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**Andrews Hall  
and  
Seawater Research Laboratory**

*Dedication*

**Virginia Institute of Marine Science  
The College of William and Mary**

April 16, 2009

*Vision for the Future  
Marine Research Building Complex*

Thanks to a higher education bond passed by the Virginia voters in 2002, the \$31 million Marine Research Building Complex at VIMS is now a reality.

Andrews Hall is a state-of-the-art four-story building that includes thirty-nine laboratories, a distance-learning classroom, an electronics shop, conference rooms, and spaces for faculty, technicians, students, and visiting scientists. It consolidates the programs of the Biological, Physical and Fisheries Science Departments and houses the Aquaculture Genetics and Breeding Technology Center. Thanks to generous private donors, it also includes the Dominion Classroom, the Prizm Ace/David Clifford Autonomous Systems Laboratory, the Norfolk Dredging Company Laboratory, and the Norfolk Southern Submerged Aquatic Vegetation Laboratory.

Andrews Hall is named in honor of Cynthia and the late Senator Hunter B. Andrews '42, staunch supporters of the Virginia Institute of Marine Science and the College of William and Mary. Senator Andrews was among the Commonwealth's most compelling advocates for higher education and marine research during 32 years in the Virginia Senate, and his leadership on the College's Board of Visitors during the last two years of his life was a great boon to his alma mater. Cynthia Andrews' own passion for marine research made her an immeasurably valuable member of the VIMS Council for many years. Together, Cynthia and Hunter Andrews have helped VIMS become an internationally recognized marine research and education center.

The Seawater Research Laboratory, fed by an intake from the York River, will provide treated seawater to support state-mandated research on finfish and shellfish. It includes a multi-purpose space with numerous holding tanks, a disease-challenge facility, and a high bay for handling large oceanographic instruments, and biological safety laboratories that allow VIMS scientists to study aquatic pathogens and waterborne pollutants, including their effects on animal and human health.

These new buildings demonstrate the Commonwealth's visionary investment in the future of our marine resources. They also provide an environment for collaboration with industry. The research and education conducted here will benefit both citizens of the Commonwealth and citizens of the world.

*Contractor: W.M. Jordan Company  
Architect: Clark Nexsen Architecture & Engineering*

*Dedication Program*

**Welcome**

**Dr. John T. Wells**  
Director, Virginia Institute of Marine Science  
Dean, School of Marine Science

**Remarks**

**Michael K. Powell**  
Rector  
The College of William and Mary

**W. Taylor Reveley, III**  
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Governor, 1970-1974  
Commonwealth of Virginia  
Presenting Greetings from Governor Timothy M. Kaine

**The Honorable Harvey B. Morgan**  
Representative, House of Delegates  
Commonwealth of Virginia

**The Honorable Thomas K. Norment, Jr.**  
Senator, Senate of Virginia  
Commonwealth of Virginia

**Congressman Robert Wittman**  
1st Congressional District of Virginia  
United States Congress

**Michael K. Powell**  
Rector  
The College of William and Mary  
Presenting Greetings from Senator Mark R. Warner

**Closing Comments**

**Dr. John T. Wells**  
Director, Virginia Institute of Marine Science  
Dean, School of Marine Science

*Please join the VIMS faculty, staff, and students for the ribbon cutting ceremony and a reception at the Seawater Research Laboratory walkway's front entrance*

*Guests are also invited to guided tours of Andrews Hall*

# *In Appreciation*

*The Faculty, Staff and Students of the Virginia Institute of Marine Science and School of Marine Science would like to thank the following individuals who served on the Marine Research Building Complex Planning Committee as well as the many others who contributed to the development of the project.*

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