Parents and Guardians Convocation Exercises - September 1979

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WELCOME TO THE

Thirteenth Annual . . .
Parents and Guardians Convocation

sponsored by

PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

and

PRAIRIE VIEW ASSOCIATION OF
PARENTS AND GUARDIANS

THEME: "Partners in Producing Productive People"

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 1979
7:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.
Health and Physical Education Building
Prairie View, Texas
Historically, Prairie View A&M University has distinguished itself as an institution designed to serve the needs of Texas, the Nation and many areas of the world. Throughout the early years, Prairie View served Black students, particularly, and its many programs were aimed at building and improving Black communities.

More recently, the University has been called upon to provide open access to higher education for individuals regardless of race, age, creed, color, cultural distinction, national origin or physical handicap. At the same time, the societal mission of the institution has broadened. The University has constantly sought to achieve excellence and has continued to effectively relate to the needs of students and parents.

While other institutions have grown impersonal and have moved farther away from students and parents, Prairie View has continued to establish avenues which lead to a closer relationship with both parents and students. The establishment of the Prairie View Association of Parents and Guardians in 1968 is an example of this endeavor.

The primary objective of the Prairie View Association of Parents and Guardians is to sensitize parents to the needs of students as well as to afford an opportunity for parents to assist the institution in meeting these needs. Parents have responded to this mission in three ways: (1) By becoming acquainted with the program of the University, (2) By understanding the role of the program in the personal and educational development of their sons and daughters, and (3) By supporting the University in its efforts to provide a quality program of educational activities for each student.

Since its inception, the Prairie View Association of Parents and Guardians has kept parents informed of the growth and development of the University, as well as of its needs. The participation of parents in university affairs has been encouraged through the design of special activities and programs. These activities and programs include the Parents Convocation which is held at the opening of school in the Fall and the Annual Spring Parents Day Conference. Parents have also had an opportunity to contribute financially through their contributions to the University Development Fund.

The Prairie View Association of Parents and Guardians will continue to envision programs in which the goals of both the University, students and parents can be met. The University will also continue to successfully relate to these goals.

As an institution established to meet the needs of Black Americans, and as one now serving a predominantly minority clientele, Prairie View A&M University is undoubtedly meeting a special need of society. The success of the institution's service record is evidenced in its growth and development. Very few would deny that Prairie View A&M University has served well in its multiplicity of functions.
PARENTS CONVOCATION

8:30-10:50 A.M.  REGISTRATION  Field House Rotunda
   Student Advisement
   Listing of Books and Prices
   Financial Aid Information
   General Academic Information

11:00 A.M.-12:00 M.  RELIGIOUS WORSHIP  Field House
   The Reverend W. Van Johnson, Dean of the Chapel
   Prairie View A&M University

NOTE.—1:00 -3:00 P.M.  REGISTRATION CLOSED

12:15- 1:15 P.M.  LUNCHEON  Alumni Hall
   (Parents, Students, Faculty Eat Together)

1:30- 3:00 P.M.  SPECIAL CONVOCATION WITH THE PRESIDENT
   Presiding: Nikki Torian
   (Miss Prairie View, 1979-80)

PREFLUDE  Music Department

INVOCATION  Father James L. Sproate
   Minister of St. Francis Episcopal Church
   Prairie View, Texas

MUSICAL SELECTION  Music Department

GREETINGS:
   Student Senate  Susan Carmon
   Memorial Center Board  Keith Green
   Greek Letter Organization  J. D. Williams
   Women's Council  Helen Wiltz
   Athletics  Debra Melrose
   Junior Fellow Organization  Quintin Bullock
   United Men's Congress  Robert Benford

MUSICAL SELECTION  Music Department

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER
   Nikki Torian
   Miss Prairie View 1979-80

SPECIAL CONVOCATION ADDRESS  Dr. A. I. Thomas
   President, Prairie View A&M University

ANNOUNCEMENTS  Mrs. Delia M. Hunt

ALMA MATER (See Back Page)  Music Department

BENEDICTION  Father James L. Sproate

4:00- 5:30 P.M.  RECEPTION  President's Campus House

5:30- 6:30 P.M.  DINNER

NOTE.—2:45-5:30 P.M.  REGISTRATION PROCEDURE
PARENTS AND GUARDIANS PLANNING COMMITTEE

Mrs. Delia M. Hunt, Chairman
The Reverend W. Van Johnson, Co-Chairman

Dr. Dymple C. Cooksey, Secretary  Mr. Ellery Stevenson
Mr. Hubert D. Smith            Mrs. Mary Guillory
Mrs. Ruth Arnold               Mrs. R. L. Evans
Dr. Gwendolyn Grossman         Mrs. Mary E. Evans
Mr. J. R. Phillips             Miss Nikki Torian*

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 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

* Student committee member
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

PARENTS DAY

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 1979

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

"You are Partners with the University in Producing Productive People"

REGISTRATION ........................................... 9:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.
Field House
Registration Fee ($5.00) Includes Kit and Lunch

STUDENT ADVISEMENT
BOOK LISTS AND PRICES
FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION
PARENT, STUDENT AND TEACHER VISITATION
Field House Rotunda ........................................... 9:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.

RELIGIOUS WORSHIP
Field House Auditorium ...................................... 11:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon
The Reverend W. Van Johnson
Dean of Chapel

LUNCHEON (PARENTS, STUDENTS AND FACULTY)
Alumni Hall ..................................................... 12:10 P.M. - 1:10 P.M.

Note - Registration Closed - 1:00 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.

SPECIAL CONVOCATION WITH THE PRESIDENT
Hobart Taylor Senior Arts & Sciences Bldg. .............. 1:30 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.

RECEPTION .................................................. 4:30 P.M.
President's Campus House

PARENTS-SUPPORT THE ANNUAL DEVELOPMENT FUND DRIVE - $25.00 MORE OR LESS