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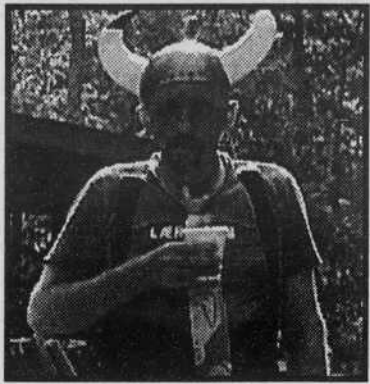
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The khakis are coming, the khakis are coming!

GAP buys out campus bookstore

by Marissa "Livin' at the YMCA next year if I don't find a job" Jimenez

According to reports from the college and from the Gap corporation, the Hollins College Bookstore is going to be replaced by the Gap effective immediately.

Reports obtained by the Columns show that prospective students thought that having a Gap on campus would be a great idea, and the University transition team immediately began talks with the Gap corporation in order to ensure a boost

in enrollment.

"I think having a Gap on campus would be too cool," said Buffy Simmons '01. "It would definitely save me time from going once a week to the mall and dealing with all those Roanokers."

However, not everybody is pleased with

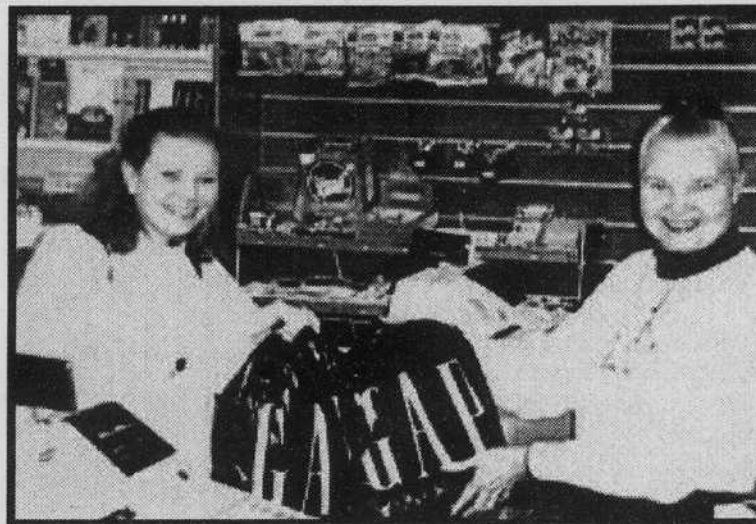


photo by Anna Haupt

Members of the bookstore staff proudly display the new blue and white bags. "These bags are much more durable than our previous bags, and they have these great drawstring handles!" said one staffer. Overall, the Hollins community is responding positively to the change.

the transition. Two full-time employees of the Bookstore, who wish to remain anonymous, feel like they won't be able to work in the new Gap.

"I've been to the Gap," said one employee. "They're

all so young and hip, and I really just don't like khaki all that much."

According to Skip Sanders, spokesperson for Gap, Hollins is a perfect place for a new location.

"About 50 percent of our Roanoke revenue comes from Hollins girls, and now we don't have to deal with those Roanokers."

If the Gap is successful, the college plans to begin talks with Eddie Bauer and J.Crew in order to set up stores in the soon to be vacated library.

Tinker sinks, provides more space for University expansion

by Pearl "Tinker" Bell

Due to the recent rains, last night around 1:34a.m. the third floor residents of Tinker found themselves on ground level with many loud moans and screams emanating from the heating vents.

For those who are unaware, the Hollins campus is built on a hot spring. The smokers that hang out in front of Tinker can attest

to steam rising out of the grass and heated walkway up to the steps.

"There's a heated patch of concrete that is my favorite spot to sit on when I'm outside smoking," said Kat Matthews, '01, "It warms your buns on a cold day."

Before the recent tragedy students considered this a plus of living in Tinker. Norah Griffiths, '01, a residents on 3C said, "I thought it was just my

roommate Whitney having a bad dream again. They have become a frequent occurrence."

But when Whitney Rokui and Griffiths both got out of bed, they found outside their window flashing lights from the fire trucks arriving. They had now acquired a first floor room, Whitney's first thought was: "No more stairs to climb."

Roanoke county firemen broke through

many windows on the third floor in attempts to get everyone out of the building as soon as possible. As the loud commotion awoke the residents of hall 3B, Rachel Schneider '01, still made it out of her room fast enough to yell "MAN ON THE HALL" to warn any sleepers of the recent male intruders.

Amber Sewell '01, had been pulling another all nighter, when she noticed that her fish tank

began to slide off her desk.

"I thought I was just hallucinating again," she said. "So I grabbed the fish tank, put it on the floor and crawled into bed for a quick 20 minute nap."

According to recent findings, wing B of Tinker has been sinking for some-time and seems to be buried deep beneath the mud and muck.

Current Freshman

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Faculty and Staff Superlatives

The results are in, the ballots have been totaled, and we now have the results of the 97-98 school year faculty and staff superlatives. Congratulations to all our winners . . .



Ed Lynch

Most likely to call the police on your party

Michael Knight

Most likely to appear in a J Crew catalog



Donna Jaye Burchfield

Most likely to appear in a revival of the musical *Fame*

Campus Security

Most likely to appear in an A-Team reunion

Wendy Orrison

Most likely to start a Hollins cheerleading squad

Bill Nye

Most likely to quit teaching and go on tour



Ulf Rassmussen

Most likely to illegally own a Viking horns hat

Joe Leedom

Most likely to wear a lampshade on his head at a party



by Cristen "call 'em as I see 'em" James

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Wanted: Ulf Rasmussen's true identity uncovered *Students and faculty shocked by recent discovery*

by Rachel "Stayin' Alive for Barry" Smith-Gibb

Shocking news broke yesterday when the true identity of President Janet Rasmussen's husband, Ulf, a Buffalo native wanted by the CIA, was revealed.

Receiving national coverage, the story broke shortly after a lunch program that was televised on CSPAN-2. Ulf finally slipped up after having too many cocktails and belted out a line for a recent Kentucky Fried Chicken commercial for buffalo wings. In a New York accent that was undoubtedly genuine, Ulf recited, "The Colonel must have been from Buffalo!"

Gasps echoed throughout the room as special guests from the class of '38 and '48 fainted. Two Kentucky natives in the Class of '98 and several prospective students, on campus for the Hollins Scholars program, left the room highly offended.

"No one should impersonate the Colonel," one of the KFC loyalists commented. "Not even someone from Buffalo when they're talking about wings! Especially not someone from Buffalo."

Under the impression he would not be

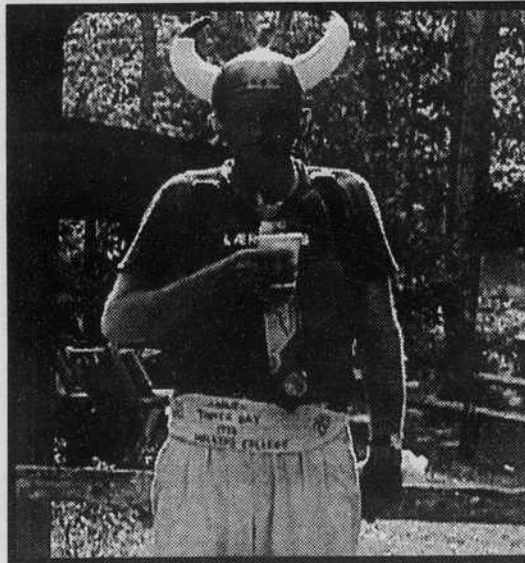


photo by Amanda Griffin

Ulf Rasmussen on Tinker Day 1997 wearing the notorious horned hat missing from the Smithsonian Institution. Ulf earned the praise of students throughout the day, as they chanted "Ulf, Ulf, Ulf" on the way up the mountain. In spite of recent allegations, Ulf will likely maintain his popular status among the student body.

"found out" while living at a private Southern liberal arts women's college, Ulf, known as Raymond "Buck" Hardy by his classmates at Buffalo High School and the Buffalo YMCA he frequented, learned he has been under surveillance by the CIA since the couple moved to Roanoke in 1996.

It has not yet been confirmed, but rumor has it that he was caught spray painting "Letterman Rules" on the senior rock and has been con-

suming more bagels than humanly possibly for the average non-New Yorker, which he receives via Federal Express with no return address.

Tape recordings have also recently surfaced of his alleged conversations with New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani and Governor George Pataki, which offer physical evidence of Ulf's proficiency in New York vowel sounds and slang terminology.

Ulf is wanted on charges of impersonating a Norwegian, contriving a Norse accent and using it at will with unsuspecting students, faculty, staff and

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Kidnapped! Peggy Lloyd disappears, campus in shock

by Pearl "Tinker" Bell

The Administration was stunned when the Hollins Campus received a campus wide voice mail containing shocking proof of Peggy Lloyd's kidnapping.

A dictation of the voice mail follows: Broadcast message from Peggy Lloyd. "The following message is for the entire Hollins Community, there will be an Art....Ahhhh, Noooooo, Sssttttttoooooopppp."

The message was sent out yesterday around 4 p.m., but it is not clear exactly when it was recorded. Sally Townsend who works in telephone services said, "Peggy sometimes would record her afternoon voice mails before Lunch, and other times after Lunch."

When Chief Wills heard the voice mail he immediately called Roanoke Police and they headed over to telephone services.

The only other trace of her kidnapping was a ransom voice mail sent out an hour afterward from an unknown source. It follows: "We have your Peggy. Please send one million...I mean one hundred billion dollars, out northbound interstate 81 this coming Tuesday at 3:30pm, in an red Dodge Neon, with a male

driving. We will intercept the car at exit 150B."

The voice has been described as scratchy and somewhat reminiscent of Doctor Evils voice in the movie *Austin Powers*. It is also said that the kidnaper may be a sexist.

The FBI are said to be working closely with Chief Wills in order to filter out any background noise in the voice mail to see if they can interpret the culprit's voice.

Chief Wills still believes that Hollins is a safe campus and assures students not to worry, and that this is a onetime occurrence.

The Administration has currently been interviewing others for a temporary position until Peggy has been returned safely.

Breaking News! Peggy Lloyd's kidnappers just released this photo to the Hollins Campus. Hollins security as well as local police and FBI were happy to receive the photo. "At least we know she's still alive," said one official. Meanwhile, the search continues, but no leads have been discovered. Security continues to watch for red Dodge Neons. Any students or staff with information are encouraged to contact Chief Wills. "Everyone should watch for red Dodge neons," said one security officer.

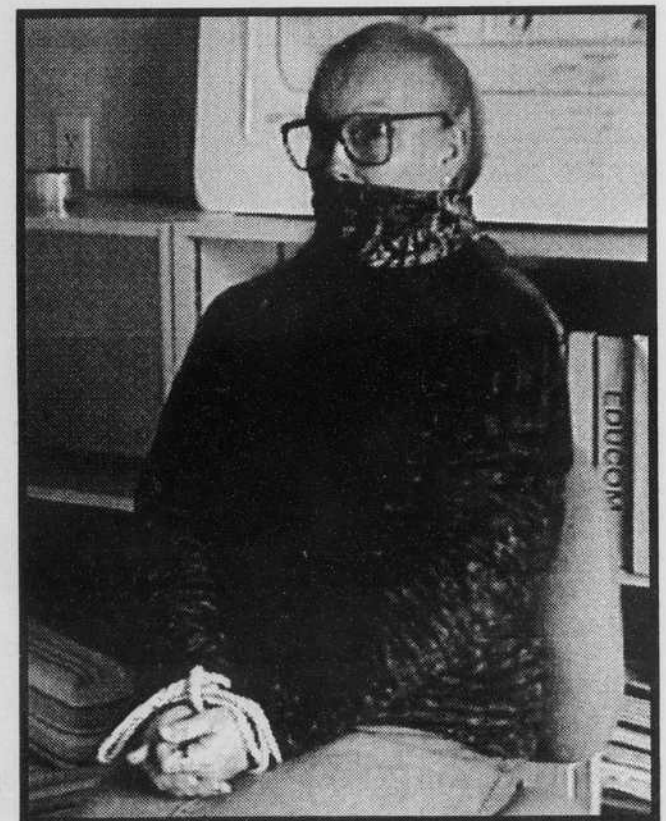


photo by Forrest Holland

4 Madonna to speak, crowds expected

by Maggie "lucky star"
McWilliams

As a result of one student's unrelenting and borderline psychotic devotion Madonna, the original Material Girl, will speak at the Hollins campus. Jet Dickinson '99, the student in whose devotion made this event possible, cites the film *The Shawshank Redemption* as her inspiration. "I saw that movie and thought if Andy (the main character) wrote all those letters and received money for the prison library, then I could get Madonna to come to Hollins if I was equally

persistent." Almost 3 years and 640 letters later, Madonna has agreed to speak at Hollins.

When finally reached for a comment, Madonna's publicist issued this statement.

"To be frank, we were starting to get a little concerned about what the student's intentions were. Especially when she started begging to be Lourdes' nanny. When it became clear that the letters would cease if Madonna spoke at the college, it seemed like the obvious choice." She also said that Madonna will speak for a maximum of one hour and will

demonstrate yoga following the program. The topic of her talk will be "Motherhood and the Material Girl."

A restraining order of 50 feet will be placed on Dickinson once Madonna arrives on campus. Dickinson said to overcome this dilemma, she plans to carry around a tape player and microphone in order to serenade Madonna at all times. Dickinson has also been fervently trying to organize students to dress up as Madonna during various stages of her career. Dickinson has already started wearing a gold

bustier and blond wig as she is going for the "Blonde Ambition" tour look.

A spokesperson from the General Speaker's Fund said, "We are excited about such a strong female role model speaking at Hollins. We would like to point out that we are not in charge of this event and cannot be held responsible for what Madonna might say."

When interviewed for this article, a translator had to be present as Jet's excited high-pitch speech could not be registered by normal human ears. In related news, the nearby animal

hospital was over-run with poodles suffering from ear trauma. According to the translator Jet Dickinson had this to say. "I mean, she's so beautiful. I can't believe she is actually coming here. I offered to let her and Lourdes stay in my room but they can't because of the restraining order. I just love her." She then burst into tears and the interview ended soon after.

The event is scheduled to take place in the laundry room outside West on April 31 at 6:59 PM. It is free to students and faculty but tickets are \$654 for the general public.

Chelsea Clinton leaves Stanford for Hollins

by Farah "FuFu"
Sanders

The Admissions Office recently looked over a large number of applications for the Fall '98 semester. Among the many applicants was the daughter of President Clinton, Chelsea Clinton.

Clinton is currently enrolled as a freshman at Stanford University in Palo Alto, California. Clinton received her acceptance letter to Hollins on March 30.

"I'm so excited and I just can't hide it," Clinton said in a telephone interview. She accepted her place at Hollins and will arrive in Roanoke in early August so she can get away from California and D.C. as fast as she can.

"I just can't stand what they're saying about my father!" she said.

She allegedly cited

many reasons for why she is leaving Stanford. Clinton reportedly can't stand the snide remarks made about her father by many of the students and does not want to be in the same state where Monica Lewinsky grew up.

"That girl is absolutely

"I can't wait to see all the thrilled faces among the student body when they see her actually walking to Babcock, Turner, or Moody . . ."
Admissions Representative

ridiculous," she said.

Clinton also does not like the fact that Stanford has a high celebrity enrollment; no one pays attention to her. She feels unappreciated and longs for

individual attention and smaller classes. She hopes Hollins will welcome her with open arms.

Clinton likes that Hollins is a small, liberal arts institution with a well-known creative writing program. She hopes to write a book about her father some day.

A representative of the Admissions Office is looking forward to seeing Clinton on campus.

"I can't wait to see all the thrilled faces among the student body when they see her actually walking to Babcock, Turner or Moody."

Clinton will enroll as a sophomore in the fall and plans to become part of student government. She also hopes to become part of the newspaper staff so she can make sure there will be no articles or comics printed that ridicule her family.

Episode of *Dawson's Creek* to be filmed at Tinker Creek

by Maggie "Forever
Teen" McWilliams

An upcoming episode of the popular teen-drama *Dawson's Creek* will be filmed on our very own Tinker Creek. The episode will feature the character Pacey, who will save students from a local girl's school from drowning. He has been treated as sort of an outcast on the show and his new hero status will help win him loads of new female admirers. Louis McVeeter, one of the writers for the show, said

"We are trying to show a new side to Pacey. He risks his life to save the drowning girls and becomes a hero in the town. I just want to stress that we are not advocating saving drowning people as a way to become popular,

but I think some people might interpret this episode that way."

The show is also looking for extras as well as three student to play the drowning victims. Open auditions will be held April 31 at a special trailer set up on Tinker Mountain. Casting director Tom Obenheimer said "We need girls who can swim. We don't want to risk any actual drownings. Also the ability to paddle a canoe is also a plus."

When asked why he chose Tinker Creek as the location, Junior Kazoo, the show's location director, said, "I searched for 3 months before I found Tinker Creek. A light shone down from the heavens and I knew I had found

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Mafia headquarters discovered in library

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Papa John thought to be leader behind new library construction

by Juniper Redmond

No one was more surprised than President Rasmussen when sources confirmed the presence of a primary mafia headquarters in a secret room in the basement of Moody. An even greater shock occurred when the president and others learned that the Mafia's demand for increased space in which to conduct seedy operations and run a casino, was the driving force behind the construction of the new library.

"I was utterly astounded," said Rasmussen in a conference with alumni and staff on

Monday. "It seems the shady group has been running its operations from within Fishburn's walls for quite some time."

Additional sources claim that the change in name has resulted from the recent, suspicious, and untimely demise of former Mafia leader Alcapone Fishburn who didn't see the need to spend the group's funds on more room for a casino.

"I tink it'd be just a little too obvious," Fishburn told a source shortly before his demise, "to build a whole freakin' grand buildin' like dat wid a completely unused basement. Quite frankly, I tink

da students might start askin' questions."

Regardless of his opposition, the new leader Papa John Wyndham-Robertson is rumored to be very active in the building's construction.

"How else do you think they could have come up with 14 million dollars so quickly," commented Dean Mesner.

The new Wyndham-Robertson Library / Mafia Headquarters will be available to students and Mafia hitmen by fall of '98.

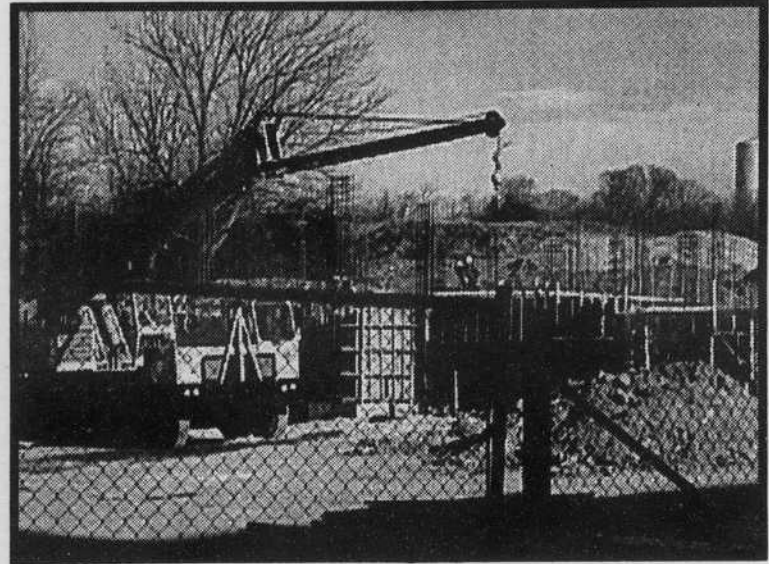


photo by Nikki Oakley

Construction for the new library is currently underway. Who is the real force behind the Wyndham Roberston Library? Did funds really come from the Capital Campaign?

Lewinsky seen at Career Development Center

by A.J. "Gutter-Mind" Stowe

According to an inside unnamed source, Monica Lewinski was recently sighted at the Hollins College Career Development Center. Nationally known as a great place to learn about exciting internships, the CDC caught Lewinski's eye. The source reported that Lewinski was seen looking at internship information in a variety of areas. Top on her list were "Price is Right" spokesmodel intern, Clarence Thomas' Guide to the Supreme Court, and the Senator Bob Packwood Research Foundation.

Gina Roland of the CDC stated that "Monica was diligent in her internship search. She really covered all the bases." However, CDC director Jaclyn Crenshaw

said that it would have been helpful for Lewinski to start her search by taking personality and aptitude tests. Crenshaw said it is important to know your aptitude for certain skills before entering the workplace.

It appears that Lewinski also looked at information on former Hollins interns and found many contacts have already been established. The source indicated that Lewinski seemed frightened to attempt to follow in the footsteps of a Hollins intern.

When questioned, Roland stated that Lewinski seemed to have made "all the right moves" toward getting a good internship. Allegedly, Lewinski practically fell to her knees with gratitude for the vote of confidence.

Wildlife abounds, Hollins campus declared "official" zoo

by "Wild" Kat Matthews

Hollins was declared a National Zoo by the Roanoke Zoo society last week. The cause was attributed to the overpopulation of cats, dogs, squirrels, and opossums on the campus.

Because of this new development, Hollins can now charge money for visiting the grounds and set up venders to sell Hollins Zoo memorabilia and popcorn and sodas. It has not yet been decided whether or not any more animals will be imported.

"I am so excited about the Zoo," President Janet Rasmussen said. "I think it provides Hollins with yet another distinguishing feature."

The grounds director, Greg Hinkleman, is arranging plans for state of the art cages. Current plans, include only five 30x24 cages to be placed on Front Quad.



photo by Forrest Holland

A member of the Hollins menagerie. Watch out for those wild creatures!

"We have used advanced computer technology to layout the plans for the cages and venders. It should be pretty interesting," said Hinkleman.

Students seem to be

excited as well about the new Zoo.

"I can't wait until it really gets off the ground," said Rachael Tully, '01.

6 Hollins allies with Communist party

Students and faculty express hope for millenium

by A.J. "Miss Hollins Soapbox" Stowe

On March 15, 1998 Hollins College officially declared its pledge of allegiance and duty to the International Communist Party. The celebration of this event was held on back quad at 2:00 PM. Music, food, and games were provided by the College Administration, but only in 30 minute intervals and with permission.

The trend toward communism has been present in the Hollins Community for many years. Professor Coo Marker of the Economics Department has been the spearhead behind

the movement. For many years, her classes have emphasized Hollins as an ideal environment for the realization of the communist dream. She stated that she believes the "reinforcement of the dream is important to its success." It seems the notion finally caught on.

Apparently, the College Administration is in full support of the move as well. College Relations stated, "the College hopes this announcement will bring international attention to Hollins and improve enrollment."

They also added that the University Transition Team is excited about incorporating these new ideas into a

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College Relations

major for interested students.

As of Fall Term '00, Hollins students will be able to obtain a Political Science major with a concentration in Communism.

Professor Losin Humus of the Political Science Department states that she thought "the program would be very good for Hollins." She also added that she would not have to alter her text requirements very much to incorporate the new major. It has been rumored that Humus' class POLS 111 "Women and Communism" may become a required course for all students.

On the contrary however, one member of the Hollins Political Science Department, Professor Fred Wrench, is outraged by the announcement of Hollins being a

Communist Party member. Reportedly, it seems that Professor Wrench has joined forces with the Parents Council and several students to fight this declaration.

As Hollins College approaches the new millennium, it is changing its statement of commitment. Hollins hopes to be the best Communist University for the Roanoke Valley and eventually the world. However, keep in mind that student input is always encouraged.

Ulf ————— Tinker

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trustees; for claiming he was an international spy when questioned by authorities, and on several counts of theft, including the horned hat he was seen wearing during the Tinker Day festivities in both 1996 and 1997, which was reported stolen from the Smithsonian in 1996.

"It was just a bit of chicken humor," Ulf protested in his best Norse scam accent as he was being dragged away from Moody while President Rasmussen looked on. While under investigation, the couple's proposed trip to Norway scheduled for this summer has been put on hold until the foreign embassy announces its decision as to whether the Rasmussens will be permitted to reenter the country at any future date.

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Class President Amanda Palmer said, "While Mary Bohacek was screaming about not leaving the coffee in Cafe Tinker, I was just relieved when the fireman reached the bottom floor and carried us all up the stairs and out the third floor windows."

By then the mud had seeped in all the doors on the first floor and had begun to rise above the resident's waists. The first floor RAs did an excellent job of getting their residents into the central core.

"It was exactly like a scene from Titanic," Mary Bohacek '01 said. "The B hall began to sink drastically into the ground. We all huddled in the middle hoping that the entryway doors would not give way."

Upstairs in 3B, Terra Hamilton '01, would not leave her computer

behind, while Katie VanderKaay desperately clutched a prized picture of Her and President Clinton.

Third floor RA Amanda Griffin, '00 said, "It took all I had to get those girls to grab their stuff and bring it along."

After the disaster, the only known fatalities were a lot of teddy bears, some coffee, lots of appliances and Sewell's two fish Vincent and Emerson.

Sewell plans to hold a memorial service tomorrow on Back Quad. All are welcome to attend. In hindsight, the members of the administration stated they had been planning to add better drainage beneath Tinker.

President Rasmussen is excited about Tinker sinking. She is rumored to be making plans for new University expansion in Tinker's

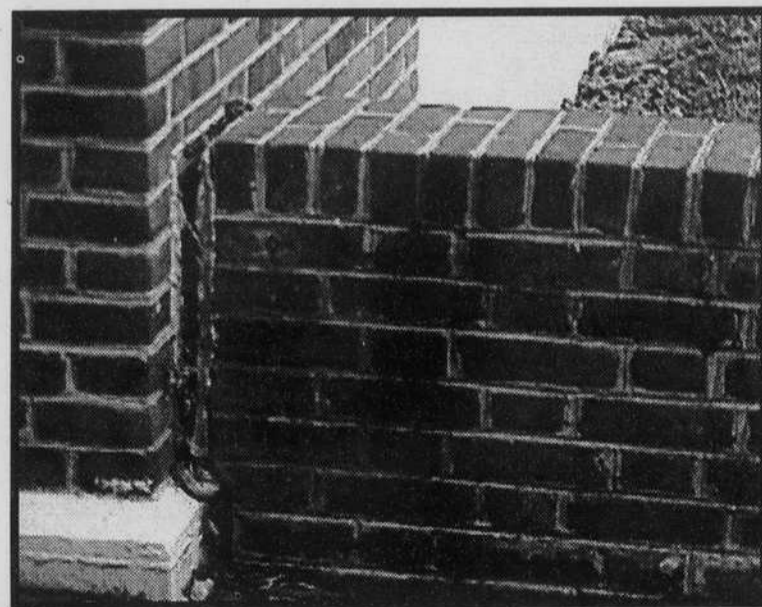


photo by Anna Haupt

Due to rapid sinking, the brick walls of Tinker are beginning to separate. However, the administration views this as a positive event. "Now we can save money. We won't have to buy a wrecking ball to tear it down next year," noted one anonymous official. "This corresponds perfectly with our plans for expansion."

place, adding possibly a golf course, new research facilities, or even a Domino's Pizza Palace on campus. In the mean time, residents of Tinker have been supplied with tents

and port-a-potty's set up on back quad and Tinker beach, but they fear the next rain will cause the ground to become unstable again.

Faculty Row crawl scheduled for April

Administration hopes event will boost student retainment

by Whitney "gonna graduate" Kramer

Keep your social calendar open on April 18th for what promises to be the memorable launch of a social event that focuses on strengthening the Hollins community. More importantly, we all get to party with the faculty at the Second Annual Faculty Row Crawl.

The faculty-sponsored event features a different alcohol beverage at each participating faculty residence including Jell-O shooters, beer bong and a variety of mixed drinks. Other activities include a beer garden in the new parking lot.

Campus Activities is

rumored to have enlisted the help of a popular, regional band to get the party started. (Hint: Dave Matthews is in town for a concert at Victory Stadium.) This could be his first acoustic performance of 1998.

The administration is actively working to be more representative of the student body. With an increased emphasis on steadying the student retention rates, "we the students" have become their most fundamental constituents. The move for a more liberal social agenda, self-regulated events without the intervention of Campus Security as disciplinarian, is an attempt to improve the quality of stu-

dent life.

So is it possible that school pride may increase dramatically as students remain on campus during the weekend? Might a burgeoning atmosphere of open debate that is derived from a happier, more spirited student body develop? Could students who spend their free time on campus rather than I-81 or Rt. 460 infuse academics with energy?

We won't know until we try. You are urged to participate and show support for progressive social policies by acting responsible and by limiting your guests to two people. Bring two ID's, a cup, and \$5 for admission that will be donated to a local charity to be announced at a

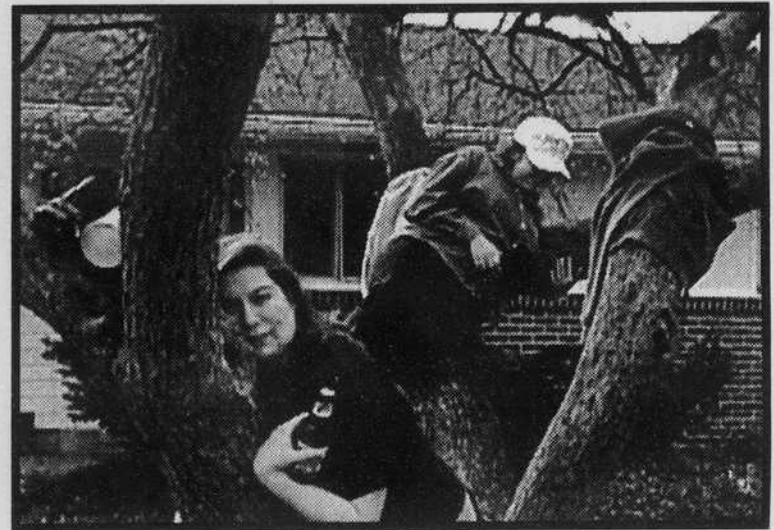


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The first Faculty Row crawl, held last April, was so successful that many students and faculty voted to hold the crawl for a second year. The school anticipates larger crowds for this year's event.

later date. Traffic will be routed away from faculty lot by 12 noon on the 18th, and all cars must be moved from the parking

Students declare food in Moody "amazing"

by Juniper Redmond

The Hollins College campus is buzzing with talk of the true splendor of the food readily available and excellently prepared by the campus cafeteria.

"It's amazing!" said Lila Dugger '98. "No matter what day of the week I go into the cafeteria this year, the food is excellent!" Other members of the student body seem to agree with Dugger's opinion and there has been little to no dissatisfaction from the vegetarian faction at Hollins.

"I'm very pleased with the vegetarian and vegan options provided by the cafeteria," said Betty Toby '01. "The vegi dishes are always identifiable and never saturated by cheese!"

The campus, as a whole, has been so impressed by the overall quality of the cafeteria food this year that they accent virtually every meal with a delicious cereal addition.

"You know what I really like," commented Amber Griffy '00. "I really love how the cafeteria hours are like till 6:30 or something, but the food runs out by 6:15 regardless. That's what students get for coming towards the very end of the OPEN hours of the cafeteria."

Even the rare individuals who aren't as excited about the utter delectability of the food served by the Hollins cafeteria have positive comments to say about the cleanliness of the eating area.

"I am so amazed by the fact the tables are

always clean and that the condiments are full at all times," said Kathy Cordon '99. "It's so nice not to have to sit down and then have to immediately get up again to search for a catsup bottle that actually has catsup in it!"

Others praise the whole idea of the sundaes available every Friday afternoon.

"The fact that we can make ourselves sundaes every Friday really makes up for the fact that the frozen yogurt machines aren't always turned on and are empty by 5:45 on the days when they're actually working," commented Bonnie Graves '01.

Regardless of who you talk to, the point is clear that students are generally ecstatic about the great food at Hollins and



photo by Anna Haupt

Smiling faces are frequently seen during dinner in Moody. Students are pleased by the new variety of dishes available, the flexible meal hours, and the immaculate state of the tables.

have few suggestions for its improvement.

8 Starkie declared next set of *The Real World*

by Kate "Sour Cream 'n' Onion" Pringle

Fall '98 will bring more than university status to our humble school. Come September, MTV will bring its famous Real World series to the Hollins College campus. MTV will broadcast from Starkie with a cast of five Hollins students and one male exchange student from Ireland.

"For a school rated top 10 for 'Dorms Like Palaces', there was no way we could resist Hollins," said an MTV spokeswoman. "And once we saw Starkie, we were sold."

"We're very pleased

that Hollins was chosen for such a special project," said Lydia Coal, of college relations. "Hollins deserves this extra attention."

MTV and college relations will meet over the summer to pick the 5 lucky women to have their lives taped. Although some students expressed fears that only southern women would be picked, MTV assured the Columns that the 5 women chosen would be from a variety of geographic and economic backgrounds.

"Diversity is one of the things that attracted us to Hollins," said MTV spokesman I.M. Trendy.

"We're really looking forward to seeing the dynamics of these six kids together."

"Diversity is one of the things that attracted us to Hollins . . ."

MTV spokesman I.M. Trendy

er."

Hollins will soon undergo a face lift for the MTV invasion. The lawns will be mowed and

watered daily and buildings will get an extra coat of paint. Hollins may also hire a new chef to deal with the extra strain of a full camera crew and production staff.

"We expect everyone at Hollins to do their part," Coal said. "We don't want Hollins to look bad on national TV. Millions of prospective students will be watching us.

Students are also gearing up for the excitement.

"We're going to paint the rock!" shouted a group of seniors.

Student Services worries about how the camera crew will get along, but is certain that MTV

will adapt to Hollins life.

"We were a little unsure how the MTV crew would cope." Dean of Student Services Bobby McButter said, "They'd have to follow our girls to all their frat' parties and of course, learn to yell 'flushing' when someone's in the shower, but we know they'll learn to love Hollins, just like the rest of us."

Look for your Real World application in the College Relations office. If chosen, students may receive work study credit.

Back Quad Fridays back with tattoo artist

by Priscilla "wanna see my tattoo?" Leuenberger

Create your personal tattoo at the next Back Quad Friday event. Become a living canvas and let your brainchild be forever engraved on your bodies largest organ. Design an inefaceable beacon of love, a poem, your history, your dreams. Tattoos can complement the human form like shadows of living jewelry. Your tattoo can represent your lifestyle. It can run like rivers of roses across your skin; it can flow from head to toe like a rainy Chinese dragon. It can be your hero, the Hollins souvenir you'll treasure forever!

Modern mechanical tattooing was invented in New York City at the end of the 19th century. The speed and accuracy of the new technology revolutionized the art-form and introduced it to the possibilities of the modern age. Miraculously, this modern art has made it to the Roanoke Valley, but instantaneously had to

have its name changed to 'Ancient Art'.

Julius, Ancient Art's business manager and CEO, found that music is an essential part of the tattoo ritual because of its cleansing effects," he said. Therefore, he is going to bring his own choir, the Gremlin Chanters, to accompany him on Friday as he tattoos Hollins students on Back Quad. The choir is going to be veiled and will sit in a circle around the tattooee. That way the victim feels a special bond to the anonymous singers and tends to forget the pain.

Warning: The tattoo artists are a husband and wife team. It is common for the tattooer to bring along his tattooed wife and claim that she had been kidnapped by savages.

Please join members from campus and the community for this exhilarating event Friday, April 3 at 2pm on Back Quad. Prices range from \$20-45. Refreshments will be served.

Thesis mania strikes senior class

by Erin "don't ask" Slattery

An alarming outbreak of thesis panic has seized the senior class in recent weeks, culminating in Monday's midnight vigil on Front Quad, when thesis writers took turns trying to summon the spirits of their primary sources via Ouija board. Art History major Chiaro Scuro stood in line for twenty minutes: "If I can talk to Michelangelo for three minutes, max.," she said, "I know I can uncover valuable insight on the master's technique. Then maybe go one-to-one with Sister Wendy." When asked how credible the ethereal interview would appear in the eyes of the Art History department, Scuro replied, "At least it'll make a heck of a footnote."

The early mood of excitement gradually soured to one of desperation when the "Ouija"-ing finally began. The first sign arrived when Economics major Cassandra (aka "Cash") Phleau failed to contact John Maynard Keynes from the beyond. "I know you're in there," she reportedly screamed at the

board, after the crowd kept a respectful hush for ten minutes. Upon receiving no response, Phleau kicked over the board and stomped off the Quad. Her friend Hèlène Gainsborg, English major, was similarly snubbed but maintained an optimistic outlook, shrugging, "If Poe really wanted to talk to me, man, he would've sent a raven."

Tension has mounted since fall semester, when seniors began to claim squatters' rights to their carrels. Some have apparently moved in: one freshman complained that the sound of espresso machines disturbed her study, and Health Services has bemoaned the rise in sprained ankles due to seniors' ill-placed futons. But the library staff could only shake their heads: "I guess this explains the flow of pizza deliveries to the basement," Lisbeth D'Lettel said.

Security reported seeing two History majors attempting to climb the fence surrounding the incomplete Wyndham-Robertson Library in an attempt to finish research. As she was pulled off the fence by construction foreman Isaiah Wenzitdon,

senior Holly R. O'Manempeer reportedly wailed, "I'll ILL to Nepal if I have to!" These events can only be the signs of impending crisis or celebration. Should you stumble on anyone exhibiting similar forms of thesis delirium, speak softly and slowly back away until early May.

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it. Most people don't understand the spiritual side of location scouting. Only once in a long, long while is it possible for a location scout to find such a perfect location."

Those hoping to catch a glimpse of the show's cast will be in luck. The entire cast will be on location and will reside in the basement of Starkie during their stay. Marjorie Sneedlebuzzer, head of the show's security, issued this statement, "The students have been asked to treat the actors just like normal people and stalkers will be prosecuted."