# News

## With graduation come some tangible 'perks' Free lifelong transcripts, e-mail among benefits

In addition to the obvious benefit of having an education—and a diploma to prove it—being a graduate of Brevard College has some additional perks.

One of the most tangible benefits, paid for by your graduation application fee, is that Brevard College graduates get *free transcripts for life*.

As anyone who graduated from another college or university can tell you, this perk can be a real boon, since official transcripts elsewhere typically run anywhere from \$5 to \$20—each time you need one.

Many employers and graduate or professional schools require an official transcript before they will hire or enroll new people, so graduates can quickly regain the cost of the graduation fee, especially if they change jobs several times.

To request a transcript, visit the Registrar's Web site on the Brevard College Web site at www.brevard.edu to download and print the form.

Another benefit for BC graduates is *e-mail for life*—your name@alumni.brevard. edu. This perk, which is managed by the BC Alumni Association, allows graduates to maintain a single E-mail address that will not change, regardless of whether you move or change your Internet Service Provider.

Since the account is based on Google Gmail, graduates who sign up for an alumni.brevard.edu E-mail account will get more than 7 GB of storage space and an e-mail account accessible anywhere you have an Internet connection.

Even if you are a current student, you must ask for a BC e-mail for life account by sending an e-mail to Rebecca Gill at gillra@brevard.edu that includes your first name; maiden name; last name; class year; current city and state; and current e-mail address. More details are available on the Alumni Office Web site, also available on www.brevard.edu.

A final perk available to graduates is a lifetime subscription to *Mountain Currents*, the newsletter for BC alumni that keeps alumni informed about recent developments at the college and about the latest news from your fellow BC alumni.

The best benefit of all remains, of course, your education and the friendships you forged while at BC, but these perks are still nice rewards for choosing Brevard.

## **COMMENCEMENT WEEKEND INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS**

### **BACCALAUREATE & HOODING CEREMONY**

Friday, May 13, 2011

#### 3:00 p.m. – Reception

Porter Center (Creekside) Rain Site: Francis Pavillion — Porter Center

#### 3:45 p.m. – Baccalaureate & Hooding Ceremony Line Up

Candidates for graduation will line up wearing gowns (no hats) in alphabetical order in main Porter Center hallway between Concert Hall and Black Box Theatre. CANDIDATES BRING THEIR HOODS.

Dress: Men should wear shirt, tie and dark shoes. Women should wear skirt or pants and blouse or dress and dark shoes.

You will be directed by marshals. Seating will be alphabetical.

#### 4:30 p.m. – Baccalaureate & Hooding Ceremony

Concert Hall - Porter Center

#### 6:00 p.m. - CAMPUS PICNIC

#### Amphitheater Porter Center

Campus Lawn outside of Porter Center Rain Site: Myers Dining Hall

It is extremely important that all participants in the graduation ceremony remember that it is a significant occasion in the academic community and to act appropriately. The success of these activities will depend, to a large extent, on your promptness and cooperation. Please appear at the designated times ready to follow directions carefully.

### COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

SATURDAY, MAY 14, 2011

#### 8:30 a.m. – Class Photo

Front steps of Jones Library Rain Site: Stairway Porter Center COME IN CAP, GOWN AND HOOD

#### 9:00 a.m. - Flag bearers, Candidates for Graduation:

Line up in front of Dunham in alphabetical order.

Rain site: Hallway between Concert Hall & Black Box Theatre Porter Center All Candidates should:

- · Wear cap flat on your head
- Tassels should be worn on the right side of the cap at all times
- MEN: Wear light colored or white shirt with collar and tie, dark trousers (no jeans), socks, and dark polished street shoes
- WOMEN: Wear skirt or pants and blouse or dress, and dark, polished street shoes. (Flats are recommended.) If you wear slacks, they must be dark— no jeans.

#### 9:30 a.m. - Music Begins

#### 9:45 a.m. - PROCESSION BEGINS

(Rain Site: Porter Center)

#### 10:00 a.m. - COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

Betty Neale Academic Quadrangle

These instructions for candidates are taken from the official information & instructions sheet available on MyBC. Candidates and faculty should consult the official sheet for additional information.