



Law Commencement Honors Graduates



A total of 102 law degrees were presented Sunday at law commencement ceremonies in the Field House. Included were eight new graduates of the LL.M. program who received their master of laws in democratic governance and the rule of law.

Undergraduate commencement will be Sunday, May 18 in the field house.



Gen. David P. Carey receives an honorary doctor of laws degree.

Participants in the commencement ceremonies included, above from left, Thomas L. McLelland from Salt Lake City, Utah, who gave the spoken benediction; Austin Msowaya from Lilongwe, Malawi, who gave the invocation; Melissa L. Kidder from Bowling Green, Ohio, who was the student speaker; Senator R. Michael DeWine '72 JD, '95LLD, guest speaker; and Dr. Kendall L. Balkler, president.



Above, LL.M. candidates rise to receive their degrees. At right, JD candidates are recognized.



Calendar Input Needed

The Academic Affairs Committee has been assigned by the Semester Transition Committee to propose the new semester-based calendar.

The committee will begin formal discussions in fall 2008, but is now collecting information regarding constraints on the new calendar. The committee asks that each department and/or college provide information that could have impact on the calendar.

Please provide information to Laurie Laird, committee chair, or to the appropriate Academic Affairs Committee representative.

Items that may impact the calendar include, but are not limited to, accreditation standards, preferences regarding the length of the semester, length of summer session(s), standard length of classes (time slots), inclusion of a "mini-term," the days of the week classes and exams will occur, a dedicated time for chapel and university meetings, etc.

Members of Academic Affairs Committee members:

Arts & Sciences: John Lomax

Business Administration: Aiyaswami Prasad

Engineering: Laurie Laird (Chair)

Pharmacy: Natalie DiPietro

Law: Bruce French

University Libraries: David Fetrow

Student: TBA

Registrar: Richard Carpenter

Academic VP Designate: Roger Goldberg

Community Concert Set

Kappa Kappa Psi and Tau Beta Sigma, the honorary music service organizations, will present a community concert at 7 p.m., May 16 at the historic Ada Train Depot.

The concert will feature full instrumentation of favorites from past Ohio Northern marching band shows. The wide-ranging musical selections will include Mozart's "Overture to the Marriage of Figaro," a student-arrangement of the Swedish hard-rock band Europe's "Final Countdown," and Andrew Lloyd Weber's "The Phantom of the Opera." New musical selections to be premiered this year include a song from the film "Pirates of the Caribbean," -- "He's a Pirate" by Klaus Badelt.

This is the third year for the Ada Community Concert. It was created in 2006 to provide musical variety in Ada and to give ONU students a final performance before summer.

Kappa Kappa Psi and Tau Beta Sigma actively promote quality music on campus and in the community. During the past year members have performed at high school pep band games across the state. The organizations also toured with a Holiday Big Band in December of 2006 and 2007 that performed for senior citizens in assisted living communities in Kenton and Lima.

The concert is free and open to the public. In case of heavy rain the concert will take place in the Presser Recital Hall.

Purchasing Assistant

Aundrea Fricke has joined ONU as an advanced purchasing assistant.

A graduate of Elida High School, she had been office manager for Tom Ahl Buick Body Shop and prior to that worked in accounts payable and accounts receivable for Tom Ahl Chrysler.



Congratulations!

Jennifer L. Walton, Ph.D., assistant professor of communication arts, is author of "A Rhetorical Analysis of Six Hollywood Films Abut Politics, Presenting the Candidate as a Movie Star." The study provides a rhetorical criticism of movies about national politics with a primary focus on the value judgments, political consciousness and political implications surrounding the films: "Mr. Smith Goes to Washington" (1939), "The Candidate" (1972), "The Contender" (2000), "Wag the Dog" (1997), "Power" (1986) and "Primary Colors" (1998).

Steven Darmon, a mechanical engineering major from Mogadore, Ohio, has been named recipient of a \$5,000 undergraduate scholarship from Phi Eta Sigma, the nation's oldest and largest honor society for first-year college and university students in all disciplines.

The scholarship is for study in the 2008-09 school year. This is the largest award by Phi Eta Sigma to an Ohio Northern student.

Exhibit Highlights First-Year Art

The foundations program in the department of art and design will host the annual Foundations Honors Exhibit, May 12 through Aug. 29 in the lobby of the Elzay Gallery of Art.

Associate Professor Melissa Eddings, coordinator of this year's exhibition, said it is "regarded as the end-of-year show for the foundations program. Just as the senior shows reflect the achievement of the students' college career, this show is designed to reflect the success and achievement of their first year at Ohio Northern."

The juried exhibition is open to all ONU students enrolled in the foundations courses during the 2007-08 academic year. Students receiving awards this year are:

First: Jeff Gibbons, "Wonky Lamp World"

Second: Matt Glove, "A Different View"

Third: Katelyn Amendolara, "Untitled"

Honorable Mention:

Fred Frances

Katie Merchak

Bethany Schreck

Tiffanie Seillier

Senior Send-Off!



Food, fun and prizes highlighted the Senior Send-Off, May 7 at the Lima Veterans Memorial Civic and Convention Center.



Above, Kathleen Rooney, a fifth-year pharmacy student from Troutdale, Ore., is congratulated by Dr. Kendall Baker on winning the Las Vegas drawing at the annual Senior Send-Off celebration.



Employee Appreciation Picnic!

Thursday May 22

11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
McIntosh Parking Lot
(directly behind Presser Hall)

Hamburgers, Brats, Baked Beans, Potato Salad,
Watermelon, Cookies and Ice Cream
Catered by Old Barn Out Back

Tour Weber Hall!

No R.S.V.P. required!



Northern Events May 14 -22

Campus Events

May 17

4:00 p.m., Undergraduate Graduation Reception, President's Home (The Dicke House)

8:15 p.m., Commencement Chapel, English Chapel

May 18

11:00 a.m., Commencement Buffet, McIntosh Dining Hall

2:00 p.m., Undergraduate Commencement, Sports Center

May 22

11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Employee Appreciation Picnic, McIntosh Parking Lot

7:00 p.m., Ada High School Baccalaureate Service, English Chapel

May 26

MEMORIAL DAY

May 27

First session of Undergraduate Summer School Begins

Law Summer Session Begin

May 30

8:00 a.m., Alumni Weekend honoring Class of 1958

May 31

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June 1

8:00 a.m., Alumni Weekend honoring Class of 1958

11:00 a.m., Eighth Annual Robby Golf Classic, Colonial Golfers Club

Athletics

May 15

Noon, Outdoor Track and Field at North Central Invitational

May 16

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May 22

Noon, Outdoor Track and Field NCAA III Championships at Oshkosh, Wis.

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May 24

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For more events, go to:

www-new.onu.edu/event