

# Homecoming Convocation

and

Reserve Officer Training Corps Hall of Fame Ceremony

Friday, October 15, 2010

11 a.m.

F. S. Belcher Theatre John W. Davis Fine Arts Building Institute, WV





### Historical Sketch of West Virginia State University ROTC

The second Morrill Act of 1890 made training in agriculture and mechanical arts available to African-American citizens. Section Four of the Morrill Act required military training as part of the curriculum. West Virginia responded on March 17, 1891 by enacting legislation to create a special land-grant institution for Blacks. Federal funds provided \$3,000 for faculty salaries, and the West Virginia Legislature appropriated \$10,000 to purchase a farm and build a school building upon it. The institution was founded as the West Virginia Colored Institute.

Although not specifically included in the West Virginia Legislative Act, military training was conducted during the school's first year. The ROTC Department opened shortly after the establishment of a military corps in 1899. In 1915, West Virginia Colored Institute was renamed the West Virginia Collegiate Institute. In 1929, the college changed its name to West Virginia State College. In 2004, the college received university status and was renamed West Virginia State University. Military training continued at the college from 1899 until present, with the exception of temporary suspensions from 1907-1916 and 1920-1942.

From its beginnings until 1915, the institution offered the equivalent of a high school education, with a curriculum devoted primarily to agriculture, trades, and teacher education. In 1915, the school was given the authority to award college degrees requiring instruction in Mathematics, Chemistry, French, and English. The first college degrees were awarded in 1919.

Much of the credit for establishing the present Senior ROTC program goes to Mr. Daniel P. Lincoln and Professor Daniel L. Ferguson. Their success in conducting voluntary military training early in World War II kept alive the War Department's recognition of the college's desire to continue the ROTC program.

In 1942, LTC Payton Winlock established a Senior ROTC unit to provide instruction in Field Artillery. Artillery was taught until 1956, when the department was designated a General Military Science Program. Graduates could now be commissioned into any of the Army's eighteen branches of service.

With the 1954 Supreme Court decision, Brown v. the Board of Education, West Virginia State College was propelled from a small black college to a racially integrated one. Program offerings expanded, and new ones developed as the college kept pace with the demands of students and the needs of the larger community. In 1970, the Military Science Department acquired elective status and ceased to be a mandatory program for all male students.

### 2010 Fall Program

LTC Timothy U. Phillips, Presiding Professor of Military Science, WVSU ROTC Yellow Jacket Battalion

Prelude: Sweet Land of LibertyJames Sochinski The West Virginia State University Wind Ensemble – Scott Woodard, Director		
Arrival of Official Party LTC Timothy U. Phillips		
Posting of Colors WVSU ROTC Color Guard		
National Anthem By F.S. Key/arr. By B. Moffitt		
Invocation		
Welcome & Introductory Remarks LTC Timothy U. Phillips Lieutenant Colonel, Logistics, Professor of Military Science		
PRESENTATION OF INDUCTEES AND RESPONDENTS Judge Donald L., Graham Class of `71 Presented by Cadet Frankie Hibberd		
Major Celeita A. Stephens Kramer, Class of `80 Presented by Cadet Spencer Ferrebee		
Dr. Roscoe C. Brown, Jr., Honorary Presented by Cadet Russell McDonald, II		
Recognition of Honored Guests LTC Timothy U. Phillips		
Closing RemarksDr. Hazo W. Carter, Jr. Ninth President, West Virginia State University		
Alma MaterSpencer-Wade		
Army Song & Recessional of Official Party		
Postlude: Flourish for Wind BandRalph Vaughn Williams West Virginia State University Wind Ensemble		

### Judge Donald L. Graham

Donald L. Graham, a native of Salisbury, North Carolina, was appointed as a United States District Judge by President George H. W. Bush in 1991. Judge Graham graduated from West Virginia State *magna cum laude* with a B.A. degree. He served as President of The Student Body, and The Ohio State University College of Law with a J.D. degree, where he received a Best Oralist Award in the Moot Court Program and the Judge Harter Award as the Outstanding Trial Practice Student.

After joining the Judge Advocate General's Corps, United States Army with an initial active assignment in West Germany, he transferred to South Florida to serve as Assistant Staff Judge Advocate at Homestead Air Force Base. Judge Graham was discharged from active duty in 1979 and retired from the United States Army Reserves in 1999 as a Lieutenant Colonel receiving several awards and commendations for his active and reserve service. Judge Graham served as an Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of Florida in Miami, Florida (1979-83), Chief of the Narcotics Unit and Chief of the Special Prosecutions Unit. He went into private practice where he was a founding partner with the law firm of Raskin & Graham, P.A., Miami, Florida (1983-91) specializing in criminal and civil trial practice in State and Federal Courts throughout the United States.

He serves as an Adjunct Instructor in the United States Department of Justice Trial Advocacy Program, lecturer on behalf of the Department of Justice and Department of Commerce in Cebu and Manila, Philippines; in Shenyan, Hangzhou, Ziamen, and Shanghai, People's Republic of China; in Kathmandu, Nepal, in Kampala and Jinja, Uganda and in Gaborone, Botswana. He also served as a member of the United States Advisory Board on the Investigative Capacity of the Department of Defense. He is a faculty member of the Trial Advocacy Workshop at Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Professional affiliations include the Ohio, New York and Florida Bars; Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity and Sigma Pi Phi Grand Boule; National Bar Association; Federal Bar Association -South Florida Chapter, President (1985), Wilkie D. Ferguson, Jr. Bar Association; District Judges Associations - Eleventh Circuit, President (2002-04) and Council of Florida Bar Presidents.

Community activities include the 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project, Member of the Board of Directors of the Performing Arts Center for Greater Miami Trust, Member of The Orange Bowl Committee, Network Miami Magazine - Miami's 50 Most Influential Black Business Professionals and The Just The Beginning Foundation.

Judge Graham is the recipient of the 2009 William H. Hastie Award presented by the National Bar Association's Judicial Council, Juris Award for Judicial Efficiency, The Thurgood Marshall College Fund Award of Excellence, The M. Athalie Range Achievement and Excellence Award, The Wilkie D. Ferguson Bar Association Outstanding Jurist Award, and the 8th Annual William M. Hoeveler Award presented by The University of Miami School of Law's Center for Ethics and Public Service.

### Major Celeita A. Stephens Kramer

Celeita Kramer is a 1980 *cum laude* graduate of WVSU. While attending WVSU her positions and awards include: she served as Student Government Secretary, Resident Advisor, Who's Who of American Colleges and Universities, Outstanding Cadet Award, Outstanding Military Student and Outstanding Military Graduate. She served as the ROTC Battalion Executive Officer, Editor of the Yellow Jacket Battalion newspaper and was selected as Miss Pershing Rifles for two years.

Major Kramer served twenty three years with the United States Army, United States Army Reserves and National Guard as a Helicopter Pilot, Test Pilot, Battalion Executive Officer, Aircraft Maintenance Officer, Blackhawk Fielding Officer, and Company Commander. Major Kramer assignments include tours of duty at Ft. Eustis, West Virginia Army National Guard, Ft. Bragg, Ft. Rucker, Vermont Army National Guard, Iowa Reserve Center, Ft. Campbell, South Korea, and Japan. She was the 24th woman in the Department of Defense to earn military aviator wings, and the first woman in the Department of Defense to fly and test fly the UH-60 Blackhawk helicopter.

Her civilian awards include: WV Celebrate Women Award, was the WV Women's Hall of Fame inductee, the Sikorsky Rescue Award, Most Admired Women of the Decade, Woman of the Year, one of the 2000 Most Notable American Women, 5000 Most Notable Women in the World. She is the recipient of a West Virginia's Woman of the Year Award, Distinguished Leadership Award, Presidential Sports Awards for Cross-Country Skiing, Cross Training & Fitness, Who's Who of Professional & Business Women Award, Who's Who in Business & Industry Award and National Republican Party's National Leadership Award. Her military awards and decorations included the Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal, National Defense Medal, Korea Defense Service Medal with two Bronze Stars, Armed Forces Reserve Medal, Army Service Ribbon Army, Overseas Service Ribbon, West Virginia Service Ribbon, Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, Aviator Badge, and Senior Aviator Badge for 17 years of accident free military aviation service.

Major Kramers military training includes the Transportation Officers Basic Course, Advanced Qualification for the UH-60 Blackhawk, Aviation Maintenance Officers Course, Test Pilot Course, Aviation Water Survival Course, Aviation Officers Advanced Course, Medical Service Corps Officers Advanced Course, Aeromedical Evacuation Officers Course, Auditing & Internal Review Basic and Advanced Course, Battle Focused Instructor Course, Facilitators Course and the Command and General Staff College. She has completed graduate study at the Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Salem-Teikyo University, Colorado State University and American University. She is a PADI qualified Open Water, Advanced Open Water and Rescue Scuba Diver, a harness race horse owner and attended the US Trotting Associations Driver Training. She holds an FAA Commercial pilot's license with an instrument rating (single and dual engine) and has over 3000 commercial and military flight hours. She also holds a WV Department of Education Teaching Certificate.

Major Kramer founded Crossed Sabers Stable in June of 1996 in West Union, WV and the Second Wind Adoption Program in October of 1998 in order to respond to the need for safe, healthy homes for all horses. She is also an Equine Instructor and Trainer, a certified Equine Sports Massage Therapist, and school trained farrier. Major Kramer is a seasoned expert witness in the areas of equine operations, equine welfare, military affairs, weapons and military aviation.

She has been instrumental in influencing local, state and national laws regarding animal welfare, horses and their minimum care and anti-slaughter issues. She has personally completed well over two thousand adoptions of horses, dogs and cats in 46 states.

### Dr. Roscoe C. Brown, Jr.

Dr. Roscoe C. Brown, Jr., is the Director of the Center for Urban Education Policy and a University Professor at the Graduate School and University Center of The City University of New York. He is past President of Bronx Community College of CUNY, and was formerly a Director of the Institute of Afro-American Affairs at New York University. He holds a doctorate from New York University and has served on the faculty at West Virginia State College and as a full professor at New York University's School of Education. A native of Washington, D.C., Dr. Brown is a graduate of Paul Laurence Dunbar High School and received his Bachelor's degree from Springfield College in Massachusetts.

As Director of the Center for Urban Education Policy at the Graduate School and University Center of The City University of New York, Dr. Brown's work focuses on the role of school-based management and parental involvement in school reform. A specialist in educational measurement, Dr. Brown has served as a consultant for the Educational Testing Service (ETS) and as a member of the New York State Education Department's College Proficiency Examination Committee. He continues to service on the Technical Advisory Committee for the New Jersey State Educational Assessment Program.

Dr. Brown serves as Chairman of the New York City Regional Education Center for Economic Development. He has served as a member of several national boards to include the Boys and Girls Clubs of America, the American Council on Education, the board of the YMCA of Greater New York, and the Fund for the City of New York. He currently serves on the boards of the New York Botanical Garden, New York City Partnership, Museum of the City of New York, Phipps Community Development Corporation, City Parks Foundation, Libraries for the Future, and the Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt Institute.

He serves on of the board of directors for the Greater Harlem Nursing Home, the Urban Issues Group (a "think-tank" of African-American scholars), and the Sports Foundation. He is Vice Chairman of the Arthur Ashe Athletic Association and the National Black Leadership Commission on AIDS. He chairs the National Scholarship Selection Committee of the Jackie Robinson Foundation, and is past President of One Hundred Black Men, Inc. (an influential group of civic-minded African-American New Yorkers).

A member of the Upper Manhattan Empowerment Zone Development Corporation, Dr. Brown has served on the New York State Governor's Advisory Committee for Black Affairs, New York State Human Rights Advisory Council, and the New York State Attorney General's Ethical Standards Committee. He was appointed by Governor Mario Cuomo to the New York State Job Training and Partnership Council, New York State Health, Fitness and Sports Council, and the New York State Special Advisory Commission on Minority Enrollment in Medical Schools.

Dr. Brown, a former Army Air Force Captain, commanded the 100th Fighter Squadron of the 332nd Fighter Group (the "Tuskegee Airmen") in World War II, and was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and Air Medal with eight Oak Leaf Clusters. He is credited with being the first 15th Air Force fighter pilot to shoot down a German jet fighter, and has been honored by the Intrepid Air-Space Museum in New York City for his outstanding Leadership as Squadron Commander.

An avid runner who has completed the New York City Marathon nine times, Dr. Brown is listed in Who's Who in America, Who's Who Among Black Americans, and Who's Who in American

### Professors of Military Science

1942-1944	Lieutenant Colonel Payton Winlock
1944-1945	Lieutenant Colonel Benote H. Lee
1945-1946	Captain William J. Gray
1946-1948	Lieutenant Colonel Leon Lavoie
948- 95	Lieutenant Colonel Charles H.Wesner
1951-1954	Lieutenant Colonel Orion Page
1954-1956	Major Robbin Washington
1956-1958	Lieutenant Colonel John Woodruff
1958-1959	Lieutenant Colonel Howard Bartholomew
1959-1963	Lieutenant Colonel Edward D. Hinkson
1963-1967	Lieutenant Colonel Joseph C. Hill
1967-1969	Lieutenant Colonel Marvin E. Billups
1969-1971	Lieutenant Colonel Louis J.Weil
1971-1974	Colonel Lawrence M. Sevdy
1974-1976	Lieutenant Colonel Stanley Goldsmith
1976-1979	Lieutenant Colonel Edward Robertson
1979-1983	Lieutenant Colonel Charles T. Ledbetter
1983-1984	Lieutenant Colonel Douglas W. Richmond
1984-1989	Lieutenant Colonel Quewanncoii C. Stephens
1989-1993	Lieutenant Colonel Willie C. Lucas
1993-1996	Lieutenant Colonel Herbert E. Lattimore
1996-1999	Lieutenant Colonel Raphael P. Deegan
1999-2000	Lieutenant Colonel Robert T. Kleppinger
2000-2003	Lieutenant Colonel John M. Horn, Sr.
2003-2006	Lieutenant Colonel George A. Nelson
2006-2009	Lieutenant Colonel Steve D. Thomas
2009-Present	Lieutenant Colonel Timothy U. Phillips

### ROTC Hall of Fame

The West Virginia State University ROTC Hall of Fame was created to recognize the accomplishments of its graduates who have excelled in their chosen fields. Inductees include:

<u>1980</u> Major General Edward Greer Major General (Ret) Charles C. Rogers\* Major General (Ret) Harvey D. Williams Brigadier General (Ret) Dallas C. Brown

#### 1981

Brigadier General (Ret) Frank C. Bacon\* Colonel (Ret) George E. Peters, Jr.\* Colonel (Ret) Robert L. Peters\* Dr.Vincent E. Reed

#### 1982

Colonel (Ret) Grover A. DuBose Colonel (Ret) James M. Garrison, Jr. M.D. Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Nelson R. Bickley Dr. William J. L. Wallace (H\*) Dr. Prince A. Williams (H\*)

#### 1983

Brigadier General (Ret) Robert L. Stephens, Jr. Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Preston A. Davis Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Haywood Martin

#### 1984

Major General Joseph E. Turner USAR (Ret) Colonel (Ret) Charles E. Stokes, Jr. Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Richard V.White Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Howard L.Wilson

#### 1985

Brigadier General (Ret) Walter F. Johnson, III Colonel (Ret) Thomas E. Carter, M.D.\* Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Thomas D. Carter, Jr.\* Lieutenant Colonel James L. Hill

#### 1986

Colonel (Ret) Paul H. Easley, Sr. Colonel (Ret) Roscoe A. Swann, Jr.\* Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) John E. Baker\* Major (Ret) James W. Hawkins, Jr.

#### 1987

Colonel (Ret) Vandy L. Miller Colonel (Ret) Herman H. Jones Colonel (Ret) James W.Vallandingham Colonel (Ret) James W. Reed

#### \*Deceased (H) Honorary

#### 1988

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) C. Milton Kates Colonel (Ret) Alphonoso W. Nabors Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Bernice McGhee Colonel (Ret) Edwin A. Wilkerson

#### 1989

Major General (Ret) Kenneth D. Gray Colonel William P. Greene, Jr. Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Stephen S. Whisiker\* Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) John L.Whitehead\*

#### 1990

Brigadier General (Ret) James W. Monroe Brigadier General (Ret) Jack Yeager Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Acie McGhee, Jr. Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Ronald M. McLeod Colonel (Ret) George S. Roberts (Posthumous)\*

#### 1991

Colonel Ronald E. Townsend Colonel (Ret) Kenneth A. Ingram Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Henry R. Bellinger Mr. Earl E. Jones

#### 1992

Colonel (Ret) James A. Manning Colonel (Ret) John Mackey Colonel Donald Townsend Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Dennis Neighbors Brigadier General Roscoe Cartwright (H\*) Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Samuel Kelly (H) Dr. John W. Davis (H\*) Mr. James Evans (H\*)

#### 1993

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Ronald H. Poole Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Rodney I. McCormick\* Beny J. Primm, M.D. Dr. Thomas D. Boston

#### 1994

Colonel (Ret) Frankie D. Hoskey Major General Terry L. Tucker Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Lazelle Free, Sr. Major (Ret) George L. Rich, Jr.

### ROTC Hall of Fame Continued

#### 1995

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Keith Sovine Captain John Willis Hill Gravely First Lieutenant Herbert Henderson\* Frist Lieutenant Edward Scott Sidney Taylor Brown (H)

#### 1996

Colonel (Ret) Lew G.Tyree Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Thomas E. Haggins Major Jeff Chandler Woods Captain A. Dayton Carpenter

#### 1997

Brigadier General (Ret) Earl M. Simms Lieutenant Colonel Carolyn L. Maddox Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Clifford Hill Captain Jerry L. Hatcher

#### 1998

Major General John E. Barnette Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Ferguson B. Meadows\* Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Fransciso B. Newman

#### 1999

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) John F. Hailey\* Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Herbert L. Lawrence Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Charles E. Wilson Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Frank E. Duncan Lieutenant Colonel Timothy A. Boyles (Posthumous)\*

#### <u>2000</u>

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Howard G. Hicks, Jr. Colonel (Ret) Cardell S. Hunter Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Frederick C. Franklin Major (Ret) Charles S. Corprew, Jr.

#### 2001

Justice Leander J. Shaw, Jr. Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Osborne E. Reaves Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Robert H. Meggison Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Len O.Witcher

#### 2002

Colonel Terry L. Melton Lieutenant Colonel Edward E. Dickerson Major (Ret) Stephen T. Reaves Judge Booker T. Stephens (H) Judge Herman G. Canady (H) Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Charles T. Ledbetter (H) Colonel David G. Shaddrix (H)

#### <u>2003</u>

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Jesse L. Haynes Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Clarence O. Hill Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Harvey C. Johnson\* Major (Ret) Mexion O. Prewitt (Posthumous)\*

#### <u>2004</u>

Colonel (Ret) Theodore A. Crawford Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Francis V.Wilson Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Albert W. Powell Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Charles W. Marshall

#### <u>2005</u>

Colonel (Ret) Tom Adams, Jr. Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Francis E. Crawford, Jr. Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Roscoe D. Crawford Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Thomas L. Jones

#### <u>2006</u>

Lieutenant Colonel Charles P. McCormick Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Clarence "CJ" Jackson Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Willard O. Jasper Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Michael A. White

#### 2007

Colonel (Ret.) James J. Braxton, Sr. Lieutenant Colonel Tyra Y. White Lieutenant Colonel Vince D. Ross Captain Peter S. Ridley, Jr. (Posthumous)\*

#### 2008

Brigadier General James A. Hoyer Colonel Michael R. Kitts LTC Rodney D. Johnson, Sr. LTC Samuel M. Allmond LTC (Ret) Quewanncoii C. Stephens, Sr. (H)

#### 2009

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Stanley M. Jenkins Lieutenant Colonel Antoine B. Bethel Lieutenant Colonel Johnnie D. Ross Lieutenant Colonel Daniel B. Jones, Sr. Sergeant First Class (Ret) Joseph Turner (H)\*

#### 2010

Judge Donald L. Graham Major Celeita A. Stephens Kramer Dr. Roscoe C. Brown, Jr. (H)

\*Deceased (H) Honorary Inductee

### ROTC Hall of Fame Honorary Members

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#### <u>1982</u>

Dr. William J. L. Wallace\* Dr. Prince A. Williams\*

#### <u>1992</u>

Brigadier General Roscoe Cartwright\* Lieutenant Colonel(Ret) Samuel Kelly Dr. John W. Davis\* Mr. James Evans

#### <u>1995</u>

Mrs. Sidney Taylor Brown

#### 2002

Judge Booker T. Stephens Judge Herman G. Canady Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Charles T. Ledbetter Colonel David G. Shaddrix

#### <u>2008</u>

LTC (Ret) Quewannocii C., Stephens, Sr.

#### <u>2009</u>

Sergeant First Class Joseph Turner\*

#### <u>2010</u>

Dr. Roscoe C. Brown, Jr.

\*Deceased

## West Virginia State University Army ROTC 15 Decorated General Officers

Name	Year of Graduation
Major General (Ret) Edward Greer	
Major General (Ret) Harvey D. Williams	1950
Major General (Ret) Charles C. Rogers*	1951
Brigadier General (Ret) Frank C. Bacon*	1951
Brigadier General (Ret) Dallas C. Brown	1954
Major General (Ret) Joseph E. Turner	1961
Brigadier General (Ret) Walter F. Johnson, III	1961
Brigadier General (Ret) Robert L. Stephens	1962
Major General (Ret) James W. Monroe	1963
Brigadier General (Ret) Jack Yeager	1965
Major General (Ret) Kenneth D. Gray	1966
Brigadier General (Ret) Earl M. Simms	1968
Major General John E. Barnette	1969
Major General Terry L. Tucker.	1972
Brigadier General James A. Hoyer	1983

### The Army Song

First to fight for the right, And to build the Nation's might, And The Army Goes Rolling Along
Proud of all we have done, Fighting till the battle's won, And the Army Goes Rolling Along.
Then it's Hi! Hi! Hey! The Army's on its way.
Count off the cadence loud and strong
(TWO! THREE!) For where e'er we go, You will always know That the Army Goes Rolling Along.

### The Star-Spangled Banner

O say, can you see, by the dawn's early light, What so proudly we hail'd at the twilight's last gleaming? Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro' the perilous fight, O'er the ramparts we watch'd, were so gallantly streaming? And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air, Gave proof thro' the night that our flag was still there.

O say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?





### Alma Mater

#### Ernest Wade '30

Martha Spencer '31

There is a place we love so dear— Its name we'll ever praise and revere 'Tis West Virginia State we love— Just one more step from there is Heav'n above.

#### **REFRAIN:**

West Virginia's praise we'll sing— Lift our voices 'til heavens ring— As we gaily march along— We'll sing a song— For Alma Mater How we love her Pride of all our loyal hearts— From her we will never part— Thoughts of thee will ne'er be few Alma Mater we love you.

We'll love her more as days go by, And send her praises to the sky; To place her over all the rest, And keep her e'er the dearest and the best.

Shadowed 'neath a deep blue sky; Is STATE for whom we'll live and we'll die— Arise! O men of God and sing; We're loyal, and to her we'll always cling.

