

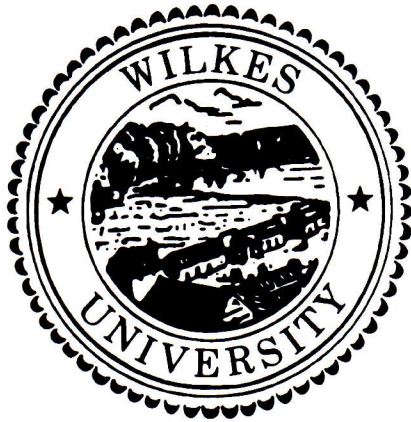
Wilkes University's Sixtieth Annual

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# Order of Exercises

## FANFARE AND PROCESSIONAL

*Academic Processional* ..... Clifton Williams

*(The audience is requested to rise as the procession enters the area.)*

WELCOME ..... BERNARD W. GRAHAM  
*Interim Provost*

INVOCATION..... FATHER GERALD J. GURKA '07  
*Pastor, St. John The Baptist Church  
Nesbitt Street, Larksville, PA*

America, The Beautiful ..... Words by Katherine Lee Bates  
*Music by Samuel A. Ward  
Arrangement, Bill Moffit*

*(The words of America The Beautiful are printed on page 35 of the program.  
The audience is requested to stand and join in the singing.)*

God of Our Fathers..... G. W. Warren, D. C. Roberts  
*Arrangement, Claude T. Smith*

GREETINGS..... JOSEPH E. GILMOUR  
*President*

JOHN R. MILLER '68  
*Chairman, Board of Trustees*

ARTHUR H. KIBBE  
*Chair, Faculty Affairs Council  
Chair, Pharmaceutical Sciences*

SALMAN R. PUNEKAR, BBA  
*Member of the Class of 2007*

# Order of Exercises

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

PRESENTATION OF HONORARY DEGREE

MARLEE MATLIN  
Doctorate of Humane Letters

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS ..... MARLEE MATLIN

*(Ms. Matlin's speech will be interpreted by Jack Jason)*

THE CONFERRING OF THE DEGREES ..... JOSEPH E. GILMOUR

ALUMNI INDUCTION ..... COLLEEN M. GRIES-GALLAGHER '81

*President  
Wilkes University Alumni Association*

Alma Mater.....Eleanor C. Farley

*Arrangement, Earl Orcutt*

*(The words of the Alma Mater are printed on page 35 of the program.*

*The audience is requested to stand and join in the singing.)*

BENEDICTION .....ANGELA L. HERMES

*Coordinator, Campus Interfaith*

RECESSIONAL

*Slow March from Scipio .....Handel/Leidzen*

**Music Provided By:**

*Wilkes University Chorus  
Dr. Stephen Thomas, Conductor*

*Wilkes University Civic Band  
Philip G. Simon, Conductor*

**Ceremony Interpreted By:**

*Dr. Daniel B. Swartz, CI/CT  
360 Translations International, Inc.*

# HONORARY DEGREE

DOCTOR OF HUMANE LETTERS ..... MARLEE MATLIN

Born and raised in Morton Grove, Illinois, it was clear from an early age that you are a special person, with special gifts, who would lead an extraordinary life. The decisions your parents made for you early in your childhood set the stage for your success as an actress, a role model and advocate, and your most cherished role — that of mom to Sarah, Brandon, Tyler and Isabelle. You encourage us to count our blessings, to celebrate what makes each of us unique and to see possibility in the most difficult of circumstances. In the midst of the most challenging situations, you have learned to find the serendipitous.

Your professional career is already one of merit and distinction. At age 21, you became the youngest recipient of the Best Actress Oscar for your role in “Children of a Lesser God.” As one of only four actresses to receive that honor for a film debut, you were also awarded a Golden Globe by the Hollywood Foreign Press for Best Actress in a Drama. With four Emmy Award Nominations for your work on *Seinfeld*, *Picket Fences*, *The Practice* and *Law and Order: SVU*, you have been honored with two other Golden Globe nominations, a nomination for a CableACE Award, and a nomination for a People’s Choice Award.

Known for your devotion of time and energy to numerous organizations, your influence and contributions extend well beyond your artistic accomplishments. In 1994, President Clinton appointed you to the Board of Directors for the Corporation for National Service, and in 1995 you were honored in a White House Rose Garden ceremony for your work as Chairperson for National Volunteer Week. As a national celebrity spokesperson for the American Red Cross, you also serve on the national boards for Easter Seals and the Children Affected by Aids Foundation. Your considerable talents, first-hand experiences and unwavering commitment to bettering the quality of life have made you not only a champion for the hearing-impaired community but also a model world citizen for us all. Your testimony before Congress was instrumental in getting federal legislation passed requiring all televisions manufactured in the United States be equipped with close-captioning technology.

While your artistic endeavors alone might be reason enough for the recognition we bestow today, we take this special opportunity to salute your eloquent advocacy that creates genuine opportunities for those who are differently-abled. You provide inspiration and hope so that they are able to live their lives with dignity, optimism and the promise that they might achieve their fullest potential. By the power vested in me by the Board of Trustees of Wilkes University, and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, I hereby confer upon you, **Marlee Matlin**, the doctorate of humane letters, *Honoris Causa*, with all the rights and privileges appertaining thereto.

# AWARDS

THE MABLE SCOTT WANDELL AND

STERLING LEROY WANDELL AWARDS ..... SARAH E. OLEY '07

ELIZABETH M. RISH '07

MOHAMMAD S. SHAFQAT '07

JOHN A. TREVEN '07

*These awards are presented to the man and woman who have attained the highest academic average for the four years at Wilkes University.*

BERNARD W. GRAHAM  
Interim Provost

ALUMNI AWARD FOR

LEADERSHIP ..... JENNA L. STRZELECKI '07

*This award is given by the Wilkes University Alumni Association to the member of the graduating class considered to have made the strongest contributions to student life and the student activities program of the University.*

*Presentation by* COLLEEN M. GRIES-GALLAGHER '81  
President, Wilkes University Alumni Association

ARMED FORCES RESERVE OFFICER APPOINTMENT

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ..... LAWSON J. CASS '07

*Presentation by* MARK A. KASTER  
Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Air Force

## DOCTOR OF PHARMACY CANDIDATES

### Summa Cum Laude

- <sup>21</sup> Jill Marie Bordell
- <sup>1,15,21</sup> Julie Lynn Buss
- <sup>1,21</sup> Gena Lea Haas
- <sup>1,21</sup> Daniel James Kohler
- <sup>21</sup> Abby Lynn Kordek
- <sup>\*,1,21</sup> David J. Lorchak
- <sup>1,21</sup> Rachel Serino
- <sup>21</sup> John C. Staretz
- <sup>1,21</sup> Drew Gordon Swigart

### Magna Cum Laude

- Jeffrey Michael Bickel
- Kellyann Daley
- <sup>21</sup> Jonathan Peter DeBalko
- <sup>1,15</sup> Lauren Elizabeth Haberern
- <sup>15</sup> Holly Lynn Hicks
- <sup>21</sup> Nancy Ruth Naylor
- <sup>21</sup> Marina Sulik
- Natalie Marie Wilson

### Cum Laude

- Angela Bolesta
- Erica Leigh Hardiman
- Jacqueline Hock
- Bradley J. Honnage
- Julianne Kaub
- <sup>15</sup> Kimberly L. Metka
- <sup>15</sup> Sonya L. Mylet
- Christopher Patton
- <sup>15</sup> Nicole Marie Pugh
- <sup>15</sup> Brian Patrick Roslund
- Michael J. Silla
- Jillian Leigh Snyder
- <sup>1</sup> Shannon Marie Stecz
- John I. Strouse
- \* Lauren Mary Woll

## DOCTOR OF PHARMACY CANDIDATES

- Jonathan Bartell
- Neil A. Bavitz
- Beth A. Brown
- <sup>15</sup> Katie M. Buckwalter
- Kristin Hill Campbell
- <sup>1</sup> Fahmi Chowdhury
- <sup>15</sup> Adam Bruce Davies
- Kathy D. DesAutels
- Daniel M. Dugan, Jr.
- Brian J. Gammaitoni
- Maura Elizabeth Gill
- Kimberly Melissa Graver
- Kiera Gushue
- Lauren K. Hill
- Maria Elyse Humphrey

- Shane L. Jerominski
- Rebecca L. Kriner
- Stephen Michael Madea
- \* Monica Leanne Miles
- Amanda K. Myers
- Jude Pembleton
- Melissa Ann Quinn
- \* Wendy Ann Rausch
- Tristan A. Sadowski
- Lauren Victoria Solski
- Meghan Kelly Sullivan
- Colleen Ann Timlin
- Tyler Glenn Trutt
- Joshua Turel

<sup>1</sup> Alpha Chi    <sup>15</sup> Phi Lambda Sigma    <sup>21</sup> Rho Chi    \* Degree in Absentia

# MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

## Master of Arts in Creative Writing Degree

- |                           |                        |
|---------------------------|------------------------|
| Krista L. Caponigro       | Heather Anne Harlen    |
| * Joseph Cetta            | Mary Jeannette Kelly   |
| <sup>23</sup> Joyce Chmil | John W. Koloski        |
| Craig Czury               | Douglas R. Mosley      |
| Nancy K. Deisroth         | * James Scheers        |
| Jennifer A. Freed         | Patricia L. Souder     |
| * Kristen N. Gaydos       | Catherine L. Templeton |
| Gerald J. Gurka           | Gretchen Sarah Yeninas |

## Master of Business Administration Degree

- |   |                                      |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| * <sup>6</sup> Jocelyn Bailey                 | <sup>6</sup> Amy Patton              |
| Jillian M. Chiucchi                           | Izabela Pelszynska                   |
| Daniel Craig                                  | Elizabeth A. Roveda                  |
| <sup>6</sup> Michael F. Cunius, Jr.           | Eric R. Shudak                       |
| <sup>6</sup> Erin Evers                       | Albert A. Sidhom                     |
| * Jacqueline Gaetano                          | <sup>6</sup> Richard Henry Simon     |
| <sup>6</sup> Stacey M. Gross                  | <sup>6</sup> Lawrence R. Skrzysowski |
| <sup>6</sup> Gary M. Hoskins                  | <sup>6</sup> Kathleen A. Snyder      |
| Rita I Hughey                                 | <sup>6</sup> Erin S. Sweeney         |
| * Kasie A. Kiersnowski                        | <sup>6</sup> Beth A. Weixel          |
| Bernard Mahon                                 | <sup>6</sup> Shannon M. Williams     |
| <sup>+</sup> <sup>6</sup> Sarfraz George Mall | * <sup>6</sup> Brian T. Wilson       |
| * Megan Mattern                               | <sup>+</sup> Natalie Marie Wilson    |
| <sup>6</sup> Bridget Kathleen McHale          | Kevin A. Yakubowski                  |
| Jacob D. McSurdy                              | Michele L. Zalno                     |
| * <sup>6</sup> Keri R. Nork                   | <sup>+</sup> Bryan G. Zellmer        |
| Manan Patel                                   |                                      |

## Master of Science in Education Degree

- |                                       |                                    |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Nancy H. Adamczyk                     | * Debra M. Bissey                  |
| Denise A. Amer                        | Bethany A. Bittner                 |
| * Jessica Ametrano                    | Shaughn E. Bittner                 |
| * Deborah A. Anderson                 | * Pete J. Bobrowski                |
| Jennifer W. Angst                     | * Rebecca L. Bollinger             |
| * Jeralyn Aragona                     | * Krista L. Bortree                |
| Ann Marie Ashton                      | <sup>12</sup> Danyel Boyce         |
| Debora K. Auker                       | * Korin Boyd                       |
| * <sup>12</sup> David J. Bacher       | * Leah F. Briggs                   |
| <sup>+</sup> Sharon Lynn Baker        | * Molly R. Brobst                  |
| * <sup>12</sup> Arlene K. Bara        | * Michelle Ann Christine Brooks    |
| * Louise Baran                        | * <sup>12</sup> Stephanie D. Bruno |
| * Yvonne Barley                       | * Nicholas J. Caffarella           |
| * Amanda Baum                         | * <sup>12</sup> Michael P. Caprari |
| * <sup>12</sup> Jacquelyn N. Beattie  | <sup>12</sup> Tanya a. Carrelle    |
| * <sup>12</sup> Christopher J. Becker | Audra Kristen Case                 |
| * Chester W. Beggs                    | * Sarah Casey                      |
| * Jennifer L. Bernick                 | * Lauren M. Cassell                |

<sup>6</sup> Delta Mu Delta    <sup>12</sup> Pennsylvania Teacher Certification    <sup>23</sup> Sigma Theta Tau  
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# MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

## Master of Science in Education Degree — Continued

- \* Melissa M. Cassidy
- Lydia T. Chase
- + Stephen Robert Cheskiewicz
- \* Tara Coletti
- <sup>12</sup> Thomas John Condly
- \* Carolyn R. Confer
- \* Joni L. Conlin
- Beth A. Connor
- David R. Cooper
- \* Laura M. Cooper
- Jason P. Cottone
- \* Kelly Ann Cowley
- \* Carolyn Crawford
- Heather A. Crawford
- \* William D. Cron
- <sup>\*,12</sup> John Richard Croom III
- \* Cathy A. Cusatis
- \* Marisa R. Dawson
- \* Jennifer L. Detweiler
- <sup>\*,12</sup> Dina L. Dewald
- \* Paula R. Dietrich
- \* Michael A. Dincher
- \* Natalie A. DiNunzio
- \* Brian D. Dravuschak
- <sup>12</sup> Brian E. Dugas
- \* Kellie M. Dunn
- \* Alistair R. Durie
- \* Juan M. Enriquez
- \* Sharon I. Esh
- \* Christy A. Evans
- <sup>12</sup> Majorie A. Evans
- <sup>12</sup> Ian R. Farr
- \* Karen B. Feldstein
- + Meghan Lynn Feliciani
- \* Elisa M. Fetherolf
- \* Craig W. Fetterman
- <sup>\*,12</sup> Nathan P. Fidler
- \* Melinda A. Fineberg
- <sup>12</sup> Bridget Foundfelker
- + Leslie R. Franklin
- <sup>\*,12</sup> Robert John Gaetano
- <sup>\*,12</sup> Laura B. Gavio
- \* Victoria B. Gazzana
- \* Cynthia Alexis Blodgett Geschwindt
- \* John R. Gilleeny
- + Maria Nicole Godfrey
- \* Stephanie L. Godsell
- \* Rosa Maria Gouveia-Luna
- <sup>12</sup> Ann M. DelPrete Grebeck
- \* Regina M. Greco
- \* Michael D. Green
- <sup>\*,12</sup> Matthew A. Greenawald
- \* Jodi L. Griffiths
- \* Aliya E. Grindle
- + Kristin Groner
- + Stacey Gross
- <sup>22</sup> Christina D. Groves
- \* Edward William Gunkle II
- \* Marilyn E. Hackman
- \* Pamela Hagerty
- \* Carrie Ann Hamilton
- \* Stephanie M. Hamman
- \* Darlene M. Hardy
- <sup>12</sup> Bradley Harris
- \* Justin L. Harshberger
- <sup>\*,12</sup> Brian P. Healey
- <sup>12</sup> Colleen M. Heckman
- <sup>12</sup> William Heckman
- + Traci L. Heffner
- Beth A. Henry
- \* Kathleen Heuisler
- + Shelby Hilt
- \* Dana D. Hollar
- Natalie K. Holmes
- Christine M. Horwhat
- \* Joline M. House
- \* Ashley R. Houseal
- \* Laura A. Howard
- \* Marlice Hrycyszyn
- <sup>12</sup> Richard R. Huffman, Jr.
- \* Ellyn M. Ide
- Nathan J. Jones
- Laura Kelley
- <sup>+,13</sup> Loriann Tina Valentine Kerber
- <sup>\*,12</sup> John William Kevra
- \* Amanda L. Kielbasa
- <sup>12</sup> Timothy J. Kier
- \* Stacy L. Kline
- \* Michelle Klingerman
- Cheryl Koeffler
- <sup>\*,12</sup> James J. Korcienski
- + Adrienne L. Kotsko
- \* Stacie Kowalonek
- \* Carla Ann Kozick
- <sup>12</sup> Michael J. Kraky
- Claire E. Krapf

<sup>12</sup> Pennsylvania Teacher Certification    <sup>13</sup> Pennsylvania Principal Certification    <sup>22</sup> Sigma Tau Delta  
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## Master of Science in Education Degree — Continued

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|---|--|
| <sup>12</sup> Elizabeth A. Krokos         | <sup>12</sup> Jacqueline M. Oliver     |
| Nathan P. Kroptavich                      | * Timothy J. O'Neill, Jr.              |
| * Michele Lyn Kulikowski                  | Lorrae M. Orlove                       |
| * Kristi Kusch-Lucabaugh                  | * Caryn Palaio                         |
| * Devon A. Landgraff                      | *, <sup>12</sup> Ramona J. Parsons     |
| * Jessica A. Lapp                         | * Heather L. Pastucha                  |
| * Jamie L. Laslo                          | Richard M. Patricia                    |
| *, <sup>12</sup> Christopher J. Lazevnick | <sup>12</sup> Kelly J. Paul            |
| * Randy E. Leader                         | * Danielle L. Pavlick                  |
| * Amy E. Leese                            | Debra Ann Peipher                      |
| * Ryan S. Leiphart                        | Sherri A. Petrill                      |
| Nicole L. Lemoncelli                      | * Siri R. Phelps                       |
| * Shavonne L. Liddic                      | <sup>8</sup> Jennifer N. Phillips      |
| + Diane Lisa Lint                         | * Jennifer L. Pieretti                 |
| Danielle Amber Lloyd                      | Nicole C. Piffer                       |
| * Karen K. Long                           | * Irene H. Piripavel                   |
| + Saranne Mahoski                         | * Denise Pisack                        |
| * Kim L. Mancini                          | * Michael D. Pope                      |
| Walter A. Marshaleck III                  | * Erica A. Powell                      |
| * Heather L. Marsteller                   | * Todd J. Prisco                       |
| * Bonnie C. Martin                        | * Kristyn M. Race                      |
| * Katherine M. Martin                     | * Vicki Radwanski                      |
| <sup>12</sup> Tanya L. Martin-Kirkutis    | * Sarah A. Raeger                      |
| *, <sup>12</sup> Timothy Scott McDonald   | + Theresa Marie Reiner                 |
| Patricia McLain                           | <sup>12</sup> Milagros M. Ramos        |
| *, <sup>12</sup> Geralyn C. Meehan        | * Kevin L. Rank                        |
| <sup>12</sup> Lon R. Meisenhelter         | * Michelle K. Reist                    |
| * Rebecca L. Mendrzycki                   | + Clint M. Rickert                     |
| *, <sup>12</sup> Nicole Marie Metzger     | + Diana Rickert                        |
| * Suzanna M. Miller                       | * Susan Robachefski                    |
| * Kristin L. Mills                        | + Shawn Patrick Robbins                |
| Melissa A. Mingos                         | * Wendy F. Route                       |
| * Richard R. Mirabile                     | *, <sup>12</sup> Kyle Rovi             |
| * Heather A. Mitch                        | * Andrew P. Sabetti                    |
| *, <sup>12</sup> Robin Leah Moorhead      | + <sup>13</sup> Bernadine Salak        |
| Craig D. Morris                           | * Deborah Sands                        |
| * Anne Marie Mory                         | * Douglas J. Schneck                   |
| * Allen Connor Muir                       | *, <sup>12</sup> Lynmarie A. Schroeder |
| Michelle Zick Murphy                      | * Robin M. Scouton                     |
| *, <sup>12</sup> Thomas C. Murray         | * Whitney Seltzer                      |
| Jaime Lyn Myers                           | * Jacob Landis Settle                  |
| Stephanie Goodwin Myers                   | Matthew G. Shively                     |
| * Amy Rae Nickescher                      | Robert A. Shott                        |
| * Mark Alexander Nied                     | Maureen Showlin                        |
| * Doreen Nissley                          | + Amy M. Simpson                       |
| *, <sup>12</sup> Mar Kay Nocera           | * Lindsey A. Simpson                   |
| * Elizabeth A. Norman                     | * Anne Skelly                          |
| * Michelle Ohl                            | * Susan J. Sliwinski                   |

<sup>12</sup> Pennsylvania Teacher Certification    <sup>8</sup> Honors in English    <sup>13</sup> Pennsylvania Principal Certification  
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## Master of Science in Education Degree — Continued

- |                              |  |
|------------------------------|--|
| * Mary Jo Smoyer             | * Susan P. Traver                          |
| Barbara A. Snyder            | + Matthew Paul Treese                      |
| Nicole I. Spagnuolo          | * Frank Twardowski                         |
| * Jamie L. Spencer           | Ronald J. Unternahrer, Jr.                 |
| + Gina Marie Speranzo        | Susanna J. Urban                           |
| * Anne Spindler              | Alicia Marie Verbrugge                     |
| + Terri Marie Sproul         | Alicia Marie Vogel                         |
| Denise M. Stadnik            | Michael G. Voicheck                        |
| * Kristen Ann Stauffer       | * Robert Franklin Harold Walters           |
| * William R. T. Stauffer     | * Chivonne K. Weaver                       |
| + Jennifer Kleive Stewart    | * Kimberly Weidow                          |
| * James R. Stine             | * H. Dustin Weiss                          |
| Leayn Stockdill              | * Kathy M. West                            |
| * Tony Stoops                | * Kevin Joseph Wilkes                      |
| <sup>12</sup> Corby Swan     | Nancy M. Wilkin                            |
| * Shannon Sweeney            | *, <sup>12</sup> Brian Williams            |
| * Lisa L. Tait               | *, <sup>12</sup> Mary Lou Winkeler-Hoffman |
| <sup>12</sup> Tania I. Tapia | Christina Maria Woronko                    |
| * Anne W. Taylor             | *, <sup>12</sup> William W. Wright III     |
| * Michele B. Taylor          | <sup>12</sup> Jessica Lee Wrubel           |
| * Catherine L. Templeton     | * Lisa Yacovelli                           |
| * Phoebe R. Teter            | +, <sup>13</sup> Sherry Lynn Yoder         |
| <sup>12</sup> Anne A. Thomas | * Ryan M. Zellner                          |
| * Michelle L. Thomson        | + Kati Zsilavec                            |
| * Catherine Tombasco         |  |

## Master of Science in Electrical Engineering Degree

- + Vamsi Priya Nallan Chakravathi

## Master of Science in Nursing Degree

- |                                   |                                |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <sup>23</sup> Mark A. Butsavage   | <sup>23</sup> Wanda M. Ruppert |
| <sup>23</sup> Kimberly Ann Caruso | <sup>23</sup> Carol Suchoski   |

<sup>12</sup> Pennsylvania Teacher Certification    <sup>13</sup> Pennsylvania Principal Certification  
<sup>23</sup> Sigma Theta Tau    \* Degree in Absentia    + January 2007 Graduate

# BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

## The College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences

### Summa Cum Laude

- <sup>1,10</sup> Rebecca Marie Bria, Communication Studies  
<sup>11,12</sup> Nicole M. Campanelli, Elementary Education  
<sup>1,19</sup> Lyndsey T. Caron, Criminology  
Psychology, Second Major  
<sup>1,11,12</sup> Kristina E. Evanitsky, Elementary Education  
<sup>1,11,12</sup> Emily Sarah Fischbein, Elementary Education  
<sup>19,22</sup> Virginia Rose Merola, Psychology  
<sup>19</sup> Lindsay C. Nanz, Psychology  
<sup>12</sup> Sarah E. Oley, English  
<sup>+,12</sup> Kristie Peters, Elementary Education  
<sup>1,11,12</sup> Katie E. Pietrouchie, Elementary Education  
<sup>22</sup> Brian Redmond, English  
<sup>1,11,12</sup> Elizabeth Margaret Rish, Music Education  
<sup>1,11,12</sup> Shanon J. Sitoski, Elementary Education  
<sup>+,6,12</sup> Stephanie H. Smith, Elementary Education  
<sup>+,19</sup> Rebecca L. Storer, Psychology  
<sup>11,12</sup> Christina Rose Waldele, Elementary Education  
Brandon Craig Wood, Theatre Arts  
<sup>\*,14</sup> Nicholas Zmijewski, History

### Magna Cum Laude

- <sup>12,22</sup> Patrick Austin, English  
<sup>19</sup> Amanda L. Baronowski, Psychology  
<sup>11,12</sup> Kristi Michelle Barsby, Elementary Education  
<sup>12</sup> Megan Lynn Blackwell, Elementary Education  
Samantha Danisevich, Musical Theatre  
<sup>1,11,18,12</sup> John E. Darrah, Political Science  
<sup>11,12,18</sup> Kelli Mari Diaz, Political Science  
<sup>22</sup> Curran Eileen Dobson, English  
<sup>11,12</sup> Andrew Favini, Elementary Education  
<sup>12</sup> Tara Ann Fleck, Elementary Education  
<sup>+,19</sup> Jessica R. Gold, Psychology  
Michael John Hitzner, Criminology  
<sup>11,22</sup> Rachel Leigh Jablon, English  
Spanish, Second Major  
<sup>11,12,22</sup> Amanda Rene McMahan, English  
<sup>12</sup> Diane Molitoris, Elementary Education  
<sup>19</sup> Jonathan James Morgan, Psychology  
<sup>19</sup> Donald Thomas Murray, Jr., Psychology  
<sup>11,12</sup> Stephanie Marie Pacifico, Elementary Education  
<sup>11,12,19</sup> Kristen Ashley Palumbo, Elementary Education  
<sup>10</sup> Dara Michelle Rees, Communication Studies  
Theatre Arts, Second Major  
<sup>10</sup> Adrienne Marie Richards, Communication Studies

<sup>1</sup> Alpha Chi    <sup>10</sup> Lambda Pi Eta    <sup>11</sup> Kappa Delta Pi    <sup>12</sup> Pennsylvania Teacher Certification

<sup>14</sup> Phi Alpha Theta    <sup>18</sup> Pi Sigma Alpha    <sup>19</sup> Psi Chi    <sup>22</sup> Sigma Tau Delta

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# BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

The College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences  
— Continued

## **Magna Cum Laude (continued)**

- Heather Lynn Smaha, Theatre Arts  
<sup>11</sup> Brian Lee Stabinsky, Music Performance  
Jessi E. Teevan, Theatre Arts  
Communications, Second Major  
<sup>11,12,22</sup> Karen M. Wesolowski, Elementary Education  
Taylor Lynne Whidden, Musical Theatre  
<sup>12</sup> Karena Zdeb, Elementary Education

## **Cum Laude**

- Lawson James Cass, Criminology  
<sup>22</sup> Shannon Jean Curtin, English  
<sup>11,12</sup> Ashley Dally, Elementary Education  
<sup>10</sup> Stephanie Sophia DeBalko, Communication Studies  
<sup>11,12</sup> Katherine Anne Decker, Elementary Education  
<sup>12</sup> Alicia Grace Demer, English  
<sup>5,11,12</sup> Diane Dileo, Elementary Education  
<sup>12,22</sup> Mariane C. Ferrantino, English  
<sup>11,12</sup> Megan Louise Fulmer, Elementary Education  
<sup>11,12,14</sup> Matthew C. Givler, History  
<sup>12,22</sup> Meagan Elizabeth Harkness, English  
<sup>+,12</sup> Joanne M. Jeffery, Elementary Education  
Nora E. Jurasits, Communication Studies  
Sabrina Krichten, Theatre Arts  
<sup>19</sup> Holly L. Norkus, Psychology  
<sup>19</sup> Aaron T. Pascoe, Psychology  
+ Kimberly A. Rabbits, Criminology  
<sup>+,12</sup> Brianne Rhodes, Elementary Education  
<sup>11,12</sup> Jennifer L. Scully, Elementary Education  
Sean Sholtis, Elementary Education  
<sup>19</sup> Chelsey L. Stonier, Psychology  
<sup>+,12</sup> Nadine Taylor, Elementary Education  
\* Alicia Vieselmeyer, Communication Studies  
<sup>5,19</sup> Julie Lisa Wetherbee, Psychology  
<sup>11,12</sup> Nicole Yustat, Elementary Education  
<sup>11,12</sup> Robert Zielinski, Elementary Education  
<sup>19</sup> Tiffany Marie Zoltewicz, Psychology

<sup>5</sup> Chi Alpha Epsilon    <sup>10</sup> Lambda Pi Eta    <sup>11</sup> Kappa Delta Pi    <sup>12</sup> Pennsylvania Teacher Certification  
<sup>14</sup> Phi Alpha Theta    <sup>19</sup> Psi Chi    <sup>22</sup> Sigma Tau Delta    \* Degree in Absentia    + January 2007 Graduate

# BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

## The College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences — Continued

### Communication Studies

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| + Ryan Marc Broghamer<br>Ariel E. Cohen                | + Jennifer A. Haberek<br>Jason Lewis                            |
| <sup>10</sup> Candice D. Davis                         | Carmen Marmo  |
| <sup>10</sup> Nicholette Ann Doliva<br>James Feeney    | <sup>10</sup> Laura E. Nowicki                                  |
| + Ashley Jordan Ferrett                                | <sup>10</sup> Bridget O'Connor                                  |
| <sup>5</sup> Jaclyn Rachel Francese<br>Daniel Giancola | + Luke Pisarcik   |
| <sup>5,10</sup> Ashley Marie Gibson                    | + Gina Leigh Resciniti<br>Neal Santoski<br>Joseph M. Shurmaitis |

### Criminology

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| Keith Allen Altiery<br>Thomas Andreopoulos<br>Danielle Nicole Beyer<br>Brian Joseph Brown<br>Jace S. Frost<br>Robert James Govaeaa, Jr. | Jennifer Leigh Hoffman<br>Matthew LoPresto<br>+ Daniel May<br>Siobhan E. Osborne<br>Edward J. Renfer<br>Jamie Lyn Sullenberger |
|---|--|

### Elementary Education

- |                                 |   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| + <sup>12</sup> Alison Argall   | + <sup>12</sup> Carissa Nardone           |
| <sup>12</sup> Ryan Chlubicki    | + <sup>12</sup> Sarina R. Shock           |
| + <sup>12</sup> Kyle A. Luttman | <sup>12</sup> Matthew J. Stasyszyn        |
| + <sup>12</sup> Rachel Moskal   | <sup>12</sup> Stephanie Arnella Tetreault |

### English

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <sup>12,22</sup> Todd Patrick Ankiewicz<br>Karen Marie Atiyeh | + Matthew Jones                                |
| <sup>12</sup> Bria Catherine Battista                         | <sup>22</sup> Maggie Kaitlin Merkle            |
| <sup>12,22</sup> Jennifer Hameza<br>Keith Hubbard             | <sup>12</sup> Melissa A. Shedlock              |
|   | <sup>12</sup> Kelly Nicole Stevenson           |
|   | * Jeremy Zuckero<br>Mathematics, Second Degree |

### History

- |                                       |  |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| Courtney Amrhein<br>Timothy J. Butzek | Matthew Jurnak   |
| + Kyle Cook<br>Julie Lynn Henry       | <sup>12</sup> Meghan Ann Limongelli                      |
|                                       | <sup>14</sup> James J. Morrison<br>Dominik James Proctor |

<sup>5</sup> Chi Alpha Epsilon    <sup>10</sup> Lambda Pi Eta    <sup>12</sup> Pennsylvania Teacher Certification    <sup>14</sup> Phi Alpha Theta  
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# BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

The College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences  
— *Continued*

## Integrative Media

*Justin Francis Rogers*

## Musical Theatre

<sup>5</sup> *Valerie Leigh Chilcott*

*Laura A. Dunbar*

## Political Science

*April Burko*  
*Sociology, Second Major*

*Catherine Mary Dzubaty*  
*History, Second Major*

## Psychology

*Tyler B. Arthur*  
*Kathleen M. Bone*  
<sup>19</sup> *Michalene Davis*  
*Matthew J. Emelett*  
*Jessica Lynn Eustice*  
*Maria C. Gable*  
*Paul James Gideon*  
*Ashley Ann Henne*

*Nicole Ann Tressa Krzan*  
*Stephanie A. Matley*  
<sup>19</sup> *Lauren Marie Peters*  
<sup>19</sup> *David M. Scarisbrick*  
*Jean Marie Schappert*  
*Jeanne Kathleen Stapleton*  
*Jessica Anne Werner*  
*Britni Caryn Yenchak*

## Sociology

*Katherine Broda*  
*Noelle Marie Budurka*

*Devan M. Cervinsky*  
*Randilee Sedlak*

## Theatre Arts

*Christopher Michael Lucas*

*Adam Benjamin Orseck*

<sup>5</sup> *Chi Alpha Epsilon*

<sup>19</sup> *Psi Chi*

# BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

## The College of Science and Engineering

### *Summa Cum Laude*

- <sup>1</sup> Steven Jacob Barket, Biology
- <sup>1,4</sup> Allyson Beth Bazarsky, Biology
- <sup>+,4</sup> Cory Adam Chevalier, Biology
- <sup>9</sup> Ryan James Maghamez, Electrical Engineering  
John Robert Mishanski, Jr., Computer Science
- <sup>1,4</sup> David James Scordino, Biology
- <sup>1,4</sup> Mohammad Shuja Shafqat, Biology
- <sup>\*,1,4</sup> John Alan Treven, Biology
- <sup>1,11,12</sup> Jennifer Elizabeth Zatko, Mathematics

### *Magna Cum Laude*

- <sup>9</sup> Mary B. Baron, Environmental Engineering
- <sup>4,19</sup> Kristy Renee Hicks, Biology
- <sup>9</sup> Bryan Christopher Hughes, Electrical Engineering
- <sup>4</sup> Sarina Kapoor, Biology
- <sup>4</sup> Sara Elizabeth Ryder, Biology
- <sup>4</sup> Cassie Sailus, Biology

### *Cum Laude*

- <sup>4</sup> James R. Bochicchio, Biology
- <sup>\*,9</sup> Mark Andrew Hendry, Environmental Engineering
- <sup>11,12</sup> Michael Meoni, Mathematics  
Megan Ann Mertz, Mechanical Engineering
- <sup>11,12</sup> Michael J. Ostrum, Mathematics
- <sup>\*</sup> Seth A. Peasley, Electrical Engineering  
William J. Pierro, Computer Science
- <sup>4</sup> Caitlin M. Pink, Biology
- <sup>9</sup> Pavol Stofko, Mechanical Engineering  
Joseph M. Wilde, Computer Science

<sup>1</sup> Alpha Chi    <sup>4</sup> Beta Beta Beta    <sup>9</sup> Honors in Engineering    <sup>11</sup> Kappa Delta Pi  
<sup>12</sup> Pennsylvania Teacher Certification    <sup>19</sup> Psi Chi    \* Degree in Absentia    + January 2007 Graduate



# BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

The College of Science and Engineering  
— Continued

## Applied & Engineering Sciences

+ Brad Bachle

Brandon James Kotsko

\* Matthew R. Hawk

## Biochemistry

David Lawrence Watkins

## Biology

<sup>4,19</sup> Theresa Ann Brewer

Ted Orelien

<sup>4</sup> Kevin C. Coughlin

John Lawrence Polson, Jr.

<sup>4</sup> Adam Michael Kurpka

Daniel A. Resciniti, Jr.

\*<sup>4</sup> Drew Layer

Patricia Shepherd

Anthony Lee

+ Jeffrey Edward Thompson

<sup>4</sup> Ashley N. Moore

Christopher John Raphael Widdick

Justin Michael Mroczka

Zachary J. Wilson

Nolly Noble N. Nash

Bethany Nicole Worobey

## Chemistry

\* Christine M. Ervin

## Computer Information Systems

Gregory Scott Conflitti

Jeffrey T. Pavis

## Computer Science

\* Tim Franz

Matthew Vanston

## Electrical Engineering

Matthew R. Burian

Kyle J. Supinski

Jason P. Evans

## Engineering Management

\* Gregory M. Monforte II

## Environmental Engineering

<sup>9</sup> Frederick P. Gerloff III

<sup>4</sup> Beta Beta Beta    <sup>9</sup> Honors in Engineering    <sup>19</sup> Psi Chi    \* Degree in Absentia    + January 2007 Graduate

# BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

The College of Science and Engineering

— *Continued*

## Mathematics

+ *Kristen A. DeMaranville*

\* *Jeremy Zuckero*  
*English, Second Degree*

## Mechanical Engineering

+ *Hamad Alhajeri*  
*John Patrick Dougherty*  
*John Robert Lawzano*  
*Daniel Michael Luskin*

*Jonathan Michael McClave*  
*Business Administration, Second Degree*  
*Ryan Thomas Newhart*  
\* *Jonathan Polguy*

\* *Degree in Absentia*

+ *January 2007 Graduate*

# BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

## The Jay S. Sidhu School of Business and Leadership

### **Summa Cum Laude**

- <sup>1,6</sup> Andrew J. Eckert, Accounting
- <sup>6</sup> Salman R. Punekar, Business Administration
- <sup>6</sup> Bryan Vivaldo, Accounting

### **Magna Cum Laude**

- <sup>6</sup> Laurie A. Agresti, Accounting
- <sup>6</sup> Ashley Nicole Arcuri, Accounting
- <sup>+,6</sup> Mario A. Cozzubbo III, Accounting
- Jennifer Ann Miller, Accounting
- <sup>+</sup> Jill Ellen Nunemacher, Bachelor of Business Administration
- <sup>6</sup> Travis Bo Tkach, Business Administration

### **Cum Laude**

- <sup>+</sup> Vincent A. Abbott II, Accounting
- <sup>6</sup> Carissa Balinas, Business Administration
- Joshua Andrew Bowen, Business Administration
- Cara Leah Cacioppo, Business Administration
- <sup>5,6</sup> Sean Ford Eicher, Business Administration
- <sup>+</sup> Keith Donald Halechko, Accounting
- <sup>6</sup> Kristyn Victoria Ostman, Accounting
- <sup>6</sup> Joshua Ryan Savitski, Business Administration
- Jennifer Lynn Scanlon, Business Administration
- <sup>6</sup> William Steiner, Business Administration
- <sup>6</sup> Amanda Vandorick, Accounting

<sup>1</sup> Alpha Chi

<sup>5</sup> Chi Alpha Epsilon

<sup>6</sup> Delta Mu Delta

<sup>+</sup> January 2007 Graduate

# BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

## The Jay S. Sidhu School of Business and Leadership — Continued

### Accounting

Lauren Marie Bieber  
Laura Jean Donovan  
Bradley Drago  
Timothy R. Mirra

Jeff D. Petritsch  
Allison Elizabeth Rae  
\* Jason R. Seliga  
Edward Skorupa

### Business Administration

\*<sup>3</sup> Emmanuel Anthony Argiros  
Michael J. Ferriero  
Frank L. Giammarino  
Andrew M. Hack  
John Chris Hatzis  
<sup>6</sup> Tara Marie Holland  
Joshua J. Hurlbutt  
Justin R. Leach  
Jennifer Lentini  
\*<sup>3</sup> Michael F. Malkemes  
Jonathan Michael McClave  
Mechanical Engineering, Second Degree  
Eric Motson  
Katie Orr  
Lisa Ann Paden

Dhiral Patel  
Michelle A. Pheiff  
\* Michael K. Regula  
Leanne M. Rivers  
Jonathan Hardy Peter Schwarz  
Michael J. Sciulara  
Cory D. Scott  
Paul L. Shanaman  
Brock M. Snyder  
Jennifer Snyder  
Nicole Spagnola  
Lauren Marie Stevens  
Jenna L. Strzelecki  
Anthony J. Venturini  
Nicole B. Warnek

### Entrepreneurship

<sup>6</sup> Nicholas A. Bartolomei

<sup>6</sup> Alpha Sigma Lambda

<sup>6</sup> Delta Mu Delta

\* Degree in Absentia

# BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

## The Nesbitt College of Pharmacy and Nursing

### **Summa Cum Laude**

- <sup>23</sup> Carmella A. Pretti, Nursing
- <sup>23</sup> Jamie Lee Sromovsky, Nursing
- <sup>1,23</sup> Rene Gabrielle Stringent, Nursing

### **Magna Cum Laude**

- <sup>23</sup> Joy Anne Kurlandski, Nursing
- <sup>23</sup> Kathryn Strawderman, Nursing
- <sup>23</sup> Rhea L. Turner, Nursing

### **Cum Laude**

- <sup>23</sup> Kimberly Ann Nuss, Nursing
- <sup>23</sup> Renata Janel Schneider, Nursing
- <sup>23</sup> Michele Ann Tirpak, Nursing

### **Nursing**

- |  |                                   |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| Brant W. Adomiak                       | Nicole Patterson                  |
| Lyndsay M. Asinelli                    | <sup>23</sup> Rebecca Ann Plebani |
| Bridget Brown                          | Heather McNeill Proctor           |
| <sup>23</sup> Alissa Buckanavage       | Sarah E. Rentschler               |
| Jennifer Ann Coquet                    | Christine Rushton                 |
| <sup>23</sup> Eric C. Culp             | Nancy Lynn Sadowski               |
| Ashley Taylor Deets                    | Crystal J. Seemon                 |
| Sharon Graff                           | <sup>23</sup> Amanda Stashak      |
| June Horinko                           | Katy A. Toth                      |
| <sup>23</sup> Janice Monique Matrician | Heather Alicia Turner             |
| Lauralie McClain-Carden                | Kristyn Marie VanOrden            |
| Miriam Pierce McPherson                | Lauren N. Verduchi                |
| <sup>23</sup> Jill L Molt              | <sup>*,23</sup> Rebecca Wilde     |
| * Beena Patel                          | * Joyette Williams                |
|  | <sup>23</sup> Deanna K. Woodward  |

### **Pharmaceutical Science**

Lauren A. Pantzar

<sup>1</sup> Alpha Chi

<sup>23</sup> Sigma Theta Tau

\* Degree in Absentia

# 2007 January Graduates

## DOCTOR OF PHARMACY CANDIDATES

Maggie Mae Lewiski

### Master of Business Administration Degree

|                                  |                         |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Jeffrey M. Cotter                | Nadine Kathleen Stewart |
| Anthony B. Gatto                 | Paul Tomczyk            |
| Erin Rene Henry                  | Keith Wasley            |
| <sup>6</sup> Sarfraz George Mall | Brian M. Wielgosz       |
| Daniel G. Rickard                | Natalie Marie Wilson    |
| Joseph Patrick Ruane             | Bryan G. Zellmer        |
| Heather Sarday                   |                         |

### Master of Science in Electrical Engineering Degree

|                                |                        |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| Rajender Munrathi              | Vikranth Reddy Sarasam |
| Vamsi Priya Nallan Chakravathi |                        |

### Master of Science in Education Degree

|                                     |                                    |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Denise A. Ailes                     | Michelle L. Christie               |
| Jennifer J. Amos                    | Brandi J. Christine                |
| Wanita Ann Antonacci                | Michelle Nicole Ciuffetelli        |
| Sharon Lynn Baker                   | Jacy Lynne Clark                   |
| Elizabeth Jean Barder               | Ralph Wade Clay II                 |
| Jody Barksdale                      | Jean Cleary                        |
| Jodi Barndt                         | <sup>13</sup> Laura M. Connolly    |
| Jolene Barron                       | Chasity L. Cooper                  |
| Misty L. Kirpa Bartenope            | Mark Nugent Covelle                |
| Michael T. Bauer                    | Eric Michael Crahall               |
| Julie Ann Beach                     | Liliana Ruiz Davis                 |
| Andrea Bender                       | Lisa Marie Day                     |
| William J. Bevan                    | Lois M. Dieterly                   |
| Kristy Bleck                        | Ann E. Dodson                      |
| <sup>13</sup> Scott Elwood Bloom    | Sara M. Donovan                    |
| Erin A. Blozusky                    | Amy Dorn                           |
| Michael P. Bolinsky                 | Karen A. Downton                   |
| Joseph John Bradley                 | Kelly Durkin                       |
| <sup>13</sup> Matthew Donald Button | <sup>13</sup> Gerald L. Eisner III |
| Mariellen Michelle Cassel           | Meghan Lynn Feliciani              |
| Christine Cella                     | Diane Findley                      |
| Stephen Robert Cheskiewicz          | Michele D. Fonte                   |
| Ann P. Chiappinelli                 | Tammy Marie Frey                   |

<sup>6</sup> Delta Mu Delta

<sup>13</sup> Pennsylvania Principal Certification

# 2007 January Graduates

## MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

### Master of Science in Education Degree— Continued

- Leslie R. Franklin  
Kelly A. Gafner  
Julie Getz  
Joseph Giambra  
Krista Nicole Gitke  
Maria Nicole Godfrey  
<sup>13</sup> Tasha Lynn Graybill  
Kristin Groner  
Stacey Gross  
<sup>13</sup> Dawn Hayes  
Traci L. Heffner  
Shelby Hilt  
<sup>13</sup> Cheryl Lynne Hodany  
Patrick Hopkins  
Christina L. Horne  
Donna M. Hull  
Amy E. Hulme  
Christopher G. Hunt  
<sup>13</sup> Lisa Marie Imbriaco  
Jeffrey Jacksits  
<sup>13</sup> Alana Jacobs  
Nicole Theresa Kalogeras  
Thomas A. Kamerovski  
Mary Karbowski  
<sup>13</sup> Kevin M. Karetsky  
Paige Leacol Katz  
Maureen Kayrish  
<sup>13</sup> Loriann Tina Valentine Kerber  
Eileen Faye Kern  
Kerri L. Kime  
Brandi L. Kline  
Mary Madelon Kostingo  
Adrienne L. Kotsko  
Tammy Lee Kriner  
Jennifer L. Kroesen  
Jamie S. Kuehn  
Debbie Faith Kupsho  
<sup>13</sup> Theresa M. Lamont  
Chad L. Landis  
Michelle L. Lauver  
Megan Elizabeth Lincoln  
Diane Lisa Lint  
Mary Catherine Lipton  
<sup>13</sup> Jennifer S. Macknair  
Saranne Mahoski  
Stacy L. Main  
DeAnn G. Martin
- Jason P. McElmoyle  
<sup>13</sup> Victoria McNeely  
Michelle Meyers  
Bernard G. Miller, Jr.  
Jaclyn Miller  
Brian Patrick Minich  
Mark E. Mishinski  
Carrie Montella  
Timothy F. Moore  
Erin Moreck  
Carrie Morris  
Lisa Marie Motacki  
<sup>13</sup> Kristin R. Nebzydoski  
<sup>13</sup> Christine Jennifer Nicholson  
Debra M. Paciotti  
Brian M. Parish  
Travis James Peck  
<sup>13</sup> Danielle Pellegrino  
Robin C. Phillips  
<sup>13</sup> Angela L. Pollock  
<sup>13</sup> Michael J. Pringle  
Denise Marie Quinn  
Jennifer Nicole Rafferty  
Theresa Marie Reiner  
Clint M. Rickert  
Diana Rickert  
Corri L. Rinker  
Shawn Patrick Robbins  
Mary Alexandra Ronka  
<sup>13</sup> Christine M. Rosenberger  
Ashley Ross  
Kecia Rowlands  
Michael P. Sacco  
<sup>13</sup> Bernadine Salak  
Gina E. Sciarretto  
Melissa Marie Schimmer  
Barbara Tesnar Schober  
Gregory N. Scholl  
Dionne D. Service  
Denise D. Shade  
<sup>13</sup> Preston Charles Shellenberger  
Sandra L. Shellenhamer  
Chad E. Shirk  
Amy M. Simpson  
Shannon Rae Siperko  
Kara Elisabeth Skeans  
Kristin Skinker

<sup>13</sup> Pennsylvania Principal Certification

# 2007 January Graduates

## MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

### Master of Science in Education Degree— *Continued*

Patricia A. Smith  
 Judith Daniels Sosik  
 Christa Janelle Spatz  
 Gina Marie Speranzo  
 Terri Marie Sproul  
 Melany Stanford  
 Robert Jeffrey Steckel, Jr.  
 Lisa Lynn Stepniak  
 Bronston Lee Sterner  
 Jennifer Kleive Stewart  
 Brian D. Stormes  
 Rodney H. Strobl II  
 Kristen Nicole Swanson  
 Amanda Sue Templeton  
 Billie K. Trauschke  
 Matthew Paul Treese  
 Katie M. Ulrich  
 Julie Anna Upson

Melanie Deanne Urso  
 Melissa Jean Vittori  
 Amy Lee Wagner  
 Rachelle Marie Waibel  
 Karlyn S. Warnero  
 Rebecca L. Weaver  
 Melissa Weierbach  
 Angela Marie Whalen  
 Jerald P. Wilczynski  
 David S. Williams  
 Charles L. Wilson, Jr.  
<sup>13</sup> Sherry Lynn Yoder  
 Laura K. Yohe  
 Charles Edward Young  
 Patti Young  
 Kelly L. Zechman  
 Kati Zsilavec  
<sup>13</sup> John S. Zulick

## BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

### The College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences

#### **Summa Cum Laude**

<sup>12</sup> Kristie Peters, Elementary Education  
<sup>6,12</sup> Stephanie H. Smith, Elementary Education  
<sup>19</sup> Rebecca L. Storer, Psychology  
<sup>6,12</sup> Cynthia Pacelli Wasley, Elementary Education

#### **Magna Cum Laude**

<sup>6,12,22</sup> Leah Dey Cochran, English  
<sup>19</sup> Jessica R. Gold, Psychology  
<sup>6,12</sup> Michael C. Strohl, Elementary Education

#### **Cum Laude**

Nicole Pauline Gay, Criminology  
<sup>12</sup> Joanne M. Jeffery, Elementary Education  
 Kimberly A. Rabbits, Criminology  
<sup>12</sup> Jacobs Anthony Rimmel, Elementary Education  
<sup>12</sup> Brianne Rhodes, Elementary Education  
<sup>12</sup> Nadine Taylor, Elementary Education

<sup>6</sup> Delta Mu Delta

<sup>12</sup> Pennsylvania Teacher Certification

<sup>13</sup> Pennsylvania Principal Certification

<sup>19</sup> Psi Chi

<sup>22</sup> Sigma Tau Delta



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## BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

The College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences  
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### Communication Studies

Ryan Marc Broghamer  
Ashley Jordan Ferrett

Jennifer A. Haberek

### Criminology

Courtney L. Hunt  
Daniel May

Gina Leigh Resciniti

### Elementary Education

<sup>12</sup> Alison Argall  
<sup>12</sup> Jared Karalunas  
<sup>12</sup> Kyle A. Luttman  
<sup>12</sup> Rachel Moskal

<sup>12</sup> Carissa Nardone  
<sup>12</sup> Kristie Marie Peters  
<sup>12</sup> Sarina R. Shock  
<sup>12</sup> Michael J. Toomey

### English

Matthew Jones

### History

Diana Faux  
<sup>12</sup> Sarah D. Kopko

Kyle Cook

### Psychology

Amber Hook

### Spanish

Jason Ligi

<sup>12</sup> Pennsylvania Teacher Certification

# 2007 January Graduates BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

The College of Science and Engineering

## *Summa Cum Laude*

<sup>4</sup> Cory Adam Chevalier, Biology

## Applied & Engineering Sciences

*Brad Bachle*

## Biology

*Courtney Blasko  
Ashley Marie Fauver*

*Matthew Johnston  
Jeffrey Edward Thompson*

## Chemistry

*Nicholas F. Durham*

## Electrical Engineering

*Carl Bernard Benson*

## Environmental Engineering

*Michael A. Leaman*

## Mathematics

*Kristen A. DeMaranville*

<sup>12</sup> *Duran N. Porrino*

## Mechanical Engineering

*Hamad Alhajeri*

<sup>4</sup> Beta Beta Beta

<sup>12</sup> Pennsylvania Teacher Certification

# **2007 January Graduates**

## **BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES**

**The Jay Sidhu School of Business and Leadership**

### ***Magna Cum Laude***

*Jill Ellen Nunemacher, Business Administration*

### ***Cum Laude***

*Vincent A. Abbott II, Accounting*

<sup>6</sup> *Mario A. Cozzubbo III, Accounting*

### **Accounting**

*Keith Donald Halechko*

*Shawn Potter*

### **Bachelor of Business Administration**

*John Cohen*

*Nicole Farnham*

*Jennifer Filipski*

*Nicole O'Malley*

## **The Nesbitt College of Pharmacy and Nursing**

### ***Summa Cum Laude***

*Mary Catherine Bachman, Nursing*

*Nanette McCleary, Nursing*

*Christina Thomas, Nursing*

### ***Magna Cum Laude***

*Mary Anne Moore, Nursing*

### **Nursing**

*June Horinko*

<sup>6</sup> *Delta Mu Delta*

## Scholarly Societies and Special Designations

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

# 2007 Student Awards

## Academic Awards

### *Behavioral and Social Sciences*

|   |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| Pi Sigma Alpha .....  | John Darrah     |
| Moravec Award for the Outstanding Graduate in Sociology ..... | Lyndsey Caron   |
| Raymond R. Ritz Award .....                                   | Nicole Leader   |
| Outstanding Graduate in Psychology .....                      | Virginia Merola |

### *Biology and Health Sciences*

|   |   |
|---|---|
| Rosenthal Memorial Award .....              | Allyson Bazarsky<br>James Bochicchio              |
| Outstanding Research Award .....            | Mohammad Shafqat                                  |
| Outstanding Senior Scholar in Biology ..... | David Scordino<br>Mohammad Shafqat<br>John Treven |

### *Business Administration and Accounting*

|   |                  |
|---|------------------|
| Excellence in Business Administration .....                 | Jenna Strzelecki |
| Outstanding Student Award — MBA Program .....               | Stacey Gross     |
| Academic Achievement Award in Business Administration ..... | Joshua Savitski  |
| Dean's Award for Sidhu School Minor .....                   | Ashley Fauver    |
| PICPA Award for Excellence in Accounting .....              | Andrew Eckert    |
| Academic Achievement Award in Accounting .....              | Andrew Eckert    |
| Jay Sidhu Leadership Award .....                            | Ashley Arcuri    |

### *Chemistry*

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| Alfred W. Bastress Award ..... | Nicholas Durham |
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### *Communication Studies*

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| Communication Studies Award ..... | Dara Rees         |
| Tom Bigler Scholars Award .....   | Adrienne Richards |

### *Education*

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|---|-------------------|
| Outstanding Elementary Teacher Education Student .....            | Shanon Sitoski    |
| Outstanding Secondary Teacher Education Student .....             | Amanda McMahon    |
| Outstanding Special Education Teacher Certification Student ..... | Nicole Campanelli |
| Marla Hosie Memorial Award .....                                  | Sara Kasper       |

### *Engineering and Physics*

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| Outstanding Achievement in Electrical Engineering ..... | Ryan Maghamez |
| Outstanding Achievement in Mechanical Engineering ..... | Pavol Stofko  |

### *Environmental Engineering and Earth Sciences*

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| Outstanding Achievement in Environmental Engineering .....   | Mary Baron        |
| Outstanding Environmental Leadership and Service Award ..... | Frederick Gerloff |

### *Humanities*

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| Annette Evans Humanities Award .....  | Patrick Austin<br>Sarah Doman |
| Frank J. J. Davies Award .....        | Curran Dobson<br>Sarah Oley   |
| Phi Alpha Theta Book Award .....      | Nicholas Zmijewski            |
| Outstanding Graduate in Spanish ..... | Emily Vescovi                 |

### *Mathematics and Computer Science*

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| Computer Science Award .....                         | John Mishanski<br>John Padams |
| James G. DeCosmo Memorial Award in Mathematics ..... | Jennifer Zatko                |

## 2007 Student Awards (continued)

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| <i>Nursing</i>   |  |
| Outstanding Clinical Practice Award .....                                  | Alissa Buckanavage<br>Renata Schneider<br>Heather Turner |
| Academic Excellence Award .....  | Jamie Sromovsky  |
| Research in Nursing .....  | Kathryn Strawderman                                      |
| <i>Visual and Performing Arts</i>  |  |
| Music Award .....  | Elizabeth Rish   |
| Theatre Award .....  | Adam Orseck<br>Heather Smaha                             |
| Dance Award .....  | Karen Wesolowski   |
| VPA Award .....  | Elizabeth Rish   |
| <i>Student Affairs</i>   |  |
| Theresa Jordan and Frank Mehm Prize .....                                  | Megan Fulmer   |
| <i>College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences</i>                     |  |
| Outstanding Graduate for the Arts, Humanities and<br>Social Sciences ..... | Sarah Oley<br>Elizabeth Rish                             |
| <i>College of Science and Engineering</i>                                  |  |
| Outstanding Graduate for the Sciences and Engineering .....                | David Scordino   |
| <i>The Jay S. Sidhu School of Business and Leadership</i>                  |  |
| Outstanding Graduate for Business and Leadership .....                     | Bryan Vivaldo  |

### Nesbitt School of Pharmacy

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| APhA Mortar and Pestle Professionalism Award .....                           | Adam Davies          |
| Roche Pharmacy Communication Award .....                                     | Kimberly Metka       |
| TEVA Pharmaceuticals Outstanding Student Award .....                         | Rachel Serino        |
| Glaxo SmithKline Patient Care Award .....                                    | Drew Swigart         |
| Mylan Excellence in Pharmacy Award .....                                     | Abby Kordek          |
| Eli Lilly Award .....  | Brian Roslund        |
| Perrigo Award of Excellence in Non-prescription Medication .....             | Meghan Sullivan      |
| Facts and Comparisons Award of Excellence in<br>Clinical Communication ..... | Jill Bordell         |
| Pennsylvania Pharmacists Association   |                      |
| Outstanding Pharmacy Student Award .....                                     | Holly Hicks          |
| Luzerne County Pharmacists Association                                       |                      |
| Academic Achievement Award .....   | Abby Kordek          |
| Luzerne County Pharmacists Association                                       |                      |
| Excellence in Community Pharmacy Award .....                                 | Sonya Mylet          |
| Natural Medicines Comprehensive Database Recognition Award .....             | Erica Hardiman       |
| Dean's Outstanding Student Award .....                                       | Brian Roslund        |
| Rite Aid Award for Excellence in Community Pharmacy Practice .....           | Beth Brown           |
| CVS Excellence in Community Pharmacy Practice Award .....                    | Angela Bolesta       |
| Lackawanna County Pharmacy Association                                       |                      |
| Academic Graduate Award .....  | Rachel Serino        |
| Lackawanna County Pharmacy Association                                       |                      |
| Jurisprudence Award .....  | Nancy Naylor-Schilpp |

# 2007 Student Awards (continued)

## Extracurricular/Leadership Awards

### *Athletic Department*

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| The Correen Santoro Memorial Award..... | Katie Cappelloni<br>Courtney Eleazer<br>Katie Orr<br>Lauren Risser<br>Lindsay Thomas<br>Hilary Weber |
| Female Scholar Athlete of the Year..... | Nicole Hahn  |
| Male Scholar Athlete of the Year .....  | Bryan Vivaldo  |
| Female Athlete of the Year .....        | Laurie Agresti   |
| Male Athlete of the Year.....           | Kyle Follweiler  |

### *Center for Continued Learning*

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| Adult Learner of the Year..... | Jean M. Schappert |
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### *Communication Studies*

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| Outstanding Leadership and Service Award..... | Candice Davis |
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### *Community Service*

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| Helping Hands Service Award ..... | Zachary Bremmer<br>Kristin Potsko |
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### *Cooperative Education*

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| Outstanding Senior Intern.....   | Adrienne Richards |
| Keith Topfer Memorial Award..... | John Mishanski    |

### *Engineering and Physics*

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| Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) Leadership Award..... | Paul Benulis                  |
| American Society of Mechanical Engineers Award .....        | Andrew Curry                  |
| Robotics and Automation Award .....                         | Jacob Groom<br>Mark Samselski |

### *Interfaith*

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| Interfaith Leadership Award ..... | Allyson Bazarsky |
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### *Multicultural Affairs*

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| Leadership in Diversity Award..... | Nitasa Sahu |
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### *Nursing*

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| Leadership Award.....            | Kathryn Strawderman  |
| Student/Faculty Mentorship ..... | Eric Culp<br>Rebecca Plebani<br>Jamie Sromovsky<br>Rebecca Wilde |
| Student/Student Mentorship.....  | Joy Kurlandski   |

### *Student Affairs*

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| Intercollegiate Leadership Wilkes-Barre..... | Courtney Amrhein<br>Lorraine Avery<br>Jeffrey Bauman<br>Theresa Brewer<br>Alison Woody |
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## 2007 Student Awards (continued)

Emerging Leaders Award ..... Johnathan Botch  
 Lauren Cirilli  
 Elefteria Galiatsatos  
 Michael Gionfriddo  
 Katelyn Kozma  
 Courtney Mullen  
 John Polson  
 Nitasa Sahu  
 Avani Vachhani

### *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*

|                   |                  |
|-------------------|------------------|
| Courtney Amrhein  | Jonathan McClave |
| Amanda Baronowski | Amanda McMahon   |
| Allyson Bazarsky  | Virginia Merola  |
| James Bochicchio  | Ashley Moore     |
| Theresa Brewer    | Bridget O'Connor |
| Rebecca Bria      | Luke Pisarcik    |
| April Burko       | John Polson      |
| Candice David     | Salman Punekar   |
| Nicholette Doliva | Sara Ryder       |
| Andrew Eckert     | Cassie Sailus    |
| Jaclyn Francese   | David Scordino   |
| Megan Fulmer      | Mohammad Shafqat |
| Jennifer Haberek  | Jenna Strzelecki |
| Ashley Henne      | Jennifer Zatko   |
| Kristy Hicks      |                  |

### *Student Government*

Faculty Choice Award ..... Dr. Amy Bradley  
 Appreciation Award ..... Courtney Amrhein  
 Jennifer Cerra  
 Andrew Eckert  
 Megan Fulmer  
 Sarina Kapoor  
 Jonathan McClave  
 David Scordino  
 Jenna Strzelecki  
 Programming Board Presidential Incentive Award ..... Theresa Brewer  
 Programming Board Programmer of the Year ..... Courtney Mullen

## Class of 2007 OFFICERS

**David J. Scordino (Fall '06)**  
PRESIDENT

**Tina Guraya**  
VICE PRESIDENT

**Megan L. Fulmer (Spring '07)**  
PRESIDENT

**Theresa A. Brewer**  
SECRETARY

**Jennifer B. Lentini**  
TREASURER



## Academic Costume

The celebration of Commencement is surrounded by rich traditions. The established community of scholars — the Faculty — convene to recognize officially the newest group of proven scholars — the Graduates — and welcome them in fellowship. Graduates don the attire that for years has symbolized scholarly attainment.

During the Middle Ages those seeking an education traveled to European centers of learning. Centers of learning and universities were closely allied with the clerics of the time, and the scholars donned garb similar to that worn by the clergy. This evolved into the academic uniform, a long black gown, hood, and cap, which proved useful for studying in unheated and drafty buildings. The hood served simultaneously as a head covering, a repository for coins and alms and the forerunner of the modern day book bag. The hood was adorned with the colors of the university and designated the young scholar's school or university affiliation. By their distinctive clothing the students were set apart and distinguished from the citizens of the town; hence the origin of the phrase "town and gown."

American colleges and universities adopted the wearing of the traditional apparel in Colonial times, and a common code for academic apparel was established in the mid-nineteenth century.

The hood is the most distinctive feature of academic regalia. The inside of the hood is lined with the official colors of the institution; today you see Wilkes graduates wearing hoods lined with the blue and gold colors of the University. The velvet trim around the outside of the hood designates the degree or field of study of the graduates. The velvet colors worn by today's graduates signify the following:

- Golden Yellow — Science
- White — Arts, Letters, Humanities
- Drab — Business Administration
- Pink — Music
- Brown — Fine Arts
- Olive — Pharmacy

The style of the gown distinguishes graduates by the degree they have earned. Those earning the bachelor's degree wear a simple black gown with elongated pointed sleeves. Holders of the master's degree wear gowns with a longer, closed, square cut sleeve. The doctoral gown is trimmed with velvet stripes on the sleeves and panels of velvet on the front closure of the gown.

Some American universities have adopted doctoral gowns in their distinctive colors. You will notice the slate of Columbia, the red of Cornell, the burgundy of the University of Pennsylvania, the bright blue of the University of Michigan.

To have earned the privilege of wearing academic costume regalia signifies not only the completion of a program of studies, but entrance into the comradery of scholarship.

# **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.*

## **WACHOVIA ARENA AT CASEY PLAZA**

**FIRST AID** — Emergency personnel are available for first aid assistance and emergencies on the concourse across from the entrance to Section 112.

**PHOTOGRAPHS** — University backdrops are available on the concourse across from Sections 106 and 114 for personal photograph options.

**BEVERAGES** — Beverages are available for purchase through the Wachovia Arena Vendors.

**RECESSIONAL** — Weather permitting graduates will recess into the West gate parking lot. If inclement weather, graduates will disperse into the concourse.

## **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*

