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CEDARVILLE, OHIO – Cedarville University’s largest-ever class will graduate May 3, with 717 undergraduates receiving diplomas. President Thomas White will deliver his first address for the 118th commencement ceremony, held at 10 a.m. in the Doden Field House. Doors will open at 9 a.m. Tickets are required.

The class of 2014 enrolled right after Cedarville made significant financial aid changes to make tuition more affordable, and the past four years have brought the University’s largest freshmen classes.

One of this year’s graduates is Rebekah Hosterey, who started a service dog training organization. Hoesterey, a sport and exercise studies major from La Quinta, Calif., will now work full time with the partner organization 4 Paws for Ability in Xenia, Ohio. This nonprofit places service dogs with children with disabilities and veterans who have lost use of limbs or hearing. Hoesterey will continue her service to area families by raising and socializing puppies and working with 4 Paws volunteers.

Other 2014 graduates will move on to work for Cummins, Inc., Ernst & Young, Honda, Microsoft, Teach for America, The Walt Disney Company and the U.S. Army and Air Force, as well as many churches and missions organizations. Colleen Browning of Cortland, Ohio, and Kristyna Zaharek of Cedarville will tour with Secret Keeper Girl, a ministry founded by Cedarville alumna Dannah Gresh, and Dane Barnett of Buda, Ill. will work for the Preemptive Love Coalition, a ministry in Iraq that helps children get heart surgeries. It was founded by alumnus Cody Fisher.
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