

**HONORS  
CONVOCAATION**



**KENTUCKY  
WESLEYAN  
COLLEGE**  
— 1858 —

**Thursday, April 9, 2026**

**12:30 p.m.**

**Kentucky Wesleyan College  
Jack T. Wells Activity Center**

**HONORS AND AWARDS CONVOCATION**

**Prelude** ..... Diane Earle, D.M.A.  
Professor Emeritus of Music

**Faculty Processional**

**Invocation** ..... Adam Hobbs '27

**Preliminary Remarks** ..... Stephen Germic, Ph.D.  
Provost/Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs

**Scholarship and Achievement Awards** ..... Stephen Germic, Ph.D.  
Provost/Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs

**Leadership Wesleyan Awards** ..... Laura Rudolph  
Director of Career Engagement

**Outstanding Teacher of the Year**  
**Outstanding Staff Person of the Year** ..... Jenna Whitsell '26  
President, SGA

**Advisor of the Year** ..... Stephen Germic, Ph.D.  
Provost/Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs

**Singing of the Alma Mater** ..... Members of the Wesleyan Singers

**Faculty Recessional**

**SCHOLARSHIP AND ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS**

### Professional Studies

Business Roundtable Achievement Award  
Center for Business Studies Departmental  
Award  
Center for Business Studies Service  
Learning Award  
Institute of Management Accountants  
Award  
Jerry Trinkle Accounting Award  
D. Wyndall Smith Business Administration  
Scholarship  
*Family and Friends of D. Wyndall Smith*  
Joan Gray Capps Memorial Scholarship  
*Family and Friends of Joan Gray Capps*  
'60  
Dr. Billy Horrell Education Memorial  
Scholarship  
Louise Kramer Special Education Memorial  
Scholarship  
*Family and Friends of Louise Kramer*  
Teacher Education Award  
Clay Physical Education Award  
Wall Street Journal Student Achievement  
Award

### Social Sciences

Dr. William J. Conroy Political Science  
Scholarship  
*Family and Friends of Dr. William J.  
Conroy*  
William Bruce Horrell History/Political  
Science Scholarship  
*Ms. Edna Horrell*  
Rex O'Flynn Psychology Award  
Modern Welding Company, Inc. Psychology  
Award  
Criminal Justice Outstanding Student  
Dr. Gus E. Paris Scholarship Award  
*Dr. Ernest Abernathy '55*  
Dan M. King Library Science Award  
Elizabeth Munday Alumni Award

### Fine Arts and Humanities

Art Program Award  
Jane Forgy Speech & Drama Award  
*Ann Leach '78*  
Nelda Darrell Peoples Scholarship  
Dr. Paul W. Hagan Outstanding Music  
Student  
*The late Dr. Paul Hagan*  
Dr. Paul W. Hagan Outstanding Senior  
Music Student  
*The late Dr. Paul Hagan*  
Sara Brackett Roop Award for Outstanding  
Service to the Community through Music  
*Family of Sara Brackett Roop '56*  
Gilbert P. Robertson Pre-Ministerial Award  
*The late Mrs. Thorp L. Wolford*  
Dr. Clyde Bethel and Fay Babb Memorial  
Religion Award  
*Family and Friends of Dr. Clyde Bethel  
Babb '63 and Fay Babb*  
Powell Peace Award  
*Family and Friends of Bobby Wayne  
Powell '68*  
Rev. Erskine Wade Memorial Scholarship  
Edward L. Beavin Award  
John R. Combs Award for Literature  
*The late Dr. John R. Combs*  
Vicki Lyle Combs Memorial Award for  
Distinguished Writing  
*The late Dr. John R. Combs*  
William D Crago Scholarship  
WKWC Communication Award  
*Owensboro Municipal Utilities*

### General Academic

T.E. Gipe Scholarship Fund  
Hilton Lee Kincaid Jr. '84 Memorial  
Scholarship  
*Bettie Hight Kincaid, Family and  
Friends*  
Lairy Nofsinger Memorial Scholarship  
*Family and Friends of Lairy Nofsinger*  
'58  
Dr. Gus E. Paris Friendship Award

*Dr. Ernest Abernathy '55*

Natural Sciences and Mathematics

Abernathy Chemistry Scholarship Award

*Dr. Ernest Abernathy '55*

American Chemical Society College

Achievement Award

Chemical Rubber Company Award

Chemistry Alumni Award

Peters Chemistry Scholarship Award

*Dr. Kenneth '57 and Rhoda*

*(Gillespie)Peters '55*

Connor, Flachskam, Magnuson Chemistry Award

*Dr. Joseph '79 and Lynn Morton*

Karen D. Fisher-Brasher Physics-Chemistry Scholarship

*Karen Fisher-Brasher '77*

Nola Gentry Magruder Scholarship

*The late Sally Standiford '63 and Standiford Family*

Dr. Kirby Chelgren Calculus Award

Faulkner Mathematics Award

**Alma Mater**

On the city's southern border,  
Reared against the sky,  
Proudly stands our Alma Mater  
As the years go by.  
Forward ever be our watchword,  
Conquer and prevail,  
Hail to thee our Alma Mater,  
Wesleyan, All Hail!

Loyal be her sons and daughters,  
Ever in the strife.  
Always true to one another  
Till the end of life.  
Forward ever be our watchword,  
Conquer and prevail,  
Hail to thee our Alma Mater,  
Wesleyan, All Hail!

**Scholars Day Posters**

Join us as students share their accomplishments in the Jack T. Wells Activity Center, Panther Room immediately following Honors Convocation.