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# PRESIDENT'S INTERNATIONAL CONVOCATION



Westbrook Auditorium  
Presser Hall  
September 10, 2003  
11:00 a.m.

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# PROGRAM

President Janet McNew, *Presiding*

Organ Prelude	J. Scott Ferguson, <i>Organist</i> <i>Associate Professor of Music</i> Johann Adam Reincken (1623-1722)
Fugue in g minor	
Processional ( <i>please stand</i> )	
O Day of Peace	C. Hubert H. Parry (1848-1918)
Invocation ( <i>remain standing</i> )	Dennis E. Groh '61 <i>University Chaplain</i>
Welcome	Janet McNew <i>Acting President</i>
Greetings from the Student Senate	J. R. Glenn '05 <i>President, Student Senate</i>
Recognition of Presidential Scholars	Roger H. Schnaitter <i>Acting Provost</i>
Special Music	
Aires Indios	Eduardo Caba
No. 2	(1890-1953)
	Professor David J. Vayo, <i>piano</i>
Awarding of Honorary Degree	President McNew Provost Schnaitter
Remarks	His Excellency, Gonzalo Sánchez de Lozada
	"U.S. and Latin American Foreign Policy Challenges"
Alma Wesleyana	NATIONAL HYMN
( <i>please stand and join in singing</i> )	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 Groh
Recessional ( <i>remain standing</i> )	Professor Ferguson
Praeludium und Fuge	Vincent Lübeck (1654-1740))



## His Excellency, Gonzalo Sánchez de Lozada

President of the Republic of Bolivia

His Excellency, Gonzalo Sánchez de Lozada is currently serving his second five-year term as president of the Republic of Bolivia. President Sánchez de Lozada won the June 2002 elections by a relative majority that was confirmed by a vote in Congress on August 5, 2002. In his inaugural address, he called for unity in order to help Bolivia confront the economic crisis spreading through the region. Born in La Paz, Bolivia, President Sánchez de Lozada was

raised and educated in the United States. His father taught political science at Harvard University, and Mr. Sánchez de Lozada attended the University of Chicago, graduating in 1952 with a bachelor of arts degree in philosophy and English literature.

The year after his graduation, he founded a documentary and commercial film production company, which he managed until 1957 when he started a petroleum services company. In 1962, he founded Compañía Minera del Sur (COMSUR), a mining enterprise dedicated to the production of tin, silver, gold, lead, and zinc. Today, COMSUR is the largest mining company in Bolivia. Known in Bolivia simply as "Goni," President Sánchez de Lozada first entered public life as a member of Congress in 1979. He served in several leadership positions, including President of the Senate, and played a key role in stopping hyperinflation. In 1985, he co-authored the economic "shock therapy" program, which opened Bolivia to international trade, made radical reforms that brought about economic stabilization, and created the foundation for future economic growth.

In 1989 he was the presidential candidate for the Movimiento Nacionalista Revolucionario (MNR) and won the election by a relative majority, but a run-off in Congress turned the presidency over to the candidate who placed third. From 1989 to 1993, he was head of the MNR party and was elected as the party's presidential candidate. He ran again in the 1993 general elections and won by a substantial although relative majority that was ratified by the congressional vote. Mr. Sánchez de Lozada served as the 61st president of Bolivia from 1993 to 1997. A right-wing pro-market reformer, he implemented the "Plan de Todos" (A Plan for Everyone), which was based on profound economic, social and political reforms. Term limits prevented him from running for a consecutive term, but he was re-elected for a five-year term in his second bid for the presidency in August 2002.

A 2002 *Washington Post* article reported that President Sánchez de Lozada described his current presidency as "a second marriage, with the victor of hope over experience." When President Sánchez de Lozada received the Alumni Medal from the University of Chicago's Alumni Association in 2001, the former U.S. ambassador to Bolivia praised him, saying: "Brilliantly successful in his own country, he is admired by the leaders of economic and social reform throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. If there were a free-agency market in presidents, he would be at least president of Argentina, if not Brazil and Mexico."

President Sánchez de Lozada was a member of the Americas Society/Council of the Americas of New York for many years and currently is a member of the Leadership Council for Inter-American Summitry of the North-South Center of the University of Miami. He is Chairman of the Board of the Foundation of the Americas and the Inter-American Dialogue in Washington D.C. President Sánchez de Lozada holds honorary degrees and awards from numerous institutions, including the University of Boston, the universities of Senshu and Kyoto in Japan, the Institute of the Americas, and the Universidad San Francisco de Quito in Ecuador. He will receive the decree Doctor of Laws, honoris causa, from Illinois Wesleyan.

President Sánchez de Lozada is married to Ximena Iturralde Monje, and they have a daughter and a son and four grandchildren.

## PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARS

### *Class of 2007*

#### *Kelly Feder*

Kelly is a National Merit Scholar and valedictorian from Highland, Illinois. She is interested in chemistry, biology, and psychology.

#### *Jeremy Fisher*

Jeremy is a vocal performance major from Oak Park, Illinois. His ambitions are to sing in all the world's major opera houses, and to coach a hockey team.

#### *Lucas Gullickson*

Luc is a National Merit Scholar from Cedar Rapids, Iowa. He will major in piano performance and English literature. Luc's sister Anna was a Presidential Scholar in the IWU class of 2000.

#### *Charles Haugland*

Charles is a National Merit Scholar from Aurora, Colorado. He enters the BFA program in acting.

#### *Elita Hohner*

From Oak Forest, Illinois, and a graduate of Marion Catholic, Elita is a National Merit Scholar. Intending on majoring in psychology, she is also interested in tae-kwon-doe and French horn.

#### *Marissa Holloway*

A National Merit Scholar from Naples, Florida, Marissa will major in international studies and political science. Her ambition is to be the U.S. Ambassador to an Eastern European country.

#### *Todd Kumler*

Todd is valedictorian at Larkin High School in Elgin, Illinois. He is a tennis player and runs his own web design company. He will pursue studies in economics, mathematics, and computer science.

#### *John Link*

John is a National Merit Scholar and valedictorian from Carlinville, Illinois. He will be a physics major, and he would like to design cars some day—perhaps making them more collision-proof.

#### *Christopher Njoku*

From Lagos, Nigeria, Christopher comes to Illinois Wesleyan as this year's recipient of the President's International Student Scholarship. He joins fellow Nigerian Debo Olaosebikan, last year's International Scholarship winner and also a physics major.

*Erica Petersen*

Erica is a National Merit Scholar and valedictorian (in a graduating class of 766) from Eden Prairie, Minnesota. She is interested in Spanish and vocal performance, and thinks she may want to go to law school.

*Rachel Shulman*

From Vernon Hills, Illinois, Rachel is a graduate of Stevenson High. Her academic interests span over psychology, English, and history. She also plays soccer.

*Lindsay Theisen*

Lindsay is a National Merit Scholar from Madison, Wisconsin. She wrote in her admissions essay that she has been "tagged with ten specifically identified and isolated kinds of geekiness," surely a record of some sort. Lindsay wants to study political science and minor in dance, and go to law school.

*Elizabeth Tuazon*

Elizabeth is a music education major from Tinley Park, Illinois. She has studied piano for twelve years. She is also a vocalist and a percussionist.

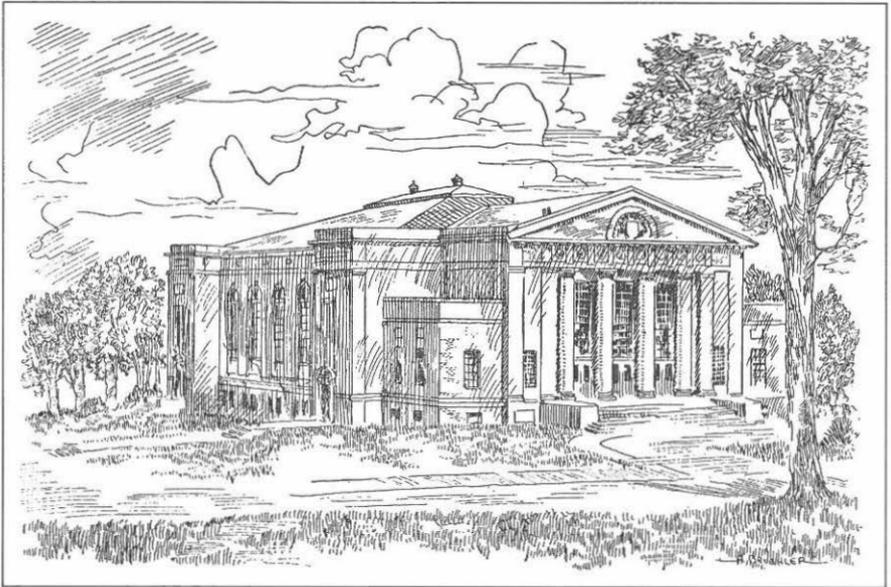
*Emma Wear*

Emma is a National Merit Scholar from the Keith School in Rockford, Illinois. She will major in English literature. She is also a soccer player.

*Colin Zepeda*

From Winfield, Illinois, Colin is a graduate of Wheaton North High School. Majoring in biology, he is considering careers in both medicine and law.

## MEMORIAL GYMNASIUM



*From a 1931 booklet of pen sketches:*

“THE MEMORIAL GYMNASIUM IS ONE OF ILLINOIS WESLEYAN’S NEWER BUILDINGS AND COMPLETE IN EVERY DETAIL. IT WILL SEAT 2500 PEOPLE FOR BASKETBALL GAMES AND BESIDES A LARGE, MODERN PLAYING FLOOR IS EQUIPPED WITH A BIG STAGE, OFFICES, LOCKER ROOMS, STORE ROOMS, AND LARGE, MODERN SWIMMING POOL.”

*The Hansen Student Center was created from historic Memorial Gymnasium and opened in January, 2002.*

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