

73rd COMMENCEMENT CONVOCATION

Anderson Sports-Health Center North Campus

Saturday, May fifteenth

Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Nine 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.



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1999

PROGRAM

Academic Processional	Ceol Mor Drum Band
Invocation	Bryant, M.Th. pus Ministry
National Anthem Sr. Robert Marie Lockman, R.S. Pianist: John Co	
Welcome	owell, Ed.D. President
Conferring of Honorary Degrees	
Doctor of Laws	ing's College ck Spring TD h Parliament
Address to Candidates The Honorable Dic	k Spring TD
Presentation of the Catherine McAuley Medal to Michael A. Robert S. Anderson, M.D.	. MacDowell President
Presentation of Candidates for Degrees Sr. Mary Glennon, R.S.M. Vice President of Academic Affairs and Dean of	
Conferring of Degrees	. MacDowell President
Remarks Benjamin Nicholas A Class V	ugustine '99 /aledictorian
	by Candy '99 sss President
Induction of Graduates into the Alumni Association	s, M.B.A. '85 of Directors
	man, R.S.M. John Curtis of Fine Arts
Benediction Most Reverend John M. Doughert Auxiliary Bishop	
Academic Recessional: Pipe &	Ceol Mor Drum Band

MARSHALS Dr. Donald Fries, Ph.D., Grand Marshal Paula Pate-Schloder, M.S., Class Moderator

Eileen Kane Mangold '66 Sr. Cindy March, R.S.M. '80 Denise Miscavage '97 Dr. Agnes Toloczko Cardoni '69 Ann Bowman Jamieson '69 James R. Schiralli '98 Deborah M. Fries '81, M.S. '85 Corrie Canouse Yocum '98 Althea D. Clark '92 Carol Kaleta '75

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

COLLEGE MISERICORDIA Dallas, Pennsylvania COMMENCEMENT 1999

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Communications	,	
Randy E. Longenberg	er	Bloomsburg, PA
English		
	Suṃṃa Cuṃ Laude	Smithtown, NY
Amy Dunaway	College Honors Summa Cum Laude College Honors	Wilkes-Barre, PA
	ardt Summa Cum Laude	
Rachel A. Hastings		Westfield, PA
Melissa J. Spinelli	Cum Laude	Ontario, NY
History		
William Jay Bevan		Harveys Lake, PA
Teresa Ann Eschrich	Magna Cum Laude	Lewis Run, PA
Michael Anthony Edw	ard Falcone	Pittston, PA
Ryan G. Foley	Magna Cum Laude	Pottstown, PA
John Edward Krupp	Cum Laude	Toms River, NJ
Peter John Malak	Magna Cum Laude	Shavertown, PA
Paul Shymanski		Larksville, PA
Robert J. Tugend	Cum Laude	Moscow, PA
Trevor Daniel Woodru	off	New Albany, PA
Liberal Studies		
	mass Massia Cum Lauda	Vinceton DA
	pas Magna Cum Laude	
Mary Aim 1. Kiss		Sugarioai, PA
Philosophy		
Shannon Mankovich		Nanticoke, PA

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Accounting	
Carolyn Noel Burke Summa Cum Laude	Dallas, PA
Daniel P. Franklin Summa Cum Laude	Laceyville, PA
Lisa Renee Jones Summa Cum Laude	Kingston, PA
Kimberly Ann Kovalick Cum Laude	Noxen, PA
Joseph J. Pirillo, Jr	Plymouth, PA
Biology	
Michelle Lynn Fahey	Wilkes-Barre, PA
Erin E. Graham	Old Forge, PA
Elizabeth Anne Hudzinski Magna Cum Laude College Honors	Rochester, NY
Stacy Marie Jesse Summa Cum Laude College Honors	
Danielle Martin Cum Laude	
Gray W. Montana Cum Laude	Shickshinny, PA
Rebecca Anastasia Pienta Summa Cum Laude	Plains, PA
Michaeleen Powanda Magna Cum Laude	Pottsville, PA
Dellarika H. Schmitt	Horsham, PA
Heather Renée Shonk	Swoyersville, PA
Robert C. Skasko, Jr	Pittston, PA
Rebecca J. Yacobenas Summa Cum Laude	Tamaqua, PA
Business Administration	
Laurie Jean Alapick Cum Laude	
Heather A. Biga	Dallas, PA
Michael Joseph Blasi	Mountaintop, PA
Michael Joseph DeFrancesco	Wyoming, PA
Jeremy R. Fleeger	Sweet Valley, PA
John Goudy	Medford, NJ
Gregory Knight	Berwyn, PA
Katherine E. Lane Magna Cum Laude	Mechanicsburg, PA
Adam Matthew Molesky	Wyoming, PA
Maria Mundenar	Pittston, PA
Nicole M. Schiralli	Dallas, PA

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (Business Administration) — (cont'd)

Jennie Ann Shamro	.Uniondale,	PA
Robert Vernon Stambaugh, Jr.	Trucksville,	PA
William P. Yannuzzi	shavertown,	PA

Chemistry

Colleen B. McGee	Kingston,	PA
Amy Noreen Margavitch	kes-Barre,	PA

Computer Science

Eric Sweeney	Cum Laude	?	Wilkes-Barre,	PA
Melisa A. Tyira			Dallas,	PA

Elem

16	entary Education		
	Amy Antos-Tirva	Shavertown,	PA
	Peter Anzalone	Philadelphia,	PA
	Melody Lane Asbury	Wilkes-Barre,	PA
	Erin Ann Barnic	Inkerman,	PA
	Angela C. Bulgaris	Wilkes-Barre,	PA
	Christine Burgess	Hop Bottom,	PA
	Matthew Donald Button	New Milford,	PA
	Renee Capozucca	Pittston,	PA
	Josette Maria Cefalo Cum Laude	Exeter,	PA
	Lori Cerza	Ocean, 1	NJ
	Michelle L. Connolly	Exeter,	PA
	Jodi Lynn Cosgrove Magna Cum Laude	Scranton,	PA
	Julie Ann Feik	Honesdale, l	PA
	Colleen Ann Franchi Cum Laude	Plains, l	PA
	Laura Gamble	Burlington Township, I	NJ
	Thomas Hornlein, Jr.	Pittston Township, l	PA
	Megan Marie Kopicki Cum Laude	Plymouth, l	PA
	Joshua V. Lukashefski Summa Cum Laude	Shickshinny, l	PA
	Mark Masakowski Cum Laude		
	Denise McHugh	Wilkes-Barre, I	PA

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (Elementary Education) — (cont'd)

	Brian Patrick Mulhern
	Lisa Palmitessa
	Shelene A. Perlis
	Sharon A. Pizzella
	James A. Renfer Pittston, PA
	Jacqueline Rosencrans Summa Cum Laude Kingston, PA
	Lee Ann Shutlock
	Melissa Marek Skutack
	Pamela Ann Solano
	Wendy K. Wadman Summa Cum Laude
	Shannon Rae Weaver
	Cynthia Lorraine Wiggins Summa Cum Laude Kingston, PA
	Kerri Young
	Jennifer Lynn Zalepa
21	ral Studies

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neral Studies	
Allison Marie Baird	Cum Laude Jackson, NJ
Stephen Michael Buckley	
Jessica Ann Crea	Shenandoah, PA
Kathleen Anne Cvrkel	Johnstown, PA
Stacy Romane Dagle	
Shannon Nicole Dunlap	Delano, PA
Meredith Megan Ewan	Mount Holly, NJ
Heidi Faatz	
Crista Ferretti	
Juanita Foore	
Melissa Lea Fox	Magna Cum Laude Montoursville, PA
Vincent L. Gallo	
Carra L. Giardina	Cum Laude Dallas, PA
Carrie M. Hapeman	
Karol Lynn Hasting	
Amy Jo Hershberger	Bedford, PA
Dianne Marie Honis	

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

	Amy Ann Jamieson	Pittston, PA
	John Joseph Judge	Scranton, PA
	Angela Rose Kobylarz	Nanticoke, PA
	Kathryn Mary Konrad	Haddonfield, NJ
	Tiffany Krzynefski	Hunlock Creek, PA
	Hollie Amanda Leatherman Cum Laude	Wapwallopen, PA
	Joanna Kathleen Lennon	Media, PA
	Richard F. Levenoskie, Jr.	Swoyersville, PA
	June Maria Manderichio	Union, NJ
	Molly Mary McNichol	Langhorne, PA
	Kerry Ann Monaghan	Bethlehem, PA
	Bonnie Mae Myers	Jobstown, PA
	Michelle Earlene Myers	Hellam, PA
	Danielle Kathryn Randazzo	West Wyoming, PA
	Kimberly Ann Reese	Shenandoah, PA
	Jennifer Rugletic	Duryea, PA
	Adam Grant Schaeffer	Seminole, FL
	Nicole Marie Schepis Summa Cum Laude	Long Valley, NJ
	Lindsay Arna Seldomridge	Myerstown, PA
	Stephanie Lynn Thuss	Ashburn, VA
	Dana Faith Vitale	Langhorne, PA
	Margaret Mary Ventrella Magna Cum Laude	Albrightsville, PA
	Megan A. Walsh Cum Laude	Pittston, PA
	John Henry Williams	Bethlehem, PA
	Michelle Lynn Wood	Frackville, PA
	Leah Marie Youells	Plains, PA
Liber	ral Studies	
	Francis C. Koterba	Passaic, NJ
	Johanna Arnott Rasmus	Plymouth, PA
	Kimberly A. Ruzicki	Hunlock Creek, PA
	Eric J. Wanchisen	Nanticoke, PA
	Deltie D. Wilson	NT

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Daniel Luvender	Pittston Township, PA
Mathematics	
Melisa A. Tyira	Dallas, PA
Medical Technology	
Vanessa Brown Summa Cum Laude	Georgetown, GU
Lisa M. Endler	Wilkes-Barre, PA
Michele L. Gulick	Wilkes-Barre, PA
Andrew David Kelleman	Dupont, PA
Mark William Parrish	Shavertown, PA
Psychology	
Tara Lynn Barrett	South Waverly, PA
Dean Benedetti	Wilkes-Barre, PA
Jessica Damara Boyko Magna Cum Laude	Taylor, PA
Jeanne Davenport	Kingston, PA
Stephanie Susan Eggenberger	Winchester, VA
Denise Pamela Eicher	Harveys Lake, PA
Danielle C. Gumaer	Pittston, PA
Kathleen A. Hughes	Dallas, PA
Robert Allen Kozikowski Magna Cum Laude	Toms River, NJ
Thomas John Makowiec	Tresckow, PA
Jacquelyn A. Malinowski Magna Cum Laude	Old Forge, PA
Sheila Marie Mangold	Wilkes-Barre, PA
Jason J. Meixsell	Nazareth, PA
Nicole Marie Perrins	
Retta A. Radin	Hampton Bays, NY
Laura Siesko	Bloomsburg, PA
Rayna Michele Spencer	Canton, PA
Heidi Rebecca Stepanski	Wilkes-Barre, PA
Rebecca Ann Vauter Stredny Summa Cum Laude	

Robin B. Wilson Magna Cum Laude Noxen, PA

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Radiography

Nicole L. Balchune	Cum Laude	Duryea, PA
Sheila Marie Brutko		Shavertown, PA
Brian J. Cherundolo	Cum Laude	Taylor, PA
Kimberly M. Pratt-Dorway	Cum Laude	Freeport, BA
Aubrey R. Foy		Mountaintop, PA
Donn Hoosack		Toms River, NJ
Lisa A. Jiorle		Phillipsburg, NJ
Amy Michelle Kiehl	Magna Cum Laude	Ashland, PA
Kelly Anne Konen		Philadelphia, PA
Laura Theresa Marshall	Cum Laude	Emmaus, PA
Yolanda A. Martz	Cum Laude	Lehighton, PA
Maribeth Teresa Matlowski		Wilkes-Barre, PA
Michelle Mikus		Larksville, PA
Leslie Anne Olerta		Exeter, PA
Jessica Marie Purver		East Islip, NY
Sonya Renee Sabaluski		Hunlock Creek, PA
Nicole Yarmel		Courtdale, PA

Special Education

Peter Anzalone	Philadelphia, PA
Lori Cerza	Ocean, N
Jodi Lynn Cosgrove Magna Cum Laude	Scranton, PA
Julie Ann Feik	Honesdale, PA
Laura Gamble	Burlington Township, N
Megan Marie Kopicki Cum Laude	Plymouth, PA
Joshua V. Lukashefski Summa Cum Laude	Shickshinny, PA
Lisa Palmitessa	Coal Township, PA
Shelene A. Perlis	Hunlock Creek, PA
Elizabeth Ann Ratowski	Wilkes-Barre, PA
Wendy K. Wadman Summa Cum Laude	Waymart, PA
Cynthia Lorraine Wiggins Summa Cum Laude	Kingston, PA

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

	Hope Ann Boston		Noxen, PA
	Joseph Paul Chindemi	Cum Laude	Archbald, PA
	Tammy Lynn Clickner		Hawley, PA
	Trisha M. Dauernheim		Bethlehem, PA
	Heidi Ann DePriest		Exeter, PA
	Daniel S. Dushanko	Cum Laude	Swoyersville, PA
	Kimberly Lynn Gritman		Harveys Lake, PA
	Elaine Gull		Taylor, PA
	Nelson Anthony Iannuzzi	Magna Cum Laude	Wyoming, PA
	Gisela Imgrund		Lewisburg, PA
	Roxie M. Jones		Kingston, PA
	Jo Ann Linker		Dallas, PA
	Kristine Myers Loomis	Summa Cum Laude	Montrose, PA
	Lisa Marie Maciejczyk		Edwardsville, PA
	Michelle Melovitz		Plymouth, PA
	Barbara Ann Myers	Magna Cum Laude	Laceyville, PA
	Kimberly Nudelman	Cum Laude	Olyphant, PA
	Jean Marie Reynolds		
	Amy Lynne Rogers	Cum Laude	Shavertown, PA
	Marie A. Sabatura		Shavertown, PA
	Beth Ann Savitski		Mount Carmel, PA
	Lori Anne Scott		Harveys Lake, PA
	Glen A. Stook	Cum Laude	Mountaintop, PA
	Jennifer Tawes		Dunellen, PA
	Lisa Ann Tokach		Hazleton, PA
	Natalie Veit		Newtown Square, PA
	Lori Christine Wilkers		
	Jennifer Ann Xander		Danielsville, PA
(CHELOR OF SOC	CIAL WORK	
	Olga L. Araujo		Glen Lyon, PA

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Olga L. Araujo	Glen Lyon,	PA
Raina Ann Cole	Mountaintop,	PA
Christine Renee Evanchick	Wilkes-Barre,	PA

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN SOCIAL WORK — (cont'd)

Kara B. Golden	um Laude Tunkhannock, PA
Jennifer U. Hardin	
Terry L. Joyce Magne	a Cum Laude Dallas, PA
Michelle Lynn Lieback	Pittston, PA
Theresa A. C. Makar	um LaudeAvoca, PA
Barbara Ann Mancia	Eynon, PA
Cynthia M. Matalonis Magna	a Cum Laude Wilkes-Barre, PA
Christine M. McLaughlin	Pittston, PA
Darlene Pluko	Glen Lyon, PA
Colleen M. Slubowski	

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Education

Lawrence M. Capozzelli	Junedale, PA
Jo Ann M. Pritchyk Carr	Clarks Summit, PA
Maureen D. Doerfler	Harveys Lake, PA
Cathy Jo Fiske	Forty Fort, PA
John Thomas Fitzpatrick	
Beth Rubin Forbes	Dallas, PA
Petrina R. Gregory	Montrose, PA
Brooke Merring	Lake Ariel, PA
Michele Lynn O'Connor	Dalton, PA
Fred J. Pacolitch	Thornhurst, PA
Barbara Ann Warman	Plymouth, PA

Organizational Management

Lauren Elizabeth Allen	Trucksville, PA
Arthur W. Breese	Wilkes-Barre, PA
Leo V. Carr	Dallas, PA
Bertram L. Harris	Factoryville, PA
Scott Alan Jenkins	Dallas, PA
William W. Malleson	Dallas, PA

MASTER OF SCIENCE (Organizational Management) — (cont'd)

Mark Christian Szot	Harveys Lake,	PA
Diana M. Waligun	Wilkes-Barre,	PA
Gordon Robert Wilkinson	Dallas,	PA
Michael W. Zimmerman	Shickshinny,	PA

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Olbit of ociditor attitories	
M. Ellen Anuszewski	Dunmore, PA
Richard G. Ashford	
Mary Kay Bifano	Carbondale, PA
Dawn Brooks	Jersey Shore, PA
Reena J. Cho	Allentown, PA
Rosanne Catherine Connor	Taylor, PA
Maria Antoinette Eastman	Meshoppen, PA
Michelle Hawkins	Wilkes-Barre, PA
Alice Rachel Holland	Jim Thorpe, PA
Cheryl A. Jackson	Dallas, PA
Beth A. Jordan	Middleburg, PA
Mary Jean Kotch	Shavertown, PA
Darlene Kuchinski	Berwick, PA
Angela S. Luongo	Dallas, PA
Yasmeen Natale	Clarks Summit, PA
Jennie R. Musto-Saporito	Pittston Township, PA
Jo Ann M. Stiteler	Honesdale, PA
Annette T. Tross	Old Forge, PA
Jacqueline S.Weigle	Williamsport, PA
Vito Zaccheo	Chinchilla, PA

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

Allison M. Baird	Jackson, NJ
Stephen Michael Buckley	Dallas, PA
Jessica Ann Crea	Shenandoah, PA
Kathleen Ann Cyrkel	Johnstown, PA

MASTER OF SCIENCE (Occupational Therapy) — (cont'd)

Stacy Romane Dagle	Selinsgrove, PA
Shannon Nicole Dunlap	Delano, PA
Denise Pamela Eicher	New Stanton, PA
Meredith Megan Ewan	Mount Holly, NJ
Crista Ferretti	Wilkes-Barre, PA
Melissa Lea Fox	Montoursville, PA
Carra L. Giardina	Dallas, PA
Carrie M. Hapeman	Wilkes-Barre, PA
Dianne Marie Honis	Sugarloaf, PA
Kathleen A. Hughes	Dallas, PA
Amy Ann Jamieson	Pittston, PA
Angela Rose Kobylarz	Nanticoke, PA
Kathryn Mary Konrad	Haddonfield, NJ
Robert Allen Kozikowski	Toms River, NJ
Tiffany Krzynefski	Hunlock Creek, PA
Hollie Amanda Leatherman	Wapwallopen, PA
Joanna Kathleen Lennon	Media, PA
Richard F. Levenoskie, Jr.	Swoyersville, PA
June Maria Manderichio	Union, NJ
Sheila Marie Mangold	Wilkes-Barre, PA
Molly Mary McNichol	Langhorne, PA
Jason J. Meixsell	Nazareth, PA
Kerry Ann Monaghan	Bethlehem, PA
Bonnie Mae Myers	Jobstown, NJ
Michelle Earlene Myers	Hellam, PA
Nicole Marie Perrins	Pittston, PA
Danielle Kathryn Randazzo	West Wyoming, PA
Kimberly Ann Reese	
Jennifer Rugletic	Duryea, PA
Adam Grant Schaeffer	Seminole, FL
Nicole Marie Schepis	Long Valley, NJ
Lindsay Arna Seldomridge	Myerstown, PA
Heidi Rebecca Stepanski	Myerstown, PA
Stephanie Lynn Thuss	Ashburn, VA

MASTER OF SCIENCE (Occupational Therapy) — (cont'd)

Dana Faith Vitale	Langhorne, PA
Megan A. Walsh	Pittston, PA
John Henry Williams	Bethlehem, PA
Michelle Lynn Wood	Frackville, PA
Leah Marie Youells	Plains, PA

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PHYSICAL THERAPY AND BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN GENERAL STUDIES

Benjamin Nicholas Augustine	Summa Cum Laude College Honors	New Ringgold, PA
Allison Marie Banta		Succasunna, NJ
Nicole Lea Barnhart	. Summa Cum Laude	Owego, NY
Melissa L. Barto		
Terence Matthew Brennan		Selingsgrove, PA
Stephanie E. Buchinski	Cum Laude	Nanticoke, PA
Mary Beth V. Butchko	Magna Cum Laude	Exeter, PA
Holly Elizabeth Champluvier	990)	Kingston, PA
Stacie Lynn Chaszar		Brackney, PA
Carin Jean Cirigliano	Summa Cum Laude	Hampton Bays, NY
Erin Helen Clough		Watertown, NY
Michael Compeau		Watertown, NY
Joseph E. Conway	Cum Laude	Dunmore, PA
Alison M. Davidock	Cum Laude	Frackville, PA
Erin Jane Ditty	. Magna Cum Laude	South Williamsport, PA
Christy Leigh Dreabit		Wyoming, PA
Michelle Catherine Eglesia		Dickson City, PA
Malia A. Epe	Cum Laude	Binghamton, NY
Jennifer Lynn Geist		Piscataway, NJ
Tonya K. Gunther		Mifflinville, PA
Timothy A. Hartmann	Cum Laude	Fair Lawn, NJ
Hunter Hendrickson		Moorestown, NJ
Ronald Kevin Hicswa		Fair Lawn, NJ

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PHYSICAL THERAPY — (cont'd)

Andrea Hitchcock	
Joshua P. Hogan	
Neil T. Hunsinger	
John Christopher Hyduk	
Chandra Ann Johns Cum Laude	
Andrea Lynn Johnson	
David M. Kozich	
Todd Krawchuk Magna Cum Laude	
Aprile B. Lachenmayer	
Matthew Henry Lawney Cum Laude	
Melissa Katherine Lazarski Summa Cum Laude	
Brent John Lewandowski Summa Cum Laude	
Christina D. Lukus	
Danielle M. McHugh	
Erin McDermott	CONTROL '1 SERVINE AND THE SER
Daniel Steven Moore	Actualist Souchast
Danielle Morcom	MEN OF CHURCHANG
Megan Oberdoester Cum Laude	REGULE TOTAL
Jennifer Leigh Palamar	P DEPORTED VICES
Cheryl Anne Piersall	
Stephan G. Pill	
Karen E. Poplaski	
Kristina Corcoran Rinde Cum Laude	
Nicole Ruffo	MARCH TO BELLEVIEW
Frank Serino	
Matthew Jon Shoener	
Amy Lynn Shovlin	
Julie Maureen Sienko	
Shannon S. Smoyer Magna Cum Laude	
Kerri J. Soltys	
Ann M. Strauss	SHERITAL IN THERESE
Shannon Lee Swartz	
Brandi L. Tracy	
Dianti L. Hacy	WIRCS-Daile, PA

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PHYSICAL THERAPY — (cont'd)

Kimberly K. Tracy	Erie, PA
Gina Nicole Tropiano	Collingswood, NJ
Matthew Marcus Walko Magna Cum Laude College Honors Thomas Joseph Walsh	Edwardsville, PA
Garrett W. Watson	
Mary Elizabeth Weinschenk Cum Laude	Dupont, PA
Carl J. Wiedlich Magna Cum Laude	Shavertown, PA
David Andrew Wolak	Dupont, PA
Scott Yacovelli	Royersford, PA
Christine A. Zawistowski	Succasunna, NJ

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

Jennifer Hoke
Jennifer Grabowski
Lisa Wrzesc
Cynthia Schmid
Nancy Marino
Stephen Kurilla
Jennifer Oyster
Deborah Weidow

Danielle Seibert Kendra Forsythe Robert Wentling Brandon Kishbaugh Michael Moran Suzanne Donati Christopher Chelius

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 Dunaway

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

Benjamin Nicholas Augustine

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:

Joshua V. Lukashefski

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:

Roxie M. Jones

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

Lori Christine Wilkers

The Sister Mary Kateri Dowart, R.S.M. Award for Excellence and Leadership in NURSING is awarded to:

Barbara Ann Myers

The Clinical Excellence Award in NURSING, 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:

Glen A. Stook

HONORS AND AWARDS — (con'd)

The Dr. Marcie Jones Graduate Nursing Award, given to a graduate nursing student in good academic standing who demonstrates living the mission of the College—mercy, justice, service, and hospitality—is awarded to:

Mary Jean Kotch

NURSING students receiving the Heart Association Community Award for outstanding volunteer service to the American Heart Association in the fight against heart disease and stroke in our community are:

Hope Ann Boston Gisela Imgrund Lisa Marie Maciejczyk Jean Marie Reynolds Lisa Ann Tokach Jennifer Ann Xander

NURSING students receiving the Certificate of Achievement through Nursing and Health Services with the American Red Cross are:

Hope Ann Boston Tammy Lynn Clickner Heidi Ann DePriest Gisela Imgrund Lisa Marie Maciejczyk Jean Marie Reynolds Lisa Ann Tokach Lori Christine Wilkers Jennifer Ann Xander

The Rho-Tau Award for clinical excellence in the study of RADIOGRAPHY is awarded to:

Brian J. Cherundolo

The Mallinckrodt Award for outstanding academic achievement in RADIOGRAPHY is awarded to:

Amy Michelle Kiehl

The outstanding PHYSICAL THERAPY Student Award to a graduating student who demonstrates excellence in academic achievement, clinical performance, leadership skills and service to the College, community and profession is awarded to:

Chandra Ann Johns

HONORS AND AWARDS — (con'd)

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:

Brent J. Lewandowski

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:

Danielle M. McHugh

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

Jacquelyn A. Malinowski

The Outstanding Contribution to Psychology Award, sponsored by the PSYCHOLOGY Department is awarded to:

Jessica Damara Boyko

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

Terry L. Joyce

The Mother Mary Teresa Walsh, R.S.M. Award, founded by the Walsh Family for proficiency in RELIGIOUS STUDIES, is awarded to:

Peter John Malak

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

Joshua V. Lukashefski

The Sister M. Chrysostom Dougherty, R.S.M. Award for excellence in student teaching in SPECIAL EDUCATION is awarded to:

Wendy K. Wadman

HONORS AND AWARDS — (con'd)

The Dr. Louis Maganzin Award for excellence in SECONDARY EDUCATION is awarded to:

John Edward Krupp

The Joan L. Krause Award for Teacher EDUCATION is presented to:

Cynthia Lorraine Wiggins

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

Melody Lane Asbury Melissa Marek Skutack

The Sr. M. Celestine McHale, R.S.M. Award for Graduate Education, nominated by the director of the Graduate Education Program and presented to an outstanding graduating graduate student in EDUCATION, is awarded to:

Michele Lynn O'Connor

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

Robin B. Wilson

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

Amy Dunaway

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

Rachel A. Hastings

The Most Outstanding Curricular Student in OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY Award is awarded to:

Megan A. Walsh

HONOR SOCIETIES

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

Kara B. Golden Terry L. Joyce Theresa A. C. Makar Cynthia M. Matalonis

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

Carolyn Noel Burke David Engelhardt Daniel P. Franklin Karol Lynn Hasting Mary Ann T. Kiss

Leslie Anne Olerta

Joseph J. Pirillo, Jr. Jacqueline Rosencrans Rebecca Ann Vauter Stredny

Wendy K. Wadman Cynthia Lorraine Wiggins

Students admitted to CHI ALPHA EPSILON, Honor Society for outstanding academic achievements and who are members of the Act 101 Programs:

Sheila Marie Brutko Christine Burgess Nelson Anthony Iannuzzi Katherine E. Lane Alicia Marrone Sharon A. Pizzella Wendy K. Wadman

Students admitted to the Beta Chapter, DELTA EPSILON SIGMA, National Scholastic Honor Society:

Benjamin Nicholas Augustine Cynthia Boccio Carin Jean Cirigliano Amy Dunaway Melissa Katherine Lazarski

Brent John Lewandowski

Joshua V. Lukashefski Jacqueline Rosencrans Rebecca Ann Vautner Stredny Wendy K. Wadman Cynthia Lorraine Wiggins

Students admitted to PHI ALPHA THETA, the National Honor Society in History:

William Jay Bevan Teresa Ann Eschrich Ryan G. Foley John Edward Krupp Peter John Malak Robert J. Tugend

Rebecca S. Yacobenas

HONOR SOCIETIES — (cont'd)

Students admitted to KAPPA DELTA PI, International Honor Society in Education:

Jodi Lynn Cosgrove Cathy Jo Fiske John Thomas Fitzpatrick Colleen Ann Franchi Fred J. Pacolitch Barbara Ann Warman Cynthia Lorraine Wiggins

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

Lauren Elizabeth Allen
Benjamin Nicholas Augustine
Mary Kay Bifano
Cynthia Boccio
Carolyn Noel Burke
Lawrence M. Capozzelli
JoAnn M. Pritchyk Carr
Leo V. Carr
Carin Jean Cirigliano
Maureen D. Doerfler
Amy Dunaway
David Michael Engelhardt
Cathy Jo Fiske

Melissa Katherine Lazarski

Daniel P. Franklin

Mary Jean Kotch

Brent John Lewandowski
Kristine Myers Loomis
Joshua V. Lukashefski
Angela S. Luongo
Thomas John Makowiec
Michele Lynn O'Connor
Joseph J. Pirillo, Jr.
Jacqueline Rosencrans
Rebecca Ann Vauter Stredney
Wendy K. Wadman
Barbara Ann Warman
Jacqueline S. Weigle
Cynthia Lorraine Wiggins
Rebecca J. Yacobenas
Michael W. Zimmerman

Students admitted to the Psi Chapter of PI THETA EPSILON, the National Occupational Therapy Honor Society:

Allison M. Baird
Denise Pamela Eicher
Melissa Lea Fox
Carra L. Giardina
Dianne Marie Honis
Robert Allen Kozikowski
Hollie Amanda Leatherman

Jason J. Meixsell Danielle Kathryn Randazzo Jennifer Rugletic Nichole Marie Schepis Megan A. Walsh Michelle Lynn Wood

Students admitted to LAMBDA IOTA TAU, Beta Epsilon Chapter, International Literature Honor Society:

Cynthia Boccio Amy Dunaway David Michael Engelhardt Rachel A. Hastings Melissa J. Spinelli

HONOR SOCIETIES — (cont'd)

Students admitted to the PSI CHI Honor Society for the recognition of scholarship and achievement in Psychology:

Dean Benedetti Jessica Damara Boyko Stephanie Susanne Eggenberger Denise Pamela Eicher Robert Allen Kozikowski

Thomas John Makowiec Jacquelyn A. Malinowski Danielle Martin Jason J. Meixsell

Students admitted to the Theta Phi Chapter, SIGMA THETA TAU Honor Society for Nursing:

M. Ellen Anuszewski Richard G. Ashford Hope Ann Boston Ruther A. Butrej Kimberly Lynn Gritman Mary Jean Kotch Darlene Kuchinski Kristine Myers Loomis Lisa Marie Maciejczyk
Barbara Ann Myers
Amy Lynne Rogers
Beth Ann Savitski
Lori Anne Scott
Glen A. Stook
Jacqueline S. Weigle
Lori Christine Wilkers

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:

Nichole L. Balchune Brian J. Cherundolo Amy Michelle Kiehl

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

Stacey Ackerman Susan Andrews Amy C. Bruno Angela C. Bulgaris Joy Candy Amy Dunaway Teresa Ann Eschrich Colleen Kearns John Edward Krupp Jacquelyn A. Malinowski Michael J. Moran Michaeleen Powanda Wendy K. Wadman Rebeccad J. Yacobenas

THE REVEREND JAMES R. LACKENMIER, C.S.C.

Doctor of Laws, Honoris Causa

Today College Misericordia is delighted to present this honorary degree to a good friend and colleague, the Reverend James R. Lackenmier, in recognition of his outstanding leadership, both on campus and in the community, as president of King's College. Since 1974, when he came to King's, Father Lackenmier has worked tirelessly to advance his institution, its students, and the greater Wilkes-Barre area.

Named King's president in 1981, Father Lackenmier previously served as director of campus ministry, director of development and adjunct assistant professor of theology. His long and illustrious tenure as president is highlighted by numerous achievements, such as a ten-fold increase in the college's endowment, three successful capital campaigns, increased enrollment, construction of two new campus buildings and a new athletic complex, renovation and remodeling of other campus buildings, development of the college's nationally-recognized core curriculum and assessment program, the addition of 12 new major programs, and recognition as one of the best regional liberal arts colleges in the Northeast by U.S. News and World Report, Barron's, Money Magazine and the John Templeton Foundation Honor Roll for Character-Building Colleges.

His work in the greater Wilkes-Barre community is no less significant. Father Lackenmier was a founding board member and seven-year veteran of the Earth Conservancy. He chaired a very successful 1986 United Way Campaign of Wyoming Valley. He served as a board member of the Osterhout Library, the Greater Wilkes-Barre Chamber of Business and Industry and Leadership Wilkes-Barre. He has been active on the advisory committee for the Boy Scouts of America Penn Mountains Council. He served on the Board of Trustees of Mercy Hospital South, and is a past member of the Council for Workforce Preparation for the Greater Wilkes-Barre Partnership. He served on the Board of Directors of the Economic Development Council of Northeastern Pennsylvania and the Historic Preservation Committee for the City of Wilkes-Barre.

Throughout the region and the state he has served with distinction on the boards of various telecommunications, economic,

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and education organizations, and has been the chair and vice chair of the Foundation for Independent Colleges. In addition, he is a member of the Board of Regents of the University of Portland and has served two terms on the Board of Trustees of Stonehill College.

In recognition of his insight, leadership abilities, and commitment to the area and to higher education, Father Lackenmier has received many honors and awards. In 1994 the Boy Scouts presented him with the Distinguished Citizens Award, and he has also received the Distinguished Eagle Scout Award and the Wyoming Valley Interfaith Council Citation of Distinction. He also has received honorary degrees from Our Lady of Holy Cross College in New Orleans, University of Portland, and Wilkes University.

A native of Buffalo, New York, Father Lackenmier received his licensure in sacred theology at the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome. He holds a bachelor's degree in philosophy from Stonehill College and master's degrees in English from the University of North Carolina and in theology and literature from the University of Chicago.

Last year Father Lackenmier announced that he would be leaving the presidency of King's College in June, 1999. He will serve as the program director for the University of Portland's Center for International Study in Salzburg, Austria for the year 1999-2000.

For more than two decades, Father Lackenmier has committed himself, his talents and his vision to the advancement of King's College, the greater Wilkes-Barre area, and to higher education both locally and regionally. In recognition of his significant contributions to his college and community, College Misericordia is proud to bestow upon the Reverend James R. Lackenmier, C.S.C., the Doctor of Laws, Honoris Causa.

THE HONORABLE DICK SPRING TD

Doctor of Humane Letters, Honoris Causa

College Misericordia is very pleased to welcome the Honorable Dick Spring TD, member of the Irish Parliament and former deputy Prime Minister of Ireland, to its Commencement Exercises this year. The College also is honored to present its highest academic award to Mr. Spring in recognition of his vision and historic efforts to bring about a peaceful solution to the conflict in Northern Ireland.

Mr. Spring has been a member and leader of the Irish Labour Party since 1981, when he was first elected to Parliament. Well known throughout the country for his skill as a rugby player, Mr. Spring represents his home area of North Kerry and holds the seat his father held for nearly 40 years. In 1982 Dick Spring was elected leader of the Labour Party and, at age 32, became deputy Prime Minister of Ireland. From 1982 to 1987 he had joint responsibility with the Prime Minister for negotiating, on behalf of the Irish Government, the Anglo-Irish Agreement of 1985. The Agreement was the framework for a shared understanding between the British and Irish Governments to assist discussion and negotiation involving the Northern Ireland parties.

As deputy Prime Minister and minister for foreign affairs, Mr. Spring was involved in the negotiation of the Joint Declaration (December 1993) between the British and Irish Governments. The Declaration is a charter for peace and reconciliation and provided a means of establishing the first steps toward lasting peace with justice in Ireland.

In addition to serving as deputy Prime Minister, Mr. Spring has also served as minister for the environment, for energy, and for foreign affairs. As foreign affairs minister, he has addressed the General Assembly of the United Nations on four occasions; accompanied President Mary Robinson on a number of her state visits; and has led presidency delegations to various countries in Europe and the Middle East. He also represented Ireland at the General Council of the European Union between 1992-97; during Ireland's presidency of the EU in 1997, he served as chairman of the body.

As leader of the Labour Party, Mr. Spring has been the cham-

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pion of openness and accountability in government. His party introduced the Ethics in Government legislation and worked to develop Freedom of Information legislation. In recent elections, the Labour party lost its leadership in Parliament, and Mr. Spring has resigned as his party's leader.

A graduate of Mt. St. Joseph's College in County Tipperary and Trinity College in Dublin, Mr. Spring earned his law degree from Kings Inns, Dublin. In addition to his duties in Parliament, he serves as a director for several Irish firms and as international counsel for the Boston law firm of Mintz Levin Cohn Ferris Glovsky & Popeo.

Mr. Spring, who spent a short time in his youth working as a barman in New York City, is married to Virginia native Kristi Hutcheson. The couple has three teen-aged children, Aaron, Laura and Adam.

In the ongoing struggle to bring peace to Northern Ireland, Mr. Spring has been a powerful advocate for reason, understanding, moderation and objectivity. In recognition of his commitment to peace and to his country, College Misericordia is proud to bestow upon the Honorable Dick Spring TD, the Doctor of Humane Letters, Honoris Causa.

DR. ROBERT S. ANDERSON

Catherine McAuley Medal

It is with deep appreciation and gratitude that the College Misericordia community awards the prestigious Catherine McAuley Medal to a revered friend, who, with his wife, has imparted such significant contributions to the College and to its neighboring communities. As a physician, Dr. Anderson has devoted his life to helping others, and his commitment to education and health has helped many area institutions.

Dr. Anderson and his late wife, Geraldine Ruth Daley Anderson, have been interested in fitness, health and education for many years. This interest 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 this 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 has enjoyed having lunch in the cafeteria among the students as much as the more formal affairs he attends. As a member of the Board of Trustees from 1992 to 1997, he offered his insight and wisdom on many issues, helping the College to prepare for the challenges of the next century.

He 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. He served his country as a physician and chief medical administrator where he befriended people of monumental stature. General George Patton affectionately referred to him as "Laddie" at staff meetings.

Following his retirement from the Army in 1969, 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.

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Anderson also received an honorary doctor of science from Misericordia in 1996, and earlier this year was honored with a new Misericordia award in pre-medicine, named for him and given to a graduating senior who has demonstrated academic excellence in the pre-medicine curriculum, service to the College, and leadership.

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

Robert Anderson received his bachelor's degree from Bucknell University and his medical degree from Temple University School of Medicine. He later returned to Johns Hopkins University where he received a master's degree in public health.

The McAuley Medal is not awarded annually, but on the basis of merit. This is the ninth medal to be presented in the last fourteen years.

Since 1989, Dr. Robert Anderson and his wife Geraldine have supported Misericordia's educational mission and have, through their wisdom, commitment and generosity, enabled thousands of members of the public, as well as hundreds of Misericordia students and alumni, to enjoy the benefits of health and fitness. In recognition of his significant and continuing devotion to the College and to the mission of Mercy, Misericordia is pleased to present Robert S. Anderson, M.D., with the Catherine McAuley Medal.

MISERICORDIA ALMA MATER

Sister Teresa Mary Moyles, R.S.M.

Woodland Home on Dallas heights, Majestic, grand in view Your loyal students far and near, Proclaim their love for you. Your banner bright of truth and light Shall proudly o'er us wave Its shining gold and azure blue Denote your spirit brave.

REFRAIN:

Misericordia! We're proud of you.
We love your murm'ring pine trees,
Your groves and grottos, too.
You are our Alma Mater,
And to you we will e'er be true
Misericordia we hail! Dear Misericordia!

When from you we must depart
Our spirit shall remain
We'll ne'er forget your rolling hills
Whose beauty all acclaim.
Your classic halls are our delight,
Your campus is our pride;
Your shield of honor, strength and might
Shall ever be our guide.

THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER

by Francis Scott Key

Music by John Stafford Smith

Oh! say, can you see, by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming?
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thru' the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched were so gallantly streaming?
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof thru' the night that our flag was still there.
Oh! say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?



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