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LADY 'CANES BASKETBALL LEGEND TO DELIVER COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Louisburg, NC — Louisburg College is pleased to announce that Regina Miller '82 (pictured) will deliver this year's commencement address on Saturday, May 7 at 11 a.m. in the Frances Boyette Dickson Auditorium of the Seby B. Jones Performing Arts Center.



Regarded as one of the all-time best women's basketball performers in the school's history, Miller was an All-American at the College under Coach Sanderford and, in 1981, led the Lady Hurricanes to one of the school's two national titles. Miller was a freshman that year, and LC would finish as the national runner-up one season later.

Miller continued as a student-athlete at Old Dominion University where she was a member of their tradition-rich basketball program, graduating with a degree in recreation in 1984. ODU experienced great success during Miller's tenure, advancing to the second-round of the NCAA Tournament in each of her first three years, along with a first-round appearance in 1992. She would go on to receive her master's degree from Western Kentucky in 1986.

She spent eight seasons as an assistant before becoming a head coach at Western Illinois University. After six campaigns at WIU, Miller accepted the head coaching job at the University of Nevada-Las Vegas, where she guided the Runnin' Rebels for nine years. Since leaving UNLV, Miller has worked in the private sector, consulting in the area of women's basketball.

In addition to Miller's experience at the college level, she has been an international coach as well. Miller also served as a court coach at the 2000 USA Basketball Women's Summer Development Camp in Colorado Springs, CO. The camp developed not only the elite players in the United States, but also acted as the trials to select the U.S. Jones Cup team. Miller was an assistant coach for the USA National Team at the 1997 World Championships Qualifier in Sao Palo, Brazil, and served as the floor coach for the U.S. Olympic Festival's North Team Tryouts in 1995.

In October 2010, Miller was inducted into Louisburg College's second Athletic Hall of Fame. And, just last week, she was named as the new head coach for the women's basketball program at the University of Illinois-Chicago.

The College will host a special Graduates' Breakfast on Friday, May 6 at 9:00 a.m. in the Jordan Student Center.

A Baccalaureate Service will be held the next day in Benson Chapel at 9:30 a.m. where the Rev. Chuck Cook will serve as the guest speaker for this traditional service. Cooke, the District Superintendent of the Goldsboro District of the United Methodist Church, has been a popular speaker in the College's weekly chapel services.

Following the service, faculty, staff, and special guests will gather in the Main Lobby. At 10:50 a.m., the group will be led by bagpiper Robert White as they process from the steps of Main across campus to the Jones Center. Commencement will begin promptly at 11:00 a.m. with a reception immediately following in the Jones Center Lobby.

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