

Prairie View A&M University

Digital Commons @PVAMU

---

Commencement and Convocation Exercises

Academic Affairs Collections

---

11-6-1980

## Homecoming Convocation Exercises - November 1980

Prairie View A&M University

Follow this and additional works at: <https://digitalcommons.pvamu.edu/academic-affairs>

---

### Recommended Citation

Prairie View A&M University. (1980). Homecoming Convocation Exercises - November 1980. Retrieved from <https://digitalcommons.pvamu.edu/academic-affairs/219>

This Conference Proceeding is brought to you for free and open access by the Academic Affairs Collections at Digital Commons @PVAMU. It has been accepted for inclusion in Commencement and Convocation Exercises by an authorized administrator of Digital Commons @PVAMU. For more information, please contact [hvkoshy@pvamu.edu](mailto:hvkoshy@pvamu.edu).

PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS  
(A PART OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM)

---

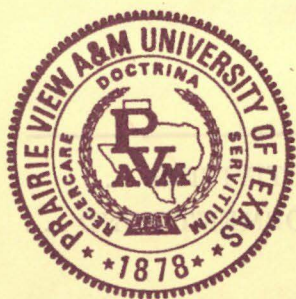
THEME: *PVAMU: Pathway to Success*

---

*The Golden Anniversary*  
Homecoming Convocation

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1980 AT 10:00 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 know 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

---

WHEN YOU SUPPORT YOUR HOMECOMING ACTIVITIES . . .  
YOU SUPPORT YOUR PRAIRIE VIEW DEVELOPMENT FUND . . .  
WHICH SUPPORT YOU . . .

---

# PROGRAM

*Presiding:* WALTER SWINDELL, '81  
President, Student Senate

PRELUDE

INVOCATION ..... THE REVEREND DARNELL WALKER, '60  
Pastor, First United Methodist Church  
Prairie View, Texas

MUSICAL SELECTION: "Creating Me" ..... *Brahms*  
The University Chorale

GREETINGS:

"Undergraduate Students" ..... MR. ROLAND STATON, '83  
Sophomore, College of Business

"Graduate Students" ..... MISS CAROLYN WHEATFALL, '81  
Graduate Student, MBA Program

"Faculty" ..... DR. CECIL STRICKLAND, '60  
College of Agriculture  
Prairie View A&M University

MUSICAL SELECTION: "Behold the Star" ..... *arr by Dawson*  
The University Chorale

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER ..... MISS NATALIE MCKINNEY  
Miss Prairie View 1980-81

ADDRESS ..... MR. J. CHRISTOPHER SULLIVAN, '53  
Member, Screen Actors Guild

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS TO THE  
UNIVERSITY DEVELOPMENT FUND

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

BENEDICTION ..... THE REVEREND MR. WALKER

ALMA MATER: "Dear Prairie View" ..... *Sibelius-Fuller*

# THE GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY CLASS OF '30

Abernethy, Oswald C.  
 Anderson, Israel Thomas  
 Arnold, Robert V.  
 Beal, Marie Leonane  
 Blackmon, Myrtle Helen  
 Branch, Woodie L.  
 Bryant, Willie Russell  
 Clark, Juanita M.  
 Cameron, Julius W., Jr.  
 Clement, Vera Mae  
 Collins, Alvin Lindsay  
 Colter, Onnie L.  
 Colvin, Annie Mary  
 Cotton, Earle Mae  
 Cox, Hattie Louise  
 Craig, Cammie A.  
 Dailey, James Eldredge  
 Dix, Eugene  
 Figa, M. McKinley  
 Fleming, Ruth B.  
 Freeman, W. E. D.  
 Gaston, Ira Mildred  
 Givens, Evester  
 Greene, Lucyle Helen  
 Harris, Eleanor Josephine  
 Harris, Phillis  
 Henry, Artye Meka

Hill, Ethel E.  
 Hilliard, Boby W.  
 Hines, Ellouise  
 Jenkins, Hattie Marie  
 Jenkins, Juanita  
 Johnson, James L.  
 Johnson, Robert Judson  
 Jones, Thelma Robin  
 Kelley, Evelyn Louise  
 Kennedy, Leonard M.  
 Lawrence, Odis B.  
 Lee, Dora Myrtle  
 Lee, James Frank  
 Lewis, Marion  
 Lewis, Willie J.  
 Martin, Sally  
 McCall, Lois Bernice  
 McCutcheon, Alberta Jean  
 McKinney, Olivia Sylvia  
 McLean, Early D.  
 Moore, Eva Doris  
 Moore, Gladys Minerva  
 Moore, Rosa Lee  
 Myers, Saora Eulalia  
 Outley, Odessa Lee  
 Pollard, Clara Jonquil  
 Polk, Allie B.

Poston, Ernestine A.  
 Prince, Samuel Walter  
 Prince, Walter  
 Rector, Cornetta Margaret  
 Reese, Mattie Elizabeth  
 Rush, Rubye L.  
 Sanders, John Gregory  
 Sessums, Thelma Navarrisa  
 Sewell, Alma Lee  
 Simon, Marguerita Lucyle  
 Simpson, William F.  
 Smith, Victoria Davis  
 Spiller, Myrtis Imogene  
 Staton, Henry  
 Tamplin, Annie E.  
 Taylor, B. J. Hammon  
 Thomas, Clemmie C.  
 Thompson, Lola B.  
 Treadville, Ida Mae  
 Townsend, Madge O.  
 Turner, Veora C.  
 Van Dyke, Juanita Margaret  
 Waldon, Minyon Catherine  
 Wallace, Elneita B.  
 Washington, Lela Joyce  
 Watson, Minnie Stockton  
 White, Otis T.

## AUGUST

Anderson, Archibald  
 Armstrong, Ira E.  
 Atkinson, Carrie A.  
 Austin, Lillie Taylor  
 Bandy, Lois  
 Barard, Minnie B. Miligan  
 Birdwell, Mary Francis T.  
 Bluit, Leroy  
 Bowles, Ella Mae  
 Bridgman, Pinkie Yates  
 Burgess, Desdemona W. Bryant  
 Buchanan, Lister  
 Burleston, Texana  
 Burnes, Estella P.  
 Burr, Fannie Earnestine  
 Charles, Beessie V.  
 Coleman, Birdie Castle-Padgett  
 Cox, Ruth Eleanor  
 Dozier, Mayme Flood  
 Criswell, Sallie  
 Crosby, Bessie Mae  
 Davis, Hattie Maud  
 Davis, Eula M. Visor  
 Davis, Mary Etta  
 Davis, Rosella E.  
 Derry, Mattie Smith  
 Drisdale, Willie L.  
 Dunn, Adeline E.  
 Easter, Rosie Lee Burke  
 Edwards, George W., Jr.  
 Elliott, Ella B.

Ellis, Lula B.  
 Fair, Eugene  
 Fitzgerald, Franklena B.  
 Ford, Bonnie Ella  
 Fox, Annie Virda  
 Fry, Ethel M. Phillips  
 Henry, Pauline M. Watkins  
 Hines, Carl J.  
 Holley, Irene  
 Holley, Thomas L.  
 Jackson, E. Magnolia  
 Johnson, Bessie Hallowell  
 Johnson, Mary A.  
 Johnson, W. L. D.  
 Jolley, Lee Goree  
 Jordan, Lucile B.  
 Lacour, Mabel Allean  
 Lane, Cecelia Scott  
 Lee, Tommie Eliza  
 Lemons, Lillie E.  
 Lewis, L. E.  
 Lott, Jessie L.  
 McVea, Lola C. Dibrell  
 Mitchell, Mabel Wells  
 Money, Ethel T.  
 Neal, Mattie Helen  
 Parrish, Steve O.  
 Patterson, Sarah R. S.  
 Pemberton, Lolaretta E.  
 Pendleton, Rachel Helens  
 Phillips, Geneva Evangeline

Pleasantd, Lillian Savannah  
 Polk, Ollie M.  
 Ragsdale, Bertha Reed  
 Reese, Goldie Bernice  
 Reid, James  
 Reid, Maggie E. C.  
 Renfro, Francise  
 Roberts, Ira Kilpatrick  
 Roberts, Thomasina C. Isaacs  
 Robinson, F. William  
 Sanderson, Annie V. Johnson  
 Sanderson, James Charles S.  
 Saynes, Neal Edwin  
 Scallion, Helma  
 Sheffield, Bessie A. Perpener  
 Simmons, Lewis Anderson  
 Stiles, Esther A.  
 Stokes, Pearl O.  
 Tarrow, Etheline Annie  
 Terrell, Nancy Enola Rea  
 Thomas, Mon M.  
 Urquhart, Alecia Victoria  
 Wallas, Bessie Blackburn  
 Washington, Viola Dellores  
 Webb, Ivor Vera  
 Wesley, Mabel  
 White, Fannie Inez Bryant  
 Williams, Simmie B.  
 Williams, Annie Ethel  
 William, Ike  
 Wright, Ruth Nunley

## 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