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## President's Convocation (2010 Program)

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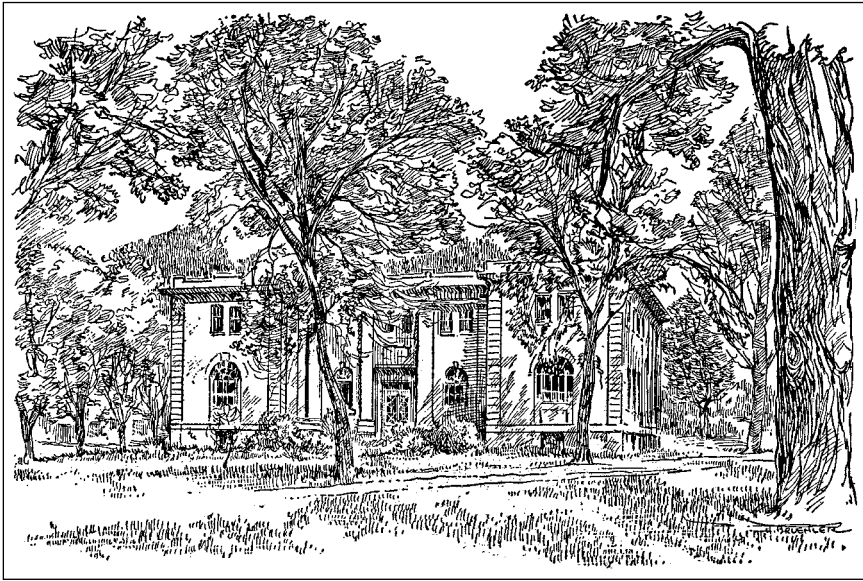
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## SCIENCE HALL



*From a 1931 booklet of pen sketches:*

*“THIS BUILDING WAS MADE POSSIBLE LARGELY BY A GIFT OF ANDREW CARNEGIE IN 1910 AND HAS CONSTANTLY BEEN KEPT MODERN IN EVERY RESPECT DURING THE PAST TWENTY YEARS. CHEMISTRY, BIOLOGY, ZOOLOGY, AND PHYSICS DEPARTMENTS ARE QUARTERED IN THIS ATTRACTIVE BUILDING.”*

*The Edgar M. Stevenson Hall of Nursing, formerly known as Science Hall, was dedicated on October 9, 1965.*



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Illinois Wesleyan University

# PRESIDENT'S CONVOCATION



Westbrook Auditorium  
Presser Hall  
September 8, 2010  
11:00 AM

## PROGRAM

President Richard F. Wilson, *Presiding*

Prelude <i>(Please stand as the platform party enters)</i> II. Præludium und Fuga	Doris Hill Organist Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1639-1707)
Invocation <i>(remain standing)</i>	Lori Harvey Interim University Chaplain
Welcome	Richard F. Wilson President
Greetings from the Student Senate	Kathryn Breisch '12 President, Student Senate
Special Music Duet Andante from Sonata for Cello and Piano in G minor, Op. 19	Sergei Rachmaninoff (1873-1943)  Michael Grittani '12, cello and Rachel West '12, piano
Introduction of Speaker	Frank A. Boyd Interim Provost and Dean of the Faculty
Address "No Impact Man"	Colin Beavin
Alma Wesleyana <i>(please stand and join in singing led by Jimmy Schiffer '14)</i>	Ms. Hill  NATIONAL HYMN George William Warren (1828-1902)  From hearts aflame, our love we pledge to thee, Where'er we wander, over land or sea; Through time unending, loyal we will be— True to our Alma Mater, Wesleyan. When college days are fully past and gone, While life endures, from twilight gleam til dawn, Grandly thy soul shall with us linger on— Star-crowned, our Alma Mater, Wesleyan. —Professor W. E. Schultz (1935)
Benediction <i>(remain standing)</i>	Chaplain Harvey
Postlude <i>(remain standing)</i> Toccata Classique	Ms. Hill Dennis Janzer b.1954



## COLIN BEAVAN

Though Colin Beavan is a world-renowned author, writer, activist and speaker, most people generally know him by his alias, "No Impact Man."

Dr. Beavan is the originator of the No Impact Project, during which he and his family spent an entire year in New York City attempting to live without negatively impacting the environment. Chronicling his journey on his provocative environmental blog NoImpactMan.com, Dr. Beavan gained a vast fol-

lowing with more than 1.8 million visitors. *Time Magazine* named his blog one of the world's top 15 environmental websites. He transformed the blog into the book *No Impact Man: The Adventures of a Guilty Liberal Who Attempts to Save the Planet and Discoveries He Makes About Himself and Our Way of Life in the Process* (Picador, 2009), the selection for the 2010 Summer Reading Program.

The No Impact Project has been the subject of stories in the *New York Times*, the *Christian Science Monitor*, and many other national and international news outlets. Dr. Beavan has appeared on *The Colbert Report*, *Good Morning America*, *Nightline* and all the major NPR shows. He speaks regularly to a wide variety of audiences and consults businesses on the intersection of sustainability and human quality of life.

Dr. Beavan was named one of MSN's Ten Most Influential Men of 2007, an "Eco-Illuminator" in *Elle Magazine's* 2008 Green Awards, and a 2008 "Eco-Star" by New York City's Lower East Side Ecology Center.

Dr. Beavan earned his doctorate in electronic engineering from the University of Liverpool in the United Kingdom. He spent the late 1980s and early 1990s as a consultant to philanthropic organizations. In 1992, Dr. Beavan returned to the United States and wrote for magazines until Hyperion published his first book *Fingerprints: The Origins of Crime Detection and the Murder Case that Launched Forensic Science* in 2001. In 2006, Viking published his second book, *Operation Jedburgh: D-Day and America's First Shadow* about the operation that formed the precedent for U.S. anti-Soviet operations in Afghanistan.

Currently, he is director of the No Impact Project, and a visiting scholar at New York University where he is an advisor to the university's Sustainability Task Force. Dr. Beavan sits on the board of directors of New York City's Transportation Alternatives and on the advisory council of Just Food.