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C ^{126TH} COMMENCEMENT

2019 ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE

- Baccalaureate Rehearsal
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BACCALAUREATE REHEARSAL

Thursday, May 2, 2019 @ 10:00 a.m.
Conway Boatman Chapel

BACCALAUREATE

Friday, May 3, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m.
Conway Boatman Chapel

Graduating Seniors, bring your cap, gown, and medallion.

Faculty Lineup

6:45 p.m.

*Fair Weather: Front of Pfeiffer
Foul Weather: Fine Arts Hallways*

Student Lineup

6:45 p.m.

*Fair Weather: Alongside Pfeiffer
Foul Weather: Fine Arts Hallways*

Baccalaureate Speaker

Tami Coleman

Tami Coleman is a lifetime United Methodist and is in her twenty-first year of pastoral ministry.

Coleman grew up in Georgia serving in the South Georgia Conference for ten years at Albany First United Methodist Church and Warner Robins First United Methodist Church.

Coleman and her family have called Kentucky home for the past eleven years. During that time, she has pastored South Shore First United Methodist Church and currently serves as the Associate Director of Connectional Ministries.

Coleman and her husband Jim, Professor of Religion at Kentucky Wesleyan College, have three sons, Josiah, Jonathan, and Jacob.

COMMENCEMENT REHEARSAL

Thursday, May 2, 2019 @ 11:00 a.m.
John M. Robsion Jr. Arena

All graduating seniors are to report to the gym for rehearsal. Do not bring your caps and gowns.

COMMENCEMENT

Saturday, May 4, 2019 @ 10:30 a.m.
Procession begins @ 10:15 a.m.

Graduating Seniors Lineup 9:30 a.m.

*Fair Weather: Legacy Walk - Sharp Academic Center
Foul Weather: PE Building 204, 205, and 206*

Graduate Students Lineup 9:30 a.m.

*Fair Weather: Legacy Walk - Sharp Academic Center
behind the undergraduate students
Foul Weather: PE Building 207*

Faculty Lineup 10:00 a.m.

*Fair Weather: Front of Sharp Academic Center
Foul Weather: PE Building second-floor hallway*

Special Seating

Special seating arrangements are available for the physically challenged. Please speak to Ashley Smith prior to Commencement, or to an usher in the gym that morning. Ashley is available daily at 606.546.1615. Special seating is limited to three per family.

Parking

Please park on campus in any of the proper areas defined on a color-coded map which can be accessed online. Restricted lots include the gymnasium parking area, reserved for handicap parking, and the lot behind Centennial Hall, designated for faculty and staff.

Degrees

All students will receive a diploma case from President Marcia Hawkins when crossing the platform.

Diplomas for students who have completed their requirements will be mailed from Jostens after Commencement. If you are completing degree requirements during May term or the summer, your degree will be mailed in August. Be certain that your address on file with Kathy Inkster in the Registrar's Office is the address to which you want your degree mailed.

Caps and Gowns

For more information concerning cap and gown orders, please contact the Union College Store at 546-1218.

The Academic Procession

Programs will be placed on the seats of the chapel for Baccalaureate and at the gym for Commencement. The only thing you will carry with you on Saturday morning will be the card you will receive from Ashley Smith when you arrive to line up. Lineup will begin at 9:30 a.m. Please arrive promptly.

Each year, graduates symbolically leave the campus on their way to Commencement by walking down the Legacy Walk. The class will walk up the driveway to Centennial Hall and proceed toward College Street on the Legacy Walk.

When you arrive at your place in the gym, please remain standing for the invocation. Men should remove their caps and keep them off until the Commencement speaker finishes the address. Put them back on as the speaker returns to his/her seat. Seniors should wear their tassels on the right side; graduate students should wear theirs on the left.

Commencement Speaker

Dr. Belle S. Wheelan

Dr. Wheelan currently serves as President of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges and is the first African American and the first woman to serve in this capacity. Her career spans over 40 years and includes the roles of faculty member, chief student services officer, campus provost, college president and Secretary of Education. In several of those roles she was the first African American and/or woman to serve in those capacities.

Dr. Wheelan received her Bachelor's degree from Trinity University in Texas '72; her Master's from Louisiana State University '74 in Developmental Educational Psychology; and her Doctorate from the University of Texas at Austin '84 in Educational Administration with a special concentration in community college leadership.

She has received numerous awards and recognition including six honorary degrees. She holds and has held membership in numerous local, state and national organizations.

Dr. Wheelan attributes her success to hard work, endurance, tenacity, and being in the right place at the right time. She recognizes that prayer and support from family and friends make anything possible.