



*103rd Sweet Briar College Commencement  
Weekend Information*

*May 10-12, 2012*

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# Commencement Schedule

Thursday, May 10, 2012

- 10 a.m.                    **Baccalaureate Rehearsal** (see page 7)  
*Seniors and graduate students only*  
Murchison Lane Auditorium, Babcock Fine Arts Center
- 4:30-5:30 p.m.        **Senior Toast**  
*Seniors only*  
Sweet Briar House

Friday, May 11, 2012

- 10:30 a.m.             **Commencement Rehearsal** (see page 7)  
*Seniors and graduate students only*  
Quad (Upchurch Field House, Fitness and Athletics Center in the event of rain)
- 2:30-4 p.m.            **Baccalaureate and Awards Ceremony** (see page 7)  
Murchison Lane Auditorium, Babcock Fine Arts Center
- 4-5:30 p.m.            **President's Reception**  
*Seniors, graduate students, families, faculty and staff*  
Sweet Briar House front lawn and terrace  
(Prothro Hall in the event of rain)  
Music provided by the Bramble & Rose String Band  
Sweet Briar House open during reception

Saturday, May 12, 2012

- 10 a.m.                    **103<sup>rd</sup> Commencement Ceremony** (see page 6, 7)  
*Commencement Address by: Vivian W. Pinn, M.D.*  
*Former Associate Director for Research on Women's Health*  
*Former Director, Office of Research; National Institutes of Health/Department of Health and Human Services*  
*Title: tba*  
Quad (Upchurch Field House, Fitness and Athletics Center in the event of rain)
- 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.   **Buffet Luncheon**  
*(Complimentary; no tickets required for graduates and their families)*  
Student Commons Courtyard and Prothro Hall
- 1:30 p.m.                **Education Department Champagne Toast**  
*Master's graduates and their families only*  
Florence Elston Inn and Conference Center

## Accommodations

Please note that this list is provided as a service to those wishing overnight accommodations in the area. The College makes no recommendations with regard to any of the establishments listed. You may also go to [www.lynchburgonline.com](http://www.lynchburgonline.com).

### Hotels and Motels in the Vicinity of Sweet Briar

#### **Amherst—3 miles north of Sweet Briar:**

Amherst Inn \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 946-7641

#### **Lynchburg—12 miles south of Sweet Briar:**

Best Western \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 237-2986 (877) 444-7088  
Courtyard by Marriott \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 846-7900 (800) 321-2211  
Craddock Terry Hotel \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 455-1500  
Days Inn \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 847-8655 (800) 329-7466  
Extended StayAmerica \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 239-8863  
Hampton Inn \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 237-2704 (800) 426-7866  
Hilton Garden Inn \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 239-3006 (866) 930-3006  
Holiday Inn Express \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 237-7771 (800) 465-4329  
Holiday Inn \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 528-2500 (888) 465-4329  
Kirkley Hotel and Conference Center \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 237-6333 (866) 510-6333  
Quality Inn and Suites \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 847-9041 (800) 424-6423  
Sleep Inn \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 846-6900 (877) 424-6423  
Spring Hill Suites \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 237-5848 (866) 236-2427  
Wingate Inn \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 845-1700 (800) 854-9517

### Bed and Breakfasts Near Sweet Briar

Acorn Hill (Lynchburg) \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 528-0983  
Crump's Mountain Cottage (Amherst) \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 277-5563  
Dulwich Manor (Amherst) \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 946-7207  
Fairview Estate (Amherst) \_\_\_\_\_ (703) 362-6234  
Federal Crest Inn (Lynchburg) \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 845-6155 (800) 818-6155  
Harmony Hill (Nelson County) \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 263-7750  
Ivy Creek Farm (Lynchburg) \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 384-3802 (800) 689-7404  
Meander Inn (Nelson County) \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 361-1121 (800) 868-6116  
Rock Mill Farm (Amherst) \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 277-5099  
Speed the Plough (Monroe) \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 384-3102  
Spring Grove Farm (Appomattox) \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 352-7429  
The Carriage House Inn (Lynchburg) \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 846-1388  
The Residence (Lynchburg) \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 845-6565 (888) 835-0387

### Other

Wintergreen Resort \_\_\_\_\_ (800) 266-2444  
*Route 664 Wintergreen, Va. (A year-round resort, about 30 miles northwest of Sweet Briar)*

## Airport

Lynchburg Regional Airport is 20 miles south of Sweet Briar.

US Air \_\_\_\_\_ (800) 428-4322

## Automobile Rental Agencies

Avis, Lynchburg Airport \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 239-3622 (800) 831-2847  
Hertz, Lynchburg Airport \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 237-6284 (800) 654-3131  
Budget, Lynchburg Airport \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 237-5626 (800) 527-7000  
Enterprise, 3913 Old Forest Road, Lynchburg \_\_\_\_ (434) 385-7511 (800) 325-3007  
Enterprise, 4449 S. Amherst Hwy., \_\_\_\_\_ (434) 528-3780

## Facilities Open During the Weekend

**Houston Bistro:** Thursday and Friday, 11 a.m.-10 p.m.; Saturday, closed.

**Book Shop:** (*in Student Commons*) Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

**Daisy's Café:** (*in Book Shop*) Friday, 8 a.m.-10 p.m.; Saturday, 7 a.m.-2 p.m.

**Sweet Briar House:** Friday, 4-5:30 p.m.

**Sweet Briar Museum:** (*Terrace level of the Boxwood Alumnae House*)  
Friday, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

**Sweet Briar College Art Galleries:** Works by graduating studio art majors,  
Anne Gary Pannell Center Art Gallery, Friday, 10 a.m.-noon and 2-4 p.m.;  
Saturday, 1-4 p.m.

**Restrooms:** Restrooms are located in the Memorial Chapel, ground level;  
Babcock Fine Arts Center, main and lower level; the first floors of Meta Glass  
(men and women), Randolph, Grammer and Gray residence halls (men second  
floor, women third floor); and the Fitness and Athletics Center, lower level and  
first floor.

**Mobility-Impaired Restrooms:** Restrooms with mobility-impaired access are  
located in the Memorial Chapel, lobby; Babcock Fine Arts Center, main level;  
Pannell Center, lower level; Sweet Briar Museum; the Conference Center, upper  
and lower levels; Gray Hall, first floor; the hallway off of the Atrium in Prothro  
Hall; Grammer Hall, lower level; and Fitness and Athletics Center, Upchurch  
Field House.

### Prothro Hall:

- Friday breakfast, 7-9:30 a.m.; \$5.75 adults, \$3.75 children 11 and under.
- Friday lunch, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.; \$7.25 adults, \$4.25 children 11 and under.
- Friday dinner, 5-7 p.m.; \$8.25 adults, \$4.75 children 11 and under.
- Saturday breakfast, 7-9:30 a.m.; \$5.75 adults, \$3.75 children 11 and under.
- Saturday Commencement Luncheon, Student Commons Courtyard and Prothro Hall, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.; *Complimentary.*



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| 1. Gatehouse                                  | 11. Sweet Briar House                    | 22. Softball Field   |
| 2. Florence Elston Inn & Conference Center    | 12. Mary Clark Rogers Garden Cottage     | 23. Auxiliary Field  |
| 3. Laundromat                                 | 13. Guion Pond                           | 24. Soccer, Lacrosse Fields                                  |
| 4. Physical Plant                             | 14. Hockey Field                         | 25. Train Station and Caboose                                |
| 5. Dorothy J. Sales Building                  | 15. Auxiliary Field                      | 26. Greenhouse   |
| 6. Development Building                       | 16. Riding Ring                          | 27. Guion Science Center                                     |
| 7. Campus Housing                             | 17. Riding Hunt Course                   | 28. Babcock Fine Arts Center                                 |
| 8. Student Apartments                         | 18. Sweet Briar Plantation Burial Ground | 29. Auxiliary Field  |
| 9. Boxwood Alumnae House (Sweet Briar Museum) | 19. Boathouse                            | 30. Tennis Courts  |
| 10. 19th-Century Cabin                        | 20. Observatory                          | 31. Fitness and Athletics Center (Houston Bistro, Gym, Pool) |
|   | 21. Auxiliary Field                      |  |

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| 32. Fletcher Hall            | 42. Grammer Residence Hall                  | 51. Green Village Student Apartments    |
| 33. Cochran Library          | 43. Reid Residence Hall                     | 52. Ceramics Studios                    |
| 34. Benedict Hall            | 44. Dew Residence Hall                      | 53. Studio Arts Barn                    |
| 35. Gray Hall                | 45. Bandstand                               | 54. Harriet Howell Rogers Riding Center |
| 36. Carson Residence Hall    | 46. Prothro Hall                            | 55. Monument Hill                       |
| 37. Anne Gary Pannell Center | 47. Book Shop                               |   |
| 38. Admissions House         | 48. Meta Glass Residence Hall (Post Office) |   |
| 39. Manson Residence Hall    | 49. Student Commons Courtyard               |   |
| 40. Randolph Residence Hall  | 50. Mary Harley Student Health Center       |   |
| 41. Memorial Chapel          |   |   |

## *Parking on Campus*

Public parking lots are located next to the Florence Elston Inn and Conference Center, the Sales Education Building, Babcock Fine Arts Center and Guion Science Center. Limited parking is available near Prothro Hall and the Fitness and Athletics Center. Lower Meta Glass, Green Village and Elijah Road student parking lots are also available.

## *Program*

The program for the Commencement ceremony will not be available until immediately before proceedings begin on Saturday morning. The program lists all graduates participating in Commencement and the degrees they have earned. Students who do not permit their information to be published in the directory (i.e. “confidential”) will be contacted for permission to include their name in the program.

## *Regalia*

Regalia (mortarboard, tassel, hood and gown) is available from the Sweet Briar Book Shop, (434) 381-6106. The black bachelors’ gowns should have the hemline approximately 2 inches below the knee to ensure that all garments are completely covered. Dark shoes should also be worn. Other accessories include the Phi Beta Kappa key, the Presidential Medal, and other academic or honorary keys which the student is entitled to wear, such as the Alpha Lambda Delta cord.

Academic regalia is worn only at Baccalaureate and Commencement; it is not worn for the awards ceremony on Friday afternoon.

**For Baccalaureate:** Wear only the graduation gown with no adornments. Do not wear the Sweet Briar hood (representing the bachelor’s degree), the epitoge or ribbon (signifying a junior year abroad), or the mortarboard.

**For Commencement:** Seniors wear the Sweet Briar hood and the epitoge. The epitoge is worn on the left shoulder. The mortarboard should be worn straight on the head (parallel to the ground) with the tassel firmly attached. Before the ceremony, the tassel is on the right side of the mortarboard; upon degree conferral, it is transferred to the left side. Master’s graduates should not wear their hood but should bring it draped across their arm. You will be hooded on stage by Professor James Alouf.

## ***Rehearsals***

**Baccalaureate:** Thursday, May 10, at 10 a.m. in Lane Auditorium, Babcock Fine Arts Center. Seniors and master's graduates are strongly encouraged to attend Baccalaureate rehearsal.

**Commencement:** Friday, May 11, at 10:30 a.m. in the Quad (Upchurch Field House, Fitness and Athletics Center in the event of rain.) Senior attendance at graduation rehearsal is **mandatory**, so that everyone knows where they are sitting and what takes place. Master's graduates should also attend if possible. The president, dean, faculty marshals and many others are there to run through the Commencement ceremony with the seniors. If a senior cannot attend, she should notify the Dean's Office, so that her seat can be reserved. (***Please DO NOT bring pets to the rehearsal or the ceremony.***)

## ***Baccalaureate and Awards Ceremony***

Held at 2:30 p.m. Friday, May 11, in Murchison Lane Auditorium, Babcock Fine Arts Center. Everyone is welcome.

## ***Commencement Ceremony***

No tickets are needed for the Commencement ceremony. The ceremony will be held in the Quad. In the event of rain the ceremony will take place in the Upchurch Field House in the College's Fitness and Athletics Center. The Upchurch Field House is named for Ann Samford Upchurch '48, mother of Kathy Upchurch Takvorian '72, emerita trustee, and Virginia Upchurch Collier '72, former chair, Sweet Briar College board of directors.

## *Emergency and Health Issues*

Until 5 p.m. Friday, May 11, call the Health Center at Ext. 6140. After 5 p.m., for health or other emergencies, dial Ext. 6111 from any campus phone, or (434) 381-6111 or toll-free (800) 333-6144 from any off-campus phone. If you have special needs for the mobility impaired (parking, reserved seats, etc.), please call (434) 381-6210 ahead of time.

## *Photos of the Baccalaureate Service and Commencement Ceremony*

Sweet Briar will provide photos taken during both the Baccalaureate service and the Commencement ceremony, which can be viewed and downloaded by going to **[sbc.edu/commencement](http://sbc.edu/commencement)**. Individuals are responsible for making their own prints from the free downloadable images. Class photos and presentation of diplomas will be included in the available images.

## *Commencement Ceremony Online*

Sweet Briar will film the Commencement ceremony and provide a live online broadcast at **[sbc.edu/live](http://sbc.edu/live)**. An archived version of the ceremony, as well as a highlights video, will be posted for viewing at **[sbc.edu/commencement](http://sbc.edu/commencement)**.

## *Media Notification*

Graduating students will receive a media notification and release form via email, which also may be found online at **[sbc.edu/commencement](http://sbc.edu/commencement)**. The Office of Media, Marketing and Communications uses the information provided on the form to notify students' hometown newspapers of their graduation, awards and honors. Only the information provided on the form will be sent. Your signature is required for the College to release information about you to the media.

The completed form must be returned to the Office of Media, Marketing and Communications by April 27.

## *The College*

Sweet Briar is deeply committed to the education of women since its founding in 1901. Sweet Briar's excellent academic reputation, spectacular campus and attention to the individual attract smart, confident women who excel in a diverse global society. The Sweet Briar experience intentionally integrates academic rigor and research with a dynamic and close-knit residential community. Students fulfill their promise as scholars and leaders while benefiting from a resource-rich environment and co-curricular opportunities that enhance their possibilities for success.

## *The Campus*

Sweet Briar's intellectually and socially vibrant campus is nestled in 3,250 acres of rolling hills and meadows in the foothills of Virginia's Blue Ridge Mountains. The broad landscape includes two lakes, six nature sanctuaries, and an extensive network of walking, horseback riding and hiking trails.

The campus, designed in the early part of the 20th century, is dominated by the architecture of Ralph Adams Cram, whose work you can also see at MIT, Princeton, University of Richmond, Wellesley and West Point. Twenty-one of Sweet Briar's 30 campus buildings have been designated as the Sweet Briar College National Historic District by the National Register of Historic Places.

