The Scholars Convocation is held every spring to recognize students who have achieved high academic ranking among their peers, obtaining and maintaining a 3.5 cumulative grade point average or higher up the end of the semester prior to the semester in which they will graduate. In addition to meeting course requirements, most students have done so while working full-time jobs, caring for families, and meeting other commitments of service and volunteerism. They have excelled in academic areas and in have met the challenge of involvement in other causes on and off campus. This year, there were 101 students recognized for meeting this academic achievement. 48 students attended the ceremony.

The Scholars Convocation speaker was Dr. H. Alan Goodman, Assistant Professor of Psychology, who was introduced by Joy Bizer, a fourth-year student in the B.A./M.S. five-year Psychology program, and the Nashua Choral Ensemble provided music for the occasion.

The Scholars Convocation program was organized by Regina Shearer, Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs, with Lisa Enright overseeing the Kappa Gamma Pi Investiture. Lisa identified students eligible for nomination into the Kappa Gamma Pi Honor Society and handled the faculty voting which determined the student to be invested into the Kappa Gamma Pi Honor Society. Lisa also worked with College Relations for the program layout and printing.

Kathy Morrissey assisted Lisa in identifying students who qualified for Kappa Gamma Pi and/or recognition in the Scholars Convocation. In addition, Kathy worked with Lisa on the program and ordering of honors cords for the occasion.

Special thanks to the Maintenance staff, Barbara Kokoszka, and Conference Services staff for event preparation, Nashua Choral Ensemble for choral and music performance, the Dining Services staff for preparation of the Convocation reception, and to the Marketing and Communications staff for preparation of the Convocation program.

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Rivier Scholars Convocation
April 4, 2009

Rivier College Song

Rivier, to you we proudly sing,
Our hearts with love brim o'er,
Our voices rise in praise;
For you we'll make the echoes ring
Faithful forevermore
In memory of these days.

Within your halls we've found a noble, lasting truth,
An ideal great and strong.
For this receive our thanks and accept from our youth
This pledge, our loyal song.

For higher things, then, daily let us pray and strive
No matter what life's frays.
Still through it all, Rivier, we'll ever keep alive
Your lessons of God's ways.

Special Thanks

Maintenance Staff
Barbara Kozoski & Conference Services Staff
Nashua Choral Ensemble
Kathy Morrissey

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RIVIER SCHOLARS CONVOCATION (APRIL 4, 2009)

100th Psalm
Nashua Choral Ensemble

Welcome
St. Therese Larocchi, p.m., Ph.D.

Invocation
Virginia Ryan, M.Div., Ph.D.
Associate Professor, Religious Studies

Introduction of Guest Speaker
Joy Bizzuz, Class of 2010
B.A./M.S. in Psychology

Guest Speaker
A. Howard Goodman, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor, Psychology

For the Beauty of the Earth
Nashua Choral Ensemble

Kappa Gamma Pi Investiture
Sr. Joan Joyal, p.m., M.Ed
Associate Registrar

Proclamation of Inductees
Rivier Nursing Honor Society
Kathleen Patenaude, M.S., R.N.
Instructor, Nursing Department
Beta Beta Beta Biology Honors Society
Susan E. Barbaro, Ph.D.
Associate Professor, Biology

Doctor Paul V. Hajjar Award
Marta Matarazzo, M.B.A.
Chair, Division of Business

2009 Wall Street Journal Student Achievement Award
Eric Drouot, M.B.A.
Associate Professor, Business

Ubi Caritas
Nashua Choral Ensemble

Honors Proclamation
Academic Honors
Regina Sherrer, M.Div.
Executive Director of Academic Administration

Closing Remarks
William Farrell, Ph.D.
President

College Song
Regina Sherrer, M.Div.
Executive Director of Academic Administration

The Lord Bless You and Keep You
Nashua Choral Ensemble

Reception immediately following the Convocation.
2009 Honor Students

Susan Q. Allen  
Nicole L. Adelino  
Holly N. Banacos  
Ashley Marie Barry  
Erin Ruth Baris  
Luana L. Booher  
Enna Lyna Bratska  
Michelle Dianne Bricker  
Jeremy Lee Brown  
Rachel Mary Brown  
Shannon Dolor Callahan  
Anna L. Carter  
Britanny Christian Centasaro  
Sylvette Denise Chenette  
Christine M. Chousnard  
Kimberly M. Cote  
Edward Wayne Conant  
Kathleen Cronin  
Taraara L. Curran  
Anthony M. DeCarolis  
Janice DeCarteret  
Jo-anne T. Delisle  
Robert P. DeVita, Jr.  
Danielle M. Dillard  
Tina Marie Donovan  
Chantelle Heather Drake  
Cynthia Marie Drover  
David A. Duquette  
Jennifer Rae Forsythe  
Sarah Lorna Francis  
Jean E. Fraser  
Nicole Fraser  
Victoria Ann Bouchard Fraser  
Jaya Gebhart  
Katelyn Elizabeth Greene  
Danielle Grindle  
Linda Hammond-Lewis  
Lynn M. Hartmann  
Jillian Shay Harr  
Dennis F. Hogan  
Sharon Courchesne Houle  
Johanne L. Ingersoll  
Amanda N. Jobel  
Christine Kaklamanes  
Candice Langenfeld  
Kelley Ann Lawson  
Jennifer J. LeClair  
Christine Louise LeDuc  
Lise Lemieux  
Richard A. Lucas  
Lindsay Madden  

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Jennifer C. Markey  
Emily Marveil  
Gwen Matthews  
Kathleen J. McLaughlin  
Jennifer L. McDowell  
Mary G. McLaughlin  
Michael Francis McMahon  
Kendra L. Melnick  
Karen L. Mendzela  
Jessica Ann Miller  
Kristie Leigh Miller  
Jeffrey A. Morns  
Erin Marie Murphy  
Joyce Marie Nadeau  
David Ongori  
Lindsey Katrina Pacietto  
Kathy Faly  
Diane Louise Perriou  
Beth L. Phillips  
Erin C. Picard  
Adam A. Proto  
Shana Jane Quinn  
Jennifer Rafferty  
Tejeswi R. Rana  
Katherine Ranalletti  
Emily F. Rapley  
Renee Ricard  
Rebecca Jean Roche  
Alison Robidoux  
Ibnska Leonor Roldan  
Nicolette Mortimer Roth  
Jane M. Sargent  
Lisa Marie Scalli-Acres  
Nicholas Shepard  
Katherine M. Somero  
Wesley Michael Sonner, Jr.  
Stephen Philip Southland  
Paula M. Steadman  
Anna Rorabacher Szek  
Mark Joseph Tello  
Ashley Marie Thorn  
Ashley Marie Tirpe  
Kathryn Todd  
Janine Anne Trafal  
Lynn M. Trudel  
Colleen M. Van Carter  
Jane Vendramoli  
Swapna G. Wellig  
Elizabeth A. White  
Kimberly Dawn Whorton  

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