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ON LEAVING A

lasting impression

Words by Kevin Rea, Wyoming Seminary President



“Wyoming Seminary’s highest aspirations reside in the true, the beautiful and the good, which lift us to achieve tremendous things together.”

A few years ago I enjoyed a wonderful lunch with some highly engaging high school seniors and New York Times columnist David Brooks. In April last year he penned an interesting New York Times column called “How to Leave a Mark on People.” The article pays homage to one of his dear friends, Joe Toscano, who died unexpectedly fighting a fire. In the column Brooks described Toscano as a loving father of five and a firefighter in Watertown, Mass., writing, “Joe was a community-building guy—serving his town, organizing events like fishing derbies for beves of kids, radiating infectious and neighborly joy.”

Brooks met Toscano at the Incarnation Summer Camp decades ago. When somebody posted a picture of 250 Incarnation alumni at a reunion with the caption, “My Family” on Toscano’s Facebook wall, it gave Brooks pause to reflect upon how the best organizations leave a mark on people, what he calls the “thickness” of a place and its people, as opposed to the “thinness” of organizations which do not leave an imprint. Whereas thick organizations leave a mark on a person for life, thin organizations you pass through with barely a memory. Of “thick” institutions Brooks writes:

A thick institution becomes part of a person’s identity and engages the whole person: head, hands, heart and soul...thick institutions have a different moral ecology. People tend to like the version of themselves that is called forth by such places. James Davison Hunter and Ryan Olson of the University of Virginia study thick and thin moral frameworks. They point to the fact that thin organizations look to take advantage of people’s strengths and treat people as resources to be marshaled. Thick organizations think in terms of virtue and vice. They take advantage of people’s desire to do good and arouse their higher longings...In a thick organization selfishness and selflessness marry. It fulfills your purpose to help others have a good day.” -New York Times, April 18, 2017

This edition of the Wyoming Seminary Journal presents examples of our community’s inspiring thickness. This year’s Round Square International

Conference in Cape Town, South Africa brought nine students as well as Sem community members Regina Allen and Allie Maxwell to that amazing country for service and adventure learning opportunities on a trip that truly changed our students' perspectives. Eight other students travelled to Romania in November, bringing school supplies and medicine to children there. On Saturday, January 13, Modern Language Department faculty members Konstantin Lyavdansky (Russian) and Jessica Liu Gensel (Mandarin) oversaw our annual International Dinner, in which student chefs from our global community prepared delicious meals for our on-campus and day families.

Recently Lower School fifth-grade literacy teacher Jennifer Green spearheaded that division's participation in the global Great Kindness Challenge. One hundred and three countries participated in the challenge this year. During one particular week Lower School faculty made an extra effort to create a culture of kindness and strived to "Be Kinder than Necessary." More thank-yous, smiles, helping hands, and listening time were some of the goals, in addition to specific grade-level activities. Leslie Odom, Jr. played to a packed, sold-out crowd of 600 in our Kirby Center for the Creative Arts, referring to our center as "the best high school arts center he has ever seen." I could go on with many other examples of how Sem is leaving a mark within our community and our world.

Wyoming Seminary's highest aspirations reside in the true, the beautiful and the good, which lift us to achieve tremendous things together. We all, individually and collectively, carry the responsibility of participating in and preserving the thickness of our Sem family, applying unequivocal effort to this important work. Just as Sem has left and continues to leave a mark on each of us in some way, we hold the beautiful potential of leaving a mark on Sem, not just for today's students but also for their families and for future generations of graduates.

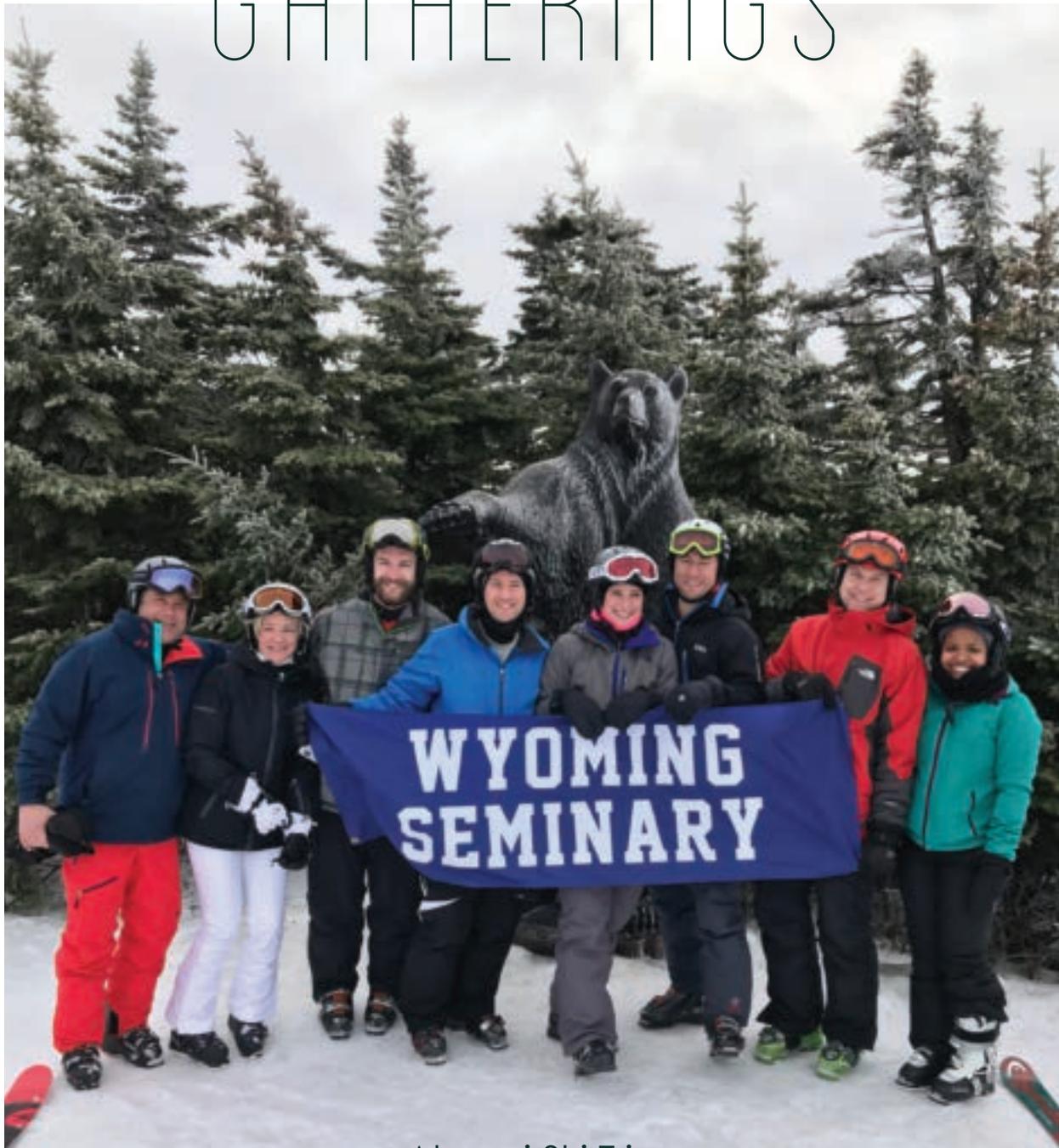
David Brooks notes that people tend to favor the version of themselves that thick organizations call forth. As you read and enjoy this edition of the Journal, I ask you to reflect upon the version of yourself that you like as Sem calls forth your head, heart and soul in 2018.



Above: The Sem community was well represented at last fall's international Round Square conference in Cape Town, South Africa.

Learn more about the trip on page 11.

GATHERINGS



Alumni Ski Trip

Mark your calendar: January 25-28, 2019

Mark your calendars now for next year's Alumni Ski Trip! All alumni are invited to gather for four days of skiing and spa fun during Sem's Long Weekend on January 25-28, 2019. Contact JULIE MCCARTHY STRZELETZ '81, Director of Alumni Programs, for more information and stay tuned for details about next year's trip!

HOLIDAY GATHERING

December 6, 2017 • Westmoreland Club, Wilkes-Barre



John Dowd, Wyoming Seminary Trustee; Tina Dowd, David Reppert, CAROLINE REPERT '13, Cathy Reppert.



DEBBIE MASEYCHIK '83, Director of Alumni Programs JULIE MCCARTHY STRZELETZ '81, and RICK BLUM '66.



DAWN LOMBARDO GAUDINO '81, Paul and Kadie Amara P '11, P '19.



BARB WILLIAMS '74, CORNELIA CONYNGHAM ROMANOWSKI '75, SIS SCHALM ERTLEY '62.



LILLIAN DAVIS SMITH '53 and Jack Eidam, former Dean of Admission.

HOLIDAY GATHERING, continued



The Alumni Council met prior to the party to hear proposals from students who wish to be granted funds for clubs, athletics, and other programs.

First row from left: JENNIFER EIDAM DAVIS '94, Alumni Council president; KATRINA WALLACE '11; JILLIAN SEELEY '05; JULIE MCCARTHY STRZELETZ '81, director of alumni programs. Second row: DEBBIE MASEYCHIK '83; SARA ROSENBERG MOLITORIS '05; MADHAN SRINIVASAN '01; STEVE MOLITORIS '97. Third row: JASON NATAUPSKY '03; ALEX FLACK '05; CHRISTIAN SWITZER '05. Fourth row: ROB BRESNAHAN '08; DAN VOLPETTI '03; DAVID SCHWAGER '80.

BOSTON

November 30, 2017



JOHN SHAFER '71, Vice President of Advancement; Paul Hart, COLBY CONNELL '93.

NICHOLAS MILLER '06, LIQIAN MA '02.



HARTFORD

December 1, 2017

First row, JULIE MCCARTHY STRZELETZ '81, Director of Alumni Programs; NANCY BRADER GIBSON '50, Joyce Buckingham. Second row: JOHN SHAFER '71, Vice President of Advancement; MADDIE KROPP '05, Director of Annual Giving; HAL BUCKINGHAM '48, BRIAN DAVIS '73, BARRET KATUNA '00, TONY DENNIS '54, LEIGH LAWRENCE KUMPA '86.





Seen following the alumni hockey game are, first row from left: CHRIS LORENC '05, WILL MCLAUGHLIN '06, LUKAS BILEK '10 and DUSTIN GOOD '04. Second row, from left: STEVE HARASCHAK '06, LUKAS PAVLICEK '99, KEN SUCHOSKI '07, TONY IERFINO '08 and MATT PACKARD '03.



Richard Somerfield, ALEXANDRA LAUGHLIN '14, ANDREW DREWCHIN '14, TROY EDWARDS '14, CONNOR SCALLEAT '14.



Irene and Bill Ziegler P '19, DUSTIN GOOD '04.



AMBER SKYE NOYES '05, left, and Meaghan Murray. Noyes is featured this spring on the hit ABC show "Quantico," beginning May 3.



Alumni hockey game, first row from left: BILL ZIEGLER P '19, LUKAS BILEK '10, KEN SUCHOSKI '07, CHRIS LORENC '05, DUSTIN GOOD '04. Second row: LUKAS PAVLICEK '99, TONY IERFINO '08, NICK PAPPAS '03, STEVE HARASCHAK '06, MATT PACKARD '03, FRED ALLAIRE '17.

Cum Laude Society inducts new members



Eleven seniors were inducted in the Cum Laude Society during the fall term, in recognition of their academic accomplishments. Cum Laude, the national academic honor society for independent schools, encourages and rewards academic excellence. Inductees must be in the top ten percent of their class. Seen above are the 2017 inductees: SOPHIA POLGAR, CECILIA NEWHART, LILLIAN HORNING, HANYU CHEN, HANLIN ZHU and YUNRU ZHENG. Second row, from left: MATTHEW BOLAN, SAMUEL SWEITZER, BOBBY AUSTIN, YANCHEN ZHONG and YIQUN LIU.

Sem students receive National Merit honors

Four seniors have been named Finalists in the 2018 National Merit Scholarship competition and are continuing on to compete for about 7,500 Merit Scholarship awards, worth more than \$32 million, offered this spring. The Finalists are, from left: THOMAS WEIL, SOPHIA POLGAR, MAHEEN MAHAR and MATTHEW BOLAN.

The National Merit Scholarship Corporation also named the following four seniors as Commended Students: DUNCAN LUMIA, BOBBY AUSTIN, JEREMY BAKER and AMEEN BADER.



Students win at regional math competitions

Both Lower and Upper School students earned top honors in recent local and regional math competitions. At the 2018 Regional MATHCOUNTS competition, ALVIN TUO '22 helped lead his team to a second-place finish, and he won first place in both the individual and countdown rounds. Teammates THOMAS FIGURA '23 placed eighth in the individual and third in the countdown rounds, while RANIYA KHAN '23 placed seventh in the individual and eighth in the countdown rounds. Tuo and Figura were eligible to compete in the state MATHCOUNTS tournament.

Twelve Upper School students competed in the fall King's College math competition, working in three teams of four students each. The three teams took first, second and third place, and students TIANWEI LI '20, ARYAMAN ARORA '20 and XIAOBU ZHOU '21 won the first, second and third place individual awards. Li also won first place at the fall Dickinson College math competition and helped his team of BOBBY AUSTIN '18, MATTHEW BOLAN '18 and NIKOLAI STEFANOV '19 win second place overall; Austin and Bolan also placed in the top 10 finishers.

Mock Trial wins state tournament

The Wyoming Seminary Mock Trial team won the 2018 Pennsylvania State High School Mock Trial Tournament in Harrisburg in March, going undefeated in district, regional and state competition for the first time in school history. The team won in four rounds and defeated Penn Trafford High School to win the championship. The Blue Knights continue on to the 2018 National High School Mock Trial Championship, to be held in Reno, Nevada in May.

Sem's Mock Trial program also won the state championship in March, 2011 for the first time in its history.

"This is a magical season for us," says team captain MEGHNA MELKOTE '18. "We have a young team and we didn't expect to win the state competition. Now we are really excited to go to Reno, Nevada for the national competition. Our success is all due to our wonderful coaches who were so dedicated to us, and we are very grateful to them."

The team also earned first-place awards at the 2018 Benjamin Franklin Invitational Tournament and the 2018 La Salle University Blue & Gold Invitational Tournament. Melkote also led her team to an 11th place finish in the 11th annual Empire New York: The World Championship Mock Trial Tournament.



The team is coached by teacher-coaches Adam Carlisle and David Johnson, and is advised by area attorneys Paul Galante and Zach Watkins, and former Sem Mock Trial captain CAROLINE REPPERT '13.

Seen following their victory in the 2018 Pennsylvania State Mock Trial Tournament are, from left: JILLAYNE GUMBS '20, MORGAN PRICE '19, SHAILEE DESAI '21, team captain MEGHNA MELKOTE '18, COREY BOHN '18, PHILIP OUELLETTE '19 and MOLLY LEAHY '19.

Children entranced by coding at STEM Lower School event



By playing entertaining games and directing colorful robotic toys, a group of more than 50 children experienced varying levels of computer coding during the annual STEM Saturday Beyond the Hour of Code event. Held at the Lower School in January, the event brought children in grades kindergarten through eighth grade together to practice coding using apps and equipment geared to their ages. The event is organized by Sem's Maslow STEM School and is designed to build on the worldwide Hour of Code event, held every December. Seen teaching fourth and fifth graders how to work with Sphero computer toys are, from left: TIANWEI LI '20 and LIXIANG YIN '20.

The science and artistry of glass blowing comes to Upper School



What is glass, and how do glass artisans create their glowing works of art? Members of the Keystone Mobile Glass Studio, located at Keystone College in LaPlume, answered those and many other questions during a fascinating Louis Maslow STEM School presentation last fall. The studio's artisans explained the science of fiber optics, the physics of shaping glass and the chemistry of colored glass during the day-long program. As many as 24 Sem Upper School students enjoyed an opportunity to try their hand at molding and blowing glass, with the assistance of the glass studio artists. They also toured the mobile glass studio and observed the artists preparing the glass, heating it to 2,000-2,300 degrees Fahrenheit. Pictured above: CAITLYN WALKER '20 tries her hand at shaping a piece of hot glass.

Sem students bring school supplies to Romanian children's home

During the Thanksgiving break in November, 2017, eight Sem students traveled to Brasov, Romania to bring a bit of cheer to homeless children living in three children's homes. Sem science teacher ELLEN HUGHES '09 and alumna MADISON DOWD '14 coordinated the visit with Commit Ministries to bring the students to the town for three days in November. The students brought school supplies,



medicine, vitamins, shoes, backpacks and gifts to the children, ages 6-20, and spent time with them, teaching English, presenting skits with puppets, singing songs and coloring pictures. This was the first time Sem had organized a community service trip to Romania, Hughes says, and she hopes there will be more such trips in the future. "When it comes to community service trips, Romania is often forgotten because international adoptions are not allowed," she says. "We really enjoyed getting to know the children and spending time with them. There are so many homeless children there and they have lived through so many traumatic experiences, but they were very outgoing and loved being with us. We would love to go back." Pictured above: Sem students sort through the shoes, school supplies and other items they brought to distribute to Romanian children.

COMETRY brings inspirational message to Upper School



Poetry combined with comedy that provokes thought, tells a story, raises individual awareness and delivers and inspirational message...that's COMETRY! Poet and COMETRY co-founder Iggy Mwela and comedian Claudia Martinez brought their poems, stories and humor in January to an Upper School assembly. There they explained that the combination of comedy and poetry presents a type of performance that inspires viewers to consider how they could improve their leadership skills by embracing similarities and differences, both in themselves and in others. Members of Sem's Students of Color Association (SOCA) and the Perspectives Group then led workshops where students learned more about becoming inspirational leaders.



Celebrating 175 YEARS

Beginning this September, Wyoming Seminary will begin a year-long celebration of 175 years as the premier independent school in Northeastern Pennsylvania! Sem first opened its doors to 14 girls and 17 boys on September 25, 1844, and the school community is looking forward to celebrating Sem's history and achievements during the 175th academic year.

The festivities will begin with an All-School Birthday Party at Upper School on Tuesday, September 25, 2018 and culminate with a black-tie gala during the week of September 22-28, 2019. Treasures in the Sem archives will be featured in several exhibits throughout the year, and the school's many arts events, athletics and alumni gatherings such as Homecoming and Alumni Weekend will have an anniversary theme.

It's time to celebrate Sem! Watch your email and social media posts for more information in the coming months.



Round Square trip ignites the fire within Sem delegation

Students travel to South Africa for international conference

Students spent five days in October at the Bridge House School in Cape Winelands, South Africa, serving as the Sem delegation to the 2017 Round Square International Conference. Using the theme "Unite to Ignite the Fire Within," the conference brought together 1,127 students from 169 schools in 47 countries to take part in community service projects, workshops and discussions about issues that reflect Round Square's ideals: internationalism, democracy, environmentalism, adventure, leadership and service.

Sem's delegation included ISABELLA STASH '18, MICHAEL DOGGETT '19, LAUREN FLETCHER '19, MORGAN PRICE '19, JIARUI TANG '19, EMMA BEAN '20, ALLISON HOHN '20 and JACOB SHOEMAKER '20. Led by Sem Director of International Admission Regina Allen, Director of Residential Life Allie Maxwell and Trustee JONATHAN GREENWALD '60, the students engaged in hands-on learning about world cultures and social issues. One significant issue for everyone at the conference was dealing with South Africa's devastating drought, and the Sem delegation observed firsthand how the drought affected the population when they spent a day volunteering at a preschool in a nearby parched and impoverished Cape Town neighborhood. "I really enjoy working with children and it was at the preschool that I learned the most. They were the happiest people I had ever met, despite living in extreme poverty," said Doggett. "This experience taught me to truly appreciate the opportunities that I have and that happiness does not come from 'stuff' but from the quality of your relationships."

One of the many conference highlights was an evening cultural performance featuring student artists, and the

Sem delegation was delighted when Tang played the piano. "Jerry Tang played an incredible piano piece in front of the conference, which none of us knew about until he walked on stage," Doggett said. "The entire conference gave him a loud standing ovation."

The delegation also spent a pre-conference week visiting South Africa, rafting and cliff jumping on the Sabie River, meeting elephants at an elephant sanctuary, exploring the Sudwala Caves and touring the Krueger National Park.

Following their return to campus, the delegation shared their experiences at a school assembly with individual presentations and a video by Bean. They noted that their circles of friends have grown to include students from schools in Africa, Europe and Asia, and they encouraged their classmates to use the Round Square ideals to enhance the community, on campus and off. Attending this conference was a life-changing experience, they agreed.

"The conference showed us how to not be afraid to test boundaries and encouraged us to be ourselves," Bean said. "Now I have friends in India and Kenya and South Africa, so when I hear about those countries, it hits close to my heart."

"Not only was the trip fun and an adventure, but I also learned so much more than what can be taught in a textbook, and I will strive to make a lasting impact on the world," said Stash. "Round Square is without a doubt the highlight of my high school career."

Wyoming Seminary is one of 14 Round Square schools in the nation and the only one in Pennsylvania. To learn more about Round Square, visit www.wyomingseminary.org.

Standing room only

Words by Gail Smallwood
Photo by Josiah Lewis





Leslie Odom Jr. brings “Hamilton” magic to Sem’s Kirby Center

It’s not every day that you get to see a contemporary Broadway star in person in a live performance. In January 600 people of all ages made sure they would not miss an opportunity to see “Hamilton” cast member Leslie Odom Jr. sing at Sem’s Kirby Center, as part of his current national tour.

Odom transfixed the sold-out crowd with songs from “Hamilton,” the television show “Smash,” and two albums he has recorded. He and his five-man band offered a mixture of show tunes, such as “Hamilton’s” “Wait For It” and “The Room Where It Happens,” and a song from “Rent,” a show that helped him start his career. He stopped from time to time to talk with his young fans sitting in front of the stage, joking that they probably didn’t want to hear him singing songs from Nat King Cole. And then he thrilled his adult fans with a smooth medley of “Mona Lisa,” “Straighten Up and Fly Right,” and “Unforgettable.”

Although “Hamilton” catapulted Odom into house-hold name stardom, he has been pursuing his first love, singing, all his life. He frequently encourages his fans to build their lives around the passions they enjoy the most.

“I’m kind of lucky I get to bring as much of myself into the work,” he said in an interview with the Scranton Times-Tribune writer Gia Mazur. “It’s all deeply personal to me, touring and connecting with fans in a more open way. I’m up there telling the stories about my life and singing songs I love.”

Odom’s performance was part of the 2017-18 *Sem Presents!* Performing Arts Series, supported by the Black Horse Foundation, Mountain Productions, Lewith & Freeman Real Estate, Inc. and Petroleum Service Company.

At left: Leslie Odom Jr. and his band perform for a packed crowd on the stage of the Kirby Center for Creative Arts.



To Dance and Sing

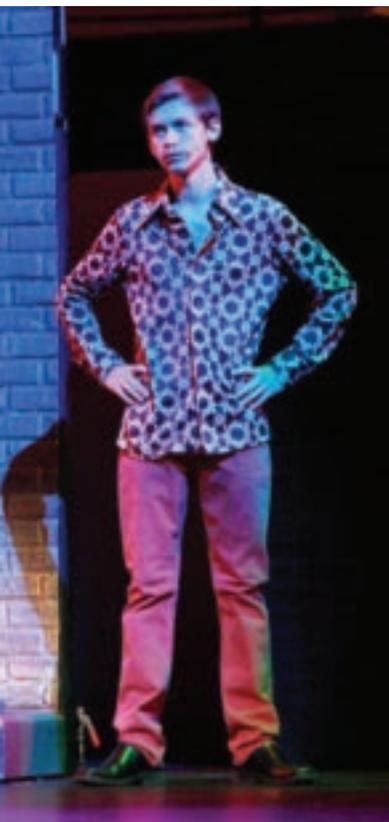
Acclaimed dance company and dry-witted musical highlight fall arts calendar

The Limón Dance Company, renowned for its technical mastery and dramatic expression, brought its exquisite artistry to the Kirby Center stage in October. Considered one of the world's greatest dance companies, Limón has been at the vanguard of American Modern Dance since its inception in 1946 by the late José Limón. This performance was part of the 2017-18 *Sem Presents!* Performing Arts Series.

A prolonged severe drought in a large unnamed city leads a local businessman to charge the public to use his bathrooms, inspiring one of his employees to lead a revolt. That's the premise of the Broadway hit musical comedy "Urinetown," staged by the Wyoming Seminary Players in November. The musical pokes fun at the standard musical format, using familiar images set against different backdrops and situations. The Tony Award-winning show features popular tunes such as "Run Freedom Run!" and "Don't Be the Bunny."



Urinetown photos courtesy of Ellen Sherry



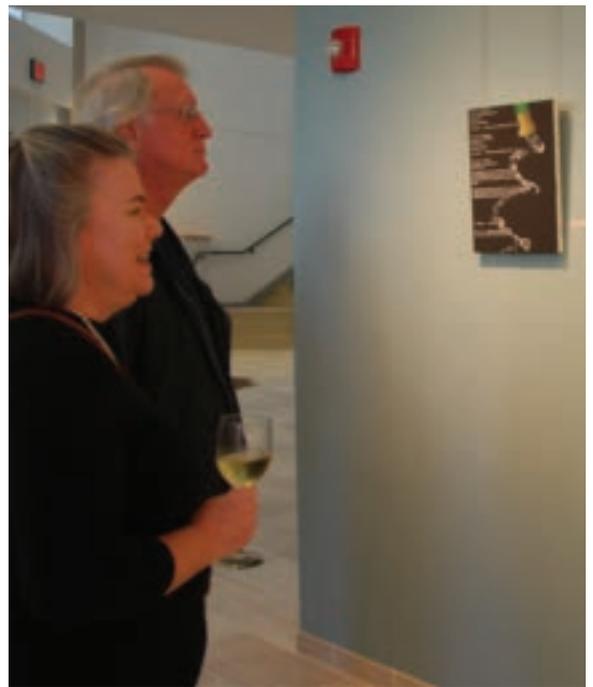
Clockwise from top left: Limón Dance Company members perform "The Moor's Pavane," from Shakespeare's "Othello."

A scene from the production of "Urinetown."

WILLIAM VINSKO '22 performs in "Urinetown."

Portraying the high society members in "Urinetown" are, from left: COREY BOHN '18, Senator Flipp; LEANNA YATCILLA '20, Dr. Billeaux; LEVI SUNDAY-LEFKOWITZ '18, Caldwell B. Cladwell; CECILIA NEWHART '18, Mrs. Millennium; and DANIEL PAGLIA '12, Mr. McQueen.

"Choreographic Offering," danced by the Limón Dance Company.





Telling stories

Art, music and theater celebrate the ordinary, the sublime and the comical

A September exhibition by LUKE ROGERS '08 in the Flack Gallery opened Sem's 2017-17 arts schedule. The exhibit, titled "Names of Parts," featured Rogers' multidisciplinary practice of investigating his relationship to everyday objects and processes.

The REAL story of what happened in popular fairy tales was explained in the Primary Players' delightful production of "What Happened After 'Once Upon A Time,'" presented in November. The play features narrators reading a stack of fairy tales, while the characters show up to interrupt and dispute each story.

The Upper School music department held a concert at St. Stephen's Pro-Cathedral in Wilkes-Barre in December. The Chorale presented Saint-Saëns' great Christmas Oratorio, featuring soprano SARA CASEY '06 and other soloists, and performances of several works by the hand bell choir, string ensemble, orchestra and Madrigal Singers.

Clockwise from top left: The Madrigal Singers offered a Christmas cantata.

Cinderella's sisters, portrayed by ALYSSA SENCHAK '25, left, and GRETA VARGA '26, during the production of "What Happened After 'Once Upon A Time.'"

Seen in the Primary Players' production are ETHAN BURNS '27, left, and PATRICK CARLISLE '27.

Beth Blaum, health services director, and Kevin Blaum at the exhibit by LUKE ROGERS '08.

Seen during the "Names of Parts" reception are, from left: JOHN SCHOOLEY '66, JOAN SCHOOLEY '77, BARBARA LUMIA ROGERS '77, JAMES ROGERS '77, and MATTHEW SCHOOLEY '71.

FALL SPORTS



Blue Knights return to field hockey state championships

Wyoming Seminary's field hockey team reached nearly every single goal the team set for 2017: a division championship, a district championship and a deep run into post-season competition. Although the Blue Knights just missed winning their seventh state championship, falling to the Greenwood Wildcats, 2-1, on a rain-drenched field in Whitehall Township, the team posted a 17-0 record in conference play. Defeating Lake Lehman for the district title and holding previous state champion Oley Valley scoreless in the state championship semifinal were only two of the many highlights of a highly successful 2017 season. With only five seniors on the roster, the Blue Knights are looking ahead to another strong run in 2018. KELSEY REZNICK '19

was named to the USA U-17 National Team and was named a Second Team National All-American. She also received First Team Regional All-American, First Team All-State and Wyoming Valley Conference First Team All-Stars honors. ALEXANDRIA WESNESKI '20 also was named to the Regional All-American Second Team, First Team All-State and WVC First Team All-Stars. Other award winners include HANNAH MAXWELL '20 and AUBREY MYTYCH '19, First Team All-State; ALICIA CARR '18 and MIA MAGNOTTA '21, Second Team All-State; Carr, Magnotta, Maxwell and Mytych, WVC First Team All-Stars. These athletes, along with CAMRYN LITJENS '18, were also named to the Citizens Voice and Times Leader's All-Star field hockey teams.



Above, top: The Blue Knights field hockey team poses with its state championship runner-up trophy.

Above: AUBREY MYTYCH '19 (#23) is seen in the state championship game against Greenwood. (Photo: Christopher Dolan, Citizens' Voice)



Kupsky named Cross Country All-Star

APRIL KUPSKY '20 was named to the 2017 WVC All-Star First Team and the Citizens Voice All-Star Team. She earned a sixth-place finish at the district meet and was the only Wyoming Valley Conference Class A runner to qualify

for the PIAA state cross country championship meet. Photo courtesy Christopher Dolan, Citizens' Voice.



Callahan named Golf All-Star

JEREMY CALLAHAN '20 was named to the 2017 WVC All-Star First Team and Citizens Voice/Times Leader All-Star teams and qualified to compete in the District 2 Class 2A tournament and the Pre-district tournament, taking sixth place in both competitions.

Boys Soccer Goes to Districts

The team finished second in Wyoming Valley Conference Div. 2 post-season competition. RYAN ANDERSON '19, ELI IDEC '18, EDWARD (EDGE) MILLER '19 and MATTHEW PARSONS '18 were named to the Wyoming Valley Conference All-Stars First Team, while JACK DAVIS '18, DUNCAN LUMIA '18 and WILLIAM ZIEGLER '19 were named to the Second Team. Miller also was named to the Citizens Voice and Times Leader's All-Star First Team, and Idec was named to the TL's Second Team.

SEASON RECAP

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

Head Coach: Kathy Rickrode
Overall Record: 10-8

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

Head Coach: Kathy Rickrode
Overall Record: 12-6

FIELD HOCKEY

Head Coach: Karen Klassner
Overall Record: 20-3

FOOTBALL

Head Coach: Jim Anderson (first year)
Overall Record: 3-5

GOLF

Head Coach: Matt Occhiato
Overall Record: 9-3

BOYS SOCCER

Head Coach: Rev. Charles Carrick
Overall Record: 16-5

GIRLS SOCCER

Head Coach: Jesse Williams (first year)
Overall Record: 5-12-1

GIRLS TENNIS

Head Coach: Allison Joanlanne
Overall Record: 12-3



Reitsma, Gabriel named as Girls Soccer All-Stars

ANNAMAAIKE REITSMA '19, far left, was named to the Wyoming Valley Conference All-Stars First Team, while JULIA GABRIEL '18, left, was named to the Second Team.



Joanlanne, Urbanski named as Girls Tennis All-Stars

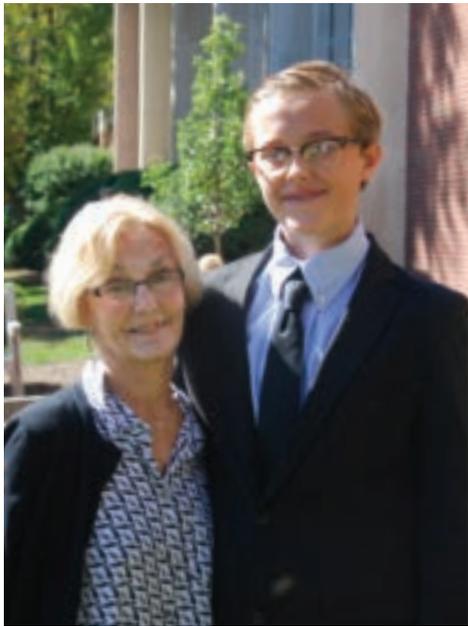
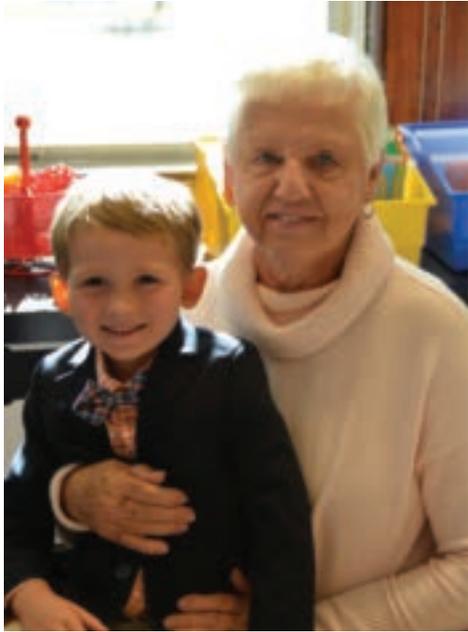
Sophomores NICOLE JOANLANNE'20, far left, and EMILY URBANSKI '20, left, were named to the Citizens Voice All-Star Team. Joanlanne also was named to the Times Leader First-Team All-Stars, while Urbanski was named to the paper's Second Team.

GRANDPARENTS DAY



Beautiful fall weather welcomed hundreds of grandparents to the Lower and Upper School campuses last October. Sem students at Upper School shared their classes, lunch and a chapel service with their grandparents, while Lower School students proudly displayed their projects, music and artistic creations. Grandparents of eighth-grade students took part in history teacher Clark Switzer's Living History day, where they enjoyed demonstrations of colonial-era military and agricultural practices. The students donned period costumes and learned games from the 1700s.

Pictured above: Grandparents Dolores and Francis Bradigan and Joanne and Michael Castanzo with granddaughter SOPHIA PROVINZANO '28.

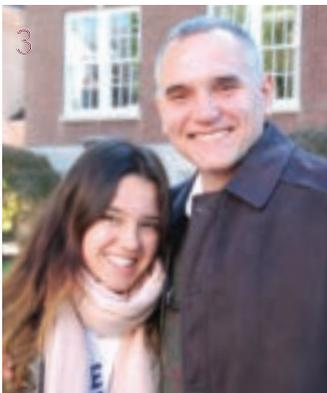


Clockwise from top left: KEEGAN NESS '30 and Lois Herb; PAT ROSENTHAL '64, Richard Rosenthal and MAYA ROSENTHAL '23; Mohammad Naseem, KHIZAR ALI '21, Naseem Samad; Virginia Motyka and STANLEY MOTYKA '21



PARENTS WEEKEND

OCTOBER 20-21, 2017



Opposite page: Anthony J. Kubasek, director of the handbell choir, leads the students in performance in the lobby of the Kirby Center for Creative Arts.

1: EMILY MATTHEWS '19 and Sherri Matthews

2: Sem's new girls wrestling team offered an exciting demonstration of freestyle wrestling.

3: MALEN VISNUK '19 and Edgardo Visnuk.

4: Paula Chaiken and RICHARD KRAUS '18.

5: Rajesh Lele and ROUNAK LELE '20

H O M E C

2017



Quarterback CHARLES GOULET '19 hands off to EMMANUEL BEALS '18 during the Homecoming football game.

OMING

Clear skies and comfortable temperatures set the stage for a festive Homecoming weekend, filled with a variety of athletic events, gatherings and celebrations!

Below, left: Sem parents celebrate a Blue Knights touchdown!

Below right: From left: JULIA GABRIEL '18, EMILY SIMS '18 and LILLIAN HORNUNG '18.



Prior to kickoff of the Homecoming football game, the athletes and spectators paused to honor the late U.S. Army 1st Lt. COLBY J. UMBRELL '00, who lost his life in May, 2007 while supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom. LAUREN ANDERSON '17, (at podium) who founded Sem's Character in Action student group, described Umbrell's life of service. Vice President of Advancement JOHN SHAFER '71 also noted that Umbrell had played on the 1999 Blue Knights football team, wearing the number 68. Shafer announced the retirement of Umbrell's number, the first to be retired in Sem athletics. Umbrell's number is now on display in the Carpenter Athletic Center.



Members of the Alumni Council judged the 2017 Society Homecoming banners, and chose the Florentine Society's banner as the winner. Seen with the winning banner are, from left: JILLIAN SEELEY '05, RYAN MOLITORIS '06, SARA ROSENBERG MOLITORIS '05, DAVID SCHWAGER '80, JENNIFER EIDAM DAVIS '94, ROB BRESNAHAN '08, JASON COHEN '97, JULIE MCCARTHY STRZELETZ '81, Director of Alumni Programs.



Four Sem alumni returned to campus to discuss their college educations and STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) career tracks with the Upper School student body during a special STEM Alumni Panel Presentation, held during Homecoming Weekend. Seen following the discussion are, from left: RYAN McMULLAN '14, ANH NGUYEN '14, AMY SHICK '12 CPA, and ALEX SHICK '07.



Two alumni who won the annual Homecoming tennis tournament are seen with their trophy: from left: Sem President Kevin Rea, STEPHEN ROSENTHAL '93, JENNIFER JANERICH SWITZER '97 and Ros Rudin, former Sem varsity tennis coach.





Alumni who got together to play soccer are, first row, from left: ALEXANDER GROSEK '16, GEORGE VAVLAS '17, J. GRAY BUTCHER '17, GABRIEL PASCAL '17, JESSICA SHEEHAN '02, and STEPHEN MOLITORIS '97. Second row, from left: JON HARDING '97, CHRISTIAN WIELEGE '98, RYAN MOLITORIS '06, ALEX FLACK '05, LAUREN TOCZLOWSKI WIELEGE '02, DUSTIN SWITZER '99, and Aaron Littzi.

The Wyoming Seminary Varsity Club inducted six new members, including two Olympians, into its Sports Hall of Fame during the club's 43rd annual banquet in October. The 2017 inductees and their sports are JAMIE ANZALONE '99, football; Olympian KELSEY KOLOJEJCHICK '09, field hockey; brothers JOSEPH McMULLAN '09 and MICHAEL McMULLAN '10, both for wrestling; Olympian KATHLEEN SHARKEY '08, field hockey; and SCOTT YODER '97, football and lacrosse. Seen in first row, from left: Kathleen Sharkey '08 and Kelsey Kolojechick '09. Second row, from left: Joseph McMullan '09, Scott Yoder '97, Michael McMullan '10 and Jamie Anzalone '99.

Eight seniors were nominated for the 2017 Wyoming Seminary Alumni Service Awards, and the recipients were named during the Homecoming game halftime. Nominees seen from left are: SOPHIA POLGAR, SAMUEL SWEITZER, JACLYN MORGAN, JAMES HUGHES, SAMANTHA IMMIDISSETTI, KIRAN SHARMA, ARIANNA BUFALINO, and MATTHEW PARSONS. Sophia Polgar and James Hughes were named the 2017 Alumni Service Award recipients.

Sem alumni, faculty, parents and varsity tennis players came together to enjoy playing tennis on Homecoming morning. First row, from left: ROUNAK LELE '20, CHRISTINA CIKOWSKI '21, EMILY URBANSKI '20, KEEFER WU '21, SHAILEE DESAI '21, PAIGE PARSONS '20, REBECCA HAMMERMAN '19, MEGHNA MELKOTE '18 and DAT DANG '19. Second row, from left: Katie Parsons, Lower School faculty Barbara Bee, LS faculty Ed Plaksa, LS faculty and tournament organizer Jill Carrick, Sem President Kevin Rea, and Dr. Sandhya Desai. Third row, from left: JUAN ASTEGIANO '17, STEPHEN ROSENTHAL '93, JENNIFER JANERICH SWITZER '97, MADHAN SRINIVASAN '01, DAVID SCHWAGER '80, JOSEPH KLUGER '82, JOHN MCLAUGHLIN '97 and GREG WEAVER '93.

MARY JANE GOVER ASK '02, GIAN VERGNETTI '01, ALEXIS ANSEMI '02 and JAMES ASK '00.

Class of 1997:

P.J. WASKIEWICZ, IRENE MARKS, TINA AQUILINA RIVIELLO, JOHN MCLAUGHLIN, MARGARET BUONSANTE BELMONDO, JASON COHEN, JENNIFER JANERICH SWITZER.

SAVINA VAVLAS ORTIZ '12, WILL MOORE '10 and Britney Alston.

Class of 2002:

First row: MARGARET HOGAN DEMATO, Alice Shafer, MARY JANE GOVER ASK, ANDREA PÁCIOTTI PASCUCCI, ALEXIS ANSEMI, JESSICA SHEEHAN, LAUREN TOCZYLOWSKI WIELEGE, JULIE RIFKIN DIPERSTEIN. Second row: Michael Demato, GEORGE SHAFER, JAMES ASK '00, DREW PASCUCCI '04, GIAN VERGNETTI '01, Jason Diperstein.





Class of 2007:
ELIZABETH KILLIAN, JULIANNA
PETRO-BOGASKI, REBECCA THALENFELD,
ELIZABETH BLAUM, BETHANY FREED
OTTENGER.

AMANDA IMMIDISETTI '12, IMAZ
ATHAR '12 and RENATA O'DONNELL '12.

Class of 2012:
First row: ANN ROMANOWSKI, BETH
BRODY, AMY SHICK, RENATA O'DONNELL,
AMANDA IMMIDISETTI, SHEENA SYAL,
KATRINA GROSEK, SAVINA VAVLAS ORTIZ.
Second row: HARRY PARKHURST,
BRANDON ROME, SEAN BANUL, TIM
FETCHER, ADITHYA PUGAZHENDHI, KIT
GILDEIN, IMAZ ATHAR, ALI AHMED, TYLER
EDWARDS, EVAN BOTWIN, GEORGE
PARKHURST.

TYLER EDWARDS '12, James Doherty, math
department chair; and EVAN BOTWIN '12.

Every

gift

has a story.

What's yours?

Amanda & Madhan

WHY
WE
GIVE:

Madhan Srinivasan '01 and Amanda Young '01 recently reflected about their time at Wyoming Seminary during a visit to the Upper School campus. They met when they were members of the cross-country team and became best friends instantly. Like many other Sem couples, they began dating after they left Kingston and attended college. "Our family is a result of the relationship we established while we were at Sem and we are truly grateful for our time here," Madhan says.

The couple now lives in Mountain Top with their sons, Landon and Lleyton. They have become alumni volunteers, serving on the Alumni Council, and generous donors, giving back regularly to the Sem Fund.

Madhan came to Sem as a sophomore after receiving the Trustee Academic Scholarship (TAS),

while Amanda enrolled as a freshman. Both look back at their time here fondly. "I value the things that Sem has exposed me to, and now that we have a family, we certainly talk about what we want for our children regarding education. Sem definitely has many of the values that I would like to see for them," Amanda says.

"We give back to the school because we see what students accomplish and can achieve, and it motivates us to stay involved," says Madhan. "Every little bit helps.

"For example, \$50 can really make a difference for a Mock Trial trip or a club's budget, and seeing that inspires us to give back. I think other alumni need to know their gifts do matter," he continues. "I was a TAS scholar and a Levi Sprague Fellow, so I really benefited from others who came before me and who have given back to the school."



"We also give because we see there may be a future here for our children and we want to invest in that," Amanda says. "While it is financial, it also keeps us tied to the School in a good way.

"Many people graduate from here thinking, 'why should I bother to give back?' They often have a hard time donating without knowing where their money is going. People may not realize that they can direct their gift. For example, one year, I made a directed gift to the cross country team," she notes.

"For somebody on the fence, the big picture is that the amount doesn't matter; it's participation that matters," says Madhan. And Amanda agrees with him, adding, "When you come back to Sem and really see where all the Annual Fund money goes, you understand: every bit counts." 

"I really benefited from others who came before me and who have given back to the school."



Warrior Mentality

J.D. Pruess '93 presents stories that inspire

JUSTIN (J.D.) PRUESS '93, of Los Angeles, Calif., knows a lot about telling stories about struggle, triumph, incredible strength and inspiring tenacity. He is a Supervising Producer for the NBC hit reality competition show "America Ninja Warrior," and since February 2012 he has traveled the country, working with athletes who have the fearlessness and talent to take on the most difficult obstacle courses in the world.

A six-time regional Emmy Award-winning producer, Pruess spent most of his professional career working in sports-related programming for ESPN and FOX Sports, and some reality television shows, before joining the Ninja Warrior program. His main focus is to find that irresistible story about the competitors or the course.

Based on a popular Japanese show, "American Ninja Warrior" features men and women who compete to overcome a series of obstacles that become progressively more challenging. From a field of hundreds of "ninjas" competing in preliminary rounds in six cities, only 90 men and 12 women make it to the final competition held in Las Vegas, Nevada. Isaac Caldiero is the only contestant to have won the program's \$1 million prize in 2015.

"Part of the allure of the show is that it's such a daunting task. That's what makes it exciting and brings people back each year, both as viewers and competitors," he says.

The show's production schedule is daunting as well (it takes 14-16 hours during the night and early morning to tape each show), and Pruess' job requires him to keep track of infinite details. He works closely with the show's hosts – Akbar Gbajabamila and Matt Iseman – and makes sure they have

all the relevant up-to-the-minute information about the contestants and the course. He oversees all the production crews, conducts hundreds of interviews with contestants and their families, and later organizes and edits the thousands of hours of video into a season of 18 episodes.

It's both the exciting competition and the incredible stories that the show offers, of people who have left careers or overcome illness through competing in Ninja Warrior, that make it so appealing, Pruess says. He described a contestant, Flip Rodriguez, who always wore a mask; after several years, the

contestant revealed that he had been abused as a child and used the mask to cover his pain. Rodriguez credits "America Ninja Warrior" with giving him the strength to speak out about sexual abuse. "That this is what the show is doing – helping so many people – is just so amazing," Pruess says.

The show, which has been nominated twice for an Emmy Award for Best Competition Reality Show, starts its 10th season in May on NBC.

This season will feature a slew of young ninjas, as the age limit has been dropped from 21

years old to 19 for the first time.

And while he'll never try to run the course ("I look at it with awe and I don't get on it," he says), he will continue to find and share the inspiring stories of "American Ninja Warrior."

"This show is so much fun," he says. "The journey I've been on with this show, which was just a little niche show, and to watch it grow over six years into the cultural zeitgeist that it is now, has been one of the great joys of my life."

Pictured above: J.D. PRUESS '93, (back row, navy shirt) poses with "American Ninja Warrior" contestants. Pruess started sports reporting while at Sem and covered Sem football for the local paper The Citizens' Voice.

"It's what I love to do: tell a story and connect with people."

Class Notes

These class notes include those received in the Alumni and Development Office as of January 12, 2018.

HOMECOMING



Homecoming brought Sem families together: CJ BUFALINO '78, ARIANNA BUFALINO '18, RACHEL GOWER BLAKE '08, and RYAN GOWER '04.

1950

DONALD BUSH, Middletown, N.J., was honored as a longtime board member by Family & Children's Service (FCS), Monmouth County's oldest private, nonprofit social service agency. According to a FCS release, "Don recently stepped down from the FCS board of directors after nearly 18 years of service. A retired executive with CHUBB insurance, he brought his substantial professional experience while on the board, especially in matters of finance and human relations. He served on the finance, program and strategic planning, and personnel committees and could always be counted on to ask the key questions while responding to challenges with wisdom and insight."

JOEL GOLDSTEIN, Bryn Mawr, wrote, "I am still seeing patients and teaching, although I've cut down. Debby is retired and our son, Paul, is a scientist at the Smithsonian. Fond memories of Prof Abbot, Prof March, Prof Parker and Miss Brown, and, of course, Prof Bugbee."

MARGARET SMEDLEY, Cleveland, Ohio, wrote, "I was selected by Fordham University and Marymount College as one of 75 distinguished alumni of Marymount; the honor was commemorated with a plaque at Fordham. I am serving as consultant to the state, area groups, and individuals."

1951

HAL BIRTH, Santa Monica, Calif. Major H.C.W. Birth USAF (Retired) was nominated for initiation into the California Aviation Hall of Fame. A patron and docent at the Museum of Flying in Santa Monica, Hal is also president/CEO of the Princeton Villas Home Owners' Association.

1953

BERNARD BANKS, Shavertown, wrote, "I'm happy to be co-chair of our reunion for the 13th time. I'll be real happy if everyone shows up. See you in May."

1954

MAGDALEN BENISH, Plains, was honored by the Sisters of Sts. Cyril and Methodius in Danville recently with the Father Matthew Janolka Lifetime Servant Leadership Award for Ecumenism. A lifetime volunteer, Mag serves in a variety of capacities at her parish of St. Andre Bessette in Wilkes-Barre. She is an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion in her parish and at Geisinger Medical Center South as well as a home visitor to the elderly. She was also instrumental in establishing a museum at King's College in Wilkes-Barre to honor the scientific contributions of the Rev. Joseph Murgas.

SALLY SKINNER-SANDFORD, Annapolis, Md., wrote, "I taught second grade in two different schools and then tried the federal government (Navy Department), where I ran into a few men who had either been in our class, or met someone who was a brother or friend of one who was. That was fun getting to talk to them. I met my husband, who was born in Australia and was posted at their embassy in Washington, D.C. I am retired from civil service; I was a management analyst for the U.S. Navy in several land commands for 29 years."

1957

ELLEN SHAFFER MEYER, Wilmington, Del., wrote, "My son, Matthew Meyer, was elected New Castle County Executive here in Delaware in November, 2016. He took on an incumbent and won in an upset. In 2017 he was named by the Democratic Party as one of the five young up-and-coming progressive Democrats in the country."

1958

BARBARA PHILLIPS HOWELL, Forty Fort, wrote, "I am happy to write two of my grandchildren attend Sem. Doron is in fourth grade at the Lower School, and Rachel is a sophomore at the Upper School."

1965

HEATHER RICKER-GILBERT, State College, is a college selection and admissions consultant in central Pennsylvania. www.collegegateways.com

RON RITTENMEYER, Plano, Texas, will be a member of the Board of Directors of Avaya Holdings Corp. upon its emergence from chapter 11 as a public company. Ron is the Executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer at Tenet Healthcare, a diversified health care services company. Previously, he was the Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of Electronic Data Systems, a leading global provider of information technology services, business process outsourcing and applications services. He also serves as a Director on the Boards of American International Group, QuintilesIMS and Tenet Healthcare.

Class Notes

1966

MEREDITH HOPKINS MOSES MAXWELL, Bear Creek, wrote, "Retirement is great! My husband and I completed a full transit cruise through the Panama Canal in October from Los Angeles to Ft. Lauderdale. The history of the canal is incredible!"

1968

JONATHAN LEVY, Ramstein, Germany, wrote, "I'm still working full-time in financial and tax advisement. My anti-aging technique is swimming every day. I've dropped 35 pounds in the last two years. Feeling good."

1969

RICHARD ABRAMOWITZ, Jacksonville, Fla., wrote, "Jan and I recently celebrated the first birthday of our fifth grandchild, Amelia Lozano, daughter of ROBIN ABRAMOWITZ LOZANO '99."

LORI SIMON PANZER, San Diego, Calif., wrote, "I recently retired from working with Holocaust survivors for the past nine years. Traveling with my husband of 41 years, Glenn, to visit children and four beautiful grandchildren in San Francisco and Chicago. Also traveling throughout the world, having recently been to the Baltics."

1970

RANDY and PAM PETHICK GALE, Camp Hill, wrote, "Pam recently retired from the Camp Hill School District where she taught reading. Randy continues to work as an insurance defense lawyer with the Harrisburg office of Thomas, Thomas & Hafer, L.L.P. Randy's mother, Mary Gale, former art teacher at Sem, lives near us in Camp Hill. She is now 95 years old and loves to hear from former art students." (If you would like to contact Mary Gale, her address is 1704 Dighton Street, Camp Hill Pa., 17011-3942.)

1971

LEE EPSTEIN, Silver Spring, Md., wrote, "Still working at the Chesapeake Bay Foundation. Proud of our two grown sons, both working in D.C. We try to travel as much as we can, with trips in recent years to Thailand and Cambodia, southern Africa countries, Argentina, New Zealand, and India... and I wonder who the old guy is who keeps photo bombing our family photos!"

1978

DAVID BERMAN, Frisco, Texas, wrote, "I can say without hesitation or reservation that the four years I spent at Sem formed some of my most treasured memories. The faculty, staff and students helped shape who I am today, and were among the most caring people I have ever encountered! Lull, Vanderburg, Levy, Klarsch, Antinnes, Klassner, Vaida, Flick, Garrity, Tribler, and more... Thank you all! I miss you!"

1981

JENNIFER JONES, Ambler, is a CMBS (Commercial Mortgage Backed Securities) senior loan analyst for Morningstar, where she has worked for more than two years. In October, she published some research titled "Store It, Stuff It, and Ship It--CMBS Exposure to Amazon Industrial Space."

1988

KELLY AUSTIN, Whaleyville, Md., wrote, "I currently serve as the Assistant Barrack Commander at the Maryland State Police Princess Anne Barrack, at the rank of Detective Sergeant. I have been a Maryland State Trooper for 21 years

HARRY HIESTAND, Niles, Mich., will return to the Chicago Bears for a second tour of duty as offensive line coach. Hiestand first served in that capacity for five seasons from 2005-09 under Coach Lovie Smith, helping the Bears win back-to-back NFC North titles and reach Super Bowl XLI in 2006.

Hiestand has spent the last 29 seasons as an offensive line coach, mainly at the collegiate level, including the last six years at Notre Dame. His other stops have included Cincinnati (1989-93), Missouri (1994-96), Illinois (1997-2004) and Tennessee (2010-11).

At Notre Dame, Hiestand guided an offensive line which produced 190 rushing yards per game during his six seasons in South Bend. Last season his Fighting Irish unit won the Joe Moore Award, which honors the top offensive line in the country.

and have enjoyed numerous assignments, ranging from road patrol, criminal investigations, child abuse investigations, internal affairs, and now Command Staff at the Barrack level. I am also on the board of the Worcester County Humane Society, having been a volunteer for that organization for 20 years."

1990

NORM PRICE, Dallas, wrote, "My wife Robyn and I are enjoying life in Dallas, Pa., with our two beautiful daughters, Madison and Julia."

1993

LISA RHYMES COOKSON, Broken Arrow, Okla., wrote, "I transitioned out of work to a full-time stay-at-home mom and wife in 2017. How rewarding to raise my kids full-time! Also began homeschooling our oldest, five-year-old Rachel."

ASIF SHAH, San Diego, Calif., says he loves living the sunny San Diego life!

2007

AMANDA BLOM, formerly of Wilkes-Barre, graduated from Ross University School of Veterinary Medicine in May 2015, and is currently practicing at Animal Hospital of Soquel, Inc. in California.

2008

BETH ADAMS, Dillsburg, has owned a financial advising practice with two partners for five years. She pursued a degree in economics following advice from her Sem econ professor, ROBERT SEELEY '73. Beth has lived in Dillsburg for two years with her dog Olexa and boyfriend Lanny.

2012

MATTHEW BLOM, formerly of Wilkes-Barre, graduated from the Eastman School of Music in May, 2016, and is a music teacher at Eagle School Intermediate, Berkeley County, Martinsburg, W.V.

Class Notes

Donald McNeil '10 writes:

Thank you to Scott Green for having me down this weekend for Homecoming Weekend and congratulations to Joe and Mike McMullan for being inducted into the Wyoming Seminary Athletic Hall of Fame. This was my first time returning to Sem in over seven years. I just wanted to share some reflections I have made on my Sem Experience:

- 1) Going to Sem for my last two years of high school was the best decision I have ever made in my life to this day.
- 2) Academically, Sem challenged me and more than prepared me for college (Many of the classes I took at Sem were harder than some of my college undergrad classes).
- 3) Wrestling-wise, I could not have asked for better training partners in Mike and Joe.
- 4) Winning a prep national championship is still one of the proudest moments in my wrestling career and ranks up there with qualifying for the NCAA tournament, placing at the US Open, and winning the Maccabiah Games.
- 5) I made some lifelong friends on the wrestling team that I still keep in contact with.

My advice to wrestlers at Sem today is to take advantage of this amazing opportunity you have. Wrestling combined with academics can take you to amazing places (I say this as I am currently training in hopes of making the US World Team and pursuing my master's degree). It sounds clichéd, but academics is incredibly important along with a degree from a good university (unfortunately, competing comes to an end one day). Be patient and train hard; gains will be made training with the best partners in the country. Success does not happen overnight. Sem will more than prepare you academically and athletically for an illustrious college wrestling and academic experience and beyond. Most importantly enjoy the ride, your friends, training, and winning. This time will fly by!

Above, at right: Donald McNeil '10 makes a visit to campus at Carpenter Hall.



2013

DEREK JOLLEY, Larksville, wrote, in a note with a Sem annual fund gift, "I'm currently pursuing a master's degree in psychology at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. I apologize that my gift is not much, but I wanted to extend thanks for my academic discipline as I pen this message, sitting at my desk in Manayunk, studying."

BIRTHS

2003

FARIZA SOBIEV JAMES, Lake Balboa, Calif., and her husband Rob James, welcomed daughter Elliana (Elli) Sarah James on October 26, 2017. Pictured with the new family is grandmother DEBBIE BROWN DRISCOLL '71.



Class Notes

OBITUARIES

1938

EMMAJEAN ELLSWORTH PITTMAN, Harding, October 14, 2017. Born in Kingston, she was the daughter of the late Joseph and Emma Elston Ellsworth and was a graduate of Kingston High School and Wyoming Seminary Business School. Emmajeau was a secretary with E. C. Wideman Real Estate and Insurance. She was a member of Dallas United Methodist Church and Sister's Circle as well as treasurer of the church. She was a former member of Westmoor United Church of Christ and was an active member of Luzerne County Christian Endeavor Alumni Fellowship.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Harold, in 1975; brother, Frank Ellsworth; sisters, Maude Rozelle and Helen Graham. Surviving are daughter, Nancy Pryor and her husband, Dr. Ronald, Harding; sons, John Pittman and his wife, Barbara, Clarks Summit; H. Russel Pittman and his wife, Charlene, Lansdale; seven grandchildren, including LARA PRYOR STOKES '98 and AMY PRYOR '01, and 10 great-grandchildren; niece, JANE GRAHAM KISHBAUGH '59 and her husband, Hal.

1940

RITA GERMICK BRUGGEMANN, Vero Beach, Fla. and Oradell, N.J., October 14, 2017. Rita was born in Forty Fort, Pa. to the late Joseph and Anna Germick. She graduated from Sem's Dean School of Business. Rita was part of the World War II effort in the office of the Quartermaster General in Washington D.C., where she met her devoted husband of over 50 years, the late Army Captain Arnold Bruggemann. She was an avid golfer and active member of Holy Cross Church. She also loved the summers at her New Jersey home.

ROSE MARIE DOMBROWSKI JAGO, Wilkes-Barre, November 22, 2017. Born in Plymouth on Sept. 24, 1920, she was the daughter of the late John and Antoinette Godek Dombrowski. She was a graduate of Plymouth High School and Wyoming Seminary Dean School of Business. She was a member of All Saints Parish, Plymouth and a member of the parish Altar and Rosary Society. She was last employed by the Veterans Administration Regional Office and the Veterans Administration Board of Veterans Appeals, Wilkes-Barre. Rose Marie was a member of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees, Wilkes-Barre, Chapter 342. She was preceded in death by her husband of 64 years, John J. Jago, on Nov. 20, 2012; and her sister, Pauline Dombrowski Wishinski.

1942

RICHARD LEVY, Dallas, November 21, 2017. Born in Wilkes-Barre, he was the son of the late Reuben and Leah Silverman Levy. He graduated from Wyoming Seminary and the Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania. Richard owned and operated Percy A. Brown & Co., Wilkes-Barre and Kingston Cake Co. for many years. He was a member of Downtown Wilkes-Barre Merchant Association and Temple Israel. He served on the Wyoming Valley Sanitary Authority for many years, and served as past master of Masonic Lodge and past chairman of the PA Bakers Association.

He was preceded in death by brother, HERBERT LEVY '46 and sister, LOIS LEVY ROSENSWEIG '38. Richard is

survived by his loving wife of 71 years, Iris Soble Levy; children, FREDERICK '65 (Barbara), Kingston; JONATHAN '68 (Vivienne), Ramstein, Germany; Dr. DAVID '73 (Dr. Janis Wiener), Oak Park, Ill.; ALISON '82 (Rabbi Charles Popky) Rockaway, N.J.; grandchildren, great grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

1944

CHARLOTTE MUSCHLITZ ARBOGAST, Lititz, November 20, 2017. Born in West Pittston, she was the daughter of the late Dr. Frederick A. Muschlitz and Elizabeth J. (Boyer) Muschlitz. She was married to the late Dr. KARL F. ARBOGAST, JR. '47, who passed away in January 2015. Charlotte was a devoted and influential member of First Presbyterian Church of Wilkes-Barre, and also sang in the choir. Charlotte graduated from Syracuse University in 1948. She worked for Filine's Basement in Boston, Mass., as a merchandiser and then later moved back to Pennsylvania to be with her family, where she met her husband, Karl. Charlotte was a devoted wife and mother. In her spare time, Charlotte enjoyed sailing, water color artistry, and music. She was a life member of the Harveys Lake Yacht Club and a member of Cider Painters of America. Charlotte and Karl later moved to Luther Acres where they resided for the past 17 years. Charlotte is survived by her two sons: KARL F. ARBOGAST III '75 (Susan) of Plains, and Mark A. Arbogast, of Lancaster.

1945

DOROTHY JAMES EVANS, Mechanicsburg, December 5, 2017. She was born Feb. 13, 1927, in Wilkes-Barre, to the late David James and Ethel (Harvey) James Stratton, and was the widow of Eugene A. "Gene" Evans, who passed January 8, 2010. Dorothy graduated from Myers High School in Wilkes-Barre in 1944, and continued her education at Wyoming Seminary Dean School of Business. She was most recently employed at Carlisle High School and Dickinson College. Dorothy was an excellent athlete and loved swimming. She still entertained family with her headstands at age 72. She loved to dance, frequenting the Spinning Wheel in Wilkes-Barre where she met husband Gene. Dorothy was the consummate coach's wife: a fixture in stadiums and basketball courts; a second mom to countless players; and a thorn in the side of many a referee. She was a member of First Evangelical Lutheran Church, Carlisle. Dorothy was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

1946

IRVING BRAVMAN, Atlanta, Ga., November 27, 2017. Born Jan. 17, 1929, in Wilkes-Barre, he was a graduate of Lafayette College, for which he served as his class alumni chronicler for more than 50 years. He rose to the rank of captain in the U.S. Army. For many years, he was associated with the Bravman Co. Inc., a family-owned wholesale furniture and floor covering distributor. In 1968, he relocated to Atlanta, Ga., to join E.T. Barwick Carpet Mills, at the time the world's largest carpet manufacturer. Later, he created his own carpet representation company, which continued throughout the remainder of his life.

An avid sports fan, he followed the Atlanta Falcons, the Atlanta Braves and Lafayette College football. He especially looked forward to the annual Lafayette-Lehigh football game. In 2014, he took great pride in attending at Yankee Stadium,

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with his daughter, Susan, the 150th match-up between Lafayette and Lehigh, the longest college football rivalry in the country. Adding to the excitement was Lafayette's win.

He was predeceased by his parents, Benjamin and Gertrude Bravman, and by his brother, LOUIS BRAVMAN '50. He is survived by his wife, the former Marilyn Berk, to whom he was married 60 years; by his two daughters, Susan Bravman and Betsy Halpern, both of Atlanta, Ga.; by his two grandchildren, Danielle and Samuel; and by his brother, DAVID BRAVMAN '58, Kingston.

1949

GLADYS HOWELL DALE, West Pittston, November 21, 2017. Born in West Pittston on March 27, 1930, the daughter of the late Robert and Sarah Watkins Howell, she was a graduate of West Pittston High School and Wyoming Seminary Dean School of Business. She was employed as a secretary by Jarrett Jennings Law Firm, West Pittston, J.C. Penney, Pittston, and, prior to her retirement, the Bon-Ton, Wyoming.

DOROTHY PATRYLAK SAYPACK, Wilmington, Del., August 1, 2017. Dorothy fought many health issues over several years, but was lovingly cared for at home by her devoted husband of 63 years, Andy, who was always at her side. She was born July 29, 1930, in Plymouth to John "Jake" and Mary (Gbur) Patrylak, and was the oldest of three children. Dorothy graduated from Wyoming Seminary Business School, and had a long career at the DuPont Corporation after moving to Delaware with Andy. She balanced a love of family and friends with a dedication to her career and was often recognized for her outstanding work ethic and professional skills. Dorothy was an intelligent woman filled with creativity, compassion, and generosity, always with a beautiful smile. She was an extraordinarily kind and respectful person who never had an unkind word to say (except perhaps to her beloved Eagles on a bad day).

PAUL WASSEROTT, Wyoming, October 27, 2017. Born in Kingston, he was the only son of Paul David Wasserott Sr. and Laura E. Wasserott. After graduating from Sem, Paul served in the Merchant Marines. He owned Wasserott's Medical Supply Company, Luzerne, and was a 33rd degree Mason. He was a larger-than-life figure who was a pilot, boater, avid outdoorsman who enjoyed hunting, fishing, and skiing, food connoisseur, and world traveler. He enjoyed spending time in southern Florida and southwest Montana, and remained a good friend to the Wyoming Valley, as evidenced by his philanthropic work. His mantra was, "Enjoy life, my friends!" Paul received the Wyoming Seminary Joseph Donchess Distinguished Service Award in 2004.

Paul is predeceased by his parents and his wife, Elizabeth Ford Wasserott. He is survived by his children: Susan Jorda and husband Chuck, of Dallas; June Wasserott, of Dallas; Lynne Pyskoty and husband David, of Dallas; and Paul Wasserott and wife, Susan, of Woolwich, Maine. He is also survived by seven grandchildren: Sean, Brian, Aaron and Abi Pietraccini, and Lauren, Olivia and Paige Pyskoty; and four great-grandchildren: Luca and Dante Pietraccini, and Adriana and Rocco Pietraccini.

1950

MARTHA NOVINSKI POSS, Warminster, December 25, 2017. Martha was born March 11, 1933, in Nanticoke, the daughter

of Leonard and Genevieve Novinski. Following school, Martha worked as a nurse for several years. She resided for many years in Towanda with her husband of 52 years, Stanley M. Poss. In 1994, they returned to the Wilkes-Barre area, where she resided for 16 years. She was a member of St. Nicholas Church, Wilkes-Barre. In 2010, she moved to Ann's Choice in Warminster, to be close to family. Everywhere Martha went, she was known for her skill and quick wit in both playing and teaching piano and bridge.

THOMAS REESE, Bloomsburg, November 7, 2017. He was born in Edwardsville and was the son of the late Benjamin and Elizabeth Jenkins Reese. He graduated from Kingston High School in 1946, Wyoming Seminary Dean School of Business in 1949 and attended Wilkes College.

1953

ELENA ENGLISH HERRIGAN, Kingston, December 27, 2017. Born in Wilkes-Barre, Elena was the daughter of the late Frank and Helen Connors English. A graduate of Manhattanville College of the Sacred Heart, she was active in the Junior League and Thursday Club, and served in a variety of leadership volunteer roles at Sem and in the Wilkes-Barre General Hospital Auxiliary. She also served on the Board of Directors of VNA/Homemaker Services. She took immense pride in her family's history with Planter's Peanuts, her father being a former president of the company.

Preceding her in death, in addition to her parents, were her husband, Brendan Herrigan, and sister, MARIANA ENGLISH WELSH '58. Surviving are her four children, FRANK '77 (Courtney), of Pittsburgh; JOHN '79 (Lisa), of Baltimore, Md.; MARIANNE '81 (Patrick Reardon), of Ellicott City, Md.; SHARON '82, of Asheville, N.C.; and seven grandchildren: Claire and Alex Reardon; Matthew, Caroline, and Jack Herrigan; and Katie and Elizabeth Leonard. She is also survived by her loving companion of 23 years, Dr. PAUL GRIESMER '43.

SARAH COCHRAN WARM, Chardon, Ohio, October 2, 2017. Born August 14, 1935 in Fairmount, W.V. to John K. and Olive M. (Fleming) Cochran, she has been in Geauga County for the last 25 years. Sarah was a registered nurse for 36 years, working in pediatrics and oncology for her entire career. She was an accomplished pianist, harpist and guitarist who enjoyed antiques and traveling. Survivors include her children, Theodore T. (Emily) Warm, M.D. of Boulder, CO; Laura (Patrick) Schaffer of Munson Twp.; and Lisa (Gregorij) Dolinar of Willoughby Hills; nine grandchildren; and her brother, John Cochran of Pittsburgh. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Dr. Reeves Warm and grandson, Joshua Schaffer.

1954

LARRY KAUFMAN, Bluffton, S.C., October 25, 2017. Captain Kaufman was born on April 13, 1936 in Tamaqua, the son of the late Edward and Anna Kaufman. He began his formal education at Wyoming Seminary and continued to the United States Naval Academy where he graduated in 1958. While attending the Academy he played football until an early knee injury put him on the sidelines; then he took to track and field and lettered three of the four years. His overall athleticism earned him a spot in the Carbon County Chapter of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame in 1999. After graduating from the Academy, he earned his masters degree in physics

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in Monterey, Calif. Larry was a 30-year veteran of the United States Navy, rising to the rank of captain. During his distinguished military tenure he served three tours in Vietnam as an attack pilot and was a recipient of many service and commendation medals to include but not limited to: the Gallantry Cross; Meritorious Service; Navy Commendation; Air Medal; Legion of Merit and the Bronze Star. Larry served as program manager and was awarded the Daedalian Weapon System Award on behalf of the High-Speed Anti-Radiation Missile (HARM) project in 1983. Following his honorable discharge he worked with Sherikon Inc., retiring as vice president in Northern Virginia. Larry was preceded in death by his first wife of 25 years, Mary Ann Kaufman (1983). He is survived by his wife of 31 years, Sylvia Lesiak Kaufman; children, Regina Naugle (Matthew), Todd Kaufman (Carolyn), Michelle Kaufman (Jim Carr), and Steven Lesiak; and grandchildren, Bryan, Courtney, and Lauren Naugle, Kyle and Michael Kaufman, Samantha Carr, and Alexandria Ladlee.

1956

RENNIE BUCKLAND, Reno, Nev., June 28, 2017. He was born on March 9, 1938 in Johnson City, N.Y. to Louis H. Buckland and Vera (Blomquist) Cleveland. After graduating from Sem, Rennie served in the Army, attended Harpur College in Binghamton, N.Y., and Cornell University. He married Dorothy Jane Fedorchak on August 20, 1960 at the Lutheran Church of the Holy Nativity, in Endicott. He enjoyed a long career as a stockbroker. He loved skiing and volunteered for many years on the ski patrol at Greek Peak in Cortland. Rennie and family resided in the Triple Cities area of New York until 1979. At that time they made the move to Reno. Rennie loved living in Reno; he enjoyed the blue skies and mountains and the many interesting characters and friends he met along the way. In accordance with Rennie's wishes, his remains were donated to the University of Nevada, School of Medicine as part of its Anatomical Donation Program.

1958

JOY CRAYTON BENSON, Poughkeepsie, N.Y., January 26, 2017. Joy married James A. Benson in 1971, enjoying 45 years of love and friendship until his death one year ago. Born December 14, 1940, in Bridgeport, Conn., to the Rev. Dr. Alfred and Mrs. Gertrude Crayton, Joy graduated from West Virginia Wesleyan College in 1962 and began a long and successful teaching career. She taught the second grade at Marlboro Elementary School for many years until her retirement, and is remembered fondly by countless area residents whose lives she touched. She is survived by her twin sister CAROL CRAYTON DIMOCK '58; her son Devon; one granddaughter, Scarlet; and her two brothers ROGER CRAYTON '56 and FRANK CRAYTON '63.

Joy found great enjoyment throughout her life in being active and particularly loved tennis, golf and skiing. Most of all, she looked forward to spending every summer at Lake Waynewood in the Poconos, where her family has had a cottage since 1928 and where Joy had many long-lasting and special friendships. Joy was a longtime, active member of Poughkeepsie United Methodist Church. Her many friends will remember her kindness and sense of humor.

1959

PAUL SWANTKOWSKI, Pittston, November 29, 2017. Born in Dupont, he was the son of the late Jacob and Mamie Shubert Swantkowski. He was a graduate of Dupont High

School, attended Wyoming Seminary as a postgraduate, and graduated from the University of Scranton. He served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean Conflict. He was employed by Tamblin Company as a service technician.

1962

BARRY DEROLF, Trucksville, October 30, 2017. Born in Wilkes-Barre, he was the son of the late Wilbur and Isabelle Draperski Derolf and was a graduate of Penn State University with an associate's degree in drafting. Barry was an inspector with PG Energy, Wilkes-Barre. Barry was a member of the Trucksville United Methodist Church. He also was a member of The South Mountain Land Association, Harveys Lake Rod and Gun Club, Beards for Better Bucks and Bear Run Camp.

He is survived by his wife of 45 years, the former Karen Paul, at home; son Brian Derolf and his wife Amanda, Noxen; grandchildren, Hailey and Hunter Derolf; and several cousins.

ROBERT DUNHAM, Wellsboro, October 18, 2017. He was 75 years old. He was the youngest son of the late Frank and Mercedes Nickerson Dunham of Wellsboro and brother of the late R. JAMES DUNHAM II '50. He is survived by his brother, JOHN '55 (Nancy) of Wellsboro and sister-in-law, MIRIAM DAVIS DUNHAM '50 of Norfolk, Va.; nieces and nephews.

Bob was a 1960 graduate of Wellsboro High School, followed by a postgraduate year at Wyoming Seminary. He entered Westminster Choir College in Princeton, N.J. with the class of 1965; however, he interrupted his education to take care of his obligation to Uncle Sam, in the United States Army. Following that, he went into the furniture business in Wellsboro, eventually opening a La-Z-Boy gallery. After the furniture business was running smoothly, he returned to Princeton and completed his undergraduate work, earning a bachelor's degree in organ performance.

Combining his horsemanship and his musical career, Bob was encouraged by several northeastern show managers to play the organ at horse competitions. Eventually, on the weekends, he was either playing the organ for the shows or competing with his horse, showing Tennessee Walkers or Morgans. He also was in frequent demand as a substitute organist in local churches. Bob was a director of the Wellsboro Hotel Company for more than 35 years. He was a member of the United Methodist Church of Wellsboro; a director of the Wellsboro Riding Club; member of the Organist Guild and a former director of the Clemens Center.

Bob Dunham was a fine gentleman with impeccable manners and a generous spirit. As a testament to the breadth of his generosity and his lifelong love for Wellsboro, his will calls for the establishment of the Dunham Family Foundation, which will be committed to the benefit of the Wellsboro community. He established the Foundation in honor of his grandparents, Roy J. and Fannie Treat Dunham; his parents, Frank and Mercedes; and his brothers, James and John.

1964

KEITH RUSSIN, Plains, October 26, 2017. He was born February 19, 1947, in Plains, the son of the late Simon S. Russin II and Anna (Stranko) Russin. In addition to his parents, Keith was preceded in death by his brother, HARRY RUSSIN '63.

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Surviving are his sister and brother-in-law, Julianne and David Vaughan, of State College; his sister, Mary S. Russin M.D., of Lewisburg; and brother SIMON RUSSIN III '62, of Arcadia, Calif.

Keith was a graduate of Wilkes University and the Pratt Institute, where he earned a master of library science degree. Keith also attended St. Vladimir's Seminary from 1968 to 1971, and graduated with the Master of Divinity degree. For many years, he was the librarian at the Meriden Public Library in Meriden, Conn., and also sang in the choir of the Ss. Peter and Paul Orthodox Church before being ordained Deacon by Bishop Job at the Dormition of the Virgin Mary Church in Cumberland, R.I., in 1987. In 1987, he graduated from the American Academy of Mortuary Science, New York, and returned to Plains to join the Simon S. Russin Funeral Home.

He served as Deacon and then Protodeacon to the Holy Resurrection Cathedral in Wilkes-Barre for many years. He owned and operated the Simon S. Russin Funeral Home in Plains, and Edwards and Russin Funeral Home in Edwardsville for nearly three decades.

Keith will be remembered for the light and love he radiated. He was a very talented and generous soul whose rich tenor voice surrounded everyone present with his love, joy and enthusiasm for life. That beautiful voice brought joy and comfort to many. His knack for living large and celebrating life was evident when he walked into a room.

Keith enjoyed the beauty of nature; he adored his gardens and flowers. He was known for his impeccable dress, always with a bow tie, stylish suit, and beret. His big boisterous laugh, grand smile and warm hugs will be missed. Keith brought comfort to those who mourned and faith to those who doubted. His service to God and love of God was never-ending.

1968

TOM MALPASS, Ottawa, Ill. May 6, 2017. Tom was born June 14, 1950 in Forty Fort to Thomas George and Phyllis (Rinker) Malpass. He married Robin Walton in 1990 in Ottawa, Illinois.

Tom is survived by a son, Mason Malpass of Ottawa; a brother, SCOTT MALPASS '78; and a sister-in-law, Lori Malpass of Cincinnati, Ohio. He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, TODD MALPASS '71.

Tom was President of Tee Group Films in Ladd, Illinois. He attended St. Columba Church in Ottawa. Tom was a man of varied interests. He enjoyed a good round of golf, sailing, target shooting, photography and just partaking in a good cup of coffee.

1996

AUGUSTUS FRETZ, Key West, Fla., October 7, 2017. Born in Sellersville, Pa., he was the son of Joan (McLaughlin) Fretz and the late Henry S. Fretz. Gus was a part of the Boeing Team that implemented the ending stages of the 787 Dreamliner. He was a 2000 graduate of Trident Technical College, obtaining his air frame and power plant license, and in 2002 he received his degree in airport management from Embry Riddle Aeronautical University. In 2011 he graduated

from the Citadel University, obtaining a masters degree in project management.

He was an avid sailor and loved sailboat racing. He and his father built a custom racing sloop, "Wahoo" on the Isle of Wight in England, which they affectionately called their "Super Model." It was the fastest sloop on the eastern seaboard, and with his dad and their crew they won first in fleet in the 100th Anniversary Race from Newport to Bermuda.

FORMER FACULTY

John T. Morris, 77, of Dallas, passed away Monday, December 11, 2017, at his home. John was born in Kingston on August 17, 1940, and was a son of the late John and Bridget (Telinda) Morris. John graduated from the former Edwardsville High School in 1957, then served in the U.S. Army from 1958-1960. After the service, he went on to graduate from the Wilkes-Barre Business School and attended classes at Wilkes University. John was employed as the business manager of Wyoming Seminary beginning in 1967. He retired from Sem in 2010 and continued to work for the school as a Special Projects Manager until his death.

John was an active member of Irem Temple Shrine, George M. Dallas Lodge 531 Free Masons, Harveys Lake Rod and Gun Club, Trout Unlimited, and Harveys Lake Yacht club, including serving on the Board of Governors and Nominating Committee, as well as sailing in races. Most of all, John enjoyed time with his family and friends.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Mark Morris. John is survived by his wife of 54 years, the former Gail F. Petras, of Dallas; sons JOHN T., JR. '83 and his wife, Wendy, of Dallas; SCOTT '89 and his wife, Danielle, of Mickleton, N.J.; sister Barbara Benesky, of Dallas; and granddaughters Morgan, Sarah, and Cameron Morris.

FRIENDS

Walker Kirby, Madison, N.J., November 11, 2017. She was a longtime board member of the F.M. Kirby Foundation, which has supported Wyoming Seminary for more than a century. The Kirby Library, and more recently, the Kirby Center for Creative Arts, bear her family's name.

Walker was also an active volunteer with The Peck School, Newark Academy, Drew University, The Summit Speech School, The Junior League of Morristown, The New Jersey Shakespeare Festival, and, most importantly, The Seeing Eye, a guide dog training facility in Morristown. There she was a 30-year board member and recipient of many honors, including the Dorothy Harrison Eustis Humanitarian Award in 1991. It was only the third time the award had been given since The Seeing Eye's founding in 1929.

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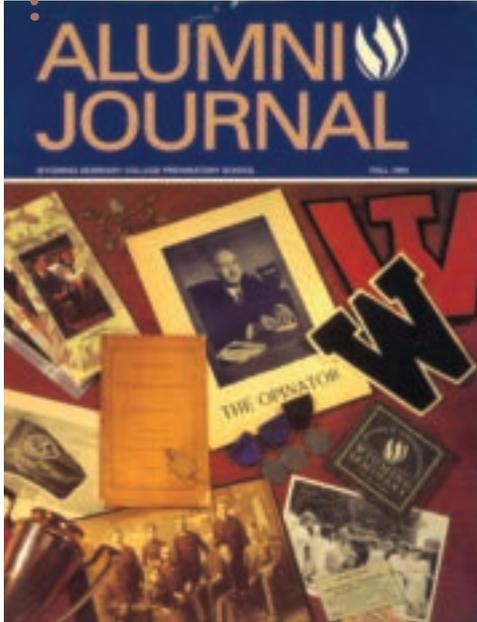
As Sem prepares for its 175th anniversary, we take a look back at the first, 100th, 125th, and 150th anniversaries, as well as those legendary years in between.

1844

Pictured above are some of the Sem faculty in the school's opening year. Levi Sprague, second president of the school, is seated in the second row, second from left.

1994

The cover of the Journal which celebrated the 150th anniversary.



1969

In honor of Sem's 125th anniversary, the local Sunday Independent ran a feature covering the school's first 125 years.

1994

Dr. Wallace F. Stettler, ninth president of Wyoming Seminary, and Jack Eidam, dean of admission, lead the faculty procession at Commencement over two decades ago.

1944

In honor of the centennial anniversary of Wyoming Seminary, the dormitories were completely refurbished. Pictured in Swetland Hall were president Wilbur Fleck, preceptress Erma Foster, Henry Nordberg of Sordoni Construction Company, and Henry Atherton of the architecture firm Lacy, Atherton & Davis.

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