

# School of Nursing

Commencement 1998

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*"I have great faith in a seed.  
Convince me that you have a seed there,  
and I am prepared to expect wonders".*

—Henry David Thoreau  
*Faith in a Seed*

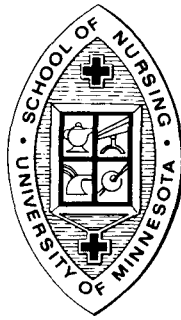
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Ted Mann Concert Hall  
Friday, June nineteenth  
Nineteen hundred and ninety eight  
Two o'clock in the afternoon  
UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

# THE MACE

The University of Minnesota mace was carried for the first time in 1961 by Regents' Professor of Physics Alfred O.C. Nier at the inauguration of President O. Meredith Wilson.  
It is an honor to carry the mace.

Art professor Philip Morton designed the mace: a crystal sphere four inches in diameter surmounted by the North Star, symbol of the state of Minnesota, on a solid aluminum handle set with the University regents' seal.



## SIGNIFICANCE OF THE SCHOOL OF NURSING SYMBOL

The symbol of the University of Minnesota School of Nursing has been in use since September 1913.

The antique lamp represents the metaphysical sciences; the telescope, the physical sciences; the plow, the industrial arts, and the artist's palette represents the fine arts.  
These are the four dimensions of a Baccalaureate education.

Above and below are the crosses of St. George, which have stood for unselfish service for centuries.  
We are proud of this heritage.

Each graduate will receive a gold-plated pin displaying the School of Nursing symbol. The pins were donated by the School of Nursing, School of Nursing Alumni Society and the School of Nursing College Board.

# PROGRAM

- Prelude* Anna Warner, Pianist
- Welcome* Dawn Dew, Nursing College  
Board President, 1998 Graduate
- Introduction* Judy Beniak, Director  
Office of Student Services
- Welcome* Frank Cerra, Vice President  
Academic Health Center
- Keynote Speaker* "Planting Seeds of Renewal"  
Mary Jo Kreitzer,  
Director, Center for  
Spirituality and Healing  
Director, K.J. Densford  
Center for Nursing
- On Behalf of Faculty* Mary Ann Anglim,  
Assistant Professor
- On Behalf of Students* Carmela Nyemetz, 1998 Graduate
- Vocalist* Wendy Moun, 1998 Graduate  
"These are Days"  
Natalie Merchant
- School of Nursing Pins* Mary Lou Christensen,  
President, Nursing Alumni Society
- Presentation of the Graduates* Sandra Edwardson, Dean
- Conferring of Degrees* Regent William Peterson
- Recognition of the Graduates* Sandra Edwardson, Dean  
Marilee Miller, Associate Dean
- Closing Remarks* Sandra Edwardson, Dean
- Recessional* Anna Warner, Pianist

*The audience is requested to remain seated until the  
academic procession and the graduates have marched out.  
Day care is available during the ceremony, ask an usher for assistance.*

# 1998 GRADUATING CLASS

*Julie Bannister, RN*

*Lisa Bauer*

*Darlene Betonie*

*Marcia Borgstadt, RN*

*Charles Bowler*

*Beth Caven*

*William Cebulla*

*Maria Clark, STTI*

*Leah Cook*

*Martha Cornell, STTI*

*Darren Damiani*

*Michele Day*

*Sherri Decker*

*Dawn Dew*

*Diane Dunn, RN*

*Leah Dvorak*

*Susan Fitzgerald\**

*Melissa Frisvold, RN, STTI*

*Kelly Gallagher, H, STTI*

*Darlene Gillespie, RN*

*Brandy Goodwin*

*Lori Groenke*

*Kory Groskreutz, STTI*

*Laura Guilday, STTI*

*Heidi Haider*

*Tanya Haney*

*Lisa Haning*

*Jennifer Hauser, STTI*

*Meg Hauwiller*

*Kari Hendrickson, STTI*

*Aaron Henne\**

*Lisa Herberg*

*Alexandra Ishkova*

*Bonnie Jackson*

*Jennifer Jacobs*

*Michelle James*

*Christine Johnson*

*Jane Johnson*

*Lori Johnson, RN, STTI*

*Susan Johnson*

*Lisa Juettner*

*Vanessa Kalis*

*Stephanie Kapfer, STTI*

*Irina Kasperovich, STTI*

*Paula Keller*

*Kara Kreminski*

*Elizabeth Kroska, STTI*

*Zilpa Krothe*

*Matthew Kuckler*

*Tanya Lanctot*

*Rachel Lassi*

*Valery Lawson*

Academic Excellence in the  
*School of Nursing*  
CLASS OF 1998



The School of Nursing Honors Program recognizes students who complete the following graduation requirements:

*honors coursework*  
*honors opportunities*  
*honors research (honors project or thesis)*

When students meet the above requirements, level of honors is determined as follows:

*Summa Cum Laude: G.P.A. of 3.75*

*Magna Cum Laude: G.P.A. of 3.66*

*Cum Laude: G.P.A. of 3.50*

The honors G.P.A. is calculated using grades from all upper division courses, both nursing and non-nursing.



*Sigma Theta Tau International* is the Honor Society of the nursing profession.

Criterion for membership include:

*cumulative G.P.A. of 3.0 or above*  
*demonstrated leadership potential and creativity*  
*potential of contribution to the profession of nursing*  
*recommendation by at least two nursing faculty*

# CLASS OF 1998 HONORS PROGRAM

SUMMA CUM LAUDE

*Kelly Gallagher*  
*Melissa LeMoine*  
*Wendy Peterson*  
*Jennifer Schliep*

MAGNA CUM LAUDE

*Cara McChesney*

COMPLETED HONORS COURSEWORK AND AN HONORS THESIS

## STUDENTS GRADUATING WITH DISTINCTION

*Marcia Borgstadt, RN*  
*William Cebulla*  
*M. Teresa Clark*  
*Martha Cornell*  
*Darren Damiani*  
*Diane Dunn, RN*  
*Leah Dvorak*  
*Melissa Frisvold, RN*  
*Kelly Gallagher*  
*Darlene Gillespie, RN*  
*Kory Groskreutz*  
*Laura Guilday*  
*Kari Hendrickson*  
*Heidi Haider*  
*Lisa Herberg*  
*Alexandra Ishkova*

*Bonnie Jackson*  
*Jane Johnson*  
*Irina Kasperovich*  
*Elizabeth Kroska*  
*Tanya Lanctot*  
*Rachel Lassi*  
*Valery Lawson*  
*Melissa LeMoine*  
*Mary Livingston, RN*  
*Jennifer Lopez*  
*Melissa Maes*  
*Cara McChesney*  
*Barbara Mekjian*  
*Dana Meyers*  
*Wendy Moum*  
*Karen Mulcahy*

*Lisa Myrold*  
*Kristen Neyers*  
*Kristen Nicklawske*  
*Lisa Noel*  
*Carmela Nyemetz*  
*Penelope Otis*  
*Wendy Peterson*  
*Colleen Rooney*  
*Jennifer Schliep*  
*Shelley Semler*  
*Kjersti Steele*  
*Sherri Swanson*  
*Sarah Thier*  
*Jason Tischer*  
*Christian Werner*



Graduation with distinction is based on a  
School of Nursing G.P.A. of 3.75 on a 4.0 scale.  
It is computed using grades taken since entrance into the  
School of Nursing.

*Melissa LeMoine, H, STTI*

*Sara Lippka*

*Mary Livingston, RN*

*Jennifer Lopez, STTI*

*Melissa Maes, STTI*

*Heather May*

*Cara McChesney, H, STTI*

*Martha McNutt*

*Barbara Mekjian*

*Dana Meyers, STTI*

*Lori Miller*

*Russell Miller*

*Andra Mitton*

*Wendy Moum, STTI*

*Karen Mulcahy*

*Lisa Myrold, STTI*

*Schalleen Nelson*

*Kristen Neyers, STTI*

*Kristen Nicklawske, STTI*

*Lisa Noel*

*Carmela Nyemetz, STTI*

*Janis Ollwerther, RN*

*Penelope Otis*

*Claudia Palattao*

*Wendy Peterson, H, STTI*

*Carrie Plesha, RN*

*Daniel Richie, RN*

*Mattea Ritter*

*Kara Roberts*

*Mark Roe*

*Colleen Rooney*

*Laura Sardelli*

*Barbara Schiefen, RN*

*Jennifer Schliep, H, STTI*

*Nathan Selstad*

*Shelley Semler, STTI*

*Brenda Simon*

*Kathrine Simon\**

*Grace Smith\**

*Kjersti Steele*

*Renae Steele*

*Sherri Swanson*

*Natasha Tennessen*

*Sarah Thier*

*Jason Tischer, STTI*

*Kari Urban*

*Brett Utley*

*Michelle Volk*

*Joanna Wedige\**

*Christian Werner*

*\*degree pending completion of  
required coursework*

## FACULTY ATTENDING CEREMONY

*Mary Ann Anglim, M.Ed., Assistant Professor*  
*Donna Bliss, Ph.D., Assistant Professor*  
*Laura Duckett, Ph.D., Associate Professor*  
*Sandra Edwardson, Ph.D., Dean, Professor*  
*Bonnie Harbaugh, Ph.D. Candidate, Teaching Specialist*  
*Nancy Karnes, M.S., Associate Education Specialist*  
*Madeleine Kerr, Ph.D., Assistant Professor*  
*Betty Lia-Hoagberg, Ph.D., Associate Professor*  
*Marilee Miller, Ph.D., Associate Dean*  
*Caroll Niewolny, M.S.N., Community Education Specialist*  
*Jennifer Peters, Ph.D., Assistant Education Specialist*  
*Sharon Ridgeway, Ph.D., Associate Education Specialist*  
*Elaine Saline, M.P.H., Associate Education Specialist*  
*Mariah Snyder, Ph.D., Professor, Head of Division I*  
*Mary Steffes, M.S., Assistant Education Specialist*  
*Craig Swan, Ph.D., Vice Provost, Undergraduate Education*  
*Susan Towey, M.S., Assistant Education Specialist*  
*Jean Wyman, Ph.D., Professor, Coral Meidl Siehl Chair in  
Nursing Research*



Sign Interpreters, Lara MaGee and Carrie Wilbert have been provided by the University of Minnesota Office of Disabilities.

## SYMBOL KEY

**H** — School of Nursing Honors Program  
Honor Society of Nursing

**STTI** — Sigma Theta Tau International

*STTI is an honor society that recognizes superior achievement and leadership qualities. Members are distinguished with a lavender and white cord.*

## CLASS OF 1998 NURSING COLLEGE BOARD REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT

*Dawn Dew*

SECRETARY

*Charles Bowler*

VICE-PRESIDENT

*Kari Hendrickson*

TREASURER

*Lisa Noel*



## ACADEMIC DRESS

The academic costume worn today originated in the Middle Ages, when gowns and hoods kept scholars and clerics warm. The distinctive gown served to set the student apart from his fellow citizens, giving birth to the expression — "town and gown."

Until after the Civil War, students at most American universities wore caps and gowns daily. They varied in design until they were standardized by the American Intercollegiate Commission in 1894. At that time it was decided that all robes should be black; bachelor's gowns to made of worsted material with pointed sleeves; master's gowns of silk with long, closed sleeves; doctor's gowns of silk with longer sleeves, and faced with black velvet from hem to neck and back. They also carry three velvet bands around each sleeve above the elbow.

Hoods are made of the same materials as the gowns, the length varying with the degree. The lining of the hood identifies the university by its colors. The border of the hood identifies the university by its colors. The border of the hood indicates the academic discipline in which the degree is earned.

- Apricot: nursing*
- Brown: architecture*
- Citron yellow: social work*
- Dark blue: philosophy*
- Green: medicine*
- Lemon yellow: library*
- Light blue: education*
- Light brown: business*
- Lilac: dentistry*
- Olive: pharmacy*
- Orange: engineering*
- Peacock blue: international affairs*
- Pink: music*
- Purple: law*
- Salmon: public health*
- Scarlet: theology*
- White: arts and letters, journalism*
- Yellow: science*



*I know you will become a part of  
Minnesota's tradition of helping to  
shape the future of health care.*

—Dean Sandra Edwardson

