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COMMENCEMENT
YOUNGSTOWN STATE UNIVERSITY

SATURDAY, AUGUST SIXTEENTH
TWO THOUSAND AND THREE
TEN O'CLOCK, BEEGHLY CENTER

Youngstown State University—An Innovative Educational Leader

Founded in 1908, Youngstown State University originally served 160 students with about a dozen faculty members and provided expanded educational opportunity for all people—store clerks and factory managers, steel industry workers, newly arrived immigrants, women and men, and both part-time and full-time learners.

This progressive spirit guided the development of the institution as it evolved from a YMCA technical institute, later as Youngstown College (1928), then as Youngstown University (1955) and, in 1967, as Youngstown State University, a member of the Ohio public higher education system.

Today, Youngstown State University is a leading comprehensive university, serving more than 12,000 full- and part-time students with 100 undergraduate programs, 30 master's degree programs and a doctorate in education. There are more than 360 full-time and part-time faculty and 662 professional and support staff members in seven colleges and schools.

In partnership with schools and the corporate and non-profit communities, Youngstown State University promotes diversity and excellence in teaching, research, and service to increase the educational attainment and economic and environmental vitality of the region.

Throughout its 95-year history, Youngstown State University has been cited as an innovative educational leader. It has also been recognized through numerous awards—both in academics and athletics—as one of the best urban, public, comprehensive universities in the United States.

The graduates that we celebrate today who have earned associate, bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees is each a YSU Success Story. They join more than 75,000 outstanding alumni members across the nation and around the world.

Alma Mater

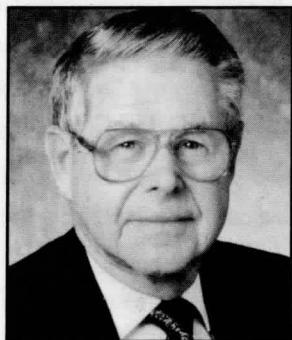
All hail to thee, O Youngstown,
Our Alma Mater fair;
In sunlight and starshine
We see thee in all thy glory.
The Red and the White, thy glorious colors,
Ever we praise and hold them
High to the breeze as the symbol of our
Most loyal allegiance.
This anthem, O Youngstown,
Our pledge of trust shall be
That thy sons and daughters
Shall keep faith with thee forever.

PROGRAM

PRELUDE	"Stars and Stripes Forever March" John Philip Sousa YSU Symphonic Wind Ensemble Dr. Stephen Gage, YSU Director of Bands, College of Fine and Performing Arts
ACADEMIC PROCESSIONAL	"Suite #1 in Eb Major" by Gustav Holst "Pomp and Circumstance" from March No. 1 by Edward Elgar "March Processional" by Clare Grundman
WELCOME	David C. Sweet President
NATIONAL ANTHEM	Kelly Hutchinson Graduating Senior, Dana School of Music, College of Fine and Performing Arts
STUDENT REFLECTION	Karen M. Gourley Graduate Candidate, Master of Science in Nursing, Bitonte College of Health and Human Services
INTRODUCTION OF TRUSTEES	President Sweet
GREETINGS AND INTRODUCTION OF THE SPEAKER; PRESENTATION OF FRANK C. WATSON TO RECEIVE THE DEGREE HONORARY DOCTOR OF SCIENCE	Chander M. Kohli Chairperson, Board of Trustees
ADDRESS	Frank C. Watson YSU Alumni Society's 2003 Distinguished Citizen Award Recipient
MUSICAL SELECTION	"Tribute to Irving Berlin" arr. by Warren Barker
RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES ATTAINING UNIVERSITY HONORS	Tony Atwater Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
CONFERRING OF DEGREES	President Sweet
PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES	Philip Ginnetti, on behalf of the School of Graduate Studies and Research Robert Bolla, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences Betty Jo Licata, Dean of the Williamson College of Business Administration Philip Ginnetti, Dean of the Beeghly College of Education Cynthia S. Hirtzel, Dean of the William Rayen College of Engineering and Technology George E. McCloud, Dean of the College of Fine and Performing Arts John J. Yemma, Dean of The Dr. Dominic A. and Helen M. Bitonte College of Health and Human Services
WELCOME FROM YSU ALUMNI SOCIETY	Pat Billett President, YSU Alumni Society
CLOSING REMARKS	President Sweet
ALMA MATER	Ms. Hutchinson
RECESSIONAL	"The Liberty Bell March" by John Philip Sousa "The National Emblem March" by E. E. Bagley
COLLEGE RECEPTIONS	Kilcawley Center, Chestnut Room

Dr. Chander M. Kohli, Chairperson of the Board of Trustees, and Provost Atwater will invest Mr. Watson with the hood.
The audience is asked to be seated after the singing of the Alma Mater and to remain seated during the recessional.
Photographs requiring the use of flash equipment may not be taken while exercises are in progress.

Commencement Speaker and Candidate for the Degree Honorary Doctor of Science



Frank C. Watson

The YSU Alumni Society is honored to have the opportunity to name Frank C. Watson the Distinguished Citizen of the Year for 2003. The Distinguished Citizen Award is the highest mark of distinction of Youngstown State

University and has become a cherished tradition over its twenty-two year existence.

Frank Watson is well known to the Mahoning Valley as a successful businessperson, an energetic and creative community leader, and a generous supporter of a wide range of community activities and services.

A native of Webster, New York, Frank served with the U. S. Navy in the Pacific during WWII. After the war, when veterans on the GI Bill flocked to college campuses, Frank was able to enroll at Youngstown University in the fall of 1946. He graduated with an engineering degree in 1949 and went to work for his uncle at the Youngstown Welding and Engineering Company. Frank assumed the presidency in 1959, and the business thrived. He retired from the company in 1988 and served as city manager of Canfield from 1989 to 1991.

Mr. Watson has served the business and professional communities in a number of capacities. He has been a director of the Dollar Savings and Trust (1964-94); Ohio Bancorp (1985-94); and Ohio Edison Co. (1974-94); a trustee of the Youngstown Hospital Association (1968-80); a member of the Canfield Local School District Board of Education (1967-75); and past president of the Youngstown Area Chamber of Commerce (1964-65).

Frank Watson's continuing loyalty to his alma mater has been unstinting. In 1977, he served as

chair of the campaign for the University's All-Sports Complex, which raised \$16 million for the construction of Stambaugh Stadium. From 1978 to 1987, Frank served on YSU's Board of Trustees. An original member of the YSU Foundation's Board, he continues to serve in that capacity today.

Frank Watson and his wife Norma have been steady and generous supporters of Youngstown State University for over 30 years. The Stambaugh Stadium campaign, the YSU Foundation, the Watson Sports Media Center, and the Scholarship Loge program are just a few of the projects that have benefited from their contribution of time, talent, and resources.



The Commencement Student Speaker

Karen M. Gourley, today's student speaker, is graduating with a Master of Science in Nursing specializing in nurse anesthesia. She receives her degree through a collaboration between Youngstown State University and St. Elizabeth School for Nurse Anesthetists, Inc.



Karen M. Gourley

Ms. Gourley graduated summa cum laude from the University of Cincinnati College of Nursing with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. She has since worked in several capacities, including Level II obstetrics special care, specializing in high-risk pregnancies, and Level I surgical intensive care.

A member of the advisory board for the YSU/St. Elizabeth program, Ms. Gourley is certified in advanced cardiac life support, basic life support, and pediatric advanced life support.

CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

Because the list of candidates had to be prepared in advance, it is tentative. The diploma, together with a certified transcript, is the proof of graduation.

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES AND RESEARCH

Doctor of Education

Joseph David Latess, BS, MEd
Slippery Rock University
Educational Leadership
Teachers' and Parents' Viewpoints of the Connection Between Standards Implementation and Student Assessment Performance at One Suburban High School

Phillip J. Latessa, BS in Ed, MA
Kent State University
Educational Leadership
Game or Gain? An Examination of Sports Wagering and the Effects on the Challenges to the Educational Institution of High School Football in the Mahoning Valley



Master of Arts

Brian Keith Brown, AB
Grove City College
English

Elizabeth Ann Butters, BA
Wayne State College
English

Thesis: *The Effect of Societal Duties on Women Writers/Artists: Kate Chopin, Mary Cassatt, Etiquette, & Fashion*

Jennie Holloway Dennison-Budak, BA
Hiram College
English

Christopher Gregory Ellis, Jr., AB
Dartmouth College
Economics

Joshua Lennard Foster, AB
Youngstown State University
History

Brian Patrick Hall, BA
Mount Union College
English

Thesis: *Seeing What We Watch: The Visual Rhetoric of Film Posters*

Edward Albert Kocis, BS
Gannon University
Economics

Raymond James Krohn, BA
John Carroll University
History

Alyssa Jo Lenhoff, BS
Northwestern University
English

Kristina Marie Martinez-Murphy, AB
Youngstown State University
History

Jennifer M. Moore, AB
Youngstown State University
History

Michael David Murphy, AB
Youngstown State University
History

Roseanne Marie Roseck, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
English

Elizabeth Brooks Sailor, AB
Westminster College
English
Thesis: *An Empirical Survey of L1 English Writers and L2 Japanese Writers*

Cuihong Wen, BA
Siping Normal University
Economics

Michael Anthony Wilson, BSBA
Youngstown State University
Economics

Master of Business Administration

Jacqueline Adair, BS
Youngstown State University
General

Michael Jude Alexander, BSBA
Youngstown State University
Management

Donald C. Colvin, II, BS
Ohio Northern University
General

Michele Lauren Dolenic, AB
Youngstown State University
General

Margaret E. Edwards, BA
Bowling Green State University
General

Jeremy Robert Gatto, BA
The Pennsylvania State University
General

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES AND RESEARCH *(continued)*

Chin-Feng Chen Herrod, BSBA
Kent State University
General

Jennifer Lynn Johnson, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
General

Michael James Kapics, BSBA
Youngstown State University
General

Therese C. McShea, BA
The Pennsylvania State University
Executive

Michael John Pernicano, AB
Wayne State College
General

Kathryn Ann Rimedio, BS
University of Dayton
Management

Christopher B. Thorndike, BS
Michigan State University
Marketing

Todd Michael Williams, BE
Youngstown State University
Management

Master of Health & Human Services

Thomas Edward Knoske, BSAS
Youngstown State University
Health & Human Services
Thesis: *The Relationship of FIMS Scores and Quality of Life in Post Long Term Ventilator Dependent Patients Who Are Discharged From a Rehabilitation Setting*

Master of Music

Michael Shawn Cervone, AB
Youngstown State University
Performance

Ronald Eugene Coulter, BM
Youngstown State University
Performance

Michael Leroy Kelly, Jr., BM
Youngstown State University
Performance
Thesis: *A Survey, Historical Perspective, and Analysis of Traditional Bank Literature*

Hyun Jin Kim, BM
Myong Ji University
Performance

Master of Science

Brian James DelFraino, BS
Youngstown State University
Chemistry

Daniel Allen Landfried, BS
Miami University
Chemistry

Min Lu, BE
Xidian University
Mathematics

Elizabeth Ann MacDonald, BS
The Pennsylvania State University
Criminal Justice

Seraffin O. Okello, AB
Youngstown State University
Criminal Justice

Pamela Lynn Pannozzo, AB
Youngstown State University
Biology
Thesis: *Social Monitoring Reinforces Social Dominance Relationships in Brown Capuchin Monkeys (Cebus apella)*

Amanda V. Pearson, BA
Cheyney University
Criminal Justice
Thesis: *A Manual for Planning and Implementing a Drug Court*

Julia Elizabeth Sable, BS
Youngstown State University
Biological Sciences
Thesis: *A Novel Mitochondrial DNA Replication Intermediate in the Yeast Saccharomyces cerevisiae*

Samer Mohammed Saleh, BS
Youngstown State University
Biology

Rapunzel Melisa Stephens, BS
Youngstown State University
Criminal Justice

Nancy Lynn Tipple, BSAS
Youngstown State University
Criminal Justice

Nicole Renee Toth, BS
Youngstown State University
Biology
Thesis: *Bone Marrow Reconstitution of an Immunodeficient Mouse Model*

Matthew August Williams, BS
Mount Union College
Criminal Justice

Master of Science in Education

Scott Charles Baker, BA
University of Dayton
Counseling

Gail A. Barnhart, BA
Mount Union College
Master Teacher - Elementary, Middle Grades

Kathleen Marie Benson, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Educational Administration

Michelle Lynn Berg, BA
John Carroll University
Master Teacher - Elementary, Early Childhood Education

Christine Michele Bero, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Educational Administration

Alice S. Bicudo, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Master Teacher - Secondary, Educational Technology

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES AND RESEARCH *(continued)*

Kristen M. Bins-Castronovo, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Master Teacher - Elementary,
Curriculum

Tamara S. Brown, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Educational Administration

Rebecca Lucik Brugler, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Master Teacher - Elementary,
Curriculum

Dayna Marie Buckley, BS in Ed
Slippery Rock University
Master Teacher - Elementary, Early
Childhood Education

Sh'Annon Jennelle Caldwell, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Educational Administration

Gary R. Carkido, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Educational Administration

Melissa Cathleen Carl, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Master Teacher - Elementary,
Middle Grades

Lois Jean Cavucci, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Educational Administration

William Steven Christofil, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Educational Administration

Salina Covington, AB
Youngstown State University
Counseling

Heather Ann Crum, BS in Ed
Kent State University
Master Teacher - Elementary, Reading
Specialist (PreK-12)

Denise P. Cunningham, AB
Youngstown State University
Counseling

Debra Lee Danyi, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Master Teacher - Elementary, Early
Childhood Education

Deborah Lynn Deafenbaugh, BS in Ed
Slippery Rock University
Master Teacher - Special Education,
Gifted & Talented Education
Specialist

Tracy Lynn DeLuca, BS in Ed
Kent State University
Master Teacher - Elementary, Reading
Specialist (PreK-12)

Lisa Anne Dotson, BA in Ed
Hiram College
Master Teacher - Elementary, Reading
Specialist (PreK-12)

Dawn Corinne Eaton, BS in Ed
Kent State University
Master Teacher - Elementary, Reading
Specialist (PreK-12)

Andrea F. Fabrizio, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Master Teacher - Elementary, Early
Childhood Education

Robert Ray Fick, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Educational Administration

Diane L. Fimognari, BSBA
Youngstown State University
Counseling

Samantha Rae Fisher, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Special Education

Cara Lee Florie, BS in Ed
Clarion University of Pennsylvania
Master Teacher - Elementary,
Reading Specialist (PreK-12)

Kristin Mae Floyd, BS in Ed
Kent State University
Master Teacher - Elementary,
Reading Specialist (PreK-12)

Walter Scott Ford, Jr., BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Master Teacher - Secondary,
Curriculum

Catherine Lynn Gebhardt, BS in Ed
Kent State University
Master Teacher - Elementary,
Reading Specialist (PreK-12)

William Toby Gibson, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Educational Administration

Jaclyn Prizant Gordon, BS in Ed
University of Wisconsin
Master Teacher - Secondary,
Educational Technology

Erica Sue Guerrier, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Educational Administration

Vicky L. Hargreaves, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Master Teacher - Elementary,
Middle Grades

Susan C. Herpy, BS in Ed
Ashland University
Master Teacher - Elementary,
Reading Specialist (PreK-12)

Stephen Joseph Hlaudy, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Master Teacher - Secondary,
Curriculum

Christina Lee Holden, BS in Ed
Edinboro University of
Pennsylvania
Master Teacher - Elementary,
Reading Specialist (PreK-12)

Robin Lee Holden, BS in Ed
Edinboro University of
Pennsylvania
Master Teacher - Elementary,
Reading Specialist (PreK-12)

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES AND RESEARCH *(continued)*

Cheryl L. Jablonski, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Master Teacher - Elementary,
Reading Specialist (PreK-12)

Trude Lynn Karley, BS in Ed
University of Akron
Master Teacher - Elementary,
Reading Specialist (PreK-12)

Andrea Kay Kightlinger, BS
Edinboro University of
Pennsylvania
Master Teacher - Elementary,
Curriculum

Sarah Elizabeth Kirkbride, BS
Ashland University
Educational Administration

Kari Michelle Knight, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Educational Administration

Taryn Marie Kohler, BA
Ohio State University
Counseling

Stephanie Ann Krivan, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Master Teacher - Elementary,
Curriculum

Tina Marie Kubacki, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Master Teacher - Secondary,
Curriculum

Jayne Alice Lieberman, BS in Ed
Kent State University
Educational Administration

Yvonne Marie Lipinsky, BS
Youngstown State University
Master Teacher - Special
Education, Gifted & Talented
Education Specialist

Christina Sue Long, AB
Youngstown State University
Counseling

Anne M. McBriarty, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Educational Administration

Lisa Loren McQuoid, BS in Ed
Baldwin Wallace College
Educational Administration

Lisa Marie Nugent, BA
Lake Erie College
Master Teacher - Elementary, Reading
Specialist (PreK-12)

Jodie Renae Pape, BS in Ed
Edinboro University of
Pennsylvania
Master Teacher - Elementary, Reading
Specialist (PreK-12)

Anthony Frederick Pasanen, Jr., BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Educational Administration

Harriet T. Perantinides, AB
Youngstown State University
Counseling

Paul Richard Phillips, II, BS in Ed
Kent State University
Master Teacher - Secondary, Curriculum

Judith A. Poulter, BS in Ed
Kent State University
Master Teacher - Elementary, Reading
Specialist (PreK-12)

Nadia Prisuta, BA
Washington & Jefferson College
Master Teacher - Secondary, Curriculum

Marcella A. Pulca, BA
Kent State University
Master Teacher - Elementary, Reading
Specialist (PreK-12)

Lisa M. Ray, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Master Teacher - Elementary, Reading
Specialist (PreK-12)

Lisa M. Richmond, BS in Ed
Kent State University
Educational Administration

William Ralph Ricker, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Master Teacher - Elementary,
Reading Specialist (PreK-12)

Nicole Deanna Ruggles, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Special Education

Penelope Ann Sanchez, BS in Ed
Emmaus Bible College
Master Teacher - Elementary,
Reading Specialist (PreK-12)

Janis Lynn Sanfrey, BA
Bethany College
Master Teacher - Secondary, French

Karen J. Shellito, AB
Youngstown State University
Master Teacher - Elementary,
Reading Specialist (PreK-12)

Anita Kari Shuster, BA
Carlow College
Special Education

Emily Susanne Sipe, AB
Mount Union College
Master Teacher - Elementary,
Middle Grades

Jennifer Ashley Smith, BA
Michigan State University
Master Teacher - Secondary, French

James C. Snyder, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Educational Administration

Bonnie J. Sovik, AB
Youngstown State University
Master Teacher - Elementary,
Reading Specialist (PreK-12)

Laurel G. Stephenson, BS in Ed
Penn State
Educational Administration

Jamie Lee Szalai, BS
Ohio University
Master Teacher - Elementary,
Reading Specialist (PreK-12)

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES AND RESEARCH *(continued)*

Janice Lee Timonere, BS in Ed
Miami University
Master Teacher - Elementary,
Reading Specialist (PreK-12)

Veronica Anne Titus, BS
Allegheny College
Educational Administration

Diana Louise Vrabel, BS in Ed
Youngstown State University
Master Teacher - Elementary,
Curriculum

Deborah Ann Walker, BS in Ed
Kent State University
Educational Administration

Charlene L. Walton, BS in Ed
Kent State University
Master Teacher - Special
Education, Early Childhood
Special Education

Amanda Marie Zion, BS in Ed
Malone College
Master Teacher - Elementary,
Curriculum

Master of Science in Engineering

Dayna A. Brown, BE
Youngstown State University
Civil/Environmental & Chemical
Engineering

James Edward Conway, Jr., BSAS
Youngstown State University
Industrial & Systems Engineering

Mohammad Faizan, BE
Aligarh Muslim University
Civil/Environmental & Chemical
Engineering

*Thesis: An Investigation of Copper
Dissolution and Formation of
Intermetallic Compound During
Soldering*

Robert Andrew Frank, BS
Kent State University
Industrial & Systems Engineering

Kelley Ann Gallagher, BE
Youngstown State University
Industrial & Systems Engineering

Susheel R. Kolwalkar, BE
M H Saboo Siddik College of
Engineering
Civil/Environmental & Chemical
Engineering

Margaret M. Oswald, BSEE
University of Washington
Electrical & Computer Engineering

William Earl Ruggles, BE
Youngstown State University
Civil/Environmental & Chemical
Engineering

Steven M. Savich, BD
Youngstown State University
Civil/Environmental & Chemical
Engineering

Humera Ghauri Zaheer, BS
University of Engineering &
Technology
Mechanical Engineering

Master of Science in Nursing

Howard L. Albin, Jr., BSN
Indiana University Northwest
Nursing

Derrick Joseph Curzi, BSN
Florida International University
Nursing

Elaine Jean Edwards, BSN
The Pennsylvania State University
Nursing

Stacey Lynn Fowler, BSN
Anderson University
Nursing

Yeeny Gonzalez, BSN
Florida International University
Nursing

Karen Marie Gourley, BSN
University of Cincinnati
Nursing
*Thesis: A comparison of
Rocuronium, Lidocaine and
Lidocaine/Rocuronium in
combination in the prevention
and/or Reduction of Postopera-
tive myalgia and Fasciculations
following succinylcholine
Administration*

Mark Allen Lang, BSN
Kent State University
Nursing

Maureen Ann Lenza, BSN
University of Nebraska
Medical Center School of
Nursing

Brian Keith Norcia, BSN
Malone College
Nursing

Joseph Daniel Ogden, BSN
Youngstown State University
Nursing

Sherri Lyn Pesce, BSN
Youngstown State University
Nursing

Corrine R. Sallaz, BSN
Youngstown State University
Nursing

SUMMER 2003
BACCALAUREATE DEGREE HONORS

Because the list of candidates for graduation honors had to be prepared in advance, it is tentative. The diploma, together with a certified transcript, is the proof of graduation with honors.

Summa Cum Laude

Janet M. Heltzel
Christopher Douglas Jones
Michelle Lyn Long
Maura Lynn Maloney
Stacie Ann Markel

Dominic Anthony Mastropietro, III
Diane Josephine Maytas-Long
Derek Thomas McIntyre
Tiffany Helene Mohn
Gabrielle Elise Moore
Steven Michael Mowry

Steve Jason Podgorscak
Rebecca Jo Thomas
Morgan Kristen Trimacco
Samantha Rose Vennetti
Chrystyna S. Zellers

Magna Cum Laude

Catherine Ann Arendas
Octavia Bleahu
Alyse Marie Clare
Maria Diane Colaianni
Shelby Renae Derringer
Richelle Duris
Cristina Elizabeth Heim

Vanessa Lauren-Marie Ho
Kimberly Anne Kocher
Candice Elaine Konya
Christina Lee Lobinger
Melissa A. Marrie
Jeffrey Daniel Martin
Christan Patrick Pascarella

Laura Dianne Postma
Larrie Drew Puraty
Susan M. Schudel
Darlene Ray Small
Amber M. Stout
Stephen Albert Taraszewski
Emily Anne Voye

Cum Laude

Fatimah Alhashem
Amanda M. Beagle
Marissa Lauren Bell
Melissa Anne Berardinelli
Jared Michael Bibbee
Michele Lee Boerio-Lorubbio
Ronald Arthur Cunningham
Amy Elizabeth DeLisio
Sarah Louise Dickey
Christian Sinclair Dillingham
Kristie L. Eichhorn

Loretta Shanele Freeman
Martha Elizabeth Garritano
Roger E. Gasser, III
Kelly Lynn Geisel
Angelo Gentile, Jr.
Jill Suzanne Kinsey
Jennifer Lynn Kirkwood
Jeremy Dayton Lockard
Toni Rose Lombardozi
Tracey Y. Murray

Sharon Roberta Nelson
Angela Marie Numbers
Robin J. Patterson-Walsh
Megan Rebecca Rust
Patrick John Sculli
Jamie Lynn Smith
Timothy M. Styranec
Tami Marie Volpini
Kristina Marie Weaver
Amy Janis Webber

ASSOCIATE DEGREE HONORS

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With Honors

Sandra Lynn Eidam
Randy R.E. McGirr



SUMMER 2003 HONORS PROGRAM GRADUATES

Melissa Hughes
Chemistry/English
*Orality in the Academic Novel: Sex
and Personal Expression*

Vanessa Ho
Chemistry
*Characterization of 2-Amino-3-
Carboxymuconate Semialdehyde
Decarboxylase (ACMSD)*

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES

Because the list of candidates had to be prepared in advance, it is tentative. The diploma, together with a certified transcript, is the proof of graduation.

Associate in Applied Science

Carolyn Antalocy
Amy E. Gonda

Associate in Arts

Lori DeNiro
Charles James Edmonds
Karen Jean Jackson
William L. Jones

Bachelor of Arts

Tanya Tunish Anderson
Zain Sulieman Awadallah
Maureen Mari Barnes
Wayne Alan Bartholomew
Gerald Guy Benson
Lisa Mary Bloomberg
Michele Lee Boerio-Lorubbio
Paul C. Brenner
Mackensey Kelene Brush
Eric A. Brzezinski
Daniel Christopher Colucci
David Michael Devereux
Dominic Louis DiRubba
Alyson Grace Eggleston
Joshua David English
David Thomas Farragher
Erin Elizabeth Fentress
Amy Irene Flick
Kristina Marie Fluharty
Christopher Robert Frangos
Christy Diane Frost
Benjamin James Garner
Lindsay Lee Gartland
Angelo Gentile, Jr.
Clifford H. Hayes
Dennis Andrew Hill
Melissa Marie Hughes
Melissa Christina Johnson

Yuho Kim
Jason Michael Lehman
Christina Lee Lobinger
Adrienne Longo
Melissa A. Marrie
Megan Jane McKenzie
Anthony Robert Meek
Nancy Elizabeth Merrick
Tiffany Helene Mohn
George Paul Pappas
Nicole Marie Pascarella
Robin J. Patterson-Walsh
Steve Jason Podgorscak
Kathleen Ann Hyatt Richter
Danielle Suzanne Ross
Elizabeth Anne Salcedo
Susan M. Schudel
Tyler Seeger
Sarah L. Sepanek
Craig Allen Smith
Timothy Michael Taggart
Jamie Paul Trina
Nicole Michele Tyler
Shawn Clifford VanHuss
Samantha Rose Vennetti
Megan Marie Wilks
Marlon Daunte DeShaun Williamson
David Vincent Wloch
James Wesley Young
Francine Ann Zelenak
Brad C. Ziegler

Bachelor of Science

Dawn Kelley Amolsch
Robert J. Augustinsky, III
Robert James Ault
Sarah Elizabeth Bye
David George Egner
Erik J. Hall

Vanessa Lauren-Marie Ho
Ellsworth Lee Holcomb
Yelena Edria Kier
Kevin Taylor Mamula
Robin J. Patterson-Walsh
Larrie Drew Puraty
Jeanne Nicole Sabula
Tanna Marie Sebrell
Kathleen Marie Vrable-Bryan
Nazim Abdul Wahab

Bachelor of Science in Applied Science

Dawn Kelley Amolsch
Justin Frank Bastin
Marissa Lauren Bell
Jared Michael Bibbee
William Mark Brammer
Eric A. Brzezinski
Blake Copenhaver
Anthony Albert Costello
Kristin Marie Forbush
Angela L. Caro Franklin
Brian Joseph Gaps
Michael E. Hiet, Jr.
Andrew Richard Kuboff
Robert Edward Liptak
Erinn P. Lynn
Mark T. Marcis
Jesse Joseph Miralia
Sharon Roberta Nelson
Jack D. Nichelson
Brendan Dean Oliver
Jason J. Pero
Marc David Pietro
Stephen Albert Taraszewski
Jerrod Gregory Vastag
Jonathan D. Wenning

WILLIAMSON COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Associate in Arts

Tammy Rene' Brown
Carmen Paul Chicone, III
Richard Arman Dascenzo, Jr.

Rebecca Jean Hively
Speranza G. Rongone
Elizabeth Valerie Shank

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

Neida A. Abu-Hashim
Nadia Ahmed

WILLIAMSON COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION *(continued)*

Jason James Altobelli
Holly L. Ambrose
Jeffrey A. Andrella
Heath Allen Baker
Rhonda Lynn Baker
Christopher Adam Bartolomucci
Kenneth E. Baun
Sheila Marie Bowman
David Michael Brill
Maximilian Lamphier Burton
Joseph J. Cassese
Daniel Vladimir Chernyak
Alyse Marie Clare
Gianni Anthony Colaizzi
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Academic Regalia and Ceremony

The gowns, hoods, and caps worn in academic ceremonies today are relics of those worn in medieval times by students and professors. Probably the gowns and hoods were worn for warmth in the unheated halls where lectures were delivered. From the sixteenth century on, somber black garb became the norm, and it is primarily in the hoods worn in academic processions today that the medieval academic pageantry is retained.

The hoods representing graduate degrees granted by various colleges and universities have linings (turned to exhibit their hues to the fullest advantage) in the colors of the granting institutions. In addition, the facing of the hood represents by its color the discipline in which the degree has been granted: white for arts, letters or humanities; golden yellow for science; purple for law; green for medicine; lemon yellow for library science; orange for engineering; olive for commerce or business; light blue for education; pink for music; brown for fine arts; apricot for nursing; dark blue for philosophy; scarlet for theology; citron for social work; sage green for physical education.

There are different opinions about the origin of the caps worn in academic ceremonies. One view is that the "mortar board" is in actuality adapted from the wooden square used by masons. Another is that it stems from the ecclesiastical or clerical head covering of the medieval period.

There is something of the same adherence to tradition in commencement processions that exists in academic garb, although each institution



has the right to adapt the ceremony to its own requirement. The faculty leads the line of march followed by the candidates for degrees. Then follow the chief marshals, the president, speaker, trustees, deans, and other members of the party to be seated on the platform.

Recipients of University Honors receive golden honor cords placed around the shoulders. University Scholars wear a specially minted medallion on a red ribbon to denote their academic achievement.

The Presidential Medallion

President Sweet wears a one-of-a-kind medallion that bears an embossment of the Youngstown State University seal on each of the small elements and on the large central piece. On the back of the central medallion are engraved the names of the University's five past presidents and Dr. Sweet.

The presidential medallion was designed and created out of sterling and bronze by Wendell August Forge of Grove City, Pennsylvania. Dr. Sweet is the first president to wear this medallion.

The Youngstown State University Seal

The University's official seal was adopted in 1936. Designed by a student, the seal includes a torch, quills, wings, a globe, and the Latin words *animus liberatus*. In simple terms, those words summarize the transformation—or liberation—that occurs on this campus countless times each day. In English, they are translated *The Mind Freed*, or *The Spirit Freed*.