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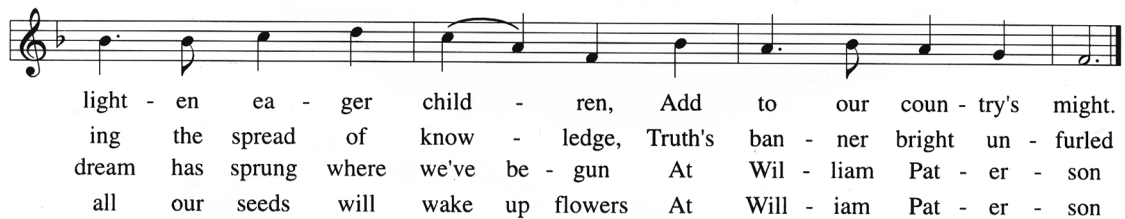
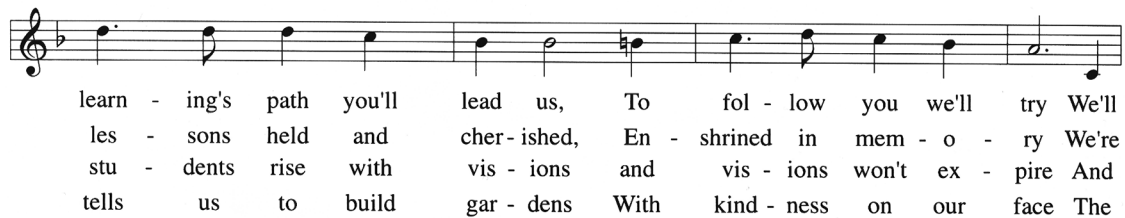
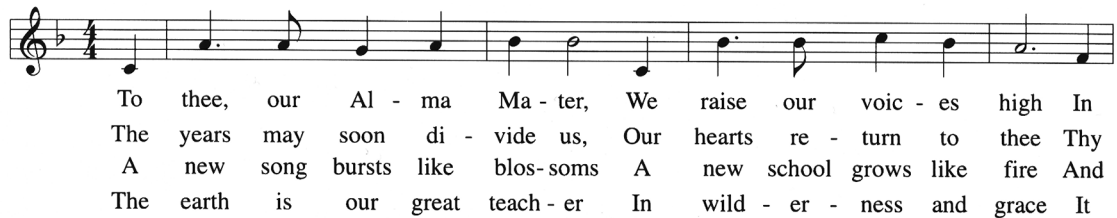
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COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

Prelude Music	William Paterson University Wind Ensemble; J. Craig Davis, D.M.A., Conductor
Processional	Pomp and Circumstance March No. I by Sir Edward Elgar William Paterson University Wind Ensemble; J. Craig Davis, D.M.A., Conductor (Audience is requested to remain seated for the academic procession)
National Anthem	Frank Impelluso, Soloist, accompanied by the William Paterson University Wind Ensemble; J. Craig Davis, D.M.A., Conductor
Introduction	Linda Dye, Ph.D., University Marshal
Address by a Graduating Senior	Tiffany L. Groglio, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>
Comment to the Class	Arnold Speert, Ph.D., President of the University
Citations and Honors	Henry J. Pruitt, Jr., Ed.D., Chair, Board of Trustees Education Policy Committee, conferring Milton Babbitt, Composer, Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters Arnold Speert, Ph.D., President, conferring Maureen Conway '66, Retired Vice President, Hewlett-Packard Company The President's Medal
Commencement Address	Maureen Conway '66
Conferring of Degrees	Arnold Speert, Ph.D., President Edward Weil, Ph.D., Provost and Senior Vice President
College of the Arts and Communication	Candidates recognized by Ofelia Garcia, M.F.A. Dean, College of the Arts and Communication
Christos M. Cotsakos College of Business	Candidates recognized by C.K. Leung, Ph.D. Dean, Christos M. Cotsakos College of Business
College of Education	Candidates recognized by Leslie Agard-Jones, Ed.D. Dean, College of Education
College of Humanities and Social Sciences	Candidates recognized by Isabel Tirado, Ph.D. Dean, College of Humanities and Social Sciences
College of Science and Health	Candidates recognized by Sandra DeYoung, Ed.D. Dean, College of Science and Health
Alma Mater	Paul Jansson, Soloist, accompanied by the William Paterson University Wind Ensemble; J. Craig Davis, D.M.A., Conductor
Recessional	Suite in E-flat, No. 1, by Gustav Holst William Paterson University Wind Ensemble; J. Craig Davis, D.M.A., Conductor (Audience is requested to remain seated until the academic procession has left)

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Frank Impelluso
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COMMENCEMENT NOTES

COMMENCEMENT at William Paterson University is a time of ceremony and pageantry, portions of which represent traditions dating back to medieval times. These notes on the history of the commencement ceremony are offered in the hope that they enhance your appreciation and enjoyment of this special day.

WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY traces its roots to the city of Paterson, where it was founded in 1855. For more than a century, training teachers for New Jersey schools was its exclusive mission.

In 1951, the University moved to the present campus in Wayne. Originally known as Ailsa Farms, this 300-acre site was purchased by the state of New Jersey in 1948 from the family of Garret A. Hobart, twenty-fourth vice president of the United States.

The original manor house, built in 1877, was the weekend retreat and summer residence of the Hobart family. Today the building is known as Hobart Manor and is home of the Office of the President and the Office of Institutional Advancement. Hobart Manor was designated a national and state landmark in 1976.

The University changed its name to Paterson State Teachers College when it relocated from Paterson in 1951. In 1966, the curriculum was expanded to include degree offerings other than those leading to a teaching career. In 1971, the institution was renamed The William Paterson College of New Jersey. The change of name honored the man who was the state's first senator, its second governor, and a United States Supreme Court Justice appointed by President George Washington, and reflected both the institution's proud beginnings in the city that also bears his name and the legislative mandate to move from a teachers college to a broad-based liberal arts institution.

In another historic milestone, William Paterson was awarded university status by the Commission on Higher Education in June 1997.

The University offers thirty-two undergraduate and nineteen graduate programs in five colleges: Arts and Communication; Christos M. Cotsakos College of Business; Education; Humanities and Social Sciences; and Science and Health. Today, it will award 869 bachelor's degrees.

The MACE carried by Professor Linda Dye, a senior University faculty member, is used at all academic ceremonies. In medieval times, maces were weapons of warfare, but today a mace is "a staff borne by, or carried before, a magistrate or other dignitary as an ensign of his authority." It is the emblem and symbol of the president's authority to administer the University. This mace was first used in the one hundred fifty-third commencement ceremony in 1987 and was designed and crafted by Ming Fay, professor of art. The top piece, cast of brushed aluminum, features a center ball symbolizing universal knowledge, surrounded by four curved fins radiating outward, representing the University's community outreach. The bottom portion, made of teak and inlaid with faux ivory, was carved with the assistance of Joseph Van Putten, an award-winning graduate of the University's Art Department and current assistant professor of art.

The PROCESSIONAL BANNERS include the class banner in the University's colors of orange and black, which is carried by the senior class officers. Additional banners identify the University's five colleges. They are:

- College of the Arts and Communication
- Christos M. Cotsakos College of Business
- College of Education
- College of Humanities and Social Sciences
- College of Science and Health

The ACADEMIC PROCESSION begins with the heralding of the trumpeters announcing its arrival. The University marshal carrying the mace leads the procession, followed by the senior class officers and the graduates. After the graduates have taken their place, the University marshal leads the faculty to their places and then leads in the president, the board of trustees, vice presidents, deans, and other University officials. The mace is presented at the center of the stage while those processing enter and take their places. Once the mace is placed on the stand, it signals the beginning of the ceremony.

ACADEMIC GOWNS, HOODS and REGALIA represent more than elegance or colorful attire. Academic caps and gowns represent a tradition that reaches far back into the early days of the oldest universities of the Middle Ages.

The early European universities were church-founded; the students, being clerics, were obliged to wear prescribed gowns and caps at all times. Caps and gowns were once common forms of clothing and were retained by the clergy when the laity adopted more modern dress.

Though some universities here and abroad have other colors, the usual color for gowns in America is black. Bachelor's degree gowns have pointed sleeves, master's degree gowns have oblong sleeves open at the wrist, and doctoral degree gowns have sleeves that are bell-shaped. Also, on doctoral degree gowns, the front is faced with black velvet with three bars of the same across the sleeves, or these bars may be of velvet of the color distinctive of the faculty or subject to which the degree pertains.

Hoods are lined with the official color of the college or university that conferred the degree. The velvet edging color represents the appropriate degree as follows: bachelor of arts – white; bachelor of fine arts – light brown; bachelor of music – pink; bachelor of science – golden yellow. Mortar boards (caps) are usually black.

The gown and hood of the University marshal and the president were made especially for William Paterson University ceremonies in the official colors of orange and black.

The PRESIDENT'S MEDAL worn by President Arnold Speert was first given in 1978. It is awarded to individuals who have made outstanding contributions of service to the University community, to academe, or to society as a whole. The President's Medal is awarded periodically to those who have given time, talent, or

funds to the University; to those who have enhanced cultural, scientific, or artistic awareness in New Jersey; to those who provide a positive role model in personal achievement and/or outstanding service to others; and those who have strengthened higher education locally or nationally.

The AWARDING OF DEGREES at William Paterson University is accomplished in a twofold manner. On behalf of the deans of the five colleges, the provost first presents the candidates receiving bachelor's degrees. Each student processes to the platform and his or her name is read and is presented a diploma cover by the dean of his or her respective college. When all candidates have been duly presented, the president of the University then formally confers the appropriate degree. This is accomplished when he says:

"By the authority vested in me by the Board of Trustees, I confer on each of you the degrees you have just earned and for which you have been recommended."

At this time the senior class officers lead the graduates in moving their tassels from the right to the left side of their mortar boards.

The ALMA MATER is then sung by a music student. The Alma Mater was written for William Paterson University by Professors Mark Karp and Earl Weidner; in 1997, new lyrics were added by Professor David Shapiro.

The RECESSIONAL of the president, officials, and faculty is once again led by the University marshal. The students recess behind the faculty. The audience is requested to remain seated until the recessional is concluded.



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