within walking distance from the campus.

There are two banks within walking distance, and there are several others in downtown Roanoke. Before committing to a bank or savings association, it's a good idea to spend some time looking into the various options to suit your own needs. Some banks in the Hollins area include: United Virginia Bank; Colonial American National Bank; and Dominion Bank.

One last word: work-study students (those who have campus work opportunity as part of their financial aid) are paid on the first Friday after the first Monday of each month . . . follow?! Most banks are open until 7:00 p.m. on Fridays, but all are closed on Saturday and Sunday.

The following is an example of a monthly budget. Yours will vary, of course, but this may help you in your planning:

- \$15 Bookshop (except higher in September and February)
 - ? Clothing
- \$15 Laundry and dry cleaning
- \$25 Personal (shampoo, hair cuts, medicine, etc.)
- \$15 Snacks and soft drinks (unless you exercise real will power!)
- \$30 Social activities (dinner, movies, etc.)
- \$60 Telephone (without installation fees)
 - ? Transportation (car, taxi, etc.)



Telephones And now to address the all important question of communication with the outside world. . . .

At Hollins, there are campus phone extensions on each hall; these are only for receiving incoming calls and making campus or local calls. Many students choose to have a personal phone as well, although it is not necessary and it can be expensive. There are pay phones in the residence halls and in other buildings on campus.

C&P Telephone Company handles Hollins' phone service and the business office is located near the airport, just a few miles from campus. Your initial expenses will include an advance payment of \$55 (credited toward your first month's bill) and a \$40 installation charge. To avoid the advance payment charge, you will need to have a signed parental permission form. Next, you have the option to rent or buy your telephone — since rental charges do add up, you may find it worth your while to purchase a phone. Also remember that touch-tone phones are more practical for long distance services such as MCI, Telecom, and Sprint. AT&T is the easiest course for long distance service, but the most expensive.

Until you know your hall extension number or connect your own phone, you can be reached through the college switchboard (703) 362-6000. After 11:30 p.m., however, only emergency calls will get through the switchboard to the hall phones.

Mail As the U.S. Postman will tell you — on this campus there is a U.S. Post Office, not just a campus mail center. To ensure that you get your mail as quickly as possible, ask friends and family to address you mail as follows:

Your Name
P. O. Box 0000
Hollins College, VA 24020

This summer you will receive an application for post office box rental (\$15).

In addition to the Post Office, there is a United Parcel Service (UPS) at the campus laundromat. If you decide to forward luggage before you arrive here, please ship it, *pre-paid*, to yourself no more than two weeks before you arrive.

Bookshop A quick inventory of the college Bookshop reveals the following items for sale:

jewelry	totebags
needlework	candy
film	sunglasses
shampoo	toothpaste
pantyhose	teeshirts
gym shorts	sweatshirts
raincoats & hats	umbrellas
posters	art supplies
bulletin boards	note pads
stuffed animals	records
glasses & mugs	books
magazines	post cards
tennis & golf balls	notebooks
swimming caps	stationery
pencils	balloons
magic markers	pens
textbooks	cards
wrapping paper	wastebaskets
books by Hollins faculty	ribbon
scotch & masking tape	

The bookshop is open 8:30 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.
Monday through Friday, and on special weekends
(i.e., Parents' Weekend), it is open on Saturday.



Around Roanoke Sometime soon after your arrival at Hollins, you will want to wander through Roanoke, the "Star City of the South" — and there is quite a bit to explore.

In the downtown area, farmers gather at the City Market to sell fresh vegetables, fruit, plants and flowers, and homemade goods. This year, Roanoke's new cultural center, Center in the Square, opened. The Center is home to the Roanoke Museum of Fine Arts, the Historical Society, the Science Museum and Planetarium, and the Mill Mountain Theatre. Downtown Roanoke also offers boutiques, craft shops, art galleries, and several excellent restaurants.

For shopping, there are downtown department stores and three malls (with a fourth in the works). Depending on what you're looking for, your shopping needs can be met anywhere from five to 20 minutes from campus.

Surrounding the valley are the Blue Ridge Mountains. The famous Blue Ridge Parkway runs through these mountains and is perfect for a Sunday drive or afternoon picnic. Views from the overlooks are spectacular!

Roanoke provides night spots such as the Coffee Pot or Rock Island for live bands, Macado's for great sandwiches and good company, the Catawba Emporium for jazz and fantastic nachos and Texas chili, and the Ground Round for live music and lively atmosphere.

Luggage & Storage Although you will be packing this summer for an extended stay away from home, try to stick with hand luggage and small trunks. These pieces will be much easier to transport and store. The college has a limited amount of storage space.

There are areas in several residence halls as well as the gym and laundromat for summer storage. The Bookshop sells good, sturdy boxes for about 75¢ which are perfect for storage items.

Etcetera Cars & Bikes: Cars and bikes must be registered with Campus Security. There is no fee for bike registration, but the charge for cars is \$25 per year. We encourage you to bring along a lock for your bicycle.

College Song & Colors: Hollins' colors are green and gold, so it follows that the Alma Mater is "The Green and the Gold." Consult the *Student Handbook* to learn the college song in preparation for Tinker Day!

Stable: If you plan to bring a horse, make arrangements with Mr. Guy Burkholder, riding director, (703) 362-6691.

Vacations: Students can stay on campus during Thanksgiving vacation, but the dining room is closed during this time. Over the Christmas and spring vacations students cannot stay on campus.



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