Lakeland COMMUNITY COLLEGE



50th
Annual Commencement

10 a.m. • Saturday, May 13, 2023

ORDER OF CEREMONY

PRESIDING

Dr. Morris W. Beverage Jr., President of the College

PRELUDE

Lakeland Civic Band

Frank Cosenza, Director

"Declaration and Dance" by William Owens

ACADEMIC PROCESSION

Lakeland Civic Band

"Pomp and Circumstance" by Sir Edward Elgar, Arranged by Smith

WELCOME

Dr. Laura C. Barnard, Executive Vice President and Provost

WORDS OF REFLECTION

Dominic Grobler, Member of the Graduating Class

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM*

Lakeland Civic Band

Heidi Skok, Contralto Soloist

"The Star-Spangled Banner" by Francis Scott Key and John Stafford Smith

OPENING REMARKS

Dr. Morris W. Beverage Jr.

INTRODUCTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Jerrie Lee Rispoli, Board of Trustees Chair

PRESENTATION OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD - MEMBER OF COMMUNITY 2023

Jerrie Lee Rispoli

INTRODUCTION OF COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

Michael D. Thomas, 1985; Alumni Hall of Fame inductee, 2019;

Alumni Representative to The Lakeland Foundation Board of Directors

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Romona Robinson, Eight-time Emmy Award-winning Journalist, Philanthropist and

Entrepreneur, and National Award-winning Author

RECOGNITION OF DISTINGUISHED AND HONORED GRADUATES

Dr. Laura C. Barnard

CONFERRING OF DEGREES**

Dr. Morris W. Beverage Jr. and Dr. Laura C. Barnard

WORDS OF THANKS

Dominic Grobler

LAKELAND ALMA MATER*

"The Soul of Lakeland College" by George Parrish and J.S. Larkins Lakeland Civic Band

Heidi Skok, Contralto Soloist

RECESSIONAL***

Lakeland Civic Band

"Coat of Arms" by George Kenny

^{*}Audience standing. Gentlemen, please remove your hats.

^{**}Thank you for not approaching the stage during conferring of degrees.

^{***}Audience, please remain seated until procession has exited the facility.

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Kimberley Blauch, Assistant Professor/Physical Therapist Assistant

Nora Gee, Associate Professor/Counseling

Lisa Lewins, Professor/Business Management

Jennifer Rutkowski, Assistant Professor/Dental Hygiene

Tobin Terry, President, Lakeland Faculty Association and Professor/Composition and Literature

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David Steger, 1975; Alumni Hall of Fame inductee, 2017

Jane Densmore Steger, 1985; Alumni Hall of Fame inductee, 2011 Michael D. Thomas, 1985; Alumni Hall of Fame inductee, 2019

Michael Zuren, Ph.D., 1988; Alumni Hall of Fame inductee, 2022

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COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

ROMONA ROBINSON, Eight-time Emmy Award-winning Journalist, Philanthropist and Entrepreneur, and National Award-winning Author

Romona Robinson is an eight-time Emmy Award-winning journalist, philanthropist and entrepreneur with 30 years of public speaking experience. She is a national award-winning author of "A Dirt Road to Somewhere," "Your Voice is Your Power" and now "Poor Girl Rich Life."

She is founder of Romona's Kids, an Emmy nominated television program-turned-institution in Cleveland she started in 1990 to empower and encourage youth to find their path.

Romona is a television trailblazer becoming the first Black female to anchor an evening broadcast in Cleveland. She was also the first woman to solo anchor an evening newscast in the city. She is one of the most well-respected and admired journalists in Northeast Ohio, having earned the trust of viewers for her integrity and unbiased reporting. As a journalist, Romona has traveled the country, covering presidents and world leaders, including Nelson Mandela and the late Ronald Reagan. In 2011, she garnered a rare, exclusive interview with President Barack Obama.

Along with her colleagues at station WOIO-TV 19, where she served as primary anchor, Romona won the coveted Edward R. Murrow Award in 2014. She was inducted into the Press Club of Cleveland's Journalism Hall of Fame in 2016 and had the honor of receiving Cleveland's Alpha Woman Award in 2017, which is given to women who exemplify strength in their field and use it to empower other women.

For 21 years, Romona served as the honorary chair of the Komen Race for the Cure, helping to bring awareness and hope to countless breast cancer survivors. Romona's tireless work with children and her dedication to diversity issues have earned her such prestigious awards as the YWCA's Women of Achievement Award and The Diversity in Media Award.

Romona is also recognized for her powerful, dynamic messages as a motivational speaker.

Romona earned a Bachelor of Science degree in broadcast journalism from Lincoln University in Jefferson City, Missouri. Now, Romona is frequently called upon to speak to women and children who need empowering messages of faith, hope, determination and perseverance. She has blanketed the state of Ohio and other parts of the nation, attending events from corporate affairs to meetings of various women's organizations. She firmly believes we all have something to offer to the world— we just have to allow God to lead us.

RECIPIENT OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD TO A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY

DR. KATHLEEN T. "KAY" MALEC

Kay Malec was appointed to the Lakeland Board of Trustees by the Lake County Commissioners in 2000, and served as chair from 2003-2005 and 2016-2018. She is a member of the Board of Trustees Scholarship Committee. Dr. Malec serves on the board of directors of The Lakeland Foundation, the Foundation Scholarship Committee, and the Projects Review Committee.

Dr. Malec's community service is extensive. She serves on the University Hospitals Board of Directors. She served on the Alumnae Board at Ursuline College for over 20 years, where she received a Distinguished Nursing Alum Award. She also served on the United Way of Lake County Board of Directors for over 12 years, was co-chair of the senior panel, and was honored with the United Way Matt Logies Ambassadors Award. She was a parish council member at Immaculate Conception Church in Willoughby, and also a eucharistic minister there.

Dr. Malec was an associate professor in the nursing department at Lakeland. She retired from Breckenridge Village as the home health manager/administrator.

She received her doctoral degree from the University of Central Arizona, her Master of Public Administration from Cleveland State University, and her Bachelor of Science in Nursing from St. John's College, which transferred to Ursuline College in 1975. She is the mother of six, grandmother of 21 and great-grandmother of nine.

DECEMBER 2022 GRADUATES

Megan A. Abrahamson, AAS Young Mi Aeschbacher, AAS Jeilah Giselle Rios Alonzo, AA Kaitlin Susan Altman, AA Michael Ashdown, AAB Samantha G. Baker, AA, * Theresa G. Bartell, AAB Mary K. Bastulli, AAS Hailee G. Baughman, AS Antonio Beljan, AA Brent E. Bencar, ATS Victor W. Bernardo, AAS Joseph Birli, ATS, < Gregory A. Black, AAS, *, ^ Danielle Arianna Blank, AAS, # Eric L. Bogotay, AAS Cory A. Brown, AAS, ***, #, ###, -Jazzmin E. Brown, AA Payton R. Brown, AA, ***, #, ####, + Danaja Bryant, AS Maia R. Busek, ATS Jessica E. Cales, AA Summer M. Caranci, AAS Christine Carson, AS Howard K. Chervenka, AAB Tanika S. Clark, AAS Cole Thomas Coan, AA Abigail M. Combs, AA Aislin Conomy, AAS, * Nathan Matthew Courey, AAS, < Connor P. Crowley, AA Charles Ryan Cutts, AA Daniel Dahlhausen, AA, * Gabrielle M. Davids, AAS Cole A. Davis, AA, AS Sofia R. Delguyd, AA Emilia Diaz, AA, ***, #, + Ganielle M. Dickerson, AAS Mia C. Donato, AA Dayah Alexandria Drummonds, AAS William D. Dye, AAS Andrew L. Eade, AAS, *, ^ Erin D. Eddy, AAS Jennifer Esposito, AAS

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+ = College Credit Plus @ = Student Leader < = Tech Prep ^ = Veteran

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Justin Skedel, AAB, *

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Cierra Mae Thomas, AAS

Alexander Thurlow, AS

Gina Tricomi, AA

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Lana M. Trost, AAS

Allyson Turk, AAB, **, #, ####, ^

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Jeffry M. Vest, AA

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Eduardo Alcala, AS

Isabella Alegria, AAS, ^

Brenden D. Allen, AA, +

Phoenix A. Allen, AA, +

Devon E. Ambrus, AA, *, +

Joshua Amspaugh, AAS, *

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Redina C. Aponte, AA, *

Ifeloluwa D. Araba, AA, AS, +

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Tyler Eric Kealey Artman, AAB

Jeremiah Atwell, AA, **, +

Destiny C. Ayres, AA

Josiah Hasan Bakkar, AA, **, #, -

Magdalena Barkoot, AA, AS, #, ####, +

Nicholas Anthony Barricelli, ATS

Shelby A. Barrington, AAS

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CLEVELAND STATE UNIVERSITY

Bachelor of Business Administration

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Bachelor of Arts in Organizational Leadership

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Bachelor of Arts in Psychology

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Bachelor of Arts in Public Safety Management

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The Arms of Lakeland Community College

Arms approved by the Board of Trustees and assumed Friday, 20th, October, 1967.

BLAZON: (description in heraldic terms)

Per fess Azure and Argent, in chief two open books of the last and in base three barrulets wavy of the first.

College colors: Blue and silver

SIGNIFICANCE

In non-heraldic language, the arms of Lakeland Community College may be described as a shield divided across the middle—known in heraldry as "per fess"—with the upper portion being blue and the lower portion silver (white may be substituted). In the upper part of the shield—known in heraldry as the "chief"—are placed two open books completely in silver. In the lower part of the shield are three narrow wavy bars—known in heraldry as "three barrulets wavy."

The Arms of Lakeland Community College are known in heraldry as canting or "arms parlantes"; they sing or play upon the name. The division across the middle of the shield and the three narrow wavy bars in blue in the base, cant or sing upon the name Lakeland (the land being a deposit from the lake).

The two open books in silver in the upper part of the shield symbolize the arts and sciences. Both branches of learning are dependent upon the written word which is generally transmitted by means of books.

These Arms were designed by A.W.C. Phelps, Fellow of The American Society of Heraldry, member of The Heraldry Society (London) England, on Thursday, 11th May, 1967.

LAKELAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE: A COMMUNITY HISTORY

The history of Lakeland Community College is one in which "community" has been the operative word. Conceived in 1964 by a group of 22 Lake County citizens, the college has grown considerably while serving the educational needs of hundreds of thousands of people. The goal of the college has remained constant: to offer a comprehensive two-year college transfer program, to provide technical and paraprofessional programs, to provide general education, and to provide professional educational counseling. In addition, Lakeland has responded to the needs of the community by offering numerous programs ranging from specific industry-generated requests, to professional development courses. Today nearly 8,000 individuals attend Lakeland each year in credit and noncredit programs.

Lakeland Community College was the first college in Ohio created by the vote of the people. Twenty-two Lake County citizens provided the impetus for establishing a community college in Lake County by petitioning the board of commissioners. The petition led to the generation of a feasibility study, which recommended that the "creation of a community college district" be a serious consideration. Anxious to move forward, the League of Women Voters began a petition drive in 1965 to place the issue before Lake County voters. On Nov. 2, 1965, Lake County voters approved the issue by a narrow margin. The State of Ohio further supported the movement in 1966 by authorizing the creation of a community college, and that year a board of trustees was appointed. On May 2, 1967, the citizens of Lake County approved a 1.7 mill levy, thereby giving final approval to the opening and operating of a community college district.

When Lakeland opened its doors in September of 1967, the first group of 1,073 students attended classes that were scattered around Painesville in various facilities. These included the Cleveland Trust Building, the YMCA, a Mill Street location, and the Painesville Methodist Church. The administration was housed in an abandoned mortuary home. The college eventually purchased approximately 400 acres belonging to the Edward W. Moore estate to house the permanent site of the college. In the summer of 1971, the college moved to its present site and the dream of 22 citizens took on a reality few could have imagined in those early organizational meetings of 1964.

From humble beginnings to a state-of-the-art campus, the college has been guided by five presidents – Dr. Wayne L. Rodehorst (1967-1981); Willis P. Kern (1977); Dr. James L. Catanzaro (1981-1987); Dr. Ralph R. Doty (1988-2001); and Dr. Morris W. Beverage Jr. (2001-present). They led the college as it expanded in its physical size and the programs and services it offers. The college now encompasses 10 buildings on the campus. The beautiful and historic Mooreland Mansion, the main house on the Moore estate, underwent an extensive restoration and now serves as an elegant conference center and reception site. The number of faculty and staff has also increased since the college's inception, so that Lakeland now employs approximately 1,000 people.

Since 1967, the number of classes and programs of study have grown substantially. Lakeland now offers over 1,100 credit courses, 64 degrees, 80 certificates, and transfer modules that provide transferable credits to other colleges and universities located all over the country. Students can take classes at the campus location, through online courses, in an accelerated format, or as high school students in the College Credit Plus or the Tech Prep Program. The Holden University Center of Lakeland opened in the fall of 2011 to offer convenient access to complete a bachelor's, master's and even a doctoral degree from a variety of leading colleges and universities. Lakeland promotes lifelong learning for people of all ages, from summer camps for children to free credit classes for senior adults. Noncredit professional development courses are offered to learn new skills.

Culturally, Lakeland has become a focal point of high-quality regional arts and lecture presentations. The college hosts professional theater productions, concerts, and art shows that are housed in one of the largest galleries in Northeastern Ohio. Lakeland is the home to noted music and art competitions that draw artists from around the nation. Also, a variety of annual lecture series and symposia address important political, economic, environmental and educational issues affecting area citizens.

The expansion of the college in terms of its physical size, number of employees and programs offered has been impressive since its inception in 1967. New programs are created almost yearly to meet the needs of an ever-changing society, economy and workforce. Residents of Lake County support the college through two operating levies and a capital improvement bond issue that keep Lakeland always working for Lake County. For more than 55 years, Lakeland Community College has served generations of Northeast Ohioans, and as it continues to grow, will remain true to its original guiding principle: to serve the community.

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ACADEMIC REGALIA

The history of academic costume dates from medieval days when university students wore woolen and fur garments for warmth in damp and drafty buildings. Most of those studying were clerics in the holy orders; they wore a cloak to which was attached a hood that could be pulled up to cover their tonsured heads. Simplified today, the costume serves to remind us that its wearer is a member of an ancient and venerable profession; it also indicates by its color and design its wearer's degree and the institution by which the degree was conferred.

In the United States, black has been the traditional color for academic gowns, but some institutions authorize holders of their doctorates to wear the colors of the institution. The associate's gown and the bachelor's gown, which are black in color, are distinguished by their long, open sleeves; the master's by its closed, slitted sleeves; the doctor's by its full sleeves trimmed with bands of velvet, which may be black or a color denoting the field in which the degree was taken.

The mortarboard cap, proper for all degrees, is black. Tassels are worn over the left front quarter of the cap. Holders of the doctorate may wear tassels of gold thread.

Academic hoods vary in length according to the degree and are lined with the colors of the institution by which the degree was granted. The hood is trimmed with velvet in a color that indicates the field in which the degree was taken. Colors associated with some of the various disciplines are: Arts and Letters, white; Business, drab; Education, light blue; Engineering, orange; Fine Arts, brown; Law, purple; Library Science, lemon; Medicine, green; Music, pink; Philosophy, dark blue; Physical Education, sage green; Science, golden yellow; Theology, scarlet.

The ceremonial mace, which is carried by the lead faculty member in the procession, signifies highest honors bestowed upon a distinguished faculty member by his/her professional colleagues.

Lakeland graduates wear tassels that correspond to their degree program. Tassel colors are listed below by program degree.

Degree	Tassel Color	<u>Degree</u>	Tassel Color
Associate of Arts Degree	White	Applied Studies - Health Technologies	
Associate of Science Degree	Golden Yellow	Biotechnology Science	Golden Yellow
Associate of Applied Business Degree Applied Studies - Computer, Design and Engineering Technologie		Dental Hygiene Health Information Management Technology Histotechnology Medical Laboratory Technology Multi-Skilled Health Technology	Lilac Green Green Green Green
Graphic Design Information Technology and Computer Science Media Technology	Brown Drab Drab	Nursing (RN) Occupational Therapy Assistant Physical Therapist Assistant	Apricot Sage Green White
Applied Studies - Management Accounting Business Management Paralegal Studies	Drab Drab Purple	Radiologic Technology Respiratory Therapy Surgical Technology Arts and Sciences - Languages and Communication	Green Green Green
Associate of Applied Science Degree Applied Studies -		Applied American Sign Language Studies	White
Computer, Design and Engineering Technologie		Arts and Sciences - Social Sciences Geospatial Technology	Golden Yellow
Civil Engineering Technology Computer Integrated Manufacturing Technology Electronic Engineering Technology Mechanical Engineering Technology Network Infrastructure Engineering Technology	Orange Orange Orange	Associate of Technical Studies Degree Applied Studies - Computer, Design and Engineering Technologi Computer Information Technology	es Drab
Criminal Justice – Law Enforcement Early Childhood Education Emergency Management Planning Golden Yello Light Blue	Services Golden Yellow Golden Yellow Light Blue Golden Yellow	Electrical Construction Technology Electrical Technology Industrial Welding Tool and Die Technology Applied Studies - Health Technologies Nuclear Medicine	Orange Orange Orange Orange Orange
		Radiologic Technology Applied Studies - Management Culinary Arts Technology	Green Maroon

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Graduation is just one of the many achievements you will experience.

Cherish the moment, then the new journey begins.

As you look to the future, continue to put forth a gallant effort and believe that nothing is impossible.

You can make dreams come true.