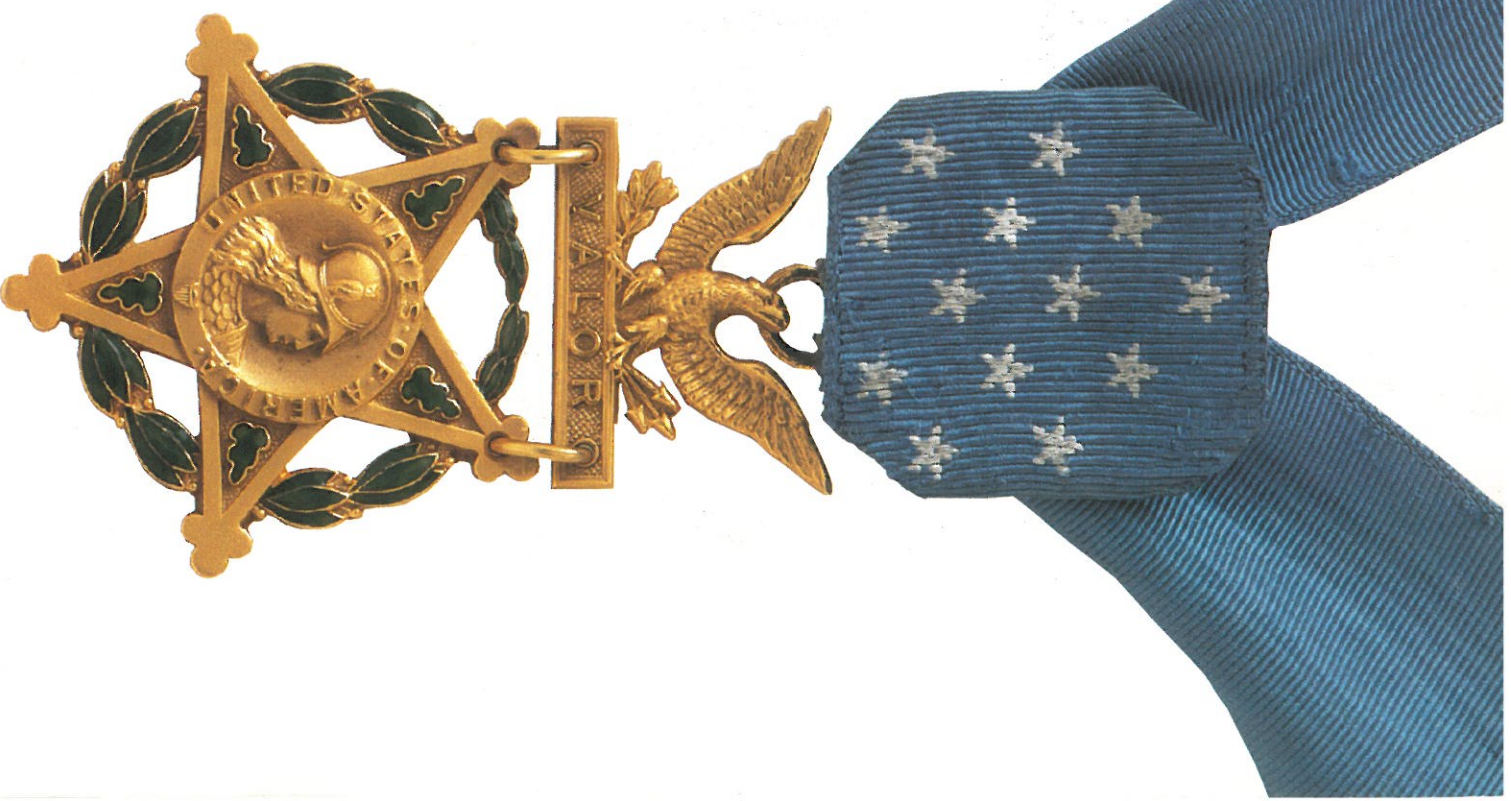


VPI&SU  
CLASS OF  
1993  
EARLE D.  
GREGORY  
*Collection*





*"Termini Non Existent" ... "Boundaries Do Not Exist" ... This motto represents the essence of the Class of 1993. The symbolism within the logo represents the ideals and dreams shared by many class members.*

*A dove flying through a Dela symbol inscribed with CXVIII (148th Class) resting on top of a world globe, represents the great hope of our class for worldwide peace.*

*The '93 in the center of the globe represents the doors to our future which are opened wide. The education and ambition of our class are the keys which unlock the doors.*

*Laurel leaves branching from the VT are symbolic of our past, present and future achievements. The foundation of those achievements beginning with our education at Virginia Tech.*

*We are the future, the pinnacles of success, the initiators of change and peace. We are the Class of 1993. For us... "Boundaries Do Not Exist."*





**E**arle D. Gregory was born on October 18, 1897, in Chase City, Virginia. Although not much has been written on his childhood life, his later years are full of accomplishments.

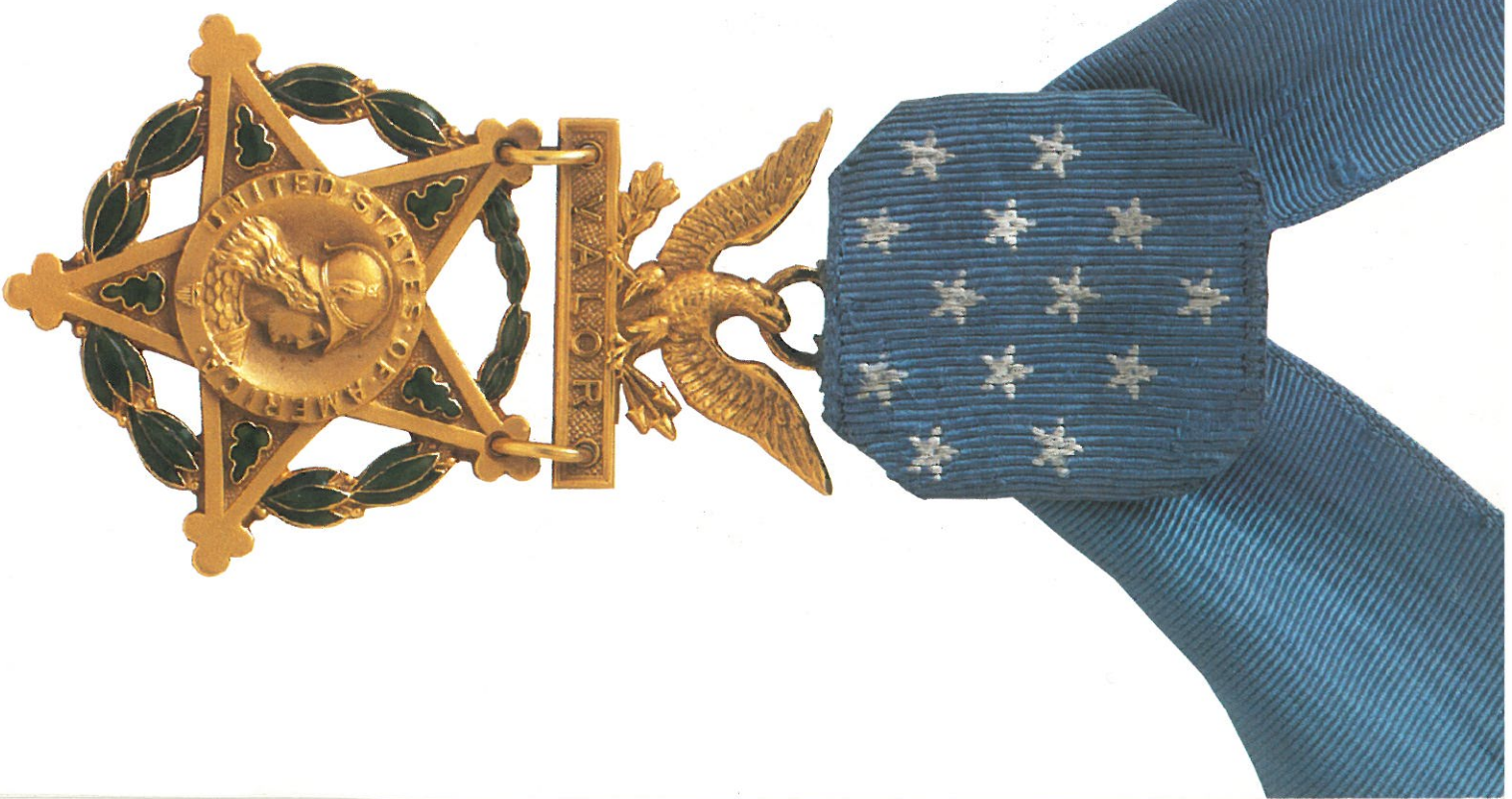
In 1914 he enlisted in the Virginia National Guard Infantry. In just two months he was promoted to first sergeant. From July 1916 to July 1917, he was elected lieutenant of his company. Unfortunately, the Adjutant General of Virginia turned down the commission because he was too young.

During his military career, Gregory received numerous awards and citations. Among them were the Croix de Guerre, Medal of the Legion of Honor, Medaille Militaire and the Montenegrin Order of Merit. However, he is best known as the recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor. He was the first native Virginian to be awarded this medal.

Gregory received the medal for bravery at Bois de Consenvoye in France. On October 18, 1918, with a remark of "I will get them," he proceeded to single handedly capture a German machine gun crew. Using a rifle and a trench-mortar shell as a grenade, Sergeant Gregory left his detachment of the trench-mortar platoon and captured three small shelters, a 7.5 cm mountain howitzer and 19-22 German soldiers. He was barely 21 years old.

After receiving his medal of honor, Gregory attended Virginia Tech and was a member of the Class of 1923. While at Tech he was the president of the Corps of Cadets, a position equivalent to the current commanding officer.

In May of 1963 Tech's precision drill team was named the Gregory Guard in honor of Gregory and his accomplishments. Before he died on January 6, 1972, he bequeathed his medals and war memorabilia to Tech. Gregory was a true hero and an inspiration to all who met him. It is with great pleasure that the Class of 1993 name its ring collection in honor of this remarkable individual.





# CLASS OF 1993 RING COMMITTEE

## Class of 1993 Ring Design Committee

*Lara Williams, Chairman*  
*Beth Rexroad, Class President*  
*Alicia P. Cohen, Class Advisor*  
*Andrea Calabrese*  
*Courtney Thornton*  
*Tarun Ganerival*  
*Chris Spillare*  
*Shelley Hearp*  
*Mike Miller*  
*Erin Stea*  
*Kathy Dorish*  
*Eileen McNeil*

**Class of 1993 Officers**

*President: Beth Rexroad*  
*Vice President: Jody Drischler*  
*Secretary: Catherine M. Tuel*  
*Treasurer: Kim McGovern*  
*Female Member-at-Large: Erin Stea*  
*Male Member-at-Large: Chris Spillare*  
*Cadet Member-at-Large: Mike Miller*  
*Historian: B. Frances Scott*



*From left to right: Eileen McNeil, Andrea Calabrese, Courtney Thornton, Alicia Cohen, Tarun Ganerival, Chris Spillare, Shelley Hearp, Lara Williams, Beth Rexroad, Kathy Dorish, Mike Miller, Erin Stea.*

### MESSAGE FROM LARA WILLIAMS, CHAIRMAN



I'd like to proudly introduce the ring collection to the Class of '93. As you probably know, I, along with 10 others, have spent the past several months gathering and designing a ring collection that we hope you will be proud of. We've used ideas that keep with Tech's ongoing tradition of rings since 1914, yet we have also incorporated new, modern ideas to uniquely identify our class. Your college ring should be a reflection of your well spent years at Tech. I hope that every time you see and wear your class ring, memories of all the great times you had here at Tech will come flooding back and bring a smile to your face. Enjoy your ring and the rest of your years at Tech.

### MESSAGE FROM BETH REXROAD, CLASS PRESIDENT



As President of the Class of 1993, I am excited to present to you the Earle D. Gregory ring collection. We are extremely pleased with the designs and hope that they exceed your expectations.

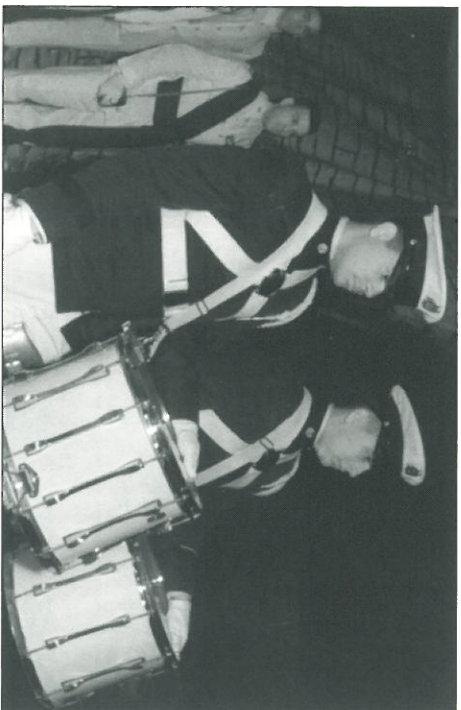
Choosing a ring design chair and six members to serve on the ring design committee, along with the president, female member-at-large, male member-at-large, and cadet member-at-large, was one of the first duties of the class officers. The selection was difficult since there were so many highly qualified applicants. However, after an intense application/interviewing process, an enthusiastic, creative and diverse committee was selected. I assure you that this committee has been dedicated since day one to ensure that the ring collection for the Class of 1993 is the best one yet.

Selecting a company to expand on our designs was the first task of the committee. The Virginia Tech collection is recognized as the most prestigious account in the ring industry today, making the award process highly competitive. After attending three, 3 hour presentations given by each company and working with their artists, Herff Jones was clearly the company for the job. With the creativity of our committee and the expertise of the company, we worked together as a team every step of the way to finalize this quality collection.

We truly enjoyed working on the committee and hope you will find a ring that is not only representative of our class, but of you as an individual.



# THE VIRGINIA TECH CLASS RINGS AN ONGOING TRADITION



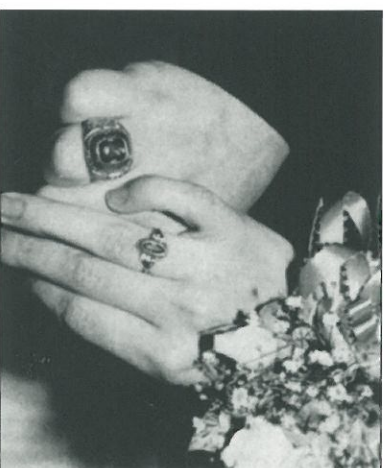
used to symbolize class unity until the Class of 1940 changed it to a chain. Tradition now often finds the chain comprised of interlocking year dates of the class.



Early in each class' sophomore year, the class officers select a small committee to design and market a collection of rings. The "Ring Committee's" responsibility is to combine the distinctive characteristics of their class with the proud traditions of the university. Virginia Tech's contract for the annual collection is considered the "Olympics of Rings." The ring program at Virginia Tech is one of the most prestigious programs in the nation and represents one of the country's largest annual orders.

With such a strong ongoing tradition wrapped into the design of each class' ring, it seems only fitting that the rings should be presented to class members in a glorious setting. The Virginia Tech Ring Dance is the largest college dance on the East Coast. For the past 58 years the dance has begun with the Cadet Figure. Another dance tradition is the playing of "Moonlight and VPI" a song composed for the Virginia Tech Class of 1943 by Fred Waring and Lyricist Charles Gaynor.

As one slips their ring off its ribbon and onto their finger they should reflect on the part of history they have captured at Tech and the part they will take with them into the future.



Virginia Tech has a ring tradition unrivaled by any other school or university in the country. Although there are a handful of schools which redesign their rings annually, Virginia Tech sets the precedent with the redesigning of its entire collection for every graduating class. A class ring mirroring the institution's heritage and the refreshing individuality of each class is an unparalleled way to remember Tech.

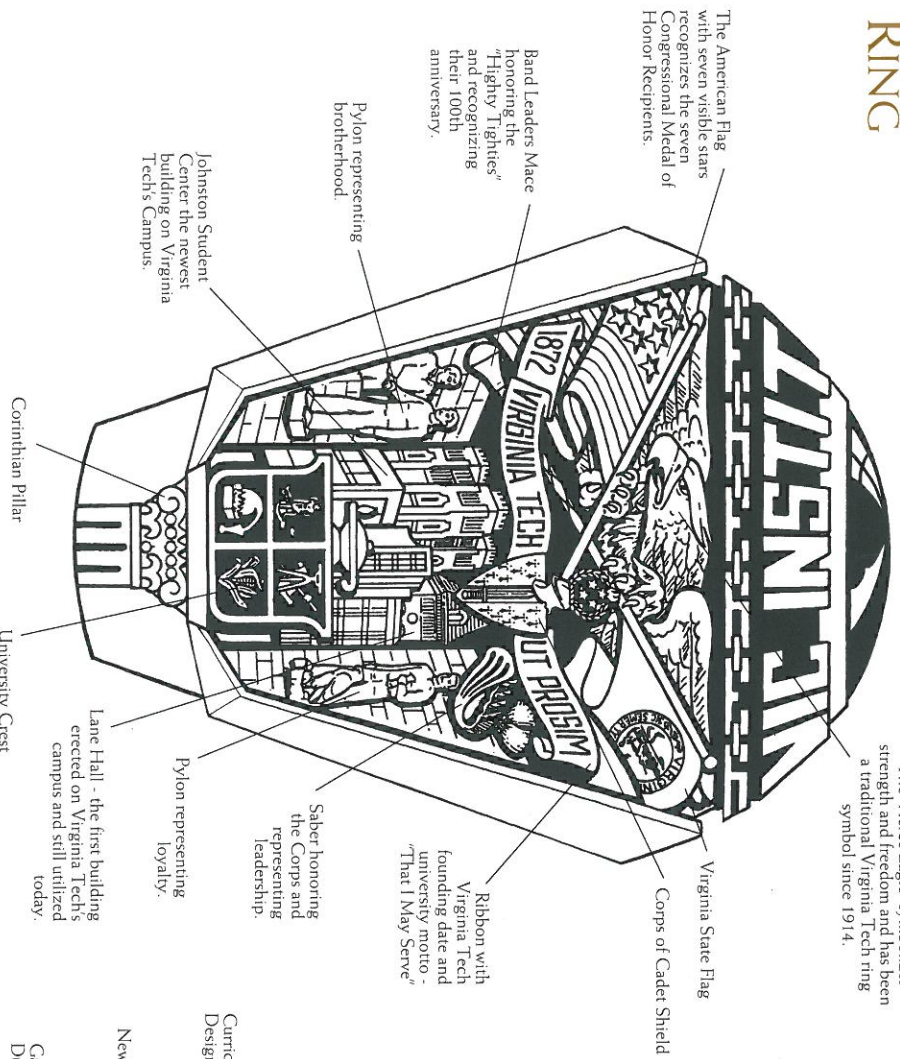
Tradition is found on every class ring in the portrayal of at least one eagle and symbols of the university's military legacy. This legacy of the school has been reflected in designs of sabers, rifles and the crest of the Crops of Cadets. Each ring also has a combination of the American flag or the Confederate flag. The common components of a Virginia Tech class ring originated in the design for the Class of 1914, which began the ring design tradition.

Besides embodying the school's history, a Virginia Tech ring embodies specific memories made during each class' years spent at Tech. By representing significant events in the world and incorporating symbols of major milestones on campus which occurred while the class was at school, the ring design for each class is unique. Rings have used such notable depictions as the Berlin Wall, the Olympic Torch, and the Peach Bowl to individualize the ring for each class. Lamp posts, Hokie stone and campus buildings have been used to symbolize campus life. A rope around the bezel was



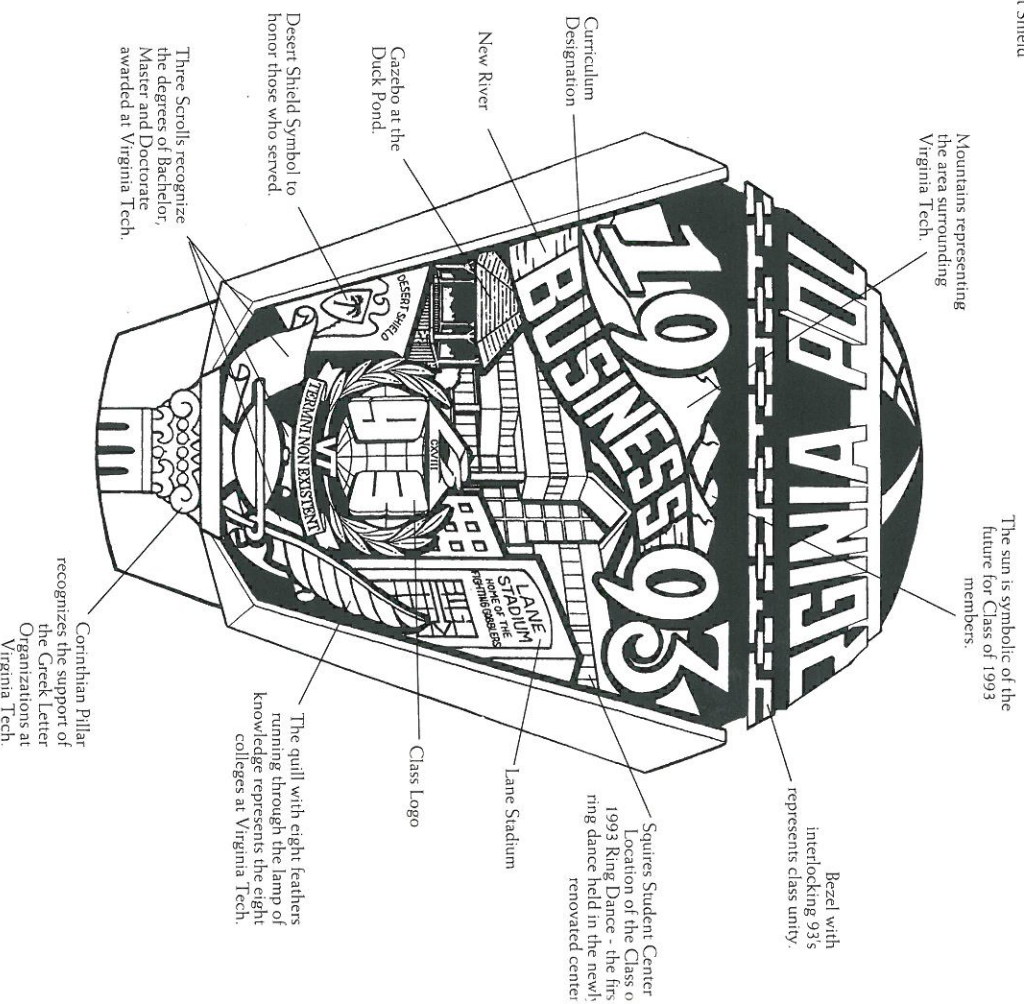
# THE TRADITIONAL RING

The "Fierce Eagle" symbolizes strength and freedom and has been a traditional Virginia Tech ring symbol since 1914.



## THE UNIVERSITY SIDE

## THE CLASS SIDE



# PRICING

Traditional	White Ultram	Yellow Ultram	10K Gold	14K Gold	18K Gold*
Men's Large-Heavy Weight	\$114.00	\$144.00	\$408.00	\$521.00	\$737.00
Men's Large-Light Weight	\$114.00	\$144.00	\$328.00	\$428.00	\$602.00
Men's Large-Open Back			\$297.00	\$381.00	\$529.00
Men's Standard	\$114.00	\$144.00	\$304.00	\$393.00	\$547.00
Men's Standard-Open Back			\$274.00	\$350.00	\$465.00
Women's Standard	\$105.00	\$135.00	\$185.00	\$253.00	\$304.00
Women's Miniature	\$105.00	\$135.00	\$161.00	\$202.00	\$265.00

Men's Signet	White Ultram	Yellow Ultram	10K Gold	14K Gold	18K Gold*
Orion			\$202.00	\$258.00	\$307.00
Pollux			\$231.00	\$282.00	\$363.00

Women's Signet	White Ultram	Yellow Ultram	10K Gold	14K Gold	18K Gold
Ascella	\$105.00		\$168.00	\$201.00	\$279.00
Capella	\$105.00		\$158.00	\$202.00	\$260.00
Castor			\$168.00	\$201.00	\$279.00
Cygnus			\$168.00	\$201.00	\$279.00

Women's Fashion	White Ultram	Yellow Ultram	10K Gold	14K Gold	18K Gold
Andromeda			\$158.00	\$202.00	\$260.00
Aquila			\$158.00	\$202.00	\$260.00
Carina			\$158.00	\$202.00	\$260.00
Cassiopeia/Stone			\$158.00	\$202.00	\$260.00
Cassiopeia/Metal			\$158.00	\$202.00	\$260.00
Delphinus			\$158.00	\$202.00	\$260.00
Lyra			\$168.00	\$201.00	\$279.00

\* All 10K and 14K styles are available in Yellow or White Gold. 18K styles are available only in Yellow Gold. The above ring prices include \$27.00 for class dues.

Your Virginia Tech rings are available with several options. Contact the Herff Jones Representative for specific details.

Stone Cuts/Sunburst	\$12.00
Encrusting	\$10.00
Engraved Stone (incising)	\$22.00
Crest	\$22.00
Protected Emblem (Vistavue)	\$15.00
Sculptured Palmside	\$15.00
Rose Gold	\$20.00

## Diamonds (set in panel)

Size	
1 pt	\$59.00
3 pt	\$69.00
5 pt	\$89.00
10 pt	\$119.00
20 pt	\$229.00
25 pt	\$349.00

## Cubic Zirconia (set in panel)

Size	
1 pt	\$10.00
3 pt	\$13.00
5 pt	\$15.00
10 pt	\$18.00
20 pt	\$24.00
25 pt	\$31.00

Royal or Crown Setting      \$40.00+stone



# PAYMENT PLAN

To ensure that every class member can participate in the Virginia Tech ring tradition, several methods of payment plans are available to fit every budget.

1. MasterCard, Visa and Discover may be used to pay the deposit, balance due or full payment of your Virginia Tech ring.
2. Deposits can also be made in cash, check or money order. Checks and money orders should be made payable to Herff Jones, Inc.
3. All VPI&SU '93 students who pay the full amount of their ring at the initial order session, will receive the following discount on their ring:

\$20 discount on 10K Gold  
\$30 discount on 14K Gold  
\$40 discount on 18K Gold

For the remaining order sessions, orders paid in full will receive the following discounts:

\$ 5 discount on 10K Gold  
\$10 discount on 14K Gold  
\$15 discount on 18K Gold

4. Interest Free Payment Plan - Students may pay four equal installments on the balance of their ring. Payment requests will be sent to students in advance of the payment due date. Upon completion of payments, a letter of good credit will be issued.
5. C.O.D. - The balance due may be paid when the ring is delivered.
6. Pay As You Wear - VPI&SU '93 students may take possession of their ring while making installment payments. This will be available with an imprint of a major credit card.
7. Charge Deposit/Pay Four Installments On Credit Card - Students may charge their deposits to MasterCard, Visa, Discover. The balance will be divided into four equal installments and charged directly to the credit card.
8. Gold Trade-In Option - Herff Jones will accept trade-ins of any karat gold high school, junior college or college ring. Trade-in value will be based on pennyweight and current gold value.



- 1) All VPI & SU 1993 class rings will be unconditionally guaranteed against defects in materials or workmanship for life.
- 2) All stones included in the base price of the ring and all stone decorations carry a full lifetime guarantee and will be replaced without charge at any time. Diamonds greater in size than 10 points are excluded from the free replacement clause.
- 3) If a VPI & SU student is not totally satisfied with the original stone, Herff Jones also guarantees to exchange, at no additional charge, any stone within the same price category.
- 4) If a finger size adjustment is required, Herff Jones agrees to perform normal resizing (less than 1 1/2 sizes) free of charge for the lifetime of the owner. Prior to July 1, 1993, Herff Jones will manufacture a new ring at no charge for resizes greater than 1 1/2 sizes. After July 1, 1993, the charge will be \$30 to remake a 1993 ring.
- 5) Herff Jones agrees to refinish any VPI '93 ring should a student desire a different finish. Finishes have a lifetime guarantee and a ring will be refinished at any time free of charge.
- 6) Any ring accidentally damaged beyond repair, prior to graduation, will be replaced at no charge. Upon graduation, any ring damaged beyond repair during the owner's lifetime will be replaced with exchange of damaged ring and a \$30 service fee. Genuine stones and diamonds will be replaced at the cost which is current at the time of repair.
- 7) If a student is not totally satisfied, leaves school, fails to graduate with the class of 1993, Herff Jones will issue a full refund in exchange for the ring.
- 8) Additional rings may be ordered at any time. After July 1, 1993, the cost of the ring will be determined by the cost of gold, stones, and manufacturing costs at the time of ordering.
- 9) If a student changes colleges at Virginia Tech, Herff Jones will remake the ring to reflect the proper college identification at no additional charge.
- 10) Prior to graduation, monthly ring adjustments will be scheduled with the Herff Jones representative on campus. All shipping, handling and insurance costs will be the responsibility of Herff Jones prior to July 1, 1993. After graduation, a VPI '93 ring may be taken to one of our 300 sales/service centers across the United States and the Company will assume the cost of shipping and insurance. The ring may also be shipped to Herff Jones, VPI Customer Service, 1411 N. Capitol, Indianapolis, IN 46204. The cost of shipping and insurance for this shipment of the ring to Herff Jones will be the ring owner's responsibility. The cost of returning the adjusted ring to the owner will be the responsibility of Herff Jones.
- 11) Herff Jones will accept trade-ins on any karat gold high school, junior college or college class ring. Trade-in value will be based on weight and current gold salvage value. Current trade-in will be available at all order-taking sessions.
- 12) Any student who purchases an Ultrium ring and later would like to purchase a karat gold ring, will receive the original purchase value toward the price of the gold ring.

## LIFETIME WARRANTY VPI & SU CLASS OF 1993

*For additional information,  
please contact:*

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Michelle Mayoue**

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*(703) 368-9550*



## OCTOBER

**Ring Premiere**  
Tuesday, October 1

**Ring Promotion Days**  
October 2, 3 and 4  
October 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11  
Squires Student Center  
10:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

## NOVEMBER

**Ring Promotion Days**  
November 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8  
Squires Student Center  
10:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

## DECEMBER

**Ring Promotion Days**  
December 4, 5 and 6  
Squires Student Center  
10:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

# CALENDAR of EVENTS

## JANUARY

**Ring Promotion Days**  
January 20, 21, 22, 23 & 24  
Squires Student Center  
10:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

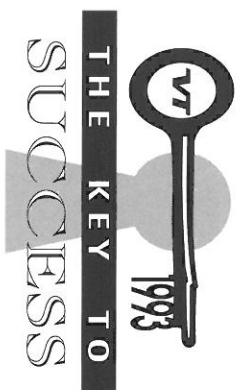
**Last Chance To Order In Time  
For Ring Dance**

## MARCH

**Ring Delivery**  
March 26 and 27  
**Ring Dance**  
March 27 and 28  
**Service Day**  
March 30 and 31

## APRIL

**Ring Promotion Days**  
April 8 and 9  
Squires Student Center  
10:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.



See the Collegiate Times and campus posters for details on Class of '93 Ring Events.



*For more than 70 years, Herff Jones has successfully combined old world craftsmanship, modern technology and personal commitment to create the finest quality recognition jewelry.*

*Your 1993 Virginia Tech ring is a lasting symbol of your personal achievement.*

*Herff Jones is committed to creating your Tech ring with care...for you to wear with pride.*

