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ELIZABETH GASKINS LEADS JUNIOR VOLUNTEERS THIS SUMMER AT HALIFAX REGIONAL.

ROANOKE RAPIDS, NC (June 13, 2011)—Elizabeth Gaskins, a Roanoke Rapids native and senior at Peace College, has been named coordinator of the Junior Volunteer program at Halifax Regional this summer.

Gaskins is coordinating the activities of approximately 30 local high school students who are interested in careers in the healthcare industry. This summer they are working in various departments of the Medical Center, assisting employees in their field of interest.

“Their experience should be valuable to them in making decisions about their fields of study in college as well as enabling them to understand how a hospital operates,” said Gaskins.

“The Junior Volunteers have a busy summer, assisting with fundraisers such as the bake sale and raffle, along with their various clinical responsibilities,” added Gaskins. “We will celebrate Patient Care Day, an opportunity to demonstrate to patients that they are our first priority. Each patient will receive a “prayer bear” with four sentimental messages.”

Gaskins is majoring in biology at Peace College. “I’m finding that my experience at Halifax Regional is helping me in building relationships and interpersonal skills,” she says. “Managing the activities of the students is a valuable learning experience, and I hope the students will enjoy the opportunity to be a vital part of Halifax Regional this summer.”

A graduate of Roanoke Rapids High School, Gaskins is the daughter of Jan and Jon Gaskins.

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