

# Tusculum College Commencement

SATURDAY, MAY 10, 2014  
10 A.M.

DR. NANCY B. MOODY, PRESIDING

TEACHING EXCELLENCE AND  
CAMPUS LEADERSHIP AWARDS

Dr. Melinda Dukes  
Vice President for Academic Affairs

## \*PROCESSIONAL

Mr. Jon Shell and Mr. Ben Pollard  
Scottish Pipes

## \*COMMENCEMENT PROCESSION

The Marshal of the College  
The Golden Pioneers (Members of the Class of 1964)  
Junior Marshals  
The Class of May 2014  
The Faculty  
Members of the Board of Trustees  
The President's Party

## \*CONVENING OF THE COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

Dr. Donal Sexton  
Faculty Marshal

## \*INVOCATION

The Rev. Dr. Daniel M. Donaldson  
Pastor, First Presbyterian Church of Greeneville and Tusculum College Trustee

(Please be seated)

## GREETINGS AND COMMENTS

Dr. Nancy B. Moody  
President

## COMMENCEMENT ADDRESSES

### Introduction

Dr. Scott Niswonger '87 H'06  
Principal, Landair Holdings, Inc. and Tusculum College Trustee

### Address

U.S. Representative Phil Roe

### Introduction

Dr. Moody

### Representatives of the Class of 2014

Ms. Ashley Sarmiento  
Ms. Suzanne Richey

## RECOGNITION OF FACULTY

Dr. Moody

## RECOGNITION OF GOLDEN PIONEERS

Dr. Moody

## PRESENTATION OF SENIOR CLASS GIFT

Ms. Addie Hancock  
Mr. Cliff Ott

## CONFERRAL OF DEGREES

Dr. Moody

Dr. Dukes

Ms. Jones

## \*ALMA MATER

'Neath oaks that so long have stood watching,  
Oh halls of our college, ye stand;  
Afar on the distant horizon,  
The Smokies rise, lofty and grand.  
With beauties of nature surrounded,  
Two centuries' memories thine;  
And so, oh our college, we love thee,  
Close 'round thee our heartstrings entwine.

Oh days in the old Alma Mater  
Spent in classrooms, on campus, or track;  
Each one full of tasks and of pleasure,  
Once gone, they can never come back.  
Then sing while the days are still passing,  
With voices exultant and free;  
Fair Tusculum our college forever!  
All hail, Alma Mater, to thee!

Charles Oliver Gray, Jr. '17, Hon. '28

## \*BENEDICTION

Dr. Donaldson

## †RECESSIONAL

Mr. Shell and Mr. Pollard

Faculty Marshal  
Accompanist

Dr. Donal Sexton  
Mr. James Winfree

## JUNIOR MARSHALS

Mr. Owen Hensley  
Ms. Andrea Wilcox

\*audience standing

† Please remain standing until the graduates and faculty have left the arena

# *History and Traditions*

In 1794, the Rev. Hezekiah Balch founded Greeneville College. In 1818, the Rev. Samuel Doak and his son, the Rev. Samuel Witherspoon Doak, established Tusculum Academy. Greeneville College did not reopen following the Civil War, and it merged in 1868 with Tusculum College, forming Greeneville and Tusculum College.

In 1908, the College's name changed again with the merger with Washington College which had been founded by Rev. Doak in 1780 as Martin's Academy. The new name was Washington and Tusculum College. This merger ended in 1912.

Tusculum College is thus recognized as the oldest college in Tennessee and the oldest co-educational college affiliated with the Presbyterian Church (USA). Tusculum is the 23<sup>rd</sup> oldest operating college in the country.

The College colors of orange and black are taken from the colors of Princeton University (College of New Jersey), the institution from which Rev. Balch and Rev. Doak graduated.

Tusculum was named by Rev. Doak to recognize the home of president of the College of New Jersey, the Rev. Jonathan Witherspoon – a signer of the Declaration of Independence. The name Tusculum comes from a community near Rome, Italy, that was the home of the Roman educator and philosopher Cicero who, along with others, identified the Civic Virtues that form the bases of the civic republican tradition. That tradition emphasizes citizens working together to form good societies that in turn nurture individuals of good character.

The dress of the academic procession reaches back to the Middle Ages. First in the Church, then in guilds, academic life revolved around the Master of Arts, where the Bachelor was the apprentice of the Master. When the Academic Costume Code is followed, it is possible to identify the highest degree which the wearer holds, the college or university that awarded it, and the course of study. The distinguishing features are the cut of the gown, the color of the tassel on the cap, and the lengths and colors of the hood.

The Mace Bearer carries the mace which is a symbol of the College's authority. His purpose is to defend the President of the College. The Mace Bearer must always be in sight of the President. The presence of the mace indicates the college faculty is present to conduct formal business.

Bachelor's degree honors recipients wear, in addition to the standard academic regalia, cords designating grade point average: black for 3.5 to 3.74, orange for 3.75 to 3.94, and gold for 3.95 to 4.0. Graduate students earning a 4.0 GPA wear a gold cord and tassel. Graduate students earning a 3.95 -3.99 GPA wear a gold cord. Bachelor of Arts recipients who are members of the Alpha Chi Honor Society wear blue and green cords. Recipients of Bachelor's and Master's degrees who are members of the Omicron Psi Honor Society wear blue and gold cords. Bonner Leaders wear sage green and silver cords. Members of Iota Tau Alpha, the national honor society in athletic training, wear a blue, red, and yellow cord. Members of the President's Society wear cords of orange and silver intertwined.

# TUSCULUM COLLEGE



## *THE SPRING* COMMENCEMENT

10 A.M.  
MAY 10, 2014  
PIONEER ARENA, NISWONGER COMMONS  
DR. NANCY B. MOODY, PRESIDING

# Degree Candidates

10 A.M., Saturday, May 10, 2014

## **MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION CONCENTRATION**

Richard Bradley Gator Crawford  
Joshua Daniel Edens  
Heather Nicole LeMay Garrett  
Heather S. Hawkins  
Kyleah Graham Mauk  
Sandra Jordan Voiles  
Candace Leigh Wiggin, High Honors  
Jessica Hawkins Wilson

## **MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION CONCENTRATION WITH AN EMPHASIS IN SPECIAL EDUCATION**

Marcie Lynn Stuart

## **MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION ORGANIZATIONAL TRAINING AND EDUCATION CONCENTRATION**

Daniel Thomas Gallogly  
Suzanne Slagle Richey, Honors  
Lindsey Suzanne Seal

## **MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT CONCENTRATION**

Michael Kenneth Fawley, Honors  
Nicole R. Geier  
Oliver Dale Gooden, Honors  
Joy Michelle Heard, Honors  
Sara Meadows, High Honors  
Kimberly Carlstrom Moore, High Honors  
Lana Charae Sharp

## **MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING**

Kelley Joann Adkins  
Caitlin Marie Hatfield  
Jennifer Lesley New  
Douglas Forrest Reynolds  
Amanda Marie Wells  
Cayla Marie Wilson  
  
James Henry Bolton  
Stephen Blake Childs  
Tyler David Jenkins, Honors  
Joseph David Morelock  
Caleb Daniel Williamson, Honors  
Kristi Michelle Witt, Honors  
Tyler David Woodruff

Jennifer Leigh Blanton, Honors  
Jessica Smith Depew  
Cheyenne Nicole Hartman  
Chelsey LaChe' Holt, Honors  
Edna Sue Morgan  
Adam David Musgrove  
Angela Elaine Nichols  
Kayla Nicole Potter, High Honors  
Paige Yvette Thornburg

Joseph Edward Byrd  
Kerry Davidson Gatlin, High Honors  
Sara Rae Jarnagin, Honors  
Francis Nicole Pike, High Honors  
Kenneth Frederick York

## **BACHELOR OF ARTS**

Brian James Alexander  
Robert Britton Arrowood, Summa Cum Laude\*  
Jeffrey Lavone Booker, Jr.  
Katelyn Marie Brennan, Magna Cum Laude  
Robert Herchell Bridges  
Kim Caroline Brown, Magna Cum Laude\*  
Christopher Diquone Burns  
Jade Rochelle Bussell  
Ryan James Byars, Summa Cum Laude\*  
Shanice Hyacinth Campbell  
Katie Elisabeth Capel, Cum Laude  
Zachery Allen Carlson  
Sarah M. Clabo, Summa Cum Laude\*  
James Eugene Clay  
Heath C. Comerford  
John Zach Conlon, Cum Laude  
Tripper Denby Crisson  
Kyle Lewis Dickey  
Thomas Codie Fleming, Cum Laude\*  
Addison Scott Flynn  
Aaron Edwin Franklin  
Ashley Nicole Fritz†  
Megan N. Gillland  
Carolee Hale  
Addie Moore Hancock, Magna Cum Laude\*  
Shaquita Renee Harris, Cum Laude  
Tamara Denee Harris  
Logan Michael Haynes  
Dameon Franz Herring  
Victoria Lael Hill  
Jacenta Chyeata Holtscraw, Cum Laude  
Sara Chesnee Howard, Cum Laude  
Wesley Samuel Humes

\* Alpha Chi National Honor Society member

† Honors Program Graduate

Jaza Deshae Hutchins  
Jessica Kagias  
Pamela Rae' Keen, Cum Laude\*  
Kristen C. Kelley, Cum Laude  
Kelly Elizabeth King  
Lily Lam  
Kristen Nicole Lane, Magna Cum Laude  
Virginia Victoria Lay  
Trevor Aaron Long  
Trevor John Lund  
Isiah Lyman, Cum Laude†  
Russell Neal Matthews, Cum Laude  
Britany Lauran Menken  
Lee-ann Nicole Mc George  
John David Miller  
Samantha Miller  
Craig R. Mills  
David Marcelo Montes  
Perry Morgan  
McKayla Grace Myers, Magna Cum Laude\*  
Jonathan Michael Nash, Magna Cum Laude\*  
Amy Michelle Neltner  
Maria DeShawn Nesbitt  
Jacob Amiel Norris  
Dakota Lee Norton, Cum Laude  
Hilary Grace Ann Nowatzki, Magna Cum  
Laude\*†  
Cierra Ockstadt, Magna Cum Laude\*  
Theodore C. Oing, Cum Laude\*  
Matthew Alan Olson, Magna Cum Laude  
Jordan Lynn Ottinger, Magna Cum Laude\*†  
Bonnie Joy Parks, Cum Laude  
Monica F. Perez, Cum Laude  
Edward David Perkins  
Taira Nichole Peters  
Israel Christainsen Pickens  
Bailee Lynn Price  
Warren Eugene Rafiel  
Logan William Ratliff  
Leneice L. Rice, Cum Laude\*  
Billy Eugene Robinson, III  
Jennifer P. Rossiter, Magna Cum Laude\*  
Gulianna Maria Ryder  
Ashley Nicole Sarmiento, Magna Cum Laude\*  
Michael Douglas Scott, Cum Laude\*  
Zachary Allen Self  
Trenikia Shelton  
John-Austin Shepard  
Emily Grace Shipsey, Cum Laude  
Jessyca Regina Simerly, Cum Laude  
William James Sivyver Jr., Cum Laude  
Torrey Garth Slaven

\*\*Alpha Chi National Honor Society Member

† Honors Program Graduate

Christopher J. Smith  
Paige Nicole Sneed  
Greggory Aze Southerland  
Nicholas Hayworth Spinks  
Mathes Cade Stallings  
Latisha Nichole Stover  
Shonya Delora Kachele Swatzell  
John Michael Taylor  
Alexandria Robin-Jean Walker  
Felicia Renae Waters  
Zechariah Aaron Wesley  
Angel E. West, Magna Cum Laude  
Carly Joyce Whitman  
Ona Elisha Lynn Wilder, Cum Laude  
Dawn Marie Winchester, Cum Laude  
Destini Shea Wingerter, Magna Cum Laude\*  
Jeffery Tyler Yount  
Zoe-Elizabeth Parke Andrews, Magna Cum  
Laude  
Erika Marie Chamberlin, Magna Cum Laude  
Wendy Ann Cox, Cum Laude  
Timothy Scott Croft, Magna Cum Laude  
Jessica Leigh Raxter, Cum Laude  
Michelle Lynn Thomas-George  
Rachel Gwen Todd, Cum Laude  
Richard Tyler Hill  
Adam Darren Hunley  
Lisa Blackburn Ogle  
J. Katherine Rice, Cum Laude  
Ashley Nicole Ross  
Scott Alexander Turpin  
Peggy Jill Burgner, Summa Cum Laude  
Lindsey Brooke Hayes  
Kalen Johnson Latta  
Ashley Nicole Marshall, Cum Laude  
Susanne Michelle Rinkel, Cum Laude  
Brandon Loyd Sizemore  
Tiffany Machel Webb  
Crystal Williams Brewer, Magna Cum Laude  
Kala Suzanne Caldwell, Cum Laude  
Dustin Michael Cansler  
David Michael Cox  
Teresa Patricia Gilland, Cum Laude  
Candice Rena' Harris  
Valerie LeeAnn Heater, Magna Cum Laude  
Jacqueline Marx O'Toole, Magna Cum Laude  
Tammy Annette Ricker  
Jordan Meredith Rios  
Carrie Jane Watts, Cum Laude  
Lindsey Nichole Watts, Magna Cum Laude  
Cara Sue Whitson