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Illinois Wesleyan University

PRESIDENT'S CONVOCATION



Westbrook Auditorium
Presser Hall
September 23, 1992
11:00 a.m.

PROGRAM

President Minor Myers, jr, *Presiding*

Organ PreludeProfessor David Gehrenbeck, *Organist*

Voluntaries on Familiar Hymntunes

CWM RHONDDA

Mary Ellen Kerrick

MORNING SONG

Anna Laura Page

FOUNDATIONS

Alice Jordan

AZMON

Emma Lou Diemer

InvocationProfessor William White
University Chaplain

Welcome.....President Minor Myers, jr

AddressSara Jo Kaufman '93
President, Student Senate

Announcement of PresidentialProfessor Roger H. Schnaitter
Scholars and The Anderson Physics Scholar *Acting Provost*

Special Music (I)Professor Linda Farquharson, *Mezzo-soprano*
Professor Susan Brandon, *Pianist*

"Half Minute Songs"*Carrie Jacobs Bond*

"Answer the First Rep"

"First Ask Yourself"

"To Understand"

"Making the Best of It"

Special Music (II)Rachael Warren '96, *Soprano*
Professor Susan Brandon, *Pianist*

"Nancy Hanks"*Katherine K. Davis*

(Abraham Lincoln's Mother)

(Text: Rosemary Benét)

Awarding of Honorary Degree

President Minor Myers, jr
Professor Pamela D. Muirhead
Acting Dean of Faculty

Looking at America through Women's EyesDr. Mary Beth Norton

"Alma Wesleyana" (NATIONAL HYMN)George W. 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 gleam til dawn,
Grandly thy soul shall with us linger on-
Star-crowned, our Alma Mater, Wesleyan.

—William Eben Schultz

Organ Postlude.....Professor David Gehrenbeck, *Organist*

Fanfare on NATIONAL HYMNKaren Keene



Mary Beth Norton, Ph.D.

**Mary Donlon Alger Professor
of American History
Cornell University
Ithaca, New York**

History educator and prolific author, Dr. Norton is a distinguished scholar who specializes in the fields of Early American History (to 1815) and American Women's/Gender History. She was born in Ann Arbor, Mich., and was graduated from the University of Michigan with high distinction and high honors in history. Her master's and doctoral degrees were earned at Harvard University, and her Ph.D. dissertation, "The British-Americans: The Loyalist Exiles in England, 1774-1789," was awarded the Allan Nevins Prize as the best-written dissertation in American history in 1970. In addition to the Nevins Prize, Dr. Norton was also awarded the Berkshire Conference Prize for the best book by a woman historian in 1981.

Dr. Norton joined the faculty at Cornell University in 1971 and has held the Mary Donlon Alger Professorship in American History since 1987. Currently she is researching gender and society in 17th century America.

She was named to five honorary societies at Michigan, including Phi Beta Kappa (as a junior), and later was elected to the Society of American Historians, the American Antiquarian Society and the Massachusetts Historical Society. Her affiliations with professional societies include the American Historical Society, the Organization of American Historians, The Berkshire Conference of Women Historians, the Conference Group on Women's History, the Institute of Early American History and Culture, and several others.

Her distinction as a scholar is equalled by her career as a writer, reviewer, and editor. In addition to her dissertation, published by Little, Brown in Boston and Constable and Co., London,, she wrote *Liberty's Daughters: The Revolutionary Experience of American Women, 1750-1800*, also published by Little, Brown. She was a contributing author of *A People and a Nation*, (Houghton Mifflin) now in its third edition, and she edited three additional books relating to women and work, all by major publishers.

Dr. Norton's articles have appeared in a range of scholarly journals, as well as the *New York Times Book Review*, *American Heritage*, and the *Proceedings of the Massachusetts Historical Society*. Her topics have included women's literacy, their constitutional status, the Afro-American family in the age of revolution, the life of a 18th century businesswoman, America's first aeronaut, frontier loyalism in 18th century Florida, black loyalists during the American Revolution, and many others.

In 1987 Dr. Norton presented the Commonwealth Fund Lecture at University College, London, and the following year, she lectured at Beijing, Nankai and Suzhou universities in the Peoples Republic of China as a participant in the Visiting Scholar Exchange Program. She has also presented major lectures at a number of American colleges and universities.