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# HOLLINS COLUMNS

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## Campus responds to Soviet aggression

by Rose Godfrey

On Wednesday, August 31, the lives of 269 passengers aboard a Korean commercial airline flight were ended. Korean Airline flight 7 left Kennedy International Airport at 11:50 Tuesday night en route to Seoul, Korea. K.A.L. 7 made a stop at Anchorage, Alaska, early Wednesday morning to refuel and vanished from Japanese radar screens less than 5 hours later. The pilot of a Soviet jet fighter reported seeing the plane early that afternoon and less than 20 minutes after that, shot the unarmed plane down. K.A.L. 7 was off track and flying in Soviet airspace over an island off Siberia.

The circumstances surrounding the downing of K.A.L. 7 are still ambiguous. Soviet officials said the airliner was flying without lights, and the pilot of the jet fighter said he attempted to establish contact but was unsuccessful. Henry T. Nash,

Professor of Political Science at Hollins, said that if "some effort had been made to get in touch, the pilot would have been alerted to the fact that something was wrong."

Thousands of angered people around the world have protested the seemingly senseless Soviet action. Nash explains the circumstances surrounding the incident. The area over which K.A.L. flew is "highly developed in terms of military installations." Not only is there a high level of military development, but there is also a high level of tension. The tension "combined with the atmosphere of the Cold War led to several military officers going through with carrying out orders about bringing down intercepting aircraft." Nash said the dominant objective in the minds of the Soviets was to deter any further violations of Soviet airspace.

The Soviets denied responsibility for nearly one week. The delayed apology, Nash said, resulted from a Soviet political ideology in which the "Soviets' system must be presented in ways that reflect its infallibility." The delay could also have been a way to embarrass the civilian leadership of Andropov. There has been an ongoing conflict between the K.G.B. (which was headed by Andropov for many years) and the military establishment. Both establishments "represent material power" (in the form of weapons) and the denial could have been a "reflection of a much deeper rift between the competitiveness of the power structure."

While the families and friends of those aboard K.A.L. 7 mourned their loss, President Reagan denounced the Soviet Union calling the attack "an act of barbarism." He demanded the Soviet Union pay for jet loss and barred a series of negotiations, but the President stressed the importance of continued arms talks. Nash said he felt good about the restraints Reagan exercised, adding that Reagan acted in a way "which would indicate our anger, but not make relations with the Soviet Union impossible."

### On the spot:

#### student opinions

In taking steps to achieve one of the Columns' goals, which is to educate its readers, this reporter conducted a few spot interviews with students during last week's dinner in the Forest of Arden.

The topic in question was the same throughout each interview. "Do you know why the flag is at half-mast?" was the first question. As we had hoped, the reply, "Yes, because the Soviets shot down the Korean airplane," was consistent as three freshmen, one sophomore, and two juniors were interviewed, the reaction to the next few questions varied more. "What is the significance of this event?" was the next question. One junior said she thought the Soviets were "just testing us. They want to see just how far they can get," she said.

"It's about innocent people being shot down for no reason," said one freshman. "They weren't doing anything." Another, from the class of '87, thought the incident was a "case of mistaken identity." She said it "displayed their (the Soviets')

ignorance and lack of adequate equipment with which to distinguish between commercial and military aircraft." She didn't think they "did it on purpose."

The one sophomore interviewed saw it as part of the Soviets' "total disregard and lack of respect for human life. More than anything," she said, "it's a crime against humanity."

Responses to the following question, "what do you think Reagan will do next?" or "where is this leading?" were somewhat similar.

Most thought Reagan would continue the arms talks now more than ever.

"I'm sure that whatever President Reagan decides to do will be well and carefully thought out," one freshman said.

A junior saw it somewhat differently. "Reagan is so forgiving," she said. "He isn't that strong-willed." She wasn't sure what he would do.

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## Know your ABC's

by Nicole Osborne

Fresh paint...a new dining hall floor... "Outer Mongolia"...the Banta Room.... There are many additions and improvements visible on the Hollins campus this year. There may soon be another change around Hollins—one that is perhaps sensed rather than seen: a new and better attitude about parties and drinking.

State law has recently raised the Virginia drinking age to 19 for beer consumption and 21 for other alcoholic beverages. This means that about 2/3(!) of all Hollins students may not lawfully purchase, store, possess, or drink any alcoholic beverage. This also means changes in some of the campus party policies.

Identification has always been required for admittance to college parties. All Hollins students must show Hollins ID cards, while their guests must have either college ID cards or proof that they are 19 years of age. No non-college guests under 19 can be admitted to the party.

Advertisements for Hollins social events (flyers, invitations, etc.) may no longer contain any reference to alcoholic beverages or

alcoholic consumption. This should not only make non-drinkers feel more welcome, but also, as Kathy Hiserodt, Assistant Dean of Students pointed out, emphasize the fact that a Hollins party is "a social event, not a drinking event." Hands will be stamped to identify those "legal" or "not legal." Soft-drinks or other non-alcoholic beverages will be sold. Special considerations, such as identical cups for sodas and beer, will, it is hoped, clear up any emphasis on "who's drinking/who's not drinking" and other such problems.

All party policy changes have been okayed by Mr. McBride, the local ABC Inspector. A full description of party policies can be found on pages 23 and 24 of the student handbook. Any questions should be directed to Kathy Hiserodt (ext. 6382).

The Freshman Class has set an example to the Hollins Community with its "DRY" party for the New Students from Hampden-Sydney. Perhaps this is a challenge to be taken by all Hollins students: to de-emphasize drinking and put an emphasis on having a good time without beer.



Soviets bomb Williamson Rd. Kroger--reconstruction underway!  
(see letter to the comrade, page 2.)  
photo by Sara Levin



## SGA Column

### What is Campus Life?

The Coordinating Council and the Hollins Columns are working together to inform and educate the Hollins community to its Student Government's endeavors, activities and goals. In doing so, the Columns hopes to publish frequent articles in which the committees that make up Hollins' Student Government are explained. The following such article was written by Susan Myers, Chair of Campus Life.

Who works with the Resident Assistants, striving to make dorm life as comfortable as possible for each resident?

The Dorm Presidents.

Like the RAs, the Dorm President is available as a resource person; however, the

Dorm President's job is more managerial. You gave your dorm president your initial vote of confidence when you elected her as a student manager.

What is the Campus Life Committee?

CLC is composed of the Dorm Presidents and the Chair. Although each residence has its own individual personality, the members of CLC work together as a support group. CLC also plans to sponsor a party in the Rathskeller. More significantly, the Campus Life Committee is working to extend parietals.

Who is looking forward to working with you this year?

Your Dorm President.



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### Letter from the Editors

In an attempt to set the entire Hollins community at ease in regard to the moral standings of its college newspaper, the Hollins Columns wishes to publish a statement of self.

The outstanding and renowned quality of our newspaper and obviously notable and distinguished staff can be attributed to the auspicious goals we have set for the 1983-84 academic year.

They are as follows:

- diversity of content
- unbiased coverage of events -open to suggestions, constructive and otherwise
- to represent both Hollins and the Roanoke communities
- to be representative of the student body
- to meet deadlines
- to improve relations with Roanoke Community
- (we were going to put "quality" but that's obvious already)
- to educate our readers
- to have fun
- to maintain modesty and pretentious vocabulary.

Anonymous

### Letter to the Editor

Comrade Editor:

Two week ago we make bombing on Kroger Williamson Road. We not know just food store. We think was capitalist monopoly on grain deals (we need that grain).

We want to give apology for problem to Hollins' women. We not know was major part of university study, especially for freshmen. We therefore fund reconstructing Kroger.

Forgive us mistake. Rada fixed. Next week we make right by bombing to Lion Food.

Capa Kpynka

Comrade Chairman  
Committee of Grain Supply

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## What's behind the new faces?

by Jeannie Brewer

What do M&M's, racquetball, and discussions about international economics have in common? No, they're not diversions from studying. They are a few of the interests held by our new faculty members at Hollins. The Columns is proud to offer these people a warm welcome and would like to share some of the facts we learned about them with our readers.

The ever-expanding Economics Department is thrilled to acquire two bright young men, Randall Crane and Robert Curran. Mr. Crane, a native Californian who is a Ph.D. candidate from MIT, was drawn to Hollins by its prestigious reputation as a small liberal arts college. A former VISTA volunteer and urban planner, he enjoys the countryside and racquet sports. At the top of his priority list this year are stimulating courses for his students, as well as his own thesis. Mr. Curran, a nomad of the northeast (though associated primarily with Bedford Village, N.Y.) has a Ph.D. from UVA. Beautiful countryside and an energetic discussion of international affairs and economics are his pleasures. He is cautious about stating his goals so early in the year, but is curious to see if Hollins students are intellectually curious.

The Physical Education Department's energy level has risen with the arrival of two vital young women. Kissy McCrory and Carol Goodwill have just come from the University of Denver where Miss McCrory received her

Masters (Miss Goodwill will receive hers next summer). Miss McCrory is a recent Hollins graduate (class of 1980) and is surprised that she is teaching in a college so soon. She sails, loves animals, and has backpacked in Europe. She hopes that all students, including the hockey and basketball teams, will find her approachable. She would also like to shake the impression that she is still a student.

Miss Goodwill, another Californian, is a graduate of the University of Redlands. While traveling through the southeast, she was impressed with the greenery and cleanliness not found in Los Angeles. Goodwill feels that this area is conducive to exercise and a reminder of her undergraduate days; she hopes that she will be a good coach to the tennis and volleyball teams.

Finally, the Computer Science Department welcomes friendly Nancy Healy. A graduate of Randolph Macon Women's College and a candidate for the MALS degree at Hollins, she has taught at a computer camp and hopes to see the microcomputer labs implemented. Some of her other goals include publishing her book, and familiarizing uneasy faculty members with the computer system. An M&M fanatic and dog lover, she appreciates creative ideas.

Hollins is fortunate to have these professors joining the faculty. We hope the entire community joins us in welcoming them and will help to make them feel at home on campus.

## What's happenin' on campus...

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

4:30-6:30 p.m.-All campus picnic, Forest of Arden.  
5:45-6:45 p.m.-Philosophy Club meeting, "The Value of Philosophy," Gordh Room.  
6:30 p.m.-Mandatory Freshman Class meeting, Babcock.  
8:00 p.m.-Campus Ministry Team film, "Truck Stop," Gordh Room.

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

12:00 p.m.-Hollins Volunteer Board, Chapel Conference Room.  
4:30 p.m.-Orchesis dance try-outs, Botetourt Dance Studio.  
6:30 p.m.-Re-entry meeting, Abroaders, Exchange and On Leave students, Janney Lounge.  
6:30 p.m.-Junior Class meeting, Rathskeller.

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

4:30-6:30 p.m.-SGA Activities Fair, Rathskeller.  
6:30 p.m.-Wednesday Chapel Program, Gordh Room.

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

5:30 p.m.-Episcopal Communion, Meditation Chapel.  
5:30 p.m.-Senior Class meeting, Janney Lounge.  
5:45 p.m.-Roanoke Valley Catholic Campus Ministry Board, pick up tray and meet in Private Dining Room.  
7:00 p.m.-Roanoke Valley Catholic Campus Ministry Board of Directors, Gordh Room.  
8:30 p.m.-Freshmen/Sophomore Get-Together, Rathskeller.

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

Whitewater Rafting, Gauley River, West Virginia. Leave 3:00 p.m. Return Saturday.

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

Crossroads Mall Day, buses leave from Chapel Parking Lot.  
9:00 p.m.-Student Activities Movie, "Brother Rat," 1938, Ronald Reagan, Jane Wyman, Eddie Albert, Tinker Oval Room. Admission: .50¢.

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

10:00 a.m.-Friends Meeting, Meditation Chapel.  
3:00 p.m.-Piano Recital, Ann Taylor Thorton, Talmadge.  
4:00 p.m.-Catholic Liturgy, Meditation Chapel.  
7:30 p.m.-Sunday Evening Chapel, the Reverend George B. Telford, Jr., Blacksburg Presbyterian Church, duPont Chapel. Music by the Hollins Chapel Choir.  
8:30 p.m.-Hollins Volunteer Fair, Representatives from community agencies will be on hand to talk about volunteer opportunities, Gordh Room.

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The sophomore had a more concrete idea about what she thought the President would do. She thought he would "suspend (arms) talks and shorten our export of grain to the Soviet Union." "That's our

biggest hold over them," she said. She predicted he would probably use other economic sanctions and a few "hard words."

"What would you do if you were in control?" was the last question.

The sophomore wanted to "unite the allies" in cancelling or postponing all Soviet flights

to their countries. "This would land-lock them," she said.

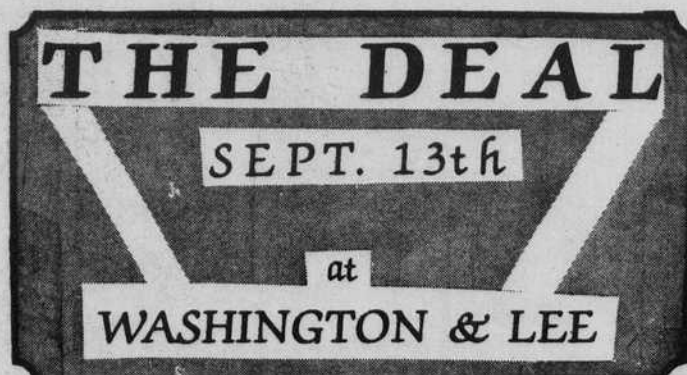
Both juniors were in favor of using economic sanctions against the Soviet Union. "I'd decrease grain export and try to continue talks but," one said, "I'd think twice about believing them again."

The other saw that this would affect the Olympics. "I don't think we would ban them (the Soviets) from the games," she said, "but they won't be welcome if they do come."

One freshman would have done differently. She wanted to continue talks but said that "any kind of revenge would just hurt more innocent people." This included economic sanctions. "Cutting off grain exports," she said, "would hurt the American farmer just as much as it would the Soviets."

How did the incident make these students feel? Angry, scared and "full of horror for the victims' families."

## TUESDAY THE COCKPIT PRESENTS



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## Lettuce inform you

## Roanoke turns over a new leaf

by Woody Biemeck

Roanoke. For some, the word conjures up images of the railroad...Virginia Dogwoods...farmers selling fresh fruit and vegetables at the old City Market...perhaps even a mountain-top neon star. And though images--just like traditions and an old dog's tricks--are sometimes hard to change, City Manager Bern Ewert and other city officials have set out to do just that.

Evidence of changes, new industry, development and the push toward a new image is everywhere. The July issue of *The Roanoker* magazine featured "The New Roanoke" and "Bern Ewert: The man behind Roanoke's Renaissance" on its cover and dedicated a special twelve-page section to the story; the August 7 Sunday edition of the *Roanoke Times and World-News* featured news of the developments in an article entitled "Business, cultural leaders push for growth in valleys;" and orange construction signs and deep-tanned road workers detour cars around new airport runways, industrial parks, blasting zones, and high-rise parking garages. As the July *Roanoker* put it, "Just pretend that you've been away from Roanoke for the last five years and you've come home....Take a look at what's happened."

And most of what's happened still is happening downtown in the old City Market area. Park and plaza areas have come alive with colorful flower beds, new benches, shrubbery and fountains at cost in the six-digit figures supported by Federal urban renewal funds and the City of Roanoke. The city also has spent over \$1.2 million on new street lighting, sidewalks, trees, trash receptacles and street improvements; the City Market farmers' stalls sport brightly striped canopies, and new wooden benches are

strategically placed for the local color to soak up afternoon rays or watch customers squeeze canteloups and carefully inspect red, ripe homegrown tomatoes; and finally, the city's pride and joy, Center in the Square--a \$6 million cultural center--will open in December. The Center will house the Roanoke Museum of Fine Arts, the Roanoke Valley Historical Society, Mill Mountain Playhouse, the Roanoke Valley Science Museum, and

in the daughters, grandsons and great grandmothers working together in the family business for an honest family buck; it's in the "homegrown" signs on every stall; and the portly southern gent chewin' on a toothpick and shootin' the breeze with his buddy in the Chevy while drivers, held up behind the street corner conversation, wait patiently.

Roanoke renovations seem to blend the old and the new; and for the most part, they blend nicely.

A stop in the new Parker's Seafood Store revealed a history all its own. "My grandfather, Giles B. Parker, started the family business back in 1918 before the City Market Building was even built," explained Scott Parker. "He was one of the original renters there." Grandson Parker said he's optimistic about the downtown development. "It helps to bring more people down here, and I think people are looking for a more personal way of shopping

Ms. Alvin E. Connor, who never skipped a beat schucking corn as we spoke. "Well, we just don't never know," she laughed. "Do we?" Connor operated a stand for 16 years outside the old City Market Building before her mother took ill and she had to close down. Now she works with a daughter who is doing a steady business. In fact, the Connor daughter was so busy that she couldn't stop to talk.

Roanoke. The city offers us generations of change...far-



*Roanoke  
Renovations*

photo by Kim VanAmerongen

the Roanoke Valley Arts Council. Located in the City Market Building which overlooks farmers' stalls and market shops, the Center is being constructed primarily through private donations.

And though the construction, bright paint, fresh cement and renovated buildings project a new, future-oriented Roanoke image, one needs only to look up for a moment from the tomato or corn stands to feel the history, the tradition.

It's there all right--in every wrinkled face and tough-skinned working hand; in the once-red-now-turned-almost-rust brick buildings; and

"If the parking works out downtown, I believe all this development will be good for business," said Patsy Thomas whose son and daughter-in-law purchased a market stall just a year ago. "People who are buying large quantities don't want to walk a long way to their cars."

But the city planned for traffic and extra parking needs by building two high-rise parking structures--one on the Market and one on Williamson Road. Garage attendant Mike Dooley reports that the new parking business is going well. "Free parking on Saturday, when the market is busiest, helps to promote use of the facility."

anyway. With all the building and developing there's more diversity here now, but it still has that old downtown, home flavor about it."

The next stop presented some mixed feelings. "Did he (Parker) say that?" challenged

mers selling fresh fruit and vegetables at the new City Market...new images and old traditions.



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## Homesick? Don't phone home

by Rose Godfrey

The majority of us have returned to Hollins looking forward to nine months of independence, academics, parties and, last but not least, all-nighters. For one group of students, however, that newly-found independence can mean homesickness.

For the freshman class we have compiled a list of do's and don'ts to follow when the loneliness sets in.

1) **Don't** drink yourself into oblivion and then make long-distance phone calls home. (You probably won't remember them).

2) **Do** go on a shopping spree, but don't over-do-it. (Poverty will take the place of loneliness).

3) **Don't** pack your bags and

decide to run away. (California is 3,000 miles away).

4) **Don't** play mellow music. (You probably don't have enough Kleenex in your room to dry the tears.).

5) **Don't** smoke a whole carton of cigarettes.

6) **Don't** burn your books.

7) **Do** get off campus.

8) **Don't** cut classes.

9) **Don't** eat that fifth dessert.

By now you have probably noticed that there are more don'ts than do's. That's because we were never able to rid ourselves of homesickness either! Seriously, the best advice is to share your feelings with your friends and eventually (4 years at the most) the empty spot will be gone.



"Movers & Shakers" Pam Parsons and Sarah Gaither '84 were still smiling despite 90 degree temperatures last Sunday. The green t-shirted assistants helped to ease moving in tensions and anxieties of the first day on campus.

photo by Kim VanAmerongen

## Orientation: "never a dull moment"

by Laura LeBey

For the past few weeks we upperclassmen have been observing the new faces on campus rushing to and from orientation activities, classroom buildings, and advisors' offices in the frantic pursuit of organization and stability. As the semester gets

under way, freshmen uncertainty and confusion will have shifted to that of more assuredness and satisfaction. Freshmen responses to a series of questions about their first week at Hollins reflected sentiments that, to upperclassmen, will seem all too familiar. When asked to

characterize their first week, most freshmen interviewed termed it as an extremely active time: "There's never been a dull moment." One girl said that with all the activities, she feels she's been here "three weeks instead of one." One student described the Orientation Program as "a

summer camp", and several wished they could have "put their feet up more."

The freshmen greatly appreciated their Group Leaders and many, in fact, came to rely on her, enthusiastically, as a major support while getting adjusted. "Fun" and "very sincere" characterized many of the Group Leaders. Many new students were impressed with how well-informed the Group Leaders were concerning the school policies and also that they "didn't push (themselves) on us."

"She gave me time to be alone which I really needed sometimes," one girl said. One student suggested that the Orientation groups should be organized by halls, "because it's easier to meet people that way."

A few girls said they are "ready to get into a routine now" and felt it would be

easier to meet other students in classes. By sharing courses, "we can accomplish things together. We'll have one more thing in common."

There are only a few complaints. Several freshmen expressed dissatisfaction with the "mandatory dorm time", wishing their evenings could have been more flexible. "More informal dorm get-togethers" were desired as well.

Most of the girls interviewed were happy with their advisors, however a few "expected more advice" and "personal attention." Many wish to meet more often this year with their advisors to discuss their personal goals for their next four years.

To all the freshmen, the Orientation program was considered extremely vital to a successful adjustment to Hollins life. "My group leader answered so many questions, I felt so much more relieved!", said an enthusiastic student.

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## Getting the first year off to a good start...

The Career Counseling Center, located on the first floor of Rose Hill, may be a mecca for the confused student. Because of all the resources the Center can provide—the Alumnae Career Network, the Career Counseling Library, the Virginia View Career Search, as well as two computer systems—a student can't help but have answers to her questions after a visit.

These same resources, however, may also be put to work for the more focused student, helping her to make plans for her chosen career; they may also help to set life goals.

Peggy-Ann Neumann, director of the Center and its founder 12 years ago, states that the best time to begin using the CCC (as the Center is known) is during the freshman year. However, seniors on their first visit find the center very helpful as well.

In addition to the above-mentioned resources, the center contains information

and applications for the LSAT, the GRE, the GMAT, and other graduate school admissions examinations. Probably the best way to work with the Center, however, is through an on-going process of return trips. It is a good idea to make an appointment.

Upon making the first appointment, Neumann said, the student is given a questionnaire printed on blue paper, more popularly known as the "Blue Q". The student is asked to fill it out before the appointment because it does take some time and thought to complete. The questions are arranged in sections including Personal Information, Educational Information, Hobbies and Leisure Activities, Work and Volunteer Experience, Skills, and Interests.

During the appointment the student and counselor have a chance to discuss the reasons or feelings surrounding each particular question. In this way, a possible field (or fields) for the student may be

discerned. In some cases, just through this discussion, specific careers may be discovered.

Another method for uncovering potential careers is through use of the Virginia View Career Search. This is a brief question and answer exercise during which the student decides such things as their desirable work atmospheres and preferred qualities of a job. The information is then put into the CCC's Apple IIe microcomputer, and processed. The results are similar to those of the "Blue Q" method: career information based upon the student's information.

The Apple microcomputer was purchased solely with money from federal and state grants. The Center owns another computer system called the "Guidance Information System Network." It has been in use for many years and is connected to information sources around the state.

After career possibilities have been discovered, a student may move on to some of the other resources in the Center. The CCC library houses many periodicals covering job interests, women in career fields, and various trade magazines. The library also possesses cassette tapes of all career-oriented speakers who have ever been on campus. In addition, the Alumnae Career Case Histories are located in the library. This information

network, which comprises part of the Alumnae Network, is a large collection of questionnaires returned by alumnae about their education, careers, and goals. These provide actual advice from the alumnae to the students. Besides being informative about postgraduate possibilities, these questionnaires have information on Short Term and summer internship options, interview tips, and business networking opportunities. With all of these

resources available, the career choice is necessarily made a less painful process for the student. In addition to these resources, however, another service provided by the CCC is its workshops. These are held frequently and are run by one of the career counselors and any one of four trained peer counselors, known as career assistants. These cover such areas as Resume Writing, Interviews, Choosing a Major, Time Management, and Job Search.

The Center is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for those who would like to use the library and other resources. An appointment is necessary in order to take one of the various career profile exams.

The Center—Peggy-Ann Neumann, Janet Pryor (a Career Counselor), Katie Perfater (the Center secretary), and the four student career assistants—welcomes students from all classes.

## ...help is on the hill

The Writing Center, located on the 1st floor of the Rathhaus, is now in its seventh year. It is "a service that the college provides for the students," said Director Rebecca Faery, lecturer in English. This year Faery is joined by Nancy McMahon, a former C.E. student-turned-Assistant-Director, and 7 trained student tutors, all upperclasswomen of various majors. As its name implies, the WC is just that: a place where students may go to improve or strengthen their writing. "We want to emphasize that the WC is not just for writers in serious trouble. Rather, we have ways to help all writers," said Faery. She continued by saying that the difference between an adequate writer and a good writer may just mean a few visits to the Writing Center and taking advantage of its resources.

The resources include many grammar and style books for all fields of writing; the WC Library, which contains many books about writing, as well as many fiction, non-fiction, and essay selections; and the new computer terminal and printer recently acquired. It is a Digital terminal and shall soon be connected into Hollins' ever-growing main-frame system, the VAX 11/780, better known as Minerva.

There are a variety of reasons students visit the WC. Sometimes they go up on their own looking for reference materials. Often, a student would like to improve her writing over-all, and has an on-going schedule of sessions with a student tutor. Sometimes a student is having a particularly difficult time with a paper and decides she would like some feedback on it. Other times a professor will

send a student up for assistance on a paper, either before or after grading it. In each case, though, the visit procedure is the same.

After the initial appointment is made, whether by phone or in person, the student is assigned to a tutor. The student is then asked to drop off either her assignment or a sample of her writing at least 24 hours before she is to meet with the tutor.

During the 1st appointment the student is often asked to answer various questions about her writing and her writing process, sometimes orally but usually in short written answers. The tutor then reviews the student's paper with her, pointing out

problem areas and discussing ways for improvement. Sometimes exercises, such as freewriting, are given if the student has "writer's block". Areas in which the student has done well are also discussed in order to reinforce them.

The Writing Center staff members work closely with the faculty. If a student has come up to the center on her own, a note is sent to her faculty adviser. This is to let the adviser know that she is working to improve herself in a scholastic way. If the student has been sent by a professor, or if she comes up for help on an unfinished paper, the professor who gave the assignment is sent a note.

This is both to insure compliance with the Honor Code, as well as to give the faculty member the opportunity to contribute to the tutoring session.

The writing center is open from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday-Thursday, and 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Fridays. Students are welcome at all times, though for a tutoring session it is necessary to make an appointment. The Writing Center is an excellent way to improve your writing. The staff looks forward to being of service to the community.



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This chart is not a complete listing of banks in the Roanoke area. Rather, it lists some banks which Hollins students patronize frequently. It is up to you to find a bank which provides the services you require. Many banks offer special accounts (savings and checking accounts combined) which can alleviate monthly service charges. Each of these banks will cash out-of-state checks for account holders.

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## Special Programs focus on student needs

by Mattie F. Quesenberry  
Special Programs, a new project sponsored by the Dean of Students Staff, is an exciting addition to the Hollins community. It provides channels through which students can express concerns and ideas for involvement in the community.

Special Programs has a two-fold purpose, according to director Woody Biemeck. It will "bag what the administration thinks students ought to have and let the Dean of Students Staff know what students are talking about, what their concerns are," says Biemeck.

The second purpose of Special Programs is to provide a link between the Hollins community and the surrounding Roanoke area. Biemeck believes that it is important for Hollins students to be aware of the resources in Roanoke, and vice versa. Special Programs is a terrific opportunity to bring the two together.

Special Programs is a direct result of the reorganization of the Dean of Students Staff to replace the Head Resident program with the Resident Coordinator program. This was a deliberate move to shift more dorm-related responsibilities to the students. The idea for Special Programs came from this concentration on student responsibility. The Dean of Students Staff noticed a slack in attendance at College functions this past year and they realized a need for students to understand their own concerns, as well as a need for them to get involved in programs that will meet these concerns. Biemeck volunteered to coordinate a program to initiate this process.

Student attendance at programs is one of a number of issues that students have already confronted Biemeck with this year. Other concerns are academic rigor, legal drinking age, budget cuts for financial aid, minority issues,

faculty apathy, family issues, social development on womens campuses, and lesbianism. Biemeck does not want extracurricular programs to be curtailed. She believes that those on campus should respond to what the students are talking about. These programs will take a variety of forms including workshops, lectures, symposia, and debates. All of these will be organized by students.

The kick-off project for Special Programs is planned for October 10. A student panel representing five or six concerns will discuss issues at Hollins. Each member will present their complaint or concern to the audience and Special Programs will draw upon its reaction. This panel discussion is open to individuals in the Hollins community as well as to interested members of the Roanoke area.

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Lisa Ferguson, Sharon Swagart, and Betsy Anderson '84 pose proudly as they don caps and gowns for the first time as college seniors prior to Opening Convocation

photo by Kim VanAmerongen

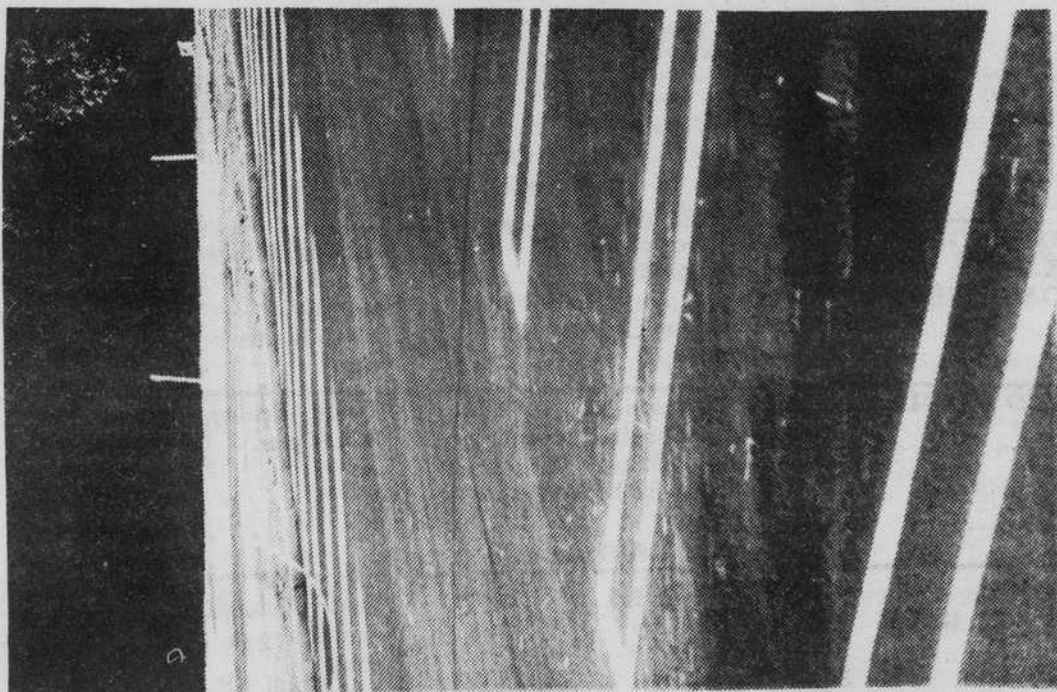
Banta Room- the Banta Room, the eating and studying area beside the snackbar, is now transformed into a new social area complete with draft beer, a big screen television with a cable system, and comfortable pink and green furniture. Hours will be longer than the snackbar, though times are not definitely set as yet.

Due to the need for a larger socializing area, and for better cleaning purposes, a new dining room floor has been laid. Because of the constant necessary readhering of the floor due to party damages, a new, more resilient surface can now be enjoyed both for decorative as well as partying purposes.

Due to a shortage of parking space in Siberia (the Hollins parking lot beyond the soccer field), two rows of 38 to 40 parking spaces have been added to the present lot. Its name? Outer Mongolia.

The fish and duck pond you pass on the way to Siberia, where many a Biology major spends her spring afternoons, has been temporarily drained because of the need for fresher water. It will be filled sometime this year.

Remember: Security will begin to charge you \$1.00 for unlocking your door after your initial "courtesy" service. Dorms will be locked at 8:00 p.m., so take your keys with you. Security also wants to remind students that a student's car fines exceeding \$40.00 during a semester will result in banning her car from campus until the next semester.



Can you identify this?!

photo by Sara Levin

## Attention journalists

The 1983 American Political Journalism Conference will be held October 28-30 in Washington, D.C. Scholarship will be provided by the sponsoring organization, The Charles Edison Memorial Youth Fund, for the 75 undergraduate and graduate students chosen to participate.

Participants will be given the opportunity to explore contemporary issues of controversy regarding the proper role of the news media in today's society. The primary format of the program will be panel discussions followed by open question and answer sessions. Several main speakers will be featured as well. Past speakers include David S. Broder, Jody Powell and Eric Sevareid, all foremost authorities in the field of political journalism.

If you are interested in applying for participation in this conference, contact: Tina Benyunes, The Charles Edison Memorial Youth Fund, 1000 16th Street, N.W., Suite 401, Washington D.C. 20036. Phone number (202) 293-5092. Application deadline is October 14, 1983.

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A second program is planned for Saturday, October 22. It is titled "Essential Automechanics for Women Who Road Trip." "I'm really pleased with this one," says Biemeck, "because Julie Robinson, the woman presenting the workshop, is a '71 graduate from Hollins." Ms. Robinson is employed as a service advisor for Roanoke Valley Cadillac. This program is open to the Roanoke community. It will be held behind Botetourt from 3:00p.m.-5:00p.m.

All activities of Special Programs will be advertised on and off the Hollins campus. Students may get involved in Special Programs by presenting any concerns or issues to Barb Biemeck either by note or at extension 6405. Biemeck wants to know what students have to say. She wants them to present ideas, plan programs, and publicize them. She hopes that Special Projects will identify student cares and give them "food for growth."

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