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### SAT/ACT scores now optional

By **MARISSA DIBARTOLO**  
Editor in Chief

As of Fall 2010, the Wagner College Admissions Office will no longer require students to submit standardized test scores as a part of the application.

In the past, Wagner required students to present either their Standard Aptitude Test (SAT) scores, or their American College Test (ACT) scores. Current Wagner students have an average score of 1720 out of a possible 2400 on the SAT and 26 out of 36 on the ACT.

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### Chartwells makes improvements after summer inspection scare

By **ALEXA LYONS**  
Life & Style Editor

Chartwells, the company that operates dining services on campus, has made significant changes since it was shut down on June 21 for three days after failing an inspection by the New York City Department of Health.

The Health Department conducts unannounced inspections of restaurants and food services at least once a year. Inspectors check for compliance in food handling, food temperature, personal hygiene and vermin control. Each violation of a regulation earns a certain number of points. At the end of the inspection, the inspector totals the points, and this number is the restaurant's inspection score — the lower the score, the better.

According to the Health Department website, Chartwells earned a score of 75 during the June inspection. Violations included food item spoiled, adulterated or contaminated; evidence of mice or live mice present in food and/or non-food area; sanitized equipment or utensil improperly used or stored.

Violations were corrected and the main dining hall reopened on June 25, earning a new health inspection



Photo: Grace Wazowicz

Students wait to be served by Chartwells staff member at the action station.

score of 4.

Chartwells has been the main food provider at Wagner College for nearly 20 years. The June shutdown was its first at Wagner.

During the few days in which the dining hall was closed, a variety of changes were made to reassure students that they would have a clean and healthy dining experience. Although staff service is always a key

concern, the biggest issue was food preparation and maintenance in the kitchen.

"Chartwells, and contractor employees have taken all necessary steps and implemented preventive measures to ensure all items in question were addressed," said Lauren Kantor, senior food service director for Chartwells, in an e-mail. "We are fully committed to the process to as-

sist with providing a healthy and safe dining environment at Wagner College."

Changes included repairs to gaps around doorways, plumbing and ventilation, the dining facility itself, and cracked floor tiles in the dish room.

Chartwells has also set up a Food Committee on campus to make sure it

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### Chants of 'we want Bill' greet former president

By **NIDHI KHANNA**  
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A crowd of 1,600 Staten Islanders and Wagner students jam-packed the Spiro Sports Center Gym on Friday, September 3. Local politicians including Senator Diane Savino (D-Staten Island/ Brooklyn) revved up the masses, as the audience anxiously awaited the arrival of a familiar American political figure, former President William Jefferson Clinton. Greeted with numerous colorful handmade political signs and roaring chants of



Photo courtesy of communications  
Clinton applauding at rally

"We want Bill!" Clinton arrived at the rally on Grymes Hill to campaign for Representative Michael McMahon.

Clinton fired up the crowd after giving a special shout-out to Wagner Alumna, Luara Graham '95, who serves as Clinton's Chief of Staff. He stated, "I am very glad to be back on Staten Island, especially at Wagner College."

Last year, Wagner received a special award at the annual Clinton Global Initiative University to recognize the work students did on issues such as helping build the economy and solving immigration problems.

"Wagner is an outstanding participant in the Global Initiative and is one of 1500 national and international universities that participates in this meeting," he stated.

Clinton urged supporters to re-elect McMahon to the House of Representatives and cited several achievements of the representative that made improvements in both the Staten Island and Brooklyn communities.

After voting for President Obama's stimulus package, McMahon lobbied to allocate more transportation funds

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## New system makes campus requests a breeze

By KRISTEN HAGGERTY  
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Starting this semester, students have a more efficient way of reporting their residential problems. Whether you have a roach in your room or a light bulb out, a work request can be filled out online and sent immediately to campus operations. This method has been available to staff for a year, but has just been opened up to student usage this semester.

Sara Klein, director of residential education, explained that prior to the online request system, all student requests went through a long line of people. First, the request went to the front desk, then to the residential education staff, and finally to the appropriate department. This was an inefficient system, resulting in a heavy workload for the staff, and a long turnaround time for the students.

The new system places requests directly to the correct department, resulting in maintenance staff fixing the problem as quickly as in a few hours.

Klein is optimistic that this system will have an impact beyond faster turnaround times. "I hope that students will use the system to report more damages, since it is much easier to use. If we don't know about problems, we can't fix them!"

The online system tracks requests, letting students know the progress of their reports through e-mail. This reporter has already used the system multiple times, and can attest to the much quicker response time and frequent e-mail updates.

Students can report residential problems by going to the Resources section of the Wagner website and clicking Campus Operations Work Requests. The login information is your firstname.lastname, and the password is your first name, which can be changed upon the first login. Once logged in you are prompted to give your name, building, room number, and a description of your problem. It is also important to direct your problem to the appropriate department. The request will not go through properly if you try and send an ant infestation and a broken lightbulb in the same form. E-mails will then update you on when the form is received and when someone will be able to take care of the problem.

Administration hopes this easy and efficient system will result in residential communities that are clean and fully functional.



By Sophie Tripp  
SGA President

## Message from the 'Oval' office

## Welcome new organizations!

I hope everyone has made it through the first couple weeks back at school. Adjusting to fall semester always takes a little more time and effort than we initially think. By now, our planners, BlackBerrys and iPhones have started to fill up with the all-important events, work and assignments the semester has to offer. On a personal note, from myself to the student body, please make sure to schedule in time with friends and family. We all need that downtime to stay sane and functioning- you know what I mean!

On Tuesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, SGA held its first club congress meeting. At this meeting, we handed out information packets that laid out everything a club and organization needs to stay in good standing with SGA and function on campus.

I am excited to announce that during the meeting, two new clubs were officially voted into existence. These clubs are the Pre-Dental Society and the Maintaining Outdoor Fitness Organization. I cannot stress enough how much SGA loves to welcome new clubs and organizations to campus. The process is simple and clearly laid out, so if you have any inkling of wanting to start up something new, please see me soon. After the first six weeks of school pass by, the time to become an official club and receive a budget is up.

Also discussed at this meeting was a possible amendment to the constitution and finance bylaws of SGA. As many of you may know, in order for a club or organization to receive a budget, they must participate in one on campus and one off campus community service project each semester.

After a long discussion within SGA and a unanimous vote, we decided that it would be more beneficial and straightforward to change the requirements to two community service projects without the stipulation of one on campus and one off campus. Because of the diverse amount of clubs and organizations on campus, we want them to do what is best and most rewarding for them. At the next SGA meeting on Tuesday, September 21<sup>st</sup> at 4:30 in the Manzulli Board Room we will take an official club congress vote to amend the constitution.

I hope that by now everyone has received a chocolate bar from us. We bought these welcome back gifts because first and foremost we wanted to make you smile, but also because we had some money left over in our budget from last semester. The executive board could not stand the thought of letting this money go unused by SGA for the student body. We are very serious this year about properly allocating the budget and making the use of it visible to all of campus. Therefore, look forward to more gifts to come your way from us!

On an endnote, please be sure to look out for the first year senate elections taking place on Thursday, September 16<sup>th</sup> and Friday, September 17<sup>th</sup> and show your support by encouraging first year students to vote. I look forward to swearing in the remaining Senator positions soon and having SGA at its full running capacity.

Remember, as always, to stop by our office and let us know what we can be doing for you. See you all around campus!

## SAT/ACT test requirement dropped from application

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Since 2005, over 65 colleges and universities have made the decision to abolish the requirement for standardized testing as part of the application process.

For Wagner Admissions, the decision to drop the requirement has been discussed for some time, and Wagner is now one of over 840 schools that don't require standardized test scores. Comparable colleges that have made the same decision include Marist College, Sacred Heart University, and Loyola University. "As we looked at all of these factors it became increasingly compelling to go test optional. So many of our peers are making the same decision," Jake Brown, director of recruiting, states. Angelo Araimo, the vice president for enrollment and planning, goes on to say, "My sense is that it is really going to become the rule more than the exception to go SAT optional. There are some colleges that have gone further and won't even look at the SAT."

Administrators believe that by making the submission of test scores optional, people who may have not considered Wagner because of their low scores may feel less intimidated and apply to the college. "Guidance counselors said that students became so consumed with the SAT that it began to affect their work and also affected the schools they were applying to," Araimo states.

Standardized test scores do not necessarily reflect a student's potential as much as high school transcripts and recommendation letters. Araimo says, "If you had a 98 average and a 2020 on your SAT, you probably are going to do well, but at the same time, if you had a 98 average and a 1500, you are probably going to do well too."

The SAT is constructed in a way that creates cultural, socioeconomic, and gender biases. Studies show that African Americans, Latinos, Native Americans, and women may not do as well on the exam as other students. Thus, these students groups are denied equal opportunity for higher education when Admissions puts heavy

emphasis on the SAT scores.

Many students take SAT prep courses before taking the exam. Parents sometimes pay for private tutors or buy practice books from which their children can study. Most prep work for the SAT costs money, sometimes up to \$800 per course. This type of preparation is proven to be effective; however, not all students have access to this type of extra help, increasing the socioeconomic bias of the SAT.

Although it seems like a major part of the application is being dropped, in actuality, the high school transcript holds more weight with Wagner admissions than the SAT or ACT scores. Nothing will be added to the application process. However, if a student elects not to submit their scores, he or she will be strongly encouraged to interview.

Some current Wagner students are skeptical of admissions making the decision to drop the SAT/ACT requirement. Junior Brandi Adduce says, "I think dropping the SAT requirement is a bad idea, it's like we are lowering our standards."

However, research shows that going test optional does not result in a less qualified or intelligent pool of applicants. Some schools have actually gotten the exact opposite result. Schools that potential Wagner students also apply to, such as Drew University, say they got a better applicant pool as a result of the decision to drop the standardized test score requirement.

Since the submission of scores is optional, not done away with, some students will still elect to put their scores on the table. Browne states, "The ironic thing about going test optional is that the majority of students will still submit an SAT or ACT score... it just becomes supplemental to the base requirements of the application... if a student chooses not to submit, we are going to place more emphasis on the high school transcript, but we are not going to hold it against that student."

For more information about the SAT/ACT and test optional schools, visit: [fairtest.org](http://fairtest.org).

## New study rooms available in dorm buildings

By JORDYN LALLY  
Wagnerian Staff Writer

Beginning this semester, Wagner College has designated rooms in each residence hall as "study rooms". Walking the halls of your dorm you may have come across an empty room that appears to lack living essentials. These rooms have been designed as study rooms available to any and all students.

Sara Klein, director of residential education, said that after having surveyed students in the 2009-2010 school year, one comment was frequently observed. "Many students

find it difficult to study with roommates in the room," she quotes. "We have never before been able to offer adequate common area study space."

However, with the addition of Foundation Hall, Wagner is now able to offer these common study areas without taking away from student housing.

Each room is equipped with chairs, tables, and armchairs that include attached writing surfaces.

The Harbor View study rooms are 211, 711, 1111, and 1411. Study rooms in the upper-class residence halls include Guild 102 and Towers D107 and E307.



Photo: Amy Buxton

Students study in one of the new Harbor View study rooms.

# Former Wagnerian editor wins AP award

By **MELISSA DIGREGORIO**  
Wagnerian Staff Writer

Alex Jacobs, class of 2007, is the recipient of an Associated Press (AP) award.

Jacobs' November 2009 story, "In Search of Timbucto" won her second place in the features category for papers in the 25,000 to 50,000 circulation division. The article discussed a summer archeological dig conducted by SUNY Potsdam students. Located just outside of Lake Placid, the students analyzed the site of an African American colony dating back to before the Civil War.

The Associated Press is an American news agency that publishes newspapers and photographs, as well as broadcasts television and radio shows. Jacobs was surprised to win an award from this organization because she did not actually enter an article in the contest herself. Instead, one of her best reporter friends had submitted her work from the Watertown Daily Times without her knowledge. "I may have jumped up and down—but just once! I was very happy to be recognized for the hard work I put in at the Watertown Daily Times," Jacobs divulges.

Jacobs is currently working as a communications and government relations associate for the State University of New York at Potsdam and the Crane School of Music. She oversees all public relations, serves as a spokeswoman for the College, and works as a lobbyist to gain support from legislators on behalf of the col-

lege.

Jacobs did not have a hard time adjusting to her current job, claiming that "The transition into my new role has been a pretty natural fit, since I've been a college 'insider' even since my days at *The Wagnerian*. I completed several internships while a student at Wagner College and after



Photo courtesy of wagner.edu

Jacobs in the *Wagnerian* office during her days at Wagner

graduation I was hired as a staff writer for the Watertown Daily Times, a respected regional daily newspaper in Northern New York."

Professor Claire Regan, faculty advisor of *The Wagnerian* adds, "She was a strong writer, a careful editor and a talented page designer. She motivated and inspired the staff. It's not surprising that she has been recognized with this prestigious award, and continues to inspire *The Wagnerian* staff and all journalism students at

Wagner."

At the age of 25, Jacobs has become quite accomplished in the field of journalism, and she is grateful to Wagner College for the experiences she had here. "My late nights spent editing and designing *The Wagnerian* and later my days spent pounding the pavement—and keyboard—as an intern reporter for the Staten Island Advance and This Old House magazine gave me a solid journalism background before graduation."

Jacobs claims that her classmates at Wagner instilled in her the values of leadership, humility, and selflessness. Also, through her activity in the Wagner College Choir, she learned that her personal passions are of equal importance to her goals in the workplace.

Today, she continues to practice vocal training and is an active member of three different choirs in Potsdam. In addition, Jacobs finds the time to be on the board of the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce, and a non-profit organization dedicated to helping victims of sexual and domestic abuse. Jacobs admits that her liberal arts education taught her to incorporate all of her interests into one rewarding life.

Even with an AP award under her belt, Jacobs remains humble and shows that she is an altruistic woman as she confesses, "I just hope that by getting involved and giving back, I can help to make my community a better place. That's something I learned about at Wagner, but it takes life experience to truly integrate that spirit into your personal path."



Photo: Kyle Washington

Newly paved Stadium Lot for student parking full of cars.

## Students unsatisfied with parking changes

By **BLAIRE MASSARONI & WHITNEY BALLANTINE**

New to campus this semester, public safety has announced various changes to the parking lots and parking policies around campus. On August 20, a campus-wide email was sent by the Director of Public Safety, Anthony Martinesi, explaining the process.

The following are the new parking policies, as received in the e-mail sent from Martinesi: "Full time Faculty and Administration will be authorized to park in Foundation Lot, Spiro Lot, Cunard Loop, Parker Hall and the newly paved Stadium Lot (formerly west lot). The Stadium Lot is now gated. You will need your Wagner ID to access that lot. Adjunct faculty (10yrs. or more) park in Spiro Lot. Adjuncts with less than 10 years of service park in the lower Tier... staff will park in Spiro Lot. All students will park in the Stadium lot and the two upper Tiers... students do not park in the lower tier."

The newly paved West Lot was re-configured and renamed Stadium Lot, adding 20 extra spots to the parking lot and is re-designated for resident students. Also, the redistribution of vans used by Wagner from the Spiro Parking lot provides another 30 spots for Wagner staff.

Many students anticipated that the Foundation parking lot was also going to be used for student parking. However, the fact that the lot will instead be used for full time faculty and administration raises concerns from students, for the availability of sufficient parking has now been limited. "I feel like [it's] a parking lot that is the closest to the residence halls and that it would be nice if it was a student parking lot" says Ally Backus, a junior living in Towers. She also asserts that if those living in Foundation Hall were given priority to park in the Foundation lot, it would create more student spaces in Tiers, which according to her, is a very difficult area to find parking during all times of the day. She believes that since the new parking changes and policies have been established, "there's little to no parking in Tiers, and the first tier is over half empty most of the time..." In addition to the changes on the outskirts of campus, any student following the path from the south entrance of Main Hall around the side of the building will find Wagner's new "green space" in place of the old E-lot. The paved circular seating area is surrounded by four benches, and has a large bed of flowers at its center for

students, faculty, and visitors to enjoy.

Ms. Backus stated, "I would support a park over a parking lot anywhere else, but in this situation, the park seems wasted, and parking space is what's needed more... there are plenty of other places that people are already accustomed to enjoying, like the oval." Ashley Korbey, a junior living in Foundation, says she finds the park appealing but that Wagner should not have changed a working system, "I don't think it's completely necessary...we had something that worked in the past, so I would have added something to what we already had, instead of adding something and taking something else away [in exchange]."



Photo: Chelsea Zbesko

Tiers parking lot filled with cars and potholes.

"People have been asking for change for a while, now that it's here, [we should] give it a chance" says Korbey. Similarly she states, "I wish Foundation residents could park [in the Foundation parking lot], but I understand why they put professors first."

Aside from the changes in where students can park, Martinesi also mentioned a new color-coded decal system that will help to "enforce and ensure that vehicles are parked in the designated lots..." With regards to the reason that the Foundation Hall parking lot is being used for faculty and administration instead of the seniors who live there, Martinesi stated, "None of our residence halls provide front of building parking for students. The new Foundation Lot is taking the place of the old E-Lot..." Additionally, the Foundation lot only consists of 37 spaces which Martinesi believes are not enough for the residents in Foundation.

Many students are hopeful that other parking options will be provided in the future. "We would always welcome additional parking options for students, faculty and staff in the future. For now, we need to work with what we have, which has almost been a non-issue since the beginning of the semester" says Martinesi.

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New locally grown food display in the main dining hall.



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Junior Brian Krinsky bites into a sandwich in the Chartwells dining hall.

# Chartwells improves after inspection scare

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is meeting the needs of the campus community. The facility will also be continually inspected by an "independent third party to conduct comprehensive safety audits and monitor compliance," Kantor said.

"The situation we encountered this summer with the main dining hall was unacceptable to both the senior administration here at Wagner as well

as the management at Chartwells," said Joe Romano, vice president of communications, in an e-mail. "Our students deserve, and we will settle for nothing less than, a dining facility that is comfortable, serves nutritious food and, above all, is clean and safe."

"Chartwells wants to exceed student expectations," Kantor added, "by providing the highest quality food in a fun and safe environment that will positively impact student health and well being."

According to Kantor, "Chartwells is appreciative of the confidence and trust our customers place in us every day and we will do our best to make our customers feel that trust is warranted."

Some students were concerned about the health violations, but excited about the improvements that were made. Freshman Danielle Lucchese says, "I feel a lot better knowing the food is more carefully prepared now. It's nice to know that where we eat is completely sanitary."

In addition to rigorous cleaning, health and maintenance procedures, students are seeing an abundance of service improvements in the dining hall and Hawk's Nest.

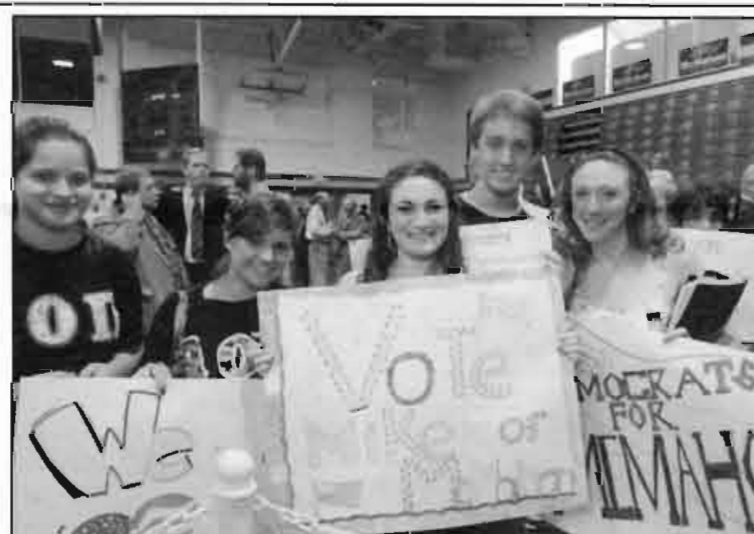
The main change is the healthier selection found within both dining areas; the Hawk's Nest now has a smoothie bar, sweet potato fries, and offers any item from the grill on a salad rather than on a roll.

The main dining hall introduced a second salad bar during lunch hours, and added locally grown food into the

preparation.

Dinner hours have also been extended. The Hawk's Nest now closes at 10 p.m., the dining hall at 8 p.m., and transfer hours were moved to 7 to 9 p.m. These changes directly accommodate student's schedules; the new flexibility helps those who have 6-9 classes or late internships.

Chartwells seeks input from students. Contact Lauren Kantor at lauren.kantor@wagner.edu.



Photos courtesy of communications.

Left: Clinton speaks in support of Mike McMahon. Right: Wagner students hold homemade signs in support of the Democratic party.

## Former president greeted with chants

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for his district. The funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act allowed McMahon to expand the Ferry Terminal Ramps by building more food shops for residents to utilize. "Students will be happy to know that the bus that you take from Wagner to the ferry to enjoy the night life in Manhattan once in awhile is also something we were able to provide you," said McMahon.

Additionally, he proposed that he will use \$100 million to renovate "the world's largest parking lot, the Staten Island Expressway," by adding an extra lane to decrease the traffic congestion in Staten Island.

Clinton warned listeners that McMahon's opponents would heavily criticize him for supporting the jobs. "Former Vice President of the Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Alan Blinder claimed that

without the bill there would be 8.5 million more people unemployed today. First thing that you have to do when you get in a big hole, is stop digging," stated Clinton.

By expanding retail shops in ferry terminals and fixing the infrastructure of the Staten Island Expressway, Clinton said that McMahon helped small businesses and allowed for the creation of new jobs. "As an independent and non-ideological Democrat, McMahon tailored his agenda to represent this district. If you go beyond the rhetoric and to the meat of the coconut, just remember that there are a handful of members in Congress that have tried to do anything as remotely as much for small businesses as your Congressman Mike McMahon," said Clinton.

Keeping with the analogy of the big hole in the economy, the former president closed his speech and suggested that the best thing for politicians to do now is to stop digging themselves into

a bigger ditch. Clinton stated, "Mike has done a fine job for you and the United States, and he will help us get out of the hole. Don't bring back the shovel brigade."

Additionally, McMahon admitted that he opposed Obama and fellow members of his party on certain issues, but his GOP rivals Michael Allegretti and Michael Grimm disagree. According to the *Staten Island Advance*, Grimm stated, "Democrats are nervous this election year. They know they are going to lose this seat, which is why McMahon is pretending to be a centrist even though his record shows he supported the liberal Obama/Pelosi agenda. At the end of the rally, Clinton stayed with McMahon to host a fund raising event in the Spiro Trophy Room.

The Republican Primaries will be held on September 14 against contenders Allegretti and Grimm. The Republican winner will contest incumbent McMahon on Election Day.

## Wagner's late VP led an eclectic life

By CHRISTINA ANGELI  
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Thomas C. Carroll, 54, of Tinton Falls, N.J. died Saturday, July 17, 2010, at home surrounded by his family.

Mr. Carroll was born in Freehold, N.J., relocated soon after, and was raised in Asbury Park, N.J.

He graduated from Asbury Park High School, and then went on to earn an undergraduate degree from Rutgers University. He continued with his studies, earning an MBA from Vanderbilt University and his Doctorate in Educational Studies from the University of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Carroll worked as a certified public accountant as well as a financial manager. From 1992-1998, Mr. Carroll ran a family-owned community newspaper, *The Coaster*, in Asbury Park. During this time he served on the board of trustees of the Asbury Park Chamber of Commerce.

Upon leaving *The Coaster*, Mr. Carroll was hired as the budget director at Stevens Institute of Technology, where he also taught several classes. He was later appointed vice president of finance and administration at Raritan Valley Community College.

Most recently, Mr. Carroll served as Wagner's vice president of finance and administration for the past 6

years. He also taught several graduate level business classes at Wagner. In 2008, a student poll honored him as a top graduate professor.

During his leisure time, Mr. Carroll enjoyed taking trips with his family and going to amusement parks with

his daughters. He also had a passion for cooking and had prepared many family turkey dinners, where he often served his homemade bread. He also held a deep love for the TV show *The Three Stooges*.

Mr. Carroll was an avid cyclist, runner and tri-athlete, having competed in many races in the tri-state area. He had logged 100 miles

a day cycling numerous times, a prestigious accomplishment. In addition, Mr. Carroll was one of the founding members of the Sandy Hookers Triathlon Club.

Despite his brave efforts, he lost his 16 month battle with Mesothelioma in July.

Mr. Carroll will always be remembered for his generosity, quick wit, uncanny knowledge of trivia and most importantly, his kind-heartedness.

Mr. Carroll is survived by his wife of 19 years, Cheryl, his two daughters, Rebecca and Erin, his parents, Robert and Doris Carroll, his two brothers, Robert T. Carroll and Chris Carroll, and two sisters, Ellen Carroll and Marianne Tantrum.



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# Wagner No. 1 on up-and-coming list

By STEPHANIE BUSCEMA  
Wagnerian Contributor

In the U.S. News and World Report's Best Colleges ranking of Up and Comer's among Northern Regional Universities, Wagner College has held the No. 1 spot for two years in a row. Wagner was also recognized among the Top 25 Northern Regional Universities, on the annual Best Colleges list for the seventh year running. It is ranked as #25, one of four colleges also occupying this slot.

Provost Dr. Devorah Lieberman commented about the recognition the college has received. Lieberman states, "I am pleased to see the areas in which U.S. News and World Report have recognized Wagner College. Most importantly, these are the areas with which we are also most proud and they closely align with our institutional mission. Additionally, we were selected for these areas of recognition by our peers (presidents, provosts, deans of enrollment) from institutions across the country." Wagner was recognized nationally in four areas: internships, first year programs, senior capstone, and service learning (civic engagement).

Lieberman continues, "our students come to Wagner College for these types of experiences and they are being recognized nationally, it is the leadership of the faculty, the participation of the students, and the impact on our community that helps us to maintain these efforts and to continue to move them forward."

Schools listed on the up-and-comers' list are identified in a nationwide survey of college and university presidents, provosts, admissions deans and chief financial officers as having "recently made the most promising and innovative changes in the areas of academics,

faculty, student life, campus or facilities." Since the creation of the "Up and Comers" list in 2008, Wagner has been recognized every year appearing as #2 in the region.

Apart from receiving distinction on the "Up- and-Comers" list, Wagner has also achieved recognition on four national lists of "Programs to Look For." Each of these lists highlights a key component of the school's unique curriculum, the Wagner Plan for Practical Liberal Arts.

The only school in New York City to appear on these four lists, Wagner was recognized for its first- year experience, internship opportunities, learning communities, and service learning courses.

Student Daniel Fitzpatrick, exclaims his excitement over this highly regarded honor, "I knew from the moment I first visited Wagner that there was something that set it apart from all the other schools I visited", says Fitzpatrick, "I think it's the constant new innovations that are to thank for that feeling and for this amazing news!"

Out of a select group of 23 colleges and universities nationwide, Wagner was recognized for its "first -year seminars or other academic programs that bring small groups of students together with faculty or staff on a regular basis." It was also acknowledged as one of 15 institutions throughout the nation to be signaled out for their practical internships.

The college was further recognized for its three interdisciplinary Learning Communities which are built into the curriculum for students earning a bachelor's degree. Wagner was one of 24 colleges and universities earning this distinction, becoming one of 29 schools nationwide to be recognized for their service learning courses and programs.



Photo: Julian Todeschi

Students smoke inside designated smoking booth outside of Towers.

## Smoking rules enforced more seriously

By MISTY ROSSO  
Wagnerian Staff Writer

The government issued an additional \$1.60 tax on cigarettes in late June, effective as of July 1. Although this increase in tax may make cigarettes less appealing, students on campus are still smoking.

On Wagner's campus, many students engage in the addictive habit that over 40 million Americans participate in. Cigarette butts are carelessly discarded on campus, and the area around building entrances is often home to at least a few smoking students.

Residential Life administrators and campus security are attempting to stop students from smoking too close to dormitory and academic buildings by ensuring that smoking on campus is limited to designated areas, such as the recently acquired smoking booths. One possible way to enforce the rules more strictly include fining those who are smoking within 50 feet of any building on campus. A smoker who wishes to be referred to as "a rouge-ish stranger" said, "I understand that there are people who really

don't enjoy smoking and don't want to see it near the door. I feel like they deserve that respect, so I give it to them. Res Life shouldn't have to fine anyone because smokers should have that consideration... a little consideration from everyone would solve the problem."

Most non-smokers interviewed said they did not have a problem with the smokers on campus, though there were mixed ideas about punishment for those who do not follow Wagner's policy. When asked about her experience at Wagner as a non-smoker, Sophia Fox-Sowell said, "No, the smoking doesn't bother me though I rarely see people in the smoking box. I don't think the smoking policy is enforced properly and I think fines will help."

In June, the New York Legislature passed a bill that has given the state the highest cigarette taxes in the country, adding an additional \$5.85 on to the cost of each pack of cigarettes. This means one pack of cigarettes bought in New York can cost up to \$11. The new law which added \$1.60 to the previous tax is a result of an emergency budget measure by the

government.

Health advocates such as the American Heart Association are excited about the higher cigarette tax, saying these taxes will persuade many smokers to give up their habit. These taxes will also provide \$440 million in revenue for health care programs, including subsidies for AIDS drugs, money for tobacco cessation programs and \$71.6 million for the state cancer research center in Buffalo. But critics, including tobacco retailers, say instead that these taxes will drive more customers to the black market.

When students were interviewed, 50% had heard of the bill. An anonymous smoker said, "I'd like the price to come down, but it seems unreasonable to assume it ever will. I think cigarettes are already too expensive. I'm thinking about quitting...once I stop being so addicted." Another student who had heard of the bill but does not smoke stated, "I do like the price of cigarettes because not only does it prevent people from buying more packs, it will hopefully also lower smoking related diseases and cancers."

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Photo: Nidhi Khanna

The newly renovated microbiology lab in the Megerle science building.

## Wagner announces new five year B.S./M.S. microbiology program

By NIDHI KHANNA  
Nation & World Editor

With a bleak economy in sight, some younger Americans are pursuing additional degrees after graduating from college. According to the 2008 Census Bureau, the median salary for an individual holding a bachelor's degree was \$55,656, and about \$67,000 for people with master's degrees. Priya Dasgupta, the director of Kaplan's Test Prep and Admissions Graduate Program stated that job applicants with graduate degrees are "more marketable" than individuals with bachelor's degrees. Some colleges across the nation are offering fast-track degrees to allow students to enter the job market early while still being competitive amongst thousands of job applicants. Wagner offers several graduate programs, but the newest program caters to budding scientists.

Wagner announced that the Microbiology Graduate Program would offer students a chance to obtain a five-year B.S./M.S. beginning in the Fall 2010 semester. The new program is the only program of its kind in the Northeast United States. Dr. Roy Moshier is the director of the Microbiology Masters Program at Wagner. Dr. Moshier teaches a number of courses at Wagner including Biochemistry I and II, Medical and Public Health, Microbiology, Microbial Genetic, Applied, Food, and Industrial Microbiology, and Pathogenic Fungi.

Associate Provost Dr. Jeffrey Kraus spearheaded the idea for the new program. Kraus is also head of all the graduate studies programs at the college, and initially he asked Moshier if it would be possible to develop a five-year B.S./M.S. Microbiology graduate program at Wagner.

Moshier was a little reluctant at first; the Microbiology Department was shorthanded and would not be able to expand the program due to the limited faculty. Luckily, Dr. Adam

Houlihan joined the Wagner faculty recently, and Moshier believed with Houlihan's help, the new program would be more feasible.

After Kraus proposed the idea, Moshier needed to get the program approved by the Biology Department and then by the Academic Program Committee, which regulates academic programs on campus. Moshier proposed the idea to the New York State Department of Education and they eventually gave the final approval for the program. The entire process took about a year to complete.

Earlier last fall, Moshier received exciting news from the Department of Education. Wagner could offer this new program to students the following year.

According to Moshier, Professor Christopher Corbo, an adjunct Biology professor at Wagner ('06 B.S., '08 M.S.), deserves a tremendous amount of credit in helping Moshier obtain the proper certifications for the program. Additionally, Dr. Kathleen Bobbit and Dr. Houlihan played an integral part in developing the program, and Moshier could not have completed this process without their assistance.

The new program offers students a chance to receive their masters degree quickly and is more research oriented. "The current two-year Masters program allows students to choose whether they would like to do a research based or non-research based thesis. The masters students simply do not have enough time to do sufficient research, and the new program allows students to get a head start with their research," stated Moshier.

Students participating in the program will begin to conduct research in the laboratory during their junior year. They will be required to complete their senior RFT during the fall semester of their senior year. This allows students to begin their masters research in the spring semester of their senior year. The advantage of this program is that students can start a research project as an undergraduate student and have the opportunity

to defend their thesis as a senior. Eventually, the students can expand on their senior thesis project, and have the opportunity to have an engaging and intensive research experience. "Students completing their Masters in Microbiology usually need time to do research, and by the time they learn the necessary skills to do the research, it is time for the students to graduate," said Moshier. The new program allows students to spend more time learning the techniques in the lab, and hopefully the students will be able to present their projects at major regional or national conferences.

Currently, seven undergraduate students have officially declared an interest in the program. The program allows students to "exit" out of the program, and students can pursue other graduate schools if they wish. Students hoping to go to medical school or dental school can enroll in the five-year program, but they can opt to "exit" out of the program after gaining admissions to medical or dental school. Students can choose to obtain their B.S. in Microbiology, and may opt out of pursuing the Masters in Microbiology in order to attend another graduate school after they complete their senior year at Wagner.

Moshier offered some important advice for students that are interested in the program. "Anyone that wishes to participate in the program should make the decision by their sophomore year, however, it would be better if you decide during your freshman year. New students and freshman should try to get into Dr. Stearns' and Dr. Houlihan's Learning Community: Bacteria, Human Health and Survival. This LC allows students to complete their basic microbiology requirements and it is important to get the introductory course out of the way. Then, students will be able to fit their other microbiology classes in the following semester, and it would be optimal if students put this LC as their top choice," he stated.

## Opportunities for families to get a taste of Wagner

By ALYSSA BROWN  
Wagnerian Staff Writer

Welcome your family to Wagner College during Family Weekend 2010, from September 24-26. Families are invited to attend the weekend's events and get a taste of Wagner campus life. Registration begins on Friday September 24 at 3 p.m., featuring an Expanding Your Horizons exhibit and a welcome reception. That evening, students and their families can take buses to see Broadway's *In the Heights*. Two groups of student tickets to the show have already sold out. It is proving to be a popular event.

Although there is fun to be had the entire weekend, most of the planned events take place on Saturday, September 25. Highlights of the day include cheering on the Seahawks at the football game against Robert

Morris and a "Friends of the Library" book sale. Other events include lunch with President Guarasci on the Oval, a Circle Line sightseeing cruise, and an evening comedy event.

On Sunday students, faculty, and families of Wagner will participate in the Tunnel to Towers run in honor of the men and women who lost their lives serving the country on September 11, 2001. Finally, families can socialize at the closing brunch in the afternoon, and then attend the women's soccer game, against Temple University, before heading to their respective homes.

There will be various panels and information sessions throughout the weekend for families to become more familiar with Wagner's academic programs and to hear about student experiences on campus. In addition, there will be a new event this year celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month. For more information and online registration go to [www.wagner.edu/familyweekend](http://www.wagner.edu/familyweekend).

## Freshmen orientation proves a success

By ELLE TRUDEAU  
Wagnerian Staff Writer

The Class of 2014 was "Welcomed to the Island" from August 26-29 during first year orientation.

Although most freshmen seemed to enjoy the orientation events, opinions between peer leaders and administration differed.

In charge of coordinating the 2014 orientation were juniors Ashley Korbey and John Passantino. This year they concentrated on brainstorming with administration about new ways to make orientation more exciting and beneficial for students. Most of the changes came with the social activities that were planned for the students throughout the week.

One addition was a carnival on the union patio with inflatable games, cotton candy, and popcorn. In general, students liked the event, but wished there were more games. Freshman Amanda Ruisi said, "The students running the event were really fun and made it memorable."

Another amended activity was the text message scavenger hunt that replaced the previous group tours of Manhattan. It was an on and off-campus hunt that allowed students to explore two neighborhoods in Manhattan, as well as learn where essential campus institutions like the mail room and the bookstore are located. Peer leader Vanessa Cotton said, "Most students were glad to be

able to have someone show them how to ride the subway in the city, although not many groups did the hunt, instead they chose to take the freshman around themselves."

This year, the healthy relationship talk also differed from those of previous orientations. Junior Kaitlyn Hopper led the event, telling her personal story of being involved in an abusive relationship for four years. Some students felt that this opened their eyes about the issue, however, a few peer leaders felt that the subject matter might have been a bit overwhelming for a freshman's first week at college. Regardless, both students and administration applauded Kaitlyn for courageously telling her story.

For the majority of freshmen, the most memorable event during orientation week was the hypnotist. Brian Imbus has worked in locations from Las Vegas to Paris, and received overwhelmingly favorable reviews from students. Freshman Brittany McGann said, "The hypnotist was awesome and my favorite part of the week. I would absolutely go to another event with the hypnotist next year."

Another positive element of orientation was the book assigned for summer reading, Marjane Satrapi's *Persepolis*. The book describes a girl named Marji's personal struggles while living in Iran during the Islamic Revolution. Some freshmen were really able to relate to Marji's personal transition and the quest to find her identity.

# 'Welcome to the Island'

## Freshmen orientation 2010



Peer leaders dish out italian ices on the union patio.



Peer Leaders taking a breather during Freshmen move-in.



Peer leaders posing in Harbor View Hall on move-in day.



LC 2 in the financial district during the orientation scavenger hunt.



Wagner student volunteers and peer leaders working hard on move-in day.



Students in sleep-mode during the hypnotist performance.



Freshmen and peerleaders pose at the carnival.



Students dance at casino night.



## Professor Profile



### Donald Omagu A long way from home

By ANNA ZARZECKI  
& KATHERINE  
NELSON

It's the first day of class and the students of HIST 291: African Cities are already furiously scribbling away, trying to keep up with Professor Omagu's lecture. Then suddenly he stops. "Do you understand my thick African accent?" The class laughs, responds yes, and the lesson continues, rarely deviating from its original pace.

Professor Omagu began to learn English in primary school as, "It was required of all students." His native language is Bekwarra, the language spoken in his hometown in Nigeria. He also chose to learn Yoruba, a regional language of one of the three most prominent ethnic groups in Nigeria (Hausa, Igbo, Yoruba).

Professor Omagu was born and raised in Nigeria, a country found in the Western region of Africa. Nigeria possesses the third largest economy in Africa and is the eighth most populous country in world, with a population of 115 million. It is reported to possess one of the fastest growing economies in the world and is the largest exporter of oil in Africa, being the fourth largest supplier of crude oil to the United States.

Omagu arrived in New York City in 2004 and encountered snow for the first time six years ago, during one of his first winters in New York.

Professor Omagu's typical day begins when he leaves his home in the Bronx at 6:30 a.m. When he has a morning class, he likes to arrive at Wagner two hours before his ten o'clock lecture. Professor Omagu teaches three classes here at Wagner, two sections of global history and

History of African Cities.

He attended college in Africa where all classes throughout the university program were taught in English. His dissertation was titled "The Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS): An Historical Perspective" where he explored fifteen independent countries in the west African sub region that came together in 1975, primarily to integrate their economy, encourage trade and resolve cultural issues.

According to Professor Omagu, the most prominent distinctions between the US and Nigeria revolve around power outages. Power outages in large cities like Lagos are barely noticed these days due to backup generators. Neighboring communities around cities continue to be affected by power outages that Professor Omagu reports can sometimes last a whole month. He recounts the story of a friend who arrived in the United States a year after him who would arise early in the morning in order to iron his clothing because of the possibility of a power outage. Omagu kindly reminded his friend that he isn't in Nigeria anymore and does not have to worry.

Professor Omagu continues to enjoy favorite African dishes like Fufu and Eguessli, which he describes as a thick soup made from blended melon in the family of the sunflower seed.

He hopes to take advantage of Wagner's beautiful sporting facilities in order to practice favored sports like soccer and tennis.

After teaching at the College of Staten Island for a few semesters, Omagu reports that he thoroughly enjoys teaching at Wagner College due in part to the difference in enthusiasm of the students.

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**Tuesday, Sep 21 from 7-8p.m.**

Etiquette Workshop, Main Hall 23

*A quick course on business and professional etiquette. How to address, dress, interview and dine appropriately and successfully.*

**Monday, Sept. 27 from 7-8p.m.**

CV and Cover Letter Workshop Union 201

*Focus on composing curriculum vitae, a more research based resume and cover letter.*

Resume and Cover Letter Workshop Spiro 3

*Guidelines and tips for desirable resumes and cover letters.*

**Wednesday, Sept. 29 from 7-9p.m.**

Alumni Speaker Series Foundation Room, Manzulli Room

*A panel of alumni talk about life paths and careers while answering your questions. This event will focus on Hispanic alumni.*

**Tuesday, Oct. 5 from 7-9p.m.**

Mock Interviews Union Building, CACD

*Upon signing up, you will be allotted 20 minutes of one on one time with an alumna mock interviewer. The interview will last 15 minutes and the last 5 minutes will be reserved for constructive feedback.*

**Thursday, Oct. 7 2-5p.m.**

Brewing Success: Student-Alumni Career Conversations Foundation Hall, Starbucks

*Another coffee and tea affair, this time with a former Wagnerian who works for the Federal Bureau of Investigation*

**Thursday, Oct. 7 from 7-9p.m.**

Student Alumni Networking Reception, Union Building, Faculty Dining Room

*This is a bigger event, more of a "meet and greet." The concentration of this event is on Federal Government.*

**Wednesday, Oct. 13 from 7-9p.m.**

Ask the Interviewer Foundation Hall, Manzulli Room

*Another panel, mainly answering questions and concerns on the art of interviewing.*

**Tuesday, Oct. 19 from 7-9p.m.**

Alumni Speaker Series Foundation Hall, Manzulli Room

*This event focuses on careers in entertainment, communications and music.*

*Reported by Andrea Gonzalez*

## Wagner offers new off-campus work study opportunities

By NICHOLAS  
DE MATTEO  
Wagnerian Staff Writer

Prior to the fall 2010 semester, work study jobs at Wagner College were offered exclusively on campus. However, this year the program has expanded to allow students to work at several different off-campus locations.

The College Work Study program (CWS) helps provide students who are in need of financial assistance with jobs. One of the core goals of this program is to help students earn money for their educational expenses. Student eligibility for work study is determined through the FAFSA report, which is filled out at the beginning of each academic year.

Students will earn money for each hour they work that can then be used to pay college tuition. When a student works off-campus, they will be employed by a private, nonprofit organization which offers students jobs for their educational expenses.

There are several off-campus locations collaborating with Wagner for work study.

One such organization is Virtual Y, an after-school program for YMCA of Greater New York located on Staten Island. The program is designed to promote social, emotional, and academic support in youths at various public schools.

Another organization which has already hosted interns from Wagner is African Refuge Incorporated, also located on Staten Island. Students working for this organization will

hold a volunteer intern position and develop a strategy for enhancing the quarterly production and dissemination of the African Refuge newsletter, titled *Under the Tree*. The position would help ensure the visibility of African Refuge in the larger community and create strategy to increase African Refuge's web presence.

Another option is the New York City Public Service Corps (NYCPCSC). Located in New York City, the NYCPCSC is the nation's first and largest off-campus internship program for college students. It helps students build professional skills and learn about careers in the public sector.

For more information, contact Patricia Brabant, student employment coordinator at:

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(how) waggish {trans.} adjective:  
like a wag; roguish in merriment and good humor; jocular:  
i.e. Fielding and Sterne are waggish writers.

Dear freshmen...  
(and any other interested students)

Welcome to Wagner. Just thought I'd clue you in to a few marvels I've learned since being here.

The main floor of the library will never be the best place to study; it is more like the procrastination room. Just trust me and go to Homecoming.

Wagner has practically no school spirit. Let's change that! See you at the game.

Every time you think the pool is going to be open to go swimming, it will not be.

Every time you think the Hawk's Nest is going to have transfer hours, it will have just closed.

Yes, the green bar coming out of the Union from the mailbox room is necessary and it cost one of your tuitions to put it there.

If you're looking for a good time, call the Lax teams.

Late night oval trips are highly recommended.

Yes, your classroom is about to crumble on top of you.

Get used to cockroaches; they'll be your friends by junior year.

Ashraf will DJ your next event and will assure you a great night of tunage pleasure.

You are bound to get a free guitar concert on the Oval midday on Saturdays. Can't promise quality but definitely quantity.

Tibbs is the man. Period.

Wagner is smaller than you think and many people will never understand. Use protection kids.

There should probably be a limit put on walk of shames. I'm guessing if you're already up to 6, you might need to calm down.

Silver Fox is named that for a reason. This lady sees everything. Welcome to Harbor View.

The quarter machine in the basement doesn't work about 90% of the time. And no, the Hawk's Nest nor the bookstore will help you that with that problem.

Keep your ears to the grindstone for events going on. If the words DJ, karaoke or Halloween theatre party are mentioned, go.

Hot sauce on your eggs.

Jesus makes the best fajitas.

Chris will be a great friend of the dining hall staff. How friendly? You'll find out.

Saturdays at 2 a.m. you are bound to get a free show on the Towers bridge. Guaranteed.

If you actually buy your books from the bookstore, you're an idiot. Don't worry, I'm an idiot too.

The library is a quality nap spot for 3 a.m. fire alarms in Harbor View. Don't worry, there will be at least 4 more this semester.

You will see the same people every day, might as well meet them. I think I mentioned before this school is wicked small.

Watch out for audition time kids. Wagner is officially American Idol zone for 48 hours before and after.

In the dining hall, theatre kids sit on the left and athletes on the right. I dare you to switch it up.

Girls, give it until May and you'll really know if he is just a Gaga enthusiast, glitter intact.

No, those are not bus stops.

Chicken nugget day is an official holiday here at the Wag. It calls for celebration everytime.

\*There are so many Wagnerisms to list but here are just a few I have collected over the years. So here's to a great year kids. May you pass with flying colors, rainbow flags preferably.

Cheers,  
Susanna Gooch  
(Yes, my last name is Gooch, if we haven't met; it's nice to make your acquaintance.)



Artwork: Julia Hardman

LAUGH BAKED

Umm ... so ... hi

By JESSE HAGEN

Who, quite honestly,  
never thought he'd write  
that again

To say that this moment (I mean the literal moment that I am writing this opening sentence, not the moment that you're reading it... Oh God, I'm making this much worse for myself, stay with me [please?]) is a little awkward for *me* is a bigger understatement than to say that the blue columns in the dining hall are mind-blowingly baffling (add all the racing stripes you want, the columns are still puzzlingly, offensively and eye-jarringly blue.)

However, for *you*, fair reader, this moment is probably significantly less awkward (okay, upon re-reading that part where I begged you to stick around, it's probably getting a little awkward for you too. Let's move onward [please?]). Though some of you (probably just my parents, who are likely less-than-enthused that their son is re-assuming his post as Wagner's foremost writer of flatulence jokes [wait, for real, I'm giving those up this year, I swear] and celebrity slander), may remember this column from two years ago, it's a fair bet that a majority of you out there are wondering who this guy is that writes with such careless disregard for sane parenthesizing. So, for the uninitiated and uninformed (really anyone who has cared enough to read this far), I will provide a brief summation of my newspaper involvement up to this point. For dramatic effect (oooooh), I'm not doing it chronologically (or factually, though egregious factual errors will be clearly confusingly marked with asterisks).

Last year I sat in this very office (well, that's a tad misleading, because actually, the powers that be at Wagner, switched the Wagnerian and the Foreign Trips 'N Things [something like that, one nice feature of having this column is being able to pretend that lazy journalism is just one of my gags] offices, uprooting all of our equipment and supplies [including all the archives of the old, unfunny versions of "Laugh Baked," kept for hypothetical situations, like for mopping up the blood of an unfortunate amputee who tried to wheel their way down the Handicap Ramp to Nowhere\* at extremely high speeds]), as the proud editor of this very newspaper you hold in your hands. Though I did manage to win a few awards, and inspire a flock of young, aspiring journalists\*\*, my time as editor ended.

But before that, I was a veritable

combination of wit, wordplay and the occasional inappropriate outburst. I was the Paragon of the Parentheses (which, did you know? I am quite fond of), Rowdy Rebel of the Rant, a rising star in the galaxy (Oh whatever, that metaphor is the best thing I could come up with) of Wagner's young writers. But with each year, I was burdened with more and more of having to do, meaningful, non fart-related things (I can't tell you a just reason why). All of the sudden, I was a senior (yes, I am now a super senior, have a laugh at my expense), the editor of the Wagnerian, and it all got kind of intense and serious and stuff. No more could I openly ridicule a faceless administration for a superfluous purchase. No longer could I air out my grievances with a lot of the everyday absurdity of Wagner (most tragically, no more fart jokes).

The juicy details of my fall from grace, which you probably all would be much more fascinated to read right now than this shoddy excuse for a first column, are probably best saved for either my own personal memoir (tentatively titled "How I Convinced These Poor Saps To Give Me A Book Deal") or my extensive expository essay on the crappiness of dealing with college bureaucracy (to be titled "Defeatism and Apathy Upon a Hill: or How I Learned to Stop Standing Up For Myself and Perpetually Jump Through Hoops"). So there will be no name-dropping or slinging of mud.

But in all seriousness folks, the editors who have picked up the slack in my stead, have done a magnificent job of keeping the paper afloat, active and awesome. Besides, I've long considered myself a far better court jester than a king, and I'm much better at throwing the rocks than being the uh... thing that rocks get thrown at (haha what Jesse?). I'm lucky enough to have been given my beloved column back, so I'm not going to step on any toes.

But for those administrators (administrators don't read this column, but I like to pretend that they do) that are just getting comfortable in their undoubtedly overpriced chairs, keep your eye on this section. Because I'm back where I belong. AND. THIS. TIME. IT'S. PERSONAL. (okay, well, not really, but I always wanted to write something like that. Maybe I'll take up writing movie poster taglines for Fast and the Furious 17).

\*I've been asked to note that this is not the school's official name for that handsome looking set of green handrails and concrete by the President's Lot, but since virtually none of the buildings are accessible to say, someone in a wheelchair (want to get to the Hawk's Nest there Hot Wheels? Better learn to bunny hop that curb on that treacherous incline to the Union), for all intents and purposes, my name works too.

\*\*Thoroughly untrue.

# IN OUR OPINION...

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FINALLY, THE END IS IN SIGHT

## The cost of education



By CHARISSE WILLIS  
Opinions Editor

A few months ago I was sitting on a plane reading my GRE book and as I set the book down to find a pencil, the woman next to me said, "My goodness, I hope you get a discount on the test after buying that book." After a moment or two of confusion, I looked at the price of the book and understood the woman's remark. We spent the rest of the plane ride talking about the cost of education and as I prepare for my graduate school applications, I have to ask myself, "Can I afford to be educated?"

My graduate school application fees range from \$65 to \$125 and everyone that I have talked to has suggested that I apply to at least ten schools. Even if you simply take the average of my lowest and highest fees and multiply it by ten, I am already at \$950. Now add the GRE exam, \$160, and the prep book, \$35. Then I have to take the subject test which is \$140 and the book for that is \$19. Are you keeping tabs on the cost? We're at \$1,304 now. Good thing there is no charge to send my scores to the first four schools, but it will cost \$23 to send scores to the other six that I am applying to. That adds \$276 to the total since I have to send out general and subject scores.

Last, but not least, I have to order transcripts. At Wagner, they are \$5 a piece which means we can add \$50 to my expenses. So, I will spend a total of \$1,630 just to apply to graduate school. This does not include the price of envelopes, stamps, resume paper, copies and thank you cards for my lovely recommenders.

One might ask why I would choose to spend such an amount and go on to a graduate program that may not help me get a job. While I would love to say that it is all about mastering my field and continuing to add to my education I cannot ignore the fact that graduate school is quite simply the only option that I have. There was a time when a high school diploma could get you a decent job and then times changed and college degrees were necessary. However, the days of earning a living wage with a Bachelor's degree are quickly ending. More and more jobs are requiring at least a Master's degree and to be a professor, my goal in life, I have to earn a terminal degree in my field, a Ph.D.

A job, however, is not the only motivation that college students have



for continuing their education. After talking to a few of my friends, I found that while applying to graduate programs can stretch one's budget, most people cannot afford to stop at a Bachelor's degree. Payments for

college loans begin as soon as a student is no longer enrolled in school. Graduate school stops that clock for a few more years.

But looking past the reasons why I and others are going on to graduate school, I want to take a look at who is excluded from education. I have listed the fees that I will have when applying to graduate school, but there is a similar list for applying to undergraduate programs as well. College applications have fees and require students to take the ACT or SAT tests as well as order transcripts. The fees may be slightly lower, but they are still a lot.

What happens to the students who cannot afford to pay for standardized tests or application fees? There are some programs with fee waivers but some that do not accept such things. There are no waivers for prep books and transcripts. And at a time where financial aid and loans are becoming harder and harder to get, there is a class of people that is simply unable to attend school.

It is important to realize that while we have the luxury of complaining about the cost of tuition, there are some people who cannot even afford to apply to schools. I whine about the cost of applying to graduate school, but I realize that there are people that do not even think of the prospect of attending college or graduate school. There are people who simply cannot afford the envelopes and stamps, let alone the hundreds of dollars in application and testing fees.

I always thought that the cost of tuition was outrageous, but it took that woman on the plane to help me see that the odds can be stacked against you long before tuition is even a factor. I hope that this article causes you to at least ask the question, why is it so expensive to be educated and what does that say about our society?

## A day with the Yankees

By LAURA CARROLL  
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My Staten Island Yankees experience began with an e-mail from Co-Curricular programs here at Wagner. I have never been a huge sports fan. However, when given the opportunity to go to a professional sports game for free, I had to take it. Unfortunately, I misread an important detail. I thought that we would be attending a Major League Baseball game for the New York Yankees. I missed the part where it said "Staten Island Yankees." By the time I realized the difference I figured, "Hey, it's still a game, I'll have fun!" So I got on the Wagner shuttle with a group of other students and was on my way to my first Staten Island Yankee Game.

Now, I have only been to a few professional baseball games before, but this experience was nothing like the others. First, and not too surprisingly, the stadium was much smaller than that of a major league baseball team. The crowd, however, was disappointing. There were empty seats everywhere. The entertainment included a mascot, "The Holy Cow" named Scooter, and a very energetic emcee.

As I said before, I am not much of a sports fan, so the most entertaining parts of the game for me were in between innings. The highlight of the game for Wagner students came after the third inning when one of our very own went onto the field to compete in a tutu-dance-off. He won the contest, beating his competition by a landslide. Other entertainment included a joke contest between young children, a song game where contestants had to complete the words to popular songs, and a Cotton-Eyed-Joe dance along.

Luckily, a very kind woman who sat behind us had extra wristbands that would let the person wearing it receive unlimited free food and drinks. About halfway through the game, a few of us went to find this "unlimited free food," which included hot dogs, hamburgers, popcorn, soda and water. We were warned to stay away from the hamburgers, so we went for the hot dogs. For free food, they were not bad at all.

Overall, the game was an interesting experience. The S.I. Yankees won with a score of 1-0. If you have never been to a S.I. Yankees game, I would definitely check it out. It is one of those events that you should attend at least once, but just once.

## Lost in the Big Apple

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For those of us who are entirely new to the city experience, the college should offer a tutorial on how to use New York's public transportation system. It is well known that New York City's public transportation system is the biggest and quite possibly the most intricate. It can be intimidating for many new-comers to navigate their way through the city and as Wagner pushes its relationship with the city, it should design a program to familiarize students with this selling point.

Not only would this help students combat the overwhelming feelings of confusion that come with being stuck on an R train that does not stop at the ferry, but a tutorial program would also help Wagner College as a whole. Students that go into the city on weekdays may find themselves completely lost, leading to missed shuttles and distressing phone calls to public safety about how to get back to campus. I have been completely lost in the city five times already and

I have only ventured to Manhattan six times since coming to Wagner. Even the brilliant idea of bringing city natives and constant city commuters has done nothing to prohibit getting lost. At one point, I was on a train that on any other day would have taken its passengers directly into the South Ferry Terminal; instead the train went directly to Brooklyn. Not only was I completely confused by this mishap, but the entire train car of city regulars was in disarray. Apparently, a tiny handwritten sign explaining that any passengers wanting to take my particular route was to board a different train. Needless to say I did not wind up arriving back to my dorm until well after my planned entrance. Getting lost in the Big Apple is not generally factored into a person's schedule, especially when there are ferries and shuttles to catch.

A simple tutorial of the public transport system may very well prevent these situations. Even sending out e-mails concerning service changes on the trains or giving a handout with links to sites like hopstop.com and mta.info would be helpful to new students attempting to explore the city.

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# Bad parties, new friends

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For me, moving to Wagner College represented something of a cultural escape, not only from the malaise of small town life but from the insistent, tawdry trappings of the high school social scene. Perhaps I represent a minority but I certainly had my fill of school dances a long time ago. The maudlin party themes; "a night in Paris", "a night in Hawaii" etc., in addition to the deafening tide of familiar pop tunes was enough to make me want to vomit after four years. New York City represented, in my imagination, a pilgrimage to the world's cultural Mecca.

My expectations were admittedly

lofty. I suppose that I envisioned a campus teeming with the cultural vitality of the MacDowell colony; somber musicians with acoustic guitars strumming away in the coffeehouse, bright eyed artists lining the Residence halls with vivid canvases, earnest writers and aspiring poets typing with profound fervor in the library and actors of immense talent channeling their assigned characters with subtlety and ease on the stage every evening. There are certainly many exceptionally talented students on this campus but in my first week here I have been confronted by the crude reality of college life.

Co Curricular Programs, CCP, in a valiant effort to draw freshmen out of their shells, thrust us into the same

themed dances and ill-conceived social events that we were subjected to in high school. To be fair, there was some fun to be had, even by a snob like myself, but the casino night, luau, and the carnival were all more than a little familiar. I am honestly torn between my elitist outrage and my sense that the familiarity was a necessary evil. It is very easy for a new student, being stranded in a new city, surrounded by unfamiliar faces, and, perhaps, overwhelmed by newfound independence to hide in their room rather than begin to carve out a niche for themselves among new people. The parties were a comfort to strangers and acquaintances and it gave them a place to let down their guard and smile. All the awkward

"icebreakers" of orientation and tedious gatherings outside of the Union were decidedly necessary to cement new friendships when it would have been easier to brood alone, searching Facebook for the social fulfillment and excitement we could find just down the hall. No matter how much one loved or detested high school it was at least predictable and fairly easy. Life at Wagner and in the city can be very overwhelming. A new student faces new challenges in self-motivation, personal responsibility, social and emotional health, and in navigating a strange city. It can all seem incredibly daunting when faced alone. Occasionally I hear about a friend from high school who, now at a college far from home and being

shy, allows themselves to become withdrawn and isolated and, needless to say, very unhappy. At Wagner it is difficult to fall into such a state. The constant opportunity and encouragement by CCP to leave the residence halls and meet people certainly prevented me from becoming a gloomy recluse. No matter how contrived the party theme, something to do was often a godsend during my first week.

And even if CCP's tour of midtown Manhattan was little more than a cursory glance at the city's tourist traps, I am sure that they did a good enough job of sparking interest in the city's treasures that it will not be difficult to find a friend or two to accompany me to the MoMa next weekend.

## 'Art for art's sake'

By NICOLE LINK  
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We live in a time where it is almost impossible to watch a movie that was not originally a book.

*The Notebook* is perhaps one of the most popular "chick flicks" of our time and was originally a novel written by Nicholas Sparks. *Twilight*, originally a novel by Stephanie Meyers, is the new obsession of most teenage girls today. The list goes on and on - even many television movies are based on books, like Jodi Picoult's *Change of Heart*, which was turned into a Lifetime Original Movie. Many people criticize these movies and critics say that these films "ruin" the books that they were based on. However, these critics appear to be forgetting what, in my opinion, the purpose of all movies is: entertainment. As long as these movies entertain their target audience, there should not be a problem.

While books often require deep thought and concentration to enjoy,

movies provide an escape from reality and should be carefree and enjoyable. Book fans are often disappointed when a book's movie counterpart contains minor discrepancies, but if the movie was exactly like the book, line for line, it would not be that entertaining.

A movie that differs slightly from the book that it was based on makes things more interesting. It allows even those who are familiar with the book to become interested in the movie and yearn to know what happens next. Almost all authors write their books with the purpose of getting out some sort of message or lesson. When a book is turned into a movie, the platform for the message or lesson to be heard increases immensely; a completely new audience is able to hear the author's point and learn from their story. Movies that are based on books receive far too much criticism and must be taken for what they really are, a form of entertainment and a way to get the author's message out to a larger audience.

## The right fit

By DANIELLE LUCCHESI  
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August 26<sup>th</sup>, my first day at Wagner College, could not come fast enough. Although I was nervous, like most of the Class of 2014, I was also very excited to start this new chapter in my life. This past week I took it all in and I can proudly say that I am officially a Seahawk!

The classes at Wagner are challenging and encourage in-depth analysis of various issues. The professors are very helpful and want their students to succeed. Also, there are so many different resources for students to take advantage of, from the writing center to the IT department, no matter what kind of problem I have, there is always someone who can help. These

things make it easier for freshmen to make the transition from high school to college without becoming overwhelmed. There are also many ways to get involved and be a part of the Wagner community, from the variety of clubs and student publications to intramural sports and so much more. There is always something fun happening on campus. Whether new students are joining a club or participating in a Co-Curricular Programs event, the opportunities to become active members of life at Wagner are endless.

I have only been on campus for a short time and I already feel like a part of the Wagner family. So what do these next four years have in store for the class of 2014? Only time will tell, so for now let's take in our new surroundings and enjoy every minute as Seahawks.



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# Nation and World

... a bi-weekly review of major national and worldwide news



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President Obama meets soldiers at Fort Bliss in El Paso, Texas on Aug. 31.

## Obama delivers Oval Office address to the nation

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President Obama took to the airwaves to address the American people on Aug. 31.

The message focused on the continuous war in Iraq.

However, this message was different than most of the previous messages the nation has heard up until now.

Obama announced that the combat mission in Iraq had come to an end.

Seven and a half years ago, President George W. Bush announced the beginning of military operations in Iraq.

Nonstop debates occurred over the purpose of invading this Middle Eastern country.

For whatever reasons behind the invasion, the fight turned into a mission toward squashing an insurgency that threatened its own people.

Obama said, "The brave men and women of our armed services had completed every mission they were given."

The President continued to praise the various accomplishments of the men and women serving overseas.

Members of the armed services fought to help Iraq seize a better future by protecting the Iraqi people, training security forces, and defeated terrorist leaders.

The Iraqi people can now become more responsible for the security of their country.

"This was my pledge to the American people as a candidate for this office. Last February, I announced a plan that would bring our combat brigades out of Iraq, while redoubling our efforts to strengthen Iraq's security forces and support its government and people. That's what we've done," stated Obama.

Presently, terrorist attacks still occur in Iraq, but Obama announced that security incidents have been near the lowest on record since the war began.

Operation Iraqi Freedom is over, but the U.S. troops have a new mission, Operation New Dawn.

The task entails troops to advise and assist Iraq's security forces, support Iraqi troops in targeted counterterrorism missions, and protect civilians.

U.S. troops pulled out of Iraq's cities last summer, and all troops will leave by the end of next year.

The U.S. will serve as a strong partner to Iraq and will aid the nation with maintaining total control of its citizens.

Along with the U.S. troops' new mission, Iraq will strengthen its government, resolve political disputes, and build ties with the region and world with the support of the United States.

Obama believes the decision to end the combat mission was in both

in Iraq's and the United States' best interest.

He said, "The United States has paid a huge price to put the future of Iraq in the hands of its people. We have sent our young men and women to make enormous sacrifices in Iraq and spent vast resources abroad at a time of tight budgets at home."

"We've persevered because of a belief we share with the Iraqi people, a belief that, out of the ashes of war, a new beginning could be born in this cradle of civilization. Through this remarkable chapter in the history of the United States and Iraq, we have met our responsibilities. Now it's time to turn the page," he added.

During this historic speech, Obama advised that a special focus now needs to take place in the United States.

A trillion dollars was spent on the war, often by borrowing from overseas countries.

The financial costs of the war resulted in record deficits, and delays in tough decisions on issues such as manufacturing and education reform.

According to Obama, the United States' long-term competitiveness was put at risk because middle-class families worked harder for less money.

Obama concluded his speech by declaring a stronger focus on restoring the economy, jumpstarting industries that help create jobs, and putting millions of Americans back to work.

## Courts rule to allow unwarranted GPS tracking of cars

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Imagine an American homeowner sleeping peacefully in the middle of the night.

In the homeowner's driveway, a stranger is lying underneath the sleeping man's car.

The mysterious man installs a gadget that resembles a chip onto the bottom of the parked car.

Why is this man placing what possibly might be a chip under the homeowner's vehicle?

This incident is not a scene from the latest thriller on the big screen, or the newest episode of *Law & Order*.

The suspicious man sneaking into the driveway is not a crazed killer, and this incident actually happened to California resident, Juan Pineda-Moreno in 2007.

Federal law enforcement agents planted a GPS tracking device under Pineda-Moreno's car after suspecting him of growing and selling marijuana.

Agents placed the GPS device without a warrant, and prosecutors used evidence that they collected from the device against Pineda-Moreno in court.

Pineda-Moreno appealed the court's use of GPS monitoring of his car without a warrant.

He claims authorities violated his privacy by bugging his parked car that was in his own driveway.

This case has sparked much talk amongst judges, the courts, and Americans alike.

Chief Judge Alex Kozinski of the Appeals Court in the 9th Circuit believes that using a GPS tracking without a warrant to be "creepy" and "underhanded."

Marc Rotenberg, the executive director of the Electronic Privacy In-

formation Center, describes this incident as "Orwellian," referencing the "Big Brother is always watching" adage of George Orwell's novel "1984".

Supporters of GPS tracking disagree with Kozinski and Rotenberg.

Some Americans believe that GPS tracking is no more intrusive to a person's privacy than any other means of tracking (such as being secretly followed by an officer).

David Rivkin, former Justice Department attorney, is an advocate for GPS tracking.

Advocates for the GPS tracking of cars feel that unless a driveway is marked with a sign or surrounded by a fence, it is not wrong for law enforcement agents to step into the driveway to place a tracking device onto the underside of a parked car.

This specific case also touches upon the issue of the relationship between wealth and privacy in America.

Kozinski points out that wealthy homeowners are better able to protect and monitor their homes, often by installing fences and video surveillance, which is not affordable to poorer American homeowners, such as Pineda-Moreno.

He added, "No truly poor people are appointed as federal judges, or as state judges for that matter." He added, "The judges in the majority were guilty of cultural elitism."

The Appeals Court in the 9th Circuit ruled that the government could plant GPS devices without warrants, despite the fact that many other national courts still uphold that extensive GPS tracking requires a warrant.

The Supreme Court will review the case for a conclusive ruling.

Until that time, some Americans are going to have to adjust. "Big Brother" will be watching their every move, or in this case, their every mile.

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# Stem cell research resumes temporarily

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Critics of the science world continue to debate about the ethics of stem cell research.

According to the National Institutes of Health (NIH), stem cells are cells with the ability to divide and give rise to specialized cells.

Researchers often extract stem cells from humans.

In humans, stem cells arise from embryonic, somatic (body), or adult stem cells.

Embryonic stem cells (ESC) separate into many cells and the division of these cells allow ESC to carry out specific functions. For example, some ESC cells have the ability to rebuild parts of the nervous system.

Somatic stem cells are living cells that are present in an individual, and these body cells regenerate a particular cell or tissue if necessary.

Since many people believe that stem cell research is advantageous, scientists have begun applying for research grants in order to study the various possibilities of stem cells.

However, Congress passed the Dickey-Wicker Amendment in 1996.

The amendment stated that it was illegal for the government to provide grants to researchers that were destroying human embryos for scientific investigations.

Nevertheless, the Clinton Administration found a loophole in the amendment, therefore allowing the expenses for the ESC research to be covered.

Frank James, a writer for National Public Radio (NPR), stated that the Clinton Administration discovered the first loophole in the amendment in 1999.

The questionable clause suggested that federal funding for ESC research was available only if private researchers destroyed the embryos.

Additionally, ESC researchers

could not receive federal funding if a government worker destroyed human embryos.

Since the Clinton Administration approved this interpretation of the amendment, the two succeeding administrations followed suit.

CNN reported that the Bush Administration funded ESC research. However, the government provided limited ESC research grants due to the anti-abortion policy during the Bush era.

In an executive order, President Obama reversed the Bush Administration's restrictions on stem cell research in Mar. 2009.

Presently, mass media coverage announced that the American government has used taxpayer money to fund ESC research, a fact that started a wave of protests.

Protesters of all backgrounds argued the research hinders the embryos' right to live.

They believe that an embryo is the basis of all human life, and using embryonic stem cells is comparable to endangering a precious life.

Recently, U.S. District Judge Royce C. Lamberth ruled that the American government breached the Dickey-Wicker Amendment by funding ESC research. Lamberth investigated the lawsuit issued by pro-life protesters against the NIH.

He stated, "Both Republican and Democratic Administrations misinterpreted the amendment." Lamberth issued a preliminary injunction that prohibits federal funding that destroys embryos for scientific research.

An appeals court temporarily overruled the judge's ban on Sept. 10.

Scientists at NIH can continue stem cell research, and researchers that have already received federal grants may resume to use government funds until they run out of money.

However, researchers that applied for NIH grants in September will need to look elsewhere for financial resources.



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The Indian government wishes to monitor e-mails and messages of Indian BlackBerry users.

## Indian government threatens BlackBerry ban

By BILLY McCABE  
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BlackBerry smartphones are increasingly popular in today's world.

As technology becomes more sophisticated, the risks of terrorism attacks are increasing.

In order to combat potential security issues, the Indian government plans to ban BlackBerries within the country.

The Canadian wireless telecommunication company Research In Motion (RIM) manufactures the popular handheld devices worldwide.

BlackBerry users can transmit altered e-mail and text messages to any user around the world.

The smartphones can scramble e-mails and text messages into algorithms that are difficult to decipher.

Indian authorities within the security service have requested access to the e-mails and messages.

Additionally, security services want the means to decrypt all kinds of messages in order to prevent another attack like the one that occurred in Mumbai in 2008 and left 166 people dead.

Recently, the Chinese government demanded that RIM set up a server that would permit Chinese officials to monitor Blackberry users.

According to *TIME* magazine, RIM denies setting up any servers in China, but the Indian government is pleading with RIM to handle any possible misuses of the smartphones.

*TIME* reports that Vikram Sood, former chief of India's external intelligence agency believes that the Indian security services have a right to express concern over national safety.

"If a group of terrorists are communicating on a platform which the state has no way of accessing, then I have a problem. It is simple as that," Sood stated.

Initially, RIM argued that they did not have the ability to unlock the master code for all Blackberry users.

The company feels that by singling out BlackBerries only makes their solution "ineffective and counter-productive" because other networks that use similar encryption techniques.

Due to the involvement of various international security agencies, RIM's stock has dropped to its lowest value in 17 months.

The stock fell to \$46.84 on NASDAQ in September.

Steven Li, an analyst with Raymond James Ltd., has said that the security issue was "definitely unexpected," and has called it a "perfect storm."

Countries such as Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates are also instituting a ban on BlackBerries.

To combat this problem, RIM plans to hand over messaging access to Indian officials.

Additionally, they plan to create a more automated solution to keep an eye on emails sent from corporations.

Many BlackBerry owners voiced concern over privacy issues, and some experts think that the connection between BlackBerries and terrorism is ridiculous.

The chief editor of Asia's Infotech publishing group, Prasanto Roy states, "The mail doesn't stay encrypted all the way. When it gets delivered to an external e-mail system such as Gmail or corporate mail, it gets decrypted — else the recipient wouldn't be able to read it. The exception is when you're not using a Gmail or a company mail ID but are sending pure BlackBerry mail."

Now, RIM faces the reality of giving up privacy rights to its users, and a gradual decrease of sales.

## Elite universities may reintroduce ROTC programs

By MOLLY DELBRIDGE  
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Many universities across the nation are investigating the possibility of offering the Reserve Officers Training Corp (ROTC) program to their students.

Developed in 1916 after President Woodrow Wilson signed the National Defense Act, the ROTC program trained college students as future officers.

During the Vietnam War, many elite universities terminated their ROTC programs due to antiwar

protests from students.

The military covers a handful of major expenses including full tuition (as well as textbooks) for more than 30,000 cadets enrolled ROTC programs across the nation.

Despite paying for the future officers salaries and rewarding them with a monthly allowance, many students are not interested in joining a ROTC unit.

Kate Abbott, a reporter for *TIME* Magazine stated, "Today, 40% of military officers are trained through the Army, Air Force, or Navy College programs."

As of now, Princeton and Cornell

are the only Ivy Leagues with ROTC on their campuses.

Students enrolled at other Ivies have to travel to the nearest universities to receive the ROTC training that some schools do not offer at their own campuses.

Many universities such as Harvard and Yale do not give academic credit to cadets registered in military science classes.

Harvard graduate Michael Segal is an advocate for ROTC programs across college campuses, and he argues that many schools will benefit from training cadets in specialized programs.

Universities like Stanford and Columbia believe that the ROTC has little value to their schools, but Segal firmly disagrees.

Both institutions offer the finest engineering programs in the nation, and by educating cadets in these programs, the United States military could become more technologically advanced.

Many Ivies oppose the ROTC program because many educators believe the military breaches anti-discrimination policies.

Since The Don't Ask Don't Tell policy (DADT) is still in effect, many university officials do not want

ROTC programs at their campuses.

Some officials believe that DADT violates the rights of some Americans because the military prohibits officers from openly speaking about homosexuality and bisexuality.

Tom Conroy, director of Yale's public affairs states, "If DADT was repealed, then ROTC would probably be an attractive option for students."

Until more universities reintroduced ROTC programs, many undergraduate and prestigious American universities need to find neighboring college campuses in order to receive formal cadet training.

## ARTS &amp; ENTERTAINMENT

## Wagner Theatre features diverse lineup for fall

By SAMANTHA KNOERZER  
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It's time to draw the curtains and shed light on a new year of amazing performances by Wagner College's theater program, which is featuring a diverse array of shows at a variety of venues across Campus.

The first play in Wagner's Main Stage line up for the fall is Rodgers and Hammerstein's *Cinderella*. It is based upon the fairy tale of the same name, and is sure to be a great show for the whole family to come out and enjoy. *Cinderella* will be performed in October, followed by William Finn's *Spelling Bee* in November. *Spelling Bee* is a one act musical comedy show with a plot centered around a fictional spelling bee in which six quirky students compete against one another and are judged by three equally-quirky grown-ups. The most interesting and dynamic part of this show is that four audience members will be called upon by the actors to take part in *Spelling Bee*. This should prove to be another family favorite in which the audience can literally take part in.

Stage One, Wagner's 'black box

theater' is a great place to enjoy shows in an intimate setting that is geared toward more mature audiences. While Main Stage is keeping with the family-oriented theme begun by last spring's *Beauty and the Beast*, Stage One's fall lineup is a little bit more diverse, with one contemporary tragedy and one classic comedy. Lanford Wilson's tale of struggles with death, drug abuse and personal identity, *Burn This* will be performed in October, while students will step up their skills to put on Shakespeare favorite, *A Midsummer Night's Dream* in November.

Wagner College has always been known for its top notch performances, and has been ranked in the Princeton Review's top five theater programs in the country for over a decade. Last year, Wagner finished at number three. Naturally, students can do nothing, but agree with Wagner's well noticed success. Marlena Mason, a sophomore here at Wagner can attest to this, "I heard a lot of good things about Wagner's theater program, but I didn't know how truly good it was until I saw my first performance. It was remarkable, and I've never seen any acting so honest."

Yet, no one is more proud of Wagner's theater program than the

theater majors themselves. "The theater program is great," said Joscelyn. "I've only been here a week and I love the teachers and the acting class I'm in now. I already feel like I'm making progress. The shows I've seen were phenomenal and I'm so glad to be a part of it."

Though most students are aware of how blessed Wagner College is for having such a talented theater department, many do not know that the Wagner's theater program has been undergoing a slew of new "renovations."

Perhaps what makes Wagner's theater program so good is the fact that students and faculty are constantly striving for improvement, despite an already heavy trophy shelf. Dr. Felicia J. Ruff, chair of the theater program, explains that there is a new facet to the freshmen diversity play called the Identity Project, directed by David Miller, in which the students will use freshmen writing samples to create a 50 minute play to be performed in the Gatehouse Lounge.

Dr. Ruff went on to talk about other new additions to the theater staff here at Wagner, including a new full-time faculty member, Michelle Pawk, a seasoned Broadway veteran, who will teach advanced acting, directing and film.

## 2010's star-studded Emmys

By BRIANNA MASS  
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Welcome to the 62nd Primetime Emmy Awards held at the Nokia Theatre in Los Angeles. The red carpet, sprawled out with celebrities adorned in their latest high fashion wear, are being snapped by the cameras of paparazzi and infatuated onlookers. The work of designers such as Marchesa, Burberry, Oscar de la Renta, Roberto Rodriguez and Lorraine Swartz jewels were present as well, gracing the glamorous bodies of small screen celebrities. Meanwhile, host Jimmy Fallon took the stage, and set a light-hearted tone for the night with some quick and priceless jokes.

Those in attendance to the star-studded event included small screen nominees such as Tina Fey (*30 Rock*), Lea Michele (*Glee*), Matthew Fox (*Lost*), Neil Patrick Harris (*CiLea*), Kyra Sedgwick (*The Closer*), and Betty White (*Saturday Night Live*).

This year's major highlights among the twenty awards given were *Mad Men* (Best Drama Series), *Modern Family* (Best Comedy Series), Kyra Sedgwick for *The Close* (Best Actress in a Drama

Series); and Jim Parsons of *The Big Bang Theory* (Best Actor in a Comedy Series).

Notably, Jimmy Fallon paid some much-appreciated comedic tribute to the slew of shows that will not be returning to television, like *Lost*, *24*, and *Law and Order*.

Though many awards shows are quite boring for at home viewers due to lengthy acceptance speeches and dull introductions, This year's even included lots of slapstick humor, keeping the audience watching the event with a pleasant sense of joy. For example, while accepting her award for Best Actress in a Comedy Series, Edie Falco of *Nurse Jackie* hilariously exclaimed "I'm not funny!"

Not to mention the poised celebrity award presenters like Ricky Gervais, Keri Russell, Anna Paquin, and Will Arnett.

George Clooney accepted his award of *The Bob Hope Humanitarian Award* presented by Julianna Margulies who called

Clooney "a true driving force behind remarkable TV events like

*America: A Tribute to Heroes*, *Tsunami Aid: A Concert of Hope*, and most recently, *Hope for Haiti*."

Clooney, in turn, spoke of Bob and Doloris Hope calling them "the best version of the term



Jimmy Fallon singing Springsteen's "Born to Run" with the cast of *Glee*

celebrity." He accepted the award with honor and, in Clooney's characteristic humanitarian fashion, shed light on what a tragedy truly means.

Shortly after, the Emmys showed their loyalty to those involved in television who have passed away paying tribute to Fess Parker, Jimmy Dean, Gene Barry, Roy Disney, Soupy Sales, Jean Simmons, Caroline Williams, and Gary Coleman.

Fittingly, the awards show concluded with Jimmy Fallon popping a champagne bottle in celebration, thanking viewers, and stating, poignantly of our favorite T.V. stars, "to watch them is to love them."

## Listen Up!



Amanda Palmer - *Amanda Palmer Performs the Popular Hits of Radiohead on Her Magival Ukelele*  
Released: June 2010  
Label: 8ft. Records

More often than not, when an artist releases an album consisting entirely of other artists work, it suggests a certain stagnation in their career. In the case of Amanda Palmer, it seems this trope has been completely re-

versed. Palmer's new EP, affectionately shortened to "Ukelelehead" by her fans, takes Radiohead's original music to new levels as quirky and interesting as her lengthy title. In some cases, such as with the record's first single, "Idiotique," the popular song would be nearly unrecognizable if it weren't for the lyrics and melody. Although it is one of Radiohead's more electronic songs, Palmer has managed, with only a ukelele and a piano, to produce a version that may even be superior to the original work. There is not a track on the EP deserving of the "Skip" button, though the inclusion of two separate versions of "Creep" seems a little excessive on the first listen. Palmer requests that listeners buy the album from her Bandcamp account rather than iTunes or alternate services, and is currently offering a digital download of the entire album for a mere 84 cents. Check it out at [amandapalmer.net](http://amandapalmer.net).

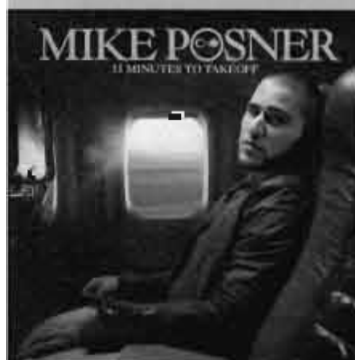
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Released: April 2010  
Label: self-released via Myspace.com

Chiddy Bang is the dynamic duo of Chidera "Chiddy" Anamege and Noah "Xaphoon Jones" Beresin. They combine Chiddy's lyrical ingenuity and prowess with Xaphoon's stellar ability to create unique, yet mind-grappingly catchy, beats. Their distinct sound puts them in the realm of alternative electronic hip-hop, however, they have created a genre all their own. This duo proves their talent and dexterity in "Opposite of Adults" and "Truth," two singles released in 2010 off of "The Swelly Express," a mixtape they released in 2009. "Truth" is one of the best tracks on the tape because it forces the beat through the "body taking any listeners' inhibitions with it. Chiddy's lyrical content is the combination of his political views and rough childhood with his and Xaphoon's struggle to become noteworthy artists. Chiddy is also a Nigerian citizen and uses his music to express the feelings he has concerning the issues in Africa, especially in Nigeria. Chiddy Bang signed a record deal with EMI in January 2010 and is currently working on their first album, expected to release early this October.

You'll love it if you like: Nappy Roots, MGMT, or Kid Cudi.



Mike Posner - *31 Minutes to Takeoff*  
Released: August 2010  
Label: J Records

If Justin Timberlake, Katy Perry, and Jazmine Sullivan raised a musical baby, the result would be Mike Posner, who, this summer, swept listeners off of our feet with his fun and familiar single "Cooler than me". But there is more to Posner than this hit single and his good looks. Producing, singing, and writing are just a few of the talents the 22 year old possesses. *31 Minutes to Takeoff*, Posner's debut album features upbeat, yet meaningful lyrics, as well as humor on songs like "Cheated." Posner incorporates elements of musical genres, including rave, hip-hop, and soul, making *31 Minutes to Takeoff* an album to dance, sing, and party to. He's got that swagger that the ladies love and a laid-back vibe that really comes through in his music. Don't be surprised if you start hearing Posner's new tracks blasting from every common room in Wagner's dorms.

You'll love it if you like: Asher Roth, Big Sean, or Sam Adams.



# What not to miss: regular TV season returns

By JENN INZETTA  
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## The New Show You Won't Want To Miss:

*Boardwalk Empire*

Premieres: Sunday, September



19, 8 p.m. on HBO

**What to Expect:** Set in Atlantic City, New Jersey, *Boardwalk Empire* is a classic drama focused on the Prohibition time period of the 1920's and the illegal activities that occurred due to the nationwide ban on alcohol. Through the teamwork, talent, and creativity of Emmy Award winning writer of *The Sopranos*, Terence Winter, and Academy Award winning director Martin Scorsese, *Boardwalk Empire* is sure to be the next HBO hit. Inspired by the nonfiction book *Boardwalk Empire: The Birth, High Times and Corruption of Atlantic City* by Nelson Johnson, the show revolves around the transformation occurring in America during the Roaring 20's. The economy is booming, women are gaining more rights, jazz music is emerging, flappers are taking the USA by storm, and radio is becoming a prominent part of society. In the midst of this rapid evolution, a corrupt politician and street-wise gangster named Enoch "Nucky" Thompson (Steve Buscemi) begins to rule the Atlantic City's entertainment strip. He emerges as the go to guy for obtaining illegal alcohol and conducts business with various gangsters, "Big Jim" Colosimo (Frank Crudele), Arnold Rothstein (Michael Stuhlbarg), Lucky Lu-

ciano (Vincent Piazza), and Al Capone (Stephen Graham). Various characters, including Nucky's brother, Elias (Shea Whigham), who is the town's sheriff, and other local thugs, help Nucky gain access to the resources he needs for his operation and helps to popularize the products he is selling. Throughout the series, Nucky is bombarded with multiple dilemmas, including his former accomplice Jimmy Darmody (Michael Pitt), who forms a close friendship with Nucky's associates and enemies, the Feds who are trying to take Nucky down, and his relationship with a woman stuck in an abusive relationship. As the plot begins to unfold, the storylines and action only intensify.

## The So-Bad-Its-Good Reality TV Staple:

*Dancing With the Stars*

Premieres: Monday, September 20, 8 p.m. on ABC

**What to Expect:** *Dancing with the Stars* kicks off its 11th season with a cast of characters that will cause you to redefine your definition of the term 'stars.' There will be names you recognize, like Jennifer Grey (Let the 'baby in the corner' jokes commence.) and Audrina Patridge (*The Hills*). There will be names you don't recognize, like Margaret Cho (comedian) and Kyle Massey (Disney Star). And there will be names you recognize but wish you didn't, like Bristol Palin, and Mike "The Situation" Sorrentino from *Jersey Shore*. Of course, there will also be the football star (Kurt Warner) and the "C"-list actors you recognize from shows like *The Brady Bunch* and *Bay Watch* reruns (Florence Henderson and David Hasselhoff, respectively), and those random few you just can't place until you can, like Rick Fox and Michael Bolton. (Google them. It's more fun that way.) It's not listed as a comedy but maybe it should be!

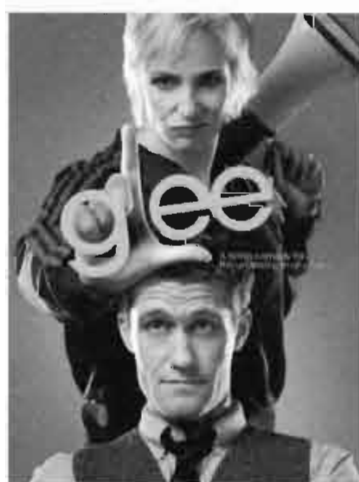
## The Show Everyone's Watch-

ing But You:

*Glee*

Premieres: Tuesday, September 21, 8 p.m. on Fox

**What to Expect:** When we last left off Quinn delivered her baby. Puck admitted he loved Quinn. Finn admitted he loved Rachel. Mr. Schuster made a play for Miss Pillsbury. And in the midst of all of this, the "New Directions" show choir performed at nationals. And lost. But everyone's favorite villain, Sue Sylvester managed to find them funding for another year. In its freshman season this musical turned comedy turned drama about a high school glee club, earned an Emmy nomination in almost every category, further solidifying this record breaking show as a prime-time powerhouse. Season two brings new characters, new songs, and an episode dedicated entirely to



the musical magic of Britney Spears. How can you compete with that?

## The Show With the Shocking Finale:

*Grey's Anatomy*

Premieres: Thursday, September 23, 9 p.m. on ABC

**Where We Left Off:** When a shooter runs rampant throughout the hospital, Derek is shot, and Meredith miscarries the baby her husband didn't even know they were having. Meanwhile, the tragedy brings other couples closer.

Callie and Arizona reunite, and Owen finally chooses Cristina, while Mark chooses Lexie. But who does Lexie choose? And how will Dr. Bailey and Dr. Webber fit into all of this? Oh, and are any of those pesky Mercy Westers (the ones that survived the finale) sticking around? The season seven premiere not only answers the questions you've been thinking about all summer, but also introduces a psychiatrist to the Seattle Grace Staff, along with a depressed Derek and a wedding you weren't expecting.

## The Show You Won't Admit You're Watching:

*Vampire Diaries*

Premieres: Thursday, September 9, 8:00 p.m. on The CW

**Where We Left Off:** Stefan, Damon, Elena, and Bonnie manage to save the town from angry vampires and walk away unscathed, just in time for Damon to show Elena his softer side, and sneak in a quick kiss too. The only problem? It wasn't Elena. In what was easily one of the most shocking season finales, Katherine, Elena's doppelganger, and the Salvatore brothers' first love, returns to kill Uncle John Gilbert. While John lies in a pool of his own blood, Elena's brother Jeremy attempts to turn himself into a vampire. Elsewhere, Caroline has been rushed to surgery after a potentially fatal car accident and Tyler attempts to figure out what made him crash the car in the first place. Catch a glimpse of the new season here.

## The Show That Just Won't go Away:

*Law and Order: SVU*

Premieres: Wednesday, September 29, 10 pm. on NBC

The dream team is back! Detective Elliot Stabler (Christopher Meloni) and Detective Olivia Benson (Mariska Hargitay) are back in New York City ready to examine various forms of transgression and

protect New Yorkers from all different types of crimes. Their specialty: investigating sexually based crimes through the Special Victims Unit of the New York City Police Department. Stabler, a dedicated veteran of the squad and Benson, a rape victim that had inspired her to join SVU, are two strong-minded detectives that make one incredible team. Their passion to help others, fervent desire to keep criminals off the street and bold sense of perseverance and justice, are just a few of the characteristics that make them role models in their community. "Law & Order: SVU", which was created by Dick Wolf and is in association with Universal Media Studios, has received many notable awards and distinctions over the past few years. In 2007, "Law & Order: SVU" was nominated for Best Drama at the People's Choice Awards and Meloni was nominated as Outstanding Lead Actor in a Drama Series at the 2006 Emmys. Hargitay also earned the title Lead Actress in a Drama Series at the 2005 Golden Globe Awards and in 2004, was nominated for an Emmy and SAG in the same category. The season premiere of "Law & Order: SVU" is Wednesday, September 22nd at 9pm on NBC. It'll be a night of crime stopping and wild twists and turns that you won't want to miss.



## Check out these upcoming concerts!

Broken Social Scene @ Rumsey Playfield (Central Park), September 18

Titus Andronicus and Free Energy @ Webster Hall (125 E. 11th Street), September 25

The Tallest Man on Earth @ Webster Hall, September 27

Gaslight Anthem and Rival School @ Radio City Music Hall (1260 Ave. of the Americas), September 30

The xx, Warpaint, and Zola Jesus @ United Palace (4140 Broadway), October 2

The Hold Steady and Wintersleep @ Beacon Theater (2124 Broadway), October 7

K'Naan and Paper Tongues @ Webster Hall, October 9

# Summer 2010 provides great new tunes

By NANCY ARAVECZ  
Entertainment Editor

Most of you were probably too busy with summer jobs, classes, and fun in the sun this summer to pay too much attention to music blogs and your iTunes account. But while you were away from your computer, a lot of really fantastic music hit the web (and the record stores, if you happen to ever go inside those archaic shopping stops). So now is the time to catch up on what you missed before you get too swamped with papers and presentations and any extra-curricular activities that might deprive your ears of any further enjoyment.

The musical highlights of this summer that really captured critics' attention was most definitely the back-to-back release of Wavves' *King of the Beach* and Best Coast's *Crazy for You*. Both bands' aesthetics are for beachy, easy going pop-rock music about summer fun,

romance, cats, California, and smoking pot. The similarity in themes between the two bands is probably not a coincidence though, as Best Coast's Bethany Cosentino and Wavves' Nathan Williams have been dating for some time. The two albums, though similar in themes, are actually quite different. *King of the Beach* is a noisy rock album rem-



iniscent of early 2000's pop-rock and emo, while *Crazy for You* has a distinctively vintage feel, thanks to Cosentino's oldies-inspired vocals.

Despite drummer Questlove's regular DJ sets in Manhattan, and being the house band for *Late Night with Jimmy Fallon*, The Roots released their ninth studio album, titled *How I Got Over*. "HIGO" is a carefully constructed, and thor-

oughly enjoyable hip hop album, which attempts to cross genres with collaborations with indie big-wigs like Monsters of Folk, Joanna Newsom, and members of the Dirty Projectors. While previous Roots albums feature a more heavy and quick-paced feel, *HIGO* is markedly slower, with more of a chilled out vibe.

Similarities between Best Coast and Wavves also can be seen on their equally goofy album covers

Also in hip-hop was Big Boi's (of Outkast fame) quirky and mind-blowing release of *Sir Lucious Left Foot: the Son of Chico Dusty*, and Major Lazer's club-friendly E.P. full of wacky, and sexy remixes, titled *Lazers Never Die*.

Arcade Fire released their much-anticipated third studio album, *The Suburbs* in early August, and it certainly did not disappoint. *The Sub-*

*urbs* secured the Canadian band's place in the pantheon of acclaimed indie rockers. A 16-track opus, the album is sometimes soft, sometimes punk, and always moving.

Ceo, a band new to the indie scene, put out their debut album, *White Magic*, which is a truly magical pop safari that is upbeat and danceable, but also introspective and moody.

Also new to the scene are Time Impala, who released an infinitely cool, psychedelic rock album, *Inner-speaker*.

While all of the above are definitely worthy of checking out, there is one very notable release that should be ignored. M.I.A.'s *Mezzanine* was a total flop, and a huge disappointment to her exponentially expanded fanbase. The album was a sloppy third attempt, and most tracks were borderline torturous to listen to. This time around M.I.A. seemed to be more concerned with creating controversy than quality music.

# LIFE & STYLE

## “Get It” with Miss M.

*Miss M. is the Wagnerian’s brand new relationship columnist. To anonymously submit a question regarding anything, (and we mean anything!) that pertains to your relationships, or lack thereof, place it in the “Miss M.” box stationed outside of Wagnerian’s office in Union 202. She will gladly answer even the wackiest of issues, so don’t be shy!*

Dear Miss M.,

Something about my boyfriend of a year and a half has been bugging me recently. Everything has been fine with our relationship—we are so in love, are still affectionate with each other, and go out on dates every now and then, but he has been acting more jealous than usual. I recently caught him in a lie regarding his (apparently) newfound jealousy. He has been secretly logging into my facebook account and deleting my guy friends, and blocking certain family members from my profile, including my older brother, who he used to be good friends with. The worst part about this is that even though he is the only one who knows my password and could be doing this to me, he has been denying that it’s him deleting dudes from my friends list, and making up lies about how facebook ‘randomly deletes his friends too.’ I obviously don’t believe him. Here’s the catch—I feel like I can’t confront him about this matter because he has caught me looking through his text messages, which ended in a huge fight, and almost a breakup. I feel like this situation has left me stuck between a rock and a hard place. I love my boyfriend, but I feel like can’t call him out about his jealousy without revealing myself to be a raging hypocrite. But my discomfort with his actions has tarnished my perspective of both his character, and our once very healthy, supportive relationship.

-My Awesome Guy Is Creepy

Dear MAGIC,

First off, good job, girl, making your relationship last that long. I know it’s very hard to keep a relationship alive past a few months while in college. Now, getting to the problem: there has to be an underlying problem existing in your relationship where this new-found jealousy is coming from- it did not just come out of thin air. There must be a reason for his jealousy that your boyfriend isn’t telling you, which is causing most of these issues.

He is clearly insecure about your relationship, but he is going about things the wrong way. Lying is never the way to fix a relationship. He betrayed your trust by going onto your Facebook and deleting your male friends, but you committed a relationship crime that was just as bad when you looked through his text messages. As far as I’m concerned, you both created some toxins in your relationship, and that is no bueno. You must learn to respect his privacy if you ever expect him to respect yours.

The main issue here is not the jealousy or the lying, it’s the lack of trust you have with each other. As Sting once said, “If there is no trust there can be no love”. You need to work on the foundations of your relationship if you ever want it to be fixed. You must confront him about his jealousy issues and try to create an open dialogue about the Facebook and text message issues. It sounds like you haven’t spoken enough about what is on your mind. Your feelings are valid and you must acknowledge them.

I understand that initiating a conversation about what happened would be awkward for you, since you already fought about this issue and almost lost your relationship. I would say the next time you guys plan on having some one on one time together, you bring up some of the issues that are on your mind. Conversations like this never just happen on their own and it can’t wait.

If your opinion on his character has changed, I’m sure he’s having some of the same issues with you. If you feel as though this has tarnished your opinion of him, you must tell him straight out that this situation has made your opinions of him change and that you would like for things to go back to the way they were before you both lost trust within each other. If you’re both willing to work on this, I’m sure your relationship could go back to normal in no time.

You both need to learn to talk more openly. If you guys don’t talk things out then more problems like this are inevitable. It takes a while to earn someone’s trust and, in my opinion, you both messed up in that department.

-Miss M

## Campus Do’s

A column dedicated to students around campus with an impeccable fashion sense

Paige Carter, Junior

- Sheer neon top: H& M- \$29.99
- Black ultra skinny distressed denim: Gap- \$59.99
- Brown leather boots: DSW- \$100.00
- Sheer scarf: NYC Street Vendor- \$5.00
- Brown leather belt: Lucky Brand- \$30.00



Hugh Gilmore, Junior

- Striped button-up shirt - Buffalo Exchange \$17.50
- Grey vest- Calvin Klein \$59.99
- Skinny jeans- Bought while studying abroad in Argentina \$82.00
- Belt- Lord & Taylor \$34.99
- Shoes- Housing works 50.00



## 5 reasons why every college girl should be visiting collegecandy.com

By JENN INZETTA  
Wagnerian Copy Chief

Facebook.Textsfromlastnight.com. Fmylife.com. OverHeardEverywhere.com. Most college students know and visit these websites daily. But most girls probably are not reading CollegeCandy.com, and they should be. Founded in 2006, College Candy has been giving college girls the scoop on everything from celebrity scandal and fall fashion to relationship advice and mid-term survival tips ever since. A website that caters to both the sorority sister and the women’s studies major alike, College Candy provides female readers with a place to stay up to date on the latest gossip, debate the bigger issues, and procrastinate writing that english paper. With sections for style, relationships, reality, body, buzz and humor, College Candy tackles the

tougher issues for girls while also providing them with tips every college girl should know. From ‘Five (Unofficial) Rules to Dorm Living’ to Wardrobe Wish Lists, and Intro to Cooking articles, CollegeCandy.com covers it all. Ladies, if you are not yet avid readers of this website, then you should be. And here is why.

**It’s written for you by girls just like you:** Collegecandy.com is a website written for college girls by college girls. With over 100 women writers, College Candy has become a website with compulsive updates and more content than any college student could hope to read in a day. The writers are relatable and cover a variety of topics all prevalent within the typical college girl’s life.

**It’s your go-to-guide for everything college:** Articles such as ‘The ABC’s Of Getting “A”s and “B”s’, ‘10 Essential Dorm Items

(That You Probably Didn’t Think Of)’, ‘A Girl’s Guide to Tailgating’, and ‘9 Things Every Senior Should Know About Senior Year’, were featured. There is also a resident college guy writer who provides some insight into the male mind, and weekly columns that follow everything from the Post Grad Journey to being single in college. They also touch on relationships, the life of interning, and chic fashion finds. The ladies at CollegeCandy.com are self proclaimed experts on all things college.

**It caters to all college girls and all of their interests:** Top Trends of Fall 2010. Lindsay Lohan’s Latest Scandal. An Insiders Guide to the College Party. Maxim Says the Darndest Things. Eating Tips for a Killer Memory & Laser Focus. CollegeCandy.com and its array of areas covers more topics than

you could ever possibly have an interest in. Whether you want to read about a girl’s one month self imposed ban from Facebook ,the Dos and Don’ts of the infamous social network, the antifeminist ideals behind the media and marketing of clothing companies, or you are just interested in the clothing, College Candy covers it all and everything is just a simple mouse-click away.

**It’s a place that allows you to voice your opinion:** Have a strong opinion on something? Comment on one of College Candy’s many ‘Duke It Out’ posts. Disagree about what Mary from UCLA has to say about the best place to party? Comment and let her know. Suggest topics to be covered. Offer you own perspective. Get caught up in a cat-fight. Start an all out online brawl. CollegeCandy.com is an interactive online magazine, allowing readers

and writers to comment and critique on all things College Candy. This is not just a website. It is an online community of versatile women, discussing and debating, connecting and commiserating.

**It’s the first website of its kind:** This is not a gossip site. It is not a social network, or a place to post amusing anecdotes. It is not an advice column or a guide to surviving your college years. It is all of the above; and it is so much more. “A veritable portal into all things college,” CollegeCandy.com is the first website written by college women for college women, and the 14<sup>th</sup> largest website for women in the world. And it is all available all day everyday, from your blackberry, your laptop, your school library and your dorm room, when you are writing a history paper or waiting for class to start. So take advantage of it.



# Cheap NYC

## Restaurants

The Cottage- Great food. Free wine.  
33 Irving Place New York, NY 10003-2332

L & B Spumoni Gardens- My cab driver said it was the best pizza in New York. \$2.25  
A Slice of Italian heaven.  
2725 86th St between 10th and 11th Sts, Bensonhurst, Brooklyn

Pita Joe- 3.95 Falafel love with fresh ingredients.  
2 W 14th St between Fifth and Sixth Aves

Boneshakers- Good fries. Good sandwiches. Good people.  
134 Kingsland Ave between Beadel and Lombardy Sts, Williamsburg, Brooklyn

Zen Restaurant- The best sushi in New York City. Get a full meal for only \$6.00  
31 Saint Marks Place

## Drinks

Boxcar Lounge- house specialties are just \$5 each until 10 p.m. (until 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday).  
168 Avenue B, between 10th and 11th Sts

Parkside Lounge- \$3 beer and well drinks daily from 1 p.m. until 8 p.m  
317 E. Houston St., at Attorney St

Rudy's Bar- Rudy's Red, the house's own brew served in plastic "buckets" for \$7.75 plus  
free hot dogs!  
627 Ninth Ave., at 44th St.

The Village Idiot- Beers are \$1.25-\$3, beer pitchers are \$5.50, mixed drinks are \$3.25, and  
shots are \$3  
355 West 14th St., at Ninth Ave

## Shopping

Forever 21- new in Times Square, the store is the biggest in the city and full of cheap/fabu-  
lous finds  
159-161 West 46<sup>th</sup> St.

St. Mark's Place- Ecclectic stores and street vendors. Bartering is always an option.  
St. Mark's Place (8th St. between 3rd Avenue and Avenue A)

Century 21- Name brand clothes for hundreds less than regular price  
22 Cortlandt Street

Cosmetic Market- Bargains include bottles of Chanel nail polish for \$5.50 apiece, and L'O-  
real Feria hair coloring for just \$1.00.  
9 East 39th Street

## Entertainment

Student Rush Broadway- At most shows, you can arrive an hour before, at the latest, to ask  
for Student Rush. Most box offices open at 10 am. Tickets that are normally hundreds of dol-  
lars are sold for \$35 and under. Call box office ahead of time to make sure they offer this.

Upright Citizens Brigade Theatre- Great improv for cheap prices. All tickets are \$10 or  
under. Famous comedians such as Tina Fey, Will Ferrel and Robin Williams have been  
known to frequent the theatre.  
307 West 26th Street

Cinema Classics- Known best for its showings of foreign, contemporary, indie and Holly-  
wood classic films every 2-3 days for 5.50 a pop.  
332 East 11<sup>th</sup> Street

## Upcoming Festivals

Sunday September 19th  
8th Avenue from 42nd - 57th St.

Saturday September 25th  
Broadway Autumn Fair  
Broadway from Waverly Pl. 14<sup>th</sup> Street

Sunday October 3<sup>rd</sup>  
N.Y.C. Oktoberfest  
Lexington Avenue from 42nd - 57th Street

Reported by Susanna Gooch

# Fall fashion trends

By DOUG HANSON  
Wagnerian Staff Writer

It's not a surprise that New York City is the fashion capital of the world. With Manhattan a mere ferry ride away, Wagner students are able to experience the best that style has to offer. Whether it's clothes, shoes, hair or makeup we are here to give you the latest update on what's hot this fall.

Before we go into the upcoming trends we asked Wagner students what they're favorite fall fashions were. Some students, like Lauryn Shirra and Becky Kalman, look forward to adding a splash of color to their wardrobe. Kalman gets excited because "fall is colorful," while Shirra explains that she "likes colorful peacoats and scarfs." Other students, such as Aryana Rodriguez, focus on a more hipster look, exclaiming "I rock the leather boots and I love to layer."

Girls aren't the only ones having fun on campus when it comes to fashion trends. Robert Keir is "looking forward to the sweaters". When asked what look he was going for this season he responded with, "I just want the 'campus look'." Justin Stevens, on the other hand, wanted to make one fashion fopaux bluntly clear: "Sweat pants are NOT clothes." He agreed with Shirra, saying, "I can't wait to break out my peacoat."

## Style

Gearing up for fall, here's a glimpse of some of the chic upcoming styles the fashion community has to offer:

**Safari/Military-Inspired:** Army greens and camel colors aren't just for the barracks or backwoods. Many practical styles are in, such as big, tall

boots that look as though you grabbed them from your dad's closet. The classics like messenger bags, and trench coats will always keep you, well... classy!

**All Things Animal:** Nothing says fierce like an animal print! Animal fur, leather and bird feathers are all hot trends we've seen on the runway this season. From cheetah bags to leather pants, this trend is sure to make a glamorous statement. Go bold or go home.

**The "Mad Men" Look:** Late '50s to early '60s. For this mod look, go with the kitten heels, full skirts, red lips, and themed clutches. Suits with a tailored look and collared tops with ties on them are also fun to add to your wardrobe.

## Hair and Makeup

Want to be crazy tonight? How about dying your eyebrows? Yes, you read correctly. The strong, architectural eyebrows have made their return and many models on the runways have been seen dying their eyebrows with Balenciaga's orange, pink and blue. Want to spice up your lips while you're at it? The gothic lip is ultra-chic and is available through brands like Christian Dior and Missoni. If you've gone this far, why not consider the hair? The up-do is completely spunky and modern and is the new ponytail for women. The luckiest part is that it's totally practical and easy. Up and out!

## Color

Orange is all the rage this season. From clothes, eyes, lips, cheeks and even hair, apricots, tangerines and creamsicles made their mark on the runways this season. So next time you see that sleek tangerine dress reasonably priced at \$29.00, don't hesitate to take it to the cashier; you won't regret it.

# It's a gay's life

Gay friendly activities in New York City

By KEVIN DALY  
Wagnerian Staff Writer

Attention all Waggies who lead the homosexual lifestyle: get off campus and head to the city. Manhattan contains far too many activities pertaining to the gay community for you not to be taking advantage of them.

If you are looking for some entertainment outside of our little island; head to Splash on 50 West 17<sup>th</sup> street for some karaoke and dancing. Singing champs have the opportunity to win \$400 through entry of the contest. Can't sing? That's fine! Dance floor opens at 11 p.m. and the bar, of course, is open all night long. Cover charge is \$5 before 11 p.m. and \$10 anytime after.

The club thing not your scene? Check out Stonewall Inn in Sheridan Square for bingo on Monday nights with Kenny Dash, the fabulous blonde drag queen who always has something to say. She is there weekly to call you a Scooby Snack or Streetwalker Barbie, to regale you with stories of the awful things she does to her neighbors, to run through trivia on random movies and

television shows (usually from the 70's), and, when she remembers, to call out bingo numbers. Go, hang out, win a free t-shirt, and be mocked by a drag queen. The game starts at ten; bring a thick skin and some tip money.

Don't want to end the night early? Head down the street to Rockbar (185 Christopher St.) for some even more unforgettable entertainment. With continuous drink specials and live entertainment, the bar is an automatic favorite among the New York City community. Local musicians show up every week to play their own material for your listening pleasure. The cover charge is only five bucks and is totally worth it. Rockbar's staff is friendly and the musicians directly cater to the gay community.

Not into the night life? Check out the LBGT (Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender) Community Center at 208 West 14th Street. Events range from mixers and speed dating, to classes on PowerPoint and LGBT-oriented job fairs. Further information can be found on their website at [gaycenter.org](http://gaycenter.org).

If these suggestions don't make your life a happier and more amusing one, I don't know what will. Now put down the paper and go be gay.

# SEAHAWK SPORTS

## Women's Soccer: Off to a sunny start

By **BRITNEY REMINI**  
Wagnerian Staff Writer

With a season opener in Hawaii, and a winning first game at home, Women's Soccer is the team to watch this year. What began as a dream almost a year ago, turned into reality this summer when the Seahawks kicked off their season at a tournament in Hawaii. Needing to raise \$31,000 seemed impossible, but they started early and kept it going all year. Between fundraisers and clinics, the girls surpassed their goal and raised \$34,000.

The Seahawks took on University of Pacific their first game in Hawaii. With an early goal by sophomore Jessica Panarella, the Seahawks held Pacific to a 1-0 win. Beating Pacific was a big first victory for the team. Pacific is ranked 4th in the Big West, competing against teams like Santa Clara, Oregon and Stanford.

Afterwards the University of

Hawaii parents cooked some original island specials for the team. The trip was more than a once in a lifetime experience; it was a boost of confidence to have won the season opener. Unfortunately, the Seahawks lost to University of Hawaii. University of Hawaii is in the Western Athletic (WAC) and plays teams like Pepperdine, San Francisco and many other good competitors. Despite the loss, the trip was a huge success and no one could have asked for anything more.

Jet lag was not an issue for these ladies who held a fundraiser called Kicks for Cancer, all the while playing their first home game. The team wore pink in support of breast cancer. This definitely brought much deserved attention to the game as players were seen wearing pink t-shirts all day around campus. Moe's Southwest Grill was on hand with chips and salsa for all of the fans. At the game, Wagner raised 429 dollars for the American Cancer Society. The final score was 4-1 against Howard.

Wagner outshot them 24-12. Making their season record 3-2, with a loss to Lafayette and a huge win over Holy Cross. So far a much more positive start than in previous seasons.

Senior Ashley Rastello explains how Hawaii has helped the team atmosphere. Ashley states that, "Our trip to Hawaii was awesome! It gave all of us an opportunity to really get to know each other. Since I started as a freshman, I have been waiting for our team to feel like a team. Coach always tried to create ways for us to bond, but many of the girls didn't take it seriously. Finally, we have a team that cares about each other. Our time in Hawaii allowed us time to laugh, hang out, and really get to know each other. Even though it is always competitive, being on a large team, we are now rooting each other on because we really care! I've always known that if we "gel" as a team the victories would come. Accepting the underclassmen and treating everybody



Photo courtesy of Alyssa Ahern

Girl's soccer team arrives at Hawaii airport.

like not only a teammate, but a friend has made a world of a difference. Our time in Hawaii made this possible!"

The five freshmen have already made an immediate impact on the team. Freshman Katie Marcy (Bellmore, NY) is the starting goalkeeper for the Seahawks. Other freshman starters include, Amanda Sieferman

(Tucson, AZ) and Rachel Reeve (East Northport, NY). Freshman Jackie Nicholas (Rockville Centre, NY), has been getting plenty of playing time at forward. She has created a threatening offense for the Seahawks. Kristin Cahill (Woonsocket, RI) joined the team after the return from Hawaii and plays midfield.

## SAAC board urges students to get involved

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The Student Athletic Advisory Council, also known as SAAC Board, gives student athletes a chance to speak up both on campus and nationally about necessary issues. Because Wagner is a division one school, this board is mandated by the NCAA, but since the NCAA is a new addition to Wagner it is not well known on campus.

Recently, one specific coach has truly become an advocate for spreading the news about SAAC and community involvement. James Bradley, the Assistant Athletic Director, organized meetings in hopes of reaching out to teachers and student athletes by encouraging them to get involved in the community. Almost four hundred athletes have agreed; they desire to become involved in some type of community service. However, organizations are so busy it is hard to fulfill everyone's desire.

Two professors Cassia Freedland and Natalie Johnson, immediately rose to the occasion to provide students athletes with answers to their problems by speaking at a meeting. Both Professor Freedland and Dr. Johnson can assist student athletes in

finding a community service job to suit their individual needs. Freedland, director of Wagner Center leadership, states, "I believe the SAAC board is beneficiary to the school because it provokes student empowerment. Having student athletes come together with a similar idea of community engagement to make change is such a positive thing."

Although provided with much help in finding a community service job, many athletes worry about their conflicting schedules. Furthermore, since twenty five percent of Wagner students are athletes many are afraid to speak up, but any individual can bring their own personal issue to the board with expectations of a resolution.

The SAAC board believes that by getting the teachers and students involved they can flourish as a program on the Wagner campus. Thus far, more and more athletic coaches are looking into having their teams take part in this program. A strong believer in SAAC is Assistant Golf Coach Christopher Fourman. He spoke highly of the board and the newly proposed idea. Coach Fourman exclaims, "The SAAC board has been very active on community development." Overall, SAAC hopes to start a new trend, student athletes becoming involved in community service.

## Hall of Fame '09 inductees

*Six of Wagner's finest alumni athletes are recognized*

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Walking into Spiro Sports Center, take an immediate left and go up a flight of stairs, then walk through the lobby into the Hall of Fame room, overlooking the gymnasium. There you will see plaques and pictures honoring the achievements of Wagner's finest athletes. Each year, more and more alumni are added to the ranks. The six athletes inducted into the Hall of Fame for 2009 are diverse in every way — year of graduating class, sport played while at Wagner, and achievements and contributions made during their time at, and time after attending, Wagner.

The most notable of the six inductees is Dr. Gregory Knapp. He played on the football team throughout his undergraduate career, but his most prominent achievements took place long after he attended Wagner. Though he graduated in 1966 with a degree in Economics, he continued to be a leader and valued contributor to Wagner throughout his life. In 1990, he was elected to the Board of Trustees, received an honorary degree in 2000, and became a Lifetime Trustee in 2002. He also made contributions to the Football Stadium improvement fund and the Spiro Sports Center. Dr. Knapp passed away in July of 2009, but will always be remembered for his economic contributions to Wagner and economic leadership for this country.

Harold Brantley, class of 1983, is

one of the top twenty outfielders in Wagner history. From sophomore year to his graduation, he was a Met Conference All-Star and held an overall consistent batting average. In 1983, he received the Keith Speroni Memorial Award and graduated as the number one outfielder in Seahawk history. After graduation, he continued leading the baseball team as assistant coach until 1985. He now serves as a special agent for the FBI, while his son continues his father's baseball prowess.

Tom O'Riordan, class of 1987, still ranks second in school history for most field goals and holds the top spot in Seahawk history with 132 extra points in his career, 40 extra points in a season, and eight extra points in a game. He earned the Pizza Hut Second-Team All-American honors his freshman year, was Associated Press Third-Team All-American his sophomore year, and was All-ECAC choice his junior year. After graduation, he joined the NYPD and played for the NYPD Gaelic football team and retired in 2007.

Charles Stinson, also class of 1987, was an all-around leader, leading an incredible defense his sophomore and junior years, and serving as team captain during his senior year. In his junior year, he was a Koadk First-Team All-American, and Second-Team All-American for Pizza Hut and Football News, respectively. He now holds a managerial position at a company in Virginia.

Stacey Morris, class of 1991, excelled in both basketball and softball.

As a senior on the basketball team, she was a player for the First-Team All-Northeast Conference and a member of the All-NEC Tournament team. She also managed to be one of the best softball players in the nation during her senior year, ranking number one in slugging percentage, number two in batting average, and number three in RBI and home runs. She now serves as assistant athletic director, teacher, and softball coach at SUNY-Orange and has coached her teams to more than 300 victories and 12 championships.

Bobby Hopson, class of 1994, holds a spot in the basketball top ten in nine different statistical categories. As a freshman, he was on the NEC All-Newcomer team, had First-Team All-NEC honors as a sophomore and junior and earned the title of MVP,

and was Second-Team All-NEC as a senior. He was also a member of the NEC All-Tournament team during his senior year. Hopson is now a high school teacher and coach.

Browse the Hall of Fame to view, in detail, the achievements and honors of athletes past.



1994 graduate Bobby Hopson





Seahawks get ready before a game.

Photo Courtesy of Wagner athletics

# Seahawks focused on upcoming season

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Expectations for Wagner 2010 football season are ambitious. Head Coach Walt Hameline says “they have set high goals,” for this upcoming season. The team is expected to finish fourth in the Northeastern Conference according to the Preseason Poll. However, these expectations are going to be harder to reach with a member of the team missing. Starting running back, Dominique Williams, tore his anterior cruciate ligament (ACL) during a practice session prior to the Green and White scrimmage. Although this is a minor setback, the Seahawks will continue pushing forward.

Walt Hameline has been the head coach for the Wagner Football Program for the past 29 years. Heading into the 2009 football season, he had an all-time record of 189-105-2. The 189 wins are tied for sixth on the all-time career list with the Football Championship Subdivision (FCS).

With so much experience as a coach, he knows what he can and can’t achieve with the football team he has. This year he thinks the team has a very high chance of making it to that 12th game (the first game in the NEC Championships).

Preseason always entails a two week camp. During the camp, the coaching staff can see what they have to work with. Now that the camp is over, all the players are becoming “acclimated” with classes and the other students on campus. The players showed progress over the two weeks of camp. Whether it was with offense, defense, or special teams, the team has improved hoping to make it to that 12th game. Coach Hameline is depending on the veteran players to carry this season to its high expectations. “The [newcomers] are good young football players,” according to Hameline, “now is their time to develop as players.”

A veteran player that will not be seeing any field time is Dominique Williams. He underwent surgery the week of August 29, and the rehabili-

tation process for a torn ACL is about six to eight months after the surgery. During Williams’ preseason training, he scored seven touchdowns and gained 351 yards, rushing in a three-game, early season stretch. “Seasons always have injuries,” says Hameline. Also he explains “this is time for the other players to step up.”

Although the team had a setback with Williams, many other players dominate the field as well. Six Seahawks were named in the All-NEC preseason team. The six athletes are sophomore quarterback Nick Doscher, senior center Cleveland Green, senior guard Joe Feriozzi, senior punter Kyle Muir, senior kick return specialist Frantz Placide, and sophomore running back Dominique Williams.

The 2010 Seahawks football season should be one to make it in the books. The players, coaches, and student body are anxious to see how the team does. Will they be able to meet their coach’s expectations? Or will they fall short of the 12th game?

# Dive team, coach make debut

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Kelly Mohr, former University of Rhode Island diver, will be the new head diving coach for the Seahawks. This will be the first ever season for diving at Wagner.

Having the diving team will help the swim team as a whole because divers have the opportunity to gain a large amount of points.

The divers will practice at College of Staten Island three times a week. The rest of the week practice will be on dry land and work outs will take place on campus. The meets will be held at Spiro, but they will only dive in away meets.

Practices began last week and practice on the boards will begin October 1st. There are three divers for the Seahawks, freshman Josephine Leraci, and sophomores Kelly Edmonds and KC Ivins. Because diving is a very individual sport, there is a good amount of divers.

Mohr has been a gymnast her entire life. Junior year of high school, after suffering a back injury, she was asked to join the diving team, a sport that would be easier on her back. Mohr dove at University of Rhode Island. A four-year letter winner with the Rhode Island Rams, she was the team’s top diver at the Atlantic 10 Championships her sophomore and senior seasons. A senior captain, Mohr graduated with a degree in Early Childhood Education, Human Development and Family



Photo courtesy of Wagner athletics  
Kelly Mohr: new dive coach

Studies. After graduating she moved back home to coach the Girls Swimming and Diving team at Sacred Heart Academy in Hamden, CT. She also coached the Boys Diving Team at Cheshire High School in Cheshire, CT.

In the spring and summer she taught lessons for all ages at Cheshire Community Pool.

Mohr “wants to get the girls as excited as possible for this season, there is so much opportunity for them and for Wagner by adding diving. I am honored to get to be apart of starting this program and of Wagner.”

Swimming and Diving Team  
season opener is  
October 16 at 1 p.m. at  
Bryant University

# Men’s cross country season preview

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Joe Stasi has been head coach of the Men’s Cross Country Team at Wagner College for 15 seasons, and this may be the most exciting season for him yet. Last year the Men’s Cross Country Team had their best finishing time, ever, in the 2009 Northeast Conference (NEC) Cross Country championships. Coach Stasi has high expectations for his team, as he stated “We finished fifth last year out of twelve teams, this year we’re hoping to crack the top three.”

This year’s Cross Country season has brought out talented rookie and veteran athletes alike. Foremost is returning runner, junior Zachary Spector. This veteran member is the top returning runner for the team. Spector is eligible to compete for the conference title, and was all conference his first two years at Wagner. According to Coach Stasi, a “Zach is the most

polished runner in the conference.” Spector feels very confident in himself and his teammates as well. Spector feels the team “was young last year, but now we are more experienced.” He also continues to challenge himself and attain new heights, claiming that his goal for this season is to win the Conference himself.

Along with Spector, is returning runner, junior Thomas Iannacone. Iannacone finished second in four of the seven meets last season, and is expected to shoulder some of this season’s responsibility, considering the team lost a lot of their seniors. However, according to Iannacone this won’t be a problem. He proudly states “We only lost one student, he was a leader but I feel we all matured under him. We feel pretty confident with it.” This confidence is evident in Iannacone’s own personal goal, which is to come out in the top ten at the Conference. Along with that Iannacone adds “We all want to win, but realistically we want the top three. Winning is always the goal, but com-



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6K (3.7 mile) Monmouth XC Kick-Off at Thompson Park.

ing into the top three is most reasonable.”

Rounding out the veteran members are seniors, Thomas Rammelkamp, and his twin brother Derek Rammelkamp. Thomas Rammelkamp competed in seven races in last year’s season and had a season best finish of 19th at the 6K Monmouth quad. Thomas Rammelkamp is most excited to see the team come together, stating “I watched the team from my freshman year mature and grow, it’s really exciting to see everything come

together. I feel like we are going to have a good year.”

There is talent to be found among the rookie members too. This season the Men’s Cross Country team welcomes three new additions; freshman Faisal Abdillahi, freshman Michael Baio, and freshman Daniel Zaccariello. All three members are accomplished runners, and we need to keep an eye out for what Zaccariello will bring to the team. Zaccariello had a great deal of success in high school, and is a national type runner accord-

ing to Stasi. Coach Stasi believes Zaccariello should make an immediate impact, and that, “He is the most talented mid distance runner I have brought in since I’ve been at Wagner.”

The Men’s Cross Country team begins their season and effort toward achieving their goals at 9:45 am on Saturday, September 4th at the Monmouth XC Kickoff. Their next upcoming meet will be, Saturday, September 25th at the Ted Owen Invitational in Stanley Quarter Park.



