### ★ OUTSTANDING OUTDOOR EDUCATION GRADUATE ★

This award is given to an outstanding graduating senior who is a candidate for a Bachelor of Science degree in Outdoor Education. Requirements include: committed to a career in Outdoor Education; maintained a 3.0 GPA; pursued certifications; made an outstanding contribution to the Outdoor Education Department; demonstrated creativity, maturity, and excellence in teaching; demonstrated that he/she is a servant leader; and bears evidence of a committed Christian life.

# **♥ OUTSTANDING PSYCHOLOGY GRADUATE ♥**

The recipient is chosen collaboratively by the Psychology and Human Services faculty and graduating seniors within the major. This award is presented to a graduating senior who has demonstrated exceptional scholarship in the major field of Psychology, abides by high moral standards, has a clear sense of direction, helps people on and off campus, and shows great promise for using his or her understanding of human behavior to become an agent of transformation, renewal, and/or reconciliation to the glory of God.

# ★ OUTSTANDING WORSHIP ARTS GRADUATE ★

This award is presented to the Worship Arts graduate who has developed both a philosophical and practical understanding of how to utilize the arts in worship and ministry. The recipient has made a significant contribution to the Worship Arts program of the college.

# ★ ALPHA CHI GRADUATES AND INDUCTEES ★

Alpha Chi, one of the three most prestigious national honor societies, maintains the North Carolina Tau Chapter at Montreat College. Active membership is based on: (1) good reputation and character (2) rank in the top 10 percent of the junior and senior classes, and (3) regular student status at Montreat College for no less than one academic year prior to election. Alpha Chi members are approved by the faculty.

#### **₩ WRITING PROGRAM SERVICE AWARD**

This award distinguishes a student who combines superior academic writing ability with the talent to inspire fellow students to excel in writing. The recipient is a graduating senior who has served in the writing program for at least two semesters and is graduating with a 3.0 GPA or higher.

## ★ SGA STAFF PERSON OF THE YEAR AWARD ★

This award is given annually by the Student Government Association to a staff member who has excelled in all areas of Montreat College.

#### ★ SGA EXCELLENCE AWARD ★

This award, established in 1994 by the Legislative Committee, is given annually to the member of the Student Government Association who has shown outstanding dedication and leadership throughout the year.

# ★ FACULTY SERVICE AWARD ★

The faculty annually recognizes a graduating senior who has made outstanding contributions to Montreat College and who has given evidence of effective Christian citizenship.

#### **≫ SCHLOLARSHIP PINS ≫**

The Scholarship Pin is awarded to graduates receiving the bachelor's degree who have fulfilled the requirements for Dean's List (3.50-3.89 GPA) or Distinguished Scholars' (3.90 GPA or above) for six consecutive semesters.

#### VALEDICTORIAN AND SALUTATORIAN HONORS

The School of Arts and Sciences and the School of Professional and Adult Studies recognize the Baccalaureate degree student with the highest cumulative grade point average with the honor of Valedictorian and the student with the second highest cumulative grade point average with the honor of Salutatorian.

#### DAVID L. PARKS DISTINGUISHED PROFESSOR AWARD

This award was established in 1992 by the Board of Trustees in honor of Dr. David Parks' many years of faithful service to the college. This award is chosen by the faculty using the criteria of creative and effective teaching, scholarship, personal and professional integrity, and commitment to the mission of Montreat College.

# STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION 2012-2013

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MONTREAT COLLEGE

# HONORS CONVOCATION

GAITHER CHAPEL

MONDAY, APRIL 22, 2013





PRELUDE

**Dr. Eunice W. Stackhouse,** piano Professor of Music

"Duetto," Op. 38, No. 6 Felix Mendelssohn

**PROCESSIONAL** 

"Allegro Maestoso" (Hornpipe) George F. Handel

INVOCATION

Dr. Gary Van Brocklin

Professor of Biblical and Cross-Cultural Studies

WELCOME

Dr. Marshall Flowers

Senior Vice President and Provost

CHORAL SELECTION

The College Choir Mr. Timothy Wilds, director Assistant Professor of Music

"I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me" Spiritual, arr. Mark Sedio

# **CONGREGATIONAL HYMN**

Led by Mr. Wilds

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

Anonymous German Hymn
Schlesische Volkslieder

Verse 1

Verse 2

Verse 4

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, O Thou of God and man the Son: Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor, Thou my soul's glory, joy, and crown. Fair are the meadows, Fairer still the woodlands, Robed in the blooming garb of spring: Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Verse 3

Fair is the sunshine, Fairer still the moonlight, And all the twinkling starry host: Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer Than all the angels heaven can boast. Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, Praise, adoration, Now and forevermore be Thine!

### INTRODUCTION OF THE 2011-2012 DAVID L. PARKS

DISTINGUISHED PROFESSOR

Mr. Joe Kirkland
Interim President

#### SCRIPTURE READING & REFLECTIONS

"It's Never the End of the Story"

Dr. James Shores

2011-2012 David L. Parks Distinguished Professor

### CONVOCATION SPEAKER



# Dr. James Shores

Associate Professor of Communication and Environmental Studies, Communication and the Arts Department Chair

Dr. Jim Shores arrived at Montreat College in 1997. He has a Ph.D. in Communication Studies from Regent University and a M.S. in Environmental Science from UNC-Chapel Hill; he is passionate about both fields of

study. Dr. Shores teaches Environmental Communication for the Master of Science in Environmental Education. For the Communication Major, he teaches Media Studies, Communication and Culture, Film History and Theory, Screenwriting, and Public Relations. In Environmental Studies, he teaches Conservation Biology, Freshwater Ecosystems, American Ecosystems, Wetland and Coastal Ecosystems, Ecology Labs, and Science Seminar.

Dr. Shores and his wife, Carol, have led Acts of Renewal, a nationally-touring Christian theatre company, for 20 years. They use theatre and film to explore issues of faith and the human experience, pointing to Christ for hope and healing. They have written and performed for FamilyLife Today, Focus on the Family, Youth for Christ, and for speakers such as John Eldredge, Tony Campolo, Dennis Rainey, Gary Thomas, and more. They have also spoken multiple times at more than 70 of the CCCU college campuses in the past 20 years. Dr. Shores won best original screenplay for his comedy, *Hunks*, a story about body image and self-acceptance, at the Gideon Media Arts Conference in 2010.

# THE AWARDS

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These awards are made to the freshmen, sophomores, juniors, and non-graduating seniors with the highest cumulative grade point averages. Certificates are also awarded to all students with cumulative grade point averages above 3.85 who have attended at least two semesters as full-time students at Montreat College with the exception of first-year freshmen.

#### ★ OUTSTANDING BIBLE AND RELIGION GRADUATE ★

This award is given to an outstanding graduating Bible and Religion major who has demonstrated academic excellence, theological acuity, Christian maturity, and Kingdom vision.

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The Outstanding Biology Graduate is awarded to a graduating senior in the Biology program who has demonstrated excellence in academics, Christ-like character, and compelling leadership qualities.

# ★ HICKS ANDERSON OUTSTANDING BUSINESS GRADUATES ★

This award was established in 2001 to recognize a graduating Business major who has best demonstrated outstanding academic performance, selfless service, and exemplary Christian character. A presentation is made annually to one School of Arts and Sciences student and one School of Professional and Adult Studies student.

### **≫ OUTSTANDING COMMUNICATION GRADUATE ≫**

This award acknowledges a graduating senior within the Communication major, who has displayed academic excellence, Christian character, and a servant's heart.

# ❤ OUTSTANDING ELEMENTARY EDUCATION GRADUATE ❤

This award is given to a graduating senior as chosen collaboratively by the Teacher Education faculty. The recipient demonstrates an accomplished understanding of the teaching profession; exhibits effective leadership ability in and outside of the classroom; abides by high moral standards as evidenced by Christian character; reflects a clear sense of calling to the teaching profession; and performs academic work with excellence and enthusiasm.

# ❤ OUTSTANDING ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES GRADUATE ❤

This award is given to a graduating senior within the Environmental Studies major. Award recipients are chosen by department faculty based on academic achievement, Christian commitment, servant leadership, and leadership among students.

### ❤ OUTSTANDING HISTORY GRADUATE ❤

This award may be given at the close of the academic year to a graduating senior deemed especially outstanding as a student of history.

The recipient is usually a History major or minor.

# ♥ OUTSTANDING HUMAN SERVICES GRADUATE ♥

The recipient is chosen collaboratively by the Psychology and Human Services faculty and graduating seniors within the major. This award is presented to a graduating senior who has demonstrated exceptional scholarship in the major field of Human Services, abides by high moral standards, has a clear sense of direction, helps people on and off campus, and shows great promise for using his or her understanding of human behavior to become an agent of transformation, renewal, and/or reconciliation to the glory of God.

# ★ ELIZABETH H. MAXWELL LITERATURE AWARD ★

This award is given to a graduating senior who has demonstrated outstanding achievement in literary studies as determined by the English faculty. Requirements include that the student major in English, maintain a 3.2 GPA, take at least one course from each full-time member of the English faculty, and demonstrate creativity and maturity in the field of literary studies.

# ♥ OUTSTANDING MUSIC BUSINESS GRADUATE ♥

This award is presented to a Music Business graduate who has exhibited dedication, innovation, tenacity, the ability to quickly adapt, and a desire to learn – all skills that are necessary for success in the music industry. Above all, the recipient of this award has practiced servant leadership both in the Music Department and in the college community at large.

### PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

Academic Excellence Awards Dr. Marshall Flowers

Outstanding Bible and Religion Graduate Dr. Mark Wells

Outstanding Biology Graduate Dr. Mark Lassiter

Hicks Anderson Outstanding Business Graduates Dr. Hub Powell & Dr. Isaac Owolabi

Outstanding Communication Graduate Dr. James Shores

Outstanding Elementary Education Graduates Dr. Ray Ferguson

Outstanding Environmental Studies Graduate Dr. Brian Joyce

Outstanding History Graduate Dr. Patrick Connelly

Outstanding Human Services Graduate Dr. Gregg Blanton

Elizabeth H. Maxwell Literature Award Dr. Cynthia Howell

Outstanding Music Business Graduate Mr. Kevin Auman

Outstanding Outdoor Education Graduates Dr. Brad Daniel

Outstanding Psychology Graduate Dr. Brad Faircloth

Outstanding Worship Arts Graduate Mr. Timothy Wilds

Alpha Chi Graduates and Inductees Mrs. Keri Boer

Writing Program Service Award Dr. Kimberly Angle

SGA Staff Person of the Year Award Mr. David Friedrichs

SGA Excellence Award Dr. Daniel Bennett

Faculty Service Award Dr. Don King

Scholarship Pins Dr. Marshall Flowers

Valedictorian and Salutatorian Honors Dr. Marshall Flowers

David L. Parks Distinguished Professor Award, 2012-2013 Mr. Joe Kirkland

#### **COLLEGE HYMN**

Led by Mr. Wilds

#### Betty Ferrell/John Dykes

Montreat, you stand in noble line With those who strive for heart and mind Who seek God's truth to teach and guide Who lift those virtues which abide. For servanthood, both taught and lived, Our honor and devotion give. For learning with integrity,
For truth imparted full and free,
For loving friendships cherished still,
For heritage on which to build,
With Christ the Cornerstone of grace,
Our Alma Mater we embrace.

#### BENEDICTION

**Dr. Marlene Van Brocklin**Adjunct Professor of Bible and Religion

#### RECESSIONAL AND POSTLUDE

Dr. Stackhouse

Chorale Prelude on "Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme" J.S. Bach/trans. R. Gerig