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# Pittsburg State University COMMENCEMENT



May 2004

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Featured on the front cover:

In Henri's Garden, 2003 Double necklaces on wall relief; *painted paper over wood*, *painted wood*, *canvas*, *plastic laminate* (31h x 30w x 9.25d inches) Photo by Gary Pollmiller

### by Marjorie Schick, University Professor of Art

Schick is an internationally-recognized artist whose work has been exhibited in museums around the world and has been featured in many national and international books and magazines. In 2000, she was named a Fellow of the American Craft Council, one of the highest awards given to craft artists in the United States. Just over 150 artists have earned the distinction to date. In 2002, she received the Kansas Governor's Artist Award in recognition of her career as an artist. Schick has been a member of the PSU faculty since 1967. She was named a "University Professor" in 2000, an honor reserved for a select group of PSU faculty who demonstrate excellence in teaching, research, creative endeavors or community service.



## The Pittsburg State University Seal

The Pittsburg State University Seal, redesigned in 1994, reflects the mission of instruction, research and service and also symbolizes the history, traditions, and future of the University. The first circle from the outside represents the University's future. The second circle identifies the University's name; the wheat sheafs symbolize the State of Kansas. The third circle includes the initials and dates for the previous names of the institution and identifies the mission of Pittsburg State University. The fourth circle contains an etching of the front entrance to Russ Hall with its four columns, the symbolic image of the University.

Change and progress give evidence of the dynamic development of Pittsburg State University from the founding of the State Manual Training Normal School in 1903 to the recognition in 1923 of the transformation of SMTN to Kansas State Teachers College, a comprehensive college educating teachers for the nation's elementary and secondary schools. From the very beginning, some graduates pursued careers in professional areas allied to their teaching degree. In 1959, KSTC became Kansas State College at Pittsburg, which recognized the expanded mission to educate students in the arts and sciences and in business, education, and technical fields for various professions and careers. In 1977, KSCP became Pittsburg State University to mark the transition from a college to a university with a range of undergraduate majors, graduate programs, and four organized schools in arts and sciences, business, education, and technology. The University embraced a common bond with all universities to pursue instruction, research and service.

One constant in the ten decades of Pittsburg State University is Russ Hall. Constructed in 1907 and opened in January 1908, it became the landmark first building that anchored SMTN as a permanent presence in higher education in Pittsburg, the State of Kansas, and the Nation. The doors to Russ Hall have admitted thousands of students during the University's history. Russ Hall forever stands as a tribute to the bold vision of the founders.

## Commencement Events

Friday, May, 14, 2004	
US Army ROTC Commissionin	ng Ceremony
President's Reception	6:00 to 7:00 p.m., 7
Commencement Ceremony	
Candidates for Placetouriess	7:30 p.m., John L
Saturday, May 15, 2004	
President's Reception	
Commencement Ceremony	
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Nursing Pinning Ceremony	2:00 p.m. John L

Tent West of Garfield W. Weede Physical Education Building College of Education, College of Technology

Lance Arena, Garfield W. Weede Physical Education Building

Tent West of Garfield W. Weede Physical Education Building

...... College of Arts and Sciences, College of Business Lance Arena, Garfield W. Weede Physical Education Building

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## The Academic Procession

The University Marshals

The President and the Board of Regents

Guests and the Administration

The Members of the Faculty

The Candidates for Degrees Friday, May 14, 2004 Graduate School

College of Education College of Technology

Saturday, May 15, 2004 Graduate School College of Arts and Sciences College of Business

# Academic Distinction

Students who are graduating with the Scholastic Honors summa cum laude, magna cum laude or cum laude are designated by ribbons and medallions worn around the neck. Red ribbon represents summa cum laude; green ribbon represents magna cum laude; white ribbon represents cum laude.

## Academic Regalia

Every one possessing a college degree is entitled to wear a black robe on appropriate occasions. Faculty members and candidates for graduate degrees wear hoods in addition to the gown. Hoods are generally black, trimmed with velvet in the color of the subject field, and are lined with the colors of the college or university conferring the degree.

The correct colors to denote various branches of learning have been established by the Intercollegiate Code: Arts and Letters: white; Commerce and Business Administration: sapphire blue; Education: light blue; Fine Arts: brown; Home Economics: maroon; Music: pink; Nursing: apricot; Philosophy: blue; Physical Education: sage green; Psychology: dark crimson; Science: gold-yellow; Social Work: citron; Technology: brown; General Studies: black.

## Commencement Program

Friday, May 14, 2004 7:30 p.m. John Lance Arena, Garfield W. Weede Physical Education Building

# Processional Pittsburg State University Brass Quintet ..... Pittsburg State University Trumpet Ensemble ..... The National Anthem .... Alma Mater .....

# **Remarks** from the

### **Special Student Recognitions**

University Scholastic Honors **Outstanding Seniors** Remarks by Trevor Alan Beyeler, Outstanding Senior Man Remarks by Kerri K. Burson, Outstanding Senior Woman

### Alumni Meritorious Achievement Awards ....

## Conferring of Degrees Ceremony ..... Presentation of the Deans ..... Dr. Robert K. Rat. Candidates for Graduate Degrees ...... Dr. Peggy J. Candidates for Baccalaureate Degrees, Associate Deg College of Education ... College of Technology.

Closing of Ceremony

..... Pomp and Circumstance - Edward Elgar Triumphal March, from Aida - Giuseppe Verdi . Fanfare - Mel Broiles . Ms. Casiee L. Wolfe, Soloist, Graduating Senior, Spring 2004, Bachelor of Music Education ... Ms. Lisa Marie Gerstenkorn, Soloist, Graduating Senior, Spring 2004, Bachelor of Music Education Welcome .......Dr. Tom W. Bryant, President of the University Kansas State Board of Regents ...... Mr. Richard Bond, Member, Kansas Board of Regents

Dr. Tom W. Bryant
Presiding - Dr. Tom W. Bryant
elaff, Vice President for Academic Affairs of the University
Snyder, Interim Dean of Continuing and Graduate Studies
grees and Certificates
Dr. Steven A. Scott, Dean of the College
Dr. Thomas R. Baldwin, Dean of the College
Dr. Tom W. Bryant

## Commencement Program

Saturday, May 15, 2004 10:00 a.m. John Lance Arena, Garfield W. Weede Physical Education Building

### Processional

Pittsburg State University Brass Quintet	Pomp and Circumstance - Edward Elgar
Triun	uphal March, from Aida - Giuseppe Verdi

Pittsburg State University Trumpet Ensemble .... . Fanfare - Mel Broiles

The National Anthem . . Ms. Lisa Marie Gerstenkorn, Soloist, Graduating Senior, Spring 2004, Bachelor of Music Education

Alma Mater ..... ... Ms. Casiee L. Wolfe, Soloist, Graduating Senior, Spring 2004, Bachelor of Music Education

Welcome ...... Dr. Tom W. Bryant, President of the University

### **Remarks from the** Kansas State Board of Regents ...... Mr. Richard Bond, Member, Kansas Board of Regents

### **Special Student Recognitions**

University Scholastic Honors **Outstanding Seniors** Remarks by Kerri K. Burson, Outstanding Senior Woman Remarks by Trevor Alan Beyeler, Outstanding Senior Man

Alumni Meritorious Achievement Awards ...... Dr. Tom W. Bryant

C	onferring of Degrees Ceremony Presiding - Dr. Tom W. Bryant
	Presentation of the Deans Dr. Robert K. Ratzlaff, Vice President for Academic Affairs of the University
	Candidates for Graduate Degrees Dr. Peggy J. Snyder, Interim Dean of Continuing and Graduate Studies
	Candidates for Baccalaureate Degrees
	College of Arts and Sciences

**Closing of Ceremony** 

**College of Business** 

.. Dr. Tom W. Bryant

Dr. J. Russell Hardin, Dean of the College

# Department of Nursing Pinning Ceremony

Saturday, May 15, 2004 2:00 p.m. John Lance Arena, Garfield W. Weede Physical Education Building

Master of Ceremonies	eremonies			
	President, Graduating Class			
Departmental Welcome	Dr. Carolyn Keil, Chair			
Administrative Greetings				
	Dean, College of Arts and Sciences			
Faculty Speaker	Dr. Barbara R. McClaskey			
warding of Pins				
Awarding of Alumni Membership Cards Dr. Cheryl Giefer, President, Nursing Alumni Association				
Spirit of Nursing Award Lieutenant Colonel Steven A. Pollock				
Senior Student Farewell Mrs. Nancy Elaine Stone Dunca				
MSN Student Farewell Mrs. Carrie Lynn Farringto				
Closing Remarks				

### **Graduating BSN Students**

Stephanie Alexander \$K Emma Anderson Stacey Elizabeth Born Bacon \$+ Sarah R. Compton Baker K+ Janay Marie Braddy Julia M. Burford \$ Rae Sook Cho + Jacklyn A. Dade Sarah De Lee De Motte \$ Nancy Elaine Stone Duncan \$\*K+ Jessica Lea Emerson Courtney Leigh Epperson \*K John Christian Felter \$ Anna Faye Fitzgerald Cynthia Kay Fulghum Robert Dean Gepford Anne Marie Gordon \*+ Lisa Kay Gouvion \$ Laci L. Mowdy Gray \$K Travis L. Guilfoyle \$K Abby Leigh Haralson Dawn Marie Harkins Jessica Jo Hartzfeld \$K Alison Lynn Hoffman \*K Kylee R. Jabben \$K Andrew S. Krause K

Wendy A. Long + Corrie Renee Madill \$\* Robyn Nicole Magill \$\*K Beth Elaine Manns \*NK+ Shankika Carla Martin \$ Melissa Sue Murphy \$ Kaley Dian Nelson Kristen Nelson \$ Bethanie Irene Rhodes Popejoy Carrie Lane Price \$K+ Kavla Rae Rhodes Jennifer Lynn Roe \$\* Shelley Sue Russian \*K Summer Hope Schwindt \$ Tara Paige Smith Amber Lynn Stine Erin Lynn Strausbaugh \$\* Amy Lynne Sullivan Brianna Patrice Madden Tickel Angela K. Tremain \$K Krystal F. Trosper \$+ Heather J. Turner \$K+ Chelsea Ann Vargas + Alisha Lyn Webb \$\*K+ Stephanie S. Whelan \$\* Hannah Cherie Young \$\*+

## 2004 Graduating Class

### **Graduating RN Students**

Linda L. Forbes +\* Karen L. Madsen + Graduating MSN Students Jama Jelaine Bogart \$ Carrie Lynn Farrington \$

\* Member of Nurses' Christian Fellowship

- K Member of Kansas Association of Nursing Students
- \$ Scholarship Recipient
- + Member of Sigma Theta Tau
- N Nursing Department Award M Graduate Department Award/Masters

Department Motto: PSU Nursing...caring to make a healthy difference

### **FACULTY MEMBERS**

Linda Bitner Sharon Bowling Cheryl Giefer **Ruthellyn Hinton** Carolyn Keil Kandace Landreneau Barbara R. McClaskey Mary Ross Janis Schiefelbein Angela Scotten Susan Seglie Gladys Joan Sheverbush Mary Susan Wachter

### PART-TIME FACULTY/ GRADUATE ASSISTANTS

Kim Andrews Wiliam Todd Carl Kathryn Charlton Judith Coltharp Pamela Dehdashti Debbi Fischer Andra Fontaine Kristi Frisbee Cindi Major Aubree Miller Mary Jan Rowland Anita Walden Jenifer Webb

LEARNING RESOURCES COORDINATOR: Marie Nepple

# 2004 Alumni Meritorious Achievement Awards



### Donna J. Geisler, BSED '73, MS '74

Donna J. Geisler is the Vice President - Central Office Operations for SBC Corporation's Southwest region. She leads a team of 5,000 employees who support the telecommunications network providing telephone service, SBC Yahoo DSL services, high speed business data applications, long distance and 911 service for SBC's customers in Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Texas.

Geisler, who works in Kansas City, Missouri, first joined SBC in 1974 in Topeka, Kansas, and has lived in Kansas, Missouri and Texas during her career. She progressed within SBC through various management levels in engineering, sales, human resources and network operations until assuming her current role as vice president in 1998. In addition to her assignments within the SBC telephone subsidiary, she has also held positions in SBC's Cingular wireless company as well as SBC Corporate assignments.

She has been active in various professional organizations and community organizations such as Big Brothers/Big Sisters, The United Way and the American Heart Association. She was named Outstanding Business Woman by the YWCA and participated in Leadership Topeka and Leadership America. Geisler presently serves Pittsburg State University as a member of the College of Technology Advisory Council and is a past board member for the PSU Alumni Association. She also currently serves on the Board for the School of Engineering at the University of Kansas. She received the PSU Outstanding Alumni Award in 1983. She earned a Bachelor of Science in Education degree with a major in mathematics in 1973 and a Master of Science degree with a major in mathematics in 1974, both from Pittsburg State University.



### Donald D. Woolfolk, BSBA '71

Donald D. Woolfolk retired in November 2003 from his role as Deputy Commander of the United States Army Intelligence and Security Command (INSCOM) at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. He was responsible for all counterintelligence and human intelligence operational policy and activity of INSCOM's subordinate commands around the world. This included Army units support of each of the regional combatant commands that make up the Departments of Defense. His responsibilities included exploitation of captured documents and materials from the battlefield in support of the war fighter and the national intelligence community and national decision makers, and linguist support to intelligence operations and army commanders in the field. Woolfolk retired after 31 and one-half years of active duty in the U.S. Army.

He has received numerous military awards during his military career. A few of those honors include the Distinguished Service Medal, Defense Superior Medal, the Legion of Merit, NATO Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal and the Meritorious Service Medal. Some additional honors include receiving the U.S. Army Intelligence Corps' Knowlton Award and Medallion and serving as a White House Military Social Aide to Presidents Carter and Reagan. He received the PSU Outstanding Alumni Award in 1984.

He earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration degree in 1971 from PSU. As a graduate of PSU's ROTC program, he was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant. He served two years as an Armor officer before moving into Military Intelligence. Woolfolk earned a Master of Science degree in national security studies from Georgetown University and a Master of Science degree in national Defense University in Washington D.C.



### Lon D. Kruger, MS 1977

Lon Kruger is the Head Basketball Coach at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. He previously served as head coach in the National Basketball Association for the Atlanta Hawks and as an assistant coach for the New York Knicks. Prior to moving to NBA coaching, Kruger served as head coach at the University of Illinois, the University of Florida, Kansas State University and Pan American University. He also served as Athletics Director at Pan American.

Under his coaching leadership, his collegiate teams have made 11 appearances in the NCAA tournament. He was twice named SEC Coach of the Year while at the University of Florida. He served as an assistant basketball coach to Bob Johnson at PSU while working on a graduate degree.

As an undergraduate, Kruger played basketball at Kansas State University. He was named the Big Eight Player of the Year in 1973 and 1974. He also played on the U.S. All-Star team that toured China

in 1973. After college, he was drafted by the NBA's Atlanta Hawks and major league baseball's St. Louis Cardinals.

Kruger has been involved in various community service programs and projects throughout his career. He was named a PSU Outstanding Alumnus is 1989. He earned a Master of Science degree with a major in physical education in 1977 from PSU. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration from K-State in 1975.

# University Scholastic Honors

University Scholastic Honors graduates are designated by ribbons and medallions worn around the neck. Red represents summa cum laude; green represents magna cum laude; white represents cum laude.

Three levels of University Scholastic Honors are designated at graduation. Summa cum laude requires a cumulative grade point average of 3.95; magna cum laude requires a cumulative grade point average of 3.90; and cum laude requires a cumulative grade point average of 3.85.

University Scholastic Honors as listed in the Commencement Program are based on course work completed through the fall semester. Final determination of University Scholastic Honors graduates will be based on course work completed through graduation.

### Summa Cum Laude

Cody NaRee Bain, Accounting and Finance\* Mark Darl Brecheisen, Jr., Biology Brendan James Burke, Mathematics Kerri K. Burson, Biology Staci Ann Cook, Accounting and Finance Megan Marie Dulohery, Biology Micholee Beth Emerson, Biology Levi Joseph Gahman, Psychology Amy Michelle Hellwig, Elementary Education Jaime Lyn Horton, Biology Melissa Dawn Hosch, Commercial Graphics Jessica Lea Jagels, Psychology Janae Lynn Jarred, Biology Rachael Marie Johnson, Psychology Kristen Koester, Art Carissa Lynn Marshall, Recreation\* Lora Diane Mertz, Commercial Graphics\* Cindy Marie Neely, Elementary Education Brittiany L. Nixon, Elementary Education Abbey Marie Oshel, Biology Esther N. Scott, Psychology Joshua Shay, Justice Studies Nathaniel Munson Smith, Communication Carolyn Marie Theisen, Commercial Graphics Meltem Tugut, Marketing and Finance Chelsea Ann Vargas, Nursing Codi Layne Whaley, Psychology Jeriah Matthew Whitcraft, Automotive Technology Gail Leigh Yarick, Accounting Sarah Jane Yost, Biology

\*Summer 2004 Graduates

## Magna Cum Laude

Rachael M. Barnes, Family and Consumer Sciences Carissa A. Brannan, Management Lori Diane Byrd, Psychology Christopher Ryan Coomes, Plastics Engineering Technology Kasie K. Cooper, Management\* Jessie Danelle Fewins, English Meegan Lynn Gatewood, Family and Consumer Sciences Ashley Renee Goodrich, Biology Chris Holland, Mathematics and Computer Science Gloria Oluwatobi Ilariogun, Commercial Graphics Carolyn S. Leck, Social Studies (History) Robert M. Lyle, Automotive Technology Danica Dawan Robbins, Music Nicole Renee' Schiefelbein, Elementary Education Elizabeth A. Tenholder, Finance Jing Wang, Management Christopher Ross Wilson, Commercial Graphics\* Brandi Gailann Wimmer, Elementary Education

## Cum Laude

Laura Adelman, Psychology\* Jered Michael Benoit, Commercial Graphics Carla Amber Berger, Psychology and Recreation Michael David Blackford, Elementary Education Deidre Lynn Stevens Bruce, Elementary Education Elizabeth Jean Cochran, Marketing Sara Elizabeth Frye, Commercial Graphics Aly Gilani, Computer Science Jennifer Brynn Greninger, Psychology Judith Hartman, Elementary Education Kelly Jo Hensley, Social Work Amanda Jo Hudson, Marketing and Management Kent Kellenberger, Finance Cornelius B. Kristalyn, Chemistry Sarah E. Lookadoo, English and History Kimberlea Dawn Mathews, Commercial Graphics Nicole Percival, Social Studies (History) Dandra Patricia Pittenger, Elementary Education Crystal Ann Robinson, Elementary Education Elizabeth P. Schierman, Commercial Graphics Jill Marie Smardo, Biology Cristin T. Stark, Elementary Education Jessica A. Stoughton, Communication Levi D. Wealand, Economics and Finance

## Departmental Academic Honors

Departmental Academic Honors graduates are designated by gold cording worn around neck.

Laura Adelman, Psychology Syed Irfan Aslam, Computer Science Sarah R. Compton Baker, Nursing Rachael M. Barnes, Family and Consumer Sciences Shannon M. Beason, Psychology Rihanne C. Bohannon, Chemistry Kerri K. Burson, Biology Lori Diane Byrd, Psychology Julia A. Chubur, Marketing Staci Ann Cook, Accounting Megan Marie Dulohery, Biology Toni M. Duncan, Justice Studies and Psychology Micholee Beth Emerson, Biology Megan Forsythe, Biology Sarah Elizabeth Frye, Commercial Graphics Levi Joseph Gahman, Psychology Meegan Lynn Gatewood, Family and Consumer Sciences Aly Gilani, Computer Science Anne Marie Gordon, Nursing Amy Michelle Hellwig, Elementary Education Chris Holland, Computer Science and Mathematics Jaime Lyn Horton, Biology Janae Lynn Jarred, Biology Penny F. Kitterman, Biology

Cornelius B. Kristalyn, Chemistry Kimberly Marie Luebbering, Elementary Education Beth Elaine Manns, Nursing Carissa Lynn Marshal, Recreation Lora Diane Mertz, Commercial Graphics Sarah Beth Laine Montgomery, Communication Batdorj Natsagdorj, Management and Marketing Cindy Marie Neely, Elementary Education Abbey Marie Oshel, Biology Jessica Layne Peak, Justice Studies Dandra Patricia Pittenger, Elementary Education Danica Dawan Robbins, Music Crystal Ann Robinson, Elementary Education Nicole Renee' Schiefelbein, Elementary Education Jill Marie Smardo, Biology Amber Lynn Stine, Nursing Melissa Ann Thurman, Elementary Education Meltem Tugut, Marketing Chelsea Ann Vargas, Nursing Alisha Lyn Webb, Nursing Codi Layne Whaley, Psychology Betsy Jean Wilkin, Elementary Education Christopher Ross Wilson, Commercial Graphics Sarah Jane Yost, Biology

## Honors College

Honors College students are highly selective academic scholars who complete an enhanced academic program; designated by red and gold cording worn around neck.

Rachael M. Barnes Rihanne C. Bohannon Brendan James Burke Kerri K. Burson Elizabeth Jean Cochran Staci Ann Cook Christopher Ryan Coomes Megan Marie Dulohery Micholee Beth Emerson Ashley Renee Goodrich Amy Michelle Hellwig Jaime Lyn Horton Jessica Lea Jagels Janae Lynn Jarred Penny F. Ketterman Cornelius B. Kristalyn Leslie Lauren LaMar Cindy Marie Neely Abbey Marie Oshel Danica Dawan Robbins Jon Sanders Amber Lynn Stine Carolyn Marie Theisen Chelsea Ann Vargas Codi Layne Whaley Christopher Ross Wilson Sarah Jane Yost

# The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi

The prestigious university-wide academic honor society for graduating students.

Laura Adelman Clarence M. Anderson Cody NaRee Bain Jennifer Ann Baldwin Rachael M. Barnes Jered Michael Benoit Michael David Blackford Carissa A. Brannan Mark Darl Brecheisen, Jr. Delaina Dian Brown Tanya M. Brown Deidre Lynn Stevens Bruce Travis J. Burchett Brendan James Burke Kerri K. Burson Tyrone F. Burson Kelly M. Carland Pei-Chun Paige Chang Staci Ann Cook Christopher Ryan Coomes Kasie K. Cooper Dmitri Alexandrovich Draznilov Megan Marie Dulohery Micholee Beth Emerson Jessie Danelle Fewins Sara Elizabeth Frye Levi Joseph Gahman Meegan Lynn Gatewood Aimee Lynne Golden Krista Dawn Gorman Jennifer Brynn Greninger Cordell Aaron Harley Amy Michelle Hellwig Jaime Lyn Horton Melissa Dawn Hosch Amanda Jo Hudson Jessica Lea Jagels Janae Lynn Jarred Karen K. Jarred Rachael Marie Johnson Brian Francis Keegan SooYeon Kim Innes Marylia Kinigi

Scott Robert Kunshek Leslie Lauren LaMar Carolyn S. Leck Cari Long Sarah E. Lookadoo Robert M. Lyle Carissa Lynn Marshall Lora Diane Mertz Leigh Anne Neal Cindy Marie Neely Brittiany L. Nixon Diana Louise Oertle Abbey Marie Oshel Jeanette Christine Owens Nicole Percival Paula Marie Persoleo Dandra Patricia Pittenger Danica Dawan Robbins Megan Sterling Salyers Nicole Renee' Schiefelbein Esther N. Scott Jay Sharbutt Li-Wen Shih Jill Marie Smardo Nathaniel Munson Smith Shyrell Lee Cranor Smith Lindsay Rene Sowder Jessica A. Stoughton Elizabeth A. Tenholder Philip A. Thies Susan Marie Thies Meltem Tugut Kenneth L. Upham, Jr. Monica G. Voss Kylie Lyn Westervelt Megan Cathleen Westhoff Jonathan Charles Wiltse Brandi Gailann Wimmer Casiee L. Wolfe Leatta Ardyce Workman Gail Leigh Yarick Sarah Jane Yost

## Graduate Dean's Scholastic Honors

Kathlene J. Allie Kari A. Arehart Terrie Lee Asbill Jennifer Ann Baldwin Jennifer Beem Liang Bishan Jayne L. Bittle Robin Denise Bolt Delaina Dian Brown Travis J. Burchett Tyrone F. Burson Kelly M. Carland Alice Dawn Clark Carlton Celesta Joanna Champagne Pei-Chun Paige Chang Jill M. Cherry Joni Annette Clark-Leiker Kyley J. Selvey Cochran Eileen M. Colling Joyce Crady Curry Jared Lee Denton Kristopher Dale Dishman Terri L. Doman Abbie Durr Janae Eck Aimee Lynne Golden Krista Dawn Gorman Toye A. Harris YoungJu Hong Wen-Yi Hsiao Tai-Yu Huang Carie A. Hurford Sara L. Karraker Brian Francis Keegan Hyo-Seok Kim SooYeon Kim Jennifer L. Kramer Kerri L. Kueser Scott Robert Kunshek

Norah Hanson Leintz Cari Long James S. Lumley Anita Gale Lundy Laura May Marshall Leigh Anne Neal Michael Alan Oglesby Marcia Denise O'Grady Jennifer Renee Osborn Cheryl Annette Osterbuhr Paula Maria Persoleo Jandee Elizabeth Post Jennifer Lynn Prueter Stephanee Danielle Rice R. Paige Robinson Jay Sharbutt Debra A. Sheffield Li-Wen Shih Shyrell Lee Cranor Smith Robyn R. Snow Lindsay Rene Sowder Mary E. Sears Jean D. Stutzman Michael John Sumaya Lisa A. Sweet Philip A. Thies Susan Marie Thies Susan Michelle Tinich Kenneth L. Upham, Jr. Monica G. Voss Wen-Chun Wang Kylie Lyn Westervelt Megan Cathleen Westhoff Pam Whiteley Diana Leigh Barrett Wieland Jonathan Charles Wiltse Jennifer Worrall Xu Zhili

## Omicron Delta Kappa

A national honor society for leadership, scholarship and service.

Jennifer L. Clark Megan Marie Dulohery Toni M. Duncan Micholee Beth Emerson Megan Forsythe Ashley Renee Goodrich Amy Michelle Hellwig Jessica Lea Jagels Janae Jarred

# Pinnacle Honor Society

A national honor society for non-traditional students. Selection based on scholastic achievement and community and campus activity

Judith Hartman

# Presidential Emerging Leaders Program

A four-year leadership program of select students, started at Pittsburg State University in 1998, developing the next generation of leaders through leadership experiences, service, and community involvement.

> Arianna Marie Auxter Carla Amber Berger Danae Marie Dickehut Megan Marie Dulohery Micholee Beth Emerson Sarah Beth Laine Montgomery

# US Army ROTC Commissioning Ceremony

May 14, 2004, 10:00 a.m. on The Oval

### To Be Commissioned Second Lieutenants

Daniel E. Ball Carla Amber Berger Brandon Daniel Boatwright Gates Mosely Brown Samuel James Karr\* Adam Lockhart

\*Actual commissioning will be conducted later this summer

Note: Inclement weather location is Crimson and Gold Ballroom, Overman Student Center

Leslie Lauren LaMar **Beth Elaine Manns** Abbey Marie Oshel Nicole Renee' Schiefelbein Jill Marie Smardo Lacey Marie Taylor Betsy Jean Wilkin Sarah Jane Yost

Crystal Ann Robinson

Jene' Nicole Lamb Corrie Renee Madill Jessica Layne Peak Nicole Renee' Schiefelbein Jill Marie Smardo Codi Layne Whaley

Jeremy Hannon Lyons Sara Ranae Neemann John Andrew Peterson Dean Robert Ray Joshua Shay\* Joshua A. Urban Nickolas J. Welch\*

# 2004 Outstanding Faculty

The PSU Student Government Association selected three individuals to receive the 2004 Outstanding Faculty Award. These faculty were chosen for their excellence in teaching, commitment to students and hard work.

Dr. Mark Johnson is a professor in the Technical Education Department in the College of Technology. He serves as the Technology Management Academic Coordinator. He earned a Bachelor of Business Administration degree, a Master of Science degree with a major in technical teacher education, and an Education Specialist degree with a major in industrial education, all from PSU. He earned a Doctorate degree in vocational education from the University of Arkansas. Dr. Johnson previously received the Outstanding Faculty Award in 1995.

Ms. Tysha Potter Van Becelaere is an instructor in the Department of Psychology and Counseling in the College of Education. She currently advises student organization Alpha Phi Omega, Delta Mu Chapter. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in social science and a Master of Science degree with a major in psychology with a clinical emphasis, both from Pittsburg State University. She previously received



Ms. Tysha Potter Van Becelaere, Mr. Bob Susnik and Dr. Mark Johnson.

the Outstanding Faculty Award in 2000.

Mr. Bob Susnik is a professor in the Department of Engineering Technology in the College of the Technology. He teaches courses in plastics engineering technology. He received a Bachelor of Science in Technology degree with a major in plastics technology and a Master of Science degree with a major in technology, both from PSU.

## 2004 Outstanding Senior Awards

Nominated by faculty and administrators. Selected by a student committee.

Outstanding Seniors for 2004



Trevor Alan Beyeler\*



Kerri K. Burson

### Honorable Mention

Jeremy Leon Albright Brendan James Burke Megan Marie Dulohery Micholee Beth Emerson Janae Lynn Jarred

Corrie Renee Madill Levi Matthew Neville Joshua Shay Nathaniel Munson Smith Codi Layne Whaley

\*Graduated December 2003

### Vocational Technical Institute December 5, 2003

Col. Austin Theodore "Ted" Flagg Director Emeritus, Personnel Personnel May 14, 2003

Mr. Phoenix Brown

Senior Instructor Emeritus

Ms. Helen T. Kramer Associate Professor Emeritus Axe Library April 14, 2004

### Dr. Kenneth K. Bateman Director of Alumni Relations Emeritus Alumni Relations Since 1965

Dr. Orville L. Brill

Professor and Dean Emeritus Arts and Sciences Since 1965

Mr. Leon Divel **Professor Emeritus** Axe Library

# Since 1969

Dr. Nicholas A. Henry University Professor Emeritus Special Services and Leadership Studies Since 1976

## In Memorium 2003-2004

### Dr. Hugh E. Morrison

**Professor Emeritus** Special Services and Leadership Studies April 27, 2004

Dr. Donald W. Wilson President May 16, 2003

## **Retired Faculty** 2003-2004

Dr. Linda Jones McCoy University Professor Emeritus Curriculum and Instruction Since 1976

Dr. Maxine G. Morris Associate Professor Emeritus Curriculum and Instruction Since 1993

Dr. Robert L. Sheverbush University Professor Emeritus Psychology and Counseling Since 1976

## Candidates for Degrees

### SPECIALIST IN EDUCATION

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# The Mace and Medallion

Two symbolic badges of authority, traditional in many European universities and at some of the oldest schools in this nation, are being used in the commencement ceremonies. The University Mace is carried by Dr. Robert K. Ratzlaff, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Professor, Department of History, Pittsburg State University, on Friday, May 14. The University Mace will be carried by Dr. Kenneth K. Bateman, Director of Alumni Relations, Pittsburg State University, on Saturday, May 15. The honor of carrying the University Mace at commencement is given to a faculty member with extensive service at the University. The Presidential Medallion is worn by Dr. Tom W. Bryant, President of Pittsburg State University.

Both pieces were designed and handcrafted by Samuel Farmer, a student in art at Pittsburg State University. Mr. Farmer received a Bachelor of Arts with a major in Art from the University in 1981 and a Master of Science with a major in Art Education in 1984.

In the Middle Ages, maces were used as weapons for breaking the armor of enemies on the field of battle. The use of maces as symbols for academic institutions originated in England in the 1500's.

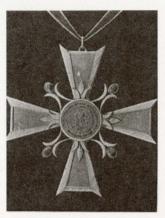
The University's Mace features metal sculpture of sterling silver, with a staff sectioned of lathe-turned cherry wood. The school colors are present in the gold-plating in the head and knurl elements and the bezel-set red garnet cabochons. Echoing the hexagonal shape of the head, six forged flange sections radiate outward from the center, which is tipped by a half-sphere. A photo-etched seal of the University is attached to the base of the head. The knurl segment, interrupting the flow of the staff, acts as a balance, repeating the contrast between the smooth, highly-polished sterling silver and the reticulated gold-plated areas.

The Presidential Medallion is fashioned in color, scheme and line to compliment the Mace, drawing on a close-up perspective of the seal of the University.

## Pittsburg State University Brass Quintet

Scott Conner, Horn, Junior, Pittsburg State University Todd Hastings, Trumpet, Music Faculty, Pittsburg State University Robert Kehle, Trombone, Music Faculty, Pittsburg State University Kevin Miller, Trumpet, Graduating Masters Student, Pittsburg State University A. Douglas Whitten, Tuba, Music Faculty, Pittsburg State University

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## Blues Over Easy

## Pittsburg State University Alma Mater

On the plains of Southeast Kansas, 'Neath an ever cloudless sky, Far away from surging ocean, And the storm-bird's plaintive cry; With her prairies rolling Westward, Where the buffalo once were great, With her ensign proudly waving, Stands our own Pittsburg State.

### Refrain

Let us greet the Gold and Crimson With a strong and cordial cheer, Let our hearts be ever loyal To our Alma Mater dear.

Let her worthy sons and daughters For "Our Normal" proudly stand, Shielding zealously her honor In one brave, unbroken band; Let them hold aloft her banner With a stout and steady arm; Rallying her children 'round it, From the city, town and farm.

### Refrain

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## Pittsburg State University's Centennial Medallion

Pittsburg State is celebrating its first 100 years of service during the 2002/2003 and 2003/2004 academic years. The state legislation establishing the Manual Training Normal School of Pittsburg was signed into law in the spring of 1903. The first classes were offered on September 8, 1903.

All graduates participating in commencement exercises during May 2003, December 2003 and May 2004, receive a centennial medallion

commemorating the university's historic celebration.