

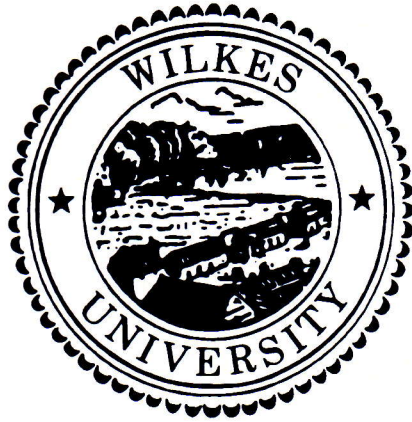
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# Order of Exercises

## FANFARE AND PROCESSIONAL

*Academic Processional* ..... Clifton Williams  
(The audience is requested to rise as the procession begins.)

WELCOME ..... C. REYNOLD VERRET  
Provost

INVOCATION ..... REVEREND LESLIE HALCHAK  
Mt. Zion and Orange United Methodist Church

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

(The words to America The Beautiful are printed on page 36 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

EUGENE ROTH '57  
Trustee Emeritus

DONALD E. MENCER  
Chair, Faculty Affairs Council  
Associate Professor of Chemistry

ANTHONY N. DORUNDA, BA  
Member of the Class of 2011

# Order of Exercises

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

PRESENTATION OF HONORARY DEGREE

ROBERT L. LISTENBEE, JR.  
Honorary Doctor of Laws

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS ..... ROBERT L. LISTENBEE, JR.

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

ALUMNI INDUCTION ..... THOMAS N. RALSTON '80  
*Wilkes University Alumni Association*

Alma Mater ..... Eleanor C. Farley  
*Arrangement, Earl Orcutt*

*(The words to the Alma Mater are printed on page 36 of the program.  
The audience is requested to stand and join in the singing.)*

BENEDICTION ..... REVEREND JANE O'BORSKI  
*Wesley United Methodist Church*

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

## Music Provided By:

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

*Wilkes University Chorus*  
Dr. Steven Thomas, *Conductor*

## Ceremony Interpreted By:

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

# HONORARY DEGREE

DOCTOR OF LAWS.....ROBERT L. LISTENBEE, JR.  
In his poem, *The Rainbow*, William Wordsworth wrote, "The Child is Father of the Man." To Wordsworth's point, your description of your early years living in public housing in Mount Clemens, Michigan makes clear how your experiences have shaped who you are and what you value. Growing up as one of eight children, you have always been a *caretaker* and a role model. An exemplary work ethic, a passion for education, the most positive of outlooks, and indomitable faith in the power of the individual are traits that have sustained you your whole life.

As the first in your family to attend college, your early determination and hard work led you to Harvard University and eventually to the Boalt Hall School of Law at the University of California/Berkeley. Teaching in Kenya after law school was formative and cemented your conviction that young people must be provided the opportunity to reach their fullest potential. Your current work as Chief of the Juvenile Unit for the Defender Association of Philadelphia and service as President of the Juvenile Defender Association of Pennsylvania are testaments to that ideal. Your keen insights and understanding of complexities that come only from first-hand experience have made you a leader who has contributed significantly to the advancement of juvenile justice in our Commonwealth and across our nation.

Your distinguished service on the Interbranch Commission on Juvenile Justice will have a profound impact on future generations of young people growing up in Luzerne County. The vision and leadership you brought to the work of the Commission has resulted in recommendations designed to guard against any further misuse of our justice system and will help ensure that our laws are applied in fairness to every resident of Pennsylvania. You and your fellow Commissioners remind us in your report that "Preservation of democracy depends on the preservation of the rule of law, and if we cannot have confidence in the fairness and honesty of those who make, apply and enforce our laws, then democracy itself is at risk."

With admiration and great appreciation for the life you lead, we celebrate today your contributions to public policy and the law, and your distinctive service to the citizenry of Pennsylvania. By the power vested in me by the Board of Trustees of Wilkes University and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, I confer upon you, Robert L. Listenbee, the doctorate of laws, *honoris causa*, with all the rights and privileges thereto appertaining.

# AWARDS

THE MABLE SCOTT WANDELL AND  
STERLING LEROY WANDELL AWARDS .....MATTHEW J. KOGOY '11  
KONSTANTINA ATHENA PAPATHOMAS '11

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

C. REYNOLD VERRET  
Provost

THERESA JORDAN AND FRANK MEHM PRIZE .....SANTINO A. GABOS '11  
SEAN A. LAFLEUR '11

*This annual prize recognizes an individual from the Wilkes community who, by vote of a select committee, exemplifies moral courage, perseverance, formidable faith and a sense of unwavering optimism.*

Presentation by PAUL S. ADAMS  
Vice President, Student Affairs

ALUMNI AWARD FOR LEADERSHIP .....ANTHONY N. DORUNDA '11

*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 THOMAS N. RALSTON '80  
Wilkes University Alumni Association

ARMED FORCES RESERVE OFFICER APPOINTMENT  
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE .....MASON S. HARRIMAN '11  
JOHN I. HAWKINS '11  
ANDREW S. HILLER '11  
RYAN C., LERCH '11  
ANTHONY T. MIRABILE '11  
NICOLE M. ROMAN '11

Presentation by TODD A. PEACHEY  
Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Air Force

# DOCTOR OF EDUCATION CANDIDATES

Michael J. Speziale, *Dean*

Jason Christopher Hilt

Kerry M. Speziale

# DOCTOR OF PHARMACY CANDIDATES

Bernard W. Graham, *Dean*

- <sup>1,21</sup> Jaclyn Marie Amey, *Summa Cum Laude*  
Timothy Dy Aungst, *Cum Laude*
- <sup>1</sup> Lindsay Kay Baun, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Jozef Richard Beckley, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Tawnya L. Bensinger, *Magna Cum Laude*
- <sup>1,21</sup> Amy Jo Best, *Summa Cum Laude*  
Bradley Bitler, *Cum Laude*
- <sup>21</sup> Jillian Rae Ann Castellano, *Magna Cum Laude*  
John Chakan, *Cum Laude*  
Nicholas J. Cicco, *Cum Laude*  
Meghan Blaire Cope, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Kyle Cortright, *Cum Laude*  
Kevin C. Coughlin  
Richard Todd Culbertson, *Cum Laude*  
Stephen M. Davies  
Brian Andrew Deihl  
Amanda Dinmore, *Cum Laude*
- <sup>21</sup> Tyler C. Dreese, *Summa Cum Laude*  
Marissa D. Egly, *Magna Cum Laude*
- <sup>1,21</sup> Kristin Elizabeth Elia, *Summa Cum Laude*  
Gaetano J. Fasciana, *Cum Laude*
- <sup>21</sup> Andrew Paul Garofoli, *Summa Cum Laude*  
Michael Ross Gionfriddo, *Magna Cum Laude*
- <sup>21</sup> David K. Graver, Jr., *Magna Cum Laude*  
Nicholas J. Haas  
Jamie Lee Hanner, *Cum Laude*  
Katherine Ann Harrington, *Cum Laude*  
Sherri Ann Homanko  
Lauren Zubey Hunsicker, *Cum Laude*  
Erika J. Hurst, *Cum Laude*
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Lori Ann Kratz  
Holly L. Learn, *Cum Laude*  
Amanda Christine Lenig
- <sup>21</sup> Amanda Marie Lofaro, *Magna Cum Laude*
- <sup>1</sup> Kristina Marie Loscombe, *Magna Cum Laude*
- Edward John Manderfield
- <sup>21</sup> Alison Beth McDonald, *Summa Cum Laude*  
Jennifer Nicole McMicken, *Cum Laude*  
Kelly Monoski, *Cum Laude*  
Matthew Steven Nagar, *Cum Laude*  
Andrew Dominique Palella
- <sup>21</sup> Michael Dariusz Panko, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Stephanie Lee Pawelzik, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Courtenay Taylor Pientka, *Cum Laude*  
Pamela Elizabeth Pogash, *Cum Laude*  
Richard Allen Powers, Jr., *Cum Laude*  
Michael James Prokopick, *Cum Laude*  
*Spanish, Second Degree*  
Jennifer Ann Pruskowski, *Cum Laude*
- <sup>1,21</sup> Ricky M. Rampulla, Jr., *Summa Cum Laude*  
Matthew J. Renzi, *Magna Cum Laude*
- <sup>21</sup> Tera Lynn Ann Rule, *Magna Cum Laude*
- <sup>21</sup> Megan Lynn Sabol, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Heidi Nicole Sauers, *Cum Laude*  
Zachary John Schmehl  
Rebecca Sinkovitz  
Lindsay Ashley Smith, *Cum Laude*  
Darci Lynn Spohn  
Kathryn Leann Stahlman, *Cum Laude*  
Jessica Lynn Supers, *Cum Laude*  
*Spanish, Second Degree*  
Kayla Quinn Tanner, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Bethany L. Toczek, *Cum Laude*  
George Tadros Wasef, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Master of Business Administration, Second Degree*  
Kristin Wilt, *Cum Laude*  
Sarah Witkowski, *Cum Laude*  
Christina Marie Yesu, *Cum Laude*  
William S. Young, *Cum Laude*  
Lamanda L. Ziegler, *Cum Laude*

# MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

Michael J. Speziale, *Dean*

## Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing

- |                          |                           |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Vylinda Ann Bryant       | Anne B. Henry             |
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| Patricia Ann Florio      | Carol L. MacAllister      |
| Benjamin John Forsberg   | * Joseph C. Nalbhone, Jr. |
| Guacari A. Gomez         | Marissa I. Phillips       |
| * Shawn Hatten           | Starr Troup               |

## Master of Arts in Creative Writing

- |                                |                           |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|
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| * Lauren Ashley Catron         | * Donna Rosado Malies     |
| * Jessica Rose Foss            | * Kevin William McDonough |
| * Wendy Carlene Garfinkle      | * Bridget Anne McIntyre   |
| Rachael JoAnn Goetzke          | * Dino Joseph Perelli     |
| * Virginia L. Grove            | * Stephanie Lynn Riese    |
| * Alysha Daniele Haran         | * Rachel Luann Strayer    |
| * Michelle A. Henriques-Wilson | * Morowa Yejide           |

## Master of Business Administration

- |  |  |
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| Alexis Alexandria Baez                   | Brandon Magzarian                      |
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| Naveenrit Singh Bhatti                   | Tonisha Morris                         |
| Richard Paul Cloeter                     | ~ Heather J. Moser                     |
| * Jason Decker                           | Manpreet Singh Pannu                   |
| <sup>6</sup> Tara Marie DeGiusto         | ~ Rinkalben Prakashbhai Patel          |
| ~ Kevin Drakes                           | <sup>6</sup> Michael C. Pryor          |
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| Donna Janet Evans                        | ~ Cassandra Angelina Scarantino        |
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| ~ <sup>6</sup> Thomas Jonathan Ford      | David P. Straub                        |
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| ~ Lynn Thomas Kilduff                    | David Valenti                          |
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| Quentin J. Logan                         |  |



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- \* Jason Michael Marcellus
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- Shelly Ann Millheim
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- \* Lisa Annette Natwjak
- \* Daniel Joseph Nebzydoski
- \* Valerie Lynn Neff
- Jason Neuman
- \* Erik Vincent O'Day
- \*.13 Mary Ann T. Olsommer
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- \* Leanna Hope Palm
- ~ Amy L. Pascale
- 13 Cheryl R. Beishline Pasukinis
- \* Rebecca Christine Pearson
- \* Jennifer L. Pettinelli
- Gina Piccini
- \* Jonathan Jeremiah Piercy
- \* Joseph Piselli
- \* Michelle Plath
- \* Kathryn Amanda Plewinski
- \* Desiree Michele Podrasky
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- \* Kristin R. Potteiger
- \* Ashley Lauren Procopio
- Jessica Erin Pugliano

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~ January 2011 Graduate

^ February 2011 Graduate

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- \* Amanda L. Rau
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- \* Robert Reilly
- \* Michelle Lynn Resseguie
- \* Ame J. Reynolds
- \* Gemma Ann Rinella
- \* Andrea Jeannine Rivera
- \* Michael Lawrence Rodgers
- <sup>13</sup> David Thomas Rosenkrans
- \* Jessica Lynn Roth
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- \* Penelope Rhea Sanders
- Barry Lee Sanner
- \* Jennifer Alicia Sattazahn
- \* Heather Michelle Schaeffer
- \* Bridgette Marie Scheckenbach
- \* Timothy Thomas Schomaker
- \* Lindsey B. Schray
- \* Rebecca J. Bader Schulte
- \* Katelyn Seestedt
- \* Katie Marie Seibert
- \* Jacquelyn A. Seifert
- Sarah Sentz
- Gregory Allen Shingle
- \* Jennifer Silver
- ~ Carol E. Simpson
- Heidi J. Singleman
- \* Gina Marie Sipple
- \* Jennifer Kathryn Small
- \* Elaine L. Snyder
- Juexi Song
- \* Andrew Sorber
- \* Gregory L. Sproule
- \* Mary Ellen Gabrille Stanton
- ~<sup>13</sup> John P. Staub
- \* E. Zachary Stewart
- \*<sup>13</sup> Stacey Stoudt
- \* Michelle Strathmeyer
- \* Joseph C. Straw
- \* Lisa Kaye Stroup
- \* Sherri Linn Stull
- \* Todd Hugh Talbot
- \* Jamie Lynn Tatusko
- \* Patricia Kay Taylor
- \* Susan L. Thivierge
- Amy Thomas
- \* Deborah Thonus
- \* Ashley Nicole Tomchick
- \* Courtney Leigh Trawitz
- \* Amy A. Trexler
- \* Christa Nicole Ventura
- \* Jessica Vernon
- \* Dennis F. Virga, Jr
- \* Maria A. Voytko
- \* Shay A. Wagner
- \* Lisa A. Walter
- \* Naphtali Walters
- \* Jennifer R. Wanner
- \* John Paul Warnek
- ~ Jennifer A. Warner
- ~ Matthew James Warner
- \* Keith Irving Warren
- \* Blaire A. Wayman
- \* Pamela L. Weaver
- Tammi M. Welsh
- \* Adrienne M. Wentzel
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- \* John D. Winand, Jr.
- \* Misty Lynn Witman
- \* Victoria A. Witner
- Kathy A. Wiwel
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- \* Carl Worrell
- \* Jayme M. Worrell
- \* Lisa Marie Wright
- \* Heidi Breneman Yohn
- \* Sarah Elizabeth Yonash
- \* Gretta Haag Young
- \* Kim D. Young
- \* Tracy Nicole Zellner
- \* Jenna Marie Ziegler
- \* Allison Ann Zielinski
- \*<sup>13</sup> Lauren E. Zuidema

# MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

## Master of Science in Electrical Engineering

Sushanth Reddy Mali  
\* Rajesh Velichala

~ Junjie Zhan

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Abdullah Almodian  
Matthew S. Archey  
~ Richard S. Bekanich

Ayman Sadaqah Hamoh  
John Robert Lawzano  
~ Jody P. Oustrich

## Master of Science in Mathematics

~ Diane L. Solinsky

## Master of Science in Nursing

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<sup>23</sup> Michele Smith Cassic  
Sheila M. Kellogg  
\*<sup>23</sup> Marianne Rupchis

\* Ruthann Taylor  
\*<sup>23</sup> Carol Teets  
\*<sup>23</sup> Christine Rosy Yatsko

# BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

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

Linda A. Winkler, *Dean*

### Communication Studies

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~<sup>10</sup> April M. Bielinski, *Cum Laude*  
Michael Francis Cignoli, *Summa Cum Laude*  
Darnell R. Corbin  
<sup>10,25</sup> Anthony N. Dorunda, *Cum Laude*  
Alan C. Frost, Jr.  
<sup>10</sup> Alyssa A. Fusaro, *Cum Laude*  
<sup>10</sup> Amanda Jo Gunther, *Magna Cum Laude*  
<sup>10</sup> Britney Hazleton  
<sup>10</sup> Melissa Hoover  
Christopher Wayne Hopkins  
Christopher James Jordan  
<sup>10</sup> Kristen N. Karpinski, *Magna Cum Laude*  
<sup>10</sup> Daniel R. Kautz, *Cum Laude*  
<sup>10</sup> Jennifer Lynn Kimble  
<sup>10</sup> Rachel Leggieri, *Magna Cum Laude*  
<sup>10</sup> Jacqueline P. Lukas, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Melissa Polchinski  
~<sup>10</sup> Lauren A. Quinn, *Cum Laude*  
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| Victoria Marie Chestnut                                     | Nicole M. Persing  |
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| Eric Argot                         | Brandyn Lynn Burns               |
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| Kevin Lee Avery                    | Jennifer Veronica Butz           |
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| Anne Elizabeth Bauder              | <sup>13</sup> Gail Cannon        |
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| Love E. Beatty                     | MaryAnn Casale                   |
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| Jennifer A. Bennis                 | Tisa Marie Cernovsky             |
| Colleen A. Besz                    | Gina Chocallo                    |
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# 2011 January Graduates

## MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

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

Rebecca Lynn Smith  
Sara Kate Smoker  
Kayla Kathryn Smyers  
Caryl E. Snyder  
Mary Frances Solymossy  
Lindsay Stackhouse  
Christina Stager  
<sup>13</sup> John P. Staub  
Anne Stefursky  
Terri Ann Stice  
Nicole Beth Stopay  
Trisha A. Stracka  
Jennifer Ann Straub  
Jenna Swailes  
Jennifer Lynn Swiderski  
Peggy A. Szekeres  
Marianne Elizabeth Talhelm  
John David Tiernan  
Nicole Tinna  
Christine Ryan Toole  
Laurene M. Transue  
Karen Tripucka  
Rachel M. Unger

Natalie Marie Veldhoen  
Jill Eileen Verbos  
Tanya Lynn Viglione  
Jessica S. Visnosky  
Penny Vojtasek  
Elaine Jeanette Wagner  
Heather Michelle Wagner  
James Peter Ward  
Jennifer A. Warner  
Matthew James Warner  
Rachel Evelyn Werner  
Sarah Elise Widmer  
Melissa Sue Williams  
Megan Wilski  
Jill M. Wilson-Dorn  
Robyn Michelle Wolfe  
Michelle S. Wood  
Devon Yonemori  
Ty Russell Yost  
Gennaro Zangardi  
Ryan Tyler Zechman  
Melissa A. Zupko

### Master of Science in Electrical Engineering

Junjie Zhan

### Master of Science in Engineering Management

Richard S. Bekanich

Jody P. Oustrich

### Master of Science in Mathematics

Diane L. Solinsky



# 2011 January Graduates

## BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

The College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences

### Communication Studies

<sup>10</sup> April M. Bielinski, *Cum Laude*  
<sup>10</sup> Lauren A. Quinn, *Cum Laude*

<sup>5,10</sup> Melanie L. Thomas  
<sup>10</sup> Ruth Augusta Whispell

### Criminology

Nathaniel E. Kenny

Amanda L. Samoleski

### English

<sup>22</sup> Amy C. Demchak

### History

<sup>14</sup> Ryan M. Cavanaugh, *Cum Laude*  
Sean P. Madden

<sup>14</sup> Rachel M. Tretiak, *Summa Cum Laude*  
*Psychology, Second Degree*

### Integrative Media

Mohammed Alamani

### Political Science

Joseph A. Caputo

Daniel M. Chmiola

### Psychology

Ashley E. Pietrowski

<sup>14</sup> Rachel M. Tretiak, *Summa Cum Laude*  
*History, Second Degree*

### Sociology

<sup>2</sup> Marki F. Feichter, *Summa Cum Laude*  
Diane R. Milano, *Cum Laude*

<sup>19</sup> Cheryl Lynn Newell, *Summa Cum Laude*

### Spanish

Marissa Farrell, *Summa Cum Laude*

# 2011 January Graduates BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

## School of Education

### Elementary and Early Childhood Education

Kimberly Alyssa Baldino, *Magna Cum Laude*

### Elementary Education

<sup>11</sup> Katie Marie Ambrose, *Summa Cum Laude*

Christine E. Chilcott

Jessica Marie Coar, *Cum Laude*

Kristin M. DeMott, *Cum Laude*

<sup>11</sup> Brittany A. Dougherty, *Cum Laude*

<sup>11</sup> Megan M. Judge, *Magna Cum Laude*

Stacy J. Malia, *Cum Laude*

Heather Marie Reese, *Cum Laude*

Allison E. Slatinsky, *Magna Cum Laude*

Tara N. Zavada, *Cum Laude*

## The College of Science and Engineering

### Computer Information Systems

George E. McManus

### Earth and Environmental Sciences

Joseph John Lopatka

Kimberly J. Rieder, *Cum Laude*

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

### Business Administration

Solaiman Ahmed Almositeer

Alexandra Bricek

Krista Burns

Parakh H. Dani

Sarah E. Delaney

Dominick DiBetta

Tyler M. Lewis

Patrick Lynch

Michael J. Maresca

Julia R. Salem, *Summa Cum Laude*

Jason A. Van Syckle

Diana L. Worosilla

### Entrepreneurship

Timothy B. Lombreglia

Kevin J. Taylor

Thomas A. Varisco, *Magna Cum Laude*

**2011 January Graduates**  
**BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES**  
The Nesbitt College of Pharmacy and Nursing

**Nursing**

Cathleen Mary Lapchak, *Summa Cum Laude*

Briane Mary Pacuska

**Pharmaceutical Science**

Heather Lyn Grabowski

**2011 February Graduates**  
**MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES**

**Master of Science in Education**

Andrew F. Messa

Holly M. Morelli

# 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.
- <sup>27</sup> Denotes Membership in the National Student Nurses Association.
- <sup>28</sup> Denotes Membership in Sigma Alpha Pi, the National Society of Leadership and Success.
- \* Degree in absentia

# 2011 Student Awards

## Academic Awards

### *Behavioral and Social Sciences*

Pi Sigma Alpha .....	Jeremy M. LaPorte
Jaroslav Moravec Award for the Outstanding Graduate in Sociology .....	Cheryl L. Newell
Raymond R. Ritz Award .....	Sean A. Lafleur
Outstanding Graduate in Psychology .....	Amber J. Koza

### *Biology and Health Sciences*

Rosenthal Memorial Award .....	Courtney L. Sperger
Outstanding Research Award .....	Derek M. Nye
Outstanding Senior Scholar in Biology .....	Konstantina A. Papatomas
Academic Achievement Award — Accounting .....	Paul J. Chmiel Sarah D. Orris

### *Business Administration and Accounting*

Academic Achievement Award in Business Administration .....	Kevin McNavage
Academic Achievement Award — MBA .....	Sara A. Kliamovich
PICPA Award for Excellence in Accounting .....	Sarah D. Orris

### *Chemistry*

Catherine Bone Award .....	Michael J. Pauley
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### *Communication Studies*

Communication Studies Award .....	Michael F. Cignoli
Tom Bigler Scholars Award .....	Anthony N. Dorunda

### *Education*

Outstanding Elementary Teacher Education Student .....	Aubrey N. Madara
Outstanding Secondary Teacher Education Student .....	David M. Mahalak
Outstanding Special Education Teacher Certification Student .....	Kimberly A. Baldino
Marla Hosie Memorial Award .....	Catelyn M. Sofio

### *Engineering and Physics*

Outstanding Achievement in Electrical Engineering .....	Russell J. Dehaut
Outstanding Engineering Management .....	Kyle L. Ruby
Outstanding Achievement in Mechanical Engineering .....	Thomas J. Joyce

### *Environmental Engineering and Earth Sciences*

Outstanding Achievement in Environmental Engineering .....	Valentina M. Beneski
Outstanding Achievement in Earth and Environmental Science .....	Deanna M. Drako Kate L. Murtaugh

### *Humanities*

Annette Evans Humanities Award .....	Amanda E. Caster
Frank J. J. Davies Award .....	Matthew J. Kogoy
Phi Alpha Theta Book Award .....	Mackensy K. O'Hara
Outstanding Graduate in Spanish .....	Charlene M. Nye

### *Mathematics and Computer Science*

James G. DeCosmo Memorial Award in Mathematics .....	Benjamin J. Collins Nicholas A. LaBarbera David M. Mahalak
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# 2011 Student Awards

## Academic Awards — *Continued*

### *Nursing*

Outstanding Clinical Practice Award ..... Joshua J. Perry  
Academic Excellence Award ..... Mary Kate Brady

### *Visual and Performing Arts*

Music Award ..... Sherilyn C. Jones  
Theatre Award ..... David B. Yezefski

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

Outstanding Graduate for the Arts, Humanities  
and Social Sciences ..... Michael F. Cignoli

### *College of Education*

Outstanding Graduate for Education ..... Alison J. Weidman

### *College of Science and Engineering*

Outstanding Graduate for the  
Sciences and Engineering ..... Valentina M. Beneski

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

Outstanding Graduate for Business and Leadership ..... Matthew E. Vital

## Nesbitt School of Pharmacy

APhA Mortar and Pestle Professionalism Award ..... Brian Deihl  
TEVA Pharmaceuticals Outstanding Student Award ..... Tyler Dreese  
Mylan Excellence in Pharmacy Award ..... Alison McDonald  
Eli Lilly Award ..... Jennifer McMicken  
Facts and Comparisons Award of Excellence  
in Clinical Communication ..... Kristina Loscombe  
Pharmacy Dean's Award ..... Jennifer McMicken  
Pennsylvania Pharmacists Association  
Outstanding Pharmacy Student Award ..... Sarah Witkowski  
Luzerne County Pharmacy Association  
Academic Achievement Award ..... Megan Sabol  
Natural Medicines Comprehensive Database Recognition Award ..... Amy Best  
Lackawanna County Pharmacy Association  
Academic Graduate Award ..... Jillian Castellano  
Lackawanna County Pharmacy Association  
Jurisprudence Award ..... Amanda LoFaro  
School of Pharmacy Excellence in Clinical Practice Award ..... Marissa Egly  
School of Pharmacy Excellence in Pharmaceutical  
Science Research Award ..... Michael Gionfriddo

# 2011 Student Awards

## Extracurricular/Leadership Awards

### *Athletic Department*

The Correen Santoro Memorial Award.....	Victoria Bybel Cassie Cronin Brittany Ely Marissa Harrison Ashley Thorpe
Female Scholar Athlete of the Year.....	Lindsay Behrenshausen
Male Scholar Athlete of the Year .....	Thomas Joyce
Female Athlete of the Year .....	Melanie Nolt
Male Athlete of the Year.....	Anthony Dattolo

### *Communication Studies*

Outstanding Leadership and Service Award.....	Jacqueline Lukas
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### *Community Service*

Helping Hands Service Award .....	Lisa Bova MaryKate Brady Sean LeFleur
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### *Cooperative Education*

Outstanding Senior Intern.....	Katherine Gallagher
Keith Topfer Memorial Award.....	Santino Gabos

### *Education*

Teacher Education Service Award .....	Kathleen Shedden
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### *Engineering and Physics*

American Society of Mechanical Engineers Award .....	Ronald Bookin Benjamin Sauers
Robotics & Animation Award.....	Alan Dakin Brett Feger
I.E.E.E. J. J. Ebers Memorial Award .....	Jaffrey Samselski Anthony Mirabile

### *Environmental Engineering and Earth Sciences*

Leadership Award.....	EmmaLee Vecere
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### *Interfaith*

Interfaith Leadership Award .....	Santino Gabos Nora Skochinsky
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### *Nursing*

Leadership Award.....	Chelsea Horst
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### *Residence Life*

Leadership Award.....	Trey Tietz
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### *Student Affairs*

Intercollegiate Leadership Wilkes-Barre .....	Taryn Hallowell Daniel Hess Yelena Karpeshov Thomas Markley Katherine Munchel Brian Williams
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# 2011 Student Awards

## Extracurricular/Leadership Awards — *Continued*

E-Mentors .....	Benjamin Beidel Michael Cignoli Anthony Dorunda Anthony Ferrese Santino Gabos Michael Guba Sonja Heisey Sherilyn Jones Abigail Kasprenski Amber Kozo Shawn Klitsch Tom Markley Katherine Munchel Mackensy O'Hara
Passport to Leadership Program .....	Lindsay Coval Christina D'Ippolito Joshua Donais Ian Foley Kevin Hopper Alexandria King Evana Manandhar Jessica Short John Sweeney
Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges	
Katelyn Aldinger	Jasmine King
Ruslan Barabolkin	Shawn Klitsch
Lindsay Behrenshausen	Frank Kopyta
Benjamin Beidel	Amber Kozo
Caela Bernecker	Sean LaFleur
Navya Bikkasani	Leah Lawrence
Lisa Bova	June Lor
Mary Kate Brady	Jacqueline Lukas
Taylor Bridges	Thomas Markley
Michael Cignoli	Kristen McGranaghan
Stephen Davies	Anthony Mirabile
Katelyn DeFaci	Katherine Munchel
Melissa Dickerson	Derek Nye
Megan Dickinson	Mackensy O'Hara
Christina D'Ippolito	Konstantina Papatomas
Anthony Dorunda	Kristin Parachin
Michelle Dubbs	Allison Roth
Santino Gabos	Erin Schneider
Kathleen Garrett	Nadine Shickora
Kevin Gerhart	Sarah Simon
Melanie Good	Jeffrey Simpson
Dawn Gregor	Nora Skochinsky
Michael Guba	Emily Snyder
Amanda Gunther	James Spickard
Nicholas Hartranft	Melanie Thomas
Alison Heck	Chelsea Uselding
Jennifer Jones	Cassandra Valentin
Thomas Joyce	Michelle Wakeley
Yelena Karpeshov	Alison Weidman
Amanda Kaster	Jacob Weinrich
Daniel Kautz	Nicole Willis
Caitlin Kelly	Jeanne Wood



# 2011 Student Awards

## Extracurricular/Leadership Awards — *Continued*

### *Student Government*

Faculty Choice Award.....	Ms. Debra Chapman
Staff Choice Award .....	Mr. Glenn Gambini (posthumously)
Two Years of Service .....	Katelyn Aldinger Benjamin Beidel Megan Dickinson Christina D'Ippolito Katherine Gallagher Jessica Gen Melanie Good Steven Gruver Nicholas Hartranft June Lor Kristen McGranahan Peter Melle Katherine Munchel Konstantina Papatomas Laura Perkins Jeffrey Simpson Jonathan Wilbur

### Programming Board

Presidential Incentive Award.....	Jeffrey Simpson
Programming Board Programmer of the Year .....	Christina D'Ippolito
Colonel Recognition .....	Shawn Klitsch
Air Force ROTC Distinguished Graduate.....	Anthony T. Mirabile

presented by Flyboys U.S. Army Air Corps  
6th College Training Detachment, Bucknell University Junior College (1943-44)

## **Class of 2011**

### **OFFICERS**

**Stephen N. Gruver**  
PRESIDENT

**Katelyn N. Aldinger**  
VICE PRESIDENT

**Kristen M. McGranaghan**  
SECRETARY

**Laura A. Perkins**  
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
- Blue — Education

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.*

## **MOHEGAN SUN 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** — Photographs will be taken of graduates as they receive their diplomas. Photographs can be viewed at [earlandsedor.com/University](http://earlandsedor.com/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 Mohegan Sun 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*

