

# *Virginia Walter L. Shell*

## *Business Teacher of the Year Award*

After Establishment of the Virginia Walter L. Shell Business Teacher of the Year Award by the former Virginia Tech Chapter of Delta Pi Epsilon, now Virginia Chapter, Delta Gamma, a national honorary professional graduate society in business education, VBEA makes an annual award to honor an outstanding business and information technology teacher in Virginia who exemplifies excellence in teaching. The award is presented at the annual business and information technology summer conference. Teachers, administrators, students, business persons, or interested citizens may nominate a candidate.

All business and information technology teachers in Virginia (except those at the post-secondary level) are eligible for the award. The nominee also should have been involved in some capacity in Virginia Business Education Association activities at the local and/or state level and must have been a member of VBEA for equivalent time of their business and information technology teaching experience. It is not necessary that nominees are graduates of Virginia Tech, that they are members of Delta Pi Epsilon, or that they are holders of a master's degree. Nominations should be submitted by **March 1** to: Robin M. Albrecht, Special Recognitions Chair/VBEA, Osbourn High School, 9005 Tudor Lane, Manassas, VA 20110; Ph: 571-377-7000, Fax: 703-257-8515.

Include the following when submitting a nomination:

1. A 3-ring notebook or other binder with documentation organized in a logical format and securely fastened.
2. A table of contents.
3. A letter of nomination by the person or persons nominating the candidate.
4. The nominee's data sheet containing the following:
  - a. Name, address, and phone number of nominee at the top
  - b. Education background: colleges attended, degrees, additional course work, workshops, conferences, etc.
  - c. Nominee's teaching experience: name of present school, length of service in present school, subjects taught, prior teaching experience, total length of service in teaching.
  - d. Evidence of outstanding teaching: innovative and creative activities, programs, projects; educational materials developed; interest in and concern for students; honors and awards.
  - e. Contributions to business education: membership and participation in professional organizations, involvement in workshops, conferences etc., FBLA responsibilities, other contributions.
5. Letters of recommendation:
  - a. Comments may be submitted from administrators, supervisors, fellow teachers, business people, students and other citizens in the community.

There are many worthy candidates in Virginia. Please do your part to bring recognition to a deserving educator by recommending a business and information technology teacher today!