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**Delaware Tech Commencement Ceremonies May 14-16**

DOVER- Delaware Technical & Community College will hold its 39<sup>th</sup> annual commencement ceremonies beginning on Monday of next week. This year marks Delaware Tech's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary, and on Wednesday night, the College will have awarded degrees, diplomas and certificates to more than 37,000 individuals in its 40-year history. The size of Delaware Tech's first graduating class was 200; this year's graduating class will total more than 1600. Over 90% of these individuals are Delawareans who will live and work in the state for hundreds of local businesses.

The College is proud to have provided access, opportunity, excellence and hope for this year's graduates who include:

- a computer student who took six years to complete his degree because he took time off to serve on active duty in the Middle East
- a radiologic tech student, who while attending another college, became fascinated with the field of radiology after a sports injury landed him in the hospital
- a human services student who last year coordinated her own mission to Ghana after traveling internationally with the College
- an early childhood education student who while earning her degree won the Governor's Award for Excellence for her own daycare business

- a nursing student and College baseball player who are mother and son and a nursing and human services student who are mother and daughter
- a computer student who is graduating at age 69 Summa Cum Laude

Details pertaining to each campus graduation are as follows:

**Terry Campus**

Date/Time: Monday, May 14, 2007 at 7pm  
Location: Delaware State University – Education Humanities Theatre  
Speaker: Major Harry W. Downes, Delaware State Police

**Owens Campus**

Date/Time: Tuesday, May 15, 2007 at 6:30pm  
Location: Cartner Partnership Center – East Lawn  
Speaker: Marlene B. Elliott, Delaware/Maryland Director for  
USDA Rural Development

An honorary degree will be conferred posthumously to Joshua M. Freeman, former president and CEO of Carl M. Freeman Associates.

**Stanton-Wilmington Campus**

Date/Time: Wednesday, May 16, 2007 at 7pm  
Location: University of Delaware -- Bob Carpenter Center  
Speaker: Mark T. Brainard, Esquire, Chief of Staff to Governor  
Ruth Ann Minner

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