

One Hundred Seventh Annual
Whittier College Baccalaureate



May 27, 2010



History:

Established by the Religious Society of Friends in the 1880s, Whittier College and the town of Whittier were named in honor of prominent Quaker poet and abolitionist leader John Greenleaf Whittier. Though the College has operated as a secular institution since the 1940s, an appreciation for Quaker values permeates the campus community—in particular, belief in freedom of conscience, integrity, justice, and internationalism strongly influence its ethos, coupled with abiding respect for the individual and a longstanding commitment to diversity of thought, culture, and ideas. Humanistic and pre-professional education is integrated here, reflecting the College's desire that its members be socially responsible citizens.

Mission:

Whittier College, an independent, nationally recognized liberal arts institution, provides an important option in American higher education: a distinctive, high quality academic program based upon the liberal arts that also integrate selected professional and pre-professional programs into the core of the college through innovative interdisciplinary curricula.

The college's primary mission is to educate students in a small college atmosphere where they can learn, acquire skills, and form attitudes and values appropriate for leading and serving in a global society. It seeks to do this in the context of a diverse, friendly and caring community.

Baccalaureate:

Baccalaureate is a tradition that has been in existence at Whittier College for over 100 years. When your student entered Whittier College, they participated in a time-honored practice known as "The President's Convocation and the Light of Learning Ceremony." We would like to think of Baccalaureate as a bookend to Convocation. Baccalaureate serves as an opportunity for graduating seniors and their families to celebrate the accomplishments of the class and give thanks in what is described as a community gathering. Members of the Whittier College faculty and Board of Trustees are present and the event is both uplifting and enjoyable.

Living Gratitude
BACCALAUREATE
Harris Amphitheater
Thursday, May 27, 2010, 7:30 p.m.

***PROCESSIONAL**

Hymn to Joy

LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN, aar. JEANNE COTTER
PERFORMED BY STEPHEN COOK, D.M.A.
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF MUSIC

***WHITTIER SCHOOL SONG**

Friends Forever..... Words adapted by Herbert & Marjorie Harris

By Stephen Gothold and Joseph Price

Music by Margaretha Lohmann

VOCÉ

DIRECTED BY STEPHEN COOK, D.M.A.

Hail to thee dear Whittier, home of friends forever.

Thou art virtuous, Whittier, in thy high endeavor.

Now we charge thee, Whittier, Home where peace and truth are nourished.

Grant to youth thy spirit till hopes and dreams have fully flourished.

Forward ever, Whittier; falter never, Whittier,

Friends forever, Whittier; Alma Mater Whittier.

***INVOCATION**

Eric Borja '10

ANTHEM

The Gift of Love

HAL HOPSON

VOCÉ

Though I may speak with bravest fire,

and have the gift to all inspire,

and have not love; my words are vain,

as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Though I may give all I possess,

and striving so my love profess,

But not be giv'n by love within,

the profit soon turns strangely thin.

Come, spirit, come, our hearts control.

Our spirits long to be made whole.

O come, spirit, come, Let inward love,

Let love guide every deed.

By this we worship, we are freed.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

*Please stand

WELCOME

JEANNE ORTIZ, Ph.D.

VICE PRESIDENT & DEAN OF STUDENTS

RESPONSIVE READING

Cecilia Nava '10

Let us give thanks for our time together.

Let us celebrate our going forth.

Let us give thanks for our Alma Mater.

Let us celebrate the places we will go.

Let us give thanks for our learning community.

Let us celebrate wisdom and friendship.

Let us give thanks for the questions we've asked.

Let us celebrate inquisitiveness.

Let us give thanks for the wonder of words.

Let us celebrate their bonding power.

Let us give thanks for grounding traditions.

Let us celebrate the promise of hope.

Let us give thanks for our time together.

Let us celebrate our going forth.

SILENT WORSHIP IN THE MANNER OF FRIENDS

"Embracing Disquietude"

LED BY JOSEPH L. PRICE, Ph.D.

C. MILO CONNICK PROFESSOR OF RELIGIOUS STUDIES

HANDBELL CHOIR

This Little Light of Mine

HART MORRIS

Fugue in C Major

J.S. BACH

DIRECTED BY TERESA LEVELLE, D.M.

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF MUSIC

READING: Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

Annalisa Saldi '10

Kimberly Hettler-Coleman '10

- 1 There is a time for everything, a season for every activity under heaven.
- 2 A time to be born and a time to die. A time to plant and a time to harvest.
- 3 A time to kill and a time to heal. A time to tear down and a time to rebuild.
- 4 A time to cry and a time to laugh. A time to grieve and a time to dance.
- 5 A time to scatter stones and a time to gather stones. A time to embrace and a time to turn away.
- 6 A time to search and a time to lose. A time to keep and a time to throw away.
- 7 A time to tear and a time to mend. A time to be quiet and a time to speak up.
- 8 A time to love and a time to hate. A time for war and time for peace.

GRADUATES EXPRESSING GRATITUDE

Brownie Sibrian '10

Carmen Chaidez '10

PARENTS OF JOSHUA GUEREQUE EXPRESSING GRATITUDE

MONICA AND LARRY GUEREQUE

THEN AND NOW— A CELEBRATION OF OUR GRADUATES

JEANNE ORTIZ, Ph.D.

DEAN OF STUDENTS

ANTHEM

Like the Beat of a Drum

JAY ALTHOUSE

VOCÉ

There's a change on the horizon
There's a change that's sure to come
And that change is strong and steady
Like the beat of a drum

Let your light be a light of promise
May it shine with a brilliant glow.
Let your light be a light of freedom.
Let it burn and let it grow.

In each life there is a spirit
In each spirit there's a light
And that light is there to guide us
Like a beacon in the night

Keep your hope in times of trouble.
Keep your faith in what is right.
Let your heart forever guide you
To the truth and to the light.

SHARING THE LIGHT OF LEARNING

SHARON D. HERZBERGER, Ph.D.

PRESIDENT OF WHITTIER COLLEGE

JOSEPH L. PRICE, Ph.D.

KATHERINE FOLEY '10

*BENEDICTION

JOSEPH L. PRICE, Ph.D.

*RECESSIONAL

Wide Open Spaces by John Jarvis

PERFORMED BY STEPHEN COOK, D.M.A.

Baccalaureate music performed by:

VOCÉ

Seriah Antoun

Spencer Beck

Brian Blank

Whitney Cane '10

Will Dickerson '10

Raquel Gutierrez '10

Lilia Hole

Mark Juaton

Courtney Smith

Joshua Wood '10

HANDBELLS

Gabriela Arana

Emily Baeza

Whitney Cane '10

Aaron Concha '10

Cookie Fuzell

Anacis Minas-Masihi

Adrian Perez '10

Kimi Welch

Cover Artist: Dominic Romero '10



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