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UNIVERSITY PARK, ILLINOIS

*Commencement Exercises*  
*of the Thirtieth*  
*Academic Year*

SATURDAY, JUNE 2, 2001

AND

SUNDAY, JUNE 3, 2001

2 P.M.

GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY'S  
*Mission*

**Governors State University's** primary mission is teaching. It provides an affordable and accessible undergraduate and graduate education to its culturally and economically diverse lifelong learners. The liberal arts and sciences are the foundation of the university's academic programs; these programs generally emphasize professional preparation.

**Governors State University** has a strong commitment to cultural diversity in every facet of university life. The university values its multicultural community of students, faculty, and staff as they learn together throughout their lives. It addresses the needs of the traditional and nontraditional learners through the breadth of its curriculum, through flexible teaching strategies, and through advanced instructional technologies.

**Governors State University**, located south of Chicago, is an active partner in the economic and social development of the surrounding metropolitan regions, preparing informed and concerned citizens and providing them a global perspective in an interdependent world.

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*Honorary Degree Candidate*

**MARJORIE CRAIG BENTON**

Marjorie Craig Benton is a national and international humanitarian focusing on the needs of women and children. She is the honorary chair and founder of Save the Children Federation in Westport, Connecticut. She also is the honorary chair and founder of The Peace Museum, Chicago Foundation for Women and the Women's Issues Network, all located in Chicago.

Benton is internationally recognized by numerous organizations for championing many causes. She spent the early part of her career working in the field of arms control and disarmament. Benton served as a delegate to the Special Session on Disarmament at the United Nations in addition to being a special advisor to the United Nations Disarmament Commission.

With more than 40 years of active involvement in the Democratic party, Benton has been a delegate to conventions and a member of the Democratic National Committee.

Benton is married with three children and four grandchildren and resides in Evanston, Illinois.

*Order of Exercises*

**Saturday, June 2, 2001**  
**College of Arts and Sciences**  
**College of Health Professions**  
**Board of Governors**

**Dr. Stuart Fagan**  
*President of the University*  
*Presiding*

PRELUDE ..... Kankakee County Wind Band  
Harold Huber, *Conductor*  
Sara Springer, *Vocalist*

PROCESSIONAL ..... Dr. David Parmenter, *University Marshal*  
"Pomp and Circumstance" - Elgar/Walters ..... Kankakee County Wind Band

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS ..... Dr. Stuart Fagan  
*President*

GREETINGS FROM THE GSU BOARD OF TRUSTEES ..... Bruce Friefeld  
*Chairperson*

PRESENTATION OF HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT ..... Dr. Paul Keys  
*Provost*  
Conferring of Honorary Degree ..... Dr. Stuart Fagan  
Honorary Recipient, Doctor of Humane Letters ..... Marjorie Craig Benton  
Commencement Address ..... Marjorie Craig Benton

PRESENTATION OF DEGREE CANDIDATES ..... Dr. Paul Keys  
College of Arts and Sciences ..... Dean Roger K. Oden  
College of Health Professions ..... Interim Dean Amerfil Wang  
Board of Governors ..... Dean John Stoll

CONFERRING OF DEGREES ..... Dr. Stuart Fagan

INTRODUCTION OF STUDENT SPEAKER ..... Dean John Stoll

STUDENT ADDRESS ..... Senator Debbie Halvorson (D-40, Crete)

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD: Tommy Dascenzo, Student Life  
In recognition of his volunteer services to the  
100 Men Association Incorporated of University Park ..... Brandon Senter  
*Vice President*  
*Development & Public Affairs*

INDUCTION INTO THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION ..... Dr. Kenneth W. McNeeley  
*President, Governors State University Alumni Association*

CLOSING REMARKS ..... Dr. Stuart Fagan

RECESSIONAL ..... Dr. David Parmenter, *University Marshal*  
Coronation March from "The Prophet" - Meyerbeer/Sanders ..... Kankakee County Wind Band

Susan Bova, Sign Language Interpreter  
*The audience is requested to rise and remain standing during the Processional and Recessional.*



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**DEMPSEY J. TRAVIS**

Dempsey J. Travis is an entrepreneur, historian, and self-made multi-millionaire. He is the founder and president of Travis Realty Company, which has been listed among the Largest 100 Black Businesses in America by *Black Enterprise Magazine*. Travis was also listed for seven years in *Ebony Magazine* as one of the 100 Most Influential Black Americans and as Black Businessman of the Year by *Dollars and Sense Magazine*. He also was listed among the People Who Have Made a Difference in the *Chicago Sun-Times*' Sesquicentennial Celebration issue.

Travis is the author of seven best-selling books. He was the financial editor for *Dollars and Sense Magazine* for several years, and also was a contributing writer for *Ebony Magazine* and *Black Scholars*.

Always interested and active in civic affairs, Travis was coordinator of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s first civil rights march in Chicago in 1960. He was the president of the NAACP of Chicago from 1959 to 1960. He has participated in several presidential administrations, including President Lyndon B. Johnson's 1966 civil rights meetings, President Richard Nixon's Housing Task Force on Urban Renewal, and the Presidential Task Force on Inflation.

Travis is married and resides in Chicago, Illinois.

## Order of Exercises

Sunday, June 3, 2001  
College of Business and Public Administration  
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**Dr. Stuart Fagan**  
*President of the University*  
*Presiding*

PRELUDE .....	Kankakee County Wind Band Harold Huber, <i>Conductor</i> Sarah Springer, <i>Vocalist</i>
PROCESSIONAL .....	Dr. David Parmenter, <i>University Marshal</i> "Pomp and Circumstance" - Elgar/Walters Kankakee County Wind Band
WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS .....	Dr. Stuart Fagan <i>President</i>
GREETINGS FROM THE GSU BOARD OF TRUSTEES .....	Lorine Samuels <i>BOT Member</i>
PRESENTATION OF HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT .....	Dr. Paul Keys <i>Provost</i>
Conferring of Honorary Degree .....	Dr. Stuart Fagan
Honorary Recipient, Doctor of Humane Letters .....	Dempsey J. Travis
Commencement Address .....	Dempsey J. Travis
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College of Education .....	Dean Diane Alexander
CONFERRING OF DEGREES .....	Dr. Stuart Fagan
INTRODUCTION OF STUDENT SPEAKER .....	Dean William Nowlin
STUDENT ADDRESS .....	Oscar W. Mardis
COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD: Jason Smith .....	Brandon Senter <i>Vice President</i> <i>Development &amp; Public Affairs</i>
In recognition for his work as an advocate for children at the Westside Association for Community Action	
INDUCTION INTO THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION .....	Dr. Kenneth W. McNeely <i>President, Governors State University Alumni Association</i>
CLOSING REMARKS .....	Dr. Stuart Fagan
RECESSIONAL .....	Dr. David Parmenter, <i>University Marshal</i> Coronation March from "The Prophet" - Meyerbeer/Sanders Kankakee County Wind Band

Susan Bova, Sign Language Interpreter  
*The audience is requested to rise and remain standing during the Processional and Recessional.*





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Former Director of Student Life  
Student Affairs and Services

Tommy Dascenzo joined the GSU community in 1979 and retired this year as the director of Student Life.

Prior to retirement, Dascenzo made a conscious effort to become involved with several charities. Over the past three years, he has worked with Hope Community Service, an emergency service agency in Markham, Illinois. Dascenzo volunteers his time in the area of program development while working on the front line, pitching in where needed. He has also been very active in community service at St. Andrew's United Methodist Church in Homewood, Illinois.

As a founding member of the 100 Men Association, Inc. in University Park, Illinois, he was instrumental in the creation of a mentoring program designed for the boys of University Park. For two hours a week, group members are paired with students of Hickory Elementary School in University Park. This program provides tutoring services, social events, and activities for the area boys; however, mentoring and relationship building are the major components.

Along with successfully establishing the mentoring program, Dascenzo was instrumental in recruiting other colleagues to volunteer for the program. By serving as a role model for both the members and young students, he has contributed to the success of the 100 Men Association, Inc. His contributions and dedication are truly worthy of this year's GSU Community Service Award.

*Community Service Award Recipient  
Sunday, June 3, 2001*

**JASON SMITH**

Undergraduate Student  
College of Business and Public Administration

Jason Smith is a young man who has indeed triumphed despite great hurdles. Smith first came to the Westside Association for Community Action (WACA), a community-based organization, through the Cook County Juvenile Court system because of his involvement in gangs.

His involvement with WACA gave him the opportunity to meet positive adult role models who, by sharing their own personal experiences, influenced Smith to choose a more productive way of life.

Smith enrolled in an alternative school where he studied and passed his GED on the first try. He then enrolled at Malcolm X College, and received his associate's degree in Business Administration.

In 1995, Smith was hired as a part-time staff member with WACA. Within a few months of being on board at WACA, the administration noted how well he interacted with the youths in the program. Being viewed as a role model by the youths in the program, Smith was offered the opportunity to become a peer counselor on a full-time basis.

Smith was one of 25 individuals from across the country who was profiled, along with Brandon Maxwell, in the book entitled *Second Chances: Giving Kids a Chance to Make a Better Choice*, published through The Justice Policy Institute of the Center on Juvenile and Criminal Justice and the Children and Family Justice Center of Northwestern University School of Law.

A young man who started out at WACA as a program participant, Smith became a youth counselor working on behalf of WACA and advocating for at-risk youths. He says, "As I keep growing and maturing, my work at WACA has been astonishing, even to me."



*Student Speaker*  
*Saturday, June 2, 2001*

**SENATOR DEBBIE HALVORSON**

Debbie De Francesco Halvorson is receiving a Board of Governors B.A. degree. Halvorson is a graduate of Bloom Township High School in Chicago Heights and has degrees from both Robert Morris College and Prairie State College.

Halvorson was first sworn into office on January 8, 1997, for a two-year term, as senator for the 40th District in Chicago's south suburbs. She was re-elected in 1998 to a four-year term that ends in January 2003. Prior to her election as state senator for the 40th District, Halvorson worked for 14 years as a businesswoman in her community. She was also elected to and served as the Crete Township Clerk from April 1993 to December 1996.

In the Senate, Halvorson is a member of the Appropriations Committee and the Local Government Committee, as well as serving as the Minority spokesperson on the Commerce and Industry Committee. Senator Halvorson also holds the leadership position of Minority Whip within the Democratic Caucus. In addition, she serves on several statewide task forces, including the Mobile Home Task Force, the Growth Task Force, and the Governor's Commission on Tourism.

A lifelong resident of the 40th District, Halvorson grew up in Steger and currently resides in Crete with her two children.

Halvorson continues to be a strong voice and advocate for the interests of the hard working families of Illinois, making schools better and neighborhoods safer for children. Halvorson is a true advocate for the 40th District by fighting to make necessities such as gasoline and medications more affordable. The community-at-large, as well as her colleagues at GSU, recognize her dedicated efforts.

*Student Speaker*  
*Sunday, June 3, 2001*

**OSCAR W. MARDIS**

Oscar W. Mardis is receiving his Master of Public Administration degree from the College of Business and Public Administration.

Mardis graduated from South Shore High School in Chicago, Illinois. After completion, he immediately joined the U.S. Air Force where he served in various positions in the field of logistics as a traffic management specialist from July 1976 to October 1991. While on active duty, Mardis earned several military awards and decorations, including two Air Force commendations and an Air Force Achievement medal. While stationed at the March Air Force base in Riverside, California, Mardis attended an off-campus academic program sponsored by Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. He completed his requirements and received his bachelor of science degree in Electronic Management in May 1995.

After completing his undergraduate degree, Mardis was employed by American Passenger Rail Car Company in Chicago, Illinois. There he worked as a warehouse and production control supervisor ensuring the consistent flow of materials and parts to the production line that aided in the construction of Metra commuter trains.

In June of 1998, on the advise of a colleague, Mardis enrolled at Governors State University in the College of Business and Public Administration's graduate program. While at GSU, he served as the managing editor of the *INNOVATOR* and an arts and entertainment reporter. Mardis was also actively involved in the Black Student Association and the Veteran's Club. As a graduate assistant at the South Metropolitan Regional Leadership Center, Mardis was instrumental in launching a website designed to provide information relating to balanced economic growth in the region.

Through his zest for life and his eagerness to be actively involved in the GSU Community, Mardis has exemplified the true spirit of a GSU student.



## *Academic Regalia*

During the commencement ceremony, students and faculty wear academic costumes indicating the wearers' degrees and colleges or fields of study.

### *The Cap*

The black mortarboard type is the most common cap worn. Degree candidates wear cap tassels that are black and white, the university colors. Colors worn by faculty are either black or gold according to their highest degree.

### *The Gown*

Gowns are of three kinds. The bachelor's gown is relatively simple, with lines falling straight from a fairly elaborate yoke. Its distinguishing characteristic is the long pointed sleeve. Braided silken cords are worn by students who have achieved special scholastic recognition: gold signifies high honors; white, honors. The master's gown has sleeves with a back end extending down below the knee in a crescent shape. The doctor's gown is an elaborate costume with velvet panels down the front and around the neck, with three velvet bars on the bell-shaped sleeves.

### *The Hood*

For each college or field of study, there is a corresponding color. The colors for master's hoods are as follows:

Accounting .....	Golden Yellow
Addictions Studies .....	Salmon Pink
Analytical Chemistry .....	Golden Yellow
Art .....	Brown
Business Administration .....	Drab
Communication Disorders .....	Salmon Pink
Communications and Training .....	White
Computer Science .....	Golden Yellow
Counseling .....	Light Blue
Early Childhood Education .....	Light Blue
Education .....	Light Blue
Educational Administration .....	Light Blue
English .....	White
Environmental Biology .....	Golden Yellow
Health Administration .....	Salmon Pink
Health Science .....	Salmon Pink
Instructional and Training Technology .....	White
Multicategorical Special Education .....	Light Blue
Nursing .....	Apricot
Occupational Therapy .....	Slate Blue
Physical Therapy .....	Teal
Political Studies .....	White
Political and Justice Studies .....	White
Psychology .....	Light Blue
Public Administration .....	Peacock Blue
Sociology .....	White
Social Work .....	Citron

*Retirement List  
Academic Year 2000-2001*

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Years of Service</u>
Lowell Culver	College of Business and Public Administration	30 years
Tommy Dascenzo	Student Life	22 years
Jagdish Davé	College of Education	24 years
Edward Flowers	Center for Extended Learning and Communications Services	27 years
Carolyn Fraser	College of Health Professions	17 years
John Lowe III	College of Health Professions	28 years
Jon Mendelson	College of Arts and Sciences	28 years
Paul O'Brien	College of Business and Public Administration	19 years
Gloria Schuler	Board of Governors	23 years
Gwen Siebert	Student Development	30 years
Kay Stinson	President's Office	9 years

## **COMMENCEMENT MARSHALS**

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### **University Grand Marshal**

David Parmenter, University Professor of Management, Marketing and Public Administration

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### **College of Arts and Sciences**

Karen D'Arcy, University Professor of Analytical Chemistry  
Timothy Gsell, University Professor of Microbiology  
Shailendra Kumar, University Professor of Organic Chemistry  
Mel Muchnik, University Professor of Communication  
Rashidah Jaami' Muhammad, University Professor of English and Secondary Education

### **College of Health Professions**

Ralph Bell, University Professor of Health Administration  
Kyunok Chung, University Professor of Health Administration  
Arthur Durant, University Professor of Health Administration  
Donna Nieckula, University Professor of Social Work  
Joyce Sligar, University Lecturer, Physical Therapy Program

### **Board of Governors**

Gary Fisk, University Professor of Television and Media Production Management  
Ann Glascoff, University Professor of Library Science

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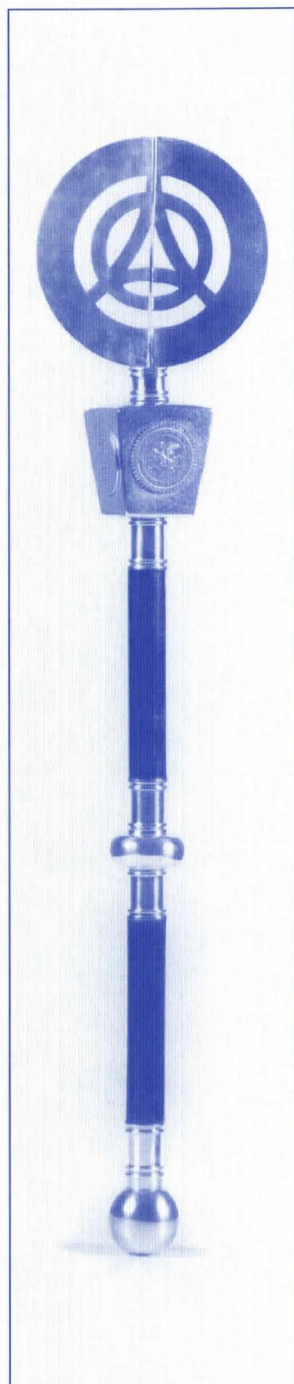
### **College of Business and Public Administration**

Gary Cook, University Professor of Management Information Systems  
Robert Donaldson, University Professor of Public Administration  
Brad Johnson, University Professor of Accounting

### **College of Education**

Diane Kjos, University Professor of Psychology and Counseling  
Georgia Kosmoski, University Professor Educational Administration  
Karen Peterson, University Professor of Education  
Vinicio Reyes, University Professor Bilingual/Bicultural Education  
Darlene Wright, University Professor of Psychology and Counseling  
Julia Yang, University Professor of Psychology and Counseling

## *The Mace*



The Governors Mace, carried by the Marshal who leads the academic procession, is a symbol of the authority of the university as a degree-granting institution. The legal authority of the university is grounded in the intellectual authority of the distinguished faculty who follow in the procession.

In antiquity, the Mace was a weapon used to establish the “authority” of the physically strong. Its transformation into a symbol of intellectual authority is both a tribute to and a reminder of the civilizing force of a university’s teaching, research, and community service functions.

Engraved on the four side-panels of the Governors Mace are (1) the seal of the state of Illinois; (2) a cardinal, the state bird; (3) the seal of the former Illinois Board of Governors Universities; and (4) an inscription which reads “The Governors Mace, a symbol of tradition and authority of Governors State University, dedicated to the search for excellence in the pursuit of truth, knowledge, and the love of learning. Presented by Peter Levin, friend of the university, June 2, 1979.”

Atop the Mace is a silver rendition of the university logo. The three sides of the “triangle” symbolize the university’s teaching, research, and community service functions. The three lines visually suggest the shape of a rocket, reminding us both that the university was founded two days after Neil Armstrong set foot on the moon and that the university is a hope-filled, pioneering community, committed to a better future for all men and women. The circle symbolizes the fact that the university is, indeed, a community. Finally, the fact that the tips of the triangle reach beyond the circle indicates the university’s outreach into the region, state, and nation and its commitment to teaching, research, and community service.