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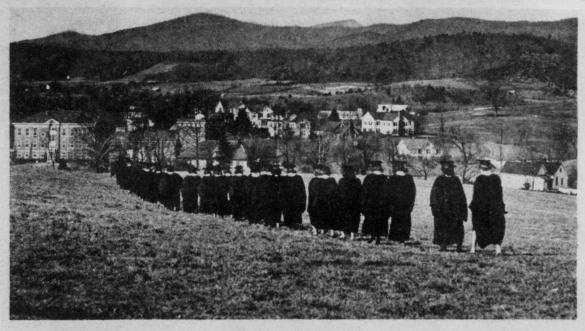
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Seniors began their annual procession to the Founder's Cemetery to place a wreath on Charles Lewis Cocke's grave in the 1930's. The group picture above is from the Class of '46.

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Sociobiologist Trivers highlights Founder's Day

Robert L. Trivers, associate professor of biology at the Museum of Comparative Zoology, Harvard University, will speak on the subject of sociobiology at Hollins College, Tuesday, Feb. 21, as part of the College's Founder's Day ceremonies.

Founder's Day activities will also include the traditional procession by the seniors at noon. Members of the senior class will adorn their graduation robes and walk to the College cemetery to lay a wreath upon Charles L. Cocke's grave. Underclassmen are requested not to follow the procession.

Trivers' lecture, entitled, "Biology of the Family," will be held at 4:30 p.m. in the Jessie Ball duPont chapel. The public is cordially invited to attend. There is no charge. His talk on sociobiology, a new and expanding scientific discipline, combines sociology, or the study of human relationships and

culture, with biology (see related article page 3).

Founder's Day was started by Miss Mattie Cocke during her presidency. The ceremony was to honor her father and the college's founder, Charles Lewis Cocke. The senior processional was begun during the 1930's.

Puzon to accept deanship in New York

February 9 President Carroll W. Brewster announed in the Faculty Staff Newsletter that Sister Bridget Puzon is leaving the College. Puzon, who is the assistant to the president, director of continuing education, and assistant professor of English, has accepted an appointment as Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences at the College of New Rochelle, New York

Puzon has been at Hollins since 1973. She has been Brewster's assistant since the fall of '76. During the '74-'75 school year she served as chaplain of the College while the Rev. Beardslee was on sabbatical.

In his announcement, Brewster wrote, "We shall miss her at Hollins; we are nevertheless happy and honored that she has been selected for this position."

Dr. Stevens reports Russian flu "mild"

In an effort to calm "exaggerated worries" about the country's predicted Russian flu epidemic, Dr. Mary Louise Stephens, College physician, gave the Columns this report from the Americal Medical News.

A/USSR/77, the new strain of Russian influenza, is relatively mild. So far, Russian flu is almost exlusively seen in the under-24 group. The government's advisory panel has recommended that priority be given next year (1978-79) to those under twenty-four years old with chronic medical diseases and people over age sixty-five. This is the current

recommendations for this year, 1978, also.

The A/Texas virus is the cause of most of the flu in the U.S., now. Amantidine, an anti-viral drug,

is limited to hospitalized patients and the chronically ill who cannot tolerate the flu vaccine, due to their allergy to egg.

Influenza vaccination is recommended for adults and children of all ages with such chronic conditions as heart

It is certain that next year's flu vaccine will incorporate the Russian strain.

Seniors celebrate hundred days to go

Tradition almost as much as the beginning of their last term calls seniors to jump into action in February.

En mass, the '78'ers climb the hill to the cemetery tomorrow. Thenre class matters to attend to: decisions of a class gift, ordering blankets—the class object—and a second ring night for returning abroaders.

Very little, however, draws as much attention as Hundredth Night. One hundred days prior to the matriculation of the class of '78, they gather together to celebrate and to begin the count down. This year's festivities are Wednesday, February 23 beginning at 9 p.m.

There is a twist to the celebration, though. The seniors

arrive not in gowns or finery but as their roommate's secret desire.

The affair is for seniors and invited guests exclusively, but underclasswomen who gather in the Moody foyer get a glimpse of what the congregation is like. Life-size credit cards, race-car drivers, movie stars, computers, and animals are common occurences.

Class president, Alexandria Stathakis explained, "Hundredth Night is a great way for us to celebrate together being seniors and getting nearer to graduation." According to Stathakis, each person will come in front of the gathering and briefly explain who and what they are supposed to be. The evening's other activities include a class history and class prophesies.



Professor Lewis Thompson has current art work on display in the art annex. Photo-Spinster

Artist's recent works reflect Biblical theme

Professor of art, Lewis D. Thompson currently has an exhibition of recent works on display in the art annex gallery. One may view the collection of 22 oil paintings and drawings through March 3.

Thompson's work, whose lighting technique resembles the French painter La Tour, is a variety of still lifes and portraits with a theme.

Several "Mary Magdalene's" are in the show. These women are part of a series that Thompson has been working on for several years and that now number close to forty.

The other theme-based portraits on display are those of five of the disciples. As with the "Mary Magdalene" series, professors and staff posed for the disciple paintings which include Matthew, Peter, and Judas. Thompson chose himself for the portrait of Christ's betrayer.

There are more exhibitions in the near future for the professor besides the Hollins show. In the spring of this year, Thompson will have a one-man show at the Virginia Museum in Richmond.

Thompson has taught art at the College for over 20 years. He earned both his bachelor's and master's degrees in fine arts from the University of Georgia where he was a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

The artist has won numerous awards including the 1977 Virginia Artist biennial honor.

In addition to the aforementioned shows and ones at this alma mater, Thompson has had one-man exhibitions at University of Virginia, Longwood College, Radford College, Washington and Lee University and the Roanoke Fine Arts Center.

THIS WEEK

Letter from the editors

Short term wound down and we wrapped up our projects. We passed Theresa's short term test which appeared in her last column.

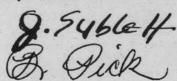
The office is cleaned up and ready for another semester of heavy use. We have planned to use a week or so to get things moving again. The next issue will be out March 6.

We would like to thank Susan Bright and Theresa Overall for their work on this issue; also Sue Emmons for the use of Rhett.

Today begins a very busy week for seniors. There is among the class an excitement despite thesises, projects and demanding courses. We sense the winding down of a distinct period in our lives. There is, of course, mounting relief too, of "seeing the light at the end of the tunnel."

For those of you who are interested, the *Columns* office is open now from ten to one each weekday. You might want to drop by and take advantage of our classified section and place an ad.

Look for us on March 6.









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Columns announces new eds

The Columns would like to introduce four new editors for this semester. Students filling several other editorial positions will be announced next week

Susan Coudriet '79 is the paper's new news editor. Coudriet was a Columns reporter her freshman and sophomore years. While in London this past semester, she served as the Columns' London correspondent.

Junior Debbie Lloyd joins the Columns as its photo editor. Lloyd is an art major who enjoys drawing and printing besides photography.

Lissa Mahlum '80 is switching editorial level jobs. Last semester she served as the sales manager.

Mahlum will take on the job of editing the new monthly special section. She has also served as the Columns' managing editor during '76-'77.

Phyl Nagy '81 replaces London-bound Joann Pimentel '79 as copy editor. Phyl worked on the copy and news staff between drama productions last semester.

editorials

On your mark, get set, discuss

Tomorrow's Founder's Day speech by Robert Trivers should be viewed by members of the College community as an opportunity to generate academic discussion. The very type of discussion for which many administrators, professors, and students have expressed a longing.

Trivers promises to be a perfect speaker for a liberal arts setting. The sociobiology theory cuts across the disciplines and suggests that "sooner or later, political science, law, economics, psychology, psychiatry, and anthropology will all be branches of sociobiology."

Sociobiology also questions the foundations of traditional philosophy and religion. Trivers should give fuel to the arguments against the existence of a God or at least one in a heretofore accepted form.

Campus feminists' interests should

be aroused. In effect, the theory says that machoism is biologically based and that differing behavior between the sexes is genetically determined.

There are plenty of opponents to Trivers and other sociobiologists. Mainly the arguments stress that sociobiology is "long on theory, short of proof;" it underrates the emergence of the brain, and it discounts the fact that learning can be "passed on by culture, thus overwhelming the genetic contribution to behavior."

Regardless, the opportunity to hear a major speaker in the latest intellectual/academic controversy is ours. Trivers will be speaking at 4:30 tomorrow in the chapel. *Time* magazine said "Brashness is still part of Trivers' character." The speech should be thought provoking and a good way to begin academic pursuits in '78.

Overall View

The mumblings are growing into loud grumblings. It seems the numbers are growing. If there are people in the community who disagree, they're not speaking up.

After four fantastic short term experiences, I would really hate to see the program stopped. I certainly agree that short term needs looking at—every program, good or bad, needs constant evaluating. The problem with our short term may only be that we've let it sit for so long without steady and consistent evaluation that now it is out of date.

When the administration starts their evaluation of the 4-1-4 system, they should seek student input, and ex-student input, as well as faculty input. Even if it is not sought, everyone should submit their comments and suggestions.

I wish that all alumnae who have careers in fields they first experienced during a short term will take the time to let the administration know the value of the short semester. And if there are alumnae who think short term is a waste of time, I hope they'll submit their criticisms also.

Let's not be a follower but a leader in this situation. Let's learn from others' and our own experiences. There will always be somebody to take advantage (or to not take advantage) of any situation, so what we need to do is reduce that number to the smallest possible.

After spending the 1978 short term reading Hollins and writing about history, I know that we have enjoyed the reputation of being a trendsetting, "ahead-of-the-times" institution. It would be a shame now to join the ranks of the ordinary.

One alternative worth rementioning is a 4-4-1 program. The disadvantages of this program as seen at other colleges could be curtailed by keeping the current graduation requirements of four short terms and holding a tighter reign on the quality of short term projects.

The advantages are many. Students of music, science, language, and other continuation courses would only have Christmas between semesters.

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Happy Hour isn't happy

Happy Hour, that relaxing 60 minutes on Friday when one can sip a nickle beer and visit with friends, is not working

Originally the event was sponsored by the Dean of Students' office and students with a faculty, administration, or staff member could be admitted. It was viewed as an opportunity for the groups to mix socially.

This past year SGA took over the event and opened it to anyone. The Columns does not object to this. What we do object to, however, is the fact

that there is seldom an appropriate SGA representative present. Without such a party there to set a limit and insure payment, students and non-students take entire trayloads of the tap beer.

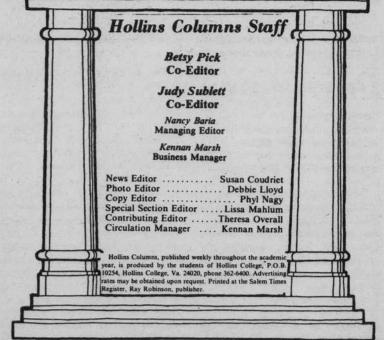
One professor recently held up the line as he purchased 40 cups of beer! Statistically speaking, that's 20% of the beer in Happy Hour's one keg.

SGA officers should be aware of the fact that Happy Hour, with its long lines and piggy people, is not very happy any more.

here & there

by Judy Sublett





Comment Column

"The Return Of Spring"

by Susanne Methven

I enter my last semester at Hollins with a sense of gladness about being here another springtime, and with a growing feeling that I am ready to leave. It is time to finish my courses, to end my SGA responsibilities, and to round out my friendships with some very special people here. I have gained strength of mind and heart during these four years, and I would like to share with you how that happened when perhaps I wasn't looking or paying attention.

As a freshman, I lived in a straight jacket of past knowledge and feelings. Because vulnerability scared me, I narrowed my range of activities to academics, needlepoint, and 8 hours of sleep. The AID (now RA-ed.) on my hall that year invited me to run for Secretary/Treasurer of RLA and I somehow found a picture of myself, wrote a statement about why I was running, and campaigned for an office.

Sophomore year I did my studies, worked on my homemade Christmas presents, and took care of my plants. I had time for long walks around the campus with my roommate, got to know some names for the faces around me in Starkie, decided to stay at Hollins, and somehow missed the Sophomore Slump. I gave a Chapel talk that year on some writing of Bonhoeffer that had moved me out of my "package religion" (to quote Mr. Beardslee). Organizing the RLA books was a lot of fun and being on the Cabinet



gave me a new set of friends and more things to talk about. Again, spring came. My enthusiastic senior neighbor kept popping her head in the door to ask me what I would be doing next year. All of a sudden, I found that it seemed natural to run for SGA Treasurer

and to apply to the AIDs program.

Spring wafted into summer. Late August found me in East eating meals off a saucer (the kitchen had no larger plates), trying to imitate Mr. Wrobel's peach toast, opening the SGA box for dues that were coming in. School began amid the rush. Academic played less of a role in my life as I all of a sudden discovered the "me" in the straight jacket. It was painful to unfreeze, to find out that I am not always sweet and nice, to realize how lonely I can get sometimes. Meanwhile, I also uncovered the treasures of kindhearted friendspeople who encouraged me to relearn that I cannot be human alone. Winter melted into spring with all its decisions of what I would be doing my last year at

My self-reflection this year makes me realize that, on balance, I have gotten what I wanted out of my experiences here. Of course, there are those things that I have left undone; those things that I have done and should not have done. I know I have had my "stretching points" Tinker to Starkie, RLA to SGA, straight jacket to greater freedom-and

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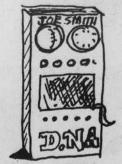
In Trivers world, genes never fade

Robert Triver's remarks are quoted from Time Magazine, August 1, 1977.

Sociobiology is basically a new theory on animal behavior. It suggests that all human actions are genetically controlled, and that one's ultimate goal is the condition and poliferation of one's genes.



Trivers predicts, "Sooner or later, political science, law, economics, psychology, psychiatry, and anthropology will all be branches of sociobiology."



"Once I learned what natural selection was," he says, "it was clear that for one hundred years since Darwin, almost no work has been done in applying Darwin's reasoning to social behavior. It was an incredible opportunity to be able to move into this enormous vacuum."

"In other organisms, the evidence that altruism is genetic is rather overwhelming. It is therefore irrational to argue that the first species in which altruism has no genetic contribution is human beings."

According to Time, he believes there are "chemical tactics" that the fetus uses on the mother to increase its size and fitness while still in the womb.



"Humans are caught in an intense co-evoluntionary struggle with their closest relatives. Parents, siblings, and offspring are our allies as well as our opponents."

SGA Election Schedule

(CLIP & SAVE)

Monday, February 27, 6:30-7:30 GDR. Present officers talk about

Monday, March 6, Nominations open (place nominations at designated places)

Friday, March 10, Nominations close

Monday, March 13, 6:30, GDR, Candidates forum to express

Tuesday, March 14, Election of officers Thursday, March 16, Runoff election

April 7-9, Leadership Training (required for those who run for

office) Tuesday, April 11, Class elections -Thursday, April 13, Runoff class elections

Monday, April 17, Dorm elections

50 years ago at Hollins

Dressed in costume from characters in the Canterbury Tales, students participate in May Day festivities in 1928. The group acted out Chaucer's famous stories in the Forest of Arden.

Paris letter

Nos Chères Amis,

igh it's still hard to believe that we can step out of the doorway here at 10 Rue Lauriston and see the Arc de Triomphe, Paris has indeed received us with "Bienvenue!" Our first days were made "plus facile" by Madame Deydy and Sara Lennon, and we have seen all the main sights on our various "promenades" with Henning Nouneberg. Just imagine! Hollins Abroaders descended upon Versailles in the snow and found it no surprise that Louis XIV sported such lavish (and warm) costumes. If all possible Notre Dame and Sainte Chopelle were futher embellished by Henning's unending reservoir of knowledge.

We are finding Paris a fascinating world in which to live; a world of contrasting quarters, or "quartiers" and paradoxical people. One minute brusque and indifferent; the next charmed by our

continuous efforts to communicate in our schoolbook French.

Far away, in one of the largest cities in the world, we were pleasantly surprised to discover some long lost (English speaking) friends on that wild network of transportation, Paris metro. Attempting to blend into the French crowds can be disconcerting when one is addressed in English; after only three weeks we are certain that will practice and confidence we may soon sound like natives.

Joined by friends from Sweetbriar, Newcombe and UNC, we send Salut to everyone on the other side of the "Atlantique." We have assured Mr. Brewster that "tout va bien" here, and we await news from around the Quad.

A bientôt, Karen E. Colwell Wyeth Outlan

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Netballers finish as "winners"

by Theresa Overall

The netballers' season is over now, excepting a game at Ferrum. Their schedule was one pro-fessional players would dread with seven games in three weeks and four of those in five days. Although the win-loss record is one they might wish to forget, the season is one they will long remember. It was a month filled with individual improvement as well as team growth and the birth of a real team spirit.

One loss came to the varsity ballhandlers against Clinch Valley on a Friday night. It was a game that should have been won, but exhaustion got the best of the Hollins squad. The night before they had played a real energy drainer against Liberty Baptist, two nights before the squad had their best game all season against Roanoke College, and the night before the capacity crowd home game they had made the three hour journey to Emory and Henry for another tough game.

Thursday night, was the game against Liberty Baptist. After a 31-23 score at the half, Hollins came alive. There was an unexplainable surge of energy, an exciting but eerie kind of electricity that ran through the team and overflowed into the crowd.

Hollins fans spent most the time out of their seats--standing, cheering, praying, encouraging, empathizing. Team members spent most of the time making fast breaks, stealing passes, blocking shots, and fighting tough defensive battle. It wasn't so much a case of

Comment

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those times have challenged me to be more human. I ache sometimes from growing, and occasionally I cry. Now and then, though, I measure myself against the standards of courage, kindheartedness, sound thinking, honesty, and good action, and find that I am not the same person that came in September 1974. People here have taught me, prodded me, questioned me, loved me. Permit me, a second semester senior, ways to leave my courses, my jobs and SGA with grace and the times this spring to say my thanks to all of you who make Hollins home for

Summer intern program announced

This year, four interns will be selected to work during two separate one-month sessions in Virginia Representative M. Caldwell Butler's Washington office. College students who are residents of the Sixth Congressional District of Virginia are eligible to apply, and applications may be obtained by calling, visiting or writing Butler's Washington office located in Room 409, Cannon House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515 or any of his District offices.

The two one-month sessions will begin June 19 and July 17 respectively. Each intern will be paid a salary established by the U.S. House of Representatives of at least \$640, and each will be responsible for all expenses.

unnecessary roughness or an unbeatable Liberty Baptist offense as it was a surging momentum.

During all this action on the court, the Green & Gold had not even noticed the scoreboard, but with 3:09 left on the clock Liberty Baptist took a time out. The short respite allowed a player to look at the score. 53-46. Hollins was within seven points!

Destiny overruled the team's desire as Sandra Garrison was called out on fouls, and the extra power behind the shots made most of the usually accurate shooting bounce right back out of the hoop. It seemed as if a drawstring were being pulled around the hoop and the ball could no longer fit through. Although the game was lost 59-49, it will long be remembered for its excitement and as a turning point in the basketball teams' efforts to perform as a team.

This year's squad has done a lot for basketball at the College. If Hollins had not participated this year they would not have been eligible to compete in the conference for the next two years; so if nothing else, they kept the potential alive for future years. But also, most of the team members are underclass women. They can return next year with experience and that always helps

They've also tostered the support of the rest of the community, and perhaps next year basketball will be a more popular sport for Hollins athletes to try. This year's team killed the image of being a "lose-it-in-the-last-minute" team. In every 1978 game except two, Hollins outscored their opponent in the second half-and one of those exceptions was the Roanoke game with each team scoring 39 points in the second 20 minute period.

HOP spring schedule

February 24-25 -- Skiing at Wintergreen March 4-5-Ropes Course and

Caving March 10-12-Canoe Trip (near Chesapeake Bay)

April 8-Bike Clinic and Ride on Blue Ridge Parkway April 14-15-Raft Trip on the New

If any of this sounds interesting, come to the organizational meeting tonight in West Social Room at 6:30 p.m., or contact Director Cilla Whiteman (6405).

*Also Rock Climbing and day and

Overnight Hikes*

Cinema society schedule

February 24, 1978-"Firecreek" (1968) Henry Fonda March 3, 1978--"Gypsy" (1963) Rosalind Russell, Natalie Wood March 11, 1978-"A Fine Madness" (1966) Sean Connery, Joanne Woodward

March 17, 1978-(in Babcock Auditorium) "Tomorrow is Forever" (1946) Claudette Colbert, Orson Welles, George Brent April 7, 1978-"Taming of the Shrew" Elizabeth Taylor, Richard Burton April 15, 1978-To Be Arranged

April 28, 1978-"Royal Wedding" (1951) Fred Astaire, J. Powell

May 5, 1978-Tentative-"My Man Godfrey"

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Suggestions welcomed

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Donald J. Lineback

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Overall view

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Faculty too would appreciate a shorter "forgetting period."

Not having short term in January would cut out the fuelishness of heating the entire campus for only a portion of the student body.

For those who believe that a one month internship accomplishes very little, having the term in May allows for the potential of a four month internship as students could work on into the summer. The potential here is great! For those who believe the availability of internships is the only asset of the short term, maybe the dropping of short term is the best solution, but only if some sort of alternative internship program is set up.

I don't claim to have the answers. I only hope that everyone else who is mumbling will speak out and let their feelings about short term be heard. And I pray that whatever decisions are made concerning the short term, they will be the best ones.

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