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PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

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THEME: *"Prairie View Produces Productive People"*

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# PRESIDENT'S CONVOCATION

FOR ALL STUDENTS



TUESDAY, JULY 2, 1974 AT 10:00 A.M.

HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION BUILDING

PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

Prairie View, Texas

## YOU AND YOUR UNIVERSITY — THE PHILOSOPHY

Prairie View A&M University is a residential University and operates under the philosophy that personal and social development of the student is of paramount importance. With this in mind the aims and objectives of the residential University. . . .

1. To develop a community of scholars consisting of students and faculty.
2. To provide an environment where students may achieve the optimal personal and social development.
3. To provide for the maximum intellectual development of the student.
4. To provide each student with salable skills in a vocation or group of vocations.
5. To assist each student to become a leader in his generation.
6. To assist each student to make the best of his resources in the University and in later life.
7. To assist each student in becoming an over-achiever.
8. To develop in students a moral concern for others and a concept of service to others.
9. To develop responsible citizens who will contribute to the democratic life.
10. To have the entire campus (including residence halls) serve as a center of learning as well as a center of wholesome living.

# PROGRAM

*Presiding:* SAMUEL KNIGHT  
Junior Fellow, Holley Hall

- PRELUDE ..... MUSIC DEPARTMENT  
Prairie View A&M University
- INVOCATION ..... THE REVEREND STEVE SUMMERS  
Chaplain, Church of Christ  
Prairie View A&M University
- INSTRUMENTAL SELECTION ..... SHERMAN WILLIAMS
- GREETINGS: "The Undergraduate Students" ..... DEBORAH HINDMAN  
Junior Fellow, Banks Hall
- "Graduate Students" ..... MARY ANN COBB  
Graduate Student
- "Faculty" ..... DR. THEODIS SHINE  
Professor of English  
Prairie View A&M University
- VOCAL SELECTION: "Tu Che di Gel" ..... *Puccini*  
RHONDA B. KEATTS — *Accompanist*, LELA ANDERSON
- INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER ..... MARY WASHINGTON  
Miss Prairie View 1974-75
- ADDRESS: "Prairie View Produces Productive People" ..... DR. A. I. THOMAS  
President, Prairie View A&M University
- ALMA MATER: "Dear Prairie View"
- BENEDICTION ..... THE REVEREND W. VAN JOHNSON  
Dean of Chapel  
Prairie View A&M University



## 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 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