

Dear Friends

This issue of the Quarterly brings you the sights and sounds of a university.

We begin with reports on the Wilkes team in Bulgaria, a venture made possible by the leadership of alumnus Dr. Ronald Rescigno '58. His orchestration for school children of the most advanced educational technology in the public schools of Port Hueneme, California, has gained international recognition. He

counseled his colleagues in the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, as they struggle to build a market economy on the ruins of their Communist command economy, to seek the support of the Business School at Wilkes University. You will read Dean Theodore Engel's account of the management seminar he led and the observations of Profes-



sor Dennis Hupchick, an historian of Bulgaria, who accompa-

The introduction of the new faculty will tell you how well the university is doing in attracting first-rate scholars to teach our students at Wilkes. It is a very strong faculty "class."

Coach Joe DeMelfi is doing an important job of rebuilding the football program at Wilkes. He already has exerted significant leadership through the team and elsewhere to increase our pride at Wilkes. You will enjoy meeting him.

Glimpses of the John Wilkes Club dinner and news of the major bequest from alumnus Daniel Wilcox '51 reveal the dedication of alumni and friends to the university, providing support absolutely critical to its future strength.

Finally, in the Alumni News you will see the continuing story of alumni accomplishment which is the Wilkes story, just as in the glimpses of our new Class of 1994 you will see our future promise to continue the story.

Christopher N. Breiseth

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The Cover

Fall sets the mood for a new academic year, Chase Hall from the River Commons is on the front cover; on the back, ivy surrounds the grillwork over a Miner Hall window. Both shots are by John McKeith.

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Wilkes trio lectures in Bulgaria

The Bulgarians know they want to create a free-market, Western-style economy — they just don't know how.

With all their business professors trained in Marxian economics and all textbooks adapted to that ideology, the Bulgarians needed quick expertise.

To provide the necessary expertise, the Bulgarian government invited three American experts to present a seminar for managers who must lead the Bulgarian economy as it joins the Western world.

The trio of experts came from Wilkes University.



Dean Theodore J. Engel lectures.

Bulgarian business executives pose with Wilkes contingent in Sofia.



Reflections on Bulgaria -

Dean Theodore J. Engel

My major stumbling block to making a concise summary statement about Bulgaria is that I cannot identify another country similar enough to serve as a basis



of comparison. The numerous tangible signs of prosperity seen in other European states simply do not exist in Bulgaria. Although the people seem well fed and

clothed, it definitely is an impoverished nation that has suffered 45 years of misguided central economic planning. In many other respects as well, I can find no ready counterpart to Bulgaria,

Physically, it is a beautiful country with a pleasant, almost Mediterranean, climate. Clearly a continental crossroads. its fertile agricultural plains are rimmed by heavily wooded mountains. An occasional monastery may be seen atop a rocky slope. Small villages, indistinguishable to my eye, dot the edges of the collective farms and cling to the sides of steep hills. Here and there, in a seemingly random fashion, a smokebelching generic factory sprawls over the landscape. The major cities at first appear provincial and overcrowded. With more familiarity, their gentility and unique cosmopolitanism emerges. In Sofia, the remains of early civilizations crowd against medieval churches and compete for space with belle epogue residences and dour, slab-constructed high-risers. Environmental pollution has reached dangerous proportions throughout the country, but the nation lacks the financial resources to address the problem in any significant manner.

The emergence of democracy in Bulgaria is especially exciting to me because, with a population of only nine million, it truly is possible for the citizenry to become actively and productively engaged in politics. The thought of being able to run for a national office, and be elected, without an expensive campaign and media blitz reconfirms my faith in the democratic (turn to page 4)

Arrangements were assisted by alumnus Dr. Ronald Rescigno '58. superintendent of schools in Port Hueneme, California, who has had previous educational dealings in Bulgaria.

Dean Theodore Engel, of Wilkes's School of Business, Society and Public Policy, did the primary teaching; President Christopher N. Breiseth runne roney, and the primary and Dr. Dennis Hupchick, new to the Wilkes represented the University, and the studies and shared his expertise history faculty this fall, furthered his studies and shared his expertise during the team's two-week work visit in late June and early July. Hupchick will be key to development of an Eastern European Studies Center at Wilkes beginning this fall.

"The principal item on the Bulgarian agenda is achieving a trade relationship with the rest of the world," said Engel. To achieve that, they must move away from their state-owned, non-profit system toward privatization and free markets.

Trading only with Russia, Cuba and other Eastern Bloc countries has left Bulgaria "extremely dependent upon them," Engel said, "resulting in a shortage of consumer goods and a quality of life among the worst in Europe."

"But the people are well educated and intelligent. They are proud of their beautiful country and they know its potential," Engel added.

Even business leaders, successful by Bulgarian standards, are now able to calculate their incomes in dollars or francs or Deutschmarks and see how their salaries measure up on world scales, Breiseth added.

Facing very basic choices about the future economy, the Bulgarian leaders wanted to broaden their economic perspectives.

Course work combined basic business administration with material Engel gathered for a course titled "Origins of Modern Capitalism" which he developed and taught at Wilkes with history Professor Joel Berlatsky.

Conversations with Bulgarian business people were heavily laced with self-deprecating humor, Breiseth said-jokes about everything from the poor work ethic to government-run businesses. Although the national history venerates its martyrs and the art depicts a sense of helplessness, the people show a bubbly good humor.

The common sentiment, said Breiseth, is that "we don't know where we're going, but we know we're on our way."

No one could know where Bulgaria is headed since it has no commercial banking system, no credit system, no private investment and no convertible currency

While the budding capitalists worried about creating a stock exchange, Wilkes experts urged them to build on their national expertise in computers and use that to develop an automated central market system, Engel said.

Although Breiseth was astonished by what Engel's class of harddriving, sophisticated former Communists already knew about capitalism, he was equally astonished by what they did not know.

"They knew little about personnel management," said Breiseth. "Only one of the 51 had ever heard of Maslow's hierarchy of needs. They took notes furiously."

"They had a sense of things they'd never heard before that were basic to the Western way," he added.

Though the executives came expecting to sit back and take notes, Engel used his American liberal arts leaching style of interaction and class discussion. By the end of the two-week course, nearly half the students were actively involved in discussions — despite the language barrier.

Engel said he was particularly impressed by one of the students -awoman who held a Ph.D. in economics from the University of Moscow. She was a true believer in Communism and would love to have discredited Engel, but instead joined the discussion with an open mind, said Engel, who also was the brunt of many a Marx-Engels joke.

The biggest intellectual breakthrough, said Breiseth, was when students realized that capitalism is competition - not simply the substitution of privately held monopolies for state-run monopolies.

For Bulgaria, political issues equal or surpass the impact of economic ones. "Even the deposed government leaders now jailed for political reasons are embracing the concept of a market economy," Breiseth said. "It's just a question of what kind of economic system to pair with the new political system - and who will run it."

The problems are thorny. "Do you give the land back to those who owned it in 1944?" Breiseth asked. "It's a prickly pear issue but you can't move towards a market economy until you solve it."

"And you can't expect the West to come in and invest if they don't know to whom it belongs," Engel added.

While Engel's role was clearly that of teacher and mentor, Breiseth spoke on behalf of Wilkes, arranging future seminars and a transfer of students between Wilkes and a Bulgarian university.

American Ambassador Sol Polansky repeatedly reminded the Bulgarians that Wilkes is a private institution, sharing its expertise for no

Dr. Hupchick, who speaks fluent Bulgarian, "knew more Bulgarian history than the Bulgarians," Breiseth said. The new Wilkes professor has close ties to the American College, once "the finest school in Bulgaria."

Although Hupchick and Breiseth were the premier historians on the trip, only Engel and Hupchick saw history being made.

Engel had been invited to dine at The Bulgaria Restaurant on July 6. Hearing a commotion nearby, he and his hosts left the restaurant and found a crowd of 5,000 people shouting and stomping for the resignation of President Peter Mladenov.

Engel's group returned to the restaurant where everything was normal - people dancing mambos, watching an Elvis impersonator - then learned about 9 p.m. that Mladenov had resigned. The ordinary night out was transformed into a political celebration lasting through the night.

Hupchick had spent that evening with a close friend from the Bulgarian Academy of Science's Institute of Sociology. They heard the announcement of Mladenov's resignation on the 8 p.m. news and joined friends at the square in front of the government office buildings for the "euphoric celebration of the victorious opposition groups" - the United Democratic Front, the Alternative Socialist Party, the National Democratic Party and, most importantly, the students of Sofia University who had been continuously demonstrating there for a number of days prior to

"The celebrations that erupted in the square demonstrated the markedly common belief that Mladenov's resignation, forced on him by the long, determined strike actions of the university students and the support lent their activities by the general population of the capital, Sofia, was the first real victory for democracy in Bulgaria," Hupchick said.

Though Breiseth missed the Bulgarian party on July 6 because he had already left for business in England, he was at Ambassador Polansky's Fourth of July garden party, where he was impressed by the number of Bulgarians who wished him and the other Americans "happy birthday."

"What the American Revolution represents for Bulgarians in terms of political liberty is very important," Breiseth said. "What it means economically, they're just beginning to find out."

- Reflections on Bulgaria Dr. Dennis P. Hupchick

It was an honor to have been invited to join President Christopher N. Breiseth and Dean Theodore Engel on their trip to Bulgaria this past summer. A newly hired

assistant professor rarely has the opportunity to play ar active role in important university programs before ever facing a class. Obviously, the

situation was unique. The business management seminar was Wilkes' first direct exposure to Bulgaria, and I was an historian with in-depth experience with Bulgaria, having lived in that country for a total of some two years under the auspices of such research programs as the Fulbright, IREX and the University of Pittsburgh-Sofia University Exchange.

Overall, the seminar was a large success. The Bulgarian participants demonstrated a kind of enthusiasm and effort that had been missing in Bulgarian society for forty years. Part of the explanation for that was the knowledge that the old socialist system was bankrupt and newer, western ways were needed to turn the economic future of Bulgaria around by creating a market economy. Part was also due to the highly student-participatory teaching style of Dean Engel. The Bulgarian educational system is molded in the traditional European style, where the professor usually maintains a distance from the students and, often, literally reads lectures to a relatively captive audience. The Wilkes seminar was something completely different and I believe that the Bulgarian participants found it enjoyable, highly motivating, and ultimately quite useful for the future.

The same might be said for the three of us from Wilkes. We received no remuneration for the program other than travel and living expenses while in Sofia. What we did gain, however, both personally and for the school, should be of more value to Wilkes in the long run than any amount of pay we might have.

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process. Granted, the Bulgarians are somewhat naive and unsophisticated in the ways of politics, but it is heartening to see such an intense and sincere commitment to the potential of the individual and unrelenting impatience with incompetent officials.

With few exceptions, I found the people unusually homogeneous in appearance, dress, habits and behavior. Although they are not especially religious, the Bulgarian Orthodox Church seems to be the wellspring of their culture and perennial source of psychological renewal. The years of Turkish oppression have made the Bulgarians not only distrustful of Turkey, but also, along with other factors, more westward looking than I anticipated. They view Americans as friends of long-standing and hold our character traits in high esteem. The Bulgarian managers and scientists who participated in the seminars, as well as our colleagues at the Academy of Science, were exceptionally intelligent, perceptive individuals. I especially was impressed by their articulateness, sense of humor, candor,

and curiosity. I also sensed that they would not tolerate dissemblers, manipulators or abusers of authority. Certainly, it is impossible to be bored with Bulgarians.

The most painful impression of Bulgaria for me has to be the deplorable state of its economy. The fear of the future and misurust of government leaders is palpable. Chronic shortages of all but a few domestically produced or imported items, and the lack of many basic services. means that the average worker, earning living wage, has very few available consumption options. The public has fallen into a pattern of panic-driven hoarding, especially when an item such as sugar appears on the shelves. Strong existing industries, such as computer manufacturing, and likely candidates for future development, such as tourism. constitute the cornerstones upon which Bulgaria's future will be built. However, the political and economic tasks that face the nation today are chilling. Although private firms rapidly are springing to life, although price controls and other tools of state management are being eliminated. and although black markets are flourishing unrestrictedly, it is nonetheless clear to me now why so many knowing Bulgarians view their future with trepidation.

Dr. Hupchick's Bulgarian Reflections

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been given. In the first place, by conducting the seminar in Sofia, Wilkes University has placed itself squarely into a century-old tradition of American-Bulgarian relations begun by American Protestant missionaries in the middle of the last century and continued by American educators, diplomats, and private individuals until the communist takeover of Bulgaria following World War II. Few contemporary Bulgarians, and even fewer Americans, realize that until 1945 Bulgaria represented America's single largest European commitment in terms of active involvement. Americans played key roles in helping bring about the liberation of the Bulgarians from the rule of the Ottoman Turks in 1878; they were significant contributors to the process that formulated the modern Bulgarian literary language; and through Robert College, the first American institution of higher education established outside the borders of the United States (founded in Istanbul, but principally attended by Bulgarians) and the American College of Sofia, Americans were instrumental in shaping modern Bulgarian higher education. None of that activity in behalf of the Bulgarians was self-serving, nor was it profit motivated. For that reason, pre-World War II Bulgarians held Americans in high fraternal regard, The Wilkes seminar was the first American philanthropic effort in that tradition made since the onset of the postcold war era in Bulgaria. I believe that the Bulgarians will remember this effort.

In the second place, Wilkes University is beginning to evolve a serious commitment to East European studies.

Because of the seminar, Wilkes now possesses cordial relationships with a number of important Bulgarian officials and academic institutions, among which are the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Sofia University, and The Economics University, "Karl Marx" (a name which, given the current situation, stands a good chance of being changed in the near future!).

An important part of the reason for my being at Wilkes is the opportunity offered for building a functioning East European studies program at the school. The Sofia seminar and the contacts that have resulted from it constitute a good start in this direction. We need to transform our friendly relations with the Bulgarians into concrete academic relationships and, then, to expand our efforts to other areas of the region in ways that will benefit the school, our students, and our society at large. I am professionally committed to doing just that. Besides, I have a personal motive as well. The man responsible for my scholarly involvement in Bulgaria and Eastern Europe, and my mentor for more than fourteen years, was the late Prof. James F. Clarke, formerly of the University of Pittsburgh. His grandfather was one of the first American missionaries to the Bulgarians and was the man who founded the American school that eventually evolved into the American College of Sofia. His father was also an American missionary in Bulgaria. He himself built the first East European studies center in America at Indiana University, Bloomington, during the early 1950s. So you see, I believe that I have a tradition of my own to follow.



Wilkes statue could grace namesake city

On my way home from Bulgaria I stopped in London to see the new (and only) statue of John Wilkes in the City where he was Lord Mayor. I called upon Dr. James Cope, the man responsible for the statue. After a wonderful conversation about why Dr. Cope had thought it important for Wilkes to be remembered in London, and how he put resources together with sculptor James Butler, R.A., to create the statue, we went to the junction of Fetter Lane and New Fetter Lane and beheld John Wilkes in bronze. He is holding in his hand his "Bill for a Just and Equal Representation of the People of England in Parliament" of 1776. It is a handsome piece of sculpture. I indicated an interest in having a second casting made so that we might have John Wilkes at the University named for him. Dr. Cope called Mr. Butler who came up to London the next day from his home in Warwickshire to visit with me. That visit was thoroughly enjoyable and I discovered what the process would be to have a second casting made and the resulting statue shipped to Wilkes-Barre. The cost would be about \$50,000.

With political freedom and liberty spreading throughout the world, it seems fitting to honor our University's namesake who stood at the very headwaters of this development in the 1760s and 1770s. We have adopted a silhouette of the Butler statue of Wilkes for the logo on our John Wilkes Club stationery. I want to explore any support there might be to bring the real statue to Wilkes-Barre. As the University seeks to make our students more aware of the world and the forces shaping their future, I think it would be a powerful statement and symbol to have on our campus an impressive statue of John Wilkes, an early defender of political liberty, free speech, and the rights of the people to elect their leaders. James Butler, by the way, has just been commissioned to create Parliament's official tribute to Queen Elizabeth II, a great water fountain with a unicorn climbing a mountain to be located in Parliament Square, Westminster.

Any interest?

Christopher N. Breiseth, President

Wilkes's newest edition — Class of 1994

Kevin Curry

Soccer, Trustee Scholar, future engineer

At first, Kevin Curry had some trouble getting his work done, but not because the materials engineering major was having difficulty with his courses or feeling homesick for Perkasie, PA.

On the contrary, Curry, a Trustee Scholar, said he "felt right at home the first week," but "there are so many other things to do!" - like soccer, the Programming Board and the crew team. Curry had no problems getting involved, but finding time to do everything is another matter entirely.



A Penn Ridge High School graduate, Curry also actively participated in high school events. He played soccer and represented his class in student government, along with being a member of the winter and spring track teams.

Curry's choice of a materials engineering major demonstrates the increase in science related majors in the Class of '94. The majors which have shown the largest increases include biology, computer science, education, and engineering (mechanical). Still, the incoming freshmen's choices do not seem to isolate or saturate a specific field. "There seems to be a good mix of all majors," said Emory Guffrovich. assistant dean of admissions.

Susan Kelly

Personal attention "music" to her ears

Susan Kelly wants to work with children.

She would also like a career in vocal performance or choral conducting. She believes her English, music, secon-

dary education major plus the "personal attention" she receives at Wilkes will be able to give her a good start.

Kelly, a Plains resident, is now building on the strong music background she established at Coughlin High School where she was an active member of the chorus and the band. Yet, her broad range inter-



ests also prompted her to join the track team and become involved with the Junior Leadership Wilkes-Barre Program

At Wilkes, Kelly hopes to join the cross country team and participate in the Circle K Club.

A Trustee Scholar, she demonstrates the high test scores the Class of '94 is bringing with them to Wilkes. The average SAT scores of the incoming freshmen are 20 points higher than last year, said Emory Guffrovich, assistant dean of admissions, "We are bringing better and better students."

And Susan Kelly is a perfect example.

Anthony Alberti

Wrestling champ now business major

A host of East Coast schools courted Anthony Alberti for his wrestling prowess — yet he chose Wilkes for its academic excellence rather than its athletic achievements.

Alberti held back-to-back state wresding titles in 1988-89 and 1989-90. These utles and a record of 108-7, including 75 straight wins, prompted Wrestling U.S.A. Magazine to select Alberti as one of its nationally chosen All-Americans.



Not only did Alberti excel in wrestling, he also played varsity baseball for

Hendrick Hudson High School in Montrose, New York.

After graduation, he chose to pursue a career in business at Wilkes University. According to Alberti, the campus size, "not too big, not too small," and the business curriculum helned him make Wilkes his choice.

Alberti joins the Class of '94 which numbers approximately 480 incoming freshmen. According to Emory Guffrovich, "Wilkes is fortunate because the number of high school seniors is declining but our numbers (of incoming freshmen) are steady."

Stories by HEIDI HOJNOWSKI, Class of 1993

Suzanne Stanski

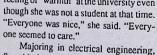
Bishop Hoban stand-out

to study electrical engineering

Unlike many other incoming freshmen, Suzanne Stanski had a "preview" of Wilkes even before she applied for admission. While still attending Bishop Hoban High School in Wilkes-Barre, Stanski was taking a

calculus class at Wilkes

Stanski was impressed by the overall feeling of "warmth" at the university even though she was not a student at that time. "Everyone was nice," she said. "Everyone seemed to care."



Stanski plans to commute to her classes from her home in Plains. A recipient of both a Presidential Scholarship and an electrical engineering scholarship, she is also a participant in Wilkes's Honors Program.

Currently, Stanski is working on campus in one of the university's computer labs.

A local resident, she typifies the Wilkes tradition of harvesting "home-grown" talent. "The largest percentage of students," according to Emory Guffrovich, associate dean of admissions, "comes from Luzerne and Lackawanna counties." Wilkes also has many students from eastern Pennsylvania and northern New Jersey, Guffrovich said.



New faculty members, front row, from left: Jie Wang, Victoria Jaen, Ron Schwartz, Anthony Liuzzo, Kathleen Kemmerer, Ellen Flint, Alicia Lindgren; second row, John Swanson, Robin Snyder, John Sosik, Bonnie Bedford. Kirk Bush; third row, Dennis Hupchick, Marianne Rexer, Thomas Moran, Robert Ballentine; fourth row, Sharon Bowar, Henry Jacoby; fifth row, Jay Belanger, David Bradbury, Stephen Barton; sixth row, Robert Steele, Holiday Adair, Douglas Lynch; back row, Tom McCaffrey. Not pictured, Clifford Mirman.

Wilkes university faculty this year, increasing the English and foreign lan-and adding to the robotics and computer science capabilities in engineering.

New faculty members are:

science. A native of Elizabethtown. Snyder is a graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point where he carned a B.S. degree in physics. After serving as a missile material management officer in the Army, he Nabisco's "loaned executive" last year. worked as a computer physicist for Armstrong World Industries at its Lancas-

Twenty-six professors joined the ter, PA, research and development

ate of nearby King's College, Sosik earned his M.B.A. in accounting and bisco as a financial analyst before joining the Wilkes faculty. An avid golfer, Sosik devotes his community service to the United Way, after serving as

Dr. Kirk Bush, engineering, Afcenter. While working toward his Ph.D., ter earning his undergraduate degree Snyder taught undergraduate courses from Brigham Young University, his guage capabilities, adding an Eastern and worked for IBM. His thesis topic master's at Syracuse and his Ph.D. at European emphasis to history, giving was "Issues in the Implementation of SUNY-Binghamton, Bush began work with IBM. Although he enjoyed the John Sosik, accounting. A gradu- work, he decided he could make more of a contribution through teaching and research at the university level. His Dr. Robin M. Snyder, computer finance at Wilkes and is a Pennsylvania chief research interests are in electrolicensed CPA. He worked for RJR Na- magnetic compatibility. Bush is active with his church and the Boy Scouts.

> Dr. Anthony Liuzzo, business & economics. An attorney with a Ph.D. in economics, Dr. Liuzzo will teach a new course called legal environment of business along with other business courses. He earned his B.S. in market-

ing at Fordham University, his J.D. degree at St. John's, his M.B.A., M. Phil, and Ph.D. at New York University. He served six years as editor of the Journal of Business Issues.

Dr. Henry Jacoby, philosophy. "Once the problems that philosophers worry about start to bother you, you pursue them," says Jacoby, who earned his B.A. and M.A. in philosophy at Ohio State University and his Ph.D. at the University of Southern California. His goal is to increase student interest in philosophy by helping undergraduates realize that the critical thinking, reasoning and communication skills gained in the study of philosophy are valuable for any number of careers.

Kathleen Kemmerer, English. A former writer and editor for Blue Cross of Northeastern Pennsylvania and a former junior high and high school teacher, Kemmerer will teach composition and introductory literature courses at Wilkes. She holds a B.A. in English from College Misericordia, an M.A. from the University of Scranton, and is at present finishing her dissertation to complete her Ph.D. at Fordham University. She is active in her church and serves as a parent volunteer in her children's public schools.

Robert Ballentine, English, will teach composition and lead the Writing Center. His goal for the center is to "dispel the aura of it being only for students with problems." The Writing Center should provide a thoughtful audience for all student and faculty writers, he said. "Every good writer always has several people who read his or her work with care and respond it to honestly and with interest." A writer who once expected to major in music, Ballentine says he tends to compose his own writings as if they were music and listen for the melody of a sentence.

John Swanson, music, theater and dance. Swanson will teach technical theater and supervise lighting and set design for college productions. He holds an M.F.A. from North Carolina School of the Arts, an M.A. from the and a show in upstate New York. Her University of Denver and an under- recent efforts have been works on pagraduate degree from Adams State College in Colorado. He does freelance

professional design and has just completed work on the lights for "Merrily We Roll Along" in Philadelphia. Especially fond of opera and ballet, his thesis was on staging opera. He is enthusiastic about the combined department of music, dance and drama at Wilkes, saying it offers great potential for staging musicals and opera.

Dr. Holiday E. Adair, psychology. Dr. Adair earned her B.A., M.A. and Ph.D. in counseling psychology at the University of Akron and has continuing research interest in diagnosis and assessment instruments as well as applying treatment models to minority patients. A sabbatical replacement this year, she hopes to help students broaden their view of psychology and learn what it can and cannot do. She also hopes to make the students better informed consumers of psychology.

Dr. David Bradbury, communications. After earning his undergraduate degree at Heidelberg College, Ohio, and his M.A. at West Virginia University, Dr. Bradbury taught for nearly 15 years before earning his Ph.D. at Temple University and seeking out a small university with ample opportunity for contact with students. "That's where the learning takes place," he said. He will teach electronic media and newscasting and supervise the campus radio station. He is especially interested in the radio station because it represents Wilkes to a large population in the community. A native of Kingston, Bradbury left the Wyoming Valley before he was a year old and is pleased to be back among his extended family.

Sharon Bowar, art. Coming to Wilkes after a year as visiting assistant professor at the University of Arkansas, Bower has also been active as a graphic designer and a collaborative printmaker, working on limited edition fine art prints, In the final stages of work toward her M.F.A. at the University of New Mexico, she expects to participate in four exhibitions this year - her M.F.A. show at New Mexico, two faculty shows here per, including pastel drawing, monotypes and painting.

Fllen Flint, music. A pianist who will teach music theory and music history, Flint comes to Wilkes from Virginia Commonwealth University where she combined part-time university teaching with part-time private piano instruction. She hopes her Wilkes teaching will "help students see that music theory and history aren't just dry subjects but matters that come alive in performance." Flint will be returning to Richmond for a piano duo performance next spring and hopes also to bring her partner here to perform.

Dr. Stephen Barton, music. A singer since elementary school, Barton has wanted to be a choral conductor since his early teens. He has accomplished that goal many times over. In addition to directing the Concert Choir and Chamber Singers at Wilkes, and teaching voice and music education, he conducts the Wyoming Valley Oratorio Society, the Singers Guild of Scranton. the Rutgers University Glee Club and the choir of St. Peter's Cathedral in Scranton. He is also chorusmaster for the Northeast Pennsylvania Philharmonic. His philosophy for creating an exciting chorus is simple. "I'm highly motivated, energetic and very excited about what I'm doing - that's contagious," he said. When he isn't directing a choir, Barton is an avid baseball fan.

Marianne Scicchitano Rexer, accounting. A 1985 graduate of Wilkes, Rexer earned a master's in taxation at Bryant College, Smithfield, RI, and has earned her CPA. She worked four years in public accounting -three of them as a senior accountant with Laventhol & Horwath — before returning to Wilkes to teach. Although she enjoys working professionally, she said that her strong Wilkes background helped her move ahead and do well. Because of that, she is anxious to teach here and continue the tradition. In her free time, she serves as an adviser to the Catholic Youth Center. She has an 18-month-old son, and her husband, Christopher, is also a 1985 Wilkes graduate.

Dr. Jie Wang, math and computer science. The son of two professors in China, Dr. Wang did his under-

graduate work in his native country, tration in that field. Schwartz develthen came to Boston University for his Ph.D. work. He enjoys the combination of teaching and research that Wilkes offers him. He is teaching linear programming, calculus and an introductory computer literacy course while continuing his research in structural and computational complexity theory and distributed computer systems.

Dr. Jay Belanger, math and computer science. A 1983 graduate of the University of Michigan, Dr. Belanger earned his Ph.D. from Princeton University in 1987. He has taught two years at Purdue University and last year at the University of Michigan at Flint. He will be teaching calculus and geometry and continuing his research on several complex variables. Dr. Belanger enjoys family activities and sports.

Victoria Jaen-Andres, Spanish. After earning her undergraduate degree in Hispanic philology at the University of Salamanca, one of the oldest universities in Europe, Jaen-Andres taught Spanish to foreign students in Spain for eight years, then accepted a post as teaching assistant while working toward her Ph.D. at the University of Massachusetts. She expects to be awarded her doctorate this winter. Her dissertation focuses on postmodernism in the work of Esther Tusquests.

Dr. Bonnie Bedford, English, A playwright and novelist, Dr. Bedford is teaching creative writing, composition and literature. She is especially pleased to be at Wilkes because it allows her to combine academic and creative work. Although her plays have not yet been produced, she has had three New York readings of the works which present serious topics with funny interludes. In Binghamton, where she earned her master's and doctoral degrees, she organized a playwrights group to read and direct each other's work. She holds a doctorate in contemporary drama and fiction and a master's in creative writing. She earned her undergraduate degree in English at Waynesburg College.

Dr. Ronald Schwartz, business and economics, will coordinate the management information systems program and develop an M.B.A. concen-

oped a model MIS program at Wayne State University in Detroit. He hopes to perfect that model here, working closely with area businesses. He has co-authored four textbooks on computer science and statistics and served as a consultant to American Greeting Card Corp., Gould, and Imperial Cleavite. He has published articles on multivariate statistical analysis in American Statistician and the Journal of Statistical Simulation and Computation. An avid jogger and racquetball player, he earned his undergraduate degree at Case Westem Reserve University, his master's at John Carroll and his Ph.D. at the University of Akron.

Dr. Robert Steele, French. "It's good for everybody to have contact with a foreign culture and to find that they not only speak a different language but they don't live the same way, don't have the same values and don't have the same preconceptions," said Steele, who hopes to introduce his students to the French culture as well as the French language. He earned his undergraduate and graduate degrees at Michigan State University and will be teaching all levels of French at Wilkes.

Thomas J. Moran, communications. Returning to Wilkes from Luzeme County Community College, where he was president for 10 years, Moran will teach journalism and communications courses. After a lengthy journalistic career with the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, the Times Leader and the Sunday Independent, Moran joined the Wilkes staff first in 1970 and served until 1977 as executive director of alumni and public relations. Last year the Thomas J. Moran Scholarship in Journalism at Wilkes University was established by the Capital Cities Foundation, Inc., and the Wilkes-Barre Times Leader, The scholarship offers assistance to an LCCC graduate who wants to pursue a journalism degree at Wilkes and provides a paid internship at the Times Leader to give practical experience.

Alicia Lindgren, English, A sabbatical replacement this year, Lindgren

em world literature at Wilkes. After earning her bachelor's degree at Central Michigan University and her master's in English at SUNY-Potsdam, she has taught for 10 years at SUNY Canton and, most recently, at King's College in Wilkes-Barre. She enjoys teaching writing because "you get to know and understand the student's ideas and viewpoints about life and college in a way you really don't in other classes."

Dr. Douglas Lynch, education. "Wilkes's plan of having teachers major within a content area is the way the whole nation should be going," said Lynch. That preparation proves more valuable to the teacher than additional courses in how to teach, he added. A former high school social studies teacher. Lynch earned his undergraduate degree in political science at Colorado College, his master's at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and his Ph.D. in psychology at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

Clifford Mirman, engineering. A specialist in robotics, mechanical design and computer-aided design. Mirman expects to receive his Ph.D. in mechanical engineering this December from the University of Illinois at Chicago. He holds a master's from that institution and a bachelor's degree from the University of Rochester. In addition to his robotics and design research, Mirman has worked as a teaching assistant at Illinois and at Harper Community College and has worked as a design engineer with Motorola, Inc.

Thomas M. McCaffrey, health services administration. An attorney with 18 years of senior management experience in hospitals in Connecticut and Michigan, McCaffrey is teaching health care law, ambulatory care, financial management, organizational behavior, strategic planning and marketing both at Wilkes and in Wilkes's Weekender Program at Keystone Junior College. He is enjoying the challenge of making the material plug-in to life experiences of his students, most of whom are non-traditional students. The father of four boys, McCaffrey enjoys will be teaching composition and West- working with adolescent sports and the Special Olympics.

Football Coach Joe DeMelfi

Joe Demelfi: Coaching the Wilkes Colonels to a

By TOM MCGUIRE **Sports Information Director**

Guiding the fortunes of a football team is like being the captain of a ship. You need wisdom when it is time to make the tough decisions and a sense of humor for the long hours you spend with the crew.

coach in Wilkes history, the University got someone who has coach. both of those important qualities. A closer look at the individual and you will see he has what it takes to lead Wilkes DcMelfi. "I've always enjoyed working with students and football into the 1990s.

Wilkes-Barre, in 1944. He grew up in the blue collar town and Plus, I really enjoy preparing for another season of battle with went on to play football for the local high school team, the our opponents. Bulldogs. After graduating from Berwick he moved on to the University of Tennessee on an athletic scholarship. He later changed schools and played at Delta State University in Mis- and, in some cases, the general student population. sissippi where he was graduated with a bachelor of science degree in education in 1966.

While football has always been a big part of his life, he learned early about the value of an education.

"Berwick had and still has a very fine football tradition," said DeMelfi. "Kids growing up wanted to do as well as those who played in the past. You had to make sacrifices and play as hard as you could. But my father also spoke a great deal about school.

"My father played a big part in my development. He told me that whatever I did I should do well, whether it be education or football. That left a big impression on me."

master's in education. After completing his master's he moved to Mansfield State College in 1974 where he taught

physical education and was an assistant football coach.

In 1975 he moved to Bloomsburg University where he again taught physical education and coached football. In all DeMelfi would stay at Bloomsburg 15 years, moving up the administrative ladder from Assistant Dean of Student Life to Assistant Director of Financial Aid to Assistant Director of When Wilkes hired Joe DeMelfi to be the sixth football Admissions, all the time remaining an assistant football

The move from teacher to coach was a natural one for this was another way for me to accomplish that. Of course Joseph DeMelfi was born in Berwick, just south of there are good and bad days, but the good override the bad.

At Wilkes, DeMelfi will combine coaching with duties as an admissions counselor in charge of recruiting for football

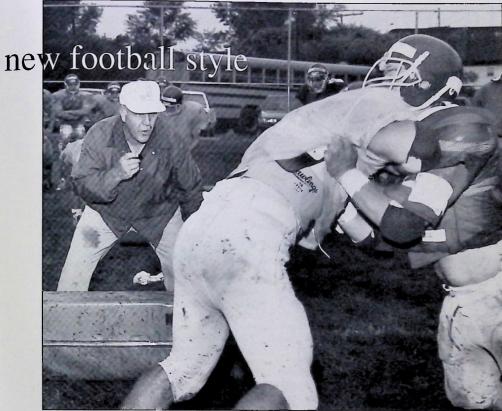
"When I recruit a student/athlete for Wilkes, I'm looking for someone who wants to take part in more than football," said DeMelfi. "I want someone who will be a part of many student activities and clubs. Football should just be one portion of his educational experience. To achieve that goal, sometimes, it is necessary to make up to 50 phone calls to one person when recruiting."

With the job of recruitment comes the responsibility for the student's overall needs.

"I'm always concerned about the student/athletes I recruit," DeMelfi commented, "I want to make sure that each student/athlete will be here for four years and have a chance After graduating from Delta State, DeMelfi taught at and the resources for success. Of course a 100 per cent Berwick High School before going back to Delta State for his retention rate would be great, but I realize that is not always possible. And while, as a coach, I cannot get everyone I would like, I realize that maybe what our school had to offer was not



Football alumni who helped welcome DeMelfi are Fred Marianacci '76, Garf Jones '72, Joe Zakowski '70, Pat Ratchford '73, Maurene Ratchford, Allen Peterfreund '68, DeMelfi, Carl Zoolkoski '59 and booster Fred Marianacci.



His whistle at the ready, DeMelfi scrutinizes blocking style.

what that student/athlete needed for his life situation."

And while recruiting a student/athlete has generally remained the same over the years, dealing with today's student/athletes is different than it was years ago, he said. "Today's kids have a will to win, but our society as a whole is different. Kids today have a lot of distractions in front of them. What they've got to do is set some goals and not let those distractions get in the way of those goals."

With all the headaches that come from coaching and recruiting. DeMelfi knows that back home waiting for him is his wife, Ann, and daughter, Christine.

Now 16. Christine is involved with track, cross-country and cheerleading at Berwick and understands her father's commitments as only an athlete can.

And how does his wife handle the long hours a coach has to put in each week?

"Ann is a teacher in the Montoursville school district, so she understands the many hours I have to put into the job," he said. Then he smiled and added, "I was coaching before we

got married so she knew what she was getting into."

While Wilkes may struggle on the field in the early going. DeMelfi is confident he can turn things around.

"We're in this for the long haul," DeMelfi said. "We have some good freshman who just need some playing time to get better. The main thing is that we want to see improvement from week to week. If we make a mistake one week, we want to try not to make that same mistake the next week.

"People also fail to realize we've only had these kids now for a short time. It is going to take some time for them to adjust to the college game. But I can definitely see a light at the end of the tunnel. We may not win right away, but give us some

While DeMelfi is trying to get everyone to look to the future, he is also urging his players to look to the past,

"Many of the kids don't realize how good Wilkes was in the '60s. I want to make them aware that there is a football tradition here and that if they work hard enough they can

The Wilkes Chronicle

Summer Graduation 1990

With congratulations to the Class of 1990 and good luck wishes to the Class of 1994, the Wilkes University academic year opened August 29.

William Hanigan, Class of 1991, and president of the student government, offered the twin sentiments at the morning convocation which falls on the second day of classes and sets the pace for the new school year.

chairman of the Board of Trustees; George Waldner, vice president for academic affairs; Rev. James R. Nash, Parochial Vicar of Our Lady of the Snows Parish, who offered the invocation, and Rev. Lucinda Stafford-Lewis, pastor of Church of Christ Uniting, who offered the benediction.

The day's festivities were tempered with sadness as the campus community grieved the loss of four students -Kimberly Kalinas '93, Shawn Galbreath '91, Joel Rosenthal '91 and Barbara Zardus '90 - who died in separate accidents over the last few months.

While congratulating the Summer graduates in the major commencement address, President Christopher Breiseth also told incoming freshman they are beginning "one of the most important investments" they will ever make. "The investment is in yourself, your mind, your talents, your competence to succeed in a fascinating and dramatically changing world."

Reflecting on world events of the past year, Breiseth encouraged both graduates and freshmen to recognize that they are making new beginnings at "one of those rare crossing points in history."

"The era of the Cold War, after nearly half a century, is over," he said. "An era of global interdependence, without a central ideological struggle, has begun. If the present crisis in the Middle East is resolved without a shooting war, and the central issues are managed through international negotiation under the auspices of the United Nations, the world community will perhaps have initiated a new approach to conflict resolution among nations and people."

Noting that people around the globe, when emerging from oppression and allowed to make choices, are opting for



Hanigan was joined in his good wishes by Richard Ross, American-style economic and political systems, Breiseth cautions, "Lest we be blinded by this apparent triumph of the American political and economic system, we must look critically at the health of our own institutions as we begin the last decade before the millennium."

There are bright spots, he said.

"In a world of increasing ethnic and religious tension, the American experience of mixing the peoples from all parts of the world to form a healthy, functioning society remains one of our greatest assets, both to energize our own institutions as well as to provide leadership to others.

"Economically, for all our worry about being bought out by other advanced countries, the United States owns much more of other countries' assets than they do of ours," he said, adding, "In a truly global economy how one defines trade deficits and surpluses demands a new perspective."

Education and politics, however, remain problem areas, Breiseth said. The post-industrial society will offer rewarding jobs only for those who have acquired such essential skills as reading, writing, critical thinking, mathematical computing and problem solving, including knowledge of how to use

"We have a distressingly large number of citizens unequipped to succeed in this new economy," Breiseth said.

"The challenge to make our entire educational system more effective for more of our people, including a reversal of the trend towards illiteracy, has got to be one of the great efforts of your generation if America is going to remain a healthy, competitive society. I hope increasing numbers of you will seriously consider teaching as a calling."

"Linked to education," added Breiseth, "is politics. Even

Research opportunities for 3 biology majors

Three Wilkes biology majors had the chance to "find the" standing of every phase of the project, the women said. "To link between textbooks and reality" when they won summer do something in the lab you have to know the theory and why research positions in their chosen field.

Valerie Moyer, a senior from Wapwallopen, was employed in the bioengineering department at DuPont; Char-



Charlotte Hoffman (left) and Sandy Thomas

lotte Hoffman, a junior from Weatherly, worked in the Center for Molecular Biology at Lehigh University, and Sandy Thomas, a senior from West Wyoming, worked in the biochemistry department at Lehigh.

All three regarded their research work as an important step in their undergraduate education.

"It changes the way you do class work," Moyer said. "I'd read about tests but never dreamed of actually doing them," Thomas added.

Some classroom research tends to follow a "cookbook" approach, allowing students to manage without a clear under-

you are doing it. You are forced to know every detail," said

"Something new went wrong every day," said Moyer. "You had to learn on your own how to cope with the problems."

"Moreover, you had to be able to communicate your problems to co-workers," said Hoffman.

Mover, who plans to pursue a Ph.D. in cancer biology and a career in biomedical research, worked on a project



Valerie Mover

involving immunoaffinity partitioning.

Hoffman, who also plans a career in biomedical research, spent her summer at Lehigh using electrophoresis to characterize cloned genes from fungi.

Thomas's projects involved evaluation of synthetic DNA to determine its suitability for immunochemical assays. Thomas plans to attend medical school next fall.

The three women all credited Wilkes with helping find their summer opportunities. Moyer's was arranged by Biology Chairman Dr. Lester Turoczi with the aid of an alumna, Lynn Arlauskas '81, who works at DuPont.

Thomas and Hoffman learned of their jobs through Dr. Kenneth Pidcock, a biology professor who has done extensive postdoctoral research at Lehigh.

as people around the world are embracing democratic political systems, we have widespread cynicism about politics and politicians.

"Self-government American style assumes the existence of an educated citizenry, one which understands the importance of citizen participation to give direction to government at all levels on issues from school board policies to foreign policy. Again your generation faces the great challenge of reenergizing our political processes, making them responsive to the values you hold."

"These include, I am sure, the cleaning up of the environment and vouchsafing it to future generations in better condition that it is being vouchsafed to you.

"Again the challenge is for global action. As more and more countries take on our form of government and politics to manage their development, we should feel challenged and encouraged to do the same."

Encouraging all the students to learn and work to their highest potential, he said, "The contributions each of you makes can have a tangible impact on the human enterprise."

In the Board Room Trustee Wiendl honored by Ingersoll-Rand award

Joseph A. Wiendl, a member of the Wilkes University Board of Trustees who is also a retired vice president of Ingersoll-Rand Company, has been honored by his former employer with the establishment of an award in his name which is given annually to the company's outstanding sales

The award marks Wiendl's 42-year career and highlights "his character, his friendliness, his capability, his loyalty, enthusiasm and dedication, his complete honesty and ethical

Those same qualities make him indispensible on the Wilkes Board, said President Breiseth,

Gifts, Grants, Giving



The
John
Wilkes
Club
Dinner

President and Mrs. Breiseth visit with Col. William and Frances Corbett



Corky and Bill Conyngham with Betsy G'79 and Joe Condron



George and Helen '52 Ralston with Jane and Clyde '50 Ritter

President Breiseth with Al Albert and Charlie Reilly



Gifts, Grants, Giving

Members of the John Wilkes Club gathered for their annual dinner September 14, celebrating University status, a new logo featuring the club's namesake's new statue in London and — perhaps most of all — the growth in membership in the prestigious organization of Wilkes's most generous donors.

When the club met last year, 250 individuals and corporations were eligible to attend by virtue of making gifts of \$1,000 or more in a single year. This year, the membership totaled 330 — and 161 of those members attended the black-tie affair. The club's Honorary Lifetime membership category, recognizing those who have contributed a total of \$100,000 or more, also grew from 18 to 35 members.

The evening opened with cocktails in Rumours, the student-operated bistro in the lower level of the Marts Center. The Jazz Ensemble provided background music for the socializing time.

Dinner — from the vichyssoise to the Black Forest torte by way of veal oscar — was served in the Henry Gymnasium. The program was rounded out with a status report on the new University structure presented by Vice President for Academic Affairs George W. Waldner, a report from President Breiseth on the new sculpture of John Wilkes in London and a round of thanks from Board Chairman Richard Ross and Vice President for Development Tom Hadzor.



Judge Harold Flannery '55 with President Breiseth



Clayton '49 and Therese Karambelas, Carl and Elizabeth Postupak



Sheila and Roger '66 Rolfe; Bob '50, DHL '83, and Libby Capin, David

'83 and Joyce Capin



Betsy '73 and Bruce '72, G '77 Gover

Gifts, Grants, Giving

Wilcox bequest largest ever from alumnus

By HEIDI HOJNOWSKI

Class of 1993

What makes a memory?

Conyngham Hall, the echoes of after-class laughter, or the well worn pages of a finance book that left its

Whatever objects and incidents formed his days and forged his memories of Wilkes also inspired the late Wilkes-Barre accountant Daniel S. Wilcox Jr. to name Wilkes University as the primary beneficiary of his estate. His gift of almost \$350,000 is the largest bequest from an alumnus ever received by Wilkes.

Wilcox was aWorld War II veteran when he came to Wilkes. He kept up his Army status in the reserves and retired as a major. He graduated in 1951 with a degree in commerce and finance.

Joining his father, Daniel Sr., in practice after graduation, they formed the Wilcox & Wilcox accounting firm, now known as Wilcox & McCormick.

Throughout his years of accounting practice, Wilcox was active in community activities. A key member of the Navy Birddog Club, he helped recruit football players for the Naval Academy. He helped found the Wilkes-Barre Steam Heat Authority and contributed his time to the authority for many years.

Among his chief concerns was education. He was an originating member of the Luzerne County Intermediate Unit and served on both the Kingston Borough and Wyoming Valley West School Boards.

Wilcox also raced cars at Watkins Glen and throughout the Northeastern United States. At one time he held the record in the Giant's Despair Hill Climb.

After Wilcox's death in 1989, Thomas Hadzor, vice president for development at Wilkes, received notification of Wilcox's \$350,000 bequest to Wilkes. Two installments totaling \$250,000 have already been delivered.



In 1955, shortly after graduating from Wilkes, Wilcox was honored by Coughlin High School (above) for work with its athletic program. Below, Wilcox in his race car.



With the liquidation of stocks, bonds, and Florida property, the bequest's grand total makes it the largest ever given to Wilkes by an alumnus.

Hadzor calls the gift a "wonderful. wonderful surprise." He adds, "We try to remind our alumni and friends about estate planning, but you never know what they will do."

The Wilcox estate plan stated that the bequest would establish the Daniel S. Wilcox, Jr. Scholarship Fund to "assist worthy students as determined by

Because Wilcox was a noted Wilkes-Barre accountant, the bequest has been earmarked for an accounting scholarship. Robert S. Capin '50, DHL'83, president emeritus and professor of accounting, believes the dollars "will help to attract additional students to the accounting program."

Capin, who attended Wilkes with Wilcox, describes him as a "highly motivated" person who "worked as hard as he could. Dan knew what he was doing," Capin said, "and he found his niche at Wilkes."



Photo & story courtesy The Times Leader/Mary Therese Bicbel

About 30 women who graduated from Bucknell University Junior College from 1936 to 1947 gathered in July at the home of retired dean of women Norma Sanguiliano" Sangy" Tyburski for their annual reunion. The earlier graduates reminisced about the "days of innocence" before the United States entered World War II. "Then war was declared. Two days later, half of our boys were gone," said Charlotte Reichlin Cutter '42 of Kingston. All the graduates reminisced about how their former dean "tried to make ladies out of us." Guests included Marie Christian Norrissey '44, Beatrice O'Donnell Barrett '44, Katherine Hiscox Quint '44, Ruth Punshon Jones '44, Helen Bitler Ralston '52, Zosia G. Maylock '45, Aileen Carr Kosta '44, Alberta Novick Killian '46, Mary Heness Ward '45, Pricilla Sweeney Smith, Louise Brennan Nicholas '52, Madelyn Molitoris Lawson '46, Elaine Williams Jones '57, Jean Lampert Lewis '46, Genevieve Brennan Davis '39, Betty Schwager Burnaford '40, Christine Whiteman Morgan '39, Marion Martin Frantz '39, Ilaria Sterniuk Zubritsky '38, Charlotte Reichlin Cutter '42, Lillian Morhan Mayka '38, June M. Owens '42, Elizabeth Owens, Phillis Eichler Berger '42, Treveryan W.S. Kramer '43, Carolyn Hoffa Reif '41, Lydia Greenbaum Berman '40, Gloria Suda '45, Louise Carol '45 and Hilary Zubritsky. Mrs. Tyburski described the gathering as "thirty great gals plus me." Former students came from Massachusetts, Virginia, Ohio and across Pennsylvania for the reunion.

Class notes

1959

Ilaria S. Zubritzky, G'76, will chair James Atherton was inducted into the Carl Juris retired with 33 years of the 75th anniversary celebration of Ohio Valley General Hospital in McKees Rocks this fall and will chair the annual meeting of the Southwestern Regional Hospitals at Ohio Valley Hospital in the spring. She is a substitute teacher in the Sto-Rox School District.

of Fame has 130 members and was established in 1985. Jim is the Basketball in Nanticoke, PA.

Luzerne County Hall of Fame. The Hall civilian service with the U.S. Navy's Ships Parts Control Center in Mechanicsburg, PA. Carl was a computer spe-Coach and Director of Student Services cialist in systems programming. Carl at Luzerne County Community College and his wife, Nancy Batcheler '56, reside in Harrisburg.

Judith Whitman Hochman has re- Awards, was named to the Board of Dicently been appointed Dean of the rectors of the Samaritan Foundation. School of Continuing Education at Marywood College.

1962

Joel P. Harrison, who won first prize at the London International Advertising

Marilyn Snyder recently received the Par Excellence award from the Pennsylvania Association of Realtors. An associate broker with Coldwell Banker Howell & Jones, she lives in Wilkes-Barre with her husband, Leonard, and their six children.



BUJC Class of 1938 at a recent reunion. Front, from left, Ilaria Sterniuk Zubritsky, Margaret Bendock Towers, and Lillian Morgan Mayka; back, from left, Thomas W. Melson, Dr. Stanley M. Daugert, William R. Morgan, and Rev. Reuben W. Rader.

Old friends reunite at Wilkes

by HEIDI HOJNOWSKI

Lillian Morgan Mayka '38, G'74 listened to the students in class introducing themselves. No stranger to the classroom, Mayka had taught English, French, and social studies in the Crestwood School District since graduating from BUJC in 1938 and Bucknell in 1940. Now she was back at Wilkes again, But, instead of teaching, she was a student, returning in 1973 to pursue her master's in history.

As Mayka listened to the continuing litany, one of the names struck her. It came from the woman sitting adjacent to her. "I heard her say, 'Ilaria' and thought, 'There could only be one Ilaria,' so I knew it had to be her."

It was Ilaria Sterniuk Zubritsky '38, G'74, Mayka's friend since undergraduate days. She, too, had returned to Wilkes for her master's degree.

Both Mayka and Zubritsky belonged to the first class to graduate from River Street. According to Mayka, "We were all very, very close since the classes were so small." Mayka also recalls sharing many of the same classes with Zubritsky and talking in Chase Hall's girls' lounge.

After graduation, the two friends went their separate ways but ended up in the same profession—teaching. While Mayka spent years in teaching and guidance at Crestwood. Zubritsky worked in the Plymouth, Wyalusing, and Sto-Rox school districts. After six years of full-time teaching, Zubritsky began substitute teaching, which she continues today.

The two haven't let their friendship slip away again. Now they maintain their cross-state friendship through alumni reunions and an annual picnic hosted by Norma Tyburski, former BUJC Dean of Women.

1964

Barbara Stevens Loftus and Christine Donahue Mayo '74 appeared in Jacques Offenbach's "Tales of Hoffman" presented by the Virginia Opera Company. Barbara resides in Chesapeake. Virginia.

1965

Michael Elias has been named to Who's Who in the Computer Industry for 1990. Michael is an instructor of Computer Science and Management Information Systems at Penn State, Wilkes-Barre, Lehman Campus.

John Uhl recently passed his Pennsylvania Real Estate Broker's exam. John is employed with Lewith & Freeman of Wilkes-Barre.

1966

Dr. Henry Davis is an anesthesiologist and medical director of the operating room at Kaweah Delta District Hospital in Visalia, California, Dr. Davis, his wife, Barbara, and two children reside in Exeter, California.

Rev. Dwight Giles Sr. retired as a United Methodist Pastor in Wyoming Conference after serving 31 years. He and his wife, Josephine, reside in Honesdale and are the parents of three sons.

1968

Judith E. Beyer is an associate professor at the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center School of Nursing, Her research focuses on the pain experience of children. Judith resides in Aurora, Colorado.

Frederick N. Brown was elected to the 13-member board of directors of the National Association of Elementary School Principals. Frederick is principal of Franklin School in Pottstown.

1969

Estelle Barbara Andrews was named senior vice-president, regional sales. for Citibank, CA. Estelle resides with her husband, Fred Dietz, a management consultant, in Danville, CA.

Bernard J. Vinovrski has been named director of admissions at Bloomsburg University. He had been dean of admissions at Wilkes University since 1986. Bernie and his wife, Marcella Wroblewski '70, and two sons, Martin and Todd, reside in Coundale.

1970

James J. Anderson announces his engagement to Susan Marie Ann Levenduski of Nanticoke.

Mary Kaiser retired as supervisor of Community Counseling Service, Geriatric Services Program after 21 years. She lives in Wilkes-Barre.

1971

Dr. William M. Kaye receive his doctorate in education from Nova University. He lives in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

1972

Mary Covine Baltes was named director of the legal assistant program at King's College, Wilkes-Barre. Mary also serves in the legal department of C-TEC Corp.

Doreen A. John has received her Pennsylvania licensure in psychology. Doreen supervises Mercy Hospital of Scranton's behavioral program for cancer patients.

Patricia Hodakowski Hinchev has accepted an instructorship in the English Education Department at Teachers College, Columbia University. Pat and her husband, Ed, and two children reside in Dallas, PA.

Wender '69 wins Cope award

Paul A. Wender, a chemistry professor at Stanford University who earned his bachelor of science in chemistry at Wilkes in 1969, has been named one of the 10 recipients of the Arthur C. Cope Scholar Awards for 1990. The awards, which recognize and encourage excellence in organic chemistry, include a certificate and a \$20,000 unrestricted research grant to any university or nonprofit institution designated by the recipient. All recipients also deliver lectures at the Arthur C. Cope Symposium in Washington, D.C.

Professor Wender has pioneered new methodologies for design and construction

of complex organic molecules, both naturally occurring and synthetic. His contributions cover a broad range of chemistry, including synthetic organic, organometallic, medicinal, agricultural and photo-chemistry, cancer biology and computer applications in synthesis and drug design.

Wender, who served as a part-time instructor in environmental and space science at Wilkes during his undergraduate years, was named as the Outstanding Graduate in his class. He continued his education at Yale University, earning his Ph.D. in 1973, and did postdoctoral study at Columbia University until 1974.

The author or co-author of more than 70 publications. Wender received the 1984 Eugene S. Farley Memorial Alumni Award, given each year to an outstanding and distinguished Wilkes graduate. He was also named the winner of the American Chemical Society's Guenther Award in 1988 and winner of the ICI Pharmaceutical Group's Stuart Award for Excellence in Chemistry for 1988.

In addition to his duties at Stanford, Wender serves as chairman of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) Chemistry Study Section, the National Science Foundation Advisory Committee, the National Reviewers Reserve of the NIH and serves as an authority for Chem Tracts.

Wender served as an assistant professor at Harvard University from 1974-78, and was then named an associate professor in 1978. He joined the faculty at Stanford University in 1981 as an associate professor and was appointed professor in 1984.

Alumni who have represented Wilkes at

Presidential Inaugurations

F. Charles Petrillo '66, Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, PA. September 14, 1990.

Barbara Smith Mack '64, Washington College, Chestertown, MD, October 6, 1990.

Reverend James E. Wynn '69, Rider College,

Lawrenceville, NJ, October 1, 1990.

Helen MacLellan Simon was the re- Brenda, Her name is Brenae Ann and Director's Award. She is a senior ana- years old. lyst in the Institute for Planning and Evaluation and is the Planning Coordinator for the new National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders, Helen and her son, Christopher, reside in Bethesda.

1973

Marybeth Fisher Clark has been promoted to assistant professor of nursing for the College of Health and Human Development, School of Nursing, Penn State University, at the Milton S. Hershey Medical Center.

Richard N. Jones. In our Summer 1990 Quarterly, we wrongly identified Richard and Brenda's new daughter as

cipient of the National Institute of Health joins a sister, Sherilyn Courtney, two

Dr. Kenneth Levin has been appointed section head, Division of Nuclear Medicine, Department of Radiology at St. Luke's Hospital, Bethlehem, Kenneth resides in Allentown, PA.

Jay S. Sidhu was named President and CEO of Sovereign Bancorp, Inc. Jay is also President and CEO of Penn Savings Bank of Wyomissing. He and his wife, Sherry, and their children, Sammy John Mainwaring III is director of and Luvleen, reside in Reading.

Deborah Boyer Webster and her husband. Steven, announce the birth of a son, Steven John, on January 28, 1990. Deborah is a special education teacher for Luzerne Intermediate Unit#18. They reside in Kingston, PA.



Polinsky '73 reports on Denison House

Frank Polinsky '73 believes that the most important thing in this picture is the Nathan Denison House - not himself. A history major at Wilkes, Polinsky was distressed at the condition of the historic home down the street from his own home in Forty Fort. Although he doesn't take the credit for its refurbishing. Polinsky wanted to share with fellow alumni his delight that the home has been restored, with occasional historic programs to make it even more interesting.

Since graduating from Wilkes, Polinsky has earned an M.Ed. degree as a reading specialist at Bloomsburg University and has worked extensively as a substitute teacher.

1974

Mariorie C. Hingston has been appointed education coordinator of the medical technology program at the University of Delaware.

Christine Donahue Mayo and Barbara Stevens Loftus '64 appeared in Jacques Offenbach's "Tales of Hoffman" presented by the Virginia Opera Company. Christine resides in Little Rock, AR.

The Trumpet Trio, three musicians who perform with the Shrine Band at the Irem Temple Country Club in Dallas. He is also director of the Wilkes-Barre Township Junior High School Band. John and his wife, Linda Neher '75, and their daughter, Jennifer, live in Mountaintop.

1975

Bob Dwyer recently joined Legg Mason Wood Walker, Inc., as an investment executive in their Wilkes-Barre Office.

Gary Kratz and his wife, Mary Agnes, have a son born on November 29, 1989. Our apologies for misidentifying Mrs. Kratz in the Spring 1990 Quarterly.

Dr. Joseph Szustak has joined Linden Medical Group in Edwardsville, He and his wife, Donna, and their children, Michael and Jillian, reside in Kingston.

1976

Marianne Montague Benjamin and her husband, Scott, became parents of a son, Kyle Patrick Todd, on April 9, 1990. They also have a three year old daughter, Annie. Marianne is doing freelance public relations work and resides in Rochester, NY.

Paul Domowitch a special projects writer and pro football columnist for the Philadelphia Daily News, participated

in the retirement testimonial dinner for Thomas Moran, President of Luzeme County Community College,

Ronald Dziadosz married Mary Ellen Evans of Plymouth. Ronald is a distribution design manager with C-TEC. Wilkes-Barre. The couple reside in Centermoreland.

Raymond Ostroski, Esquire, was appointed to the Board of Directors of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Chapter of the Make-A-Wish Foundation, which is dedicated to making dreams of critically ill children a reality. Raymond resides in Wyoming.

1977

Paul E. Spellman was named Vice President/Regional Manager at Dauphin Deposit Bank and Trust's West Shore Division. Paul and his wife, Dianne, reside in New Bloomfield, PA.

1978

Joseph J. Andrasi is a residential services aide at the White Haven Center in White Haven. He is also Executive Board Officer of The American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, His wife, Theresa McElligott'83, is a caseworker at the Children and Youth of Luzerne County. They reside in White Haven with their two daughters, Dominique and Ambria.

1979

Dr. David Evans has joined the Riverside Rehabilitation Center as a rehabilitation optometrist. He and his wife, Gail Edwards '78, live in Dallas, PA.

Ann Marie Kopec has been accepted for a post graduate fellowship at the Institute for Rational Emotive Therapy in New York City. She maintains a private practice with Ferrell and Associates.



Baseball alumni gather at Red Barons

Eighty-five baseball alumni, coaches and friends gathered in late August to enjoy a buffet supper and a Red Barons baseball game. Proceeds from the event went to support Wilkes's baseball program. Shown here are: (knceling, left to right) Gerald Bavitz '75; David Kaschak '71; Bob Duliba '75; Gene Domzalski '71, and James Ferris '56. Standing: Jonah Goobic; Joseph Skvarla '69; Ken Suchoski '78; Crane Buzby '50; George Ralston, and John Reese.

and weekend announcer at WNAK

1980

Joseph Angelella has been promoted from loan officer to vice president of Mary Ellen Discavage Cockerham

Margaret M. Callahan presented "Prostate Cancer Update" for an American Cancer Society Nursing Conference workshop in May of 1990. Margaret is a clinical nurse specialist at the Hospital of the University of Pennsyl-

John Richard Haffner accepted a position with Pershing on the Chicago Board of Options Exchange, John and his wife, Rae, and their children, Amy and Eric, reside in Chicago, IL.

Carmen V. Nardone is vice president Richard Nordheim. In our Summer 1990 Quarterly, we wrongly identified Radio, Carmen resides in Wilkes-Barre, Richard's wife as Josephine, Our apologies to Richard and Debra.

1981

First Eastern Bank, N.A. He and his and her husband, Keith, announce the wife, Katherine Ann, reside in King- birth of their first child, Kevin Richard, on April 25, 1990. They reside in Newtown, PA.

> Patricia Sparlow Morrow recently joined Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals, Inc. as manager of product public relations. She is a member of Women in Communications, American Medical Writers Association and American Society of Hospital Pharmacists.

William E. Stusnick married Lydia Denton Chambers of Providence and Narragansett, R.I. William is a CPA with the firm of Havard and Batte, Houston, TX.

Marianacci's | host football Colonels

Nick Marianacci Sr. and his family entertained the Wilkes football team and coaches at their Italian restaurant in Wyoming after the first week of practice this fall. More than 100 students and coaches attended. Those who helped organize the event are shown at



right: (from left) Anthony J. Shipula II '78, director of alumni; Nick Marianacci Jr.; Coach Joe DeMelfi; Fred Marianacci '76, and Nick Marianacci Sr. Absent from the photograph but very important to the day's activities were Wilkes booster "Uncle" Fred Marianacci and Mrs. Blodwyn Mariannacci.

1982

Thomas F. Farley, Esquire, and his wife, Kathy, announce the birth of their daughter, Jessica Ann, on April 7, 1990. Thomas is a partner with the law firm of Borden & Farley, P.C. The Farley family resides in Honesdale, PA.

Maurita E. Gries Elias was recently promoted to assistant vice president of the marketing department at First Eastem Bank, N.A., Wilkes-Barre, Maurita and her husband, Robert, reside in Dallas.

Ken Krogulski has joined Berkshire Asset Management as vice president and partner. He and his wife, Ann, and David Connell has been promoted to their two children reside in Dallas, PA.

Martha Kay Seiger has been appointed an an instructor in the department of education at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital. She is a certified critical care nurse. Martha and her husband, George, and daughter, Angela, reside in Pringle.

Brian C. Thomas has been named director of Hospice Saint John, a health care organization. Thomas and his wife. Megan, and their children, Christopher The Netherlands. and Amy, reside in Forty Fort, PA.

Susan M. Tomalis received her Juris Doctor Degree from Dickinson School of Law and will be working in Harrisburg. Susan lives in Mechanicsburg.

Dr. Bruce R. Williams and his wife, Julie, announce the birth of a son, Blake Moerer, on July 2, 1990. They reside in Raytown, MI.

1983

vice president, financial services at Cornell Iron Works, Inc., Mountainton, David and his wife, Joyce, reside in Mountaintop with their children, Megan, James, Kevin and Timothy.

Amy J. Elias married Jonathon D. Barnes on June 30, 1990. Amy is a

graduate student and instructor of English at The Pennsylvania State University, State College. They live in State

Keith R. Kleinman joined the firm of Legg Mason Wood Walker, Inc., as associate vice president. Keith and his wife, Joan, and their daughters, Kimberly, Sarah and Allison Rose, reside in Kingston, PA.

1984

Marlene Fave Brush married William David Loose of Reading, Marlene is a professional affairs representative with Blue Cross of Northeastern PA. The couple will reside in Kingston.

Dr. William N. McCann married Margaret M. McColgan on June 30, 1990. William has a new position with Affiliates in Podiatry, Concord, NH.

Patricia Ann Hokien Poot and her husband, Jacob, announce the birth of a daughter, Liesbeth Tatijana, on June 29, 1990. They reside in Vlaardingen,

Monica Tombasco received a master's degree in nursing from LaSalle University. Monica resides in Philadelphia and is employed in the transplant unit at Albert Einstein Hospital, Philadelphia, where she also is a certified critical care unit nurse.

1985

David Brown married Melanie DeBias '83 of Tresckow. David works with Laventhol and Horwath, Wilkes-Barre. Melanie is a registered nurse at Gastroenterology Consultants, Kingston. They will live in Wilkes-Barre.

Dianne S. Charsha has been certified by NAACOG as a neonatal clinician practitioner. She has lectured nationally on drug abuse and its effect on the fetus and infant. She works at Shore Memorial Hospital, Somers Point, NJ.

Sharon Flickenger married Ronald pursue a master of science in logistics Davis of Dysart, PA. Sharon works in the Intensive Care Unit of Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center. They Fairborn, OH. live in Evans Falls, PA.

Louis Menendez performed in recital for the Wilkes University's ENCORE Music Camp's Guest Artist Series, Louis serves as a staff pianist on the faculty of the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia.

Donna O'Toole Sedor has been named communications manager for the Greater Wilkes-Barre Partnership, Inc. Donna and her husband, John, reside in Dallas, PA.

1986

Robert A. Brown married Rence J. Medura of Hanover Township. Robert is supervisor of Financial Services for Planters Life Savers Co., Winston-Salem, North Carolina. The couple resides Thomas M. Evans was promoted to in Winston-Salem.

Dr. Charles P. Dougherty, Jr. was awarded the degree of Medical Doctor from the Medical College of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia. He will begin his residency at Georgetown University Hospital in Washington, DC where he will specialize in anesthesiology.

Renee Dougherty married James L. Pricher of Williamsport. Rence is an account executive for Welteroth/Wagner Advertising in Williamsport.

Kevin P. Guns was promoted to assistant cashier at First Eastern Bank, Wilkes-Barre.

Dr. Lisa M. Kotch received her Doctor of Dental Medicine degree from Temple University Dental School.

William E. Lynch received a Master of Liberal Arts Degree from Texas Christian University and selected to attend the Air Force Institute of Technology to

management. William and his wife, Gina, and their son, William, reside in Elizabeth Ann Plewniak married Dr.

Thomas James Morpeth is engaged to Beth Ann Danzeisen '86 of Weatherly. Tom is an accountant at Merrill Lynch in Plainsboro, NJ. Beth Ann is a nurse in the pediatric intensive care unit of Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, New Brunswick, NJ.

Laura C. Pollick married Peter M. Demkovitz of Carteret, NJ. The couple resides on Long Island, NY.

1987

Dr. Karen M. Dragon was awarded her doctorate in the field of optometry from the Pennsylvania College of Optometry, Philadelphia. She will begin her practice in the Poconos.

vice president of United Penn Bank. Thomas and his wife, Diane, and their son, Christopher, reside in Bloomsburg.

Thomas Zelinsky announces his engagement to Valerie A. Nemetz of Swoyersville. Tom is employed by Mountaintop Area Joint Sanitary Authority as a plant superintendent.

1988

David Dragon married Mary Jean Koval of Wilkes-Barre. David is owner of Dragon Landscaping and American Environmental Support, Wilkes-Barre.

Joseph Nalbone Jr. was recently named employee of the month at the Times Leader newspaper in Wilkes-Barre. Joseph is a systems analyst in the computer operations department.

Eugene John Novak was appointed postmaster at the Rock Glen Post Office, PA. A first lieutenant in the Pennsylvania Army National Guard, he lives in Nanticoke.

1989

Joseph J. Ridilla. Elizabeth is a music and art teacher at the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. They reside in Drexel Hill.

Sharon Schneider was named director of nurses at St. Luke Pavilion, Hazleton. Sharon and her husband, Charles, and their son reside in Hazleton, PA.

Douglas Takacs married Maryellen Senese of Kingston. The couple resides in Wilkes-Barre.



Reybitz '90 promoted at Bethlehem Steel

Edmund P. Reybitz, who completed his Master's in Business Administration degree this August, was named division controller in Bethlehem Steel Corporation's accounting department.

Reybitz, who joined Bethlehem Steel's management training program in 1977, has been manager of profitability and cost analysis at the company's Structural Products Division since 1988. He now assumes responsibility for financial forecasting, profitability/cost analysis, and capital budgeting/property accounting.

1990

Stephen Fidyk is attending the University of North Texas for his Master's Degree in Music Performance.

Edward Lunico was appointed classified advisor at the Times Leader newspaper in Wilkes-Barre, PA.

Michele Remus has accepted a nursing position at Overlook Hospital in Summit, NJ.

Sandra Shaker received a master of health administration degree from Wilkes University. She is employed as the Radiology Manager at Hazleton-St. Joseph Hospital Medical Center, Sandra and her husband. Theodore, reside in McAdoo PA

Peter Uritz was appointed a full time associate at The Studio of Audrey Hamlin Davis in Forty Fort, Peter has been privately teaching keyboard for approximately three years.



Jurado '90 brews up great job with Wilkes engineering degree

By MARK DAVIS

Assistant Public Relations Director Jaime Jurado is a brewer and proud of it.

Since August, he has been special projects manager for Courage Brewing, Limited, of London England, responsible for optimization of systems at the breweries of the Australian owned organization. He also anticipates involvement in the acquisition and refurbishment of several Eastern European breweries by 1992.

Jurado's brewing career has always had an international flavor. After studying beer production in Bavaria, Jurado worked in breweries in Germany, England and Ireland, Returning to the United States in 1987 as assistant brewmaster at The Lion, Inc., in Wilkes-Barre, Jurado wanted to pursue a graduate degree, probably an M.B.A., but he wasn't sure. William Smulowitz, president of the Lion, suggested Wilkes University and had his son take Jurado for a trip to see the campus.

"When I went to the Max Roth Center, I thought that Dean Fahmy had mistaken me for someone else. Never had I experienced such a greeting; it was as if he had been waiting for me all that week," said Jaime.

That greeting opened a conversation which would change his professional life. "I told Dr. Fahmy that I was a chemical engineer trained in fermentation and brewing science and that I was looking for a good M.B.A. program." But Dr. Fahmy had something very different in mind and asked "Why don't you try our Master of Science in Electrical Engineering program? Just try it." It had never crossed Jurado's mind to attempt graduate study in a discipline with which he was not comfortable.

Jurado deliberated throughout the spring of 1987 before taking Fahmy's advice to "just try it." He enrolled in the master of science in electrical engineering program, taking things one course at a time.

Jurado credits the patience of Dr. Levere Hostler as helping him through the first course. He also cites Dr. 'just try it."

Soleyman Mohseni's course on control systems as giving him insight to see things from the perspective of an electrical engineer rather than a chemical en-

Eight semesters after he decided to "iust try it." Jurado graduated

from Wilkes with his master's in electrical engineering. "Wilkes will always remain a part of me," he said.

The completion of the coursework, according to Jurado, was possible only through the cooperation of Dr. Umid Neijb, dean of the School of Science and Engineering. and the approachability of Dr. Ahmad Armand, chairman of the engineering department, and the rest of the engineering faculty.

"Dean Nejib's open door policy to discuss the program and his willingness to ably critique us during technical presentations, small classes and dedicated professors are all part of my experience at Wilkes."

His design thesis entailed a novel control system which he installed at the Lion Inc. Brewery in Wilkes-Barre.

As Jurado begins his new job as special projects manager in London, he says the story of Wilkes University will be told to his new friends and co-workers in Europe as soon as he arrives.

"I am proud to have studied here and to realize that no other school would have brought me through this experience as intact as did Wilkes. Some Europeans are going to start hearing about the University that invites us all to

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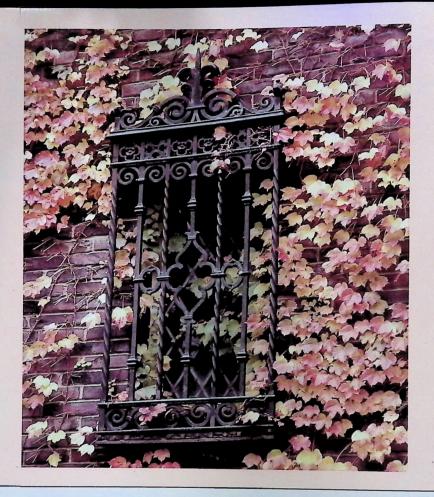
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