

Alumni Link

Spring 1996

President's Holiday Fete; An Evening of Good Cheer . . .



Enjoying the festivities in their holiday finest are from left, John Lehmann '62, Suzanne Lehmann, Tom Moles '65, Patricia O'Brien, Robert O'Brien '66, Greg Knapp '66 and Patricia Knapp.

The home of Wagner President Dr. Norman Smith and his wife Dr. Susan Robinson has become the traditional gathering place for alumni and friends of Wagner as they celebrate the Holiday Season.

Each year for the past seven, the President has opened his home for the annual Inner Circle Holiday party. Guests are alumni and friends of Wagner who have made a contribution to the College at the Inner Circle level of \$1,000 or more.

While the party becomes decidedly more crowded each year, it is only because the list of Inner Circle alumni and friends continues to grow. A fact that pleases the President and Trustees alike.

This year's party was an evening of good food, friendly conversation and the warm glow of a crackling fire, highlighted by the angelic voices of the Wagner College Choir singing beautiful arrangements of traditional carols and other selections for all to enjoy.

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At right, the Megerle family, long time friends of Wagner College enjoy the festive atmosphere. From left are George, Judy, Eva and Martha Megerle.



Enjoying the evening is another long-time Wagner family. From left are Iris Levine Accettola '73, Dr. Albert Accettola, Jr., Dr. Judith Accettola Hendricks '71, Keith Hendricks and Dr. Albert Accettola '41.

Margaret Bambach Reynolds '40

Margaret Bambach Reynolds is a private, modest woman. But spend fifteen minutes talking to this soft-spoken Wagner alumna, and you find a woman who has led a life that many of us only read about.

A native of Manhattan, Peggy came to Staten Island as a young girl. When it came time to choose a college, location and reputation made Wagner the obvious choice. Although she was a day student, working two jobs while attending, Peggy managed to involve herself in campus life, getting the most from her college experience. She was a member of the Girls League and Le Cercle Francais for four years and the English Club for three. In her sophomore year she joined Deutsche Kreis and helped to found the Beta Theta Rho sorority.

Her love of reading prompted Peggy to major in English, and while she also had a strong interest in art, she was unable to pursue it because at that time, Wagner did not have an applied arts program. But in May of 1940, Peggy graduated cum laude with her degree in English and accepted the position of Director of Publicity at Wagner. She spent the next couple of years working with the new Director of Admissions and her good friend, Virginia Mackoy Trautmann '40.

Soon other opportunities presented themselves and Peggy made a move to Washington, D.C., where she worked in the political arena under Congressman Ellsworth Buck. But with war still raging in Europe, Peggy joined the Red Cross and set sail for her duties in France. During the crossing, she met William Reynolds, a young Army Officer en-route to his assignment, and a romance bloomed. While still at sea, peace was declared and Peggy continued on to France while Bill was sent on to serve in the Honor Guard at the Nuremberg Trials. Returning to Europe some time later, each on holiday, Bill proposed to Peggy. They married in Paris and made their first home in a flat on the Place

Pigalle.

Europe had become home to the Reynolds, but they soon decided to return to the states so Bill could complete his studies. They settled in Washington, D.C., where Bill received his law degree from The George Washington University and took a job with a local law firm.

Bill was offered a job as counsel for Litton Industries and they relocated first to California and then to Zurich. While in Switzerland, Peggy utilized her talents in English and reading, founding and operating a small but much needed English library. Her interest in art was also fueled by her European surroundings, prompting volunteer work in area art galleries.

Several other moves brought the Reynolds family, now with daughter Constance, to England, where they made their home for the next sixteen years. Here Peggy continued her work in libraries and galleries (including the famous Tate Gallery). It was here that Bill's love for horses prompted the purchase of a stud farm in the country town of Tetbury where the family spent their weekends raising and racing horses.

After sixteen years in England, the Reynolds returned to the US, buying a horse farm in Middleburg, Virginia. But Bill's ill health soon forced him to give up law and move to the warmer winter climate of Key Largo; leaving behind their much loved horses. However, about two years ago, with Bill's health



improved, the Reynolds purchased three young thoroughbreds that are just now beginning to race.

While the Reynolds now call Florida home, Peggy looks forward to spring, and a couple of months in New York. Their visit this year will include some time on Grymes Hill, where she and Bill have plans to attend a performance of Carousel. Although she has visited the campus in the last few years, Peggy commented that she wants to "take some time to walk around and see some of the changes and improvements at the College."

Her memories of time spent at Wagner are fond and her educational experience strong. But when asked how her Wagner education helped her in life Peggy comments that it "encouraged my continued interest and involvement in English and the arts". Her foundation and strong liberal arts background spurred her volunteer work in libraries and galleries and gave her "a greater appreciation for all that Europe had to offer."

Margaret Bambach Reynolds is proof that a "career" is not the test of your education. Rather, it is applying that education to the life you have chosen. Peggy Reynolds has applied her education well!

John Myers '67

From a math major to Executive Vice President of GE . . .
"A liberal arts education is a must."

When John Myers enrolled at Wagner College in 1963, he chose mathematics as a major, "for no other reason than it was something I was good at." An appropriate choice for the man who is now Executive Vice-President of General Electric Investments and responsible for \$30 billion of his company's overall asset holdings of \$52 billion.

John credits the positive influence of Reverend Robert Arnold '44, the reputation of the college, and his own personal impressions of the school for his enrollment at Wagner.

Immersing himself in Wagner, John found the academics challenging and the social life good, recalling fond memories of Demyan's Hofbrau and the Buddy-Buddy Club. He joined Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity and played basketball in his freshman year, believing then as he does today, in a balance between academics and athletics.

Graduating from Wagner, John attended Naval Officer Training School at Newport and graduated with honors, crediting his Wagner

education for allowing him to compete with the Ivy League's "best and brightest." After a tour in Vietnam John joined GE's financial management program. He spent a year with GE in Germany and another three in Italy. Commenting that his experience in Europe was a milestone in his life, John feels he not only gained a wealth of knowledge on the foreign market and currency, but he got a "leg up" in the financial world with exposure to the changing global business environment before it was *en vogue*.

Because of John's business travel and living abroad, he fell out of touch with what was happening at Wagner. When approached by the College's administrators in the early 1990's, John became involved as a member of the Board of Trustees. He was impressed with Dr. Norman Smith's vision, energy level and obvious commitment to Wagner and credits its "renaissance" to Dr. Smith and the strong dedication and commitment of his fellow Trustees.



John Myers, right, posed with Wagner President, Dr. Norman Smith and Donald Trump, left, at the Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade.

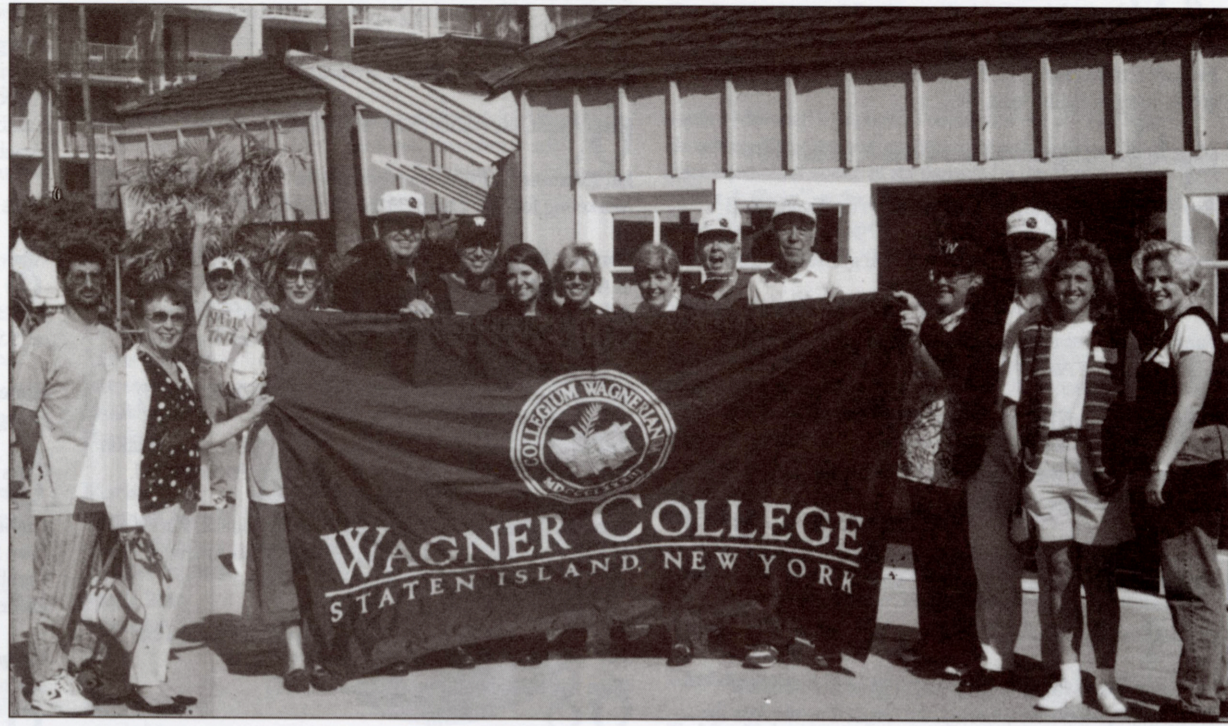
These days, John manages money for GE's Pension Fund as well as accounts that include mutual funds, private investments, real estate and venture capital. He is currently working on a real estate project involving Donald Trump and a GE owned building that is being converted to an ultra-modern luxury condo. With Donald Trump's name yielding \$50-\$100 per square foot more in this market than any other name, GE hired him as the marketing tool and for his expertise on building construction. Although Myers Hotel & Tower might indeed sound impressive, Trump International Hotel and Tower is scheduled to open in 1997!

While GE and Wagner take up a great amount of time and energy, John says that his family still comes first adding, "I have a beautiful wife in Jody and four great kids." John

feels fortunate to have a position at GE which allows him to put his family first.

Never one for long-range future plans, John does believe that working hard, having fun, and doing something you like with people you like are great plans in themselves. "If you have that formula, a career can be a great experience." For John, Wagner has been a large part of that formula. He believes that a college education should teach you to think independently, gain knowledge of oneself along with academics, and build confidence. "A liberal arts education is a must," says John. From a math major, to Executive Vice President at GE Investments, John Myers is certainly living proof of what a liberal arts education at Wagner College is all about.

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East went West to San Diego for a football game and Alumni get-together. We all made some new friends . . . and the Seahawks WON!!



Clewiston, Florida had a Valentine's Day luncheon (thanks for the card!)

**COME
OUT
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JOIN
THEM . . .**

**. . . IT'S
REALLY
A GREAT
TIME !!**



At left, alumni came out in Monmouth, NJ to cheer the Seahawks in Basketball. (we didn't win this one)



At left, the Hockey Club celebrated 25 years of a great team sport with a dinner and awards. The alumni even played a reunion game. The score? Wagner 11 - Wagner 8. (Everybody wins!!)

For more information on activities in your area, or to help start a regional chapter, contact the Alumni Office @ (718) 390-3224.

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Crib notes

The Wagner Family would like to welcome the following members of the class of 2015 & 2016!!

Harold, son of **Harold Theurer '79** & Lynn, was born on September 30, 1995.

Emily Kristen Marie, born on August 13, 1995, daughter of **Daniel F. Scotto '81** & **Wendy Larsen Scotto '82** will have two sisters and a brother to show him the ropes.

Karl Martin, son of **Mark B. Stevens '81, MEd '84** & **Cindy Tjornhom Stevens '82 MEd '84**, joined brother Andrew Mark & sister Kristen Faith on September 21, 1995.

Kendall Irene, daughter of **Kimberly Morgan Davis '83** & Lee, made her arrival in November of '94.

Rachel, daughter of **Scott Fink '83**, born in February, '96, joins brothers Jordan & Ryan.



Young Harold Theurer shows his stuff for the camera. (A ham, just like his dad!)

Deanna Lynn, daughter of **Linda Appignani Romani '83, M'89**, born December 19, 1995.

Matthew James, son of **Kenneth Paulo M'84** & **Corri Cioppa Paulo '83**, born September 21, 1995, joins brother Anthony Michael.

Alexa Maria, daughter of **Lori Beranato Raffaniello '85 BSN M'90** born October 5, 1995 joins sister Jamie Anne. Erik Kristian, son of **Lisa Tjornhom Henricksen '85** & Roy, joined brother Raymond & sister Britt Elise on June 29, 1995.

Elizabeth Marie, daughter of **Terry Zucker Mason '85** & Bill, was born on August 4, 1995.

Nicholas Everett, son of **Lisa Halvorsen Malatos '86** & Chris, arrived on November 11, 1995.

Michael Brendan, son of **Donna Rizzutto Nash '87** & George, born on September 20, 1995.

Grayson Walter, son of **Gina Biancardi Yockey '87** & Denton, was born last December 29, 1994.

Anastasia Amber, daughter of **Sonja Eriksson Bushey '88** & Gary, born on January 29, 1995.

Adelaide Fleming Sanders, daughter of **Cara D'Emanuele Sanders '88** arrived on August 5, 1995.

Connor Terence, son of **Melissa Sorensen Faherty '88**, was born on August 28, 1995.

Marissa Jean Elena, daughter of **Vincent Price '88**, was born last February 8, 1994.

Cassidy Rose, daughter of **Rosemarie Hertgen Young '88** & John, born September 24, 1995.

Sarah Olivia, daughter of **Lisa Miquel Kanakry '89**, joined sister Lauren, arriving on November 28, 1995.

Jacqueline Ann, daughter of **Rammond Menna '89** & **Victoria Sabbagh Menna '88**, born on December 29, 1994.

Madison Korin, daughter of **Louis Anarumo, Jr. '90** & Frances Marie, arrived December 28, 1994.

Jason Kurtis, son of **Anne Jensen Frustol '90** & Kurt, joined big sister Heather (3) on May 12, 1995.

Austin Daniel, son of **A.J. Krauza '90** & **Denise Brasco-Krauza '90**, born last October 3, 1994.

Matthew & Kevin, twins, sons of **Patricia Flanders Lagarenne '90**, born on March 6, 1995.

Dominick Gerard, son of **Marissa Mongelli Maselli '90** & Tony Maselli, former Wagner football coach, was born July 25, 1995.

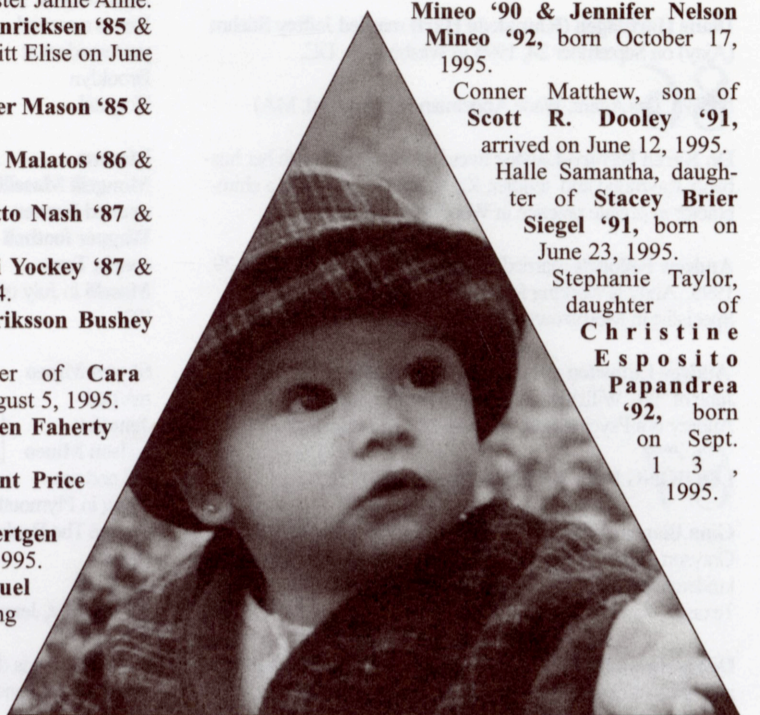
Cailie Rose, daughter of **Cori Buoniconti McPartland '90**, born August 27, 1995.

Mark Wagner, son of **Steven Mineo '90** & **Jennifer Nelson Mineo '92**, born October 17, 1995.

Conner Matthew, son of **Scott R. Dooley '91**, arrived on June 12, 1995.

Halle Samantha, daughter of **Stacey Brier Siegel '91**, born on June 23, 1995.

Stephanie Taylor, daughter of **Christine Esposito Papandrea '92**, born on Sept. 13, 1995.



Miss Madison Korin Anarumo . . . the next Miss America?

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In memoriam

◆ Salvatore J. Alberti '57

Salvatore J. Alberti, Class of 1957, member of the Board of Trustees, Wagner Athletic Hall of Famer, former Seahawk Football player and coach, died on December 19, 1995, following a long illness.

A staunch supporter of Wagner College and the athletic programs, Sal received both his bachelor's and master's degrees



at Wagner. Playing football under then coach John "Bunny" Barbes from 1955 to 1957 he later returned as an assistant coach from 1959 to 1965. Sal was fortunate to have coached not one, but two of Wagner's undefeated teams, helping the 1960 and 1964 Wagner Seahawks to their perfect seasons.

Sal was the founder and President of the Seahawk Club which later became what is now the Touchdown Club. At a ceremony held during the Homecoming festivities this past year, Sal was honored with induction into the Wagner Athletic Hall of Fame for his ongoing support and service to the College and to the Wagner Athletic Program.

Although he moved to Endwell, New York in 1972 with his wife Marie (also Class of '57), son Michael and daughters Jacqueline and Marissa, he was still a frequent face on campus for events ranging from reunions to trustee meetings to football games.

An avid golfer, Sal's passing has prompted the re-naming of the Wagner Seahawk Golf Classic. The new name will reflect his support and commitment to Wagner, and will be announced at this year's Classic held in September. A fitting tribute to a man who knew the importance of the balance of a solid education and strong athletics.

◆ Eleanor Koehler Sutter

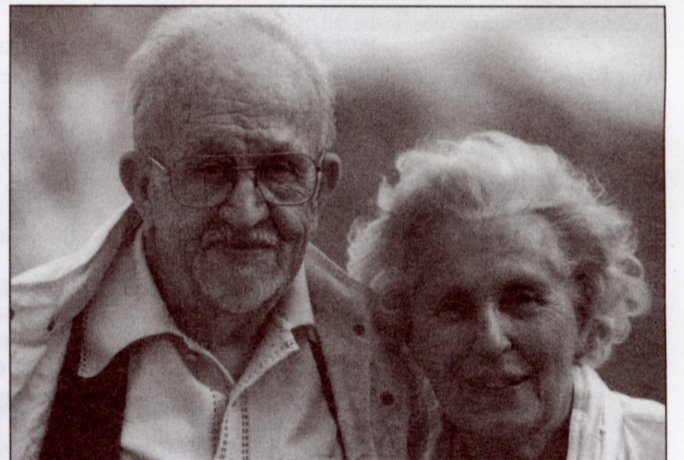
Eleanor Sutter, wife of the Reverend Dr. Carl J. Sutter, class of 1929 and Wagner Trustee, died this past December.

A long time friend of Wagner, Mrs. Sutter was born on Staten Island and resided here all her life.

Mrs. Sutter was active in her husband's parish, Trinity Lutheran Church, taking part in the choir, the women's organizations and teaching Sunday school.

She and Pastor Sutter (now retired) met in elementary school and were married in Trinity Lutheran. Over the years, the couple played large roles in the community.

Mrs. Sutter was once quoted as saying that she had many interests, but none that was stronger than "my work for my church."



An avid singer and studied artist, Mrs. Sutter also enjoyed the outdoors, devoting time to gardening and tennis. "Eleanor Sutter was a warm and positive person who made a lot of lives brighter", commented her son Frederic Koehler Sutter.

Wagner College, Trinity Lutheran Church and all of Staten Island will miss that warmth. We have lost a good friend and a lovely lady.

Wagner College Is On-Line

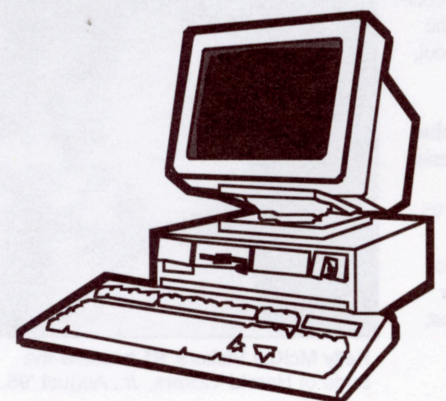
Wagner College has joined the ranks of e-mail users and the World Wide Web.

Internet browsers are invited to visit the Wagner College Home Page which has recently been launched on the World Wide Web. The site offers general information about the College for prospective students and others interested in learning more about Wagner.

Alumni may now also send updates and queries to the Alumni Office via e-mail. The Office welcomes mail, and promises to respond promptly.

So visit the Wagner Home Page at www.wagner.edu and write to us at alumni@wagner.edu.

We look forward to "hearing" from you.



Wagner grads return to Vietnam

by Steve and Gus Merkel '55

Tom Moles '65 and Greg Knapp '66 have been through a lot together. They met nearly 40 years ago at freshman football camp at St. Cecilia High School, Englewood, New Jersey. Four years later, in 1961, they continued their education, and friendship at Wagner. Both joined the ranks of Delta Nu fraternity.

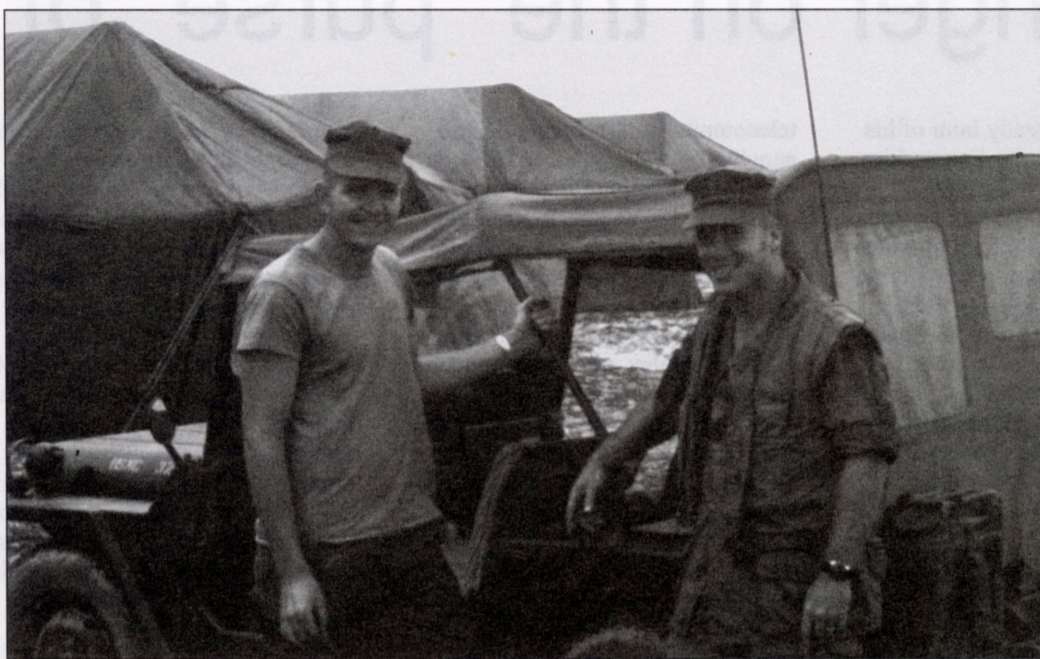
Presently, both men share a common vocation. Tom is a managing director and municipal bond fund portfolio manager for J. & W. Seligman & Co. Greg is a senior advisor at Dillon Read & Co. public finance department. The common bond is literally the bond market.

For two men not physically joined at the hip, they share an extraordinary history. Enough, probably, for two lifetimes. But the commonalities do not end here. In 1967, both men volunteered themselves to the ultimate brotherhood. The Marines. The fraternity of Semper Fi. In 1967, our country was caught up in a war. A tiny country called Vietnam was in a tug of war between Communism and Democracy. As Marines, Tom and Greg would be thrown right in front of it. Soon, these two school buddies would be separated by this war. But not for long. They would meet only once, and only for a few hours, but it was proof conclusive that nothing could easily separate the two for long.

(Journal entry of Tom Moles, 1995):

"As you can imagine, Greg and I wrote to each other a lot. While we were in Vietnam, we served in the same areas, but our trails only crossed once. My outfit, 3rd Recon, had just moved its base to Quang Tri. We were digging in and setting up our base, when Greg (now First Lieutenant) showed up. He had come from down the street, (Dong Ha). He was a sight for sore eyes. He arrived in a tactical jeep he had no authority to have. He brought with him a bottle of rot-gut scotch and a few back issues of the Daily News. We chatted, took some pix, agreed to try to meet again and went our separate ways. I was soon sent to Khe Sanh, and Greg rotated home."

The two men survived the war, intact for the most part. At various reunions and anniversary functions over the years, the men heard talk of others returning to Vietnam. Both had the same idea. Then one day,



A little piece of history. Above, Greg and Tom meet at Quang Tri in 1968.

after a few cocktails during yet another reunion, the two decided to cement the idea. To make it a reality.

Tom and Greg seem to agree the return trip was more a matter of curiosity than anything else. An inner need to see the country at their pace as opposed to Uncle Sam's. Culturally, Vietnam has not changed all that much in 27 years. In fact, only the big cities, such as Hanoi, (the Capital) really show any of the after effects of a major infusion of western values. Vietnam is still very much a slowly emerging third world country. Greg spoke of the dichotomy that makes post-war Vietnam such an unusual place to visit. "The villages were just as I had remembered, very rural, very humble surroundings. In the larger cities, you turn on the hotel television, and there's CNBC." He feels that with the installation of a more realistic infrastructure, Vietnam, with its tropical climate, friendly people, and perfect beaches, would be a great tourism spot. People like Tom and Greg are carefully watching Vietnam's growth. Both men feel that with the normalization of relations we now have with the country, it is only a matter of time before the true potential of this tiny world is tapped.

Traveling in country, the two men used the same maps that Tom had once used for his various missions throughout the war. In Quang Tri they were able to locate the approximate spot that years before they had shared during their one and only photo opportunity. What to do?

They reshot the scene of 27 years before. They visited Khe Sanh, finding a veritable minefield of exposed munitions. Mortar rounds rising to the surface, grenades exposed by erosion, LIVE GRENADES. LIVE MORTAR ROUNDS!

There is a literal cottage industry here of metal hunters, that will stop at little to collect any piece of scrap metal they can get their hands on to be sold as scrap, or as souvenirs to the tourists. En route to Khe Sanh combat base, Tom was approached by a local man selling of all things, Dog Tags. Real dog tags that belonged to real men and women. Tom could make out the name "Christopher" on one, followed by the initials "U.S.M.C." He was surprised and angered at the same time. "Seeing those tags really got to me emotionally." He threw the tags back at the man and shouted something that will not be repeated here. The western version of sales tact has not yet gained a foothold there. There were other ghosts waiting for the men as they traveled.

(Journal entry of Tom Moles, October 8, 1995):

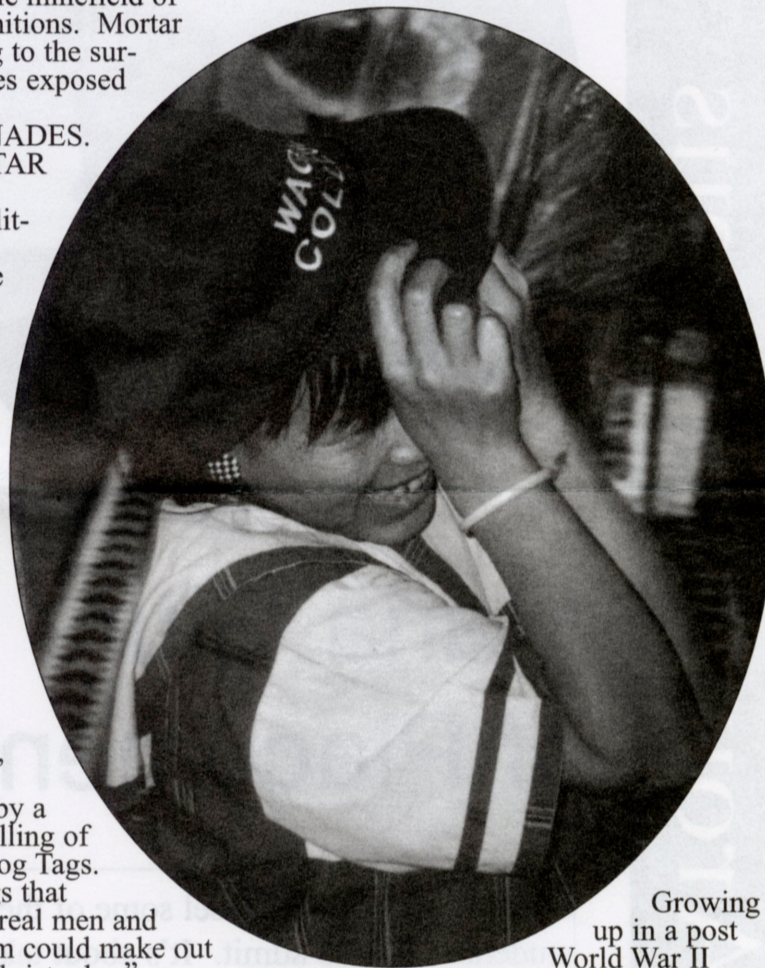
"The Century River Front Hotel: We saw the bridge where Walter Murphy was wounded and bled to death during the Tet Offensive, 1968. He was from Staten Island and a Wagner graduate. Walter was also a Delta Nu brother. Hank, Walter's younger brother, was from our era at Wagner. He was president of Delta Nu during Greg's and my freshman year. It was through Hank that Greg and I became friends with Walt."

As with any journey, there were good and bad times alike, things to see and lessons to be learned.

These are the best reasons for any trip to anywhere. Experience and knowledge. The feeling of having attained a goal. The feeling of being a little bit better, a little bit smarter, and maybe having a few less questions left unanswered. Tom and Greg set out to truly experience

the country they had fought so hard to defend years before. They wanted to see what they couldn't see before. Where the first trip created nothing but questions, did the return give the two men any answers? Tom says he no longer feels a need to go back.

Greg's feelings are strong, commenting that the Marine Corps was a defining experience in his life and will always be an organization with which he takes great pride in being associated. He adds, "The return trip to Vietnam helped me to put my time spent there as a young man in perspective, and has enabled me to express feelings about that time that I've never before articulated. The U.S. is a great country, and one of its most valued resources is its young people."



Growing up in a post World War II

America, I developed a strong and unconditional sense of patriotism and loyalty toward my country."

"Men like Major Walter Murphy '58, Captain Douglas Ford '65, Lieutenants Nick Lia and Bobby Gall '66, all Marines, most certainly shared these same ideals, and were surely part of the reservoir of America's greatest human resources. They all gave their lives for their country in that conflict. Marine Captain Fred Williamson '64, former member of the Wagner Board of Trustees and current President of the National Alumni Association served honorably in that war and was awarded several Silver Stars, our Nation's third highest award for valor. Marine Lieutenant Steve Zurrtag '66 served gallantly as an artillery officer. Army Lieutenant Robert O'Brien '66, current member of the Board of Trustees served and was seriously wounded in the war. I know there were others. I only mention those I personally knew."

Contemplating lessons learned from Vietnam, Greg summed it up by saying, "We should never again squander these resources in an ill conceived, politicized war that never had its mission clearly defined."

Oh, that we should heed those words.



Reliving history, Greg and Tom returned to Quang Tri 27 years later.

New Chief Financial Officer has finger on the "purse" of Wagner

With the steady hum of his computer beckoning him back to work, piles of papers on his desk ranging from the most complicated contract to a memo that his wife called, it is easy to see that Frank Kamenar is the most sought after man on campus these days. As Wagner's new Vice President for Finance and Administration, Frank wears many hats during any given day. His biggest projects to date are the restructuring of Wagner's entire



telecommunications network, refinancing the College's current debt service, and helping in the fundraising efforts for Wagner's proposed recreation facility. Frank came to Wagner this past fall, after having moved to Grymes Hill with wife Mary Jean, a Vice President with Morgan Stanley, and son Stephen. He also has a daughter, Lisa, and grandson, Jake, who live in Florida. The chief financial officer at any college needs to be in sync with the president on the vision and future of the college. Currently,

Frank is ensuring that the controls are in place to propel Wagner into the twenty-first century. Upon meeting Dr. Norman Smith and hearing about Wagner's recent developments, Frank was very interested in the challenges presented here. Many colleges are able to raise money, but they lack the capability to control it. Frank's experience in both the corporate and non-profit

sectors gives Wagner a definite edge in accomplishing its goals.

Before coming to Wagner, Frank was the Vice President for Finance and Administration & Treasurer at Manhattanville College in Purchase, NY. The school had experienced several years of large deficits, an uncertain future of declining enrollments, increased financial aid allocation, and increased debt service requirements. Frank was brought to Manhattanville as their chief financial officer to develop a turnaround plan and help restore the college's credibility with lenders. Eventually a new president was installed and Frank decided to move on.

The Chief Financial Officer at any college needs to be in sync with the President on the vision and future of the college.

Although Manhattanville did not work out for him, he realized that the small college atmosphere was best suited for both him and his family.

A graduate of Ohio University with a degree in Accounting/Finance, Frank started his career with Ernst & Ernst, the predecessor to Ernst & Young. He became a CPA and went on to spend thirteen years with that firm as a senior audit manager. In 1977, Frank moved to the New York

City area to join PepsiCo, Inc. as the controller of their overseas soft drink operations. As Pepsi Cola International's chief accounting officer, Frank implemented the accounting, reporting, and control strategies which were necessary to support and monitor Pepsi's expansion in overseas markets.

After spending seven years in the international sector and traveling too much overseas, Frank decided to settle down and in 1985 joined the Metropolitan Opera as its CFO. At that time, Frank's efforts channeled the Met's revenue growth of more than fifty percent to over \$100 million and its endowment growth of 100% to over \$110 million.

In 1991, Frank caught the entrepreneurial bug and formed his own firm, Financial Management Solutions, which provided shared-time financial management services to small-growth companies that could not afford full-time CFO's. Frank remained there until he began his tenure at Manhattanville in 1994.

After six months, Frank and his family are very happy at Wagner. Already, he has made an impact by directing the installation of Wagner's new campuswide computer information system and preliminary plans for the recreation center.

Frank is certainly visible on campus, but rarely in the same place for long. Although sometimes hard to get ahold of, he is here helping to make Wagner a better college for both its students and alumni.

Maria Giura '89 Named Director of Placement

"It's rewarding to counsel some of the same students I helped admit. It's about taking them full circle and helping them to identify their options."

After six years as a member of the Wagner Admissions staff, Maria Giura was named Director of Placement within the College's Career Development Center. Maria's new position is also a new one at Wagner and represents the College's expanded investment in preparing students to successfully achieve their post-graduate goals. Maria joins a staff of two professionals - Professor Tony Carter, Director of the Career Development Center and Dr. Walter Rohrs, Coordinator of the Internship Program.

Maria's focus is on several tasks. She has taken the lead in overseeing and documenting the post graduate outcomes of each graduating class. She is coordinating the efforts of Career Development with those of the faculties from all majors to insure the College is employing every resource to help students locate appropriate post graduate opportunities and plans to annually publish a placement report of each graduating class.

"The transition from Admissions to Placement has been a natural one. My audience hasn't changed that dramatically," Maria explains. She has gone from working with prospective students, their parents and high school personnel to current students, alumni and human resources personnel. "It's rewarding to counsel some of the same students I helped admit. It's about taking them full circle and helping them to identify all their options."

There are two crucial components to the placement effort that fuel its effectiveness. The first

involves building on the base of companies already affiliated with the College. Some of these new additions include American Management Association, Goldman Sachs, The New York Hospital and Carnegie Hall Center for Communications. The goal is to have students mingle with high profile individuals from these and other top companies so that when it comes to job selection, the students have a "leg up" and can be just as discriminating of the companies they apply to as the companies have been to candidates. One way Maria is managing this is through careful selection and "matchmaking" between student and companies. Being a small college allows a very personalized service when it comes to selecting the right "candidate" for the job. Maria adds, "I am able to keep my referrals highly specific to the positions a company needs to fill."

The second component is contingent upon the students' utilization of the Center. The earlier stu-



dents are counseled and know their areas of interest, the sooner the Center can educate them to their options.

As an alumna, Maria can identify with Wagner students and the decisions and rigors they face in the professional world. As an Education major, she took her degree away from teaching and into college administration. "I continually remind students that their major does not necessarily dictate, but rather enhances the career route they take."

Currently pursuing a Master's degree in English Literature, Maria comments on the path her own career has taken, "I'm right where I want to be. The challenge lies in getting Wagner students to their own point of career satisfaction."

Dates to Remember . . .

Reunion Day

Saturday, May 18, 1996

Schedule of Events

- 10:00 AM - Registration
- 11:00 AM - College Briefing with
12:00 Noon Senior Administrators
- 12:30 PM - Reunion Day Luncheon
- 2:30 - Class Photos
4:30 PM - Campus Tours
Class Gatherings
Bookstore Open
Art Gallery Open
Hawks Nest Open
- 5:00 - President's Reception
6:30 PM
- 7:00 PM Reunion Dinner Dance



Alumni Golf Outing

Thursday, June 13, 1996

Latourette Golf Course,
Staten Island, New York
For more information
Contact The Athletic
Office @ (718) 390-3483
or
The Alumni Office @
(718) 390-3224

Staten Island Alumni Chapter Picnic

Saturday, June 1st
on the

Wagner College Campus.

For more information, contact the Alumni Office @ 390-3224

**HOMECOMING,
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**SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 19TH**

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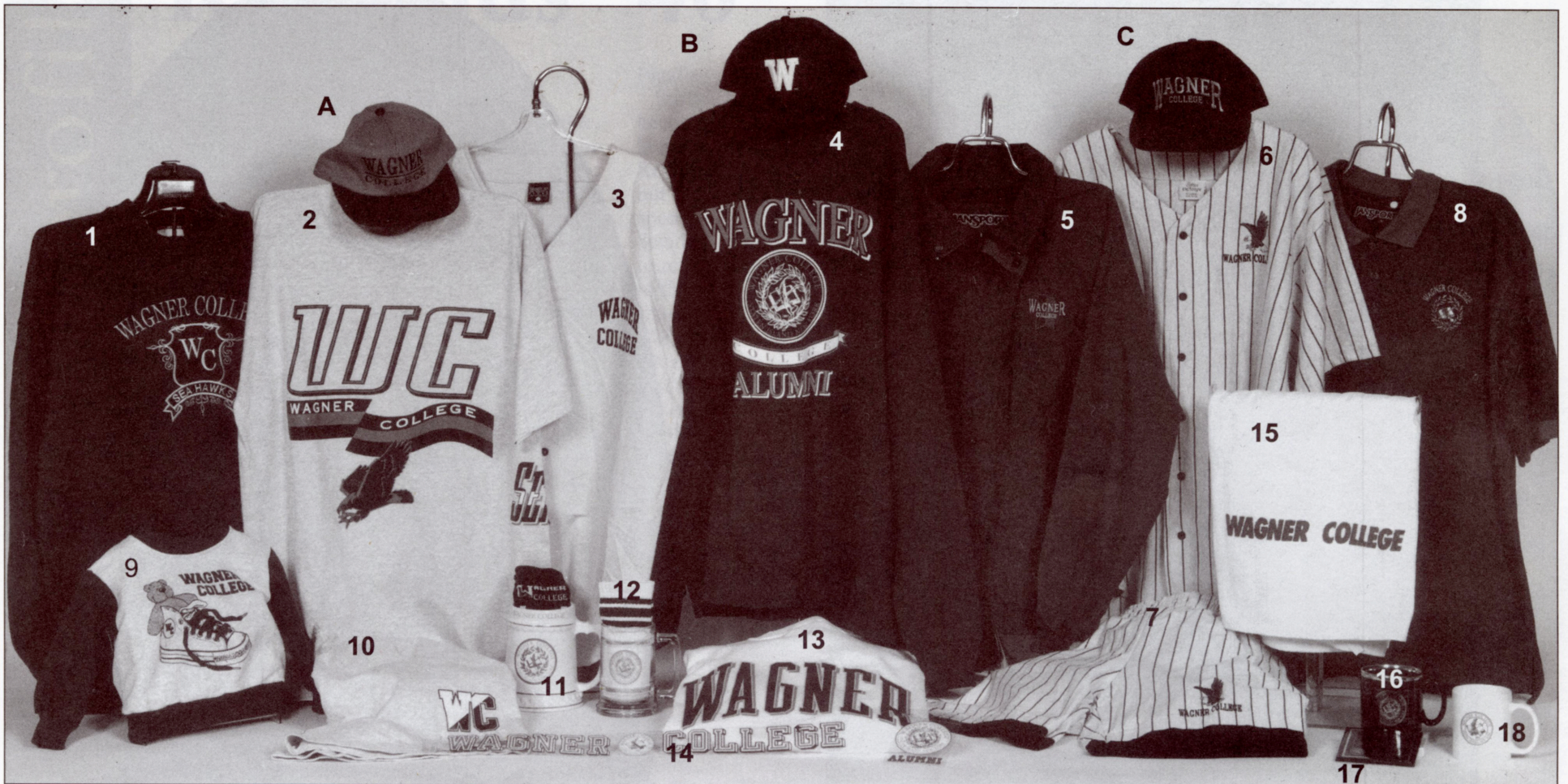
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