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Honors Convocation

April 15, 2009

Westbrook Auditorium–Presser Hall
11:00 a.m.
Jonathan Dey
The Miner Linnaeus Sherff Professor of Botany

Recipient of the Kemp Foundation Award for Teaching Excellence — 2009

Professor Jonathan Dey has traveled the country in his studies of botany and has discovered, described and named several lichens through his research. A graduate of Oregon State and Duke universities with degrees in botany, his doctoral research centered on lichens of high mountain areas of the Southern Appalachians in North Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia.

Beginning his career as a secondary school teacher in Nigeria with the Peace Corps, Dr. Dey came to Illinois Wesleyan in 1974. In the letter nominating him for the Teaching Excellence Award, Dr. Dey was said to impress with his “ability to maintain his own scholarly research program, to successfully use this [research] to enhance student education, and, in particular, to attract students to his field of research.” Known on campus for his dedication to his students, he has led them into fieldwork for decades.

“He embodies the spirit of John Wesley Powell, the idea that work in the field is vital for students to learn about the natural world,” said Provost Beth Cunningham, comparing Dr. Dey to the famed explorer and former Illinois Wesleyan professor who was the first to lead students on field trips in the 1800s. “Dr. Dey has taken students to places such as the Alleghenies upland area of West Virginia and the Great Smoky Mountains National Park in Tennessee nearly every summer, where students have the opportunity to work side-by-side with him.”

Dr. Dey was a member of the scientific team that developed a model for using lichens as an indicator of air quality in forest ecosystems in the middle Atlantic and southeastern United States as part of the National Forest Health Monitoring Program. He now works on contributing to the macrolichen inventory of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park as part of the All Taxa Biodiversity Inventory (ATBI) of the park. He has published numerous articles in peer reviews, journals and technical reports.

During his tenure with the University, Dr. Dey has served as acting chair of the biology department twice. He has contributed to many committees, including the Promotion and Tenure Committee and the Faculty Development Committee. He also served as faculty visitor to the Board of Trustees. From 1975 to 1995, he was a medical technology liaison with BroMenn Hospitals and the hospital schools of medical technology affiliated with Illinois Wesleyan. He also served from 1975 to 2001 as the liaison with Duke University, on the Forestry/Environmental Management 3/2 Program.

A member of the American Bryological and Lichenological Society, Dr. Dey was appointed associate editor for their publication, The Bryologist. He is also a member of Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, the British Lichen Society and the International Association of Lichenologists.

Excellence in teaching is a hallmark of Illinois Wesleyan. The Teaching Excellence Award was established to recognize this strength and to honor one faculty member at this occasion who brings spirit, passion and scholarship to the art of teaching. Today we honor Jonathan Dey.
This program is dedicated to the Class of 2009 and to students who have earned scholastic and activity honors.

Presiding—Carissa Nemmers ’09, Class President

Processional (please stand).....................................................................................................................Brass Ensemble
Two Ayres for Cornets & Sagbuts
   Scott Schumann ’09, trumpet; Nate Dickman ’09, trumpet; Dan George ’09, trumpet;
   Jessica Pearce ’09, horn; Matt Luhn ’10, trombone; Don Killinger ’09, tuba

Invocation (remain standing)...................................................................................................................Scott Himel ’09

Welcome ......................................................................................................................................... Carissa Nemmers ’09

Recognition of Student Honors .................................................................................................... Roger H. Schnaitter
   Secretary of Phi Kappa Phi and Associate Professor of History

Recognition of Academic Honors ............................................................................................................ April Schultz
   President of Phi Beta Kappa and Associate Professor of Anthropology

Tributes to Retiring Faculty..................................................................................................................Beth A. Cunningham
   Provost and Dean of the Faculty

Presentation of Speaker .....................................................................................................................Richard F. Wilson
   President

Address ........................................................................................................................................................ Jonathan Dey
   “Charlie and Change”
   The Miner Linnaeus
   Sherff Professor of Botany

Presentation of The Kemp Foundation Award for Teaching Excellence — 2009 ......................... Rene Shaffer

Presentation of Previous Honorees for Teaching Excellence..........................................................President Wilson

Announcement of 2010 Honoree for Teaching Excellence................................................... Provost Cunningham

Alma Wesleyana (please stand and join in singing)................................................................................Brass Ensemble
   National Hymn
   George William Warren

   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 dream till dawn,
   Grandly thy soul shall with us linger on—
   Star-crowned, our Alma Mater, Wesleyan!

   – Professor W. E. Schultz
   (1887-1964)

Benediction (remain standing)............................................................................................................. Angela Swidergal ’09

Recessional (remain standing) ..........................................................................................................Brass Ensemble
   Canzona Per Sonare No. 2

Giovanni Gabrieli
   (1554/1557-1612)
PHI KAPPA PHI 1922
National scholastic honorary for students with junior and senior standing

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Colin Barry
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Susan Blunck
Ashley Borchardt
Angela Born
Daniel Burke
Amy Burns
Patrick Chess
Mira Coleman
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Kaitlyn Gallagher Gosch
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Jeffrey Marinier
Oluwakemi Onajin
Kelly Petersen
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Julie Regenbogen
Angela Rotta
Julie Slagel
Jennifer Sobyra
Sarah Stumpf

Gina Tangorra
Kendall Tasche
Sandy Tun
Emily Vock
Kathleen Whalley
Joel Wicks
Gregory Yao
Kristin Zavislak

PHI BETA KAPPA 2000
Undergraduate honors organization fostering and recognizing excellence in the liberal arts and sciences

◊ Ogaga Akoroda
† Holly Aldrich
† Amelia Benner
◊ Jessica Block
◊ Ashley Borchardt
◊ Erin Bradley
† Daniel Burke
◊ Natalie Chase
◊ Patrick Chess
◊ Mira Coleman
◊ Sara Costello
† Elizabeth Doerner
◊ Kathryn Evans
◊ Stephen Eyler
◊ Jennifer Faust
◊ Emily Franzen
◊ Alex Hahn
◊ Mary Heaney
† Jacquelyn Hill
† Matthew Huddle
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◊ Jordan Jeffers
† Victoria Johnson
◊ Mark Kasperczyk
◊ Megan Keane
◊ Anna Konradi

◊ Kevin Lewis
◊ Sudil Mahendra
◊ Melinda Mallory
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† Sharif Shawki
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◊ Sarah Stumpf
◊ Gina Tangorra
◊ Kendall Tasche
◊ Sandy Tun
◊ Marie-Claude Villacorta
◊ Carly Visk
◊ Emily Vock
◊ Leila Whitley
◊ Gregory Yao
† Kristin Zavislak

Initiated Students †
Invited Students ◊
PERFORMANCE AND EXHIBITION HONORS IN THE FINE ARTS

Art-Exhibition Honors
Katherine Allen
Nicole Pizzini
Andrea Winsor

Music-Honor Recitalist
Jessica Pearce
Evan Tammen

Theatre Arts
Julie Allen
Marshall Garrett
Andrea Healy
Russell Matthews
Lauren Romano
David Ruben
Catherine Smith
Diane Teng
Jessica Tidd
Katie Whalley
Pamela Wilcox

AWARD RECIPIENTS

Business
Ryan Beaupre Award for Accounting
Megan Lee
Nicole Spear

GROWMARK Scholarship
Sarah Micale

Creative Writing
Arthur William Hinners and Louise Hinners Sipfle Poetry Prize presented by The Academy of American Poets
Kaelyn Riley

Honorable Mention
Caitlin Carr

Babbitt’s Prize for Short Fiction
Kaelyn Riley

Honorable Mention
Amelia Benner

Educational Studies
The George E. Melton Award in Education
Christine Szukalla

Environmental Studies
Outstanding Senior in Environmental Studies
Daniel Burke

Excellence in Advancing Environmental Sustainability
Jason Koval

Lincoln Laureate Award
Sandy Tun

Music
David Nott Collegiate Choir Scholarship
Jeremy Kings

Presser Scholarship
TBA 4/16/09

Natural Science
Wayne Warde Wantland
Biology Merit Award
Sudil Mahendra

Nursing
Frances D. Alikonis Memorial Award
Megan Hoffman

Alumnae Association of the Brokaw Hospital School for Nurses Scholarship
Samantha Rohl

Patricia Giese Memorial Scholarship
Emma Benjamin

Mary D. Shanks Scholarship
Established by Upsilon Pi Alumni Chapter of Alpha Tau Delta
Clare Goebel

Sara M. Stevenson Memorial Scholarship
Abigail Hoekstra

Student Leadership Awards
Cultural Leadership
Danielle Rossi

Intellectual Leadership
Jessica Block

Student Service to Campus Life
Andrea Ambrosia
Student Service to the Community
Mary Roznovsky

Student Service as a University Employee
Derrick Tillman-Kelly

Stutzman Peace Fellows
Holly Aldrich
Daniel Burke
Monica Shah
Marie-Claudine Villacorta

Technos International Prize
Lauren Nelson

Weir Fellows — ARC
Daniel Burke
Sneh Rajbhandari

HONORARIES
Alpha Kappa Delta
International sociology honor society
Heidi Adams
Holly Aldrich
Jennifer Biess
Bevin Cowie
Alison Dallinger
Suzanne Diener
Lauren Gearhart
Christy Ivie
Rebecca Kiverts
Sara Laney
Jacklyn Martin
Aaron Massey
Celina Mendoza
Kristen Niemczyk
Elizabeth Riggs

Janelle Mae Santos
Sharif Shawk
Kari Sparenberg

Pedro E. and Rufina A. Oliveros Memorial Award for International Studies
Rachel Hodel

Alpha Lambda Delta
National first year honor society — celebrating the 60th anniversary of its founding
Babawande Afolabi
Ruth Ahove
Konyinsola Akibayo
Karl Albrecht
Holly Aldrich
Katherine Allen
Elizabeth Allen
Andrea Ambrosia
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Colin Barry
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Shuting Zhong
Eric Zielinski
Alec Zurek

**Delta Phi Alpha**
*National German language and literature honor society*
Cocomma Bassey
Grace Kelmer
Sara Laney
Stephen Little
Karlin Sangdahl
Cassandra Stachniw

**Eta Sigma Phi**
*National Honorary Society for Students of Latin and Greek*
Amelia Benner
Maria Duda
Katherine Feehan
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**Gamma Upsilon**
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Linda Martin
Paul Morelo
David Nutt
James Podrasky
Jason Prechtel
Garrett Rapp
Julie Regenbogen
Rachel Rein
Laura Spradlin

**Gamma Upsilon Awards**
*W.E. Schultz Award for Excellence in Media Management*
Garrett Rapp

*Harvey Beutner Award for Journalistic Excellence*
Michael Gorman

**Iota Iota Iota**
*Women’s Studies honorary society*
Holly Aldrich
Emily Haager
Mary Heaney
Joyce Jhang
Erin Kugler
Sara Laney
Sarah Sherman
Kappa Delta Pi
*National honorary for junior and senior education majors*
Laura Allen
Natalie Boesche
Lauren Booth
Erin Bradley
Amy Burns
Laura Frisbie
Aaron Gierhart
Kaitlyn Gosch
Amy Greleck
Emily Houk
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Christine Szukalla
Katherine Utesch
Lauren Van Vleet
Andrea Winsor
Marguerite Wood

Laura Murray
Nicole Pizzini
Victoria Poll
Andrea Winsor

Lambda Alpha
*National anthropology honor society*
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Noah Dunham
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Angela Pufahl
Amber Spiewak
Molly Walter
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Omicron Delta Epsilon
*National scholastic honorary for students of economics*
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Family Weekend
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    Derrick Tillman-Kelly

MEN’S VARSITY ATHLETICS
Most Valuable Players
Baseball 2008
    Richard Angel
    Timothy McInerney
Basketball
    Douglas Sexauer
Cross Country
    T.J. Luby
Football
    Defense: Daniel Souder
    Offense: Martin Ceisel
Golf 2008
    Christopher Green
Soccer
    Defensive: Gregory Yao
    Offensive: Paulo Michelini
Swimming
    Michael Kozak
Tennis 2008
    Daniel Chang
Track 2008
    Matthew Harden

Team Captains
Baseball
    Timothy Marzek
Basketball
    Brett Chamernik
    Sean Dwyer
Cross Country
    Jay Pandya
    Gregory VanZuiden
Football
    Martin Ceisel
    Alexander Holmberg
    Richard Podkowa
    Daniel Souder
Golf
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    Michael Kozak
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WOMEN’S VARSITY ATHLETICS
Most Valuable Players
Basketball
    Christina Solari
Cross Country
    Kerry Devitt
Golf
    Kristina Katz
Soccer
    Christina Rodriguez
Softball 2008
    Christy Engel
Swimming
    Angela Lugg
Tennis 2008
    Allison Heim
Track 2008
    Rachel Anderson
Volleyball
    Michele Malinowski

Team Captains
Basketball
    Mallory Heydorn
    Claire Sheehan
    Christina Solari
Cross Country
    Amy Burns
    Allison L’Hotta
Golf 2008
    Madeline Murphy
    Nicole Spear
Soccer
    Caroline Leighton
    Carissa Nemmers
    Christina Rodriguez
Softball
  Natalie Chase
  Valerie Hackett
  Monica Urban

Swimming
  Nicole Litzner
  Samantha Sebastian
  Angela Tomazin

Tennis
  Allison Heim
  Colleen McShane

Track
  Mackenzie Clemens
  Elizabeth Diubeck
  Amanda LaRocca
  Emily Willenbring

Volleyball
  Michele Malinowski
  Jessica Narduli

Order of the Titans
Outstanding Achievement in Academics and Athletics

Men
Baseball
  Matt Aronson
Football
  Martin Ceisel
  Richard Podkowa
  Daniel Souder

Golf
  Bennett Blakeman
  Christopher Green
  Michael DeRuntz

Soccer
  Matas Cyvas
  Jason Lopez
  Gregory Yao

Track
  Michael Conti
  John Maloney

Women
Basketball
  Mallory Heydorn
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