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Welcome to Murray State University for the celebration of Honors Day, 1998. This special ceremony is held by tradition just before Commencement each spring to recognize the academic accomplishments of Murray State students.

Murray State University is dedicated to the promotion of academic excellence. The students we honor today exemplify fulfillment of the central mission of this university, to ensure that our students receive a college education of the highest quality.

In meeting this goal, we rely on the contributions of a distinguished and dedicated faculty and a stimulating and supportive learning environment. Our degree programs receive ongoing review and improvement to maintain their effectiveness and currency. Our efforts are rewarded through the accomplishments of the many outstanding Murray State students like those we honor today.

To those of you receiving awards and recognition, please accept my warmest wishes for continued success. We are proud of all you have accomplished. To those visitors who have come to our campus for this celebration, I extend a cordial welcome and the hope that your stay is a pleasant one.

Sincerely yours,

Kern Alexander
President

May 8, 1998

Dear Parents and Friends:

On behalf of the entire Student body of Murray State University, I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to Murray State.

This afternoon we will recognize those students who have attained excellence at Murray State. Their achievements bring honor not only to themselves, but to Murray State as well.

We appreciate your presence today because it is through you, the parents and friends, that the honorees have been afforded the opportunity and freedom to search for and achieve excellence.

We hope that your visit to our campus will be an enjoyable one and that you will return here again as still other students build their futures at Murray State. Thank you for your support and prayers.

Sincerely,

Todd Earwood
Amy Ponder - Outstanding Senior Woman
Jeffrey Vaughan - Outstanding Senior Man

Program

Processional ............... “Ceremonial Processional” ............... James Ployhar

Presiding .................................................. Todd Earwood
1997-98 President,
Student Government Association

Invocation .................................................. Shawn Smee
1997-98 Vice President,
Student Government Association

Welcome .................................................. Kern Alexander
President

Presentation of Honors .................................. James L. Booth
Provost and Vice President,
Academic Affairs

Recessional ...................... “Ceremonial Recessional” .................. James Ployhar

Music provided by: Murray State University Symphonic Brass Ensemble
Dennis L. Johnson, Conductor

Cornet: Rob Gower, Faith Holley,
Amanda Hughes, Erika Johnson

Trumpet: Jeremy Stephens, Christopher Tenbarge

French Horn: Christine Erdley, Kate Hopper, Kristin Horan,
Marcia Maki, Sara Moore

Trombone: Sean Corbett, Corey Keach, Robert Lewis
Ryan Rue, Michael Steffey

Euphonium: Brian Brown, Patrick Kaufman

Tuba: Tim Snyder, Jay Stark

An informal reception, hosted by the Student Government Association, will
be held in the lobby immediately preceding and following the ceremony.
Academic Affairs Awards

James L. Booth, provost and vice president for academic affairs

Honors Program Medallion
Alicia Gross, Jessica Higdon, Paulette Lohman, Heather McDowell, Angela Roberts
The Murray State University Honors Program was established to provide outstanding students with a varied and challenging liberal education. Those who complete all the requirements of the Honors Program receive the Murray State University Honors Diploma. The Honors Diploma Medallion awarded in recognition of this achievement is worn by the recipient at Commencement. James Booth, provost and vice president for academic affairs, will present the medallions.

Honors Program Outstanding Honors Diploma Graduate
Paulette Lohman, Angela Roberts
The award is presented to the recipient of the Honors Diploma whose outstanding academic performance and support of Honors Program activities best represent the ideals of liberal education. A certificate will be presented by Mark Malinauskas, director.

Honors Program Outstanding Senior
Michael Arnett
The award is presented to the fourth year student in the Honors Program whose outstanding academic performance and support of Honors Program activities best represent the ideals of liberal education. A certificate will be presented by Mark Malinauskas, director.

Alpha Chi Leadership Award
Paulette Lohman, Megan Malinauskas, Sarah Wight, Amanda Wolf
This award is presented to members who have shown their leadership at all levels of Alpha Chi. Alpha Chi is a national honor society recognizing distinguished scholarship. Mark Malinauskas, adviser, will present the award.

Alpha Lambda Delta Maria Leonard Book Award
Laura Chase
A book will be presented to the outstanding graduating member of Alpha Lambda Delta. Alpha Lambda Delta is a national honor society recognizing outstanding scholarly achievement in the freshman year. Charlotte Beahan, adviser, will present the award.

Gamma Beta Phi Leadership Award
Micah Ellsworth, Paulette Lohman, Heather McDowell, Angela Roberts
This award is presented to graduating seniors who have shown their leadership at all levels of Gamma Beta Phi. Gamma Beta Phi is a national honor society for service and scholarship. Janis Murphy, assistant professor, will present a plaque.

Omicron Delta Kappa J. Carl Fisher Book Award
Amy Ponder
A book is presented in recognition of the recipient’s outstanding contribution to Omicron Delta Kappa, a national leadership honor society. Don Robertson, faculty secretary, will present the award.

Sigma Xi Outstanding Student Research Awards
Tim Clark, Tiffany Devine, Chad Lewis
Sigma Xi, the Scientific Research Society, has been since 1886 the honor society of scientists. Its 125,000 members in North American and abroad belong to over 500 chapters on university campuses and in government and industrial laboratories. Election to Sigma Xi, made on the recommendation of members, recognizes research and carries with it the opportunity to cooperate with other scientists in the activities of research and scholarship.

International Education Award
Melanie Dailey, Veronika Krepely, Svetlana Seryogina
The award is presented by the Center for International Programs to the student making the most outstanding contributions across campus and throughout the community toward raising global awareness, developing understanding of other cultures and countries, and promoting the welfare of international students at Murray State University. Isis Chaverri, international student adviser, will present a plaque.
Outstanding Sophomore in Accounting
Richard Crowder
The award is based on academic excellence and service to the department and the university. A plaque will be presented by Tim Miller, chair.

Outstanding Junior in Accounting
Sarah Wynn
The award is based on academic excellence and service to the department and the university. A plaque will be presented by Tim Miller, chair.

Outstanding Senior in Accounting
Jason Lacy
The award is based on academic excellence and service to the department and the university. A plaque will be presented by Tim Miller, chair.

Beta Alpha Psi Outstanding Member
Anthony Mattingly
A plaque will be presented for dedication and service to the fraternity and to the accounting department. Beta Alpha Psi is a national accounting honor fraternity. Tim Miller, chair, will present the award.

Outstanding Senior in Business Administration
Gentry Burnett
The award is based on high academic achievement and leadership potential. A plaque will be presented by Ginny Richerson, professor.

Outstanding Senior in Office Systems
Kelita Vance, Julie Zieman
The award is based on high academic achievement. A plaque will be presented by Ginny Richerson, professor.

Outstanding Business and Marketing Teacher Candidate
Kari Olson
The award is based on high academic achievement. The plaque will be presented by Ginny Richerson, professor.

Phi Beta Lambda Award
Amy Solomon
Phi Beta Lambda is a nationally recognized professional business fraternity. A plaque will be presented by Ginny Richerson, professor.

Pi Omega Pi Chapter President 1997-1998
Kari Olson
The award is presented to the member who has made a significant contribution to the success of Pi Omega Pi, a national honorary organization for undergraduate business education students. A plaque will be presented by Ginny Richerson, professor.

Outstanding Senior in Computer Information Systems
Robert Purcell
The student is selected for this award based not only on academic achievement but also on intellectual curiosity, professional promise and quality of workmanship in software products. A plaque will be presented by Marlene Campbell, chair.

Outstanding Senior in Computer Science
Joseph Gray
The student is selected for this award based not only on academic achievement but also on intellectual curiosity, professional promise and quality of workmanship in software products. A plaque will be presented by Marlene Campbell, chair.

Robert P. McCann Computer Studies Scholarship
Maxim Cirenko, Tatiana Levit, Mitchell Risner
The scholarship is awarded to a junior or senior computer information systems major who has demonstrated academic achievement and enthusiastic interest in school and community activities. A certificate will be presented by Marlene Campbell, chair.
Department of Economics and Finance
James McCoy, chair

Outstanding Senior in Economics
Veronika Krepely
The award is based on academic achievement and intellectual development. A plaque will be presented by James McCoy, chair, and the student's name will be inscribed on a permanent plaque in the department.

Elisabeth T. Maxwell Award for Outstanding Senior in Finance
Alexey Surkov
The award is based on academic achievement and intellectual development. A plaque and a stipend check will be presented by James McCoy, chair, and the student's name will be inscribed on a permanent plaque in the department.

Award for Meritorious Achievement in Finance
Kristy Smith
The award is based on academic achievement and intellectual development. A plaque will be presented and the student's name will be inscribed on a permanent plaque in the department.

Department of Management and Marketing
Gary Brockway, chair

Outstanding Senior in Management
Eric Sweeney
The award is based on high academic achievement and leadership potential. A plaque will be presented and the student's name will be inscribed on a permanent plaque in the department. Gary Brockway, chair, will present the award.

Outstanding Senior in Marketing
Paulette Lohman
The award is based on high academic achievement and leadership potential. A plaque will be presented and the student's name will be inscribed on a permanent plaque in the department. Gary Brockway, chair, will present the award.

Department of Political Science, Criminal Justice and Legal Studies
Farouk Umar, chair

Outstanding Student in Political Science
Jeffrey Vaughan
This award is presented to a graduating senior in recognition of their academic achievement and leadership in departmental and university affairs. A plaque will be presented by Mittie Southerland, professor.

Outstanding Student in Pre-Law
Chryystal Dalby
The award is presented to a graduating senior for academic excellence. A plaque will be presented by Mittie Southerland, professor.

Outstanding Student in Law Enforcement
Jeremy Buchanan
The award is presented for academic excellence and leadership. Mittie Southerland, professor, will present a plaque.

Outstanding Student in Corrections
Robert Roberts
The award is presented for academic excellence and leadership. Mittie Southerland, professor, will present a plaque.

Alpha Phi Sigma Outstanding Student
Kyle Seratt
The award is presented to the member most dedicated to academic excellence and leadership in criminal justice. Alpha Phi Sigma is the national criminal justice honor society. Mittie Southerland, professor, will present a plaque.

Collegiate Award

Outstanding Senior in International Business
Cory Davis
This award is based on high academic achievement and leadership potential. Fred Miller, professor, will present a plaque.
Collegiate Award

Donald B. Hunter Distinguished Service Award
Leigh Mahoney
This award recognizes a senior who has demonstrated academic excellence, outstanding leadership and contribution, on campus and/or in the region, to the College of Education. A plaque and monetary award will be presented by William Price, acting dean.

Outstanding New Professional Award
Dana Hohman
A college-wide award to recognize excellence in a specific discipline within the College of Education by a graduating senior or graduate student. A plaque and monetary award will be presented by William Price, acting dean.

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
Bonnie Higginson, chair

Outstanding Early Elementary Education Major
Kim Donaldson
This award is presented to a graduating senior early elementary education major who has an outstanding background and shows promise of success in the teaching profession. A plaque will be presented by Bonnie Higginson, chair and professor.

Outstanding Middle School Education Major
Heather Poat
This award is presented to a graduating senior middle school education major who has an outstanding background and shows promise of success in the teaching profession. Presenting the plaque will be Bonnie Higginson, chair and professor.

Outstanding Exercise Science Major
Amelia Davis
Selection is based on academic achievement, professional interest, leadership, campus activities, and contributions to the department. The recipient's name will be permanently displayed on a plaque in the department. The award will be presented by Judy Brookhisser, chair.

Outstanding Health Education Major
Kristen Morrison
Selection is based on academic achievement, professional interest, leadership, campus activities, and contributions to the department. The recipient's name will be permanently displayed on a plaque in the department. The award will be presented by Judy Brookhisser, chair.

Outstanding Physical Education Major
Nancy Miles
Selection is based on academic achievement, professional interest, leadership, campus activities, and contributions to the department. The recipient's name will be permanently displayed on a plaque in the department. The award will be presented by Judy Brookhisser, chair.

Outstanding Recreation Major
Jennifer Guffy
Selection is based on academic achievement, professional interest, leadership, campus activities, and contributions to the department. Judy Brookhisser, chair, will present the award.

American Humanics Award for Excellence in Leadership
Matthew Gibson
Selection is based on academic achievement, professional interest, leadership, campus activities, and contributions to the program. The recipient's name will be permanently displayed on a plaque in the department. The award will be presented by Judy Brookhisser, chair.
Department of Special Education
Elizabeth G. Blodgett, chair

Outstanding Senior in Learning and Behavior Disorders
Michelle Grant
The award is presented to the senior special education major who has demonstrated exemplary performance in classroom achievement and professional commitment. Elizabeth Blodgett, chair, will present a plaque.

Outstanding Scholarship in Learning and Behavior Disorders
Lucinda Smith
The award is presented for academic excellence. A plaque will be presented by Elizabeth Blodgett, chair.

Outstanding Senior in Communication Disorders
Karen Derrington, Mary Dodson
The award is presented for outstanding service and leadership in university and community affairs and professional commitment. Elizabeth Blodgett, chair, will present the plaque.

Outstanding Scholarship in Communication Disorders
Mava Brown
The award is presented to the senior student in communication disorders who has demonstrated exemplary performance in classroom achievement. Elizabeth Blodgett, chair, will present the plaque.

College of Fine Arts and Communication
Ted A. Wendt, dean

Collegiate Awards

Jo Hern Curris Award for Excellence in the Fine Arts
Matthew Bradley, Heather Higdon, Steven Page, Antony Triano
The award recognizes graduating seniors who have clearly demonstrated creative talent and a spirit of involvement in university affairs. A plaque and a savings bond will be presented by Ted Wendt, dean.

Breazeale Fellowship in Fine Arts and Communication
Sean Arnold, Margaret Byasse, Esther Dowdy, Angela Wilson
The fellowship is presented to a student who has achieved at least junior standing in the College of Fine Arts and Communication, has achieved academic excellence, and has displayed excellence in creative and/or academic performance. A Breazeale Fellow receives a plaque and a stipend. Ted Wendt, dean, will present the award.

William G. Broughton Fellowship
Sean Corbett
The award is presented for outstanding performance in the recipient's major field and for leadership and service to the university and community. The Broughton Fellow receives a stipend and a plaque. Ted Wendt, dean, will present the award.

Margaret Trevathan Creative Writing and Arts Education Scholarship
Margaret Byasse
A scholarship is awarded to a student pursuing a teaching career in art, creative writing, dance, theatre or music. The recipient will receive a plaque and a stipend. Ted Wendt, dean, will present the award.
Department of Art
Dick Dougherty, chair

Dorothy Caplinger Rowlett Art Education Scholarship Award
Marilee Jones
This scholarship is presented to a full-time student in good standing in a studio program with teacher certification and who demonstrates a strong commitment to young people and excellence in education. The award will be presented by Dick Dougherty, chair.

Art Awards for Excellence
Margaret Byassee, Michael Fulkerson, Adam Weckman
The certificate represents a competitive scholarship for artistic achievement as evidenced by commitment to high professional standards in art, participation in professional and leadership activities, and academic achievement. Dick Dougherty, chair, will present the award.

Department of Journalism and Mass Communications
Jeanne S. Scafella, chair

Outstanding Senior in Advertising
Shannon Williams
A plaque will be presented to the outstanding advertising senior based on academic achievement and activities in advertising. The recipient’s name will be inscribed on a plaque in the L.J. Hortin Reading Room in the department. Jeanne Scafella, chair, will present the plaque.

Outstanding Senior in Electronic Journalism
Heather Higdon
The award is based on academic achievement and participation in electronic journalism activities. The recipient’s name will be inscribed on a plaque in the L.J. Hortin Reading Room in the department and a plaque will be presented by Jeanne Scafella, chair.

Outstanding Senior in Print Journalism
Amanda Wolf
The award is based on academic achievement and participation in journalism activities. The recipient’s name will be inscribed on a plaque in the L.J. Hortin Reading Room in the department and a plaque will be presented by Jeanne Scafella, chair.

Outstanding Senior in Public Relations
Amy Ponder, Angela Wilson
The award is based on academic achievement and participation in public relations activities. The recipient’s name will be inscribed on a plaque in the L.J. Hortin Reading Room in the department and a plaque will be presented by Jeanne Scafella, chair.

Outstanding Senior in Radio-Television
Jason Barnett
The award is based on academic achievement and participation in broadcasting activities. The recipient’s name will be inscribed on a plaque in the L.J. Hortin Reading Room and a plaque will be presented by Jeanne Scafella, chair.

Outstanding Graduate Student in Mass Communications
Kevin Tanner
The award will be presented to the a graduate student for academic achievement and participation in Journalism and Mass Communications graduate activities. A plaque will be presented by Jeanne Scafella, chair.

Department of Music
Brian D. Runnels, chair

Outstanding Senior Woman in Music
April Fisk
The award is presented to a graduating senior music major for outstanding scholarship, musicianship, departmental involvement, campus/regional service, leadership, and estimate of future success. The recipient’s name will be inscribed on a plaque displayed in the Price Doyle Fine Arts Center. Brian Runnels, chair, will present the award.

Outstanding Senior Man in Music
Corey Julian, Steven Page
The award is presented to a graduating senior music major for outstanding scholarship, musicianship, departmental involvement, campus/regional service, leadership, and estimate of future success. The recipient’s name will be inscribed on a plaque displayed in the Price Doyle Fine Arts Center. Brian Runnels, chair, will present the award.
Department of Speech Communication and Theatre
Jerry W. Mayes, chair

Outstanding Senior in Speech Communication and Theatre
Antony Triano
The award is in recognition of outstanding academic achievement, campus leadership and contribution to the departmental co-curricular activities. Jerry Mayes, chair, will present the award.

Award for Excellence in Forensic Competition
Heather Kelley
The award is presented to the graduating senior who has demonstrated excellence in forensics through leadership, scholarship and maturity of performance and deportment. The award will be presented by Jerry Mayes, chair.

Delta Sigma Rho-Tau Kappa Alpha Outstanding Member
Heather Kelley
The award is presented in recognition of leadership qualities and forensic achievement. Delta Sigma Rho-Tau Kappa Alpha is a national honor society for speech and debate. Jerry Mayes, chair, will present a certificate.

Omicron Sigma Kappa Outstanding Member
Jacob Carter
Omicron Sigma Kappa is a professional departmental organization for organizational and speech communication majors and minors. This award is presented to a member who has demonstrated leadership and dedication to the club. Jerry Mayes, chair, will present a certificate.

Sock and Buskin Outstanding Member
Lisa Schneider
This award is presented in recognition of outstanding service to Sock and Buskin, a club which creates, develops and promotes an interest in theatre. Jerry Mayes, chair, will present a certificate.

College of Humanistic Studies
Joseph H. Cartwright, dean

Department of English
Michael Cohen, chair

Outstanding Junior English Major
Reka Ashley
The award is based on academic excellence. A plaque will be presented by Michael Cohen, chair.

Outstanding Senior English Major
Patricia Gray, Sherraine Pate, Thomas Richter, Timothy Williams
The award is based on academic excellence. A plaque will be presented by Michael Cohen, chair.

Department of Foreign Languages
Connie Garcia Blanchard, chair

Outstanding French Student
Amanda Jetton
The award is based on academic excellence and/or contribution to departmental activities. A certificate and award will be presented by Connie Garcia Blanchard, chair.

Outstanding German Student
Raoul Bax
The award is based on academic excellence and/or contribution to departmental activities. A certificate and cash award will be presented by Connie Garcia Blanchard, chair.

Outstanding Spanish Student
Christy Wilson
The award is based on academic excellence and/or contribution to departmental activities. A certificate and award will be presented by Connie Garcia Blanchard, chair.
Alpha Mu Gamma Service Award
Jennifer Wood
This award is presented for outstanding service to Alpha Mu Gamma and the promotion of foreign languages study. Alpha Mu Gamma is the national foreign language honor society. Connie Garcia Blanchard, chair, will present the award.

Department of History
James W. Hammack, chair

Outstanding History Graduate
Chandy Duncan
The award is presented to the outstanding history graduate on the basis of grade point average and course of study. A plaque will be presented by James Hammack, chair.

Phi Alpha Theta President's Award
Scott Bailey
This award is presented by Phi Alpha Theta, the international history honor society, to recognize service in the office of president. The award will be presented by William Schell, Jr., adviser.

Department of Psychology
Thomas B. Posey, chair

Psi Chi Outstanding Psychology Student
Angela Roberts
A plaque is presented to the senior in psychology who has demonstrated outstanding academic performance and has the potential to make a significant contribution to the field of psychology. Psi Chi is a national honor society for psychology students. The recipient's name will be inscribed on a permanent plaque displayed in the departmental office. Thomas Posey, chair, will present the award.

Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work
Frank W. Elwell, chair

Outstanding Anthropology Student
Sara Rivers, Debra Sparks
This award is presented to an outstanding anthropology major. A plaque will be presented by Kenneth Carstens, professor.

Anthropology Scholarship Award
Amy Murphy, Sara Rivers
This scholarship is presented to a junior or senior anthropology major who has demonstrated academic achievement and enthusiastic interest in school and community activities. The award will be presented by Kenneth Carstens, professor.

Outstanding Senior in Sociology
Cristi Owen
This award is presented to an outstanding senior sociology major. A plaque will be presented by Frank Elwell, chair.

Outstanding Social Work Senior
Sue Anna Greer
The award is presented in recognition of demonstrated commitment to the field of social work, leadership qualities, and active involvement in campus and community human service projects. A plaque will be presented by Rose Bogal-Allbritten, professor.

Alpha Delta Mu Outstanding Member
Deborah Allcock
The award is based on scholastic achievement, demonstrated commitment to the field of social work, leadership qualities, and active involvement in campus and community human service projects. Alpha Delta Mu, Sigma Chapter, is a national social work honor society. A plaque will be presented by Rose Bogal-Allbritten, professor.

Social Work Club Outstanding Member
Julie Wooley
The award is presented for outstanding leadership as demonstrated in carrying out the purposes of the organization and in recognition of commitment to the various human service projects sponsored by the club. The Social Work Club is a service organization for social work majors and others interested in the aims and purposes of the social work profession. A plaque will be presented by Rose Bogal-Allbritten, professor.
Outstanding Senior in Agriculture
James Kris Brown
The award is based on academic achievement, leadership, and departmental involvement. Plaques will be presented by Tony Brannon, chair.

Chairman's Leadership Award in Agriculture
Leslie Hearn
This award is presented for academic achievement, outstanding leadership, and departmental involvement. A plaque will be presented by Tony Brannon, chair.

Alpha Zeta Outstanding Member
Ashlee Beanland
The award is based on leadership, scholarship, character, and support to Alpha Zeta, an honor society for agriculture students. A plaque will be presented by Tony Brannon, chair.

Outstanding Student in Family and Consumer Studies
Donald Stokes
This award is presented to a Family and Consumer Studies student who has exhibited outstanding academic achievement and leadership for the department and the university. A plaque will be presented by Linda Gardner, chair.

Kappa Omicron Nu Outstanding Member
Debra Pugh
The award is presented for outstanding leadership in recognition of contribution to the organization. Kappa Omicron Nu, Kappa Alpha Sigma chapter, is a national family and consumer science honor society. The recipient’s name will be inscribed on a plaque in the department. A gift will be presented by Linda Gardner, chair.

Department of Graphic Arts Technology
Thomas E. Gray, chair

Distinguished Graphic Arts Technology/Printing Management Graduate
Brandon Gabriel
The award is based on overall grade point average, expertise in graphic arts technology and printing management, involvement in university and/or department activities, and overall leadership ability. A certificate will be presented by Thomas Gray, chair.

Department of Industrial and Engineering Technology
Paul R. McNeary, chair

Outstanding Senior in Industrial and Engineering Technology
Anjeanette Thomas
This award is to recognize the outstanding senior in industrial and engineering technology. A plaque will be presented by Paul McNeary, chair.

Academic Achievement Award in Industrial and Engineering Technology
Kirk Smith
This award is to recognize the outstanding academic achievement by a senior in industrial and engineering technology. A plaque will be presented by Paul McNeary, chair.

Leadership Award in Industrial and Engineering Technology
Stan Schroeder
This award is to recognize the outstanding leadership achievement by a senior in industrial and engineering technology. Paul McNeary, chair, will present a plaque.

Outstanding Contribution to the Department of Industrial and Engineering Technology
Todd Duff
This award is to recognize outstanding contribution to the department by a senior in industrial and engineering technology. A plaque will be presented by Paul McNeary, chair.
Department of Occupational Safety and Health
David G. Kraemer, chair

Outstanding Academic Performance as an Undergraduate in Occupational Safety and Health
Gregory Jackson
This award symbolizes academic achievement on the basis of grade point average of coursework completed while attending Murray State. David Kraemer, chair, will present the award.

Outstanding Senior in Occupational Safety and Health
Amy Wilbanks
This award is presented to an outstanding senior in recognition of demonstrated achievement, professional demeanor and leadership. David Kraemer, chair, will present the award.

Outstanding Contributor to the Department of Occupational Safety and Health
Charles Daniels, Shara McDougal
This award is in recognition of performance and accomplishments while a student in the Department of Occupational Safety and Health. David Kraemer, chair, will present the award.

College of Science
Marcia B. Hobbs, interim dean

Department of Biological Sciences
Thomas J. Timmons, chair

Outstanding First Year Biology Major
Jennifer Bradley, Adam Lowry
The award is based on academic achievement, diversity of interests and activities, and potential for excellence as a professional biologist. The recipient will receive a financial award. A plaque will be presented by Thomas Timmons, chair.

Outstanding Second Year Biology Major
Angela Elkins, Michael Markey
The award is based on academic achievement, diversity of interests and activities, and potential for excellence as a professional biologist. The recipient will receive a financial award. A plaque will be presented by Thomas Timmons, chair.

Outstanding Senior Biology Major
Kevin Harned, Teresa Miller
The award is based on academic achievement, leadership, diversity of interests and activities, and communication skills. A plaque and cash award will be presented by Thomas Timmons, chair.

Larry D. Pharris Outstanding Wildlife Student
Timothy Clark
This award recognizes the student who has made the greatest contribution to the goals and programs of the Wildlife Society during the past year. The Wildlife Society is a national organization dedicated to the preservation and betterment of wildlife. Larry Pharris was a recipient of this award in 1976-77, and dedicated his life to the outdoors and specifically to wildlife biology. The recipient's name will be inscribed on a permanent plaque in the department and cash award from the Larry D. Pharris Wildlife Biology Memorial Fund will be presented by Stephen White, adviser.
Outstanding Teaching Assistant in Biology
Mark Evitts, Brian Robertson
This award is based on teaching performance and knowledge of teaching as a profession and communication skills. The recipient’s name will be inscribed on a departmental plaque. A certificate will be presented by Thomas Timmons, chair.

Department of Chemistry
Jeffrey E. Anderson, chair

Outstanding Major in Chemistry
Nicole Essner, Suzanne Franklin, Jason Neale
The award is based on outstanding achievement during the undergraduate career and promise of success in the chosen field. A plaque will be presented by Jeffrey Anderson, chair, and the recipient’s name will be inscribed on a departmental plaque.

Roberta Whitnah Scholarship
Rhea Ann Wright
The scholarship is presented to a sophomore student based on academic achievement during the freshman year and demonstrated potential for continued excellence. The award was instituted in 1970 following 39 years of dedicated teaching of chemistry at Murray State University by Roberta Whitnah. The recipient will receive a plaque and scholarship and the name will be inscribed on a departmental plaque. Jeffrey Anderson, chair, will present the award.

Chemistry Student Affiliates Award
Karen Eddins
The award is based on leadership in the department and service to fellow students. A plaque will be presented and the recipient’s name will be inscribed on a departmental plaque. Jeffrey Anderson, chair, will present the award.

Department of Geosciences
Neil V. Weber, chair

Outstanding Senior in Geography
Noel Perkins
This award is presented to the student who demonstrates superior academic achievement, possesses leadership qualities, and is active in extracurricular activities. The recipient’s name will be inscribed on a departmental plaque. A certificate and a one-year membership in the Geological Society of America will be presented by Neil Weber, chair.

Outstanding Senior in Geology
Pei-Ching Lin
This award is presented to the student who demonstrates superior academic achievement, possesses leadership qualities, and is active in extracurricular activities. The recipient’s name will be inscribed on a departmental plaque. A certificate and a one-year membership in the Geological Society of America will be presented by Neil Weber, chair.

Outstanding Senior in Earth Science
Mitchell Davidson
The award is presented to a student who demonstrates superior academic achievement, possesses leadership qualities, and is active in extracurricular activities. The recipient’s name will be inscribed on a departmental plaque. A certificate and a one-year membership in the American Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing will be presented by Neil Weber, chair.

Department of Mathematics and Statistics
Donald E. Bennett, chair

Outstanding Senior in Mathematics and Statistics
Martti McClard
The award is based on academic achievement. The recipient’s name will be inscribed on a plaque in the department. A plaque will be presented by Donald Bennett, chair.

Euclidean Math Club/Max G. Carman Junior Scholarship
Melissa Tolen
A member of the Euclidean Mathematics Club is selected based on academic achievement to receive a scholarship for their junior year. The recipient’s name will be inscribed on a plaque in the department. Donald Bennett, chair, will present a certificate.

Department of Nursing
Marcia B. Hobbs, chair

Outstanding Senior Nursing Student
Kathy Phelps (R.N.), Samuel White, Jr. (B.S.N.)
Selection is based on scholarly and professional achievement, extra-curricular activities, service to the community, and dedication to the profession and the school. A school nursing pin will be presented by Marcia Hobbs, chair.
Sigma Theta Tau Outstanding Senior
Karen Jackson, Traci Walker
Selection is based on outstanding leadership abilities, scholastic achievement, and a high level of professional commitment. Sigma Theta Tau, Delta Epsilon Chapter, is an international honor society in nursing. A plaque will be presented by Marcia Hobbs, chair.

Department of Physics and Engineering Physics
Stephen H. Cobb, chair

Outstanding Engineering Physics Senior
Lara Crowell
The award is based on academic excellence and service to Murray State University. The recipient’s name will be inscribed on a departmental plaque. Stephen Cobb, chair, will present the awards.

Outstanding Sigma Pi Sigma Senior
Lara Crowell
The award is based on academic excellence and service to Murray State University. The recipient’s name will be inscribed on a departmental plaque. Stephen Cobb, chair, will present the award.

Residential College Awards

Academic Achievement Award
This honor is awarded to the graduating senior with the highest cumulative grade point average in the residential college. A plaque and/or a stole will be presented to each recipient.

Outstanding Service Award
This honor is awarded to the residential college member who has made the greatest service contribution to the college, the university and the community. A plaque will be awarded to each recipient.

Clark College — Steve Horwood, faculty head
Academic Achievement Award: Mava Brown
Outstanding Service Award: Sara Freudenburg

Elizabeth College — James I. Schempp, faculty head
Academic Achievement Award: Jason Neale
Outstanding Service Award: Christy Sivia

Hart College — James Broughton, faculty head
Academic Achievement Award: Ryan Kuhn
Outstanding Service Award: Steven Stroud

Hester College — Ronald Cella, faculty head
Academic Achievement Award: Kathy Story
Outstanding Service Award: Jennifer Wetzel

Regents College — Ted Brown, faculty head
Academic Achievement Award: Laura Chase, Alexey Surkov
Outstanding Service Award: Ted Maras

Richmond College — Nancey France, faculty head
Academic Achievement Award: Debra Pugh, Timothy Williams
Outstanding Service Award: Laurel Roberts
Center for Continuing Education and Academic Outreach
John Yates, acting dean

Outstanding Adult Student
Debra Pugh
The award is presented to a senior adult student who has achieved the highest GPA. A plaque will be presented by John Yates, acting dean.

Alpha Sigma Lambda Outstanding Member Award
Barbara Alexander
Alpha Sigma Lambda is a national academic honor society for adult students in continuing higher education. The award is presented to a senior adult student who has achieved the highest GPA. A plaque will be presented by John Yates, acting dean.

Student Affairs Awards

Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges
Students selected must have an overall grade point average of 3.0 or above; demonstrate outstanding scholastic achievement, character, leadership and potential growth; exemplify excellence in citizenship and service to the university. Certificates will be presented by Don Robertson, vice president for student affairs.

Undergraduate: Jacquelyn Abernathy, Matthew Baucum, Deonna Belt, Darra Benson, Robert Blaisdell, Sarah Boland, Candice Bradford, Ashley Brooks, Mava Brown, Bethany Call, Michael Carr, Laura Chase, Candace Criswell, Jeffrey Farmer, April Fisk, Alicia Gross, Heather Higdon, Todd Johnson, Jill Kennedy, Paulette Lohman, Jeffrey Norvell, Jonathon Oliver, Danielle Patterson, Amy Ponder, Jessica Ray, Stephanie Roberts, Renah Rushing, Christy Sivia, Karlye Smith, Kirk Smith, Derek Somerville, Debra Sparks, Kathy Story, Eric Travis, Antony Triano, Belinda Vandergriff, Jeffrey Vaughan, Shannon Williams, Angela Wilson, Janet Winsett, Amanda Wolf, Benjamin Worley, Julie Zieman.

Graduate: Debbie Bell, James Bryant, Melissa Carr, Julie Causer, Edwin Childers, David Curry, Greg Gierhart, Scott Goodson, Christine Hallman, Jennifer Harris, Andy Hawkins, Melissa Hicks, Linda Horner, Kathy Jones, Andreas Kern, Damara Lanier, Judy Leath, Gena Maley, Amy McClure, Petra Moore, Marcus Ullrich, Jennifer Vaughn, Garth Vinson, Vivia Wall, Darrell Woodard, Dee Wright.

Ralph H. Woods Memorial Award
Shawn Smee
The award is presented for outstanding contribution in leadership and service on behalf of the university campus. A plaque will be presented by Don Robertson, vice president for student affairs.
Max G. Carman Outstanding Teacher Award

(name to be announced)

The award was created by the Student Government Association to honor a faculty member who has established a record of teaching excellence at Murray State University. A plaque will be presented by Todd Earwood, 1997-98 Student Government Association president.

Outstanding Senior Woman of Murray State University

Amy Ponder

A plaque will be presented to the outstanding senior woman who exhibited the optimal blend of excellence in scholarship, leadership, citizenship, and academic and extracurricular activities. The award will be presented by Don Robertson, vice president for student affairs.

Outstanding Senior Man of Murray State University

Jeffrey Vaughan

A plaque will be presented to the outstanding senior man who exhibited the optimal blend of excellence in scholarship, leadership, citizenship, and academic and extracurricular activities. The award will be presented by Don Robertson, vice president for student affairs.

Honors Programs:

Presidential Scholars:

Michael Arnett, Melissa Baird, Melissa Baker, Keri Bazzell, Keisa Bennett, Michael Boone, Suzie Cardiff, Jessica Cherry, Rebekah Christman, Misty Clark, Sarah Clark, Gregory Clifton, Kristina Crichton, Heather Dew, Esther Dowdy, Clay Goins, Amanda Graul, Carrie Gregory, Matthew Gunterman, Sarah Higdon, Kerry Jeter, Jennifer Kendall, Nicki Key, Jessica Lewter, Theodore Maras, Thomas Moore, Katherine Page, Sara Poston, Elaine Ratliff, Thomas Richter, Sara Rivers, Stephanie Roberts, Sandra Stone, Laura Sykes, Dennis Turner, Stephanie Warford, Jeffrey Wilson, Christopher Yandell.

Honors Program:

Lisa Schindler, Michelle Schmidt, Sara Seely, Amber Settle, Timothy Shead, Earl Simms, Daniel Simons, Nicole Skinner, Sarah Spears, Sandra Stone, Steven Stroud, Laura Sykes, Michael Thorne, Amy Tucker, Mason Tudor, Dennis Turner, Gregory Valentine, Amy Vaughan, Sarah Vogel, Shannon Walker, Stephanie Warford, Jennifer Whitmer, Ashley Wilson, Jeffrey Wilson, Christopher Yandell, Katherine Young.

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Honor Societies

Alpha Chi
National honor society recognizing distinguished scholarship
New Initiates: Heather Anderson, Daniel Ball, Melissa Barrett, Jill Bednarczyk, Mandy Benefiel, Cassandra Bolen, Kara Boyd, Benjamin Brown, Angela Buckman, Michael Carr, Jennifer Carraway, Christopher Carver, Sarah Clark, Kevin Clouse, Jason Cornett, Amie Crow, Benjamin Cruce, Crystal Davidson, Chandy Duncan, Kristina Du Vall, Kevin Farris, Jamie Gibson, Karie Greider, Mary Hamon, Daniel Hargrove, Jawana Harper, Amy Harris, Paul Hart, Alison Hatchett, Rebecca Hayden, Alison Hill, Stephanie Hodges, Carrie Howell, Michael Imboden, Kerry Jeter, Elizabeth Karr, Angela McCord, Damon Lee, Anita Lowe, Janet Mazzochi, Matthew Mitchell, Sarah Monroe, Beth Morgan, Jessica Neamon, Michael Ogletree, Michelle Owen, Keyla Palmer, Fai guni Patel, Kathy Phelps, Linda Phelps, Nor bert Popp II, Allison Pryor, Rose Radford, Angela Rawlings, Mandela Redden, Mitchel Risner, Sara Rivers, Al Rochelle, Emily Scott, Sara Schelton, Kristy Smith, Eric Travis, Patricia Trout, David Tynes, Lynett Valleroy, Rebecka Wacker, Brandy Wallace, Cara Watkins, Brian Watson, Tiffany Weatherwax, Christy Wilson, Jeremy Wiseman.

Alpha Delta Mu
National social work honor society
New Initiates: Deborah Allcock, Carolyn Corder, Barbara Corley, Glenda Cotton, Patricia Devinney, Sue Greer, Daniel Hargrove, Gayle Johnston, Jennifer Lavin, Jennifer Mayes, Amanda Thomas.

Alpha Lambda Delta
National honor society for freshmen
New Initiates: Megan Adams, Ri ann Aldrich, Melissa Allen, Schanda Banister, Amy Barnhart, Jason Billingsley, Melissa Boling, Jennifer Bradley, Latisha Brown, Jessica Cherry, James Cissell, Kimberly Davis, Robert Davis, Courtney Douglas, Jennifer Brow n, Jennifer Dunbar, Brian Edwards, Valerie Ferguson, Sara Freudenburg, Neely Green, Matthew Gunterman, David Hatcher, Matthew Helton, Christy Henson, Darrin Holder, Kimberly Holt, Rachel Hutson, Nicole Holtgrefe, Calvin Horrell, Mark Huntsman, Brent Johnson, Erika Johnson, Andrea Kleid, Melissa Leach, Stephanie Lovett, Stevie Lowery, Jennifer Martin, Andrea McKinney, Natalie Meeks,
Adria Mott, Kristin Myers, James Myrick, Melissa naeger, Katie Nelsen, Stephen O'Neal, Matthew Pate, Deena Robertson, Michael Robinson, Megan Rossiter, Leslie Rowland, Kimberly Rushing, Adrianna Salazar, Misty Sanders, Kosta Seafood, Emma Shaw, Justin Spencer, Jennifer Steedlin, Christopher Tenbargh, Michael Turner, Stephanie Warford, Jennifer Wetzel, Amelia Whitaker, Jennifer Whitmer, Christina Wood, Anna Zou, Monica Zurliene.

Seniors: Jacquelyn Abernathy, Laura Chase, Tiffany Clark, Jennifer Dilback, Chandy Duncan, Suzanne Franklin, Melanie Gregory, Kevin Harned, Dana Howlett, Paulette Lohman, Marti McClard, Heather McDowell, Genny Moore, Amy Ponder, Stephanie Roberts, Lori Schneider, Neal Simmons, Karlye Smith, Antony Triano.

Alpha Mu Gamma
National honor society for foreign language students


Alpha Phi Sigma
Honor society for criminal justice students

Membership: Laura Alvey, Don Barnes, Jeremy Buchanan, Sabrina Bouknight, Glenda Cotton, Rebecca Elliot, Dean Hart, Latesha Joiner, Larry Korns, Andy Link, Keith Logsdon, Marie Lyons, Gina Plunkett, Michael Powell, Laura Randlett, Jenny Richey, Kyle Seratt, Cindy Shelby, Ryan Sterrick, James Strickland, Mark Trout, Michael Utley, Mandy Wolf.

Alpha Sigma Lambda
National adult student honor society


Alpha Zeta
Honor society for agriculture

Membership: Kimberly Abernathy, Wendy Alexander, Ashlee Beanland, Kevin Bomar, James K. Brown, Laurelle Brown, Leslea Buffinton, Elizabeth Burks, Jennifer Chapman, Clinton Corlew, Melissa Cornwell, Margaret Foust, Jeremy French, Amanda Greer, Jason Hodge, Jeanette Hunter, David Jackson, Jennifer Johnson, Megan Malinauskas, Laura Massow, Julie Matheny, Don Norwood, Katherine Paige, Michael Peyton, April Robertson, Vivian Simmons.

Beta Alpha Psi
National accounting honor fraternity

Membership: Russ Adkins, Laura Davis, Kevin Hunsinger, Jason Lacy, Anthony Mattingly, Amy McClure.

Beta Gamma Sigma
National honor society for business and administration


Delta Sigma Rho-Tau Kappa Alpha
Honorary Forensics Fraternity

Membership: Matt Gardner, Heather Kelley, Maria Locklear, Lyndsie Schutte.

Gamma Beta Phi
National honor society for scholarship, campus leadership and community service

Seniors: Laura Arington, Charles Choate, Brian Clark, Karen Derrington, Mary Melissa Dodson, Stephanie Ellegood, April Fisk, Mary Jo Hamon, Sheila Haynes, Dana Howlett, Amy Littlefield, Joey Littlefield, Jason Neale, Christie Safin, Lori Schneider, Lori Spindler, Julie Wiebusch, Stacey Wells, Angie Wilson.

Kappa Tau Alpha
National honor society in journalism and mass communications

Membership: Deonna Belt, Laura Chase, Tiffany Clark, Chad Darnall, Micah Earnest, Lori Edwards, Korrie Englehardt, Margaret Foust, Allison Graham, Erin Grogan, Joey Hammonds, Aaron Harper, Heather Higdon, Kelly Kochert, Margrete Krogseth, Danna Carole Lovett, William McKeel,
Benjamin Morehead, Erin Myrick, Jennifer Parker, Kelly Polivick, Glenda Riley, Amanda Seidler, Celeste Taylor, Eric Travis, Christopher Vaughn, Victoria Waller, Sarah Wight, Shannon Williams, Angela Wilson, Amanda Wolf.

Kappa Omicron Nu
National honor society for family and consumer studies

Lambda Alpha
National anthropology honor society
Membership: Ken Allgood, Holly Baumer, Tom Centers, Brett Heppner, Greg Miller, Lorraine Leggett, John Pafford, Jessica Ray, Sara Rivers, Debra Sparks, Kathy Tucker.

Omicron Delta Kappa
National leadership honor society
Membership: Michael Arnett, Sara Balduf, Laura Bohanon, Sarah Boland, Donna Brooks, Bradford Burns, Suzie Cardiff, Daniel Cecil, Sarah Clark, Kristina Crichton, James Eason, Leigh Ann Faith, April Fisk, Amanda Graveen, Alicia Gross, Angie Hammond, James Haynes, Alison Hill, Nicole Hughes, Jeffrey Jenkins, Kerry Jeter, Todd Johnson, Jill Kennedy, Tandy King, Susan Krampe, Leslie Larrison, Paulette Lohman, Sarah Monroe, Ryan Moore, Steven Page, Danielle Patterson, Amy Perry, Amy Ponder, Sara Poston, LaSenna Powell, Linda Raferty, Traci Richerson, Sara Rivers, Angie Roberts, Stephanie Roberts, Renah Rushing, Bradley Sears.

Phi Alpha Theta
International history honor society

Phi Eta Sigma
National honor society for college freshmen

Pi Mu Epsilon
National mathematics honor society

Pi Omega Pi
National business education honor society
Membership: Schanda Banister, Ashli Collie, Jason Karstens, Janeen Klaproth, Robin Lasher, Jennifer Marshall, Michelle McCullough, Kari Olson, Angela Schilling, Sonya Shockley.

Pi Sigma Alpha
National political science honor society

Sigma Pi Sigma
National physics honor society
New Initiates: Shawn Collins, Jennifer Crowell, Jaime Gibson, Jeffrey Hampton, Kevin Hawkins, James Nix, Matthew pate, Michael Robinson, Michelle Schoenman.

Sigma Tau Delta
International English honor society
Sigma Theta Tau
*International honor society in nursing*

*Seniors: Susan Alexander, Tina Crews, Karen Jackson, Kathy Phelps, Elizabeth Scheidler, Traci Walker, Samuel White Jr.*

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