

## *Virginia Walter L. Shell Business Teacher of the Year Award*

The former Virginia Tech Chapter of Delta Pi Epsilon, now Virginia Chapter, Delta Gamma, national honorary professional graduate society in business education, annually makes an award to honor an outstanding business teacher in Virginia who exemplifies excellence in teaching. Nominations are now being accepted for this year's award, which will be presented at the annual business education summer conference in August. Teachers, principals, students, business persons, or interested citizens may nominate a candidate.

1. All business teachers in Virginia (except those at the post-secondary level) are eligible for the award. 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: Malinda Hogan, Special Recognitions Chair/VBEA, Riverbend High School, 12301 Spotswood Furnace Road, Fredericksburg, VA 22407; Ph: 540-548-4051 ex 2234, Fax: 540-548-2964.

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 teacher today.