South Carolina Rep. Chandra Dillard addressed the honor students and the campus community on Thursday morning at the Fall Honors Convocation.

Dillard applauded the honor students for their significant accomplishments and presented them with a question, “How do you continue on the journey you’ve begun to realize the dreams that dwell within you?” She provided the answer, “You must fan your flame.”

She shared that all journeys begin with anticipation and excitement but midway through the journey fatigue, frustration and challenges set in. She said to keep the fire going, “Fan the flame.” Dillard described the flame as that special something given by the creator that sets us apart from others: “mojo, burning desire, that light inside of you.”

Dillard provided four tips to keep the fire burning: 1. Surround yourself with positive people (only share time with those who value you). 2. Manage your time wisely and set priorities (don’t sweat the small stuff). 3. Take time to enjoy every stage of life (“the fire you’ve built—your liberal arts education”). To this Dillard added, “It is easy to complete assignments but harder to realize the lesson.” 4. “Go back to the source of the fire, the One who gave you your flame and spend time with Him.”

She concluded by saying “Don’t compare yourself to the best others can be but the best you can be—fan your flame.”

As if translating Dillard’s message to music, the Morris College Chorale followed with a beautiful rendition of “Wade in the Water.”

Academic Dean Leroy Staggers presented the honor students: The President’s List, The Dean’s List, The O.R. Reuben Scholars and The Morris College Scholars.

Dr. Luns C. Richardson recognized the honor students as he commended them for bringing honor to their families, the college and the community. He paraphrased Dr. Benjamin E. Mays, encouraging them to “Learn more. Come up a little higher and never stop learning.”

Rep. J. David Weeks, special guest and alumnus of the college, briefly addressed the honor graduates. He advised them to undergird their education with the motto of the college, “Enter to Learn; Depart to Serve.”
Shanaka Hayward to be Crowned Miss Morris College 2013-2014

The Student Government Association of Morris College cordially invites you to attend the coronation of the 60th Miss Morris College, Miss Shanaka L. Hayward, on Friday, October 18 at 7:30 p.m. The ceremony will be held in the Garrick-Boykin Human Development Center. Miss Morris College will be accompanied by her attendants, Ashleigh Brown and Terri Davis. A full court will join them for a “Captivating Evening to Remember.”

A reception will immediately follow the coronation. Semi-formal attire is required for the coronation and the reception.

President’s Lecture Series

The President’s Lecture Series will be held on Thursday, October 17 at 10 a.m. in the Neal-Jones Auditorium. Dr. Jacob Butler, chairperson of the Division of Social Sciences will be the speaker.

Graduate & Professional Schools Information Clinic

The college will welcome over 20 institutions of higher learning to its 2013 Graduate and Professional Schools Information Clinic on Tuesday, October 15 from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. in the lobby of the Neal-Jones Auditorium. Representatives will be available to provide information about the admissions process, financial aid and housing. For a complete list of schools attending and additional information, please contact Career Services at (803) 934-3191.

* Professional Attire is required to attend this event.

Career Services Offers Resume Assistance

Need help with your resume? The Career Services Resume Clinic is open. Co-op officers are available to assist on Tuesdays from 1–11 a.m. and on Thursdays from 1–2 p.m. and 4–5 p.m.

Seeking an All-Star Team for 2013-2014

If you like Jeopardy, Cash Cab and other games of trivia, try out for the Honda Campus All-Star Challenge Team. Try-outs have started and will run until Friday, October 18. Please contact Mr. Zalimas at ext. 3181 or Nurse Rogers at ext. 3256 for more information.