#### **Spiro Sports Center Nears Completion**



Basketball Arena will be ready to Host Northeast Conference Championship Series February 25-March 1, marking first nationally broadcast ESPN game from new facility

he finishing touches are being put on the Spiro Center gymnasium/basketball arena in preparation for the February 25 to March 1 Northeast Conference Basketball championships which will mark the first official sporting event in this new 95,000 sq. ft. athletic facility. "The building exceeds all of my expectations," observes Dr. Norman Smith, Wagner College president. "The arena is much bigger than I had thought would be the case. We have a showpiece here."

As the photo above shows, the old Sutter gym has been doubled in size. All that remains to be done is general construction cleanup followed by the affixing of logos to the parquet playing floor, followed by the final lacquer.

Elsewhere, the main entrance is nearly complete as are all main floor restrooms and lower level team and locker rooms. The next steps include the interiors of the upper level Hall of Fame Room (seen as the windows at the far end of the photo above) and the VIP/Trustee Reception Room, both of which overlook the main basketball stadium. ESPN will be telecasting the NEC tournament from these second floor sites, making their completion the next priority.

The fitness center, aerobics center, swimming pool and athletic department offices will follow as soon as the February tournament is over.

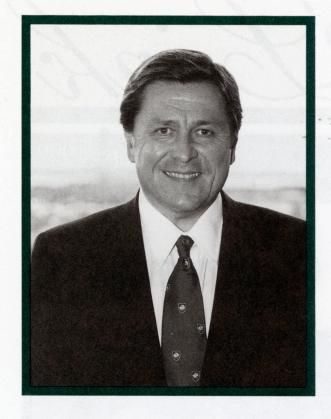
While the completion date for the entire

facility is tentative, the goal remains to open for students before the end of the Spring semester. The official dedication will follow on Saturday, June 5, 1999 during the annual Class Reunion celebrations.

"We thought reunion day was best suited for this historic dedication so that a maximum number of alumni can share in the celebration of Wagner's first major construction in over 30 years," said Smith. "An added distinction is that the 50th Class Reunion on that day is the Class of 1949, the graduating class of the Sports Center namesakes, Dr. Donald and Dr. Evelyn Spiro." Also scheduled to participate in the dedication is Spiro classmate and Staten Island Borough President, Dr. Guy Molinari.

Dedication is Set for CLASS REUNION DAY on June 5, 1999

Look for Information on Inside Pages of this Edition



#### Dear Alumni and Friends,

This Winter 1999 issue of WAGNERLink brings with it some of the most exciting news about Wagner College that I have been able to report since beginning my presidency nearly 11 years ago. To begin with, our fall 1998 freshman class once again reached record highs accompanied by similar increases in academic quality and geographic diversity.

#### Admissions applications up 40%

While we have been experiencing annual increases in applications for several years, the fall 1998 recruiting season experienced a particularly dramatic increase---40% over the previous year. Since we are full-to-capacity already, this impressive increase will permit us to continue our improvements to academic quality which, in turn, heightens Wagner's academic reputation.

#### FROM THE PRESIDENT

#### "Top Tier" Ranking has its Rewards

While there is no certain and singular reason for the one-year application surge, there is little question that *U.S. News & World Report's* 1999 BEST COLLEGES ranking of Wagner College as a "top tier" institution contributed to the cause. We have definitely received acknowledgments that the top ranking stimulated interest among many who had not realized the progress Wagner had been making in recent years.

#### Spiro Sports Center is about to Open

As the front page of this edition heralds, the 95,000-square foot Spiro Sports Facility is about ready to open. The basketball stadium will be the first phase opening which occurs concurrent with Wagner's hosting of the Northeast Conference basketball championship series beginning February 25th. Shortly thereafter, we expect the fitness center and aerobics rooms to be opened. Then, all dance classes will be moved from Main Hall to Spiro.

I hope you'll make note of the June 5th Class Reunion Day which will mark the official dedication of the facility. The dedication will be the first such moment for Wagner College in over 30 years and therefore a particularly festive and historic occasion that I trust you'll not want to miss.

#### Business Program is Accredited

I'm pleased to report that our business programs have received accreditation from the Association of Collegiate Business Programs and Schools (ACBSP). This is a first-time achievement for Wagner College and represents an important "seal of approval" that will enhance the program's reputation and credibility. Professor Tony Carter, head of the Business faculty, and his fellow professors deserve our gratitude and congratulations on this distinction.

#### Harvard University taps Wagner

The Harvard Medical School has commissioned the Wagner College science programs to conduct basic research for a \$15 million research project being conducted by Harvard into the relationship between mind and body. Put simply, and not very scientifically, I admit, the investigation seeks to ascertain the power of the mind in influencing the health of the body. For further details, note the article elsewhere in this edition.

#### Thanks to Alumni and Friends like YOU

As you'll read throughout this edition, there is an exciting array of developments since the last WAGNERLink edition, all of which are indeed catapulting Wagner College into "top tier" recognition and distinction. Without question, none of this good news would be occurring were it not for the many alumni and friends, like you, who have so generously "given something back" in order to help today's generation of students have access to high quality education. Unless otherwise designated, all donations to Wagner are passed along to currently-enrolled students in the form of scholarships. This helps Wagner to recruit students of high academic promise while also helping to enroll undergraduates who might otherwise be unable to afford a college education.

You're helping make history and, in doing so, assuring that Wagner College enters the 21st Century as one of the highly regarded private residential colleges—anywhere. I hope that you'll stay with us in the coming millennium.

Dr. Norman R. Smith President

#### Portraits Unveiled Honoring Two Wagner Trustees, Dr. Margaret Bambach Buck Reynolds '40 H'98 and Dr. Eva Megerle H'97

his past fall, two portraits were added to the College's Honor Roll of Trustees who have taken leadership roles in the recent history of Wagner and have thereby received honorary degrees. The paintings presently are on display in the President's Office and in the reception area of the Senior Administrative Offices in the Union. The paintings were created by Professor Bill Murphy of the College's art faculty. Dr. Reynolds has been a trustee since 1996 and was instrumental in the realization of the Spiro Center. Dr. Megerle finished a twelve-year maximum term as a member of the Board of Trustees in 1997. Upon stepping off the Board for one year, she was unanimously re-elected. Dr. Megerle has followed in her parents' footsteps as a major supporter of the College. In addition to her support of the Megerle Science Center, she has also been a strong advocate for women's athletics and for the Spiro Sports Center construction.



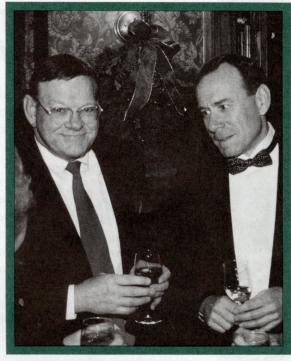
Dr. Megerle



Dr. Reynolds



Tony Venturella '83 outperforms Bobby Short at the piano as Dr. Susan Robinson makes a request while Polly Moles '68, Greg Knapp'66, Ellen Gloistein, Fred Williamson '64 and Fred Lange '53 get in the holiday spirit.



John Campi '62 and Fred Williamson '64

## 1998 Inner Eircle Scrapbook Wagner Major Supporters Celebrate Another Record Year

or the eleventh consecutive year, Wagner College's Inner Circle celebrated another successful year by convening at the President's residence on Saturday, December 12, 1998. The Inner Circle is Wagner College's society of major annual donors who were leaders in Wagner's 1997-1998 annual fund campaign.

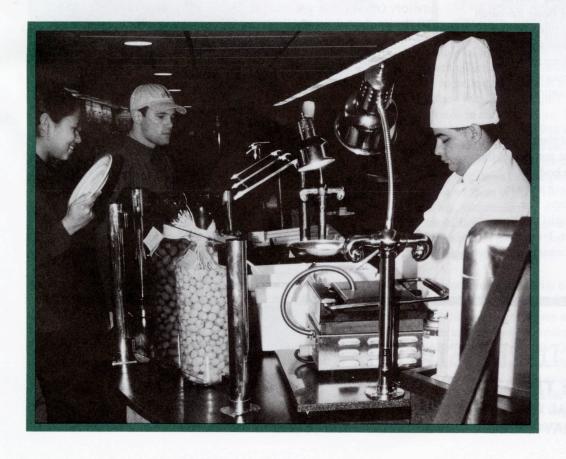
Michael Fiore '68 with Trustee Maureen Robinson '67 (right) and Louise Kaufman '75. Dr. Charles Fager '44 and Margaret Fager As always, the evening included a gourmet meal, piano music by Tony Venturella and a special holiday performance from the Wagner College choir. Board chairman Dr. Donald Spiro and College President Dr. Norman Smith also extended their thanks to the assemblage crediting them for the College's many advances.

Professor Walter Kaelber and Sally Kaelber '81 (left) with Provost Dr. Richard Guarasci and Carin Guarasci.









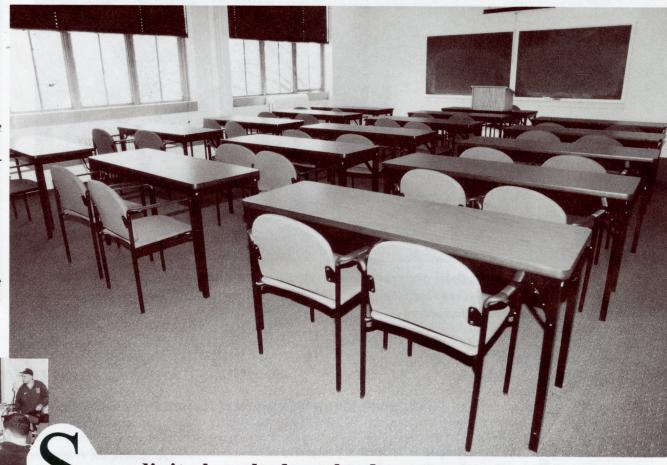
#### "It's too Gourmet!!"...

was one student's reaction to the newly renovated student dining hall in the Wagner Union---who, incidentally, opted for a platter of hot dogs and onion rings. The more prevailing reaction includes comments from "WOW" to "BRAVO." The change is a result of a new food service, Compass Group's Chartwells division that introduced an also new college food dining concept. Gone are the cafeteria serving lines. Replacing them are a collection of on-the-floor food preparation stations that bring the chefs out of the kitchen and in front of the diner where they prepare their offerings directly for diners. At any meal, five or six stations are in operation, each with different offerings. One chef may be preparing pesto tortellini while another offers chicken fajitas. And for the not-so-gourmands, pizza, burgers, onion rings and fries remain menu staples. Desserts are also made on the premises. Thank goodness the Spiro Sports Center is opening not a calorie too soon.

#### \$300,000 Grant from Richmond County Savings Bank Enables Major Classroom Renovations to Main & Spiro

### AFTER (right) & BEFORE (below)...

Main Hall classrooms had not been refurnished in decades and thereby offered only seat-and-tablet accommodations for students that were often far to cramped for adult-sized users. The renovations have furnished all first floor classrooms with tables and chairs that permit multi-use configurations including conference table seminar settings. Also included in the renovations are carpeting in order to improve accoustics, new window shades that better enable multi-media presentations and new paint.



erendipity knocked on the doors

of Wagner College this past fall when the recently-established Richmond County Savings Bank Foundation granted the College \$300,000 to renovate classrooms in Main and Spiro Halls. "We're once again very grateful to Richmond County Savings Bank," said President Smith. "Bank President Michael Manzulli and his team have been long time supporters of Wagner including coming forward to install an Automatic Teller Machine (ATM) in the Student Union for students and staff. The grant will go a long way to greatly improve the College's teaching conditions." Students and faculty immediately applauded the change, noted Wagner Provost, Dr. Richard Guarasci. "The new rooms set a much more professional tone and greatly improve the conduciveness of our classrooms," affirmed Dr. Guarasci. "They'll be especially useful for seminars and for the learning community component of the revised undergraduate curriculum."

#### Harvard Medical School selects Wagner Science Program to be Research Partners in Mind and Body Research Project

agner College has been designated a research partner of the Harvard Medical School's Institute of Mind and Body Research, giving Wagner's Science faculty and undergraduates the opportunity to conduct basic studies underwritten by this multi-million dollar project directed by Harvard.

The opportunity comes as a result of an initiative by Provost, Dr. Richard Guarasci, who last Spring organized a Science Advisory Council comprised largely of Wagner alumni/ae. One of the alumni volunteers was George Stefano '66 who had just recently been appointed Director of Basic Research at the Harvard Medical School. During his visit, Dr. Stefano told Dr. Guarasci that he was impressed with Wagner's science programs, faculty and students and proposed the collaboration. Dr. Guarasci jumped at the invitation which resulted in a site visit from the senior professors heading the Harvard study highlighted by a inspection visit from the nationally regarded researcher, Dr. Henry Benson.

"The Harvard visiting team was equally impressed with what they saw and we were signed up on the spot," recounted Dr. Guarasci. The purpose of the study will be to better understand the role of the mind on the body in healing. The outcomes could have important effects on finding ways to better control blood pressure and other physiological conditions. The Wagner research activities will be overseen by Wagner biologist and Professor Zoltan Fulop. Among the students who will aid Dr. Fulop are Alexandra Kotlyar, Julia Bondarenko, Jene Tesoriero and Michael Rotondo.

# Wagner's Business Program is accredited by the Association of Collegiate Schools of Business (ACBSP)

or the first time in its history, Wagner has won accreditation from the Association of Collegiate Schools of Business (ACBSP). The certification followed an on-site visit hosted by Wagner business department head, Professor Tony Carter. "Tony took the lead in the quest for this very important acknowledgement for Wagner's business program," commended President Smith. "Clearly, this certification will give our business graduates an enhanced credential and will also help us recruit and retain faculty in the years to come."

Professor Carter also announced the formation of an Alumni Business Advisory Council that will meet throughout the year to advise faculty and students on ways to strengthen the program. Alumni members include:

Michael Nicolais '49, Sr. Mng. Director, Carret & Co. John Campi '62, Manager, A.I.G. Jay Hartig '67, Partner, Price Waterhouse John Birstler '68, Director of Technology, Merrill Lynch Doug Matthius '72, V.P., Union Bank of Switzerland Sec. Marta Yagos '73, VP Trading, Oppenheimer & Co. Pat Jordan '81, Managing Director, Standard and Poors George Gates '74, V.P., Chase Bank Barbara Ann Matthius '75, VP, Dean Witter Harold Theurer '79, Manager, Paine Webber, Inc. Laura Marhefka '81, Vice President, J. P. Morgan Greg LaMorte '81, V.P., Morgan Stanley John Lombardo '85, Comptroller, Anateus Enterprises Max Gbanite '85, Milliken-Hill Group Ltd. Paul Kelly '89, Vice President, Bear Sterns Tony Williams '97, Reg. Sales Mgr., Phillips Electronics

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WAGNER COLLEGE THEATRE'S 1998-1999 SEASON FINALE

### National Higher Education Association selects Wagner College to Host Summer Institute for Senior Professors & Officers

#### Wagner to also be cited as a case study exemplar for improving academic quality

he Association of American Colleges and Universities (AACU) has selected Wagner College to be the site of its July 1999 annual Institute on Collaborative Leadership for Academic Change. The four-day institute annually convenes college presidents, provosts and senior professors for a four-day collaboration aimed at finding new ways to improve academic quality while also managing costs effectively. Last year, the conference was held at the University of Vermont and attended by a group of senior faculty and officers from Wagner.

In its materials announcing the summer institute, AACU cites Wagner as a college that "has recently made a path-breaking curriculum revision that takes advantage of its urban location and

mission." The opening day case studies will include Wagner's new learning communities undergraduate curriculum as an exemplar of "increasing quality, constraining costs while strengthening the institution."

"We're very honored to be selected as a model academic institution by the AACU," stated President Smith, noting that Wagner's new Provost, Dr. Richard Guarasci, was instrumental in gaining the recognition for Wagner. He noted that Dr. Guarasci's stature as an institute leader and as a Board member of the AACU has helped bring overdue visibility to Wagner's academic programs.

Smith added that he looked forward to hosting the conference because "more college presidents, provosts, CFO's and senior professors will be visiting Wagner's campus in those four days than have visited the College in the past decade. The more of our colleagues who see us in person, the better it is for the College's reputation."

#### Wagner Professor edits Ambitious Anthology of British Literature

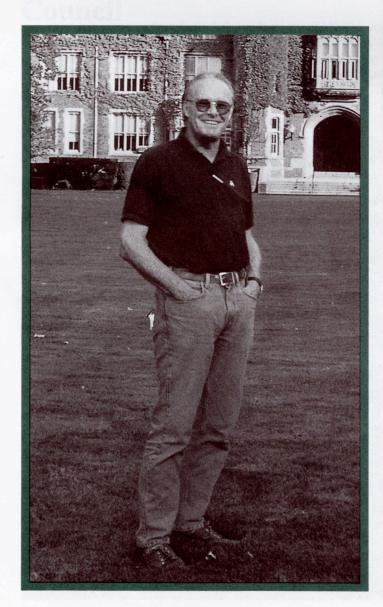
umanities Faculty Chair, Dr. Anne Schotter, recently "unveiled" the two-volume, 6000-page Longman Anthology of British Literature, the first new anthology in its field in 25 years. The Anthology compiles British literature from the Middle Ages to the present including fiction, poetry and drama, both classic and new, including in-depth contributions from women writers.

As one of only 12 editors compiling this exhaustive anthology, Dr. Schotter brings Wagner College into the company of her fellow professors from Columbia University, Barnard College, Clemson University, Mount Holyoke College, University of Southern California, Fordham University, University of Virginia, Claremont Graduate University and Princeton University.

The anthology is expected to become the definitive text for undergraduate literary studies in the field of British literature.







# Professor Richard Gaffney, Chair of Wagner's Fine & Performing Arts Faculty dies suddenly at 63

he campus community was stunned last September upon learning of the sudden and unexpected death of one of its most senior faculty statesmen, Professor Richard Gaffney. He died in his sleep on Tuesday, September 22, not long after the beginning of the fall semester. While having a history of heart trouble in recent years, including bypass surgery, "Gaff", as he was affectionately known to his colleagues and friends, appeared in every way to be in robust health as his passion for outdoor sports affirmed. Professor Gaffney joined the Wagner faculty in 1966 and for decades had played a leadership role in faculty affairs. President Smith noted that he was one of two faculty representatives to the 1988 Presidential Search Committee that had selected him. Subsequently, he served on several committees to select other senior officers including two Provost Search Committees during the last decade. Gaff's art was widely displayed on campus. A Penn and Pratt graduate with a master's degree in fine art from NYU, Professor Gaffney worked in many mediums including pen and ink, watercolor, oil and pastels. He was also a printmaker. Among his contributions to the Wagner academic program is a highly regarded arts administration program that has resulted in many important career placements for Wagner graduates.

He is survived by his wife of 38 years, Ann, his son Walker who has served as an adjunct faculty member at Wagner, his daughter Elizabeth and two grandchildren. His duties at Wagner were assumed by two faculty members. Professor Bill Murphy, who was recruited by Professor Gaffney, oversees the fine arts department and former Provost, Professor Gary Sullivan, assumes responsibility for the Chair of the Fine and Performing Arts Faculties. Memorials for "Gaff" are in the planning stages. "His fingerprints are all over Wagner and they're indelible," observed President Smith at a fall memorial service. "His positive spirit and can-do attitude were infectious and played an important role in the College's many achievements. He was a friend, an important colleague and a great mentor for our undergraduates."

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Class Agent --- Sam L. Johnson (Snellville, GA)

Betty Bondesen Gardner '47 (Boulder, CO) is retired and enjoying life, reading, playing bridge and doing volunteer work by helping first graders with reading. Betty is traveling to visit with her children and grandchildren in North Carolina, Vermont, Michigan, and Washington.

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Class Agent --- Anita Posselt Homer (Philadelphia, PA)

George R. F. Tamke (Lewisburg, PA) was unable to attend his 50th Reunion this Spring, but writes: "However, I should like to memorialize those of my classmates and former classmates-folks with whom I shared close relationships--who are no longer living. John Billis '47, Michael Chiapperino '49, Rita Flanagan '48, Russell Jicha '48, Conrad Reisch '47, Thomas Scaramuzza '48, LaMar Smith '47 Fred Thomsen '48, Fred Vollweiler '47. These are people who had a great part in making my own Wagner experience a happy and fruitful one. I salute them and cherish their memory".

Class Agent--- Margaret Christie (Chatham, NJ)

Elsie A. Chancellor DeWolf '49 (Roswell, NM) relocated to Roswell, NM three years ago, having moved from Lexington, Ohio. She took a trip to Hawaii last year with husband Leland, to celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary. Elsie is doing some traveling in the Southwest.

Trygve R. Skarsten (Pickerington, OH) continues to teach during winter quarters in Southern California - a tough assignment with the bougainvillaeas blooming and the temperatures in the 70's.

Class Agent --- Herb Hewitt (Palm City, FL)

Thor Bugge (Boca Raton, FL) and his wife Edna, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a reception with family and friends in Mt. Bethel, PA.

Reverend David J. Greer (Shreveport, LA) has served as Interim Rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Old Town, Alexandria, Virginia. David was a reader for the General Ordination Examinations for 1998

Class Agent --- Harry Volz (Massapequa Park, NY)

Carl G. Cash (Acton, MA) is Principal/ Vice President, of Simpson Gumpertz and Heger Inc, Arlington, MA. He was the recipient of the ASTM Walter C. Voss Award for distinguished contributions to knowledge in the field of building technology.

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Class Agent --- Al Tosi (Saddle River, NJ)

Salvatore J. Esposito, Jr. (Staten Island, NY) was honored at Staten Island University Hospital's 116th annual charity ball in April for his many years of service to the Staten Island community.

Class Agent --- Dr. Manfred "Dutch" (Williamsburg, VA)

Ingeborg Skarsten Hofrenning '54 (Moorhead, MN) is now the grandmother of Theo and Gabriel, who were adopted from Columbia, South America and Elias James born in St. Paul, MN in 1997.

Wanda Schweizer Praisner (Bedminster, NJ) was a winner in the 1998 Allen Ginsberg Poetry Competition.

Joan Sheaffer Stiggelbout '54 (Olympia, WA) Professor Emeritus, Pacific Lutheran University, along with Kathy Heil Plourde (Ellenton, FL) helped to organize the 44th reunion of their nursing class in Nova Scotia this past summer. At present, Joan is working as a part-time pediatric nurse practitioner.

Class Agent --- Gus Merkel (New Providence, NJ)

Gus Merkel is working part-time for Somerset County Park Commission and as a Public Relation Events Consultant. He serves as President of Project Care, a NJ non-profit agency that focuses on services for the elderly. including Renaissance magazine, a bi-monthly publication with a circulation of 50,000.

Class Agent--- Col. Ewald S. Forsbrey (Cape May, NJ)

Janet Junge Merkel (New Providence, NJ) is planning to retire after 17 years as Director of Nursing at Kent Place School, a private K-12 girls' school.

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Class Agent--- Diane Borst Manning (Huguenot, NY)

Donna Lawrence Anderson '59 (Laramie, NY) has retired from home health care due to ill health, but her winning attitude keeps her in good spirts.

Ellen Derr Dircks (Orlando, FL) has seven grandchildren. Retired as the administrative secretary at St. Paul's Lutheran, she has since logged 16,000 miles this year alone while traveling with husband Ronald exploring the U.S.

Margaret H. Glueck '59 (Setauket, NY) retired last February after 38 years as a Psychiatric Nurse.

Hattie Meier Hammer (Wichita Falls, TX) is working as a Reading Specialist at the Fannin Elementary School, Wichita Falls ISD.

Henry H. Heil (Greenville, PA) retired as Vice President of Thiel College, Greenville, PA. Having completed his graduate work in counseling and addiction subjects, Henry is presently working with several individuals involved in "Twelve Step Program" groups.

Lt. Col. Robert B. MacCraw (Bellevue, NE) retired in 1982 from the USAF upon completion of 21 years of service. He has a second career as Vice President of Science Applications International Corporation from which he is planning to retire this year.

Marilyn Faust Magnus '59 (Barnet, VT) operates a small sheep farm. She weaves wool rugs, enjoys bicycle riding, and has hiked the Appalachian Trail in sections.

Frederick S. Osmer (Hinesburg, VT) a Principal Scientist has retired after 31 years with Unilever HPC - USA.

Carl A. Westerdahl (Somers, NY) has retired from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, NY. He is presently a consultant.

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Charles Cascio (Reston, VA) has a new position as vice president of the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards

Mark your calendars...

#### Wagner Golf Classic Set for August 16 at Richmond County Country Club

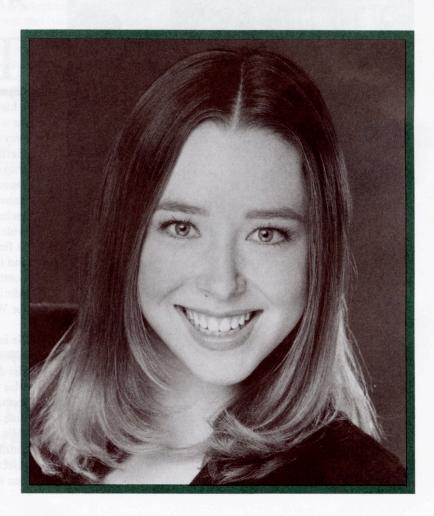
If you'd like to be part of this great annual event, call 718-390-3433 for reservations.

he 1999 Seahawk Golf Classic will take place at the Richmond County Country Club on Monday, August 16 beginning at 10 a.m. through an awards dinner commencing at 7:30 p.m. Individual golf entrance is \$300. The Golf Classic has raised about \$250,000 for scholarship endowments and for the construction of the Spiro Sports Center.

The Wagner Golf Classic has been dedicated to the memory of former Wagner College Trustee and alumnus Sal Alberti. The event is chaired by Trustee Tom Moles '65 with help from athletic director Walt Hameline, former Golf Coach Bob Peirano and former Trustee Walter

#### Wagner Theatre Major Wins America College Theatre Festival Classical Acting Award and Will Compete in National Finals at the Kennedy Center in April

ennifer Nevergole, who starred as Lola in Wagner College's production of DAMN YANKEES last season, was selected from among 1600 college theatre students nationwide to be one of 16 finalists who will compete in the American College Theater Festival finals in April. The competition will be held at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. Nevergole won the Classical Acting Award at the regional competitions held at Juniata College marking the second year in a row that Wagner College has won honors at this annual competition which is the most prestigious in college acting and theatre. Also selected as a finalist in the regionals was Noel Orput who has starred in a number of Wagner College productions including The Man Who Came to Dinner and Kiss Me Kate. Hopefully, "Whatever Jennifer wants, Jennifer gets!!" Break a leg at the Kennedy Center in April, Jenn.



Reverend Melvin J. Hammer (Wichita Falls, TX) is Pastor of Faith Lutheran Church (ELCA) Wichita Falls, Texas.

Ralph J. Porch (Rio Grande, NJ) an Associate with Eugene W. Pashley Agency for 38 years has retired and is spending time between New Jersey, Hilton Head, SC, and Melbourne Beach, FL.

Ruth Hellyer Rucci M'66 (Staten Island, NY) was elected Grand Matron, Order of the Eastern Star, State of New York, at the annual grand session in Niagara Falls, NY. During 1999 she will visit 39 districts officially, and make more than 20 social visits throughout New York state. As Grand Matron, she will lead a membership of more than 40,000 members.

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Class Agent --- Alma Costie Vincent

Kenneth W. Gyarmathy (Des Moines, IA) received his Master of Arts in Psychology and Human Development from Saint Mary's University of Minnesota on May 9, 1998. He will seek his Ph.D. from Iowa State University.

Evelyn Weiss '61N (Huntington Beach, CA) has been elected president of the Faculty Association of California Community Colleges. She will be representing faculty to the legislature.

Class Agent--- Robert Straniere (Staten Island, NY)

Nancy Born Goodwin (Whitefish, Montana) has semi-retired to Whitefish, Montana for snowboarding and bicycling, as well as to be near her family.

Ralph Riemensperger (Franklin Square, NY) became the grandfather of twins, (for the second time) Alexander Harley and Andrew Kingsley. The twins were born on November

Class Agent--- George Hartmann (Palos Verdes Estates, CA)

Judith Kampmeyer Zanger (Philadelphia, PA) has a new position as a psychotherapist at Penn Foundation for Mental Health, Newton, PA.

Class Agent--- Fred Williamson, Jr. (Middletown, NJ)

Bruce R. Barnhard (Livingston, NJ) is a Prosthodontist. He is president of the New Jersey State Section of American College of Prosthodontist and Chief of the Department of Dentistry at St. Barnabas Medical Center. Currently, he is enjoying his year as President of the State Section for his specialty, as a representative for New Jersey on the national

Ralph A. Beisner (Salt Point, NY) has been re-elected to a second fourteen-year term on the New York State Supreme Court, 9th Judicial District.

Anthony T. DiSimone (Wildwood Crest, NJ) has been appointed by the Governor as a member of the Commission New Jersey Task Force on Coastal Insurance.

John E. Dreslin, D.M.D. (Stonington, CT) married B. Monika Reeve on August 2, 1998. He won the 1998 Eugene O'Neill award for Musical Direction of Fiddler on the Roof, Norwich Arts Council. He became a Fellow of the Academy of General Dentistry on July

Robert Hauptman (St. Cloud, MN) edited the JOURNAL OF INFORMATION ETHICS. He lives in Vermont during the summer and is a

Robert H. Litzenberger (Westport, CT) became Chaired Emeritus Professor at Wharton Graduate School, University of Pennsylvania and partner at Goldman Sachs.

Stephanie J. Rogers (East Islip, NY) is a Polarity practitioner. Presently she is teaching yoga and pilates mat work from May through October on Fire Island. Her winter months are spent in France working in Val d'Iscre.

Manny Rubio (Marietta, GA) had his new book, RATTLESNAKE: PORTRAIT OF A PREDATOR, published by the Smithsonian

Brian John Winkel (Cornwall, NY) is teaching mathematics at the United States Military Academy and enjoying it.

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Class Agent--- Jay Abbes (New Monmouth, NJ)

Marianne Lee Foreman (Livingston, TX) an Associate Principal is retiring after 33 years in education. She taught French, German and English at Klein High School, north of Houston, Texas.

Class Agent--- Maureen Robinson (Bernardsville, NJ)

Dr. Carol M. Haupt (Staten Island, NY) is the recipient of the New York State Reading Association's Council Service Award for 1998. She is a past president of the Staten Island Reading Association and is a fourth grade teacher at P.S. 69 on Staten Island.

Dr. Carolyn G. Plonsky (Staten Island, NY) has been named Professor Emeritus. She has faithfully served St. Francis College, Brooklyn, NY for 23 years as a member of the Department of Allied Health. A scholarship has been established in her name at St.

Class Agent--- Richard Ball (Ridgefield, CT)

R. Bruce Cynar (Fort Wayne, IN) is Director of Sales at WKJG-TV, Fort Wayne, Jlass

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Class Agent--- Philip Straniere (Staten Island, NY)

Lawrence E. Ambrosino (Staten Island, NY) was appointed Superintendent of Shrewsbury Schools, Shrewsbury, NJ.

Carolyn Smyth Belvin (Beachwood, NJ) is President of the Episcopal Church Women of the Diocese of New Jersey (1997-2001). She also is the proud parent of Eagle Scout, Robert

Barry W. Dress (St. Louis, MO) was appointed Associate Vice Chancellor and Director of Alumni and Development Programs at Washington University, St. Louis,

Robert Bruce Hamilton (West Newbury MA) is an antique restorer, who wrote his first article for Trade Magazine in the fall 1997. He lectured at Sturbridge Village in September 1998.

Richard Osmo Hill (Coram, NY) celebrated the 25th anniversary of his ordination as a pastor in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America on July 29,

James A. Krestalude (Los Angles, CA) played Lucky Luciano in a production of "Mysteries and Scandals." He also had a lead role in an independent film, "Face Down in the

Gay Ornsby Selger (Levittown, PA) was elected to a two-year term as Vice President of Neshaminy Federation of Teachers, Langhorn,

#### Wagner Establishes Pre-Med & Natural **Sciences Advisory** Council

nder the oversight of the Provost's Office, a professional advisory council has been established to provide counsel and advice to these growing majors which now represent one of the largest academic major areas at Wagner College. "In light of the large number of majors, we thought the time had come to work more closely with professionals in the field," said Dr. Richard Guarasci, Provost. "For example, over 10% of our entering freshmen have indicated they aspire to medical school. Therefore, we need to have strong ties to the medical profession if we are to best serve our students.

The Advisory Council met for the first time last fall. spending nearly two days at the College. The positive outcomes were nearly immediate when Dr. George Stefano '67, announced that he was leaving his position as Director of the Neuroscience Center at SUNY-Old Westbury to become Director of Basic Research at the Harvard Medical School. Impressed with the Wagner faculty and undergraduate science majors, Dr. Stefano proposed a research relationship with Harvard (described in another article on page 4).

Milton Bell, Dean of Admissions, NYU School of Dentistry

Dr. Robert O'Connor '41, Physician

Dr. Herbert S. Bell '50, NE Ohio Neurosurgical Associates Dr. Allan Goldstein ' 59, Chairman, George Washington U

Dept. of Biochemistry/Molecular Biology

Dr. Joan C. Rener '60, Director of Biotechnology, Covan Labs Inc.

Dr. Dennis DuBois '66, Cardiologist, Buffalo Medical Group

Dr. George Stefano, '67, Director of Basic Research at the

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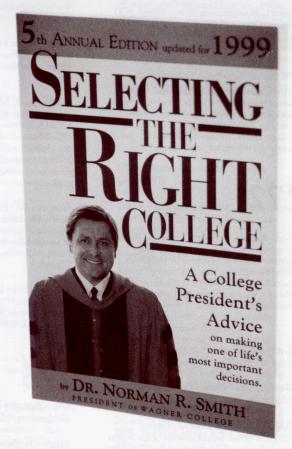
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Christopher Michael, son of Barbara Banks Blozen '81 and husband Frank, joins sister, Brittany, 7 and brother, Andrew, 4,

Jacqueline Leigh, daughter of Andrea Canu Marchese '81 M'83 and husband Charles, was born on May 23, 1998. She joins sister, Alyssa Marie.

Annaliese, daughter of Roseann Ieraci Tucci '81 and husband Michael, was born on August I, 1998. She joins sisters, Gabriella, 6 % and Catherine 4

Alessandra Christine, daughter of Bruce Mauro '83 and wife Kathy, was born on June 25, 1998.

Michael Christopher, son of Linda Appignani Roman '83 M'89 and husband Joe, was born on May 10, 1998. He joins big sister, Deanna.

Jairus Carlisle, son of Erika Buckholz Perry '84 and husband Dave, was born on May 29, 1998. He joins sister, Hannah Seraphina, 4 ½.

Jeanine, daughter of Lisa Ingoglie-Woody '84 and husband David, was born on March 13, 1998.

Brianna Nicole, daughter of Andrew Caccese '86 and wife Danielle, was born on May 15, 1998. She joins big sister, Christa and big brother, Joseph.

Alexander Harley and Andrew Kingsley, twin sons of Karen Riemensperger Perlak '86 and husband Walter, were born on November 24, 1998. The boys join sister, Victoria Ashley, 5.

Edward Charles, son of Edward Nitkewicz '86 and wife Rosemary, was born on June 19, 1998.

SKylar Alexandra, daughter of Dr. Paul S. Albicocco '87 and Helen Vansevicius Albicocco '86, was born on May 12, 1998.

Andris Joseph, son of Lauris Murnieks '87 and Kathy Rams Murnieks '91, was born on April II, 1998. He joins big sister, Kristine, 2.

Isabella Rose, daughter of Marietta Cavassa Dell'Anno '88 and husband Domenic, was born on March 22, 1998.

Tiara Janày, daughter of Tara J. Thomas-Johnson '89 was born on February 21, 1996.

Keith Patrick, son of Francine Hupfer Kelly '89 and husband Kevin, was born on July 12, 1998. Louis Vincent, son of Louis Anarumo, Jr. '90 and wife Frances Marie, was born on February II, 1998. He joins big sister, Madison 3 1/2.

Lauren Elizabeth, daughter of Victoria Baum Leech '91, was born on May 30, 1998.

Gabrielle Nicole, daughter of Kelly McCoy Vickers '91 and husband Harold; born on July 25, 1998.

Daniel Ryan, son of Jennifer Baldwin Dawson '92 and husband Jerry, was born on April II, 1998. He joins big brothers, Robert Gerard, II and Jonathon Wallace, 2. Dylan Mathias, son of Jeff Randazzo '92 and Becky Williams Randazzo '94; born on April 17, 1998.

Grace Josephine, daughter of Dawn Hugo Cote '94 and husband Thomas; born on February 18, 1998.

Evan Christopher, son of Kimberly Kovach Nugent '94 and husband John; born on October 2, 1998.

Christian Salvatore, son of Donna Veloso-Gomez '94 and husband Rubin; born on June 30, 1998.

Samantha Rose, daughter of Doreen Gaffney-Altschuler '95 and husband Keith, was born on December 1, 1997.

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Linda Alison Barbes Stein M'72 (Sunrise, FL) has joined Prudential Florida Realty as Marketing Director for Broward County. She won the Female Grand Master's Title in the USATF/Florida Association South Florida 1997-1998 Grand Prix 10 Race Series.

'71

Class Agent: Pam Broderick (Manchester, CT)

Carol L. Blankenhorn (Staten Island, NY) married Charles Phillips III and is currently a full time mom since they adopted two children from Russia and Moldova. Charles Valentin is 5 and Syrena Katya is 31/2 years old.

Erna Lindoerfer Sottile (Holmdel, NJ) a former board member of the Visiting Nurse Association of Staten Island was presented with The 1998 Smith Stanley Award at the Visiting Nurse Association's Fifteenth Annual Awards Luncheon on September 16, 1998.

'72

Toni Ann F. Grimley (Warwick, RI) has completed the Teachers and Technology Summer Program sponsored by the Rhode Island Foundation. She has returned to her position as Library-Media Specialist at Warwick Veterans Memorial High School, Warwick, RI.

'73

Class Agent--- Henry Gemino (Manhasset, NY)

Elizabeth Sheil Dubovsky (Staten Island, NY) the former director of the Staten Island Chapter of the American Red Cross has been appointed Executive Director of the Staten Island Savings Bank Community Foundation.

Elizabeth Boos Framhein (South River, NJ) completed her MS in Education at Wagner in 1997.

Robert E. Schnebel (Hauppauge, NY) was elected to serve as a trustee of the Board of Education of Hauppauge Public Schools in Hauppauge, NY.

'74

Alice L. Delevante '74 (Fort Pierce, FL) is a field supervisor for a large home health agency.

Susan Moan Hardie '74 (Calabasas, CA) is director of Stuart House, a multi disciplinary center for abused children in Santa Monica. .

Adrienne F. Milics (New Britain, CT) is Vice President of Information Systems at CIGNA Investment Management, Bloomfield, CT. She received an MBA in 1997 through the University of Connecticut, Executive MBA program. She is a member of the Concora Connecticut Choral Artists, a professional choral group.

Gustave W. Raitz (Wantagh, NY) received an MBA in Financial Management from Pace University. He is a member of the Wantagh Chamber of Commerce, and Financial Secretary at Christ Lutheran Church.

Jane Waleski Unhjem (Goshen, NY) was appointed Director of Staff Development for the Monroe-Woodbury Central School District in January 1998.

'75

Class Agent--- Richard DePaul (Bridgewater, NJ)

Elizabeth (Betty) Bartoloma MS '75 (Brooklyn, NY) Marguerite (Rita) Bartoloma MS '77 (Brooklyn, NY) participated in the premier season of Shakespeare Teaches Teachers and Students sponsored by the Brooklyn Academy of Music with the Royal Shakespeare Company in residency. This program was a year-long professional development initiative in which teachers and teaching artists explored Shakespeare's text and curricular links to the classroom.

Betsy Joslyn (Croton on Hudson, NY)& Randy Graff '76 (New York, NY) were reunited in the Broadway show High Society at the St. James Theater. Betsy and Randy shared an apartment in the early days of their careers and have kept in touch with each other for more than 20 years.

Steven L. Slaterbeck (Philadelphia, PA) a marketing consultant moved to Philadelphia in March 1997 after nineteen years in Washington, DC.

'76

Class Agent--- John Zawisny (Staten Island, NY)

Maureen Molyneux Robertazzi (Wood Ridge, NJ) and husband Frank, traveled to Zhejiang Province in China in November 1997 to adopt their first child, Aubri He Qun. She was born in Lijia in July 1996.

Stephen A. Timoni, Esq. (Scotch Plains, NJ) recently joined the law firm of Gibbons, Deldeo, Dolan, Griffinger and Vecchione as a partner in the Corporate Finance Department.

'77

Class Agent--- Maarten van Hengel (North Tarrytown, NY)

Linn A. Walsh-Knueppel (Tucson, AZ) married Mel Knueppel in a romantic wedding ceremony on the island of Kauai on August 1, 1998.

'78

Class Agent--- Maria Lind Jenkins (Brooklyn, NY)

William D. Erosh (Holmdel, NJ) was promoted to Senior Vice President-Finance Director of E.D. & F. Man Global Markets, Inc., Manhattan.

Dr. Margaret M. Governo '78N (Staten Island, NY) was recently appointed to the Board of Directors of the Visiting Nurse Association of Staten Island. She is a member of the Department of Nursing at Wagner College.

John A. Rubino (Pound Ridge, NY) formed his own consulting company specializing in Human Resources Strategies.

'79

Class Agent--- Harold Theurer, Jr. (Brooklyn, NY)

Michael Adams (Chula Vista, CA) retired from the United States Navy on January 1, 1996 with the rank of Lieutenant Commander. He is President and Partner of Access Ergonomics Consulting Company, Chula Vista, CA.

Gary E. Birmingham (Hillsboro Beach, FL) married Anne Borcherding in April 1998. He is a senior consultant with KPMG Peat Marwick in Fort Lauderdale, FL.

Michelle Paolercio Borsack (Oceanside, NY) and husband David, adopted daughter Chelsea from Colombia, South America in 1994.

Katie Krodel Brosky '79N (Honesdale, PA) has moved to the country and is raising her daughters Megan and Rebecca.

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'80

Class Agents--- Billy K. Tyler (Los Angeles, CA) & Ed "Grandpa"Garlock (Bedford, PA)

Billy Tyler and Chris Swingle (Los Angles, CA) are planning their 25th Anniversary Reunion in Bregenz, Austria scheduled for 2002. All Wagner and Bregenz alums are welcome to attend.

LCDR Bruce D. French (Medford, NJ) has been selected for the rank of Commander, Medical Services Corps, Fiscal Year 1999, in the Naval Reserves, Readiness Command Four, Fort Dix, NJ.

Robert G.Vogel MS Ed.'80 (Staten Island, NY) has received a BS Degree in Nursing - summa cum laude from the College of Staten Island, together with a MS in Public Nursing from Hunter-Bellevue School of Nursing, City University, NY.

'81

Class Agent--- Mary Gormely (Staten Island, NY)

Theodore Perednia (Aberdeen, NJ) married Julia Hall.

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Class Agent--- Scott Fink (Clearwater, FL)

John P. Anthony (London, England) recently transferred to Goldman Sachs London office to become the resident Executive Director and Equities Compliance Officer for Global Securities Services.

Mark J. Sarrica (Little Ferry, NJ) received a MS Degree in Athletic Administration from Springfield College, Springfield, MA in 1986. He is a pharmaceutical representative for New York and northern New Jersey Hospitals. '84

Class Agent--- Christian Miller (New York, NY)

Ralph Azzara (Staten Island, NY) married Ilene Schulman in October 1998. He is a music teacher at Curtis High School, Staten Island, NY.

Cynthia DiBartolo Biasiol (New York, NY) married Massimilano in September 1998. She is a vice president of investments with Salomon Smith Barney in Manhattan. She also is a securities industry arbitrator with the New York Stock Exchange, American Stock Exchange and National Association of Securities Dealers. Additionally, she is a member of the New York, New Jersey and Connecticut bar associations.

Nicholas A. Deliso (Brooklyn, NY) has been promoted to Assistant Vice President at The Bank of New York.

Justin C. Orlando MBA '84 (Staten Island, NY) has been named Vice President of Compensation and Benefits at Keyspan Energy, Brooklyn, NY.

Steven Silberman (Cedarhurst, NY) married Laurie Rettig in April 1997. He became a C.P.A. in April 1995.

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Class Agent--- Andrew Williams (Pittsburgh, PA)

James P. Banahan (Fair Haven, NJ) is a Vice President of National Cooperative Bank in Manhattan.

Keri Merboth-Rubin (Santa Monica, CA) is happily married and living in Santa Monica, CA.

'86

Class Agent--- Wade Appleman (Chelmsford, MA) Diane Engelbrith-Marron (East Williston, NY)married Kevin in February 1997. She is the Director of Admissions at Clearview Nursing Home, Whitestone, NY.

'87

Class Agent--- Meredith Lynch Acacia (Jackson, NJ)

Patricia Harren '87N, MSN, CNP (Fresh Meadows, NY) is a surgical nurse practitioner at the Center for Liver Disease Transplantation at New York Presbyterian Hospital, Columbia campus.

'88

Class Agent--- Ken Nilsen (Hoboken, NJ)

Sonja Eriksson Bushey (Staten Island, NY)is teaching math to intermediate grades at St. John Villa Academy. She had two more of her poems, for a total of three, published and copyrighted by the National Library of Poetry in Owing Mills, MD.

Janine LaManna (New York, NY) is Evelyn Nesbit in Ragtime which is currently playing at the Ford Center in Manhattan.

**'89** 

Class Agent--- Maria Giura (Staten Island, NY)

Maria Giura received a Masters Degree in English from the College of Staten Island in June 1998.

Claire Magner Hannan (Rockville, MD) is working in public health and policies. She is still playing softball and basketball. Her son, Connor, born in September 1997 is already saying "GO SEAHAWKS!"

'90

Class Agent--- Alexandra Duggan (Bethlehem, PA)

Alexandra Duggan is the new Assistant Dean of Students for Student Activities and Orientation at Lehigh University in Lehigh, PA.

Elena Anarumo (Staten Island, NY) is Assistant Vice President, Institutional Custody Office at Chase Manhattan Bank, Manhattan.

Tinamarie Petrizzo-Hughes '90N (Matawan, NJ) married Peter in September 1993. She is a registered nurse assigned to critical care units at Staten Island University Hospital, South.

Gerald Maniscalchi (Staten Island, NY) married Kristine Savino on August 8, 1998.

91

Class Agent--- Jennifer Norton (Brick, NJ)

Maya Friscic (Forest Hills, NY) is engaged to Michael Geiger and is planning to be married on July 9, 1999.

Victoria Baum Leech (Lawrenceville, GA) was promoted to Facility Manager for the Atlanta Braves, Atlanta, GA.

Patricia Malloy, Esq. (Brooklyn, NY) was named the winner of the Hal Miller Weinstein Memorial Award for her outstanding service by Queens District Attorney Richard A. Brown. She has served in the District Attorney's office in the Intake and Criminal Court bureaus and is presently assigned to Homicide Investigation Bureau.

Theresa Bruno Mehrtens (Staten Island, NY) married Keith in September 1998. She is an actress in the Metropolitan area.

'91 (continued)

Guy Pettigrew (Staten Island, NY) married Amy Carroll in September 1998. He is a Client Services representative with the Seligman Data Corp., Manhattan.

92

Class Agent---Natalie Migliaro (Clark, NJ)

Cindy Bakewicz (Staten Island, NY) recently worked as an extra in the film *The Astronaut's Wife* starring Johnny Depp.

Therese Waters Benyola (Jamesburg, NJ) married Scott on March 21, 1998. She is currently working as the Intake Supervisor and Outreach Coordinator for the Center for Chemical Dependency at the Bayley Seton Campus of the Sisters of Charity Medical Center, Staten Island, NY.

Christine Anderson Franzreb (Staten Island, NY) married Jeffrey on May 30, 1998. She is a physical-education teacher at P.S. 15, in Brooklyn, NY.

Vincent Greene (Brick, NJ) married Jeanne Dublinski in September 1998. He is a state trooper with the New Jersey State Police.

Donna Matheson (Brooklyn, NY) was crowned the 1998 Miss Grenada-U.S.A.

Lisa Clark-Perosi MS Spl. Ed. '94 (Staten Island, NY) married Craig on March 21, 1998. She is a special education preschool teacher at Our Place and a therapist at TIPSE, both in Staten Island.

93

Class Agent--- Stuart Plotkin (Staten Island, NY)

Salvatore Anzalone (Staten Island, NY) married Celeste Pennisi in October 1998. He is a firefighter with Engine Co. 153 and Ladder Co. 77, Stapleton, Staten Island, NY.

Jenny Chin Port (Staten Island, NY) married Kevin in July 1998. She is a teacher with the New York City Board of Education.

Charles R. DeBiase, Jr. (Staten Island, NY) married Helen O'Keefe in August 1998. He is a reporter and agate editor for the Sports Department of the Staten Island Advance, Grasmere, Staten Island, NY.

Janine Molinari Herriott (New York, NY) married Todd in September 1998. She is an actress, singer and dancer who has performed nationally. She has appeared in cabarets in Manhattan and in Don't Tell Mama and Days of Our Lives.

Dr. Christina Klein (Staten Island, NY) graduated from NYU College of Dentistry in June 1997 and has completed her Residency at Staten Island University Hospital. She is presently practicing as a general dentist on Staten Island with Dr. C. Anthony Lopresti.

Kathryn Maquire Morse (Stamford, CT) married Thomas on July 11, 1998. She is currently a teacher with the Stamford School Readiness Program.

Jean A. Rocklein Palmer (Huntington, NY) married Craig in August 1997. She is a second-grade teacher for the Cold Spring Harbor School District. Additionally, she received a MS Degree in Reading and Special Education from Hofstra University in August 1996.

94

Class Agent--- James Hickey (Staten Island, NY)

James Hickey has begun working toward his Ph.D. at Fordham University Bronx, NY.

Mary F. Boltz (Hamburg, NY) has recently finished teaching at Norwich University (Military College of Vermont) in a special program for 158 cadets from the United Arab Emirates. She returned to South America (Medellin, Columbia) she to teach in a private English Bilingual school.

Elizabeth A. Craynon (Staten Island, NY) is cast in an Off-Broadway play *Dante's Inferno* at the Synchronicity Theatre Group in Greenwich Village, NY.

Dawn Hugo Cote (West Chester, PA) was promoted to On-The-Job Trainer in the Expedited Resolutions Services Department of The Vanguard Group of Mutual Funds in Valley Forge, PA.

Tracey A. Daniels (Staten Island, NY) is engaged to Frank Rivera and is planning to be married on October 9, 1999. She is a store manager for Capezio Dance-Theater Shop, Manhattan.

**David A. Feete (Melbourne, FL)** is engaged to Susan Delgado and is planning to be married in late 1999. He is a technical support engineer for Indian River Information Services.

Dorie Muller Marrone (Staten Island, NY) married Robert in July 1998. She is an English and Spanish teacher, as well as the cheerleading coach and student council advisor at Eltingville Lutheran School, Staten Island, NY.

Timothy McBride (Staten Island, NY) married Marisa Reonegro in August 1998. He is an assistant trader with M.H. Meyerson & Company, Jersey City, NJ.

Francine Tralongo Merendino '94 (Staten Island, NY) married James in June 1998. She is a nurse in the Neonatal Intensive Care unit of NYU Medical Center, Manhattan. Francine is a family nurse practitioner with an affiliate of NYU Medical Center.

Dawn A. Savage (Brooklyn, NY) is engaged to Joseph A. Fiore and is planning to be married on October 10, 1999.

Lynne O'Meally Smith MSN (Staten Island, NY) is a Registered Nurse Coordinator at South Beach Psychiatric Center, Staten Island, NY. She has started working towards a Post Master's Degree for Family Nurse Practitioner at Wagner College.

95

Class Agent--- Stacey Cannon (Seymour, CT)

Peter Astarbi (Staten Island, NY) will graduate from the Louisiana State University School of Veterinary Medicine in May 1999.

Natalie Barone (Minneapolis, MN) completed her MA in Psychology and is working on a doctorate in Clinical Psychology.

Gracemarie DiBenedetto Cupo (Staten Island, NY) married Louis on September 11, 1998. She is a junior accountant with Grant Thornton, Manhattan.

Nicole DeVito '95 (Staten Island, NY) is engaged to Vincent Fyfe (Blauvelt, NY) and they are planning to be married in December 1999. She is currently working in the Pediatric ICU at Mt. Sinai Medical Center, Manhattan and is working toward a Master's Degree in Nursing with an adult nurse practitioner certification at NYU in Manhattan.

Susan Lypinski Fertitta (Staten Island, NY) married Scott in November 1998. She is employed in the billing department in the office of Dr. William B. Head, Jr. in Sunnyside, Staten Island, NY.

Scott Dietsch (Brooklyn, NY) and Veronica Lewicz Dietsch '95N (Brooklyn, NY) were married on May 9, 1998. He works for The Villager, a community newspaper. She is a registered nurse in Pediatrics at Lutheran Medical Center, Brooklyn, NY.

Bridget Kelley Klofft (Washington, DC) married Christopher in October 1997. She is pursuing a Master's Degree in music at Catholic University, Washington, DC. and is a member of the touring group Christsong.

Maria Stropoli Levine (Staten Island, NY) married Mark in May 1998. She is a guidance counselor with Angel Guardian Children and Family Services, Brooklyn, NY.

Patricia O'Brien (Staten Island, NY) was promoted to Regional Assistant for the Assistant Vice President of Dress Barn, Watchung, NJ.

Alexandra Anastasio Porretta (Staten Island, NY) married Richard in May 1998. She is a sales coordinator for National Television Sales, a division of ABC-TV. She has been accepted to The New York Institute of Technology where she will work towards her Master's Degree in Communications. Aside from a full time job, she is a freelance writer for various publications.

Krista Fey Schmidt (Smithtown, NY) married Frederick on October 11, 1998. She received a MS of Education Degree from LIU-C.W. Post and is currently teaching sixthgrade at Clarke Middle School in Westbury, NY.

Brian Schneider (Staten Island, NY) and Christine Fiorito Schneider (Staten Island, NY) were married in June 1998. He is a financial analyst with the Royal Bank of Canada, Manhattan. She is a second-grade teacher at St. Paul's School, New Brighton, Staten Island. NY.

Alissa Occhiuto Vuoso MS '95 (Staten Island, NY) married George in September 1998. She is a fourth-grade teacher at P.S. 32, Great Kills, Staten Island, NY.

'96

Class Agent--- Leigh Ann DePascale (Staten Island, NY)

Andrea Samaritano Cataneo (Staten Island, NY) married Darren in October 1998. She is a speech and language pathologist for United Cerebral Palsy Association of New York State, Mariners Harbor, Staten Island, NY.

Melissa Ponzo Favale '96 (Staten Island, NY) married Christopher in July 1998. She is a nurse with Comprehensive Pediatrics, Oakwood, Staten Island, NY.

Dana Orlando Gravelli '96 (Staten Island, NY) married John in May 1998. She is a registered nurse at New York University Medical Center, Manhattan and at the Eger Health Care & Rehabilitation Center, Staten Island, NY.

Michele Cooper Herman MS El. Ed. '96 (StatenIsland, NY) married Jason in July 1998. She is a first-grade teacher at P.S. 206, Queens, NY.

Anthony Mascia (Staten Island, NY) was promoted to Assistant Branch Manager for Enterprise-Rent-A-Car, Staten Island, NY.

Cara DiStefano Masucci (Staten Island, NY) married Thomas in December 1998. She is a speech and language pathologist for Staten Island University Hospital, Ocean Breeze, and Eger Health Care and Rehabilitation Center, Staten Island, NY.

Dina DiGangi Schipani (Staten Island, NY) married Gerald in October 1998.

97

Class Agent--- Allison Boyd (Ronkonkoma, NY)

Phyllis Sorrentino Carollo (Staten Island, NY) married Andrew in December 1998. She is a graduate assistant in the Wagner College's Early Childhood Center.

Susanne Celentano (Staten Island, NY) is engaged to Richard Gainer, Jr. (Valley Stream, NY) and they are planning to be married in March 1999. She is a fourth-grade teacher at St. Mary's in Rosebank, Staten Island, NY. Richard is an inspector with Greater New York Insurance Company.

PFC Michael Di Nicolas (Freehold, NJ) has enlisted in the United States Marine Corp. He is engaged to Irene Maropakis '98 (Brooklyn, NY).

Coast Guard Seaman Jeffrey P. Ferlauto (Newburyport, MA) has graduated from the U.S. Coast Guard Recruit Training Center in Cape May, NJ.

Julie A. Firestone (Staten Island, NY) is a fourth-grade teacher at P.S. 11, Staten Island, NY. She is also Vice President of the Richmond County Young Republicans.

John Granucci '97 (Staten Island, NY) married MaryGrace Barresi in April 1998. He is a registered nurse at Staten Island University Hospital, Staten Island, NY.

Eileen McLoughlin Gleavy MS Ed. '97 (Staten Island, NY) married Thomas in July 1998. She is an eighth-grade English teacher at Ditmas Intermediate Junior High School, Brooklyn and an adjunct professor in speech for Mercy College, Dobbs Ferry, NY.

Laura Barone Molfino (Parlin, NJ) married Anthony in December 1998. She is a patient representative in the emergency department of the Sisters of Charity Medical Center, St. Vincent's Campus, Staten Island.

Dina Scarpaci (Brooklyn, NY) is currently attending NYU Graduate School and has received a Board of Education Scholarship to complete her Master's Degree in Speech and Language Pathology. She is engaged and will be married in October 2000.

Jennifer Zuntag Schwimer MS Ed. '97 (Staten Island, NY) married Gregory in July, 1998. Until her marriage she was an eighthgrade language art's teacher at Barnes Intermediate School, Great Kills, Staten Island, NY. They are now living in Scottsdale, AZ.

'98

Class Agent--- Tara Yeo (Fleetwood,PA)

**Tara Yeo** is an admissions counselor with Albright College, Reading, PA.

Doreen O'Keefe Ford (Staten Island, NY) married Brian in May 1998. She is a member of the American Occupational Therapy Association.

Navy Ensign Darren L. Greco (Valley Stream, NY) received his commission as a naval officer after completing Officer Candidate School at Naval Aviation Schools Command, Naval Air Station, Pensacola, FL.

Elaine Marie Parc '98 (Breezy Point, Brooklyn, NY) is a registered nurse at Long Island College Hospital, Brooklyn, NY. She is pursuing a Master's Degree in Family Nurse Practitioner.

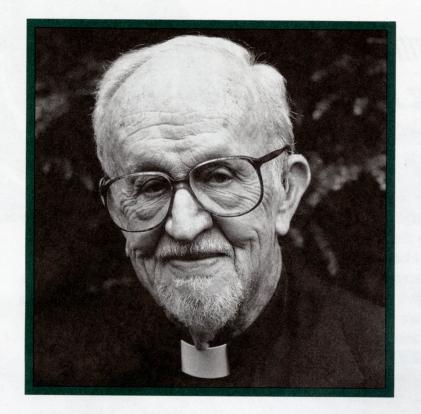
Maureen Basile Patrissy '98 (Staten Island, NY) married Thomas in August 1998. She is a registered nurse in the pediatric emergency unit at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, New Brunswick, NJ.

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#### Reverend Carl J. Sutter, Jr. 1907-1998

Son of Wagner's Grymes Hill campus founding father Frederic Sutter, Reverend Carl Sutter, Wagner Class of 1929 and Trustee Emeritus, died last October. He was 91 and had spent his life---except for post-Wagner studies at Princeton and at Lutheran Theological Seminary in Philadelphia--- on Grymes Hill having moved there at 7 months old when his father assumed the pastorate at Trinity Lutheran Church. He later succeeded him as Pastor and remained active as Pastor Emeritus until his death. During his tenure, he oversaw the addition of Trinity Lutheran School. Dr. Sutter served three terms as a trustee of Wagner College and remained an active attendee of Board meetings throughout his life. He was the College's living historian and an important symbol of Wagner's heritage. He is survived by his two sons, Frederic and Carl Richard, three grandchildren and one great grand-daughter.

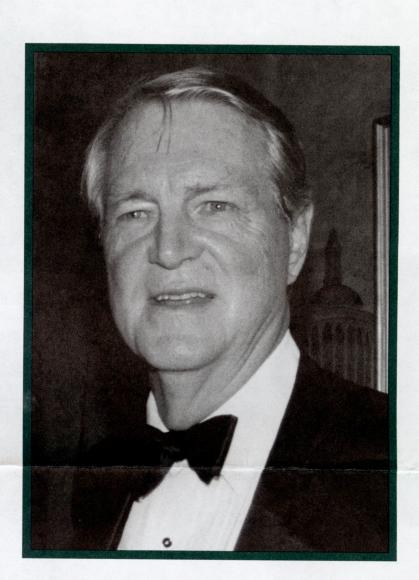
#### William L. Reynolds

William Reynolds, Wagner College Trustee and member of the Board Executive Committee, died last September at his home on 68th Street in Manhattan. Bill was not a Wagner alumnus, graduating instead from George Washington University Law School after previously having attended the University of Kansas and the University of Chicago. Prior to retirement, his career culminated as President of Litton Industries International. He became involved with Wagner less than 10 years ago when his wife, Dr. Margaret Bambach Buck Reynolds '40, H'98 became active as an alumnae benefactor. In his short time with Wagner, he was a leader in strengthening the College's financial base and its credit rating which rose to a Standard & Poor's AA+ level. With Peggy, Bill was also a leading advocate of the sports center construction and contributed \$1 million to its completion. Bill also bequested \$2 million to Wagner College in order to renovate the College Union which will be renamed in his memory and honor.



## Dr. Fran Horn, H'69, former VP at Wagner and president of several colleges and universities dies at 91

ran Horn, former Executive Vice President of Wagner College who amassed one of the most impressive career histories, and certainly one of the most prolific in higher education leadership died in January at his home on the campus of the University of Rhode Island, one of many institutions where he had been President. Other presidencies included Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, Albertus Magnus College in New Haven and the American University in Beirut. He had also served as President of the New York Council of Independent Colleges and Executive Secretary of the American Association of Higher Education. He had accumulated what many in higher education think may well be the most honorary degrees ever conferred on a college educator including his 1969 honorary doctorate from Wagner College. Last fall, he received final commendation, the rank of Executive Vice President Emeritus of Wagner College, which was conferred upon him at his Rhode Island home by Wagner President and longtime friend, Dr. Norman Smith, and Wagner Vice Provost and also longtime friend, Rev. Lyle Guttu (pictured above). Fran was a frequent visitor to Wagner during the last decade and he was a national cheerleader, and an important one, for the College's recent achievements.



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#### Two million dollar bequest from William Reynolds estate will be used to renovate Union featuring Louvre-like new entrance

Union will be named Reynolds Union; Improvements scheduled to be underway later this calendar year



Much needed repairs and renovations to the Student Union have been enabled by the estate of William Reynolds, Wagner College Trustee and Executive Committee member. Reynolds, who died last fall, left the College \$2 million. With his wife, Dr. Margaret (Peggy) Reynolds '40, H'98, he had previously donated \$1 million to the construction of the Spiro Sports Center. The renovations will be extensive and will most notably feature the construction of a glass geo-dome over the front entrance (LEFT), similar to the Pei-designed glass pyramid that is the new entrance to the Louvre in Paris. The new entrance (BELOW) has both an aesthetic and functional rationale. Foremost, the building has been leaking because the outer terrace is also the roof over the dining hall. Contractors have advised that the only way to prevent leaking is to enclose the outer terrace.

Other improvements will include bathroom renovations, handicapped-accessible ramps and an elevator. "The Union is probably the one building on campus that almost everyone uses every day since it includes the dining halls and the college bookstore. These renovations are sorely needed and we were unsure how we would

ever be able to get the work done in time," said Dr. Norman Smith. "Bill Reynolds was a strong advocate of making Wagner's facilities a symbol of the institution's excellence. I know he would have wanted to see his donation invested in making the College's facilities more competitive. "The improvements will make the Reynolds Union one of the College's showpiece structures. At night, the lit geo-dome will be as dramatic a structural effect as exists at any college."



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