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**Lisa Lynn Coleman**

Honors director, diversity advocate, book editor, journal reviewer, Virginia Woolf scholar, yoga and Pilates instructor—Lisa Coleman is a modern-day Renaissance woman.

Recently retired as English Professor and Honors Director at Southeastern Oklahoma State University, Lisa has been a moving force in the National Collegiate Honors Council for two decades. Most NCHC members know her as the instigator and implementer of the Diversity Forums at the annual conferences for the past fifteen years or so. An active member and often chair of the Diversity Committee during that time, she has also been contributing co-editor to two monographs on diversity in honors education: *Setting the Table for Diversity* (2010) and *Occupy Honors Education* (2017), both published in the NCHC Monograph Series. She has, in addition, been an advocate for diversity as a member of the NCHC Board of Directors and has published scholarly articles in *JNCHC* and *FYHC: First-Year Honors Composition*.

Many NCHC members have also gotten to know Lisa at daybreak, as she provides yoga instruction at the annual conferences. She gets NCHCers as well as herself in shape for days full of sedentary panels, meetings, and sessions, no doubt improving the quality and mood of conference-goers in recent years. She performs the same service to members of the Publications

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Board at their summer meetings, having served on the Pub Board since 1999 and on the editorial board of *Honors in Practice* since its inception in 2005.

What only a few NCHC members know about Lisa, however, is that she is a Virginia Woolf scholar. She has published book chapters and academic articles on Woolf as well as giving numerous papers and panel presentations at national as well as international conferences, most recently “Coming to Stillness: A Woolfian Meditation on Peace” at the 28th Annual International Conference on Virginia Woolf at the University of Kent in Canterbury, UK, in June of 2018.

With her soft voice and big laugh, Lisa has been a leader, teacher, and inspiration in the NCHC and far beyond. We gratefully dedicate this issue of *JNCHC* to our colleague Lisa Coleman.