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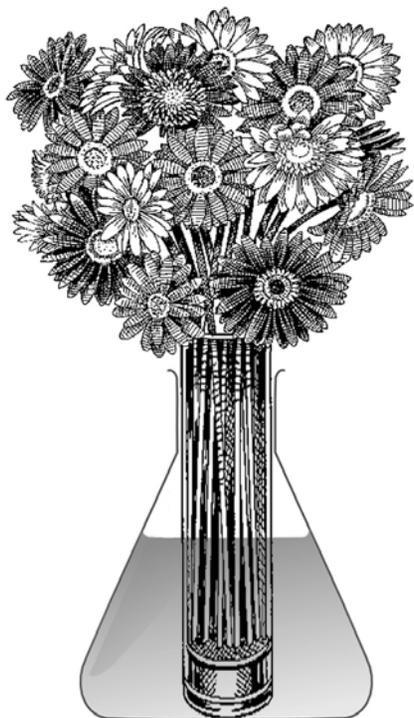
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## VIRGINIA BLUE RIDGE SECTION AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY

**648<sup>th</sup> SECTION MEETING**

**Hosted by the Executive Committee  
Tuesday, May 8, 2012**

### **PROGRAM:**

**4:00-5:15 Tour of Virginia Tech Carilion**  
**5:30- Dinner at Roanoker Restaurant**

The meeting will be a tour of the Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine and Research Institute, also known as Virginia Tech Carilion (VTC). The meal will be at the Roanoker Restaurant, ten minutes from VTC.

The Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine and Research Institute is not far from downtown Roanoke. It is located on the Health Sciences Campus, adjacent to Carilion Roanoke Memorial Hospital and the Carilion Clinic outpatient building. The tour will take 1-1.3 hours and is handicap accessible.

We will be ordering from the regular menu and eating in a reserved banquet room. For more information on the Roanoker Restaurant, go to [www.theroanokerrestaurant.com](http://www.theroanokerrestaurant.com).

Reservations for the tour and dinner should be made by FRIDAY 12:00 NOON, MAY 3, FOUR DAYS BEFORE THE MEETING by calling Dr. Kim Lane at 540-831-5422, or e-mail to [ktlane@radford.edu](mailto:ktlane@radford.edu), or regular mail to Reed Hall 0357, P.O. Box 6949, Radford University, East Main Street, Radford, VA 24142. There is a 30-person limit on the tour.

## **Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine and Research Institute**

On January 3, 2007, Virginia Tech President Charles W. Steger, then Carilion Clinic President and CEO Edward G. Murphy, and the governor of Virginia joined to announce the creation of a public-private partnership in the form of a new medical school and research institute, the Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine and Research Institute.

### **Unique Public-Private Partnership**

Collectively called Virginia Tech Carilion (VTC), the Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine and Research Institute leverages Virginia Tech's world-class strength in basic sciences, bioinformatics, and engineering with Carilion Clinic's highly experienced medical staff and rich history in medical education. Virginia Tech Carilion improves human health and quality of life by providing leadership in medical education and biomedical and clinical research.

### **Educating Today's Physician**

Utilizing an innovative patient-centered curriculum, the Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine (VTC SOM) addresses the increasing need for research-competent physicians who can translate research from the bench to the bedside and into the community. Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine will also ameliorate some of the physician shortage that has been identified as a priority by the American Association of Medical Colleges and the American Medical Association.

### **Conducting Today's Research**

Research conducted at the Virginia Tech Carilion Research Institute (VTCRI) creates a bridge between basic science research at Virginia Tech and clinical expertise at Carilion Clinic and increases translational research opportunities for both partners. Research conducted by scientists at the institute is aimed at understanding the

molecular basis for health and disease, and development of diagnostic tools, treatments, and therapies that will contribute to the prevention and solution of existing and emerging problems in contemporary medicine. Research areas of emphasis which presently align with areas of strength and active research at Virginia Tech include inflammation, infectious disease, neuroscience, and cardiovascular science and cardiology.

Virginia Tech Carilion is located near downtown Roanoke, Va., adjacent to Carilion Roanoke Memorial Hospital, in a burgeoning biomedical health sciences campus. The Virginia Tech Carilion building is contemporary in style and is partially constructed with Hokie Stone, the traditional stone utilized on the Virginia Tech campus in Blacksburg.



Narrative and picture adapted from the VTC Web site,  
<http://vtc.vt.edu/about/>

## Get More Involved with the Virginia Blue Ridge Section of the American Chemical Society

Do you want to get more involved with our local ACS section? There will be four offices open starting in January 2013.

1. Secretary: This is the regular, elected opening every year. Normally the Secretary moves up to the Chair-Elect the second year, and to the Chair the third year.

2. Treasurer: After 18 years of service as Treasurer, Vern Miller wishes to retire. This is a typical treasurer's job, and is an elected position. Before Vern started doing it, the person in this position typically moved to Secretary the following year, and then on up.

3. Newsletter Editor: After 13 years of service as Editor, Vern Miller wishes to retire. While this nominally is an elected position, it is a multi-year commitment. Currently, the newsletter is written in WordPerfect because of its layout capabilities. This might be a good time to consider changes to the newsletter. Since any changes and learning the ropes might take considerable work and discussion, it is hoped that early in the fall the new Editor would start working with Executive Committee and Vern to get a smooth transition into 2013.

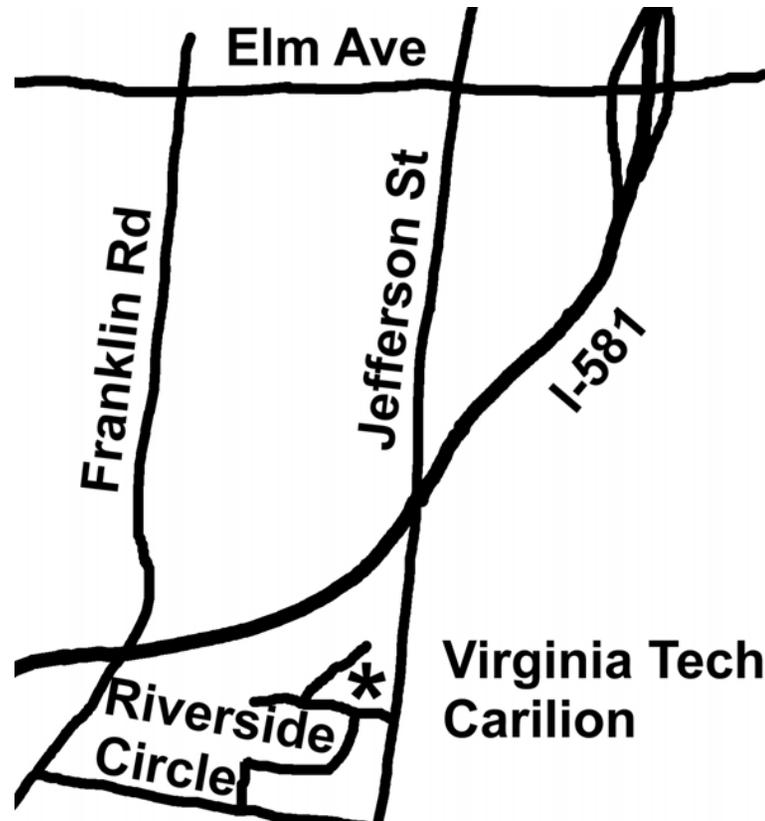
4. Membership Secretary: This is a new position. With the addition of monthly e-mail notices and the changes in the postal regulations it has become more time-consuming to keep the membership mailing list up-to-date. Again, it is hoped that the person taking over this job from Vern will be able to work with Vern early in the fall to get a smooth transition into 2013.

If you are interested in any of these positions, please contact the Chair of the section, Kim Lane, at [ktlane@radford.edu](mailto:ktlane@radford.edu).

## Directions to Virginia Tech Carilion

Directions: Going south on I-581 take the VA-24/Elm Avenue exit (Exit 6). At the stoplight at the top of the ramp turn right onto Elm Avenue. At the second stoplight turn left onto Jefferson Street. After about 0.7 miles turn right onto Riverside Circle. The VTC Research Institute will be on your right as you make the turn. Park in the parking lot in front of the VTC Research Institute (on your left). Check in with Stephanie at the reception area inside the main entrance.

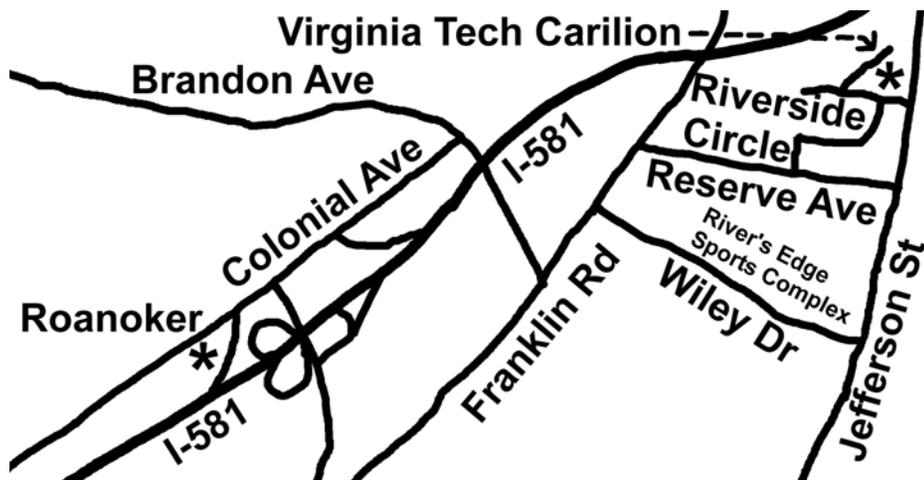
## Map to Virginia Tech Carilion



## Directions to the Roanoker Restaurant

Directions: Go back out to Jefferson Street and turn left onto Reserve Avenue. (Or go directly to Reserve Avenue and turn right.) At the stop sign turn left onto Franklin Road. At the stoplight turn right onto Brandon Avenue. After crossing over the interstate turn left at the stoplight onto Colonial Avenue. Go about half a mile. The entrance to the Roanoker parking lot is on the left, just before the restaurant.

## Map to Roanoker Restaurant



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