

2011
School of Engineering and Applied Science Distinguished
Service Award
(Presentation to *Frances H. Hersey*)

To periodically award individuals, who have given generously of their time and talent to the School of Engineering and Applied Science, and/or the University of Virginia Engineering Foundation.

- **There are those around us that we work with that exude kindness; they are sincere, personable, and above all they genuinely care about others. Yes they have significant workloads and responsibilities.....but somehow this doesn't get the way of their supporting and caring manner.**
- **Frances Hersey epitomizes this behavior and the people that wrote about her to the awards committee, whether they work for her, with her, or are her superiors all have the same thing to say.....and I paraphrase, "the University and the School of Engineering are fortunate to have her!"**
- **She worked her way thru college to finance her BA degree from Mary Baldwin College and her Master of Education degree from the Curry School of Education.**
- **Her career has seen ever increasing responsibility at Washington and Lee University, Mary Baldwin College, Sweet Briar College, and the University of Virginia.....and now she is the Associate Director of the**

Center for Engineering Career Development here at the School of Engineering and Applied Science.

- **The appreciation that her colleagues have is evident in the following quotes.....her boss, CJ Livesay says, “To say that Frances goes above and beyond is an understatement. Her desire to assist our students is limitless, and the School of Engineering is lucky to have her”.....the executive director of University Career Services, Jim McBride says, “Frances is highly respected by her colleagues in the University Career Services and the College, in the Schools of Commerce, Curry, and Darden, and by the staff in Alumni Career Services”.....and Tom Fitch, associate dean McIntire School of Commerce says, “She exemplifies what a true career counselor should be, and the University is extremely fortunate to have her and her dedication.”**
- **Those of you who know her are probably aware that she is a runner.....what you probably don’t know is that for more than 20 years she has been a member and board member of the Charlottesville Track Club. In that role she helped organize and coordinate numerous running events to support local charities. In 2007, she received the Charlottesville Track Club’s Life Time Achievement Award – the most prestigious recognition a member of that organization can receive.**
- **It is with much appreciation that the School of Engineering and Applied Science honors Frances H. Hersey by presenting to her a 2011 School of Engineering and Applied Science Distinguished Service Award.**