

WILKES UNIVERSITY

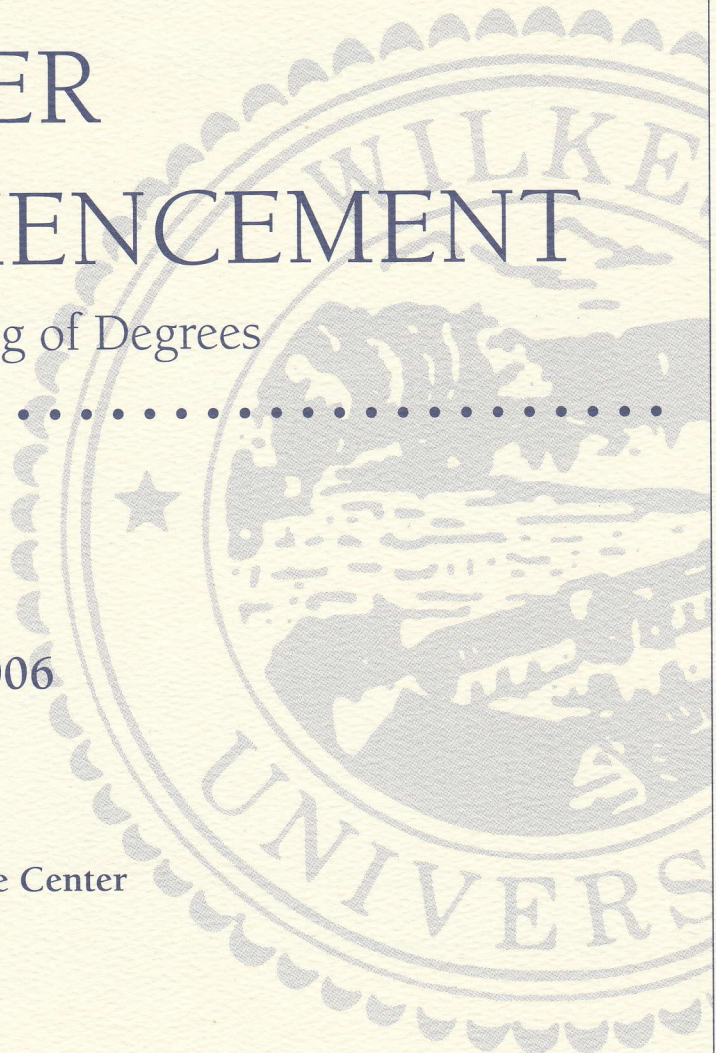
SUMMER COMMENCEMENT

for the Conferring of Degrees

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Sunday
September 10, 2006
2:00 p.m.

Arnaud C. Marts
Sports and Conference Center



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Order of Exercises

*FANFARE AND PROCESSIONAL

Prelude to Te Deum Charpentier/Picher

WELCOME Bernard W. Graham
Interim Provost

*INVOCATION Angela A. Hermes
Coordinator, Campus Interfaith

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

GREETINGS Joseph E. Gilmour
President

Charles E. Cohen
Member, Board of Trustees

Arthur H. Kibbe
Chair, Faculty Affairs Council
Chair, Pharmaceutical Sciences

Layla Graham, MS
Bishop Hoban High School
Member of the Graduating Class

**The audience is requested to rise.*

Order of Exercises

ADDRESS.....Edward J. Schicatano
Assistant Professor, Psychology

CONFERRING OF THE DEGREESJoseph E. Gilmour
President

*ALMA MATER.....*Eleanor C. Farley*

*BENEDICTIONAngela A. Hermes
Coordinator, Campus Interfaith

*RECESSIONAL
English Folk Song Suite Vaughn Williams/Villanueva

*Music provided by the Wilkes Bass Ensemble
Philip G. Simon, Conductor
Jennifer Smeraldo, Vocalist*

**The audience is requested to rise.*

DOCTOR OF PHARMACY CANDIDATES

Cum Laude

* *Robert J. Viercinski*

* *Degree in Absentia*

MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

Master of Arts in Creative Writing

- | | |
|---------------------------|----------------------|
| John A. Bednarz | * Leslie L. Kraft |
| * Brian Berkenstock | * William Landauer |
| Daniel J. Burda | Walter L. Lansberry |
| Frank Boyle Burnside, Jr. | * Aubrey Rose Murrin |
| Jennifer Ann Diskin | * J. Nicholas Pierce |
| * Donora Hillard | John Plucenik |
| Marlon Vaughn James | James F. Warner |
| * Peter J. Kaszyk | |

Master of Business Administration

- | | |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| Christopher John Bailey | Robert J. Vanderveken |
| Joseph J. Iracki | Stanley Bleiman Warner III |
| Amber Newton | Daria Woronowicz |
| David Newton III | Jacob Austin Zoltowski |

Master of Science in Education

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| Erica L. Adamire | * Michele Bittner |
| Megan Kristine Adel | * Derek B. Bleiler |
| * Marlene C. Aitken | * MaryAnn Blundi |
| Gail Laurel Alquist | * Bernadette Boerchel |
| *, ¹³ John C. Althouse, Jr. | Heather Lyn Boltz |
| * Michael Robert Althouse | Barbara A. Brandt |
| ¹³ Joel P. Alutius | * Barbara C. Brannen |
| * Carmella C. Argento | * Sabrina Lynn Bratcher |
| Micah Joel Artz | * Carolyn M. Bronson |
| * Elise J. Arzie | * Kellie L. Brouse |
| ¹³ Kathryn L. Asiello | Nicole M. Browne |
| * Clint N. Aurand | *, ¹³ Susan Bridget Bugno |
| * Kathryn Ann Avey | * Amanda Burkhardt |
| * Philip G. Babyak | * Dana Jill Burnetski |
| * Darin S. Bain | * Jodi Ann Butler |
| * Julie Denise Barrick | * Sean Patrick Carey |
| * Michael C. Bartosiewicz | Beth Meghan Carl |
| * Melanie L. Baughman | * Michelle Lynn Carton |
| * Tracy L. Bauman | * Megan N. Case |
| * Danielle Becchina | ¹³ Veronica B. Casey |
| * Jodi L. Becker | * Patricia Ann Cassner |
| Stacey J. Behnert | * David Louis Cavic |
| * Monroe F. Berger, Jr. | Sandra M. Cawley |
| *, ¹³ Judy A. Bingham | Mary Lou Rouse Cerullo |

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MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

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- * Deborah J. Chapin
- * Pamela Lynn Chelbus
- Michael J. Chicalese
- * Penelope Catherine Chiovari
- * James R. Chorba
- * Christine A. Churetta
- * Stephanie M. Clark
- * April Leigh Clevenger
- Joan D. Clipper
- * Sharon E. Clouser
- *¹³ Sarah Cloutier
- Jill Robyn Coburn
- Lauren M. Colbenson
- * John Michael Conte, Jr.
- * LeeAnn Conway
- * Pamela S. Cooley
- Eileen Terese Coslett
- * Abbe Lynn Cox
- * Meredith Lynn Coyle
- Cynthia Crimmins
- * Jamie Suzette Cunningham
- * Michael S. Custard
- * Kevin Michael Czapor
- * Ian M. Daecher
- Suzanne Beth Dailey
- * Lindsay M. Dalrymple
- * Elaina Daubert
- * Thomas David DeAngelo
- * Bethany DeBenedictis
- * Milta Delgado
- * Rebecca E. Delong
- Courtney DeLucca
- * Nicloe DeNero-Traeger
- Robert Joseph Dennison
- * Joseph A. Devine
- * Susan C. Dooner
- * Michael Matteiu Dopera
- Robert A. Drabick
- * Darren J. Dravuschak
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- * Valerie Eblin
- Janet S. Engle
- * William Austin Engler
- Erin Elizabeth Essip
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- * Elizabeth Grace Louise Fedder
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- * Larry Edward Fell
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- *¹³ Jeffrey Fries
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- * Patricia A. Gambale
- * Anthony J. Gamza
- * Tami L. Garber
- * Brad Garrett
- John Gates
- * Angela E. Gatto
- * Jessica Lyn Gauger
- Colleen M. Geary
- * Leah Gemgnani
- * Donna M. Gerhard
- * Jeffrey Getz
- * George Christopher Gillespie
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- * Hilary Gorzelnik
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* Krista M. Hatten
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* John Holsinger
Jamie Lynn Horvath
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¹³ Patricia DeMasi Ising
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* Christopher J. Ivey
* Shannon M. Jeffrey
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*¹³ Brenda L. Jones
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Lisa M. Kelly
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* Jacqueline Moreck Kishbaugh
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*¹³ Lorene Ann Koch
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* Shane Kraynak
* Claire Lorraine Kropa
Christine J. Kurash
*¹³ Jason W. Lagowy
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* Richard M. Lapi
* Jamie Elizabeth Lasher
* Amy Marie Layton
* Jennifer J. Leffler
* Julie Leshock-Emerson
* Kevin Andrew Lesoine
* Joseph G. Ligenza
* Debra Vincenti Lindner
Jillian Elizabeth Lipinski
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- * Donna J. McCune
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- Bridget Ann McMynne
- * Brian H. Meckley
- Sherry Ann Meister
- * Deborah Ann Merino-Gruenloh
- * Christina V. Metta
- * Jeanna Mihalka
- * Patrick Mitchell
- * Eric Molitoris
- * Angela Chrstine Moore
- * Gregg D. Moore
- * Kevin Moran
- * Gary R. Moss
- Sean J. Munson
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- * Brandy M. Paul
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- * Teresa Marie Perlowski
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- * Suzanne Betz Powrie
- * Ann Marie Price
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- Shannon Reece
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- Stacey V. Rutt
- * Christel Dawn Ruzicka
- Marcie Marie Sabolsky
- * Diane M. Savatt
- * Rosemarie Sawyer
- * Stacie H. Schantz
- * Amy Scheckenbach
- * Beth A. Scherman
- * Brandi Marie Schermerhorn
- * Jean Schey
- Shirley Polk Schrader
- ¹³ Arlene R. Scott
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- *,¹³ Susan M. Shultz
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- * Susan L. Smith
- * Tammy M. Smith
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- * Colin W. Snyder
- *,¹³ Richard James Snyder
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Frank Sodoski
- * Tracy Ann Sokoloski
- * Kristy Lee Spade
William Sparks
Marina Brunas Spatz
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- * Michael Joseph Spinka III
- * Donald R. Stahl
- * Gerald R. Stanzola, Jr.
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- * Brianne Stocker
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- * Elizabeth I. Stump
Kylee M. Styers-Oden
- * Helen L. Suchajda
- * Trisha Kathleen Sullivan
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- * John M. Swanson
- * Nicole Marie Tarconish
- * Patricia Ann Tempalski
- * Gale L. Ternosky
Darren Martin Testa
- * Christopher William Thompson
Melissa L. Tomlinson
- * Esperansa Tommelleo
- * Jamie Trescavage
Shawna Lee Trout
Sharon Hayes Vakiener
- * Jennifer S. Varner
- * Wendy L. Vasey
Katie Denise Venella
Annette Vogt
- * Kristina Marie Wall
Lynne R. Wallace
- * Melissa Lynn Walsh
Michele Christine Walsh
Andrea Marie Weaver
- * Mykeshia Lynn Weaver
Gregory Hoffman Webber
- * Casey Lyn Weber
- * Jeanmarie Weir
- * Lori B. Weisser
Natalie A. Wenzke
- * Barbara N. Wesneski
- * Lucas J. Wesneski
- * Kevin M. West
- * Erica Lynn Whalen
- * Edward D. Whitehead III
- * Rebecca Coen Wilks
Amanda Lu Williams
- * Brenda Dee Winter
- * Abbie Nicole Wise
- * Wendy M. Wolk
- * Amanda L. Woolslayer
- * Cynthia L. Wray
- * Nicole Lee Wukitch
Stacianne Marie Yeager
- * Steven T. Yoder
- * Edward Darren Yohn
David Ervin Zabel, Jr.
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- ¹³ David M. Zula
- * Kevin Joseph Zurawski

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MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

Master of Science in Electrical Engineering

*Pramod Krishna Baggali
Dinesh Reddy Komerelley*

** Uma Nuthakki*

Master of Science in Professional Nursing

*Laurene M. Carlin
* Christine Copeman
Laura M. Gerth
Meredith Margaret Hart
Leah Rachel Harvey
Laura Heller
Amanda N. Hendricks
Karen Kozich
Michele J. Medico*

*Caroline Nwaro
Amos Taiwo Odeleye
Angela Parcheman
Sejin Park
Kelly Steven Rackham
Nicole Jessica Reinert
John C. Schmitt
Devida M. Staten*

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BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

The College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences

Cum Laude

¹⁸ Naomi Prunelle Rodriguez, Political Science

Communications

Paola Pardo

English

* Joshua Orloski

Gerald Michael Ross

Music Education

*,¹² Daniel Walter Heflin

Psychology

Joy Elizabeth Lander

Pamela Malouf

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¹² Candidate for Pennsylvania Teacher Certification

¹⁸ Pi Sigma Alpha

BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

The College of Science and Engineering

Applied & Engineering Science

* *Theodore C. Eisenbach*

Biology

Breanne Dibble
Psychology, second major
Ashley Ana Klein

Kristen Bohan Pegarella
Jeremy Schreppe

Earth & Environmental Science

* *Travis Taxis*

Electrical Engineering

Stacey Ann Berkoski

Mechanical Engineering

Evan S. Walters

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BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

The Jay S. Sidhu School of Business and Leadership

Accounting

Anthony W. Verbitsky

Business Administration

** Robert Balsamel*

The Nesbitt College of Pharmacy and Nursing

Nursing

Daniel Michael Yadrnak

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Scholarly Societies and Special Designations

- ¹ Denotes Membership in Alpha Chi, the National College Honor Scholarship Society.
- ² Denotes Membership in Alpha Kappa Delta, the International Honorary Society in Sociology.
- ³ Denotes Membership in the Eta Pi Chapter of Alpha Sigma Lambda, the honor society recognizing the academic excellence of adult part-time students.
- ⁴ Denotes Membership in Beta Beta Beta, the National Honorary Society in Biology.
- ⁵ Denotes Membership in Chi Alpha Epsilon, the Honorary Society which recognizes students who were admitted to the University through Higher Education Access Opportunity programs.
- ⁶ Denotes Membership in the Zeta Psi Chapter of Delta Mu Delta, the National Honor Society in Business Administration.
- ⁷ Denotes Honors in Biology.
- ⁸ Denotes Honors in English.
- ⁹ Denotes Honors in Engineering.
- ¹⁰ Denotes Membership in Lambda Pi Eta, the National Honorary Society in Communications.
- ¹¹ Denotes Membership in the Phi Phi Chapter of Kappa Delta Pi, the International Honorary Society in Education.
- ¹² Denotes Candidates for Pennsylvania Teacher Certification.
- ¹³ Denotes Candidates for Pennsylvania Principal Certification.
- ¹⁴ Denotes Membership in Phi Alpha Theta, the National Honorary Society in History.
- ¹⁵ Denotes Membership in Phi Lambda Sigma, the Pharmacy Leadership Society.
- ¹⁶ Denotes Membership in Phi Sigma Tau, the National Honor Society in Philosophy.
- ¹⁷ Denotes Membership in Pi Kappa Delta, the National Honorary Forensic Society.
- ¹⁸ Denotes Membership in Pi Sigma Alpha, the National Political Science Honor Society.
- ¹⁹ Denotes Membership in Psi Chi, the National Honorary Society in Psychology.
- ²⁰ Denotes Membership in Phi Eta Sigma, the National Honor Society for College Freshmen.
- ²¹ Denotes Membership in Rho Chi, the National Honor Society in Pharmacy.
- ²² Denotes Membership in Sigma Tau Delta, the National Honorary Society in English.
- ²³ Denotes Membership in the Zeta Psi Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau, the International Honor Society for Nursing.
- ²⁴ Denotes Membership in and acknowledgment by Sigma Xi, the Scientific Research Society.
- ²⁵ Denotes Tom Bigler Scholar.
- ²⁶ Denotes Pre-Medical Scholar.
- * Degree in absentia

The University Mace and Presidential Chain of Office

The 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 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 Ballroom of the
Henry Student Center immediately following the ceremony.*