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Illinois Wesleyan University

FOUNDERS' DAY CONVOCATION



Westbrook Auditorium
Presser Hall
February 10, 1999
11:00 A.M.

PROGRAM

President Minor Myers, jr., *Presiding*
Professor Barbara Cothren, *Mace Bearer*

Organ Prelude

Allabreve in D Major, BWV 589

J. Scott Ferguson, *Organist*
Associate Professor of Music
J. S. Bach
(1685-1750)

*Processional

Marche Pontificale

Ferdinand de la Tombelle
(1854-1928)

*Invocation

University Chaplain Dennis E. Groh

Welcome

President Minor Myers, jr.

Performance

Dance Preludes

Erin O'Neil, '01, *clarinet*
Ririko Hayashi, *piano*
Lecturer in Music

Witold Lutoslawski
(1913-1994)

Awarding of Honorary Degree

President Minor Myers, jr.
Provost Janet M. McNew

Remarks

"The Battle of Intellectual Property Rights"

Patricia Schroeder '99

*Alma Wesleyana

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

University Chaplain Dennis E. Groh

Recessional

Sonatina

J. Scott Ferguson, *Organist*
Associate Professor of Music
Christian Ritter
(1645-1725)

*Audience will please stand

Patricia Schroeder

*Former Congresswoman, Author, President and CEO
of the Association of American Publishers*



A veteran of two dozen years in the U.S. House of Representatives, Patricia Schroeder (D-Colo.) is now President and Chief Executive Officer of the Association of American Publishers (AAP), the national trade organization representing the U.S. book publishing industry.

Schroeder, who retired from Capitol Hill in 1996, was a congressional champion of free speech, a key AAP concern. As ranking member of the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property, Schroeder was one of the most knowledgeable members of Congress on copyright issues and a strong advocate of protecting intellectual property rights and for nurturing creativity in connection with intellectual property--issues she advocates on behalf of AAP.

During Schroeder's congressional career, she became the Dean of Congressional Women, co-chaired the Congressional Caucus on Women's Issues for a decade, and served on the House Judiciary Committee, Post Office and Civil Service Committee, and was the first woman to serve on the House Armed Services Committee.

Schroeder chaired the House Select Committee on Children, Youth and Families from 1991-93, guiding into law the Family and Medical Leave Act and the National Institutes of Health Revitalization Act. She was an early supporter of legalized abortion and sponsored legislation making it a federal crime to obstruct access to abortion clinics. Schroeder also was active on military issues, spearheading the National Security Committee's vote to allow women to fly combat missions and working to improve the situation of military families through passage of the Military Family Act.

From January to June 1997, she was a professor at the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University, before assuming her leadership post at AAP on June 1. Schroeder also is leading New Century/New Solutions, a think tank for the Institute for Civil Society in Newton, Mass.

She is the author of a congressional memoir, "24 Years of House Work . . . and the Place is Still a Mess."

Born in Portland, Ore., in 1940, Schroeder graduated in 1961 from the University of Minnesota (working as an insurance claims adjuster to support herself through college). She went to the Harvard Law School--one of only 15 women in a class with more than 500 men--where she earned a law degree in 1964. Subsequently, she moved to Denver with her husband, James, who encouraged her to challenge an incumbent Republican for Colorado's First Congressional District in 1972.

West Gates
(Founders' Gates)



From a 1931 booklet of pen sketches of Illinois Wesleyan University

"...The West Gates (Founders' Gates) are really the main entrance to Illinois Wesleyan University. They were erected and presented to the school by the Bloomington Association of Commerce in 1921. The view presented here is looking north toward the Women's Dormitory."