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#### PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY (A Part of the Texas A&M University System)

THEME: "Quality Teaching, Quality Learning"

Summer Convocation



# TUESDAY, JUNE 29, 1982 AT 10:00 A.M. HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION BUILDING PRAIRIE VIEW, TEXAS

#### DR. IVORY V. NELSON, Acting President (Our New Chief Administrator)

On March 23, 1982, the Texas A&M University System Board of Regents named Dr. Ivory V. Nelson as Acting President of Prairie View A&M University. His appointment came as a result of the reassignment of Dr. Alvin I. Thomas from the Office of President to that of Executive Vice-President for Facilities and Development.

Dr. Nelson joined the Prairie View A&M University staff in 1968 as Professor of Chemistry and Assistant Academic Dean. He held those positions until 1971 when he was named Professor and Vice-President for Research and Special Programs at Prairie View.

During his tenure at Prairie View A&M University Dr. Nelson wrote the proposal for funding to design and establish the Learning Resources Center, established the university's IBM 4331 Computer System, participated in the development and formulation of the university's Desegregation Plan which is part of the Texas Desegregation Plan, and personally wrote and had funded twenty-nine research and educational proposals.

The 47-year-old Louisiana native is a magna cum laude graduate of Grambling State University with a major in Chemistry and earned the doctoral degree summa cum laude from the University of Kansas with a major in Analytical Chemistry and a minor in Mathematics. He holds honorary memberships in Phi Beta Kappa, Honor Society; Phi Lambda Upsilon, Honorary Chemical Society; Beta Kappa Chi, Scientific Honor Society; Alpha Mu Gamma, Foreign Language Honor Society; Kappa Delta Pi, Education Honor Society; and Sigma Pi Sigma, Physics Honor Society. Dr. Nelson also holds memberships in Phi Delta Kappa, the Agriculture Research Institute, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. Dr. Nelson was a Fulbright Professor at the Universidad de Guadalajara.

Dr. Nelson and his wife, Clotiel, have two daughters, Cherlyn and Karyn.

## PROGRAM

#### Presiding: DOUGLAS MALONE

Member, Student Senate Association

PRELUDE	Music Department Prairie View A&M University
INVOCATION	THE REVEREND THERMAN TAYLOR Director, Wesley Foundation Prairie View A&M University
MUSIC	Music Department Prairie View A&M University

DRAMATIC PRESENTATION: " Getting Over Is Not Making It"

Author and Director: MR. C. LEE TURNER

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Featuring:	TERRY SPIVEY		TYRONE GRANT
	PAUL OSBORNE		PAMELA PURNELL
	DONNA STEWART		SHANTILATA STONE
		Aldo Putman	

NTRODUCTION O	F SPEAKER	Miss	TRISHA M. BURSEY "Miss Prairie View"

MUSICAL SELECTION: "If You Believe" ...... MISS M. BURSEY

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Miss Prairie View will be displaying her talent at the Miss Texas Scholarship Pageant on July 7, 1982. There will be a chartered bus leaving the campus at 2:00 p.m. If you would like to attend, sign up in room 202 Memorial Center. Fee \$13.50 (This includes: Round trip fare, Ticket to Pageant and Party Lunch).

### 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 though our lives exemplify thy teaching, We'll always strive a blessing to be, Thy children we, our love and pride confessing, We'll love thee now, and through eternity.

> Words by O. Anderson Fuller Music from "Finlandia" by Sibelius

Ushers for today are members of the Junior Fellow Association.