167th Commencement

Campus Quadrangle  Saturday, June 14, 2003, 1:30 pm
The College Mace

The tradition of having a mace carried by the first person in an academic procession dates from the earliest days of the cathedral schools of Bologna, Paris, and Oxford. In those medieval times, liturgical processions were led by a verger, who carried a long wand called a verge to clear a path through the throngs gathered inside the cathedral so that the procession could make its way to the high altar and the bishop's sedile. The mace traditionally carried by the chief faculty marshal in modern day academic processions originated in the verger's wand in medieval times.

The mace used in formal academic processions at Kalamazoo College has a unique history. For Christmas of 1859, the College's students presented a gold-tipped walking stick to the institution's first president, Dr. James Andrus Blinn Stone. Dr. Stone's great-grandson, Webster J. Jones, presented the walking stick to the College in 1986. It has become a tradition at Kalamazoo College for the Stone walking stick to be carried by the chief faculty marshal who precedes the president of the College in academic processions. The tradition serves as a formal reminder of the forward thinking, courage, scholarship, and community involvement that have characterized the College since its founding. By following Dr. Stone's walking stick, the president and faculty symbolically walk in the paths of those who have come before.

Processional/Recessional

At the beginning of the graduation ceremony, Kalamazoo College faculty members proceed through two lines of graduating seniors. At the end of the ceremony, the seniors recess through two lines of the faculty. It is a tradition of recognition and honor, student to teacher, teacher to student, at an institution where all are lifelong learners.

Members of the Emeritus Club, alumni who graduated from Kalamazoo College 50 years ago or longer, will join the faculty lines in the recessional to congratulate and welcome the most recent graduates into the alumni association.

Message from Bonnie Wachter Swenby '69, President, Alumni Association Executive Board

William Butler Yeats said, "Education is not the filling of a bucket, but the lighting of a fire." As we each come to this Quad on Commencement Day, the fuel for the fire of our education has been ignited by the generations of alumnae and alumni who have gone before us. We learn through the light of their volunteer efforts and their generous philanthropy.

So, as you leave your four years on this fair Arcadian hill and become forever part of the Kalamazoo College Alumni Association, you have become the source of the fuel that will light the flame of learning here for generations to come. Lux esto! Let there be light! And let the source of that light be you.
Program

Prelude

Processional

Invocation

Dr. Gary J. Dorrien
The Ann V. & Donald R. Parfet Distinguished Professor
and Dean of Stetson Chapel

Call to Commencement

Dr. James F. Jones, Jr., President

Remarks

Ms. Sheetal P. Kerkar, Class of 2003

The Pauline Byrd Johnson Award for Excellence in Secondary School Education

Ms. Susan M. Thole
Portage Northern High School
Portage, Michigan

Presenter: Dr. Karen Selby '81
Associate Professor of Education
and Chair, Department of Education

Honorary Degree

Dr. Judith Mbula Bahemuka
Professor of Sociology, University of Nairobi
UNESCO Chair on Women, Education, Health and
Sustainable Development at The University of Nairobi
Nairobi, Kenya

Mr. John W. Brown
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
Stryker Corporation
Portage, Michigan

Presenter: Dr. Joseph L. Brockington
Associate Provost for
International Programs

Presenter: Ms. Ronda E. Stryker
Vice Chair, Board of Trustees

Presentation of Candidates for Degrees

Dr. Gregory S. Mahler, Provost

Ms. Sandra D. Hudson, Registrar

President Jones

Benediction

The Reverend William J. Wyne
Pastor, Second Baptist Church
Battle Creek, Michigan

Recessional

Faculty Marshals: Professors Jeanne Hess, Bruce Mills, D. Blaine Moore
Junior Marshals: Holly S. Huang, Daniel P. Huffman

Kalamazoo Brass Ensemble: Directed by Dr. Thomas G. Evans, Associate Professor of Music

The Kalamazoo College Women's Council contributed the Commencement flowers.
The Kalamazoo College Class of 2003

Zachary Thomas Abeel
Erin Elizabeth Abraham
Rebecca Lee Adams
Sarah Elizabeth Adams
Julie Gail Adelman
Timuchin Tarik Aker
Jared Joseph Allmond
Kristin Corin Alt
Beth Ellen Anderson
Matthew John Anderson
Leslie Gayle Andrus
Meredith Elaine Attaway
Kevin Patrick Baird
Kathryn Bassity
Benjamin Robert Berg
Clara Warner Berridge
William Miller Beuche
William Ross Birkhill, Jr.
Ryan Benjamin Biziorek
Kristian Paul Bjornard
Matthew Raymond Blackall
Lisa-Marie Helen Bleyaert
Lauren Jean Bogart
Ian Robert Bomberowitz
Robert Terry Book, Jr.
Elisabeth Courtenay Bothell
Ross Kenneth Bower
Samuel Jacob Braun
Matthew Samuel Brown
Matthew Brian Buchenroth
Sonje Anne Buckmaster
Jonathon Michael Buda
Nathan Joseph Burns
Jeremy Michael Burton
Zachary Travis Burton
Spencer Cronje Butts
Sarah Brie Butzine
Lucas Foster Caldwell-McMillan
Michael DiMura Calhoun
Benjamin Gregory Callam
Morgan Frances Campbell
Joseph Brian Carl
Kistine Kimberley Anne Carolan
Michael David Carr
Robert French Carson
Rebecca Taylor Chaliman
Sonya Marie Chapa
Alexander D. Cheng
Michelle Lynne Cherry
Jennifer Christy
Brandon Michael Chuhran
John Wilson Clark
Alicia Desiré Cotey
Kylie Lynne Craig
Matthew James Crapko
Ashley Elizabeth Cross
Ryan Timothy Crowley
Sarah Elizabeth Cwiek
Lauren Elise Davis
Elizabeth Maria Davis-Mintun
Justin Gustav DeLand
Daniel John Derksen
Peter Alexander Dodge
Kent Murphy Dolbee
Mollie Ann Douglas
Ann Elizabeth Dowhan
Emily Bartlett Crane Durham
Doria Marie Durkin
Phillip Charles Easter
Kristen Jeanne Egeland
Brett Leonard Eliander
Sharell Gail Elam
Mohammed Hisham Elayan
Zachary Michael Ellis
Joana Michelle Emhof
Emery Lynn Engers
Elizabeth Mara Eule
Annamarie Louise Fadorsen
Benjamin Lee Farkas
Jason Robert Farrer
Jonathon Nicholas Fazzola
Adrienne Siobhan Field
Hamo Thornycroft Field
Nicole Marae Finnemann
Elisa Aminta Fleming
Jessica Martin Foley
Caitlin Marie Fraelich
Saify Jeannette Franks
Cassandra Lynn Freeborn
Rae Marie Gallagher
Amada Katherine Garcia
Shayna Michele Garfield
Matthew Anderson Gave
Kristen Marcye Gerke
Samir Rajaram Gokhale
Adrienne Elizabeth Goloda
Whitney Elizabeth Goode
James Alexander Goodwin
Eliza Jane Goth-Owens
Robby Michael Gouin
Sarah Elizabeth Greiser
Irena Gribkovskaja
Nicole Marie Grubb
Stephen Clark Haeidine
Heather Marie Haines
Emily Houri Hamamdjian
Christopher A. Hanson
Katie Lynn Harms
Eileen Marie Hart
Kimberly Corrine Hartman
Jeffrey Allen Hatch
Leah Marie Hays
Noah Caleb Heilbrun
Brian Lawrence Heintz
Brian Edward Heyel
Johann Wicklliffe Hindert
Evan Daniel Ho
Michelle Amanda Hocker
Amber Devon Hodges
Heather Brooke Hodges
John S. Hogg
Anne Catherine Hopkins
Michael Jeffrey Howe
Brett Youngs Hoy
Paul Alexander Hubbard
Wa-Louis Anne Hubbard
Brittany Nicole Hudson
Jonathan Alexander Hughes
Christopher David Hupp
Elizabeth Kathleen Huyck
Demetrios Basil Inempolodis
Shaun T. Ittari
Justin H. Jaime
David Carl Janssens
Amy Lynn Johnson
Alissa Ann Johnston
Stephen Robert June
Jessica E. Kamm
Sara Diane Kellogg
Sheetal P. Kerkar
Nicholas Raymond Kessler
Maureen Kickham
Shawn Thomas Kidd
Elizabeth Heather Kiechle
Jessica Ruth Kiessel
Janna Marie King
Jon Michael James King
Samantha Elaine Knapman
Jane Victoria Kopf
Ashwin Trishul Kopparthi
Angela Lynn Kovalak
Jennifer Alleen Krefk
Geoffrey Thomas LaFlair
Andrew Louis LaFrate
Casey A. Lanser
Vanessa Meghan Larkin
Senior Awards and Honors

George Acker Award
Jon Michael James King

Alliance Francaise Prize in French
Lee Ann Ingalls Stefwater
Lindsay Beth Vecchio
Anna Louise Ward
Rhea Mireille Young

James Bird Batch Prize
John S. Hogg

Lillian Pringle Bailaude Prize in Music
Anna Louise Ward

The Bartlett Law Award
John D. Gardiner

H. Lewis Batts Prize
Karen Ingersoll McCarty
Theresa Anne Radtke

E. Bruce Baxter Memorial Award
Laura Se-Jin Newland
Elizabeth Anne Weakland

Gordon Beaumont Memorial Award
Heather Marie Haines

Beeler Senior Projects Abroad Fellowships
Jean Marie LaViolette
Timothy John Pruzinsky
Amy Marie Rustan
Carley Therese Simpson
Lee Ann Ingalls Stefwater
Jennifer Leigh Sullivan
Lindsay Beth Vecchio
Rhea Mireille Young

Marshall Hallock Brenner Prize
Megan Kristina Morehead

Mary Long Burch Award
Alissa Ann Johnston

Lila Chen Award in Art
Lisa-Marie Helen Bleyaert
Sonia Marie Chapa

Ruth Scott Chenery Award
Nicholas Raymond Kessler

Collins Fellow
Carley Therese Simpson

H. P. and Genevieve Connable Scholarship
Langdon James Martin

C.W. "Ope" Davis Award
Ross Kenneth Bower
Dirk Samuel Harlan Rhinehart
Judson Daniel Schneider
Thomas Jason Thayer

Diebold Scholar Award
Michael James Mequio
Haley Carmichael Neef
Theresa Anne Radtke

Dow Scholar
Jessamyn Sprayberry Margoni

Marion H. Dunsmore Memorial Prize
Mark Joseph Pietka

George Eaton Errington Prize
Meredith Elaine Attaway

The A.M. Fink Memorial Prize in Business
Katie Lynn Harms
Benjamin Henry Szelag

French Government Teaching Assistantship
Robert Terry Book, Jr.
Samuel Jacob Braun
Jeremy Michael Burton
Joana Michelle Emhof
Angela Lynn Kovalak
Geoffrey Thomas LaFlair
Lindsay Beth Vecchio
Amanda Sue Weishuhn

German Universities Fellowship
Lynnette Jean Polcyn

Xarifa Greenguest Memorial Psychology Department Award
Angela Lynn Kovalak
Alisha Marie Serras
Emily Lynn Spang

Fred and Sarah Greer Endowed Scholarship/Lorinda Kay Sanford Memorial
Sharell Gail Elam

Charles C. Hall Scholarship
Jason Robert Farrer

F. W. and Elsie L. Hayl Scholarships
Mohammed Hisham Elayan
Michael Jeffrey Howe
Veronica Anne Russo
John Edmund Sheehy
Timothy Michael Ulrey

Raymond L. Hightower Award
Clara Warner Berridge
Amber Devon Hodges
Jessica Ruth Kessel

Virginia Hinkelman Memorial Award
Lucas Foster Caldwell-McMillan

Hodge Prize in Philosophy
Jennifer Lauren Ludwig

John Wesley Hornbeck Prize
Ryan Benjamin Biziorek
Jessamyn Sprayberry Margoni
Timothy Michael Ulrey

William G. Howard Memorial Prize in Economics
Meredith Elaine Attaway
Mohammed Hisham Elayan

Grant W. and Eleanor L. Johnston History Research Award
Doria Marie Durkin

Kalamazoo College Athletic Association Award
Jonathan Alexander Hughes

Kurt Kaufman Fellow
Christopher David Hupp

Knoechel Family Award
Jane Victoria Kofp
Judson Daniel Schneider

The Irmsgard Kowatzki Theatre Award
Suzanne Emile Semaan

Marilyn J. LaPlante Senior Portfolio Awards
Ryan Benjamin Biziorek
Elisabeth Courtenay Bothell
Aaron Michael Smith

Clare Booth Luce Scholarship in Women in Science
Nicole Maras Finnewann
Jessamyn Sprayberry Margoni
Elizabeth Maria Helena Tank

Music Department Award
Ryan Benjamin Biziorek
Matthew James Crakpo
Kathryn Mari Lenz
Justin Patterson Petertil

National Merit Scholars
Jeremy Michael Burton
Jessica E. Kamn
Adrienne Leigh Maranina
Haley Carmichael Neef
Andrew Redstone Upward
Lisa Elizabeth Williams

William E. Praeger Prize
Michael James Mequio

Provost's Prize in Health Sciences
Kimberly Corrine Hartman

Elwood H. & Elizabeth H. Schneider Prize in English
Sarah Elizabeth Cwiek
Zachary Franklin Ward

Senior Athletic Award
Kimberly Corrine Hartman
Vanessa Meghan Larkin
Emily Beth Trahan
Amanda Sue Weishuhn

Senior Award in Human Development and Social Relations
Laura Pleasants Nixon

Senior Award in Psychology
Angela Lynn Kovalak

Senior German Award
Elizabeth Mara Eule

Senior Spanish Award
Brian Edward Heyel
Milaad Majdab
Misty Lee Pursel

Fan E. Sherwood Memorial Prize
Evan Daniel Ho
Angela Lynn Kovalak

Catherine A. Smith Prize in Human Rights
Stephanie L. Vibbert

Catherine A. Smith Prize in Women's Athletics
Sara Diane Kellogg

Lemuel F. Smith Award in Chemistry
Langdon James Martin

Eugene P. Stermer Award in Business Administration
Samir Rajaram Gokhle

Eugene P. Stermer Award in Public Administration
Gillian Corinne Ream

Herbert Lee Stetson Fellowship
Ian Robert Bomberowtiz

Mary Clifford Stetson Prize in English
Lauren Elise Davis
Peter Alexander Dudge

Dwight and Leola Stocker Prize in Writing
Robby Michael Gouin
Nan Young Lee
Jeffrey J. Richardson
Sara Elizabeth Wiener

Stone Prize in Education
Timothy John Pruzinsky
Merilee Ann Valenti

Lucinda Hindale Stone Prize in Women's Studies
Laura Pleasants Nixon

Allen B. Stowe Award in Chemistry
Andrew Louis LaFrate

Babbette Trader Campus Citizenship and Leadership Award
Nan Young Lee

Charles Tully Design Award
Gillian Corinne Ream

Margaret Upton Prize in Music
Robert Andrew Somand

Donald W. Van Lier Prize in Psychology
Lynn Anne Larsen
Kathryn Mari Lenz
Ashley Lynn Thompson
Christina Ann Trost
Stephanie L. Vibbert
Amanda Sue Weishuhn
Lisa Elizabeth Williams

Voynovich Competitive Scholarship
Jennifer Lauren Ludwig

Michael Waskowsky Prize
Kristin Corin Alt

Clarke Benedict Williams Prize
Mohammed Hisham Elayan

The Maynard Owen Williams Memorial Award
Laura Pleasants Nixon
Honors in the Major Department

Sociology and Anthropology
Amber Devon Hodges

Theatre Arts
Nicholas Raymond Kessler
Suzanne Emilie Semaan

Honors in the Department of Education

Zachary Thomas Abeel
Elizabeth Mara Eule
Benjamin R. Post
Jared Robert Powell
Timothy John Pruzinsky
Lee Ann Ingalls Stiefvater
Joseph David Troyer
Merilee Ann Valentino
Kelly Marie White

Members of Phi Beta Kappa

Meredith E. Attaway
Clara W. Berridge
Matthew J. Crapko
Doria M. Durkin
Brett L. Elander
Mohammed H. Elayan
Jonathon N. Fazzola
Samir R. Gokhale
James A. Goodwin
Irena Gribovskaja
Kimberly C. Hartman
Noah C. Heilbrun
Michael J. Howe
Jonathan A. Hughes
Alissa A. Johnston
Jessica E. Kamm
Sheetal P. Kerkar
Anne C. LaTarte
Kathryn M. Lenz
Jessamyn S. Margoni
Langdon J. Martin
Michael J. Mequio
Haley C. Neef*
John E. Sheehy
Lee Ann L. Stiefvater
Kathryn C. Troyer
Amanda S. Wagner
Amanda S. Weishuhn
Lisa E. Williams
Rhea M. Young

*elected as a junior

Candidates for Michigan Secondary Provisional Certification

Zachary T. Abeel
Derek R. Atkins
Sharell G. Elam
Elizabeth M. Eule
Kristen M. Gerke
Jennifer M. Paul
Benjamin R. Post
Jared R. Powell
Ms. Susan M. Thole receives the 2003 Pauline Byrd Johnson Award for Excellence in Pre-Collegiate Teaching and Supervision of a Student Teacher. A distinguished teacher of economics at Portage Northern High School, Thole models a passion for her subject matter and for the students she teaches. She started her teaching career before she even received her baccalaureate, as a teaching assistant at Kalamazoo Valley Community College in psychology prior to her enrollment at Kalamazoo College.

In 1996, Thole graduated magna cum laude from Kalamazoo College with a secondary teaching certification in art and the social sciences. She became a substitute teacher in Kalamazoo County for all grades and subjects and later worked in "Voices," a federal arts program for at-risk students. She helped make art authentic for students who may never have had the opportunity to connect fine arts to their lives.

Currently, she is an international baccalaureate instructor and advanced placement teacher for Portage Public Schools and is working toward a second baccalaureate and a Master's degree. She has been a curriculum leader at Portage Northern High School and has developed an economics program for the school district that exceeds the State of Michigan curriculum.

To her other fine distinctions, Kalamazoo College is proud to add the Pauline Byrd Johnson Award, and the College extends its hope that its students and others will be inspired by her example to heed the noble calling of teaching.