

COMMENCEMENT MEMORANDUM

JEWETT COMPETITION

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TO: 2017 Graduates

FROM: Prof. Branden Chambers, Jewett Coordinator (bsc001@marietta.edu)

Your college commencement would not be complete without the many traditions that make the ceremony special. The Jewett Speech Competition is one of the oldest commencement traditions at Marietta College. The two winners of the Jewett competition present their speeches at the commencement ceremony, while the third place contestant speaks at baccalaureate.

The contest to choose the two Jewett speakers for the class of 2017 will be held Sunday, April 23, at 3 p.m., in Mills 107.

At this time, a panel of faculty representing various academic disciplines, students appointed by SGA, and administrators will select the two winning speakers. Not only do the two students who are chosen have the honor of speaking at commencement, they will also receive awards of \$200 for first place and \$150 for second place. Other prizes will be available to those who place in the 3 runner-up positions. We hope that a large pool of graduating seniors will enter this contest to represent their class.

I will be holding a brief informational meeting on Tuesday, March 21, at 6:30 p.m. At the informational meeting, I will provide suggestions and answer questions regarding the competition, as well as collect necessary information from you. If you would like to enter the Jewett competition but cannot make the informational meeting, please contact me by email at the address above.

We hope that all graduating seniors will enter this contest to represent their class. Information concerning this special occasion can be found at <http://www.marietta.edu/jewett-prize>

If you have any further questions or would like additional information, please email me at the above email address. I look forward to hearing from you.