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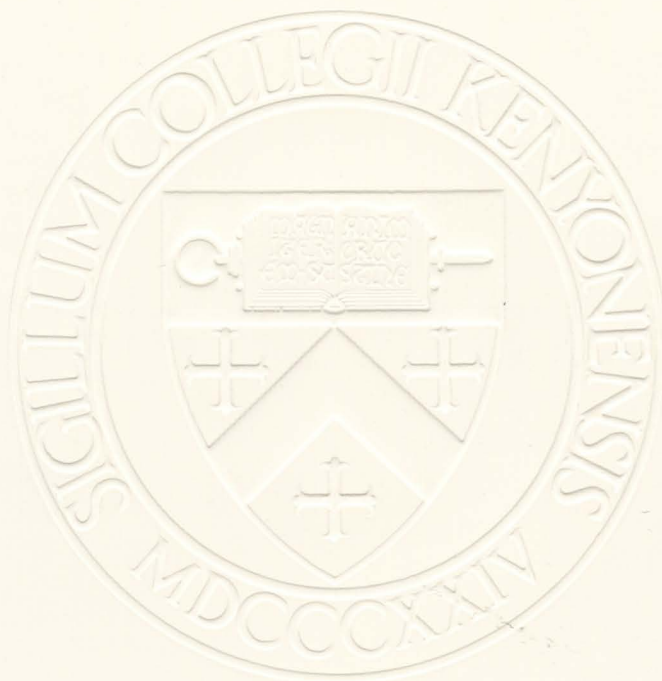
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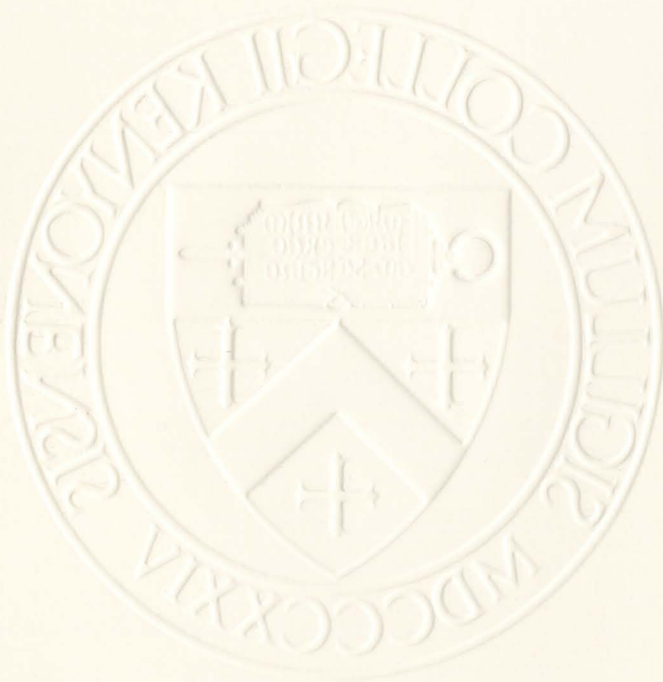
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The One Hundred Seventy-Third Commencement

Samuel Mather Lawn
Ten Thirty O'clock, May Nineteenth
Two Thousand One



Program

Robert A. Oden Jr., *President, presiding*
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Bradley Aaron Dreifuss, Mark Patrick Foran, Elizabeth Ellen Foy, Tyler Grant Griffin,
Junius Spencer Morgan, Leah Kase Sokolofski, Charles Cheney Webber

THE PROCESSIONAL

The Scioto Brass Ensemble
Ben Huntoon, Lesley Mesler, Tony Phillip,
Les Susi, *trumpets*;
Paige Bellamy, Lorree Ridenbaugh, *horns*;
Don Diurba, Tom Zuger, *trombones*;
Paul Bierley, Ray Spillman, *tubas*

THE INVOCATION

The Very Reverend Marshall J. Vang
Dean, Cathedral of All Saints
Albany, New York

WELCOME

Robert A. Oden Jr.
President of Kenyon College

THE CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREES

THE ADDRESS

Marilyn V. Yarbrough
Professor of Law, University of North Carolina

ANNOUNCEMENT

Members of the Class of 2001
elected to membership in Beta Chapter of Ohio
of Phi Beta Kappa

Robert E. Bennett
Professor of Classics

RINGING OF THE CHAPEL BELLS

Kokosing Farewell
Old Kenyon, we are like Kokosing,
Obedient to some strange spell
Which urges us from all reposing;
Farewell, Old Kenyon, fare thee well.

THE RECESSIONAL

The Scioto Brass Ensemble

PRESENTATION OF THE CLASS OF 2001

Ronald A. Sharp
Provost

Donald J. Omahan
Dean of Students

THE CONFERRING OF THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

and the
AWARDING OF THE DIPLOMAS
OF THE COLLEGE

President Oden

Fred E. Baumann
Professor of Political Science
and *Secretary of the Faculty*

Richard L. Switzer
Dean for Academic Support and Registrar

Chris A. Kennerly
Assistant Dean of Students
and *Director of Multicultural Affairs*

REMARKS

Introduction by Cheryl L. Steele
Associate Dean of Students

Aaron Charles Hamilton
President of the Class of 2001

CLOSING WORDS TO THE CLASS OF 2001

President Oden

THE BENEDICTION

Dean Vang

HONORARY DEGREES

Doctor of Laws

Unity Dow
Jurist and human-rights activist

Presented by David N. Suggs
Associate Professor of Anthropology

Unity Dow—attorney, women’s advocate, human-rights activist, legal scholar, honorable judge of the High Court of Botswana, and, most recently, novelist—remembering your childhood years in Mochudi, Botswana, you once said, “I knew I wanted to be more than just a village girl.” After earning a law degree from the University of Edinburgh, you returned to Botswana, founding organizations that pressed for women’s rights and for reforms of laws affecting marriage and domestic abuse. In 1992, seemingly against all odds, you became the first woman successfully to challenge the constitution of an African nation. That case, *Unity Dow vs. the Attorney General of the Republic of Botswana*, not only secured equal rights for the women of your nation to transmit their own citizenship to their children, but also became a textbook legal model for the use of international instruments in national legal struggles. It was more than appropriate that, in 1998, President Quett Masire appointed you Botswana’s first female high court judge, a post from which you continue to defend human rights today. We think it is safe to say that you have become “more than just a village girl.” Indeed, you are an inspiration to women—and to men—the world over, reminding us that one person can make a difference. Today, in recognition of your activism, your altruism, your tenacity, your intellectual acumen, and your argumentative creativity, we are proud to honor you with this degree.

Doctor of Letters

Ellen Hume
Journalist and educator

Presented by John M. Elliott
Professor of Political Science

Journalist, educator, and promoter of democratic political development: Ellen Hume, you have devoted your multifaceted career to improving democracy in the United States and abroad. A talented, hard-working reporter, you covered Congress for the *Los Angeles Times* and the White House for the *Wall Street Journal*, becoming, in addition, a seasoned observer of presidential elections and a respected political commentator. As executive director of Harvard’s Shorenstein Center on the Press, Politics, and Public Policy, you offered insight into the impact of your profession on American democracy and sought ways to help the media improve, rather than degrade, democratic political life. You deserve special praise for establishing the Democracy Project for the Public Broadcasting Service, seeking to use television and the Internet to engage and educate voters. Recently, you

have taken your long interest in the linkages between press freedom and democracy into the post-communist world of Eastern Europe. We can hope that your writing and speaking in that part of the world, and especially in the Czech Republic, will have made an impact in sustaining democratic political development there, as you have raised the level of political discussion in modern America. For a life of commitment and contribution in the vital public realm, we honor you today.

Doctor of Laws

John Shattuck
Chief Executive Officer, John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Foundation

Presented by Stephen E. Van Holde
Associate Professor of Political Science

As a young child, John Shattuck, you learned an important lesson about the sanctity of human rights and the law when you saw your father ardently defend in court a woman whose politics he strongly opposed. That example has guided you ever since, in a career of inspiring service as a scholar, a diplomat, and, above all, a tireless advocate of civil liberties and human rights. At the American Civil Liberties Union, you tried important test cases on the constitutionality of privacy rights and political surveillance. Later, as assistant secretary of state for democracy, human rights, and labor in the Clinton administration, you worked ceaselessly to promote human rights and democratic institutions in Albania, Bosnia, China, El Salvador, Guatemala, Indonesia, Rwanda, and a host of other post-conflict countries. Thanks to you, the world is a safer and saner place. In 1998, President Clinton appointed you ambassador to the Czech Republic, where you helped the Czechs enter NATO and encouraged them to take an active role in peacekeeping efforts in the former Yugoslavia. Just recently, you received a new honor when you were asked to lead the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Foundation. Hailing that appointment, Caroline Kennedy Schlossberg remarked that your “devotion to civil rights and freedom embodies the legacy of John F. Kennedy.” Your career and life are an inspiration to us, and you honor us by accepting this degree.

Doctor of Laws

Marilyn Virginia Yarbrough
Professor of Law, University of North Carolina

Presented by Ronald A. Sharp
Provost and John Crowe Ransom Professor of English

Lawyer, teacher, scholar, administrator, board member: Marilyn Yarbrough, you have brought your astonishing talents to important positions whose breadth is matched only by your vast knowledge—knowledge of the law, of educa-

tion, of organizations, communities, institutions, and, above all, of people. In a distinguished career in legal education, you have been a professor of law and respected administrator at many prestigious institutions. You are celebrated for your scholarship on employment discrimination, school reform, child custody, women in the law, and sports law. Working with the Law School Admission Council as well as the American Bar Association, you have tackled key issues in the education of the nation’s lawyers. You have also served as a member of two groups that have highly visible, if very different, impacts on American society: the Pulitzer Prize board and the committee on infractions of the National Collegiate Athletic Association. Currently, you play an important role as a member of the public review board of the United Auto Workers. The boards of numerous corporations, charitable organizations, and colleges (most importantly, Kenyon) count on your talent. For all of your extraordinary accomplishments, and for your wise and loyal contributions to this College—both as a parent and as a deeply engaged, effective, and respected trustee—we honor you today.

Doctor of Humane Letters

Ronald E. McLaren
Professor of Philosophy

Presented by Cyrus W. Banning
Professor Emeritus of Philosophy

Ronald McLaren, teacher and profoundly engaged scholar, for thirty-six years you have shown Kenyon students what it means to take seriously Socrates’ injunction to follow the truth wherever it leads. Through your patient example you have demonstrated how a close reading of texts, careful analysis, and deep human understanding can make love of wisdom come alive for students and colleagues alike. A true son of Kenyon, after graduating Phi Beta Kappa with high honors in philosophy, pursuing graduate studies in Germany on a Fulbright Fellowship and at Yale with a Woodrow Wilson Fellowship, you returned to Gambier in 1965. Since that time you have continued to expand your knowledge and teaching expertise, offering many courses in the Department of Philosophy as well as interdisciplinary courses in the philosophy of religion, biomedical ethics, and environmental ethics, courses that helped students understand how philosophy can illuminate topics that seem far removed. You developed a true expertise in ethics from the classical Greeks to the frontiers of contemporary thought. Not restricting yourself to an abstract appreciation of moral issues, you published a book, *Solving Moral Problems: A Strategy for Practical Inquiry*, which is still in print after more than a decade. In addition, you shared your understanding through numerous lectures at Kenyon and elsewhere, including one about your favorite, David Hume, delivered to an international congress of the Hume Society. You have served the College in many capacities. For your wisdom, your accomplishments, your service, and your great integrity in all endeavors, your colleagues and students honor you today.

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 Emily Jean Dwinells, *International Studies*
 Louise Caroline Eddleston, *English*
 Sally Lynn Eisenberg, *Religious Studies**
 Samara Lea Estroff, *History*
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 Adam Christopher Exline, *History*

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 Brian Scott Goldman, *summa cum laude*, *Political Science** +
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Jennifer Marie McDevitt, *English*
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Tyler Jacob Meier, *cum laude, English**
Daniel Melo, *English*
Whitney Elizabeth Meno, *magna cum laude, High Honors in Biology*
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Junius Spencer Morgan III, *Political Science, English**
Christopher Pratt Moriarty, *History*
Anne Elizabeth Morrissey, *English**
Tracey Monell Moulton, *Drama*
Jeffrey David Muchmore, *History*
Kristina Bayley Mullins, *International Studies, Spanish*
Robert James Murphy, *Political Science*
Erica Alaina Neitz, *cum laude, Studio Art**
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Anthony Steven Pellecchia, *Chemistry*
Aaron Kyle Perzanowski, *cum laude, Philosophy*
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Ian Conor Pitkin, *Political Science*

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John Andrew Wheeler-Rappe, *History*
Jason Andrew White, *Economics*
Joshua Childs White, *summa cum laude, Physics +*
Maria Christine White, *Anthropology*
Michael Allen White, *High Honors in History*
Hilary Whitehead, *cum laude, Modern Languages and Literatures, Art History*
Kyra Alexis Whitson, *International Studies*
Matthew Lawrence Williams, *Art History, Political Science*
Rowan Terry Williams, *cum laude, Studio Art*
Ilona Dharjha Williamson, *cum laude, Psychology*
Natalie Hope Wills, *summa cum laude, High Honors in Political Science**
Bryce Landon Witner, *English**
Angela Liane Wright, *cum laude, Highest Honors in History**
Philip Scott Wyatt, *English*
Ethan Charles Yake, *History*
Elizabeth Anne Yates, *cum laude, English, in absentia*
Chellis Shan-Fun Ying, *English*
Thomas Robert Young, *International Studies, in absentia*
Colin Hans Yuckman, *cum laude, Classics, Religious Studies*
Aaron Lawrence Zivin, *Psychology**

* Senior Exercise passed with distinction
+ Kenyon Honors Scholar

Notes

Kenyon Honor Scholars (indicated by a +) have been awarded competitive merit scholarships by the College as entering students. Recipients of these scholarships are chosen on the basis of demonstrated academic achievement, leadership ability, and community involvement.
A student completing a double major has met all the

Honors at Graduation

The bachelor of arts degree with collegiate honors is achieved by attaining a cumulative grade-point average within the following ranges:
3.45-3.64, *cum laude*;
3.65-3.84, *magna cum laude*;
3.85 and above, *summa cum laude*.
Students showing exceptional scholarship may be accepted by their major department to read for the degree with departmental honors. The three major classes of departmental honors, based on work in the major, are *Honors, High Honors*, and *Highest Honors*, as determined jointly by an outside examiner and the members of the student's department.
A senior exercise must be satisfactorily completed by each

requirements for the major in two departments and passed a senior exercise in each.
A synoptic major program is individually designed by the student to meet his or her special interests and includes work in two or more departments. It requires satisfactory completion of one senior exercise.

graduating senior. While each department determines the nature of its exercise, the purpose in general is to promote coherence of the student's major program. Each department reports a grade of Pass, or Pass with Distinction, for this exercise.
Phi Beta Kappa, Beta Chapter of Ohio. Phi Beta Kappa, the oldest Greek-letter fraternity in the country, was founded in 1776. The Kenyon chapter was organized in 1858 as an honorary society dedicated to the recognition of scholarly achievement. It is the fourteenth in age of one hundred sixty chapters. Elections to membership are made from the best scholars in the junior and senior classes who have shown achievement through grades and an intellectual disposition.

Flags on Display

Kenyon students represent an increasingly diverse international population. This year thirty-seven individuals left their homelands and traveled thousands of miles to study here, on the Hill in Gambier. The Class of 2001 includes

graduates from Botswana, Brazil, Canada, Great Britain, the Netherlands, and Zimbabwe. We honor these international students by displaying some of their nations' flags on the Commencement platform today.

DEGREES AND AWARDS CONFERRED AT HONORS DAY, APRIL 5, 2001

Outstanding Kenyon students and faculty members, along with three distinguished graduates, were recognized at the College's annual Honors Day Convocation on April 5.

Honorary degrees were awarded to businessman David F. Banks '65, for his support of the arts and his leadership of *The Kenyon Review*; R.S. "Dick" Harrison '53, for his contributions as chief executive of the Baldwin Piano and Organ Company, as a philanthropist, and as a Kenyon trustee; and Charles N. Huggins '49, president of See's Candies, for his business accomplishments as well as his generosity to Kenyon and other causes.

In addition, two faculty members were awarded \$15,000 each as recipients of the 2001 Trustee Teaching Excellence Awards. Recognized for their superior work were Professor of History Reed S. Browning and Associate Professor of English Sergei Lobanov-Rostovsky.

Unless otherwise noted, those students listed as award and prize winners are members of the Class of 2001.

Fellowships and Awards

National Recognition

British Marshall Scholarship
Jada Renee Twedt

The Beinecke Memorial Scholarship
Kelly Marie Duke

Fulbright Research Fellowship
Alys Louise Spensley

Fulbright Teaching Fellowships
Daniel James Connolly
Mark Patrick Foran

The Thomas J. Watson Fellowship
Jennifer Claire Lawton

Kenyon Fellowships and Scholarships

Henry G. Dalton Fellowship in American Studies
Jessica Paige Kerley

Eppa Rixey III Memorial Scholarship Fund
Neil Eugene Hall, Class of 2002

Honors Scholars
Class of 2004
Julia Ann Alvarez
Steven John Bartek
Ryan Douglas Brown
Gregory Vernon Carr
Diana Elizabeth Carroll
Marc Evan Courtney-Brooks
Randolph Robert Ketcham
Jessi Ray Koch
Jesse Robert Lasky
Lucy Elizabeth Semple Martin
Jeremy Alan Martinich
Brian Stuart McAllester
Linda Nguyen

Pablo Esteban Poffald
Eric Michael Matthew Richardson
Harrison David Rivers
Daniel Eduardo Rodrigues
John Tate Spragens

Kenyon Summer Science Scholars
Catherine Ann Beck, Class of 2002
Michael David Bonomo, Class of 2002
Adam Jared Booth, Class of 2003
Rebecca Marie Capasso, Class of 2002
Russell Anson Carleton, Class of 2002
Kristofer Devin Cheney, Class of 2002
Emily JoAnn Cole, Class of 2002
Daniel William Custar, Class of 2003
John Joseph DePowell, Class of 2002
Marcela Josefina Esqueda, Class of 2002
Lydia Maria Gordon, Class of 2002
Bryn Harris, Class of 2002
Neal Richard Heilman, Class of 2002
Nia Imara, Class of 2003
Daniel Christopher Kiepfer, Class of 2003
Brandon James Lute, Class of 2002
Lisa Marie Maurer, Class of 2004
Mairin Ann McCarthy, Class of 2002
Nkululeko Moyo, Class of 2002
Amanda Marie Nahlik, Class of 2002
Anna Cecilia Novotny, Class of 2002
Rhoda Abisola Raji, Class of 2002
Abby Elizabeth Rokosch, Class of 2002
Elizabeth Schulzinger, Class of 2004
Kerry Lee Shannon, Class of 2004
Sule Gilda Sidigu, Class of 2003
Carrie Nadine Simon, Class of 2002
Dawn Marie Stancik, Class of 2002
Lauren Michelle Stancik, Class of 2002
Heather Lea Van Ligten, Class of 2002
Sara Beth Vyrostek, Class of 2002
Amy Shepherd Wagaman, Class of 2003
Yuliya Nikolaeva Yoncheva, Class of 2004

Departmental Prizes

Anthropology

The Margaret Mead Award
Elizabeth Bennet Fleming
Juliana Novic

Art

Margaret E. Leslie Prize in Drawing
Caroline Martha Chow
Anneka Erin Lenssen
Hannah Elizabeth Levin
Natalie Spring Martinez
Lee Jameson Massey

The Richard Kingan Liggitt Memorial Award in Art History
Sarah Elinor Postellon

The Peterson Printmaking Prize
Matthew Johnston Russell

The Robert H. Hallstein Memorial Award in Art
Margaret Ann Forbes
Patrick Worthen Hanna
Kate Ann Wesselmann
Rowan Terry Williams

The Wycoff A. Sword Memorial Prize in Sculpture
Erica Alaina Neitz
Molly Sharp

Biology

The Biology Independent Study Prize
Jessen Andrew Book
Abby Elizabeth Rokosch, Class of 2002

The Dorothy E. and Thomas C. Jegla Prize
Adam Jared Booth, Class of 2003
Ashley Jo Rowatt, Class of 2003

The Maxwell Elliott Power Prize
Catherine Ann Beck, Class of 2002

The Robert Bowen Brown Jr. Prize
Mark Patrick Foran
William Joseph Ward

The Biology Award for Outstanding Service to the Department
Molly Kathleen Boyce

Chemistry

The American Chemical Society Award
Aaron Charles Hamilton

The American Chemical Society Junior Award
Allison Elaine Ogilvie, Class of 2002

The Chemical Rubber Company Chemistry Achievement Award
Nell Bradshaw Burger, Class of 2004

The Carl Djerassi Award in Chemistry
Kristin Elizabeth Orr

Classics

The George L. Brain Prize
Britta Kristina Ager
Andrew Michael Duffy

The Carl Diehl Prize
Justin Robert Struble, Class of 2003, Latin
Elizabeth Sarah DeLisle, Class of 2004, Greek

Economics

The Paul Titus Economics Prize
Brendan Patrick Rogers

English

The Robert Daniel Memorial Scholarship
Tory Lynne Weber, Class of 2002

The Philip Wolcott Timberlake Freshman Award
Elizabeth Sarah DeLisle, Class of 2004

The Philip Wolcott Timberlake Scholarship
Robert Matthew Haines, Class of 2002

The Philip Wolcott Timberlake Memorial Prize
Sarah Elizabeth McClelland
Margaret Joan Seiter

Denham Sutcliffe Memorial Award
Riley Llewellyn Hanick

History

The Robert L. Baker Memorial Prize
Christopher Matlock Van Nostrand, Class of 2002

The Alan G. Goldsmith Memorial Prize
Kelly Marie Duke
Richa Jha, Class of 2003
Andrew William Kahrl

The Stuart Rice McGowan Prize in American History
Sharon Valerie Beck, Class of 2003

Integrated Program in Humane Studies

The Richard F. Hettlinger Award
Natalie Hope Wills
Colin Hans Yuckman

Mathematics

The Reginald B. Allen Prize
Adam William Atwell
Matthew William Chesnes

The Solomon R.S. Kasper Prize
Llewellyn Staughton Jones

Modern Languages and Literatures

The Edward Harvey Prize
Nicole Marie Burkhardt

The Charles Singer Williams Prize in French
Emily Ann Guy
Julianna Lyn Shaffer

The Spanish Prize
Julie Rose Basta
Greta Aleece Decker

The Sigrid Langrath Memorial Prize
Jacob David Howley, Class of 2003

The Italian Prize
Jessica Hope Andruss

The Russian Prize
Julianna Lyn Shaffer

The Chinese Prize
John-Paul Zimmerman Magen

The Japanese Prize
Mary Deborah Lee

Music

*The Thomas B. and Mary M. Greenslade Award
in Music Performance*
Sara Marie Beddow, Class of 2002
Joshua Aaron Mason, Class of 2000

The David B. Perry Community Service Music Prize
Todd Berke Juengling

The David B. Perry Senior Award in Music
Sarah Elizabeth Kammerer

Philosophy
The Virgil C. Aldrich Prize
Stephanie Marie Sorge

The Elbe H. Johnson Prize
Matthew Robert Buckley, Class of 2003

Political Science
The John Chesnut Memorial Prize
Natalie Hope Wills

Psychology
The Psychology Prize
Lisa Marie Groesz

The Jeffrey S. Williams Memorial Award for Integrative Study
Meredith Lynn Stevenson

Religion
The Simpson Prize
Jeana Marie Visel

Women's and Gender Studies
The Molly R. Hatcher Prize in Women's and Gender Studies
Erica Mary Carroll

The Faculty Award for Distinguished Accomplishment

Jessica Hope Andruss, for consistent excellence in her coursework.

Honor Societies

Pi Sigma Alpha
Matthew Melgard Bryant
Daniel James Connolly
Jacob Benson Craven
Devon Meredith De Mayo
Taryn Rae Drongowski
Brian Scott Goldman
Ian Michael Gordon
Erica Leah Hassler
Amanda Joan Huggins
Laura Anne Maestas
Linzey Marie Powers
Jeffrey Stuart Reed
Julianna Lyn Shaffer
Meredith Lynn Stevenson
Katherine Mae Suttle
Todd Justin Weiner
Natalie Hope Wills

Sigma Xi
Erin Denise Barr, *Chemistry*
Jesson Andrew Book, *Biology*
Molly Kathleen Boyce, *Biology*
Kevin Lawrence Corbus, *Psychology*

Bradley Aaron Dreifuss, *Neuroscience*
Mark Patrick Foran, *Biology*
Lisa Marie Groesz, *Psychology*
Aaron Charles Hamilton, *Chemistry*
Lauren Juanita Hines, *Psychology*
Neala Janet Eleanor Kendall, *Biology*
Adam Christian Knapp, *Mathematics*
Brice Alan Kuhl, *Psychology*
Ann-Marie Margaret Lawlor, *Neuroscience*
Whitney Elizabeth Meno, *Biology*
Abigail Ann Mitchell, *Psychology*
Christopher Ian Monson, *Anthropology*
Juliana Novic, *Anthropology*
Micah Sean Walsh Schamis, *Physics*
Lauren Elizabeth Schwartz, *Anthropology*
Jacynnda Leigh Smith, *Neuroscience*
Dorothy Clare Tessman, *Psychology*
Jada Renee Twedt, *Physics*
Joshua Childs White, *Physics*
Ilona Dharjha Williamson, *Psychology*
Aaron Lawrence Zivin, *Psychology*

Sigma Iota Rho
Emily Wallace Andersen
Greta Aleece Decker
Michael Falk Hartley
Malea Joy Hoepf
Brett Philip Holcomb
Allison Kendall Jones
Lane Hafner Jost
Mary Deborah Lee
Julie Ann Lemmer
Elizabeth Jeanne McCarty
Daniel Rhys Michelmores
Juliana Novic
Alys Louise Spensley

College Prizes

The Robert J. Tomsich Science Award
Joan L. Slonczewski

The Muriel C. Bradbrook Prize
Sarah Brooke Gelman

The John Crowe Ransom Poetry Prize
Kaliis Naphtali Smith

The Academy of American Poetry Prize
Andrew Patrick Grace

The Propper Prize for Poetry
Caroline Addison Meyer, Class of 2004

The Paul Newman Trophy
James McNeil Kinney

The Joanne Woodward Trophy
Devon Meredith De Mayo

The Ashford Memorial Award for Excellence in Dramatics
Erika Jeannette Plank

The James E. Michael Prize in Playwriting
Robert Francis Kundrat

The Dance Prize
Erika Jeannette Plank
Meredith Lynn Weaver

The Jess Williard Falkenstine Award
Jessen Andrew Book
Erica Mary Carroll
Mark Patrick Foran
Brett Philip Holcomb
Nicole Marie Watson
Joshua Childs White

The William A. Long Memorial Award
Jane Martindell

The D. Morgan Smith Award
Annis Kendall Kukulan, Class of 2002

The Humanitarian Award
Cray Jenings Coppins III
Shayla Renee Myers, Class of 2002

The Martin Luther King Jr. Humanitarian Award
Rhoda Abisola Raji, Class of 2002

The Doris B. Crozier Award
Megan Janet Hill

The E. Malcolm Anderson Cup
Julianne Elsie Foxworthy

Marilyn V. Yarbrough, a law professor who is well known for her work on race and gender discrimination as well as legal education and sports law, will present the Commencement address at Kenyon's one hundred seventy-third Commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 19.

The Commencement program will begin at 10:30 a.m. on the lawn of Samuel Mather Hall. (In case of rain, the ceremony will be held in the Ernst Center.) In addition to presenting diplomas to graduating seniors, Kenyon will confer honorary doctorates on human-rights activist **Unity Dow**, on journalist **Ellen Hume**, and on former diplomat **John Shattuck**, who was recently named the chief executive officer of the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Foundation. Yarbrough will also receive an honorary doctorate, as will retiring faculty member **Ronald E. McLaren**, professor of philosophy.

On Friday, May 18, **Juan E. De Pascuale**, associate professor of philosophy, will be the speaker at the Baccalaureate service at 1:30 p.m. on the Samuel Mather lawn. (The rain site is the Ernst Center.) A member of the faculty since 1984, De Pascuale received the College's Trustee Award for Distinguished Teaching in 1994 and its Martin Luther King Jr. Humanitarian Award in 2000. In 1995, he won the American Philosophical Association Award for Excellence in Teaching Philosophy. De Pascuale's main scholarly interests are in nineteenth- and twentieth-century philosophy, the philosophy of art, and the philosophy of religion.

Yarbrough, who teaches law at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, received her undergraduate degree at Virginia State University and worked as a systems engineer for IBM and the Westinghouse Aerospace and Defense Center before pursuing her legal studies. She received her law degree from the University of California at Los Angeles in 1973 and began her teaching career two years later at the Boston College Law School.

Yarbrough went on to law faculty posts and administrative positions at the universities of Kansas, West Virginia, Tennessee, and South Carolina, as well as at Duke University. At North Carolina, she has served as associate provost in addition to teaching.

As an authority on discrimination as well as sports law, Yarbrough has written about the "invisibility" of black women athletes and about gender-equity issues in collegiate sports. Other topics of her scholarly articles include employment discrimination, school reform, child custody, and women and the law.

In 1997, Yarbrough served on an advisory committee on gender-integrated training for the United States Department of Defense. She also served for a number of years on the Pulitzer Prize board, the group that chooses recipients of the prestigious writing award, and on the infractions committee of the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

In addition, she has been active in legal-education circles. She worked extensively with the Law School Admission

Council, becoming a member of its board of trustees in 1980 and serving as president from 1986 to 1988. She has also been involved in the American Bar Association Section of Legal Education and Admission to the Bar. Currently she is a member of the public review board of the United Auto Workers union.

Yarbrough has served on Kenyon's board of trustees since 1993. She is a member of the board's committees on curriculum and faculty as well as information technology. She is also a Kenyon parent: her daughter, Carla R. Ainsworth, graduated in 1995.

Unity Dow left her native Botswana to study law at the University of Edinburgh, then returned to pursue a career that combined legal affairs and activism. She helped establish groups that have pressed for women's and children's rights as well as for reforms in laws affecting marriage and domestic abuse. In 1992, she won a landmark case that overturned Botswana's Citizenship Act, which restricted the ability of women to transmit nationality to their children. In 1998, she was named the first female judge on the High Court of Botswana.

Ellen Hume, whose reporting experience includes posts as a White House correspondent for *The Wall Street Journal* and a national reporter for the *Los Angeles Times*, has also earned wide recognition for her skill as a media analyst, television commentator, teacher, speaker, and innovator in programs devoted to the understanding of democracy. From 1988 to 1993, she was the executive director of the Shorenstein Center on the Press, Politics, and Public Policy at Harvard. In 1996, she founded public television's Democracy Project. The author of *Tabloids*, *Talk Radio and the Future of News*, she has also conducted journalism and democracy workshops throughout the United States as well as in Bosnia, the Czech Republic, Poland, and Russia.

Before assuming his current position as head of the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Foundation, John Shattuck pursued a distinguished career as a diplomat, teacher and scholar, and civil-liberties attorney. As national counsel for the American Civil Liberties Union, he tried cases involving privacy rights and political surveillance. He served as assistant secretary of state for democracy, human rights, and labor in the Clinton administration, a post that involved him deeply in human-rights issues in nations from Bosnia to Indonesia. In 1998, President Clinton named him ambassador to the Czech Republic, where he served until early this year.

McLaren, a Kenyon graduate (Class of 1958), earned his doctorate from Yale University and returned to Gambier in 1965 as a member of the philosophy department. He was promoted from assistant to associate professor in 1968, then to full professor in 1989. While teaching a wide variety of courses, McLaren has pursued scholarly interests in ethics, moral education, and the philosophy of language. He is the author of *Solving Moral Problems: A Strategy for Practical Inquiry*.

A HISTORY OF KENYON COMMENCEMENTS

Kenyon's founder, Bishop Philander Chase, conducted the first Commencement exercises of the College on September 9, 1829, in a large, bare, basement room in the just-completed center section of Old Kenyon, the first permanent building. There were six graduates: G. Dennison, J.B. Chase, A. Blake, S. Chase, P.C. Freeman, and B.B. Sayre.

As soon as Rosse Chapel (later known as Rosse Hall) was completed (about 1840), the ceremonies were moved there; Rosse was the location for all graduation exercises for more than a century. It was in Rosse Chapel on August 3, 1842, that the class valedictorian, Rutherford B. Hayes, a future president of the United States, delivered a Commencement address entitled "College Life."

Until the 1890s, it was customary for each graduating senior to deliver an oration, sometimes in English but often in Latin, Greek, or Hebrew. Since the number of graduates fluctuated from four in 1879 to eighteen in more prosperous years, the programs could sometimes be completed in an afternoon but often took all day, with an hour-and-a-half break for lunch. By 1894, activities connected with Commencement had assumed such large proportions that events started on Sunday and culminated with the graduation exercises on Thursday.

During World War II, the civilian enrollment at Kenyon shrank to about forty students, but President Gordon Keith Chalmers was determined that every Kenyon graduate should still have his moment of glory. So, in December 1943, formal

Commencement ceremonies, with the faculty in full academic regalia, were held for two graduates.

The tremendous influx of students coming to Kenyon after World War II under the provisions of the G.I. Bill made graduating classes so large that Rosse Hall could no longer accommodate Commencement audiences. The first outdoor ceremony was held in 1949, in the same location as today's exercises. The rainsite, then Wertheimer Fieldhouse, in recent years has been the Ernst Center.

Every seventeen years, the move outdoors results in exposure to countless millions of uninvited and unwanted visitors—the cicadas that appear on Gambier Hill in late May and early June. The 1965 Commencement was especially plagued by the harmless insects, which dropped from the trees and piled up in great heaps around the tree trunks. The cicadas last returned in 1999, but the onslaught, with its eerie shrilling, didn't peak until after Commencement. Next invasion: 2016.

Kenyon adheres to its classical tradition of conducting the formal part of the Commencement exercises in Latin and printing diplomas in Latin. But it no longer translates the names of the graduates; up until the late 1960s, William became *Gulielmus* and Thomas was transcribed as *Thomam*.

Thomas B. Greenslade '31 H'76
Tabularius Collegii
(College Archivist, 1967-90)

ACADEMIC COSTUME AND PROCESSION

Academic gowns represent a tradition handed down from the universities of the Middle Ages. These institutions were founded by the Church; the students, being clerics, were obliged to wear the prescribed gowns at all times. Round caps later became square mortarboards. The hood, originally a cowl attached to the gown, seems to have had three uses: it could be slipped over the head for warmth, worn as a shoulder cape, or, when hanging from the shoulder, used as a bag in which alms could be collected. It is believed that when large wigs were worn the cape part of the hood was cut open in front and a narrow neckband inserted. The entire garment, cape and hood proper, was allowed to fall back, producing approximately the effect we see today.

In America, the hood is the most outstanding feature. Much of the American academic costume is derived from regalia worn at British universities. The usual color for academic gowns in the United States is black. The bachelor's gown is worn closed; the master's and doctor's may be worn open or closed. The shape of the sleeve is the distinguishing mark of the gowns: *bachelor*, long pointed sleeve; *master*, oblong, square cut in back with an arc cut away in front; *doctor*, bell shaped.

Caps are black, as are the tassels for the bachelor of arts (B.A. or A.B.), bachelor of science (B.S. or Sc.B.), and bachelor of engineering (B.E.) degrees. Tassels for the doctor of philosophy (Ph.D.) degree are gold, while those for other

graduate and professional degrees may be of the color corresponding to the trimming on the hoods. Special caps—beefeater caps—are worn at Kenyon by the trustees. This type of cap is also used by some European universities.

Many European universities have distinctive caps and gowns that are different from those commonly used in this country. Some of the gowns are of bright colors, some are embellished with fur. A few of these may be noted in the academic procession today.

The shape and size of the hood marks the college degree of the wearer. The hoods are lined with the color of the institution from which the wearer received his or her degree. The trimming of the collar of the hood is the color that designates the degree: *liberal arts*, white; *fine arts and architecture*, brown; *science*, golden yellow; *music*, pink; *divinity*, scarlet; *law*, purple; *engineering*, orange; *philosophy*, blue; *medicine*, green; *public health*, salmon; *forestry*, russet; *nursing*, apricot. Since there are several hundred colleges and universities in the United States, various arrangements of the primary colors are used.

Honorary degree hoods are distinguished as follows: *master of arts* (M.A.), white; *doctor of humane letters* (L.H.D.), white; *doctor of science* (Sc.D.), golden yellow; *doctor of divinity* (D.D.), scarlet; *doctor of laws* (LL.D.), purple; *doctor of fine arts* (D.F.A.), brown.