AT&T $1-million grant will benefit thousands of students

By Jean Elliott

Last week, the AT&T Foundation announced a $1-million grant to the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (VT) for the VITAL-HBCU coalition, which benefits more than 73,000 students at 15 institutions in Virginia, North Carolina, Delaware, Maryland and West Virginia.

The grant, one of the largest ever made by the AT&T Foundation, was arranged by the AT&T Learning Network, an AT&T Foundation grant program created "to help improve teaching and learning through the effective use of technology.

"We are very appreciative of AT&T's generous gift to support this collaboration," said Silver-Parker, president of the AT&T Foundation. "That's why we are taking steps to help close these digital divide, and we are proud to support the VITAL-HBCU coalition. This is a significant model for other schools and communities, one that can help ensure equity in access to opportunities for success in this new environment.

The AT&T Learning Network's Web site is www.att.com/learningnetwork.

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FIGHTER PILOT O'GRADY TO SPEAK HERE NOVEMBER 11

By Sookhan Ho

Capt. Scott O'Grady, the fighter pilot who was shot down over Bosnia more than four years ago, will give a talk at Virginia Tech on Veteran's Day, Thursday, Nov. 11. His talk is titled "Return with Honor," which is also the title of his best-selling 1995 book, an account of his struggle for survival and dramatic rescue by the Marines.

The talk, which is free and open to the public, will begin at 7:30 p.m. at Burruss Auditorium. O'Grady is the featured speaker in this fall's Cattarius Lecture Series sponsored by the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets Center for Leader Development.

O'Grady parachuted to earth and hid for six days, eating grass, leaves, and ants, and drinking rainwater. On the sixth night, he used his radio to signal his location to an F-16 search plane. When he was rescued by Marine helicopters, he said, "With an optical microscope you're looking at a sample from the top and you're looking through its whole mass," said DeCourcy, Fralin's lab manager. "What we've found is that once you get outside the areas of biology that we concentrate on here at the center, you're people on campus who can use it in ways we would never have thought of.

Such one is a graduate geology student who is studying the interactions between mineral surfaces and bacteria. Biology researchers are looking at enzyme interactions in the roots of plants. A wood-science faculty member plans to use the confocal microscope to investigate the polarized wood fibers.

"There are a number of advantages to this microscope compared to conventional ones," said DeCourcy. "It can show an object in three dimensions, but just as importantly, it eliminates items outside the slice you're looking at."

By using lasers to illuminate thin slices of the object that are precisely located with computer controls. The combination of laser scanning and computer technology can help ensure equity in access to opportunities for success in this new environment.

Return with Honor, which spent six weeks on the New York Times best-seller list, O'Grady has also published "Baker Five Two," a children's edition of his story. His story has been documented on the Discovery Channel presentation, "Behind Enemy Lines."

The Center for Leader Development, located in the Pamplin College of Business, aims to educate students about leadership and prepare them to be leaders of integrity. The Cattarius Lecture Series is named for Clifford A. Cattarius III, a retired chairman of the former Sovran Financial Corporation who served as rector of the Virginia Tech Board of Visitors.

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See the university home page Monday for information on the BOV's selection of a new president.
Events

Friday, 9
Organization of Women Faculty Coffee Hour, 8-9 a.m., The Easy Chair.
Excellence in Education Workshops, 9 a.m., DBHCC.
Men’s Basketball, 7 p.m., Cassell, Coast Authority.
International Dance Night, 7:30 p.m., Squires Commonwealth Ballroom.
Faculty Recital, 8 p.m., Squires Recital Salon: David Jacobson.

Saturday, 6
Mineral/Fossil Sale, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. 2062 Dering. Pet Pictures, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., VMRCVM.
Dinner Concert, 6 p.m., DBHCC: Laurel Masse.
Music Ensemble Concert, 8 p.m., Squires Haymarket Theater: New Virginians.

Sunday, 7
Board of Visitors Meets. YMCA Hike, 1:30 p.m., 403 Washington St.: White Rocks/Wood Rocks.
Faculty Recital, 3 p.m., Squires Student Center: David Elrich and Teresa Elrich.
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Monday, 8
Board of Visitors Meets. VUTL: Lively Arts, 7:30 p.m., Burruss auditorium: Top Dogs.
CHEW Program, 8 p.m., Squires Recital Salon: “Tremendous.”

Tuesday, 9
CEUT Workshop, 3-5:30 p.m., Hillecrest dining room: Margaret Balle.
Men’s Basketball, 7 p.m., Cassell: Russian National Team.

BULLETINS

CAM announces changes
The Center for Alternative Media (CAM) in Newman Library announces changes regarding hours, reservations of media for classes by faculty members and graduate students, and duplicating services in CAM. The major changes will be in operating hours and the Media Booking System. CAM hours will be 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m., Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday and 1-10 p.m. Sunday. The booking system for reservation of media materials for classes is being updated. While users systems established, faculty members and graduate students should allow three to five days for request processing. Duplicating audiovisual materials will be discontinued in CAM. This service is offered at Video Broadcast Services in 253 Whittemore. For more information, call 1-6358 or e-mail CAM at cam@vt.edu.

Academic advising forum next week
The first University Forum on Academic Advising will be held Thursday, Nov. 11 from 5:30 p.m. in 441 Squires. The forum, sponsored by the Student Government Association, the Faculty Senate, and the Office of the Provost, will focus on the definition and philosophy of advising at Virginia Tech. After a year-long study, the 34-member task force has returned nine recommendations on ways to improve academic advising for undergraduate students. One of them was to adopt a proposed framework for advising that includes a definition, philosophy, statements of responsibilities for students, advisors, and the university, and a development model for advising undergraduate students. For more information, contact Delores Scott at scottde@vt.edu.

Language courses opening
Virginia Tech will offer one-semester, three-credit foreign language courses—Hebrew, Spanish and Italian—designed for novice learners with little or no previous experience in the language. Although these courses do not meet the foreign language requirement, they may be taken preliminarily to the accelerated elementary courses which do meet the requirement. These are new four-credit accelerated elementary courses in Chinese, Italian and Japanese which condense two semesters (1105 and 1106) into one semester of study supplemented with a self-instructional and electronic component. These courses are open to persons not enrolled as regular students at Virginia Tech, on a non-credit basis for a special fee by arrangement through David Mitchell at 1-5382. For more information, call 1-5361 or 1-5362, or e-mail johnsbm@vt.edu. Classes begin January 17.

CEUT presents workshops for faculty members
Margaret Hable will present “Lectures: Research-based Strategies that Work,” on Tuesday, Nov. 9, 3-5:30 p.m., in Hillecrest dining room.
On Wednesday, Nov. 10, 1:30-3:50 p.m., in Hillcrest dining room, Hable will present “Active Learning Strategies.”

Forum addresses Stroubles Creek/Duck Pond
The Virginia Water Resources Research Center is sponsoring a forum to discuss water-quality issues related to the Duck Pond and Stroubles Creek from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m., December 3 in 150 Squires. Tech faculty members, and personnel from the town of Blacksburg and the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality will discuss the water-quality problems, wildlife issues, and strategies for water-quality improvement. This event is co-sponsored by the Virginia Tech Museum of Natural History. For information call 1-5624 or e-mail water@vt.edu.

Staff Senate to hold noon meeting
Virginia Tech’s Staff Senate will meet Thursday, Nov. 18, at noon, in 1810 Lotton Reese. In addition to normal duties, activities will include a speaker, Del. Jim Shuler. Meetings are open to the public.

The next meeting for the Staff Senate will be the annual Staff Senate Reunion, Thursday, Dec. 9, at 5 p.m., in Owens Banquet Hall. This meeting will take the place of the Staff Senate meeting listed as December 16 on the University Calendar.

Meeting will address breastfeeding
A meeting is being held for those interested in issues involving breastfeeding at work/on campus and the possibility of setting aside areas for nursing/pumping rooms. A meeting being held in the conference room at the Women’s Center (Price House, directly behind McCoy) on November 10 at 12:30 p.m. is open to anyone with ideas or issues. Babys/children are welcome. For more information, contact Jesse Melander at 1-7896.

By Liz Crumbley

What Do Our Engineering Students Need to Know about Business?” will be the topic of a lecture to be presented by Joseph T. Sullivan, the Joseph H. Collie chair of chemical engineering, Friday, Nov. 12, at 4:30 p.m. in Hancock auditorium. Sullivan came to Virginia Tech in 1987 after more than 30 years of technical and operations-management experience in the chemical and pharmaceutical industries. He earned his B.S. in chemical engineering at Iowa State University and his Ph.D. in chemical engineering at Iowa State University and his Ph.D. in chemical engineering at Iowa State University.

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EMPLOYMENT

CLASSIFIED POSITIONS

Laboratory Technician, 7519T, Grade 4, Chemistry.
Medical Technologist, 1996M, Grade 9, Veterinary Teaching Hospital.
Motor Vehicle Operator A, 2863P, Grade 2, Physical Plant/University Housing.
Office Services Assistant, 1200S, Grade 4, University Libraries.
Office Services Specialist, 2020M, Grade 5, CVM.
Office Services Specialist, 9817T, Grade 5, University Registrar.
Office Services Specialist, 60396C, Grade 5, Mail Operations.
Program Support Technician (Asst. Mgr.—Guest Services), 6695G, Grade 6, DBHCC.
Programmer, 37520M, Grade 10, Agricultural Applied Economics.
Public Relations Specialist, LC751, Grade 10, Athletics.
Senior Development Associate—Annual Giving, 6695D, Grade 10, University Development.
University Editor, LC751, Grade 10, Public Relations.

FACULTY POSITIONS

INSTRUCTIONAL

Physics, Assistant Professor, Contact: James Helfin, Department of Physics (0435). Review begins February 1.

Human Nutrition, Foods and Exercise, Instructors, Contact: Dianne Yarدار, College of Human Resources and Education (101 WMH). Review begins February 1.

Teaching and Learning, Assistant/Associate Professor of Elementary Education, Contact: Dianne Yarدار, CHRE, 103 WMH (2017). Review begins January 17.

Near Environments, Associate/Assistant Professor, Department of Physical Education, Contact: Thomas Murray, 226 WMH (0317). Review begins January 10.

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This week’s CVC coach is Jackie Eaves of Physical Plant/Housekeeping. Jackie is our coach versus West Virginia. The Mountaineers are tough on the field and in particular in the charitable campaign. Both Tech and WVU have $100,000 campaign goals this year. In participation, they’ve held steady at about 50 percent for several years now. Unfortunately, the Hokies’ participation has declined, but our goal is to get back up to strength by this year. The campaign ends early this year, so send pledge cards to Gloria Smith by November 19.

Wavtrace to continue Tech collaboration

By Susan Trulove

Wavtrace, Inc. has joined the Center for Wireless Telecommunications (CWT) Industrial Affiliates Program. The Bellevue, Wash., company was the first to donate a transmission-line evaluation equipment. It is one of the key components of the WING program that will spur economic and social growth in Blacksburg, VA. Wavtrace was a pioneer in developing equipment needed for high-speed wireless delivery of data to homes. The company was the first to donate such equipment. Wavtrace will continue to aid in the development of high-bandwidth wireless technology and applications in Southwest Virginia.

“Wavtrace’s work with Virginia Tech is a perfect example of how a university/private sector collaboration can advance the rollout of new technology into the marketplace,” said Thomas T. van Overbeek, CEO of Wavtrace. As of part of CWT’s work with Wavtrace, graduate student D. Eric Johnson will investigate the ways in which a future Wavtrace LMDS system might improve its availability by adaptively adjusting its transmission characteristics to compensate for different path lengths and rain fade scenarios.

This year’s CWT project is to continue work on joint projects with CWT through the Affiliates Program, a partnership among Tech, government officials and regulatory agencies and leading chemical-distributions firms in the U.S.

EAVES

20-year-old survey still valid

By Catherine Doss

In the late 1970s, Penny Buret, director of Virginia Tech’s Women’s Center, was working on her doctoral dissertation at Penn State University researching the relationship between childhood-sex role attitudes and social issue-sex role attitudes among parents. As part of her research, Buret designed a 28-question survey in which respondents were asked to mark how much they agreed or disagreed with statements such as “Only females should receive affectionate hugs as rewards.”

Electronic theses, dissertation project goes internationally

By Susan Trulove

The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) has endorsed the dissemination of electronic theses and dissertations as an important resource for technology transfer that will spur economic and social growth in developing countries.

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Researchers to see all those things... The imaging manner of the microscope are so sensitive that the device is mounted on an air-cushioned table. The chance of vibrations from the water-cooled lasers is reduced because the lasers are located in an adjoining room with just two fiberoptic cables connecting them to the microscope.

About half of the cost of the nearly $400,000 worth of equipment was funded by the W.M. Keck Foundation. Other funding came from the colleges of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Arts and Sciences, and Engineering; from departments within these colleges; from Research and Graduate Studies; from the Biological Sciences Initiative; from the university ASPIRES program, from the Fralin Center; and from several researchers.

Researchers from more than a dozen departments on campus have received training in using the equipment. DeCourcy said any researcher on campus is eligible to use the equipment in using the equipment. DeCourcy said any researcher on campus is eligible to use the equipment. DeCourcy said any researcher on campus is eligible to use the equipment. DeCourcy said any researcher on campus is eligible to use the equipment. DeCourcy said any researcher on campus is eligible to use the equipment. DeCourcy said any researcher on campus is eligible to use the equipment. DeCourcy said any researcher on campus is eligible to use the equipment. DeCourcy said any researcher on campus is eligible to use the equipment.