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Kenyon College



The One Hundred Eighty-Second Commencement

Samuel Mather Lawn Ten Thirty O'clock, May Twenty-Second Two Thousand Ten

Program

S. Georgia Nugent, President, presiding Laurie A. Finke, Faculty Marshal Joan L. Slonczewski, Secretary of the Faculty

Processional

The Scioto Brass Ensemble

Invocation

The Reverend Karl P.B. Stevens '95 St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Mount Vernon, Ohio

Welcome

William E. Bennett '68 P'96,'00,'07 Chair of the Kenyon College Board of Trustees

S. Georgia Nugent President of Kenyon College

Conferring of Honorary Degrees

Kirk Rettig Emmert Presented by Fred E. Baumann

Douglas Lee Givens Presented by P.F. Kluge '64

Remarks

Introduction by Henry P. Toutain Dean of Students

Amy Kathryn Bowles President of the Class of 2010

Address

William E. Lowry Jr. '56 H'99 Retired Senior Advisor to the President, John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation

Announcement

Members of the Class of 2010 elected to membership in Beta Chapter of Ohio of Phi Beta Kappa

Pamela Camerra-Rowe Associate Professor of Political Science

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.

Presentation of the Class of 2010

Nayef H. Samhat *Provost*

Dean Toutain

Conferring of the Degree of Bachelor of Arts

Awarding of the Diplomas of the College

President Nugent

Joan L. Slonczewski Professor of Biology

Ellen K. Harbourt Registrar

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

Closing Words to the Class of 2010

President Nugent

Benediction

Marc W. Bragin
Director, Kenyon College Hillel

Recessional

The Scioto Brass Ensemble

Senior Class Committee

Amy Kathryn Bowles, President Oliver Samuel Bierman-Lytle Eva Maria Ceja Megan Elizabeth Coxe Elizabeth Ruth Hansen Gabriella Pamela Hoehn-Saric Michael Joseph Leskosky Elizabeth Jeffers Orr Wilson Eustace Peters Elizabeth Marie Refsnyder Mason Holland Stabler Alys Maguire Moore Janae Anise Peters Daniel Edward Verhave Michelle Alexandra von Hirschberg Harry Flint von Kann

Other Participants

Faculty Marshals
Laurie A. Finke, Senior Marshal,
Professor of Women's and Gender Studies
Christopher M. Gillen,
Associate Professor of Biology
Sam Pack,
Assistant Professor of Anthropology
Jami E. Peelle,
Faculty Grants and Fellowships Coordinator
Wade H. Powell,
Associate Professor of Biology
Clara Roman-Odio,
Professor of Spanish

Admissions and Student Affairs Marshals
Adrienne A. Amador '09,
 Admissions Counselor
Erin B. Ciarimboli,
 Director of New Student Orientation and Community
 Programs
B. Noble Jones '97,
 Senior Assistant Director of Admissions
Marjorie A. Trueblood-Gamble,
 Assistant Director of Multicultural Affairs and
 Admissions
Anne K. Vleck,
 Assistant Director of Student Activities

Hood Marshals
James A. Steen P'01,'04,
Head Men's and Women's Swimming Coach
Elizabeth Ransom Forman '73,
Senior Associate Director of Admissions
Venetta "Tacci" Smith,
Associate Dean of Students
Samantha J. Hughes,
Judicial Affairs Coordinator

Flagbearers
Christian Alejandra Martinez-Canchola,
Class of 2013
Gavin Brock McGimpsey, Class of 2011
Laura Anne Paul, Class of 2011
Hannah Gordon Stapleton Smith, Class of 2013
Julia Marie Smith, Class of 2011
Margo Lee Smith, Class of 2012

Pealers
Marenka Rita Thompson-Odlum, Class of 2011
Kayleigh Edith Truman, Class of 2011
Desiree Vodounon Senami Vodounon, Class of 2012

Honorary Degrees

Doctor of Humane Letters

Kirk Rettig Emmert Harry M. Clor Professor of Political Science

Presented by Fred Baumann Professor of Political Science

Teacher, scholar, friend, gentleman, mayor, worker: for three decades, Kirk Emmert, you have been a chief benefactor of this college. Experienced in national government, and ceaselessly interested in new pedagogies, you became a beloved Kenyon classroom institution in freshman "Quest for Justice," American politics, constitutional law, and public policy. A scholar of statesmanship, you wrote valuably on the great examples of Winston Churchill and Theodore Roosevelt. In our department, in years both stormy and serene, often as chair, you always embodied good and wholly impartial judgment, moderation, generous friendship and hospitality, and selfless service to the common good. But your true measure of devotion appeared in collegiate service. A job that required long, unrewarding, onerous, and sometimes controversial work? "Emmert" was the name that sprang to administrators' lips. Whether organizing a presidential inauguration, or serving as collegiate teaching counselor, as writing czar, or as chair of the Tenure and Promotion Committee, you cheerfully undertook all the thankless extra labor the tasks involved. Then, your impulse for service unsated, you became the elected and triumphantly re-elected mayor of Gambier. Above all, though, you have been the best of friends. We are always grateful to those who support us when we are down. But we most owe gratitude to those who are truthful with us when we are wrong. The standards you applied to yourself you applied to the world, in a kind, gentle, moderate, but utterly honest way. In that way, too, you have been one of those largely unremarked "knights of faith" on whom communities depend. Kirk Emmert, Hary M. Clor Professor of Political Science, Kenyon owes you, Kenyon thanks you, and Kenyon will miss you.

Doctor of Laws

Douglas Lee Givens Managing Director, Philander Chase Corporation

Presented by P.F. Kluge '64 Writer-in-Residence

Doug Givens, it's likely that many of today's graduates, their families, and even some of those who share this stage are unaware of the contributions you've made, not only to Kenyon College but to the village of Gambier and, indeed, all of Knox County, Ohio. During twenty-seven years in Kenyon's development office, you led three capital campaigns, you led them tenaciously, shrewdly, cheerfully, and brought \$152 million to a college that desperately needed money. For the past ten years you've headed Kenyon's Philander Chase Corporation, a pioneering enterprise designed to stave off the deal-by-deal, subdivision-by-subdivision degradation of the countryside we revere. It was the perfect job for you. Many who come to this hill—this so called "Magic Mountain"—live here as if in exile. They value distance, perspective. Not you. That was you at the Mount Vernon Rotary Club, the Chamber of Commerce, the YMCA. You knew the lawyers, the businessmen—the golfers—the auctioneers, realtors, courthouse clerks, farmers. You knew town and gown. And through land protection agreements and outright purchase, you preserved 3,600 acres of local land and seven miles of Kokosing riverbanks, you established the popular Wolf Run Park, you forged an unprecedented partnership with dozens of Knox County farmers. You've done all this in your trademark idiosyncratic style, wise-cracking, joking, bonding, confiding, counseling; you've been a warrior, but a happy warrior, with a mercurial humor that complemented your deep loyalty to this college. Generations have fallen in love with this college on a country hill—and they have fallen in love with this college at first sight. Thanks to you, this kind of discovery will continue. Now, we thank you for your talent and your enduring gifts.

Bachelor of Arts

Ryan Beck Ackerman, Mathematics Chelsea Ann Adams, magna cum laude, Neuroscience Caitlin Kay Addlesperger, Modern Languages and Literatures Kafui Carldwell Akakpo, English, in absentia Lucie Norton Alig, magna cum laude, English Claire Marie Anderson, cum laude, Biology* Elizabeth Paton Anderson, English Geoffrey Phillip Anderson, cum laude, English, Modern Languages and Literatures* Danielle Rachel Arad, Studio Art Christine Arcidiacono, magna cum laude. Classics* Philip Pendleton Ardery III, cum laude, English Diana Carolina Arguello, Political Science Evan Louis Axelbaum, cum laude, Music* Holly Elizabeth Bacon, cum laude, English* Michelle Eileen Bahan, Political Science Justin Jerome Bain, Economics Michael Kent Bandrowski, Psychology Seth Ainsworth Barnum, Psychology Ryan Benjamin Bash, magna cum laude, Biology* Sophie Anne Bauer, English Audrey Fave Bebensee, Neuroscience Elizabeth Erin Beckman, magna cum laude, History Piper Beckwith-Collings, Art History Joshua Seth Bernstein, English Oliver Samuel Bierman-Lytle, Biology Naomi Lee Blaushild, magna cum laude, Political Science Heather Caitlyn Blauvelt, International Studies Michelle Elizabeth Blue, Psychology Christina Marie Bogasky, Art History Kegan Ross Borland, History Andrew George Borrasso, cum laude, Economics*, Physics Amy Kathryn Bowles, cum laude, Political Science Lucas Reed Brandfon, Religious Studies Charles Winslow Brody, Economics Christopher Thomas Brophy, Economics Allen Clay Brown, summa cum laude, Anthropology Thomas Harold Brown, Mathematics Rachel Alison Burgreen, Psychology Robert Dalrymple Burton Jr., History Emily Claire Bushman, Art History Jennifer Olivia Cancian, magna cum laude, History Michael Christopher Canterbury, History Shaina Leanne Cantino, summa cum laude, Dance* Hannah Janina Carlson, Religious Studies Robert Olds Carpenter, Molecular Biology Alexander Cushman Carroll, cum laude, Modern Languages and Literatures Nathaniel James Carruthers, Biology Stephanie Caton, Psychology Sean Michael Cavanaugh, Drama Eva Maria Ceja, Sociology Peter Russell Certo III, summa cum laude, Political Science* Kelsey Michaela Chapman, cum laude, Psychology John Zachary Ciccone, American Studies Andrew James Clair, magna cum laude, Mathematics Amanda Margaret Cohen, cum laude, Modern Languages and Literatures*, Psychology Matthew Paul Colburn, cum laude, Honors in English*

Travis Elliot Cook, cum laude, American Studies Brian Douglas Cornwell, Classics, in absentia Stefanie Rose Couchman, Sociology Jeffrey George Cox, English Megan Elizabeth Coxe, summa cum laude, International Studies*, Spanish* John McMahon Crain, Economics Jonah Mentzer Crollard, cum laude, Political Science Katherine Mei Crowell, magna cum laude, Spanish Hazel Beth Crowley, Classics, English Kayla Elizabeth Cushner, cum laude, English Joseph William Dagger, magna cum laude, Drama* Yi Dai, cum laude, Studio Art* Andrew Michael Damskey, International Studies Alexandria Gabrielle Davis, Philosophy Elyssa M.L. Davis, Biology Kathryn Dawn Day, cum laude, English* Ninah de Ruijter Van Steveninck, History Elizabeth Ann DeBruin, Sociology, English Lisa Caitlin Del Sesto, History Julia Lynne DeNiro, Biology Bakary Diaby, Highest Honors in English* Martha Helen Diamond, cum laude, History Elaine Claire Dicicco, magna cum laude, High Honors in Brendan Thomas Dieffenbach, English, Sociology Jennifer Margaret Dillon, Anthropology Laura Saunders DiNardo, cum laude, Anthropology Paul David DiResta, magna cum laude, International Studies, Modern Languages and Literatures James Jeffrey Diskint, magna cum laude, Religious Studies Logan Michael Donaldson, Biology, in absentia Robert Pierson Dorff, English Alexander Gregory Dowell, Sociology Lillian Joy Doyle, Studio Art* Collin Harding Dubick, Philosophy Catherine Claire Duennebier, English* Peter DeCamp Dumbadze, High Honors in Art History Thomas Dorian Durand, cum laude, Honors in Economics* Khalid Charles Eldahan, Biology David Allen Lee Ellis, Drama, Political Science Nora Louise Erickson, magna cum laude, Highest Honors in Psychology Katherine Elaine Ernst, magna cum laude, Anthropology Tina Ertel, Studio Art Ariav Rohan Ezekiel, Political Science Kenneth Thomas Farabaugh, cum laude, Molecular Biology Tracey Elaine Farris, cum laude, International Studies* Katherine Alexis Farrow, English Jeremy David Fischer, History Jamie Andrew Fishman, cum laude, Classics* Jihan Michelle Forbes, English Angeline Michelle Fox, Psychology Peter George Frank, Sociology* Daniel Elliot Franz, summa cum laude, Mathematics* Rebecca Ann Freedholm, summa cum laude, English* Nathaniel Dahlgren Freeman, Anthropology Sarah Elizabeth Friedman, magna cum laude, Highest Honors in International Studies

Andrea Fullerton, Modern Languages and Literatures* Catherine Valerie Furlett, Studio Art Nathaniel Robert Gabriel, cum laude, Economics Laura Lenell Garland, magna cum laude, Highest Honors in Claire Marie Garmirian, magna cum laude, Modern Languages and Literatures* Thomas William Gebhard, History Olivia Christina Giletti, Studio Art* Sam Casev Giller, Economics Margaret Ticknor Gilligan, cum laude, Anthropology Mark Thomas Glover, American Studies Teodoro Alejandro Goa, magna cum laude, Studio Art, Philosophy* Laura Katherine Goehrke, Anthropology Rachel Erin Goheen, International Studies Emily Laurel Aspen Golann, magna cum laude, Studio Art* David Alexander Gold, cum laude, Political Science Hanna Grace Goldberg, cum laude, Philosophy* Alyssa Renee Gomez, English Albert Christopher Goncalves, Music* Samantha Mary Goodin, cum laude, Spanish* Laule'a Ruth Gorden-Kuehn, Political Science Elizabeth Marie Gottmer, magna cum laude, English, Modern Languages and Literatures Nathaniel Fairbanks Gray, cum laude, Political Science Nicole Janette Green, Anthropology Michael Richard Greenberg, English* Martha Coolidge Gregory, cum laude, Highest Honors in Synoptic Major: Latin American Cultural Studies and Film Anna Ruth Griffin, Studio Art Katherine Forbes Gruman, English Alexandra Kate Grumman, Sociology Katherine Ann Guerard, History Lauren Catherine Guicheteau, magna cum laude, Women's and Gender Studies Patrick Timothy Gunn, Political Science Ziyue Guo, summa cum laude, High Honors in Mathematics James John Gyenes, Political Science Charles Pearson Halsted, Molecular Biology Elizabeth Dodd Hancock, magna cum laude, International Studies Rebecca Anne Handel, Psychology James Scott Hanrahan, Economics Elizabeth Ruth Hansen, Chemistry Thomas James Hardacker, Molecular Biology Theresa Constance Hardcastle, cum laude, Honors in English* Helen Virginia Harley, summa cum laude, High Honors in English* Brandon Joseph Harmon, International Studies Amanda Edith Harris, cum laude, Economics Mollie Ferro Hart, cum laude, English* Lynn Hefright Hartman, cum laude, International Studies Sarah Day Hartzell, cum laude, Studio Art* James Constantine Hatzopoulos, cum laude, Philosophy* Joanna Ruth Hayes, magna cum laude, Anthropology Sonia Eileen Heidenreich, magna cum laude, Psychology Brian Holton Henderson, History Wesley Matthew Henrie, Mathematics Michael Eliot Hermanson, cum laude, Economics Jacqueline Marie Hill, Psychology Sarie Katane Hill, cum laude, English

Christian James Hinderer, summa cum laude, Highest Honors in Neuroscience* Sara Rachel Hirsch, cum laude, International Studies Caroline Jenny Hiteshew, magna cum laude, Anthropology Gabriella Pamela Hoehn-Saric, American Studies* Elisabeth Brevet Hofmann, cum laude, Drama Melanie Sarah Holden, Physics Emily Kay Houston, magna cum laude, Psychology Douglas Scott Huguenard, Economics Samuel Aaron Hunter, cum laude, Psychology Daniel Vore Iwamoto, Molecular Biology* Bryan Phillip Jasin, History Corinne Olson Jennings, cum laude, Anthropology Peter Douglas Johnson, cum laude, High Honors in Physics* Joseph Jennings Johnston, cum laude, Philosophy* Hannah Florence Jones, English Erica Thorne Judd, Economics Margaret Elizabeth Kahn, cum laude, International Studies Basil Michael Kahwash, Molecular Biology Shirley Eve Kailas, summa cum laude, Women's and Gender Studies Katerina Dimitrova Karaivanova, Psychology* Michael Nicholas Karras, Neuroscience Tawanda Philip Kaseke, International Studies James Barclay Katz, English* Sara Michelle Katz, English Katherine Mette Kellman, magna cum laude, Sociology* Kasey Lee Kelly, magna cum laude, Physics Maxwell Haviland Kelly, English Brian William Kelso, History Sarah Michele Kemp, English Shanna Margaret Keown, cum laude, International Studies Anna Jane Kephart, Classics, History Benjamin Scott Kester, summa cum laude, Highest Honors in Chemistry*, Physics James Edward Keyte, International Studies Michael Fuad Khadder, Economics Waleed Adel Khoury, Political Science Andrea Lynn Kidd, cum laude, English Samantha Ann Kimmey, magna cum laude, Honors in English* Warren Griffin King, Psychology Megan Diane Kirkendall, magna cum laude, Physics* David William Knapke, Economics James Alexander Knauss, Political Science Milen Stovanov Kozarov, Economics* Kendall Anne Krawchuk, summa cum laude, Highest Honors in Modern Languages and Literatures Chase Taylor Kreuter, cum laude, American Studies* Carl Alan Kriss, Political Science Maria Krovatin, History Anne Meredith Kruk, Music Clinton James Kugler, magna cum laude, Economics Stephanie Andrea Kung, magna cum laude, Anthropology, Spanish Georgia Ann Kuss, Psychology Megan Elizabeth Lahr, Sociology Daniel Paul Lakin, Psychology Alicia Frohman LaPalombara, cum laude, Psychology* David Maurice Lazarus, Studio Art Frances Andrea Lazarus, cum laude, Art History Eliza Lavne Leavitt, Anthropology Brigid Ellen Leavy, American Studies*

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Kathryn Anne Leech, magna cum laude, Highest Honors in

Michael Joseph Leskosky, Psychology

Rachel Lauren Levy, cum laude, Economics

Steven Benjamin Leiser-Mitchell, cum laude, Political Science

Psychology*

Eric Crawford Olmstead, Economics Joshua Seaton Omandam, History Rachel Anna Oppenheimer, cum laude, Economics Adrienne Ann O'Rourke, cum laude, Sociology Colin Louis O'Rourke, American Studies Elizabeth Jeffers Orr, English Lee Halliday Orr, International Studies Glenn Anthony Palaia, cum laude, Classics* McNeil Fiske Parker, magna cum laude, History Daniel John Pawlowicz, History Ariel Ann Patterson Perkins, magna cum laude, Political Jenna Beth Peskin, Religious Studies Janae Anise Peters, Highest Honors in English* Wilson Eustace Peters, Studio Art* Lauren Carol Pfundstein, Philosophy Tomas Piskacek, Economics Benjamin Samuel Plotnick, Economics Isabel Alden Plourde, Anthropology Andrew I. Pohlman, Chemistry Hannah Molloy Posner, History* John Joseph Postel III, Political Science Florette Lara Press, magna cum laude, Spanish Allison Jeanne Price, cum laude, Biology* Roseann Morehouse Proctor, magna cum laude, Drama Christine Montgomery Quinn, magna cum laude, Economics*, Political Science Michael Keith Rabenberg, magna cum laude, High Honors in Philosophy*, English Holden Aubrey Rasche, cum laude, History Evan Thomas Ray, Spanish Mika Jane Redinger, Political Science Jorge Alfredo Redmond, Economics Alexander Raymond Reed, Psychology Paul Allen Reed, Psychology Jennifer Ann Reese, cum laude, Philosophy Elizabeth Marie Refsnyder, cum laude, Psychology, Religious Tera Frances Reid, magna cum laude, English*, Modern Languages and Literatures* Nori Frances Reidt, magna cum laude, Honors in Economics Justin Keith Rhodes, Physics* Matthew Ray Riley, Anthropology Lauren Elaine Rivers, Psychology Justine Victoria Roach, Art History John Joseph Robling, Political Science Sasha Eve Rockwell, Dance, History Gregory Oliver Rosenbaum, magna cum laude, Economics, Music* Laura Frances Rosenberg, Sociology Rachel Elisa Rosenberg, cum laude, English Jacob Paul Rosenbluth, Studio Art Grace Sullivan Rosenthal, cum laude, Highest Honors in Spanish Ethan Philip Ross, American Studies Hannah Turner Ross, summa cum laude, English*, Mathematics* Caroline Ariane Rotenberg, Political Science Rebecca Sarah Roth, Drama Emma Marie Rotilie, cum laude, Studio Art Rachel Lauren Rubenstein, American Studies Daniel Patrick Runnals, Economics Paul Michael Rutherford, Economics

John Charles Rutledge III, Sociology Erin Elizabeth Sagin, International Studies, in absentia John Robert Sampson, summa cum laude, High Honors in Jehan Singh Sandhu, Psychology Matthew Downing Sargent, Honors in Economics Jesse Daniel Sarlin, Psychology, Religious Studies Jonathan Leland Sarlin, English Maya Nishimura Schell, Psychology William Robert Schofield, Religious Studies Morgan Lee Scudder-Davis, magna cum laude, History Katie Elizabeth Sears, magna cum laude, Highest Honors in Molecular Biology* Elizabeth Katherine Segelken, cum laude, Physics Catherine Lynn Sesler, Drama Anne Katherine Severe, Studio Art Alexandra Courtney Shaeffer, Modern Languages and Troy Michael Shaheen, cum laude, English, Spanish* Pratima Ramesh Shanbhag, cum laude, Biology Jacob Elijah Shanley, Physics Michael Bernard Shea, cum laude, Political Science Forest Dantzler Shober, Music Natalie Dickinson Shutler, cum laude, Classics Nathan Emanuel Silver, Studio Art, English Christopher Adam Simon, Music Callan Jean Slavin, History Leigh Wilson Smith, English Brittany Carrithers Snyder, magna cum laude, Modern Languages and Literatures Iarrod Augustus Sowell, History Nathan Bloomfield Spagnola, Neuroscience Laura Ann Spiegler, Studio Art Mason Holland Stabler, Biology Andrew Jeremy Statler, cum laude, Economics* Emily Katherine Staudenmaier, Molecular Biology Clare Chandler Stein, cum laude, English* Claire Zimmer Steines, magna cum laude, Sociology Alice Jackson Stevens, cum laude, Chemistry* Lindsay Marie Stevens, magna cum laude, High Honors in Political Science Laurel Ashley Stokes, Psychology Maia Elaine Stone, cum laude, Modern Languages and Literatures Samuel Joseph Stover, History Daniel Ward Streicher, Political Science* Caroline Anne Strumph, Art History Zak Immanuel Sturm, Religious Studies Sara Kathleen Sullivan, magna cum laude, Psychology* Grant Morimura Sunderland, Economics, Modern Languages and Literatures Adam Michael Szczepanski, Economics Justin Suneel Talwar, cum laude, Economics Junnosuke Tashiro, Political Science William Robert Thompson, magna cum laude, Highest Honors in History* Elizabeth Marie Thorne, Neuroscience Elizabeth Morgan Throop, cum laude, Psychology Alden Catherine N. Tigh, Classics, English Adam M. Toltzis, English Raluca Toma, summa cum laude, Highest Honors in Political Science

Kyle Frederick Toot, Drama Robert Denis Toth Ir., cum laude, Music Theodora Higgins Townsend, Economics, English Geoffrey Christopher Toy, cum laude, Honors in History* Charles Nicholas Turndorf, cum laude, International Studies Jean Ellen Turner, magna cum laude, History* Samantha Marie Turner, Drama Chinagozi Sarah Ugwu, Biology Michael Wayne Underwood, Political Science Andrew Arthur Upjohn, International Studies David Evans Van Remoortere, cum laude, Economics Monica Lynn Vanden Berg, History William Henry VandenBerg, cum laude, Economics Taylor Lynne Verderame, Studio Art* Daniel Edward Verhave, Economics Genevieve Rose Viner, magna cum laude, Classics* Katherine Rose Von Culin, magna cum laude, English, Michelle Alexandra von Hirschberg, magna cum laude. Sociology Harry Flint von Kann, Psychology Stephen Corbett Waite, International Studies Carrie Elizabeth Walther, cum laude, Anthropology Abigail Cole Wardell, magna cum laude, English* Saskia Elizabeth Warren, English Zachary Curtis Webb, Sociology Kathleen Willis Weber, cum laude, Political Science Sarah Wickenden Weiser, cum laude, English* James Thomas Wendt, Psychology Rebecca Clarke Wenzlau, History Natalie Elizabeth West, summa cum laude, Modern Languages and Literatures, Music Daniel Frank Henry White, American Studies* Jamie Hamilton White, Mathematics Kevin Campbell White, Economics Kyle Berton Whitman, Economics* Alexandra Lee Wigley, Drama, English Megan Elizabeth Wilhelm, magna cum laude, High Honors in Psychology, Classics Emery Maud Williams, Sociology* Luke McClary Williams, Modern Languages and Literatures Rachel DeLoache Williams, cum laude, Studio Art, English Blair Nigel Withington, Psychology Ellen Dana Witkowski, cum laude, Neuroscience Andrew Robert Woods, Drama Matthew McCov Woods, Biology Laura Joy Jamie Connie Yakas, summa cum laude, Anthropology Yaowen Yap, cum laude, Honors in Economics*, Mathematics Charles Allard Yukevich, Economics, Political Science Aaron John Zaremsky, History Pengyu Zhao, magna cum laude, Economics*, Mathematics Jordan G. Zimolka, Political Science Michael Paul Zurkuhlen, Studio Art

Honors at Graduation

The degree with collegiate honors is achieved by attaining a cumulative grade-point average within the following ranges:

3.50-3.69, cum laude;

3.70-3.89, magna cum laude;

3.90 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 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 276 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.

Notes

A student completing a double major has met all the requirements for the major in two departments and passed a Senior Exercise in each. A synoptic major, individually designed by the student to meet his or her special interests, includes work in two or more departments and requires satisfactory completion of one Senior Exercise. An asterisk (*) denotes that the student passed the Senior Exercise with distinction.

Honors Day 2010

Outstanding Kenyon students and faculty members, along with two distinguished alumni and a distinguished parent, were recognized at the College's annual Honors Day Convocation on April 6.

Honorary degrees were awarded to Janet Maslin P'81, for her achievements as first a film and then a book critic for the *New York Times*; to Neil L. Pepe '88, for his accomplishments as artistic director of the Atlantic Theater Company; and to Alan Rothenberg '67, for his achievements as a financial executive, a philanthropist, and a Kenyon trustee.

In addition, two faculty members were awarded \$5,000 each as recipients of the 2010 Trustee Teaching Excellence Awards. Recognized for their superior work were Assistant Professor of English Sarah E. Heidt '94 in the junior-faculty category and Professor of Psychology Sarah K. Murnen in the senior category.

Unless noted, winners are members of the Class of 2010.

Fellowships and Awards

Henry G. Dalton Fellowship in American Studies Brigid Ellen Leavy

Fulbright Fellowship
Claire Marie Anderson
Madeline Rachel Courtney,
Class of 2008
Paul David DiResta
Laura Lenell Garland
Claire Marie Garmirian
Laule'a Ruth Gorden-Kuehn
Sarie Katane Hill
Benjamin Scott Kester
Kendall Anne Krawchuk
Edward Walley Littlefield
Alys Maguire Moore
Natalie Elizabeth West

Barry M. Goldwater Excellence in Education Scholarship Elizabeth Jean Bailey, Class of 2012

Elmer A. Graham Scholarship Mark Patrick Sullivan Jr., Class of 2011 Luce Scholars Program Michael Lindley Machala, Class of 2009

Eppa Rixey III Memorial Scholarship Mark Patrick Sullivan Jr., Class of 2011

Harry S. Truman Scholarship Shoshana Shapiro-Baruch, Class of 2011

Departmental Prizes

Anthropology

The Margaret Mead Award Laura Joy Jamie Connie Yakas

Art

The Robert H. Hallstein Memorial Award in Art Yi Dai Sarah Day Hartzell

Margaret E. Leslie Prize in Art Teodoro Alejandro Goa Anne Katherine Severe Rachel DeLoache Williams

The Richard Kingan Liggitt Memorial Award in Art History Andrew Allison McElwee III Emily Claire Bushman

The Peterson Prize in Art Emily Laurel Aspen Golann

Biology

The Biology Award for Outstanding Service to the Department Audrey Faye Bebensee Allison Jeanne Price

The Biology Independent Study Prize Claire Marie Anderson

The Robert Bowen Brown Jr. Prize Ken Noguchi

The Dorothy E. and Thomas C. Jegla Prize Gian Matthew Garduque, Class of 2012 Aaron Justin Yeoh, Class of 2012

The Maxwell Elliott Power Prize Katie Elizabeth Sears Chemistry

The Chemical Rubber Company Chemistry Achievement Award Katharine Mays Adlam, Class of 2013

The Carl Djerassi Award in Chemistry Alice Jackson Stevens

The Gordon L. Johnson Research Prize in Chemistry Benjamin Scott Kester

Classics

The Carl Diehl Prize
Joseph Daniel Murphree, Class of 2012,
Latin
Paul Benjamin Bisagni, Class of 2012,
Greek

Economics

The Paul Titus Economics Prize Yaowen Yap

English

The Robert Daniel Memorial Scholarship Gillian Denise Gualtieri, Class of 2012

Denham Sutcliffe Memorial Award Janae Anise Peters Bakary Diabe

The Philip Wolcott Timberlake Junior Prize Christine Ann Bonomo, Class of 2011 Emma Catherine Farnsworth, Class of 2011

The Philip Wolcott Timberlake Memorial Prize Rebecca Ann Freedholm Helen Virginia Harley

Lukas John Moe, Class of 2011

History

The Robert L. Baker Memorial Prize Alexander Scott Murphy

The Alan G. Goldsmith Memorial Prize Laurel Lenell Garland Peyton Lawrence Ward, Class of 2011

The Curtis A. Seichter Memorial Award Christine Ann Bonomo, Class of 2011

Integrated Program in Humane Studies

The Richard F. Hettlinger Award Christian James Hinderer Vincent Nadeau Lu Mathematics

The Reginald B. Allen Prize Daniel Elliot Franz Ziyue Guo

The J.R. Butz Mathematics Prize Ziyue Guo

The Solomon R.S. Kasper Prize Pengyu Zhao

Modern Languages and Literatures The Edward Harvey Prize Elizabeth Marie Gottmer

The Charles Singer Williams Prize in French Natalie Elizabeth West

The Spanish Prize
Edward Walley Littlefield
Florette Lara Press
Grace Sullivan Rosenthal

The Sigrid Lanzrath Memorial Prize Leah Veronica Missik

The Italian Prize
Tera Frances Reid

The Russian Prize Kendall Anne Krawchuck Stephanie Ellen Norton

The Chinese Prize Paul David DiResta

The Japanese Prize Nathaniel Robert Gabriel

Music

The Thomas B. and Mary M. Greenslade Award in Music Performance Ziyue Guo

The David B. Perry Community Service Music Prize Forest Dantzler Shober

The David B. Perry Senior Award in Music Kaitlyn Elizabeth Myers Natalie Elizabeth West

Neuroscience The Jon L. Williams Prize Christian James Hinderer

Philosophy
The Virgil C. Aldrich Prize
Michael Keith Rabenberg

Physics
The Elbe H. Johnson Prize
Hillary Lyn Child, Class of 2013

Political Science
The John Chesnut Memorial Prize

The Diamond-Storing Prize Lindsay Marie Stevens

Raluca Toma

Psychology The Psychology Prize Kelsey Michaela Chapman

The Jeffrey S. Williams Memorial Award for Integrative Study Rachel Anna Oppenheimer

Religious Studies The Simpson Prize Allison Pauline Moore

Sociology The Jane Addams Award Katherine Mette Kellman Dominique Adrian McKoy

The George Herbert Mead Award Michelle Alexandra von Hirschberg

Women's and Gender Studies The Molly R. Hatcher Prize in Women's and Gender Studies Meghan Elizabeth Henshall, Class of 2012

College Prizes

The George Gund Award Sarah Louise Bush, Class of 2012

The George B. Ogden Award Abigail Cole Wardell

The Academy of American Poetry Prize Abigail Cole Wardell

The Muriel C. Bradbrook Prize Ayesha Akhtar, Class of 2011 William Austin Arbery, Class of 2011 Jane Elizabeth Pryma, Class of 2012

The Propper Prize for Poetry
Isabelle Christman-Cohen,
Class of 2012
Jacqueline Lucile Tiven, Class of 2013

The John Crowe Ransom Poetry Prize William Austin Arbery, Class of 2011

The Paul Newman Trophy Andrew Chase Lewis

The Joanne Woodward Trophy Roseann Morehouse Proctor

The Ashford Memorial Award for Excellence in Dramatics Jonathan Arthur Meyers

The James E. Michael Prize in Playwriting Elisabeth Brevet Hofmann

The Dance Prize Shaina Leanne Cantino

The Burton D. Morgan Entrepreneurship Prize
Alice Adeola Adebiyi, Class of 2011
Stephen Thomas Haro, Class of 2013
Jordan Garrett Rhyne, Class of 2013

The William A. Long Memorial Award J. Thomas Lockard, Class of 1967, and Mary Lou Lockard

The Jess Willard Falkenstine Award Nora Louise Erickson Michael Eliot Hermanson

The Humanitarian Award Ken Noguchi Anne Katherine Severe

The Martin Luther King Jr. Humanitarian Award Edward Walley Littlefield The Doris B. Crozier Award Abigail Cole Wardell

The E. Malcolm Anderson Cup Janae Anise Peters

Scholarships

Honor and Science Scholarships

Competitive merit scholarships awarded by Kenyon to entering students. Honor Scholars represent excellence in the liberal arts, while Science Scholars show promise to excel in the natural sciences.

Honor Scholars: Class of 2013 William Jefferson Bowman Jacob Oliver Cain Alexandra Claire Devenport Liliana Esther Martinez Amy Leigh Schlessman Abigail Leanne Scribner Benjamin Randolph Kjaer Stinson

Science Scholars: Class of 2013
Hillary Lyn Child
Rachel Elizabeth Cooper
Jennings Tate Deskins
Nathan William Huey
Jonathan Bernard Matthews
Stephen James Raithel
Amelia Laurel Troutman

Trustee Opportunity Scholarships
Competitive merit scholarships awarded
by Kenyon College to top entering
students from underrepresented backgrounds, including first-generation
students.

Class of 2013 Jordan Adonis Brooks Kiera Elise Busching Sara Iov Carminati Lianne Elizabeth Castile Nicholas Louis Charriez Jennifer Rose Colmenero Ann Colomer Alessandra Wynne Compatore Leah Lim Fulton Jeremiah Jerome Jemison Imani Jazz Ladson Kendra Joan Lechtenberg Emily Estella Nichols Kushal Chandra Rao Luis Alfonso Rodriguez-Rincon Hannah Kate Saiz Gregory Douglas Stark

Davis United World College Scholars
Funded by Gale L. and Shelby M.C.
Davis, the Davis United World College
(UWC) Scholars Program offers
scholarship support for graduates of
UWC schools who are accepted on
merit and demonstrate need.

William Jefferson Bowman, Class of 2013 Marcela Janet Colmenares, Class of 2013 Abhisek Dhawan, Class of 2013 Philisile Dube, Class of 2013 Daniel Eliot Franz Claudia Paulina Gutierrez, Class of 2011 Palista Kharel, Class of 2013 Adrian Kwong, Class of 2013 Ville Matias Lampi, Class of 2013 Zerlina Leung, Class of 2011 Sonam Lhaki, Class of 2012 Kotiba Adnan Malek, Class of 2013 Martin Marcinko Yukiha Maruyama, Class of 2012 Gloria Angela Fancy Mogie, Class of 2011 Loarissa Ines Paez Lopez, Class of 2012 Tove Charlotte Pousette, Class of 2013 Madli Rohtla, Class of 2012 Katia Madelin Roque, Class of 2012 Laurin Ruben Alexander Schoenemann, Class of 2012 Nosiku Mwango Siyumbwa. Class of 2013 Maja Johanna Stilling, Class of 2012 Darya Tsymbalyuk, Class of 2013 Tatenda Uta, Class of 2012 Kanmani Venkateswaran, Class of 2011 Laura Joy Jamie Connie Yakas Melek Yildiz Spinel, Class of 2013

Scholarships Awarded for the Current Academic Year

The Mastin Scholarship Ann Robie Lawlace, Class of 2011 Justin Keith Rhodes Matthew McCoy Woods

The James P. Storer Scholarship
Chelsea Ann Adams
Allen Clay Brown
Eric Michael Cameron, Class of 2011
Courtney Elizabeth Cowper,
Class of 2011
Edward Alexander Rubin,
Class of 2011

John W. Adams Summer Legal Studies Scholars for 2010

Competitively selected awardees work with faculty mentors to design and execute collaborative socio-legal research projects. Adams Scholars conclude the program with public presentations on their work.

Christine Ann Bonomo, Class of 2011 Jessica Jean Goley, Class of 2012 Quentin C. Karpilow, Class of 2012 Gavin Brock McGimpsey, Class of 2011 Lukas John Moe, Class of 2011 Robert Hamilton Wallace Jr., Class of 2012

Summer Science Scholar Program for 2010

Awards, based on a competition among student-faculty proposals, to support student-faculty research in the laboratory sciences during the summer vacation.

Jonah Salvatore Auteri, Class of 2011
James Daniel Beckett, Class of 2011
Sarah Brittany Cook, Class of 2011
Rachel Elizabeth Cooper, Class of 2013
Brittany Lee Currey, Class of 2011
Kyle Davis, Class of 2011
Kari Nicole Wells Deininger,
Class of 2013
Jennifer Lea Garbett, Class of 2011
Kevin Charles Gerstle, Class of 2011
Nathan William Huey, Class of 2013
Shante Nicole Jackson, Class of 2013
Alexandra Calvert Kirsch,
Class of 2011

Monica Lynne Kriete, Class of 2011 Chad Michael Kurylo, Class of 2011 Emily Elizabeth Lewandowski, Class of 2011

Benjamin Anthony Lucas, Class of 2011 Kotiba Adnan Malek, Class of 2013

Lauren Marie Metzger, Class of 2011 Camila del Mar Odio, Class of 2011 Evan Keller Pease, Class of 2011 Kushal Chandra Rao, Class of 2013 Dai Shen, Class of 2013 Matthew Gregory Siewny, Class of 2011 Gaither Gouaux Smith, Class of 2011 Caitlin Jane Starling, Class of 2012

Caitlin Jane Starling, Class of 2012 Kaung Myat Tun, Class of 2012 Abigail Rose Van Wassen, Class of 2011 Carolyn Gray Watts, Class of 2012 Jonathan Weil, Class of 2011

Honor Societies

Phi Beta Kappa, Beta Chapter of Ohio (Liberal Arts and Sciences)

Chelsea Ann Adams Elizabeth Erin Beckman Naomi Lee Blaushild Allen Clay Brown Shaina Leanne Cantino Peter Russell Certo Megan Elizabeth Coxe Elaine Claire Dicicco Nora Louise Erickson Daniel Elliot Franz Rebecca Ann Freedholm Sarah Elizabeth Friedman Laura Lenell Garland Zivue Guo Helen Virginia Harley Christian James Hinderer Shirley Eve Kailas Benjamin Scott Kester Kendall Anne Krawchuk Stephanie Andrea Kung Katherine Zumwalt Lin Edward Walley Littlefield Rvan Samuel Llovd Kaitlin Claire Lockhart Brittany Xavier McNamara Leah Veronica Missik Allison Pauline Moore Alvs Maguire Moore Kaitlyn Elizabeth Myers Stephanie Ellen Norton Ariel Ann Patterson Perkins Michael Keith Rabenberg Gregory Oliver Rosenbaum Hannah Turner Ross John Robert Sampson Katie Elizabeth Sears Brittany Carrithers Snyder Lindsay Marie Stevens Raluca Toma Genevieve Rose Viner Natalie Elizabeth West Megan Elizabeth Wilhelm Laura Joy Jamie Connie Yakas

Pi Mu Epsilon (Mathematics)

Ryan Beck Ackerman Andrew George Borrasso Vivian Iane Buchanan, Class of 2012 Jennings Tate Deskins, Class of 2013 Marika Ruth Garland, Class of 2012 Kevin Charles Gerstle, Class of 2011 Matthew David Heimerdinger, Class of 2011 Melanie Sarah Holden Nathan William Huev, Class of 2013 Andrew Michael Jack, Class of 2012 Peter Douglas Johnson Basil Michael Kahwash Kasey Lee Kelly Megan Diane Kirkendall Milen Stovanov Kozarov Ann Robie Lawlace, Class of 2011 Katherine Zumwalt Lin Nathan Patrick Lourie Benjamin Anthony Lucas, Class of 2011 Patrick Michael Meyers, Class of 2012 Katherine Elizabeth Moore, Class of 2012 Joseph Daniel Murphree, Class of 2012 McNeil Fiske Parker Evan Keller Pease, Class of 2011 Sarah Rieza Relich, Class of 2011 Edward A. Rubin, Class of 2011 Matthew Gregory Siewny, Class of 2011 Todd Andrew Skinner, Class of 2011 Margo Lee Smith, Class of 2012 Nathan Bloomfield Spagnola Michael Jeffrey Suna, Class of 2011 Lisa E. Vaughan, Class of 2011 Carolyn Gray Watts, Class of 2012

Pi Sigma Alpha (Political Science)

Naomi Lee Blaushild Amy Kathryn Bowles Peter Russell Certo III Laule'a Ruth Gorden-Kuehn Nathaniel Fairbanks Gray Steven Benjamin Leiser-Mitchell Ryan Samuel Lloyd Ariel Ann Patterson Perkins Christine Montgomery Quinn Lindsay Marie Stevens Raluca Toma Kathleen Willis Weber

Sigma Xi (Scientific Research)

Chelsea Ann Adams, Neuroscience Claire Marie Anderson, Biology Ryan Benjamin Bash, Biology Audrey Fave Bebensee, Neuroscience James Daniel Beckett, Class of 2011, Chemistry Allen Clay Brown, Anthropology Robert Olds Carpenter, Molecular Biology Kelsey Michaela Chapman, Psychology Elaine Claire Dicicco, Psychology Jennifer Margaret Dillon, Anthropology Khalid Charles Eldahan, Biology Nora Louise Erickson, Psychology Joanna Ruth Hayes, Anthropology Christian James Hinderer, Neuroscience Samuel Aaron Hunter, Psychology Daniel Vore Iwamoto, Molecular Biology Katerina Dimitrova Karaivanova, Psychology Michael Nicholas Karras, Neuroscience Kasey Lee Kelly, Physics Daniel Paul Lakin, Psychology Kathryn Anne Leech, Psychology Nathan Patrick Lourie, Physics Mark Christopher Luskus, Molecular Biology Kara Gilpin Pellegrino, Class of 2011, Anthropology Andrew J. Pohlman, Chemistry Allison Jeanne Price, Biology

Hannah Turner Ross, Mathematics

Katie Elizabeth Sears, Molecular Biology

Elizabeth Katherine Segelken, Physics

Katherine Rose Von Culin, Psychology

Megan Elizabeth Wilhelm, Psychology

Pratima Ramesh Shanbhag, Biology

Chinagozi Sarah Ugwu, Biology

Commencement 2010

Kenyon's one hundred eighty-second Commencement ceremony features a longtime trustee who will give the address, a retiring member of the College's faculty and a retiring administrator who will be honored by their students and peers, and the more than four hundred young men and women of the Class of 2010 who will parade down Middle Path one last time before taking themselves and their diplomas out into the world.

The graduation ceremony is being held today, Saturday, May 22, starting at 10:30 a.m., on the lawn of Samuel Mather Hall. The rainsite is the Kenyon Athletic Center.

The Baccalaureate service took place yesterday, on Friday, May 21, at 1:30 p.m. This year's speaker, chosen by the seniors, was Assistant Professor of English Sarah J. Heidt. Recognized at the April 2010 Honors Day Convocation with the Trustee Teaching Excellence Award in the junior faculty category, Heidt delivered a talk entitled "Counter, Original, Spare, Strange."

Following the Baccalaureate service, the graduating class gathered to partake in a cherished Kenyon tradition, the Senior Sing. Commencement Weekend also featured all-campus seminars by Professor of Psychology Sarah K. Murnen and Associate Professor of Music Reginald L. Sanders.

In addition to presenting diplomas to today's graduating seniors, Kenyon will confer honorary doctorates on two longtime community members, Kirk R. Emmert, retiring professor of political science, and Douglas L. Givens, retiring managing director of the Philander Chase Corporation.

Commencement speaker William Lowry Jr., a member of the College's board since 1988, is the retired senior advisor to the president of the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation. A star athlete as a student, he graduated from Kenyon in 1956 with a major in history and went on to earn a master's degree in industrial relations from Loyola University.

Before joining the MacArthur Foundation in January 1994 as vice president for human resources and administration, Lowry served as director of personnel and recruiting for Inland Steel Industries. While with Inland, he hosted two groundbreaking television shows, "Project: Diploma" and "Opportunity Line," winning two Chicago-area Emmy awards and a Peabody Award for the latter.

Lowry's long history of involvement with charitable groups has led to service on innumerable boards, among them those of the Children's Home and Aid Society of Illinois, the Donor's Forum of Chicago, and the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago. In addition, he has served as chairman of Chicago's City/County Task Force on Welfare Reform and Private Industry Council, as a member of the boards of the Catholic Theological Union's Bernardin Center and Northwestern University's Master of Management in Manufacturing Program, as a director of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Chicago, and as a board member of the Francis W. Parker School and Lake Forest College.

Kenyon recognized Lowry's illustrious career and his many volunteer efforts on behalf of the College with an honorary doctorate, presented at Honors Day 1999. He has won the Don May Award of the Kenyon Athletic Association, also in 1999, and the Gregg Cup, the College's highest alumni accolade, in 2001.

Retiring as the Harry M. Clor Professor of Political Science, Kirk Emmert came to Kenyon in 1978 as an assistant professor of political science, having taught previously at Bowdoin College. His areas of expertise include constitutional law, statesmanship, and the U.S. presidency. A graduate of Williams College with an M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of Chicago, he has a special interest in the life and career of Winston Churchill.

A member of numerous faculty governance groups, Emmert has served as chairman of the Tenure and Promotion Committee. He has also been chairman of the Department of Political Science and a pre-law advisor. From 1988 to 1990, he served as Kenyon's first teaching counselor, in a position funded by a grant from the Lilly Endowment. His interest in pedagogy has also been shown in teaching courses on American education and school reform and in working with students considering careers in education. In addition, Emmert has represented Kenyon as an instructor in the Great Lakes Colleges Association's course design and teaching workshop and taught high-school teachers how to present the Federalist/Anti-Federalist debate to their students.

Emmert's knowledge of Kenyon and the community was recognized when he was chosen in 1995 to lead the Inauguration Committee for President Robert A. Oden Jr. That knowledge has also been invaluable in his civic engagement, which began with service on the Shade Tree Commission and Village Council. Emmert won election to four-year terms as mayor of Gambier in 2003 and 2007.

For Douglas Givens, managing director of the Philander Chase Corporation, the College's land trust, retirement will complete a thirty-seven-year career at Kenyon, including twenty years overseeing fundraising efforts as vice president for development.

Givens has directed the nonprofit Philander Chase Corporation since the College created it in 2000, in response to development pressures that threatened the farmland, open spaces, and scenic views surrounding Gambier. Operating with a fifteen-member board and in partnership with local and state government, the corporation has protected more than three thousand acres of land, either through easements or outright purchase. Areas protected through the corporation's efforts range from significant wetlands at Kenyon's Brown Family Environmental Center to the 289-acre Wolf Run Regional Park.

Givens also led the College into the realm of professional fundraising. Joining the Office of Development when he arrived at Kenyon in 1973, he helped to create or expand virtually every part of the College's fundraising apparatus, from the Kenyon Fund to deferred giving. As vice president for development from 1980 to 2000, Givens played a major role in the College's first multimillion-dollar campaign and oversaw its first comprehensive campaign, the \$35 million "Campaign for Kenyon." He went on to direct the "Claiming Our Place" campaign, which raised \$116 million. Over the years, he built the College Relations Division from a small office to an operation embracing teams in fundraising, alumni and parent relations, and public affairs.

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 1950, in the same location as today's exercises. The rainsite, at first Wertheimer Fieldhouse, became the Ernst Center in 1982. The fieldhouse was demolished in 2003 to make way for the Kenyon Athletic Center; the Ernst Center was razed in 2009. Since 2006, the Kenyon Athletic Center has served as the rainsite.

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 *Guliemus* and Thomas was transcribed as *Thomam*.

Thomas B. Greenslade '31 H'76 (1910-90) College Archivist, 1967-90 Updated by Thomas P. Stamp '73 College Historian, 2008-

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. With more than fifteen 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.) and doctor of letters (Litt.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.