



College of Boca Raton

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COMMENCEMENT 1975

The eleventh annual commencement on this campus was held on Saturday, May 17, 1975. This particular graduation ceremony was unique in that graduates received degrees from three different colleges. Thirty seniors received their baccalaureate degrees from Wilmington College in Delaware which has conducted an extension program at the Boca Raton campus since 1972. Sixty-five graduates received their two-year Associate's degree from Marymount College, the name of the institution for most of their time here. And twenty students received the first degrees awarded by the College of Boca Raton.

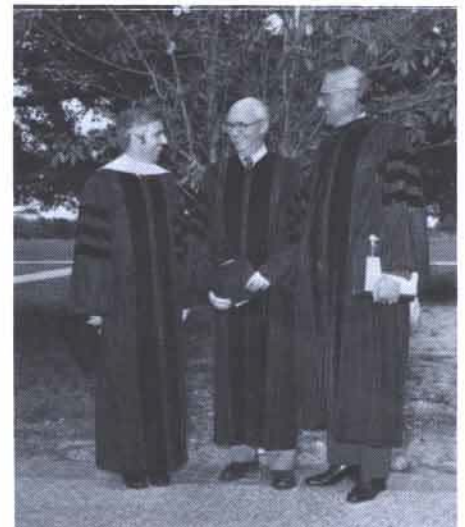
The Commencement speaker was Dr. E.A. Trabant, President of the

University of Delaware. He spoke to the graduates on the value of education not just in terms of job and career preparation but as affecting the quality of life.

The first honorary degree conferred by the College of Boca Raton was awarded to William S. Catherwood. President Ross presented Mr. Catherwood with an honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters degree and cited his years of service to the college as a former Chairman of the Board of Regents and continuing help over the years.

The Invocation was delivered by the Rev. Donald Barrus of St. Gregory's Episcopal Church in Boca Raton, and the Benediction was given by the Rev. Martin Deve-

reaux, Chaplain to the College of Boca Raton. The graduating Student Government President, David Patrick Winburn, welcomed the guests on behalf of the graduates. Dr. Marie Tarpey, Dean of Academic Affairs at Wilmington College presented the candidates for their degrees, and Dr. Nicholas Mazarella, Vice President for Instruction at the College of Boca Raton presented the A.A. degree candidates. Dr. Donald Ross, President of the College, presented the degree to each student. Following the ceremony, the graduates and their guests celebrated at a Reception and Dinner Dance held on the campus.



President Ross
William S. Catherwood
Dr. E.A. Trabant



Patrick Winburn

E.A. Trabant — Commencement Speaker

The 1975 Commencement speaker came to us from the University of Delaware where he has served as President since 1968. That appointment followed associations with Georgia Institute of Technology, the State University of New York at Buffalo, and Purdue University.

Dr. Trabant holds an A.B. from Occidental College and a Ph.D. in Applied Mathematics from California Institute of Technology. He has been elected to Phi Beta Kappa, Sigma Xi, and Omicron Delta Kappa Honor Societies; Phi Gamma Delta Social Fraternity and the Wilmington Club.

In addition to his duties as University President, Dr. Trabant is consulting editor in Engineering Science for the Wadsworth Publishing Company. He is a member of the Board of many companies and organizations in Delaware, Florida, Pennsylvania and New York and is also a member of the American Society for Engineering Education, American Society of Mechanical Engineering, American Mathematical Society, and American Nuclear Society.

Dr. and Mrs. Trabant reside with their three children in Newark, Delaware.

Mr. Richards is a member of the law firm of Richards, Layton and Finger in Wilmington, Delaware.

Mr. Richards graduated from Tower Hill School, Princeton University and Harvard Law School. He attended O.C.S. in Newport, R.I., and practiced naval law in the Philippines. In Wilmington, Mr. Richards is involved with Big Brothers and the United Way.

Mr. Richards is married to the former Mariana Silliman, has three sons and resides in Westover Hills, Wilmington.



Robert H. Richards, III

Mr. Saxon is Secretary of Hercules, Inc. in Wilmington, Delaware. A native of New Haven, Mr. Saxon graduated from Phillips Exeter Academy, Yale University and Harvard Law School. In Delaware, Mr. Saxon is an active member of the Republican Party.

Mr. Saxon is married to the former Hester Fogg, has three children and resides in Greenville, Delaware.



Philip D. Saxon



Left to right: Art Laughlin, Asst. Manager-P.B.K.C. — Sr. Richard Marie, College of Boca Raton — Bernie Grall, Public Relations Director, P.B.K.C.

Palm Beach Kennel Club Donates to Scholarship Fund

On May 28 the Palm Beach Kennel Club presented the College of Boca Raton with a check for \$4,000 to be used for scholarship aid. Over the past six years, the Kennel Club has made a generous donation to the college each year and has made it possible for a number of students to attend the college. Pictured above are Arthur Laughlin, Assistant General Manager, and Bernie Grall, Public Relations Director of the Club presenting the check to Sister Richard Marie from the College of Boca Raton.

New Appointments

The academic school year 1975-76 opened with several new appointments to the Board of Trustees and the administration of the College.

Newly appointed Board members are Robert H. Richards, III and Philip D. Saxon, both of Wilmington, Delaware who have served as active Board members at Wilmington College in Delaware and have devoted considerable time and energy to the College of Boca Raton in the past year.

Dedication of Cameron Fox Memorial Rare Book Collection Donated to Library

Administrative changes include the appointment of Mr. Walter VanderHeijden as Executive Vice President for the College of Boca Raton. Mr. VanderHeijden served the college last year as Dean of Administration and Student Services and previously supervised the foundation and operation of Dorado Academy in Puerto Rico. In his new role, he will assume over-all responsibility for the operation of the college and will represent the President in his absence. Mr. and Mrs. VanderHeijden with their two children reside on campus.



Walter VanderHeijden

Dr. Jules Belford has been named Academic Dean and will supervise the academic programs of the college. A long time member of the faculty, Dr. Belford served last year as Assistant to the Vice-President for Instruction and Chairman of the Liberal Arts Division. He acted as Chairman of the Steering Committee for the Self-Study which the College undertook in connection with the accreditation visit by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.



Jules Belford

On April 18, 1975 the family and friends of Cameron Fox attended the dedication of a rare book collection donated to the Library of the College of Boca Raton in memory of Cam, who died on January 2 after a valiant struggle against leukemia.

Cam developed the disease during his freshman year but completed the academic year and returned as a sophomore for the first semester of 1974-75. He was respected and genuinely loved by students and faculty alike for his courage and unflinching optimism. In his dedication remarks, Fr. Martin Devereaux, the college chaplain, spoke of Cam's "exhilaration in life and reverence for existence . . . in his calm but joyful love for life and determination to live it to its fullest in the face of dangerous odds, each of us

finds the quality we most admire." He concluded: "Our real tribute to Cam should be our daily joy to be alive and to be aware — alive to all that this existence offers and aware that we, too, are transcendent in our inner lives. With that approach to living, this memorial will have that special character, reflecting the spirit of Cam — a spirit of simple humanity, standing strong against overpowering forces and yet standing in quiet, serene dignity."

Contributions to the collection were received from a large number of family and friends, headed by Cam's immediate family: his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A.M. Fox, Jr. of Virginia Beach, Va.; his sisters Abbie-Stuart Fox and Laurie Fox Todd, and his niece and nephew Abbie-Stuart and Andrew Todd.

Professional Theatre On-Campus

The Theatre Arts program has been given solid support with the addition of a professional theatre group living and working on campus. The Caldwell Playhouse, directed by Michael Hall, will open December 5 with "Star Spangled Girl" a comedy by Neil Simon. The Theatre will produce four other major offerings, a Christmas production of "Little Women" and various workshop selections during the year. The major production will run straight through to early May.

Mr. Hall, a member of the College of Boca Raton faculty, formerly was on the faculty of Brenau College, Georgia. A graduate of the noted Carnegie-Mellon University Theatre Arts School, Mr. Hall has directed Theatre Helen in Georgia and the Highlands Playhouse in North Carolina. The College of Boca Raton is especially happy to add to its faculty a professional, thoroughly trained in his field.

College Re-opens September 2

Summer vacation came to an end the day after Labor Day when 230 new full-time students arrived at the campus to begin their studies. They were welcomed by upper-classmen, faculty and administrators at a Reception and Dinner which included a large number of parents who had accompanied them to campus. A week of orientation followed and classes are now underway.

The new students come from Connecticut, Delaware, the District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Illinois,

Indiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, Wisconsin, and Puerto Rico. Among the foreign students are representatives from Canada, Colombia, Ecuador, Ethiopia, Hong Kong, Nigeria, Pakistan, Singapore, and the West Indies.

The group includes about forty transfer students from colleges throughout the United States and from Canada and Switzerland.

Close to 200 will be living on campus and the rest will commute from the immediate vicinity. "Miss Boca Raton" for the year — Kathy Cottrell — is among the freshmen. There are also two highly proficient golfers and several fine tennis players. One of the transfer students, Joseph Gabri, is the winner of the Golden Plate Scholarship Award from the National Institute for the Foodservice Industry. He is a junior in the Hotel, Motel Management Program.

William S. Catherwood Receives First Honorary Degree

The Commencement ceremony at the College of Boca Raton was marked by several "firsts" this year, but the most significant was the awarding of the first honorary degree in the institution's history. A Doctorate in Humane Letters was conferred on William S. Catherwood, a past Chairman of the Board of Regents and long-time friend of the college.

Dr. Catherwood is presently Chief Business Officer and Treasurer of Marymount Manhattan College in

New York City. He is responsible for the over all financial affairs of the institution and serves as advisor to the President and Board of Trustees on all fiscal matters. He also acts as liaison officer for the Mannes College of Music and Malcolm-King College in New York.

An active volunteer in the field of education prior to his appointment as Treasurer at Marymount-Manhattan, Dr. Catherwood is a Member of the Corporation of Georgetown University from which

he received his B.S. degree. Georgetown has also awarded him the John Carroll Medal of their Alumni Association in 1965 and the Medal of Merit in 1967. He and Mrs. Catherwood reside in Garden City, N.Y. with their five children. His sister, Sr. Joan Regis Catherwood, RSHM, will be remembered by many alumni and friends as a faculty member and Superior of the Religious community at Marymount for a number of years.



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