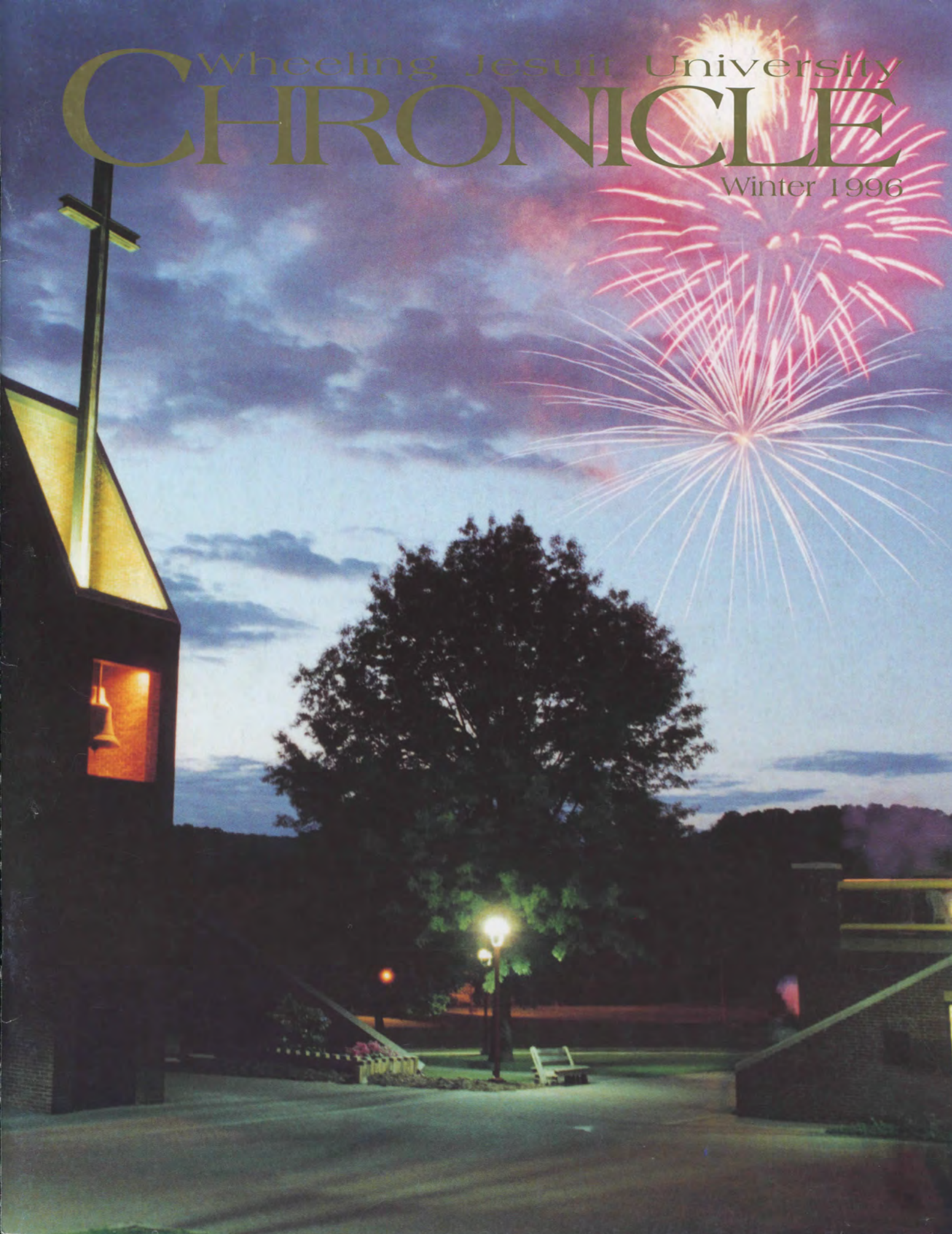


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In case you haven't heard, our name is now Wheeling Jesuit University, not College. President Thomas S. Acker, S.J., explains the reasons for the name change, which was approved by the Board of Directors this summer, and says the school's commitment to educational excellence and individual instruction will remain as strong as ever. Although it bears a new name, the institution that many alumni attended as Wheeling Jesuit College and others recall simply as Wheeling College continues the same foundation it has offered for the past 42 years.

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# Mary and Joseph Could Have Been College Students



*Thomas S. Acker, S.J.*

**T**he center of the liturgical worship on our campus is in the Chapel of Mary and Joseph. It was completed in 1984; Father Walter Buckius celebrated the first

public mass on Christmas Eve. This history, along with the name Mary and Joseph, will always associate the Chapel to the Feast of the Nativity.

Most biblical commentators believe that Mary was a young girl, probably not yet in her 20's, and that Joseph would not have been much older at the time of their betrothal. In today's society, they might well be college students, but in those days marriages took place at a younger age and Joseph would already be at work as an apprentice carpenter.

Even though we romanticize the Nativity, the conditions must have been much different. Both Mary and Joseph

suffered extreme perplexity trying to understand Mary's unique conception, and only after a second divine intervention was it clear to Joseph that Mary's pregnancy was a supernatural, as well as natural,

flight into Egypt to save a child's life, a second relocation to Nazareth, and Joseph's death.

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**As we celebrate the Feast of the Nativity, it is easier to relate to Mary and Joseph as a couple not much different from most married couples, struggling with a host of unexpected occurrences, rising to meet them, and growing in personal affection and holiness.**

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Joseph as a couple not much different from most married couples, struggling with a host of unexpected occurrences, rising to meet them, and growing in personal affection and holiness. How fitting it is that the Sunday after Christmas we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family.

We at Wheeling Jesuit University wish you and all of your loved ones the blessings of Christmas and the strength of the Holy Family. May the continued patronage of Mary and Joseph in our

event. The trip to Bethlehem, walking at full term, would be frightening as well as grueling. Inns and hostels were full, and only an abandoned shepherd's cave offered some shelter for birth. Then followed a

chapel be a source of inspiration to our students and a source of strengthening prayer to all of our graduates and friends. The Jesuit Community will not forget you. Remember us also.







## Fall Phonathon: Calling All Donors

**W**heeling Jesuit students who like to talk on the phone got the chance to do just that during the Fall Phonathon Oct. 16-Nov. 24. Instead of shooting the breeze with their friends, they were soliciting pledges from WJU alumni, parents and friends.

The Phonathon is the annual fund event that supports student grants and academic services. "We're really trying to let people know how important their giving is," said Rob Gray, WJU director of annual giving. "The dollars that come in have a direct impact on the students. The better we do, the more financial aid we can give to the students."

The annual fund provides unrestricted expendable funds to help meet Wheeling Jesuit University's operating expenses and seeks to establish, maintain and expand support of university programs. Annual fund gifts are put to use right away in the current operating budget for scholarships, equipment, library materials and many more needs.

The purpose of the Phonathon is to make personal contact with previous and potential donors. A team of 20 Wheeling Jesuit students worked together to call all WJU alumni and parents.

In order to encourage students to increase the amount of pledges they bring in, prizes such as gift certificates, CD's, T-shirts, and other items were handed out to the top callers each night. A grand prize TV from Heilig-Meyers Furniture was awarded to the student who brought in the most new dollars for the Phonathon.

Anyone interested in donating to the annual fund can contact Rob Gray, director of annual giving, Wheeling Jesuit University Advancement Office, 316 Washington Avenue, Wheeling, WV 26003, 304-243-2296 or email. rgray@wju.edu.

## Wheeling Jesuit on the Web

Check out all the latest Wheeling Jesuit University information on the World Wide Web at the following sites:



<http://www.wju.edu>



<http://www.nttc.edu>



<http://www.cotf.edu>



## Olympic-Style Track Built at WJU

**W**heeling Jesuit University will soon have a state-of-the-art running track similar to the one built in Atlanta for the Olympics.

The 400-meter track, scheduled to open this spring, is being built beside the McDonough Center. It will feature a Mondo surface, developed by Mondo Rubber International of Italy and recognized as the premier running surface in the world.

"It's truly an all-weather surface," said Mark Swiger, coach of Wheeling Jesuit's track and cross country teams. "Most all-weather surfaces are just rubberized asphalt, which are more resilient in the fall than in winter, but the Mondo surface stays the same all year. You can train on the track year round."

Swiger noted that Mondo has constructed the surface for every Summer Olympics track since 1976, and said its product is unique because the surface is prefabricated.

## Alumnus Elected to PA Senate

Tim Murphy '74 was elected to a four-year term in the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in November. He represents the southern section of Allegheny County.

Tim works as a psychologist at Mercy Hospital. He and his wife, Nan, have a daughter, Bevin, 9. The Murphy family joined the Wheeling Jesuit University community at a recent Sunday Mass in a prayer of thanksgiving.

Tim won with an 8 percent margin in what was expected to be one of the closest races on Election Day.



## WJU "Runners of the Year"

**W**JU cross country runners Ben Ellis and Cheryl Maggio were named WVIAC "Runners of the Year" after placing first in the conference championship in early November. Ellis is a freshman from Bryan, Ohio and Maggio is a sophomore from Cleveland. Ellis' time of 26:35 for the five mile course set a WVIAC record. Maggio became the third Lady Cardinal in as many years to be named "Runner of the Year."

Also named to the Men's All-WVIAC team were three-time honoree Craig Buell from Huntington, WV and freshman Adam Zundell from Fairmont, WV





*PT students practice techniques in a lab setting.*

## Physical Therapy Program Receives Accreditation

**W**heeling Jesuit's physical therapy program recently received a five-year initial accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation of Physical Therapy Education, said Department Chair Dr. Mary Jo Wisniewski.

The student-centered program admitted its first class of students in January 1995 and will graduate its first class in December of this year.

"The Wheeling Jesuit physical therapy program is unique because it is one of the few problem-based curricula in the country," Wisniewski said. "Our program is on the leading edge of physical therapy education."

She said graduates are being offered employment in large and small practices across the country, with many going into practice in rural communities where there isn't the glitz, glamour and technological advances often accompanying jobs in bigger cities.

"Whether it's logging onto the Internet for information or practicing with traditional techniques, our students will be prepared for the challenges of PT practice for the future," Wisniewski said.

## New Class Examines Sports Marketing

**E**ven if your athletic ability never took you past little league, it is still possible to have a career in sports.

A new sports marketing class is being introduced at Wheeling Jesuit University that can make it easier to get involved with the business side of sports. The new class, which is open to the public as well as Wheeling Jesuit students, was created by WJU professor Paul Ostasiewski, who promotes power boat races in the area.

"To our knowledge, this is the first time a course like this has been offered locally," he said. "The reason we're offering it is because sports is very much a business. It takes in almost \$100 billion a year in the United States. When you add the participants plus the pro teams, plus sports equipment, it is a huge industry."

University's official mascot, although the teams will retain the nickname of the Cardinals.

"I always felt there was a need for a live mascot," said President Thomas Acker, S.J. "And you can't keep a cardinal. It is a songbird and it is against the law."

Ignatius' parents were a purebred black labrador and a purebred Irish Setter. He is expected to reach 70 pounds by adulthood.

The dog was a gift from Don Hanni, a Youngstown attorney who is a frequent dining partner of Acker's. Hanni gave Acker his choice of a red or black dog from the litter, and the choice was easy considering the school colors of red and gold. Acker selected the name Ignatius in honor of St. Ignatius Loyola, the founder of the Jesuit order in 1534.

## Retiree Wins French Scholarship

**R**ichard Baker, a 68-year-old Wheeling resident who has been taking French classes at Wheeling Jesuit University, recently received a scholarship to attend a month-long course in Chambéry, France.

In August, Baker attended ISEFE, a branch of the University of Savoie which was established for foreigners who want to study French.

"It was very helpful," Baker said. "Both my speaking and writing improved because of the experience."



*Baker*

## Hot Dog! WJU Has New Mascot

**T**he newest face at Wheeling Jesuit University does not look like that of a typical freshman. The long, pointy nose, the floppy ears and the light red fur all mean that Ignatius

will have no trouble standing out in the crowd.

He was brought to his new WJU campus home a pen between Swint and Donahue Halls this summer as a five-month-old puppy. Ignatius will serve as the



*Fr. Acker with Ignatius*



## WJU New Home for Girls State

**R**hododendron Girls State, an annual gathering of the top female high school students in West Virginia, will be coming to Wheeling Jesuit University in 1997 and 1998. The program, which has been hosted by Jackson's Mill in Weston, WV since its inception in 1941, will bring 400 young women from across the state to the Wheeling Jesuit campus June 7-13.

"We get to showcase our campus for one week to 400 of the brightest students. The other impact this will have is that it will bring statewide and national attention to Wheeling Jesuit University," said Christopher Smitherman, WJU's director of conferences and continuing education.

## The Bill Van Horne Memorial Campaign

**I**t was not a rare sight to see a drenched man standing on a running track in the pouring rain. With a soggy notebook, dripping pencil, and a smile on his face, he informed the Ohio Valley of the latest upsets and broken records.

As a reporter, this man's passion for athletics drove him for more than 40 years. Many remember sportswriter Bill Van Horne. He wrote for The Times Leader and the Wheeling News-Register newspapers. Bill truly loved Ohio Valley sports, and WJU is honored to memorialize him.

WJU has begun a campaign to fund the press box, bleachers, and lights for the new track and field in Bill Van Horne's name. The Bill Van Horne Memorial Campaign is counting on your donation. All donors will be published (optional)

in the memorial booklet at the dedication. If you wish, a row of seats (with your name on them) can be obtained. In all, the memorial campaign seeks to raise \$275,000.

The new track, along with the press box, bleachers, and full lighting system, will be available both day and night. Our athletic fields and facilities are used by students from every school and city in the Ohio Valley.

Wheeling Jesuit University hopes that you want to become a part of this memorial effort. This is an invitation to support the success of the students and adults of the Ohio Valley and Wheeling Jesuit University in the memory of Bill Van Horne's great spirit and service to countless generations of area athletes.

To make a donation, contact: WJU Van Horne Memorial, Office of Advancement, 316 Washington Avenue, Wheeling, WV 26003.



Van Horne

## New Student Organization Formed

**A** new African Heritage Club has been formed at Wheeling Jesuit. Club moderator Butler Borum, coordinator of the NTTC's Entrepreneurial Technology Apprenticeship Program, said the club is targeted to students with African heritage but is open to anyone on campus. More than 30 students have already joined since the club was founded in September, and Laia Davenport, a freshman from Philadelphia, is its first president.

## University Receives Major Gift

**E**G&G Inc., a Fortune 200 company, recently endowed the Classroom of the Future at WJU with \$100,000.

Alvin Hall, executive assistant to the chairman, is Washington liaison director for EG&G and a member of the Wheeling Jesuit Board of Directors, was instrumental in obtaining the gift from EG&G's chairman of the board and chief executive officer.

EG&G is a broad-based technology company that provides optoelectronic, mechanical and electromechanical components and instruments to manufacturers and end-users in the medical, aerospace, automotive and other ground transportation, environmental and industrial markets worldwide. EG&G also provides wide-ranging technical services to governmental and industrial customers. Locally, EG&G is working on several city revitalization projects.



Hall

## International Recruiting Efforts Continue

**W**JU Dean of Students Bud Hall and Wellness Director Daniel Caron recently made international recruiting visits.

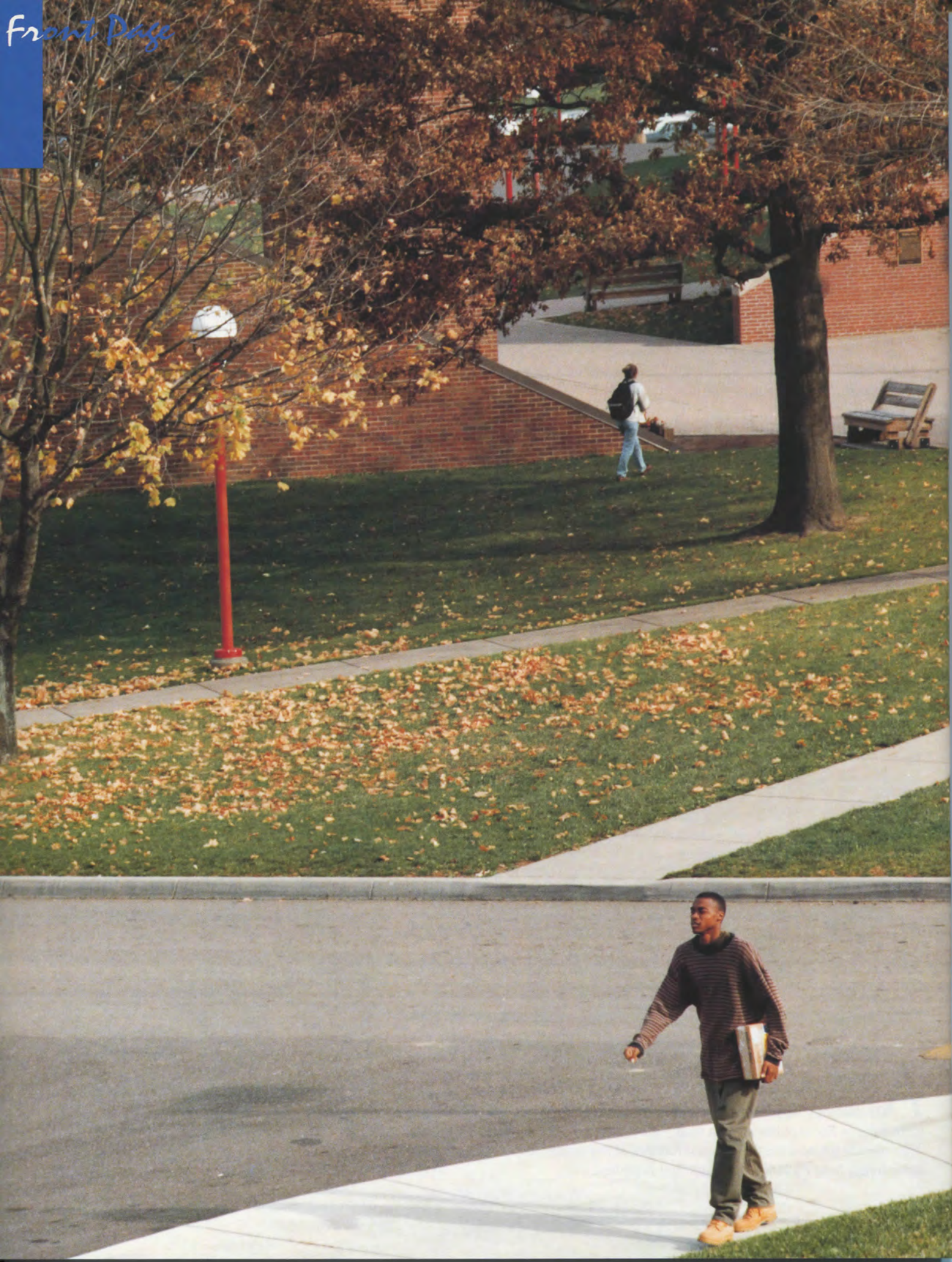
Hall met with 221 prospective students in October at Study USA '96, a Brazilian education fair sponsored by the US Department of Commerce. Caron talked to 68 students at a Mexico City college fair Oct. 12.

WJU is also recruiting students in East Malaysia through Anthony Lim.



WJU Dean of Students Bud Hall, far right, talks with students during a recent visit to Brazil.









## Ex-Diplomat Among New Faculty

**J**ohn Egan McAteer '61, a long-time diplomat who oversaw relief efforts in Ethiopia and Somalia, is among the 11 new faculty members who are teaching at Wheeling Jesuit University during the fall semester.

McAteer is an assistant professor of social science who has a 27-year career in foreign service to share with his students. He was director of operations in the northeast region of Somalia, and left the country about a week before several U.S. soldiers were killed in Mogadishu.

He was sent to Somalia as part of the American support for United Nations efforts to create stability in the nation. The goals of the mission were to re-establish a political system of district councils and explore the kinds of humanitarian assistance the UN could provide. Councils had been established in six of the 13 designated zones at the time of the shootings.

"The chances are at least 50-50 we could have gotten a critical mass of councils established," McAteer said. "Whether the UN could have gotten a constitutional convention is more difficult to say. The killings and the fact that the U.S. was not enthusiastic to police the operation with troops brought an end to the effort. Once the UN left, the country went back to a truce between major clans, which was often broken by fighting."

McAteer was most recently deputy chief of the U.S. Mission to United Nations Agencies in Rome. He is now teaching for the first time since he was an instructor in 1982-83 at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in New London, CT.

The other new WJU faculty members are:

- May Charles-instructor in English. She speaks four languages and comes to Wheeling Jesuit from the University of Alberta in Edmonton, where she worked in the Department of Modern Languages and Comparative Studies. Charles holds a Ph.D. in comparative literature from the University of Alberta.

- Norman Duffy-professor of chemistry. He was most recently employed in the Department of Chemistry at Kent State Univ. Duffy obtained a Ph.D. in chemistry at Georgetown Univ.

- David Kilroy-assistant professor of history. An Irish native who graduated from University College Dublin, he comes to WJU from the University of Iowa, where he earned a Ph.D. in history.

- Renata-Maria Marroum-visiting assistant professor of physics. Marroum was science education project coordinator for Kent State University, Liquid Crystal Institute and NSF Science and Technology Center for Advanced Liquid Crystalline Optical Materials, and has a Ph.D. in mathematical sciences in physics from the University of Texas at Arlington.

- Peter Pagan-Aguiar-instructor in philosophy. He was most recently a teaching fellow at Fordham University in New York. Pagan-Aguiar completed a Ph.D. from Fordham in September.

- Leslie Quinn-instructor in biology. She comes to Wheeling Jesuit from Marshall University, where she taught physiology. She recently completed a Ph.D. in physiology at Marshall.

- Edward Rugeley-instructor in political science. He was a political science instructor at West Virginia University. Rugeley holds a J.D. from the Washington and Lee University School of Law and expects to complete a Ph.D. at WVU in May.

- Michael Seale-visiting professor of physics. He recently completed a Ph.D. at William and Mary in Williamsburg, VA, where he served as a graduate teaching assistant in astronomy labs.

- Donald Serva-academic associate professor in biology. He comes to WJU from St. Ignatius High School in Cleveland, OH, where he taught biology. Serva holds M.Div. and S.T.M. degrees from the Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley Univ. in California.

- Lisa Toner-assistant professor of English. She recently completed a Ph.D. from Purdue University in West Lafayette, IN, where she worked as a research assistant with the Purdue Research Fdn.



## BHRM Expanding Throughout the State

**S**tudents don't need to come to Wheeling to attend Wheeling Jesuit University. If they are interested in the Bachelor of Arts in Human Resource Management program, they can go to Weirton, Clarksburg, Parkersburg or Charleston.

The expansion of the BHRM program over the past six years has opened the quality of a Jesuit education to people from all over the state.

The BHRM program began at WJU in the fall of 1987 and was first moved off-site when it was offered in Weirton in January of 1990. It moved to Parkersburg in May of that year and expanded to Clarksburg in August 1995 and to Charleston last May.

Becky Forney, director of administration and marketing for Graduate and Adult Education, said the BHRM program is designed for people 25 or older who have at least 60 semester hours of transferrable college credit. It is a 15-month program with classes offered one night per week.

"The program is designed to teach course management skills, communication skills, leadership, decision making, problem solving and research," she said. "It teaches students how to manage people in organizations. It's not strictly a personnel degree."

Approximately 270 persons have already received BHRM degrees from Wheeling Jesuit and another 200 are currently completing the requirements. For more information on the BHRM program, call Forney at 1-800-873-7665.



## WJU Environmental Project Funded

**A** Wheeling Jesuit University project to develop a watershed plan for Wheeling Creek recently received a \$25,000 renewal grant from the Virginia Environmental Endowment.

The watershed plan will identify environmental issues and concerns in the watershed, develop priority strategies and draft a comprehensive plan for community education and stream restoration activities.

It is being developed by WJU's Environmental Science Program in partnership with the Wheeling Environmental Conservation Association and West Virginia's new Stream Partners Program.

"We view this as a tremendous opportunity to work with the Wheeling community and facilitate a broad-based, bottom-up approach to environmental problem solving in the Ohio River Valley," said Ben Stout, WJU's director of environmental studies.



WJU students conduct environmental studies at Wheeling Creek.

Wheeling Jesuit's work on the Wheeling Creek Watershed Project has put the university on the map as an environmental science research and education center for the upper Ohio River Valley.

It has provided unprecedented opportunities for students and citizens to study the dynamics of a tributary watershed and develop practical techniques for pollution prevention. Since 1993, VEE has awarded nearly \$116,000 for the university's work.

## Lab Founder Acting NTTC Director

**B**rian Joseph, co-founder and chief operating officer of Touchstone Research Laboratories is the new acting director of the National Technology Transfer Center.

Joseph, who assumed the new office Sept. 11, co-founded Touchstone with Elizabeth Kraftician in the unheated basement of a monastery in 1980. They have since transformed the Triadelphia-based business into one of the most successful, innovative and fastest-growing private companies in the United States.

Joseph has become recognized nationally as an expert on innovative management strategies and effective technology development activities. His success has captured the attention of the national media, including *Inc.*, *Nation's Business*, *Entrepreneur* and *Small Business Opportunities*.

He is a biophysicist by training and has been involved in solving hundreds of quality control and manufacturing problems. He is also an experienced electron microscopist and instrumental chemist.

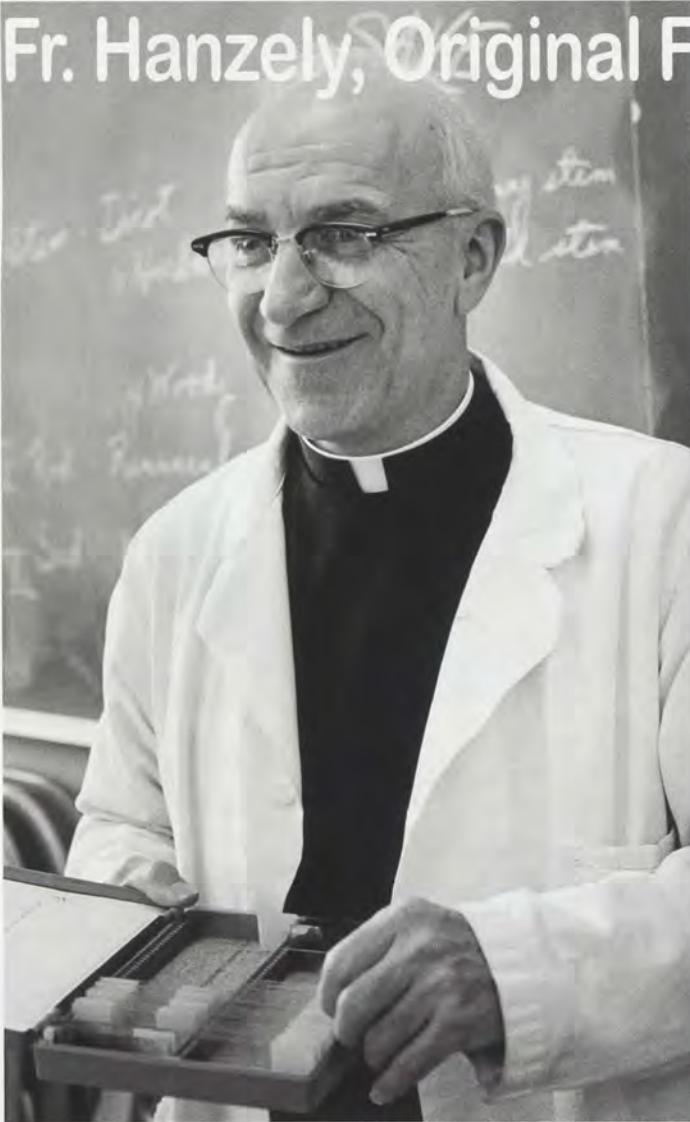
Joseph has directed numerous testing and research programs in advanced materials for NASA and other government agencies and a number of U.S. aerospace manufacturers.



Joseph



# Fr. Hanzely, Original Faculty Member, Retires



*Hanzely*

**F**r. Joseph B. Hanzely, S.J., first came to Wheeling College in 1955, and stayed through two name changes, all five presidents and the graduation of nearly 6,400 students. He left Aug. 4 for a Jesuit community in Wernersville, PA, where he began his retirement.

Hanzely, a biology professor, was part of the original faculty at the new college. He had just received a graduate degree in biology from Catholic University in Washington, DC, when he was notified that he had been assigned to teach in Wheeling.

"There was a real optimism about the college," Hanzely recalls. "One indication of that was the many special preparations that were made for teaching, such as the labs. There was a real spirit of confidence that the college was going to survive."

Hanzely has watched the college grow from its early days when there were no on-campus residence halls and teachers often had to work just as hard outside the classroom to ensure that the college was running smoothly.

He has seen Wheeling College become Wheeling Jesuit College in 1987 and turn into a university this summer. Hanzely has been here through the college's difficult years and has enjoyed the rapid growth and expansion of the past decade. He thinks the Jesuit founders would be proud of the way their college turned out.

Hanzely, born in 1917, entered the Jesuit order July 30, 1935, at a novitiate called St. Andrew-on-Hudson in Poughkeepsie, NY. He studied theology at Woodstock College and was ordained to the priesthood June 20, 1948. At Wheeling Jesuit, Hanzely was named chair of the biology department in 1980 and was promoted to the rank of professor emeritus in 1990.

Hanzely's service with the Jesuits will now end much as it began. The Wernersville community is a place where many young, aspiring Jesuit priests go to be schooled in the traditions of the Jesuit Order and religious life.

## Pieber Heads Advancement Office

**R**ev Carl Pieber C.M., a long-time educator and development professional, is Wheeling Jesuit's new vice president for advancement.

Pieber, who took over his new position in August, said his goals include demonstrating to potential donors the positive impact they can have on the university and community.

"I would hope we could increase not only the number of donors but also our service to them," Pieber said. "I hope the donors will find the university better because of their gifts, and I hope we can show that to them."

"I also hope to draw the alumni closer because what they experienced is still going on today, and I hope to increase the outreach of the university to the local area."

Pieber comes to Wheeling Jesuit from the Catholic University of America in Washington, DC, where he worked in the development office and served as director of diocesan relations.

He holds a Ph.D. in educational administration from the State University of New York in Buffalo, as well as a Master of Arts from DePaul, a Master of Divinity from DeAndreis Institute in

Chicago and a bachelor's degree from Cardinal Glennon College in St. Louis.

Pieber said the university provides a very enticing product to present to potential donors.

"It provides an excellent education for the price," Pieber said. "Very few schools have a wellness

program, and our teaching faculty is outstanding. The campus is very safe, warm and friendly, and we're on the threshold of tomorrow with research and technology."

He also considers the Wheeling area to be a refreshing change from the big-city lifestyle in Washington, DC.

"I find Wheeling to be very warm and friendly," he said. "It's a bit slower paced and people are more willing to talk and be more helpful. There's also beautiful scenery."



*Pieber*





*Alumni Spirit*



# Bodkin Music Ministry Scholarship Established

**S**ally Oliver Bodkin '69 loved music and the Masses at WJU. Her memory will be preserved in both areas with the Sally Oliver Bodkin Music Ministry Scholarship. She died April 23, 1996, at 48.

"In the past five or six years, the Campus Ministry program has really expanded," said her husband, Jack, also of the Class of '69.

"The quality of the choral groups has improved year after year."

The scholarship will go to a freshman who will join a WJU chapel choir. It will provide \$1,000 per semester for the first year, and will be matched by the university for the final three years.

"Sal had no musical background but loved listening," Jack said. "The music (provided by Campus Ministry) at her funeral was beautiful."

The funeral was April 26 at the Chapel of Mary and Joseph. Sally's long-time friend, Pat Burkhart, associate professor of nursing at WJU, noted in her eulogy that the chapel was built on the spot where Jack and Sally met on their first day as freshmen.

Sally's daily visitors in her final months included Fr. Walter Buckius, who said she was pleasant even through her worst suffering.

"No matter how she was feeling I always was greeted with a smile," Buckius said. "That indicated to me that she loved

life very much, she loved people very much and she was still ready to give herself to others.

She couldn't eat toward the end, but she still could smile. It felt like you were there in her skin, smiling with her and feeling her pain."

B.J. Fitzpatrick '69, Jack's college roommate and now a supervisory survey statistician with the Bureau of Census, also recalls Sally's friendliness.

"She was like a relative who made us feel welcome," he said. "I never heard her speak ill of another. She showed us how to face adversity with determination, warmth and humor."



*Bodkin*

She taught at WJU, West Liberty and West Virginia Northern Community College. She won WVNCC's "Award for Teaching Excellence" in 1992.

She is survived by her husband and two children, John, a Davidson College graduate and second-year student at the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine, and Kate, a Presidential Scholar who is a senior at Princeton University and will attend law school next year.

Contributions can be made to the Bodkin Music Ministry Scholarship and should be mailed to the Office of Advancement, 316 Washington Avenue, Wheeling, WV 26003.

## Criminologist Named Distinguished Alumnus

**M**Joan McDermott '70, a nationally known criminologist, received the 1996 Distinguished Alumni Award at the opening ceremony of parents' weekend Sept. 28. McDermott is currently an associate professor at the Center for Study of Crime, Delinquency and Corrections (Administration of Justice Program) at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale.

She graduated from Wheeling College with a sociology degree and earned a Master's in the same discipline at Boston College. Since receiving a doctorate in criminal justice from the State University of New York at Albany in 1979, McDermott has made understanding the experiences and behaviors of women and youth, both as victims and offenders, the goal of her research in criminology and criminal justice.

During her visit to Wheeling Jesuit, she participated in a Sept. 27 panel discussion on "Parenting and Delinquency" along with nationally known professors Jake Gibbs and Kate Hanrahan.







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# College 3 Letters University Longer

**C**all it what you like, Wheeling College, Wheeling Jesuit College or Wheeling Jesuit University. Changing the name has not changed the institution's commitment to excellence in education.

Wheeling Jesuit began the fall semester with its name three letters longer. Earlier this year, the board of directors approved changing Wheeling Jesuit from a college to a university. The announcement was simple yet direct. With the move, the institution not only changed its name, but also changed how it is viewed nationally and internationally.

In the board's deliberations, there was no one item that prompted the decision.

However, the growing number of graduate courses, the importance of the NASA initiatives and the increased strength of international travel and commerce where the word "university" is operative, all played an important role in the decision. The board of directors believed the shift would happen someday. There was an impetus to seize the moment, to let it happen now, and to utilize the change



WJU students learn about animal behavior by conducting laboratory experiments. This mouse has the full attention of two young researchers.



as stimulus for excellence.

In a phrase, Wheeling Jesuit should challenge itself internally to fit the external name university. The transformation has begun with the growth around campus. Those three additional letters prove the institution has accepted the challenge.

Today, in the family of 28 Jesuit colleges and universities, there are 20 with the name university and eight called college. Boston College is an anomaly. There is already a Boston University, so Boston College, a doctoral granting institution, cannot easily shift the name, even if it so desired. Prior history has limited its opportunity.

University has too frequently been associated with size. If an institution is large, then it can be called a university. In a similar way, when we hear about a person who is very powerful and influential, one envisions a person of large stature or physical strength as bold as the reputation. Then a Margaret Thatcher, a Mother Teresa or a Sen. Robert Byrd appears. That is when one realizes physical size is not synonymous with leadership and influence.

Wheeling Jesuit University has adopted a working slogan. We cannot, nor are we able to do everything. Whatever we choose to do, however, we should do with special excellence. Our university status is,

therefore, one of excellence and not of size, of influence but not of massive power.

There are certain advantages that have already taken place at Wheeling Jesuit

have a university as its anchor for higher education. Indeed, Wheeling Jesuit has become more and more a resource for the city as thousands of young men and women utilize our state-of-the-art facilities in the Alma Grace McDonough Center and the soon-to-be completed Olympic-size track.

Today, education is for life, and we realize that at Wheeling Jesuit. Greater and greater numbers of adult students are returning to the classroom as an avenue for their growth and new

because of this new university name.

In academic circles, there is a feel of appropriateness for universities to associate with one another in important ventures. Recently, Thomas Murrin, dean of the A.J. Palumbo School of Business at Duquesne University, visited Wheeling Jesuit University. Murrin had previously been the deputy director of the Department of Commerce in Washington DC. After visiting Wheeling, he wrote the following: "You have developed world class facilities for educational technologies and technology transfer. Let us network."

In this world of public impressions, it is simply easier to associate university to university than university to college.

The city of Wheeling, which is still struggling with the downsizing of its industries in glass, coal and steel, is pleased to



*Wheeling Jesuit's swimming program has made great strides in just two years of existence, adding to the tradition of athletic excellence at the university.*

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opportunities. These adult students prefer the prestige of the name university than that of college. Even our traditional aged students recognize that graduating from a university will cast them in a better light, nationally and internationally.

In the area of fundraising, the university status is also most helpful. Wheeling Jesuit is able to seek contributions from major corporations for programs such as the Center for Educational Technologies. It is this unit that contains the Classroom of the Future project that promotes research and development of educational innovations appropriate for grades K-12.

Most recently, EG&G, a national tech-

nology company, presented us with a \$100,000 gift in support of this program. It is easier for them to announce this gift to their board members if it goes to a university rather than a college.

When the Alumni Council last met during Homecoming Weekend, a new member joined the council. The new member was **John (Skinny) Bodson**, class of 1965. He has worked for the U.S. Department of Commerce as a trade specialist for many years

and has grown in stature and influence.

Skinny wore a t-shirt and on it was printed: "Wheeling College,

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education and  
service.**



*Working with models can give students insight into actual medical situations.*



*The Bishop Hodges library provides students with an important tool for research, offering a large supply of books and periodicals as well as on-line capabilities.*

Wheeling Jesuit College, Wheeling Jesuit University, ???” Clearly, you can call this institution of higher education anything that you wish.

We have grown.

Women usually understand more clearly shifts of name, because they experience it at marriage.

A shift of name does not change the person, nor has our emergence from Wheeling College to Wheeling Jesuit University changed the nature of our personalized education and service.

Paul I. Currie, ‘77, head of the alumni association, said at the meeting, “This is home to us.”

All of our alumni and friends are invited to visit Wheeling College, Wheeling Jesuit College, or Wheeling Jesuit University there is no question mark.

*By Thomas S. Acker, S.J.*



Please feel free to call the Alumni Association at 1-800-888-ALUM regarding alumni listed in Class Notes. We invite you to send current information to share with the Wheeling Jesuit University family directly to the Alumni Association or via the Class Agent Network or contact us at our World Wide Web site ([www.wju.edu](http://www.wju.edu)). Please send photos whenever possible.

'59

**Sr. Joanne Gonter** Class Agent  
304-233-3771

'60

**John Mensor** Class Agent  
304-455-2338

**Robert V. Maybury** was recently appointed western regional manager for ENTEK, Inc., in Colorado Springs, CO, where he resides with his wife, Sharon.

**Milo Meyer** started his third assignment as a member of a software development team. He is a process control system technician for Bayer in New Martinsville, WV.

**Frank Smith** is the secretary treasurer for Mountain View Construction Inc., in Nutter Fort, WV.

'61

**Patricia (Ryan) Casey**, Class Agent  
609-771-1323

**Frank D. Blazek** had five-way by-pass open heart surgery Jan. 11, 1996. He is employed at St. Joseph's Hospital in Parkersburg, WV, as a groundskeeper.

**Mikell Lynn (Schlotter) Hedley** is the physics department head at Central Catholic High School in Toledo, OH. She received the 1996 Ashland Teacher Achievement Award for Excellence in Science and Mathematics and was a finalist for the Presidential Award for Excellence. Mikell was also chosen as one of 20 high school science teachers in the country to attend a Global Change Workshop sponsored by NASA and the California Space Institute.

**William L. Neal M.D.**, is a professor and chair of the department of pediatrics at West Virginia University. He is chairman-elect for the Children's Miracle Network (Osmond Foundation) and was recognized for superior public service by the Department of the Navy. This was awarded by the Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Research / Development Acquisitions.

'62

**Charles Steele**, Class Agent  
410-730-3521

**Edward A. Dobosz** has retired from Navistar International to accept a new position as president and chief operating officer of Consolidated Metal Products in Cincinnati, OH, where he resides with his wife, Betty.

**Betty Jo (Barnes) Kinzler** moved from Florida to the mountains of Blowing Rock, NC. She is a licensed hypnotherapist and is a medical social worker at Blowing Rock Hospital.

**Jean Anne O'Malley** earned her Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor (LPCC) degree in September of 1995 and is employed as the Adult Program Manager at Crossroads Counseling Services, Inc., in St. Clairsville, OH.

**Daniel M. Synan** is the Team Development Manager with Personal Care Group, Inc., in Sydney, OH.

'63

**Linda (McAlarney) Cunningham**, Class Agent  
203-452-0843

**James H. Disen** was promoted to vice president corporate development for Columbia Natural Resources in Charleston, WV, on May 1, 1996. He is also an adjunct professor at West Virginia Graduate College, a member of the Board of Directors for Fourth Venture Investment Group Inc., vice president at Highland Hospital, and vice chairman for Star U.S.A. Federal Credit Union. He resides in Charleston with his wife, Shirley.

**Aimee Noonan** has spent a lot of time over the years teaching in parish religious education programs and is now a member of Sacred Heart Parish, a Jesuit parish, in Richmond, VA, where she directs the RCIA program. Aimee is also the executive vice president of Deady Advertising.

**William R. Scales, Ph.D.**, is a technical director for Corning Clinical Laboratories in Smyrna, GA.

'64

**Jeffery McGeary**, Class Agent  
304-242-3137

**Richard G. Brandt** is employed by the Department of the Army as an information manager for Combat Equipment Group-Asia. He resides in Goose Creek, SC.

**Ronald Carlottie, Ph.D.**, is president and CEO of Natura, Inc., in Lansing, MI. Ronald received a master's of management degree from Aquinas College.

**Steve Griffith** is employed by Image Acquisition Enhancer for North American MORPHO Systems at its Clarksburg, WV, facility. He and his wife, Sherri, have been married for 27 years and have two sons: Jason '93, who is finishing his third year at Ohio State College of Veterinary Medicine, and Sean, who is a 1995 sports management graduate of Glenville State College.

**Jane Harrington, S.S.J.**, chairs the board of A.B.L.E. Families, Inc., a non-profit organization located in Mingo County, WV, and sponsored by the Sisters of St. Joseph of Wheeling, to help low-income families make significant changes in their lives.

**Stan Mastanski**, chapter president of the Minnesota Chapter of the Institute of Packaging Professional (IOPP), received the 1996 Outstanding Leadership Award. IOPP is a national organization dedicated to the enhancement of cost-effective and environmentally sensitive packaging. Stan has served as Minnesota's IOPP chapter president since 1994. As of July 1, 1996, he has begun a new term as chairman of the board.

**Robert Sladek, Jr.**, is senior systems engineer for Lockheed Martin in Denver, CO. He resides in Littleton, CO.

**Katherine (Smith) Snyder** resides in Bolingbrook, IL, where she is a medical technologist for Hinsdale Hematology/Oncology and Dupage Coagulation Laboratory.



**'65***Paul Rank, Class Agent*  
304-924-5802

**Eileen (Meagher) Cumiskey** is an administrative assistant for the Academic Learning Center and Honors Program at Union County College. Eileen's daughter, Christine, was married to Victor Pelillo in May of 1996.

**Vicky (DiPiero) Sylvester's** son graduated from Wright State University School of Medicine in June of 1996 and has a residency in OB/GYN at Wright State Univ.

**'66***Lillian (Gangwere) Cale, Class Agent*  
412-438-3003

**Jean (Knittel) Sansobrinio** is a senior research specialist for PACCAR Inc., Bellevue, WV

**'67***James and J'Ann(Schoonmaker) Allen, Class Agents*  
210-828-9758

**Charlene (Dunn) Gilner** and her husband, Donald, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary in June of 1996. Their son will graduate from a Jesuit college and their daughter from a Catholic high school in 1997

**Judith (Hocking) Higgs** received recognition for 25 years of service to West Virginia University at Parkersburg (formerly Parkersburg Community College) where she is dean of students and a social justice officer.

**Tim and Marilu (Elsbernd) '69 MacCarthy** reside in McLean, VA, and have three children: Katie, who was married Sept. 28, 1996; Brendan, who graduated from James Madison University; and Brian, who is a sophomore at James Madison University. Tim is the vice president of government affairs for Nissan North America. Marilu has been a volunteer Spanish teacher in a Catholic elementary school and has worked with Central America Solidarity Work for 18 years. She has participated in and translated for four peace and justice delegations to Guatemala and El Salvador. In Nov. of 1995, she was an official election observer in Guatemala.

**Robert J. Theobald, Jr.**, is a professor and chairman at Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine in Kirksville, MO, where he resides with his wife, Janie.

**David and Betsy (McKenna) Quinn** reside in London, England, where David is the marketing director for AT&T.

**'68***John Lynch, Class Agent*  
617-449-3885

**William Murphy** is senior vice president for First Mariner Bank in Annapolis, MD. He resides in Grasonville, MD.

**Joseph N. Sparacino** has been married for 23 years and has eight children. He is the chairman for the board of directors of Montgomery County Employees Federal Credit Union. He resides in Silver Spring, MD, with his wife, Caterina.

**'69***Judith Black-DiFazio, Class Agent*  
517-631 1702

**Michael Barile** is assistant supervisor of business and operations for the Rome City School District in Rome, NY. He resides in Auburn, NY.

**'70***Vincent Gallagher, Class Agent*  
614-635-4252

**Cecelia Lynn (Bryant) Deere** is a marketing coordinator at Max Daetwyler Corporation in Huntersville, NC.

**Kathleen Klueber** is an associate professor at the University of Louisville Medical School where she was nominated for the Distinguished Teaching Professor Award.

**Peter Komarinski** completed his third Marine Corps marathon in October of 1995. Peter is a criminal justice policy analyst for NYS division of criminal justice service.

**Gloria Diane (Mikulski) Mondok** is battling the chronic illness of systemic lupus erythematosus and myasthenia gravis. Gloria resides in Westlake, OH, with her husband, Louis.

**Doreen (Koeblitz) Vincent's** husband, Harry, just completed a cross country bicycle trip from L.A. to Cape Henlopen, DE, (3200 miles) to raise funds for the Kidney Foundation of Ohio. Doreen is a teacher for the Orange County Board of Education in Pepper Pike, OH.

**'71***James Sagona, Class Agent*  
614-251-4500

**Tim Brenton** is the president of The Brenton Group in Newton, MA. He resides in Marblehead, MA.

**Jean (Hilderbrand) Domico** is the vice president of Information Services for Prudential Insurance in Roseland, NJ

**George E. Griffiths** celebrated the 10-year anniversary of the formation of Chamberlin, Shaffer and Griffiths Associates, of which he is president.

**Peter J. Gummere** is the director of materials management at Northeastern Vermont Regional Hospital in St. Johnsbury, VT, where he resides with his wife, **Mary Anne (Siwinski) '73.**

**James W. Heskamp** works in sales for Hochersmith Transportation in Richmond, IN. Jim resides in Loveland, OH.

**Irene (Caprol) Johnson** is the employment service supervisor/counselor for the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry in Washington, PA.

**Bill Pearl** resides in Bethlehem, WV, with his four children, Kevin (20), Shannon (18), Erin (16), and Brian (13). Bill is licensed in WV as a professional counselor and a certified social worker.

**Steve Pielocik** is a systems analyst/software developer for the Defense Logistics Agency in Philadelphia, PA. He resides in Glenside, PA, with his wife, Jo.



'72

*Thomas Scheper, Class Agent*  
606-341-4173

**Sr. Lorelei Fuchs, SA**, is doing ecumenical research at the University of Louvain in Belgium for Graymoor Ecumenical and Interreligious Institute (GEII), based in New York City. She also teaches at the Centro Pro Unione in Rome, Italy, during the summer.

**Jim Kelleher** is the vice president of Hazen's Office Interiors in Middletown, CT. He resides in Bethel, CT, with his wife, Ann, and children, Seamus, Mary Cate, and Brendan.

**Dr. George Reidy** resides in Severna Park, MD, and is a mathematics teacher in the District of Columbia public school system.

**George "Ged" Young, Jr.**, is the director of sales and marketing for CBS News in New York, NY. He resides in Garden City, NY, with his wife, Barbara, and son, Alex.

'73

*Frederick Hess, Class Agent*  
609-795-8868

**Alfreda Antonucci-Alter's** 13-year-old daughter, Alia, has been selected as a player on the Virginia State Olympic Development Soccer Program in the under-14 division.

**David J. Carr** is a software engineer and member of the technical staff for Transarc Corporation in Pittsburgh, PA, where he resides with his wife, Anne, and children, Edward and Richard.

**Bob Hutchings** has been hired as a part-time coach for the West Point women's basketball team. Bob's first tour of duty at West Point was as an enlisted man from 1975-77 when he served as a part time men's basketball coach whose major responsibilities were at the junior varsity level. After completing his military duty, he served a year as an assistant boys' and mens' coach for Saudi Arabia where he helped the men's team capture the silver medal at the Arab Championships. Bob spent six years serving as the assistant coach at Richard Stockton College in Pomona, NJ, a Division III institution. Presently a teacher at Bridgeton High, Bob has coached boys' and girls' cross country as well as boys' basketball. He was recently inducted into the New Jersey H.S. Coaches Hall of Fame. He has worked numerous clinics and has been involved with the Junior Olympics as well as the Special Olympics.

**James P. Ryan** has three children: Cammi, who graduated from Duke this year and is now attending the University of Georgia Law School, Jamie, a senior at Vanderbilt University; and Justin, a sophomore at Vanderbilt University.

'74

*John Giese, Class Agent*  
610-970-9432

**Jane Mary (Bromirski) Griffith** is the chief financial officer for Pennsylvania Compensation Services, Inc., in Reading, PA. She resides in Kenhorst, PA, with her husband, William.

## Alumnus Heads Naval Air Station

**Capt. J. Michael Denkler '73**, who has had a long and distinguished career in the U.S. Navy, reached a new pinnacle when he became the new commanding officer at the Pensacola Naval Air Station in Florida.

As commander, he is in charge of the operations of the 6,000-acre base, which recently has been cited for its exceptional performance in energy conservation and personnel retention.

Denkler, a native of Arlington, VA, joined the Navy in 1971 while still a student at Wheeling College. He earned the title of naval flight officer in 1974 and flew as an F-4 Air Combat Maneuvering instructor at Key West, FL, Naval Air Station from 1978-80.

He holds a business degree at Wheeling College and a master's degree in management from Webster University.

Prior to his current assignment, Denkler for the past two years served as executive officer aboard the aircraft carrier U.S.S. America, nicknamed "America's flagship." He was part of a 2,000-person U.S. invasion force dispatched to Haiti in 1994.

**Tim Lenihan** has received a Ph.D. in electrical engineering from the University of Arkansas and is currently employed in the University's High Density Electronics Center in Fayetteville, AR.

'75

*Mary Anne (Saseen) Richards, Class Agent*  
412-687-7861

**Richard Klempa** has a daughter, **Kristin '98**, and a son, **Jason**, class of 2000, attending Wheeling Jesuit University. The Klempa family, which also includes wife, Sharon, and son, Matthew, resides in Bellaire, OH.

**David Maybury** is an account manager with AT&T in Lawrenceville, GA, where he resides.

**Joyce Ross** has been promoted to senior vice president for Rynne Marketing Group, a health care consulting firm in Illinois.

'76

*Stephen Hydock II, Class Agent*  
304-755-7473

**Timothy Sleeve** is a college administrator for Kellogg Community College in Michigan. His wife, **Vickie (Byers) Sleeve '79**, is a teacher for the Gull Lake Schools.

**Larry Truax** is president of the Prince of Peace Catholic Schools in Madison, IN, where he will administer both Pope John XXIII Elementary School and Shawe Memorial Junior-Senior High School. He has also served as a board member and president of the Jefferson County United Way, an advisory board member of the Salvation Army, a past member of the Southeastern Indiana Private Industry Council and a past member of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis Board of Education. Larry and his wife, Candis, have three children, Stacey, Chad and Carrie.



Lareva "Laurie" (Ragni) Williamson is a senior tax accountant for R.C. Holsinger & Associates in Pittsburgh.

'77

*Marilou (Gross) Doughty, Class Agent*  
610-630-0213

Rev. William K. Matheny, Jr., graduated with a Master's of Divinity degree from Pontifical College Josephinum in Columbus, OH, on May 10, 1996. William was ordained June 1, 1996, at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Charleston, WV, and has been assigned as the associate pastor of St. Francis de Sales.

'78

*M. Roberta (Metz) Welling, Class Agent*  
304-243-1598

Mary Beth (Dorsey) Callahan received a Master's in rehabilitation counseling from West Virginia University in 1996. She earned the designation of certified rehabilitation counselor from the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification. Mary Beth

is employed as a case manager at the Ohio Valley Rehabilitation Network.

Theresa (Donohoe) Hart is an area director for Chesapeake Bay Seafood House in Vienna, VA. She resides in Manassas, VA.

Thomas E. Hawley, formerly with Wheeling Power Company, was transferred to Canton, OH and promoted to eastern Ohio region information supervisor for the Ohio Power Company as of Jan. 1, 1996.

Patrick Kamlowsky lives on Lantau Island, Hong Kong, and is the North Asia area manager for Hughes Christensen.

Mark Polak, M.D., was elected to membership in the Society of Pediatric Research. He is an associate professor of pediatrics and attending neonatologist at the West Virginia University School of Medicine.

Fred Williams and his wife, Mitzi, recently adopted a daughter, Dolly Heather. The family resides in Scottsdale, AZ. Fred is an attorney with Gust Rosenfeld Law Firm in Phoenix, AZ, where he heads up the firm's public law practice section.

## Mrs. West Virginia Tries National Pageant

Pamela Mardones Sullivan '74 doesn't consider herself to be a typical beauty pageant contestant, but there she was representing West Virginia at the Mrs. USA contest Aug. 20-24 in Las Vegas.

It was the first and probably last pageant for Sullivan, a Morgantown, WV, physician. Because West Virginia has no qualifying pageant for the competition, contestants are selected in other ways.

"I've done numerous television appearances and the state nominating committee thought I might be able to do this," Sullivan said. "This is not something I normally do, but it was the chance of a lifetime."

Sullivan is an associate professor of psychiatry and medical director of adult in-patient services with the WVU School of Medicine. Her resume was an important factor in impressing the judges.



*Parades and other public functions are part of the job for Mrs. West Virginia.*



*Pamela Sullivan is also an award winner in equestrian events.*

"In the Miss America pageant, the philosophy is that you haven't yet become what your potential is," Sullivan said. "In the Mrs. Pageant, they want more of a final product person. The talent comes out in a separate way than going up on stage and singing."

Contestants are also judged in evening gown, swimsuit and interview categories as well as costume, which requires them to wear something representing their home state. Sullivan, with the help of a local dressmaker, came up with a "Black Diamond State" theme that featured a long black gown with embroidered beads in a diamond shape.

Sullivan, also a champion horse rider, said her medical career really began with her education at WJU. She credits the aid of professors, particularly Fr. Joseph Hanzely, and recalls that Wheeling was where she first learned about rugby.

She failed to place in the top 10 in the Mrs. USA contest, which was won by Mrs. Hawaii, but said she was glad to have the opportunity to be involved.



**Becky (Barbina) Wilson** is a family service specialist for Head Start with Community Action Wayne/Medina in Medina, OH, where she resides.

'79

*Anne (Exner) Moran, Class Agent*  
610-358-4711

**Danielle Cahill** lived in Spain for six years (1979-85) where she taught English. She received a Ph.D. in Spanish from Catholic University in Washington. She is currently teaching at Christopher Newport University and is writing a second-year business Spanish textbook.

**Dorothy (Ross) Hackathorne** is a relief, certified registered nurse anesthetist in Steubenville, OH. She was elected the 1997-98 president for the Ohio State Association of Nurse Anesthetists. On March 1, 1996, she retired from full-time work.

**Ben Price** is the municipal alliances coordinator (a drug and alcohol prevention project) at the Gloucester County Department of Health. He recently passed the state prevention exam. He is one of the founding members of "Rainbow Place," a community center for alternative sexual lifestyles located in southern New Jersey.

'80

*Paul Mulholland, Class Agent*  
610-874-7561

**Karen A. (West) Fankhauser, R.N.**, completed her Ph.D. in May of 1995 at the University of Virginia School of Nursing. She is a coordinator at the University of Virginia.

**Kathy (McKee) Gordo** resides in Lawrenceville, GA, where she is a paraprofessional teacher at Discovery Point.

**Marian J. Jones**, senior professional in human resources is a division human resource manager for Ashland Chemical, Inc., in Dublin, OH. She serves on community committees, such as Celebrity Waiters Event Planning and Columbus State Human Resources Curriculum Advisory Council and is active in the Society for Human Resource Management and Human Resources Association of Central Ohio.

**Maureen Kavanagh** is a behavior specialist at Phoenix Residential Centers, Inc., in North Royalton, OH. She resides in Shaker Heights, OH, after relocating from New Jersey.

**Pamela (Hores) West** received a Master's of Science degree from Georgetown University where she is a staff nurse at Georgetown University Medical Center. She resides in Herndon, VA, with her husband, Michael, and children, Cody and Harley.

'81

*Kathy (Scampoli) Moore, Class Agent*  
512-244-8524

**Patrick Coughlan** is a staff nuclear medicine technician at Wheeling Hospital. He resides in Wheeling with his wife, Helen, and children, Kevin and Brian.

**Maureen Lafferty, Ed.D.**, has recently accepted the position of associate director of counseling service/

director of training at the University Counseling Center at Butler University at Indianapolis.

**Vicki Lynn (Hilinski) Stemple** is a staff R.N. at Monongalia General Hospital in Morgantown, WV

**Samuel R. Weigard** started his own business in March of 1995 and serves as the president/chief engineer for Lancaster Electro-Mechanical Design, Inc. He resides in Columbia, PA, with his wife, Lisa, and children, Alexander and Lucy.

'82

*Vera (Barton) Caro, Class Agent*  
304-242-6641

**Laura Bevere** is employed by American Airlines at the headquarters in Dallas, TX, where she has been for the past 10 years since completing her M.A. at Penn State University. She works in the Department of Crew Schedule Operations monitoring pilots' schedules and legalities and ensuring qualified crews in accordance with FAA, AA and APA requirements. She is also on staff at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth, TX, as a part-time instructor of Spanish.

**Nancy Frohling** is the recreation director at the Jewish House and Rehabilitation Center in Jersey City, NJ. She resides in Newark, NJ.

**Marcia (Sperl) Irwin** lives near West Point, NY with her husband, Lew and three children: Mary Tristan, 5; Eva, 3; and Andrew, 2. Marcia works part-time as an RN at the Cornwall Hospital.

'83

*Geoffrey O'Neill, Class Agent*  
203-732-3538

**John Gallagher** and his wife, **Suzanne (Blasko)**, reside in Spotsylvania, VA, where John is a cardiovascular perfusionist for Virginia Cardiovascular Surgery, Inc.

**Rev. Donald X. Higgs** is the pastor of St. Patrick Church in Mannington, WV, St. Peter Church in Farmington, WV, and the Assumption Church in Littleton, WV. He resides in Mannington.

**Richard Joltes** is part of the faculty in the Harvard Extension School and is teaching classes on network design, installation, and management.

'84

*Kathleen Carrigan, Class Agent*  
412-441-0722

**David Phillip Bodnar** is a front desk attendant at the Arena Health Club in Pittsburgh, PA, and resides in McKeesport, PA.

**Lawrence Buckley** is channel marketing manager for 3M Company in Austin, TX, where he resides with his wife, Helen, and children James, Sara and Michael.

**Maureen David** is an emergency services counselor for the Pretera Center for Mental Health Services in Huntington, WV

**Susan L. Farmer** is a manager of product marketing for Attachmate Corp., in Bellevue, WA.

**Bonnie Gordon** is a staff nurse anesthetist at Wright Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, OH. She was



promoted to major in the U.S. Air Force in December of 1994. She resides in Fairborn, OH, with her husband, Frank Golich, who is a captain in the USAF as an aerospace physiologist, and their daughter, Dana Marie, who turned 1-year-old in July of 1996.

**Sylvia (Enjoh) Nanji** resides in Pittsburgh where she is chief fiscal/operations officer for Addison Terrace Learning Center of Pittsburgh, Inc.

**Claudia Pianko** has been promoted to off-shift coordinator/nursing supervisor at Ruby Memorial Hospital in Morgantown, WV

**'85**

**Courtney (Cosgrove) Muse**, Class Agent  
412-741-3890

**Michael T Adams** celebrated his 10-year employment anniversary with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) on Feb. 18, 1996. He is the safety manager for TDCJ-Region 1, which covers over 50 counties and 565 employees. He also attended and graduated from Covey Leadership Center's 7 Habits of Highly Effective People Seminar in Nov. 1995.

**Debra Kaczor** is a spiritual care coordinator for Valley Hospice in Dallas, WV

**'86**

**Elena Colianni**, Class Agent  
703-548-5419

**Lee Alban** graduated from Duquesne University on Dec. 22, 1995, with a Master's of Science in Education degree with a major in community counseling. She is now employed as a therapeutic staff support person for Alternative Program Associates.

**Denise Battista** is a senior MRI technologist at Insight Health Corp., in Coraopolis, PA. She resides in Imperial, PA.

**Susan Colandrea** is a self-employed sports marketing specialist. She resides in Aspen, CO.

**Susan (Page) Ferrito** is the director of clinical education for the School for Respiratory Therapy at Robert Packer Hospital/Guthrie Health Care.

**Patricia (Murphy) O'Connell**, who has been an elementary school teacher for five years, is now a sales representative for Addison-Wesley Publishing and sells textbooks to elementary school teachers in Philadelphia and southern New Jersey. She resides in Cherry Hill with her husband, Michael, and children, Ryann and Erin.

**'87**

**Mark Mancinelli**, Class Agent  
404-642-1006

**Bruce A. Archer** is a practice manager-Missouri Internists at Saint John's Mercy Medical Center.

**Rena (Patry) Duff** is the editor of the Sharing God's Word Today Newsletter. She resides in St. Clairsville, OH.

**Mary P Freshwater** is an elementary guidance counselor with Marshall County (WV) schools. She completed her M.Ed. at Penn State University in Counselor Education in 1988 and is currently working on her Ph.D. in school psychology.

## Alumnus Saves Man From Fire

**T**om Scott '85 became a hero last March in about 30-35 seconds. That's the amount of time the Manhattan Beach, CA, police officer estimates it took him to run into a burning house, pull a disabled 79-year old man out of his bed and carry him to safety. Scott probably saved the life not only of the elderly resident, but also of Sgt. Derrick Abell, who accompanied Scott into the burning home and was overcome by smoke.

"The dispatcher told us the man was trapped in his bed," Scott said. "We followed the smoke and I could see flames coming from the bedroom. The room was filled with smoke and the bed was fully engulfed. The man had one leg and was holding onto a walker, which inhibited my ability to get him out.

"I pulled away the walker and he fell to the floor. My sergeant also went down about the same time. I grabbed them both and pulled them out. Everything moved in slow motion. Paramedics described it as tunnel syndrome—everything slows down and you only see one thing."

The elderly man suffered acute smoke inhalation along with minor burns on his leg and hands, but has now fully recovered, Scott said. The blaze, which was caused by a short in two electric blankets, was limited to the bedroom by the fire department. Scott's sergeant also suffered smoke inhalation, but recovered when he got outside.

Scott, who played basketball at Wheeling Jesuit, said he remembers his time in college as "the best four years of my life," adding that he learned how to be persistent and never give up. Those lessons proved valuable in his nine years on the police force.

"I just feel fortunate that I was able to help someone get out and limit their injuries to minimal," he said.

Scott received an official commendation for his heroics and may be nominated for a Medal of Valor, the highest possible recognition for a police officer.



**Craig Fugaro** is a manager for patient services in northern New Jersey at Laboratory Corporation of America in Bloomfield, NJ. He resides in Sparta, NJ, with his wife, Kathleen.

**Lisa (McClintock) Furlong** has moved for the eighth time and is currently residing in Gales Ferry, CT, with her husband, Chip, and children, Callie and Elsie. She is enrolled in college for the Fall of 1996 to study business administration with health care industry goals while working as a unit secretary and receptionist at Bayview Health Care Center in Waterford, CT.

**Jade Ann Gingerich** graduated May 22, 1996 from the Johns Hopkins University with a Master's of Science in special education with her specialization in transition services. Jade also founded The Paradigm Players, a community theater for individuals with and without disabilities.



**Nicole Hess** resides in Monmouth Junction, NJ, where she is an administrator for Pacific Telesis in Washington, DC.

**Kenneth Rice** resides in Wilmington, DE, with his wife, Barbara, and children, Matthew (9), and Elizabeth (4). He is a supervisor with Kodak Imaging Services.

**Beth (Raimonde) Weaver** is employed with Lynn Buch Interiors in Wheeling where she resides with husband, David, and daughter, Emmy.

'90

**Dr. Michael Leach, Class Agent**  
412-788-1279

**Neil Devera** has been working at the International Lending Agencies Group of Coopers & Lybrand, LLP, in Washington, DC after studying in Tokyo, Japan, from the fall of 1990 until the spring of 1992. He will receive an associates degree in accounting this fall.

**Erin M. Duffy** is a postdoctoral associate with the Department of Molecular Biophysics & Biochemistry at Yale University.

**Diane Marie Eble** is a postdoctoral fellow at Loyola University Medical Center in Maywood, IL. She resides in Chicago.

**Ranelle Hoover-DePaulis** is a field coordinator, Ohio & WV job development and placement for AFL-CIO Appalachian Council.

**Michelle K. (Conkel) Koval** is a manager at Koval's Coffee-Bakery-Deli in Essex Center, VT.

**Ann Woodland** is a purchasing agent for Ashland Chemical in Dublin, OH, and is a certified Jazzercise instructor.

'88

**Catherine (Wirts) Wheeler Class Agent**  
410-744-8634

**Michael Brown** resides in Fredericksburg, VA, with his wife, Cheryl, and daughter, Madeline (2). He is a cardiovascular perfusionist for Virginia Cardiovascular Surgery, Inc.

**Joseph Conway** is a Media Systems Specialist for Huthwaite, Inc., in Purcellville, VA. He resides in Leesburg, VA.

**Regina Hamm** is a self-employed certified public accountant. She resides in LaVale, MD, with her husband, Jeff, and children, Jeremiah and Ashley.

**William F. Kiszka** resides in Pittsburgh, PA, where he is a pharmaceutical representative for Wyeth-Ayerst.

**George Migias** resides in Bloomsburg, PA, and is an area accounts manager for Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories.

**Stacey (Kefalos) Vargas** received her Ph.D. in physics from the University of Connecticut and has accepted a faculty position with Virginia Military Institute in Lexington, VA. She and husband, **Albert '88**, senior specialist in the reorganization department of Merrill Lynch, will be relocating to Virginia in September of 1996.

**Lisa M. (Gartrell) Yingling** is an account executive at First Data Merchant Services in Hagerstown, MD. She resides in Frederick, MD, with her husband, Scott, and daughter, Katharine.

'89

**Michael Connor Class Agent**  
215-544-8952

**Loreen Auchus** is engaged to **Thomas McGill '89**. A Sept. 27, 1997, wedding is planned and they will reside in Cleveland, OH.

**Theresa "Tess" Jordan** is a senior medical billing representative for Dr. Wolf & Heller Gastroenterology & Associates in Pikesville, MD. Tess is engaged to be married to Howard Kirssin on Dec. 14, 1996.

**Robert C. Knott** is the director of external relations and marketing for Bon Secours Baltimore Health Corporation. Bob resides in Baltimore with his wife, **Judi '89**.

**Cynthia Phillips** is an RN in oncology at Alexandria Hospital in Alexandria, VA. She resides in Annandale, VA.

**Rhonda Diane (Tuel) Price** is raising toddler-age twins, working full-time outside of the home, and serving as a partner in an income tax and small business accounting practice.

'91

**Anne Gemensky, Class Agent**  
614-457-2926

**Joan (Riddle) Amon** is the director of nursing at Manor Care in McMurray, PA.

**Susan Brobston** resides in Steubenville, OH, where she is a field product specialist for Coulter Corporation.

**Joanne (Baitup) Kagler** is director of consumer credit counseling for the Family Service Upper Ohio Valley in Wheeling.

**Loyola A. (Piko) O'Connell** is the head chef at the Home for Men in Wheeling.

**Denise M. McClarnon** is a legal auditor for CIGNA Insurance Co., in Philadelphia. She resides in Hatfield, PA.

**Mary C. Myers** resides in Glen Burnie, MD, where she is an assistant manager for Blazer Financial Services, Inc.

**Steve Roberts** was recently promoted to senior buyer in the purchasing department at Bayer, Corp.

**Paula A. Smith** is an operation manager for Advance Security in Wheeling.

**David Stone** is co-owner of GloStone Enterprises, a company for the trucking industry, general contracting (construction and renovations), marine management, repair and truck brokering. David resides in Portland, OR.

**Katherine "Katie" Torpey** resides in Los Angeles where she placed third in a screenwriting competition at Dream Works (Steven Spielberg's company) and was a finalist in a writing competition at Paramount Pictures.

**Christine (Comas) Vanaman** is a coordinator QA/ED for the Respiratory Department at Mercy Hospital of Pittsburgh. She resides in Elm Grove, WV, with her husband, Jeff, and children, Brittney, Zachery and Kurt.

**Roy Williams, M.D.**, resides in Rochester, MN, where he is a physician for the Mayo Clinic.



**Keri Alexander** is a public relations assistant for the National Professional Soccer League. Keri recently earned her M.A. in sports administration from Kent State University in Dec. of 1995.

**Maureen (Huff) Barte** is a medical technologist at Wheeling Hospital. She is currently working toward a M.S. degree in community health promotion at WVU.

**W. Arthur Bertol** is the manger of quality assurance and customer service for Wheeling Nisshin, Inc.

**Marie Cooney** is supervisor/officer for Collective Bank in Margate, NJ. Marie resides in Longport, NJ.

**Todd Cundiff** is a manufacturing engineer for Borg Warner Automotive in Gallipolis, OH. He resides in Racine, OH.

**Michael Garcia** recently received an M.A. in European Studies from Katholieke Universiteit Leuven in Leuven, Belgium. He graduated first in his class and he is continuing his studies at Jagiellonian University in Cracow, Poland, where he received full funding to study and research for five months.

**Leeanne Johnson** is presently teaching at the American School in Barcelona, Spain.

**Carole Kincaid** is an administrative assistant for Group Technologies Corp., in Tampa, FL. She resides in Temple Terrace, FL.

**Robert Kotson Jr.**, is a field engineer coordinator for Wheeling Jesuit University.

**Kathleen Martella** resides in Pittsburgh where she is an associate territory business manager for Bristol-Myers.

**Todd J. Mroczkowski** is a financial and budget analyst for Ormet Aluminum Mill Products Corp., in Hannibal, OH.

**Jody Saseen** is an associate editor for Penny Press, Inc., in Norwalk, CT. She resides in New Haven, CT.

**Steven M. Smith** graduated from Asbury Theological Seminary with a Master's of Divinity degree on May 19, 1996.

**Rick Soos** is a controller for Gregory S. Edwards, Inc., in Triadelphia, WV.

**Mark Stahl** is a controller for Kalkreuth Roofing and Sheet Metals Inc., in Wheeling.

**Lauren M. (Herman) Weich** is a dialysis RN at Dialysis Clinic, Inc., in Charleston, SC, where she resides with her husband, Kristopher, and cats, Felicity and Foster.

**Aimee (Faso) Wright** is a research associate for Roche Biosciences in Palo Alto, CA. Aimee resides in Mountain View, CA, with her husband, Dennis.

**Heidi Burkhardt** is a senior substance abuse specialist at Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center. She received her Master's in Experimental Psychology from Towson State University.

**Jeff Burr** has recently landed his first lead role in an independent film, *Sayanora*. He has already had

various principal roles in three other locally-made (Pittsburgh) films. One of these films, *Eyes Are Upon You*, will be shown at the Cannes Film Festival next year. Jeff has also appeared in various commercials and industrial films. In between his busy filming schedule, Jeff's acting talents extend to weekly theater performances. In addition to acting, he holds a full-time position as a case manager and personal care attendant for United Cerebral Palsy of Pittsburgh.

**Paul Dillon** has accepted a job with Meaden & Moore, one of the largest regional accounting firms in Cleveland, OH. Paul resides in Fairview Park, OH.

**Jeri Hawthorne** is currently pursuing an M.S. in European Social Policy Analysis from the University of Bath (United Kingdom). She will receive her degree in December of 1996. While obtaining her degree, she has had the opportunity to spend terms studying at K.V. Brabant in Tilburg, NL, and at the University of Ljubljana in Ljubljana, Slovenia.

**Susan Major** is a Montessori guide for primary level (3-6 year old) at the Julia Brown Montessori School in Laurel, MD. She resides in Baltimore, MD.

**Marnie (Volan) McCardle** teaches 7th grade pre-algebra at Eaton Johnson Middle School in Henderson, NC, where she resides with her husband, Tom.

**Diana L. (Crow) Noland** is a sales coordinator for Wheeling Nisshin, Inc., in Follansbee, WV.

**Gregory A. Pierce** is a computer communications systems operator for the United States Air Force. He is stationed at Aviano Air Base in Italy.

**Tanya Smigocki** was accepted into the Masters Program of Human Resource Management at Marymount University in Arlington, VA. She was recently promoted to the marketing department at Pasha Publications, Inc., in Arlington, VA.

**Carole L. Toto**, previously a medical technologist, has recently become an educator with the Department of Education at the Weirton Medical Center.

**Kara J. Wolfe** has been employed as a North Campus area coordinator at Saint Francis College in PA since Aug. of 1995. She became engaged to Rhett Francis Kennedy on Dec. 24, 1995.

**Marvin Abdalah** is a first year medical student at Howard University in Washington, DC, and ranked first in his class at the completion of the fall semester. Marvin is currently running 60 miles per week.

**Lori Ann (Leoni) Gould** is a business sales representative for G.T.E. in Fort Wayne, IN, where she resides with her husband, Ed, and daughter, Alysha.

**Donald E. Hess** resides in Moundsville and is a programmer/systems analyst at D.P. Consulting in Wheeling.

**C.W. Trey McDonald** is a production supervisor for Ryan Homes in Fairfax, VA. He resides in McLean, VA.

**Teresa Monk** has completed her second year of law



school at West Virginia University and was elected president of the Christian Legal Society for the 1996-97 academic year.

**Joseph P. Russo** resides in Monongahela, PA, where he is a senior business team leader for General Mills, Inc.

**Linda Jo (Kennedy) Shelek** is a nursing instructor at West Virginia Northern Community College. She is attending WVU where she is pursuing an MSN in nurse practitioner women's health. She resides in Wheeling with her husband, Robert, and children, Melissa Jo, Todd, Erin and Kara.

**Laura K. Shoaff** is a registered nurse in labor and delivery in the Women and Children's Division at the Charleston Area Medical Center (CAMC).

**James Riggs Stafford** is an investment executive at Ferris Baker Watts, Inc., in Baltimore, MD.

**Jennifer L. Tennyson** is a charge/staff registered nurse at Centennial Medical Center in Nashville, TN.

**Kyle Yonak** works in the prosthetic residency of Hanger Orthopedics. He has been accepted into Northwestern University's Orthotics Program and will begin in August of 1996.

'95

*Jason Lynch, Class Agent*  
304-652-1307

**Sherry (Delaney) Bodrog** is a registered nurse in the pediatric I.C.U. at the Broward General Medical Center in Ft. Lauderdale, FL, where she resides with her husband, Jeff.

**Mary Lynn Bryson** is assistant vice president manager loan accounting at WesBanco of Wheeling.

**Jeremy Cecil** is a network coordinator for McCann Erickson Worldwide Advertising. Jeremy and **Angela Yoho '95** will be married Apr. 26, 1997

**Dawn C. (Townsend) DeFallo** is a customer accounting representative for Columbia Gas of Ohio.

**Patricia Lynn Dunlap** is vice president at One Valley Bank North in Moundsville, WV

**John and Paulette (King) Gallagher** reside in Pittsburgh where Paulette is enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh in the biochemistry department and John is pursuing an MBA at Duquesne University.

**Linda (Emery) Gordon** is the RNC coordinator of the Adult Partial Hospitalization Program at OVMC-Hillcrest.

**Marion Harbert** is the owner of Toma Enterprises in McKees Rocks, PA. She resides in Pittsburgh.

**Richard C. Heller** is the president of Heller Insurance Brokerage in St. Marys, WV

**Jodie Lyle** is an accountant/human resources at Fox Run Hospital in St. Clairsville, OH.

**Katherine MacCarder** moved to Savannah, GA, where she plans to open a massage parlor and self-healing practice. Her husband, Timothy, is a model for Calvin Klein.

**Heidi (Davenport) Magnone** is owner of Pro Physique Fitness Center in Bridgeport, OH.

**Catherine McCabe** is an assessment counselor for the Northern Regional Jail and Correctional Facility in Moundsville, WV. She is currently enrolled at Belmont Technical College.

**Edward McClain** is a habilitation specialist and work adjustment coordinator for the Sandusky County Board of Mental Retardation/Development Disability in Fremont, OH. Edward was a basketball coach in the Special Olympics whose team "Sandco Rebels," was fourth in the State Tournament in 1995-1996.

**Robin (Howells) McQuillian** is a case aide for Youth Services Systems, Inc. (Tipton Center) in Weirton, WV.

**Patricia Pritchard** is a supervisor at DuPont. She resides in Washington, WV

**George A. Putney, IV**, is an Ed Tech I/Teacher's Aide at Spurwink School in Portland, ME. He resides in Scarborough, ME.

**Bonnie Ritz** is the central office professional administrator for Ohio County Schools in Wheeling.

**M. Jacqueline Romano** is an office manager for Scott Grosser, DMD, in Steubenville, OH.

**Heather Rubright** is a charge nurse at Peterson Hospital in Wheeling, WV

**Denise (Toothman) Wiethe** is a supervisor for the auditor of the state of Ohio in Columbus. She resides in St. Clairsville, OH, with her husband, **August Wiethe '90**.

'96

*Jeannine Arcuri, Class Agent*  
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**Dorian Allen** works for Lewinter Moulding supply in Pittsburgh, PA, where he resides with his wife, **Sharon (Lavezoli) '95**.

**Nacy Alouise** graduated summa cum laude and received the Outstanding Psychology Student of the Year award for 1995-96 at Wheeling Jesuit. He resides in Fombell, PA.

**Kristin Ault** is a registered nurse in the progressive care unit for the Ohio Valley Medical Center in Wheeling.

**Lori J. (Woods) Baisden** is an administrator assistant human resources for Mountaineer Coal Development Co., in Charleston, WV

**J. Tim Baker, Sr.**, is a registered nurse at Mount Carmel Medical Center in Columbus, OH. Tim resides in Zanesville with his wife, Mary, and children, Deanna, Trish and John.

**Melanie Bassa** works for the Oglebay Good Zoo in Wheeling. She resides in St. Clairsville, OH.

**Jennifer Benson** resides in Bratenahl, OH, and is attending the Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine.

**Norman Bercasio** is a computer-mediated communications specialist for the NASA Classroom of the Future.

**Frank M. Bolognia** resides in Avon Lake, OH, where he is an independent representative for the American Communications Network.

**James Bonner** was recently accepted into medical school at the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland. He



began his first semester in Dublin, Ireland, in October of 1996.

**Amy Brookover** is the assistant to the treasurer at the Oglebay Institute in Wheeling.

**Shelia (Smith) Campinelli** is a DHHR Specialist for the WV Department of Health. She resides in Colliers, WV with her husband, Joseph, and children, David, Georgiann and Jonathan.

**John Canter** received his MBA from Wheeling Jesuit University and is attending the University of Dayton School of Law.

**Tina Carpenter** has been promoted to trust accountant II for WesBanco bank of Wheeling.

**Thomas M. Coleman** was awarded second place in the Bill Blair WV Entrepreneur Academy.

**Casey Cottilli** resides in Weirton, WV, where she is a nuclear medicine technologist at St. John's Hospital and Ohio Valley Hospital.

**Nanette C. DeBolt** is a staff registered nurse at East Ohio Regional Hospital in Martins Ferry, OH.

**Amanda Dickerson** is a respiratory therapist (CRRP) for Marietta Memorial Hospital Harmar Place in Marietta, OH.

**Theresa (Schulte) Edgar** is a registered nurse in the surgical intensive care unit at the Washington Hospital in Washington, PA.

**Eric Fowler** is a substitute teacher for the Ohio County Schools in Wheeling.

**Karen Goff** is a customer service manager for WalMart in St. Clairsville, OH.

**Danielle M. Gordon** is a staff accountant for Costanzo, Griffin, Edelman and Associates in Wheeling.

**Deborah (Phalen) Hagiloizou** is a head nurse in the critical care and step down units at Reynolds Memorial Hospital in Glen Dale, WV. She resides in St. Clairsville, OH, with her husband, Michael.

**Kellie Heaney** is a nurse at the Georgetown University Medical Center in Washington, DC.

**Karen (Keiffer) Henderson** received the Anthony T. Basil Medal for second highest academic average. She is employed by Bayer as a laboratory technician in New Martinsville, WV.

**Sandra L. (Scandale) Henry** is a staff registered nurse in I.V. therapy at the Washington Hospital in Washington, PA.

**Declan Hurley** will attend Indiana University of Pennsylvania in the fall to pursue a Master's degree in criminology.

**Catherine (Bodnar) Iaconis** is a staff nurse at Reynolds Memorial Hospital in Glen Dale, WV. She and her husband, James, reside in Moundsville, WV.

**Thomas F. Johnson** is a planning supervisor/engineer at Windsor Coal Company in West Liberty, WV.

**Tammy L. Jones** is a manager at the McDonald's of Barnesville. She resides in Lansings, OH, with her husband, John.

**Darla Kaczmarek** is a graduate nurse PACU (recovery room) at Childrens' Hospital of Pittsburgh.

## Law School Acceptance Rate Still Perfect

**W**heeling Jesuit University has maintained its perfect record of law school acceptances for its graduates, with six new applicants accepted this summer. Since 1992, WJU has had a 100 percent acceptance rate—28 entrants in 28 attempts.

Prelaw Academic Advisor Thomas Michaud called the acceptance rate "phenomenal for a university of our size" because law schools on the national average accept only slightly more than 25 percent of applicants.

This remarkable acceptance rate is a strong testimony to the discipline and hard work of our students and the superior preparation they received from our faculty," Michaud said.

The law schools the students chose are:

- **Melissa Campbell** of Wheeling chose Ohio University and received a partial tuition scholarship.

- **Kristi Brown** of Rockville, MD, selected Duquesne University with a partial scholarship.

- **Nacy Alouise** of Fombell, PA, enrolled at the University of Dayton.

- **John Canter** of Charleston, WV, also chose the University of Dayton.

- **Ryan Ryder** of Camp Hill, PA, received a full tuition scholarship to Dayton.

Michaud said WJU's record of success is likely to continue, as the university will maintain its intensive law school preparation program.

"I don't know how long our 100 percent streak will go on, but we are sure that we will continue to strive to offer the best possible preparation for our students," he said. "Students are trained on a simulated Law School Admissions Test every semester and they know exactly what it takes to perform well."

**Melissa Kellner** is a nuclear cardiology technologist at Presbyterian University Hospital in Pittsburgh, PA.

**Amy Krak** is a program/publicity director at the YWCA of Wheeling.

**Sarah J. Law** will be attending graduate school in the fall of 1996 to pursue an M.S. in environmental science at American University in Washington, DC.

**Sheldon D. Life** is an operations manager at Sears in the Grand Central Mall in Vienna, WV.

**Alison McAleer** is a day care teacher assistant at the Wheeling Home for Children (Orchard Park Day Care Center) and works with the Mt. de Chantal Montessori School.

**James Moore** is employed at the Oglebay Good Zoo as a zoo keeper and has been accepted to The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine for the fall of 1996.

**Kelly Morgan** works in sales for WTRF NewsChannel 7 in Wheeling.

**Michele (Eyer) O'Neil** is a mining engineer for the Consolidation Coal Co., in Moundsville, WV. She resides in Valley Grove, WV, with her husband, Michael, and daughter, Joni.



**Ed Poach** is a personal financial advisor for American Express Financial Advisors in Bethel Park, PA.

**Ronald Ring** is a primary metallurgist for Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Co., in Steubenville, OH. He resides in Wellsville, OH, with his wife, Sarah.

**Cynthia Robertson** has applied to the Master's of Physical Therapy program at Wheeling Jesuit University.

**William Patrick Robertson** is an electronics and instrumentation technician for Georgia Pacific in Mt. Hope, WV

**Ryan Ryder** resides in Wheeling where he is a legal assistant/intern for Cassidy, Meyers, Cogan, Voegelin and Tennant, L.C.

**Robert A. Smith** is a key account engineer at American Electric Power in Wheeling.

**Brecken Gail (Lassetter) Streit** is the director of religious education at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church in South Charleston, WV. She resides in Charleston with her husband, Ted, and children, Lydia and Stephanie.

**Jade Thorne** is a research and financial coordinator for Hazlett, Burt, and Watson, Inc., in Wheeling.

**Rosann Trimmer** is an office/nurse manager for Ohio Valley Family Medicine in Steubenville, OH, where she resides with husband, Richard, and daughter, Katina.

**Shelly Trotter** resides in Wheeling with her son, Logan. Shelly is a head waitress at Nail City Brewery.

**Jennifer Willey** is a registered nurse in the operating room at West Virginia University Hospital in Morgantown.

## ALUMNI CHAPTERS

### Baltimore

**James '74 and Maureen (McCormick) '77 Osborne** hosted a cookout at their home on September 14. This dinner followed the chapter's first golf outing at the River Downs Golfer's Club. Participants were **Joe Carr '73, Joe Veith '74, Patrick Hyle '74, Jerry Sullivan '85, J.T. Triandafilou '87, Bill Barrett '85, Dick Wolff '86, Richard Manco '74, Bill "Mac" McCormick '74, John McNamara '74, John Sindall '77, Rose Ann Hefner, S.J.J. '71, Tom Hartnett '74, Elizabeth**



**(Costa) Bacaj '84, Nancy (Galligan) Fulton '80, Larry Seidl '70, Betty (Kirwan) Hastnett '74, and Gary "Chicken" Wetmiller '73.**

On July 28, alumni from Cleveland and Baltimore gathered at Camden Yards to watch the Orioles take on the 1996 AL champion Indians. They included: **Peter '64 and June (Boyle) '66 Goewey, Frank '64 and Judy (Glaser) '64 Carrol, Bob '75 and Catherine (Grondalski) '75 Coyne; Doug '75, and Joan (Day) '75 Groves; Thomas '76 and Cynthia (Lisieck) '77 Fitzgerald; Mark '89 and Carey (Chiody) '92 Steele; Tom '65 and Nancy (McClure) '65 Stanton; Bob '90 and Becky (Bell) '90 Tucker; Jeanne (Barrett) Hamilton '66, Jack Spittal '61, Michelle (Byers) McCullion '82, Debbie Cooley '86, David Rouse '75, Stephen McKee '75, Mary (Brady) McSheery '75, Edith (Offelt) Williams '85, Paula Steele '91, Charles Steel '62, Charles Lloyd '63, Beanie (Harris) Moran '65, Russ Tucker '92, Marybeth (Bosworth) Ardike '65, Eileen (Meagher) Cumiskey '65, Ann (Sharpenberg) O'Brien '65, Tony Terranova '87, Tom Cozzens '92, Liam Harmon '92, James Lyons '62 and Marc England '92. A total of 83 graduates, spouses and friends made up the Wheeling Jesuit group.**

### Charleston

It was the best-ball "Battle of the Decades" at the first annual golf outing August 17 at the Scarlet Oaks Golf Club. **Bob '90 and Jon Kardos '91** represented the recent graduates; **John Cherry '75 and Steve Hydock '76**, the 70's; representing the 60's were (pictures below, l to r): **Steve Haid '63, Allen Wojcik '63, Gerald Eddy '63 and Jim Dissen '63.** The duffers joined **Roann (Burris) Wojick '63, Dick Gerkin '65 and Judy (Saseen) Eddy '63** at the River's Edge Restaurant for dinner following their round.



### Cleveland

August 10, the Cleveland Alumni held a golf outing and reception at the Sweetbriar Golf Course, with special thanks to **Bill Borden '90** who made the arrangements. Participating in the event were: **John Skrha '90, Michael Moran '92, Tony Eisel '86, Matt Nussbaum '86 and Tom Roddy '85.**

### Columbus

The Columbus Alumni held their first golf outing at the Shamrock Golf Club and dinner at Applebees July 13.



Participants included: **Scott Gallagher '92**, **Kathleen Crowley '96**, **Jim Fornia '62**, **Ed Baran '88**, **David Azallion '91** and **Joe Miner '82**.

Friday, February, 7, 1997, Columbus Alumni (and die-hard Wheeling Nailers fans) are invited to a Columbus Chill vs. Wheeling Nailers hockey match in Columbus at 7:30 p.m. Mark your calendars today! More information will be mailed. If you would like to attend, call **Scott Gallagher '92** at 614-863-5178 or the Alumni Relations Office at 800-888ALUM (2586).

## Philadelphia

The 5th Annual Golf and Beef-N-Beer Reception was held at the General Washington Golf Club on September 21. **Kevan '82** and **Marguerite (Hogan) '82 Fritsch**, **Paul Currie '77**, **Joe Smith '73** and **Marilou (Gross) Doughty '77** co-chaired the event. This one-day event, which included a raffle, raised more than \$800 for the Philadelphia Alumni Scholarship. Past President of Wheeling College, **Rev. Charles Currie, S.J.**, was the honored guest. Other alumni and guests in attendance were **Michael '88** and **Janet (Huang) '89 Fitzpatrick**; **Frank '88** and **Jeannie (Payne) '87 Abate**; **William '77** and **Gena (DiBetta) '79 Kerrigan**; **Judy (Huang) Martin '83**; **Jessical Sol '90**; **Michael Scannapieco '77**; **Joe Ryan '73**; **Neil LaCasse '78**; **Tim Foy '86**; **Brian Steer '77**; **Ed Mulroy (father of Mark Mulroy '98)**; **Marty (Buckley) Shields '64**; **Fred Hess '73**; **Jim Gillin '73**; **John Giese '74** and **Rev. Carl Pieber**, vice president for advancement.

## Pittsburgh

In conjunction with the Wheeling/Ohio Valley Alumni Chapter, Pittsburgh Alumni sponsored a trip to Kenneywood Park August 11 (pictured below). A special thanks to **Andy '75** and **Ann (Mathison) Quinn '75** who helped sponsor the event.



## Washington, D.C.

June 22, alumni fought the heat and humidity at the Virginia Oaks Golf Course in Manassas, VA, for their first dinner and golf outing. **John "Skinny" Bodson '65** chaired the event. **Beanie (Harris) Moran '65**, **Billy Becker '72**, **Charles Loyd '63** and **Michael Coyne '61** attended the event.

## Alumni Runners

The first annual Alumni Race was held Saturday, April 27, as part of the Last Blast/Spring Carnival festivities. Twenty-two graduates and current cross country harriers took part in the event including **Marvin Abdalah '94**, **Matt Balkey '95**, **Kim Mihalyo '95**, **Ryan Childers '93**, **Hope (Sacco) Childers '96**, **Nora Bogolin '95**, **Cindy Robertson '96**, **Greg Neville '96**, and **Meredith Lewis '96**. Mark your calendar for the next race – April 26, 1997

## Alumni Softball

The woman's softball team celebrated the 10-year anniversary of its NAIA championship in 1986. Some of the members and friends of the team attended the "Welcome Back" party in the RATT during Alumni Weekend including (pictured below: first row, l to r) **Lea Ann "Beez" Schell '89**, **Susan Saccardi '85**, **Meave Connelly '88**, **Periann Powell '87**; (second row, l to r) **Susie (Lally) Levitt '83**, **Maureen Farrington '85**, **Jackie Kapres '87** **Lori Abraham '86**, **Carol August '87**



## Any Town, USA

If you want to become involved in an alumni chapter contact the Alumni Relations Office at 800-888-ALUM (2586), 304-243-2297 or E-mail: [alumni@wju.edu](mailto:alumni@wju.edu).

## WEDDINGS

**Kathy Jo Cantor '81** married Edward Cruny on July 14, 1995. Kathy is an associate professor of health technologies at Jefferson Community College.

**Mary Magdalen Bagwell '82** married Robert Gies in August of 1995. They reside in Baltimore, MD, and are expecting their first child in November 1996.

**Shelia M. Link '82** married Michael J. Reilly on Oct. 7, 1994. Shelia is a sales representative for Chas M. Sledd Co. in Wheeling.

**Paul V. Kelly '82** married Lisa K. Goetz on February 9, 1996. The couple resides in Yardley, PA.

**Mary Roemele '84** married Brian O'Keefe on June 29, 1996. Mary is a technical writer for Tartan, Inc., which is soon to be part of Texas Instruments. The couple resides in Moon Township, PA.

**Joseph B. Chandler '85** married Mary Koszarek on May 4, 1996. They reside in Turnersville, NJ. In February of 1996, Joe began his current job as advertising consultant with the Philadelphia Inquirer and Daily News. Mary is an operating room nurse at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital in Philadelphia.





**Megan Brosnan '87** married **Kevin Jones** on October 15, 1995. Megan is currently performing off-broadway as Lynette in "Lynette." (pictured above; standing 1 to r) **Matt McGill '87**, **Nicole Hess '87**, **Charles White '89**, **Alice (Keeting) White '87**, **Greg McLeod '87**, **Janie (Gooler) Callahan '87**, **Brian Callahan '87**, and **John Triandafilou '87**

**John Principe '88** married **Michelle Gonot** on August 17, 1996. John is employed by Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Corporation at the Steubenville complex as the fire and safety inspector and is a member of the corporation's hazardous materials and emergency medical response team. The couple resides in Martins Ferry, OH.

**Krista Ann Key '89** married **Todd Mroczkowski '88** on August 31, 1996. Wheeling Jesuit graduates in the wedding party were **Robert Mroczkowski '88**, **Michael Andlinger '92**, **Marc England '92**, **Christopher Ruhland '92**, and **Russ Tucker '92**. The couple resides in Shadyside, OH.

**Pamela Rusciolelli '91** married **Brett Schoppert** on December 30, 1995. **Rev. Joseph Sanders, S.J.**, officiated at the wedding. (Pictured below) Wheeling Jesuit graduates in the wedding party were **Kim Demczyk '92** (third from left) and **Noreen Sullivan '92** (fourth from left). Pamela is the daughter of **Col. Philip '68** and **Barbara (Davies) '68 Rusciolelli**. Pamela is a configuration manager/process improvement for Science Applications International Corporation (SAI) in Vienna, VA.



**Amy Stocke '91** married **Chikara Yamada** on June 29, 1996. Amy teaches Spanish at South Dakota University in Brookings, SD, where she resides.

**Amy Thompson '91** married **Michael DeLaney** on August 31, 1996. Amy is employed at the National Technology Transfer Center as a staff accountant.

**Donna Talbert '92** married **Michael Jeffcoat** on September 16, 1995. They reside in Wheeling and both work at Allegheny General Hospital in Pittsburgh, PA. (Pictured below) Wheeling Jesuit graduates in the wedding party were **Beth Chambers '92** (second from left) and **Karen Talbert '94** (fourth from left).



**Scott Williams '92** married **Pamela Chipps** on August 26, 1994. Scott is a programmer/analyst for Commercial Transportation Services in Parma, OH.

**Dawn Marie Contraguerro '93** married **Kenny Ganer** on June 20, 1996, in Negril, Jamaica. Dawn is a registered nurse at the Charleston Area Medical Center in Charleston, WV.

**Laura England '93** married **Don Benson, Jr. '92** on August 3, 1996 with the **Rev. James O'Brien, S.J.**, officiating. They reside in North Canton, OH where Laura is a Montessori teacher at Grand Oaks Montessori School. Don is attending Northeastern Ohio University's College of Medicine and is pursuing a doctorate in experimental biopsychology at Kent State University (pictured below). On floor: **Dan Ittner '96**, **Ryan Ryder '96**. First Row: **John Gasiorowski '92**, **Michael Ferrier '94**, **John McClusky '93**, **Jennifer Benson '96**, **Andrew Cullen '92**, **Laura and Don Benson**, **Jim O'Malley '92**, **Marc England '92** and **Michelle Pasden '94**. Second Row: **Pam (Karner) Cullen '95**, **Jim Cullen '92**, **Sean Maloney '96**, **Jeff McGeary '92**, **Rosemary (Vincentin) Benson '62**, **Rev. Joseph Sanders, S.J.**, **Mary Beth (Viglietta) Mudric '92**, **Liz Boyd '92**, **Mary Gasiorowski**, **Rachel Hogg '93** and **Angela Macci '80**. Third Row: **Tony Presutti '92**, **Tim Mudric '92** and **Paul Benson '94**. Also in attendance: **Dr. Don Benson '61**, **Lisa Roth '93**, and **Dr. Jim Goodwin**.





**Stephanie J. Lucas '93** married **Christopher Hurley '95** on June 6, 1996. Stephanie is a R.N. in the oncology unit at the University of North Carolina Medical Center. Christopher is employed with IBM as a computer consultant.

**Mark Sedor '93** married Carrie Busack on July 20, 1996. Mark is a licensed practitioner employed by Apria Healthcare as a branch manager. The couple resides in Newark, OH.

**Michelle Hart '94** married Rick Billetter on April 29, 1995. Michelle joined the Air Force in March of 1996 and is ranked Second Lieutenant. She is working as a staff nurse at Tinker AFB in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

**Keith Alan Niggemyer '94** married Amy Jean Norman on June 22, 1996. Keith is attending the West Virginia University School of Medicine. The couple resides in Charleston, WV.

**Kim Miller '95** married **Frank W. Nechay '94** on July 13, 1996. The couple resides in Salisbury, MD. Kim is a homes coordinator for Resort Housing Group, Inc., in Ocean City, MD, and Frank is employed by General Refrigeration Company in Delmar, DE.

**Kirsten Traczyk '95** married Jeffrey Foley on June 22, 1996. The couple resides in Texas.

**Mary Stanton '95** married **Joe "Chucky" Young '95** on January 7, 1995. Joe is a first year master's student in Environmental Engineering at WVU. He recently started his research in membrane technology for filtration of industrial cooling water. Mary was recently accepted into the fully accredited Physician Assistant Program at the College of West Virginia at Beckley, WV.

**Dani Hayes '96** married **James Richthammer '96** on August 10, 1996. Jim is a sixth and eighth grade science teacher at the Linsly School in Wheeling. Dani holds a teaching position at St. Francis Xavier School in Moundsville, WV.

**Hope Marie Sacco '96** married **Ryan Childers '93** on July 20, 1996. Hope is employed by Wheeling Jesuit University as a research assistant and plans to pursue a Master's degree in geography at WVU. Ryan is an assistant manager at Bob Evans restaurant and an assistant cross country and track coach for Wheeling Central High School.

Karen Anne Yasinsky married Winston Rice on October 5, 1996 at Our Lady of the Elms Chapel near Akron, OH. **WJU President Father Thomas Acker** performed the ceremony along with the groom's father, an Episcopalian Rector at St. John's Church across from the White House in Washington, DC. The bride is the daughter of **John '61 and Marleen Yasinsky**. John Yasinsky is vice chairman of the WJU Board of Directors and chairman and CEO of GenCorp., Inc.

## NEW CARDINALS

**Joseph P. Ryan '73** and his wife, Claire, had a son, Richard McCarthy Ryan, on May 1, 1995. Joseph P. Ryan is a partner in Ryan, Wochok, Ryan & Reed, Ltd. The family resides in Broomall, PA.

**Stephen J. Sargent '77** and his wife, Christine, adopted a son, Michael William Sargent on Feb. 23, 1996. The family resides in North Canton, OH. Stephen is a senior scientific analyst/programmer for Lockheed Martin Tactical Defense Systems in Akron, Ohio.

**Fred Williams '78** and his wife, Mitzi, adopted a daughter,

Dolly. The family resides in Scottsdale, AZ, where Fred is an attorney with Gust Rosenfeld in Phoenix and heads the firm's public law practice section.

**Judy (Kammer) Bohannon '80** and her husband, Kenneth, had a daughter, Caroline Noelle on Dec. 16, 1995. The family resides in Louisville, KY.

**Lisa Hoffman-Rios '81** and her husband, Frederick, had a son, Alexander Rodolfo on June 6, 1996. The family resides in Rome, Italy.

**Linda (Correll) Leonard '81** and her husband, Darren, had a daughter, Veronica Jane on Aug. 18, 1995. The family resides in West Mifflin, PA.

**Barbara (Danisewicz) Nemits '81** and her husband, Ronald, had a son, Andrew in Oct. 1995. He joins brother Daniel, who is two years old.

**Carol (Szczepaniak) Gabel '82** and her husband, Ketch, had a son, Benjamin Thomas on Nov. 9, 1995. He joins sisters Ashley, 7, Christine, 6, and brother, John, 3.

**Carol (Leber) Lane, '82** and her husband, Brian, had a daughter, Allison Marie on July 29, 1996. She joins sister Shannon, who is two years old.

**Anna Maria (Fisher) Sheehan '82** and her husband, Thomas, had a daughter, Alexandra McCulloch on Dec. 15, 1995. She joins brother Daniel, who is three years old.

**Diane (Lunz) DiCello '83** and her husband, Mark, had a daughter, Carli Marie on Jan. 26, 1996.

**Peter Sullivan '83** and his wife, Judy, had a son, Jack on Jan. 14, 1996.

**Mary Hammond, M.D., '84** and her husband, Jim Brinsky, had a son, David on Aug. 29, 1996.

**Denise (Horning) Mohar '84** and her husband, Lawrence, had a daughter, Catherine Ann on June 24, 1996. She joins Emily and Levi. The Mohar family resides in North Olmsted, OH.

**Karen (O'Brien) O'Connell '84** and **Jim O'Connell '82** had their third child, Shane Patrick on Feb. 18, 1996. Shane joins Ryan, 5, Caitlin, 3. The family resides in Raleigh, NC.

Ellington Peirce Muse, daughter of **Courtney (Cosgrove) Muse '85**, was baptized by **Rev. James O'Brien, S. J.**, on June 23, 1996. Courtney and her husband, Chip, also have a two-year daughter, Caroline (pictured below).



**Donna (Walsh) Dorsey '85** and her husband, **Bernard Dorsey '82**, had a son, Sean Michael on Dec. 14, 1995.

**Clare (Kelly) Kuzma '86** and her husband, James, had a daughter, Kelly Marie on March 6, 1996. She joins brother James Thomas.



**Rosette (Marino) O'Donnell '87** and her husband, Lee, had a daughter, Marissa Lee on May 2, 1996. Rosette is a respiratory care practitioner in Commack, NY.

**Christy (Wolf) '87 and Chris Tarr '87** had a daughter, Justine Nicole on June 20, 1996. Christy is an RN assessment coordinator at Bishop Joseph Hodges Continuous Care Center in Wheeling. Chris is a counselor specialist at Community Mental Health Services in St. Clairsville, OH.

**Allan Miller '88** and his wife, Saorong, had a daughter, Channimuth Elizabeth on Aug. 3, 1996.

**Jamie (Arslain) Sokos '88** and her husband, Matthew, adopted a baby boy, Gus, on Nov. 8, 1994. Jamie is currently a member of the Wheeling Jesuit Nursing Honor Society and was a past secretary of that club.

**Melissa (Gallagher) Leach, O.D., '89**, and her husband, Darren, had a son, Zachary Aaron, on Feb. 2, 1995. Missy is a practicing optometrist in Westerville, OH.

**William Borden '91** and his wife, Catherine, had a son, Thomas Albert, on July 28, 1995. William is a probation officer for the Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas in Cleveland, OH.

**Melissa Fletcher '91** and her husband, Scott, had a daughter, Chelsea Renee, on Sept. 18, 1995. Melissa works at the Wheeling Clinic and runs the nuclear cardiology department which she helped start in 1993.

**Tina (Rogerson) Tordella '91** and her husband, Michael, had a daughter, Anna Marie, on June 1, 1995. Tina is a hospital social worker at Wheeling Hospital.

**Michelle (Bogden) Wheeler '92** and her husband, **Kent '90**, had a daughter, Danielle Christine, on March 21, 1996.

**Silvia (Munoz) Horan '92** and her husband, **Michael '90** had a son, Jared, on May 2, 1996. He joins brothers Zachary, 3, and Justin, 2. Michael was recently hired as the director of development at Bishop Donohue High School.

**Katherine (Healy) Leary '95** and her husband, Brendan, had twins, Kathy and Timmy, in Feb. 1996. Katherine is a biochemist and Brendan is a pediatric brain surgeon.

**Amy (Ramsey) Scott '96** and her husband, Robert, had a daughter, Meghan Elizabeth, on Jan. 31, 1996.

## OBITUARIES

**Ralph B. McDaniel '65** passed away April 11, 1996. He is survived by his wife, Sharon, and a daughter, Kimberly.

Helene Lamb passed away August 23, 1996, the mother of **Betsy Kahn** who is employed by Wheeling Jesuit in the Business Office.

Flora Bell Green passed away August 9, 1996, the mother of **Diana L. Green**, former member of the WJU Board of Directors.

Michael Orr, son of Jean and **Dr. Paul Orr**, professor emeritus of English at WJU, passed away in September 1996.



## FORMER EMPLOYEES

**B. Pat O'Rourke** (pictured at left) resides in Cape Coral, FL, where he is a community development specialist for the Lee County Economic Development Office. Pat was the director of development in the early 1970s under President **Rev. Charles**

# Message to All Graduates from the Class of 1965

In late August of 1961, I was fortunate enough to be part of the incoming class of 1965 at what was then Wheeling College. We would turn out to be the seventh graduating class, hence the nickname, "Septimi." I have no idea how we started calling ourselves that, but I think it has something to do with the weird nature of our little group. We decided to have a class song called "Hello, Septimi" which sounds vaguely familiar to "Hello, Dolly." All right, it sounds exactly like "Hello, Dolly."

During our orientation week, one of my classmates, Jim Crawford, was trying to get my attention while I was walking down the hall in McHugh. With all of us being new to each other, we still didn't know everybody's name. He called "hey" a couple of times and when I didn't answer, he yelled "hey, skinny." I turned around in response and the rest is history. I am now 53 years old and my classmates still call me Skinny (and I'm still not!). It was the start of our nicknames. There was BJ, Boz, Mac, Fidats, Fots, P, Buck, Wild William, BB, Banny, Mopo, Lubie, Beanie, Eager Meager, Skip, Bertie, Scags, Gordo and others.

If you check the records of attendance at respective 25 and 30 year reunions, you'll see that Septimi holds the record for numbers returning. We even used to hold summer reunions when we were in school.

All of the above is mentioned to show the unique nature of our class and how we keep each other informed about our lives. As far as I know, we do not have anyone in jail or under indictment. What we do have is the Septimi Scholarship Fund. It was established in 1990 at our 25th reunion. We reached and surpassed our initial goal of \$25,000 at our 30th reunion and have just awarded our first stipend this year. It's only \$1000, but it is a start. We hope to increase that amount as donations continue and interest builds up.

Our scholarship is a way that we, the Class of 1965, can leave a permanent legacy of our time at Wheeling. I encourage other classes to consider doing something similar to leave their mark on a school that has been a wonderful experience for all of us who have passed through the gates of Wheeling.

Sincerely,

John "Skinny" Bodson

**Currie, S.J.** He retired from the Greater Washington, D.C. Board of Trade two years ago and moved to Florida. Wanting to get involved with the community, he became membership director of the Chamber of Southwest Florida and then joined the Lee County Economic Development Office.



# Alumni Weekend '97

## May 23-25, 1997

**A**lumni Weekend '97 is reconnecting, reliving and rediscovering Wheeling Jesuit University — the people and places that made your college experience so rewarding. Rejoicing, reminiscing and reliving old friendships is what Alumni Weekend '97 is all about.

Campus housing, providing all the comforts, is available in the new residence hall for \$10 a night per person. Each room is air conditioned with individual bathrooms. Alumni will be located in the heart of the reunion activities without having to commute to off-campus residence locations after an eventful day.

Additionally, Alumni Weekend '97 is a family affair. Babysitting for infants and a variety of fun-filled activities for children of all ages will be offered — so bring the entire family!



*Some members of the Class of 1971 celebrate their Silver Anniversary.*

A luncheon honoring the Class of 1972, our Silver Anniversary Class, will be held in the theater at noon, May 24. Saturday evening is the highlight with the annual Awards Banquet and University dance for all the alumni and guests. The Memorial Mass and alumni brunch concludes the celebration on Sunday, May 25.

Mark your calendar today and plan to attend Alumni Weekend '97 and make new alumni reunion memories.



*Fr. Joseph Sanders, S.J., presents the Rev. Clifford M. Lewis S.J., Award to Orlando "Lanny" Sacco '66, with his wife, Carole, during the Awards banquet.*

## Come Home!

## May 23-25, 1997



*During the Awards Banquet, James Sagona '71 shares his thoughts on the past 25 years and the future of WJU.*





# Reunion Weekend May 23-25, 1997

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