

WILKES UNIVERSITY

WINTER COMMENCEMENT

for the Conferring of Degrees

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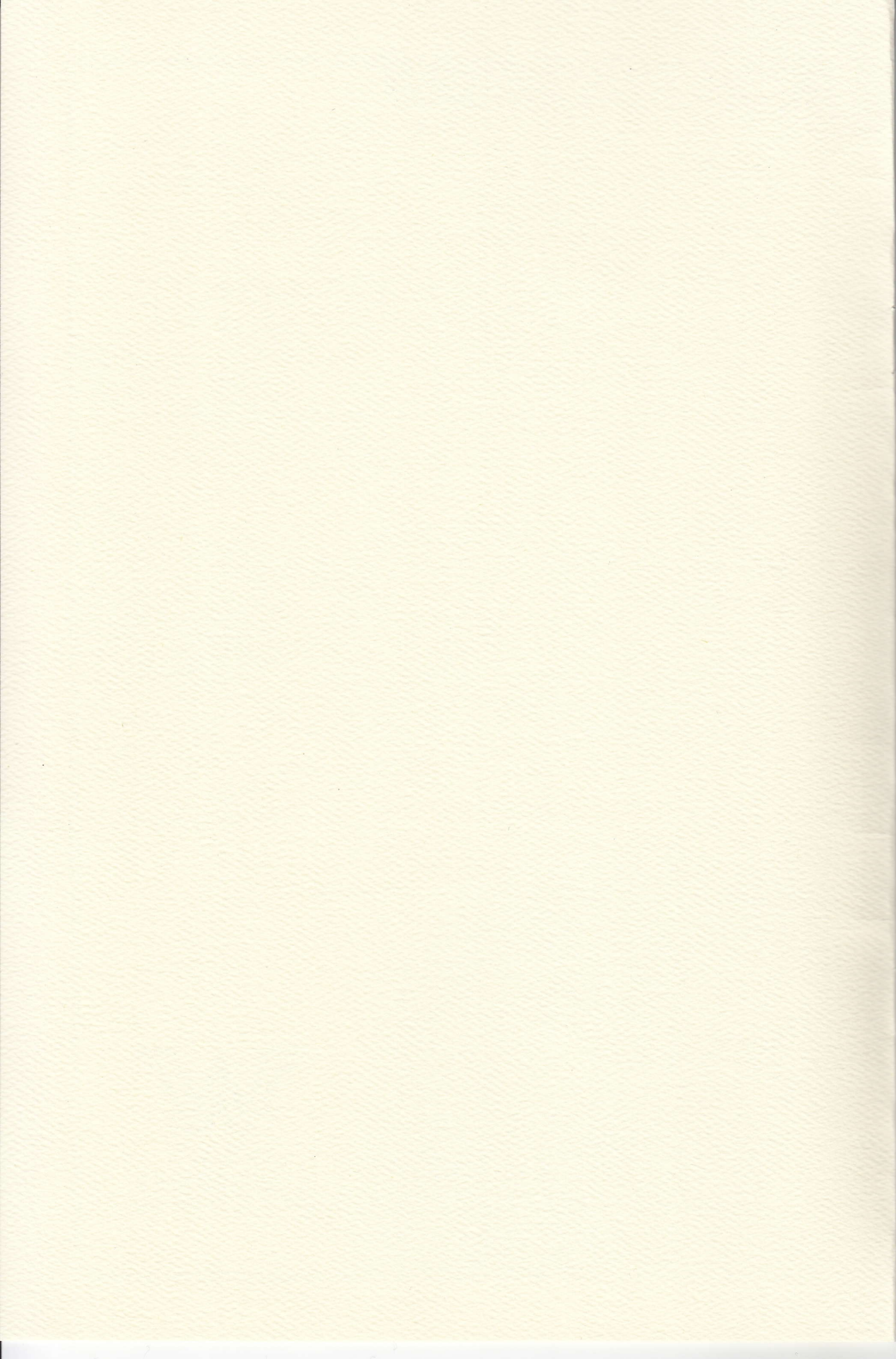
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*Winter Commencement
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*Thursday Morning
January 20, 2000
at eleven fifteen o'clock*

Order of Exercises

*FANFARE

*PROCESSIONAL

Trumpet Voluntary *Jeremiah Clarke*

WELCOME *J. Michael Lennon*
Vice President for Academic Affairs

*INVOCATION *Reverend Dr. William N. Lukesh '72*
Pastor, Forty Fort Presbyterian Church
Forty Fort, Pennsylvania

*AMERICA, THE BEAUTIFUL *Words by Katherine Lee Bates*
Music by Samuel A. Ward

GREETINGS *Ronald D. Tremayne '58*
Member, Board of Trustees

Jane Elmes-Crahall
Chair, Faculty Affairs Council

Sandra L. Argeanas '00
Member, Class of 2000

ADDRESS *Patricia M. Heaman '61*
Professor of English

**The audience is requested to rise.*

Order of Exercises

CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREES Dr. Daniel Klem, Jr. '68
Senator Charles Lemmond, Jr.
Senator Raphael Musto

Presentation by Christopher N. Breiseth, President

CONFERRING OF THE DEGREES Christopher N. Breiseth

*ALMA MATER *Eleanor C. Farley*

*BENEDICTION Edward J. Keegan
*Deacon, St. Matthew's Church
Randolph, New Jersey*

*RECESSIONAL
Trumpet Tune *Jeremiah Clarke*

*Music provided by the Wilkes University Brass Quartet —
William Teubner, Joseph DeVizia, Phil Ioanna, Corby Swan*

**The audience is requested to rise.*

HONORARY DEGREES

DANIEL KLEM, JR. DOCTOR OF SCIENCE

Native of Kingston, 1968 graduate of Wilkes College, awarded the Bronze Star Medal for his military service in Vietnam, Ph.D. in Zoology from Southern Illinois University in 1979, Professor of Biology at Muhlenberg College, ornithologist and avian conservationist of world renown. Dr. Klem's research focus has been the encounter between birds and humans, particularly the daily encounter between birds and plate glass windows accounting for billions of bird deaths every year. His interest in birds as indicators of environmental health led him to be asked to study the ornithology of the Republic of Armenia, a project requiring extensive global cooperation. Two of the three volumes from this project have been recently published. His many research projects, most supported by external funding, actively involve his students, many of whom have gone on to distinguished scientific careers, the reward he most cherishes. His extensive field work is linked with his active support of several biological field stations, symbolized by his long standing leadership role with the Hawk Mountain Sanctuary in Kempton, Pennsylvania. A public environmental educator, he particularly seeks to help young people, including his three children, to discover their opportunities and their responsibilities to serve "this great country, our remarkable human species, and all living and non-living resources needed to sustain our Earth in good health."

CHARLES D. LEMMOND, JR. DOCTOR OF HUMANE LETTERS

Born in Hazleton, raised in Forty Fort, graduate of Harvard College in 1952 after service in the U.S. Army of Occupation in Italy, law degree from the University of Pennsylvania Law School in 1955, clerked in the law offices of the Honorable Max Rosenn, practiced law for a quarter century in Wilkes-Barre, Assistant District Attorney in Luzerne County, appointed Judge of the Luzerne County Court of Common Pleas in charge of Orphans Court, elected to represent the 20th Senatorial District in the General Assembly in 1985, re-elected twice without opposition in either the Republican primary or the general election. Senator Lemmond enjoys a reputation of unblemished integrity and broad popularity. His three terms in the Senate have been associated with the cause of good government, election reform, governmental ethics, improving the judicial system including strengthening of the penal system, from court room to prison, securing the rights of abused children, and reforming workmen's compensation provisions to make Pennsylvania a more attractive state for business investment. Senator Lemmond was most responsible for the law requiring screening for hearing for newborns. He is Chair of the State Senate Government Committee, Vice Chair of the Judiciary Committee and Chair of the Board of the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Authority (PHEAA). Father of four children, he regards this responsibility as well as the attendant satisfaction as his greatest.

HONORARY DEGREES

(continued)

RAPHAEL J. MUSTO DOCTOR OF HUMANE LETTERS

Lifelong resident of Pittston Township, 1971 graduate of King's College after serving in the U.S. Army in Europe for two years, running the family grocery store and raising a family of four children, elected in 1971 to the Pennsylvania House of Representatives for the district represented by his father, elected for a partial term in the U.S. House of Representatives to represent the 11th Congressional District, elected in 1982 to the 14th Senatorial District whose constituents have re-elected him four times. Senator Musto is regarded as one of the most effective preservers of the natural environment in the Commonwealth. Most of the landmark legislation in Pennsylvania dealing with the environment — curbside recycling, clean air, clean water, land recycling, pollution control, acid mine drainage remediation, brownfields reclamation, low level waste management — Senator Musto has either sponsored or co-sponsored. He led the effort to establish the Environmental Education Program in 1993 to sensitize school students to their responsibilities for maintaining the environment, the first state-wide program of its kind in the nation. To his many environmental awards will be added this April recognition as “the Conservation Legislator of 2000” by the Pennsylvania Wildlife Federation. He is Democratic Chair of the Environmental Resources and Energy Committee and Vice Chair of the Joint Legislative Air, Water Pollution Control and Conservation Committee. Of top importance to Senator Musto, as for his father before him, is direct service to his constituents on the most personal of matters. “Make them feel right,” has remained for the Senator both the best policy and the best politics.

MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

Master of Business Administration Degree

- ³ Sandra L. Argeanas
³ Paul Alan Binner
Michael Brennan
^{*,3} Shannon Crake
³ Scott Alan Michael Dustman
^{†,3} Barbara Anne Fiascki
^{*,3} Lisa A. Gigliello
³ Walter John Grodzki
Laura Ann Elizabeth Hayer
^{*,3} Daniel John Loefflad
³ Melinda Marcotte
³ Molly A. Richardson
^{*,3} Daniel C. Rodgers
³ Cheryl A. Shank
³ Theodore E. Smith, Jr.
³ Victor Visotsky
^{*,3} James H. Yoxthimer, Jr.

Master of Health Administration Degree

- Susan Hallick
^{*,†} Jane Frances Romanko
^{*,†} Tracey Wagner Wolfe

Master of Science Degree with a major in Education

- [†] Carole L. Ackerman
^{*} Christopher Michael Adams
^{*} Douglas A. Anderson
^{*,†} Emily A. Babyak
^{*,†} Allison J. Bell
[†] Michael Lee Bieber
^{*,†} Matthew Biniek
^{*} Lori B. Blydenburgh
^{*} Susan L. Boyer
^{*} Amy Y. Bright
^{*} Theresa Marie Buchinski
^{*,†} Peter A. Buckle
^{*} Susan Bridget Bugno
^{*,†} John C. Burman
^{*,†} Elizabeth E. Burton
Maria Louisa Campomizzi
^{*,†} Peter J. Casazza
^{*,†} Kevin Grant Cavanaugh

^{*}*Degree in absentia*

[†] *Received degree on August 31, 1999*

³ *Delta Mu Delta*

MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

Master of Science Degree with a major in Education (*continued*)

- † *Bernard L. Chatman, Sr.*
- *† *Janice F. Ciavarella*
- † *Mary Elizabeth Coleman*
- Susan Burnside Collins*
- Karen A. Comegys*
- *† *Thomas John Condly*
- *† *Amy Lyn Connors*
- † *Mark E. Cosgrove*
- *† *Deborah Anne Crosswell*
- * *Justine Girardi Cruz*
- *† *Christine M. Davis*
- *† *Cindy Delaney*
- * *Colleen Marie Denicola*
- * *Lisa Diane Dieter*
- Anne Dillon*
- *† *Nichole Donatelli-Medei*
- † *Joann Marie Donati*
- * *Thomas G. Drago*
- Juleann Marie Ducaji*
- Holly Anne Elchisak*
- * *Marcia Diane Evans*
- † *Marilyn J. Evans*
- *† *Sandra M. Fadden*
- *† *Lynne S. Feighan*
- * *Jack Edward Fisher*
- Nicole Evelyn Foose*
- *† *Janet Francis*
- *† *Carmela Franco*
- † *Darla J. Gallagher*
- *† *Jennifer Jo Gibbons*
- *† *Gary Lee Gleckner*
- *† *William T. Goddard*
- * *Jennifer Ann Grant*
- *† *Jeffrey J. Gregory*
- † *Monica Irene Zellner Griffith*
- John J. Guida*
- Keith Edward Gunuskey*
- *† *Maryann K. Haines*
- * *Doreen Hampton*
- *† *Thomas A. Hannon*
- *† *Dixie Hansen*
- *† *Stanley T. Harder*
- *† *Wendy A. Hardison*
- *† *David P. Harrison*
- *† *Timothy A. Hauck*

*Degree in absentia

† Received degree on August 31, 1999

MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

Master of Science Degree with a major in Education (*continued*)

- *† Janet Heinly
- Robert S. Heiser
- † Ruth Ann Coleman Henry
- * Cheryl L. Hersh
- *† Cynthia Tobias Hettinger
- *† Cecilia Bukowski Hibbard
- † Carol A. Hines
- *† Eugene L. Hopkins, Jr.
- † Anita L. Hozza
- † Susan Marie Huber
- † Mary Hurst
- *† Joanne Elizabeth Jasinski
- † Heather Collins Johnson
- *† Christopher A. Jones
- *† Susan Beth Kehl
- * Chad E. Keim
- *† Claire Kempes
- *† Jason David Kirkwood
- Mark Kirsten
- Paula M. Kovaleski
- † Cheryl Lynn Kovalick
- *† Mary Jane Kozick
- *† Steven Sterling Krechel
- *† Jamie S. Kunkel
- † Melissa Mae Labatch
- * Brian T. Legutko
- *† Jeffrey L. Leitzel
- *† Lee J. Lesisko
- *† Beth A. Light
- † Staci Leigh Lingenfelter-Horne
- *† Jennifer Spitzer Lisowski
- *† Diane Farver Luhrs
- † Susan Taylor Lyon
- * David Michael Macedo
- † Gary M. Mack
- James L. Manganiello, Jr.
- Melissa Marcks
- † Caroline P. Martin
- *† Kathy Jean Martin
- *† Genevieve M. McMonigle
- † Cristin Miller
- † Michelle Stein Miller
- *† Patricia C. Misura
- *† Earl David Mordan, Jr.
- *† Susan B. Mowery

MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

Master of Science Degree with a major in Education (*continued*)

- *.† *Mark Robert Myers*
- *.† *Lucinda Nabavian*
- † *Justine Mary Nemshick*
 - * *Mary O'Hora*
 - Melissa Ann Ogden*
- *.† *Tammy Lynne Olver*
 - * *Denise Panza*
- *.† *Lawrence E. Pegula*
- *.† *F. Delia Peppiatt*
- *.† *Daniel C. Peterman*
 - Mary Jo Petlock*
- † *Carissa Ann Pokorny*
 - *.† *Joanna Powers*
 - *.† *Lisa Prelovsky*
 - *.† *Debra Priorielli*
 - * *Jane K. Prodes*
 - *.† *Cindy L. Pursell*
- * *Margaret Anne Quigley*
 - † *Brett A. Reasner*
 - * *Larry A. Rhine*
- † *Eileen Mary Rishcoff*
- *.† *Christopher J. Roos*
 - *.† *Craig E. Route*
- † *Ronald C. Russo, Jr.*
 - *.† *Sherri L. Scheip*
 - *.† *Jane A. Schnell*
- *.† *Trina L. Schoonover*
- *.† *Stacey Marie Segur*
- *.† *Lori Phetteplace Sheldon*
- † *Judith Patschke Shimp*
 - Denise A. Skorupa*
 - † *Donald D. Smith*
 - *.† *Jennifer A. Smith*
- *.† *Belinda A. Snodgrass*
- † *Eileen Sheehan Snyder*
 - * *Edward Sokoloski*
- *.† *Oliver Crosby Sparks*
 - Susan Stanski*
 - *.† *Lori L. Stavinski*
- *.† *Michael Andrew Stofko*
 - * *Eriko Takahashi*
 - Kathy J. Taylor*
 - * *Michele S. Tickner*
- *.† *Laura Ann Tolerico*
- *.† *Jamie Lee Tracy*

*Degree in absentia

† Received degree on August 31, 1999

MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

Master of Science Degree with a major in Education (*continued*)

- *† Shelli Hopkins Trimbur
- † Mary G. Trometter
- Darlene M. Gronski Trovitch
- *† Karen S. Tulaba
- *† Mary Ann Uhouse
- † Jamie J. Unger
- * Corrina Valley
- * James P. Veglia
- *† Roberta Ruth Walker
- † Maureen Morio Wascavage
- *† Bradley Dean Watkins
- *† Jeffrey B. Weaver
- *† Richard Joseph Weilminster
- *† Heidi Sue Werner
- *† Donna F. West
- † Karen B. White
- Mary Ann Wilmoth
- *† Andrew S. Witinski III
- Lovey Woronowicz
- *† Susan Comerford Wzorek
- *† Joseph G. Yescavage
- *† Bonnie L. Young-Avery
- † Christine C. Zambetti
- Amanda Jane Zaremba
- * Evon Zundel

Master of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering

- † Joseph Stanley Krzysik
- William J. Preston

Master of Science Degree with a major in Nursing

- *† Francine Marie Greco
- *†,¹² Wendy Ann Grose
- *† Theodore J. Lengyel
- *†,¹² Jean Marie Littzi
- † Sandra Denise Lynn
- Karen Ann McDonnell
- †,¹² Roberta M. Price
- *† George Joseph Rucco, Jr.

*Degree in absentia

† Received degree on August 31, 1999

¹² Sigma Theta Tau

BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

College of Arts, Sciences and Professional Studies

Summa Cum Laude

- ¹⁰ Paul J. W. Carson, *Electrical Engineering*
⁶ Karen Ann Cook, *Communications
Elementary Education, Second Major*
^{6,7} Krista Leigh Evans, *History
Psychology, Second Degree*
^{5,11} Lara Marie Lukesh, *English
Communications, Second Degree*
^{2,3} Jane A. Stubb, *Accounting*

Magna Cum Laude

- ^{*,8} Nicholas Hayden Adler, *Theatre Arts*
⁹ Joann M. Pesavento, *Psychology*
^{*,†} Michelle K. Riviello, *Psychology*

Cum Laude

- ³ Sandra L. Argeanas, *Accounting*
⁶ Adam Laurence Burdett, *Bachelor of Music*
^{*,†} Tracy Ann Hartmann, *Communications*
³ James O. Lacy, *Bachelor of Business Administration*
³ Ann M. Manganaro, *Accounting*
² R. Conard Miller, *Psychology*
^{1,2} Marie J. Stahlman-Miller, *Sociology*
Thomas M. Turinski, Jr., *Computer Science*

Accounting

- Michael Kent Bratlee
^{*,†,3} Guy A. Farrell
^{*,3} Amy Marie Nardozzi
Heather Ann Patton

Bachelor of Business Administration

- ^{*,†,3} Colleen J. Beckwith
Linda Jean Brown
Jason A. Cadwallader
Justin P. Eroh
^{†,3} Robert M. Gilbride
[†] Maureen M. Hall
Ronald G. Harris
Cassie Charlene Heim
³ Bao Huynh
Kevin Keegan
Brian Joseph Kulig
Mary Jayne Pikas
^{*} Robert Pipas
^{*,†} Richard Joseph Potts
Robert S. Rolland
Christopher R. Shannon
^{*,†,3} Paul Tomczyk

^{*}Degree in absentia [†] Received degree on August 31, 1999 ¹Alpha Kappa Delta

²Alpha Sigma Lambda ³Delta Mu Delta ⁵Honors in English

⁶Candidate for Pennsylvania Teacher Certification ⁷Phi Alpha Theta ⁸Phi Eta Sigma

⁹Psi Chi ¹⁰Sigma Pi Sigma ¹¹Sigma Tau Delta

BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

College of Arts, Sciences and Professional Studies (continued)

Biology

Meggin Kathleen Borowski
George Andrew Casatis
Dawn Marie Gratalo
Kerry J. Pietlukiewicz
**.† John David Telechowski, Jr.*
Psychology, Second Degree
Chemistry, Third Degree
Lynda Marie Zajaczkowski

Chemistry

**.† John David Telechowski, Jr.*
Psychology, Second Degree
Biology, Third Degree

Communications

Colin Mitchell Jones
Patricia Meadus
**.† Eleanor Murray*
Timothy J. Seymour

Computer Information Systems

Daniel Isaac Guy

Computer Science

Gino Piccolino

Earth and Environmental Science

**.†.⁶ Christopher F. Czapla*
David S. Kish
Puja H. Mistry
Dana Michelle Sacoman

Electrical Engineering

Musab Al-Ali
^{4,10} Richard Michael Fleck, Jr.
Adriane L. Grube

**Degree in absentia*

† Received degree on August 31, 1999

⁴ Eta Kappa Nu

⁶ Candidate for Pennsylvania Teacher Certification

¹⁰ Sigma Pi Sigma

BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

College of Arts, Sciences and Professional Studies (continued)

Elementary Education

⁶ Molly O'Brien Aversa
Psychology, Second Degree

⁶ Jody T. Yedlock
Sociology, Second Degree

Engineering Management

Kelly Lynott Scott

English

^{6,11} Allison M. Smalley
Elementary Education, Second Major

Environmental Engineering

*† Richard C. Dudek
Amanda J. Muscavage

History

^{6,7} Kelly A. Donlin

⁶ John James Fox III

Zachary D. Manprin

John Siekonic

⁶ Andrew B. Snyder

International Studies

*† Judith Helinski
Spanish, Second Major

Mechanical Engineering

Kristine D. Caro

Music Education

*†⁶ Jessica Lee Kelly

Nursing

*† Danyelle Hughes
* Bernadette Dellago Gately

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⁶ Candidate for Pennsylvania Teacher Certification ⁷ Phi Alpha Theta ¹¹ Sigma Tau Delta

BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

College of Arts, Sciences and Professional Studies (continued)

Psychology

- ⁶ Molly O'Brien Aversa
Elementary Education, Second Degree
Leisa Renee Bock
Sociology, Second Major
⁶ Tara Bruza
Elementary Education, Second Major
Christa Ann DeVizia
†² Bridget Elizabeth Finnerty
† Brian Patrick Guida
*†⁶ Walter Hall
Melody Ann Hargrave
Paul Joseph Janeski
*† Kelly A. Kane
English, Second Major
² Melissa A. Misterman
*† John David Telechowski, Jr.
Chemistry, Second Degree
Biology, Third Degree
Andre Torres
⁶ Carissa Walton
Elementary Education, Second Major

Sociology

- ⁶ Megan Lee Hunter
Elementary Education, Second Major
⁶ Crystal Lee Knorek
Elementary Education, Second Major
⁶ Denise A. Luczak
Elementary Education, Second Major
*†⁶ Allison Marie Potzer
Elementary Education, Second Major
*† Holly Marie Quinn
⁶ Jody T. Yedlock
Elementary Education, Second Degree

Scholarly Societies and Special Designations

- ¹ *Denotes Membership in Alpha Kappa Delta, the International Honorary Society in Sociology.*
- ² *Denotes Membership in the Eta Pi Chapter of Alpha Sigma Lambda, the honor society recognizing the academic excellence of adult part-time students.*
- ³ *Denotes Membership in the Zeta Psi Chapter of Delta Mu Delta, the National Honor Society in Business Administration.*
- ⁴ *Denotes Membership in the Kappa Beta Chapter of Eta Kappa Nu, the International Electrical Engineering Honor Society.*
- ⁵ *Denotes Honors in English.*
- ⁶ *Denotes Candidates for Pennsylvania Teacher Certification.*
- ⁷ *Denotes Membership in Phi Alpha Theta, the National Honorary Society in History.*
- ⁸ *Denotes Membership in Phi Eta Sigma, the National Honor Society for College Freshmen.*
- ⁹ *Denotes Membership in Psi Chi, the National Honorary Society in Psychology.*
- ¹⁰ *Denotes Membership in Sigma Pi Sigma, the National Honorary Society of Physics students.*
- ¹¹ *Denotes Membership in Sigma Tau Delta, the National Honorary Society in English.*
- ¹² *Denotes Membership in the Zeta Psi Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau, the International Honor Society for Nursing.*
- * *Degree in absentia*
- † *Student received degree on August 31, 1999*

The University Mace and Presidential Chain of Office

The University Mace and the Presidential Chain of Office used in academic celebrations represent traditions dating to the sixteenth century. The mace symbolizes the authority of the university and the chain of office designates the presidential leadership of the academy.

The Wilkes University Mace and Presidential Chain of Office were gifts of local donors and were first used in 1970 at the inauguration of the second president of Wilkes. They were designed by Ottie Hill Chwalek '61 and executed by Kurt Matzdorf, a nationally recognized gold and silversmith from the State University of New York at New Paltz.

The University Mace

The sterling silver mace has a gilt knob at its base and a gilt circle at the top bearing the inscription "Wilkes College 1933." The bowl, rising above the neck of the mace, signifies Wilkes-Barre's role as a melting pot, forming a new and vigorous community of people from many different backgrounds. This theme is reiterated in the inscription of the University's motto "Unity Amidst Diversity" which surrounds the upper part of the bowl. The gilt flame symbolizes the enlightenment gained from higher education, while the piece of anthracite coal set in the center of the flame commemorates the origin of the University in a community known for its coal mining past.

The Presidential Chain of Office

The Presidential Chain of Office, created from sterling silver, has alternating bowls and gilt flames, repeating the motif of the mace. On the front of the four-foot chain hangs a gilt seal of Wilkes which is suspended from a cluster of oak leaves with acorns, suggesting the strength and sturdiness of future generations. On the back of the Presidential Chain of Office is a silver portrait of Dr. Eugene S. Farley, the first President of Wilkes. Dr. Farley's portrait is surrounded by gilt oak leaves commemorating his strong leadership of the emerging institution.

AMERICA, THE BEAUTIFUL

*O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain.
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.*

*O beautiful for patriot's dream that sees beyond the years,
Thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears.
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.*

Words by Katherine Lee Bates

Music by Samuel A. Ward

ALMA MATER

*Wilkes, our Alma Mater,
We pledge our hearts to thee,
Honor, faith, and courage,
Truth and loyalty,
In our work and in our pleasure,
Guide us as a friend;
We shall always love thee,
Loyal to the end.
Thou shalt lead us onward
In search of finer things.
May we find the wisdom
That thy spirit brings.
May our deeds of love and service
Ever swell thy fame —
Wilkes, we stand to greet thee!
Glory to thy name.*

Words and Music by Eleanor C. Farley

*A reception for graduates and their families will be held in the lobby of the
Dorothy Dickson Darte Center for the Performing Arts
immediately following the ceremony.*