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**Program**

Welcome .......................................................................................................................... Hannah Aycock  
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Invocation ....................................................................................................................... Daniel L. Hendricks  
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— Dinner —

College of Business Update .......................................................................................... Gregory A. Carnes  
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Study Abroad: One Student’s Experience ................................................................. Victoria Atkinson  
*College of Business Student*

Presentation of Honorary BBA Degree ................................................................. President Kenneth D. Kitts

Faculty and Staff Awards ......................................................................................... Gregory A. Carnes

Recognition of Retiring Faculty and Staff ................................................................. Gregory A. Carnes

Department Outstanding Student Awards and Scholarships

Accounting and Business Law ................................................................................. Mark L. Lawrence  
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*Department Chair, Professor, LaGrange Eminent Scholar*

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Closing Remarks ........................................................................................................ Gregory A. Carnes

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Joel R. Anderson, Chairman of Anderson Media, is widely known as both a dynamic executive and an active civic and community leader. Joel was born and raised in Florence, Alabama, where he attended the University of North Alabama. He has spent most of his life involved in the family owned business established by his late father, Clyde W. Anderson, that evolved from the street corner newsstand set up in 1917 when he was forced to leave school at age 14 to support his family.

Joel has served his community as director and chairman of the board of Riverhill School; director of Shoals Chamber of Commerce; director of First National Bank; chairman and founder of the Florence Library Foundation; chairman of the Shoals Literacy Council; and director of the YMCA and the Florence-Lauderdale Industrial Expansion Committee. He has also served as founder, chairman, and director of the American Fireworks Standards Laboratory, trustee of the Cardiovascular Institute of Philadelphia, and a member of the University of North Alabama President’s Cabinet. He serves on the Nominating Committee of the University of Alabama Business Hall of Fame. He is on the board of directors of The Trump Tower. He is a major supporter of the New York City Police Athletic League, the Salvation Army, the United Way of Northwest Alabama, the Children’s Museum of the Shoals, the American Heart Association, and many other community organizations.

He was chairman of the 2005 Donald Trump Library Benefit Dinner, raising over $400,000 for the Florence-Lauderdale Library Foundation and in 2006 was named Shoals Citizen Of the Year. Joel is active in a variety of civic and philanthropic activities centered on efforts to improve lives through education. His philanthropic, civic, and humanitarian endeavors have been recognized by the Anti-Defamation League when they honored him with their Distinguished Service Award on behalf of human rights, and by Brandies University with its National Distinguished Community Service Award. In 2003 he was the first recipient of The 25 Year Club Frank Herrera Award, the prestigious national magazine industry award.

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