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INTRODUCTION OF GRADUATES

STUDENT ACADEMIC RECOGNITION

Dr. Patricia Brown, Senior Associate Dean, School of Professional and Continuing Studies

Richard W. Leatherman, Sr. and
Ida May Leatherman Mace Bearer Award ....................Rebecca Hubbard

United States Flag Bearer ...................................Elizabeth Stagg

University of Richmond Flag Bearer ..........................Suni Brown

SPCS Banner Bearer ......................................Sara Worley

Student Speaker ........................................Kendyl Crawley Crawford

GOLDEN KEY AWARDS

JEAN H. PROFFITT STUDENT SERVICE AWARD

2018 Award Recipient ................................Kimberley Payne

ANNUAL BOOK AWARDS

Human Resource Management
Steve Neal Book Award for Outstanding Undergraduate Achievement ......Shirley Emeh

Human Resource Management
Steve Neal Book Award for Outstanding Graduate Achievement ......Lindsay Spann

Information Systems
George E. Christopher and George W. Swartz Memorial Book Award ........Lucia Tsui

IT Management
McDonald Davis, Jr. Book Award .........................Chad Harris

Liberal Arts
Investment Consultants and Management Company
of Virginia Book Award ...............................Sara Worley

Daniel McDonald Roberts and Frances Taylor Roberts
Master of Liberal Arts Memorial Book Award ..................Suni Brown
**Nonprofit Studies**

Louis J. Narduzzi Memorial Book Award ................................. Mary Wood

**Paralegal Studies**

William R. Marshall, Jr. Memorial Book Award ........................ Rebecca Hubbard

**Graduate Education**

Samuel E. Perry, Jr. and  
Nancy B. Perry Book Award (Grades K-6) ................................. Jesse Lucabaugh  
Ann C. Taylor Book Award (Grades 7-12) ................................. Aline Dolan

James W. Lanham Award  
for Excellence in Curriculum and Instruction ............................. Amalia Kobelja

Catherine S. Fisher Award  
for Excellence in Educational Leadership ................................. George C. Fohl, Jr.

Education Department Distinction Awards ................................. To Be Announced

**ADDITIONAL AWARDS AND HONORS**

Taylor Kie Cousins Award .......................... Christopher Dilworth  
Colonel Porcher L. Taylor, Jr., Ph.D. Book Award for Community Leadership .......... David Edward Kern  
Elizabeth Spindler Scott Book Scholarship Award ............................ Thomas Dever  
Joanita Bbaale Senoga Book Award in Recognition of Academic Excellence by a Student Whose Native Language is not English ............................ Maria Diaz

The Stratton and Peggy Almond Memorial Book Scholarship Award—Weekend College  
First Year Student in Weekend College ...................................... Kelly Davis  
Final Year Student in Weekend College ...................................... Joann Clack

**COMMENCEMENT SPEAKERS**

Gibb Family Distinguished Alumni Award ................................. Robert Reed  
Itzkowitz Family Distinguished Adjunct Faculty Award ........................... Wendell Roberts

**CLOSING REMARKS**
Previous Award Winners

**Richard W. Leatherman, Sr. and Ida May Leatherman Mace Bearer Award**

The Mace Bearer is an honored position filled by the graduating senior with the highest grade point average.

1998 Karen Gayle Smith-Will
1999 Mary F. Hogan
2000 Marina M. Taylor
2001 Jacqueline C. Mathews
2002 Cynthia Marie Johnson
2003 Clinton Douglas Darby
2004 Jonathan Payne DeShazo
2005 Patricia Wood Fagan
2006 Stefanie A. Hutchison
2007 Amy C. Hess
2008 Laura Morris
2009 Brian L. Taylor
2010 Patrick Jinks
2011 Jerry Stire
2012 Laura Taylor
2013 Jane Meriwether Delano Gilmore
2014 Brian Spitzer
2015 Kelly Patricia Bryan
2016 Jack Foster
2017 Samantha Eastlack

Beginning in 2013, the Award officially became: Richard W. Leatherman, Sr. and Ida May Leatherman Mace Bearer Award

**Jean H. Proffitt Student Service Award Recipients**

Presented to a graduate in recognition of outstanding service to the school.

1996 Gilbert Franklin Logan, III
1997 Vanessa Laverne Wilson
1998 Donna Lee Wallain
1999 Marcia Pitts Englert
2000 Bonnie Jean Davies
2001 Annette Lynn Ardler
2002 Jarita Taylor Fife
2003 Linda Greco Koch
2004 Susan M. Hopfensperger and Susan D. Murphy
2005 Phil J. Edris
2006 Marla Horsley
2007 Dianne Foster St. John
2008 Francine Reynolds
2009 Brenda Ann Neckvatal
2010 Christopher Riddick
2011 Trishawnna Murray
2012 Martha Pittaway and Jimmy Nickerson
2013 John Ephraim Butt
2014 George Siecko
2015 Chris S. Hall
2016 Tracey Taylor
2017 Mark Gan

Beginning in 2014, the award officially became: Jean Proffitt Award for Service
**GIBB FAMILY DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS/ALUMNA AWARD RECIPIENTS**

Presented to a distinguished alumnus/alumna for his or her service to the University, the community, and/or profession.

1995  Robert R. Staples UC’72
1996  William E. Brazier UC’76
1997  John M. Plunkett UC’70
1998  Charles K. Trible UC’68, L’71
1999  Earnest A. Huband UC’68
2000  H. William Kuehl, Jr. UC’73
2001  Carolyn R. Martin UC’86
2002  Fenton N. Hord UC’70
2003  Sarah O. Gunn UC’81
2004  Thomas W. Pearson UC’63
2005  Valerie J. Agnew, SCS’96
2006  Andrew Gibb, UC ‘83
2007  Connie E. Harvey, UC’95
2008  Fred Itzkowitz, UC’75, G’76
2009  W. Joseph Winston, UC’71
2010  Mary Ramsey Evans, SCS’02, G’06
2011  Scott Strickler, UC’87
2012  Patricia Gallagher, SCS’97
2013  Thomas W. Winfree, C’77
2014  Catherine McGehee, GC’11
2015  Vanessa L. Jones, C’97, L’01
2016  Lin Koch, C’03
2017  Catherine W. Eagles, C’00

**ITZKOWITZ FAMILY DISTINGUISHED ADJUNCT FACULTY AWARD RECIPIENTS**

1977  Julian E. Savage (deceased)
1978  Richard J. Dunsing
1979  William R. Marshall, Jr. (deceased)
1980  Walter A. McFarlane
1981  Kathleen M. Graeber (deceased)
1982  Earnest A. Huband
1983  Franklin J. Boyer (deceased)
1984  Earnest A. Huband
1985  Dennis L. Warmke
1986  Gregory D. Foreman
1987  Helen C. Fields
1988  John M. Plunkett
1989  Elizabeth S. Scott
1990  James E. Hendricks (deceased)
1991  James P. Kennedy
1992  Mary T. Dobbs
1993  James M. Helms, III
1994  Joseph C. Mitchell
1995  Elisabeth Evans Wray
1996  Mary Turner Dobbs
1997  Elizabeth S. Scott
1998  Mary-Ellen Kendall
1999  James M. Helms, III
2000  Martha L. Edmonds
2001  Shirley J. Hoerter
2002  Patricia B. Carey
2003  Rosalind B. Reilly
2004  Gregory D. Foreman
2005  Anne Marie Morgan
2006  Debra W. Hanson
2007  Jada P. Banks
2008  Maria Poindexter
Beginning in 2014, the award officially became: Itzkowitz Family Distinguished Adjunct Faculty Award

2009 Robert S. Kelley
2010 John A. Zinn, III
2011 Cathy Herweyer
2012 Timothy Duffee
2013 Gerald Lee Quirk
2014 Carrie Ludovico
2015 David A. Myers
2016 Connie Hill
2017 Daniel Hocutt

25-YEAR MEDALLION RECIPIENTS

2004 Debra Williams Hanson
James Marvin Helms, III
Walter A. McFarlane
Elisabeth Evans Wray
2006 Martha Edmonds
Gregory Foreman
Rosalind Reilly
Elizabeth Scott
Michael Wriston
2008 Mary Dobbs
2009 Jean Moorefield
2016 Michael Champlin
2017 Tom Gates
   Dan Roberts
   Dennis Warmke
Awards and Honors

Book Awards
Book Awards recognize academic success and dedication to the School of Professional and Continuing Studies and the University. They are presented to top students in each program, as chosen by the faculty.

Jean H. Proffitt Student Service Award
Established in 1996 by the School of Professional and Continuing Studies and the SPCS Student Government Association, this award is presented to a graduating senior recognized by his/her peers for outstanding service to the School. The award is given in honor of the service exemplified by long-time University College and SCS staff member Jean H. Profitt, C’83.

Richard W. Leatherman, Sr. and Ida May Leatherman Mace Bearer Award
Established in 2013, this award honors the memory of Richard W. Leatherman, Sr. and Ida May Leatherman and is given in recognition of academic excellence. The award recipient is given the honor of carrying the University Mace and leading the graduates in the Commencement processional.

Colonel (U.S.A., Ret) Porcher L. Taylor, Jr., Ph.D. Book Award for Community Leadership
Established in 2006, this award honors Dr. Porcher L. Taylor, Jr. and the servant leadership he has exemplified his entire life. Dr. Taylor, a member of the Tuskegee Airmen, Inc., served in World War II, Vietnam and the Korean Wars. Dr. Taylor also served as Vice President for Student Affairs at Virginia State University and has spent his entire life involving himself in civic, charitable, educational and religious causes and serving as a role model for youth. This award is given to a graduating student who has provided leadership and involvement to their community.

Taylor Kie Cousins Award in Recognition of Outstanding Service to the University Community
Established in 2010, this award is given to a graduating student who exemplifies outstanding service and leadership to the University community. This award is in memory of Adjunct Professor Emeritus Taylor Cousins’ service and commitment to the School of Professional and Continuing Studies as a teacher and in recognition of his involvement in service to the community.

Stratton and Peggy Almond Memorial Book Scholarship Awards
These awards are presented to recognize a first year student and a rising senior who have demonstrated academic success in the Richmond Weekend College program. The awards shall be used to purchase books or supplies from the University Bookstore.
Awards and Honors (continued)

Elizabeth Spindler Scott Book Scholarship Award
Given by friends and students in honor of her 28-year teaching career at the University of Richmond School of Continuing Studies, this award is presented annually to recognize a rising senior who has demonstrated academic success in the Bachelor of Liberal Arts program. The award shall be used to purchase books during the student’s final year of study at the School of Professional and Continuing Studies.

Distinction Awards
Passed with Distinction is awarded to Master of Education candidates who have submitted comprehensive written examination responses that exceed faculty expectations by demonstrating an alignment of research and practice, thorough knowledge of the content, and evidence of integrated connection to theory through best practice.
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