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VSDB graduates 15 students and brings the 2014-2015 Academic Year to a successful close

June 5, 2015 was a big day for Joshua Angelo, Asinia “Meme” Bennett, Wandria Brown, Christopher Burger, Darrion Bynum, Austin Collier, Adrian Crosby, Sarah Komlo, Jacob Looney Aaron Quillen, LaPrecious Porter, Thitaya “Sky” Sanpa-arsa, Kason Wallace, Lenny Whitlow, and Michael Zinn as they received their diplomas from the venerable, dedicated institution, Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind.

About the guest speakers, John Pleasants, retired from Virginia Department of Corrections, serves on the VSDB Board of Visitors and is President of the Virginia Alumni Association for the Blind. Ron Lanier, Director of VDDHH, is known to many of VSDB, so Little Acorn has chosen to publish his very first address to a graduating class of VSDB. Ron was thrilled to finally get to do this.

Scenes from Graduation



Pat Trice (interim superintendent at that time), Ron Lanier, and his wife, Marsha



Sky Sanpa-arsa, President of the Class of 2015 examines what the class wants from life after VSDB. Keith VanFossen (interim principal), John Pleasants (guest speaker) and Ron Lanier (guest speaker) listen.