



Misericordia

College Misericordia

Dallas, Pennsylvania

70th

**COMMENCEMENT
CONVOCATION**

Anderson Sports-Health Center
North Campus

Saturday afternoon, May eighteenth

*Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Six
at one o'clock*

THE MACE



The mace is made of black walnut and bronze. The dark, rich wood symbolizes the woodlands surrounding the College campus and referred to in the Alma Mater.

The unusual shaft works its way from rough cast, difficult beginnings into the textured, polished finish of a double base, angled yet harmoniously fitted. The form represents the structured ideals of the Sisters of Mercy, Dallas Regional Community, liberal arts education and the individual struggles for acquisition of knowledge.

Open, free forms of brass represent the open, free spirit which is the basis of Compassionate Service, while the rich beauty and strength of walnut depict the fullness, value and strength of Judeo-Christian education.

Highlighting the head of the mace is gleaming, textured bronze in the shape of an open flame. The fire represents two events in the history of the College: the burning of St. Mary's Convent in Wilkes-Barre, which necessitated the Sisters' move to Dallas, and the first night on campus when fires almost prevented the College from ever opening its doors. A flame open to searching for truth, open to new ideas, is symbolic of the light of learning, always striving for, never reaching the fullness of finish.

The College Mace was designed and executed by Regina Keil, RSM, gold and silversmith. It is the gift of the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas, Dallas Regional Community.

PROGRAM

Academic Processional: "Trumpet Voluntary" The Endless Mountains Brass Ensemble
 Invocation St. Agnes Brennan, S.S.M., Associate Director, Campus Ministry
 National Anthem College Misericordia Choral Society, Director: Dr. John Curtis, Accompanist: Tony Hruschak
 Welcome Albert S. Anderson, Ph.D., President
 Address to the Graduates Richard F. Keeling, M.D., Director of University Health Services, University of Wisconsin-Marathon
 Conferring of Honorary Degrees Sarah Ellen Lerman, Ed.D., Chair, Board of Trustees, Richard F. Keeling, M.D., Robert S. Anderson, M.D.
 Presentation of the Mace University Mace

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in the Spirit of the Gospel Albert S. Anderson, Ph.D., President
 Presentation of Candidates for Degrees Mary Gleason, S.S.M., Ed.D., Academic Dean
 Conferring of Degrees Albert S. Anderson, Ph.D., President, Lisa Marie Novak, Class Representative, John Curtis, Senior Class President, Mary Jane Powell McCreary, Ed.D., President, Association Board of Trustees
 Presentation of the Mace University Mace
 Exhortation: "Living" Albert S. Anderson, Ph.D., President
 "The God Who Care Us Life" College Misericordia Choral Society
 Alma Mater College Misericordia Choral Society
 Benediction Most Reverend James C. Wells, D.D., V.G., Bishop of Scranton
 Academic Processional: "Trumpet Voluntary" The Endless Mountains Brass Ensemble

1996

American Sign Language (ASL) by Christi Hirsch, Certified Interpreter for the Deaf
 (The audience will please remain seated until the graduates have filed out)



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COMMEMORATION

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- Academic Processional: "Trumpet Voluntary" Purcell
The Endless Mountains Brass Ensemble
- Invocation Sr. Agnes Brennan, R.S.M.
Associate Director, Campus Ministry
- National Anthem College Misericordia Choral Society
Director: Dr. John Curtis
Accompanist: Betty Porzuczek
- Welcome Albert B. Anderson, Ph.D.
President
- Address to the Candidates Richard P. Keeling, M.D.
Director of University Health Services, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Conferring of Honorary Degrees Sarah Ellen Lenahan, Ed.D.
Chair, Board of Trustees
 - Doctor of Science Richard P. Keeling, M.D.
 - Doctor of Science Robert S. Anderson, M.D.
- Presentation of the Catherine McAuley Medal
to Harold Rosenn, Esquire Albert B. Anderson, Ph.D.
President
- Presentation of Candidates for Degrees Mary Glennon, R.S.M., Ed.D. '62
Academic Dean
- Conferring of Degrees Albert B. Anderson, Ph.D.
President
- Remarks Lisa Marie Nowak
Class Valedictorian
- Presentation of Senior Class Gift Joan Curcio
Senior Class President
- Induction of Graduates
into the Alumni Association Mary Jule Purcell McCarthy '52
President
Alumni Association Board of Directors
- Presentation of Awards for
Excellence in Teaching Albert B. Anderson, Ph.D.
President
- "The God Who Gave Us Life" College Misericordia Choral Society
- Alma Mater College Misericordia Choral Society
- Benediction Most Reverend James C. Timlin, D.D., V.G.
Bishop of Scranton
- Academic Recessional: "Rhondeau" Mouret
The Endless Mountains Brass Ensemble

MARSHALS

Dr. Helen Streubert, Grand Marshal — Reverend Michael Bryant, Class Moderator

- Sr. Mary Carmel McGarigle, R.S.M., '52 Cherylann Manganella '89 Althea Clark '92
- Ann Marie Perrone Adonizio '67 Michael Dennen, M.S. '90 Mary Elizabeth O'Konski '92
- Sr. Cindy March, R.S.M., '80 Karen Springer '90 Marie Blizzard '93
- Deborah M. Fries '81, M.S., '85

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COLLEGE MISERICORDIA
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ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE

Radiologic Technology

Donna Horny *Cum Laude* Wilkes-Barre, PA
Karen Michelle Pahler Ashley, PA
Karen A. Zier Dallas, PA

BACHELOR OF ARTS

English

Joseph Stephen Thomas Degnan Bayonne, NJ
Jill Musto Dallas, PA
Matthew Scott Viens Selinsgrove, PA

History

Kelley Ann Campas Wilkes-Barre, PA
Rebecca L. Carlton *Magna Cum Laude* Lake Luzerne, NY
William Joseph Deaton Mountaintop, PA
Brian Thomas Egan *Magna Cum Laude*
College Honors Patchogue, NY
Theresa Farrell Westwood, NJ
Nicholena Anna Maria Iacuzio *Cum Laude*
College Honors Philadelphia, PA
Colleen S. Kelly Milford, CT
Jamie Ann Maniskas *Cum Laude* Dallas, PA
Merriel S. Oliver Dallas, PA
Jayme Alexander Pieretti *Cum Laude*
College Honors Factoryville, PA
Jonathon Michael Ross Wilkes-Barre, PA
James Brian Shrimp *Magna Cum Laude*
College Honors Muncy, PA

Liberal Studies

Dawn Jayma *Magna Cum Laude* Wyoming, PA
Rodney L. Williams Edwardsville, PA

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Accounting

Andrew B. Fox Charlton, NY
Sherri Lynn Galloway *Summa Cum Laude* West Pittston, PA
Tina Marie Hess *Summa Cum laude* Stillwater, PA
Andrea Hinestrosa Dover, NJ
Joanne Philbin-Mayerzak *Summa Cum Laude* South Montrose, PA
Becky Sue Royer *Magna Cum Laude* Shickshinny, PA
Kathleen Tufano *Magna Cum laude* Dallas, PA
Michelle R. Watson *Magna Cum Laude* Scranton, PA
Eric Mark Williams Scranton, PA

Biology

Steven C. Ash Groton, CT
Amy Lynn Bogdon Wilkes-Barre, PA
Kim Ivy Mattocks Clark Meshoppen, PA
Joan Marie Curcio Maspeth, NY
Joseph Haggerty *Magna Cum Laude* Honesdale, PA
Jennifer Rebecca Hawley Scranton, PA
Raphael S. Klemunes, Jr. Hunlock Creek, PA
Colette Lynn Kutch Jermyn, PA
Vicki Malona East Haven, CT
James Dale Reynolds, Jr. *Cum Laude* Trucksville, PA
Brenda Kay Strait Warfordsburg, PA
Daniel Edmund Virtue Dillsburg, PA
Ronald P. Walsh, Jr. Yatesville, PA

Business Administration

Melissa Ambrose Swoyersville, PA
Howard J. Dinstel, Jr. Kingston, PA
Cynthia M. Elenchik Pittston, PA
Bernard W. Kalt Carbondale, PA
Laura Diane Klimkiewicz Succasunna, NJ
Moirra Cecile Lewis Moorestown, NJ
James J. Lyons *Cum Laude* Winton, PA
Ezekiel Joe Shaub Silver Spring, MD
Jack M. Tevnan Pittstown, NJ
Tammy Joyce Williams Moosic, PA
Gerald J. Yozwiak Plains, PA

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE — (cont'd)

Chemistry

Robert M. Rowlands, Jr. Dallas, PA

Computer Science

Thomas D. Amershek *Summa Cum Laude* Elysburg, PA
Degree Honors

Timothy M. Amershek *Summa Cum Laude* Elysburg, PA
Degree Honors

Richard Anthony DeRemer... *College Honors* Hunlock Creek, PA

Elementary Education

Michael Justin Andrusis Dallas, PA

Celeste Ann Arnidis Reading, PA

Melissa Ann Benfante *Summa Cum Laude* Harding, PA

Ejaye Bernardo Flemington, NJ

Mary Ann Bottaro *Cum Laude* Swoyersville, PA

Cristen Ann Bowen Dunmore, PA

Regina M. Bradley Philadelphia, PA

Stacy Ann Brogan *Cum Laude* Avoca, PA

Margaret Carolyn Broscius *Cum Laude* Philadelphia, PA

Amy Lynn Brown *Magna Cum Laude* Nanticoke, PA

Camille M. Coleman Moosic, PA

Gretchen L. Davis Jermyn, PA

Patti Marie Dowd Pittston, PA

Lisa Ann Dydynski Plymouth, PA

Becky S. Ely *Summa Cum Laude* Montrose, PA

Heather Ann Fostock *Magna Cum Laude* Shavertown, PA

Cindy Lyn Franklin *Summa Cum Laude* Wilkes-Barre, PA

Alexandra Genzale Oak Ridge, NJ

Tina Louise Gesualdi *Summa Cum Laude* Kingston, PA

Teri A. Giamusso Pittston, PA

Susan Paige Halliday *Magna Cum Laude* Tunkhannock, PA
College Honors

Ellyn J. Herrington *Cum Laude* Mountaintop, PA

Cecilia Bukowski Hibbard *Cum Laude* Springville, PA

Selene Erin Higginbotham Hightstown, NJ

Jill Ann Himlin Wilkes-Barre, PA

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (Elem. Ed.) — (cont'd)

Karen Irene Hutchins *Magna Cum Laude* Hunlock Creek, PA

Natalie James Dalton, PA

Barbara J. Keating Larksville, PA

Leslie Ann Kisner Ulster, PA

Tracy Lynn Krupa *Magna Cum Laude* Shavertown, PA

Alicia Landsiedel Dalton, PA

Amie Lynn LoBalbo *Cum Laude* Phillipsburg, NJ

Barbara Locey *Magna Cum Laude* Hop Bottom, PA

Kristine Anne Marsola Dallas, PA

Brenda Lee R. Massa *Summa Cum Laude* Hazleton, PA

Molly E. Mather *Cum Laude* Wilkes-Barre, PA

Bridget A. McLaughlin Pittston, PA

Krea Alexis Moskosky Carbondale, PA

Lori Nalaschi Old Forge, PA

Andrea L. Orem Tatamy, PA

Tara Nichole Panico Huntingdon, PA

Kathleen Ruark Parker *Summa Cum Laude* Montrose, PA

Susan Strubinger *Magna Cum Laude* Jim Thorpe, PA

Jacqueline Travis Tamaqua, PA

Crystal Lee Travitz *Cum Laude* Benton, PA

Catherine Ann Valonis Dickson City, PA

Carolyn M. Voss Brick, NJ

Meghan Lynne Windt *Cum Laude* Randolph, NJ

Kristen Lee Young Wilkes-Barre, PA

General Studies

Robyn Abbate *Cum Laude* South Plainfield, NJ

Melissa Eileen Ackerman South Plainfield, NJ

Paul James Brower, Jr. Scranton, PA

June M. Corcoran *Magna Cum Laude* Honesdale, PA

Carolyn M. D'Elia *Summa Cum Laude* Hughestown, PA

Kristine Marie Desmet Sparta, NJ

Tanya Rochelle Gillette Old Forge, PA

Kristen L. Halm *Summa Cum Laude* Benton, PA

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (General Studies) — (cont'd)

Leslie M. Koscelnak *Magna Cum Laude* Moscow, PA
Michael Andrew Kurilla Larksville, PA
Stephanie Ann Kutchkus Highestown, PA
Kristen Kwiatkowski *Magna Cum Laude* Larksville, PA
Nicole Marie Larner *Magna Cum Laude* Aston, PA
Michele A. Long-Gale Duryea, PA
Marlene M. Man Hilldale, PA
Lauri J. Mink *Magna Cum Laude* Allison Park, PA
Mary Elizabeth Muller Delta, PA
Lisa Marie Nowak *Summa Cum Laude* Shenandoah, PA
Kerrie Ann Olexa Swoyersville, PA
Karen Pugh Wilkes-Barre, PA
Jonathan W. Sakowski *Summa Cum Laude* Unityville, PA
George S. Schwartz Pittston, PA
Justine Sperandeo *Cum Laude*
Degree Honors Woodhaven, NY
Robert C. Stahlnecker *Magna Cum Laude* Mill Hall, PA
Kimberly Stoddard Sugar Run, PA
Renée Marie Strusowski Wilmington, DE
William R. Vitzakovitch Carbondale, PA
Joseph Frederick Wood Williamsport, PA

Liberal Studies

Larree Elston Bailey *Magna Cum Laude* Shavertown, PA
Maura S. Bird *Cum Laude* Wilkes-Barre, PA
Eileen Kathryn Cohen Oxon Hill, MD
Heather Dougherty Larksville, PA
Pauline Jensen Gabriel *Summa Cum Laude* Plymouth, PA
Frederick Ronald Johnson Taylor, PA
Dawn Ross Kwiatkowski Scranton, PA
Karen M. Mullins Harveys Lake, PA
Molly Spaciano Berwick, PA
Peggy Cathleen Suessenbach Factoryville, PA
Kenneth John Zula Meshoppen, PA

Management Information Systems

Mark Lawrence Reboli Clarks Summit, PA
Grace Mayona Sylvain *Cum Laude* Georgetown, Guyana

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE — (cont'd)

Mathematics

Thomas D. Amershek *Summa Cum Laude*
Degree Honors Elysburg, PA
Timothy M. Amershek *Summa Cum Laude*
Degree Honors Elysburg, PA
Richard Anthony DeRemer *College Honors* Hunlock Creek, PA
Michelle Ann Gabor *Magna Cum Laude* Forty Fort, PA
Albert J. Horoszy Wilkes-Barre, PA

Medical Technology

Kimberly Ann Lockavich *Magna Cum Laude* Sweet Valley, PA

Psychology

Kimberly Anne Bray Mountaintop, PA
Diane Marie Cornell Preston Park, PA
Jennifer Ann Feriola Thiells, NY
Chrisa Lynn Gariano Lansdale, PA
Bryan Richard Mercado New Canaan, CT
Carolyn J. Patton *Summa Cum Laude* Tunkhannock, PA
Karen Theresa Susek *Summa Cum Laude* Plains, PA
Melissa Ann Taylor *Magna Cum Laude* Sinking Spring, PA
Stacey L. Vassallo Dumont, NJ
Amy Wojnarski *Summa Cum Laude* Swoyersville, PA

Radiography

Desirée R. Alexander Hughesville, PA
Alyssa Lea Brokenshire Mount Carmel, PA
Erica Elaine Corwin Wilkes-Barre, PA
Mindy Leigh Gulick *Magna Cum Laude* Wilkes-Barre, PA
Melanie Kovalchik Olyphant, PA
Michelle Marie Moyer Ashland, PA
Janine Marie Oliveri Dallas, PA
Erica Lyn Pierce Bridgeton, NJ
Jane Marie Roche *Magna Cum Laude* Pittston, PA
Joan Andrea Schappert Edwardsville, PA
Kimberly D. Schwandt Factoryville, PA

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (Radiography) — (cont'd)

Tricia Ann Sittler Lehigh, PA
 Kimberlee Ann Smith Archbald, PA
 Kimberly T. Starr Nanticoke, PA
 Barbara F. Zarambo Dallas, PA

Special Education

Mary Ann Bottaro *Cum Laude* Swoyersville, PA
 Cristen Ann Bowen Dunmore, PA
 Regina M. Bradley Philadelphia, PA
 Amy Lynn Brown *Magna Cum Laude* Nanticoke, PA
 Wendy Lynn Cave Dallas, PA
 Lisa Ann Dydynski Plymouth, PA
 Alexandra Genzale Oak Ridge, NJ
 Cecilia Bukowski Hibbard *Cum Laude* Springville, PA
 Selene Erin Higginbotham Hightstown, NJ
 Barbara Locey *Magna Cum Laude* Hop Bottom, PA
 Brenda Lee R. Massa *Summa Cum Laude* Hazleton, PA
 Molly E. Mather *Cum Laude* Wilkes-Barre, PA
 Bridget A. McLaughlin Pittston, PA
 Andrea L. Orem Tatamy, PA
 Tara Nichole Panico Huntingdon, PA
 Kathleen Ruark Parker *Summa Cum Laude* Montrose, PA
 Jennifer Ann Shehan *Cum Laude* McClure, PA
 Jacqueline Travis Tamaqua, PA
 Catherine Ann Valonis Dickson City, PA
 Meghan Lynne Windt *Cum Laude* Randolph, NJ

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Rachelle M. Amico Pittston, PA
 Anna Brose Tamaqua, PA
 Lisa A. Brunori *Cum Laude* Jessup, PA
 Mary Elizabeth Burke Carbondale, PA
 Doreen Ann Crawford *Summa Cum Laude* Shavertown, PA
 Erin Kathleen Cuff Dallas, PA
 Paula E. Daley Kingston, PA
 Robin Elizabeth Dennis Shavertown, PA
 Marian B. Donelan Scranton, PA

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING — (cont'd)

Shannon Justine Dzury Shavertown, PA
 Jacquelyn Ann Ezdebski *Cum Laude* Clarks Summit, PA
 Consuelo Rocha Gogates Trucksville, PA
 Elizabeth Ann Gido Hornack *Summa Cum Laude* Hazleton, PA
 Tia Marie Hornlein *Summa Cum Laude* Nanticoke, PA
 Edith D. Murdoch Javick *Summa Cum Laude* Wilkes-Barre, PA
 Geraldine M. Karwoski Taylor, PA
 Josette J. Kavanaugh Branchdale, PA
 Denise M. Keiser Mountaintop, PA
 Rebecca K. Kunec Wilkes-Barre, PA
 Dana M. Lausterer Barnesville, PA
 Maria Johanna Limmen *Magna Cum Laude* Weatherly, PA
 Joan M. Loch Wilkes-Barre, PA
 Maureen Sheekey Lucchino *Magna Cum Laude* Shavertown, PA
 Angelo Marino *Cum Laude* Wilkes-Barre, PA
 Paula Anne Martinell King of Prussia, PA
 Donna J. Minor *Magna Cum Laude* Wilkes-Barre, PA
 Yvette Morcom Jermyn, PA
 Patricia L. Moyle Wilkes-Barre, PA
 Mary Elizabeth Nolan Pottstown, PA
 Tina Norman Wilkes-Barre, PA
 Denise M. Noyle *Magna Cum Laude* Tunkhannock, PA
 Christine B. O'Reilly Highestown, PA
 Megan E. Owens Lehigh, PA
 Michele Maria Pegarella Wilkes-Barre, PA
 Theresa D. Poepperling Mehoopany, PA
 Suzanne E. Reese *College Honors* Wilmington, DE
 Theresa M. Rompala Quakertown, PA
 Deborah A. Rzodski *Magna Cum Laude* Plymouth, PA
 Robert J. Scarpa, Jr. Cinnaminson, NJ
 Robert M. Shedlowski Edwardsville, PA
 Jeffrey A. Sporer Honesdale, PA
 Linda Taylor Szmaj Mountaintop, PA
 Monica A. Tatkovski Harrisburg, PA
 Dianna Ruth Walker Lehigh, PA
 Molly Sue Wallace Waverly, NY
 Ralph Mark Watkins Plains, PA
 Lydia Marie Wynder *Cum Laude* Wilkes-Barre, PA

BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK

Timothy Michael Arnold	Pompton Plains, NJ	
Nancy J. Bush	Breslau, PA	
Lisa Carini	<i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Kingston, PA
Jennifer Rose Coolbaugh	Harding, PA	
Gretchen Nan Fisher	Blakeslee, PA	
Jessica Lynn Harry	Plymouth, PA	
Nicole Marie Herron	Exeter, PA	
Jill Elizabeth Lauchle	<i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Montoursville, PA
Karina Ann Lyon	<i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Forty Fort, PA
Amy Lynn Miller	Bangor, PA	
Kimberly A. Moku	<i>Cum Laude</i>	Kingston, PA
Tammi Dyan Mowry	Springville, PA	
Lesa Marie Shusta	<i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Kingston, PA
Lynn A. Yasenchak	Wilkes-Barre, PA	

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Education

Michelle Dale	Lake Ariel, PA
John L. Kachurick	Dallas, PA
Joan S. King	Dupont, PA
Susan M. Margalis Perlis	Wilkes-Barre, PA
Deborah Lynn Polachek	Wilkes-Barre, PA
James J. Tricarico	Old Forge, PA

Organizational Management

Lawrence J. Biacchi	Williamsport, PA
Stanley M. Charnick	Shavertown, PA
Alison Lynn Cruikshank	Williamsport, PA
Andrea Endrusick	Wyoming, PA
Bill Jandrasitz	Nesquehoning, PA
Noreen Corbett Johnson	Dallas, PA
Anne Marie Lenahan	Wilkes-Barre, PA
Susan Sellani-Hosage	West Pittston, PA

MASTER OF SCIENCE (Organizational Mgmt.) — (cont'd)

Paul Van Loon	Plymouth, PA
Nancy Naughton Wesolowski	Clarks Summit, PA
Christine Mary Williams	Kingston, PA
Judith Marie Young	Shavertown, PA

Occupational Therapy Leadership

Pamela Gayle McFall	Northampton, MA
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MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Holly J. Billet	Danville, PA
Pamela E. Burns	Bethlehem, PA
Joan E. Cerra	Carbondale, PA
Bonnie Donovan	Harveys Lake, PA
Nicholas Edward Frusciante	Edwardsville, PA
Lorraine A. Gattuso	Wilkes-Barre, PA
Barbara Price Haddon	Cresco, PA
Brenda L. Hage	Dallas, PA
Mary Kathryn Jones	Scranton, PA
Vanessa Ann Pannunzio Mayorowski	Avoca, PA
Danielle Menichelli	Pittston, PA
Vicki Arlene Miller	Williamsport, PA
Marcella Leo Morgan	Mountaintop, PA
Sister Ruth Neely, R.S.M.	Dallas, PA
Ellen M. Orben	Milford, PA
Debra L. Papp	Kulpmont, PA
Suzanne Dougherty Rogers	Tunkhannock, PA
Jane E. Rohrer	Coal Twp., PA
Theresa Pompili Sander	Cogan Station, PA
Jane Sennett	Wilkes-Barre, PA
Ethan A. Singer	Lake Ariel, PA
Susan S. Smith	Millville, PA
Deborah Williams	Fogelsville, PA
Karan Ann Williams	Trout Run, PA

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PHYSICAL THERAPY

Robyn Abbate	South Plainfield, NJ
Melissa Eileen Ackerman	South Plainfield, NJ
Paul James Brower, Jr.	Scranton, PA
June M. Corcoran	Honesdale, PA
Carolyn M. D'Elia	Hughestown, PA
Michael J. DePrimo	New Hyde Park, NY
Kristine Marie Desmet	Sparta, NJ
Paula A. Dwyer	Harveys Lake, PA
Douglas K. Fickes	Lancaster, PA
Jeffrey Clark Frail	Wilkes-Barre, PA
Tanya Rochelle Gillette	Old Forge, PA
Joseph James Glazenski	Pittston, PA
Kristen L. Halm	Benton, PA
John Michael Heiser	Wilkes-Barre, PA
Leslie M. Koscelnak	Moscow, PA
Michael Andrew Kurilla	Larksville, PA
Stephanie Ann Kutchkus	Hughestown, PA
Kristen Kwiatkowski	Larksville, PA
Nicole Marie Larner	Aston, PA
Mark V. Lombardi	Dalton, PA
Michele A. Long-Gale	Duryea, PA
Marlene M. Man	Hilldale, PA
Charles F. Mensinger, Jr.	Lake Winola, PA
Lauri J. Mink	Allison Park, PA
Mary Elizabeth Muller	Delta, PA
Lisa Marie Nowak	Shenandoah, PA
Kerrie Ann Olexa	Swoyersville, PA
Karen Pugh	Wilkes-Barre, PA
Ralph D. Richards, Jr.	Jim Thorpe, PA
Jonathan W. Sakowski	Unityville, PA
George S. Schwartz	Pittston, PA
Mary Catherine Smith	Scranton, PA
Justine Sperandeo	Woodhaven, NY
Robert C. Stahlnecker	Mill Hall, PA
Kimberly Stoddard	Sugar Run, PA
Renée Marie Strusowski	Wilmington, DE
William R. Vitzakovitch	Carbondale, PA
Joseph Frederick Wood	Williamsport, PA

HONORS AND AWARDS

Annual award contributed by the College Misericordia Board of Trustees to the student exemplifying the College's academic, leadership and service ideals is awarded to:

Amy Wojnarski

Award founded by College Misericordia Alumni for proficiency in SCHOLARSHIP during four years is awarded to:

Lisa Marie Nowak

The John F. Kennedy Award founded by the Greater Wilkes-Barre Democratic Club, Inc., for proficiency in AMERICAN HISTORY is awarded to:

Jayme Alexander Pieretti

The Bishop Hafey General Assembly Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus Award for proficiency in HISTORY is awarded to:

Brian Thomas Egan

The West Side Knights of Columbus Assumpta Council Award for proficiency in AMERICAN HISTORY is awarded to:

James Brian Shrimp

The M. Bernadette Hogan Nursing Leadership Award, presented annually to an R.N. student who exemplifies outstanding service and leadership to the profession of NURSING and the community is awarded to:

Joan M. Loch

The Wesenyak Memorial Award for excellence in both outstanding academic and clinical performance in PSYCHIATRIC NURSING is awarded to:

Robert J. Scarpa, Jr.

The Sister Mary Kateri Dowart Award for Excellence and Leadership in NURSING is awarded to:

Doreen Ann Crawford

The Clinical Excellence Award, given to a student whose GPA is greater than 3.0 and who is judged by faculty to administer superior nursing skills in clinical practice is awarded to:

Robert M. Shedlowski

HONORS AND AWARDS — (cont'd)

The Mallinckrodt Award for outstanding academic achievement in the study of RADIOGRAPHY with a B.S. Degree is awarded to:

Michelle M. Pagarelski

The Mallinckrodt Award for outstanding academic achievement in the study of RADIOGRAPHY with an A.A.S. Degree is awarded to:

Donna Horny

The Rho-Tau Award for clinical excellence in the study of RADIOGRAPHY with a B.S. Degree is awarded to:

Alyssa L. Brokenshire

The outstanding PHYSICAL THERAPY Student Award to a graduating student who demonstrates exemplary potential for success in the profession is awarded to:

Jonathan W. Sakowski

The Catherine Perry Wilkinson Leadership Award, presented to a graduating student who demonstrates exemplary potential for leadership in the profession of PHYSICAL THERAPY, is awarded to:

Leslie M. Koscelnak

The PHYSICAL THERAPY Student Achievement Award, given to a graduating student who has demonstrated outstanding abilities to successfully complete the physical therapy curriculum in the face of unique life experiences is awarded to:

Jonathan W. Sakowski

The PSYCHOLOGY Student Achievement Award, in recognition of scholastic achievement and exemplary service to the Psychology Program, is awarded to:

Amy Wojnarski

The Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants Award for excellence in ACCOUNTING STUDIES is awarded to:

Sherri Lynn Galloway

The Alpha Delta Mu Award for Scholastic Achievement in SOCIAL WORK is awarded to:

Gretchen Nan Pugh

HONORS AND AWARDS — (cont'd)

The Mother Mary Teresa Walsh Award, founded by the Walsh Family for proficiency in RELIGIOUS STUDIES during four years, is awarded to:

Karen Pugh

The Teresa and Frank J. Mehm Prize, awarded annually to that undergraduate student who, by vote of the Deans of the College, most nearly represents the ideal Misericordia man or woman with respect to moral courage, intellectual vigor and participation, on and off campus, contributing to the advancement of the College is awarded to:

Lauri J. Mink

The Sister M. Noreen Mulherin, R.S.M. Award for excellence in EDUCATION is awarded to:

Amie Lynn LoBalbo

The Sr. Chrysostom Dougherty, RSM Award for excellence in student teaching in SPECIAL EDUCATION is awarded to:

Kathleen Ruark Parker

The Pennsylvania Association of Colleges for Teacher Education CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT is presented to:

Brenda Lee R. Massa

The Stephen V. Charnitski Memorial Award for excellence in INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY is awarded to:

Becky S. Ely

The Dr. Tatjana Petrychenko Award founded by the College Misericordia Biological Society in recognition of outstanding achievement in BIOLOGY is awarded to:

Joseph Haggerty

The Wall Street Journal Student Achievement Award for Proficiency in BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION is awarded to:

Cynthia M. Elenchik

HONORS AND AWARDS — (cont'd)

The Grace Andrews Award, presented to the outstanding non-traditional students demonstrating enthusiasm for lifelong learning, is awarded to:

June M. Corcoran

The Dr. Joseph Tomasovic Award, founded by the alumni of the College Misericordia Mathematics and Computer Science Department, presented to the student who best represents the Department's academic standards is awarded to:

**Thomas D. Amershek
Timothy M. Amershek**

The Academic Achievement Award for excellence in LIBERAL STUDIES is awarded to:

Pauline Jensen Gabriel

The Sister Miriam Gallagher and Dr. Mary Santopolo Memorial Award for outstanding LITERARY ACHIEVEMENT, donated by Alicia Murphy Dillon, is awarded to:

Dawn Jayma

The DeSerio Fine Arts Award, chosen by the Humanities faculty and given to a graduating senior who excels in any of the non-literary FINE ARTS and demonstrates a high level of academic achievement, is awarded to:

William Joseph Deaton

The following students are serving as ushers for the Commencement Convocation:

Kerry Amadoro	Heather Higgins
Maria Bardi	Gretchen Hoffman
Alicia Boland	Carolyn Machonis
Carrie Campanaro	Jennifer McDonough
Kristyn Carbone	Angela Mundenar
Nicole Curyk	Stefanie Peregrin
Jessica Ernst	Mary Seamon
Rachel Faulkner	Shawna Toole
Maria Floro	Lourdes Visot
Charlene Giardina	Kevin Yanuskavich

HONOR SOCIETIES

Students inducted into the Epsilon Chapter of ALPHA DELTA MU Honor Society in Social Work:

Gretchen Nan Fisher
Jill Elizabeth Lauchle
Karina Ann Lyon
Kimberly A. Moku
Leslie Marie Shusta

Students admitted to PSI CHI, National Honor Society for Psychology:

Carolyn J. Patton
Karen Theresa Susek
Melissa Ann Taylor
Amy Wojnarski

Students of the Beta Chi Chapter, ALPHA SIGMA LAMBDA, National Honor Society for Continuing Education:

Doreen Ann Crawford	Brenda Lee R. Massa
Pauline Jensen Gabriel	Merriel S. Oliver
Sherrilyn Galloway	Kathleen Ruark Parker
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Edith D. Murdoch Javick	Joanne Philbin-Mayerzak

Students admitted to KAPPA GAMMA PI, National Catholic College Graduate Honor Society:

Thomas D. Amershek	Tia Marie Hornlein
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Students admitted to the Theta Phi Chapter, SIGMA THETA TAU Honor Society for Nursing:

Rachelle M. Amico
Lisa A. Brunori
Doreen A. Crawford
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Brenda L. Hage
Elizabeth A. Hornack
Tia M. Hornlein
Maria J. Limmen
Angelo Marino
Denise M. Noyle
Robert M. Shedlowski
Jeffrey A. Sporer
Lydia M. Wynder

Students admitted to the PHI SIGMA BETA Honor Society for the recognition of scholarship and achievement in the promotion of leadership within the Radiography profession:

Michelle M. Pagarelski
Jane M. Roche

HONOR SOCIETIES — (cont'd)

Students admitted to WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES:

Jennifer Clair	Brenda Lee R. Massa
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Maria Luongo	

DR. RICHARD KEELING
DOCTOR OF SCIENCE, *Honoris Causa*

Today College Misericordia is honored to present its highest academic award to Richard P. Keeling, M.D., in recognition of his extensive work with health issues related to young adults. Dr. Keeling has been nationally recognized for his dedicated work and leadership to improve the health and well-being of young people and was recently named the 1996 Health Educator of the Year by the American Association for the Advancement of Health Education.

Dr. Keeling is the director of University Health Services and professor of medicine at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He is also a senior consultant with Health Advocates and executive editor of the *Journal of American College Health*. He is currently president of the Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality, and is past president of the American College Health Association, the Foundation for Health in Higher Education and the International Society for AIDS Education.

Dr. Keeling directs a comprehensive health program that focuses on prevention and includes multi-disciplinary counseling and consultation, as well as traditional medical and nursing services. He has been deeply involved in prevention and intervention programs for HIV disease among college and university students.

He serves as a consultant for hundreds of institutions of higher learning, non-profit organizations, corporations and government agencies concerned with critical health issues. He offers information on health behaviors, self-esteem and community, especially to adolescents and young adults. He is known for his wisdom and his caring approach in teaching students how to make healthy choices.

He also has a long record of active involvement in numerous organizations on the local, regional and national level. His present memberships include the Advisory Council to the Office of the University Health Services, Princeton University; the Task Force on HIV Infection and AIDS, American College Health Association; the International Society for AIDS Education and the American Public Health Association.

Dr. Keeling received his bachelor's degree with highest honors from the University of Virginia, and his medical degree from Tufts University School of Medicine. He completed residency training and chief residency in internal medicine and a fellowship in hematology at the University of Virginia hospitals.

Dr. Richard Keeling's work continues to influence and improve the lives of college students. In recognition of his dedication to ideals consonant with Misericordia's mission and goals and his leadership and outstanding achievements in his profession, College Misericordia is pleased to bestow upon Richard Keeling, M.D., the Doctor of Science, *Honoris Causa*.

DR. ROBERT S. ANDERSON
Doctor of Science, *Honoris Causa*

It is a great honor for College Misericordia to present its highest academic award to Robert S. Anderson, M.D., in recognition of his service to the College and to the community and for his accomplishments in his profession. As a physician, Dr. Anderson has dedicated his life to helping others, and his commitment to education and health has helped many area institutions.

Dr. Robert Anderson has served on the Misericordia Board of Trustees since 1992. The devotion to health and fitness he shared with his late wife, Geraldine, prompted their involvement in the improvement of sports facilities at Misericordia, and took the College in a new direction. The Anderson athletic fields and the Anderson Sports-Health Center are the result of their interest and commitment.

Dr. Anderson has long been the unofficial grandfather of the Cougars basketball team, enjoying many games and visiting with the team. As part of the Misericordia family, he enjoys having lunch in the cafeteria among the students as much as the more formal affairs he attends.

Dr. Anderson served as a career medical officer for 31 years in the United States Army, retiring as a full colonel in 1969. While in the Army he received the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star and the Army Commendation Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster.

Following his retirement from the Army, Dr. Anderson worked at Retreat State Hospital and at the Wilkes-Barre Military Entrance Processing Station. During that time he was awarded the Department of Army Certificate of Appreciation for Outstanding Patriotic Civilian Service.

The many accomplishments of Dr. and Mrs. Anderson led to their 1990 honor as recipients of the College's prestigious Trustee Associates Award for their involvement in community service.

Dr. Anderson and his wife established scholarship funds at Wilkes University, West Chester University and Bucknell University, as well as Misericordia, and have supported other institutions in the area.

Robert Anderson holds a master's degree in public health from Johns Hopkins University and a medical degree from Temple University School of Medicine.

In recognition of his professional accomplishments, his exceptional leadership and commitment in education and health, and his concern for the improvement of his community, College Misericordia is pleased to bestow upon Robert S. Anderson, M.D., the Doctor of Science, Honoris Causa.

HAROLD ROSENN Catherine McAuley Medal

With deep appreciation and esteem for remarkable devotion to the ideals and goals of the College, College Misericordia awards the Catherine McAuley Medal to Harold Rosenn in recognition of his contributions to the College and the Wyoming Valley community.

Harold Rosenn's name is well known in the Wyoming Valley for his accomplishments in community service. He has served on local committees for organizations as diverse as Hoyt Library, the Red Cross, St. Vincent de Paul Soup Kitchen, United Way, the Northeast Philharmonic, United Jewish Appeal of Greater Wilkes-Barre and, of course, College Misericordia.

In addition to serving on the College Misericordia Board of Trustees longer than any other member and serving as Trustee Emeritus since 1985, he is a life member of the boards of the Wyoming Valley Chapter of the American Red Cross and Temple Israel.

A list of Harold Rosenn's community service activities can be measured in pages, rather than lines. He sets a pace, both physically and professionally, that few can keep up with, and his energy and vibrancy serve as an inspiration to others.

He has received awards for his service from the National Society for Fundraising Executives, the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, and United Way. He and his wife Sallyanne, a Misericordia alumna, are past recipients of the Misericordia Trustee Associates Award.

Harold Rosenn is counsel to the law firm of Rosenn, Jenkins & Greenwald, where he was a partner from 1954 until he retired in 1988. He holds B.A. and J.D. degrees from the University of Michigan and served with the 8th Air Force in England during World War II. He has been listed in Who's Who in American Law, Who's Who in Finance and Industry, Who's Who in America and Who's Who in the World.

The McAuley Medal is not awarded annually, but on the basis of merit. This is the sixth medal to be awarded in the last 11 years, and the first ever to be awarded to a man.

In recognition of his lifelong service to the Wyoming Valley, for his dedication to compassionate service and the College, and to the spirit of Catherine McAuley, College Misericordia is proud to present Harold Rosenn with the Catherine McAuley Medal.

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