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**CEDARVILLE, OHIO** -- The largest graduating class in Cedarville University history celebrated the start of a new chapter in their lives during the 126th commencement Saturday, May 7, in the Doden Field House. Cedarville awarded 924 graduates, 774 of which were undergraduate students and 150 graduate students.

Cedarville held two commencement ceremonies--at 10 am and 2 pm. The morning ceremony granted degrees to undergraduate and graduate students from the schools of allied health, business, education, engineering and computer science, and nursing. Graduate degrees were also awarded to individuals in nursing and the MBA program. The afternoon ceremony honored undergraduate and graduate students from the departments of art, design, and theatre; communication; English, literature, and modern languages; history and government; interdisciplinary studies; music and worship; psychology; science and mathematics, social work, and the schools of biblical and theological studies and pharmacy. Graduate students were also presented with degrees from the school of biblical and theological studies and the doctoral pharmacy program.

At the conclusion of both ceremonies, the university presented its most prestigious honor, the President's Award, to three graduates--all from the State of Michigan. Recipients were Kathryn J. DeVries, Stacey Barker, and William T. DeKryger. DeVries, of Ada, Michigan, earned in nursing, while Barker, of Belmont, Michigan, also earned an undergraduate degree in nursing. DeKryger, of Portage, Michigan, graduated with a degree in molecular biology.

Locally, Logan Cole of West Liberty, Ohio, earned a degree in information technology management. As a junior at West Liberty Salem High School, he was the victim of an active shooter incident that nearly claimed his life. He survived and one year later enrolled at Cedarville University. Following his graduation today, he will begin a career with his family-owned business, Colepak, which is committed to becoming the industry leader for interior packaging. Cole is also planning a July wedding.

"I've gained meaningful friendships and relationships that I expect to last for a really long time," said Cole, shortly before the morning commencement ceremony. "These relationships have provided me with a lot of joy and happiness through the time I was here at Cedarville University. I am truly blessed to have been able to learn and grow at Cedarville."

Located in southwest Ohio, Cedarville University is an accredited, Christ-centered, Baptist institution with an enrollment of 4,715 undergraduate, graduate and online students in more than 150 areas of study. Founded in 1887, Cedarville is one of the largest private universities in Ohio, recognized nationally for its authentic Christian community, rigorous academic programs, including the [Bachelor of Science in information technology management program](#), strong graduation and retention rates, accredited

professional and health science offerings and high student engagement ranking. For more information about the University, visit [cedarville.edu](https://cedarville.edu).