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I. to r.: Karen Nielsen, Beverley Johnson and Carol Hagadorn

## **Homecoming Activities Begin Tomorrow Morning**

Wagner's 1967 Homecoming activities commence tomorrow morning with the traditional Pushcart Derby and a Baby Carriage Race. Sororities will compete in the baby buggies while fraternity men will race with pushcarts. Trophies will be awarded to the first place winners. There will be a jukebox dance in Tower B Lounge from 1 to 5 P.M.

#### CORONATION OF QUEEN BEVERLEY

Coronation of the Homecoming Queen, Bev Johnson, and presentation of her court. Karen Nielsen and Carol Hagadorn, will highlight Friday evening's activities. There will also be a pep rally and introduction of the members of the football team. The Robb Trophy will also be presented at this time. Following Following will be the Freshman Show. After weeks of preparation the class of '71 will display their talents for the pleasure of the Queen.

#### FRESHMAN SHOW

This year the show will consist of many skits individually narrated and directed. Rehearsals have been held nightly under the dual supervision of class president David Hobbick and vice-president Mark Schottenfeld.

Said script writer Joyce Russell, "We have many surprises planned and sincerely hope the audience will receive them as an honest, although farcial, interpretation of entertainment."

The time between skits will be devoted to musical selections played by the freshman portion of the Wagner College band under the direction of Joe Telesco. Said Joe: "We will try to combine jazz, rock and classical selections in order to please all pre-

If pleased with the show, the Queen's final act of the evening will be an official acceptance of the freshman class as part of the Wagner College student body.

Concluding Friday's activities will be a dance following the show. Music for the dance, to be held in B Lounge from 9 to 1, will be provided by the "Grapes of Wrath."

#### FLOAT PARADE, FOOTBALL GAME

Saturday's activities begin with a coffee hour from 10 to 12 a.m. in D Lounge. Open House will be observed in the residence halls. The Float Parade will begin at 1 p.m. on the football field.

Following the parade will be the Homecoming football game against Tufts University. WAG-NERIAN sports editor Rusty Zausmer predicts a happy outcome for the Seahawks. An Alumni-Faculty coffee hour will follow the game.

#### HOMECOMING DANCE

The highlight of the weekend's social activities will be Saturday night's traditional Homecoming dance. However, for the first time this event will be held off campus. The pleasures of the evening will begin at 8:30 at the Plaza Casino, Castleton Avenue. Another break from tradition will be a buffet dinner and accompanying set-ups. The Al Lambert Quintet will provide music for dancing following the buffet until 1:30 a.m.

#### FOLK and JAZZ CONCERT

An innovation initiated only last year, that of extending Homecoming activities into Sunday, will be continued in 1967 by Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia. The fraternity will present the second annual Folk and Jazz Concert Sunday afternoon at 2. An addition to the 1967 Homecoming program will be a jazz session Sunday evening by Dr. DeLeon of the Psychology department. This informal concert will begin at 8 in Main Hall Auditorium.

#### ROBB TROPHY WILL BE AWARDED AT HALFTIME CEREMONY

Highlighting the annual Homecoming football game is the presentation of the Robb Trophy, awarded each year to the outstanding Scahawk player in the clash that creates a special atmosphere at Wagner as on most campuses. As with all such awards, there is always the possibility that time will obscure the original meaning, transforming the honor into superficial pomp and dusting over all traces of the why and wherefore. In an effort to rescue the Robb Award from such a fate, the circumstances surrounding the creation of the Robb Trophy with its special significance are herewith set down.

James W. Robb, a top figure on both the football field and the basketball court, was graduated from Wagner College in 1935 and entered the U.S. Navy, later to become the first Staten Islander to receive the Navy Cross in World War II. The honor was bestowed upon him for his heroic actions during the attack on Pearl Harbor, when he volunteered to take aloft an undamaged amphibian plane in order to search for the enemy task force. Significantly the plane possessed no firepower of its own, and Robb's only weapon was a rifle which he had taken along with him.

Cmdr. Robb's life came to a sudden end in April, 1946, when he was 33 years old. He and eight others were stationed in an observation tower on the edge of an airfield at Culebra, Puerto Rico, watching practice bonb runs during an air support exercise. Navy sources reported that a plane from the 27,000-ton carrier Tarawa accidently released a "500 or 1000-pound bomb" on the tower, instantly killing all nine men.



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Ray Kirchmeyer, for 11 years head coach of the Wagner football squad, and now Chief Clerk for the Staten Island Criminal Term Supreme Court, remembers the man whose name still lives for Wagner athletes. Robb was a quarterback in 1932, when, in a six-game season, the Hawks went through their first four contests without being scored against. "He was unpredictable" Kirchmeyer recalls. "He would pull something out of a hat-and make it work." The word unpredictable carries no dark connotations, but rather reflects what Kirchmeyer praises as a "thinking head".

The spunky quarterback weighed only about 145 pounds, according to the ex-coach, but cool thinking made up for lact of size. Kirchmeyer notes that he had trouble keeping his man from carrying the ball himself. Robb was, in his coach's words, "one hundred per cent enthusiastic".

Off the field Robb is remembered by Kirchmeyer as "graceful, almost delicate, and cat-like. Not a sissy", he adds, "but a fellow with a lot of class".

Robb was a scrappy football player and, according to Kirchmeyer, "a cracker-jack basketball player". He further states: "Pound for pound, as an athlete he was one of the best. You can't pour it on too thick when talking about Jimmy."

Alpha Kappa Pi, Jim Robb's local fraternity, later became a chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi national. In 1949 this group instituted the award in Robb's memory, and has sponsored it ever since. The award is presented to the Wagner gridder who GIVES HIS ALL as Robb would have in the traditional clash.

WAGNER vs. TUFTS



All set and ready to go for Homecoming Game and win No. 5 (story on page 4)

#### From the Editors Desk

#### SPECIAL REQUEST

## VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED BY EASTER SEAL HOME SERVICE TO VISIT HANDICAPPED CHILDREN

One of New York City's most unique voluntary organizations is the Easter Seal Home Service which conducts a program of home visits and special activities for handicapped children and young adults. Mrs. Margery Mc-Mullin, director of the 28 year old service, has announced that volunteers are presently needed to make weekly visits to home-bound children in the Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan and Queens.

In past years innumerable men and women have discovered the satisfaction of sharing their experiences, hobbies and skills with young friends. Those who already possess skills in painting, sculpting and various handicrafts as well as those with suitable hobbies, such as stamp collecting, will be of help. Specific skills are not essential, however, the organization will train volunteers and suggest many activities to occupy the hands and minds of

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Further information may be obtained by writing the Easter Seal Home Service at 239 Park Avenue South, New York City or by telephoning 777-1120.

#### BAND ELECTS OFFICERS

The Wagner College Band, under the direction of Mr. James W. Herbert, recently elected officers for the current school year. Louis Drew was elected president; Georgia Torns, vice-president; Geoffrey Wright, treasurer; Barbara Kohler, secretary; and Alan Ross, publicity manager.

Before the Parents' Day football game with Moravian the campus was surprised by the appearance of the Pep Band, composed of volunteers from the Wagner Concert Band. The Pep Band played at several places around campus to whip up spirit for the game. Many favorable comments were heard by director Herbert.

The Band Committee, consisting of the officers and Mr. Herbert, is busy planning many events for the year, including a Halloween party and a special show for the Homecoming football game Saturday.

Anyone playing an instrument and interested in joining the band should see Mr. Herbert in the Music Building.

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## Reserved Tickets Now Available for LUTHER

The story of the "angry young man" who changed the course of Christianity in 1517 is the subject of John Osborne's play "Luther" being presented on Nov. 17, 18, and 19 as part of the celebration of the 450th anniversary of the Reformation by the Wagner College Chapel Players. The play has received high critical praise along with such awards as the N.Y. Drama Critics Prize and the "Tony" as Best Play of 1964. It is being presented in its entirety on stage in Main Hall Auditorium.

The biographical play, which explores some of the reasons behind Martin Luther's proclamation of the grace of God, depicts some of the people and events in his life leading to his statement of faith, "Here I stand, God help me, I can do no more!" Osborne's play shows us the young man who challenged the "establishment" of his age and has contemporary meaning for our own age and our own challenges.

The play will be produced by the Chapel Players, under the direction of Professor Al Wagner, who have been responsible for such productions in recent years as: SAINT JOAN, ANDROCLES AND THE LION, CHRIST IN THE CONCRETE CITY, THE CRUCIBLE, A SLEEP OF PRISONERS, DIARY OF ANNE FRANK, FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE and the musical revue BITS AND PIECES created for 2000 young people at a Lutheran Youth Conference last December.

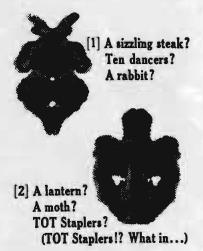
In the title role will be Barry Dress of Jersey City, N.J., a Junior English Major. Mr. Dress has extensive experience in summer stock appearing in roles in DEATH OF A SALESMAN, IT SHOULD HAPPEN TO A DOG, and J.B. At the college he has appeared in J.B. and BITS AND PIECES. He was most recently involved in three military roles: The Captain in ANDROCLES, Captain Dunois in SAINT JOAN, and the Commander in DON JUAN IN HELL. In supporting roles will be Frank Hanrahan of Stapleton, S.I., a senior English major who has had major roles in ANDROCLES (the cowardly Christian), ST. JOAN (the villainous de Stegumber), A SLEEP OF PRISONERS (the sacrifical Able), BITS AND PIECES and A MAN DIES. He will appear in Luther as Martin's tutor Johan von Staupitz. In another major supporting role will be Virgilijus Bagdonas of South Norwalk, Conn. He will appear as a knight who challenges Martin's politics during the Peasant Revolt. He was last seen as the Emperor in ANDROCLES and the Dauphin in SAINT JOAN. He was also in DON JUAN IN HELL and LONG DAYS JOURNEY INTO NIGHT. Others in the cast include Pat Howard as Katherine, Martin's wife; Richard Pirrers as Hans, his father; Chris Schreiber as Weinand, a monk; Richard Wells as Tetzel; Phil Stranaire as Pope Leo and Stuart Beltier as Eck, the Chancellor of Ingelstadt who prosecutes Martin's trial.

As usual the Chapel Players will charge no admission but, because "St. Joan" played to standing room only, because "Androcles" played to over 800 in two nights, and because of the many theatre parties being booked, reserved seat tickets will be necessary for all performances. Tickets may be requested by writing (do not call) Chapel Players, c/o Dept. of Audio-Visual Services, Wagner College, S.I., N.Y. 10301. There is a limit of four tickets per request. Theatre parties will be given special consideration. Please note that the reservation tickets will only be good until 8:30 P.M. No one will be seated once the play has begun, and no one will be admitted during the first scene.

"Luther" has special significance for the year 1967 both in terms of the events the play commemorates and what the church is striving to communicate 450 years after the events. All reservations are on a first-comefirst-served basis, so write in

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Greek Column

#### **OPEN LETTER TO MEN**

The school year has begun and so has the fraternity life. Naturally, here at Wagner as at other colleges across the country, fraternity men are competing in many areas of college life. Presently Homecoming is upon

Fall rushing is also approaching and through the I.F.C. dates were chosen. Bids will go out from Dean Wertz's office at 9:00 A.M. Friday Nov. 3 and must be returned by 5:00 P.M. that same day.

FRESHMEN:

The I.F.C. has again made it possible to have open parties for Freshmen during the semester. Each fraternity is entitled to one open party, the dates for which have already been chosen. Be alert for information concerning these dates.

This year as in the past the I.F.C. is striving to better fraternity conditions and activities hereat Wagner. Suggestions and criticisms will be welcomed either through your I.F.C. representitive or at our meetings.

Fraternity men, by helping us you can surely help yourself.

Sincerely Yours

Bill Thompson Vice-President I.F.C.

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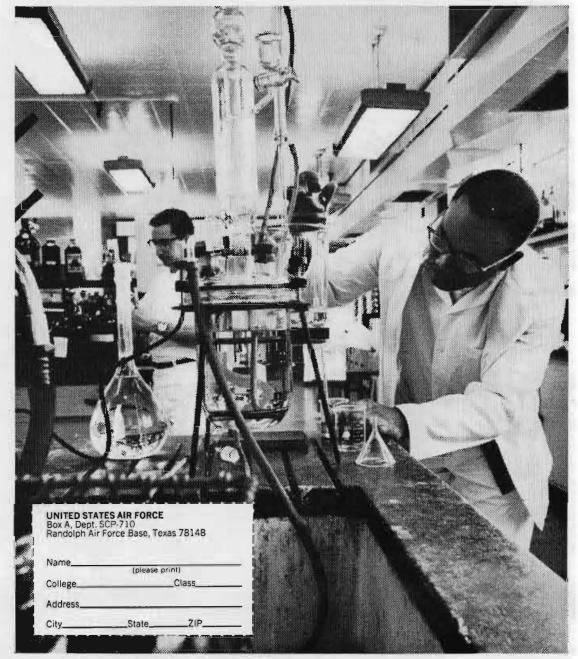
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#### Speaking of Sports

by Rusty Zausmer -

#### UP IN THE AIR

It's a good bet that even the mighty Red Baron couldn't shoot down those high-flying Seahawks. Under the command of Coach Bob Hicks, this fighting, determined and spirited unit of talented young men has the self-confidence to win the war in the Middle Altantic Conference and drink champagne out of the Lambert Cup.

The Hawks have won four out of four. They have scored more points so far this season than they did in all of last season. They have ammassed 126 points in just four games; last year's total output -- 76 points. The defense has allowed only 28 points to be scored against them in this young season. They are second in the MAC standings, first in the Lambert Cup voting (signifying small college supremacy in the East) and undefeated as yet. Could they be shot down? Could they take a nosedive and crash into the losing column?

Characteristics of their namesake, the seahawk, aptly describe the team: ". . .aggressive and daring. ..graceful, skillful and powerful. . .as a result they are able to overtake weaker and more timid prey. . ." This description does justice to the type of play the Seahawks have been demonstrating this season.

This team fights for every yard. They won't give up, and collectively play their hearts out right down to the final minute. Pete Boatti is a quarterback who likes to run and gamble for the good of the team. The defensive line--led by Dunn, Youngs, Gloistein, Downes, Smith, Dean, Asconi, Zinno, DeMassi and Tetley--is a match for any offensive unit in the conference. The Wagner offense-led by Boatti and Salinardi -- rates high on anyone's list (Boatti was named to the E.C.A.C team). With big Tom Moore slashing through the middle, Joe Mele cutting around and through the line, Frank LaRusso grinding out the big yardage, and Pete Boatti confusing the defensive units of the opponents completely, the remaining teams are going to encounter plenty of trouble grounding the Hawks.

The Hawks, thus far, have certainly been able to overtake weaker and more timid prey. They have four downed teams to their credit -via an aerial attack against Western Maryland, a dog-fight against Lycoming, a blitz against Moravian and most recently a search and destroy mission against Trenton State.

With six games to go, the Hawks are reloading the potent offensive and defensive amunition for future enemies:

Tufts--could prove trouble, but Boatti should be able to keep them off balance just enough to get the victory by two T.D.'s.

Kings Point--always a hard fighting club, but this year they should stick to water and not fight in the air--Hawks by a touch-

Springfield--ever a problem; they beat the Hawks last year 25-7; currently riding on a four-game victory plane; Hawks have a real fight on their hands and this could go either way--Wagner by a slim margin if the offense can click.

Susquehanna -- a good team who will run up against a better one -- Hawks by three T.D.'s.

Upsala-a "sister" school, but with no love lost on the gridiron -- Wagner in a runaway.

It might be too early to tell or I might be too much of an optomist, but the Seahawks can and could go all the way. They have everything and one big plus: the will and the spirit to win. They just won't quit. Color the Seahawk opponents green with envy and white with fear. Color the Hawks. . . undefeated -- maybe. Keep tryin' Red Baron.

#### SPORTS SHORTS

Twenty-eight former football players have been named charter members of the new Susquehanna University Sports Hall of Fame. Ralph Ferraro, center, class of 1960, who had a tryout with the New York Giants after his graduation, has been selected for this honor. Ferraro is assistant head coach of the Seahawk football team. . . Dick Kotite, Wagner alumni, was put on the taxi squad of the Giants but is back at tight end. . .SPORTS SCORES: Boston lost to St. Louis four games to three in an exciting World Series --NBC had excellent coverage except for the lockerroom interview after the last game of the series. . . Prowler-2, Parker Hall-0. . . Soccer team off to a fine season but still has no home field to play on--it seems only "major" sports rate complete facilities... Intramural football is in full swing--winning teams so far are Kappa, Delta, Alpha and Phi Sig. . . Homecoming Game on Saturday is a highlight of the year--floats, home-coming alumni and great football make an exciting afternoon. However, watch out for those outrageous food prices at the game. . . Have a great time. . . Remember freshmen--that's Saturday at 1 p.m. for the parade, 2 for the

#### 1967 MIDDLE ATLANTIC CONF. STANDINGS

Division North	W	L	Pct.	Lycoming	1	1	.500
WAGNER	2	0	1.000	Moravian	1	1	.500
Wilkes	2	0	1.000	Albright	0	1	.000
Juniata	1	0	1.000	Susquehanna	0	0	.000
Delaware Valley	1	1	.500	Upsala	0	2	.000

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#### SEAHAWK BOOTER'S STRONG

The Wagner booters opened their season against Moravian, and discovered a little bit late where they needed practice. The name of the game was defense, and this is where the Seahawks fell short. The Moravian Greyhounds dazzled the Wagner defense with a clever passing game, and were able to score in each of the first two periods. Two goals were all that was needed to overcome the Seahawk booters but in spite of the insufficient defense, outstanding goalie Ed Shakespeare was able to keep Wagner in the game with a number of key saves.

The Hawks came to life again in the third period when Tony DeSilva scored on an assist from Vince Provenzano. This put Wagner within a goal of tieing the Greyhounds, but in the fourth period Moravian scored twice more to put the game out of Seahawk reach.

The loss put Wagner 0-1 in the Middle Atlantic Conference,

#### WAGNER vs. COLUMBIA

The Wagner soccer team lost to Columbia as the Seahawk defense seemed to lack something. The talented Columbia team exploded for five goals in the first half as they found many faults in the Wagner defense. Although the Hawks failed to score, they settled down in the second half, allowing the Lions only one more goal.

Columbia, one of the toughest teams in the Metropolitan area, provided excellent competition for the Wagner booters, and again, the weaknesses seemed to lie in the defense.

Columbia not being a conference game, the Seahawks remained 0-1 in the MAC and 0-2 overall,

#### WAGNER vs. STEVENS

The Wagner booters met Stevens for their first win of the season. According to Coach Bill Lied, "It was determination that won the game for us." Trailing 3-1 at halftime, the Hawks got an interesting halftime talk from Coach Lied which seemed to spark the team. The defense, which has lacked something previously, held Stevens to but one goal in the second half, while Dave Akbar, who played an exceptional game, scored three on assists by Armin Thurnher. Akbar also scored one in the first half (again from Thurnher) to give him a total of four goals.

At the end of the game the score stood 4-4 which meant an overtime would be played. In the first period of overtime there was no score but in the second period, ironically enough, Jim Hilgendorf (a former student at Stevens) banged in a goal to win the game for Wagner.

Even though the game was won only 5-4 in overtime, many think this is the turning point of the season for the Seahawk booters.

#### WAGNER vs. SETON HALL

The Wagner soccer team finally showed that it has what it takes to compete successfully in the Middle Atlantic Conference. 'Its what's up front that counts,' and that was the case as the Seahawk front line combined for three goals to nip Seton Hall by a 3-2 margin. "The players on the front line are helping each other out," said Coach Lied; and they proved it by working the pass-and-go almost to perfect-

Despite a quagmire that would have cancelled most outdoor athletic meets, the Wagner booters played a fine game of control ball. After a scoreless first half, the Seahawks jumped to a quick 2-0 lead in the third quarter on goals by Armin Thurnher and Dave Akbar with assists coming from Uwe Haendler and Tony De-Silva. Seton Hall wasted no time in tieing the score with goals in the late third and early fourth periods. With but minutes remaining in the game Tony De-Silva again chalked up an assist, this time to Dave Akbar who booted in his second and the winning goal of the game.

Although the victory did not help Wagner in the MAC, it did even their record at 2-2 (1-1 in the MAC):

#### WAGNER vs. UPSALA

Despite an over-confident Wagner team, the Hawks barely squeezed out a 2-1 victory over Upsala on Friday the 13th. Although the Wagner booters made only an average showing, they managed to obtain their third straight win at the Cloves Lakes Parkfield.

The Hawks got off to a 1-0 lead in the first period as Tony De Silva scored on an assist by Armin Thurhner. Both teams then went scoreless until the third period when Bruce Tolhurst of Upsala evened the score at 1-1, and for the third time in a row the Hawks had to come up with a goal in the fourth period to secure the win. The problem was solved when Armin Thurnher scored the final goal of the game in the fourth quarter.

The triumph pushed the booters over the .500 mark for the first time this season, and their record now stands at 3-2 overall, and 2-1 in the MAC.

Next Home Game, November 1 against Washington C.

#### TRENTON GAME SAME DAY REPLAY:

Through the support of the Wagner College Alumni Association the college community was able to see and hear the playby-play action of the Trenton State-Wagner football game mere hours after the final whistle sounded. Five large screen television sets were provided in the Wagner College Main Hall Auditorium and at 8 P.M. on the night of the game (Saturday, October 14th) these sets screened the video-tape replay of the entire game as played in Trenton, New Jersey earlier that day. All the action and the game activities were recorded by a camera crew from the Department of Audio

Visual Services the commentary

by Professor Wagner, the voice of Wagner College Football home games. There was no charge for the presentation; seating was on a first-come-first served basis. Live from the studio of WCTV during half time. . . while the tapes were being changed-feature interviews with coaches and players and other sports personalities.

Depending upon the response to this first replay will be the decision to send cameras to the remaining three away games at Kings Point, Susquehanna, and Upsala. Comments should be submitted to WAGNERIAN sportseditor or Professor Wagner.

#### HAWKS TROUNCE TRENTON 54-7

The high flying Hawks of Wagner poured it on in the scoring department while drubbing Trenton State 54-7 last Saturday. After four minutes of the first quarter, the game was no longer a contest. Wagner was never headed, and as it now seems, never will be.

This game was an offensive joy for the Hawks and completely offensive to the Trenton State rooters. Trenton could do little against the powerful defense of the Seahawks. Eleven times the Wagner defense broke through to throw Trenton for losses; the Hawks allowed Trenton only 164 yards in total offense.



Tufts can expect plenty of the same from quarterback Pete Boatti-the rollout pass is his best weapon.

Pete Boatti started things by running around his end for 3 yards and six points. Joe Mele next picked up a fumbled punt, setting the stage for T.D. number two. Fullback Tom Moore scored his first touchdown of the season, diving over right tackle as Ed Roberts and Bruce Dunn forged the way.

The next four times Wagner had possession they scored. Defensive back Jack Schulz picked off a pass and raced 52 yards for the score. Less than a minute later Boatti added six more points on a 14 yard run. The halftime score was 34-0. Boatti started the third quarter, unleashing some five passes--to Mickey Vaughn for 38 yards, to Craig Siepe for 15 and to Jack Casey for seven and goal. A 41 yard pass from Rich Salinardi to Ken Danielson put the Hawks within record-breaking distance. Joe Mele made the score 47-0 with a 5 yard scamper.

Jim Jenkins hit Stan Harris hard and picked up the fumble on Trenton's 18 yard stripe, paving the way for Salinardi's 14 yard run into the endzone. Danielson's conversion brought the Hawk total to 54 points, breaking the previous singlegame record of 52 points scored against Panzer in 1949.

The Hawks are now 4-0 overall and 3-0 in the MAC. The next game should be a good one as the Hawks play host to Tufts before an enthusiastic Homecoming crowd on Saturday.

