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The Year In Review 1984-85

By W. Michels

When this newspaper loses its freshness, and time yellows its pages, and those who have grown, learned and laughed here have entered new years and new lives--what will we remember? What meaning will this past year have for us in the years that lie ahead?

We came back to school with Olympic victories fresh in our memories: athletes such as Mary Lou Retton and Joan Benoit captured our imaginations, and our hearts. Our own athletic program started up for the fall season, but our football team had a rough opener, losing a disappointing game to rival Montclair State.

Wagner's Homecoming was highlighted by the traditional float parade, as well as a comeback victory over Cortland State, 27-17. For the first time in nine years the royal entourage included a Homecoming King along with the Homecoming Queen. Chris Ryan and Lola Soto received the honors by winning the elections, and they presided over the day's events.

The Presidential election captured national attention in November, with the still-incumbant Ronald Reagan battling against Walter Mondale, a once-time Vice-President. Mondale defeated a host of democratic candidates (including Gary Hart and Jesse Jackson) to secure his party's nomination, but in the end he couldn't unseat Reagan, who won the election by a land-

slide. History was made, though; for the first time a major political party nominated a woman for a presidential ticket: Democratic Vice-Presidential candidate Geraldine Ferraro.

National issues and International news drew attention from our campus and the country. What were our issues? What news-from-afar galvanized our quiet campus?

A famine in Ethiopia threatened to kill over six-million people (and, at the time of this writing, the danger still exists). Aid rushed in from all over the world, but it was not enough.

A gas leak in Bhopal, India blinded thousands. The chemical was emitted by a Union Carbide plant, and the accident has now become the biggest lawsuit case in history.

Technological advances stunned the world in 1984. Barney Clarke and William Schroeder became the first recipients of artificial hearts and Baby Fae was able to live for a short while with a transplanted baboon's heart.

On the high frontier, engineers retrieved two lost satellites from errant orbits, saving millions of dollars worth of previously useless machinery.

Campus happenings were more down to earth, as well as more somber. Physics professor, Dr. Harvey Logan died on October 20, 1984, leaving a widow and two young sons. His

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Graduation will be on May 26th, 1985 in the Oval.

CONGRATULATIONS!

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loss saddened the college community.

Six weeks later freshman basketball player James Brice died of spinal meningitis. His death shocked Wagner by its suddenness and senselessness. He was only nineteen.

After watching Joe Montana and the '49ers defeat Dan Marino and the Dolphins in a Superbowl classic, we came back in February to cold rooms and freezing temperatures. A Wagnerian poll on racism soon revealed a few unpleasant opinions. And a week later the Board of Trustees raised our tuition nine percent.

While abortion clinics were being bombed in Florida and Washington D.C., a Wagnerian poll revealed that 85% of Wagner students polled felt that abortion should remain legal.

Here in New York an incident occurred which provoked a national controversy. Bernhard Goetz shot four youths on a subway when they demanded money from him. The case dragged on for months, but it raised issues on freedom and the rights of people to defend themselves. The case illustrated what would happen if a man took the law into his own hands in order to insure his "safety".

English Professor Dr. Jack Boies died after a long illness in the spring. He served Wagner as the Chairman of the English Department, and he was a powerful force in the development of theatre on Staten Island.



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Michael Knotts Co-Editor

Middle States Evaluators Get An Earful

I was surprised when I was asked to attend the student opinion meeting for the Middle States evaluation of Wagner College. I was surprised because I have always been publically critical of Wagner. I have been honest. Certainly nothing I would say would impress the Middle States representative. Even Dean Guttu, saying in what I think was jest, "Remember to say only nice things about Wagner," was not enough to deter me.

Low academic standards, an apathetic administration, poor administrative leadership, and low student involvement were emotionally believed by the nine students present as being the

major aspects of Wagner.

I can't remember anything nice being said about this college, other than the fact that we felt most teachers are competent and accessible.

I was surprised that I was not alone in my criticisms.

Students, Disgusted, Take Control

Answers are going to be provided by another student group brought together by Union director Darlene LaRosa to discuss the rise in campus apathy. This group consists of approximately twenty-five student leaders, representing various fraternities, sororities and campus organizations. I attended as a representative for The Wagnerian.

We discussed openly the problem of student apathy and its roots. The consensus seemed to be that students feel they are being overseen by a faceless uncaring administration. Why should they care about themselves and campus life if "the administration" doesn't care. The alcohol and party restrictions were criticized because of the administration's "slap on the hand" attitude.

A sense of change is in the air because of this meeting. Students want to control their own lives. More of these meetings have been scheduled. We are very adamant. I'm glad to be a part of this new trend at Wagner. I also hope that all hell breaks loose during the fall semester when, under the leadership of these twenty-six students, we say to an uncooperative administration, "We are not children. We are adults with ideas. We don't like the way things are going and we're going to change things. Listen to us."

The Wagnerian's Past, Present and Future

The thirty-two students involved in the production of The Wagnerian this semester have been dedicated to providing you with a respectable weekly newspaper. I must compare my editorship with those of the past few years. WE HAVE RAISED OUR STANDARDS. We provided you with an improved media: more articles, more photos, more issues and more responsible reporting. Maybe we have finally set the groundwork for a journalism major at Wagner?

In light of the fact that expectations for public praise from the administration and, yes, even from, you, the student, is extremely dim, I would like to publically thank and praise the following for sharing the work load, staying up on those all-nighters and meeting the weekly deadlines: Co-editor Bill for your idealism, Production Manager Harsh for your endless dedication, Managing Editor Joe for your stubborness, Business Manager Maria for your preseverance, News Editor Tony for your constant smile, Photography Editor Everett for your-let's see- oh yeah -photos, and Sports Editor Kevin for your optimism. Thank you all. Without you, there would be no paper.

Flying In The Face Of Tradition

At this point, I am reminded that there is no one to follow in our footsteps. The position remains open. The amount of time(let's say a good thirty hours a week in the Wagnerian office), responsibility(you are obligated to over 2000 Wagner students, to put out at least an eight page newspaper every week for about thirteen weeks.), and talent(let's consider spelling, grammar, layout design, photography, etc.), are all aspects of putting out a quality paper.

Currently an editor receives three credits per semester. These are shared by Bill and I, that's 1.5 a piece. This is all we

receive. Self gratification and these credits are not enough of an incentive. I propose that changes are made; that the editor receive tuition credits in place of academic credits and that free board be provided. Any student considering applying for this position should seriously push for these changes. In the face of rising tuition and our attempt to raise this college's standards, this must be done.

Michael R. Knotts Co-Editor

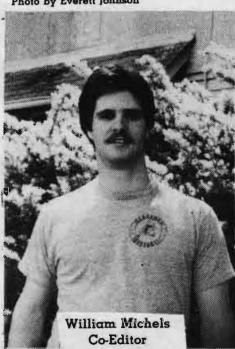
The Student Observer

Mike and I started 1985 full of high hopes and ambitious ideas. We found ourselves thrust into a position that was unusual a well as unique for a student at Wagner. The position of Editor-in-Chief requires a great deal of responsibility, integrity, perseverance, and dedication. We did our job to the best of our abilities. I can only thank my Co-Editor and our staff for the endless hours they spent here this semester writing, reviewing, editing, living, learning, and laughing. I have to thank Harshan for his grasp of layout, I thank Tony for his incisive questions. I thank Mike for always being there. Joe contributed his own unique style of getting things done; Kevin I thank for his ability to do his best at the worst of times. There are many people-you know who you are-who were able to contribute to our paper at one time or another and made it a success.

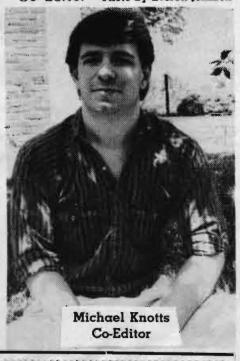
The Wagnerian became a powerful, reliable force on this campus. The stories were factual. The writing was clear, the message was brought to the students every week. WAGNER HAD A NEWSPAPER THAT WE COULD BE PROUD OF.

I discovered that the tremendous amount of time and effort that we put into the paper were well worth it, even though our opinions were often disregarded by those who really should be understanding what we have to say. Student opinion is not held in high regard here at Wagner. While sitting in on the first faculty meeting of the semester I heard some professors characterize student leisure-time activities as filled with nothing but beer drinking and partying. While sitting in a Board of Trustees meeting in February I found little concern for the students here. It is time for our voices to be heard. We should not be judged and putdown by outdated stereotypical views or brushed off with indifference. The recent meetings of student group leaders is a powerful, intelligent, viable' movement towards making the student voice at Wagner be heard. This is our school: our concern and dedication to the things that we do here will make our years here more productive and enjoyable, and make memories sweeter in the years after we leave.

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The View from the Hill

Clapton Sparkles

By W. Michels

What becomes a legend most? When the legend is Eric Clapton, the masterful blues guitarist, it is hard to describe the incredible impact that he has made on rock. Seeing him play with such energy and freshness in his concert on April 25 at the Byrne Arena was an experience to behold.

Clapton made his mark early; he surfaced the Yardbirds, one of the greatest British bands of the 60's. The Yardbirds was a stepping stone for him, as well as two other fine guitarists in the band: Jimmy Page and Jeff Beck.

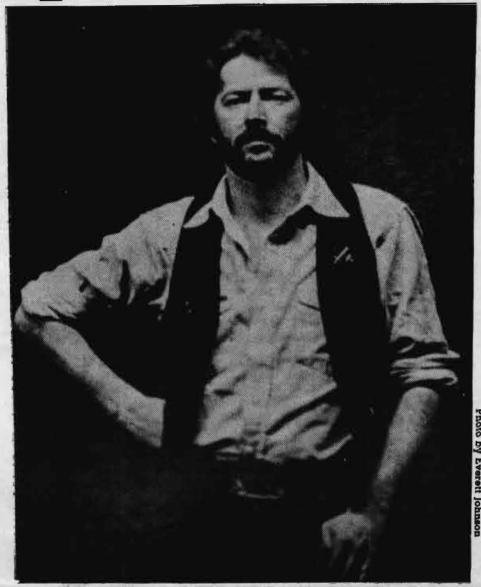
Listing the groups that Clapton has played with is like writing a who's who of rock. From the Yardbirds, Clapton joined John Mayall's Bluesbreakers, and later formed the first supergroup: Cream. With Ginger Baker and Jack Bruce, Cream was the ultimate power trio. Their songs, from "Sunshine of Your Love" to "White Room", are classics.

The pressures of stardom were to much, and when Cream broke up, Clapton

played variously with the Beatles, John Lennon, Stephen Stills, and even Arethra Franklin. He formed a new group, Derek and the Dominoes, with Duane Allman of the Allman Brothers. They produced one of the greatest albums of all time: "Layla."

Clapton was stunning in concert on April 25. His voice was strong and his guitar playing was fluid and powerful. His unmistakable style and sound comes through on his new al- . bum, "Behind the Sun" containing one of his best songs, "Forever Man", which was played as an encore at the concert. The light show, although not the show's center, dazzled the audience, especially the medley of "Badge" and "Let it Rain."

Clapton's stratocaster soared through his solos. It is a welcomed change from many guitarists who nowadays have made their reputation by squeezing in as many notes in a scale as possible as fast as possible. Clapton has always been on the top, and he's always chosen to play the music he loves, the blues.



On tour in 1985 with his new album "Behind The Sun".

LETTERS

President's Good-bye

Dear Graduating Seniors:

Now that the year is coming to an abrupt close, I the four years gone past.

We entered Wagner as freshmen in 1981. Although the time seems to have flown by, when we look back many exciting events have occurred which we were most fortunate to be part of. We saw the inauguration of a new President, Dr. Sam H. Frank, and the centennial at Wagner, by highlighted immense an fireworks celebration. We also saw our school football team make it to Division III Playoffs for the first time ever.

the end educational career at Wagner is drawing nearer and nearer. In two weeks, we will file our books away and move

towards new goals. Some of us will enter the business world, reality as they've been telling us all along, while others will would just like to reflect on move on to graduate school to continue their studies. But no matter which path we take, we all have one thing in common, Wagner will be a part of us forever.

> As a member of the class of '85, I would just like to wish you all good luck in whatever endeavors might be. We've been through the good times as well as the bad times, but fortunately our time is almost over. I extend a special congratulations to each and every one of you and wish you all the best of luck in whatever it is you do. Success is waiting at the end of our trail.

> > Eileen McNeil Student Gov't President

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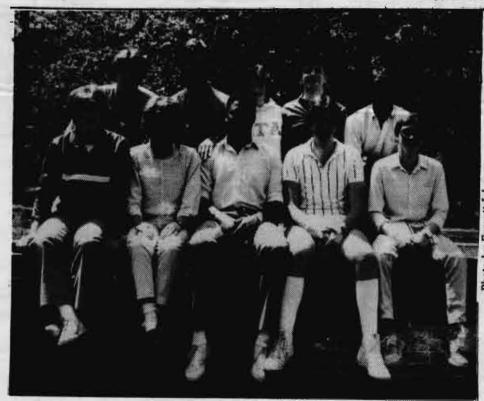
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Campus Apathy

School spirit-does Wagner know what it is? I don't think so. Our apathetic student body shows no enthusiasm for any campus activities or sporting events or anything irrelevant to themselves for that matter.

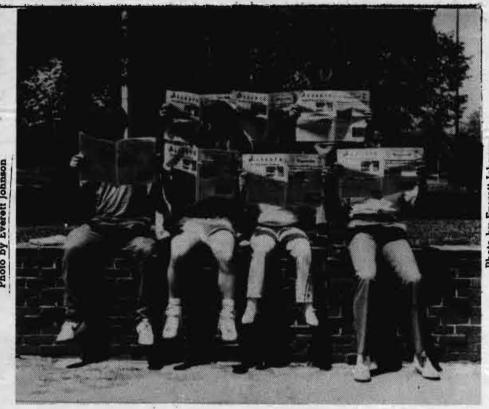
School spirit is an inevitable ingredient to the chemistry of a close-knit college. Without it, like in Wagner's case, the togetherness a campus should contain is all lost. If it wasn't for the fact that this is a small campus, both area-wide and body-wide, the social life on the campus would be restricted to a "clickish" atmosphere, worst than the present.

As it is now, many people still regress to their so called "clickish" activities, but what if this campus was a huge state university? Could you imagine having a campus so large that you have to take buses to classes and did not, like at Wagner, see the same person twice in one day. It would be pathetic. The social life would include a bunch of "clickish" fraternity like groups which would not relate to any of the others, only their

More school spirit and support along with involvement in the schools activities should help this campus life shape up. But it takes you, the students to make it better for yourselves. You should become more involved with any activities that are upcoming at Wagner, like Homecoming, for example. One little extra effort can make campus life better for you and others at Wagner.

> Joe Yankauskas Managing Editor





Incognito Editors

Valby St

Dr. Dirty Impresses Wagner

By Paul Albicocco

Over six-hundred attended the John Valby concert that began at 9:00 pm and ran to 11:30 pm. Eleven kegs of beer were consumed during the evening.

"Considering the amount of people present," said Darlene LaRosa, Union Director,"there were really no problems. The Union bathroom experienced water leaks when a pipes was pulled from the wall by a

person attending the event.

There was also graffiti in the bathrooms, as well as, loud noise attributed to restlessness in the dorms around 12:30 am.

"It killed the purpose of study day. Instead of studying," says Darlene, "most people seemed to be passed out."

student confronted Darlene and wanted to know why this program was allowed on campus. Darlene explained that, as you can tell, over six-hundred students wanted to see him.

Campus **Paperback** Bestsellers

- In Search of Excellence, by T. J. Peters & R. H. Waterman Jr. (Warner, \$8.95.) A look at the secrets of successful business.
- The Far Side Gallery, by Gary Larson. (Andrews, McMeel & Parker, \$8.95.) And still more cartoons from the "Far Side".
- 3. The One Minute Manager, by K. Blanchard & S. Johnson. (Berkley, \$8.95.) How to increase your productivity.
- In Search of the Far Side, by Gary Larson. (Andrews, McMeel & Parker, \$4.95.) More cartoons from the "Far Side".
- 5. Dune, by Frank Herbert. (Berkley, \$3.95.) First book of the
- Dune series. Currently a motion picture. Megatrenda, by John Naisbitt. (Warner, \$3.95.)

Forecasting America's future.

- The Road Less Traveled, by M. Scott Peck. (Touchstone, \$8.95.) Psychological and spiritual inspiration by a psychiatrist.
- Pet Semetary, by Stephen King. (NAL/Signet, \$4.50.)
 Another tale from the prolific Mr. King.
- Living, Loving and Learning, by Leo Buscaglia. (Fawcett, \$5.95.) Thoughts from the acclaimed California professor.
- Bloom County-Loose Tales, by Berke Breathed. (Little, Brown, \$5.95.) Highlights from the author's cartoon strip.

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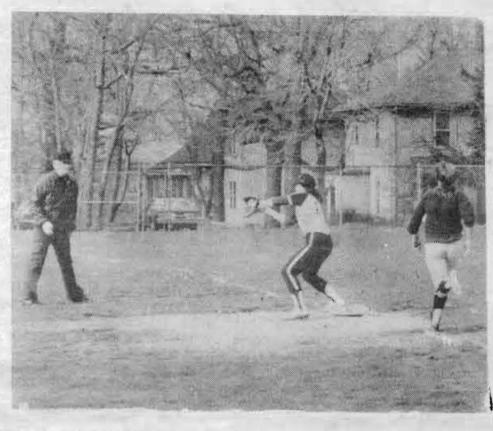
The Rescue of Miss Yaskell, by Russell Baker. (NAL/Signet, \$3.95.) Russell Baker is back and looks into things that keep all our lives from being ordinary.

A Sinless Sesson, by Damon Galgut. (Penguin, \$4.95.) An extraordinary novel of troubled adolescence as powerful and disturbing as Lord of the Files.

Inside Management Training, by M. L. Saizman with D.A. Sullivan. (NAL/Plume, \$8.95.) Essential information on the training programs of over 100 major corporations in over a

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Successful Season Completed



Win Last Two Games

By Kevin Wetherell

The Shehawks have just completed their 1985 softball campaign with an 11-9 record. The regular season ended on a bright note with the team posting victories in thir final two contests. The Shehawks defeated Southern Connecticut 2-1 and bested Kean 1-0 in an exciting nine inning affair.

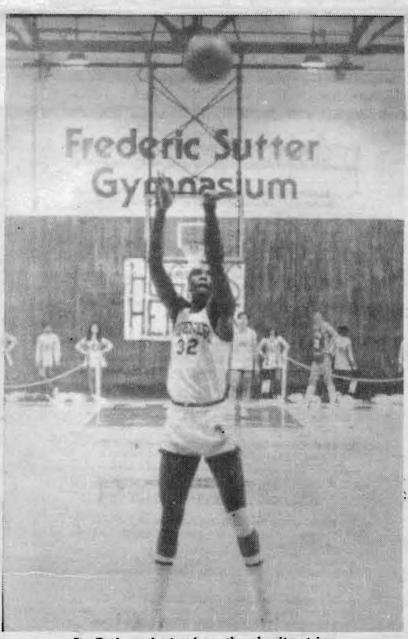
The Southern Connecticut game was one which saw the Shehawks win, scoring both of their runs without the benefit of a hit. The runs were the result of four walks and two wild pitches. Joan Chelson resorded her ninth win of the season, pitching a five-hit complete game.

Tuesday's victory was a 1-0 squeaker over Kean College. After the regulation

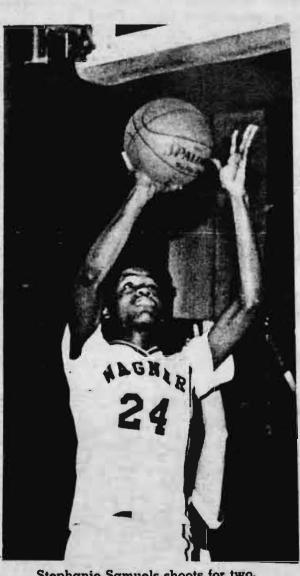
seven innings were played, the game was still scoreless. The Shehawks then went on to score the game's only run in the top of the ninth with the aid of the extra inning speed-up rule. This rule places a runner on second base at the beginning of each extra inning in an attempt to break the tie. Wagner placed Allison Calcano on second and she was driven home by Lisa DeRienzo's base hit.

Joan Chelson registered her tenth victory of the season and posted her fifth shutout of the year. She also lowered her ERA to an outstanding 1.38 runs per game. Joan was responsible for all but one of Wagner's victories this season.

With these two wins under their belts the Shehawks still have and outside shot at being invited to the ECAC fournament.



Art Redmond tries from the charity stripe.



Stephanie Samuels shoots for two.



John Von Ahnen looking at a long gainer.

