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## The Homecoming Convocation

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PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

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THEME: *"Operation Success: Prairie View's Contribution to the  
American Bicentennial"*

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*The 1976 Golden Anniversary*  
Homecoming Convocation

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1976 AT 9:30 A.M.

HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION BUILDING



Prairie View A&M University  
Prairie View, Texas

## PRAIRIE VIEW'S CHALLENGE

*Of all the places you'll journey to,  
You'll not find one as grand  
As is the famous Prairie View  
Better known as PANTHERLAND.*

*Men from every walk of life  
Have passed through her doors of fame.  
They've struggled through the rank and file,  
And now they've earned a name.*

*From city streets to kingly thrones  
They've followed right in line  
But now that torch we must bear  
And go forth to meet the time.*

*If Prairie View's to be great,  
As it was in the past,  
We must communicate to others  
In a way that will forever last.*

*We must tell them not in words of vain;  
We must tell them in words of wrath.  
But if our lives become the light.  
Then they will choose our path.*

*And so I make a plea today  
That you will take a stand  
And work to make a better school.  
A better PANTHERLAND.*

—HAROLD J. HAYNES  
Class of '73

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WHEN YOU SUPPORT YOUR HOMECOMING ACTIVITIES . . .

YOU SUPPORT YOUR PRAIRIE VIEW DEVELOPMENT FUND . . .

WHICH SUPPORTS YOU . . .

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PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

*The Golden Anniversary Class of 1926*

|                           |                         |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Alexander, Mrs. Josephine | Mills, Mrs. Helen Ruth  |
| Alton, Irving             | Patton, Lesile          |
| Anderson, Granville       | Porter, Gladys          |
| Archie, Allene            | Price, Algice           |
| Archie, Christine         | Roberts, Ursuline       |
| Arthur, William           | Rowe, Powdrill          |
| Barrens, Grady            | Richardson, L. V.       |
| Bremby, Booker T. W.      | Robinson, Judson        |
| Brown, Ruth               | Sanders, Malvina Rose   |
| Buchanan, Odissa          | Sanders, Gaston O., Jr. |
| Burch, Ruby Frances       | Sells, Halloway C.      |
| Butler, Jesse             | Scott, Inez C.          |
| Curtis, Jonathan          | Simpson, Frank          |
| Dedmon, Johnnie F.        | Stewart, Gladys         |
| Dorsey, Gerald            | Sykes, Princella        |
| Evans, Mrs. Lucille L.    | Thomas, Frank W.        |
| Edward, Mrs. Louise H.    | Thomas, Sam             |
| Foreman, Rochelle B.      | Townsend, Ruby          |
| Fisher, Bertha            | Turner, Ernestine       |
| Grimes, Zelema            | Walker, Lucllustine     |
| Humphrey, William         | Walker, Piccola         |
| Hunter, Ira T.            | Walton, Cedar           |
| Jeter, Curtis             | Watkins, Mark H.        |
| Jingless, Annie Mae       | Wright, Snodie M.       |
| Jones, Joshua             | Young, Mabel            |
| Mason, Otis A.            |                         |

# PROGRAM

*Presiding:* SIDNEY HICKS  
President, Student Senate

PRELUDE..... THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT  
Prairie View A&M University

INVOCATION..... FATHER CHARLES E. McMAHON, S.S.J.  
St. Martin DePorres Catholic Church and  
United Ministries, Prairie View A&M University

MUSICAL SELECTION..... THE UNIVERSITY CHORALE  
DR. ROBERT HENRY, *Director*  
Chairman, Music Department  
Prairie View A&M University

GREETINGS: "The Undergraduate Students"..... MISS JAMIE DOOLEY  
Freshman, Prairie View A&M University

"Graduate Students"..... MISS VERA THOMAS  
Graduate Student, Field of Education

"Faculty"..... MR. J. J. WOODS  
College of Agriculture, Prairie View A&M University

MUSICAL SELECTION..... THE UNIVERSITY CHORALE

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER..... SHELLEY ANN TOWNSEND  
"Miss Prairie View," 1976-77

ADDRESS: "Operation Success: Prairie View's Contribution to Producing  
Productive People During the Past Fifty Years"  
MRS. LUCELUSTINE (WALKER) WILSON, '26  
Chairman of the Golden Anniversary  
Homecoming Committee  
Prairie View, Texas

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS TO THE UNIVERSITY DEVELOPMENT FUND  
FREDERICK ROBERTS, Bahamas-Prairie View Student Association, Prairie View A&M  
University

DR. MATTIE LONDOW, President, Prairie View Local Alumni Club, Prairie View A&M  
University, Prairie View, Texas

REMARKS..... DR. ALVIN I. THOMAS  
President, Prairie View A&M University

ALMA MATER: "Dear Prairie View"

BENEDICTION..... FATHER CHARLES McMAHON, S.S.J.

## ALMA MATER — “Dear Prairie View”

Dear Prairie View, Our song to thee we raise  
In gratitude we sing our hymn of praise  
For mem'ries dear, for friends and recollections,  
For lessons learned while here we've lived with thee,  
For these we pledge our hearts full of devotion  
To serve thee now, and through eternity.

As days go by our hearts will not grow cold,  
We'll love Thy purple royal and Thy gold,  
We'll through our lives exemplify thy teachings,  
We'll always strive a blessing to be.  
Thy children we our love and pride confessing,  
We'll love Thee now, and through eternity.

Music from “*Finlandia*” by *Sibelius*

Words by *O. Anderson Fuller*