THE TUSKEGEE SONG

Music by N. Clark Smith

Tuskegee, thou pride of the swift growing South,
We pay thee our homage today,
For the worth of thy teaching, the joy of thy care;
And the good we have known 'neath thy sway.
Oh, long-striving mother of diligent sons,
And of daughters, whose strength is their pride,
We will love thee forever, and ever shall walk
Thro' the oncoming years at thy side.

Thy hand we have held up the difficult steeps,
When painful and slow was the pace.
And onward and upward we've labored with thee
For the glory of God and our race.
The fields smile to greet us, the forests are glad,
The ring of the anvil and hoe
Have a music as thrilling and sweet as a harp
Which thou taught us to hear and to know.

Oh, Mother Tuskegee, thou shinest today
As a gem in the fairest of lands;
Thou gavest the heav'n-blessed power to see
The worth of our minds and our hands.
We thank thee, we bless thee, we pray for thee years
Implored with grateful accord,
Full fruit for thy striving, time longer to strive,
Sweet love and true labor's reward.

-Paul Laurence Dunbar
PROGRAM

THEME:
“The Millennial Generation and Its Future in the Global Marketplace”

Presiding: Peter J. Spears, Sr., Dean of Students

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WELCOME .................................... Dr. Luther S. Williams
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PRESENTATION OF JUDGES ESSAY CONTEST AND
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ESSAY FINALISTS:

Neisha Marks
Freshman, Animal Science
Burt, Michigan

Atiba Phillip
Freshman, Finance
Brooklyn, New York

Elise Marie Tolbert
Senior, Environmental Science
Tuskegee, Alabama

MUSICAL SELECTION:
“Alleluia” ...................................... Randall Thompson
Dr. Wayne Anthony Barr, Director

ESSAY FINALISTS:

Roya Reddie
Junior, Biology
Kingston, Jamaica

Victor Nhiziyio
Sophomore, Biology
Bulawayo, Zimbabwe

Royal Banks
Senior, English
Conyers, Georgia

MUSICAL SELECTION:
“Ezekiel Saw de Wheel” ....................... arr. William L. Dawson
The Tuskegee University “Golden Voices” Concert Choir

INTRODUCTIONS: ............................. Dr. Cynthia D. Sellers
Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management

- Student Government Association Officers (2013-2014)
- Mr. Tuskegee University and Gentlemen (2013-2014)
- TU Honda Campus All-Star Challenge Team (2012-2013)
- Who’s Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities (2012-2013)

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS: .................. Dean Spears

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~ ANNOUNCEMENT OF ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS ~

REMARKS ................................. Dr. Gilbert L. Rochon
President

“THE TUSKEGEE SONG” ....................... Paul L. Dunbar / N. Clark Smith
Audience and Choir

BENEDICTION .............................. Dean Gray