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GHOST BUSTING WARD HOUSE

by

Dale Butterworth and Rard Dutz

"So she's upstairs playing the piano, and he's downstairs working on something or other."

"Uh huh."

"Anyway, she comes down and asks him if the music is too loud and he says no, the music is fine but it is sort of bothersome whenever she moves the piano from one end of the room to another. He said that that makes a lot of noise. I don't know ... it's wierd."

"What's wierd?"

"She said that she wasn't moving any piano around."

"So what's your point?"

"They were all alone in the house. If she wasn't moving a piano around, who was?"

The above is an excerpt from one of several interviews, conducted by these reporters, in their efforts to either validate or disprove the "haunting" of Ward mansion. We feel it important to state initially that no definite conclusions were drawn. Some people are convinced that they've seen and heard things — wierd things — take place there. Others liken a belief in ghosts to a belief in the Tooth Fairy or the Easter Bunny. It doesn't really matter which of these arguments one subscribes to. The stories Ward house has spawned are interesting enough in themselves.

A little background: In 1865 General William Green Ward, his wife, and his two daughters, Caroline and Maria,

moved into the newly constructed Ward mansion. (For the uninformed, the house overlooks the football field).

The Ward family enjoyed an affluent lifestyle. The house was equipped with an art studio, tennis courts and stables, as well as a large glass guest house.

According to Debbie Wedinger, a senior at Wagner who wrote a comprehensive paper for sociology on "The Rumors of Ward House" last year, the architecture of the house itself is, in some ways and according to some people, connected with occult phenomena. According to Miss Wedinger's paper, "Parapsychologists feel the house has ... a negative energy present," because the house itself is constructed of inverted pyramids. (It should be stated that Miss Wedinger herself remains cynical about much of the macabre phenomena that is purported to have taken place in the mansion).

In 1941, Marie Ward, having (along with her sister) squandered away most of her family's fortune, died mysteriously due to injuries sustained after she fell down the house's main staircase. She was 78. Even today there is some dissention as to whether her fall was an accident, or whether sister Carolyn helped her along with a good, firm push.

Carolyn, also in her late 70's, died some three months



later. Both she and her sister were spinsters.

The mansion, since the death of the Wards, has since been purchased by Wagner College and used primarily by the music department. In the late fifties, however, strange stories began floating around the campus: Wierd stuff is going down at Ward house.

People claim to hear bodies falling down steps.

People hear music emanating from empty rooms.

An old woman is seen standing on the front porch.

An odd "presence" is felt in practice room # 8 (Caroline's old bedroom).

On more than one occasion a small boy's screams are heard. (This is odd because, officially, the only children known to have inhabited the mansion are Caroline and Marie. However, there is some evidence to suggest that our "ibidinous General may have had two illegitimate sons, one of whom is said to have grown up in Jersey. The other is said to have died in the mansion. Cause of death: Unknown.

One girl swears that she felt herself being pushed down the house's main staircase as she was descending. She attests to have been alone although for an instant she

claims to have glimpsed the image of an old woman, sprawled on her back at the foot of the landing.

The incidents do not restrict themselves to students. Dr. Cross, the head of the music department, is said to have inadvertently taped the sounds of a body tumbling down the stairs while he was recording an "ear training exercise." The tape itself is said to be in the Horrmann library, one of sixteen such tapes, if anyone wants to take the time to listen.

It was concluded that a story of this kind necessitated a visit to the house. These reporters undertook such a visit a week prior to publication. We spent well over four hours in the house alone (the mansion has been boarded up since last year due to "heating problems"). Nothing conclusive was seen or heard.

This is not to suggest that people who claim to have witnessed bizarre incidents are fraudelant in their assertions. We are convinced that many of them honestly believe they are telling the truth.

Some people, it has been learned, have, in years past, become obsessed with confirming whether or not the

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WORKING FOR THE WEEKEND

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WU 202	Administration Planning Committee Meeting
Kade Gallery	Allen Caplowaith Photo Show
WU 107	Faculty Lunch Meeting
WU 202	English Club Meeting
WU 202	Zeta Tau Alpha Meeting
WU 204	Sigma Phi Rho Dinner Meeting
WU 201	Telefund
WU 107	Alpha Omega Dental Fraternity Dinner
DS-GYM	SAB Aerobics Class

8:30 AM - 10:00 AM
11:00 AM - 4:00 PM
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM
3:00 PM - 4:30 PM
4:30 PM - 6:00 PM
5:00 PM - 10:00 PM
6:00 PM - 11:00 PM
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

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WU 203	Development Office Meeting
WU 204	Student Activities Board Meeting
WU 202	Phi Delta Kappa Executive Board Meeting
WU 201	Telefund
AH	Cheerleading Practice
Gatehouse	French Club Meeting

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
3:30 PM - 4:30 PM
6:30 PM - 9:00 PM
5:00 PM - 10:00 PM
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

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WU Lobby	Wagnerian Classified Soliciting
WU 107	Faculty Lunch Meeting
Kairos	Jewish Service
WU 204	Faculty Forum
Hawk's Nest	Alpha Delta Pi Party

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM
6:00 PM
7:30 PM - 10:00 PM
9:00 PM - 1:00 AM

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Planetarium	"Winter, Nuclear & Other"
Kairos	Newman Club Mass an' Movie
Hawk's Nest	Alpha Little Sisters Party

11:15 AM
8:00 PM
9:00 PM - 1:00 AM

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Sunday, 11/4/84		
WU 108	Newman Club Mass	1:15 PM
Planetarium	"Winters, Nuclear & Other"	3:00 PM



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

PRE-LAW SOCIETY

The Pre-Law Society will have its second meeting of the semester this Thursday, November 1, at 3 p.m. in WU 202.

Dr. John Jude Moran will speak on the topic of how to apply to law school and what to expect once you're there.

All interested students are welcome.

W.C.B.G. MANAGER NEEDED

Applications are being accepted for station manager of W.C.B.G. for the remainder of the fall semester and the entire spring semester. Submit a typed resume and reasons why you want the position

by Wed., Oct. 31, at 4 p.m.

All applications are to be submitted to the Kalista office care of Maria Daggett, Chairman of the Board of Communications.

The position is open to all full-time students that have fulfilled the requirements of one full year of college.

BUILDING MATTERS

The Charles Hayden Foundation of New York City has made a pledge of \$40,000 to Wagner College for exterior renovation to Main Hall. It will be used for tuck pointing and re-caulking the brick. The entire project will cost \$100,000 and the Develop-

ment Office is seeking the balance. The Charles Hayden Foundation's last gift to Wagner was given in 1980.

SCHOLARSHIPS

The Switzer Foundation of New York City has awarded Wagner College a grant of \$3000 for nursing scholarships. The recipients are Kelly Ann Morey, Lynda Vanger, and Elizabeth Young. They will be receiving Switzer Scholarship award certificates from the Foundation.

MEETING GROUNDS

There will be a meeting of the Board of Publications on Wednesday, October 31st at 4 p.m. in House #4. Dress accordingly!

*The Wagnerian
would like to
express its
sympathy to the
family of
Dr. Harvey S. Logan
who passed away
last week.*

Editorials

THE DEFENSE FACTOR

Is controversy right for a college newspaper? This is a question which Keith and myself have been pondering for several weeks. Lately, I have been hearing comments from both sides.

- "Who are you guys to make fun of the Bio department? That's one of the best departments in our school!"

- "That Maggie was great. There are so-o-o many people who feel the same way but they won't say anything. Thanks!"

It's tough to be in our position. There is an obligation to to the Wagner community to inform them of all campus news, whether it is good or bad. But with the obligation lies an ethic of sorts. It says, "Be fair, but don't make the school look bad." In essence, we've become bad boys.

My question is - why? All of a sudden, the Wagnerian is being accused of slander, of making up facts, of writing our stories based on rumor and hearsay, the elements of yellow journalism. Our information is solid and can stand up against all challenges. Why would we lie, these facts don't make us happy either. Perhaps we lost our objectivity in presenting the truth, but the only method of improvement comes through trial and error.

Here's putting our policy in a nutshell. If it's good news, we print it. If it's bad news, we print it. If the topic is controversial, we print it. Controversy reduces apathy, which has long been this school's biggest problem. Looking at all the letters we've been getting, I believe that we are helping to break the apathy mold. But we are not looking for enemies and we certainly are not a booster club. Like Howard Cosell would say, we tell it like it is, and in my opinion, telling it any other way would be embarrassing.

JFM

BREGENZ

Dear Editors,

Well, I'm sure all you students back at Wagner College have heard that the Bregenz Study Program is great. I'm also sure that you are tired of hearing that. I hate to repeat what everybody says, but it is the truth. The Bregenz Program gives you a once in a life time chance to study and travel in Europe for a semester or two. Where else in the world will you ever have the chance to attend classes from Tuesday through Thursday, do homework while traveling and then leave for the French Riviera for the weekend? I too was sick and tired of hearing people boast about Bregenz, but I'm here now and enjoying this fascinating

experience. I never dreamed that I would be visiting places that other people can only fantasize about. I have been here for only six weeks and I've already been to Innsbruck, Salzburg, Vienna, Nice, Monte Carlo, Florence, Venice, and Munich. Over the next few months I hope to visit Greece, Yugoslavia, Berlin and in late November I plan to ski at the most famed ski areas in the world including St. Moritz, Kitzbuhel. So don't let a good opportunity pass you by - see Mrs. Boody at the New Administration Building and experience the best time of your life with some friends.

---Michael Anticev

BIO

Dear Editor,

I very rarely read the letters section of the Wagnerian, but something in the October 22nd issue caught my eye. It was the letter written to you by Dr. Kanzler and the response to that letter written by your production manager Michael Knotts. As I read this piece, I was completely appalled by Mr. Knotts' crass attitude toward biology majors. Not only was it insulting and degrading, but the sarcasm was totally uncalled for.

His piece seemed to imply that those majoring in Biology are taking the easy way out by majoring as such - is there really any easy way to medical school? And does the fact that being a chemistry major open more doors to medical school than being a biology major? As for his statement concerning chemistry rivaling biology for premeds in other competitive schools, I believe that untrue

since most of the competitive schools I have been to have a special premed program which incorporates chemistry and biology. What also must be stated here, is that within these programs are all those requirements needed to be a major here at Wagner. Also, even though he gave all sorts of numerical data about how many biology majors actually make medical school out of the total number present, he failed to provide any information on how many get in out of the total number who APPLY - there seems to be a difference.

I believe he owes us all an apology; being neither a chemistry major nor a biology major, who is he to say which is easier. Some seem to be more chemically inclined while others, biologically inclined; we choose our directions accordingly.

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CAMPUS NEWS

FINDING
HELP

by Beverly Lowe

Academic Counselling Center is a department designed to assist faculty members of a college. It is to a resource for students concerned about their academic concerns. At Academic Counselling students are aided and directed in important decisions concerning their careers. Academic study is connected with preparation for the job market, and a student's educational goals are developed.

Wagner's Academic Counselling Center is situated on the first floor of the New Administration Building, and is under the supervision of Mrs. Sarah Morgan.

The Center offers counselling and tutoring programs where students having academic problems can meet with teachers and other students. Also offered are a number of study skill seminars.

There is a special service offered for foreign students headed by Ms. Jan Hionas. Here new International freshman are given advice concerning their majors. Special attention is given to those who have not yet finished their English Language requirements. Depending upon their ability, students have to take six to twelve credits of English in their first semester. They are usually placed initially into Voice & Diction and Math classes.

The Center also monitors mid-term progress, otherwise known as D and F notices. It also prepares freshman folders for orientation and advisement.

A program which has special significance is the Program for New Initiatives. This is designed to enhance academic success among students entering college with a mediocre academic performance from high school. For one academic year they must meet with instructors on a bi-weekly basis to monitor their academic progress.

One of the teachers involved with the Center is Dr. John Ottenhoff of the Languages and Literature Department. Every Wednesday afternoon from 2 - 4 pm, Dr. Ottenhoff meets with students to discuss specific problems in their writing. He hopes that the two hour sessions will develop into an English Clinic. In this clinic good writers will meet with students interested in writing. Students are cordially invited to participate in these sessions.

Another teacher involved with the Center is Judy Meyers in charge of the study skill seminars. These seminars offer practical ways in which students can learn to study. Students meet with a supervisor for a short period and are then separated into pairs, or small groups. These sessions cover a wide variety of subjects and are held on prescheduled Monday afternoons at 3:00 pm in NAB A101.

It should be noted that the Counselling Center operates on volunteerism. At present there are thirty-nine instructors. There is a need for greater faculty involvement. The Academic Counselling Center is not a replacement for students meeting with individual instructors, but rather a program that is geared toward improving student academic standing on the Wagner campus.

For more information, please call X430/431.



BIO EXPOSE

By Michael Knotts

The Biology department at Wagner is in poor shape. An indication of this is the low number of Biology students making American medical schools. Roughly 85 of the 120 students will apply.

The table below, as supplied by Dr. Schulz substantiate the decline.

	# who apply	# accepted	Pct.
1976	19	8	42 %
1977	16	5	31
1978	15	5	33
1979	14	5	36
1980	17	2	12
1981	18	1	6

Also provided were statistics for the last two years. These were for admission to professional schools for all majors.

	# who apply	# accepted	Med	Dent	For.	Oth
1982	42(27)	5	1	6	3	
1983	51(33)	2	6	4	1	

<Roughly 65% of all applicants are Biology majors. That is indicated by the numbers in parentheses>

The factors affecting this decline include the administration, biology faculty, and the students.

The Biology department is currently short one teacher because Prof. Twersky was not replaced after she left last spring. The administration failed to fill the spot because of problems inherent in the department. One reason given by Dr. Haaland was that the Biology department is not organized. When they provide an acceptable program, a replacement would be provided. Dr. Pfister of the Bacteriology Department claims that the reason a teacher was not brought in was because the Biology professors did not follow the correct procedure for replacing teachers as is outlined in the Faculty handbook. Pfister claims that they did not warn the administration

that they had advertised for and were interviewing prospective teachers independently. The Bacteriology department, in a similar predicament, is undergoing the procedure stated in the guide and expects a replacement for Dr.

Kershaw very soon. By not replacing Prof. Twersky and leaving only four professors for 120 students, many students have been left angry and the department in a rut.

The merger that has been proposed will affect both departments. Dr. Pfister feels that his would suffer an identity crisis because it is smaller. A merger would not affect the courses or teachers in each of the departments. It is purely an administrative move that has not been approved by the faculty. Dr. Kanzler says it is part of an attempt to narrow down the college's curriculum into five large departments, life sciences being one of them. Pfister anticipates no such merger taking place. He says he is co-chairman only because the administration told him he is.

The Biology faculty are at fault because they have not feared the students towards practical courses that will help rather than appease or entertain the students. The student handbook does not say other than basic intro. courses, what should be taken to fulfill the major. For instance, they do not have to take genetics. They do not have to take any "micro" level courses. Instead, the majority of the students take "macro" courses, such as indicated by the sample class roster of 120 students

Cell Bio	12
Environment	12
Zoo Biology	18
Genetics	19
Mammology	32

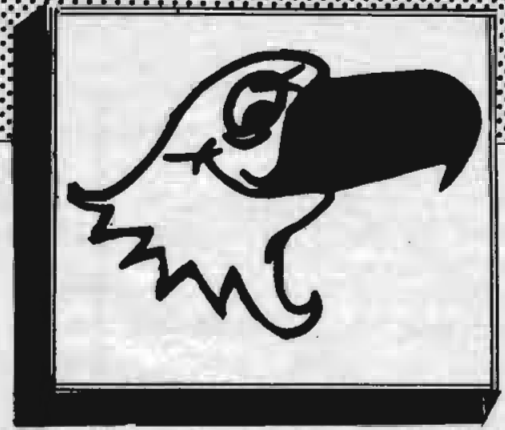
The reason Dr. Kanzler provides for such a large number of students in his classes is that he is such a good teacher. The mid-term grades for his Mammology course indicated 44% of the students getting 90 or above and about three with 89's. This is another reason for his popularity.

Both Dr. Yarns and Dr. Kanzler are teachers for the "macro" level, teaching about animal behavior and how to be zookeepers. This is their speciality. Dr. Kanzler provides a Zoo Biology course that is offered in only a few colleges in America. According to the August '83 "Changing

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THE BEAK

The S6S



A serious conflict is about to hit this school and there is no one person on campus who can solve it, or be blamed for it. Welcome to the wonderful world of public transportation.

Of course there is a lot to be said about public transportation. As a unit, it probably ranks with the post office. We all need it one time or another, but they seem to pull so much wool over our eyes that we feel like sheep. And once again there are a certain few of us crying, "Baa!"

And who do we have to thank for this? Our local bus

company who has decided that it is in their best interests to discontinue the S6- Howard Avenue shuttle. What this means is that a few commuters will be stuck without transportation up Gyrmes Hill.

Why would they do such a terrible thing? Obviously because of financial reasons. But is this a recent problem? I don't believe it is and I wonder why it was not mentioned before. Perhaps an arrangement could have been made between Wagner and the Staten Island bus company? It's obvious that a bus isn't needed to carry a

load that sometimes consists of only three or four students. I have a solution - a special section of the Port Authority. If we can travel by bus or train, then why not piggyback?

Of course this is stupid. But so is walking up an icy hill in February. Besides, it would be good exercise for the bus

drivers. They may get a kick out of the idea - or a double hernia.

Then again, the Wagner students could send more petitions and give the company a hard time until they send their machines up Howard Avenue. That's not a bad idea either. Stick with it.

by Sandra Albarren and
Ann Marie Giuffre

Will there be a shuttle bus to carry students up and down Gyrmes Hill next semester? That is the question bothering many students on the Hill these days.

Wagner College and St. John's University suggested that the Transit Authority improve the bus service for daily commuters to the colleges. Now, the TA is proposing to eliminate the S6 shuttle bus and replace it with the S7 bus.

The TA feels that the S6

shuttle bus is a non-profit bus route. The problem that will effect students is this: if the S6 is eliminated, its replacement, the S7, will run on the Hill between 7 am and 8 pm weekdays, only.

A resident of Gyrmes Hill commented not on the effects of the change to the students, but "...the senior citizens can't walk up and down the hill. What happens when they have to go food shopping on Saturday, or to church on Sunday?" Many commuters' concerns regard night classes and weekend activities at Wagner. Also, there are many

employees at Wagner who have to arrive before 7:00am. The proposed schedule will cause problems for everyone except the Transit Authority.

The TA will present their proposal at the Borough Board Meeting on November 15. A public hearing is scheduled sometime after the meeting. Anyone who wants to support keeping the shuttle S6 operating is encouraged to attend the meeting.

The time and place of the meeting will be posted and published in this paper when finalized.

*Straight
from*

MAGGIE'S MOUTH



ARFI
ARFI

Dear Maggie,

I am a young girl in her prime, much like you. I've decided I like to work with people, I mean real inti-

There are presently about 250 students in Nursing, that's number 2 in the numbers race (Business is number 1 minus Slush-

man). It has a very fine reputation on campus and the students are having no problems getting jobs. They do suffer from many rumors. The current one is that they are on probation for accreditation because of very low nursing board scores a few years ago. This may have been started by neighboring schools who seek some sort of bizarre revengeance. (It would not be above CSI.) If any of these allegations are true then the nursing students are in trouble, big trouble.

Right now, according to my sources, about 95% are getting jobs. That's okay, if you don't mind enemas. But dear, you should be a social worker. On the streets. The pay is fine and placement varies. And what a night life! Maybe you could be a guest lecturer in IDS. Put your talents to good use and not your feeble little mind.

Anyway, I want to pick a major that will help me propagate this giving-

ness. Other than bio pre-med (which I know you are strongly against), I have considered Nursing. Based on my love of touching and my g.p.a. of 2.4 what do you think? Yes, I'm using contraceptives, but I'd rather be administering them.

Naughty but Nice

Dear Nice but Dumb,

My you are a nimrod. Nursing is a discipline that like any other science, is based on facts and time tested theories. If you want to make out with people become a prostitute, not a nurse. Yes the nurse does administer care and does have to touch the patient in places that others wince at, but it is not to sexually stimulate the poor soul. Indeed, most of these patients smell and are ugly. How could you even think of having sex with these rotting pieces of flesh?

Your g.p.a is not indicative of a person who could handle the course load in nursing. You do realize that for laboratory or clinical courses a 90 is passing (of course they give you three tries..don't tell anyone).

PERSONALS

Sal (IDS 201),
You're making too much
noise!! —Your pals from
the back of the room.

Nancy,
Getting a little cold in
A-ville? Love,
Jennifer & Michele

Gino,
"Killer Dude" Keep on
Bopin.
S.B., Lynn, and Andy

To all those who saw the F.
Show, Come up and see me
sometime.
Sleezy

To all Parental Units,
"Let my people go free".
We nice kids stay out of
trouble. S.B.

To Jammin' J
Next time you're being
searched in New Jersey,
make sure you have some
cookies and cream.
Love, Chi-ettes 1 & 2

Hey Marco, Chili and Cosmo
Dee! Come and rock with
Randi!

To Small Fry:
Happy Birthday! You've
reached 18, now you're
legal. Love,
All the fries

Mamy, Happy Birdtay! Luv,
baybe Wilt.
P.S. Don't be ankry wit my
spellin. Im only a baybe.

Hey Keith,
How does a witch tell
time? Answer: with a
witch watch.

Reading MacBETH can be
hazardous to your legs.
Karate Man

To our ADPi Pledge Sisters,
Do it up! Let's have fun
pledging.
Love & Loyalty,
Michele & Jennifer

Blonde,
This has been the best
seven months ever. I love
you. Karate Man

Sleezy,
Do we need proof to get
into college cafe?
Karate Man

Dear S.B., AIEEEE!!! Nice
Hair African Jungle.
From G.D.E
P.S. I really like it!

Kenny,
Stop smoking or I'll
steal your lighter! Hi ya
toots!

Dear Pete,
Glad I met you! I love
singing with you guys!
Love, a Beatles Fan

To ZTA Pledges,
Happy Halloween! Keep up
the great job pledging.
Love the Sisters of ZTA

I don't work at this school
yet I make A's and B's. I
guess it's because I pay
10,000. If I went to a
state school I would pay
2,000 and make C's and D's.

Cindy (Mush),
Try getting a new laugh
before you laugh at ours.
Gerri & Grace

Karen,
Hang in there in English
Comp. 101A!
Your buddies from
Bayonne and S.I.

The only reason I get
jealous is because I love
you and you're too good to
loose. Forgive me.

The sisters and pledges of
ZTA would like thank
maintenance for taking the
time to fix our lounge
doors. You're the greatest!

Dear Limbo,
I'll always be here
through the good times and
the bad ones. Let's keep
that in mind. Love M.

All Alpha Sigma Phi
Pledges,
We wish you the best of
luck pledging. You're a
nice bunch of guys.
Love Alpha Sigma
Phi Lil Sisters

Dear Jen & Mich,
Let's just skip it for
now. Love, the you
know whos.
P.S. You're god-like and
wonderful & we should know

Eileen,
You are the best friend
anyone could ever have!
Love, your buddy on
the 9th floor

HALLOWEEN INSULTS & GAGS



The Garden Club is
hibernating and the War Zone
Committee is destroying the
bulbs.

Dogs shouldn't be allowed on
campus, they rival the girls.

Art Majors are just plain silly
and much too controversial.

The Book Store charges
prices that make me sick. How
much profit do they make,
anyway?

Freshman take to partying too
much, like almost comatose.

Frank's Door shouldn't have
the electric eye and
auto-opening device, it's
always open.

Happy Birthday Donna &
Ellen. Red Lobster here we
come!

Dear Debbie and Pam,
Thanks for being the best
of moms! Spoil us rotten!
Love, your "brats".

Donna, Have patience. Your
time will come.
Your schizoid friend

To Mr. Rogers,
AWWWWW!!! Love,
Gumby & Pokie

Tom,
All our arguing has got
to stop. There's a
friendship under all that
somewhere!
Your Trivial Pursuit Buddy

Missing Persons Report:
Where were Gary and Tony
on the night of Oct. 22,
1984?!!?

Mar,
As roommates go, you are
a 10! Love, you lots Chris

Alpha Sigma Phi Lil Sister
Pledges: We are happy to
have you under our wing.
You will make us proud.
Good luck.

Brian,
I know we could become
good friends. Good luck in
pledging. Sneaky

To the Cast and Crew of
Pirates: I love you all
with affection unspeakable.
Great show! Matthew,
you're the greatest!
Love yours, Little
Ricotta

C.N.,
She's watching you from
her window - Go for it!
Signed the apologetic,
Nose Killer

Dear S.B.,
Keep flying!
Love, S.W., P.H. and
R.B.
P.S. Where's the ketchup?

Zeta Tau Alpha would like
to wish everyone a happy
Halloween!

To my sisters,
Thanks for your support.
It is appreciated and will
be returned. Baby Blue

Jeanette,
Now you're "search'in" is
over and no one could be
happier for you than me.
Love, the girl from
Bayonne, NJ

To our Crescent Brothers,
We'll be there in your
time of need. Don't forget
that we are behind you a
hundred percent.
Love, your Sigma stars

Eileen,
The past weeks have been
great thanks to you. the
fun starts again next week.
the Ouzo will be waiting!
I love you, your
weekend roomie

Izzie,
Two months have gone by
and I still haven't gotten
a personal from you.
What's the story? --JAP

Cathy,
If I were you, I'd pick
door number two.
--Guess Who?

Mystica,
A real JAP wouldn't buy
four dollar pants.

Phi Mu Alpha Pledges:
Woe is me!
Woe is Orpheus!
Orpheus is dead!
Hell week starts Sunday!

PERSONALS



Cathy,
So many doors, so little
time. Who will be behind
door #5?

Gary and Tony,
We wonder what the fine
is for getting locked in
instead of locked out!
The 9th Floor odd side

Gary,
Now you know where to go
to keep warm at night!!
Us A-rain

Villa Girls! Where are
you? Wear your senior
jerseys. Don't be ashamed.
Signed, Proud to be
a Villa Girl

To Chris:
Wishing you a speedy
recovery. Lots of love,
Sandy
P.S. I like your hospital
pajamas - sexy!!

Kurt,
Hope you have a Happy
Halloween. Love, your old
Accounting Buddy.
P.S. Accounting just isn't
the same without ya!

Donna & Cindy,
You're lucky you only
have leaves to rake - it
could snow before next
Tuesday.
Your Loving Sweetmates

Sean,
I wish you'd get a real
body - those Calvin Kleins
look better on the hanger.

To the Blonde Witch in 811,
We have a hammer and a
chissel if you want to
change your make-up.

Simbuk,
I don't care that I'm
here and you're there -
what counts is that you're
the only one I want and
love! Forever,
Your Little Girl

To whom this may concern,
Kallista has house
#4...The WAGNERIAN would
like to requisition Ward
House.

Karen,
Watch out on mischief
night. Look out for your
car and your violent
sister. Be Careful,
IDS 101 Classes

To Kel and Fran,
You guys are the best,
thank you for being there
when I needed you and
always. Love, A friend
in need always banging on
the wall.

Hey Zeeb,
Where did the spider go?
--Gonzo

Derrick,
Your eyes overpower me;
and your smile gives a new
meaning to the word
sunshine.

Sleepy Head,
"You better be good to
me." --Tina Turner

Dear Cinderella,
Another day...another
honor society. You might
try presiding over the new
apathy movement.
Your stepsister

To Chief NB,
Somebody watching you.
Maybe it's the NB crew.
Your NB's

Hey #32,
Can I dribble your
ball? Good luck this
season...Love you.
"Virginia the Fan"

Keith,
Congrats on finding your
name. I have 18 credits
this semester. --M.E.

Dear Patty,
You don't know...
You don't care...
and still you got an A.
--Jealous

M.E.,
Never call someone when
they're not home - it could
be dangerous.

Diane,
Life is even more
complicated than a Linear
Programming problem with
artificial variables.
--all caught up in 481
(if nothing else)

Mary Jo,
Welcome to the family, it's
great to have you

Elections don't mean anything
here or anywhere. Just close
your eyes and wish.

Homework means less partying
and more work.

Pres. Frank is a doll.

International Students talk to
themselves.

Bregenz Students are snobs.

Attendance should be
mandatory and be required.

Congratulations Kappa and
Zeta on being the most
represented fraternity &
sorority during Greek
weekend and to Phi Beta
Sigma for being the most
helpful group.

Thanks to everyone who
helped me make it through
the weekend. The help and
support was appreciated
more than words can say.
--Lori

To My Two Favorite
Bartenders, A special thank
you. Love, Lori

Dear JAP (John),
Get off your high horse!
--You know us but
we don't want to
know you.

Sheila,
Happy belated. Hope you
had a roof-raising, wall
banging weekend!! --The Nag

Leave me alone...I'm
having a crisis!

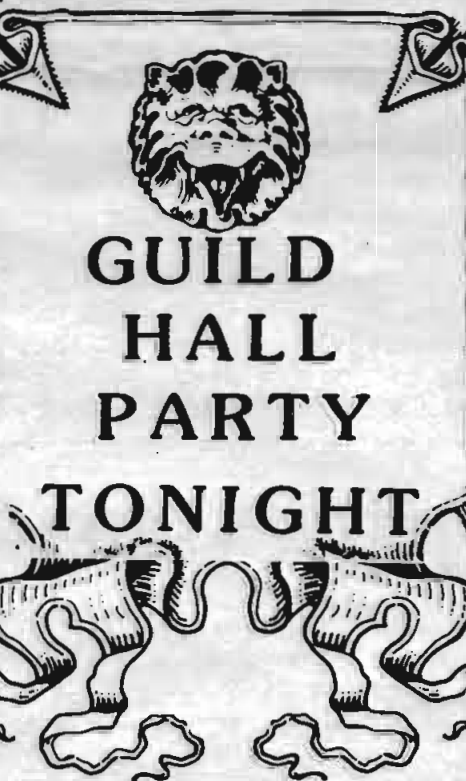
Prince Charming,
Have you seen "All of
Me" yet???
Yours forever,
Cinderella

P.C.,
You ain't seen nothing
yet! Love, Cindi

To the New Chief and the
Old King, Don't worry -
even if you're hated by
some, you're liked by
others. Love, the loyal
staif.

Introduction to studio is a
joke. Let's try teaching,
this isn't kindergarden.

Barbara,
Sha-Kah... go ahead, sing
the rest. We must try the
"DRIVE" theory out on C.M.



Dave,
Thanks for willing us
your 24 albums. We would
have settled for your bank
account. --Keith, Jim,
Patty, Lauren, Keri, Mike,
Pam, and Everett
P.S. - Happy Halloween!

Dear Miss Arch,
The 1st meeting of Women
Against Foot-Rape will take
place in an elevator.
Love, A Couple of Old
Socks

To Jimbo, my Irving Trust
banker, Wake up and smell
the coffee!

IDS is for people who failed
distribution requirements.

Kallista should have ordered
more of those books.



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"Winx"
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The Entertainment

SPOTLIGHT:

MATT LENZ



by Keith Giglio

He cuts across the stage, dashing about in pirate decor. A warm smile embraces the audience and he captures the hearts of his critics and peers. His voice glides through the songs and he dances along with the tempo of the latest production. In a sea of amateur pirates, and dreaming collegians, Matt Lenz continues to sparkle and shine through.

He's been a member of two gangs (the Jets and the T-Birds), he's been a pirate and a noble. And, as he likes to remind us with a laugh, he had the strange fortune of being cast as a dog. Not once, but twice. If you take any notice to Wagner College Theatre you might have come across Matt Lenz.

Mr. Lenz was Snoopy in "Snoopy", he was George M. Cohen in "George M.". Few

students have rivaled the success that Mr. Lenz is enjoying at Wagner College. But for him, it's just another step on the ladder.

"I set myself up in terms of my goals," he recently related in an interview, "Like a ladder with different levels I have to reach. When I came here, I started in the Chorus and worked up. I did chorus work in summerstock, and that's where I'll start again after I graduate."

Mr. Lenz attended a "small" high school in Illinois. He came upon Wagner at the suggestion of a few friends he had met upstate. He has drawn rave reviews from local critics, and has worked very well within the Wagner framework of song and dance. But Mr. Lenz sees the Department's decision to more production shows than "serious drama" as a very wise and beneficial one, especially for himself and his future.

"The way the theatre is today, you have to be able to do everything. You have to be able to sing and dance, as well as act. I've thought about

seeking more intense acting training. The real commercial theater today is Broadway. Most productions are musical-comedies. You have to be more a commercial actor, that is, a working actor than an artist."

Matt Lenz began performing magic acts when a child. One summer he went to a drama camp and "fell in love" with acting. Lenz is already looking at his future. The future as the rising star and the ever more present one of the struggling actor.

"This summer, before I did some summerstock (Merry-Go-Round Playhouse) I sublet an apartment in New York City to find out what the real world was like."

That led Lenz to the ultimate acting achievement of waiting tables between auditions.

"I hated it. I thought I would like it. But I hated it. Living in New York was a great experience. Right now, I'm not too worried about getting a job after graduation. I'm just trying to lay some groundwork."

"I enjoy the leads," Lenz confessed in a gross actor's understatement. "George M. is something that I'll never get the chance to play. Well, maybe in ten years but not now. The same as Malcolm in 'Macbeth'."

I guess he saw immediate dismay in my reaction to Macbeth because he went on to add, "Yes, I know it wasn't well received but it was a great learning experience for me."

"The leads challenge me to work harder. I want people to know that I deserve it."

Regrets? The one role that Matt Lenz wanted to play was Pippin. And the season after he graduates, Wagner is scheduled to produce it.

Who knows? Maybe Matt Lenz will be asked to come back for one last show. But more likely he will be climbing that ladder. He seems to know exactly where he's aiming it and what it's leaning against. In this era of insecurities and ifs, Matt Lenz offers a fine refresher in the basics. Just a little song and dance, ma.

BILL MURRAY LOSES HIS STRIPES

by Keith Giglio

To many the razor's edge is the fine cutting line between life and death. To the cineast, it is the emotional boundary lying between comedy and drama. Bill Murray has walked the cineast's razor's edge, slipped to one side, and failed miserably. His new film, "The Razor's Edge", which he co-authored, is the second city actor's medium for seriousness. For the rest of us, it's a bad film with an overambiguous message.

As a whole, "The Razor's Edge" shrouds itself blind with its endless subplots and failure to reach an emotional crest. Paced

slowly and spanning more than 20 years (although Mr. Murray fails to age a day past his static 35-year-old appearance), the "Razor's Edge" deals with one man's struggle to find the meaning of life. Theologians everywhere will be disappointed when the main character discovers life's meaning to be burning a page from a book for warmth on top of a freezing mountain.

Mr. Murray plays (originated by Tyrone Power), an ambulance driver so affected by the senselessness of World War I that he chooses to phase himself out of society. He returns to America to turn

down a job, break up his engagement and then go isolate himself in Paris.

Midway through the film, somewhere between the German front and the mountains of Hindu India, I began asking why a comic success like Bill Murray would choose to weigh himself down with such a serious role.

Mr. Murray lacks credibility in any dramatic sense. He appears in most of the film with a stout smile plastered on his face, perpetually waiting to bore us with his next line.

We might judge his performance too harshly especially since we spent the

summer ghostbusting with the ex-Saturday Night Live star. But, Bill Murray has a talent for laughter which he should not deprive himself, or us, of.

Let's get him out of the ambulance and back on the USO tour where he belongs.



STAY OFF BROAD STREET



by Lenny Balaban

"Give My Regards to Broad Street" is Paul McCartney's first film in fourteen years. Hopefully, it is his last. Why? Well, let's begin with the plot. Simply, Paul's tapes have vanished and he must find them in 24 hours.

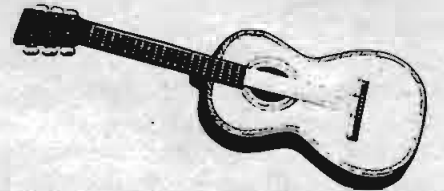
The plot is only about 15 minutes of the movie. The rest of it consists of music videos sloppily thrown together to fill out the remaining 1 and 1/2 hours. Let me say that when I entered the theater I anticipated the story to be dull, boring, and ridiculous. I had hoped the music would provide some compensation, but I was wrong.

The performance of Paul's old Beatles and Wings tracks were awful. The selection of songs for these videos was even worse. Paul chooses to do his old softies such as "Yesterday", "The Long & Winding Road", and "Eleanor Rigby" — this was a mistake. The combination of a dull plot and soft ballads produced a synergistic effect of total boredom.

The acting was also a factor that contributed to its failure. Ringo Starr had about four lines, and only one is funny. The movie attempts to revive the old Ringo, who keeps falling over himself. It doesn't work. Paul simply

can't act but he never could. In a "Hard Day's Night" and "Help", it was John Lennon with his witty and amusing performance who stole the show. Paul's only good performance was in "Let It Be", and that was a documentary.

By the end of the film, or long video I should say, I was exhausted and fatigued. Just trying to stay awake was a task. With only ten minutes left I started praying McCartney would return to his rock & roll roots and blast out a couple of classics like "Helter Skelter", or "Back In the U.S.S.R.". I was so frustrated that I yelled out, "This movie stunk!". Someone in the front rows responded, "Shut up! It's still stinking." It's still stinking long after I left (escaped) that rock & roll temple of doom. Then again, my expectations were unrealistic. In 1967 the Beatles had their only flop in their short but tremendous history. That was a movie called "Magical Mystery Tour" — a Paul McCartney creation.



TRICKS & THRILLS

by Keith Giglio

Brian DePalma might never be accused of being subtle. And there are those who will argue that he is not even original as he continues to employ themes that often resemble Alfred Hitchcock films. However, more than anything else, as a film maker Brian DePalma is quite effective.

His latest laced offering is entitled "Body Double", a fluid, psycho-thriller which will please as many people as it offends. But this is DePalma at top form — sexually enticing the audience with every imaginative quirk he can conjure up.

The similarities to Hitchcock's "Rear Window" and more importantly "Vertigo" are deliberate. DePalma defends himself by asking the audience, "Why shouldn't I use the techniques which are regarded as being the best?"

Regardless, "Body Double" stands on its own. It's a thriller set in the sleazy world in and around Los Angeles. The action dips in and out of the pornographical festivities on Hollywood and Vine. And through the "offensive" subject matter, and the on-screen sex shows, the film comes through.

The plot might sound a little familiar to Hitchcock fans. The innocent man caught in a web of intrigue with the villain closing in on him. However, DePalma threatens us with a variation — this time the innocent man is set up to be a witness to a murder.

The acting is fine, and the direction is splendid. Except for a few occasions where Mr.

DePalma draws too heavily upon the "Vertigo" theme.

If there is one complaint with Mr. DePalma's work (other than the offenses that he feels adds a certain realism and hock-value), it is his constant obsession that everything is almost a film within a film.

I don't recommend "Body Double" to the easily offended. But I urge all those who have come to realize that we must live with the filth and pornography to see it. It's a good taut film set against the all too real and offensive backdrop of the sexually obsessed 1980's.



Sandra (TRACEY ULLMAN) thanks Paul (PAUL MCCARTNEY) for believing in her boyfriend, who has disappeared with millions of dollars worth of tapes in "GIVE MY REGARDS TO BROAD STREET."

Theatre
Film

Wagnerian Poll Results Are In...

REAGAN WINS BIG !!!

With election day less than seven days it is clear that Wagner week will be trying to re-elect Ronald Reagan as the President of the United States. Reflecting the general consensus of the nation it is projected that Ronald Reagan will carry over 60% of the vote both at Wagner and the rest of the nation.

In a poll conducted by the WAGNERIAN during the week of October 22nd to October 29th it was determined that the majority of students asked are attracted to the President's leadership abilities. This aligns to a recently published New York Times critique that most college voters are drawn to Reagan's "father figure" like qualities.

Of the 119 voters polled, Ronald Reagan carried over 65% of the decided voters collecting 68 of the votes. Sixteen people were still undecided.

Surprisingly, Walter Mondale (who received only 35 votes) has attacked Reagan's policies concerning student aid. I doubt students are unaffected by cuts in students loans, but it seems that they understand the President's reasoning and trust him.

WCBG Radio of Wagner College has formally endorsed Reagan/Bush for four more years. This is accompanied by the playing of a song entitled "Dear Mr. President" - a very down home American ballad that should have every republican cheering.

Students contend that Reagan is doing a "great job. Inflation has gone down and America is strong again."

Sounds like propoganda? Not at all, to me it just sounds like a confidence not seen around Wagner or anywhere else in quite some time.

WAGNERIAN ENDORSES REAGAN

The Editors of the Wagnerian would like to take this opportunity to endorse Ronald Reagan for another four years as President of the United States.

The reasons are two-fold. One, simply being that Walter Mondale is not a good leader, and that he has tried make an election out of a deficit. Mr. Mondale has failed to grasp the idea that everyone can not be helped, and more prominently everyone can not be taxed.

If Mondale were elected we would all graduate into an era of higher taxes as we struggle to find jobs. I don't think any of us can really afford to grow into this.

As for Mr. Reagan. Well, the track record does speak (if you look past the national debt). Inflation has dropped,

and unemployment has leveled off. Strength has returned to America in the aging vitality of President Reagan.

College students have been greatly affected by some of the President's policies. For example he has cut student financial aid. But isn't it right to take away from those who don't need it and give it to some who do.

Generally, we feel that America will be a much more stable country with Reagan's leadership. And stability is something that we all need after life at Wagner.



BIO

Times" and the "Occupational Guidelines" winter edition, Genetics is the most practical route for the Biology major. There are currently 52,000 jobs for biologists in the outside world. In the year 1990, over 200,000 jobs will be available in genetic research. Wagner College is doing VERY LITTLE in preparing the student for this tremendous increase.

The curriculum needs to be altered to fit the demands. The Bacteriology department has established microbial genetics as part of its core curriculum as they approach accreditation from the American Society for Microbiologists. Additional classes in Computer Science and Biostatistics will also be required. Curriculum changes can be made in a department. It is the fault of the teachers and administration if the changes are not made. Standards must be provided so the Biology major is not left with a degree and nowhere to put it to use.

The Pre-Med student is also in trouble. He believes that he will make a professional school. It is his dream. The fact is, only a small percentage will. He

needs alternatives. Foreign schools are not an answer for five reasons; a) the schools are very expensive and loans are not available, b) The language of the country usually must be learned, c) an adjustment to the culture must occur, d) most work is independent and e) you have to come back to America. In the year 1990 a glut of American physicians will occur and the cutbacks will be with the foreign students first. The chances look very slim for them. Also, Wagner College may seem like a very fine institution for preparing students to be veterinarians but no student from Wagner has made a veterinary school in over 20 years.

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house is haunted. One fruitcake even went so far as to start a small fire in one of the rooms "to see if a ghost would come and extinguish it."

Now, what can you say about someone like that? You can only pray that the man with the butterfly net catches up with him damn fast before he does permanent damage.

The student is the final piece of the puzzle. Judging from the one letter received by the WAGNERIAN, student interest is at a low point or they actually agree with the allegations. Dr. Pfister and Dr. Schultz have discussed the possibility of creating a new major that will excellently prepare the student for the future job market. It's called Biotechnology and is presently a very hot item in other colleges. They both feel it will probably not happen here. It would be up to the students to initiate it. The faculty is qualified to instruct the courses needed. It is the student who must face his future and reality. He must have control.



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PSYCHOTHERAPY

Sports

HAWKS DROP 34-13 TO KP

by Lauris Murnieks

On Saturday October 20th the Wagner College Seahawks dropped their second straight game 34-13 against the Merchant Marines. Wagner rushed for only 78 yards while the Marines galloped for 315 yards on the ground. Ed Christensen ran for 40 of the 78 yards and scored both Seahawk touchdowns.

Scott McElrath completed 14 of 28 passes for 212 yards while Paul Pelton, Sean Robinson, and John Von Ahnen all caught 3 passes.

SCORING SUMMARY:

USMMA	14	6	14	0	-	34
WAGNER	0	7	6	0	-	13

SIDELINES: Tom O'Riordan's extra point streak ends at 61 after he missed the first extra point of his career in the third period. The only real excitement defensively was Andy Fellouris' 21 tackles and Dan Nelson's hit on receiver Chris Fiore that caused the only turnover of the game.



1984-85 BASKETBALL PREVIEW

By Jim McGrath

With a high number of returning letterwinners and a good crop of newcomers, both Neil Kennett and Gela Mazella are looking forward to successful seasons as basketball practice gets underway.

Heading the list on Kennett's squad is Art Redmond. Redmond won All-ECAC Metro honors as a sophomore two years ago before redshirting last season. Key returners include Greg Clay and Terrance Bailey who both averaged over 15 points a game during last season's 8-20 campaign. Other returning starters are juniors Andre Van Drost and Dave Smolka who contributed greatly in the final five games. Rounding out the letterwinners are Largest Agbejemisin, Kelvin White, and Allen Jackson. Transfers this year are Kevin House from Loyola (Md.), Omar Johnson from Northeastern, and Brian Buckley from U.S. Merchant Marine. Completing the newcomer list are freshman Ray Polovina and walkon James Brice.

In the ECAC Metro race, Wagner is considered a darkhorse, but if this team learns to win, it may legitimately contend for the crown.

As for the Shehawks, they are proven contenders, coming off a 24-5 campaign and flirting around in the top 20

polls in late February. Mazella's team has talent. Heading the list are Grace Paterno, Cindy Bonforte, and Stephanie Samuels. Paterno averaged 14.8 points a game and won THE WAGNERIAN's Athlete of the year. She is an All-American candidate from Spring Lake, N.J. Bonforte figures to establish career marks of over 1,000 points and rebounds this season while Samuels is the sparkplug who averaged almost 13 points a game while playing an average of 21 minutes. Also expected to start this season are juniors Lisa Holoman, the most improved Shehawk over the last two seasons, and Gerri McCormick, the ball handling wiz from Jersey City.

Unfortunately, the team depth is questionable at this time. After Karen Van Den Heuvel, Lauri Hirsch and Lisa Mason, the team is inexperienced. Newcomers include Debbie Alexander, Barbara Calavetta, and Stacey Weber. Look for a long win streak at the end of the season and a second Cosmo title to go with another 20 win season.

The women open their season on November 24th at Princeton, while the men begin the season at home on the 28th against Manhattan. Home games will be played at Sutter Gym this year.



**Hockey tickets are still on sale.
See Sal Gerardi.**



W a g n e r

S P O R T S

CHANEY LIFTS WAGNER PAST FORDHAM 24-21

By Lauris Murnieks

The Wagner Seahawks boosted their record to 5-3 after a come from behind victory against the Fordham Rams by the score of 24-21.

Wagner drew first blood when the Seahawks sustained a 13 play, 77 yard drive that took five minutes, and was capped by an Ed Christensen scoring plunge. There was no scoring for the rest of the half, but there was certainly hard hitting by both teams.

Fordham scored their first points of the game when tailback Chipper Kron carried the ball ten times out 13 plays and scored to cap a 74 yard drive, which evened the score at 7. Wagner retaliated on the next series, but could not punch it in, settling for a 25 yard Tom O'Riordan field goal making the score 10-7, Seahawks. Kron then carried the ball 11 times on the next series, scoring his second topuchdown to put the Rams ahead 14-10. On the ensuing kickoff just 15 seconds later, freshman speedster John Chaney dashed 95 yards for a touchdown giving the lead back to Wagner. But Fordham refused to give up and used nine minutes of the clock to let Kron score his third touchdown of the game to make it 21-17 Fordham. There was just 1:50 remaining in the game and Wagner needed another big play from somebody.

Ron Haden returned the



Dave Nolan (#40) had 23 tackles against Fordham.

kickoff 31 yards to put the ball on Wagner's 48 yard line. Two plays later, Scott McElrath hit Chaney crossing the middle to pick up 47 yards and leave the Hawks on the five.

Two Christensen carries

gained four yards and put the ball on the 1. With the clock running under 25 seconds and third down and goal, McElrath took the snap, turned to Christensen, and fumbled the ball. The Ram defense thought the

running back had scored, but McElrath picked the ball up and scooted into the end zone to win the game.

SCORING SUMMARY

Fordham 0 0 7 14 - 21

W-gner 7 0 3 14 - 24

WC - Christensen 2 yd run (O'Riordan kick)

FU - Kron 22 yard run (Kennedy kick)

WC - O'Riordan 25 yd FG

FU - Kron 9 yd run (Kennedy kick)

WC - Chaney 95 yd kick-off return (O'Riordan kick)

FU - Kron 23 yd run (Kennedy kick)

WC - McElrath 1 yd run (O'Riordan kick)

Sidelines: Fordham's Kron rushed for 244 yards on 48 carries. Troy Jemison was Wagner's leading rusher with 54 yards on 11 carries. McElrath completed 13 of 21 passes for 178 yards. Chaney scored his first varsity TD with many more to come. Previous to Saturday's game, he scored eight times in 2 JV games, accounting for all the scoring. Defensively, Dave Nolan had 23 tackles while defensive end Todd Dudley (replacing the injured Willie Maye) had 10 tackles, two QB sacks and caused a fumble.

This Saturday, the Hawks travel upstate to play Hamilton (4-1-1).

Intramural Football Standings

X-Hawks
69'ers
BB's
TKE

4-1
3-1-1
3-1-1
4-2

OX
RHO
IDA
Mooseheaders
Maran's Marauders

3-2
3-2
2-3
2-3
1-3