## Staff Employee of the Week

## Kelly Woodward

**Kelly Woodward**, coordinator of alternative text format for <u>Services for Students with Disabilities</u>, has brought the level of service provision for students with disabilities into a whole new dimension, according to Susan Angle, director of Services for Students with Disabilities.

Her main responsibilities include securing text formats, such as audio books and e-books, and training students in the use of assistive technology. Additionally, she coordinates efforts between faculty, students and other departments on campus to accommodate her students, and establishes strong partnerships with Career Services to increase recruitment opportunities for students with disabilities.

"Woodward uses an interdisciplinary, collaborative approach to ensure that the student can access course materials in Braille, can demonstrate knowledge, and can make full use of



labs and other instructional materials," said Robyn Hudson, assistant director and academic coach

According to Angle, Woodward's other efforts include restructuring the delivery of the SDD services to accommodate the increase of students, while staying abreast of the ever-changing technology.

"Woodward's work allows Virginia Tech to provide cutting edge services that are virtually unprecedented among other universities," said Hudson.