



*"Entering Our Second Century of Excellence"*

NINETY-NINTH YEAR OF  
**WEST VIRGINIA STATE COLLEGE**

INSTITUTE, WEST VIRGINIA  
HAZO WILLIAM CARTER, JR., PRESIDENT

**Centennial**  
**Mid-Year**  
**Commencement**

DECEMBER THE FIFTEENTH  
A.D. NINETEEN HUNDRED NINETY  
AT TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING  
MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM  
CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA

# The Academic Procession

The Academic Procession is composed of administrators, honored guests, faculty, graduates and the College Advisory Board. This procession is led by a marshal, a graduate of West Virginia State College, who seats the graduates, faculty and platform guests. The faculty enter by academic rank wearing costumes that had their origin in the Medieval English University system. The costumes were devised to distinguish academic persons from lay persons, since everyone wore robes or gowns to ward off the cold. The recession, then, is in reverse order with the platform guest leaving the dais first, followed by the graduates and the faculty.

The colors of the academic dress have a significance deeply rooted in the tradition of academic life and are specified by a uniformed code maintained by the American Council on Education. Caps are black and are usually mortar boards with tassels. Doctors of Philosophy wear gold tassels usually of metallic thread; other degrees wear black or discipline colors.

The bachelors' gown is simple and black with long, pointed sleeves. Masters' gowns, also black, are longer than bachelors. Older gowns have sleeves that terminate at the elbow while those since 1960 have sleeves extended to the wrist. Doctors' gowns are full, with bell-like sleeves. The front is marked by velvet panels and the sleeves are marked by three velvet bars. While most gowns are black with black velvet, one variation is to replace black velvet with velvet in the discipline color. A second variation is a colored gown usually of the university's colors.

All hoods specify the level of degree, the discipline studied and the awarding institution. First, degree level is signified by the size of the hood with bachelors' smallest, masters' larger, and doctors' quite large and of a different shape. West Virginia State College does not award hoods to bachelors. The width of the velvet trim also conveys the degree. Secondly, the discipline is indicated by the color of the trim edging the hood to form the throat over the gown. Finally, the color of the hood's lining specifies the awarding institution. The colors are displayed in combinations that are drawn from heraldry.

The colors of the tassels worn by candidates for baccalaureate degrees represent the fields of study in which the degrees will be conferred. At West Virginia State College the following colors are used to designate the various degrees.

Bachelor of Arts	White
Bachelor of Science	Yellow
Bachelor of Science in Business Administration	Drab
Bachelor of Science in Communications	Yellow
Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice	Velvet Blue
Bachelor of Science in Education	Light Blue
Bachelor of Science in Industrial Technology	Orange
Bachelor of Science in Recreation Service	Yellow
Bachelor of Science in Social Work	Citron
Associate Degrees	White

## The Mace

The Academic Mace precedes the entire procession. The grand marshal carries in his hand this ceremonial staff that is used as a symbol of authority. Its placement and removal from a place of honor signifies the opening and closing of ceremonial sessions. The mace had its origin in the Middle Ages, being used first as a weapon by royal bodyguards to protect their monarchs in processions. Today, the mace is primarily used in academic processions, particularly in English speaking countries.

The West Virginia State College mace has historical significance in that it was designed from a spindle from the staircase of West Hall, the second building erected on this campus. West Hall was built in 1895, and was used for various activities while it stood. It was located on the present parking lot adjacent to East Hall and on the West side of Fleming Hall.

The mace was restored by James Huffman, assistant director of admissions at West Virginia State College.

## The Medallion

The medallion worn by the President represents the chains of office. These chains are worn by chief presiding officers of colleges and universities. Such chains may be of plain links with a medallion suspended from the lowest point in front. In recent years the chains have been replaced by ribbons of velvet denoting the college's colors. Incorporated within the medallion is a reproduction of the seal of the College. It is this seal that is impressed on the diplomas awarded to the graduates of West Virginia State College and other official documents.

The medallion is a single piece of crystal five inches in diameter, designed and created by Cubert L. Smith, class of 1960, retired Professor of Art, West Virginia State College. The seal of the College is etched with an air eraser on the reverse side. This rear etching process enhances the optics of the seal and makes it a one of a kind piece.

PRE-COMMENCEMENT CONCERT . . . . . David Williams, conductor  
West Virginia State College Wind Ensemble

AN OUTDOOR OVERTURE . . . . . Aaron Copland  
IRISH TUNE FROM COUNTY DERRY . . . . . Perry Grainger  
SHEPHERD'S HEY . . . . . Perry Grainger  
YANKEE DOODLE . . . . . Morton Gould  
ROLLO TAKES A WALK . . . . . David Maslanka

## Order of Exercises

Barbara J. Oden, Presiding  
Vice-President for Academic Affairs

THE PRELUDE—An Original Suite . . . . . Gordon Jacob  
March  
Intermezzo: Andante ma non trappo  
Finale: Allegro con brio

THE PROCESSIONAL—Pomp and Circumstance . . . Edward Elgar  
THE MARSHALL  
THE CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES  
THE FACULTY  
THE PLATFORM PARTY

THE POSTING OF THE COLORS . . . . . Color Guard  
Reserve Officers Training Corps  
Yellow Jacket Battalion

### THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

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 through 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?  
*The audience will remain standing until after the invocation*

THE INVOCATION . . . . . William G. Thompson, III  
Pastor, St. Peters United Methodist Church, St. Albans, WV

### THE MUSICAL SELECTION—

America—The Dream Goes On . . . . . Bergman and Williams  
arr. Higgins and Lavender  
Concert Choir  
West Virginia State College Wind Ensemble  
David Williams, Conductor

# Order of Exercises

THE INTRODUCTION OF THE SPEAKER . . . . . Hazo W. Carter, Jr.  
Ninth President, West Virginia State College

THE COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS . . . . . Lauro F. Cavazos  
Secretary, U.S. Department of Education

## THE RECOGNITION OF RETIREMENTS—

FACULTY . . . . . Barbara J. Oden  
Vice President for Academic Affairs

Bernard Krabacher —27 years—Professor  
Department of Chemistry

STAFF . . . . . James E. Brimhall  
Vice President for Administrative Affairs

Wilma Barnett —21 years—Physical Facilities

Talmadge Bausley —31 years—Student Services

Mary Russo —11 years—Physical Facilities

## THE CONFERMENT OF SPECIAL HONORS—

### AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE

Teachers of the Year Boone County—Cynthia K. Vance  
Clay County—Eric Cole  
Kanawha County—Bonnie S. Maddox  
Putnam County—Claudia Tull

### Exemplary Teaching Techniques Awards

Connie Strickland—Herbert Hoover  
Alice Preston—Weberwood Elementary  
Cathy LeRose—McKinley Junior High  
Jackie Hayes—Eastbrook Elementary

## THE 1990 PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS

Alumni Affairs —Thomas R. Cabbell

Business —Charles H. James, II

—Charles H. James, III

Community Service —West Virginia Rehabilitation  
Center

Education —Judith G. Reed

## THE CONFERMENT OF HONORARY DEGREE

Doctor of Laws

Lauro F. Cavazos, Secretary

U.S. Department of Education

Washington, D.C.

# Order of Exercises

AWARD OF HONORS . . . . . James H. Thomas, Jr.  
Interim Assistant Vice-President for Academic Affairs

## ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

### HIGHEST HONORS

Martha A. Bailey\*                      Carolyn E. Egnor                      Deborah Chandler Raines

### HIGH HONORS

Joyce Ann Andruzis                      Jeannine Louise Chandler                      Khairieh M. Tannir

### HONORS

Diana Melton Beane                      Paula Sue Foster\*                      Gregory Allen Schultz  
Carol Ouisse Burgess                      Karen L. Hutchison                      Donna E. Taylor\*  
Linda G. Dobbs                      Kristina Kay Keefer\*                      Geri Lynn Walker\*  
Kim Egnor                      Valerie Kay Keiffer                      Stacy Ann Young  
Randy Mark Fitzwater                      James E. Robertson, Jr.

## BACCALAUREATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

### SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Linda J. Adkins                      Norma Elizabeth Dwight                      Amy Jo Parks  
Bridget Ann Bailey                      Mary Lee McMorrow                      Randa Louise Torrisi

### MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Laura Lea Allen                      Martica Blankenship Dillon                      Julie Marie Meikle  
Lori Ann Busch                      Sandra Kaye Ferrell                      Christopher Kent Miller  
Lori Dawn Carney                      Katherine J. Hamsher                      Tammy Newhouse\*  
Loren Wayne Claypool                      Timothy R. Jones                      Kelly Marie Riddle  
Paula Yvonne Clements\*                      Roger Dale Jordan                      Linda A. Snider  
Lois M. Conley                      Bobby Dillard Lester                      Carole Sue Totten  
Karen Lea Cooley

### CUM LAUDE

John Edward Adkins                      Catherine Mary Hastings                      Melford Carl Reed, Jr.  
Toni Zirkle Blessings\*                      Janet Beth Jenkins                      Suzanne Carol Riley\*  
Susan Massey Brewer                      Valerie E. Lucas                      Sean Patrick Robinson  
Patricia Brynne Faye Carte                      Colleen S. Machuga                      Raina L. Skidmore  
Janice Leanne West Christy                      Robert Paul Maier                      Kellie J. Snodgrass  
Connie Jo Combs                      Craig Page Miller                      Dwight E. Stafford  
Carolyn Jane Elswick                      Jodie Lynn Mullins                      D. Keith Steger  
Jacqueline Gore\*                      Jeffrey Scott Nutter                      Betty Asbury Steinmetz\*  
Jess Willard Gundy                      Nancy Lambert Preston                      Catherine A. Wright  
Debra Sanders Harless                      Gloria Gail Reed\*

# Order of Exercises

THE CONFERRING OF DEGREES . . . . . Barbara J. Oden

*The Candidates for Degrees will be presented to Barbara J. Oden, Vice President for Academic Affairs, in the following order,*

Candidates for Associate Degrees by George Bilicic, Director  
Community College Component

Candidates for Bachelor of Arts Degrees by David Wohl, Chair  
Division of Arts and Humanities

Candidates for Bachelor of Science Degrees by K. Harper-Morris,  
Chair, Division of Natural Science and Mathematics

*After the conferring of the degrees by President Carter, the names of the candidates will be announced by John L. Fuller, Registrar*

## Candidates†

### FOR THE DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE

Connie Ann Adkison	Paula Sue Foster*	Patrick Allen Reese*
Joyce Ann Andruzis	Robin Lee French	James Nolan Robertson
Dani Reneé Asseff	Susan Lynn Gillespie	Paul Dewain Ross
Martha Anne Bailey*	Johnny Dean Goodwin	Mark Edward Rucker*
Terri Lynn Barker	Sandra Lynne Hayne*	Gregory Allen Schultz
Diana Melton Beane	Britt Lee Howard	John Edward Settle
Michael Ray Belcher	Karen L. Hutchison	Michelle Reneé Smith
Donna Lynch Brown	Belinda Lee Jarrett	Steven Chris Somerville
Carol Louise Burgess	Larry Joe Johnston*	Kirk Wade St. Clair
Joseph Henry Burgess*	Kristina Kay Keefer*	Danny Wayne Stowers
Monica Gail Chafin	Valerie Kay Keiffer	James Rodney Straughter
Jeannine Louise Chandler	Mark Kellum	Kimberly Sue Stricker
David B. Coll	Paul Wallace Maynard	Khairieh M. Tannir
Mark Kevin Cruickshank	Robert Wayne Meador	Donna Elaine Taylor*
Freddy Edward Curry	Thomas Rothwell Morris	Laurel Ann Townsend
Lucinda Faye Deck	Billy R. Muck	Teresa Lynn Wade
Marilyn Jean Davidson DiVita	Wyatt Edward Null*	Gerri Lynn Walker*
Carolyn E. Egnor	Clydia Elizabeth (Beth) O'Dell	Lori Ann Wetzel
Kim Egnor	Dennis Gene Painter	Matthew Dean Wickline
Monty Douglas Elkins	Laura Anne Pennington	Brent Edward Withrow
Kevin Michael Elliott*	Steven Ray Preston	Stacey Dawn Wolfe
Randy Mark Fitzwater	Pamela I. Putillion	James Frank Wygal, III
Kenneth W. Fleming, Jr.*	Deborah Chandler Raines	Stacy Ann Young

† A name on the program does not assure that final degree requirements have been met.

\* August Graduates

# Candidates

## FOR THE DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE IN ARTS

Linda G. Dobbs  
Danny Harold Lanham, Jr.

## FOR THE DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE

Theresa Michele Gillespie

## FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

Tracy Leigh Allman	Susan H. Jones	Patricia Darlene Patton
Dwight Sean Alvis*	William Louis Korsen	Randa Louise Torrisi
Curtis Franklin Askew	Susan M. Lyon	Kevin Bryan Twohig
Norma Elizabeth Dwight	Nicole Lynn Miller	Amee Lin VanDerMeer
Robin Denise Hardman*	Kathleen Brendan O. Murphy	Catherine Ann Wright
Janet Beth Jenkins		

## FOR THE BOARD OF REGENTS BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE

John Edward Adkins	Linda Lou Green-Steinle*	Steven Ray Meester
Eric Scott Alkire	Jess Willard Gundy	Patricia Marie Morrison
Phyllis Bourn Arthur	Brian D. Hall	Bryan Timothy Murphy
Melissa Suzette Bailey*	Fonda Denise Harmon	Jennifer L. Parsons
Janice G. Banks	Karen Ann Hendricks*	Karlene S. Pietranton
Joyce Ann Bannister	Patricia Ruth Holmes	Elizabeth Ann Pinkerton*
Tomma Kay Barnes*	Jay David Huffman	Nancy Lambert Preston
Toni Lee Blessing*	Michael Edward Hutchinson	Jacqueline Preston Queen
Carla Kay Bryant*	Charles David Justice	Larry Thomas Riffle
Charlotte Anne Caley*	Stephen B. Justice	Jack E. Robertson, Jr.
Loren Wayne Claypool	James Lee Keffer	William Dean Ross
Lisa B. Cobb	Victoria Jane Kitts	Donald Ray Searls, Jr.
Reba Jane Collins	Martha W. Lancianese*	Paul E. Skram
Lois M. Conley	Otis L. Laury	Kevin Jay Sloan
Curley W. Cook	Peggy Sue (Bush) Lee	Carrie Griffith Stalnaker*
Joyce Elaine Cook	Bobby Dillard Lester	Betty D. Steinmetz*
Karen K. Crouser*	Clarice Joan Lowe*	Gary Wayne Stewart
Amanda Keeney Cummings	Valerie E. Lucas	John W. Tabaretti, II
Maxwell T. Deitz	Diana G. McCoy	Regina Susan Templeton
Betty Morris Deneault	Colleen Susan Machuga	James B. Wallace*
Raymond J. Flint	Robin Stinnett Marshall*	Philip Keith Washington
Keith Renaud Franklin	Douglas Ray Meeks	Thomas Dale Whittington, Jr.
Jacqueline Ellis Gore*	Lisa Jean Meeks	

## FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Mark Stephen Buckner	Zaeem Rahin*	Sean Patrick Robinson
Jo Ann Coffey	Melford Carl Reed, Jr.	Dennis Allen Strawn
April Lynn Nelson	David Neil Ring, II*	Robert F. White*



# Candidates

## FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Linda J. Adkins	Charles Orlen Haynes	Tammy Newhouse-Roberts*
Dawn Elizabeth Ashley	Deborah Anne Holmes	Jeffrey Scott Nutter
Daniel Jon Bailey	Darrin Ray Huffman	Amy Jo Parks
Lisa Jo Bare	Roger Dale Jordan	John Morgan Rawlins, IV
Sharon Yvonne Burton*	Michelle Marie Kerns	Kevin Scott Richards~
Melinda Cheryl Cash*	Michael Christopher Leach*	Christina Ellen Robinson
Darin Scott Coyner	Ben Nieman McDonald	Kevin Scott Shamblin
Reneé Ann Cross	Robert Paul Maier	John Tompkins Slicer
Bryant O'Dell Cyrus, Jr.	Mark Anthony Mallory	Timothy Neil Spradling
Kimberly Dawn Dempsey	Patricia Ann Martin	D. Keith Steger
Betty Ann Edwards	Christopher P. Mattox	Kimberly Sue Stricker
Timothy Michael Halen	Christopher Kent Miller	Stancy Ann Turner*
Richard Wendell Harris	Wayne Anthony Montgomery	James Earl Weathersbee
Karen Noel Hassen*	Marsha Evelyn Morgan*	

## FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMMUNICATIONS

Eugenia M. Berger	Timothy R. Jones	Robert Lee Smith
Todd Anthony Dickerson	Michael Brendan O'Leary	Lisa Ann Varga
Johnna Shelton Hunter	Thomas Peter Scudder	Kevin Newton Wigginton
Rodney D'André Johnson	Melissa Joy Skiles	Lisa Jane Woods

## FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Timothy Scott Asbury	Britt Lee Howard	Johnny Lewis Richardson, Jr.*
Pamela Gail Baldwin	Carlton Renard Jackson	Luis Santiago
Jimmy L. Barnett	Jhaun Dionne Jasper	Raina L. Skidmore
Patrick Franklin Boggess	John D. Margolis	Patrick Joseph Underwood*
Patricia Brynne Faye Carte	Craig Page Miller	Steven Lee Weeks
David Alen Cartwright	James Robert Miller	Arnold Neil Wehrle, Jr.
Kathy LeDawn Cross	Jeffrey Allan O'Dell*	Darin Ellsworth Willard
Louis Danté diTrapano	Joseph Scott Peal	Tiffany Faye Williams
Johnny Dean Goodwin	Leslie Dawn Pratt	

## FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION

Laura Lea Allen	Katherine J. Hamsher	Gloria Brown Reed*
Jodi Jellison Atkinson	Debra Sanders Harless	Dorothy Jean Rhodes
Bridget Ann Bailey	Catherine Mary Hastings	Kelley Marie Riddle
Carol Reneé Bays	Jenice M. Hurd	Sarah Halstead Rogers*
Susan Massey Brewer	Angela Reneé Hutchison*	Rita Chapman Searls
Lori Ann Busch	Christina Louise Jones	Lynne Marie Simmons
Sherri Pritt Call	Raymond H. Keefer	Linda A. Snider
Lori Dawn Carney	Robin Leigh Kirk	Kellie J. Snodgrass
Janice Lianne West Christy	Shane Allen Bailey Lewis	Dewight Eugene Stafford
Connie Jo Combs	Bruce Harley McGrew	Sharon Faye Thompson
Karen Lea Cooley	Mary Lee McMorrow	Jerry Wayne Throckmorton
Barbara Jean Covert	Valerie Boone Marino	Carole Sue Totten
Martica Blankenship Dillon	Julie Marie Meikle	John Kirk Townsend
Karen Frances Elmore	Jodie Lynn Mullins	Sandra Lee Turley
Carolyn Jane Elswick	Tamara Leigh Osburn	Aly C. White*
Sandra Kaye Ferrell	Michael David Parriski	Amy Lynn White
Tami Lynn Halley	Brenda Sue Queen	

# Candidates

## FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY

Jerry Dean Elkins, II

## FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN RECREATION SERVICE

Darlana R. Absten

## FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN SOCIAL WORK

Barry Craig Albright

Paula Y. Clements\*

Lisa A. Estep\*

Miale M. Hudson

Kathy Ranee Mollett\*

William Todd Neal

Suzanne Carol Riley\*

Ernestine Sharon Thornton

Gina Annette Watson

# Order of Exercises

- THE GRADUATING OFFICERS . . . . . Willie C. Lucas  
Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Army
- THE SALUTE TO THE GRADUATES . . . . . Hazo W. Carter, Jr.
- THE STUDENT RESPONSE . . . . . William Todd Neal
- THE ALUMNI PLEDGE . . . . . Acie McGhee, National President  
WVSC National Alumni Association
- THE ALMA MATER . . . . . *Spencer / Wade*  
Led by J. Truman Dalton, Chair  
Department of Music
- CLOSING REMARKS . . . . . Barbara J. Oden
- THE BENEDICTION . . . . . William G. Thompson, III
- THE RECESSIONAL—March: 1941 . . . . . *John Williams*  
West Virginia State College Wind Ensemble

The audience is requested to remain seated until the graduates have recessed.

## GRAND MARSHAL—

Associate Professor R. Charles Byers '68

## ASSISTANT MARSHALS—

- Associate Professor Charlotte L. Finney '61
- Associate Professor Christopher Passero '84
- Associate Professor Rosa L. Pickel '52
- Associate Professor Steven E. West '60
- Associate Professor Dolly Withrow '76
- Associate Professor Dallas Brown '54

# Honor Societies

## ELECTED TO ALPHA KAPPA DELTA—NATIONAL SOCIOLOGY HONOR SOCIETY

Catherine Wright

## ELECTED TO ALPHA DELTA MU—NATIONAL SOCIAL WORK HONOR SOCIETY

Suzanne Riley

Carol Burgess

Paula Clements

## ELECTED TO OMICRON DELTA EPSILON—INTERNATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY IN ECONOMICS

Linda Adkins

## ELECTED TO BETA KAPPA CHI—SCIENTIFIC HONOR SOCIETY

Randa Torrisi

## ELECTED TO PHI ALPHA THETA—INTERNATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY IN HISTORY

Katherine J. Hamsher

Amee Lin Van DerMeer

## ELECTED TO ALPHA PSI OMEGA—NATIONAL THEATRE HONOR SOCIETY

Lisa Varga

## ELECTED TO PHI ETA SIGMA—FRESHMAN NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Lori A. Busch

Renee A. Cross

Robert P. Maier

Connie J. Combs

Norma E. Dwight

Jeffery S. Nutter

Karen L. Cooley

Bobby D. Lester

Keith D. Steger

## ELECTED TO PSI CHI—NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY IN PSYCHOLOGY

Timothy R. Jones

Randa L. Torrisi

## ELECTED TO KAPPA DELTA PI—INTERNATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY IN EDUCATION

Martica Blankenship Dillon

Katherine Hamsher

Julie Meikle

Susan M. Brewer

Debra Harless

Jodie M. Harmen

Lori Busch

Christina Jones

Kelley Riddle

Janice Christy

Robin Kirk

Carole Toten

Connie Combs

Shane Lewis

Sandra Turley

Karen Cooley

Mary L. McMorrow

Amy White

## ELECTED TO ALPHA KAPPA MU—NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

John E. Adkins

Lois Conley

Rober P. Maier

Linda J. Adkins

Sandra K. Ferrell

Mary L. McMorrow

Bridget A. Bailey

Randy M. Fitzwater

Christopher Miller

Martica Blankenship Dillon

Katherine J. Hamsher

Tammy Newhouse-Roberts

Susan Brewer

Catherine M. Hastings

Kelley M. Riddle

Linda B. Browning

Karen Hutchinson

Raina L. Skidmore

Lori Ann Busch

Christina K. Keefer

Randa L. Torrisi

Lori Dawn Carney

Timothy R. Jones

Catherine Wright

Connie J. Combs

Roger D. Jordon

# Honor Societies

ELECTED TO PI SIGMA ALPHA—HONOR SOCIETY IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

Bobby Dillard Lester

ELECTED TO ALPHA MU GAMMA—NATIONAL COLLEGIATE FOREIGN  
LANGUAGE HONOR SOCIETY

Connie Jo Combs

Shane Allen Lewis

ELECTED TO LAMBDA IOTA TAU—NATIONAL LITERARY HONOR SOCIETY

Janet Beth Jenkins

Michael David Parriski

## The Hazo W. Carter Presidential Awards

### *Past Recipients*

1987	Thomas W. Cole, Jr., Education
1988	Thomas E. Potter, Business Norma Lee Winter, Education Prince Ahmed Williams, Alumni Grazia B. Ferrell, Community Service
1989	Mary McGhee Hairston, Alumni The Sarah and Pauline Maier Found, Community Joyce Good-Pitchford, Education Grover A. DuBose, Business
1990	Acie McGhee, Alumni
(May)	Frank P. Justice, Jr., Business Eric Conn, Community Service Vincent Reed, Education
(Mid-Year)	Charles H. James II, Business Charles H. James III, Business Judith G. Reed, Education Thomas R. Cabbell, Alumni West Virginia Rehabilitation Center, Community Service

# Mid-Year Commencement Speakers

## *Past Mid-Year Speakers*

1932	1976
John W. Davis	Vincent E. Reed
Sixth president, WVSC	Superintendent, D.C. Schools
1933	1977
Harrison H. Ferrell	Henry B. Wehrle, Jr.
Professor of German, Associate Dean, WVSC	CEO, McJunkin Corporation Charleston, WV
1934	1978
I.J.K. Wells	Harold Delane
WV Superintendent, Negro Schools	Executive Director, American Association of State Colleges and Universities
1945	1979
Herschel H. Rose	John D. Rockefeller IV
Judge, Superior Court of Appeals, WV	Governor, State of WV
1946	1980
H. K. Baer	Robert R. Ramsey
Secretary of State Board of Education	Chancellor, WV Board of Regents
1947	1981
Mary McLeod Bethune	Leon H. Ginsberg
President, Bethune-Cookman College	Chancellor, West Virginia Board of Regents
1948	1982
Ambrose Caliver	Margaret L. Workman
U. S. Department of Education	Judge, Circuit Court, Charleston, WV
1949	1983
James M. Nasbrit, J.D.	Sharon Ruckerfeller, First Lady, WV
Professor of Law, Howard University	1984
1950	John D. Rockefeller, IV
R. B. Atwood,	Governor, State of WV
President, Kentucky State College	1985
1951	David Wayne Smith
Charles Wesley	President and Founder, Friendship Force
President, Wilberforce University	1986
1952	Ken Heckler
W. W. Trent	Secretary of State, WV
State Superintendent of Free Schools, WV	1987
1953	Thomas W. Cole, Jr.
Charles Leander Hill	Chancellor, Board of Regents
President, Wilberforce University	1988
1954	Ralph E. Kirkman
Stephen J. Wright	Professor, George Peabody College, Vanderbilt University
President, Bluefield State College, Bluefield, WV	1989
1974	Harrison B. Wilson
Daniel B. Taylor	President, Norfolk State University
State Superintendent of Schools	1990
1975	Lauro Cavazos
James R. McCartney	Secretary of Education, Washington, D.C.
Secretary of State, WV	

## West Virginia State College

WHAT is West Virginia State College? It is all of us who believe in it—who absent or present, work in it and wish it well. Its constituency is the living and dead and from them the college enjoys an unrestrained loyalty and willing service. It is an exponent of truth which sweeps aside the petty jealousies of men and all propagandic proposals which would minimize or depreciate personality. It is an institution containing faults and defects which challenge the constructive efforts of students, teachers, officers and graduates. It is incomplete and desires to remain so, to be in an advantageous position for changing life situations.

WHAT is West Virginia State College? It is spirit; it cannot be touched by hand; it is based upon communions between the living and those who though dead yet live in an immortality made practical through enlistment in the college program which of necessity requires eternity for completion. What is the college? You and those graduates ahead of you are the college.

John W. Davis  
Fifth President  
West Virginia State College  
1932

## Alma Mater

ERNEST WADE '30

MARTHA SPENCER '31

There is a place we love so dear—  
Its name we'll ever praise and revere  
'Tis West Virginia State we love—  
Just one more step from there is Heav'n above.

REFRAIN:

West Virginia's praise we'll sing—  
Lift our voices 'til heavens ring—  
As we gaily march along—  
We'll sing a song—  
For Alma Mater  
How we love her  
Pride of all our loyal hearts—  
From her we will never part—  
Thoughts of thee will ne'er be few  
Alma Mater we love you.

We'll love her more as days go by,  
And send her praises to the sky;  
To place her over all the rest,  
And keep her e'er the dearest and the best.

Shadowed 'neath a deep blue sky;  
Is STATE for whom we'll live and we'll die—  
Arise! O men of God and sing;  
We're loyal, and to her we'll always cling.