BOWDOIN COLLEGE
HONORS DAY

Wednesday, May 6, 2009
Kanbar Auditorium, Studzinski Recital Hall

WELCOME
BARRY MILLS, President of the College

HONORS DAY ADDRESS
“Gorillas in Our Midst: The Big Picture Problem and the Value of Knowing That We Don’t Always Know”
MICHAEL J. KOLSTER
Assistant Professor of Art

PRESENTATION OF SYDNEY B. KAROFSKY AWARD FOR JUNIOR FACULTY
CRISTLE COLLINS JUDD, Dean for Academic Affairs

PRESENTATION OF DEPARTMENTAL PRIZES
Academic Department and Program Chairs

INTERLUDE
“Sarabande” from Suite for Cello Solo No. 1 in G Major, BWV 1007, by Johann Sebastian Bach
JAMES E. PASCH ’11

CLOSING REMARKS
President Mills

SINGING OF THE ALMA MATER*
“Raise Songs to Bowdoin”

*Please stand and join in singing “Raise Songs to Bowdoin.”
The words are on the back of this program.
PRESENTATION OF KAROFSKY PRIZE
Cristle Collins Judd, Dean for Academic Affairs

SYDNEY B. KAROFSKY PRIZE FOR JUNIOR FACULTY
Laura A. Henry, Assistant Professor of Government

This prize, given by members of the Karofsky family, is to be awarded annually by the dean for academic affairs, in consultation with the Appointments, Promotion, and Tenure Committee on the basis of student evaluations of teaching, to an outstanding Bowdoin teacher who “best demonstrates the ability to impart knowledge, inspire enthusiasm, and stimulate intellectual curiosity.” The prize is given to a member of the faculty who has taught at the College for at least two years.

PRESENTATION OF DEPARTMENTAL PRIZES
Academic Department and Program Chairs

ART HISTORY

Anne Bartlett Lewis Memorial Prize in Art History
Sara Mary Griffin ’09
Established by the family of Anne Bartlett Lewis, this prize is given for demonstrated excellence in art history.

Art History Senior-Year Prize
Elizabeth Bryant Gillespie ’09
Alexa Jaye Schwartz ’09

Art History Junior-Year Prize
Caitlin Meehye Beach ’10
Colin Lloyd Sliker Matthews ’10
Charlotte Thompson Williams ’10
These prizes, established by a donor who wished to remain anonymous, are given respectively to graduating seniors and to juniors who have achieved the highest distinction in the major in art history.

VISUAL ARTS

Anne Bartlett Lewis Memorial Prize in Visual Arts
Elizabeth Talcott Jones ’09
Stephen Carlos West ’09
Established by the family of Anne Bartlett Lewis, this prize is given for demonstrated excellence in creative visual arts.

Richard P. Martel Jr. Memorial Prize
Thomas Mason Wilcox ’09
Cullen James Winkler ’09
This prize is awarded to those students who, in the judgment of the visual arts faculty, are deemed to have produced the most creative, perceptive, proficient, and visually appealing art works exhibited at the College during the academic year.

BIOCHEMISTRY

John L. Howland Book Award in Biochemistry
Tenzing Tashi Sherpa Lama ’10
The John L. Howland Book Award in Biochemistry is given each year to a student who has achieved academic and general excellence in the biochemistry program at the end of the junior year. The award is in honor of John L. Howland, a member of the Bowdoin faculty from 1963 to 2002 and the Josiah Little Professor of Natural Sciences and professor of biology and biochemistry, who founded the Biochemistry Program at Bowdoin in 1971.
BIOLOGY

Copeland-Gross Biology Prize
KATHRYN SAMANTHA NICHOLS ’09
MARC ANDREAS FOSTER SEARS ’09
In honor of Manton Copeland and Alfred Otto Gross, this book prize is presented to the graduating senior who has best exemplified the idea of a liberal education during the major program in biology.

Donald and Harriet S. Macomber Prize in Biology
TANYA Todorova Todorova ’09
This prize is awarded annually to one or more outstanding students in the Department of Biology.

James Malcolm Moulton Prize in Biology
CHAIYOBOOT ARYACHET ’10
This book prize, established in honor of James Malcolm Moulton, is awarded annually to an outstanding junior majoring in biology, as judged by scholarship and interest.

CHEMISTRY

ACS Award in Analytical Chemistry
TA-HSUAN ONG ’10
This prize, given by the American Chemical Society, is awarded to a sophomore or junior in recognition of outstanding work in chemistry.

Hypercube Award
MATTHEW PALMER KWAN ’10
This award acknowledges promising undergraduates who are going on to research or teaching careers in chemistry.

Kamerling Laboratory Award
HEATHER MARGARET KINNEAR ’12
This award is given to one or more students for truly exceptional work in Organic Chemistry 225–226.

Merck Index Award
MARIA BETH KOENIGS ’09
This prize recognizes the truly exceptional work of a senior who is going on in chemistry or medicine.

Philip Weston Meserve Prize in Chemistry
SARAH PALMER LUPPINO ’10
This prize recognizes the excellent work of a junior who shows promise for the future.

William Campbell Root Award
ELIZABETH ELEANOR BARTON ’09
This prize recognizes senior chemistry majors who have provided service and support to chemistry at Bowdoin beyond the normal academic program.

U.S. Chemical Rubber Company Freshman Award
PORCHAI KAewsaksak ’12
MICHELLE MIRIAM LAWSON ’12
KATHRYN MARGARET LEIPHEIT ’12
This award is given to first-year students for superior academic work in chemistry.

U.S. Chemical Rubber Company Laboratory Award
LA’SHAYE A. ERVIN ’12
This award is given to first-year students for outstanding quality of laboratory work in chemistry.

CLASSICS

Hannibal Hamlin Emery Latin Prize
DARIAN CHRISTOPHER REID-STURGIS ’09
This prize is awarded to a member of the junior or senior class for proficiency in Latin.

Nathan Goold Prize
JESSICA LIAN ’09
This prize, established by Abba Goold Woolson, of Portland, in memory of her grandfather, is awarded to that member of the senior class who has, throughout the college course, attained the highest standing in Greek and Latin studies.

J. B. Sewall Greek Prize
EDWARD STEVENS GOTTFRIED ’11
This prize is awarded to the member of the sophomore class who sustains the best examination in Greek.
J. B. Sewall Latin Prize
Elliott Jordan Munn '11
Yando P. Peralta '11
This prize is awarded to the member of the sophomore class who sustains the best examination in Latin.

Computer Science
Computer Science Senior-Year Prize
Johannes Heide Strom '09
This prize is awarded to a senior or seniors judged by the Department of Computer Science to have achieved the highest distinction in the major program in computer science.

Economics
Paul H. Douglas Prize
Tyler Webb Anderson '10
Matthew Thomas Carpenter '10
Claire Sylvie Leblanc '10
Sarah Austen Richards '10
This prize recognizes juniors who show outstanding promise in scholarship in economics. The prize is named for Paul H. Douglas of the Class of 1913, a respected labor economist and United States senator.

Education
Maine Teacher Certification
Courtney Lee Eustace '08
Peter Tristram Coffin Mills '09
William Jay Oppenheim III '09
Yessenia Torres '09
These students have completed the requirements for Maine teacher certification.

English
Academy of American Poets Prize
William Jay Oppenheim III '09
This national prize is awarded by the Academy of American Poets for best poems or groups of poems.

Philip Henry Brown Prize
Caitlin May Hylan '09
Two prizes from the annual income of a fund established by Philip Greely Brown 1877, A.M. 1892, in memory of Philip Henry Brown 1851, A.M. 1854, may be offered to members of the senior class for excellence in extemporaneous English composition.

Hawthorne Prize
Genna Ruth-Louise Duplisea '09
Honorable Mention: Moriah Jasmine Churchill '11
This prize is awarded each year to the author of the best short story.

Nathalie Walker Llewellyn Poetry Prize
Hannah Lee Cyrus '12
Elissa LeMieux Rodman '10
This prize is awarded to the student who submitted the best work of original poetry.

Non-Fiction Prize
Emily Israel Guerin '09
Mary Helen Miller '09
Honorable Mention: William Jay Oppenheim III '09
This prize, established in 2008, is awarded for the best work of creative non-fiction.

Poetry Prize
Lindsay Gayle Heuser '09
This prize is awarded for the best poem written by an undergraduate.

Forbes Rickard Jr. Memorial Poetry Prize
William Jay Oppenheim III '09
Alexander Finley Williams '10
Honorable Mention: Jenna Eisman Breitter '10
A prize given by a group of alumni of the Bowdoin chapter of Alpha Delta Phi Fraternity in memory of Forbes Rickard Jr., Class of 1917, who lost his life in the service of his country, is awarded to the undergraduate writing the best poem.
David Sewall Premium
Samuel Ehlers Frizell ’12
This prize is awarded to a member of the first-year class for excellence in English composition.

Mary B. Sinkinson Short Story Prize
Rachel Hermans Goldman ’10
Honorable Mention: Daniel Robert Lorberbaum ’10
This prize, established by John Judson Sinkinson of the Class of 1902 in memory of his wife, Mary Burnett Sinkinson, is awarded each year for the best short story written by a member of the junior or senior class.

Bertram Louis Smith Jr. Prize
Tanya Farber ’10
This prize was established by his father in memory of Bertram Louis Smith Jr. of the Class of 1903 to encourage excellence of work in English literature, and is awarded by the department to a member of the junior class who has completed two years’ work in English literature.

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

Academic Award in Environmental Studies
Nathan Kennedy Elliott ’09
Katie Aspen Gavenus ’09
This prize is awarded to graduating seniors who have achieved outstanding academic distinction in the completion of the environmental studies coordinate major.

Community Service Award in Environmental Studies
Emily Israel Guerin ’09
Steven Anthony Kolberg ’09
Jacqueline Li ’09
This prize is awarded to graduating students majoring in environmental studies who have demonstrated exemplary service to the College and the broader community.

GEOLOGY

Geology Book Award
Andrew Hollis Cushing ’12
Tamara Rachele Perreault ’12
This award is given annually to one first- or second-year student from each of the introductory geology courses for exceptional class performance, including creative contributions to the class project.

GERMAN

Old Broad Bay Prize in Reading German
Samuel Tufts Landis ’11
Rebecca Renee Silva ’11
Theresa Kathleen Weaver ’09
The Old Broad Bay Prize in Reading German was established by Jasper J. Stahl 1909, Litt.D. 1960, and others as a living memorial to the men and women from the valley of the Rhine who in the eighteenth century founded the first German settlement in Maine at Broad Bay, now Waldoboro. The prize is awarded to students who have profited especially from their instruction in German.

Munich Summer Fellowship for Outstanding First-Year Students
Elizabeth McEachern Clegg ’12
Samuel Ehlers Frizell ’12
The stipend offered by the Junior Year Program of Wayne State University provides outstanding advanced first-year students with an all-expenses-paid weeklong stay in Munich to explore university life and cultural centers in the city.

GOVERNMENT AND LEGAL STUDIES

Jefferson Davis Award
Archibald Kenyon Abrams ’09
This prize was established with a gift by the Daughters of the Confederacy and is awarded to the student excelling in constitutional law or government.
Dorothy Haythorn Collins Award
Alexandra Lane Reed ’10
This award, given by Dorothy Haythorn Collins and her family to the Society of Bowdoin Women, is used to honor a student “who has achieved academic and general excellence in his or her chosen major” at the end of the junior year. Each year the society selects a department from the sciences, social studies, and/or humanities. The selected departments choose a student to honor by purchasing books and placing them with a nameplate in the department library. The students also receive a book and certificate of merit.

LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES

Latin American Studies Prize
Juan Camilo Angarita ’09
This prize is awarded to a graduating Latin American studies major who, in the judgment of the Latin American Studies Committee, has achieved academic distinction and has contributed to an understanding of the region.

MATHEMATICS

Smyth Mathematical Prize
David Ariel Plotkin ’11
Seth Isaac Glickman ’10
Susanna Ruth Kimport ’09
Established by Henry Jewett Furber 1861 in honor of Professor William Smyth, this prize is awarded to the student in the sophomore class who obtains the highest grades in mathematics courses during the first two years. Recipients are selected at the end of their sophomore year and continue to receive the awards as juniors and seniors.

NATURAL SCIENCES

Sumner Increase Kimball Prize
Nicholas Scott Selden ’09 (biology)
This prize is awarded annually to those members of the senior class who have shown the most ability and originality in fields of the natural sciences.

NEUROSCIENCE

Munno Neuroscience Prize
Alex Danielle Keeney ’09
Established by David W. Munno ’99, the Munno Neuroscience Prize is awarded for excellence in research by a student majoring in neuroscience.

PHILOSOPHY

Philip W. Cummings Philosophy Prize
William Miles Pope ’09
This prize, established by Gerard L. Dubé ’55 in memory of his friend and classmate, is awarded to the most deserving student in the Department of Philosophy.

PHYSICS

Edwin Herbert Hall Prize in Physics
Alexa Nitzan Staley ’11
The annual income of this fund, named in honor of Edwin Herbert Hall 1875, A.M. 1878, LL.D. 1905, the discoverer of the Hall effect, is awarded each year to the best sophomore scholar in the field of physics.

Noel C. Little Prize in Experimental Physics
Zane Ator Davis ’09
This prize, named in honor of Noel C. Little ’17, Sc.D. ’67, professor of physics and Josiah Little Professor of Natural Science, is awarded to a graduating senior who has distinguished himself in experimental physics.

RELIGION

Lea Ruth Thumim Biblical Literature Prize
Kathleen Michele Yaworsky ’09
Established by Carl Thumim in memory of his wife, Lea Ruth Thumim, this prize is awarded each year to the best scholar in biblical literature.
ROMANCE LANGUAGES

Goodwin French Prize
Mercedith Katherine Steck ’09
Established by the Reverend Daniel Raynes Goodwin, Class of 1832, this prize is awarded to the best scholar in French.

Eaton Leith French Prize
Claire Adams Collery ’11
Dashelle Eileen Fabian ’11
Katharine Anne Verville ’11
Established by James M. Fawcett III of the Class of 1958 in honor of Eaton Leith, professor of Romance languages, this prize is awarded to the member of the sophomore or junior class who, by proficiency and scholarship, achieves outstanding results in the study of French literature.

Charles H. Livingston Honors Prize in French
Peter Campbell Nagler ’09
This prize, established by former students and friends of Charles Harold Livingston, Longfellow Professor of Romance Languages, upon the occasion of his retirement, is awarded to encourage independent scholarship in the form of honors theses in French.

Philip C. Bradley Spanish Prize
Rebecca Caitlin Van Horn ’09
Established in 1982 by classmates and friends in memory of Philip C. Bradley of the Class of 1966, this prize is awarded to outstanding students in Spanish language and literature.

Sophomore Prize in Spanish
Jamilah Banu Gurwala ’11
This prize is awarded each year to the most promising sophomore who has declared a major in Spanish.

RUSSIAN

Russian Prize
Daniel Brian Mark ’09
Daniel Andres Vicario ’11
This prize, established in 2002 by Jane Knox-Voina, professor of Russian, is awarded to a student who has achieved distinction as a Russian or Eurasian and East European studies major.

2009 Russian Scholar Laureate
Joseph Martin Kellner ’09
This award, given by the American Council of Teachers of Russian, recognizes the best qualities of a post-secondary Russian student: an unfailing love for all things Russian; a passion for the language, literature, and culture; a commitment to excellence; and an enthusiasm for knowledge and cultural literacy. Nomination for this national honor is a testament to the high esteem in which the Department of Russian holds the student.

SOCIOLOGY AND ANTHROPOLOGY

Award for Distinguished Public Sociology and Anthropology
Catherine McGrath Mitchell ’09
This prize is awarded to those students majoring or minoring in sociology or anthropology who demonstrate an exemplary engagement in public scholarship and/or community service. It recognizes those who have exhibited sociological or anthropological imagination in connecting the knowledge of their major to public service and/or scholarship, and acknowledges those students who have made meaningful impacts on the community.

Elbridge Sibley Prize
Margaret Farrell Clark ’09
This prize, established in 1989 in honor of Elbridge Sibley by Milton M. Gordon ’39, a student of Professor Sibley, is awarded each year to that member of the senior class majoring in sociology or anthropology who has the highest mid-year general scholastic average in his or her Bowdoin class.
THEATER AND DANCE

Bowdoin Dance Group Award
ELIZABETH TALCOTT JONES ’09
This prize is awarded annually to outstanding seniors for contributions of dedicated work, good will, and talent over the course of their Bowdoin careers.

Award for Excellence in Dance Performance
JOHN ANTHONY HOWARD ’09
MEGAN KATHLEEN MCCARTY ’09
LINZEE SHEPARD TROUB ’09
This prize is awarded annually to dance students in any class whose performing skills and commitment to excellence warrant special recognition.

Abraham Goldberg Prize
JASON EDWARD FINKELSTEIN ’09
CAITLIN MAY HYLAN ’09
SUZANNE RUTH KIMPORT ’09
This prize is awarded annually to those members of the senior class who have shown the most skill in the art of designing or directing plays.

Masque and Gown Student-Written One-Act Play Prize—Best Playwright
KATHARINE MARGARET SHERMAN ’09
Prizes may be awarded annually for excellence in various Masque and Gown activities, including playwriting, directing, and acting.

Alice Merrill Mitchell Prize
SAMANTHA DENYSE FRANCIS ’09
This prize, established by Wilmot Brookings Mitchell of the Class of 1890, Edward Little Professor of Rhetoric and Oratory, in memory of his wife, Alice Merrill Mitchell, is awarded annually to those members of the senior class who have shown the most skill in the art of acting.

William H. Moody ’56 Award
AISLINN RUTH CURRY ’09
SUZANNA RUTH KIMPORT ’09
Established in memory of Bill Moody, who for many years was the theater technician and friend of countless students, this award is presented annually to sophomores, juniors, or seniors who have made outstanding contributions to the theater through technical achievements accomplished in good humor.

George H. Quinby Award
MALACHI MCLAUGHLIN GRAHAM ’12
JENNIFER YEE-HWAH PAN ’12
Established in honor of “Pat” Quinby, for thirty-one years director of dramatics at Bowdoin College, by his former students and friends in Masque and Gown, this award is presented annually to one or more first-year members of Masque and Gown who make outstanding contributions through interest and participation in Masque and Gown productions.

A. Raymond Rutan IV Scholarship Award for Summer Study in Theater
JOHN SAMUEL DUCHIN ’10
The Ray Rutan Fund for the Performing Arts, established by David Zach Webster ’57, a lifelong college volunteer and benefactor, honors A. Raymond Rutan IV ’51, director of theater 1971–1993. The fund is intended to enrich the life of the College through the performing arts and may be used in part to support student summer study in theater.

Scholarship for Summer Study in Dance
NYLEA SIMONE BIVINS ’12
MARY ELIZABETH RIDLEY ’12
A monetary award toward tuition costs at an accredited summer program of study in dance is given to a student with demonstrated motivation and exceptional promise in dance technique or choreography, whose future work in dance, upon return, will enrich the Bowdoin program.
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RAISE SONGS TO BOWDOIN

Words by K. C. M. Sills, Class of 1901
New Lyrics by Anthony Antolini ’63
Arr. by Thornton W. Allen

Raise songs to Bowdoin, praise her fame,
And sound abroad her glorious name;
To Bowdoin, Bowdoin lift your song,
And may the music echo long
O’er whispering pines and campus fair
With sturdy might filling the air.
Bowdoin, from birth, our nurturer and friend
To thee we pledge our love again, again.

While now amid thy halls we stay
And breathe thy spirit day by day,
Oh may we thus full worthy be
To march in that proud company
Of poets, leaders and each one
Who brings thee fame by deeds well done.
Bowdoin, from birth, our nurturer and friend
To thee we pledge our love again, again.