

THE CAMPUS REPORT



"THINGS SEEN AND UNSEEN"



Mr. Craig David and Dr. Staggars, President-Elect take a moment to pose for a picture.

While he left his pastoral pursuits to pursue business ventures, his faith still guides him in all that he does. Despite his success, the life he lives has not been hand delivered on a platter. Two weeks after his 15th birthday, his father abandoned his family leaving him to grow up quickly. Matriculating through high school, attempting to pay the mortgage and maintain some sense of normalcy for his younger sister became his life. A story so many can relate to, his grades did not reflect his abilities. His grades were not the priority, keeping a roof over his mother and sister's head and food on their table was. He was so much smarter than what the numbers tell. Through it all his faith in God was unwavering. Now, as he pursues his doctorate degree, he allows God's light to shine through him. In his business dealings, he ensures that people are treated with respect and that he only works with companies that understand that concept. He stood before the

Morris College Family and explained that there are too many people who could use his services for him to waste time with those that treat people poorly. He reminded students and faculty and staff alike to never give up. 100% of self-made millionaires come from poor or middle-class backgrounds. What students have been through, things seen and unseen, does not matter. Amazing heights can be reached despite where one comes from as one's past does not dictate one's future.

Mr. Craig Douglas' strong yet steady voice filled the Neal-Jones Auditorium during the President's Lecture Series Assembly. Mr. Douglas is a Spartanburg, South Carolina native. He earned an AA from Spartanburg Methodist College, a BA from Oral Roberts University, a Master of Divinity from Erskine Theological Seminary, and an MBA from Gardner-Webb University. Currently, he is completing his Doctorate at California Southern University in Behavioral Economics. His dissertation is on the Impact of Reverse Mortgages on Non-Signatory Family Members. His first exposure to working with institutions of higher education was with Claflin University in 1993 beginning with a lunch meeting with President Henry Tisdale and later joined the Board of Trustees. He is currently on the Board of Advisors at Claflin University for the School of Business. He also teaches at Gardner-Webb University and is on their Board of Advisors to their School of Business. Craig meets regularly with University Presidents and the Deans for Schools of Business to discuss needs, areas of improvement, and how corporations can be involved at the Universities. He advises executive management at corporations and their Board of Directors on the use of technology to improve revenue, improve their customers' experience, and how technology can aid in consumer retention.

President-Elect Dr. Leroy Staggars urged students to take the inspirational message delivered and apply it to their lives.

PRESIDENT'S TRAVEL CALENDAR

National Alumni Weekend
Greenville, SC
April 19-21, 2018

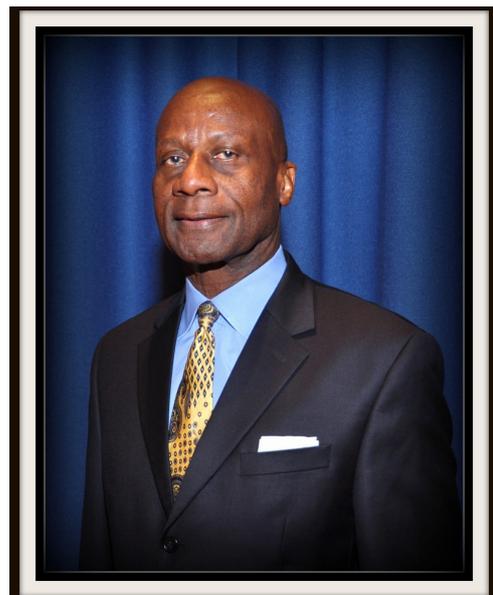
Annual Spring Concert
Neal-Jones Auditorium
April 27, 2018
8:15 pm

Athletic Awards Banquet
Garrick-Boykin Human Development Center
April 24, 2018
7:30 pm

President's Dinner for Graduating Seniors
Daniels Dining Hall
May 4, 2018
8 pm

Closing Exercises - Ministerial Extension
Certificate Centers
Neal-Jones Auditorium
April 25, 2018
8 pm

Annual Commencement
Sumter County Civic Center
May 5, 2018
10 am



Graduating Seniors!

The Senior Class will meet on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 5:30 pm, in the Neal-Jones Auditorium. Please plan to attend. A final decision will be made regarding the class song for Class Night.

Morris College students should be reminded of the resources available to them as they matriculate through their collegiate experience. Be it clothing, toiletries, or emergency aid funds, students can confidentially seek assistance via the Office of Student Affairs.



Leadership Seminar Dates:

April 9, 2018
April 16, 2018
6:00 PM- 7:00 PM | ROTC Class Room



Graduation invitations are ready for pick-up in the Office of Planning and Governmental Relations daily, 9:00am to 5:00pm, 2nd floor, Suite B, New Administration Building.

The deadline for placing an order for a stole (Greek, African-American, and Morris College) for Commencement is Friday, March 23, 2018, in the same office. All orders are prepaid.

Freshman Extravaganza
Thursday, April 12, 2018
Sophomore Parade of Stars
Tuesday, April 17, 2018

Bible Study
Every Wednesday
6:00 PM
Room 224, Religious Center
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Everyone is welcome!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2018-2019 FAFSA

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Federal College Work-Study period for the spring semester ends on **Friday, April 27, 2018**. Work-Study students are encouraged to complete their assigned hours to earn the full amount of their work-study award.

Financial Aid Applications for Summer School 2018 are now available in the Office of Financial Aid for students who plan to attend Summer School. Students who plan to attend Summer School 2018 need to complete the Financial Aid Application and pre-register for Summer School classes.

We now have year-round Pell Grants! You can use it to attend Summer School 2018! Applications are now being accepted for Summer School.

WWW.FAFSA.GOV



The Counseling Center and the Student Support Services program continue to conduct post mid-term academic intervention. Students who have received letters are strongly encouraged to follow-up with Mrs. Sims and Mrs. Rutledge. It is not too late to get help! The Counseling Center is located on the 2nd floor of the Mable K. Howard Building and Student Support Services is on the 2nd floor of the Brawley-Starks Academic Success Center.

The Month of April!

April is Financial Literacy Month. Sexual Assault Awareness Month and Black Women History Month. The Counseling Center will be sponsoring various workshops and information sessions during the month to increase awareness about these very important topics. Please look for information about these workshops and forums around campus. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Sims at ext. 3422.

Travel Abroad

During Spring Break, the European History class visited Amsterdam and Paris to study the history and culture of the region. They look forward to sharing their findings with the college community at an open forum on Thursday, April 19, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. in the WBSB Lecture Room (209). All are invited.

Seniors!

The Federal Government requires that all graduating seniors who have student loan debt to complete Student Loan EXIT COUNSELING prior to graduation. The process has two parts and requires you to have your FSA username and password to access the web site. Letters pertaining to Exit Counseling have been sent to you via your campus mail box or home address. You may also contact the Financial Aid Office for further information.