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Former W & L President speaks on Founder's Day

The College's Founder's Day, commemorating the birthday of the College's first principal and president, Charles Lewis Cocke, will be celebrated Thursday, February 17. This year's guest speaker is Robert E.R. Huntley, professor of law and former president of Washington and Lee University. He will discuss "Education, Freedom and Power," beginning at 4:30 p.m. in the Jessie Ball duPont Chapel on the College campus. The public is invited to the Founder's Day convocation and a reception in the Green Drawing Room of Main Building following the presentation. There is no charge for admission.

Huntley, who served as president of Washington and

Lee for 15 years before retiring from the post last month, is currently on leave before returning to the law school faculty in September.

A native of North Carolina, Huntley received his B.A. from Washington and Lee and his LL.B. summa cum laude, from the W&L School of Law, where he was recognized as the graduating senior who had performed the most distinguished service to W&L. Later he received his LL.M. degree from Harvard University. Huntley joined the law school faculty in 1958 and became dean of the school in 1967. He held that position for less than a semester before being elected president of the University.

Huntley serves as a director of Best Products, Philip Morris, Central Telephone and Utilities Corporation, and Shenandoah Life Insurance Co. He is also a member of the Board of the George C.Marshall Research Foundation and of the Board of Trustees of the Union Theological Seminary in Richmond. He is a past president of the Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges and is a member of the Virginia State Board of Education.

This year, Founder's Day will celebrate the 163rd anniversary of the birthday of Charles Lewis Cocke who was born February 21, 1820. The Founder's Day convocation is preceded by a noon procession to the Cocke family cemetery where members of the senior class, dressed in academic gowns, place a wreath on Cocke's grave.



Snow, snow snow and more snow!

Oh where, oh where did the warm weather go....

Spinster photo

Brownlee serves Reagan's council

by Anna Hurley

In November, 1982 she received the invitation. President Paula Brownlee was at once both surprised and honored to be offered membership on President Reagan's Council for International Youth Exchange.

In December there came in the mail an impressive package of information. The literature outlined the Council's purpose and goals.

Primarily, a fund raising project, the Council's formation is the initial step in Reagan's international initiative to increase the number of 15-19 year old exchanges from the United States and the six Western Alliance countries which met at the Versailles Summit in 1982. The initiative hopes to double exchanges from 15,000 to 30,000. The Council's major goal as fund raiser for the initiative is to raise ten million from the private sector to match ten million committed by the federal government.

In January the Council held its first meeting, an elegant luncheon affair at the White House. President Reagan spoke to the Council about his initiative project within the context of "elevating our ideals, deepening our tolerance and sharpening our appetite for knowledge about the rest of the world."

Dazzled by being at the White House and all of the pomp, Brownlee was disappointed to discover that of the Council's 90 members only four or five represented academia.

"I had expected there to be about a 50-50 mix between business and academic members," she said. "Since there were so few academics, I wondered why we were there at all.

Brownlee speculates that the nationale was to give the luncheon a little academic status. The meeting was very general and no specifics were given as to what her contribution would be.

"At this point the Council is supposed to meet twice a year, she says. "I don't yet know what further meetings are expected to accomplish."

The Council has received a one million dollar donation from President Reagan's Inaugural Trust. Another million is in the pot from various corporate contributions.

One aspect that particularly interests Brownlee and one in which she would like to participate is the evaluation of the project's effectiveness. Evaluation was only mentioned at the meeting, though, and Brownlee has not yet heard further from the Council.

She says, "You really think you've been asked because you can contribute something. I hate to be a cynic so I'll give them the benefit of the doubt, for awhile!"

W & L library complains of misuse

by Lucinda Wilson

The circulation office of the Washington and Lee University library has contacted Richard Kirkwood, Head Librarian of Hollins' Fishburn Library to complain about problems with several Hollins students.

According to Kirkwood, a list of "delinquent students" was sent to him last spring. The list included those who had not returned books or had neglected to pay overdue fines. Although the Dean's office at Hollins requested that all

books be returned and all fines paid, not all of the students involved responded.

Kirkwood is planning to discuss the situation with the circulation office at Washington and Lee on February 21. He stressed that Washington and Lee has always been very cooperative with Hollins students and hoped the problem would be resolved. Kirkwood added that Hollins was always ready to reimburse Washington and Lee for unreturned books if a Hollins student failed to do so.

Letter to the Editor

Freya abandons upcoming walk



To the Editor:

It has been traditional for Freya to walk on Founders Day and at other times throughout the year to draw further attention to significant events. We, the members of Freya, are not walking in recognition of ourselves.

"If Freya publicized itself and its projects, it would become simply another recognized service organization," wrote one member in the 1960s. "One needs no recognition for work done out of love. Freya wishes no recognition, no thanks. Freya's reward is a better Hollins, for Freya is Hollins."

Freya reflects the ideals of the college: independence, creativity, positive commitment, progress. Freya remains anonymous in order to achieve a collective character, and to avoid any possible association of the ideals of the group with any particular individual. The anonymity gives the group the freedom to function without the stigma of political, social, academic, or personal labels. It also allows the organization to utilize fully the individuality of each of its members.

Our last walk was in honor of the White Gift Service. Many observers did not recognize the symbolism of the walk. Instead, they shifted their focus to seeking out the identity of individual members of Freya.

Thus, Freya has decided to forgo the Founders Day walk so that the community will center its attention on the event itself and not Freya.

Although Freya's traditional walk may be missed, we hope that our presence will still be felt without being seen.

The Members of Freya
"But in the discrepancy that
falls between what one could
be and what one is, there lies
the great challenge..."

Letter to the Editor

Angry seniors question policy

To the Editor:

On December 17, we left our apartment locked for the Christmas holidays. We returned on January 4 to discover our cable television box stolen. As there was no sign of forced entry, the only conclusion that can be drawn is the action was committed by someone who had legitimate acess to the apartments, or an outsider granted entry to our apartment by College authorities.

The intent of this letter is not to make speculations over the detail of who actually committed the theft. Rather, we wish to raise the question of responsibility for the restitution of \$175.00 to Roanoke Cablevision.

On this issue we feel the College has placed us in somewhat of a Catch-22 position. We are told by College authorities they have the "right" to enter the apartments for security and

maintenance reasons. Yet, at the same time, the College claims not to be responsible for any theft made possible by this "right".

There are a limited number of keys to our apartment. If the theft was made possible by one of the keys entrusted to us, we would accept responsibility for the loss. However, the loss was not a result of our neglect. In addition, we were not informed that anyone would be granted access to our apartment. Yet, the College maintains that we are responsible.

As residents of the Hollins College apartments, we will not take responsibility for this theft which we feel was a direct result of ambigious College policies.

Meg Malone '83 Lori Magoffin '83 Suzy Craven '83 Kee Liakos '83 Liz Hoke '83 Apartment 211

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Editorial

Editor questions respect for College traditions

This week the College will congregate to celebrate the founding of Hollins one hundred and forty-one years ago. Like White Gift and the formal opening of the College at Convocation, Founders Day has become a special tradition in which students and faculty participate.

Traditions are a well-loved part of Hollins. What would October be like without Tinker Day or Miss Mattie's Birthday? Juniors and seniors get a chance to cut loose and have fun on Ring Night and Hundredth Night. And the faculty boost students' Christmas spirit with their energetic caroling. These and the other Hollins traditions perform an important function by brightening those long periods between vacations and during exams.

Because of the wish to celebrate important Hollins traditions, one tradition in itself seems to be suffering. Freya, an anyonymous group dedicated to serving Hollins in their own way, has walked to draw attention to some of these events and other matters of importance to the community. Apparently on their last walk, however, members of the community made this difficult by bothering the group.

Traditions such as Freya must mean something or else they would have disappeared many years ago. Perhaps it is in danger of disappearing, at least from view, because of a lack of understanding. Freya apparently chooses to downplay its actions, but it is a tradition in the same way that ADA is.

Traditions need to be supported in order to survive. That goes for things the community is involved in as well as those in which only a few people participate. This week we will celebrate one tradition without another, but hopefully neither will suffer

Cindy Wilson



Letter to the Editor

Harassment distresses student

To the Editor:

During my years at Hollins there have been occurrences which have disturbed me. None had moved me to the point of writing to you. Until

I was distressed to hear that several members of this community had plotted to discover the identity of the members of Freya during Freva's last walk. Evidently they hid behind bushes and in parked cars hoping to catch a glimpse of a candle-lit face or a telltale shoe.

I am the fourth woman in my family to attend this College. My grandmother, a member of Freya, was a student here when Miss Mattie was the president. I cannot remember when I first heard of Hollins or when I began learning about the significance of Freya. Those three women showed me how valuable Hollins was to them. I grew up knowing that there was something unique about this institution. It is only now, when my time here is almost over, that I realized how

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Dianne Nolan

Letter to the Editor

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special it is. Freya, which I believe is the symbol of the ideals of Hollins, is particularly special.

An article about Freya in the January, 1982, issue of Hollins, the alumnae magazine, states that it is "dedicated to the search for excellence," and its members are "those who (seem) to fulfill, as best anyone (can), the largely unattainable goals of Hollins." I believe that Freya's objectives are best served by its members remaining anonymous. I have never seen a list of its membership; I never want to see it. The group, as a whole, is greater than the sum of its parts. This anonymity assures the community that the aspirations remain the same, throughout the years. Freya does not serve the members; they serve Freya, and Hollins.

Because of its lack of visibility, Freya is often misunderstood. However, information is available. There is a description of this organization in the Handbook, and the article

mentioned earlier in this letter is very informative. Also, every year Freya writes a letter which appears in the first issue of this newspaper.

Unfortunately, I do not believe that the act committed against Freya was one of ignorance. My understanding is that many of these persons were upperclasswomen and some were elected officers of the Student Government Association. I remember when they were candidates last year, and we watched as they earnestly professed their commitment to this College. It seems that they were more dedicated to building a better resume than to building a better Hollins.

I deplore the actions that these women have taken. They have demonstrated precisely why they are not members of Freya. I would hope that they acquire the integrity to stay home when Freya walks, so it will not be marred for those of us who respect this tradition, Freya, and Hollins.

Dee Mason '83

ODK supports series

To the Editor:

Omicron Delta Kappa urges all members of the Hollins College community to support the events of Women's Issues Awareness month. The Committee on Women's Issues, a student ad hoc committee of the College legislature's Committee on the Status and Education of Women, has programmed several different events in February. On Thrusday February 10, President Brownlee and Harriet Lewis spoke on "Women and Discrimination." On Tuesday,

Suzanne Abeling will discuss "Are You Feminine?" at 8:00 p.m. in the Randolph Social Room. On Tuesday, February 22, Ruth Frazier will discuss "Women and Anger" at 8:00 p.m. in the Green Drawing

The Committee on Women's Issues was created as a result of student response to the Short Term Wednesday evening Chapel series, "Women and their Stories." ODK would like to recognize this student initiative and ask that we all support these programs.

The Members of ODK

Letter to the Editor

Here is a Valentines message to the Class of '86 Valentines each one of you Always there with the spirit of Letting us know that you care. Each one of you closer to us. by Muffy Schoeller and February 15, Leslie Ayers and

Muffy Schoeller

Security officer advises caution

To the Editor:

Anyone can and does visit our campus. Most visitors are respectable individuals, but not all.

Some visit the campus for the sole purpose of stealing, vandalizing, pilfering, running a con game, agitating, perhaps even robbing or raping unsuspecting community members.

No, I repeat NO member of this community is safe from rip offs and potential physical harm so long as any one individual associates or is allowed to associate with in the confines of the premises with unscrupulous individuals; or that suspicious and unknown persons are allowed to run freely on the premises.

How can the unscrupulous be determined? There is no acurate answer...But there are sure things that you can do to cut the risks.

Common Sense Guidelines 1. Know the individuals with whom you associte or date,

2. Know their real name, address, and telephone number.

3. Know where they work or why they don't.

4. Meet their family in person. 5. Know their auto and auto license number.

6. Share your knowledge of them with your close friends prior to going out with them.

7. Ask yourself why they selected you before others.

Conclusive Considerations 1. Male and female students are subject to crimes against person or property. The rate is

skyrocketing.

2. The College through alert students, faculty, staff, and security section (with the realization that security is everybody's business) all coordinating and cooperating are in the best position to afford maximum protection.

3. Any member of this community who observes violation of regulations designed to protect all of us should promptly report it to the appropriate college official or the security police.

4. It is fair to state that as long as we tolerate anyone in our midst whom we think would violate our rules and regulations, then to that extent our safety of life and property shall continue in jeopardy.

5. A moment of laxity on your part can result in the loss of your valuables and perhaps even personal bodily harm. Always be alert to the advances, offers, overtures, and wanderings of individuals not well known to you. Report them, because by so doing the property or life you save may be your own.

Alfred H. Creggar

Letter to the Editor

Ac Pol chair thanks monitors

On behalf of the Student Academic Policy Committee I would like to thank all those who monitored for the fall term exams. We really appreciated your help. Without such student participation, the exam system could not function effectively and correctly. I

hope that we will recive the same generous response and cooperation in May.

Thank you, once again, for helping out and making things that much easier.

Jo Bennett Chairperson Student Academic Policy Committee

Students sponsor staff week

The four classes will be sponsoring Staff Appreciation Week, February 21-25. We have designed this week in recognition of the Hollins Staff who assist us every day and without whose help this college would not function.

At the beginning of the week each staff member will receive a letter of acknowledgement and a button which we hope

they all will wear saying, "I'm Appreciated." Various banners and posters will be scattered across campus to remind us of the week. The names of every staff member will be included in a raffle, and on Friday the 25th, one staff member will receive a certificate for two to the Charcoal Steak House.

February 21 marks Staff Appreciation Week and I urge you all to take the time and let our staff members feel appreciated. So...thank you Buildings and Maintenance Crews, Grounds crew, Security, Dining Hall, laundry and mail service, snack bar and book store ladies, our infirmary staff and every secretary. We appreciate you!

President, Class of '84

The Hollins Columns

is looking for new editors and staffers. Information is available from Cindy Wilson.

"Women Tell Their Stories" in Chapel

by Meghan Gehman

The theme of the Wednesday Night Chapel series during Short Term was "Women Tell Their Stories". The Chapel meetings began with dinner at 6 p.m. in the Gordh Room, followed by the speaker at 6:45 p.m., and ending with a group discussion. For each gathering there was a woman from the Hollins community who whad been selected to speak on a subject of her choice. The series was planned by Kay Lawson and Redempta Chetambe, Co-Worship Coordinators of the Religious Life Association. Said Lawson, "I think women have stories to tell that the young women on campus should hear." Agreed Chetambe, "Experience is usually the best teacher."

The series began on January 12 with Ann Stanford, whose talk was entitled "From Inside Out: This Dance We Call Change". Stanford is a member of the Hollins staff as secretary to David Holmes, the Associate Dean for Student Academic Affairs, but she is also a Continuing Education student with senior status. The basis

of Stanford's talk was that change is an inevitability, and she discussed it in terms of an internal and spiritual process. Though it is not necessarily painless, Stanford sees change as basically positive, which is why the word "dance" was used in the title. But, Stanford said, it's "a struggle-we fight change. It's hard to deal with it creatively." When asked her opinion of the idea of women telling their stories, Stanford replied that she thought "stories are important as a mirror for other people to examine their lives."

The second talk of the threepart series was "Finding Myself in the Process of Change" given on January 19 by Louise Sinclair, wife of Rod Sinclair, College Chaplain. Mrs. Sinclair spoke of the many changes in her life, particularly those that occured by moving from city to city as her husband's vocation demanded. Sinclair related that she did not have much choice in the decisions in the couple's early life, largely due to societal restrictions. She also spent much of her time with her family, though this



was primarily by choice. It was only later, Sinclair said, as time progressed and it became more acceptable for women to leave home, that she began cultivating interests and being active outside of her family life. A large change occured in Sinclair's life when the family moved to Auburn,

Alabama in 1971. It was there, at Auburn University, that she received her Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees in Marriage' and Family Therapy. Sinclair stated that the fact that she had completed her education was one of the reasons that, when the time came for her husband to decide whether or not to accept the chaplaincy at the College, the decision for this change was as much hers as it was his. Louise Sinclair is currently a volunteer at the Mental Health Center in

The final speaker of the series, Rebecca Faery, used the American folk song "How Can I Keep From Singing?" as the title of her talk on January 26. Faery is a Lecturer in English at the College, as well as the Coordinator of Writing and Director of the Writing Center. She began her talk by playing a tape of the folksong, and continued by relating the words of the song to her life. Faery spoke primarily of the decisions that led to her coming to view herself as a feminist, and emphasized that these decisions were joyful and positive ones. She discussed the gender issue as a

particular injustice and stated that this is the one she has chosen to combat, though she is strongly opposed also to discrimination on the basis of race or class as well. The discussion following Faery's talk lasted an hour longer than planned, and students

became very vocal. They spoke of discrimination in their own lives, and ways of dealing with it. Many of the young women present became concerned both that they did not know enough on the subject of women and discrimination, and that their peers do not know enough to effectively deal with this situation in the outside world. It was because of this discussion that the Committe on Women's Issues was formed. This new committee is composed entirely of Hollins students and it is this group that is responsible for declaring February as Women's Issues Awareness month.

The Religious Life Association is planning to continue the "Women Tell Their Stories" series intermittantly throughout the semester as part of the Wednesday Night Chapel program.

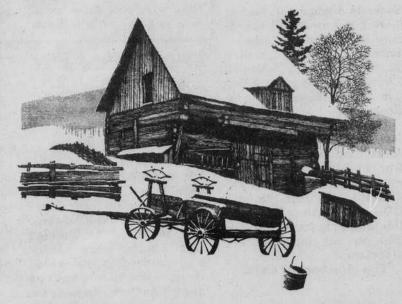
Hollins goes to Williamsburg

by Abby Kunkle Beginning on January 9 and ending on January 21, 19 women from Hollins College embarked on a short term in Williamsburg, Virginia that launched them back in to the 18th century in Colonial America. The group was directed by William Whitwell, Associate Professor of Art History at Hollins, and Mrs. Lee Winborn, co-author with Whitwell of their recently published book on the heritage of the Roanoke Valley.

The Hollins group lodged at Williamsburg's Motor House but did not actually spend much time there. We seemed to be in constant motion as we toured this small town that was at one time the colonial capital of Virginia and has now been restored to that period of its history.

Due to the organizational efforts of Margaret Beck-Prichard, Hollins '77, the Hollins women were fortunate to be able to hear lectures and experience "hands on" demonstrations by and with the curators and staff that are generally behind the scenes at Williamsburg.

When the group was not



listening to lectures or watching demonstrations we were free to wander around Williamsburg and visit the craft shops or return to places that were of particular interest to the students.

The group was invited to two parties that added to the excitement of the trip. Margaret's parents hosted a cocktail party and buffet at their home in nearby Newport News, and at the curators of Williamsburg gave a cocktail party for the Hollins women in one of the restored houses.

The purpose of the Williamsburg short term was to challenge each student to contemplate on "What was life like in the 18th century?" This in fact was the question of the final project, assigned by Whitwell and required of each participant. It is a question that requires a lot of thought.

After the experiences the Hollins women had in Williamsburg, however, it was an enjoyable question to answer and one that brings back memories of a great short

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HOP trip challenges "Real Women"

by Molly Meredith

What do six women who write in jroup gournals, frequent "G. Houses", and carry flashlights in their mouths have in common? The answer is simple-they are all REAL WOMEN who spent their short term in the wilderness, Big Bend National Park in Texas to be exact.

While the other members of the Hollins Community spent their short term pursuing various interests such as beerdrinking and soap-watching, Mo Newton, Director of The Hollins Outdoor Program, led five enthusiastic students on a trek through the Wilderness of Southwest Texas. Molly Meredith '84, Boo MacGregor '83, Ginnie Randolph '83, Elizabeth Ramsey '83, and Susan Watson '85, alongd with our fearless leader "Monella", were faced with challenges beyond the imagination of many women. Eight days of Stress Backpacking, three of which were spent without our leader, a two day raft trip down a section of the Rio Grande River, a day of rock climbing, and a forty-hour Solo experience were amongst the many adventures encounterWith that brief background information, the following is an attempt to further describe our adventures. However, due to the shortage of space, it is impossible to relate everything. For a detailed account of our journey, interested members of the community are invited to attend our slide show on February 17, 6:30 p.m. in Janney Lounge.

On Sunday, January 9, the six of us awoke to a full-page spread in *The Roanoke Times and World News* about our day on a ropes course. We were FAMOUS! Ah, but no time for autographs as we had to get on the road for fear we'd get snowed in! Once on the road, we stopped to spend the next few nights in Tennessee, Arkansas, Dallas, and Monahan's Texas, respectively. Finally, we made it to Texas' Big Bend Natinal Park.

We stayed in the Basin for two nights while preparing for the first half of our backpacking trip. The weather was cool, but us REAL WOMEN were warm as we were decked-out from head to toe in our fashionable wool attire. Planning on just a four day trip, it turned out to be five because we hadn't counted on such rugged terrain. After

shedding some blood, sweat, and tears, we made it back to the basin to unload and repack for another trip, this time without our fearless leader who opted to stay behind saying that it would be good for us, make REAL WOMEN of us. (But weren't we already?)

Mo drove us to the beginning of the Chimney Trails, and after waving goodbye, we forged ahead into the unknown. Forty-five minutes later we were forced to make camp when Boo fell, hit her head on a rock and puctured a water jug. We managed to save the precious liquid and survive our first rainy night in the desert. The next day we hit the trail again, awaiting whatever adventures would come our way. We didn't have to wait long. After lunch we were besieged by a hail/wind/electrical storm, ask anyone of us, it was a good time. Not wishing to become charbroiled, we paniced and threw off our packs. Fortunately, as luck would have it, we found a tiny house, "Luna Jacal," and went there to wait out the storm and laugh at ourselves. Finally, the rain stopped and we loaded-up and thanked Gilberto Luna, his six wives and 58 kids for providing us with shelter.

As we set off, thoughts crossed our minds such as: "Is this the desert, or the rain forest?!" After hiking slowly in the mud it was time to make camp, eat and go to sleep. It rained once again that night. We awoke the next morning to see our destination (Santa Elena Canyon) in front of us, and the Basin (covered with snow!) behind us. After hiking about five miles with 10 pounds of mud to each boot, and wading through the swollen Terlingua Creek, we made it! A little muddy and bloody, but we did it! Mo picked us up, let us have showers, and fixed a scrumptous Mexican dinner. We immediately forgot all those things we said about her while we were wandering deliriously around the desert.

The next day we spent rock climbing with three super nice guys from the "ghost" town Terlingua. The next two days we gave our feet a much needed rest, while our upperbodies finally got a workout when we rafted on the Rio Grande. Our two female river guides, it turned out, were REAL WOMEN too! We traded stories and let them do the cooking while we relaxed and provided entertainment.



Setting out for a backpacking trip are Boo MacGreagor '83, Ginnie Randolph '83, Susan Watson '85, Elizabeth Ramsey '83 and Molly Meredith '84.

Photos by Mo Newton

We did end up working for our dinner so to speak, when we had to portage a rockslide in part of the canyon. It was a good time, and some of us even got a bath in the process!

Tired, cold and exhausted, we headed back to Terlingua and had dinner at The Mining Company Restaurant, and afterwards took showers where we were revived. Mo put away her whip that night and showed us a good time, "LA KIVA" style. We didn't want to leave that laid back atmosphere, but our individual solo trips were awaiting us back in Big Bend. We arrived in the part of the park known as Rio Grande Village, which we quickly dubbed "Rio Grande Fossil Land" as we were the only ones under 70 years of age. We then began preparing for our solo, getting what few things Mo would let us have. These were: sleeping bag, ensolite pad, poncho, plastic sheet, knife, flashlight, journal, water and our wool clothes.

The weather was finally good to us and we spent most of the time in reflection while working on that tan everyone is so jealous of! All of us survived without any problems and we didn't even starve to death!

Our next task was to write a paper, and adjust to being among people again. Our stay in Big Bend was at a close, and we moved eastward across Texas to Del Rio, where we crossed the border into Mexico. We spent much of the afternoon bartering for dresses, blankets, and booze, while that night we ate what was supposed to be an authentic Mexican dinner. Afterwards, we anxiously crossed back over into the States, but not before a border cop gave us a hard time (we thought he was going to take everything out of the van, but we think our dirty clothes scared him away!)

Once back in the States, it was time to head back to Virginia-reluctantly, I might add. We did some kind of driving those next days, stopping in Houston, Mississippi, and North Carolina before arriving noisily at Hollins. Even though we hated leaving Texas, it felt good to be "home" again!



Molly, Ginnie, ELizabeth and Susan.

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Survey studies women's magazines

by Meg Gehman

A young woman has her long hair braided and piled high on her head, ribbons of gold cascading to her shoulders. Her eyes are heavy with metallic shadow; her mouth is bright red. She is wearing a low-cut silk evening dress: the outline of her trim body is visible wherever the

clingy fabric comes in contact with it. She is teetering on 4inch heels.

A young woman has her hair pulled into a neat little twist at the back of her head. Her eyes are out-lined with mascara, and her cheeks are a shade pinker than normal because she has used a little blush. She is wearing a

cardigan over a boy's buttondown shirt; faded lives and sneakers complete her look.

Who are these women? The first is a typical fashion model in a woman's magazine such as Vogue, Glamour, or Mademoiselle. The second is an average Hollins student. Because they are so different, they seem to have nothing in common. Yet they do have a link with each other: the Holins woman often reads about the fashion model and what she typifies. Could Hollins students actually have an interest in reading magazines filled with the first type of woman?

The answer is overwhelmingly yes. Of thirty Hollins women, only one, a senior, stated that she did not read any type of woman's magazine. The average respondent reported that she read two magazines per month. One-third of those polled said they subscribed to one magazine per month. Everyone said they "borrowed from a friend."

Although many Hollins women dress conservatively, they do have a strong interest in fashion. Eighty percent of those polled said that they read the magazines to "keep up with current fashions." Michelle Dolfini, a junior, said that although she doesn't wear the fashions pictured in the magazines, she likes to "...find out what the fashions are in the bigger cities." One

sophomore said she used the fashions in the magazines to trigger ideas for new ways to put together the clothes she already owns. Yet though Hollins women admitted that they liked to know what was happening in the fashion world, the response from twothirds of those polled was an emphatic "No!" When they were asked if they wear the fashions they saw in the magazines, "You've got to be kidding!" said sophomore Angel Manuel. The other response to this question was "sometimes" and a laughing "when I can afford it!" was often added.

Hollins women are, on the whole, well-groomed. Freshly scrubbed faces and simple make-up characterize the majority. Do they have any use, then, for the woman's magazines' advice on health and beauty? A casual "no," "nah," and "not really" were typical responses. Diets, however, were often mentioned as useful "health" information gained from these magazines, but at the same time an "I don't stay on it very long" was often heard.

The young women who were polled split just about evenly on the question of whether the magazines were useful or not overall. Though many answered no, ninety percent said that they read these magazines when they should be doing their homework. "Of course I read it when I should

be doing homework," said one senior. "Why else would I have the magazines unless it was to help me escape?"

The general consensus of the poll was: 1) no, health and beauty advice is not followed except for diet information; 2) yes, the magazines help to keep students currently informed about what is going on in the fashion world, 3) no, the students don't wear the fashions they see in the magazines; 4) yes, the magazines are read when a student should be concentrating on homework.

Why, then, do Hollins women read so many of these magazines? "For entertainment" said sophomore Mattie Quisenberry. "For enjoyment," said Janelle Fike, a freshman. "To escape, for fantasy," said junior Sarah Gaither. "to improve my reading skills," joked Tweety Hayslett, a freshman. "Entertainment" and "To see what's happening out there" were the answers received most often.

It is good to know that the young women of Hollins are interested in what happens beyond the front gates. Yet most do not derive much information from women's magazines. Next time you reach for a Cosmo, a Redbook, or a Town and Country, how about choosing a Newsweek, Time, or U.S. News and World Report instead? It could prove more useful, informative, and even entertaining than any typical woman's magazine.



RA's discuss responsibilities for 26 assistants in 1983-1984

by Alex Krevitz
If you're looking for something to do that requires reponsibility and initiative and involves working with people, you may want to consider a position as an R.A. Resident Assistants' responsibilities include such things as serving as a resource people, being available 10 hours a week and upholding the College's policies.

From February 14-17 a talk entitled "So You Want To Be An R.A." will be given at 7:30 p.m. by R.A.'s in the social rooms of West, East, Tinker, and Randolph. Included will be a slide show depicting the behind the scenes activities of an R.A., such as the training session held in late summer. The slides, set to music, also feature dialogues given by each R.A. In addition, the application procedure will be reviewed, questions will be

answered and a talk will be given about the job's responsibilities. The lecture will be about a half an hour long.

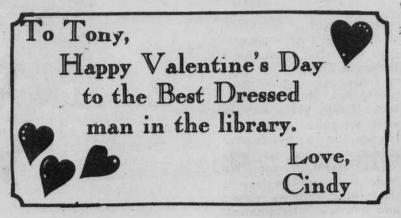
Beginning next year there will be R.A.'s in the apartments. There are currently 16 assistants in the program but 26 is considered an ideal number.

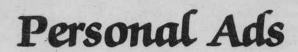
Applications are available from the SAO office in Moody,

where they should also be returned when completed. As

well as completing the application, prospective R.A.'s must participate in two interviews and obtain two recomendations. Anyone with

a 2.0 GPA or higher is eligible. Benefits are \$1000 a year (the financial aid for a student on financial aid) and parking privileges on campus.





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Women's committee holds discrimination discussions

by Melissa Flournoy

On Thursday, February 10, the newly-formed Committee on Women's Issues sponsored a discussion on "Women and Discrimination." The speakers for the event were President Paula Brownlee and Harriet Lewis, Municipal Credit Analyst for Dominion Bank Shares.

The contrast between these two women was startling when they united to speak on discrimination. The genteel, subtle, dignified Brownlee and the youthful, assertive, forceful Lewis represent two very different brands of women. Although the differences in backgrounds and education are dramatic, their goals and ambitions are very similar. Speaking from disparate perspectives, Brownlee and Lewis described discrimination at times subtle and at times horrifyingly overt.

Browniee spoke first about coping with discrimination. She attributed discrimination to the innote need in humans to feel good about themselves. She said one cause of discrimination was the inferiority and insecurity of many men and the superior attitude they derive by relegating women to a lower status. Brownlee went on to describe the four phases that take place as women discover that discrimination is real.

 The idealism when a young woman believes that her performance is the means by which she is measured.

2) The realization that there is the possibility of discrimination, but that she will be the exception.

3) The realization of the unfairness, that she has been sidetracked and not promoted; the result is anger.

4) The anger can take two directions: one is to protest, and the other is to cope by turning the anger to motivation.

Brownlee spoke of Hollins as a place to build women with a sturdy sense of self-worth with the moral strength and competence to deal with the problems ahead.

Lewis and Brownlee agreed

that collectively there was a need for women and minorities to join together to build a support network to break down discriminatory barriers. Brownlee pointed to the activism of the 60's and the 70's and the continuing need for tenacity and perserverance in the fight for equality. She said that the women of the previous movements had no role models but the present students have a much clearer perception of their abilities and the stumbling blocks ahead.

Brownlee stressed the need to determine individual ambitions, aspirations and limitations within the system. Understanding how an organization works and developing relationships with mentors who can provide guidance are essential steps in protecting oneself. This awareness is the first step in coping with possible discrimination. Brownlee encouraged building relationships and

making contacts as another means of protecting oneself. Emphasizing the importance of self worth, Brownlee said to value yourself independently of other people's praise.

Lewis began her segment of the presentation by elaborating on the two different kinds of discrimination. Lewis, a black woman, relied on personal examples to illustrate the problems of discrimination. She commented on the bureaucratic inequality built into the system by elaborating on the quotas requiring minimum numbers of women and minorites as employees. She also commented on the disappearance of overt forms of discrimination because of the growing sophistication of those who harbor and perpetuate racial and social tensions.

Even though overt discrimination has decreased, Lewis said the double standard and subtle discrimination is still

very real. She related several shocking stories of arbitrary job requirements and other forms of abuse. Lewis emphasized the problems asociated with being discriminated against: complacency, indignity, injustice and anger associated with this form of victimization. She commented that for employees who face discrimination a fear of reticence to do anything about it still exists. Not coping leads to self destruction, she said, and although it may allow one to survive the person will not function as a whole person.

According to Lewis, there is still the fear of the stigma attached to those who want to go say something to the manager. She concluded that we have a problem unless there is a development of an understanding that there are certain risks involved for those who have that fear. "When we don't speak out, we are giving support to the continuation and perpetuation of this kind of behavior."

VAX seminar taught

by Lisa Gray
The Computer Science
Department is conducting a
VAX Introductory Seminar on
Tuesday, February 15.

The seminar, taught by Assistant Professor Barbara Kurshan, will be held twice, from 3-5 p.m. and again from 7-9 p.m. It will cover VAX commands and functions as well as an example of a simple basic program. Kurshan will also demonstrate some of the other programs available, such as the new Mentor

authoring program.

There is no charge for the seminar, and everyone is welcome. According to Kurshan, only a limited number of people may attend the seminar, so anyone who is interested should call her at extension 6541 for a reservation.

The department will be sponsoring several more activities this spring, including a computer conference on March 5 and a seminar on using the EDITOR on March 8.

Becker explains computerized logic

Courtesy of Intercollegiate Press Bullletins November 29, 1982.

"For three years seniors have asked to do senior projects or independent studies on the intersection between philosophy and computer science," reports Professor of Philosophy Lawrence Becker. With the growth of computer technology "I couldn't shrug off the subject anymore."

Becker has designed an instructional program that allows a student to do formal proofs in an axiomatic system for propositional logic. He says that his program is genuinely interactive since the computer permits the student to attempt any proposed proof, rejecting all incorrect attempts and telling the student what is worng at each step. Upon completion, the computer signals the student and asks if she would like to save her proof in an individually coded file.

By requiring students to complete the unit on axiomatic systems on the computer, Becker can extend the range of material covered in his elementary logic course. "One of the problems in an elementary logic course is having adequate time to introduce students to different systems of logic. Using the computer permits coverage of more material with more effective use of classroom instruction.

"Previously I never had time to teach the section on axiomatic systems in the elementary course since it would take weeks without a tool like the computer. Now students have increased exposure, " says Becker. Another advantage to computerized instruction is the instant feedback.

Becker explains that often mistakes are reinforced in such highly routinized disciplines as mathematics, languages, and logic. The instant feedback of the computerized lesson presumably eliminates the need to "unlearn" mistakes. Yet, Becker is quick to point out the limitations of such learning systems.

"I've tried to make my program as 'idiot-proof' as possible, but we are still asking logic students to learn computers on top of learning logic." Further, Becker feels that a large part of scholarship requires the ability to browse in a library, to see things whole.

"That's something," he remaks wryly, "that you can't do on a video screen." Given these limitations, Becker still intends to pursue additional computer resources. He hopes to use proof checkers for systems of natural deduction, truth tables, and syllogisms.

When the computer has graphic capabilities, he would expand his programming to include Venn diagrams. In addition, as a pre-law advisor he would like to see computerized question banks to help students prepare for standardized tests.

Finally, Becker is concerned about another problem. "Great frustration will be produced if we outgrow the VAX (Digital's 11/780) - people have become dependent on it. We must keep the machine up-to-date. It's the state of the art today, but it won't be that way for long."

Becker intended to spend a month learning about the VAX and writing a program for his logic course. Instead he devoted the entire summer to the project. "I could not have justified the amount of time I spent just for the course, but I really wanted to learn about this computer" says Becker.

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College receives two grants

The College has announced the receipt of two separate unrestricted grants totalling \$28,000. The larger of the two grants comes from the **Atlantic Richfield Foundation** in the amount of \$25,000. Each year, the officers of the foundation award several onetime unrestricted liberal arts grants to what they consider to be some of the highest quality liberal arts colleges that have sought foundation support. This year, a total of 12 such awards were approved including the grant to Hollins.

West Social

Room. Concert Series, 8:15 p.m.

Hollins College President Paula P. Brownlee says the grant will be used either for endowment or for the purchase of academic equipment. She also said the

grant "is a generous and valued commitment to the ongoing Campaign for Hollins."

The second grant is from is from the Illinois-based Brunswick Foundation, Inc., in the amount of \$3,000. Hollins was selected as one of only five independent colleges in the country with enrollments of 1,000 or less which will receive the grant. Hollins was judged in four areas of performance: financial aid, education programs, studentteacher relationships and facilities, and the College was determined to have demon-

strated consistent outstanding performance in each of these four areas.

Hollins is currently involved in a capital campaign to raise \$10.5 million.



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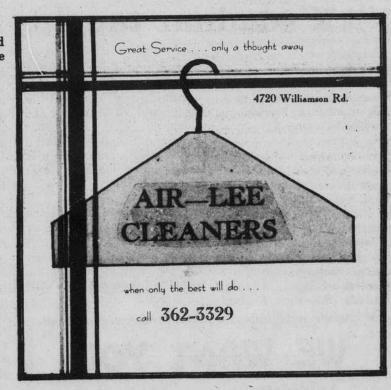
- Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy, by Douglas Adams (Pocket, \$2.95.) Companion to the PBS TV series.
- 2. A Few Minutes With Andy Rooney, by Andy Rooney. (Warner, \$2.95.) Humorous essays by the TV personality.
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