

PROGRAM

Welcome

Andrew D. van der Vaart
Member, Class of 2009

Presentation of Awards

Presenters

Algernon Sydney Sullivan Awards

Angela M. Davis
Chair, Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award Committee

*Tamira Dawn Roberson
Jason Michael Franasiak
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Seven Society Awards

Louis A. Onesty Memorial Scholar-Athlete Award
Andrew Donnelly Carraway

Emily B. Harp
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James Earle Sargeant Award
Student Entrepreneurs for Economic Development

David K. Jessee
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Class of 2009 Awards

Class Award for Community Service
Charles Graham Evans IV

Nadia Y. Islam
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Class Award for Cultural Fluency
Hedieh Fakhriyazdi

Class Award for The Pursuit of Happiness
Jeremy Scott Rowe

**Gordon F. Rainey, Jr. Award for Vigilance
to the Student Experience**
Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.

C. Thomas Faulders III
President and CEO, U.Va. Alumni Association

Presentation of the Class Gift

Sean C. Boyles & Katherine M. Feeney
Class Giving Committee Co-Chairs, Class of 2009

Acceptance of the Class Gift

John T. Casteen III
President, University of Virginia

Presentation of Special Appreciation

David L. Newsome
Vice President, Class of 2009

2009 Valedictory Address

Introduced by Joyce L. Arcangeli
Graduation Committee Chair, Class of 2009

DAWN STALEY

Farewell Remarks

Christina M. Polenta
President, Class of 2009

University of Virginia



VALEDICTORY EXERCISES

The Lawn
May 16, 2009
Eleven o'clock

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The Class of 2009 would like to remember
the following members of our class:

William Barrow (1986-2008)
Shannon Lee Crouse (1981-2008)
Claudius Charles Dornier (1987-2007)
Brett Baxley Gosnell (1986-2006)
Gwynora Marlene Hemphill (1987-2006)
Lauren Michelle Munchak (1986-2006)
Hannah Nicole Schawelson (1987-2006)



Dawn Staley

Dawn Staley is a successful basketball player and coach who has been an Olympian, a WNBA all-star, and the head women's basketball coach at two universities. As a player at the University of Virginia, she led the team to four consecutive NCAA tournaments, and three times to the Final Four. In her six-year WNBA career, Ms. Staley was voted an all-star five times. While she was playing in the WNBA, she was also forging a successful career as the head coach of the Temple University women's basketball team. During eight years in this position, she led her team on a 25-game winning streak and achieved 100 wins more quickly than any Temple women's basketball coach in history. She left Temple with a record of 172 wins and 6 NCAA tournament appearances to become the head women's basketball coach at the University of South Carolina. A key player on Team USA for many years, Ms. Staley has three Olympic gold medals from the 1996, 2000, and 2004 Games. She rejoined the team as an assistant coach for the 2008 Olympics, where Team USA won its fourth consecutive gold medal in women's basketball.

In 1996, Ms. Staley founded the Dawn Staley Foundation to help at-risk youth in her hometown of Philadelphia. The Foundation sponsors after-school programs focusing on academics and athletics at an inner-city recreation center.

Ms. Staley is a 1992 graduate of the University and was honored with the U.Va. Women's Center's Distinguished Alumni Award in 1996.

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