

*[1:45 p.m.: ORGANIST BRIAN BOGEY ENTERS State Right ON CUE FROM Assistant Stage Manger and does 20 minutes of organ prelude, dismounts organ bench, faces audience and bows. APPLAUSE. BRIAN EXITS.*

*MONICA WHITE ENTERS to stage right lectern]*

MONICA WHITE: Ladies and gentlemen, and distinguished guests, welcome to the Investiture of the 13th President of the State University of New York at Fredonia. My name is Monica White, Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs and a member of the class of 1994. It is my honor to be presiding over today's ceremony, which will begin as soon as the Fredonia Wind Ensemble has taken its place on stage.

*[BAND MEMBERS ENTER from upstage and down stage entrances and Quietly get in place. MONICA TALKS OVER THIS ACTIVITY:]*

MONICA WHITE: In keeping with the dignity of this ceremony, we ask you to please turn off your cell phones and that you refrain from texting during the proceedings. As the musicians take their place, I would like to thank Brian Bogey, a member of the Class of 1969 and current instructor of organ in our School of Music, for providing today's organ PRAY-ludes.

*[Gesture stage right, Brian enters, bows again, -- applause-- exits.]*

MONICA WHITE: The magnificent 2,400-pipe | Schlicker organ, on which Mr. Bogey performed, recently underwent extensive repairs and renovation that took over 12 weeks to complete. On behalf of the entire campus, we extend our sincere appreciation and gratitude to **Jim and alumna Carol Boltz**, a member of the class

of 1981, for making this renovation work possible through a generous gift to the Fredonia College Foundation.

When the Wind Ensemble, under the direction of Dr. Paula Holcomb, plays the processional, we ask that you please remain seated so all may have a good view of those processing. As the processional approaches across the central Plaza of Rockefeller Arts Center and makes its way to the entrance of the hall, they will be welcomed by members of the Fredonia Drumming Ensemble.

*[WAIT ON CUING DRUMMERS UNTIL BAND IS SUFFICIENTLY IN PLACE]*

*[CUE DRUMMERS TO BEGIN - HOUSE MANAGERS OPEN COURTYARD DOORS]*

*[CUE PROCESSIONAL TO BEGIN FROM BARTLETT]*

*[LONG PAUSE FOR MONICA ]*

*[Drumming outside as processional enters and gets in place at rear left and right of hall]*

*[PROCESSIONAL HOLDS at house manager's box until music plays.]*

*[Wait for Paula and Band to be in place. THIS MAY TAKE SEVERAL MINUTES. THE BAND MAY TUNE WHEN THEY ARE IN PLACE.]*

*[Paula waits for cue from ASM that the processional is in place at rear of hall, enters, and starts processional.]*

*[President Horvath is last to enter; after she takes her place, music will end  
APPLAUSE LIKELY – Paula stands by. Eric Wilbon enters and takes his  
place while the following is said:]*

MONICA WHITE: Ladies and Gentlemen, would you please rise for the playing of the national anthem. The soloist is Eric Wilbon, a Music Education major from Buffalo and a member of the Class of 2014. Please remain standing until the completion of the Invocation.

*[PAULA HOLCOMB, Wind Ensemble and ERIC WILBON go directly into  
The National Anthem. At the conclusion (Applause Likely), NATHAN  
KROPP goes directly to Center Lectern. ]*

MONICA WHITE: The invocation will be delivered by Nathan Kropp, director of the Fredonia Newman Center.

NATHAN KROPP: *[Delivers Invocation. there is no advanced script for this]*

MONICA WHITE: Thank you Mr. Kropp. Please be seated.

It is now my pleasure to introduce the members of this afternoon's Platform Party. I ask them to please stand and be recognized. Please hold your applause until the entire platform is introduced:

- Chair of the Fredonia College Council, The Honorable Frank Pagano
- Trustee, State University of New York Board of Trustees, Dr. Angelo M. Fatta (Fa-ta)
- Trustee, State University of New York Board of Trustees, Eunice A. Lewin
- State University of New York Chancellor, Nancy L. Zimpher

- SUNY Fredonia President Virginia Schaefer Horvath
- Dr. Horvath's daughter, Emily Davey
- President, Fredonia Alumni Association Board of Directors Dr. Greg Gibbs, alumnus of the Class of 1971
- Rev. Theresa A. Kime (K-I'm) of The Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Northern Chautauqua
- Director of the Fredonia Newman Center Nathan Kropp (Crop)
- Distinguished Teaching Professor of Political Science Dr. James Hurtgen
- President and CEO of the Chautauqua County Chamber of Commerce, Todd J. Trantum (Tran-um), alumnus of the Class of 1994
- President, Fredonia College Foundation Board of Directors, Debra Horn Stachura (Sta-HUR-a), alumna of the Class of 1975
- President of the Student Association and student representative to the Fredonia College Council, Jordan W. Nicholson, Class of 2013
- Members of the Fredonia College Council:
  - Angelo P. Bennice (Bennis), alumnus of the Class of 1973
  - Cynthia A. Ahlstrom (All-strom)
  - Russell E. Dietrick (Dee-trick) Jr.
  - JoAnn Niebel (Knee-bull), alumna of the Class of 1978
  - Professor Emeritus of the College of Education, Dr. Robert L. Heichberger

AND

- Mace Bearer Alan G. LaFlamme (La-Flahm), Professor of Anthropology and Sociology.

*[APPLAUSE; PAUSE]*

MONICA WHITE: Thank you. The platform party may now be seated.

The State University of New York has long enjoyed the support and friendship of elected officials at the local, state and federal level. We have several current and former elected officials with us today and we wish to thank them very much for being here. I will ask that they stand and be recognized, and once again, I ask you to kindly hold your applause until they have all been introduced:

- Representing United States Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, (K-EAR-sten **Jill-i-brand**), the Western New York Regional Director of Senator Gillibrand's office, Melissa Fratello.
- Member of the New York State Assembly, Andrew Goodell.
- Former Chautauqua County Executive, Jack Glenzer.
- Mayor of the Village of Fredonia, Stephen Keefe.
- Mayor of the City of Dunkirk, Anthony J. Dolce

AND:

Former Mayor of the City of Dunkirk,

Richard L. Frey (FRY)

*[APPLAUSE]*

MONICA WHITE: There are two other guests that we would like to acknowledge at this time. Former president Dennis L. Hefner, who served this campus with distinction from 1997 through June 30 of this year, and processed today with the Emeritus Faculty, and his wife Jan. .. Dr. and Mrs. Hefner, would you please stand and be recognized?

*[APPLAUSE]*