READING AREA COMMUNITY COLLEGE



Fifty-Second Annual Commencement

Friday, May 3, 2024

Two o'clock in the afternoon

Santander Arena

Commencement is a dignified occasion. In the best tradition of Reading Area Community College, we expect those attending the ceremony to conduct themselves in an appropriate manner. Cell phones and devices should be turned off at the beginning of the commencement activities and should remain turned off. The college community appreciates your cooperation in maintaining the dignity of this occasion.

FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Graduates,

Congratulations! Pause and look around you and absorb this moment. Think about where you have been; think of all that you have been through, the time, the hard work and the success that has brought you to this place today.

Think of those who have assisted you in this academic journey. Think of your family, significant others, parents, grandparents, children and close friends. Think of your Reading Area Community College family; teachers, advisors, friends and fellow students as you smile at the memories and conversations. Think about those private moments which will be recalled years from now.

You have arrived at a wonderful, life-changing moment. As part of RACC's fifty-second graduating class, we ask you to celebrate it! Congratulations to you, a graduate of the Class of 2024. From this moment on, we will continue to be **#RACCPROUD** of you!

All the Best,

Susan D. Looney, J.D., Ed.D.

President

Reading Area Community College

ORDER OF EXERCISES MAY 3, 2024 AT 2:00 PM

Grand Marshal

Dr. Lucia Torchia-Thompson

Professor Social Science/ Human Services Division

The audience is requested to rise for the National Anthem.

National Anthem

Introduction	Dr. Susan D. Looney
Congratulatory Remarks	Mr. Gary W. Rightmire Chairman, Board of Trustees
President's Award	Dr. Jerome I. Marcus
Presentation of 2024 Emerita Award	Dr. Looney
Student Address	Ms. Mara Nagle Class of 2024
Presentation of Degree Candidates	
	Dr. Stacia Visgarda Dean, Health Professions Division
	Dr. Robin Ecker Dean, Social Sciences/Human Services/Foundational Studies Division
	Ms. Patricia Mejab Dean, STEM Division
Conferring of Degrees	Dr. Looney

The audience is requested to rise for the recessional.

Recessional "Grand March" from Aida

Jessenia Y. Almonte*+
Integrative Studies

Benjamin D. Amtsberg Integrative Studies

Jean Claude J. Anastil*
Business Administration Transfer

Dominic G. Angelucci*

Education Transfer-Middle Secondary Grades

Business Administration Transfer

Phillip N. Antunes
Computer Information Systems Transfer

John L. Arms**+
Education Transfer-Middle Secondary Grades

Jenna M. Austin*
Social Work Transfer

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Mollie A. Aviles **
Accounting Transfer

Michael P. Barnett***
Computer Information Systems Transfer

Jennifer E. Batista

Business Administration Transfer

Aaron S. BeanComputer Information Systems Transfer

Jack E. Benedict^
Business Administration Transfer

Emely D. Bernard+

Business Administration Transfer

Latisha M. Betts+ Integrative Studies

Jasmin N. Bickham*
Business Administration Transfer

Faisal A. Bida*

Computer Information Systems Transfer

Samantha L. Borzellino Psychology Transfer

Jayvon D. Brinkley
Business Administration Transfer

Alyssa C. Brodek+^ Education Transfer-Middle Secondary Grades

Cynthia S. Brown Integrative Studies

Jonkai P. BrownBusiness Administration Transfer

Isabella M. BrunoBusiness Administration Transfer

Kathryn A. Burke**
Art Transfer

Paola CabreraCommunications Transfer

Christopher Cadet
Business Administration Transfer

Webgie S. Cadet**
Integrative Studies

Zaria G. Cambridge-Ali+ Health Sciences Transfer

Braeden A. Camelleri*
Psychology Transfer

Adrian R. Carrillo**
Computer Information Systems Transfer

Jonathan Cartagena Integrative Studies

Anthony J. Castaneda-Dominguez Accounting Transfer

Gabrielle C. Castello***

Integrative Studies

Elizabeth D. Castillo*+
Integrative Studies

Amy A. CathersAccounting Transfer

Timothy P. Cescon*
Theatre Arts

Faith J. Chirieleison+
Education Transfer-Middle Secondary Grades

Kyle D. ConradBusiness Administration Transfer

Alexander H. ConroyComputer Information Systems Transfer

Daisy Corona*
Business Administration Transfer

Robin A. CosbeySocial Work Transfer

Carina M. Cress Social Work Transfer

Kasey A. Curran*
Business Administration Transfer

Toni F. Curry ++*Integrative Studies

Liam M. DalesandroEducation Transfer-Middle Secondary Grades

Sahadia Danazar*

Business Administration Transfer

Jeffrey G. Daubert, Jr.*+
Integrative Studies

Jose A. Davila+ Business Administration Transfer

***summa cum laude **magna cum laude

*cum laude

^veteran

+certified in December 2023

++certified in August 2023

Hilda L. De la Rosa Martinez

Business Administration Transfer

Leanny A. Delacruz*+

Psychology Transfer

Adaliz Delgado Bernabel

Business Administration Transfer

Cameryn P. Derecho**+

Psychology Transfer

Gabriel R. Derrickson**+

Business Administration Transfer

Chavely M. Dilone

Integrative Studies

Abigail R. Dise**

Computer Information Systems Transfer

Warren F. Dolaman^+

Integrative Studies

Manuela A. Dominguez Martinez+

Art Transfer

Jeannette M. Dorsey

Psychology Transfer

Denisse L. Duran Salazar

Integrative Studies

Timothy P. Doyle+

Integrative Studies

Kathleen M. Edwards**

Addiction Studies/Human Services Transfer

Alanna T. Encarnacion***

Addiction Studies/Human Services Transfer

Juan A. Escudero Salas+

Psychology Transfer

Marisol Espinoza

Business Administration Transfer

Clauri P. Estevez+

Integrative Studies

Mickerlie Eustache***

Computer Information Systems Transfer

Madeleine M. Farah**+

Integrative Studies

Kenneth Farrell

Business Administration Transfer

Ysabel R. Feliciano

Art Transfer

Ciara Feliz

Social Work Transfer

Samantha Ferreira

Integrative Studies

Sofia L. Fioravanti

Art Transfer

Kristin B. Fitzcharles**

Integrative Studies

Angila D. Flanders+

Integrative Studies

Kathleen Flax*

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Juan Flores

Accounting Transfer

Ricardo F. Flowers

Accounting Transfer

Jeremy P. Frederick**^

Accounting Transfer

Megan E. Frey

Psychology Transfer

Angelina B. Garwood***+

Accounting Transfer

Tiffany A. George

Psychology Transfer

Jailene E. Geronimo de Guerrero

Psychology Transfer

Cooper W. Glenn

Education (Secondary) Transfer

Diana V. Gonzalez

Social Work Transfer

Rocio N. Goodheim

Social Science Transfer

Kara L. Gruver**

Integrative Studies

Sarina M. Hale

Psychology Transfer

Olivia R. Hannacker*

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Sydney H. Harris+

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Caleb M. Harter***

Business Administration Transfer

Michael R. Hartz

Art Transfer

Rebecca G. Heimbach*

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Avelina Herbert

Social Work Transfer

Isabella M. Hernandez

Art Transfer

Maria E. Hernandez^

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Trinidy L. Hernandez

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Integrative Studies

Faith M. Hoover*+ Psychology Transfer

Elba Infante

Social Work Transfer

Vera B. Jackson***
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Jullian J. Jacobs

Business Administration Transfer

Stefanie G. Johnson

Psychology Transfer

Cliff J. Joseph+
Integrative Studies

Kira M. Kenagy*+
Accounting Transfer

Brian B. Key

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Tyler P. King

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Kelly M. Kochan

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Sabine Maldonado

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Lidia Mancebo

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Accounting Transfer

Felix A. Ocasio

Art Transfer

Emily J. Ocasio Rivera

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Business Administration Transfer

Hope L. Olshefski+

Creative Writing Transfer

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Katrina L. Pachilis+

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Melvin Padilla^

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Pablo R. Padilla

Art Transfer

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Luisanna Peralta Alba

Business Administration Transfer

Lilibet X. Perez

Psychology Transfer

Anthony Perez Reyes

Business Administration Transfer

Katie E. Perrette

Psychology Transfer

Christine A. Perry-Parker+

Communications Transfer

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Kensly Philippe

Social Work Transfer

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Paulo D. Pitta

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Social Work Transfer

Juan E. Rivera-Diaz, Jr.*+

Accounting Transfer

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Psychology Transfer

Mara Roman***+

Liberal Arts Transfer

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Psychology Transfer

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Nephtha Saint-Phard

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Brian Santiago

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Atiya N. Bailey+

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Yeneily Basan Belgrove+

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Heidi C. Groff*
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Slayneer A. Guzman Hernandez*

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Kai M. Henderson

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Zoey A. Heydt Criminal Justice

Breckin A. Howe Criminal Justice

Brianna Rae Huha

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Medical Laboratory Technology

Omaru B. Jalloh Computer Technology Saeny I. Jaquez Taveras

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Jocelyn Jimenez

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Early Childhood Program Management

Emily E. Leonard

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Patty A. Linzer

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Jennifer E. Lopez^

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Megan M. Luckett

Nursing

Brandon J. Luna***

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Destiny Y. Luna

Medical Laboratory Technology

Devin D. Marderness+

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Kenneth Maritch

Respiratory Care

Luz M. Marte

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Callan T. Martzall**
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Stacey L. McFarland*

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Juleidy A. Medina

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Nursing

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Yessenia Morales-Correa

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Norma Murillo Morales*

Accounting

Brandon Nabar*

Criminal Justice

Zachary W. Nace^

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Lillian Negron

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Caroline Ngamgne Tagne Zudie

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Laura Nunez Peralta

Accounting

Maria Orozco+

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Elym M. Paulino Gil

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Wilfri O. Pena Rodriguez

Nursing

Krista L. Perez

Nursing

Ramon Perez, Jr.

Nursing

Natasha J. Peters

Nursing

Kyle L. Pettigrew^

Histotechnician

Kabria B. Phillips

Computer Technology

Laisha G. Pichardo Vega*+

Business Management

Rosa D. Pinto*

Accounting

Carlos Piruch

Computer Technology

Laury A. Polanco

Criminal Justice

Rudelkis Polanco Villar*

Business Management

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Sean M. Purretta

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Brittany L. Radosin

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Sean M. Rauch

Nursing

Julieth Rebollar

Criminal Justice

Mason L. Reimert*+

Computer Technology

Erika Rivera^

Criminal Justice

Noemi Rodriguez

Accounting

Rebecca Rodriguez**

Accounting

Jacelie M. Rodriguez Guzman

Nursing

Osvaldo Rosabal***

Early Childhood Program Management

Alejandra Rosario

Business Management

Richie Saint Preux

Computer Technology

Abuzar Sajed

Business Management

Gabriel R. Santana

Computer Technology

Osiris J. Santana Santos***

Accounting

Braylin Santiago

Computer Technology

Mercedes L. Sell

Respiratory Care

Anna K. Settineri**

Nursing

Sujata Shakya

Nursing

Deanna N. Shoemaker

Medical Office/Health Records Specialist

Jesus N. Silva

Business Management

Matthew J. Simek

Mechatronics Engineering Technology

Cynthia R. Smith

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Diamond A. Smith^+

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Andy Solalinde-Rivera

Nursing

Lindsey M. Sosa

Nursing

Carla Z. Sosa-Manzano

Administrative Office Specialist

Sirina L. Soto-Cruz*

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Jessica H. Stacey

Nursing

Kaieisha M. Stancil+

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Leeann K. Stark***

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Amber L. Stevenson

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Benjamin W. Stevenson*+

Criminal Justice

Dana L. Stout***
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Cecilia Torres*

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Gabriel A. Torres*

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Adam N. Trella
Accounting

Tiffany A. Updike**+

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Jessica C. Velez-Valentin

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Arturo R. Violines+

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Eldrena S. Wright

Nursing

Amber N. Wunderlich

Nursing

Eleana J. Yatron

Criminal Justice

Virginia A. Young*+++

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ASSOCIATE IN GENERAL STUDIES 2024 DEGREE CANDIDATES

Jade Escobar-Cepeda General Studies Declared Kennidy M. Kindlick*
General Studies Declared

Ashley L. Walker General Studies Declared

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**magna cum laude

*cum laude

^veteran

+certified in December 2023

++certified in August 2023

+++Posthumous Degree

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Matthew S. Ahearn, Jr.

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Jade I. Arevalo*

Science Transfer

Samuel C. C. Audain*

Engineering

Molli Q. Badertscher*

Science Transfer

Macey A. Becker**

Science Transfer

Andrew A. Bodnari

Health Science Transfer

Savannah I. Bye

Science Transfer

Jake M. Carmona**

Engineering

Jonathan J. Chamorro

Health Science Transfer

Max A. Clark**

Engineering

Alivia L. Cobb

Health Science Transfer

Francelis Duran

Science Transfer

Yohemi Familia-Paredes**

Science Transfer

Vincent S. Ferrara^

Engineering

Brailey A. Florentino

Science Transfer

Jessica F. Gadebusch

Health Science Transfer

David Garcia

Engineering

Kelly L. Geiger*

Science Transfer

William Gonzales-Orosco+

Science Transfer

Scarlenny D. Guaragn^

Science Transfer

Svdnev S. Jackson+

Health Science Transfer

Roxsonna N. Janiszewski***

Engineering

Esther V. Jean

Health Science Transfer

Elicia C. Leon

Science Transfer

Summer R. Light**+

Science Transfer

Mason R. Maier+

Health Science Transfer

Keyvin J. Martinez*

Engineering

Darin W. McCartan

Engineering

Hugo L. Mendez, Jr.

Science Transfer

Anders S. Miller

Science Transfer

Blaise S. Miller

Engineering

Jessica L. Moyer*

Health Science Transfer

Anastacia D. Myrie

Health Science Transfer

Giovanni A. Navarrete

Science Transfer

Cleef D. Normil

Engineering

Amber L. Rauco***

Science Transfer

Michael L. Remp, Jr.**

Science Transfer

Alexa J. Rimby*

Health Science Transfer

Tejaswi Shakya**

Engineering

Charles J. Tamburelli, Jr.**

Engineering

Maritza E. Tinoco+

Health Science Transfer

Jenney Xiao

Science Transfer

2024 CERTIFICATE OF SPECIALIZATION

Rosanna E. Abreu**

Business Management

Yureli U. Acuapa+

Practical Nursing

Shalimar I. Albino

Early Childhood CDA Prep Certificate

Faisal A. Bida

Cyber Defense Certificate

Kellie E. Callahan+

ECE CDA Ready Micro-Badge Certificate

Jonathan E. Candido-Martinez*

Business Management

Kiara N. Carrion+

Practical Nursing

Yamale Ceballos+

ECE CDA Ready Micro-Badge Certificate

Diana N. Cintron+

Practical Nursing

Kayla L. Gehret+

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Early Childhood CDA Prep Certificate

Monyae E. Hill+

Practical Nursing

Dilynn S. Holeva**+

Cyber Defense Certificate

Jeremy M. Hurwitz+

Cyber Defense Certificate

Sulayka J. Joaquin-Acevedo*

Bookkeeping Certificate

Ryan A. Kinder+

Cyber Defense Certificate

Kelly A. Kresley+

Practical Nursing

Jennifer Lopez^+

ECE CDA Ready Micro-Badge Certificate

Linda M. Lynch+

ECE CDA Ready Micro-Badge Certificate

Angelyn F. Manzanillo+

Practical Nursing

Stacey L. McFarland*+

ECE CDA Ready Micro-Badge Certificate

Gianni S. Mota+

Practical Nursing

Harlow R. Ramirez

Early Childhood CDA Prep Certificate

Edeline M. Sanchez

Early Childhood CDA Prep Certificate

Shane M. Strunk+

Cyber Defense Certificate

Dutchess L. Taduran

Early Childhood CDA Prep Certificate

Kaitlyn R. Weaver**+

Practical Nursing

STUDENT SPEAKER



Mara Nagle is graduating in the Honors Program at RACC with an Associate's Degree in Business Administration. Throughout her career at RACC, she has become a member of Phi Theta Kappa, has served as the secretary of the Drama Club, coordinating logistics, and has performed in the first two musicals the college has ever had: as Frau Blucher in *Young Frankenstein* and Bea in *Something Rotten*. When she is not wearing eight costumes and five wigs, Mara is working in a finance department or a library, volunteering at her church, or sending emails. Mara also enjoys game nights, bonfires, reading, and rom coms.

Mara was selected for a Presidential Scholarship in 2022, and was chosen as the Sonia Briskin Honors Scholar in 2024. The Sonia Briskin Award

is given to one student each year who has demonstrated both high academic achievement and exemplary service to the RACC community.

Mara will be continuing her education at Albright College to purse her Bachelor's in Arts Administration and Business Administration. She plans to work at theater or gallery to further her career in the arts after earning her degree.

2024 PRESIDENT'S AWARD



In his first educational journey outside of his native Philadelphia area, Jerome Marcus was assigned to the Reading Hospital while a junior at Temple's medical school. He enjoyed the experience of working at the Reading Hospital so much that he moved to Reading after medical school and did post-graduate training in clinical pathology at the Reading Hospital and the Hershey Medical Center. In 1983, Jerry started a new laboratory company in Berks County, Omega Medical Laboratories.

Omega was among the first healthcare organizations in Pennsylvania to provide low-cost anonymous HIV testing during the height of the AIDS epidemic. Jerry was one of thirteen physicians in the state to volunteer to give talks on AIDS at schools, companies, and community groups for

the Pennsylvania Medical Society's AIDS speakers' bureau. Omega was named Small Business of the Year in 1986 by the Berks Chamber of Commerce and eventually grew to employ over three hundred people and perform millions of laboratory tests on 750,000 patients, winning the Large Business of the Year award. The company had over forty locations where patients could go for specimen collection, and a fleet of more than fifty cars which traveled more than two million miles per year to pick up specimens and deliver reports and supplies.

Jerry has been involved with various local organizations, including such non-profits as the Berks County Medical Society (past president), the Vegetarian Resource Group (Baltimore, MD) and the Antique Auto Club of America Museum (Hershey, PA). He also serves on one corporate board and has been adjunct faculty in the department of Clinical Pathology at the Milton S. Hershey Medical Center.

Jerry has been a vital long-time supporter of Reading Area Community College, serving on the Foundation for RACC for example. In addition, he has served for many years as the Medical Director for the medical laboratory program, providing leadership and mentorship for aspiring health care professionals in this critical area. He also played a key role in modernizing and updating laboratory facilities at RACC, endowing chemistry and physics lab spaces. Most recently, Jerry donated funds to begin a program to help provide food for students in need, which led to RACC's food pantry.

FACULTY EMERITA

JANINE TIFFANY

WHEREAS, Janine Tiffany served Reading Area Community College as a full-time Business Division faculty member for twenty-eight years where she developed and taught Information Technology courses across all modalities and facilitated onboarding of adjunct instructors; and

WHEREAS, Janine Tiffany developed and designed the curriculum for the Computer Information Systems and Computer Technology programs; and served as coordinator and advisor for Computer Technology and Computer Information System students; and

WHEREAS, Janine Tiffany served the College on several governance and operational committees, including as chair of College Council; and also, on a committee to evaluate and redesign the governance system; and

WHEREAS, Janine Tiffany served twice on the Middle States Commission of Higher Education self-study committee; and

WHEREAS, Janine Tiffany served as treasurer and secretary of the Computer Consortium for Community Colleges; and represented Reading Area Community College with the Pennsylvania Distance Learning Association; and

WHEREAS, Janine Tiffany inspired colleagues and students with her tireless dedication to quality instruction for future computer professionals;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Janine Tiffany is granted Associate Professor Emerita status, effective May 3, 2024.

C L A S S O F 2 O 2 4 A C A D E M I C A W A R D S

ALL PENNSYLVANIA ACADEMIC TEAM	Health Professions
AWARD Anisa W. Reinstrom	Histotechnician, AASCaitlin N. Aponte
Yessenia Rivera	Medical Medical Laboratory
	Technology, AAS Derek D. Gearhart
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DIVISION AWARDS	Practical Nursing, CCKaitlyn R. Weaver
	Respiratory Care, AAS Aidan D. Paul
Business	
Accounting, AARylie S. Roush	
Accounting, AAS Osiris J. Santana Santos	Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics
Business Administration, AA Melissa Medina Corona	Mechatronics Engineering
Business Management, AASTheresa L. Cadden	Technology, AAS Faith E. Benson
Business Management, CCRosanna E. Abreu	Engineering, AS Roxsonna N. Janiszewski
Computer Technology, AAS Brandon J. Luna	Science, AS Michael L. Remp, Jr
Computer Information	Health Science, ASAlexa J. Rimby
Systems, AAMichael P. Barnett	
Cyber Defense, CCDilynn S. Holeva	
Medical Coding and Billing	Social Science
Specialist, AAS Leeann K. Stark	Addiction Studies/
	Human Services, AAAlanna T. Encarnacion
	Criminal Justice, AASMarissa S. Fortune
Communications, Arts and Humanities	Early Childhood Teaching
Art, AARoslyn V. Warner	PreK- Grade 4, AASMadison I. Hess
Communications, AAJonathan A. Nava-Pensado	Early Childhood
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Liberal Arts, AAMara Roman	Psychology, AAKatie E. Perrette
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	Social Work (AA)Yessenia Rivera
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English for Academic	
PurposesAnne Leyla G. Fortune	Sonia M. Briskin
English for Academic	Scholar's AwardMara E. Nagle
Purposes	
Dwight Rinehart Memorial Award Alec J. Kuhn	Borkert Library
Integrative StudiesEmily V. Oswald	Research AwardEmily V. Oswald

HONORS PROGRAM GRADUATES

Webgie Cadet Alec Kuhn Paige Rothermel Rylie Roush Timothy Cescon Dana Mejia Adaliz Delgado Bernabel Anders Miller Kaylyn Smoker Cameryn Derecho Benjamin Stevenson Mara Nagle Mickerlie Eustache **Emily Oswald** Jamie Szarawara Finn Jackson Anisa Reinstrom Roslyn Warner Roxsonna Janiszewski Aaliyah Rivera

To earn this recognition as Honors Program Graduates, these students have completed at least 5 Honors courses with a B or higher, have earned an overall GPA of 3.25 or higher at the time of graduation and have conducted themselves in an exemplary manner throughout their time at Reading Area Community College. Honors courses include designated Honors courses, Honors by contract in standard courses and Honors Independent Study courses.



A C A D E M I C H O N O R S G R A D U A T E S

The College recognizes students who have attained academic honors status at graduation. The Academic Honors list includes the names of graduates who have earned 30 hours or more of their coursework at Reading Area Community College and earned a cumulative quality point average of 3.50 or better.

Honor students will be recognized as follows:

Cum Laude	3.50 - 3.74 (bronze honor cord)
Magna Cum Laude	3.75 - 3.94 (silver honor cord)
Summa Cum Laude	3.95 - 4.00 (gold honor cord)



HONOR SOCIETY 2024

Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society International Honor Society for Two-Year Colleges

Phi Theta Kappa is the international honor society for two-year colleges. The silk honors stole and matching tassel are worn at graduation as a symbol of outstanding academic achievement.

Syed Ahmed Marissa Fortune **Christopher Nasados** Richard Angelo Anne Leyla Fortune Jonathan Nava-Pensado Jenna Austin Jeremy Frederick Emily Oswald Evelyn Ayala-Fontanez Kelly Geiger **Brooke Patton** Michael Barnett Heidi Groff Christine Piffer Jasmin Bickham Kara Gruver Arlise Popruzuk Faisal Bida Caleb Harter Breanna Reighard Nathan Brown Anisa Reinstrom Jeannie Harvey Kathryn Burke Madison Hess Michael Remp Webgie Cadet Flba Infante Aaliyah Rivera Jake Carmona Brian Key Yessenia Rivera Gabrielle Castello Denele Kramer Henry Rivera Flores Noel La Borde Santana Kateryna Chmil Paige Rothermel Susan Cornish Mariezette Laporte Rylie Roush

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Membership in the Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society is based on academic achievement. All students with a GPA of 3.6 and 12 credits of associate degree coursework earned at RACC are invited to join the Alpha Sigma Rho Chapter. Members must maintain a GPA of 3.5. In addition to recognition for scholastic excellence, the Society offers opportunities for Scholarship, Leadership, Fellowship and Service at the local, regional and national levels.

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SIGNIFICANCE OF ACADEMIC ATTIRE

The history of academic attire dates far back into the days of the oldest universities. While European institutions continue to use great diversity in their specifications of academic dress, most American colleges and universities have adopted the academic dress standards of the Intercollegiate Bureau of Academic Costume.

Gowns: The gown for the bachelor's degree has pointed sleeves and is designed to be worn closed. The gown for the master's degree has oblong sleeves and may be worn open or closed. The gown for the doctor's degree has bell-shaped sleeves and may be worn open or closed.

Gown Trimmings: There are no approved trimmings for the bachelor's or master's gown. The doctor's degree gown is faced down the front with black velvet with bars of velvet across the sleeves.

Stoles of Gratitude: The red Stoles of Gratitude, worn by each graduate, are a gift from the Student Government Association. These stoles may be used as gifts of gratitude for someone who has made a difference in the students' time at RACC and helped them achieve graduation. Some graduates may have chosen to write a personal note on it to present to someone, or keep it for themselves as a memento of their hard work at RACC.

Tribute Stole: The Tribute Stole is to recognize and honor those men and women who have served our country. The Tribute stole will be worn at graduation to honor those that have served.

First Generation Stole: These white stoles recognize those who are the first in their family to graduate from college. It is a symbol of hope for future generations and a celebration of perserverence of first-generation students.



Color of Hoods: The colors associated with the different subject areas are as follows:

Maize	Agriculture
White	Arts, Letters, Humanities
Drab	Commerce, Business, Accountancy
Lilac	Dentistry
Copper	Economics
Light Blue	Education
Orange	Engineering
Brown	Fine Arts, Architecture
Russet	Forestry
Crimson	Journalism
Purple	Law
Lemon	Library Science
Green	Medicine
Pink	Music
Apricot	Nursing
Silver Gray	Oratory (Speech)
Olive Green	Pharmacy
Dark Blue	Philosophy
Sage Green	Physical Education
Peacock Blue	Public Administration, Foreign Service
Golden Yellow	Science
Citron	Social Work
Scarlet	Theology
Gray	Veterinary Science

SYMBOLS OF OFFICE



The Mace

The mace was initially modeled after a war club, useful objects for 12th-century officers whose main task was keeping order. A formidable weapon, the Mace was held ready to protect the person of the dignitary. Since the 16th-century in England and since colonial days in America, it has become a symbol of office only and is carried by a distinguished member of a faculty. The Reading Area Community College Mace is a fine piece of Eastern Pennsylvania black walnut grown in Berks County. It was turned on the lathes in the Department of the Physical Plant by former College employee, James Diener.



Presidential Medallion

The Reading Area Community College seal utilizes the Yocum Library as the central element because of its significance as the first original building constructed for the campus. The Yocum Library also serves as a focal point along the Schuylkill River and as a landmark entering the City of Reading. The Penn Street Bridge incorporates the physicality of Reading Area Community College and also symbolically represents the avenue of success and transition provided by higher education. The medallion was crafted by Peter Hoffman, an instructor in the computerized machine tool technology program at the Berks Career & Technology Center - West.



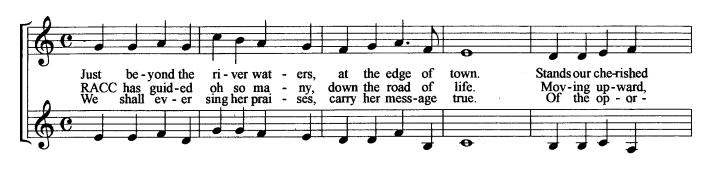
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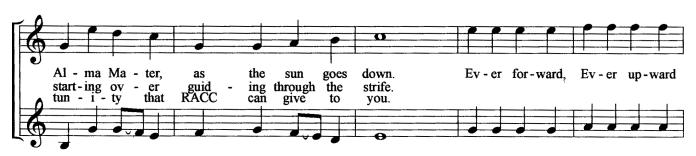
The first Presidential Chair was presented to Dr. Richard A. Kratz, fourth president of Reading Area Community College, on October 13, 2003 at his installation ceremony. The chair is used as the official seating for the President at all College ceremonies.

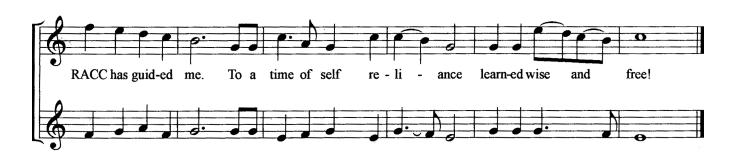
The Reading Area Community College Graduating Class of 2024
wishes to extend a heartfelt thank you to their families, friends,
faculty and staff who have nurtured, supported, and provided many
intellectual challenges, and who also have given unselfishly of themselves
in order that all of us could realize our dream of attaining this college degree!

RACC ALMA MATER

Words by Scott Heffelfinger Music by Ray Rhoads







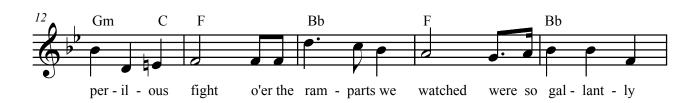
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Lyrics by Francis Scott Key

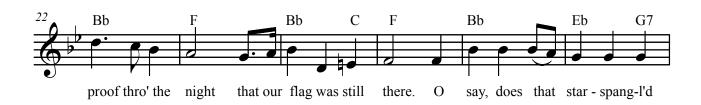
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