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9 A.M. CEREMONY

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HAILE/US BANK COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

PROCESSIONAL MUSIC
NKU Philharmonic Orchestra
Amy Gillingham, Director

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NATIONAL ANTHEM
Francis Scott Key
Students in the School of the Arts

WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS
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RECOGNITION OF FACULTY AND STAFF
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ADDRESS
Debra Meyers
Professor of History
Frank Sinton Milburn Outstanding Professor

INTRODUCTION OF STUDENT SPEAKER
Jarett Lopez
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ALMA MATER
Original lyrics and melody Charles Wiley
rev. Carolyn Hagner
harm. Kurt Sander
Students in the School of the Arts

CLOSING REMARKS
Sue Ott Rowlands

RECESSIONAL MUSIC
NKU Philharmonic Orchestra
Amy Gillingham, Director
Dr. Debra Meyers, professor of History, has been a member of the NKU faculty since 2001 and has since had a dramatic impact on the university and her students. Meyers ranks among the very best of NKU’s professors, with students consistently finding her courses engaging and challenging. Her classes range from American history, to gender and religion, to feminist theology, and many others, reflecting both the breadth and depth of her experience and knowledge.

Meyers’ active encouragement and leadership prompted her department to adopt the university’s fledging Women’s and Gender Studies (WGS) Program in 2009. Meyers rebuilt the program, and as a result the number of students enrolled in WGS classes burgeoned. With a commitment to expanding educational opportunities for all students, she established an online minor in WGS, one of the first online minors at NKU, and she led her department in creating an online bachelors degree program in History—the second such program in the nation.

As a scholar, Meyers is a recognized expert in American women’s history and American colonial history. She has published seven books, numerous articles and book chapters, and given many presentations at scholarly conferences. She is currently working on two new publication projects: Gender, Love, and Religion in the Early Chesapeake (Debra Meyers); and Crisis and Challenge in the Roman Catholic Church: Perspectives on Decline and Reformation (Debra Meyers and Mary Sue Barnett, eds.).

Meyers was recognized for her achievements with NKU’s 2019 Frank Sinton Milburn Outstanding Professor Award, which honors a faculty member who has demonstrated excellence in teaching, scholarship and service over the course of her/his career. Meyers’ students also extol the ways in which she encourages each one of them to succeed. In 2017, she received the Outstanding Faculty Advisor Award, nominated by online students she had never met face to face, but who were still so impacted by her tireless work as a teacher, mentor and service-oriented faculty member.

Anson Turley began his college career in 2017 when he was 50 years old. Born and raised in Cincinnati, Ohio, he attended Walnut Hills High School, where he graduated magna cum laude in 1984. In 1987, at age 20, he became a firefighter for the City of Cincinnati. He continues his public service 32 years later with the Cincinnati Fire Department as an assistant fire chief.

In 1988, he married his best friend Stephanie, who gave him two beautiful children—a daughter, Kirsten, and a son, Spencer. Stephanie is his true north, a rock and support in his life. After more than three decades in public service, Turley’s time with the fire department will soon end. He knew that he would need a degree to prepare for the next phase of his life. Being old-fashioned, he wanted to attend a brick and mortar school that was regionally accredited and catered to the adult student. NKU was the perfect choice.

Upon beginning his college career, Turley had no previous college credit. He wanted a quality education but also needed to obtain his degree in the least possible time. He also had personal challenges in completing his degree. Turley had to balance school with a full-time career and family responsibilities that included taking care of a father with Alzheimer’s.

The PACE program (now called Adult Learner Programs & Services), along with the credit by examination opportunities offered at NKU made it possible for him to obtain a 4-year degree in 2 ½ years while achieving a work-life-school balance. Turley credits NKU’s faculty and advisors with his educational success. He will graduate with a Bachelor of Arts in Organizational Leadership, and for this, he thanks the faculty and advisors at NKU and the support of his family, especially his loving wife, Stephanie.
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Debra Meyers
Professor of History
Frank Sinton Milburn Outstanding Professor

INTRODUCTION OF STUDENT SPEAKER
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Tierra Baldwin was born in Orlando, Florida, and raised in Lexington, Kentucky. As a student here at NKU, Baldwin is honored and blessed to be the first graduate of the Health Communication program in the College of Informatics with a secondary concentration in health care ethics and policy. Growing up, Baldwin always had a passion for helping others, but it was only a matter of time before she realized that she needed to live out of her comfort zone and start doing things that would unleash her true potential. She decided to declare her major in health communication because she wanted to challenge herself, try something new, and most of all, she wanted to invest in a career that she knew would be invaluable to the health care industry to change lives for the better.

For her future, she hopes to inspire others to live more fulfilling, healthy and active lifestyles. She would also like to continue to work within local communities across the U.S. to help address the importance of effective health communication while promoting efforts to improve health and well-being. With an emphasis on the importance of patient and health advocacy, she believes there is much more that can be accomplished to reach higher standards of quality care and service.

During her time at NKU, Baldwin has been involved in various organizations and extracurricular activities, including: Health Professions Club, NKU R.O.C.K.S, Lambda Pi Eta (honor society of the National Communication Association), Ethics Bowl 2019, TRIO Student Support Services, peer mentor for the Campbell County Drug-Free Alliance Summit at NKU and student representative for the faculty search committee for the health communication department. She has also had the wonderful opportunity to contribute to the analysis and write-up of a research article on disability health care under Medicaid with Dr. Whittney Darnell. This article has been accepted into the National Communication Association Conference. Her experience at NKU has allowed Baldwin to make positive change and potentially inspire others to take a leap of faith and dare to make a difference. She has encountered many obstacles in her life, but she believes that with faith and determination anything is possible.

Dr. Debra Meyers, professor of History, has been a member of the NKU faculty since 2001 and has since had a dramatic impact on the university and her students. Meyers ranks among the very best of NKU’s professors, with students consistently finding her courses engaging and challenging. Her classes range from American history, to gender and religion, to feminist theology, and many others, reflecting both the breadth and depth of her experience and knowledge.

Meyers’ active encouragement and leadership prompted her department to adopt the university’s fledging Women’s and Gender Studies (WGS) Program in 2009. Meyers rebuilt the program, and as a result the number of students enrolled in WGS classes burgeoned. With a commitment to expanding educational opportunities for all students, she established an online minor in WGS, one of the first online minors at NKU, and she led her department in creating an online bachelors degree program in History—the second such program in the nation.

As a scholar, Meyers is a recognized expert in American women’s history and American colonial history. She has published seven books, numerous articles and book chapters, and given many presentations at scholarly conferences. She is currently working on two new publication projects: Gender, Love, and Religion in the Early Chesapeake (Debra Meyers); and Crisis and Challenge in the Roman Catholic Church: Perspectives on Decline and Reformation (Debra Meyers and Mary Sue Barnett, eds.).

Meyers was recognized for her achievements with NKU’s 2019 Frank Sinton Milburn Outstanding Professor Award, which honors a faculty member who has demonstrated excellence in teaching, scholarship and service over the course of her/his career. Meyers’ students also extol the ways in which she encourages each one of them to succeed. In 2017, she received the Outstanding Faculty Advisor Award, nominated by online students she had never met face to face, but who were still so impacted by her tireless work as a teacher, mentor and service-oriented faculty member.

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKERS

2019 FRANK SINTON MILBURN OUTSTANDING PROFESSOR AWARD RECIPIENT

DEBRA MEYERS
Professor of History

Student Commencement Speaker

TIERRA BALDWIN
College of Informatics

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DOCTOR OF EDUCATION

**ANDREA R. FAULKNER**
The Role of Principal Turnover on School-Level Continuous Improvement as Measured by Overall Student Achievement
Mark Wasicsko, Ph.D.; Paul Wirtz, Ph.D.; and Ted Zigler, Ed.D.

**CONNIE J. MCFADDEN-CHASE**
Variables that Influence Student Nurse Progression during Sophomore Year in a Traditional BSN Program

**MARCOS L. MISIS**
Tenure-track Faculty Levels of Job Satisfaction during the Tenure Process
Brandelyn Tosolt, Ph.D.; James Allen, Ed.D.; and Doug Stevens, Ph.D.

**MICHAEL R. POIRY**
The Impact of a Mentoring Intervention on Student Non-Cognitive Skill Development
James Allen, Ed.D.; Shawn Faulkner, Ph.D.; and Randy Poe, Ed.D.

**LAURA A. SULLIVAN**
Department Chairs in the Crucible: Managing Faculty Conflict in the Age of Institutional Change
James Votruba, Ph.D.; Brandelyn Tosolt, Ph.D.; and Zachary Hart, Ph.D.

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Larisa James McKinney
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Blanche Renee Shumate
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Alexís B. Calloway
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Amber Michelle Perkins
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Amanda Rena Purcell
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Abigail Marie Stemmer
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DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE

MARKITTA ANNETTE BROWN
Hepatitis C Virus Screening in a Primary Care Facility
Adrienne Lane, Ed.D.

ROBIN LEE-ANNA BRUNK
Whole Foods Plant Based Diet Education for Obesity
Kathy Noyes, DNP

AMY REBECCA GRANT
Zen for Ten: Utilizing a Team Support System to Decrease Nurses’ Fatigue
Karen Mutsch, DNP

ELIZABETH ANN HAGER
The Effect of Dedicated Student Instructors (DSI) on Preceptor Satisfaction
Karen Mutsch, DNP

BETH HAMON
Effectiveness of Cincinnati Health Department’s Peer Led Workshops in Improving Chronic Disease Self-Management
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LINDSAY HOUSE
Education to Increase Awareness of Skin Cancer Screening
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VICTORIA D. JUREVIC
The Effectiveness of a Simulation-Enhanced Residency Program for New Graduate Nurses on Self-Efficacy and Failure to Rescue
Karen Mutsch, DNP

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Improving New Graduate Nurses’ Clinical Judgement Using Simulation Enhanced Education
Karen Mutsch, DNP

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Engaging Patients to Prevent Harm: Implementation of a Fall Prevention Partnership
Michelle Teschendorf, Ph.D.

BARBARA A. PERSONS
Closing the Gap: Establishing a Women’s Preventive Health Exam
Michelle Teschendorf, Ph.D.

BRITTNIE NICOLE SANDLIN
Use of a Pediatric Patient Acuity Tool to Improve Nurse and Patient Satisfaction
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CHRISTOPHER MICHAEL SCHEWE
Seasoned Reality: An Examination of Burnout and Compassion Fatigue Among ED Nurses
Denise Robinson, Ph.D.

BRYAN W. SISK
Developing Effective Senior Leaders: The Impact of an Advanced Leadership Initiative
Denise Robinson, Ph.D.

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Revision of Standard Operating Procedures for a Hospital Based Infectious Disease Response Team
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Nurse Communication: the Effect of Patient Rounds and Bedside Handoff
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HAYLEY MARIE WILLEY
Implementing a Malignant Hyperthermia Simulation Education Program for Operating Room and Post-Anesthesia Care Nurses
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Nurse Leader Fatigue: Assessment, Implications, and Interventions
Michelle Teschendorf, Ph.D.

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The Impact of a Leadership Development Program on Leadership Competence of Emerging Nurse Leaders and Organization Nurse Manager Succession Planning
Lynne Zajac, Ph.D.

ELIZABETH ANN ZWILLING
Impact of Assertive Communication Training on the Confidence of New Graduate Nurses
Denise Robinson, Ph.D.
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Commencement exercises today at Northern Kentucky University give special attention to the pageantry of the ceremony. The counterpart of this pageantry is enacted each year on campuses all over the world. It is the solemn climax and recognition of the graduates’ years of study and preparation for increased responsibility.

HISTORY OF ACADEMIC COSTUME

The history of academic dress reaches far back into the early days of the oldest universities. A statute of 1321 required that all doctors, licentiates and bachelors of the University of Coimbra wear gowns. In England, in the second half of the 14th century, the statutes of certain colleges forbade excess in apparel and prescribed the wearing of a long gown. It is still unknown whether academic dress finds its sources chiefly in ecclesiastical or in civilian dress. Gowns may have been counted necessary for warmth in the unheated buildings frequented by medieval scholars. Hoods seem to have served to cover the tonsured head until they were superseded by skull caps. These were themselves displaced by a headdress somewhat like those now recognized as academic. Both Cambridge and Oxford have made academic dress a matter of university control to the extent of minor details and have repeatedly issued revised regulations governing it. In 17th-century Oxford it was prescribed that any tailor who departed from the authorized design by a nail’s breadth in the making of any article of collegiate costume was to be punished by the vice-chancellor of the university.

European institutions continue to show a great diversity in their specifications of academic dress, while American colleges and universities have adopted, through the Intercollegiate Bureau of Academic Costume and the American Council of Education, a standard code of dress for academic ceremony. Created in 1902, the Intercollegiate Bureau of Academic Costume serves as a source of information and guidance in such matters and, through occasional review by the American Council of Education, these standards have been adopted and followed by hundreds of colleges and universities in the United States.

For all academic purposes, including trimmings of doctor’s gowns, edgings of hoods and tassels of caps, the colors associated with the colleges and degrees at NKU are as follows:

**COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES**
- Master of Arts in English (white)
- Master of Arts in Integrative Studies (white)
- Master of Arts in Public History (white)
- Master of Public Administration (peacock blue)
- Master of Science in Industrial-Organizational Psychology (old gold)

**COLLEGE OF INFORMATICS (COPPER)**
- Master of Arts in Communication
- Master of Science in Business Informatics
- Master of Science in Computer Information Technology
- Master of Science in Computer Science
- Master of Science in Health Informatics

**HAILE/US BANK**

**COLLEGE OF BUSINESS (DRAB)**
- Master of Accountancy
- Master of Business Administration
- Master of Science in Executive Leadership and Organizational Change

**COLLEGE OF EDUCATION**
- Master of Arts in Education (light blue)
- Master of Arts in Teaching (light blue)
- Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership (light blue)

**COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**
- Master of Arts in School Counseling (light blue)
- Master of Science in Clinical Mental Health Counseling (light blue)
- Master of Science in Health Sciences (sage green)
- Master of Science in Nursing (apricot)
- Master of Social Work (citron)
- Doctor of Nursing Practice (apricot)

**HONORS SYMBOLS**

††† SUMMA CUM LAUDE
Students who attain a grade-point average of 3.90 to 4.00 are graduated Summa Cum Laude.

†† MAGNA CUM LAUDE
Students who attain a grade-point average of 3.75 to 3.899 are graduated Magna Cum Laude.

† CUM LAUDE
Students who attain a grade-point average of 3.50 to 3.7499 are graduated Cum Laude.

** WITH HIGH DISTINCTION
Students who attain a grade-point average of 3.80 to 4.00 are graduated With High Distinction.

** WITH DISTINCTION
Students who attain a grade-point average of 3.50 to 3.799 are graduated With Distinction.

† Bachelor degree honor
* Associate degree honor
¥ ALPHA CHI NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY
ACADEMIC ATTIRE
Today, all candidates for degrees and those who hold degrees, including college officials, faculty and visiting dignitaries, are attired in traditional cap and gown. The formal color for most caps and gowns is black. However, holders of different degrees wear distinctive tassels on their caps (called mortarboards). Hoods of various hues drape down the back of the gowns. Recipients of the associate and bachelor degrees at NKU wear black gowns and black tassels; recipients of the master and doctoral degrees wear black gowns and tassels that correspond to the color of their particular discipline; and recipients of the Juris Doctor degree wear black gowns and purple tassels.

Those wearing academic costumes wear caps in the academic processions and throughout the ceremony. Caps may be removed during prayer or at other specified times.

Members of the university governing body are entitled to wear doctoral gowns. The Regents regalia is a gold gown with three black chevrons and trim and an 8-sided tam with gold tassel. This attire is distinctive of the Board of Regents of NKU.

INTERNATIONAL SASHES
Different flags are displayed on colorful sashes worn by international students and those students who studied abroad during their time at NKU. The sashes display the flag or emblem commemorating a student’s favorite study abroad location or the original country of birth or citizenship of an international student.

HONORS CORDS
The gold and white Honors Cords worn by bachelor degree graduates signify that they have achieved at least a 3.5 cumulative overall grade point average on a 4.0 scale for their academic careers. The black and white Honors Cords are worn by those associate degree graduates with at least a 3.5 cumulative overall grade point average.

Purple and silver cords are worn by members of the Norse Leadership Society, a board of student leaders who plan leadership and personal development opportunities for the campus and students in the community. Membership is limited to students who have demonstrated leadership ability on the campus and in the community and who have maintained a required cumulative grade-point average.

GRAND MARSHAL
The Grand Marshal is the president of the Faculty Senate, or his/her designate, and represents the faculty. President Matthew Zacate holds this honor today.

STUDENT MARSHALS
The students in gold gowns are Student Marshals. They have been selected on the basis of outstanding records of scholastic achievement.

PRESIDENTIAL AMBASSADORS
Student ushers are Presidential Ambassadors. They are selected on the basis of their records of scholastic achievement and their ability to serve the university.

THE UNIVERSITY MACE
The mace, which traces its roots to medieval weaponry, has become a symbol of scholarship and integrity for universities since the 11th century. Today, the university’s Grand Marshal carries the mace to indicate the solemnity of the occasion and the confirmation of the academic process.

NKU’s mace is rich in symbolism. The spiral base, made of walnut-stained mahogany, suggests growth, evolution and higher achievement. The gold-leaf flame, inspired by NKU’s official seal, the lamp of learning, symbolizes eternal light and learning. The gold and white braided cords flowing from the base of the flame represent purity as well as the university’s school colors.

The mace was presented as a gift to the university from the Northern Kentucky University Foundation, Inc. It was designed by Kari Messner (’91) and was sculpted by local artist Jack True.

THE DISPLAY OF INTERNATIONAL FLAGS
Northern Kentucky University is proud of its diverse student body including students representing 58 countries. International flags displayed on stage today represent those countries:

Australia
Benin
Brazil
Burkina Faso
Canada
Central African Republic
China
Costa Rica
Croatia
Democratic Republic of the Congo
Dominican Republic
Ecuador
El Salvador
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Northern Kentucky University is pleased to acknowledge the following members of the Class of 2019 who contributed to the NKU Senior Challenge. Their gifts will directly benefit future NKU students. The university wishes to thank them for making a difference in the lives of their fellow students. The list below reflects gifts received up to Nov. 13, 2019. The following gifts were made In Honor Of a special person or with a dedicatory message on a brick paver.

FAISAL AL JARAN
Congratulations to an extraordinary man, Faisal Al Jaran.

JAMES AUTON
“Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you have imagined.”
–Henry David Thoreau

DOROTHEA BARBOUR
I believed in God, then myself and became a force to be reckoned with.

MARK BARDGETT
Proud of our psychology graduates!

NANCY BARDGETT
Proud of our psychology graduates!

ROBIN BARTLETT
Congratulations, graduates!

JULIE BRIDEWELL
Congratulations, Fall 2019 graduates!

TY BRUMBACK
Congratulations, psychology graduates!

SUSANNAH CABRERA-PORTAL
In loving memory of Jonathan Lindeman. You are SO missed. We love you.

ALEXIS CALLOWAY
You’re only as great as you think or imagine yourself to be, so think BIG! I am a BEAUTIFUL, RICH, BLACK woman, mother, grandmother, and teacher! Thanks to those who supported & believed in me, in any way!

MIRANDA DAMPIER
Congratulations, Miranda! We are very proud of you! You have accomplished a lot in your three and a half years of college. Now on to the next phase, graduate school. You will make a difference in this world. Love Mom, Dad, Matthew, and Simba.

MIRANDA DAMPIER
Thanks Mom and Dad!

ALEXI DE LA CRUZ
Cherish the little moments in life and continue to be the change you wish to see in the world.

SIERRA ENGLE
We are so proud of you, Sierra Engle!!!!!

ANDREA FAULKNER
Thank you, Regina and Rick Faulkner and Nate Woods, for supporting me through my doctorate. This was a journey that would have been so much harder without your support.

CONNIE GAYLOR
Thank you, Mom, Morganne, and Kelsey for all of your support the last 3 ½ years. We did it!

VICKY GERARDI
Thank you, Lisa! I love you. Without you, this would have never happened. You are my world!!

CAYLEY GINN
Cayley, I am so proud of you for all that you are and all that you do! Keep growing and creating yourself, and know that you make a difference in the world every single day. I love you!
Dan

PERILOU GODDARD
Congratulations, psychology graduates!

DAWN GRIFFITH
Without the support of my family and close friends, I wouldn’t be where I am today. Thank you, and I love you all.

TIFFANEY HARDY
Thanking God for my Bubz, my family, and friends for all of your loving support and encouragement throughout the years. Thank you to my mother and my Daddy in heaven for giving me the zeal and zest for higher education. With God, anything is possible!

SIERRA HAWKINS
My Love, I have always believed in you and I know you will achieve the best.

KRISTINA HELTON
Thank you sweet baby Jesus and my two sweet babies that always give me strength. Love you and thank you, Mamma and Daddy!

KAMAYA HENDERSON
The sky is the limit! Congrats, Maya! Mom

RACHEL HENRY
#LiveLikeJet

MEGAN HOUSE
“We do not need magic to change the world, we can carry all the power we need inside ourselves already.”
–JK Rowling

ELIZABETH (HUNT) HOWELL
Thank you to my family for being here today to celebrate this milestone with me! Your love and support has truly helped me see this through!

NICHOLAS JACKSON
Be extraordinary.

MARISA JOHNSON
You are braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think. Congrats!

SYLRETTA JONES
Congratulations! Love, Mom and Dad.

DOUGLAS KRULL
Congratulations! You did it! Go forth and use your powers for good.
CECILE MARCZINSKI
Psychology graduates, we are very proud of you!

ERIN MAXWELL
“Every person you meet knows something you don’t; learn from them.”
–H. Jackson Brown, Jr.

TIANA NWAISSER
Shout out to my Mom and Dad and all of those that got me through college. Ryan, Mike, Dylan, Tyler, and Bustune, I do it for y’all. ALL LOVE! NWAISSER INC. for life, baby!

CRISTIN OAKLEY
Thank you NKU for giving me a wonderful college experience and memories that will last a lifetime. Thank you to my family and friends for your love and support, I would not be here without you.

NICOLE PRANGER
It always seems impossible until it’s done.

SHELBY RUSH
We are proud of you and excited for you!

BRITTNEY SANDLIN
You declared at age five that you wanted to be a doctor and help children. You worked, excelled, and met your goals in life, and all at 30 years old. Congratulations, we are so very proud of you. Love, Mom and Dad.

SAMANTHA SIEMER
Thank you to my family and friends for all their support. I also want to thank my Pawpaw, Mawmaw and Mom for their help and encouragement. Lastly, my dog, Oakley, for always being by my side.

BRYAN SISK
Thank you Trina, Hannah, Luke and Samuel for your support. You are my rock, motivation and fuel for everything I do. I love you all with all my heart :)!!!

JEFFREY SMITH
34 years, four universities, one degree, finally! What a long, strange trip it’s been!

DANIELLE TURNER
Your world is like a blank canvas, paint your world one stroke at a time.

BRYAN UNDERWOOD
Thank you NKU FSL Community!

JASMINE VANCE
There are so many beautiful reasons to be happy.

KIMBERLY VANCE
Thank you NKU FSL Community!

KALIF VAUGHN
Way to go!!

TIFFANY WENDLING
Thank you for your love and support through this intense year. Looking forward to more time together. All my love.

TIFFANY DAWN WENDLING
Congratulations on your Master’s degree from your loved ones in Heaven, especially Adam, Janice, your Daddy Dan and Steve.

GRAYSON YADEN
I could not have gotten through college without all my amazing professors who pushed me to be the best that I can be. I’d also like to thank my family. I love you to the moon and back. Mom and Dad, this is for you.
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hearts of women, men and youth.
Help us seek the higher virtues,
guide us to the greater truth.
Northern, Northern, alma mater,
may our lives enrich your name.
And in time leave us, your children,
better far than when we came.

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