

MONROE COUNTY
COMMUNITY COLLEGE



2022



APRIL 29, 2022

Six o'clock in the evening





THE TRUSTEES OF THE COLLEGE

Lynette M. Dowler

Chair

Aaron N. Mason

Vice Chair

Krista K. Lambrix

Secretary

William T. Bruck

Trustee

Florence M. Buchanan

Trustee

Steven Hill

Trustee

Mary Kay Thayer

Trustee



EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

Dr. Kojo A. Quartey *President*

Suzanne M. Wetzel *Vice President of Administration*

Dr. Grace B. Yackee *Vice President of Instruction*

Dr. Scott Behrens *Vice President of Enrollment Management
and Student Success*

MARSHALS FOR THE CEREMONY

Kevin Thomas *Honorary Grand Marshal*

Matt Bird-Meyer *Faculty Marshal*

Dr. Scott Behrens *Student Marshal*

Dr. Grace B. Yackee *Platform Party Marshal and
Mistress of Ceremonies*

*The ceremonial mace carried by the Honorary Grand Marshal
was donated by River Raisin Wood Carvers.*



THE ORDER

Vice President Dr. Grace B. Yackee, Presiding

Processional

*“Fanfare and Processional”
also known as “Pomp and Circumstance”
by Edward Elgar*

*The College/Community Symphony Band
Mark Felder, Conductor*

Introduction of Platform Party

Vice President Dr. Grace B. Yackee

Honorary Grand Marshal

Kevin Thomas

Keynote Speaker

Congressman Tim Walberg

Introduction of Speakers

Mark Bergmooser

Student Address

*Levi Couch
Presley Bergmooser*

Alumnus of the Year

*Julie Beste-Waltz
Class of 2016*



Choral Selections

“Ad Astra”
Jacob Naverud

The Agora Chorale
Catherine Brodie, Conductor
Alyce Sangster, Accompanist

Conferring of Degrees

President Dr. Kojo A. Quartey

The candidates will be presented by
Vice President Dr. Grace B. Yackee

Names of candidates will be read by
Kathleen Shepherd

Recessional

“Fanfare and Recessional”
by James Ployhar

The College/Community Symphony Band
Mark Felder, Conductor



GRADUATION CANDIDATES

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE

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| * Brendonn Jadd Acre | Jennifer R. Campbell |
| Drew T. Adkins | Tayah Danielle Carmon |
| Hannah Alexander | Kyle M. Carney |
| Andrew T. Alverman | Megan N. Charter |
| ** Abigail P. Armstrong | Robert Anthony Cicero |
| Joey M. Arrowood | ** John C. Clark |
| *** Tanner Dale Assenmacher | Brandon J. Clegg |
| Joelle R. Auer | Jacob Cociuba |
| Christopher K. Ball | Benjamin D. Comstock |
| ** Kyle William Bartram | *** Soraya Corcoran |
| * Victoria P. Bates | Janay A. Cordrey |
| Taylor R. Bathgate | Easton C. Cox |
| Ashley J. Berry | * Spencer M. Curcillo |
| Ireland Bint | Brendan Czekaj |
| Michelle R. Bodary | Aaron D. Czesak |
| *** Cynthia A. Bogusky | Constance V. Dancho |
| ** Barbara J. Boone | Rheanna M. Dean |
| * Dylan L. Boone | * Karalee R. DeLormier |
| Tamara C. Branche | Martha J. Denniss |
| ** Cecily Anne Bressler | Lucas R. Diekman |
| * Maria Brill | Melissa D. Doss |
| * Maria J. Brinkey | Quentin Alfred Draftz III |
| Kasidy C. Brooks | Grace Drewior |
| Ruth Brown | Faith Nichole Drummonds |
| Nicholas J. Bunch | Brynn E. Duvall |
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Cassandra Eby	Lillian J. Howard
Riley V. Eby	Gabrielle N. Hurley
Joseph G. Flaherty	*** Jessica M. Hutson
Brendan M. Flowers	Eunice L. Iacoban
Kari Lynn Foster	Tara R. Irwin
Nicholas Fowler	Christina M. Thetford
Nicholas George Frederick	Deborah Lee Jagotka
Donald L. Fredricks Jr.	*** Tracey L. Jarrett
Hanna Marie Gee	Melissa M. Jewell
Stephanie Gillies	** Breanna J. Jewell
Brittany J. Good	Kelsie Ray Johnson
*** Tyler T. Gordon	Cassidy N. Johnson
Shirley M. Green	Jeffery Walter Karas
Brittany O. Griffin	Alicia A. Kibler
Tashara M. Hall	** Samuel Christopher Kinsey
Nicole K. Harbison	* Cassandra B. Krott
Kayleigh M. Heckel	Christy Lawrence Kouemo Ngomssu
Mariah R. Hempel	Angela Stephanie Kruzal
Charity S. Hendrix	Brooke M. Kuehnlein
Haley R. Herrera	** Stephen R. Kuhl
Chase David Roy Hill	McKenzie Lambert
* Emily A. Hintz	* Michael A. Lambert
Jordyn M. Hodge	Alexia R. Langton
** Mairisa S. Hogan	Baillie A. Leach
Abigail L. Hosler	** Ashley N. LeBlanc

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Associate of Applied Science – *continued*

Robert Shawn LeFevre	Kayla C. Parrish
Taylor M. Lehmann	Chelsea M. Peterson
Tyler M. Luszczi	* David J. Pienta
Lydia S. Maloney	** Sarah Elizabeth Pierce
Shelby Lynne Marietta	Claire J. Pilz
* Alayalyn Joy Marlow-Jackson	Ryan R. Pittman Jr.
Niki N. Martin	Allison C. Pletz
Jessica L. Marusza	Zachary Edward Prange
Hayley N. Masserant	Shaelynn A. Pridemore
Jessica L. Mazur	Charles R. Reed Jr.
Wyatt L. McCloud	Emily E. Reeves
* Jean M. McManaway	* Jenna P. Reiber
*** Devon L. Messer	Chantel M. Robertson
Karl R. Mierzwiak	Cayla E. Rose
*** Samuel J. Mohn	George J. Salenbien
Mackenzie E. Morelli	Aubrey Ryan Salkeld
* Whitney Marie Morgan	Shannon R. Sample
Courtney P. Morris	Hannah F. Sautter
Zachary A. Morse	Sara N. Scharf
Cole Mullins	Kristen M. Scheer
*** Kylee R. Murphy	Carlee M. Scherer
Jacob Hazen Myers III	Matthew V. Schneider
** Allison L. Nafziger	Dayna Rochele Schultz
* Dana Niemi	Maegan E. Zimmanck
** Jordan Bree'anna Paga	Ryan L. Schuster



Zoie O. Serwa	Jordyn H. Willis
Rheanna C. Simmons	Emilee E. Windels
Nicholas A. Smith	* Hunter T. Winters
Noah R. Smith	Katherine E. Wlodarski
Nicholas Snyder	John L. Wright
Zusha S. Sorenson	Kelly M. Wurtzbacher
Kevin St. Bernard	Mario Z. Chambers
* Adara K. Butts	** Angela R. Gray
Ashley De'Shay Stevenson	Noah M. Harrington
Donald W. Stewart	*** Laura L. Johncheck
Jackson E. Strube	Kyle Anthony Moretti
** Jaylynn Rae Struth	*** Corey M. Pierce
* Chloe L. Suydam	* Gary A. Richter Jr.
Kalani B. Sweat	Hannah Marie Rohmer
Meghan C. Tarrant	*** Jacob Sadowyj
** Jacob G. Thompson	Madison P. York
Alliyah Trim	
Christina L. Vail	
Brandon S. Webb	
Laurel E. Webb	
Hunter M. Wheeler	
Hayley M. Wheeler	
** Olivia L. Widener	
* Billy Williams	
* Hailey A. Willis	



ASSOCIATE OF ARTS

Cierra C. Cote

ASSOCIATE OF FINE ARTS

Emily Gibson

Ramona E. Hoefler





ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

Leela A. Abrams	Jade N. Coombe
Rachel L. Ackerman	** Robert Levi Couch
Kayleigh Amanda Adams	** Louis Patrick Cousino
Ashton E. Allen	Kimberly A. Cramer
Tristen J. Ansel	Danielle E. Czech
Claire I. Bacarella	Emily R. Darga
* Breaahna Bally	Madelene DeSloover
Natalie N. Barnett	JuQuita R. Dickerson
Eva A. Barno	** Jenna S. Diekman
Cyanna J. Baumann	Melissa D. Doss
*** Presley F. Bergmooser	Melodie A. Doty
Breanna L. Birkenhier	Makenzie A. Dove
Nyah Norrell Blade	Olivia N. Dowler
Alexis D. Blevins	Madyson J. Drouillard
** Barbara J. Boone	Lauren M. Durocher
Mason J. Brahaney	Evan Earnest
Cristian Shayne Britten	* Rylie A. Etts
* Meghan R. Brochu	Emma C. Favreau
Liam A. Brodie	Jordan A. Finley
Olivya B. Brodie	** Kurtis Michael Forrest
Allison M. Bucher	Bobbi L. Foster
** Delaney Ann Burkett	Camren J. Fountain
* Natalie Margaret Burkheiser	* Brant D. Georgia
*** Kaylee T. Busenbark	Shane P. Gessner
Paige Lynn Butkin	Natalie R. Giles
Lindsay M. Christunas	** Sydney J. Gubka

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Associate of Science – *continued*

Craig R. Hammond	** Jamie L. LaRee
** Ethan V. Harper	Megan D. LaRoy
Candice E. Helberg	* Nick E. Link
*** Joseph Benjamin Hendricks	** Thomas Evan Longnecker
Haily M. Henry	Joel C. Luallen II
Owen Heuker	Cayleigh E. MacDonald
** Taylor M. Hill	Cassandra Maloziec
April L. Howard	Alexzander T. Maniaci
Landon R. Hunter	Nicholas H. Manor
Chloe Mary Hutchison	Teresa Marie March
* Asaad Ijaz	* Emma Jean Marion
Emma M. Johnson	Lilia Markus
Valentina M. Johnson	Madeleine Matthews
Anthony Juhasz	Jordan R. McClure
* Claudia Kane	James McGarry
*** Kaylee R. Kazimer	Elizabeth L. Mcnett
Alyssa I. Keller	Arianna McNew
* Arianna Rain Kelley	* Zoe Alyssa Messer
Savannah Marie Kidd	Julianna E. Metdepenningen
Carley M. Kish	** Brendan Metz
Stephen M. Kovacevich	** Eric D. Michels
* Isabella Jewel Kula	Delilah M. Miles
** Sydney E. LaBell	Hillary Ann Mohr
Alicia L. Laderach	Lauryn E. Moore
Jessica M. Lake	*** John H. Morningstar
*** Melissa Anne Lang	Jordan D. Nadeau



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| ** Kevin M. Payne | *** Leighton K. Schneeman |
| McCarty Daniel Petticrew | Zachary Joseph Schroeder |
| *** Kimberly Ann Phillips | Nicole R. Schultz |
| * Brady James Pitcher | Halie M. Self-Croley |
| Ryan R. Pittman Jr. | Ian M. Senio |
| *** Allyson F. Pitts | Zoie O. Serwa |
| Joseph A. Prestia | * Jessica K. Sisk |
| Joseph N. Qualey | Mercedes A. Slaughterbeck |
| Levi M. Rankin | Elise A. Spears |
| Tabitha M. Redmon | * Alyssa A. Stadler |
| Emily K. Reinhart | Jessica M. Stamper |
| Kiley M. Remnant | Mikayla Sue Stanifer |
| Jocelyn R. Rickert | *** Marah Averie Struth |
| Carolina G. Rios | Lauren K. Strychar |
| Dane Michael Roberts | * Lila R. Strychar |
| Rena L. Roberts | Logan C. Swain |
| Amber Robinson | Jeron J. Takacs |
| Zachary N. Rodey | Colette T. Tibai |
| Victor E. Rodriguez | Madyson M. Twork |
| Autumn M. Root | ** JoHannah M. Updike |
| * Grace Elisabeth Ruman | Kendyl M. Villarreal |
| ** Arissa E. Rousseau | Fiona B. Vogt |
| *** Ella P. Ryan | Victoria A. Volante |
| *** Sarah Patricia Salewske | Meygan Nikole Wagner |
| ** Hailey Anne Salter | Rex Wagner |
| Kasen P. Saul | Sierra Renee Warner |

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Associate of Science – *continued*

David A. Watkins
Julia Francesca Webb
Weston B. Webb
*** Lauren N. Werlinger
Connor G. Willis
Aaron S. Wingate
* Aaron Mason Wright
Brianna D. Yokom
Andrew Joseph Young
McKenzie Ann Zanger
*** Olivia Zorn



An asterisk(s) indicates tentative graduation with honors. Students who maintain a 3.5 overall average or higher upon graduation are awarded graduation honors at commencement. As grades are not available in time for the ceremony, honors in the commencement program are based on the cumulative GPA at the end of the term preceding graduation. Graduation with honors is, however, placed on the transcript and the diploma using the GPA upon completion of the requirements for the degree.

CONGRATULATIONS!

- * 3.5 - 3.699 *Cum Laude*
- ** 3.7 - 3.899 *Magna Cum Laude*
- *** 3.9 - 4.000 *Summa Cum Laude*

Military veterans and active duty personnel will be wearing a special recognition pin in honor of their service to our country.



ON CAPS, GOWNS, AND HOODS

One of the most colorful features of an academic procession is the appearance of the graduates, the faculty, members of the governing board, and guests of the college in full academic costume. These caps, gowns, and hoods have long histories and their patterns and colors have special significance.

The gown recalls the time when all students in centers of higher learning were clerics, that is, members of the clergy, and therefore wore garments which the Church considered proper for them.

The custom of wearing a cap comes from the Roman usage of conferring upon slaves the right to wear a cap when they were granted their freedom. At Scottish universities, such as St. Andrews, doctors are created by a ceremony called "capping" in which caps are placed upon their heads. The Oxford or "mortarboard" cap worn today is thought to be a combination of the close fitting cap worn indoors by the scholars of the Middle Ages and the soft square biretta worn out of doors. The tuft on the early cap has been replaced by a colored tassel which may signify the discipline granting the degree.

In modern universities, the distinctive mark of a degree is the hood which, in its earliest form, was simply an article of wearing apparel. Since the churches and lecture halls of European universities were cold, drafty places, scholars wore their hood as head coverings, attached to a cape or worn separately.

American institutions, unlike those of England and Europe, have adopted a standard code of academic costume. The design of the gown, the color of the tassel on the cap, and the pattern, length, and colors of the hood all have special significance.

Both the associate and bachelor gowns are closed at the throat and have long, pointed sleeves. The master's gown has oblong sleeves, open at the wrist, tapering at the back in a square cut which ends in an arc cutaway. The doctor's gown is faced with velvet and has bell-shaped sleeves. Each sleeve carries three bars of velvet, or chevrons.

The most colorful part of the costume is the hood. The color of the velvet trim indicates discipline of learning which granted the degree and the width corresponds to the level of the degree. The lining, or area inside the velvet, is the school colors of the college or university awarding the degree.





HOOD COLORS

*The following is a list of colors which represent
the different disciplines of learning.*

Accountancy	Tan
Architecture	Blue Violet
Business Administration	Tan
Communication	Crimson
Economics	Copper
Education	Light Blue
Engineering	Orange
English	White
Guidance and Counseling	Light Blue
History	White
Humanities	White
Journalism	Crimson
Law	Purple
Library Science	Lemon
Medicine	Kelly Green
Music	Pink
Nursing	Apricot
Philosophy	Dark Blue
Physical Education	Sage Green
Public Administration	Peacock Blue
Public Health	Salmon Pink
Social Science	Citron
Social Work	Citron
Sociology	White
Speech	Silver Gray
Technology	Orange





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ALMA MATER

Friends who care, who understand,
Rejoice in strength and unity.
Growth and joy go hand in hand,
The college of Monroe Community.

Like the young tree of the field,
Forever increasing in its size,
Striving to form students
Who are not just smart, but wise.

Frosty footprints in the snow,
Trails across a dew-clad lawn,
Foreshadow those who have yet to come,
Reflect on those who have come and gone.

People who care will try to help,
For it's the future that they sow.
There is offered much more than knowledge
At the college, in Monroe.

by Stihler and Metz





“The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character - that is the goal of true education.”

~ Martin Luther King, Jr.

Congratulations 2022 Graduates, Friends and Family!

We are proud of your success and welcome you to the Alumni Family here at MCCC. As you embark on your next journey, make sure you stay connected with us.

For information on the Alumni Association, benefits and social media, go to www.monroeccc.edu/alumni or friend us on Facebook at Monroe County Community College Alumni Association. We hope that this is just the beginning of a new adventure for you!

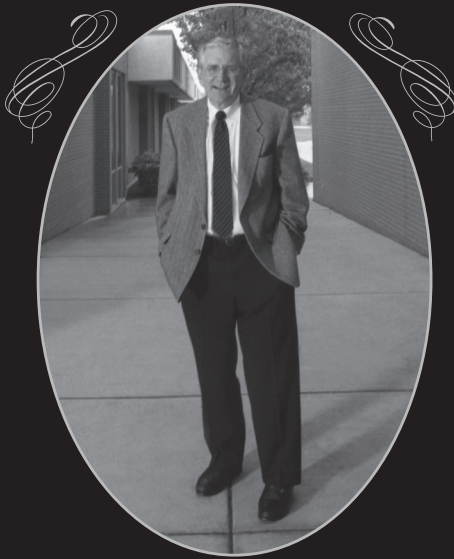


In Memoriam

Gerald Welch

1934-2022

*Educator and visionary leader who guided MCCC
for 14 years as its second president*



“I believe the purpose of education is threefold and comprehensive; it is to enable the individual to develop and realize his or her potential personally, economically, and politically. Through education the individual expands his knowledge, augments his ability to learn and to master, identifies his talents and interests, and cultivates his aesthetic sensibilities. Such an individual becomes a more sensitive and accomplished human being, and for that individual the world becomes a more interesting and meaningful place. Life itself takes on more value.”

Gerald Welch, 1986
