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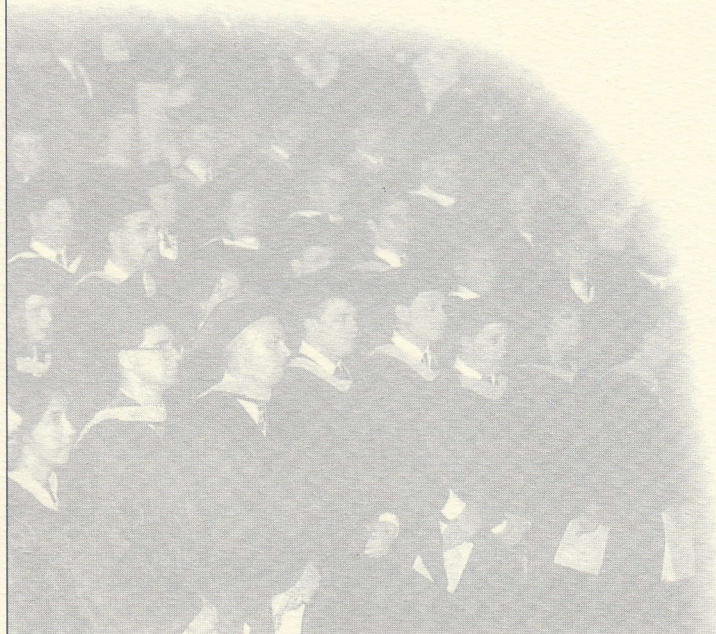
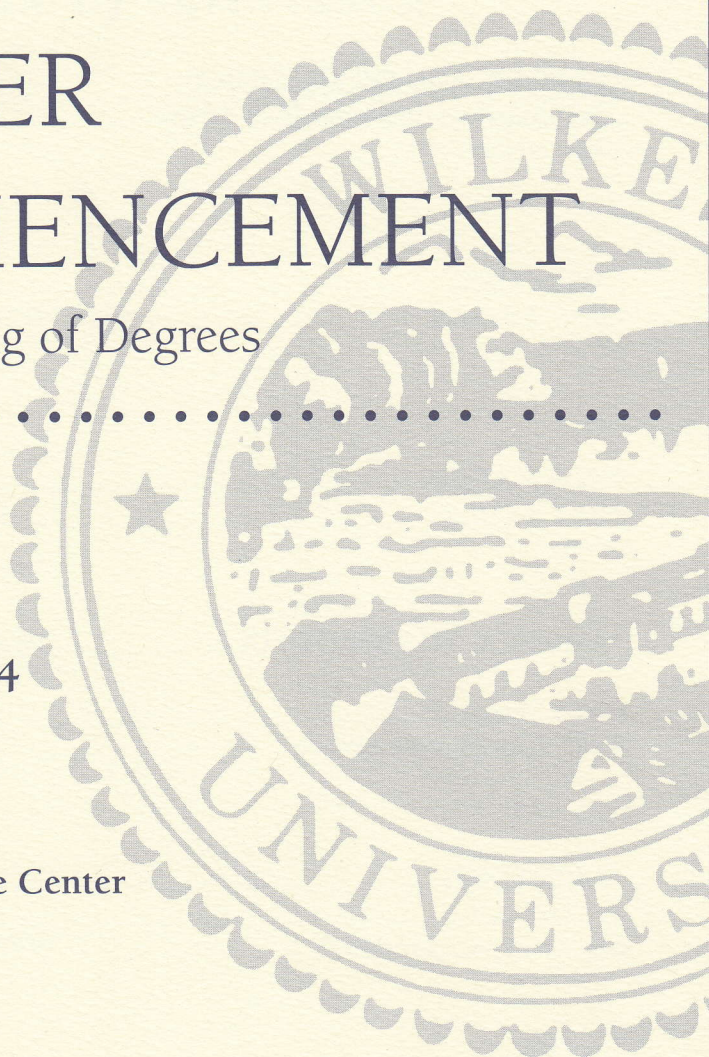
SUMMER COMMENCEMENT

for the Conferring of Degrees

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Sunday
September 7, 2014
1:00 p.m.

Arnaud C. Marts
Sports and Conference Center



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Order of Exercises

*FANFARE AND PROCESSIONAL

War March of the Priests from Athalia Felix Mendelssohn

WELCOME Anne A. Skleder
Provost

*INVOCATION Caitlin Czeh
Coordinator, Campus Interfaith

*AMERICA, THE BEAUTIFUL Words by Katherine Lee Bates
Music by Samuel A. Ward
Arrangement, Philip G. Simon

GREETINGS Jon D. Ference
Chair, Faculty Affairs Council
Associate Professor, Pharmacy Practice

Jessica Leitzel Aquilina
Member of the Graduating Class

*The audience is requested to rise.

Order of Exercises

ADDRESS..... The Honorable Eddie Day Pashinski
Pennsylvania House of Representatives
121st Legislative District

CONFERRING OF THE DEGREES Patrick F. Leahy
President

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE..... Patrick F. Leahy
President

*ALMA MATER.....Eleanor C. Farley
Arrangement, Philip G. Simon

*BENEDICTION Caitlin Czeh
Coordinator, Campus Interfaith

*RECESSIONAL
Fanfare Royale.....Jean Joseph Mouret
Arrangement, Alfred Pfortner

Music provided by the Wilkes University Chamber Orchestra
John M. Vaida, Conductor
Amanda Thomas '15, Vocalist

*The audience is requested to rise.

DOCTOR OF EDUCATION CANDIDATES

Rhonda A. Waskiweicz, *Interim Dean*

Jessica Leitzel Aquilina
Matthew E. Barrett
Jenny Saloky Collins

Angela E. Gatto
Kristine Pruett

MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing

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| Robert Antinozzi | Bill Schneider |
| Dwann Eunique Cutler | Anthony Dolan Scott |
| Trilby Frances Greene | * Nisha Sharma |
| * William Joseph Horn | Heather Ann Taylor |
| * Linda Minh Chau Nguyen | Alyssa Marie Waugh |
| * Elizabeth C. Roe | |

Master of Arts in Creative Writing

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| * Cheryl Ann Bazzoui | * Nichole Kanney |
| * Austin Grant Bennett | * Nina R. Long |
| * David Raymond Brubaker | * Rachel Dione Nicholson |
| * Christopher Casino | * Jonathan Wayne Pierce |
| Elisabeth Suzanne Costanzo | * Joseph Robert Stager, III |
| Danielle E. Dunmire | * Nathan Summerlin |
| * Reagan Noelle Dye | * Leah J. Vernon |
| * Bradley Alexander Huebner | |

Master of Business Administration

Jeffrey R. Alves, *Dean*

- | | |
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| * Tyler R. Berntsen | * ⁶ Yomi Ojo |
| * Drew Chiumento | * Pavel Vladimirovich Petrash |
| Anthony L. Cooper | ⁶ Mileise Pearl Sabbatini |
| * Todd Garey | * ⁶ Kelly-Ann Vaccaro |
| Joseph M. Laforney | Krystina Elizabeth Villarreal |

Master of Science in Education

Rhonda A. Waskiewicz, *Interim Dean*

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|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Sara Aiello | * Andrew E. Bennie |
| * Angeline Alessandri | * Jessica L. Berry |
| Kathleen Elisabeth Amabile | * Michael James Berry |
| * Kimberly Ann Ansell | * Meaghan Boudreau |
| * Joseph Nicholas Arnone | Summer Joy Branche |
| * Scott Neal Bailey, Jr. | * Kelly P. Brazil |
| Katherine Aylah Barnhart | * Monique Ann Bredbenner |
| * Rachel P. Barth | * Amy L. Brown |
| * Ronald George Bealer | * Kristin Carol Brown |
| * James A. Becchetti | * Aric A. Bruner |
| Kimberly Becker | * Garrett Gregory Bull |
| Caitlin Claire Bedford | Holly Leslie Burns |
| * Tamara Bedford | * Joanne Butler |

* *Degree in Absentia*

⁶ *Delta Mu Delta*

MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

Master of Science in Education (continued)

- * Brogan Leigh Byers
- Brittany Dawn Byrne
- * Lindsay Ruth Cardillo
- * Rosa Argentina Cardona
- * Edward P. Carr
- * Kendal Carr
- * Alison Metter Carroll
- Jill Marie Casale
- * Meghan Lynn Casselbury
- Michelle Corrin Cernobyl
- * Donna J. Cherry
- Nicolina Chlebowski
- * Shelly M. Chmil
- * Carly Anne Clover
- * Sarah Jewell Cole
- * Patricia French Comegna
- * Bradley E. Connors
- * Sean Patrick Connolly
- * Erin Christine Conrad
- * Kayleigh A. Corbett
- * Alissa M. Corboy
- * Paige Corra
- Courtney M. Cox
- * Joel Frederick Crowley
- Kristen Renee Cunningham
- * Cherina A. Cutchall
- Judith Danilovicz
- * Heather Lynn Davis
- * Lauren E. deDufour
- Cheryl L. DeFrain
- * Kathleen M. DeJulio
- Shelley M. DePhillips
- * Danelle Lynn Decker
- * Noelle DiFiore
- * Benjamin J. Donlin
- * Marina Valentina Dorio
- * Edward Dubroski
- Alexandria L. Duffney
- * Corey Michael Dufrene
- * Katherine Maureen Edwards
- * Kimberly Ann Exaros
- * Susan D. Fair
- * Amanda Finella
- * Lynn Fischer
- Richard C. Flanagan
- * Amy J. Flederbach
- Tanyel Leona Flythe
- * Duane Charles Ford
- Jeffrey D. Fox
- Louis R. Fratrich
- * Kasey Renee Fulton
- * Charlie Gambino
- * Cynthia Anne Garrett
- Kathryn Elizabeth Gaugler
- * Eric M. Gerber
- Bobbi Jo Goben
- Christine Goida
- * Corey Lynch Graham
- * Morgan Edward Grala
- Regina M. Grimm
- * Sarah M. Groff
- Rebecca S. Newcomer Grube
- Megan Marie Habowski
- * Monica Louise Haines
- * Christine C. Halliday
- Jamie Ann Halper
- * Susan L. Halsey
- * Lisa Rae Hamler
- Bethany Nicole Hanft
- * Erick Matthew Hanson
- * Matthew D. Harmon
- * Jennifer Lynn Harp
- * Janet Kristine Hasis
- * Karen Audrey Heisey
- * Emily F. Henry
- Shirley J. Hershey
- * Jessica Michele Hershner
- * Brandon J. Hertzler
- Jaime L. Hicks
- * Matthew Wayne Hoelscher
- * Annie Rose Hoover
- * Zachary D. Hostler
- * Emily J. Huesken
- Michael Lee Huntsberger
- * Christine L. Hutzell
- * Crystal Jane Illigas

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MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

Master of Science in Education (continued)

- Edward Jacob Isselmann, III
- * Mary K. Ivins
 - * Holley Lynn Jones
 - * Kevin Jones
 - Jessica A. Keeler
 - * Joseph Kenney
 - * Krista E. Keys
 - * Kasey Anne Kinney
 - * Cheryl A. Kittle
 - * Nicole E. Klahold
 - * Brad Kleckner
 - * Kaylee L. Knauss
 - Stephanie Rozolis Knauss
 - * Peter J. Kolankoski
 - Amber Ellen Konek
 - * Joseph M. Kosciuk
 - * Heather Marie Kowalski
 - * Kara Sue Krajnak
 - * Vanessa M. Kraus
 - * Zebulun Krepps
 - * Angela J. Krieger
 - Jeremy David Kunkle
 - Shana Kunkle
 - * Jennifer Lynn Kuzmickus
 - Marlene Leanore Lang
 - * Jessica Leigh Lanich
 - * Noelle Marie Lannutti
 - Wendy Jennifer Latzgo
 - * Janelle Lauren Laub
 - Leslie J. Laudenslager
 - * Christine Elise Leandri
 - * Casey John Lewis
 - * Katy Linsky
 - * Gina Lynn London
 - * Nicole Lynn Long
 - * Kyra Michelle Machler
 - * Jennifer K. Maholick
 - * Melissa Ann Maitre
 - * Stephanie H. Makowiec
 - Stacy Joy Malia
 - * Therese Marie Mandarino
 - Amanda K. Martin
 - Kristyn Elisabeth Martin
 - * Natalie J. Martin
 - * Jacob Reed Marushak
 - * Angela Castro Mascall
 - * Corinne D. Mason
 - Thomas Mazzolla
 - * Alicia M. McAndrew
 - Tracey L. McKenzie
 - * Jennifer Christine Melis
 - * Stacy M. Messinger
 - Janna Nora Michael
 - * Kristi Leigh Michael
 - * Karen Marie Mochan
 - Madeline F. Moller
 - * Ronald T. Moran, Jr.
 - * Lauren Muehleisen
 - Christina Leigh Mulford
 - Beth A. Mulhollan
 - * Molly Rose Mullarkey
 - * Vicki L. Murray
 - * Maureen Nagle
 - * Amanda Nagy
 - * Matthew D. Neil
 - * Jennifer Neiman
 - Susan Marie Nestico
 - * Stacy Marie Nice
 - * Jennifer Nicholson
 - * Melanie E. Nickou
 - * Megan Alicia O'Neil
 - * Michael J. Onomastico
 - * Kristen Leigh Paporello
 - * Don Passenant
 - * Daniel Patrisso
 - * Chelsea Elizabeth Pelfrey
 - * Heather Grace Perella
 - * Lindsey Marie Peters
 - * Rachael Petrozino
 - * Lawrence Piccini, Jr.
 - * Laurie Alayne Prewandowski
 - * Gina Carmella Pricci
 - * Kimberlee A. Raffa
 - Jessica Marie Ramos
 - * Lindsey Marie Rapp
 - Meredith A. Recek

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Master of Science in Education (continued)

- * Peter Nathaniel Reck
- * Christine Renick
- * Ardell L. Rexrode
Jennifer Richards
- * Veronica Lynn Ricigiano
- * Matthew Ryan Rickard
- * Kristy Ann Ritz
Sara Jean Robinson
- * Angela Rodriguez
- * Brooke Punchard Rogers
- * Tracy J. Rolles
- * Ashlie Marie Rosengrant
- * Denise M. Rosiak
- * Benjamin Mark Rossman
- * Eric T. Rothenberger
Bradley Lee Rumbel
- * Jamie Michelle Sanchez
- * Kimberly Ann Sauers
Elizabeth M. Schmidt
- * Stephen F. Schrader
- * Ashley Nicole Shappell
- * Robert Kenton Sherretz
Thomas Edward Shetterly
Tammy S. Shirey
- * Danielle Marie Shrader
- * Jennifer Lynn Sicinski
- * Amanda Rose Silfies
- * John J. Sipper
- * Regina R. Smith
- * Kevin J. Snyder
- * Jennifer Nicole Spangenburg
Brittany Lauren Spayd
Kimberly Ann Jones Speicher
- * Brandi Marie Spotts
- * Heather Noelle Spotts
Janelle Lynn Staudenmeier
- * Travis L. Steedle
- * Kim Steier
- * Laura A. Stine
- * Kimberly Noel Stokes
- * Nancy E. Stol
- * Michael K. Strehle
- * Linda A. Stupic
- * Matthew E. Suarez
Rebecca Michele Swingle
- * Lindsay M. Tarantella
- * Adrienne Lee Tegge
- * Raymond Michael Testa
- * Allen Thurlow
Debra Tomczyk
- * Maura Flynn Tripodi
- * Courtney E. Trump
- * Kelly M. Trupe
- * Pamela J. Tucker
- * Matthew I. Ulmer
- * Johanna Wagner
- * Hannah I. Watkins
- * Karla Rae Weaver
Lindsay Marie Webb
- * Amy Falk Weinberger
- * Sascha Werle
- * Amie Renee Werts
- * Jillian N. Whetstone
- * Danielle Ann White
- * Jennifer Lynn Whitling
- * Levon Allan Whitmyer
Travis John Williamson
Abby L. Witmier
- * Curtis Edward Witthoff
- * Sarah Elizabeth Woolbert
- * Matthew J. Woomer
- * Sarah A. Wright
- * Beth A. Wulff
- * Andrea Louise Wurzbacher
Deborah Wychock
- * Jennel Lynn Yelito
James M. Zabiegalski
- * Cory Matthew Zatek
- * Ryan Tyler Zechman
- * Ellen Jane Zelinske
- * Andrew G. Zourides
- * William Jon Zukowski

MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

Master of Science in Bioengineering

Terese M. Wignot, *Interim Dean*

Justin L. Flam

* Bridget Magdalene Metzso

Master of Science in Engineering Management

Terese M. Wignot, *Interim Dean*

Fahad Mohammed S. AlBarrak

Samir Ghazi Simsim

Jennifer Marie Condrad

Master of Science in Mathematics

Terese M. Wignot, *Interim Dean*

Nicole Marie Frusciante

Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering

Terese M. Wignot, *Interim Dean*

* Hussain Ali Alqahtani

Naif Alzahrani

BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

The College of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences

Thomas J. Baldino, *Interim Dean*

English

* Anne Elizabeth Mason

Integrative Media

Anna Decker

Political Science

Scott A. Zeigler

The School of Education

Rhonda A. Waskiewicz, *Interim Dean*

Elementary Education

* Ariel Anne Miller, *Cum Laude*

Elementary & Early Childhood Education

^{11,12} Nicole Scharpnick, *Summa Cum Laude*

* Degree in Absentia

¹¹ Kappa Delta Pi

¹² Candidate for Pennsylvania Teacher Certification

BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

The College of Science and Engineering

Terese M. Wignot, *Interim Dean*

Biology

Poorva A. Chiddarwar

Electrical Engineering

Kevin P. Bly
Kevin Kosik

Andrew Paski

Engineering Management

* Fawaz Abdulrahman Damanhori

Environmental Engineering

Christopher James Kemple

Mechanical Engineering

* Robert Bradley DuBoice
Taylor Matthew Moore-Jacobs

Michael Sawka
Dustin Paul Stough

BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

The Jay S. Sidhu School of Business and Leadership

Jeffrey R. Alves, *Dean*

Business Administration

- Alexandra Nicole Chando
Bernard Joseph Kuprionas, *Cum Laude*
⁶ Alexis Wilkinson
- ⁶ Tanya N. Willis, *Summa Cum Laude*
* Lucyna Witek, *Magna Cum Laude*

Finance

- * Fares M. Kamal

Management

- *⁶ Daniel Judge, *Cum Laude*
Finance, Second Major

The School of Nursing

Deborah A. Zbegner, *Interim Dean*

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| Ashley Bacher | Katherine Ashley Kuber |
| Keith Thomas Bast | Daniel Joseph Ludwig |
| Nicholas Conte | Kelly Lyn Pitten |
| Lauren Ann Fike | Lyndsay Shook |
| Marc A. Francola | Nina Marie Sparacino |
| Justin Gentile, <i>Cum Laude</i> | Jennifer Suprick |
| Michaelene Gongliewski | Jordan Roland Trygar |
| Alyxandra Mary Howard | Jamie Lee Wilcox |
| Jill Leah Jurosky | Courtney Zampetti |

Scholarly Societies and Special Designations

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

The University Mace and Presidential Chain of Office

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

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

The University Mace

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

The Presidential Chain of Office

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

AMERICA, THE BEAUTIFUL

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

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

Words by Katherine Lee Bates

Music by Samuel A. Ward

ALMA MATER

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

Words and Music by Eleanor C. Farley

*A reception for graduates and their families will be held in the Ballroom of the
Henry Student Center immediately following the ceremony.*