

RICHMOND HOKIES NEWSLETTER

Hey RVA Hokies!

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Welcome to The Richmond Chapter of the Virginia Tech Alumni Association's monthly newsletter! This newsletter is intended to provide you with the latest information about our chapter, such as upcoming events, major highlights, important information, and more.

Looking for a volunteer opportunity to demonstrate Ut Prosim in Richmond? Check out our open volunteer positions on our website!

GO HOKIES!



Virginia Tech revealed its new university logo last month, which offers a visual expression that unifies the passions for academics and athletics.

What are your thoughts on the new logo?

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct. 13: RVA Career Expo at Glen Allen Cultural Arts Center

Oct. 17: Monthly Alumni Meeting at UVA/VT Richmond Center

Nov. 2: Gerrymandering Speaker at VCU Innovate in Grace & Broad Residence Center

Learn more about all upcoming events on our website!

Are you searching for a career change or for new employment in the Greater Richmond region? The Richmond Hokies chapter invites you to attend the Richmond Career Expo on Friday, October 13, 2017 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. More than 100 companies and businesses will be present to meet you and answer any of your questions.

You don't need to be a Hokie alum to participate! The RVA Career Expo is open to all, so be sure to spread the word and tell your friends!

If you would like to attend, you can register on the Richmond Hokies website under the RVA Career Expo tab. In addition, you can find helpful tips and frequently asked questions on our website as well.

Bring your resume, a notepad, and your smile as you network with the top companies in Richmond.

RVA CAREER EXPO



RVA CAREER EXPO DETAILS

Friday, October 13, 2017 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**The Cultural Arts Center
2880 Mountain Road, Glen Allen, VA 23060**

Full-time jobs, Part-time jobs, & Internships

**Questions? Contact Patrice Strachan at
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www.richmondhokies.org/careerexpo

GERRYMANDERING SPEAKER SERIES

Why Does 95% of Congress Get Re-elected Even With a 14% Approval Rating?

Join us on Thursday, November 2, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. at VCU Innovate in Grace & Broad Residence Center at 1010 West Grace Street as Dr. Jason Kelly, a Political Science Professor at Virginia Tech, discusses gerrymandering and legislative redistricting. Dr. Kelly is an expert in how redistricting procedures across states affects the degree to which legislative districts are gerrymandered to benefit one party over the other, as well as incumbents over their would-be challengers.

Joining Dr. Kelly in this non-partisan discussion is Brian Cannon, Executive Director of OneVirginia2021, a leader in advocating for fair redistricting in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Tickets are \$10

Register & Purchase Tickets [HERE!](#)

VT ALUMNI ASSOCIATION VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

PATRICE STRACHAN



Congratulations to Patrice Strachan, who was awarded the 2016-2017 Virginia Tech Alumni Association Volunteer of the Year!

Patrice is a dedicated and ambitious volunteer in our chapter and embodies the VT motto of "that I may serve."

She has spearheaded the RVA Career Expo for the past five years with amazing agility while also working full-time at the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation.

She manages the RVA Career Expo website, the customer relations database of over 500 employers, and the majority of the project management for the March and October RVA Career Expo.

CONGRATULATIONS!

" Patrice's contributions to the Richmond Chapter have been nothing short of amazing. In 2012, the VT Career Fair had 27 employers, which we thought was a respectable number. Then Patrice took over, organized a marketing committee, renamed it to the "RVA Career Expo," made it twice a year, and now we consistently have more than 100 employers and close to 1,000 job seekers at each event. Recruiters routinely praise this event as the best one that they attend. Patrice is the embodiment of Ut Prosim and is truly a Hokie that we all can look up to. "

Jason Habel

" Patrice Strachan is most proactive in helping others. She willingly volunteers on numerous projects that support the Richmond Chapter and the community at large. Her leadership and dedication has made the RVA Career Expo a quality community service event and the premier career event in Richmond. Her wisdom in developing the mission "Helping candidates make connections with employers" and commitment to the mission has helped hundreds of job seekers in their search. Employers, including UVA, VCU and The University of Richmond, have provided outstanding ratings for the Expo. The RVA Career Expo has generated significant funds for our scholarship program. "

Charlie Wood

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