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Fall Convocation opens the College

CUTHBERT, GA. – The G. Clyde & Ruth Tarrer Jinks, Sr. Physical Education Complex came to life on Thursday, August 25 as students, faculty, staff and community members filled the Andrew College gymnasium with life. The crowd spilled out of the chairs onto bleachers as they welcomed the regalia-clad faculty and distinguished guests into the room. Ms. Karan Pittman, associate professor and director of library services, served as the faculty marshal. She carried the academic ceremonial mace as per tradition.

Dr. Richard McCallum opened the ceremony and President Linda Buchanan, gave the address. She implored students to ‘Reach Higher’ by developing a sense of self, by developing an understanding and appreciation of others, and by reaching out to serve. She advised the audience to not miss out on “the Others” who help you down the path of discovering your purpose. She said that communication skills, critical thinking and analysis, and cultural appreciation and awareness were keys to help with self-awareness. In conjunction with the ‘Reach Higher’ theme, she shared personal stories of her immigrant grandparents as well as other immigrants who have passed through her life. The Choir sang a selection and the singing of the Alma Mater, the Benediction and Recessional brought the ceremony to a close.

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Established in 1854, Andrew College is a small, residential, two-year College related to The United Methodist Church and is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges. Situated in the rural southwest Georgia community of Cuthbert, Andrew College offers the Associate of Art, Associate of Music, and Associate of Science degrees.