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Reception to follow Convocation in Shepherd University Wellness Center

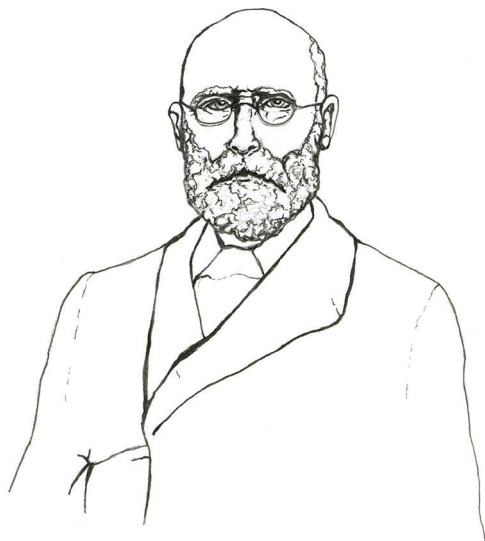
Presented by

The Faculty Senate
Scholarship and Awards Committee

Mary J.C. Hendrix, Ph.D.
President

Christopher Ames, Ph.D.
Provost

Joseph McMurrin
First Principal of Shepherd College
1871-1882



The McMurrin Scholar Award

The highest academic honor granted by Shepherd University, the McMurrin Scholar Award, was conceived in 1961 by Professor Kenneth Riley, who served on the first Honors Committee, along with Librarian John Main and Dean of Students O. L. Harry. McMurrin Scholars must complete a minimum of 92 semester hours, maintain a minimum 3.86 grade point average, complete two consecutive semesters of study at Shepherd, and be nominated by at least three faculty members. Nominees must then be approved by the entire Shepherd University faculty.

ACADEMIC HONORS CONVOCATION

Processional

Shepherd University Brass Quintet

Faculty Convener

Dr. Christopher Ames, Provost

Welcome

President Mary J.C. Hendrix '74

The Star-Spangled Banner

Ms. Hannah Wardell

Presentation of Outstanding Teacher, Scholarship, Service, and Advisor Awards and Recognition of the Storer College Faculty Award Winner

Dr. Laura Renninger, Dean of Teaching and Learning
Provost Ames

McMurrin Scholars Association Awards

Daniel L. Herr '78 and Garland H. Ott '62

Introduction of the Speaker

Provost Ames

McMurrin Address: The Last Lecture Series

Dr. Douglas C. Horner
Professor of Social Work

Presentation of the 2016 Joseph McMurrin Scholars

Prof. Cindy Vance, Accounting

Dr. David Wing, Biology

Dr. Kathleen Corpus, Business Administration and Family and Consumer Sciences

Dr. Robert Warburton, Chemistry

Dr. Osman Guzide, Computer Science, Mathematics, and Engineering

Prof. Sonya Evanisko, Contemporary Art and Theater

Dr. Rebecca Mercado, Education

Dr. Timothy K. Nixon, English and Modern Languages

Dr. Stacey Kendig, Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Sport

Dr. Keith Alexander, History

Dr. Peter Vila, Institute of Environmental and Physical Sciences

Dr. Robert Tudor, Music

Dr. Joseph Robbins, Political Science

Dr. Lindsey Levitan, Psychology

Dr. Chiquita Howard-Bostic, Sociology

Recognition of Special Guests

President Hendrix

Alma Mater

Ms. Wardell

Recessional

Shepherd University Brass Quintet

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Devin Torbidoni, trumpet
Faith Kirschling, trumpet
Ashleigh Stottlemeyer, horn
Kevin Grega, trombone
Anthony Makusky, tuba

Shepherd University Music Major

Hannah Wardell, vocalist

Shepherd University Alma Mater

1.

Close beside Potomac waters
Of historic fame,
Stands our noble Alma Mater
Glorious her name.

2.

Nestled in a quiet hamlet
'Neath the azure blue
Sends she forth her sons and daughters
Loyal, loving, true.

3.

Fondly in our memory resting
Happy, gladsome days
Still to thee, dear Alma Mater
Offer we our praise.

Chorus

Lift the chorus, speed it onward
Loud her praises ring,
Hail to thee beloved Shepherd
Hail, all hail, we sing.

The Joseph McMurrin Scholars

Inducted 2016

David Jose Bennett
Lindsey Leigh Bent
Ashtyn Victoria Bittle
Blair Anne Boscolo
Jamin Jeshaiiah Branch
Lisa Andrea Carden-Watson
Allison Church
Stephanie Ann Deal
Joshua G. Franklin
Kevin Carlos Gilbert
Christiana Mae Hess
Margaret Rose Langland
Chelsea L. McCormick
Timmy T. Nguyen
Kira Christine Northrop
Aaron Donald Leroy Obitts
Kayla Elizabeth Piechowiak
Amanda Chelsea Ray
Chase Andrew Remsburg
Jacob Charles Rockwell
Alexandra Shea Rosle
Michael Lawrence Rouse
Lakyn Renee Sanders
Courtney Schwiegerath
Allison Paige Shifflett
Daniel Bernard Sweeney
Emily Danielle Toms
Justin Marshall Tyree
Hannah Marie Wardell
Jade McKenzie Weaver
Skylar Marie White
Joseph Charles Wickline

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Accounting

Presented by Professor Cindy Vance

DANIEL B. SWEENEY, son of Daniel and Tommie Sweeney of Inwood, graduated summa cum laude from Hedgesville High School. In addition to being a member of the National Honor Society in high school, he has been on the Dean's List every semester at Shepherd. Daniel is a double major in accounting and business administration with a concentration in management. Daniel is an active member and treasurer of the Shepherd University Accounting Club. After graduating from Shepherd, Daniel plans to obtain the Certified Public Accountant (CPA) certification and pursue an accounting career as a licensed CPA.

• *Submitted by Cindy Vance, CPA*

SKYLAR M. WHITE, daughter of Richard White and Sheryl Gray of Charles Town, graduated from Washington High School. Skylar is a member of Phi Kappa Phi honor society and the recipient of the following awards: West Virginia Promise Scholarship, United National Bank Scholarship, Carl and Susan Rauch Business Scholarship, and the Roach Oil Company Scholarship. She is currently working as an accounting intern at Decker & Company, PLLC in Martinsburg. After graduating from Shepherd, Skylar plans to obtain the Certified Public Accountant (CPA) certification and pursue an accounting career in corporate accounting in the Washington metropolitan area.

• *Submitted by Cindy Vance, CPA*

Biology

Presented by Dr. David Wing

JOSHUA G. FRANKLIN was raised by Dr. Bini George and Dr. Manoj Franklin in the Greenbelt, Maryland, area. He graduated from Eleanor Roosevelt High School in 2014. He enrolled at Shepherd University in 2014 and has rapidly progressed through the biology program while also completing a minor in chemistry. The West Virginia University School of Medicine recognized Joshua as an up and coming young scholar, and he joined WVU's MedStep program. Joshua recognizes the importance of scholarly work; he has completed one summer of research at WVU and is looking forward to a second this coming summer. Once he has his Bachelor of Science degree, he will attend WVU School of Medicine.

• *Submitted by David B. Wing, Ph.D.*

TIMMY THANH NGUYEN is the son of Thanh and Therese Nguyen of Martinsburg, where he attended Martinsburg High School. Even while maintaining the academic excellence required of a McMurrin Scholar and Phi Kappa Phi member in a challenging biology, chemistry, and pre-medical curriculum, Tim has been very involved

in service activities on campus, especially in science. Tim has served as a volunteer for the Seeding Your Future Conference, the West Virginia Academy of Science annual meeting, and the Campus Tree Inventory Project, and is very involved in Beta Beta Beta activities. Tim finds his time here to be full of noteworthy highlights, but says that the most memorable are the events the Shepherd community puts together for the students, such as the commuter breakfast/lunch, the “where’s the food” events, and many others. Following his graduation in May 2017, Tim plans to go on to medical school.

• *Submitted by David B. Wing, Ph.D.*

AMANDA CHELSEA RAY was raised in Seoul, South Korea, where she graduated from Seoul American High School in 2011. She and her mother, Kyong Hwa Ray, moved to the United States, and Amanda went on to complete two years of college at Hagerstown Community College from 2012 to 2014. She transferred to Shepherd University in August 2014 and is about to complete a major in biology with a minor in chemistry. She has a talent for conducting biological research and she pushed herself to find new research projects here at Shepherd. She completed two summers of research at the National Institutes of Health looking at the retina light detection system. Upon graduation from Shepherd, she will continue her research at the same laboratory in the NIH. After gaining more experience in the field, she will enter a program to earn a doctorate in biology.

• *Submitted by David B. Wing, Ph.D.*

LAKYN RENEE SANDERS graduated from Clear Spring High School, Maryland, in 2010. She was raised by Rodney Dom and Lori Dom. She worked at the U.S. Geological Survey laboratories in Leetown while completing courses at Hagerstown Community College. She first enrolled at Shepherd University in 2014, and she will complete a major in biology and a minor in chemistry. One of the first courses she took at Shepherd was Genetics, and her academic skills and abilities brought her to a final grade of A+ in a class of 55. She has continued to earn top grades in the department and upon graduation she expects to continue her studies in genetics and earn a master’s or doctorate in the field.

• *Submitted by David B. Wing, Ph.D.*

Business Administration and Family and Consumer Sciences

Presented by Dr. Kathleen Corpus

MICHAEL L. (MYKIE) ROUSE is the son of Carol and Bryan Travis and the late John Wilson. He was born in Canton, Ohio, where he graduated in 1990 from McKinley Senior High School. Mykie joined the U.S. Navy that same year and served until 1994. He re-enlisted in 1995, serving another 17 years, and retiring as a chief petty officer in April 2012. During his 21 years of naval service he was stationed in several cities along the U.S. Eastern seaboard as well as Italy, England, Japan, and the Island of Diego Garcia. Mykie originally came to Shepherd University as a political science major and a history minor, but switched to business administration, which he felt

was a “better fit” for his background and career goals. Mykie maintains a stellar academic record, which is unrivaled in the Shepherd business administration program, and he was inducted into Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society in 2015, which places him among the top students nationally. Being civic-minded, Mykie recently combined his passion for human resource management and history by participating in the Shepherdstown Civil War Christmas project. Mykie’s future plans include beginning his civilian career and eventually continuing his education at the graduate level.

• *Submitted by Kathleen Corpus, Ph.D.*

Chemistry

Presented by Dr. Robert Warburton

LINDSEY BENT, the daughter of Donna and Russell Bent, came to Shepherd in 2013 after graduating as a homeschooler. Lindsey will graduate in May with her B.S. in chemistry in the biochemistry concentration. While at Shepherd, Lindsey has been busy as a member of Tri-Beta National Biology Society and has been elected as a member of Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society. Lindsey is a peer tutor in the Academic Support Center. In the summer of 2015, she participated in an NIH-research summer internship with the WV-INBRE Program in the laboratory of Dr. David Klinke at West Virginia University School of Medicine. Lindsey was involved in a project that generated modified cell lines for use in the study of Three-Dimensional Modeling of Cancer Immunobiology. She is currently continuing that research in the lab of Dr. Warburton. A keen horsewoman and active in her church, Lindsey is a great example of a student of a liberal arts education. After graduation Lindsey plans on pursuing a master’s in anesthesiology in Florida. Ultimately, Lindsey plans to begin a branch of the “Bent Academy” and to homeschool her own children.

• *Submitted by Robert J. Warburton, Ph.D.*

CHRISTIANA HESS is the daughter of Pamela and Christopher Hess and a graduate of Martinsburg High School. Active on campus, Christiana is a member of the Tri-Beta National Biology Society, a member of the National Honor Society, Phi Kappa Phi, Shepherd University Chemistry Club, and Rotaract. Christiana is a peer tutor in the Academic Support Center and for Shepherd’s FYEX course and has been a peer mentor to incoming first-year students as they transition to college life. Christiana looks beyond Shepherd through her participation in Shepherd’s Alternative Spring Break, journeying to North Carolina and New Jersey to volunteer for Habitat for Humanity. For her capstone, Christiana conducted research in the lab of Dr. Larry Grover at Marshall University School of Medicine sponsored by the NIH through the WV-INBRE Program. Christiana is next headed to WVU School of Pharmacy to pursue a doctorate. Christiana credits her parents as having a wonderful influence on her, always acting as her greatest supporters, cheering her on in whatever she wanted to do, and teaching her the value of hard work.

• *Submitted by Robert J. Warburton, Ph.D.*

Computer Science, Mathematics, and Engineering

Presented by Dr. Osman Guzide

KEVIN C. GILBERT is the son of Kevin B. Gilbert and Nancy Gilbert. Kevin graduated from Christian Liberty Academy in Arlington Heights, Illinois. During Kevin's time as a computer information science major at Shepherd, he has studied and researched in mathematics and computer science with great interest and the highest level of diligence. He has been one of the top students in the Department of Computer Science, Mathematics, and Engineering for the last few years. Besides excellent class performance, Kevin also successfully conducted a SOARS research project. He studied a large data set consisting of images of people's retina and wrote two algorithms that could extract blood vessels and spots from these images. He also tested and analyzed various points of data from retinal images as well as blood vessel and spot images. Kevin is a current recipient of the S-STEM scholarship due to his outstanding academic performance. Upon graduation from Shepherd, Kevin plans to begin his career in the field of computer science and apply his knowledge and skills to solve real-life problems.

• *Submitted by Dr. Zhijun Wang*

EMILY TOMS is the daughter of Douglas and Elaine Toms of Brunswick, Maryland, where Emily graduated from Brunswick High School. Throughout high school, Emily maintained a strong focus on teaching and academics. Emily graduated with honors and achieved AP credits in World History, Psychology, English Literature, and Statistics. Emily entered Shepherd University in the fall of 2012 as a mathematics education major. Emily has wanted to be a teacher for most of her life. She is one of the top students in the education program and maintains an outstanding mathematics GPA. Emily is involved in the Scarborough Library Advisory Board (SLAB) and is the recipient of the President's Scholarship, Carl K. Rauch Mathematics, Helen Cook Barrow, and West Virginia Space Grant scholarships. Upon graduation from Shepherd, Emily will begin her career as a mathematics teacher in Virginia. She plans to pursue a master's degree in curriculum and instruction through Shepherd University.

• *Submitted by K. Adams, Ed.D.*

Contemporary Art and Theater

Presented by Sonya Evanisko

MOLLY LANGLAND is the daughter of Ed and Pam Langland of Jefferson County. She graduated from Jefferson High School and came to Shepherd upon receiving the McCormick Scholarship, offered to a select few in the graduating class of Jefferson County. As a graphic design major at Shepherd, Molly has excelled in both art and design, achieving a 4.0 GPA throughout her college career due to her hard work, dedication, and true passion and love for the program. Last year, Molly won "Best Art" in the 39th edition of *Sans Merci*, the Shepherd University journal of literature and the visual arts, and is now the art editor. Along with being on the Dean's List for

the past six semesters, Molly also has received the Promise Scholarship, the Carl K. Rauch Endowed Scholarship for Fine Arts, and the C. Brown and Hazel M. Hendricks Scholarship. Molly is nothing but persistent, hard working, and always evolving into a stronger designer; we are honored to have her as a student.

• *Submitted by Shannon McCarthy, M.F.A.*

Education

Presented by Dr. Rebecca Mercado

ASHTYN BITTLE, daughter of John and Kimberly Bittle, is a Promise scholar and graduate of Hedgesville High. At Shepherd, she has been instrumental in the rejuvenation of Kappa Delta Pi Honor Society, which led to her selection for the Phoenix Award at the Biennial International Convocation. As treasurer of Kappa Delta Pi, she worked extensively with other officers to clean up the financial records required for good standing. She was also a vital part in planning initiation ceremonies, professional development, and community service that resulted in an increase in membership and two additional chapter awards. Ashtyn is known by both faculty and peers as “someone I can always count on.” When she sees a job that needs to be done, she does it quietly and without fanfare, which is one reason why we are excited to see her receive Shepherd’s highest award. Ashtyn has always loved to teach and learn. As a young child she would line up her dolls and conduct guided reading lessons with them. She is one of the few people we know who actually volunteers to grade papers. Ashtyn plans to teach in a West Virginia elementary school after completing student teaching, fall of 2016.

• *Submitted by LeAnn Johnson, Ph.D.*

STEPHANIE DEAL, daughter of Richard and Yocencia Deal, is a native of Shepherdstown and a graduate of Jefferson High School. Stephanie is an education major pursuing certification in elementary education with an added endorsement in PK-K. She plans to teach in a Head Start classroom when she graduates and eventually pursue a master’s degree, likely in special education. Stephanie has demonstrated exceptional skill throughout her coursework and field experiences. She approaches every task with thoughtfulness and care. During her early education field placements, she exhibited particular strengths building relationships with children, teaching with intentionality, modeling excellent self-regulation skills, and fostering critical thinking. She has a true gift for working with young children. Stephanie has made significant contributions to the campus community as a copy editor for *The Picket* and active officer of the Kappa Delta Pi Honor Society. She currently serves as the membership chair and historian, diligently documenting and celebrating chapter events and providing updates to KDP national headquarters. Stephanie is also a pen pal to a Ranson elementary student. Future students will be fortunate to have her as their teacher.

• *Submitted by Karin H. Spencer, Ed.D.*

CHELSEA MCCORMICK is the daughter of Dave and Tracie McCormick. A native of Shepherdstown, she graduated from Faith Christian Academy. Chelsea is an education major pursuing certification in elementary education with an added PK-K endorsement. She plans to teach kindergarten or first grade when she graduates and will return to school for a Master of Teaching degree. She is a diligent student with shining intelligence who will excel in any endeavor she chooses. Chelsea has demonstrated her many strengths in the classroom and in the field. She is a keen observer of children, detailed planner, careful listener, and reflective practitioner. She readily takes information from observations of children and feedback from peers and mentors to inform her practice. She is creative and willing to stretch outside the box. This semester Chelsea was chosen to serve as a leader for the Promise Neighborhood Initiative Baby & Me Playgroup. She adeptly plans and implements activities for young children and their parents and models facilitation of language and play skills. Chelsea also contributes to the community as a member of the Kappa Delta Pi Honor Society; she especially enjoyed being a pen pal to a local elementary school student.

• *Submitted by Karin H. Spencer, Ed.D.*

ALLISON SHIFFLETT, daughter of W.T. and Glenda Shifflett, graduated from James Wood High School in Winchester, Virginia. Allison has been on the Dean's List every semester since arriving at Shepherd and is a member of Kappa Delta Pi Education Honor Society and Phi Kappa Phi Interdisciplinary Honor Society. She demonstrates a strong commitment to education, which she attributes to her grandparents, who always encouraged her to attend college and strive for excellence. As a junior elementary education major, she is focusing on developing her knowledge and skills in campus classes and in field placement classrooms, but she still manages to reserve time to spend with her three young nieces. Once she has a teaching position, her career goals are to seek a master's degree and "make a difference in as many children's lives as I can."

• *Submitted by Rebecca Mercado, Ph.D.*

English and Modern Languages

Presented by Dr. Timothy K. Nixon

DAVID BENNETT, the son of John and Leah Bennett, was home-schooled and came to Shepherd after completing 15 hours of core curriculum courses at the Blue Ridge CTC. His academic interests span interdisciplinary fields. He perceives literary criticism and terrorism research as complementary ways of reading and analyzing the world. In his view: "The nuance and close analysis of literary theory is particularly useful when attempting to understand events as complex and unwieldy as terrorist attacks." A soft-spoken and modest individual, David is not shy. Rather, he reserves his intellectual power for maximum effect, combining innate nobility and a self-deprecating sense of humor. He credits his involvement with the debate team as a valuable experience not only in terms of public speaking but also in "constructing arguments and thinking on the fly." He notes that his Panamanian heritage is very important to him, particularly the history of political activism and artistic creation among his

grandfather and other relatives. His favorite aspects of Shepherd include: “the town, and the communal atmosphere, as well as the approachability and knowledge of our professors.” But he expresses regret that the university lacks a department of philosophy. He plans to attend graduate school, with a focus on comparative literature and/or international studies. The Department of English and Modern Languages is proud to have him represent us as a McMurrin Scholar.

• *Submitted by James A. Lewin, Ph.D.*

JUSTIN M. TYREE, the son of James and Debra Tyree and the brother of Casey Tyree Horner (a Shepherd alumna and 2008 McMurrin Scholar herself), is a graduate of Hampshire High School in Romney. Justin has maintained a perfect 4.0 grade point average at Shepherd, while being actively involved with both Sigma Tau Delta, the English honor society, and Kappa Delta Pi, the education honor society. In addition, Justin has been on the leadership team of the Common Ground Christian Club. In all of his classes and in his daily interactions with faculty and peers at Shepherd, Justin has distinguished himself by his conscientiousness, his discipline, his rectitude, and his intellect. His plans are to begin a master’s program at Southeastern Baptist Seminary in the fall, and those of us who have had the opportunity to have this fine young man in class have no doubts about his success in that next phase of life.

• *Submitted by Timothy K. Nixon, Ph.D.*

Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Sport

Presented by Dr. Stacey Kendig

KIRA NORTHPROP is from Shady Side, Maryland, and is the daughter of Bree and Topher Northrop. She graduated from Southern High School and came to Shepherd in 2013. Kira is a recreation and sport studies major with a concentration in sport communication and prides herself with being involved in every aspect of the Shepherd University experience. She is on the Shepherd Debate and Forensics Team, is vice president of the Shepherd Scene Stealers, and is an active voice for both the Shepherdstown and Applemen radio stations. She has had leads in multiple musicals during her college career including *Spring Awakening*, *Little Women*, and *Urinetown*. In addition, Kira has been a part of Shepherd’s Honors Program. Upon graduation, Kira plans to seek employment in the sport broadcasting field. She would like to send a special thanks to her loving and supportive family and to our great Shepherd University HPERS faculty.

• *Submitted by Andro Barnett, Ph.D.*

JACOB ROCKWELL is from Boonsboro, Maryland, and is the son of Chip and Beth Rockwell. He graduated from Boonsboro High School and joined the Shepherd community in 2014. He is a recreation and sport studies major with a concentration in public recreation and park administration. In addition to his outstanding academic achievement, Jacob serves local youth at his current internship position with the Boys and Girls Club of Washington County, Maryland. In recent years, Jacob has been actively involved as a volunteer for Hospice of Washington County, as well as

his childhood summer camp, Mar-Lu Ridge. Prior to attending Shepherd University, Jacob spent a year serving with Youth Encounter, a nonprofit organization based in St. Paul, Minnesota. Since attending Shepherd, Jacob has also been the recipient of the Dr. Vince Gonino Scholarship. He is a dynamic and creative individual and has achieved academically at the highest level. He hopes one day to be the director of a summer camp and is passionate about the opportunities that these institutions can provide young people. Jacob would like to thank those closest to him: his family and friends (Mom, Dad, Rebecca, Paige, Michael, and Karl) for their continued love and support.

• *Submitted by Greg Place, Ph.D.*

COURTNEY SCHWIEGERATH is from Frederick, Maryland. She is the daughter of Tom and Amy Schwiegerath. After graduating from Oakdale High School in the spring of 2013, Courtney joined the Shepherd community and Shepherd woman's lacrosse team. After her first lacrosse season, Courtney earned Independent Conference All Freshman Team and Second Team Honors. After her second season, Courtney was selected to be a team captain and had the privilege of representing Shepherd on a select travel lacrosse team that traveled to Germany and the Czech Republic. Since Courtney's freshman year, she has been a member of the Shepherd Honors Program and the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC). Courtney's future plans include graduating from Shepherd with a degree in sports marketing, pursuing an M.B.A., coaching collegiate lacrosse, and becoming a college professor.

• *Submitted by Stacey Kendig, Ph.D.*

History

Presented by Dr. Keith Alexander

ALLISON CHURCH is the daughter of Greg and Cathy Church of Parkersburg. She graduated from Parkersburg South High School in 2012. Allison brought to every class a lively intelligence and a remarkable work ethic, which shows in her list of impressive accomplishments at Shepherd. She majored in history with a concentration in historic preservation and a minor in Appalachian studies. Allison served as an intern with Christine Toms in the Shepherd University Archives in Scarborough Library. In 2014, Allison received a prestigious summer position at George Washington's Mount Vernon. She spent the summer of 2015 in New Orleans working with the Vieux Carré Commission, where she was inspired to research local connections to French and American approaches to historic preservation. She developed this research into a very successful senior capstone project. She also served as president of Phi Alpha Theta, the history honors society. Allison plans to attend the Savannah College of Art and Design, where she will pursue a master's degree in historic preservation.

• *Submitted by Keith Alexander, Ph.D.*

KAYLA PIECHOWIAK is the daughter of William and Carol Piechowiak and graduated from South Carroll High School in Sykesville, Maryland. From Kayla's first semester at Shepherd, what has made her stand out from her peers is her willingness to lead. In the classroom, in the Shepherd Honors Program, and across campus, Kayla is the kind of student who brings her best to every project and also gets the best out of those around her. For four years, Kayla has been our go-to student when we've needed to organize department events or have students actually embrace group work in a class. Kayla served as president of the history honor society, where she organized regional symposia and created a lively community for history majors. Her concentration is historic preservation and public history, and in the field she's worked on everything from gravestone restoration, to historic surveys of Shepherdstown homes, to exhibit design during an internship at the Baltimore Museum of Industry. She says that her family's love of history is what first drew her to it, and stories of their past helped her make a personal connection to the study of history. Her future plans include graduate work and a career in public history, where she hopes to help others find their own personal connections to history.

• *Submitted by Dr. Julia Sandy*

Institute of Environmental and Physical Sciences

Presented by Dr. Peter Vila

JOSEPH WICKLINE, son of Douglas and Lori Wickline, is a graduate of Greenbrier East High School. As an environmental studies student with a concentration in environmental engineering at Shepherd University, Joseph brought a strong work ethic and a positive, uplifting attitude to the program. Joseph is a Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society member, was awarded the Appalachian Leadership and Education Foundation (ALEF) Fellowship, and received the Shepherd University Class Excellence Award. In addition to his impeccable scholastic record, Joseph has been involved in several significant research experiences. At the West Virginia Conservation Agency, he conducted stream surveys utilizing geographical positioning surveying equipment and sampled streams for water quality to assess degree of impairment. At the National Resources Conservation Service he utilized surveying equipment and drafting software to calculate materials required in restoration work. At the West Virginia Division of Highways, he took samples and designed facility maps utilizing engineering software. After graduation, Joseph plans to attend an environmental engineering graduate school focusing on water resources engineering.

• *Submitted by Dr. Peter Vila*

Music

Presented by Dr. Robert Tudor

BLAIR BOSCOLO is the daughter of Martin and Dawn Boscolo. She is a junior at Shepherd University, and is majoring in music, with a double degree in music education and piano pedagogy. During her time at Shepherd, Blair has participated in RAM Band, Wind Ensemble, Jazz Ensembles, Piano Ensemble, Preparatory Orches-

tra, Symphonic Band, and Masterworks. She has also accompanied various choral ensembles, and teaches private piano lessons through Shepherd University's Preparatory Program. Blair is also a member of the Honor's Program at Shepherd. Blair is expected to graduate in the spring of 2017 and plans to pursue a teaching career at that time.

• *Submitted by Yu-Hsuan Liao, D.M.A.*

CHASE REMSBURG defines what it means to be an active and involved music major. Born and raised in Boonsboro, Maryland, music is in Chase's blood. As a member of his grandfather's band, he has opened for several famous country musicians including Trace Adkins, Brad Paisley, and The Oak Ridge Boys. Encouraged by these early experiences and with a desire to share music with others, Chase decided to pursue a degree in music education. As a student at Shepherd, Chase quickly rose as a leader among his peers. He was the field commander of the 2015 RAM Band, is principal saxophonist in all of the major ensembles at Shepherd, and is an officer in Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia. Most recently, Chase was one of only four saxophonists selected to perform with the United States Air Force Band as a part of its 2016 Collegiate Symposium. After completing his undergraduate work, Chase plans to attend graduate school to pursue a master's degree in saxophone performance or conducting.

• *Submitted by Kurtis Adams, D.M.A.*

ALEXANDRA ROSLE is the daughter of Dawn and Tom Rosle and is currently in her third year at Shepherd University. She attended Souderton Area High School and lives in Harleysville, Pennsylvania. As a vocal performance major at Shepherd, she has participated in RAM Band, Chamber Singers, Women's Camerata, and the Masterworks Chorale. She has been in the casts of *New Music*, a musical theater revue, the opera *Dido and Aeneas*, the fall 2015 *Opera Scenes*, and most recently in Shepherd's production of *Iolanthe* as Phyllis. In 2014, she was a soprano soloist in Handel's *Messiah*, and in 2015, she had the opportunity to perform in the Alba Music Festival in Alba, Italy. Ally is a proud member of Sigma Alpha Iota, International Music Fraternity, and is currently serving as the vice president of membership. After graduation next year, Ally plans to continue on to graduate studies in vocal performance.

• *Submitted by Robert W. Tudor, D.M.A.*

HANNAH WARDELL is a senior vocal performance major at Shepherd University. She is the daughter of Ron Wardell and Mary Goff. She grew up in Ellicott City, Maryland, where she attended Mount Hebron High School. During her time at Shepherd she has participated in numerous ensembles Shepherd University has to offer including Masterworks, Chamber Singers, Women's Camerata, and the RAM Band. Hannah has also participated in the operas and scenes programs while at Shepherd. Her roles include: Iolanthe in Gilbert and Sullivan's *Iolanthe*, Meg in Mark Adamo's *Little Women*, The Sorceress in Henry Purcell's *Dido and Aeneas*, La Cenerentola in Gioachino Rossini's *La Cenerentola*, as well as participating in the ensemble in Johann Strauss's *Die Fledermaus*. Outside of Shepherd University, Hannah has also participated in Cincinnati Conservatory's Summer Opera Studio for two consecutive years.

Following her graduation from Shepherd University this spring, Hannah will pursue her master's degree in vocal/opera performance.

• *Submitted by Robert W. Tudor, D.M.A.*

Political Science

Presented by Dr. Joseph Robbins

JAMIN BRANCH, a major in political science and minor in history, is the son of Ron and Terry Branch. After graduating from Wahama High School in 2012, Jamin enrolled at Shepherd University. Jamin is a high performing student and very engaged on campus. Along with being a resident assistant at the university dormitories, he has earned a 3.9 GPA, has been recognized on the Dean's List every semester of attendance, has served as senior and junior class president, and is a debate team senator. Jamin has also been invited to join the Pi Sigma Alpha national political science honor society and has served as the president and vice president of the local chapter. He is a member of the Phi Kappa Phi national academic honor society and the Phi Kappa Theta national debate honor society. Jamin also received the Bragaw Scholarship and the Louis Leonard Scholarship. In pursuing his ultimate dreams to be a lawyer for the NFL or NFL Players Association, as well as Supreme Court Justice, Jamin has also been a legal intern with attorney Brian Cromley.

• *Submitted by Jacob Stump, Ph.D.*

Psychology

Presented by Dr. Lindsey Levitan

JADE WEAVER is the daughter of Pam and Kevin Weaver. She graduated cum laude from Washington High School in Charles Town. Here at Shepherd, Jade is double majoring in psychology and sociology. Her academic work at Shepherd has been outstanding and, in recognition of that, she has been awarded the Moler General, Ella May Turner, Bruce M. Van Wyk, First in the Family, Henry and Edna Snyder, and the Shepherd University scholarships. Jade has also been inducted into both Phi Kappa Phi and Psi Chi (the national psychology honor society). Jade's accomplishments, however, are not limited to the classroom. She worked on a research project with Dr. Daily and took on most of the responsibility for presenting the results of that work at the 2016 meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association. Jade has served as president of Shepherd's Psi Chi Chapter, as president of the Psychology Club, and as captain of the Psychology Relay for Life team. In recognition of her strong leadership, Jade was recently awarded the Psychology Department's Student Leadership Award. Following graduation Jade plans to pursue a master's degree in social work at Florida State University.

• *Submitted by Larry Z. Daily, Ph.D.*

Sociology

Presented by Dr. Chiquita Howard-Bostic

LISA CARDEN-WATSON, daughter of James and Andrea Carden, is dedicated to community outreach, research, and service. She has led fundraising campaigns for the Shenandoah Women's Shelter, Camp Nabe, and Relay for Life. She also participated in the PIT Homelessness Count. Lisa is a member of Psi Chi, Tau Sigma, and Alpha Kappa Delta. She serves as president of both Alpha Kappa Delta Honor Society and the Sociology and Criminology Club. Lisa has participated in three faculty-led research projects exploring service learning, multiculturalism, and Title IX policies, and was a coordinator of the From Multiculturalism to Diversity workshop, all while maintaining a 4.0 GPA. In 2015, she received the Junior Class Scholarship Award. Her work is published in a peer-reviewed academic journal and she presented at three professional conferences. Lisa plans to attend law school specializing in human and civil rights and to continue studying social problems among underprivileged groups.

• *Presented by Chiquita Howard-Bostic, Ph.D.*

AARON OBITTS, son of Dawn and Tim Shoemaker, has resided in Martinsburg since 2000. He served as a firefighter at the Baker Heights Volunteer Fire Department for three years. In 2008, Aaron enlisted in the United States Army as an infantryman. He was stationed at Fort Carson in Colorado until he was deployed to Afghanistan in 2009. Following an injury and serving for three years, he received an honorable discharge. Aaron also received an A.A. in criminal justice with high honors at Blue Ridge CTC. He is a current member of five honor societies: Tau Sigma, Alpha Kappa Delta, Phi Kappa Phi, Phi Theta Kappa, and Psi Chi. Aaron plans to earn a master's degree in sociology and to pursue a career in law enforcement.

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The McMurren Convocation “Last Lecture”

The McMurren Convocation “Last Lecture” was established by the Shepherd University Senate in 2008 to honor an esteemed retiring or retired professor who has served the university and its students through the quality of his or her teaching, scholarship, and/or service to the campus and community. The “Last Lecture” is a unique opportunity to share with McMurren Scholars the wit and wisdom of the best in the higher education teaching profession, as well as an occasion to honor an extraordinary group of young scholars commencing their journey in the learned professions.

Douglas C. Horner, Ph.D. Professor of Social Work McMurren Convocation “Last Lecturer”

Dr. Douglas C. Horner, professor of social work, has served as the director of the social work program since 1999. Dr. Horner joined the Shepherd faculty in 1976 as an instructor after earning his M.S.W. from the University of Pittsburgh. He holds a baccalaureate degree in sociology from Indiana University of Pennsylvania and earned his Ph.D. in 1992 from the University of Maryland at Baltimore School of Social Work. His dissertation was titled “Selected Factors Affecting the Utilization of Social Services by Women Clients of Two Domestic Violence Shelters.”

Dr. Horner has co-administered a Title IV-E contract funded by the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Services for the last 23 years. The contract has provided nearly \$2.7 million in external funding for Shepherd University. As a component of this contract, he has provided numerous workshops and trainings for non-B.S.W. staff of the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, including Advance Legal and Ethical Issues in Child Welfare Practice, Ethics and Dual Relationships, and Professional Behavior and Testifying in Court, to name a few.

For the past 17 years, Dr. Horner has served as the point person for the Council on Social Work Education’s accreditation reviews and visits, ensuring the completion of a three-volume self-study, organizing site visits, and documenting the social work program’s curriculum, field instruction component, and assessment policies. Under his leadership, the social work program has maintained full accreditation by the Council on Social Work Education with no concerns for the last two eight-year accreditation cycles

Throughout his career, Dr. Horner has prepared and presented monographs and papers to national, state, and regional conferences on topics in child welfare, professional ethics, domestic violence, social work curricula content and assessment, grant writing, management and supervision, developmental disabilities, and research and testimony for federal and state courts on change of venue studies and jury profiles involving, primarily, homicide and product safety cases.

Dr. Horner has served as a board member, officer, and volunteer with the Eastern Panhandle Training Center, Shenandoah Women’s Center, and Safe Haven Child Advocacy Center, providing staff and volunteer training as well as grant writing expertise.

Storer College Award

In recognition of the historical significance of Storer College and its commitment to educating students of color in the Eastern Panhandle of West Virginia, Shepherd University recognizes, annually, one faculty member who exhibits a strong commitment to multicultural education through the integration of social justice and diversity in the curriculum, excellence in advising/mentoring of underrepresented student populations at the institution, and research.

The criteria include demonstration of commitment to multiculturalism through course syllabi and class activities; service to and support of student clubs/organizations and events with a multicultural and/or social justice focus; and research focused on under-represented populations and subject matters that could impact these same students.

2016 Recipient: Richard A. Stevens, Ph.D.

2015 Recipient: Chiquita Howard-Bostic, Ph.D.

Joseph McMurren, Jr. Shepherd College Principal 1871-1882

Joseph McMurren, Jr., was the first principal of Shepherd College. Son of Joseph McMurren Sr., a man of wealth and influence who served in the Virginia State Legislature, Joseph Jr. was born on the family farm about two miles south of Shepherdstown, the fourth of nine children. After attending local schools, McMurren enrolled in Hampton-Sydney College at age 19, graduating in 1852 with a bachelor of arts degree.

Joseph McMurren began teaching in 1852, and for the next nine years held teaching positions in various private schools and academies in the South. He was teaching in Alabama when the Civil War broke out and returned to Virginia to enlist in a unit which later became known as the Stonewall Brigade. As a member of that unit, he participated in all of its campaigns and engagements. Wounded twice—once in the shoulder at Winchester and once in the lung at Gettysburg—McMurren was captured at Kernstown in 1862 and was confined to a Union prison for six months.

After the war, McMurren returned to the Shepherdstown area and began teaching once again. Utilizing the town hall, which had been built by Rezin Shepherd, a New Orleans merchant born near Shepherdstown, McMurren began plans to organize a college. The building had been converted to a courthouse from 1865 to 1871, but became available when the county seat of Jefferson County was moved back to Charles Town. McMurren was the college's principal from 1871 until 1882. A curriculum was established, faculty were employed, and the college began to function in 1871. Financial support from the new state of West Virginia's Legislature was sporadic and uncertain, and McMurren frequently spent money from his own pocket for building maintenance. Although the enrollment gradually increased, McMurren became discouraged, resigning in 1882, to establish a partnership in a drugstore called Baker and McMurren in Shepherdstown.

Joseph McMurren, Jr., always regarded his role in establishing Shepherd College as the most important achievement of his life. After leaving the college, he remained a firm supporter of its projects and endeavors, responding repeatedly to its needs when called upon. His final service to the institution was as member of the Board of Trustees, a position to which he was appointed in 1886. McMurren died on Saint Valentine's Day 1902.

S. Ralph Sherrard
Associate Professor of History, 1968-98

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