







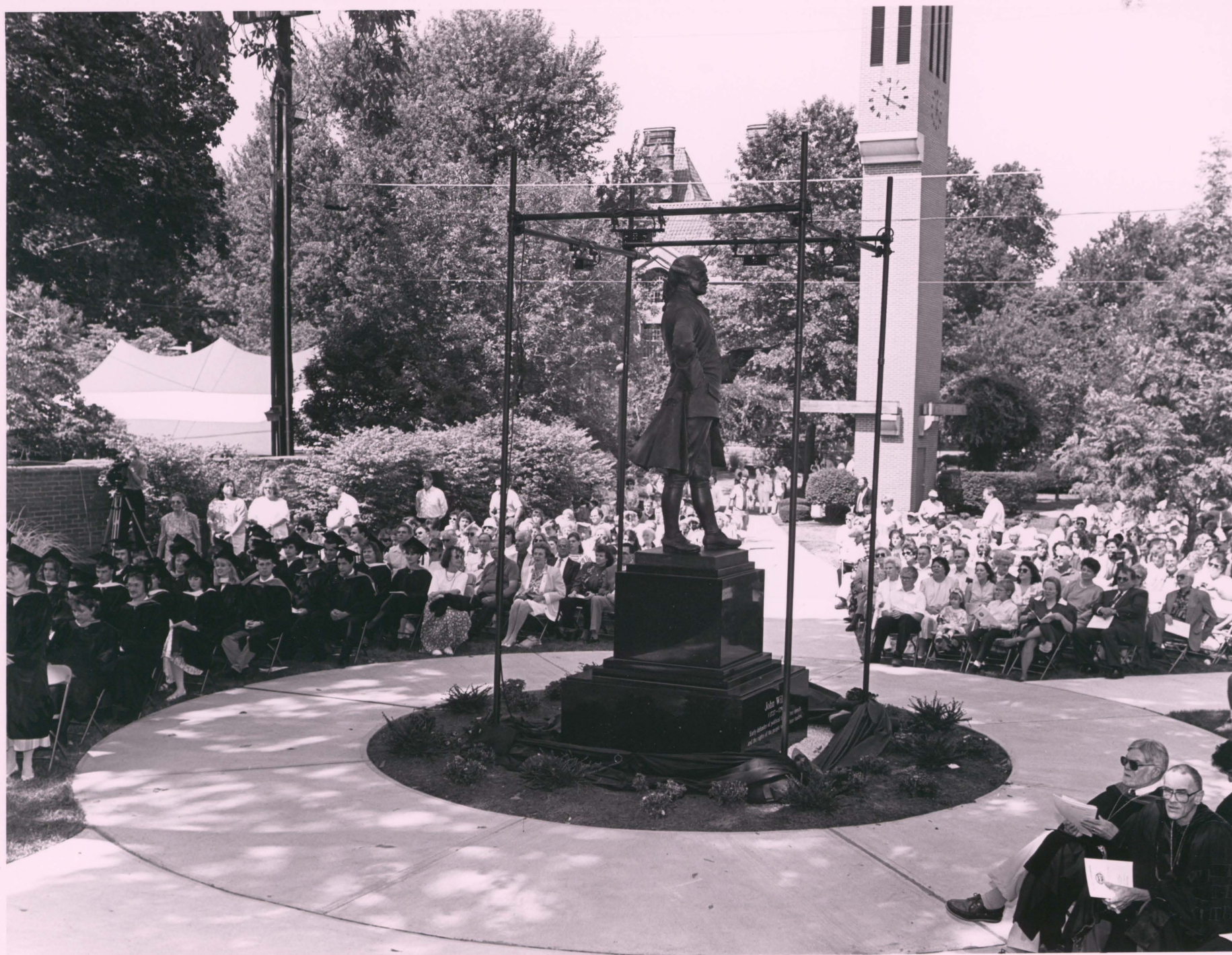
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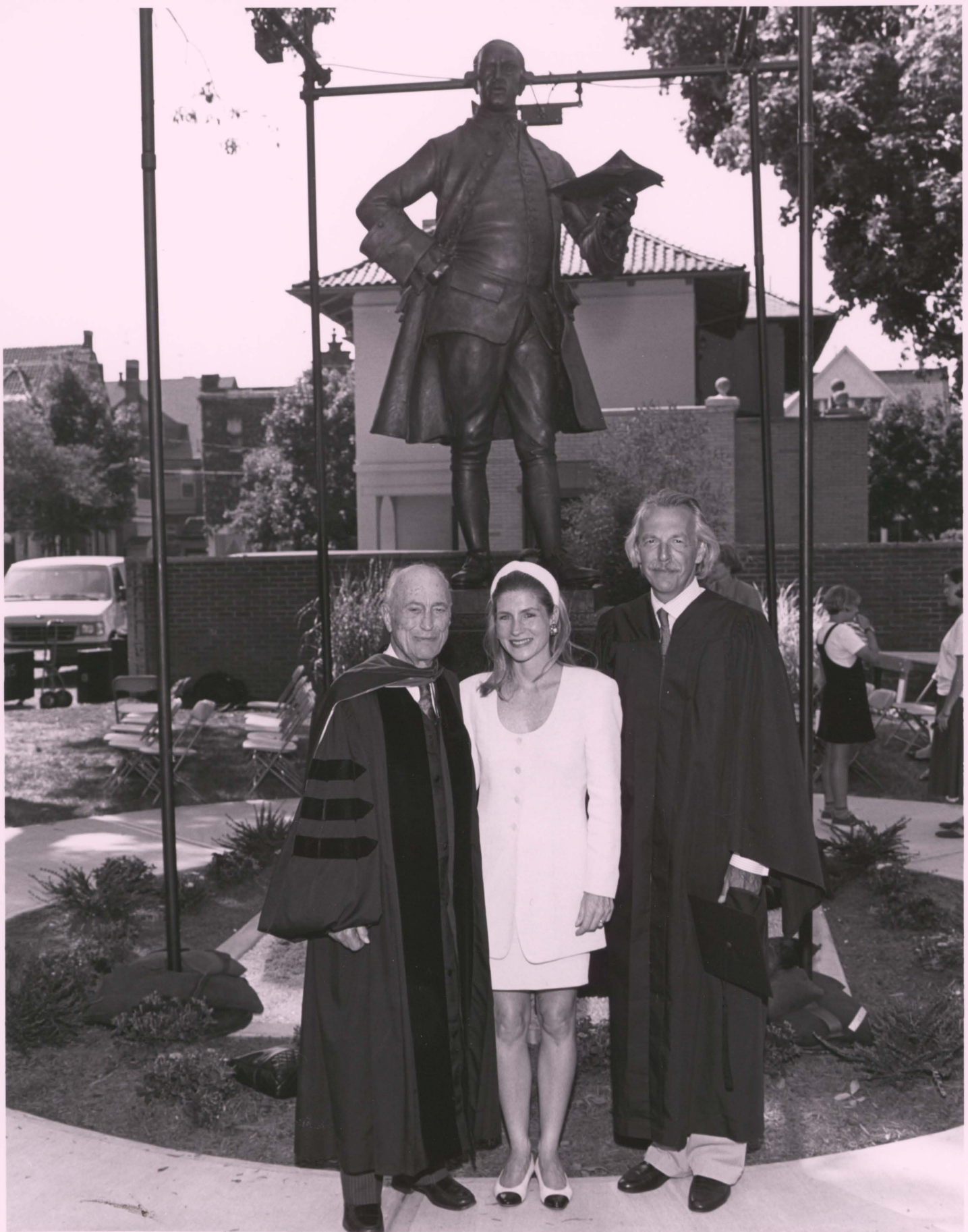
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John Wilkes
1727-1797

*Early defender of political liberty,
free speech, and the rights of the people
to elect their leaders.*

DEDICATION
of the
JOHN WILKES STATUE

August 31, 1995

Wilkes University
Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania

John Wilkes, Esquire 1727-1797

In erecting a statue of John Wilkes on its campus, Wilkes University recognizes both the political career and reputation of the man that our colonial forefathers identified with in selecting in 1769 the name Wilkesbarre, as well as the name the Trustees selected in 1947 for the new four-year Wilkes College, successor to the two-year Bucknell University Junior College. However controversial he was in the England of the 1760s and 1770s, John Wilkes demonstrated a wholehearted commitment to values that helped shape the American as well as the British political systems; values that we can now see spreading throughout the globe. Freedom of the press, the right of citizens to elect their governors, the right of individuals to be free from unlawful searches and seizures, the right to petition the government and the right of citizens to have access through the press to the uncensored debates of their government were all principles that John Wilkes helped establish both for Englishmen and Americans. He did this by being at the center of these major constitutional debates with his pen, his tongue, his unusual head and face (which were the cartoonists' delight), and his own person. His time in jail, as well as his exile in France, contributed to the impact he had in broadening political liberties and participation of common citizens. "Wilkes and Liberty!" was shouted by crowds in the thousands as the forces of political democracy gathered in England on the eve of the revolution in the colonies. By choosing the name Wilkesbarre for this lovely Wyoming Valley community, Major John Durkee, president of the settlers sent out by the Susquehanna Company of Connecticut, embraced the challenge John Wilkes and Isaac Barre both posed to King George III and his ministers' policies.

When Dr. James Cope took the initiative to commission James Butler, R.A., R.W.A., F.R.B.S. to sculpt a statue of John Wilkes in recognition of his colorful and constructive tenure as Lord Mayor of London, they elected to show him holding a resolution in support of the rights of Englishmen to a just and equal representation of the people in Parliament. Among Wilkes' constituents were the London merchants whose economic ties with the colonists in America were vital to the interests of each. The imposition of taxes and tariffs on the colonies, while justified by the King's ministers as necessary to pay for the defense of America, helped trigger the resentments that led to America's War of Independence. Wilkes supported the colonists because he believed they deserved their rights as Englishmen, and were unrepresented in the Parliament imposing the taxes and tariffs.

This copy of the original, award-winning statue by James Butler, with permission granted by the Trustees of the John Wilkes Memorial Fund in England, was made possible through the generosity of Wilkes University Trustee Stephen Sordoni and the law firm of Rosenn, Jenkins & Greenwald. The statue is dedicated to three Wilkes Trustees who have contributed significantly to the growth and health of Wilkes University and to the Wyoming Valley community it serves: the Honorable Max Rosenn, Senior Judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit; Eugene Roth, Esquire '57; and Joseph J. Savitz, Esquire '48; all associated with the distinguished law firm Judge Rosenn helped to create.

Dedication of John Wilkes Statue

COMMENCEMENT — CONVOCATION 11:15 A.M.
Front Lawn — Farley Library

INTRODUCTION OF HONOREES Christopher N. Breiseth
President

THE HONORABLE MAX ROSENN
EUGENE ROTH, Esquire '57
JOSEPH J. SAVITZ, Esquire '48

GREETINGS Stephen Sordoni
Member, Board of Trustees

Arthur H. Cash
*Distinguished Professor, Department of English
The State University of New York at New Paltz*

Sir Alistair Hunter, KCMG
British Consul General, U.S.A.

James Butler, R.A., R.W.A., F.R.B.S.
Sculptor

UNVEILING OF THE STATUE

MUSICAL INTERLUDE "God Save the Queen" Ferdinand Beyer

ADDRESS Christopher N. Breiseth

*LUNCHEON 1:00 p.m.
Arnaud C. Marts Center

JOHN WILKES SYMPOSIUM 2:30 p.m.

Arthur H. Cash
Harold E. Cox
Charles Petrillo, Esquire '66
Christopher N. Breiseth, *Moderator*
Dorothy Dickson Darte Center for the Performing Arts

*PICNIC SUPPER IN HONOR OF JAMES BUTLER 6:00 p.m.
Charles Burns, Sr. '35 Alumni Tower

ILLUSTRATED LECTURE 8:00 p.m.

James Butler, *Sculptor*
Dorothy Dickson Darte Center for the Performing Arts

**By Invitation Only*

John Wilkes Symposium

COMMENTS The Honorable Max Rosenn
Senior Judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit

PARTICIPANTS:

ARTHUR H. CASH has been designated as a Distinguished Professor in the Department of English at the State University of New York at New Paltz. He has authored several papers as well as presented lectures dealing with John Wilkes. He has recently completed a critique of Wilkes' "Essay on Woman" and has completed the first third of a biography on John Wilkes. Dr. Cash earned his Ph.D. at Columbia University.

HAROLD E. COX is Professor and Chair of the Department of History at Wilkes University where he has served as a member of the faculty for thirty-two years. A Colonial American historian, Dr. Cox began his studies of John Wilkes while researching the political relationships between England and the Colonies during his graduate studies at the University of Virginia from which he earned his Ph.D.

F. CHARLES PETRILLO, Esquire '66 earned his J.D. degree from the Dickinson College of Law. Attorney Petrillo is a member of the Executive Committee of the Wyoming Valley Historical and Geological Society and the author of four books on regional history. He served as the guest curator at the Sordoni Art Gallery in June, 1988 for the exhibit "The Life and Times of John Wilkes and Isaac Barre."

Christopher N. Breiseth, President of Wilkes University since 1984, serves as moderator for this symposium. A historian, Dr. Breiseth received his Bachelor's degree at the University of California at Los Angeles, the B. Litt. at Oxford and the Ph.D. from Cornell.

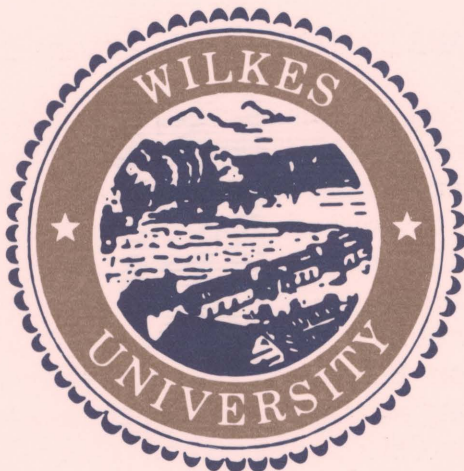
ILLUSTRATED LECTURE James Butler, *Sculptor*

James Butler is a figurative sculptor of international reputation. A member of the Royal Academy, the Royal West of England Academy and a Fellow of the Royal Society of British Sculptors, Mr. Butler's major bronzes have been erected in important world centers. His original statue of John Wilkes was erected in London in 1988.



John Wilkes
(1727-1797)

WILKES UNIVERSITY



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COMMENCEMENT-CONVOCATION

Dedication of John Wilkes Statue

Thursday
August 31, 1995
11:15 a.m.

Front Lawn - Farley Library

Wilkes University
Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania

HONORARY DEGREE

DOCTOR OF HUMANE LETTERS NORMA CONSTANCE SANGIULIANO

Teacher, actress, director, poet, humanist, traveler, benefactress. Raised and educated in Wilkes-Barre and at Syracuse University where she earned three degrees in Speech, English and Drama. First teacher of Speech and Drama, as well as Physical Education, at Bucknell University Junior College from 1936 to 1946. Dean of Women throughout World War II and a life-long model and friend to her BUJC students whom she brings together annually for a reunion. Benefactress through generous scholarships memorializing her family, the Sangiulianos, and her revered Uncle Amadeo Obici, as well as Elena Lucrezia Cornaro Piscopia, the first woman in the world to earn a doctorate in philosophy from the University of Padua in 1678. Through her work with children of all ages, from Campfire Girls and Children's Theater to Thespians and College Drama in the best classical tradition, Norma Sangiuliano has devoted her life to helping young people acquire values and an appreciation for our culture, while remaining herself a student. Designated the first Lady Colonel in 1992, she has served Wilkes University with distinction, enthusiasm, love and generosity.

THE STATUE OF JOHN WILKES

Sculpted by James Butler, R.A., R.W.A., F.R.B.S., this recreation of the original statue erected in the City of London in 1888, in honor of John Wilkes, Lord Mayor of London, is dedicated in his namesake city of Wilkes-Barre on the Wilkes University campus to honor Max Rosenn, Judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, for the unique vision and leadership he has brought to his community, profession and this university; and to recognize Eugene Roth, Esquire '57 and Joseph Savitz, Esquire '48 for their extraordinary service as chairmen of and long-term members of the Wilkes University Board of Trustees; and acknowledges with appreciation Trustee Stephen Sordoni and the Law Firm of Rosenn, Jenkins & Greenwald for making these tributes possible and the university's namesake a prominent part of this campus.

WILKES UNIVERSITY

*Summer Commencement
for the
Conferring of Degrees
and
Dedication of John Wilkes Statue*

*Thursday Morning
August 31, 1995
at eleven fifteen o'clock*

Order of Exercises

*FANFARE *Henry Purcell*

*PROCESSIONAL *Rondeau
Jean Joseph Mouret*

WELCOME *J. Michael Lennon
Vice President for Academic Affairs*

*INVOCATION *The Reverend David Laquintano
Rector, Grace Episcopal Church
Kingston, Pennsylvania*

*AMERICA, THE BEAUTIFUL *Words by Katherine Lee Bates
Music by Samuel A. Ward*

GREETINGS *Eugene Roth '57
Chairman, Board of Trustees*

*Jane Elmes-Crahall
Chair, Faculty Affairs Council*

*Kellie Klein '96
President, Student Government*

EUGENE S. FARLEY ALUMNUS
MEMORIAL AWARD *DEMETRIOS G. PAPADEMETRIOU '70*

*Presentation by COLLEEN GRIES GALLAGHER '81
President, Wilkes University Alumni Association*

**The audience is requested to rise.*

Order of Exercises

CONFERRING OF AN
HONORARY DEGREE *NORMA CONSTANCE SANGIULIANO*

Presentation by CHRISTOPHER N. BREISETH, President

DEDICATION OF
JOHN WILKES STATUE *Christopher N. Breiseth*

MUSICAL INTERLUDE
"God Save the Queen" *Ferdinand Beyer*

ADDRESS *Christopher N. Breiseth*

CONFERRING OF THE DEGREES *Christopher N. Breiseth*

*ALMA MATER *Eleanor C. Farley*

*BENEDICTION *Reverend Monsignor Thomas Banick
Pastor, St. Mary's Church of the Immaculate Conception
Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania*

*RECESSIONAL *Trumpet Voluntary
Jeremiah Clarke*

*Members of the Wilkes University Brass Ensemble,
under the direction of Jerome W. Campbell,
are performing for this morning's Commencement celebration.*

MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

Master of Business Administration Degree

² Martin G. Boardman
² Jennifer Ross Hauber
² William M. Murphy
^{*} Barbara A. Negvesky
² Trudi L. Possinger
² Linda E. Samulevich
² Michael Schmal
Thomas Joseph Semanek, Jr.
² Sandra M. Storz

Master of Health Administration Degree

Douglas Lee Albertson

Master of Science Degree with a major in Education

^{*} Joan Patrice Bloss
^{*} Carla Burrus
^{*} Kathleen M. Cameron
Joseph John Chmiola, Jr.
^{*} Michael F. Elko
^{*} Marcey A. Harman
^{*} Joseph G. Helinski
^{*} Sonya D. Mellott
^{*} Carol J. Morris
W. Timothy Pawlik
^{*} John Louis Richter, Sr.
^{*} Dana Eric West
Krista J. Zoka
Janine Marie Zukovich

^{*}Degree in Absentia

² Delta Mu Delta

Master of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering

Guy Allen DuBoice
Robert D. Grieves

Master of Science Degree with a major in Nursing

Patricia Marie Riley

^{*}Degree in Absentia

BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

School of Business, Society and Public Policy

¹ Sharon L. Cramer, Business Administration

James Grant Day, Jr., Accounting

* Dina DeMaio, Accounting

James D. Gilia, Business Administration

* ² Mary C. Grzenda, Business Administration

* Anthony F. Madden III, Accounting

Marlene A. Manzo, Business Administration

¹ Deborah Ann Lynn Miner, Business Administration

Jody Jean Palmer, Business Administration

James Pearson, Business Administration

* Donna Peplinski, Business Administration

Sean P. Reilly, Political Science

Tammy A. Stoshick, Political Science

School of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences

Gia Marie Andrejko, History

* ⁷ Louise T. Baran, Nursing

Jeffrey Scott Crahalla, Psychology

Michelle Diskin, Communications

Nicole Marie Grzech, Psychology

⁵ Thomas J. Kirk III, Psychology

Elementary Education, Second Major

Cynthia Cipala Kowalski, Nursing

Jacqueline Ann Mathis, Psychology

Gail R. Nape, Psychology

Raymond Earle Ofner, Jr., Psychology

Jennifer Sebastianelli, Psychology

Tracy Jean Tighe, Psychology

*Degree in Absentia

¹ Alpha Sigma Lambda

² Delta Mu Delta

⁵ Candidates for Pennsylvania Teacher Certification

⁷ Sigma Theta Tau

School of Science and Engineering

Magna Cum Laude

* Jeremiah Connell, Mathematics

Robert Paul DeMarco, Biology

^{1,3,4,6} Robert J. Kapuschinsky, Electrical Engineering

Jeffrey Nicholas Cardimona, Electrical Engineering

* Cindy Lynn Gensel, Biology

Aleksandr Gershik, Mechanical Engineering

Diana Gershik, Mechanical Engineering

⁶ Mohammed R. Ghannam, Electrical Engineering

Danielle T. Pleva, Biology

Karen E. Smith, Medical Technology

*Degree in Absentia

¹ Alpha Sigma Lambda

³ Eta Kappa Nu

⁴ Honors in Engineering

⁶ Sigma Pi Sigma

AMERICA, THE BEAUTIFUL

*O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain.
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.*

*O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years,
Thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears.
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.*

Words by Katherine Lee Bates

Music by Samuel A. Ward

ALMA MATER

*Wilkes, our Alma Mater,
We pledge our hearts to thee,
Honor, faith, and courage,
Truth and loyalty,
In our work and in our pleasure,
Guide us as a friend;
We shall always love thee,
Loyal to the end.
Thou shalt lead us onward
In search of finer things.
May we find the wisdom
That thy spirit brings.
May our deeds of love and service
Ever swell thy fame —
Wilkes, we stand to greet thee!
Glory to thy name.*

Words and Music by Eleanor C. Farley

*A reception for graduates and their families will be held on the Kirby Lawn
immediately following the ceremony.*