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Global outreach

Students and faculty in the sciences are engaged in groundbreaking research in fulfilling the mission of the College

National Alumni Association seeks award nominees

Wagner can boast of generations of graduates since 1883, whose volunteer leadership and personal example helped the college to prosper. During those years, the Alumni Association has honored many such alumni for their support.

Earlier this year, the Board of the National Association conducted a thorough review of its award program. The board's awards committee examined the honors presented in the past, suggested new categories and titles, and set up criteria for all of the Association's awards. The result is a new comprehensive program that features a dual focus on service to the College and career achievement.

Career Achievement Awards

Distinguished Graduate of Wagner (Formerly the Alumni Achievement Award)

This award honors and recognizes a graduate who has made unique career contributions to his or her community, state, or the nation. The accomplishments of such an individual bring special prestige to Wagner. The WNAA Board will choose one recipient each year.

Wagner Alumni Fellows

(Current Alumni Merit Award)

Will be awarded to individuals who have had distinguished careers in a defined element of the College's academic program such as drama, music, nursing, business, etc. Recipients will be selected by the participating department in consultation with the Development and Alumni Offices and approved by the WNAA Board. Each recipient will be encouraged to give a talk or lecture as part of the award ceremony.

How do I make a nomination?

It's simple. Send an email message to WNAA Awards Committee Chair, Carl Westerdahl '59, (ucwiz@aol.com) or telephone him at (914-276-2717). He will want to know the individual's name, class year and the award you think the person should receive as well as your return address. The committee will contact you to follow up. Write to Carl at 27 Heritage Hills, Unit A, Somers, NY 10298

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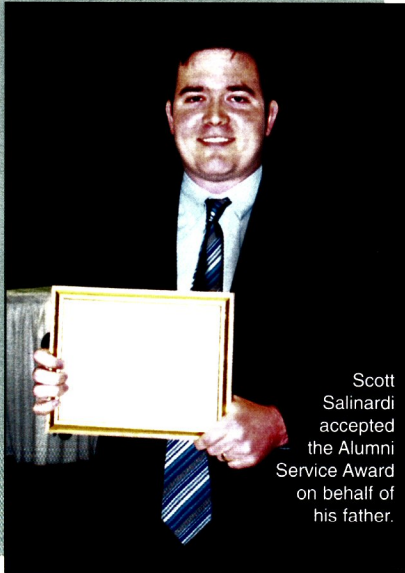
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Scott Salinardi accepted the Alumni Service Award on behalf of his father.

2003 Service Award presented to Richard Salinardi '69

At Reunion Weekend, the National Alumni Association (NAA) presented the prestigious Service Award to Richard Salinardi '69. Mr. Salinardi has been instrumental in improving the lives of countless mentally retarded and developmentally disabled adults by founding Lifestyles for the Disabled on Staten Island, a not-for-profit organization providing day habilitation, residential habilitation, recreation respite and service coordination. Prior to founding Lifestyles, he was a special education teacher and assisted in coordinating the Staten Island Special Olympics. Mr. Salinardi was represented at the ceremony by his son, daughter-in-law, mother-in-law and grandchild. The NAA is proud to honor the achievements of Richard Salinardi.

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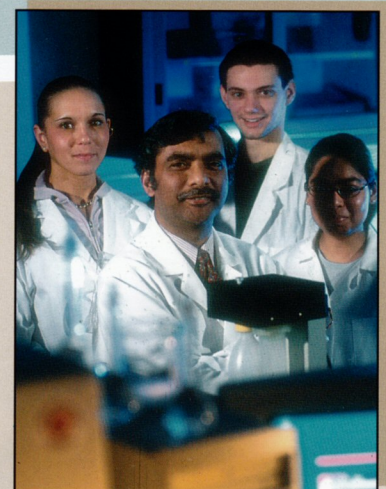
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In the second-floor chemistry labs of the Megerle Science Building, Dr. Mohammad Alauddin and his students — Margaret Fiasconaro '03, Robert Liberto '03 and Sarah Alauddin '04 — are testing arsenic levels in drinking water samples from Bangladesh. Their life-saving research is helping world health agencies and the Bangladesh government address a debilitating health crisis in the poorest areas of this developing country.

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LETTERS

Thank you for the article, "A Conversation with Dr. Miles Groth." During my undergraduate studies, a semester was not complete without "Groth," as most of my classmates affectionately called him.

Five years later, friends and I often still talk about "Groth." His lectures were so interesting, I can still hear many of his famous quotes. "Groth" made Wagner an unforgettable experience.

Celeste M. Cafiso
'98 M99

Congratulations on The Link, a first-class publication that will certainly enhance Wagner's image and catch the imagination and attention of far-flung alumni.

Great job!

Robert MacCraw '59

The Winter 2003 issue of The Link is an excellent publication with a lot of historical information about the college.

I was particularly interested in the article about Reynolds House. During the early 1950s, it was a men's dormitory. My roommate and I had the room with a balcony over the entrance. It was a great place to relax and view the campus. Thanks again for a great issue.

Edmund M. Diaz '53



Ed Diaz, Dan Natarelli, Al Tosi and Chuck Rockefeller on the balcony of Reynolds House in 1951.

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Elephants on campus? Hard to forget!

Editor's note: A photo of Hanneford Circus elephants grazing on The Oval (right), published in the Winter 2003 issue of The Link, generated plenty of memories for 1970s and 1980s alums.

A rude awakening on the way to class

It was a cold, raw morning in the early spring of 1975. I was finishing up a chemistry lab on the third floor of the science building when I realized that I would be late for my next class, physical education in the Sutter Gym. I rushed out of the building, taking my favorite short cut through a side door into the gym. To my surprise, a sign on the door read: "Closed: Do not enter."

Being a law-abiding student, and also late for the umpteenth time, I thought about my situation for a nanosecond and dutifully took the correct course of action — I opened the door and stepped in from the rain!

The hallway, usually well lit, was dark and quiet. I started walking slowly and soon realized that I had better find a light switch or I might walk into something and hurt myself. I felt around for a light switch and flipped it on.

What I saw next is still vividly etched in my mind. Next to me, actually on both sides of me, were steel cages containing some very sleepy — and very angry — black leopards and assorted big cats that I had just rudely awakened.

That sign on the gym door should instead have read: "Closed. Do not enter. LARGE WILD ANIMALS INSIDE."

The groggy gentle giants greeted me with roars and even reached out of their cages to "say hello." Instead of turning back to run out the door I had entered, I instinctively ran down the hall, through the gauntlet of cages.

I arrived to class a bit preoc-



cupied. I still recall the professor's closing remarks: "Please be careful in the gym halls as we have a circus on campus and you don't want to unexpectedly meet up with some wild animals." Truer words were never spoken!

Richard Owins '76

Ringmaster's welcome is a fond memory

Back in the '70s, I worked in the gymnasium as the intramural sports assistant under John Knudsen and Joe Jilts. I coordinated extracurricular activities.

The Royal Hanneford Circus was a tremendous experience that is today still in my heart. I can recall the official announcement from the ringmaster: "Welcome to the Roy-aaaaal Hanneford Circus."

And no one can forget the smell that lingered in the gym long after the circus was gone.

Dwight Hutchinson '80

Getting friendly with the circus people

In the 1970s and 1980s, I was the Athletic Department secretary. At the time, the offices were right off the gym. The Hanneford Circus people lived in trailers, but the animals were

in cages in the gym.

Once while I was typing, I felt something on my back. It was a circus monkey! Joe Jilts had brought him in and was telling the monkey to hug me.

When Mrs. Hanneford, who was in her 80s at the time, became ill with a cold, her son-in-law came to my office for help. I drove them to the doctor, and they never forgot my assistance. Each year from then on, I was invited to spend time with them in their trailer.

Susan Pavia

An inside look at life under the Big Top

The elephants bring back memories for me and my children. When I returned to Wagner to get my degree in nursing, my children were attending the Wagner Early Childhood Center.

We'd often walk across campus in the spring, just when the Hanneford Circus came to town, and attended the show every year. Sometimes the circus people gave the children rides on the elephants. We'd watch the acrobats and clowns practicing out on the grass — or peek into the trailers.

Janet Peel Schneider
'72 BSN 82

4 lauded for their accomplishments

Honorary doctorates were awarded to Dr. Richard Adler, Dr. Arthur Anderson and Dr. Maureen Robinson at the College's 116th Commencement ceremony. State Sen. John Marchi received the Lifetime Achievement Award.

DR. RICHARD ADLER

Most famous as co-composer and lyricist of "The Pajama Game" and "Damn Yankees," Dr. Adler has worked in radio and television for more than 60 years. In ballet he won an Emmy for "Eight By Adler," commissioned and performed by the Chicago City Ballet.

Born in New York City, he is a graduate of the University of North Carolina. He is a World War II Navy veteran.

DR. ARTHUR ANDERSON '66

As chief medical ethics officer for the U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases, his research on improving the effectiveness of vaccines against biological warfare agents has made him one of the nation's foremost experts on these issues.

A native of Staten Island, Dr. Anderson earned a B.S. in biology/pre-med from Wagner, and is a graduate of the University of Maryland Medical School.

DR. MAUREEN ROBINSON '67

A resident of Bernardsville, NJ, Dr. Robinson serves on the Board of Trustees at the College.

Her love of learning and of literature led her to a 27-year teaching career at Curtis High School in Staten Island. She recently retired from the Somerset Hills (NJ) School District Board of Education.

SEN. JOHN J. MARCHI H87

The longest serving legislator in New York, Sen. Marchi is a graduate of Manhattan College, St. John's University School of Law and Brooklyn Law School.

He has received honorary degrees from St. John's University, Manhattan College and Wagner College.

The passage of a bill requiring the closure of Fresh Kills Landfill by Jan. 1, 2002 are among his myriad accomplishments in the New York State Senate.



Commencement

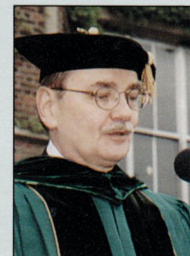
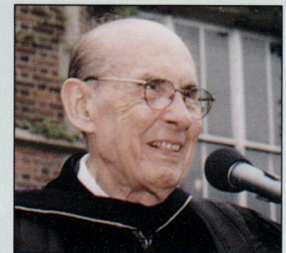
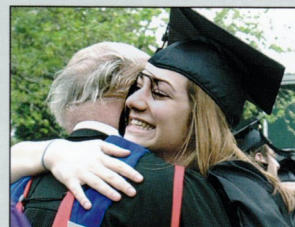
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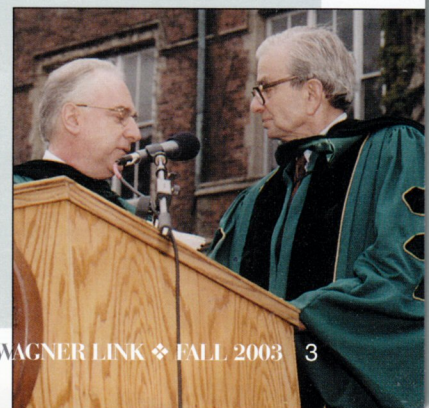
Embracing tradition, the 2003 Commencement ceremony was held outdoors, on Sutter Oval, following the Baccalaureate service in Spiro Sports Center. The College awarded 374 undergraduate degrees and 146 master's degrees.



Photo top: Members of the Class of 2003 celebrate during the ceremonies. **Photo above:** Dr. Robert C. O'Brien '66 H95 bestows an honorary doctorate upon Dr. Maureen Robinson '67 as Dr. Walter Kaelber, professor of religious studies, looks on. **Photo right:** Dr. Richard Brower, professor of psychology, gets a hug from graduate Joanna Ferreri. **Photo below:** Main Hall serves as a noble backdrop for members of the faculty and the Board of Trustees.



Honorees State Sen. John J. Marchi H87, Dr. Arthur Anderson and Dr. Richard Adler at the commencement ceremony.



DR. RICHARD GUARASCI IS INAUGURATED AS WAGNER'S 18TH PRESIDENT

TRADITION CELEBRATED



From the Inaugural Address

"Much of this beautiful campus sits in awe of the majestic New York Harbor. We are so privileged to dwell in its presence, sitting on Grymes Hill in this great borough, Staten Island, in the midst of this very special place — New York City. From the Great Atlantic flowing into the Harbor's Narrows, the waters are our companions. Like all rivers, these waters alternately run deep and turbulent, as well as placid and — purposively ...

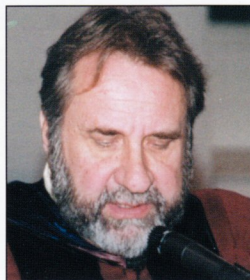
In the water's movements, we can find a greater metaphor for our experience at Wagner College. Our history is one of great hope and many achievements littered with great challenges and difficult problems. But like the river that inspires our mission, we always have found our way through the cross currents, providing Wagner students with a practical education marked by intellectual depth and moral substance ...

Our mission has remained intact throughout our 120-year history. From our origin as a Lutheran Pro-Seminary to our current status as an urban liberal arts college, the promise made by our founders and the dedicated service from Faculty and Trustees, have demonstrated our unwavering commitment to liberal education, civic leadership and public service.

Wagner College has courageously navigated its way through changing currents and at each turn, it found a way to stay true to its course."

Dr. Robert C. O'Brien '66H'95, then-chairman of the Board of Trustees, and Rev. Lyle Guttu, chaplain, congratulate President Guarasci as he takes the oath of office as Wagner's 18th president.

GREETINGS FROM THE WAGNER COMMUNITY



Dr. Walter Kaelber,
professor of religion,
on behalf of the faculty:

"We the faculty offer you today our thanks for what you have done, our confidence in what you will do, and our commitment to partnership in your vision."



Caroline Vassallo '03,
on behalf of students:

"Not only are we welcoming a new president onto our campus, but we are also welcoming a dedicated mentor, professor and friend."



Drs. Michael and Joyce O'Connor,
on behalf of parents:

"We credit Dr. Guarasci with the leadership, intellect and perseverance to bring The Wagner Plan to the core of the educational mission of Wagner College. Dr. Guarasci, we are sincerely grateful to you for the impact you have had on our daughters and their experiences at Wagner."



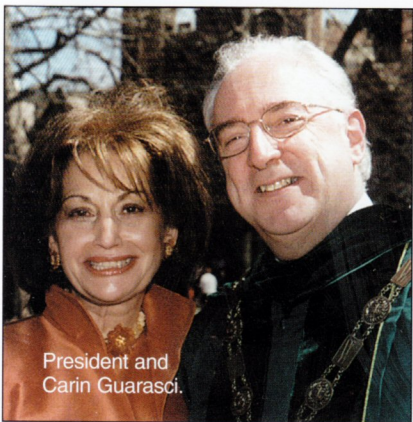
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CELEBRATED

Wagner College celebrated an historic moment with the Inauguration of its 18th president, Dr. Richard Guarasci. Joined by colleagues from around the country, Wagner celebrated its 120th anniversary as it welcomed in its new leader. National figures brought greetings — State Sen. John J. Marchi, the Hon. James P. Molinaro, president of the Borough of Staten Island, and Dr. Leonard G. Schulze, representing the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Dr. Carol Geary Schneider represented the Association of American Colleges and Universities as its president. Leaders from the Wagner community and members of the Board of Trustees joined them in saluting Dr. Guarasci.



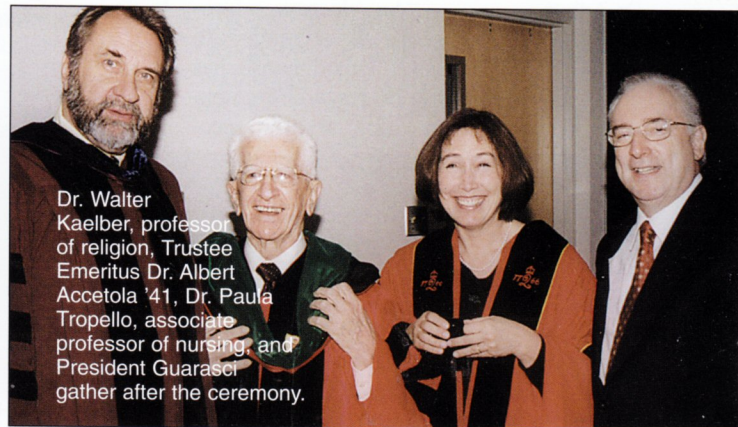
Dr. Kathleen Ahern '78 M81, faculty marshal, professor of nursing and interim provost, leads the academic procession into Spiro Sports Center, site of the 18th Presidential Inauguration



President and Carin Guarasci.



State Sen. John J. Marchi HB7 greets Rev. Monsignor James Dorney.



Dr. Walter Kaelber, professor of religion, Trustee Emeritus Dr. Albert Accetola '41, Dr. Paula Tropicello, associate professor of nursing and President Guarasci gather after the ceremony.



Dorothy Davison, dean of the library, on behalf of administration:

"You see the contributions of the administration as vital to the welfare of the institution. We all have a stake in its success. You have our full unstinting support."



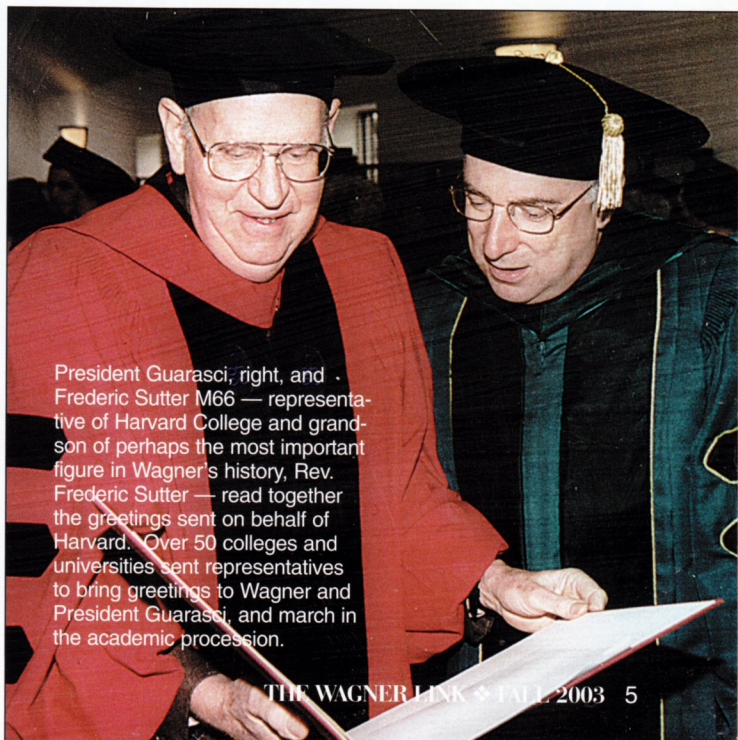
Thomas Tibbs, Public Safety, on behalf of staff:

"When the search started for a new president, the staff knew who we wanted that person to be. [Dr. Guarasci] cares about each of us as individuals."



Kenneth Nilsen '88, president, Wagner College National Alumni Association, on behalf of alumni:

"Everywhere we go, every job we have, all that we achieve, is reflective of the time we spent at Wagner."



President Guarasci, right, and Frederic Sutter M66 — representative of Harvard College and grandson of perhaps the most important figure in Wagner's history, Rev. Frederic Sutter — read together the greetings sent on behalf of Harvard. Over 50 colleges and universities sent representatives to bring greetings to Wagner and President Guarasci, and march in the academic procession.

"This donation has elevated our ability to do research tremendously."

— DR. ZOLTAN FULOP,
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF BIOLOGY

Gift to the sciences could mean gift to the world

Wagner's sciences received an important gift this summer, facilitated by Dr. Arthur Anderson '66, chief medical ethics officer for the U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases.



Dr. Arthur Anderson '66

His advocacy ensured Wagner the donation of an electron microscope — a piece of scientific equipment worth several hundred thousand dollars which is the size of a room.

"An electron microscope is a luxury to have. This donation has elevated our ability to do research tremendously," says Zoltan Fulop, associate professor of biology.

"We are tremendously fortunate."

The work that Dr. Fulop and his students are performing on fetal alcohol syndrom could have wide implications. The research stretches across all disciplines throughout campus and in the community.

"We have a serious scientific question, the expertise to study it and now we have the way in which to research it."

The goal is to improve people's lives, not just in our community, but world-wide. One gift to our sciences really could mean a gift to the world. ❖

INAUGURATION WEEK SPONSORS

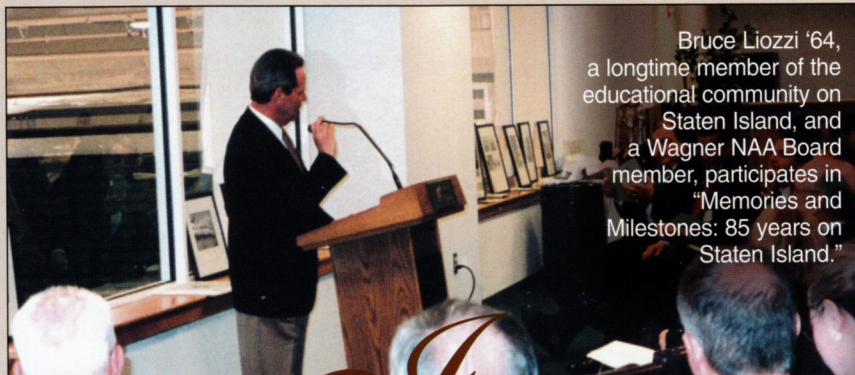
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Gift of Steinway makes beautiful music

An extraordinary gift from the estate of Marion Blankely in memory of her son, William F. Blankley '64, now fills the halls of Wagner College with beautiful music. A Steinway grand piano worth \$57,000 is a beautiful lasting testament to an alumnus who was a member of the College choir during his years at Wagner. Carol Per Lee Plumb '55, cousin of and attorney for Marion Blankely, facilitated the gift and represented the estate at the unveiling of the piano in February. First to play this gift was Adjunct Assistant Professor Joyce Chung as she thrilled the audience with Chopin's Etude in G-flat.



Bruce Liozzi '64, a longtime member of the educational community on Staten Island, and a Wagner NAA Board member, participates in "Memories and Milestones: 85 years on Staten Island."



Lou DeLuca '59, president of United Activities Unlimited, and Pat Pappalardo '70, president of Century 21 Papp-Beatt

Inauguration WEEK

A week of celebratory events included a Guild luncheon honoring 85 years of commitment to the College, a reception for the Omicron Delta Kappa National Leadership Honor Society, a "Memories & Milestones" program honoring Wagner's place in the community, a celebration of 60 years of the nursing program, and a daylong academic symposium led by faculty members.



At the 60 Years of Nursing reception: Judith Goode Stewart Parish '64, Dr. Paula Tropollo and Renee Sudol '02 (far left), Caryle Wolahan '64 and Dr. Kathleen Ahern '78 M81 (left).

MEET THE STAFF OF REYNOLDS HOUSE

Tracy Ehrhardt Baird

As director of information and web services, Tracy is in charge of both internal and external information for the campus, as well as the website. Tracy came to Wagner nine years ago as an admissions counselor. She was a speech communications major at Ithaca College.



Victoria Hopwood Bobik

As the director of marketing and publications, Victoria is responsible for the College's image in print. She has worked at Wagner for nine years in admissions and academic affairs. A graduate of Colgate University and the University of South Carolina, she thinks of Wagner as her "adopted" alma mater.



Natalie Johnson

Natalie joined the development office this past year as director of corporate and foundation relations. She works with faculty and administrative offices across campus to gain financial support for the College. A graduate of Trinity College, Washington, D.C., she has worked at Olivet and Trinity Colleges, as well as at the Association of American Colleges and Universities.



Clare Rich

New to Wagner, but not new to higher education, Clare is director of annual giving and prospect research. Clare brings to the office invaluable experience in fund raising at NYU, LIU and the College of New Rochelle. A graduate of Marymount College in Tarrytown, Clare holds a master's degree from Pace University. She is a native of New York City, and now a resident of Staten Island.



John Ross

As director of alumni relations, John came to Wagner four years ago from Drew University, NJ. He is no stranger to higher education; his father served as a college president for many years. A graduate of Geneseo College, John values Wagner's true sense of community. He is a familiar face to many Wagner alums.



Wagner welcomes Teresa Karamanos as vice president for institutional advancement

Teresa Karamanos joined Wagner in May as vice president for institutional advancement, providing leadership for the development, communications and alumni efforts in the newly formed Office of Institutional Advancement, located in Reynolds House.

Terry takes the leadership role in one of the most visible offices on campus as the College moves to make fund raising and "friend raising" a priority.

It combines four areas: annual giving, alumni relations, communications and development and was created to advance the institution through fund raising; through creating meaningful connections with alumni; and in presenting an image and understanding of the College in the Wagner, local and national communities worthy of the outstanding achievements that are ongoing at the College.

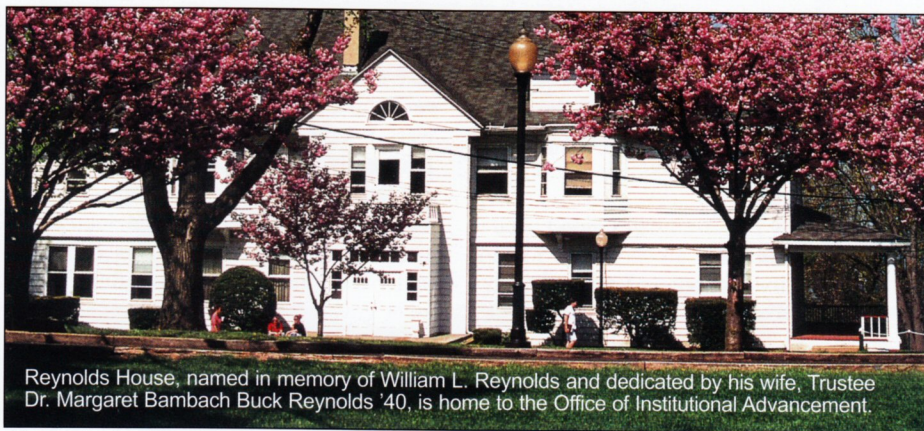
"I am thrilled to be joining the Wagner College community and working with so many accomplished and dedicated alumni and leaders. It is my hope that I can play a role in helping to mold the future of this won-

derful institution that has meant so much to so many."

Terry is highly experienced in fund raising, marketing, communications and public relations, with twenty years in college and university administration. Prior to coming to Wagner, she served as dean of external relations at Bank Street College of Education in Manhattan, director of leadership gifts for EMILY'S List, director of college advancement at Bernard Baruch College and director of governmental relations for five years at the City University of New York.

Her early career experience involved work as a legislative assistant on Capital Hill in the United States House of Representatives where she worked on higher education and human services policy.

Terry holds a B.S. degree from Georgetown and an M.A. from George Washington University. She lives with her husband, Dr. Stephen Brier, in Manhattan.



Reynolds House, named in memory of William L. Reynolds and dedicated by his wife, Trustee Dr. Margaret Bambach Buck Reynolds '40, is home to the Office of Institutional Advancement.

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STUDY ABROAD IN PARIS

Shaping world citizens one student at a time

When I was in third grade, my family hosted a French student for 3 weeks. His sister would later live with us for a year. Their whole family came to visit. We became their “American family” and they our “French family.” It was this experience that sparked my interest in studying abroad and I realized there were whole worlds out there that I knew nothing about.

I studied French in high school, and when applying to colleges I always asked about study abroad. I was very excited when Wagner started the study program at the American University of Paris. This was the opportunity I was waiting for! I contacted my French family immediately and made plans to meet at the airport.

When I left Wagner last January for a semester in Paris, I knew I was going to have the time of my life. I rediscovered myself. I discovered my place in a new culture and indeed in the international community.

Adjusting to life in another country wasn't easy. I needed to learn the public transportation system and find out where to shop. I needed to know the essential words about being lost or needing help. But one day I realized that I didn't need to wander around the grocery store looking for the dairy section — I walked with a purpose to get my butter. That night I tuned in to my favorite news on channel 2 and flipped to channel 6 in time for the programming. These were small tasks but I began to understand how things worked.

It is the small things like hours of operation and radio stations that people in a culture never consciously think of — and I suddenly knew the small things that separate visitor from citizen.

By understanding the way of life, watching the French news, and talking to my French friends, I began to more easily see the French way of thinking. Teachers, friends, and even strangers would ask me questions for hours about being American and were anxious to hear my views on our government and way of life. My new friends and peers from all over the world, including Brazil, Algeria, Mexico, Norway, Japan, and Saudi Arabia, were all concerned about American influence on

Morgan McLean '04, from Racine, WI, enthusiastically applied to be one of the first students to experience Wagner's study program at the American University of Paris. Morgan is an international affairs major and French minor and hopes to continue her studies in graduate school next year in sustainable development. She is president of the Student Government Association, a Guild Scholar, a resident assistant and a tutor in the Writing Center. Oh ... and now, a world citizen. This is Morgan's report.

their cultures.

Suddenly “global decision making” was a phrase I understood. Everyone — not just Americans and French — was concerned about world issues and the coming war. I saw mass civic movements in France, Italy, Greece, and England. It was strange to see millions of people actively disagreeing with my government's decisions, but after living in another country I understood the American influence on other governments and cultures.

I had seen American TV shows dubbed. I saw posters of Britney Spears and walked past McDonald's everyday; bookstores sell Michael Moore and Rush Limbaugh in many languages. This widespread concept of global concern was a new experience for me. The world I thought had become so big when I arrived in Paris was now much smaller.

Something happened in those 6 months that forever linked me to Paris. I left my naivete, my inhibitions, and my hesitation and came back with confidence and the knowledge of another culture.

Everyone asks, “How was Paris?” and I humbly attempt to sum up 6 months into six words:

“Wonderful. Fabulous. Amazing. Magical. Beautiful. Inspiring.”

But now I think I'll add six more: “Because I became a world citizen.” ❖



PHOTOS FROM TOP:

In front of the Temple of Apollo in Athens, Greece, with friends Amanda and Jen who are students at AUP. ❖ My father joins me at the Cathedral in Chartres, France. ❖ Castle gardens outside Paris. ❖ In front of the Eiffel Tower.

Six appointed to Wagner's Board of Trustees

Six new members have been elected to Wagner's Board of Trustees. Jay P. Hartig '67 of PricewaterhouseCoopers is succeeding Dr. Robert C. O'Brien '66 H95 as chair of the board.

"Bob O'Brien provided extraordinary leadership to Wagner College for the last 12 years," said Dr. Richard Guarasci. "Elected as a lifetime trustee, he will remain highly active. Our new board leadership brings a diverse wealth of skills and experience that will continue the legacy of advancement at the College." The new trustees are:

Walter H. Baumhoff '59

Mr. Baumhoff earned a bachelor of arts degree from Wagner and a master's degree from Indiana University. Mr. Baumhoff completed Ph.D. coursework in organization and policy analysis at Harvard and Stanford Universities.

He retired in 1998 as headmaster of the Buckley School in Sherman Oaks, CA, where he served for more than 20 years. He has held senior administrative positions at St. Lawrence University and Dominican College in California. Mr. Baumhoff is a consultant to educational institutions on issues of management, curriculum and fund-raising and resides in Palm Springs, CA.

Ronald Bibbo '64

Mr. Bibbo earned a bachelor of science degree in economics from Wagner and is currently an MBA candidate at New York University's Stern School of Business.

Mr. Bibbo has experience with start-up

companies, business development, financial structuring for IPOs (initial public offerings), sales and senior management. He is founder and owner of Wagner Consultants in New Jersey and owner of The New Decker Dodge, also in the Garden State.

Aletta Kipp Diamond '65

Ms. Diamond is president of the Lynne Robbins Steinman Foundation, a community-based resource center dedicated to the beautification of Staten Island. She worked for 30 years in the educational system of Staten Island as a teacher and administrator and is highly active in public service on Staten Island.

Ms. Diamond earned a bachelor of science degree in education from Wagner in 1965, followed by a master's degree in the same field of study from the former Richmond College on Staten Island.

At Wagner, she was a member of Alpha Delta Pi. She is an active leader in the National Alumni Association and lives with her husband, Bob, in Scotch Plains, NJ.

Dr. Milfred Fierce '60 M67

Dr. Fierce graduated from Wagner in 1960 with a bachelor of arts degree in business. In 1967 he earned a master's degree in secondary education from Wagner and continued his education at Columbia University with an M.A., M.Phil. and Ph.D.

In September 1999, he retired from a 37-year teaching career which began at Curtis High School and continued at Vassar and Hunter Colleges. He was founding chairman

of the Department of Africana Studies at Brooklyn College where he taught until his retirement.

Dr. Fierce is a consultant to the Ford Foundation. He is the author of several books on 19th-century American history.

Paul Haddad

Mr. Haddad is chief strategist in the Optical Networks division of Nortel Networks Inc. in Atlanta.

As a leader in Nortel's Optical Network area, he is responsible for the research, definition, communication and implementation of Nortel's overall optical strategy for 2003-2005.

He earned a bachelor's degree in engineering with a concentration in telecommunications from Concordia University in Montreal. Mr. Haddad also has completed coursework toward an M.B.A. degree.

Donna Mollica New '68

Ms. New graduated from Wagner in 1968 with a bachelor of science degree in education. She continued on to the former Richmond College on Staten Island for a master's degree in secondary education.

After a successful career in both sales and real estate, including helping to organize the breakup of Bell Telephone in the 1980s, Ms. New is owner of Newford Properties in California. At Newford she has coordinated the purchase and rehabilitation of hundreds of properties in San Diego County. ❖

— Tracy Ehrhardt Baird

The Class of 2007: Exceptional in many ways

This fall, President Guarasci welcomes to campus the newest members of the College community, the Class of 2007. We are reminded of how vibrant our growing community becomes each time the new academic year rolls around. For this Wagner College Class of 2007 is indeed exceptional in so many ways.

Five hundred and thirty first-year students arrived at Wagner College, representing 31 states (including 7 students from California, 3 from Alabama and Colorado and 4 from Texas) and bringing with them a wealth of interests and experiences.

Eighty-two percent of these students chose to reside on campus. The geographic diversity of this class represents Wagner's growth into a national liberal arts college, a

vision strengthened by Wagner's recruitment efforts around the country.

This class is comprised of talented student-athletes who will compete in 22 Division I sports; they are class valedictorians, student body presidents and musicians. They are volunteers and thespians. And above all, these students are academically talented — their average high school GPA is 88 (3.3) and their average SAT is 1120.

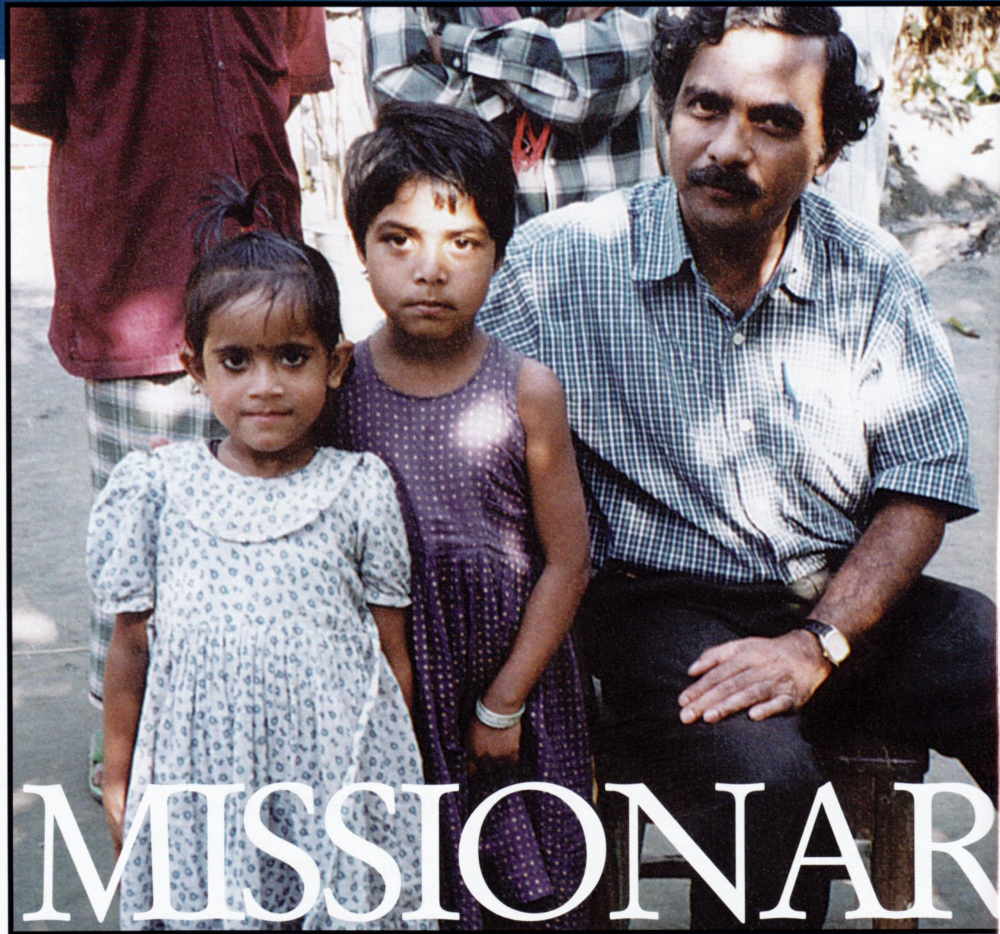
Angelo Araimo, vice president for enrollment and planning, lauds their enthusiasm about and commitment to the goals and vision of The Wagner Plan. Wagner's students are active service learners in high school and look forward to continuing to contribute to their community while at Wagner. New York City and The Wagner

Plan, which takes advantage of the city's resources, are genuinely exciting to these students. They have recognized in Wagner's academic program their own desire to connect with the world.

Mr. Araimo declares that the Class of 2007 will become positive and enthusiastic alumni, for what attracted decades of alumni to Wagner are some of the same qualities that now appeal to our new students.

"It is gratifying that we have equally enthusiastic and talented students at a time when there are so many excellent colleges from which these students can choose. They have so many choices because they are so talented, but they chose to come to Wagner — this choice speaks volumes about our excellence in education." ❖

**DR. MOHAMMAD
ALAUDDIN'S
EXHAUSTIVE
RESEARCH OF
ARSENIC-LACED
GROUNDWATER IN
BANGLADESH IS
SAVING LIVES — ONE
VILLAGE AT A TIME**



PART MISSIONAR PART SCIENTIST

In the most remote villages of Bangladesh, where an invisible poison has been sickening the population for nearly 50 years, a Wagner College professor is quietly saving lives.

Armed with test tubes and compassion, Dr. Mohammad Alauddin walks miles along the dirt roads of the country's poorest areas looking for the victims of arsenic poisoning, caused by contaminated drinking water.

A native of Bangladesh, he speaks their language and stops to talk with them before examining the palms of their hands and the soles of their feet for black spots and lesions, the telltale signs of arsenicosis.

He collects water samples from their wells — crude metal pipes driven deep into the ground — that will be analyzed in his laboratories at Wagner and in Dhaka, the Bangladesh capital. Then he continues on to the next village.

Part missionary and part scientist, Dr. Alauddin will not rest until every villager has been examined, every well tested and made safe, every case of arsenicosis reversed, and every source of poisoning eliminated.

His comprehensive and innovative research

into the arsenic contamination crisis in Bangladesh has earned him international recognition among researchers, praise from the Bangladesh government, and acknowledgement from the World Health Organization, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF).

It is this research that has won Dr. Alauddin the prestigious Endowed Chair in Science at Wagner, a three-year tenure he begins this fall.



Government estimates put the number of exposures to arsenic poisoning in Bangladesh at 80 million — more than half the population of this overcrowded country which is bordered by India and is about the size of Wisconsin.

Arsenic is one of 20 elements found naturally within the earth's crust. Most countries

monitor their drinking water closely, establishing stringent standards and cleansing it of toxins like arsenic before distribution. In the United States, for example, the Environmental Protection Agency has established 10 parts per billion (ppb) as the public health standard for arsenic in drinking water.

But in developing countries like Bangladesh, where government regulations are lax, intervention is slow and cost-prohibitive, and public awareness is limited, Dr. Alauddin and his team have found as many as 4,470 ppb of arsenic in drinking water.

Ninety-seven percent of the Bangladeshi people rely on groundwater as their principle source of water. They draw it from tube wells — or t-wells — that extend 50 to 100 feet into the ground near their homes, reaching the water table. The water comes through the well untreated and unpurified, into food and onto crops. Several families in one village will tap water from the same contaminated well.

It can take as many as five to ten years before the symptoms of arsenicosis begin to appear.

In the first stage of the disease, a hyperpigmentation of the skin causes sporadic black spots on the chest, hands and back and a

Dr. Mohammad Alauddin talks with villagers in the most remote areas of Bangladesh where arsenic-contaminated groundwater is posing a serious health risk. He examines their hands and feet for black spots and lesions, the signs of arsenic poisoning, and often donates a filtration system to the hardest-hit areas.



Bangladesh government and world health agencies that are assisting.

When Dr. Alauddin finds a family especially hard-hit by the disease, as he often does in the southeastern areas of the country, he donates a water filter they would otherwise not be able to afford.

Collaborating with other researchers several years ago at George Mason University in Virginia, Dr. Alauddin developed an inexpensive filtration system that uses sand, charcoal and iron chips to purify water from the t-well and remains effective without maintenance for up to two years.

He installs the filter — which costs about



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thickening of the skin in those areas. In stage two, nodules — or painful inflammations — appear on the palms and soles. Left unchecked, gangrene and skin cancer follow, and death is likely.

Until recently, arsenicosis victims were often mistaken for lepers and scorned by their own families. Women and children with symptoms were especially shunned and labeled undesirable.

In his journeys through the villages, Dr. Alauddin has seen victims as young as 18 months.

“I talk to them, I touch them, I look at the

human side” of the problem, he says. “When we find one victim, we know there will be more.”



Dr. Alauddin has assembled a team of local scientists in Dhaka who, under his guidance, learn valuable techniques for water testing and speciation — the identification of arsenic types and levels.

They accompany him through the remote countryside, collecting urine, nail and hair samples to determine the severity of contamination, then report their findings to the

\$25 — and encourages the family to cleanse their systems of the poison by eating more leafy vegetables. Before moving on, he promises to return in several months for additional hair and nail samples to determine if the arsenicosis symptoms are subsiding.

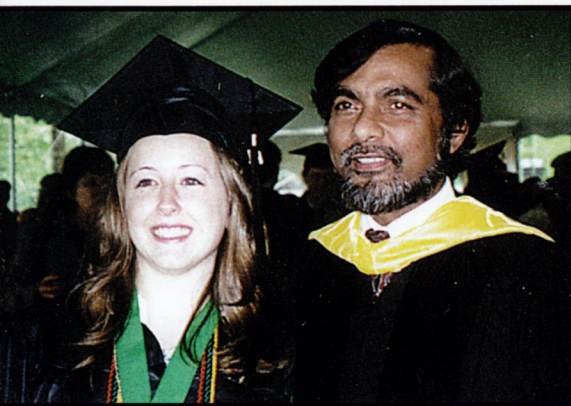
He often poses for photos with the victims he has diagnosed, and brings them copies of the photos on subsequent visits.

Because so many of the Bangladeshi people are living in abject poverty, and because response time is critical in treating arsenicosis, Dr. Alauddin donates up to a dozen filters on a trip to villages hardest hit by the crisis.

“These are deserving people,” he says, “and they need the help badly. I am helping one family at a time.” He knows the delays in government intervention can cost lives.

His biggest expense is airfare. A round-trip

Jennifer D'Amato, who accompanied Dr. Alauddin on one of his research missions to Bangladesh, joins him after her commencement ceremony in May 2002.



ticket to Bangladesh from New York can cost more than \$2,000. Determined to spend as much time there as possible — traveling during every break between classes — Dr. Alauddin subsidizes his trips by teaching summer sessions at Wagner.

Once in Bangladesh, his expenses are minimal. He stays with relatives during his sample-gathering missions, and exists on a diet of tea, bottled water and fruit.



A small man with a powerful mind and an engaging smile, Dr. Alauddin was born 51 years ago in Comilla, a village 50 miles southeast of Dhaka where arsenic measured 500 ppb before filters were recently installed on the t-wells there.

He was educated at the University of Dhaka, receiving a bachelor's degree in chemistry in 1975. The following year, he began post-graduate studies at the University of Kentucky, earning a doctorate in chemistry in 1982.

He joined the Wagner faculty in 1984, and now lives on Staten Island with his wife, Rokeya, and three children, Sarah, 22, a senior at Wagner; Fatimah, 19, and Imram, 6.

Dr. Alauddin keeps his students deeply involved in his research and testing projects, bringing back water samples from the contaminated wells after every trip.

One of his students, Jennifer D'Amato '02, accompanied him to Bangladesh during spring break in 2001 and witnessed first-hand the contamination and sickness.

"It was an eye-opener for her," Dr. Alauddin says.

Today, Jennifer is working for a private water-testing and quality-control lab in Connecticut. Dr. Alauddin hopes to bring more students to Bangladesh once travel to the area becomes safer.



Above: Bangladeshi villagers gather for a photograph. Below: Three of Dr. Alauddin's research assistants in his Dhaka lab. Bottom: Dr. Alauddin with fellow researcher Dr. Dipankar Chakraborti at the International Arsenic Conference in San Diego, July 2002.

Dr. Alauddin will not rest until every villager has been examined, every well tested and made safe, every case of arsenicosis reversed, and every source of poisoning eliminated.

A frequent speaker at conferences around the world, Dr. Alauddin is currently collaborating with UNICEF on an eight-month project to collect 37,000 samples from 24 of 61 counties in Bangladesh.

The enormity of the project and the tight deadline fail to overwhelm him, even with his teaching responsibilities at Wagner and family obligations at home.

Instead, he seizes the opportunity in the hope of bringing his native land one step closer to being arsenic-free.

"It's an honor that they have chosen me," he says with characteristic humility. ♦

— Claire Regan '80



Students, faculty saluted at science conference

Nineteen Wagner students and 11 faculty representing physics, biology, chemistry and psychology presented at the 57th Annual Eastern Colleges Science Conference (ECSC) in April and won recognition for five of the projects highlighted.

With over 50 collegiate members, the ECSC is an important showcase for undergraduate research and an important lesson in professional research presentation and techniques.

The conference was a vivid demonstration of the exceptional research taking place at the College.

Wagner's involvement with the ECSC began in 1996.

Today, three Wagner faculty members serve on the board of directors — Dr. Donald Stearns, professor of biology and associate dean of the faculty; Dr. Laurence Nolan, assistant professor of psychology, and Dr. Gregory Falabella, assistant professor of physics who also serves as the Wagner campus coordinator for the conference.

The conference "gives undergraduate students a chance to present and disseminate their research as a true scientist would," said Dr. Falabella.

"It is important that students see how the principles they learn in the classroom are applied to real practical problems in their field," he continued.

"True research should be taken seriously because there is only so much you can learn from a textbook." ♦

2003 AWARD WINNERS

- Katherine Lachance '03, Christopher Hart '04 and Dr. J. Ellen Perry, biology
- Jaime T. Carreno '05
- Sarah Alauddin '04, Margaret Fiasconaro '03 and Dr. Mohammad Alauddin, chemistry
- Nicolas Rada '05 and Dr. Gregory J. Falabella, physics
- Jacqueline Whittenburg '03 and Renee Sudol '02

ENTRANTS

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| Michelle Bingham '04 | Adam James '04 |
| Joanna Ferreri '03 | Dr. Laurence J. Nolan, psychology |
| Dr. Zoltan L. Fulop, biology | Dawn Pothier '05 |
| Dr. Maria C. Gelabert, chemistry | Linda Raths, biology |
| Matthew W. Gray '05 | Dana M. Romano '04 |

MEET FULLBRIGHT SCHOLAR ROBERT BOLASH '03

Seizing every moment

A typical year in the life of an outstanding Wagnerian. Before heading off to a year in Germany as a Fullbright scholar this fall, Robert Bolash left for California and an internship at Stanford University during the summer.

Behind Robert's very impressive resume, there is an equally impressive person.

Coming to Wagner from Freedom High School in Pennsylvania, Robert had fairly specific interests — notably in the sciences. And, after visiting campus five times (we think this might be a record!), and speaking to countless faculty and students, he went with his instincts, and chose Wagner.

After four years at Wagner, Robert was not left short on choices for graduate schools. Robert's accomplishments offered him the choice of admission into medical programs that included Brown, Johns Hopkin, Tufts, Berkeley and Chicago.

But Robert has deferred admission to medical school to pursue his Fullbright scholarship in comparative medicine. He will study the approaches to health care in Germany and the United States in hopes of coming to an understanding of how the future of health care could look in this country.

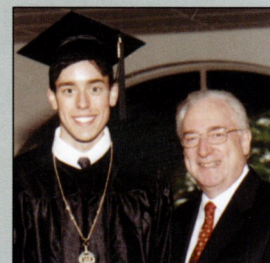
Robert's resume — beginning with a first year field placement at Eger Nursing Home and internships at Staten Island University Hospital, St. Luke's Hospital and Harvard Medical School — speaks to his early awareness of his professional interests.

"I remember a videotape of me as a child on which I am asked what I want to do when I grow up. My answer is 'a medical malpractice attorney!'" Rob has adjusted his focus since that interview — choosing instead to practice medicine. What he realized was that he wanted the human side of this drama — "treating a patient, you get a high level of satisfaction — there is a lot to be said for compassion."

Indeed, compassion is a driving force in Robert's life. His research has focused on the connection between the laboratory and research side of medicine, and the human side — the patients. So much of what he has learned about medicine has come from human interactions.

During his internship at Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Rob studied complementary medicine in a project with a sociol-

Breadth of knowledge is very important. On one medical school interview, we spoke



only about photography. This is liberal education — it allows intellectual conversation in so many disciplines.

— Robert Bolash '03, with President Guarasci at Commencement

ogist. He describes with intensity his interaction with a traditionally under-served immigrant community in the Bronx with whom he worked during this study. Though "the language barrier was a challenge," he discovered through hours of work with the patients that people were overwhelmingly utilizing alternative therapies.

Robert has, in his four years at Wagner, gained an appreciation of liberal education and a deep commitment to medicine. He says that he has also come to a stronger understanding of the value of people and individual human interaction.

Drs. Ammini Moorthy and Ellen Perry in the biological sciences at Wagner have been particularly inspirational and supportive. And some of his best classes have been in the arts and history.

"Breadth of knowledge is very important," Robert states. "On one medical school interview, we spoke only about photography. This is liberal education — it allows intellectual conversation in so many disciplines."

In California this summer Robert looked forward to intensive lab work in Stanford's state-of-the-art facilities. But he also looked forward with as much zeal to experiencing the culture of the west coast.

There is an adventurous side to Robert Bolash, though he willingly admits to never wanting to jump out of a plane or climb Mount Everest. Learning is a passion for Robert, for as he says so simply, "new knowledge is exciting." His sense of adventure comes from the longing of an eager mind to find ever-increasing knowledge.

And there is, after all, something very impressive about this instinct. ♦

— Victoria Hopwood Bobik

Seahawks make history

2003 NEC Championship:
Wagner 78, St. Francis 61

The Spiro Sports Center was filled with the sound of victory on March 12, 2003 and Seahawk history was made when the men's basketball team won its first-ever Northeast Conference (NEC) championship and a coveted trip to the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) tournament.

A rivalry of two New York City teams drew a crowd of thousands to Wagner, including New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg. This was a dream come true for 12 players, their coaches and the entire Wagner community.

Suddenly, all eyes were on Wagner as the team traveled to the first round of the NCAA tournament in Boston, where they were defeated by the University of Pittsburgh 87-61. But the experience put them in the national spotlight, with coverage by newspapers and television throughout the country.

The Seahawks were hailed for their accomplishments both on and off the court. And with good reason.

Looking to continue last season's success, the Seahawks are ready to face their challengers for the season ahead. ❖



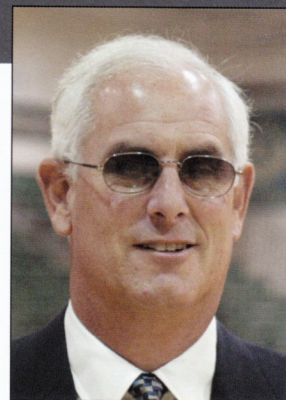
Hundreds of loyal Wagner fans, above — and the cheerleaders, below — traveled to Boston's Fleet Center to support the Seahawks.



Seahawks huddle during the first round of the NCAA Tournament at Boston's Fleet Center.



Deane named new coach for men's basketball



Mike Deane was welcomed as Wagner's 16th men's basketball coach in June by Athletic Director Walt Hameline. He succeeds Dereck Whittenburg, who has accepted a coaching position at Fordham University.

Deane, who coached the past four seasons at Lamar University, has compiled a 343-220 record in his 19 seasons as a head coach, which also included stops at Marquette, Siena and Oswego State.

During his 19-year coaching tenure, 97 percent of Deane's players have completed their degree requirements. He has made four trips to the NCAA tournament and nine post-season appearances along with eight 20-win seasons in the past 15 years.

Deane is one of just 26 coaches in NCAA history to have guided three different teams to the NCAA tournament. He has twice led his program to its first ever NCAA berth with Siena in 1989 and again with Lamar in 2000.

A 1974 graduate of Potsdam State, Deane was a three-time all-conference selection as a player and was selected by the Milwaukee Bucks in the NBA draft.

Deane was pleased to announce that Jim Neil will remain with the Seahawks as assistant coach. ♦

2003-2004 football schedule

AUG. 24
GREEN & WHITE
SCRIMMAGE 11 a.m.

AUG. 30
AMERICAN
INTERNATIONAL 1 p.m.

SEPT. 6
LA SALLE 1 p.m.
Football Reunion Day —
new locker room
dedication

Sept. 13 @ Iona 1 p.m.

Sept. 20 @ Stony Brook
6 p.m.

Sept. 27 MARIST 1 p.m.

Home games in CAPS

OCT. 4 CENTRAL CONN.
STATE UNIVERSITY
1 p.m. Family Weekend

Oct. 11 @ Monmouth
1 p.m.

Oct. 18 @ Siena 7 p.m.

Oct. 25 @ Robert Morris
1:30 p.m.

NOV. 1 ALBANY 1 p.m.

NOV. 8 SAINT FRANCIS
1 p.m. — Homecoming

NOV. 16 SACRED
HEART 1 p.m.

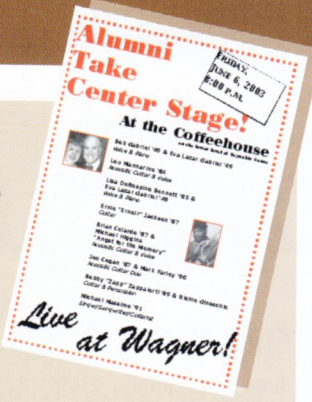
NOV. 22 BOWL GAME
1 p.m.

JOIN US ON THE LINKS!

The 14th Annual Sal Alberti Memorial Seahawk Golf Classic will be held Monday, Sept. 15, 2003 at the Richmond County Country Club. All proceeds benefit the Wagner College Athletic Endowment Fund. For entry or sponsorship information, contact the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics at 718-390-3433.

The Coffeehouse

The basement of Reynolds House was the setting for a showcase of alumni talent Friday night. Like all professional performers, these Wagner grads did not suffer from stage fright and enjoyed the spotlight.



Ken Nilsen '88, center, is joined by Mike Hoffman '94, left, Chris Miller '84, Mike Massimo '91 and Sal Cowan '95.



MC Ernie Jackson '87, above, and Lou Mannarino '84, at left, performed on the guitar.

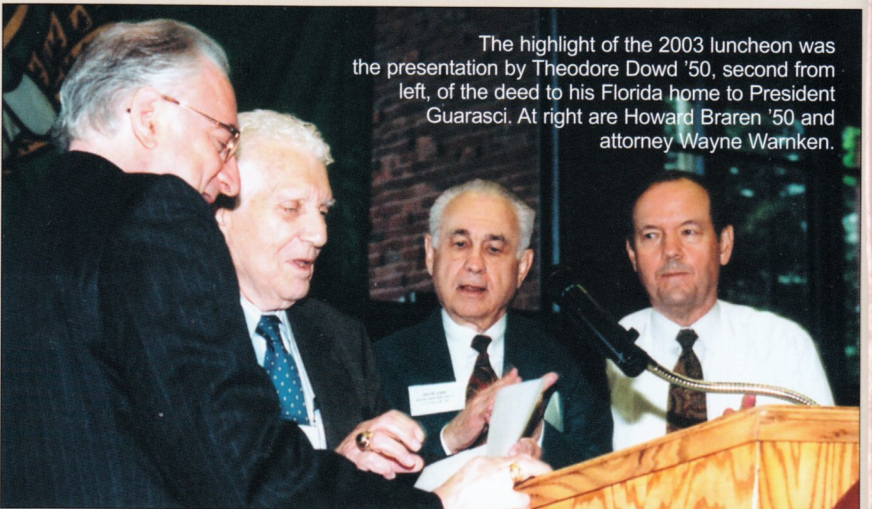


Eva and Bob Gabriel '49, above, opened with the national anthem. Lisa DeRespino Bennett '85, left, reminisced over yearbook photos.

Other performers not pictured included Brian Celardo '87 and Mike Higgins, and Joe Cogan '87 and Mark Farley '90.



Trustee Louise Repage Kaufman '75, Trustee Polly Peck Moles '68, Trustee Maureen Robinson '67 and new Trustee Aletta Kipp Diamond '65 enjoy the reunion luncheon.



The highlight of the 2003 luncheon was the presentation by Theodore Dowd '50, second from left, of the deed to his Florida home to President Guarasci. At right are Howard Braren '50 and attorney Wayne Warken.



At the Class of 1953's 50th reunion, President Guarasci, left, joins Grace Haher, Sy Siegler, Wilma (Forster) Szepanski, Fred Lange, trustee, Dorothy (Schnackenberg) Novak, Dolph Moller, Al Tosi, Joan (Harrison) Olsen, Wilbert Wehrl, Erica (Lock) Kelly, Ed Diaz and John Deane.



REUNION WEEKEND, JUNE 6-8, BROUGHT HUNDREDS OF ALUMS TO CAMPUS FOR A WINE TASTING, A JAM SESSION, THE CELEBRATION OF A NEW BUILDING ... AND SO MUCH MORE. PLAN NOW TO JOIN US NEXT YEAR, JUNE 4-6, 2004.

Always a reason FOR ALUMS TO GET TOGETHER



ADP reception

Alana Conti '02, Laurie Bamford '03, Erika Robinson '02, Marge (Snyder) Hausheer '52, Wanda (Schweizer) Praisner '54, Aletta Kipp Diamond '65, Betsy (Ebers) Press '58, Angie Bombardier '02, Grace Haher '53, Polly (Peck) Moles '68, Danielle (Gianforte) Inserra '97, Leslie (Rogers) Curran, Joan (Harrison) Olsen '53, Ann (Taranto) Giordano '69, Helen (Cramer) Newman '72, Jean (Gaise) Swedberg '64.



President and Carin Guarasci, Claire Regan '80 and Dr. Alan Blair listen as Rev. Lyle Guttu blesses Pape House in memory of Anne Colligan Pape.

Pape House dedication

FROM REMARKS DELIVERED ON BEHALF OF HENRY PAPE '36

"Two things in Henry's life are very special to him: Anne Colligan Pape, his wife of 46 years who he loved deeply and whose memo-

ries he cherishes daily, and Wagner College. Henry chose this gift as a means of honoring, and uniting forever, these two entities that are so very special to him.

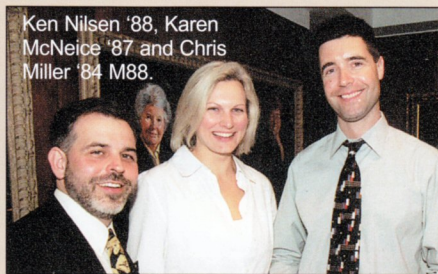
Henry has been a member of the Wagner community since 1928 when he enrolled in the high school and then graduated from the College in 1936.

Today we are very proud to join with Henry in welcoming Anne Colligan Pape into the Wagner College community."

— DR. ALAN BLAIR, ADVISER TO HENRY PAPE, SATURDAY, JUNE 7, 2003



The Class of '78 table at the reunion dinner: Cheryl (Boll) Jarosiewicz, Charlene Glock, Catherine (McCarthy) Schmidt, Elaine (Dorion) Petrillo, Ed Atkin and Charlene (Wallace) O'Hara.



Ken Nilsen '88, Karen McNeice '87 and Chris Miller '84 M88.

Below: Judith (Heine) Rauges '60, Marge (Snyder) Hausheer '52, Grace Haher '53, Joan (Harrison) Olsen '53 and Ann (Taranto) Giordano '69.



Class notes

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1942

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Werner Johnson '41 and **Muriel Christian Johnson** (Staten Island) celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.

1949

Looking for Class Agent

Michael A. Nicolais and **Margaret Christie Nicolais** (Chatham, NJ) celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

1950

Looking for Class Agent

Dr. Theodore Dowd (Fort Myers, FL), managing director of Industriotek, the marine division of AF Industries, has expanded the operation to include the servicing of aircraft on the island of Crete, in Greece.

Reverend David J. Greer (Shreveport, LA) is the interim priest at Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd in Lake Charles, LA. He is a member of the 100-year-old Circumnavigators Club.

1951

Class Agent: Harry A. Volz
64 Linden Street
Massapequa Park, NY 11762-1008
516-541-5517

Emil Cenci (Howell, NJ) and his wife, Adeline, celebrated their 50th anniversary with a party at Our House Restaurant in Farmingdale, NJ.

1952

Class Agent: Lawrence P. Sweeney
29 Jameson Place
Caldwell, NJ 07006
973-226-6678

Lt. Col. James W. Bishop and **Joyce Biller Bishop '54** (Jacksonville, AR) celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a trip to Bermuda. In addition, the couple's sons hosted a surprise party for their parents at the Waldorf Astoria in Manhattan.

1953

Class Agent: Albert Tosi
70 Woodcliff Lake Road
Saddle River, NJ 07458-3114
201-327-3448

Grace Haher (Hillsboro Beach, FL), the first woman president of Deerfield Country Club, Deerfield Beach, FL, is now serving an unprecedented second term.

1954

Looking for Class Agent

Manfred W. Lichtmann, M.D. (Williamsburg, VA) and his wife, Emily, are having a great time learning to play golf.

1957

Class Agent: Ewald S. Forsbrey
3660 Recreation Lane
Naples, FL 34116-4161
609-898-9098

Fred Sprague (Basking Ridge, NJ) and fellow residents at the Seabrook Erickson Retirement Community held a Free Throw Shoot-out in the spirit of the NCAA March Madness Basketball Tournament. Despite stiff competition, Fred made five out of five shots in the finals.

1959

Class Agent: Diane G. Borst-Manning
40 W 55th Street, Apt. 9D
New York, NY 10019
845-856-8147 / dianeborst@hotmail.com

Louis DeLuca (Staten Island) was inducted into the Omicron Delta Kappa National Leadership Honor Society at the spring awards ceremony held on campus.

Allan L. Goldstein, Ph.D. (Washington, DC), chair of the Department of Biochemistry and Microbiology at the George Washington University Medical Center, received the honor of Order of Vasco Nuez de Balboa from the Republic of Panama. The honor was given to Dr. Goldstein for his valuable contributions and personal dedication to world health.

1962

Class Agent: Robert A. Straniere
182 Rose Avenue
Staten Island, NY 10306-2900
718-667-0314

Carol Gaise Crews (Port Ewen, NY) has been elected to chair the board of directors at Benedictine Hospital in Kingston, NY. She is the first woman to hold this position.

1963

Looking for Class Agent

Anita Jacobsen (Dallas, TX) has written Jacobsen's Biographical Index of American Artists, published by AJ Publications in Carrollton, TX.

1964

Class Agent: Frederick C. Williamson, Jr.
18 Pape Drive
Atlantic Highlands, NJ 07716-2549
732-708-9753 / FCW22@aol.com

Alexander H. Sickert (Dallas, PA) recently retired after almost 11 years of service with Lutheran Brotherhood/Financial service for Lutherans. Total time in financial services: 23 years. Not bad for a second career.

1965

Class Agent: Jay J. Abbes
1256 Isadora Court

Brick, NJ 08724
732-671-1808

Aletta Kipp Diamond (Scotch Plains, NJ) is president of the Lynne Robbins Steinman Foundation. The organization has promoted and planned beautification projects all over Staten Island.

1966

Looking for Class Agent

Dr. Arthur O. Anderson (Frederick, MD) received a Doctor of Philosophy, Honoris Causa, at the 2003 Wagner Commencement ceremony.

Santino "Sandy" Antonucci (Lancaster, PA), after retiring as a dot-com educator eight years ago, is fulfilling his dream of being a ski instructor, teaching skiing full time in Steamboat Springs, CO. All alumni visiting Steamboat in winter should feel free to look him up.

Christine "Kathy" Wolff Massey (Raleigh, NC) is teaching psychiatric nursing and human sexuality at Barton College in Wilson, NC. She was recently promoted to associate professor and was certified by AASECT as a sex educator.

1967

Class Agent: Maureen Robinson
160 Jockey Hollow Road
Bernardsville, NJ 07924-1312
908-953-2939 / mrobidwolf@aol.com

1968

Class Agent: Richard W. Ball
13 Jeffro Drive
Ridgefield, CT 06877-4646
203-431-6062 / richard.ball@ubspw.com

Cheryl Mauk Herbst (Fort Myers, FL) is a parish nurse at Lamb of God Church. She just became a grandmother to grandson Clayon Edward Herbst, born in January 2003.

1969

Class Agent: Philip Straniere
3 Saint Austins Place
Staten Island, NY 10310-1539
718-447-4717

Marilyn Dobbins Kinelski (Howell, NJ) is coordinator of adolescent services at Prevention First in Oakhurst, NJ.

1972

Looking for Class Agent

Jean Volk, J.D. (North Brunswick, NJ), professor at Middlesex County College, has been appointed assistant chair of the Accounting and Legal Studies Department.

1974

Looking for Class Agent

Dr. Charles V. Khoury (Ridgewood, NJ) has been hired as the new Cresskill, NJ, school superintendent.

1976

Class Agent: John M. Zawisny
56 Howard Avenue
Staten Island, NY 10301-4405
718-447-4290

Jeffrey E. Bryant (Pearl River, NY) has been elected to the Rockland County Sports Hall of Fame.

Dr. E. John Lentini (Hull, MA) is president-elect of the Massachusetts Academy of Family Physicians. He is also a consultant for the American Academy of Family

Physicians on the Commission for Continuing Medical Education.

1977

Class Agent: Maarten van Hengel
2 Evergreen Way
Sleepy Hollow, NY 10591-1004
914-631-7574/mrvh@bellatlantic.net

Dr. Camille Zampino Bentley (Margate, FL) is providing medical care for the poor in the interior of Guatemala.

1978

Class Agent: Maria Lind Jenkins
280 New Norwalk Road
New Canaan, CT 06840-4921
203-972-5838

Dr. Ruth Lampe McAuley (Staten Island) has earned a doctorate degree in health administration from Kennedy-Western University in California.

1980

Class Agent: Edward L. Garlock
132 Highland Drive
Bedford, PA 15522-9766
814-623-1124/garlock@pennswoods.net

Class Agent: Billy K. Tyler
1807 N. Gramercy Place, Apt. 5
Los Angeles, CA 90028
323-462-7111/Blutobilly@aol.com

Claire M. Regan (Staten Island) has been promoted to Associate Managing Editor at the Staten Island Advance. In addition, Claire was honored at Project Hospitality's spring luncheon for her work with Dine Out Against Hunger, an annual fund-raiser that benefits programs for Staten Island's homeless.

1981

Class Agent: Mary T. Gormley
14 Edison Street
Staten Island, NY 10306-3411
718-979-4120/gormley_mary@jpmorgan.com

David DiBello M'89 (New York) is controller for Ice-Cap Inc. in Westbury, NY.

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1985

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Vincent D'Elia (New York) had a starring role in "Nights on Broadway" at the Circus Maximus Theatre in Atlantic City, NJ.

1986

Class Agent: Wade C. Appelman
14001 Crossland Lane
North Potomac, MD 20878-3900
303-485-7602

Renata M. Angioli (Staten Island) was appointed chief financial officer/chief operating officer of Dixon Holdings LLC, Great Estate Management Company.

Gladys del S. Pedersen (Spring Hill, FL) is maintaining her connection to education by substitute teaching and is involved in her church and community.

1987

Class Agent: Meredith Lynch Acacia
5 Aspen Court
Jackson, NJ 08527-4903
908-367-7675

State Sen. John J. Marchi H87 (Staten Island) was recently honored when Snug Harbor's Main Hall was named for him in gratitude for his invaluable service over the past quarter-century. In addition, he received a Lifetime Achievement Award at the 2003 Wagner Commencement ceremony.

1988

Class Agent: Kenneth Nilsen
901 Hudson Street, Apt. 33
Hoboken, NJ 07030
201-222-0182/knilsen@stevens-tech.edu

Janine LaManna (Manhattan) appeared in "The Look of Love" at the Brooks Atkinson Theatre on Broadway.

1989

Class Agent: Maria T. Giura
105 Travis Avenue
Staten Island, NY 10314
718-483-6572

Carla Pantophlet Laban (Staten Island) received a master's degree in administration and supervision from Baruch College. She married Indra in August 2002 and is currently on the staff at Street Academy High School in Brooklyn, NY.

1991

Class Agent: Jennifer A. Norton
1488 Green Grove Road
Brick, NJ 08724-2343
732-458-5149/skippytee1@aol.com

Dr. Joann Gualberti (Staten Island) received the Dr. Norbert H. Leeseberg Award at the Omicron Delta Kappa National Leadership Honor Society spring awards ceremony held on campus.

Dr. Lisa Gualberti-Girgis (Eatontown, NJ) was the keynote speaker and recipient of the Dr. Norbert H. Leeseberg Award at the Omicron Delta Kappa National Leadership Honor Society spring awards ceremony held on campus.

1993

Class Agent: Stuart Plotkin
66 Bowling Green Place
Staten Island, NY 10314-3702
718-982-6898/splotkin@client.ml.com

Teresa Barich Gulino (Staten Island) married Carmelo in November 2002. She is supervisor of operations with Lebenthal Bond Traders in Manhattan.

1994

Class Agent: James J. Hickey
460 Winant Avenue
Staten Island, NY 10309
718-967-4845

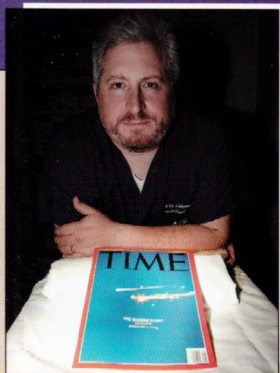
Kathryn "Katie" McGee (Martinsville, NJ) has joined WCBS-TV 2 New York as entertainment/features reporter contributing primarily to the station's morning newscast.

Ted V. Parnese, Esq. (Edison, NJ) married Deana D'Amodio in March 2003. He is an attorney with a practice in Tottenville, Staten Island. He is a member of Richmond County Bar Association and an assistant head football coach at McKee High School and Staten Island Technical High School.

1995

Class Agent: Nancy Salgado-Cowan
185 Heywood Court
Matawan, NJ 07747-3569
201-795-0779

Christina Gambardella D'Amico (Brooklyn) married



Dr. Scott Lieberman '83 helps the nation mourn 7 space shuttle heroes

A cardiovascular physician and amateur photographer, Dr. Scott Lieberman was in his backyard in Tyler, TX, last Feb. 1 when he spotted white streaks across the blue sky. He shot a sequence of photographs of what turned out to be the space shuttle Columbia breaking up, killing all seven astronauts aboard. Scott's photos have since been used to document the catastrophe in newspapers and magazines throughout the world.

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Christopher in December 2002. She is a registered nurse in the Telemetry Unit at Staten Island University Hospital, Ocean Breeze.

1996

Class Agent: Leigh-Ann DePascale
33 Central Avenue, Apt. 4 F
Staten Island, NY 10301-2516
718-273-8153 / ldepasca@wagner.edu

James Bogacki (Long Beach) and **Jocelyn Tobia Bogacki** (Rhode Island) were married in February 2003.

1997

Class Agent: Alison N. Boyd
14 Essex Drive
Ronkonkoma, NY 11779
631-451-8220

Ariel Abramson (Staten Island) married **Lynn Kowalchuk** in May 2003. He is studying for a degree in dentistry at Stony Brook University.

Nicholas Esposito (Staten Island) married Michele Shapiro in December 2002. He is a city firefighter assigned to Ladder 82, Great Kills (Staten Island).

Jean Fedora (Zionsville, PA) is president of Fedora Talent Management. Her company was incorporated in February 2003.

Erin Susan Flanagan Lind (Staten Island) married Cory Tyson in October 2002. She is a marketing assistant at

Forest Laboratories in Manhattan.

1998

Class Agent: Tara L. Yeo
7766A Newport Way
Indianapolis, IN 46256
317-577-7830 / GuppyTLY@aol.com

Elizabeth Diaz Hayes (Staten Island) married Eric in December 2001.

John Nitti (Staten Island) married Noelle Nichilo in May 2003. He is an assistant media director at Oasis Advertising, Manhattan.

Monica Tuzzi Sanzone (Staten Island) married Joseph in February 2003. She is a financial manager with Ketchum Public Relations, Manhattan.

Marina Kasidonis Siniscalchi (Staten Island) married Thomas in May 2003. She is a supervisor of the fixed income trade support desk at JP Morgan Asset Management, Manhattan.

Frederick I. Sklenar (Matawan, NJ) is an adjunct professor in the business marketing department at Monmouth University in Monmouth, NJ.

1999

Class Agent: Vinnie S. Potestivo
226 Shippen Street, 2nd Floor
Weehawken, NJ 07087
201-558-7922 / Vinster19@aol.com

Melissa Holt Abinanti (Staten Island) married Joseph in April 2003. She is a sixth-grade science teacher at Edwin Markham Intermediate School, Graniteville (Staten Island).

Paul Proscia (Staten Island) married Victoria Annunziata in March 2003. He is a dean at Laurie Intermediate School, New Springville (Staten Island).

2001

Class Agent: Simone A. McBride
36 Croydon Court
Wallingford, CT 06492

Class Agent: Michael E. Poole
405 Pinkster Lane
Slingerlands, NY 12159
716-424-8362 / mrpoole79@hotmail.com

Joseph Luisi (Staten Island) married Lisa DeCarlo in November 2002. He is an eighth-grade earth science teacher at Morris Intermediate School, Brighton Heights (Staten Island).

Kristen Wilk (Staten Island) has opened an antique restoration shop, Kristen and Company in New Dorp (Staten Island). She hand paints and refinishes antiques, lighting and accessories.

Greg Weckherlen (Staten Island) married Linda Nelson in January 2003. He is an outside plant operations manager with Verizon in Brooklyn.

2003

Looking for Class Agent

Lynn Wiegelman Whitford (Staten Island) married James in April 2003. She is an August candidate for a master of science degree in secondary education.

What's new with you?

Use this form to bring your fellow alumni/ae up-to-date with recent developments including new jobs, promotions, addresses, weddings and children. Mail to Wagner College Alumni Office, One Campus Road, Staten Island, NY 10301 ♦ Fax 718-390-3217 ♦ E-mail alumni@wagner.edu

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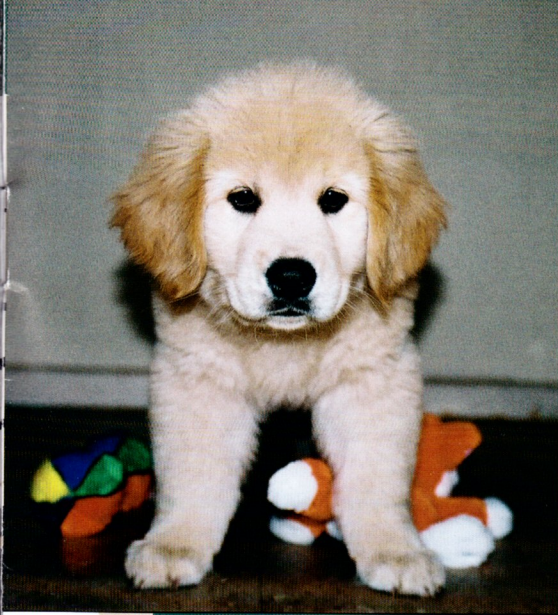
Home address _____ City/state/ZIP _____

Home phone _____ Home e-mail _____

Business title _____ Business company _____

Business address _____ Business phone _____ Business e-mail _____

Class note [please attach another sheet of paper if more space is needed] _____



It's a boy!

Gold-Rush Copper Brae
(Nickname "Copper")

Born
March 2, 2003 in Princeton, NJ

Adopted
April 19, 2003 by Dr. Joseph D. Smith Jr.,
professor of religious studies

Favorite activities
Napping during class; getting attention
from students in between classes

Crib notes

The Wagner Family welcomes the following members to the Classes of 2024 and 2025:

Andrew, son of **Laura Eide Averill '80** and husband, Michael, born May 6, 2003. He joins brother, Karl.

Sarah Tina, daughter of **Widette Lang Fox '86** and husband, Russell, born November 25, 2002.

Amelia Elizabeth, daughter of **Karen Miklos Osborne '86** and husband, Brian, born September 26, 2002.

Serena Paige, daughter of **Edward Carubis '86** and **Karen Pape Carubis '87** born May 10, 2002. She joins sister, Alexandra, and brother, Edward.

Declan Colin, son of **Amy Cuzzucoli Campbell '89** and husband, Doug, born September 25, 2002. He joins brother, Matthew Douglas, and sister, Megan Emily.

Samantha Hope, daughter of **Tinamarie Petrizzo Hughes '90** and husband, Peter, born April 12, 2002. She joins sister, Victoria Ryann.

Theresa Anna, daughter of **Ann Marie Menna Pascarella '92** and husband David, born January 29, 2003.

Paul Thomas, son of **Christine Theophall Golembiewski '94** and husband, Tim, born December 14, 2002.

Amanda Rose, daughter of **Amy McCarthy Mascia '94** and **Anthony Mascia '96**, born January 30, 2003.

Jack Timothy, son of **Craig A. Reynolds '94** and **Diane Seaholm Reynolds '95**, born December 26, 2002. He joins sister, Hannah.

Andrew Joseph, son of **Lisa Polichetti Zucker '94 M'98** and husband, Justin, born March 5, 2003.

Madison Reese, daughter of **Allison O'Donnell Ballschmieder '95** and husband, CJ, born March 28, 2003.

Louis Joseph, son of **Gracemarie Di Benedetto Cupo '95** and husband, Louis, born April 7, 2003.

Julia Dianne, son of **Colleen Schilling Trager '95** and husband, Jeremy, born March 13, 2003.

Analeise, daughter of **Alicia Conquest Bulgin '98** and **Cheston Bulgin '00**, born April 6, 2003. She joins brother, Cheston.

Wagner's Office of Career Development

How may we assist you?

Career Development offers assistance to Wagner alumni, including:

- ❖ Individual appointments and workshops for career planning issues, assistance in planning job search campaigns and evaluation of employment objectives and offers.

- ❖ Networking opportunities with fellow alumni, and employers.

- ❖ Resource center and library housing employer literature/directories, graduate school information and computer access.

- ❖ Access to current job listings, internships and career-related resources.

How may you assist us?

- ❖ Mentorship dinner: An annual event held on campus providing students an opportunity to network with alumni.

- ❖ Classroom presentations: Link classroom work with on-the-job situations, giving you the chance to discuss your career and offer advice to students.

- ❖ Job postings: E-mail your company's job postings to ccdel@wagner.edu, providing a detailed description of the position and qualifications candidates should possess.

- ❖ Internships: Post descriptions on an online student internship database. Send to ccdel@wagner.edu.

If we can assist you in your career development, please contact us at 718-390-3181 or e-mail ccdel@wagner.edu. ❖

— *Victoria Crispo '00, assistant director,
Office of Career Development*

Rosemarie Bade Lasinski '59

A group of classmates and friends of Rosemarie Bade Lasinski, who died on June 23 in Wilmington, NC, have announced plans to enhance materials in Wagner's Horrmann Library in her memory.

Born March 21, 1939, in East Northport, NY, Rosemarie graduated from Wagner with a B.S. in bacteriology and public health. She was a member of Alpha Omicron Pi sorority, the softball team and the Bacteriology Society.

She and her husband, Eugene, raised their three children in Parsippany, NJ, before moving to North Carolina in 1996. Rosemarie was a biology teacher for 25 years at Parsippany Hills High School. After retirement, she volunteered at the North Carolina Aquarium at Fort Fisher as both a diver and educator.

Those interested in supporting the library effort in Rosemarie's memory should e-mail Diane Borst-Manning '59 at dianeborst@hotmail.com or write to her at 40 West 55 St., Apt. 9D, New York, NY 10019. ❖

In memoriam

ALUMNI

Ferdinand C. Weidner '34
Stephen J. Kost '42
F. William Monge '42
Gertrude E. Johannsen '49
Harold De Groat '50
Calvin C. Johnson '50
Edward J. Megerian '50
Paul F. Wuest '52
Roy E. Speight '53
Dr. Walter D. Reinsdorf '54

Lora Eisenberg Ganchrow M'57
Margaret Wischmann
MacDonald '58
Paul Zindel '58
John W. Higgins '61
George W. Kling '61
William L. Macapallag '61
G.C. Niedermayer '61
Vincent J. Monterosso '63
Richard J. Nelson '63
Rev. Gary Kull '68

Pamela Sharlan Carroll '70
Daniel J. Merrick '70
Merle Martin Wallen '70
John Golden '72
Franklin Buckalew, III M'76
Stanley Stilwell '76
James C. O'Connell '82
Joyce E. Morgan Musacchio '88

FRIEND OF WAGNER

Christine B. Bardes

Fight song revival

The Wagner fight songs of the 1937-38 Student Handbook enthusiastically cheered the College's teams to victory.

There have been many incantations of fight songs throughout our history, but we are trying to once again initiate an "Official Wagner Fight Song." Tell us about your memories of rooting on our teams in song. We invite you to help compose the new Official Fight Song.

The winner(s) will live on in College history! (They will also receive Wagner gear and a cash prize.) It is possible that more songs or traditions have been lost or buried, so "resurrections" are welcome. Entries must be received by Oct. 10, 2003 and should be addressed to: Wagner College Student Government Office, Fight Song Entries, One Campus Road, Staten Island NY 10301.

We have also created our own Web site where you can find the music and lyrics of some of Wagner's past songs. Visit for inspiration or just for fun: www.wagner.edu/traditions.

We look forward to re-establishing this tradition. The winner will make its official debut at Homecoming on Nov. 8. ♦

— Morgan McLean '04, president,
Student Government Association

March Down The Field With Wagner

Blend your voices, let's all sing,
As our team goes in to fight;
Just let the Wag-ner spir-it ring,
Back the team with all your might!

March down the field with
Wag-ner Col-lege
With the flag of Green and White!
All cheer! March on with greater courage
As our team goes in to fight!
We've got the
TEAM, STEAM, TEAM, STEAM.
You can't stop! We've got to
FIGHT, FIGHT, FIGHT, FIGHT,
To the top!
March down the field with
Wag-ner Col-lege
With the flag of Green and White!

— Henry Endress '38 H54 and "Andy" Anderson
(From the 1937-38 Student Handbook)

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Thank you to
Rayna Upton
Haigh '76
for sharing these
photos and
memories
with The Link.



REMEMBER WHEN

Float building is a cherished memory for alums of the '60s, '70s and '80s.

The hours spent in the maintenance shed the nights before Homecoming, the proud debut before the start of the game, announcement of the winners at half-time. Though the tradition waned during the '90s, the Class of 2004 has plans to revive it this year.

If these photos bring back memories, share them with The Link. We'll send a gift from the Wagner bookstore to the 10 best responses.

E-mail thelink@wagner.edu.
Or write to The Link,
Wagner College, One
Campus Road, Staten
Island, NY 10301.

The Aug. 11, 1999 total solar eclipse in eastern Turkey showing the sun's corona and the "diamond ring effect." Photographed by Fred Espenak '74.



MINOR PLANET MAJOR HONOR

A lifetime dedicated to celestial objects has earned astrophysicist Fred Espenak '74 the honor of having his name on a minor planet. In March 2003, the International Astronomical Union (IAU) designated "minor planet 14120" as "Espenak."

He works at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, MS and has been described as "widely recognized for his calculations of solar eclipses, his magnificent maps of these phenomena, and his book 'Totality: Eclipses of the Sun.'"

Espenak received his degree in physics in 1974 at Wagner, continuing on to graduate school and a master's from the University of Toledo. He has worked at NASA in extraterrestrial physics for 25 years.

"It's quite an honor to have a piece of real estate in the solar system named after you," said Espenak, "I have to be humble, though, because it's a small piece, probably just five to ten miles in diameter." The most recent approach of asteroid Espenak was on Nov. 22, 2002 when it was 111 million miles from Earth.

His first foray in eclipse photography came as a senior at Tottenville High School in 1970,

when he traveled to North Carolina. His next trip was to Quebec, Canada, in between his sophomore and junior years at Wagner, traveling with his geology professor Hans Behm. His third eclipse trip was to Mauritania, Africa. For this trip, he submitted a proposal to the Wagner alumni office.

In a successful deal that covered half of his expenses, he gave several planetarium lectures and agreed to do an interview with the Staten Island Advance.

He traveled with fellow physics student Bruce Auchter '74, and recalls a "fantastic" trip where they viewed the eclipse from the Sahara Desert.

Espenak considers himself fortunate to have a job so closely related to his passion: observing and photographing solar eclipses. He travels across the globe to capture these events on film, with a 2003 trip to Iceland for an annular eclipse, and a four-week journey planned to Antarctica aboard a Russian icebreaker to record a total eclipse.

He co-publishes the standard official guide to solar eclipses, the NASA eclipse bulletin, and edits his own eclipse Web site. ♦

— Tracy Ehrhardt Baird

NATALIE (BARONE) FLEISCHACKER '95



From Grymes Hill to the Mayo Clinic

Natalie (Barone) Fleischacker '95 is a clinical forensic psychologist for the state of New Jersey, conducting psychological evaluations of sex offenders who have been committed under the Sexually Violent Predator (SVP) Statute in civil court.

She is one of only two expert psychologists for the state of New Jersey involved in SVP civil commitment cases, performing risk assessments and testifying as an expert for the courts. Dr. Barone also has a part-time private practice in New Jersey.

As a Wagner freshman in 1991, Natalie Barone never knew she would continue her education well into the next decade.

She was lucky to have strong mentors and credits the psychology department and her professors, particularly Dr. Richard Brower, with helping her reach her goals.

"He worked with me on research projects and gave me the opportunity to present my work at national conferences, preparing me for graduate school," she recalls.

Natalie went to Ball State University in Muncie, IN, for an M.A. in psychology and then moved to Minnesota to begin work on her doctoral degree. At the Mayo Clinic, she received specialized training in neuropsychological assessment.

She was accepted to Yale University for a pre-doctoral internship and post-doctoral fellowship. Natalie has published several journal articles on traumatic brain injury.

Natalie lives in Bedminster, NJ, with her husband, Mike, and daughter, Belle. Natalie has pledged to be one of Wagner's youngest Inner Circle members and encourages her classmates to give back to their alma mater. ♦

— Gail Kelley '97

RELATED INTERNET LINKS

Eclipse home page — sunearth.gsfc.nasa.gov/eclipse/eclipse.html

Eclipses in 2003 — sunearth.gsfc.nasa.gov/eclipse/OH/OH2003.html

2003 annular eclipse — sunearth.gsfc.nasa.gov/eclipse/ASE2003/ASE2003.html

2003 Total eEclipse — sunearth.gsfc.nasa.gov/eclipse/TSE2003/TSE2003.html

Personal Web site — www.mreclipse.com

GIVING BACK

As the 530 members of the Class of 2007 join the Wagner community and begin their four-year journey, I begin my second year as president. I once again look forward to a new year of achievement — academic, social and civic.

And, I am reminded as we begin another semester at Wagner how valuable our community is in this world — to our local, national and global community. For this is the very essence of the purpose of education — civic engagement and responsibility. This is what Wagner strives to achieve for its graduates — an education filled with meaning because it is helping to better the world around us.

I am reminded when I look around our 105-acre campus about how much our faculty, students and alumni give back to their world. Dr. Mohammad Alauddin's work in Bangladesh is so important, not only because of the staggering size of the problem he is addressing — indeed, spearheading — but because he has the power to give back and has taken the responsibility to do so.

This is happening all across our campus and is embedded in our very curriculum — the Wagner Plan. This is an academic program that is grounded in civic responsibility. Each fall, Wagner sends 530 first-year students into our community to learn from and give back to our society. And learning from their experiences — “learning by doing” as we term it — not only benefits the students in preparing them for involvement in the world around them, but also instills in them the importance of connecting their learning with their community so that they can affect meaningful change in their world.

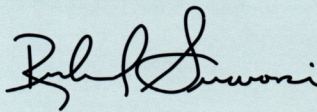
Our alumni, too, give back selflessly. I have learned from so many alumni this year the meaning of giving back. As leaders in society — in education and business, in the arts and sciences — they are affecting this world for the better. They,

too, are part of our global community just as they continue to be part of the Wagner community.

There are so many alumni who recognize the positive power of a Wagner education and act on their desire to make this education even more powerful. Theodore Dowd '50 and Henry Pape '36 are just two examples among many whose generosity is helping to continue the good work of Wagner College for generations to come.

Wagner has built its past on civic involvement and we will continue to strive to base our future on this very important principle. From the moment this College was conceived 120 years ago, it was built upon a commitment to a community. I look forward to continuing, with the support of everyone in our community — students, faculty, administrators, alumni and friends — the good work of the College into the future.

And with your help, we can help change the world around us.



President
Richard Guarasci, Ph.D.



Theodore Dowd '50 and Maureen Robinson '67, above. Henry Pape '36 with President and Carin Guarasci, below.



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Calendar of *Events*

FALL 2003

September 4

Academic and Cultural Enrichment (ACE) Turn-of-the-Century Cabarets

6:30 p.m. - Main Hall

Dr. David Chisholm, professor of German, Arizona University & Dr. Laura Morowitz, associate professor of art history, Wagner College. Contact: ACE 718-390-3219

September 6

Football Reunion Day

Department of Athletics 718-390-3433

September 10

Academic and Cultural Enrichment - How People Live with their own Prejudice

4:30 p.m. - Spiro Hall

Dr. Chris Crandall, associate professor of psychology at the University of Kansas ACE 718-390-3219

September 15

14th Annual Sal Alberti Memorial Seahawk Golf Classic

Richmond County Country Club

10:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.

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Academic and Cultural Enrichment - Advertising and the End of the World

3:00 p.m. - Spiro Hall

Sur Jhally, Department of Communications, UMASS ACE 718-390-3219

September 18

Second Annual Michael DeRienzo Memorial Golf Outing

South Shore Country Club

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September 25

Academic and Cultural Enrichment - Project for the New American Century - "The Patriot Act"

6:30 p.m. - Spiro Hall 4

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September 28

Admissions Open House -

Call Admissions at 800-221-1010 for information about visiting with your prospective student.

September 29

Career Mentorship Dinner

Career Development 718-390-3181

October 2-5

Family Weekend

For families of current Wagner students
Natalie Johnson 718-390-3303

October 7

Academic and Cultural Enrichment - Honors Forum

Spiro Hall - Room 2

Paul Nathanson and Katharine Young
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October 16

Academic and Cultural Enrichment - Crisis in Liberia: Civil War and Strife

TBA - Spiro Hall-Room 2

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Far Hills Steeplechase

Far Hills, NJ

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October 23

Academic and Cultural Enrichment - Hispanic Heritage Celebration

TBA - Coffeehouse

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November 6

Academic and Cultural Enrichment - Human Shield: Arrival in Iraq

Benjamin Joffe Walter

6:30 p.m. - Spiro Hall 4

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November 9

Fall Choral Concert

3:00 p.m. - Christ Episcopal Church, Staten Island

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November 13

Academic and Cultural Enrichment - International Poetry Night

6:00 p.m. - Coffeehouse

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November 16

Estate Planning Seminar

November 7-9, Springfield, NJ

Join the Office of Gift Planning for a weekend of seminars to help prepare you for your financial future.

Contact: Office of Gift Planning
at 718-420-4014
or giftplan@wagner.edu

Concert Band Fall Concert

3:00 p.m. - Horrman Library

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November 23

Jazz Ensemble Fall Concert

3:00 p.m. - Main Hall Theatre

Wagner College Choir Vespers -

An interfaith worship service

4:00 p.m. - St. Peter's RC Church, Staten Island

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November 30

Wagner College Choir - Vivaldi's

"Gloria" at Choir Festival

3:00 p.m. - Carnegie Hall

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December 7

Wagner College Choir - The Staten Island Symphony Holiday Concert

3:00 p.m. - The College of Staten Island

The Guitar and Lute Ensemble

7:30 p.m. - Wagner College Music Performance Center

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December 13

Holiday Black Tie

Inner Circle members are invited to join in celebrating our successes at our annual gala event.

Horrman Library

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Wagner College Theatre

Sept. 24 - Oct. 5

CABARET

Oct. 1-4

and Oct. 8-11

JULIUS CAESAR

Nov. 5 - Nov. 16

Pirates of Penzance

Nov. 12-15 & 19-22

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December 4 -7

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THE DANCE

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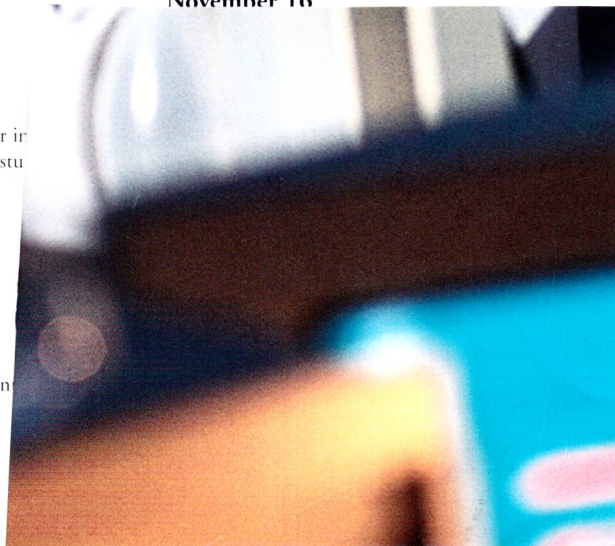
Feb. 25 - March 7

Jekyll & HYDE

April 21 - May 2

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Theatre Box Office
718-390-3259



Saturday, November 8

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