



*"Education for the Twenty-First Century"*

THE ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH YEAR

of

WEST VIRGINIA STATE COLLEGE

INSTITUTE, WEST VIRGINIA

HAZO WILLIAM CARTER, JR., PRESIDENT

THE ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH

Annual

Commencement

SUNDAY MAY THE SIXTEENTH  
A.D. NINETEEN HUNDRED NINETY-NINE  
AT TWO O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON  
CHARLESTON CIVIC CENTER  
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 Degree . . . . .	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. 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 when he was 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 colleges' 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.

# Order of Exercises

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

## THE PRELUDES—

Second Suite in F Major . . . . . *Gustav Holst*  
March  
Fantasy  
Emperata Overture . . . . . Claude T. Smith  
West Virginia State College Concert Band  
Christopher Card, Director

## THE PROCESSIONAL—

Pomp and Circumstance—March I . . . . . *Edward Elgar*  
The Marshal  
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 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?

*(The audience will remain standing until after the invocation.)*

THE INVOCATION . . . . . The Reverend Aaron Hairston  
Pastor, Metropolitan Baptist Church  
Charleston, West Virginia

THE GREETINGS . . . . . Patricia McClure  
Board of Directors  
State College System of West Virginia

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

# Order of Exercises

THE COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS . . . . . Christine M. Corey  
Senior Program Officer, Office of  
International Education and Graduate Programs  
United States Department of Education

## THE MUSICAL SELECTION:

Song for Mira . . . . . *Allister MacGillivray*  
West Virginia State College Concert Choir  
J. Truman Dalton, Director

THE RECOGNITION OF RETIREES . . . . . Cassandra Whyte  
Vice President for Administration  
Jimmie Dave McKnight (30 years) . . . . . Printing Services

## THE 1999 PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS—

Alumni Affairs . . . . . Milton C. Kates  
Business . . . . . William Henry Harmon  
Education . . . . . Ethel O. Davie  
Naomi M. Garrett

## THE CONFERMENT OF HONORARY DEGREE

The Doctor of Laws . . . . . Christine M. Corey

THE AWARDS OF HONORS . . . . . John Teeuwissen  
Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs

## ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

### HONORS

Jeffrey Scott Baker	Jason Todd Garnes
Jacqueline D. Beaver	Wanda June Guthrie
Deborah Lee Burdette	George F. McKinney
Rose M. Coleman	Harley David Sanders

### HIGH HONORS

Jerry Lee Addison	Eric Junior Bias
-------------------	------------------

### HIGHEST HONORS

William Patrick Brown	Jill Renee McCorey
Emma Jane Hamilton	

# Order of Exercises

## BACCALAUREATE PROGRAMS

### CUM LAUDE

Nancy C. Searls Adkins  
Susan Elizabeth Atkins  
Larry D. Bailey  
Shannon Nicole Bailey  
Jodi Lynn Ballard  
Erin Kathryn Beller  
Ruth A. Burgess  
Jami Dare Chapman  
Ami Michelle Davis  
Stephanie Ann Elkins  
Leslie Cay Fitzwater  
Deborah Sue Hoffman  
Staci Michelle Hudson  
Kimberly Ann Humphrey  
Thomas Christopher Hunt

Mae Lynn Kessler  
Jason Jamal Lewis  
Raven (Tammy) Lewis-Talbott  
Kerry Kim Matthews, Jr.  
Thomas A. Moore  
Brian P. Ooten  
Christopher Riley Raines  
Patrick Andrew Strickland  
Jennifer Kay Tucker  
Audrey Jo Vaughan  
Bridgette R. Venanzi  
Lloyd LaMont Wilkerson  
Charessa D. Thaxton Wilkinson  
Scott Robert Zay

### MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Alisa Gay Cobb  
Michael Lee Conley  
Daton Nacha Terresa Dean  
Ann Lovisa Faulkner  
April Marie Goebel  
Randi Michelle Hager  
Charity Faith Hancock  
April Dawn Howell  
Phillip Scott Johnson  
Tera Leigh Loring  
Kelly Renee McClure  
Tracy Ilene Marsh

Andrea Lynn Neal  
Elizabeth Marie Preece  
Annette Lynne Roberts  
Linda Susan Stowers  
Dennis Wayne Strom  
Melanie Kaye Taylor  
Joseph Allen Turner  
Mayako Ushida  
Amy Beth Webb  
Wayne Allen Whittard  
Walter M. Wilkerson  
Walter Ray Williams, Jr.

### SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Safuratu Yentunde Aranmolate  
Lillian Altiery  
Maribeth W. Assaley  
Jennifer Gail Bailey  
Kimberley Lisa Barracco  
Terrista Louise Barrett  
Diane Darlene Bedwell  
John David Brouse  
Kara Gayle Brown  
Joy Michele Doss-Hogue  
Brian Gregory Evans  
Melissa Ann Haikal  
Dawn Michelle Hamilton  
Rita E. Hill

Beth Ann Hunter  
Jill Young Linkenauger  
Diana Kay Lopez  
Cynthia Lynn McGuire  
Wilhelmina R. Oglesby  
Heather Dawn Phillips  
Valerie Michelle Ponder  
Maurice Tracy Samuel  
Rita Dawn Smith  
Mark Anthony Stiltner  
Tina Lynn Totten  
Burliss C. Waldron, Jr.  
Amy Diana Westfall  
Leslie Nicole Wilkinson

THE CONFERMENT OF DEGREES . . . . . Barbara J. Oden  
*The Candidates for the Degrees will be presented by the  
Vice-President for Academic Affairs in the following order:*

Candidates for Associate Degrees . . . . . George Bilicic  
Provost, Community and Technical College

Candidates for Bachelor of Arts Degrees . . . . . David Wohl  
Dean, Division of Arts and Humanities

Candidates for Bachelor of Science Degrees . . . Katherine Harper  
Dean, Division of Science and Mathematics

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

## Candidates\*

### FOR THE DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE

Jerry G. Addison	Jennifer Irene Kayrouz
Charles Edward Adkins	Matthew Taylor Kessler
Thomas Ray Adkins	Mark A. King
John Grayson Alderson	Bryan Neale Love
Anicha Nicole Aylestock	Jason Lee McCutcheon
Karen Louise Bailey	George F. McKinney
Jeffrey Scott Baker	Austin Eugene Matthews
Jacqueline D. Beaver	Carla Joanne Morris
Sarah Dawn Boggess	Jason S. Norton
William Patrick Brown	James Albert Opel, Jr.
Deborah Lee Burdette	Paul J. Page
Jason William Canfield	Jessica Lynn Painter
Melissa Faye Carroll	Barry Dean Pauley, II
David Bruce Chancey	Sherri Lynn Perdue
Carl Scott Coffman, III	Thomas Edward Perkins
Rose M. Coleman	Philip Scott Randolph
Grace E. Craft	Anthony Michael Sabatini
Kimberly Sue Davis	Harley David Sanders
Melinda Gayle Fields	Shanda Sue Shamblin
Jason Todd Garnes	Ronald Lee Sherrod, Jr.
Jacqueline Renee Griffith	Jennifer May Shriver
Travis Heath Arles Gritt	Christy Lea Siders
Wanda June Guthrie	Jessica Ann Slater
Emma Jane Hamilton	Charles Eugene Sterling
Catherine J. Hensley	Jennifer Gail Waldeck
Kelly Lynn Howell	Jennifer Dawn Withrow
Sheryl Suzette Johnson	Xiaomei Yu

---

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

# Candidates

## FOR THE DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE IN ARTS

Jill Renee McCoy

Kimberly Patrice Mosley

## FOR THE DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE

Christopher Allen Battlo

Russell C. McDaniel

Eric Junior Bias

Mary Katherine Neal

Kelly Elizabeth Garlington

Bobbie Sue Toler

Season A. Lewis

## FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

Lillian Altiery

Raven Lewis-Talbott

Maribeth W. Assaley

Kelly Renee McClure

Terrisita Louise Barrett

Cynthia Lynn McGuire

Benjamin Eric Basham

Katherine Allison Malone

Cindy Lynn Beckner

Jason Ray Marsh

Ruth A. Burgess

Kent Edward Miller

Marlene Marsella Crowder

Kimberly Patrice Mosley

Joy Michele Doss

Andrea Lynn Neal

Anna Lovisa Faulkner

Amy Marie Pauley

Jeffrey Boyd Fisher

Timothy Joseph Phlegar

April Marie Goebel

Valerie Machele Ponder

Erica Nicole Gulley

Christopher Riley Raines

John Alexander Haddy, III

Jonathan Andrew Riffle

Dawn Michelle Hamilton

Annette Lynne Roberts

Charity Faith Hancock

Krystal Michele Smith

Robin Hay

Heather Dawn Spradling

Melissa Elaine Hazelwood

Courtney D. Tackett

P. Michael Henson

Tina Lynn Totten

Brian Jay Holmes

Mayako Ushida

Arlene Moore Hudson

Audrey Jo Vaughan

Staci Michelle Hudson

Lloyd LaMont Wilkerson

Andrew Christopher Helvy King

Walter M. Wilkerson

Freddie Wayne Landers



## Candidates

### FOR THE DEGREE OF REGENTS BACHELOR OF ARTS

Nancy C. Searls Adkins	Kontarh Tutu Kpogba
Brett Andrew Beamesderfer	Carolyn Louise Lacy
David William Begler	David Keith McKenney
Toni Watson Boddy	Larry Glenn McLane
John David Brouse	Sandy Anne Mega
Rita O. Stone Carlisle	Kris Heidenreich Mills
April P. Chapman	Jason Scott Moore
Jami Dare Chapman	Jerry P. Morris
Mark Jason Chapman	William Darryl Reusch
Susan Stump Cunningham	Roger Dale Robinson
Celise Michelle Daniels	James Kenneth Rowsey, II
Dwayne Troy Eggleton	Carl Shellings
Donald Kevin Epps	Kisha Devonne Skipper
Clarence E. Frazier	Rita Dawn Smith
Vickie Ann Gilliam	Linda Susan Stowers
Keith P. Grant	Timber Glenn Tucker
Jacqueline Renee Griffith	Wayne Allen Whittard
Anthony B. Humphrey	Steven Don Wilson
Margaret Elizabeth Johnson	Ann M. Yerkey
Michael Wayne Koon	

### FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Mike S. Allie	Amie Jo Kouns
Safuratu Yetunde Aranmolate	Tracy Ilene Marsh
Kimberley Lisa Barracco	Jessica Renee O'Dell
Erin Kathryn Beller	Heather Dawn Phillips
Jason Aaron Fields	Stephen Joseph Roberts
Michelle Lee Finney	Paul David Shanklin
Melissa Ann Haikal	Philip Daniel Smith
Charles Edward Holliday, Jr.	Mark Anthony Stiltner
April Dawn Howell	Patrick Andrew Strickland
Lisa Sue Hughart	Rachel Lee Summers
Beth Ann Hunter	Joseph Allen Turner
Michael Wayne Karnes	Sean C. White

## Candidates

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

Jennifer Gail Bailey  
Christopher Ronald Barker  
Gary E. Bennett  
Marie Dawn Briscoe  
Brian Edward Casto  
Michael Lee Conley  
Alberto B. Fernandez  
Bryan Scott Fields  
Kimberly Michelle Gill  
Cecily Adele Gist  
Brian James Hopkins  
Arnett Hoston, Jr.  
Kindalle Charlene Kaham  
James Edward Kittinger

Jason Jamal Lewis  
Jill Young Linkenauger  
Angela Dawn Milam  
Joseph Christopher Miller  
Gary E. Morrison, II  
Christina Rae Myers  
Wilhelmina R. Oglesby  
Brian P. Ooten  
Sarah Ellen Price  
Stephanie Lynn Rogers  
Wesley Blaine Smith  
Thomas Aaron Summers  
Cathy Jo Thaxton  
Timothy James Whittaker

### FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMMUNICATIONS

David C. Bennett  
Richard Douglas Ferrell  
Leslie Cay Fitzwater  
Thomas Christopher Hunt  
Rosemarie Hunter-Armstead  
Tracey Nicole Lewis  
Mike Alan Martin  
Thomas A. Moore  
Samuel Jason Myers

Dana R. Price  
Mary Kathleen Providenti-Painter  
Charles C. Roberts  
Dennis Wayne Strom  
Mark Anthony Tatum  
Amy D. Trent  
Charessa D. Thaxton Wilkinson  
Leslie Nicole Wilkinson

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

Amy Kay Balog  
Stephen Edward Burford  
Rosclle Nina Cobb  
David DeArmas  
Matthew Scott Farmer  
Celita Shamihl Foust  
Tera Leigh Loring

Christina Michele Mann  
James Jeremy Ranson  
Donald Ray Sargent  
Bridgette R. Venanzi  
Walter Ray Williams, Jr.  
Scott Robert Zay

## Candidates

### FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION

Cathy Lynn Abraham  
Jantzen Dwayne Adkins  
Susan Elizabeth Atkins  
Larry D. Bailey  
Shannon Nicole Bailey  
Jodi Lynn Ballard  
Diane Darlene Bedwell  
Kara Gayle Brown  
Jennifer Leigh Canter  
Alisa Gay Cobb  
Samantha Danielle Craig  
Ami Michelle Davis  
Daton Nacha Terresza Dean  
Stephanie Ann Elkins  
Brian Gregory Evans  
Pascale Grillot  
Randi Michelle Hager  
Rita E. Hill  
Deborah Sue Hoffman  
Phillip Scott Johnson  
Mae Lynn Kessler  
Amanda Dawn Kinder

Annette Michelle Legg  
Diana Kay Lopez  
Kerry Kim Matthews, Jr.  
Mellow Dee Anne Means  
Timothy Allen Meyer  
Marcus Motton  
Curt Allen Myers  
Michelle Lea Norman  
Dorothy Annette Null  
Elizabeth Marie Preece  
Melodee Renee Rader  
Charles Franklin Reed  
Erik Michael Riggs  
Maurice Tracy Samuel  
Jerry Wayne Sansom  
Janet Sue Scott  
Melanie Michelle Sisk  
Karen Wildey Sulay  
Melanie Kaye Taylor  
Ellen Vannoy  
Amy Beth Webb

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

Jeffery Todd Black  
Christina Lynn Dye

Tomika Nicole Patterson

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

Mark Anthony Coon  
Michelle Lynn Akers Ford  
Kimberly Ann Humphrey  
Melanie Camille Lawyer  
Niki Ann Miller-Casdorph  
Rebecca Carper Nicholas

Kelley Rae Sirk  
Jennifer Kay Tucker  
Burliss C. Waldron, Jr.  
Amy Diana Westfall  
Fania L. Young

# Order of Exercises

## THE COMMISSINING AND PRESENTING

OF GRADUATING OFFICER . . . . . Raphael Deegan  
Lieutenant Colonel, United States Army  
Professor, Military Science

Brett Andrew Beamesderfer, Second Lieutenant, Newmanstown, Pennsylvania

THE CHARGE TO THE GRADUATES . . . . . President Hazo W. Carter, Jr.

THE STUDENT RESPONSE . . . . . Jason J. Lewis

THE ALUMNI PLEDGE . . . . . Howard L. Wilson '55  
President, WVSC National Alumni Association

To join hands with other alumni in perpetuating the ideals of my college, nurturing its growth and promoting its program, to serve with honor in my chosen profession and to make of myself a symbol of the best traditions of my college—this is my commission and my challenge.

THE ALMA MATER . . . . . *Spencer/Wade*  
Led by Tracie McNeil, '99

THE CLOSING REMARKS . . . . . Barbara J. Oden

THE BENEDICTION . . . . . The Reverend D. Keith Clarke  
Pastor, Christ Church United Methodist  
Charleston, West Virginia

THE RECESSIONAL: Midway March . . . . . *John Williams*  
West Virginia State College Concert Band  
Christopher Card, Director

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

## GRAND MARSHAL

Professor R. Charles Byers '68

## ASSISTANT MARSHALS

- Professor Debra M. Anderson '76
- Professor Kenneth W. Blake '74
- Professor Rita M. Brown '75
- Professor Clyde P. Campbell '64
- Professor S. Bryce Casto '81
- Professor Charlotte L. Finney '61
- Professor Patricia King '85
- Professor Jeanette Lee '74
- Professor Janet Martin '72
- Professor Patricia Shafer '71
- Professor Charles E. Smith '87
- Professor Craig Spaniol '66

# The 1998-99 Scholarships and Awards

## PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARS

James R. Baisden  
Kimberly Barracho  
Jessica Blake  
Catherine M. Davis  
Sarah A. Davis  
Jennifer L. Dowdy  
Walter G. Greenhowe  
Mary M. Long  
Andrea L. Neal  
Kara G. McCallister

Paul E. McClanaham  
Heather D. Phillips  
Angela M. Price  
April S. Romaca  
Leslie N. Wilkerson

## VALEDICTORIANS

Brandi D. Hayes  
Amber Hoffman  
Valerie N. Nelson  
Andrea Roe

## OTHER FOUNDATION SCHOLARS

### SECOND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Julie E. Smith

### GENERAL/MEMORIAL

Maribeth Assaley  
Jenna Coyer  
Charles M. Moore  
John Moore IV  
Holly Rhinehart

### ROSA PARKS BOOK SCHOLARSHIP

Anthony Baker  
Alphonzo Brinkley

### MARY MCGHEE HAIRSTON

Daton Dean  
Phillip Johnson  
William R. Wicks (Fall)  
Walter M. Wilkerson (Spring)

### SARA & PAULINE MAIER

Melinda G. Evans  
James Redmond

### GARY L. SWINGLE

Misty D. Akers  
Lougena A. Duncan

### C.H. JAMES

Wanda J. Guthrie  
Chastity N. Thornton

### LEON SULLIVAN

Marian Russell

### HARRISON H. FERRELL

Valarie M. Ponder

### BASUDEB DAS SARMA

Samantha Toliver

### EDNA B. THOMAS

Whitney P. Stricklin

### CEDRIC DUBOISE LEE

Nicole Smith

### GEORGE SLUTSKY

Bonnie Russell

### MARGUERITE R. THORNTON

Azina Still

### INSTITUTE PLANT REGIONAL

Jeffrey Marcum

### IVIN LEE & DALLAS STAPLES

Ana C. Kessell

### ADOLPH P. HAMBLIN

Heather Mellert

### MARVIN/EUNICE MILLS

Safuratu Aranmolate

### MARVIN LARUE COOPER

Timothy Burns (Fall)

### R.B. & CONSTANCE WELCH

Terri Burdette

### LUCY B. HAIRSTON

Natasha Caines

### KHALID H. THOMPSON

Carl Chadband

### EVA SAXON

James Hudson

### WALTER EVANS

Amber N. Carnifex  
Jason D. Davis  
Sarah E. Potter

### JOHN F. HASKIN

Aaron D. Oliver

### LEE, SHUFORD & BAILEY

Troy Corley (Spring)

## Honor Societies

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

Mark Coon

Kimberly Humphrey

Niki Miller-Casdorph

Rebecca Nichols

Kelly Sirk

Jennifer Tucker

Burliss Waldron

Amy Westfall

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

Terrisita Barrett

Ruth A. Burgess

Dawn Michelle Hamilton

### ELECTED TO ALPHA KAPPA MU—NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Nancy C. Adkins

Maribeth Assaley

Jennifer G. Bailey

Ruth A. Burgess

April D. Howell

Megan E. Hutchison

Tera L. Loring

Kelly McClure

Andrea L. Neal

Cynthia L. Hudson McGuire

Burliss C. Waldron, Jr.

Walter M. Wilkerson

Leslie N. Wilkinson

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

Lillian Altiery

Safuratu Y. Aranmolate

David DeArmas

Joy M. Doss

Pascale Grillot

Mayako Ushida

### ELECTED TO ALPHA PHI SIGMA—NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Tera Leigh Loring

Bridgette R. Venanzi

Walter R. Williams

ELECTED TO BETA KAPPA CHI—SCIENTIFIC HONOR SOCIETY

Safuratu Y. Aranmolate

Melissa Haikal

Maribeth Assaley

Amie Kouns

Kimberly Barraco

Andrea Neal

Erin Beller

Valeri Ponder

Jason Fields

Rachel Summers

ELECTED TO DELTA MU DELTA—NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY IN  
BUSINESS

Jennifer G. Bailey

Jill Y. Linkenauger

Michael L. Conley

Wilhelmina Oglesby

ELECTED TO KAPPA DELTA PI—INTERNATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY IN  
EDUCATION

Jodi Ballard

Rita E. Hill

Diane Bedwell

Deborah S. Hoffman

Daton Dean

Phillip Johnson

Stephanie A. Elkins

Elizabeth M. Preece

Brian Evans

Charles F. Reed

Pascale Grillot

Amy Webb

ELECTED TO LAMBA IOTA TAU—NATIONAL LITERARY HONOR SOCIETY

Joy Doss-Hogue

ELECTED TO OMICRON DELTA EPSILON—INTERNATIONAL HONOR  
SOCIETY IN ECONOMICS

Brian J. Holmes

Walter M. Wilkerson

ELECTED TO OMICRON DELTA KAPPA—NATIONAL LEADERSHIP HONOR  
SOCIETY

Jason Jamal Lewis

Kimberley Patrice Mosley

ELECTED TO PHI ALPHA THETA—INTERNATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY IN  
HISTORY

Jantzen D. Adkins

Kimberly P. Mosley

Alisa G. Cobb

Melodee Radar

Philip Johnson

ELECTED TO PHI ETA SIGMA—FRESHMAN NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Safuratu Y. Aranmolate  
Maribeth W. Assley  
John D. Brouse  
Megan E. Hutchison  
Phillip S. Johnson  
Tera L. Loring

Cynthia L. McGuire  
Tracy I. Marsh  
Andrea L. Neal  
Paul D. Shanklin  
Burliss C. Waldron  
Leslie N. Wilkinson

ELECTED TO PHI THETA KAPPA—HONOR SOCIETY FOR ASSOCIATE  
DEGREE STUDENTS

Emma Hamilton

ELECTED TO PI SIGMA ALPHA—HONOR SOCIETY FOR POLITICAL  
SCIENCE

Ruth A. Burgess  
Christopher Raines

Mayako Ushida  
Audrey J. Vaughan

ELECTED TO PSI CHI—NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY FOR PSYCHOLOGY

Maribeth W. Asaley  
April M. Goebel  
Erica N. Gulley  
Melissa E. Hazelwood  
P. Michael Henson  
Arlene M. Hudson  
Staci M. Hudson  
Sandra K. Kessel

Kelly R. McClure  
Cynthia L. McGuire  
Andrea L. Neal  
Valerie M. Ponder  
Annette L. Roberts  
Courtney D. Tackett  
Tina L. Totten

ELECTED TO PINNACLE—NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY FOR  
NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENTS

Terrisita L. Barrett  
Celise Daniels  
Wanda June Guthrie  
Rita e. Hill  
Arlene M. Hudson

James Kittinger  
Michael W. Koon  
Krystal M. Smith  
Rita Dawn Smith  
Audrey "Jo" Vaughan



# Presidents of West Virginia State College

**1892-1894**

James Edwin Campbell

**1894-1898**

John H. Hill

**1898-1909**

J. Henry Jones

**1909-1919**

Byrd Prillerman

**1919-1953**

John W. Davis

**1953-1973**

William J. L. Wallace

**1973-1981**

Harold M. McNeill

**1982-1986**

Thomas Winston Cole, Jr.

**1987-**

Hazo W. Carter, Jr.

## The Hazo W. Carter Presidential Awards

**1987 (Mid-Year)**

Thomas W. Cole Jr., Education

**1988**

Prince Ahmed Williams, Alumni

Thomas E. Potter, Business

Grazia B. Ferrell, Community Service

Norma Lee Winter, Education

**1989**

Mary McGhee Hairston, Alumni

Grover A. DuBose, Business

The Sarah & Pauline Maier Foundation, Community Service

Joyce Good-Pitchford, Education

**1990 (Mid-Year)**

Thomas R. Cabbell, Alumni

Charles H. James II, Business

Charles H. James III, Business

WV Rehabilitation Center, Community Service

Judith G. Reed, Education

**1990**

Acie McGhee, Alumni

Frank P. Justice, Jr., Business

Eric Conn, Community Service

Vincent Reed, Education

**1991**

Georgia Floyd Morris, Alumni

Thomas Burns, Business

Tom Susman, Education

Stephen T. Williams, Education

**1992**

Jerri Tyson-Rollins, Alumni

Francis S. Guess, Business

Manna Meals, Inc., Community Service

Donald Gatewood, Education

**1993**

Howard L. Wilson, Alumni

John A. Chapman, Business

Charlie O. Erickson (posthumously), Community Service

Jorea M. Marple, Education

**1994**

John T. Chiles, Jr., Alumni

William R. Russell, Business

Frank and Lera Bailey, Community Education

James W. Rowley, Education

**1995**

C. Edward Gaunch, Alumni

Brooks F. McCabe, Business

Mildred T. Holt, Community Service

Philip Reale, Education

**1996**

Elizabeth Jane McIntyre, Alumni

Michael H. Hudnall, Business

Rodney E. Slater, Community Service

Priscilla M. Haden, Education

**1997**

Mary McGhee Hairston, Alumni

Walter D. Evans, Business

Paul J. Gilmer, Jr. Community Service

Campbell C. Sellers, Education

**1998**

Leon Vincent Williams, Alumni

Edna J. Cash, Business

Jack Spainhour, Community Service

Samuel Perry Sentelle, Education

## Commencement Speakers

**1898**

Booker T. Washington

**1909**

William E. Glasscock  
Governor,  
State of West Virginia

**1919**

Waitman Barbe  
Professor of Literature,  
West Virginia University

**1923**

Charles Victor Roman  
Nashville, Tennessee

**1925**

Carter G. Woodson  
Editor, *Negro Life & History*

**1926**

Eugene Kinckle Jones  
Executive Secretary,  
National Urban League

**1927**

James Adlai Cobb  
Judge, Municipal Court,  
Washington, D.C.

**1928**

Harry J. Capehart  
Associate District Attorney  
of Southern WV

**1929**

(May)

Charles Wesley  
Professor of History,  
Howard University

(Summer)

Mark Miles Fisher  
Pastor,  
16th Street Baptist Church,  
Huntington, WV

**1930**

(May)

Henry D. Hatfield  
U.S. Senator,  
State of West Virginia

(Summer)

John W. Davis  
Fifth President,  
West Virginia State College

**1931**

(May)

W.W. Sanders  
Supervisor, Negro Schools,  
State of West Virginia

(Summer)

John W. Davis  
Sixth President,  
West Virginia State College

**1932**

(May)

Thomas Gillis Nutter  
Attorney, Charleston,  
West Virginia

(Summer)

James C. Evans  
Professor,  
Mechanical Industries,  
West Virginia State College

**1933**

(May)

J.B. McLaughlin  
Commissioner of Agriculture,  
State of West Virginia

(Summer)

George D. Brock  
Professor of Education,  
West Virginia State College

**1934**

(May)

Homer A. Holt  
West Virginia Attorney General

(Summer)

Daniel P. Lincoln  
Registrar and Professor of History,  
West Virginia State College

**1935**

(May)

Harry H. Pace  
President, Supreme Liberty  
Life Insurance Co., Chicago

(Summer)

Richard Hurst Hill  
Pastor, First Baptist Church,  
Charleston, West Virginia

**1936**

(May)

John Andrew Gregg  
Bishop, AME Church, Kansas City

(Summer)

David Kirby  
Secretary,  
West Virginia Board of Education

**1937**

(May)

Julian H. Lewis  
Associate Professor Pathol-  
ogy, University of Chicago

(Summer)

David Alphonso Lane, Jr.  
Dean,  
West Virginia State College

**1938**

(May)

Ambrose Caliver  
Senior Specialist in Education  
of Negroes,  
U.S. Office of Education, D.C.

(Summer)

Harry W. Greene  
Director, Teacher Training,  
West Virginia State College

**1939**

(May)

Frederick Douglas Patterson  
President, Tuskegee Institute

(Summer)

William J.L. Wallace  
Associate Professor of  
Chemistry, WVSC

**1940**

(May)

Mordecai Johnson  
President, Howard University,  
Washington, D.C.

(Summer)

Lorena E. Kemp  
Professor of English,  
West Virginia State College

**1941**

(May)

Charles Hamilton Houston  
Attorney, Washington, D.C.

(Summer)

Herman G. Canady  
Professor of Psychiatry and  
Philosophy,  
West Virginia State College

**1942**

(May)

Mary McLeod Bethune  
Director, U.S. Department of  
Negro Affairs

(Summer)

Grace I. Woodson,  
Associate Professor of Educa-  
tion, WVSC

**1943**

(May)

Channing H. Tobias  
National Secretary, YMCA

(Summer)

Henry Lake Dickason  
President,  
Bluefield State College

**1944**

(May)

Roland Hayes  
Concert Singer

(Summer)

Bertrom L. Woodruff  
Associate Professor of  
English, WVSC

**1945**

(May)

Theodore F. Green  
U.S. Senator, Rhode Island

(Summer)

W.O. Armstrong  
Principal, Dunbar High  
School, Fairmont, WV

**1946**

(May)

Anne Eleanor Roosevelt  
U.S. Representative,  
New United Nations

(Summer)

D.T. Murray  
President, Negro State Board  
of Education

**1947**

(May)

Ethel J. Alpenfels  
Anthropologist, U.S. Bureau  
Intercultural Education

(Summer)

Moses Newsome  
First Baptist Church,  
Charleston, West Virginia

**1948**

(May)

Percy Julian  
Division of Research & Man-  
ager of Fine Chemicals,  
The Glidden Company

(Summer)

H.D. Hazelwood  
Principal, Douglas High,  
Huntington, West Virginia

**1949**

(May)

Harley M. Kilgore  
U.S. Senator, West Virginia

(Summer)

Vernon Johns  
College Minister,  
West Virginia State College

**1950**

(May)

Walter Philip Reuther  
President, United Auto Work-  
ers of America

(Summer)

Charles S. Johnson  
President, Fisk University,  
Nashville, Tennessee

**1951**

(May)

Ira De A. Reid  
Professor of Sociology,  
Haverford College,  
Pennsylvania

(Summer)

Corma A. Mowrey  
Past President, National Edu-  
cation Association

**1952**

(May)

Mordecai Johnson  
President, Howard University,  
Washington, D.C.

(Summer)

James C. Evans  
Civilian Assistant,  
Secretary of Defense

**1953**

(May)

Rufus B. Clement  
President, Atlanta University,  
Atlanta, Georgia

(Summer)

James W. Robinson  
State Superintendent of  
Negro Schools, West Virginia

**1954**

(May)

Edward Anderson Bolling  
Superintendent, Institute  
School for Deaf & Blind

(Summer)

James H. Rowland  
Attorney, West Virginia  
Department of Education

**1955**

(May)

Buell G. Gallagher  
President, City College, NY

(Summer)

Charles A. Williamson  
President, Advertising Corporation

**1956**

(May)

John Warren Davis  
Fifth President,  
West Virginia State College

(Summer)

Moses Newsome  
Pastor, First Baptist Church,  
Charleston, West Virginia

**1957**

(May)

Virgil L. Flynn  
Assistant Superintendent in  
Charge of Research,  
Kanawha County Schools

(Summer)

Ruth C. Norman  
English Instructor, Stonewall  
Jackson High School

**1958**

(May)

Frank M. Snowden, Jr.  
Dean, College of Liberal Arts,  
Howard University,  
Washington, D.C.

(Summer)

S.J. Bakersville, DDS  
West Virginia Board of  
Education

**1959**

Cecil Underwood  
Governor,  
State of West Virginia

**1960**

Justice Wise Polier  
Judge, Domestic Relations  
Court, NY

**1961**

William W. Barron  
Governor,  
State of West Virginia

**1962**

A.J. Gibson  
Executive Secretary, North  
Central Association

**1963**

Pearl S. Buck  
Anthropologist

**1964**

William Orville Douglas  
Associate Justice,  
U.S. Supreme Court

**1965**

P.K. Banerjee  
Minister, Embassy of India

**1966**

Hulett C. Smith  
Governor,  
State of West Virginia

**1967**

Miles Clark Stanley  
President, AFL/CIO,  
Charleston, West Virginia

**1968**

William W. Jellema  
Executive Associate, Associa-  
tion of American Colleges

**1969**

Mildred Mitchell Bateman  
Director, Department of  
Mental Health,  
State of West Virginia

**1970**

Richard Eugene Shearer  
President,  
Alderson-Broaddus College

**1971**

Arch A. Moore, Jr.  
Governor,  
State of West Virginia

**1972**

Damon J. Keith  
Judge, State of Michigan

**1973**

John W. Davis  
Fifth President,  
West Virginia State College

*and*

William J.L. Wallace  
Sixth President,  
West Virginia State College

**1974**

(May)

Jennings Randolph  
U.S. Senator,  
State of West Virginia

(Mid Year)

Daniel B. Taylor  
Superintendent of Schools  
State of West Virginia

**1975**

(May)

James C. Malone  
Vice President, Union Carbide

(Mid Year)

James R. McCartney  
Secretary of State  
State of West Virginia

**1976**

(May)

Helvi Sipila  
Associate Secretary General,  
Social Development &  
Humanitarian Affairs, United  
Nations

(Mid Year)

Vincent E. Reed  
Superintendent of Schools  
The District of Columbia

**1977**

(May)

Ben L. Morton  
Chancellor, West Virginia  
Board of Regents

(Mid Year)

Henry B. Wehrle, Jr.  
President,  
The McJunkin Corporation

**1978**

(May)

Robert C. Byrd  
U.S. Senator,  
State of West Virginia

(Mid Year)

Harold Delaney  
Associate Executive Director  
American Association of Col-  
leges and Universities

**1979**

(May)

Harold L. Hodgkinson  
Executive Director, Profes-  
sional Institute of American  
Management Association

(Mid Year)

John D. Rockefeller, IV  
Governor,  
State of West Virginia

**1980**

(May)

Donald M. Knox

(Mid Year)

Robert R. Ramsey  
Chancellor, West Virginia  
Board of Regents

**1981**

(May)

Allen Ostar  
President, American Associa-  
tion of State Colleges  
and Universities

(Mid Year)

Leon H. Ginsberg  
Commissioner,  
West Virginia Department  
of Welfare

**1982**

(May)

Thomas W. Cole, Jr.  
Eighth President,  
West Virginia State College

(Mid Year)

Margaret L. Workman  
Judge, Circuit Court  
Charleston, West Virginia

**1983**

(May)

Russell Lowell Isaacs  
President, Hecks Inc.,  
Charleston, West Virginia

(Mid Year)

Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, IV  
First Lady of West Virginia

**1984**

(May)

Samuel Proctor  
Pastor, Abyssian Baptist  
Church, NY

(Mid Year)

John D. Rockefeller, IV  
Governor,  
State of West Virginia

**1985**

(May)

Julian Bond  
Senator, Atlanta, Georgia

(Mid Year)

D. Wayne Smith  
President,  
Friendship Force

**1986**

(May)

John F. McGee  
President,  
Charleston Daily Mail

(Mid Year)

Ken Hechler  
Secretary of State  
West Virginia

**1987**

(May)

Leon H. Sullivan  
Chair, Board of OIC,  
Philadelphia, PA

(Mid Year)

Thomas W. Cole, Jr.  
Chancellor,  
West Virginia Board of  
Regents

**1988**

(May)

Hazo W. Carter, Jr.  
Ninth President,  
West Virginia State College

(Mid Year)

Ralph E. Kirkman  
Professor of Education,  
George Peabody College  
Vanderbilt University

**1989**

(May)

Grover A. DuBose  
Visiting Professor, Business,  
West Virginia State College

(Mid Year)

Harrison B. Wilson  
President,  
Norfolk State University

**1990**

(May)

Mary Sarah Weddington  
Senior Lecturer, History and  
Government, University of  
Texas

(Mid Year)

Lauro F. Cavazos  
Secretary, U.S. Department of  
Education

**1991**

(May)

Gaston Caperton  
Thirty-first Governor,  
State of West Virginia

(Mid Year)

Laura Pederson  
Author

**1992**

(May)

Paul B. Marion  
Chancellor, State College  
System of West Virginia

(Mid Year)

Phyllis Harden Carter  
Director of State-Federal Relations, Governor's Office,  
State of West Virginia

**1993**

(May)

Bettina Gregory  
Senior General Assignment  
Correspondent, American  
Broadcasting Company

(Mid Year)

Barbara Harmon-  
Schamberger  
Secretary, Department of  
Education and the Arts  
State of West Virginia

**1994**

(May)

Margaret L. Workman  
Judge, Supreme Court of  
Appeals, State of West  
Virginia

(Mid Year)

Booker T. Stephens  
Chief Judge, Eighth Judicial  
District, Welch, West Virginia

**1995**

(May)

James W. Monroe  
Major General  
United States Army

(Mid Year)

Clifford M. Trump  
Chancellor, State College  
System of West Virginia

**1996**

(May)

Rodney E. Slater  
Federal Highway Administration

(Mid Year)

Robert E. Wise, Jr.  
United States House of  
Representatives

**1997**

(May)

Hazel R. O'Leary  
Former Secretary of Energy

(Mid Year)

James W. Rowley  
President Emeritus, College  
of Graduate Studies

**1998**

(May)

Shirley R. Watkins  
Secretary, U.S. Department of  
Agriculture

(Mid Year)

Gus R. Douglass  
West Virginia Commissioner  
of Agriculture

*Commencement programs are maintained in the College Archives of the Drain-Jordan Library. For many years, the college held graduation exercises three times a year—in May, August and a mid-year commencement at the end of the first semester in January. Mid-year graduation exercises were dropped in 1954 and re-established in 1974, while summer exercises were discontinued after 1958.*

## Alma Mater

*Ernest Wade '30*

*Martha Spencer*

There is a place we love so dear—  
It's 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.

## What Is 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, WVSC  
1932



WEST VIRGINIA STATE COLLEGE  
COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES • PLANNING AND ADVANCEMENT