Kaine Announced as Commencement Speaker

Governor Timothy M. Kaine has accepted the College's invitation to deliver the keynote address at NOVA’s 41st Commencement exercises, which will be held May 15 at 7:00 p.m. at the George Mason University Patriot Center. Kaine, who was inaugurated in January 2006 as the Commonwealth's 70th governor, came into office with a goal of moving the state’s focus on education from competence to excellence.

The College Medallion will be presented to the Honorable Charles J. Coglan, Sr., Senator, Commonwealth of Virginia (29th district) and an honorary degree will be awarded to James B. Cole, president and chief executive officer of the Virginia Hospital Center.

Commencement ceremonies are free and open to the public. All faculty and staff are invited and encouraged to attend.

Left: Commonwealth of Virginia Governor Timothy M. Kaine

Order Deadline for Faculty Regalia Extended to March 23

All College bookstores have extended their deadline for accepting faculty regalia orders for Commencement until Friday, March 23. There may be additional costs for orders received after this date. Please complete the order form (attached to this edition of Intercom) and fax it to your campus bookstore. Contact information for each campus is listed below:

- Alexandria Campus Bookstore: (phone) 703-671-0043; (fax) 703-998-1282
- Annandale Campus Bookstore: (phone) 703-425-2558; (fax) 703-425-6277
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- Medical Education Campus Bookstore: (phone) 703-922-2841; (fax) 703-922-4586

Commencement Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to help with various tasks on May 15, the evening of Commencement, from approximately 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the Patriot Center. These tasks include greeting students, families and friends at specific entrances and directing them to their seats, handing out programs and assisting faculty marshals in the parking lot to organize and line-up students.

Contact Geri Dolan at gdolan@nvcc.edu no later than March 30 if you would like to be part of the team. During the last week of April or first week of May, a meeting will be held for the volunteers to assign duties, explain the procedure and answer any questions. This is a wonderful opportunity to lend a helping hand at the most important evening of our students’ lives. Refreshments will be served.
On March 8, Charles E. Bamford, author of the textbook *Small Business Management*, met with Annandale Campus business students and faculty members. Bamford, a 1979 business administration graduate of NOVA’s Annandale Campus, continued his education at the MacIntire School of Commerce at the University of Virginia. He shared with the classes some of his experiences both as a student and as a participant in the business world.

Understanding that many of the students he spoke to hope to own a business one day, Bamford addressed some of the issues involved in starting one from scratch, stressing the importance of a business plan that succinctly addresses key issues. During his visit, he sought out and met with his former professors to thank them. He uses the writing skills learned at NOVA in his speeches and in his teaching as Chair of Entrepreneurial Studies at Queens University of Charlotte, North Carolina.

**Lyceum Event to Feature Andrea Kalin**

Award-winning director and producer Andrea Kalin will speak on "The Zen of Filmmaking" at 12:30 p.m. on April 2 in the Ernst Center forum as part of this year's Lyceum activities. Kalin will show examples of her work and discuss the filmmaking process.

A graduate of American University, Kalin spent several years in radio and news broadcasting before moving into documentary film. She founded Spark Media to create programs that “excite, incite and entertain.” In the past few years, her work has garnered more than 45 international awards, including the Erik Barnouw Award for Best History Documentary for “Partners of the Heart.”

The event is free and open to the public.

**HR Welcomes New Associate Director for Compensation and Benefits**

Human resources welcomes Gail Parrish as its new associate director for compensation and benefits. Parrish has approximately 20 years of experience in HR. Her educational background includes an undergraduate degree in business administration from the University of Tennessee and a master’s in organizational management from the University of Phoenix. She can be contacted at 703-323-3124.

**International Seminar Scheduled for April**

In collaboration with the U.S. Institute of Peace, NOVA will host a regional seminar for teaching and administrative faculty on Identity and Global Conflict: Implications for the 21st Century. The seminar, which will be open to educators throughout the metropolitan area, will be held April 20-21 to explore the issues of student identity in the context of their diaspora groups and the conflicts from which they emerge. All teaching and student services faculty who have an interest in broadening the curriculum and in developing global understanding, are encouraged to participate. Those particularly interested in international and global themes, intercultural communication issues and conflict resolution and analysis will find the seminar especially useful. For more information, contact Paul McVeigh, associate vice president of global studies and programs at 703-323-4224 or by e-mail at pmcveigh@nvcc.edu. The registration deadline is April 6.
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AARP, formerly known as the Association for Retired People, is the largest member organization in the world. It was founded in 1958 by Dr. Ethel Percy Andrus, a long-time educator – and the first female high school principal in the state of California. Her many accomplishments include obtaining health insurance for retired teachers, a stint as a faculty member at Chicago's Lewis Institute, a predecessor of Illinois Institute of Technology, and the Ethel Percy Andrus Gerontology Center. It is the oldest and largest existing professional school of Gerontology.

Find out more about this amazing woman and her accomplishments on Tuesday, March 27th at 12:30 p.m. in the CE Forum.

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