Undergraduate Commencement

Youngstown State University

SATURDAY, MAY EIGHTEENTH
TWO THOUSAND AND THIRTEEN
TEN O'CLOCK, BEEGHLY CENTER

THE UNIVERSITY CEREMONIAL MACE

Silver Casting of State Seal (side 2)
Polished golden highlights.
Cast in Art Department foundry.

– Silver Ceremonial Disk of Trust

Silver Casting of University Seal (side 1)
Polished golden highlights.
Cast in Art Department foundry.

Silver Inverted Pyramid
Represents the chalice of achievement, service
and self sacrifice.

Illustrations of the four University Core Values – Etched in silver-plated copper.

Each side of the pyramid has different illustrated core-values illustrations created by graduate of Art Department.

THE UNIVERSITY CEREMONIAL MACE

The ceremonial mace has its roots in ancient Rome. During the Middle Ages, the two types of maces—one a scepter and symbol of royal authority, the other a weapon—gradually evolved into a symbol of lawful power and regal authority. Beginning in fourteenth-century Europe, the academic mace became part of the pomp and ceremony of university commencements, denoting the authority of the University to confer academic degrees.

The Youngstown State University mace was designed and crafted by a collaborative team that included YSU faculty, students, alumni, and area K-12 art educators under the leadership of YSU professor Greg Moring.

—Bronze Flames of Knowledge that heat the Forge of Learning Forging the learning environments of the future.

Forging the learning environments of the future, forging learning communities.

Designed and cast by area K-12 art educator.

Polished Rosewood Upper Grip

Cast Silver Globus

Represents the President's role as protector of the Core Values and leadership of the University community.

Designed and cast by area K-12 art educator.

- Polished Rosewood Lower Grip

Cast Silver Floral Forms -

Represents petals of the scarlet carnation, the state flower of Ohio. The carnation has the meaning of 'admiration,' 'love,' and 'gratitude.'

· Cast Bronze Finial

Symbolizes the collective philosophical values of the University.
Designed and cast by area K-12 art educator.

PROGRAM

PRELUDE	"Stars and Stripes Forever March" by John Philip Sousa YSU Wind Ensemble Dr. Stephen L. Gage, Director of Bands/Professor of Music Dana School of Music, College of Fine and Performing Arts
	"Suite #1 in Eb Major: I. Chaconne and III. March" by Gustav Holst "Pomp and Circumstance" from March No. I by Sir Edward Elgar/arr. Grundman "March Processional" by Clare Grundman
WELCOME	Dr. Cynthia E. Anderson President
COLOR GUARD	The Youngstown State University Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps
NATIONAL ANTHEM	Professor of Voice, Soprano, Dana School of Music
STUDENT REFLECTION	
PRESIDENT'S REMARKS	President Anderson
	President Anderson
GREETINGS AND REMARKS	Dr. Sudershan Garg Chair of the Board of Trustees
INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER	President Anderson
COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS	
MUSICAL SELECTION	
REMARKS AND PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES	
CONFERRING OF DEGREES	President Anderson
PRESENTATION OF EDWARD L. O'NEILL TO RECEIVE THE HONORARY DOCTOR OF ARTS DEGREEPresident Anderson	
Joseph Mosca, i	Charles Howell, Dean of the Beeghly College of Education Charles Howell, Dean of the Beeghly College of Education Bryan DePoy, Dean of the College of Fine and Performing Arts and Interim Dean of the School of Graduate Studies and Research Dean of the Dr. Dominic A. and Helen M. Bitonte College of Health and Human Services Shearle Furnish, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences in Abraham, Dean of the College of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
	OCIETY
CLOSING REMARKS	President Anderson
	From Symphony No. 1, by Johannes Brahms/arr. Fleming Dr. Yun
RECESSIONAL	"Liberty Bell March" by John Philip Sousa "Fairest of the Fair March" by John Philip Sousa "National Emblem March" by E.E. Bagley

The audience is asked to be seated after the singing of the Alma Mater and to remain seated during the Recessional. During this special ceremony, please be respectful of others and maintain a quiet atmosphere.

Sign language interpreters will be positioned in the upper northwest section of the gymnasium.

Commencement Speaker

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ACADEMIC PROCESSIONAL.....

WELCOME

COLOR GUARD......

NATIONAL ANTHEM

STUDENT REFLECTION.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS.....

Jay on ABC's Modern Family VIEWARKS AND REMARKS

YSU Wind Ensemble

President

.....Dr. Misook Yun

...... Mr. Lucas M. Politsky

......President Anderson

......President Anderson

Chair of the Board of Trustees

Too Ed O'Neill is an American actor. He is best known for his role as main character Al Bundy on the FOX Network's long-running sitcom, Married... with Children, and most recently for his role as Jay in ABC's hit series, Modern Family.

Born in Youngstown, Ohio, O'Neill attended Ursuline High School, Ohio University in Athens, Ohio, and Youngstown State University as a student. He was signed by the Pittsburgh Steelers (cut in training camp) and was a social studies teacher before becoming an actor. He has appeared in several movies, including The Bone Collector, Little Giants, Dutch, and the Wayne's World series to med, steel of view Blue and Deadwood. HAGIGUAD TO NOI

Bryan DePoy, Dean of the College of Fine and Performing Arts and

Shearle Furnish, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences Martin Abraham, Denn of the College of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics

.....President Anderson

ALMA MATER.......From Symphony No. 1, by Johannes Brahms/arr. Fleming

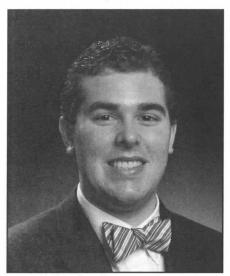
Dr. Yun

Aside from his characters on Married... with ATMI Children and Modern Family, O'Neill has had several other notable television roles. He was the reincarnation of Sergeant Joe Friday on Dick Wolf's brief remake of Jack Webb's classic TV crime series, Dragnet. Along with a recurring role as Baker (D-PA), who was considered a potential Vice Presidential candidate on the acclaimed NBC drama, The West Wing, O'Neill also played Detective Michael Mooney on David Milch's series for CBS, Big Apple, and a retired cop on the HBO series, John from Cincinnati, from the creator/producer of NYPD

CLOSING REMARKS

RECESSIONAL

Commencement Student Speaker



Luke Politsky

Luke Politsky is a native of Poland, Ohio, graduating from Poland Seminary High School in 2009. He entered Youngstown State University the following fall as a University Scholar majoring in chemistry, later transferring to the business college to major in management.

Luke was involved on campus through the University Scholars and the Scholar Trustees, in which he held the positions of communications officer, vice president, and president. Through these positions, he participated in various service projects, including Shantytown, Fall Festival with the Boys and Girls Club of Youngstown, and the annual YSU Phon-a-thon. Luke has been employed as a student assistant in the Honors Department and also served as a leader of YSU's Summer Honors Institute. He was a representative of the Williamson College of Business Administration in YSU's Student Government Association—where he served on the University Affairs Committee—and a member of the business college's Student Leadership Council.

Additionally, Luke is a member of Sigma Tau Gamma Fraternity, holding the position of sergeant-at-arms; Beta Gamma Sigma business honors society; and Phi Kappa Phi international honors society. His other services to the University include assisting as Pete the Penguin for special events and volunteering for the Office of Alumni and Events Management and the YSU Foundation.

Luke also serves his church, Holy Family Parish in Poland, as a member of its Parish Pastoral and Knights of Columbus councils and as the chair of the Liturgy Committee. Luke is active in Poland Schools, assisting with Poland Players productions and at varsity football games as a sound technician.

For his service to YSU and the community, Luke was one of the recipients of the YSU PIN Award this year. In the fall, he will be pursuing his Master of Business Administration degree at Youngstown State University and hopes to continue employment in higher education.

SPRING 2013 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

Alyvia Marie Allegretto Matthew Mohamed Azam Shawn David Bair Kripa Balaram Ashley Lynn Ballester Alec Andrew Beech Jason Daniel Berg Kayla Marie Boye Garrick Marcus Brant Nicolas Anthony Carbone Anthony Michael Cardiero Kelli L. Carney Jessica Lyn Casterline Klara Pei-Xian Chan Kendra Dalene Christy Adrianna Carmen Ciotola Lakisha Nicholle Clinkscale Jacquline Renee Clonch Joseph Robert Cochran Clay Thomas Colley Elizabeth Mae Cowgill Shelby Ruth Cunningham Cary Ware Dabney Randi Elizabeth Dangerfield Brian Thomas Darcy Kevin R. Day Danielle Maria DeChellis Nickolas J. DeKraker Daniel James DeLullo Travis Andrew Denmeade Shelby Alicia DeRubba Robert Russell DeVita Gary Anthony DiTullio Trevor Jay Donley Joshua Andrew Engle Michael R. Falcone Courtney Lynn Feezle Stacy Ann Fenstermaker

Michael Lee Flowers Callie Rae Garland Elyse Christine Gessler Emilie Paige Hall Mitchell Alan Hamidi Ciara Monét Haves Kelcie Anne Herberger Karly Lyn Herman Mark D. Higgins William Andrew Hill Amy Michele Kepple Denise A. Kolacz Bradley Walter Kolasinski Kaitlin Elizabeth Krossman George David Kubas Elaine Frances Kunzler Kayla Michael Landis Catherine Rose Lape Rachel Charity Lundberg Nicholas J. Mancuso Abigail Rose Margraff Holly Danielle Mate John Patrick McCabe Melanie Marie McGarrity Kayla Marie Mirabella Jason T. Mott Joseph Roland Musial Kenneth Lewis Mylar Yhashar Amon Nasseri Samantha Anne Nesnidol Cory Richard Okular Heidi Lynn Palipchak Pranay Vamsikrishna Pandrangi Kelly Ann Peppel Carley Marie Petch Katherine Marie Peterlin Cody Nathan Piskuran Carroll Lucas Mark Politsky

Rachel Marie Pontis Mark A. Radetić Haran Rajeswaran Stephen Michael Rakocy Karlee Ann Reader Joseph Donald Reedy Adam James Restifo Alyssa Connie Robbins Samuel Robert Benjamin Thomas Roberts Kaitlin Joy Rohrs Samantha Nicole Rovnak Stephanie Marie Ruozzo Jarrett Michael Scacchetti Anthony Mark Schiraldi **Iessica Ann Schmidt** Allison Michelle Sklenar Dana Jo Slencsak Kathleen Helen Smith Kevin Charles Snyder Rebecca Iane Soldan Julie Christine Sole Joseph Robert Stanek Erin R. Sturrus Aaron J. Sweeney Kirsten Mari Tayala Anthony Scott Taylor Atharva G. Thakore Mitchell Thomas Thornton Griffin Kaley Todd Andrew Curtis Wade Evan Drew Weaks Zachary Byron White Anthony Brian Williams Morgan C. Wynn Brittany Nicole Yeager Frank Joseph Zambrini III

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Magna Cum Laude

Brianna Grace Bailey Caitlin Nicole Beil Jenna Kimberly Bertolone Bret David Bole Brittany Leigh Boosinger Brandi Simone Brown Rachel M. Carr Latarsha Rochelle Carter-Robinson Kristen Lynn Cartwright Vincent Joseph Cavalier Nishani S. Cicilson Paul Ira Cornelius Martha Elizabeth Aguilar Crow Thelma Kaitlin Crowder Robert William Danks Raquel Lynn Davidson Ashlee Elizabeth Dawson Chelsea Marie DeAngelo Jacqueline Kyrene DeChant Nicole Ann DeLaurentis Kristina Maria Delco Stephanie Erin DelliGatti Brianne Nicole Ericsson Matthew D. Evans Jesse Allen Fairhurst Casey Joan Fitch Joshua Koehler Fowler Aubrey Ann Garland Makala Marie Gasparek Carly Ann Giancola Marc Anthony Gorvet Kyle Gerald Lloyd Guterba Yvonne Reneé Hajaj Timothy Maxim Hancher Sean Patrick Haughey Chelsie Nicole Hazenstab Casey Jo Hill

Gregory John Hillard Kenneth James Holt Erika Gail Hricik Jordan Marie Ingalls Tariq Haroon Ismail Elizabeth Artie John Nathan Craig Jones Salman Khan Amanda Katherine Kolacki Kellie Lynn Kollat John David Kubacki Kacey A. Kurtz Bronson Joe Lamoncha James B. Lingo Amanda Catherine Lukehart Domenico Alexander Marchionda Daniel Michael Mathews Shaan Mehta Kayla Marie Micco Christopher Edward Morgan Daniel W. O'Neal Cassandra Lynn Pantelis Ashley Elizabeth Parish Jennifer Pasvanis Ionathan Sean Patrick Angelo Jerome Pelini Katie Lynn Peoples Kelly A. Pero Keith Hodgson Petersen Elise Marie Petras Blaire Noelle Pezzuolo Melanie Marie Prelec Marina Pyatetsky Jacob Faiz Rafidi **James Steven Rice**

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Rachel Lynn Roberts Taylor Reneé Rogers Courtney Maria Ronghi Kristen Elizabeth Ruchtie Linda R. Rupchak Samantha Marie Russo Amanda Christine Sacco Phyllis Appugliese Schaab Sarah Elizabeth Scheidemantel Kayla Marie Schindler Richard Alan Schumacher Stephanie Nicole Sedall Zachary Alexander Sesonsky Lincoln Tyler Shaw Amber Rose Shrawder Bonnie Louise Siembieda Jamie Lynn Smith Joseph A. Speziale Stacey M. Suihkonen Paul Andrew Sujka Courtney Alison Swegan Robert G. Switka Laura A. Tharp James E. F. Toliver III Christina Louise Turner Anna Catherine Vietmeier Brianna Lee Vlaiku Daniel C. Voytko Annalise Ray Walkama Christopher Lee West Aaron Michael Womer Tara Nicole Yeager Zachary Andrew Yetmar Zachary Henry Zarzycki Craig Justin Ziobert Nicole Marie Zreliak

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Cum Laude

Blake Lamont Allen Alexis Katherine Allison Alex Anthony Antonucci Matthew Joseph Baldarelli Jonathon Edward Bezilla Krista Leanne Bittengle Keith Howard Born Robert Christopher Bovara Lindsay Marie Bowker Lisa K. Bowman Ashley Nicole Boyle **Jack Andrew Breegle** Nicholas John Brown Gregory Robert Buchheit Ashley Rebecca Buckner Mario James Cicchillo Karianne Cisek Joshua Adam Colla Jessica Marie Courtwright **Dustin Lucas Cover** David William Cox **Dustin Matthew Cramer** Theresa Elisabeth Culp Bryan Fagan Cunningham Adam Charles Davidson Leanna Marie DePizzo Sophia Maria Ann DiRusso Honggan Dong Iulianne Dundee Eric Steven Emerick Lauren Anne Fanfer Lauren Catherine Finnerty

Tina Louise Fox Margaret Eileen Gratz Amy Marie Gregory Brenda Lee Haines Michael C. Hando David Timothy Hartman Marcus Andrew Heath Jeffrey William Hinrichs Eric D. Mathias Hippley Joshua Lane Hodges Swathi Bindu Jallipalli Catherine Alice Jugenheimer Alexa Elizabeth Kensinger John Martin Leslie Jessica Renae Loar Jonathan Ryland Lomax Natalie Lynn LoSasso Alvin Chien Tien Lu Rebecca Elizabeth Luthern Megan Marie Maine Aaiza Nadeem Malik Kyle Patrick Marlin Paige Kathleen Marty Lauren Dawn Mauric Ellis Don McBride Katherine Ann McCullough Melissa Elizabeth Mitchell Kathryn Laura Sunshine Moran Faiza Munawar Sarah Anne Navarra **Iennifer Catherine Nolfi** Mark Edward Novotny

Nicole Patricia Novotny Tyler Nicholas O'Brien Michael Daniel O'Rourke Kristina L. Pallante Kristen Philen James Kenneth Pluchinsky III Amy Lynn Ponziani Eric William Porinchak Erianne R. Raib Kyle Richard Reilly Stephanie Ryan Reynolds Angelina Rosasco Alexis Kathryn Schlosser Julie Ann Seitz Elizabeth Christine Sepesy Charles Paul Sines Manveen Kaur Singh Christopher Dean Skinner Andrew John Skrinyer Megan Elizabeth Slattery Lindsay Rae Smith Hannah M. Snyder Whitney Esther Sommers Celine Reynoso Soriano Lindsey Marie St. Pierre Kacy Marie Standohar Jacob Michael Swank Tyler Joseph Vitullo Victoria Elizabeth Volpe Eleni Marie Vouvalis Renée Kathryn White Samantha Lynn Wilson

SPRING 2013 ASSOCIATE DEGREE HONORS

With High Honors

Keith S. Baker Diann Kay Barron Kathleen Harrington Bilchak Christopher M. Borsic Thomas Edward Clayton Joseph M. DeMarco Jeremy Lee Fox Trina Sue Miller

With Honors

Lauren Ashley Bevan Ariana Maria Caraballo Taylor Marie Dugan Richard Dean Girt III Ruth Ann Griffith Dawn Marie Headley David J. Hendrick Sarah Jane Kovalcik Brian Perry Leonard Anthony Joseph Maurer Molly Marie Mercurio Michael Harry Milhoan Sarah Marie Mitchell Jayce Russell Payne Marino Anthony Pellegrini Ja'Lyn Roma Russell Chelsea Lin Stitt Shienne Danielle Williams

SPRING 2013 HONORS PROGRAM GRADUATES

Samantha Atwood Biology Muscle Recovery After Exercise

Shawn Bair Chemical Engineering Excel Pinch Analysis and Design

Alec Beech History "We Shall Overcome": Mid-century Folk Music and its Most Influential Song

Bret Bole Mechanical Engineering Natural Gas Conversion of Internal Combustion Engine and Performance Analysis

Kayla Boye Professional Writing and Editing Grant Writing for the Performing Arts

Thelma Crowder Chemistry/Mathematics Application of Algebraic Symmetry Groups to Chemical Systems

Randi Dangerfield Chemistry Development of Arylsulfonyl Azides as Organic-Soluble Azidation Reagents

Ashlee Dawson
Early Childhood Education and
Integrated Math Education
Pythagoras' Theorem and its Many
Proofs

Kristina Delco History/English The Times They Were a-Changin': The Social and Political Movements that Transformed American Society in the 1960s

Stephanie DelliGatti Accounting Tax Incentives to Save for Retirement Travis Denmeade Biology Sequencing of Plasmids from Bacterial Species pc820

Robert DeVita Biology Modeling Butanol Production by Clostridium beijerinckii

Trevor Donley Computer Science Vision Tracking and Processing

Casey Fitch
Nursing
Does a Poor Psychoneuro Immunological
Response Influence a Patients Risk of
Having a Negative Cancer Prognosis?

Marc Gorvet Biology The Science Behind a Scientific Publication

Emilie Hall
Psychology/Biology
Modeling the Growth of S. maltophilia
O2 in the Presence of Selenite With a
Look at Protein Expression

Karly Herman Nursing Short Term Study in Mexico: Nursing Students' Lived Experience

Mark Higgins Music Performance An Analysis of Fantasia by Heitor Villa-Lobos and Concerto by Ingolf Dahl

Joshua Hodges Mathematics Life Expectancy as an Application of Individual Based Modeling

Kenneth Holt Psychology Effects of Thought Speed and Mood on Risk Taking Behaviors Zane Kalik
Chemistry/Biology
Sex and Regional Differences
in Rabbit Right Ventricular
L-Type Calcium Current Levels
and Mathematical Modeling of
Arrhythmia Vulnerability

Amanda Kolacki Individual Curriculum Program Cell Phone Forensics

George Kubas Chemical Engineering The Morphing Properties of a Shape Memory Hybrid Composite

Rachel Lundberg Journalism From Student to Reporter: A Step By Step Guide Through Senior Project

Nicholas Mancuso Integrated Mathematics An Evaluation of the Proposed Realignment of High School Football Divisions in Ohio

Abigail Margraff
Spanish
Language Learning in the
Deaf Community: A Focus on
Bilingualism and Second Language
Acquisition

Joe Musial Exercise Science Possible Mechanisms and Efficacy of Myofascial Release Therapy

Cory Okular Economics/Political Science The Effects of Local Unemployment on College Graduation Rates

Torrian Pace Criminal Justice The Life Journey of Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall

SPRING 2013 HONORS PROGRAM GRADUATES (continued)

Lucas Politsky General Administration Establishing Internship Protocols for a Management Intern

Mark Radetic Biology Selenite Resistance in S. maltophilia OR02: Growth Modeling and Proteomics

Jacob Rafidi
Finance
The Impact of the Sarbanes Oxley
Act on the Board of Directors in
Publicly Traded Companies

Stephen Rakocy Mechanical Engineering Natural Gas Conversion of Internal Combustion Engine and Performance Analysis

Benjamin Roberts Nursing The Incidence and Intensity of Nurse Burnout Among Registered Nurses in the Northeast, Ohio Region

Jarrett Scacchetti
Electrical and Computer
Engineering/Mathematics
Rubik's Cube Solving App on the
Windows Platform

Richard Schumacher Religious Studies American Transcendentalism: The Roots of New Thought Christianity

Allison Sklenar Psychology Impact of Emotion and Arousal on Spatial and Temporal Memory

Kathleen Smith Chemical Engineering The Effects of Octanol on a Butanol-Producing Bacteria Fermentation Broth

Kevin Snyder Music Performance A Social Analysis of Jacob ter Veldhuis

Julie Sole Civil Engineering Comprehensive Design and Project Management of G-Bay Maintenance Office Buildings—V&M Star

Aaron Sweeney Biology Sequencing of Plasmids from Bacterial Species pc820 Courtney Swegan Middle Child Math Science Opt The Organization and Design of a Middle School Science Day

Mitchell Thornton English *The Gender Game*

Evan Weaks Accounting The Effect of Cultural Differences on Fraudulent Financial Reporting

Morgan Wynn Music Education Jacques Castérède's Sonatine: A Guide for Practice and Performance

Brittany Yeager Social Work Mental Health Service Delivery in NE Ohio: Assessment of Current Resources and Suggestions for Improved Services

Tara Yeager Integrated Sciences Education The Germination of Wave-borne Seeds in a Beachfront Environment



SPRING 2013 YSU PIN AWARD RECIPIENTS

The YSU Pin is the University's most prestigious award, presented to graduating seniors. Established in 1948 by then University President, Dr. Howard W. Jones, the Pin recognizes our outstanding, well rounded, graduating seniors. Congratulations to the following seniors who have received this award.

Kayla Boye Cary Dabney Callie Garland Elyse Gessler Cory Okular Lucas Politsky Kathleen Smith

WILLIAMSON COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

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 of Arts

Lauren Elizabeth Baker Ruth Ann Griffith Brian Perry Leonard Trina Sue Miller Sharon L. Peskor Jennifer Lynn Spahn Melissa Sherelle Tilghman

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

Administration Jessica Lynn Alexee Blake Lamont Allen Tyler James Amendola Kingsley K. Ansah Jeremy Jared Banks Kevin A. Barron Victoria Catherine Baughman Walter John Bell III Matthew Kirk Benton Michael Bergman Alexa Sweeney Blackann Scott Joseph Brandenstein David Michael Brown Rasheedah Niccole Butler Anthony Michael Cardiero Nicholas Alexander Carrabbia **Iarrod Nathaniel Carr** Vincent Joseph Cavalier Preston Leland Cockrell Laura A. Crawford-Koran

Alicia Michelle DeMaiolo Kristin Nicole Dillan Adam David DiSibio Gary Anthony DiTullio David A. Dolwick Heather Ann Drennen Cory Scott Dutton John Alexander Edwards Iesse Allen Fairhurst Scott Michael Gibson Scott Michael Gisewhite Katherine Danielle Greaf Amy Marie Gregory Eric Thomas Grischow Brittany Kathleen Grove Michael David Holt Michael Brian Houser Sadie Marie Hovis Joshua David Intagliata Randi Nicole Johnson Bradley Joseph Koch Morgan Elizabeth Kordes Anthony Martin Krygowski Kacey A. Kurtz Joshua Dale Lisko Rebecca Elizabeth Luthern Cheryl L. Mallis Tara Christine Mallis Jason Alan Mathews Kayla Marie Micco David Glenn Moore Kenneth Lewis Mylar Anthony D. Nastasi Michelle Lynn Nittoli Oluwatosin Danladi Olarewaju Jonathan Sean Patrick

Kathy Jean Perkins Adriane Michelle Perretti Carley Marie Petch Katherine Marie Peterlin Victor Michael Piccione III James Kenneth Pluchinsky III Lucas Mark Politsky Joelle M. Pompili Jacob Faiz Rafidi Lucas Matthew Rambo Corey Ryan Rauschenbach Karlee Ann Reader Holli Joanne Richards Nicholas Anthony Righetti Rachel Lynn Roberts Kaitlin Joy Rohrs Richard John Rovnak, Jr. Devalynn Doreen Searcy Jamie Lynn Smith Chirag Srivastava Coralesha Renea Stewart Joseph Strawinski Erin R. Sturrus Anthony Scott Taylor Danielle M. Thompson Melissa Rosalee Thompson Diana Marie Timkovich Griffin Kaley Todd Kelly Ann Turner Matthew Louis Varian Eleni Marie Vouvalis Ryan James Walters Jason Wang Evan Drew Weaks Jeffrey William Zishka Ashley Marie Zupko

BEEGHLY COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science in Education

Callen Robert D'Amore

Stephanie Erin DelliGatti

Robert William Danks

Nickolas J. DeKraker

Daniel James DeLullo

Jensen Issac Acierno Rachel Ann Addis Troy James Balint Jonathan Daniel Barth Jessica Lynne Bartholow Cory Allen Beight Kristen Marie Bell Amy Christine Benson Jonathon Edward Bezilla Krista Leanne Bittengle

Kaitlynn Eileen Bitzer

Cassandra Louise Bonvissuto Ashley Nicole Boyle Ashley Rebecca Buckner Jonathan David Camuso Monica E. Cardon Patrick Michael Carney Rachel M. Carr Kristen Lynn Cartwright Rachel Grace Cavucci Danielle Marie Chromchak Karianne Cisek Joseph Robert Cochran William Ronald Corbett
Paul Ira Cornelius
Grace Diana Cornell
Dustin Matthew Cramer
Theresa Elisabeth Culp
George Michael Ryan Daugherty
Adam Charles Davidson
Raquel Lynn Davidson
Ashlee Elizabeth Dawson
Chelsea Marie DeAngelo
Danielle Maria DeChellis
Adrienne Rose DeMay

BEEGHLY COLLEGE OF EDUCATION (continued)

Shelby Alicia DeRubba Samantha J. Ditman Lisa Michelle Dolasinski Julianne Dundee Diana Kazimiera Dybski Courtney Calleen Evans Matthew D. Evans Courtney Lynn Feezle Andrea Renee Felekey Stacy Ann Fenstermaker Brian J. Fonderlin Callie Rae Garland Makala Marie Gasparek Carly Ann Giancola Lisa Marie Granitto Kenneth Gregory Haid William Edward Hamilton, Jr. Meysha Rochelle Harville Kelcie Anne Herberger Arminda Jean Higgins Jeffrey William Hinrichs Cory Ray Hinzman **Justin Daniel Houk** Denise Marie Huffman **Jordan Marie Ingalls** Tariq Haroon Ismail Jordan Raye James Catherine Alice Jugenheimer Andrea Nicole Justine-Budde

Matthew William Kidd Andrew P. King Denise A. Kolacz John David Kubacki Erin Leigh Lamb Kayla Michael Landis Aimee Elizabeth Little Jonathan Ryland Lomax Amanda Catherine Lukehart Kayla Lee Lundy Megan Marie Maine Nicholas John Mamrich Nicholas J. Mancuso Lauren Dawn Mauric Trey Phillip McKim Alexandria Sophia Mendez Nicholas Todd Miller Samantha Arielle Moore Kathryn Marie Neville Mark Edward Novotny Kristina L. Pallante Nicholas Alan Palumbo Cassandra Lynn Pantelis Katie Lynn Peoples Elise Marie Petras Blaire Noelle Pezzuolo Kristen Philen Diane Marie Romanek Courtney Maria Ronghi

Tyler John Rubesich Linda R. Rupchak Lindsay Alexis Salen Julie Ann Seitz Alexandra Elizabeth Shevel Gregory William Shook, Jr. Amber Rose Shrawder Christopher Dean Skinner Dana Jo Slencsak Daniel A. Smith Hannah M. Snyder Stacey Lynn Spahn Joseph A. Speziale Kathleen Nicole Sprague Kristen Erika Sutton Courtney Alison Swegan Timothy James Taafe Dana Nicole Thomas Haley A. Thomas Martin T. Timlin Mark Andrew Tringhese Daniel C. Voytko Heidi Kay Wall Ashen Michael Ward Ronald Alton Weeks, Jr. Christopher Lee West Tara Nicole Yeager Nicole Marie Zreliak

COLLEGE OF FINE AND PERFORMING ARTS

Bachelor of Arts

Alexis Katherine Allison Herbert Chezarae Allison Matthew L. Boser Lindsay Marie Bowker Brandi Simone Brown Matthew K. Browning Shelby Ruth Cunningham Taylor Jean Daugherty Lindsay Rikelle Ellebie Amanda Leigh Franklin Anthony Patrick Genovese Elyse Christine Gessler Margaret Eileen Gratz Eve Danielle Griffin Bradley Walter Kolasinski George E. Mazoros Malloree Ann Miller Konstanze Dee Napolitan Nicole Lynne Pachol Samuel Robert Stephanie Marie Ruozzo

Paul William Sauline Sarah Elizabeth Scheidemantel Phylicia Renae Simms Carol Ann Smolka Greg Alan Socciarelli Brianna Lee Vlaiku Courtney Ann Wolfcale Francesca Marie Zito

Kahlila Renee Alexander Anthony Dominic Balkan Kevin Connor Buck Richard William Darbey IV Jacqueline Kyrene DeChant Brian David Dudek Lauren Anne Fanfer Danielle Elizabeth Hamm Ciara Monét Hayes Catherine Rose Lape

Cheney J. Morgan

Veronica Ann Nolen

Bachelor of Fine Arts

Nicole Patricia Novotny Kelly A. Pero Elise Marie Petras David Alfred Raghanti Jessica Ann Schmidt Bonnie Louise Siembieda Lindsey Marie St. Pierre Bruce Martin Stepan, Jr.

Bachelor of Music
Gregory Alan Bibri
Keith Howard Born
Clay Thomas Colley
Haleigh Angel Gingras
Mark D. Higgins
Elizabeth Artie John
Alyssa Ann Leith
Ian Patrick McCann
Shawn Evan McCoy
Stephen James Orlando
Keith Hodgson Petersen
Daniel Aiden Reed

COLLEGE OF FINE AND PERFORMING ARTS (continued)

Samuel Robert Samuel Austin Schultz Alexander Evan Seitz Carol Ann Smolka Kevin Charles Snyder Ginny Esther Ulbricht Morgan C. Wynn Adam Joseph Zagotti Craig Justin Ziobert

BITONTE COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Associate of Applied Science Regina D. Anderson Kacey Elizabeth Baldwin Adeline Fay Balzic Erica Nicole Bankhead Alexander Wayne Barber Lindsey Marie Bickerstaff Jocelyn Renee Blackson Samantha Marie Boylen Mathew Charles Bueno Carmen Burris Amber Rae Byers Ariana Maria Caraballo Stephanie Ann Carbon Sammantha J. Carr Kiana Marshé Cayson Thomas Edward Clayton Nicole Bianca Costello Tayler Ann Diana Alaina Ann Dipold Taylor Marie Dugan Amber Lynn Dye Jillian Danielle Faudree Gina Bernadette Fisher Adrian Lynnette Fordham Suzanna Elizabeth Frye Kelly R. Gordon Walter Curtis Green Sarella Ann Gustovich Dawn Marie Headley Stephanie Michol Howells Lisa Renee Huffman Stephanie Marie Iacovone Angela Marie Johnson Matthew William Iones Karla Frances Kovalchik Sarah Jane Kovalcik Kayla Michelle Kroesen Dericia R. Lateef Morgan Elizabeth Lightbody Anthony Joseph Maurer Molly Marie Mercurio Sarah Marie Mitchell Amanda Elisabeth Natal

Mark Nocera

Iulia Ann Oslick

Daniel P. Patella

Taslim Rahanna Patterson Jennifer Lynn Pauschert Marino Anthony Pellegrini Nikolas Dean Rasey Sara Marie Roach Ashley Reneé Ross Cherié Reneé Ruth Salam Ibrahim Samad Tamyka D. Scott Chelsea Lin Stitt Cody William Tolonie Stephanie Nicole Vantell Ciara Ann-Marie Vaughn Kara Lynn West

Bachelor of Arts
Cilvia A. Trikilis

Bachelor of Science in Applied Science Stephanie Kathryn Argenti Stephanie Ann Bailes Bradley Adam Baker Tiffany S. Berry Jenna Kimberly Bertolone Andrew Richard Boyle Kerry Ann Bresnahan Thomas Gilbert Bruss Sara Eleanor Cantanzriti Kelli L. Carney Joshua A. Castro-White Mario James Cicchillo Nishani S. Cicilson **Jacquline Renee Clonch** Robert James Conricote, Jr. **Dustin Lucas Cover** Kathleen A. Cox Rachel Elizabeth Crick Tia Michelle Crisp Diana P. Custer Kevin R. Day Damian Jamar Eargle Tyran Darnell Eargle Marlon Lavance Ellis Melissa Diana Emery Patrick John Erickson Norma Yelixa Espada

Krystle Siobhan Finley Martina Aidee Frost-Kim Andrea Marie Gleussner Charles Phillip Gresham **Brittanny Elaine Griffiths** Megan Elizabeth Grijak Michelle Christine Hall Lauren Renee Hankle India Evita Rojas Harris Brittany Peggy Hayes Eleni I. Hazimihalis Marcus Andrew Heath Amanda Sue Heilman Holly Lian Henry Jessie Leann Henson Karen E. Hetrick Casev Jo Hill TaNisha Marie Hines Aaron Jeffrey Hochmann Lisa Marie Howard Kristi Holly Hozalski Joseph Paul Huzyak Allan Michael Irizarry-Graves Yauma S. Jones Sean Robert Kail Danielle Renee Kaley David Dezso Kausits James P. Kennehan Michael Eugene Kerr Amy L. Kinnamon Marissa Nicole Klimenko Rachael Leighanne Kline Andrew Joseph Kopper Kristopher James Kriebel Kirsten Marie Kuffel Heather Jane Lange Chase A. Lemke Charles Eli Lengvel Alexandra Marlene Lessick Johnathan Stephen Leyshon Jessica Renae Loar Cherron Olympia Lucas Domenico Alexander Marchionda Holly Danielle Mate Kristen Jeanne McGuire Kelly Ann Megyesi Brittany Nicole Mendel

Katie Anne Esper

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The Ohio Association of Family and Consumer Sciences presented her with an Outstanding Member award for contributions to the profession. She has held several offices in the Ohio and American Associations of Family and Consumer Sciences and is currently secretary of the AAFCS Council for Accreditation. She has published articles, given numerous scholarly and community presentations, and co-authored a textbook. Noods and Professor. About 1971 S. Porter, Chair and Professor. About 2018 S. Porter, Chair and Professor.

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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 Anderson 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 six past presidents.

The presidential medallion was designed and created out of sterling and bronze by Wendell August Forge of Grove City, Pennsylvania.

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*.



Youngstown State University— An Innovative Educational Leader

ounded 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 fulltime 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 12,900 full- and part-time students with 118 undergraduate programs, 44 master's degree programs, one specialist program, and three

doctoral degree programs. There are more than 450 full-time faculty and 800 professional and support staff members in seven colleges, schools and administrative departments.

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 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.

Each graduate we celebrate today is a YSU Success Story. They join more than 94,000 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.