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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Alfred North Whitehead wrote that there was nothing more deadly to education than "inert ideas." Like helium or any inert substance, some ideas are inert because they don't interact with their environment. They remain abstract. Either they are never applied, or sometimes they are simply trivial and therefore not productive.

Conversely, nothing is more vital to education than live ideas. Effective education is traffic in productive, pregnant, live ideas.

An idea is alive or effective because it reacts with its environment to produce something--that is, to make a difference in the lives of those who think. That is why Whitehead thought that the central task of education is to keep knowledge alive; it is the task of preventing knowledge from becoming trivial and inert.

Remaining true to this task demands that we never allow Lycoming College to degenerate into an ivory tower. It must continue to be a place to live our ideas. And if those ideas are to avoid going stale and becoming inert, it must remain a good place to live those ideas.

This explains why, over an extended period, a college can never be stronger than the community around it. It also indicates the extent to which Lycoming College depends upon the greater Williamsport Community. Colleges and communities don't just exist side by side. Colleges can't do their proper work without communities which serve as the arena for the application of ideas. "What education has to impart is an intimate sense for the power of ideas, for the beauty of ideas, and for the structure of ideas, together with a particular body of knowledge which has peculiar reference to the life of the being possessing it." (*The Aims of Education*, p. 23) That was Whitehead's way of reminding us that education is a community affair.

Lycoming College is now energetically appealing to the citizens of Williamsport and our wider community for funds to build a new physical education/recreation center. As we continue this financial appeal, we must not overlook the equally significant contributions made by this community as it provides a fertile arena within which significant ideas can be tested, tried, and applied. We detect the full force of a live idea only as we live out that idea in a healthy community. Good ideas thrive in a sick community while perverse ideas prosper. But inferior ideas are eventually rejected in a healthy community where good and lively ideas are appreciated and revered. By providing a healthy arena for testing and applying ideas, Williamsport gives us what matters most. We must never cease being as grateful for a healthy environment as we are for the financial support to continue a strong academic program.

FREDERICK E. BLUMER  
President of the College



The Angel Factory inside the dotted lines showing the approximate location of the proposed physical education and recreation center will be razed in March in preparation for the construction of the sports complex.

## ANGEL FACTORY SOON TO BE RAZED TO MAKE WAY FOR SPORTS CENTER

**EDITOR'S NOTE** The following article appeared in the *Williamsport Sun-Gazette* and is reproduced with permission of the newspaper. It was written by Joseph J. Infanti, a senior mass communications major at Lycoming, who is completing his final semester at the college as a reporter for the *Sun-Gazette* under the cooperative college/community internship program.

They're going to tear down the Angel Factory at Lycoming College.

Ancient, sagging Eveland Hall, built in 1912 as a combination dormitory, laundry and heating facility, is scheduled for demolition in several weeks to make room for Lycoming's new physical education complex.

The nickname is a relic from the building's better days, and stems from two sources: the large number of pre-ministerial students

housed there were the "angels," and a large smokestack since torn down, earned Eveland the factory tag.

Retired English Professor John P. Graham, who started teaching at the former Williamsport Dickinson Junior College and Seminary in 1939, said he "wasn't even aware of its real name for a couple of years. We just always called it the Angel Factory," he said.

Eveland, a three-story brick structure on the southwest corner of campus, was built for \$36,500. The first floor was a laundry and the entire campus (then only three buildings) was heated by three boilers in the basement. Thirty students originally lived on the second and third floors.

The building is named for a William Perry Eveland, who became the Seminary's president in 1905. He subsequently left to become a Methodist bishop in South Asia, and died in 1916 when lightning struck his steel fishing pole.

In spite of its angelic nickname, Eveland residents became known as the most devilish on campus. A 1929 yearbook said that "even if they are angels when they come down here, when they leave they are far from it. . . its past history is more than questionable, and many surprising, even startling things have been enacted within the cold walls of this building."

Of course, a mischief-bent student in those days did not have to put forth much effort to break a rule or two, Graham noted. Smoking was banned on campus until after World War II, and faculty and students alike would sneak their cigarettes behind the gym or by

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## GROUNDBREAKING NEAR FOR SPORTS COMPLEX

Groundbreaking for the new physical education and recreation center is expected to be announced soon, according to Dr. Frederick E. Blumer, president of the college.

The actual date, which has been tentatively set for early spring, cannot be determined until several legal technicalities associated with the final signing of construction contracts are resolved. The low bid of \$2,789,000 was submitted by Bloom Penn Contractors of Bloomsburg.

The center, which will include a three-station unit to be known as the George R. Lamade Gymnasium, is expected to be completed by September, 1980. The Partners in Progress Campaign to raise at least \$1,700,000 to help finance the new building is nearing the \$1,000,000 mark.

## CAMPUS NOTES

DIANE LESKO, art department, will have an article, "From Genre to Allegory in Gustave Courbet's *Les Demoiselles de Village*," published in the spring issue of the *Art Journal*. The paper was first presented last spring at Temple University in a symposium on art history on the topic, "From Sketch to Finished Work: the Genesis of Art in the Nineteenth Century."

The Revs. ROGER ALLING and DALE JOHNSON have accepted invitations to serve as chaplains to Lyscoming students. The Rev. Mr. Alling, pastor of Christ Episcopal Church, will serve as chaplain to Episcopal students, and the Rev. Mr. Johnson, associate pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, will minister to Lutheran students. He replaces the Rev. Fred Donahoe, who has accepted a call to a mission parish in Virginia.

LOGAN RICHMOND '54, accounting department, is one of three members of the North Central Chapter of the Pennsylvania Institute of CPA's participating in a series of panel discussions on income taxes being broadcast by Radio Station WWPA prior to the filing deadline on April 16.

Two grants totaling \$4,563 have been received by the college. An unrestricted grant of \$900 was awarded to the college from the Sears-Roebuck Foundation, and the Department of Health, Education and Welfare contributed \$3,963 to purchase materials for use in the school library.

## ANGEL FACTORY TO BE RAZED

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the old college gate, he added.

"Girls and boys were expected to look at each other, perhaps," said Graham, "but God help 'em if Dr. (John W.) Long (then president) saw them in each other's arms or holding hands walking across campus." H. Ronald Gross, former Eveland resident and 1935 alumnus, says he and his fiancée were confined to campus for a week after they were observed walking together in Brandon Park.

"There were a lot of restrictions on us, but there were always ways around it," says Gross. He remembers a lot of "the usual stuff," such as pranks and water fights, and "one character who crossed the phone lines so he could make all these long-distance calls to his girlfriend."

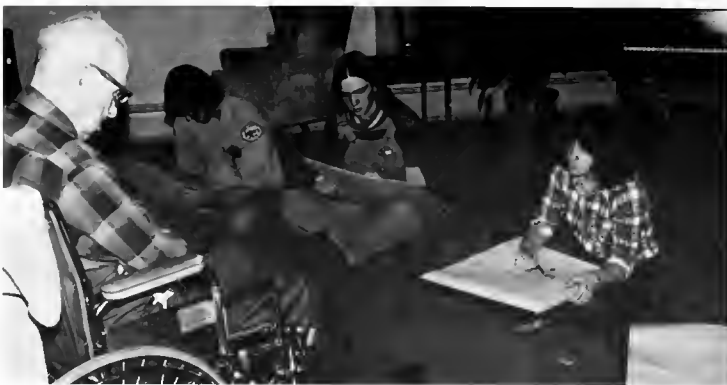
Donald G. Remley, of 511 Vallamont Drive, a 1917 Angel Factory alumnus, explained that Eveland residents were on the honor system to make the 9 p.m. curfew because of the chosen profession of many of the residents. Students living in the Old Main dorm were checked in and out by a proctor.

"I guess some got a little lax," he said. "Yes, it's kind of a monstrosity--it has been for there was quite a little bit of disappearing goingsyres. It's an eyesore."

The free life in the Angel Factory had one big drawback; railroad lines run about 20 feet from the building. "When those fast trains would go by, that whole building would shake," said Gross. "It used to scare the daylight out of me."

What is now a spur track once was the Pennsylvania Railroad's main line through the city. Passenger trains serving the city used it.

The Angel Factory nickname began to die out in the late 1930's as most Seminary residents were housed elsewhere. After World War II,



Sketching one of the guests at the Williamsport home are (left to right) Stuart Madry, a junior from Berlin, Pa.; Beth Franklin, a freshman from Wayne, N. J., and Kellie Landaker, a sophomore from Akron, Ohio.

### Home Guests Are Sketched By Lyscoming Art Students

A number of guests at the Williamsport Home now have new individual portraits hanging on the walls of their rooms after a recent visit to the home by art students at Lyscoming College.

What has become an annual event--this was the third--approximately 15 of the residents of the home posed for several hours for students from two of the drawing classes from the college art department. And everyone agreed that it was a resounding success. In addition to practicing and improving their art skills by drawing Terra Cotta sketches of the guests,

living quarters were converted to faculty offices.

The building began a 10-year renaissance in 1958, when then student John Hunsinger, now a teacher at Montourville High School, assembled what Dr. Loring B. Priest calls a "tremendous variety" of Civil War artifacts in a museum. In its heyday, a host of schoolchildren visited the museum, said the historian.

The building's life effectively ended in 1968 when students, then more interested in the Vietnam War, let the Civil War Museum fold. Priest said the artifacts are now owned by the Lyscoming County Historical Society.

Also in that year, all of the faculty moved their offices to the newly completed Academic Center. The building has been used since as a home for several art studios, but the third floor has been condemned for several years, several windows are broken and 1960's style graffiti and paintings adorn the second floor walls.

"No, I'm not sorry to see it go," said Graham. "It's kind of a monstrosity--it has been for there was quite a little bit of disappearing goingsyres. It's an eyesore."

Dr. Frederick E. Blumer, college president, says that the art studios will be moved to the Fine Arts Buildings "probably" during Lyscoming's spring break, the week of March 1, and demolition will then commence immediately.

A good epitaph for Eveland Hall can be culled from that same 1929 yearbook: "One can easily imagine the ghosts of long-departed 'angels' as prowling in at one or two o'clock after an exceedingly enjoyable evening, or better yet, morning . . . The Angel Factory is a grand old place, and very few of our brothers will ever forget it."

the students develop a sense of what one explained as doing "something nice" for the elderly guests of the home. The sitting interrupts what otherwise is often a routine and sometimes monotonous morning for the residents.

Roger D. Shipley, chairman of the art department, said an open invitation is made to guests to "sit" for their portraits, and some of those even request specific artists. He explained that one guest was so pleased with the portrait sketched last year by Steven Hancock, a resident of Williamsport and a junior at Lyscoming, that she specifically asked if she could pose for him at the session last week. Unfortunately for the woman, Hancock last year successfully completed requirements for the particular class involved and was not among the students visiting the home.

However, Shipley said the guest appeared pleased with the portrait she finally chose from the several sketches made of her by the young artists. The art professor said several students make simultaneous sketches of the guests posing during the session and each is then allowed to select the one which they believe captures best their personality. Some guests have great difficulty determining which of the pictures to choose.

But no matter which of the young artists are to be flattered by having their work selected, all benefit from a sense of achievement in having brought some joy and happiness into the lives of the elderly guests.

### Academic Dean Resigns To Enter Private Business

Dr. James R. Jose, academic dean at Lyscoming since 1970, has resigned, effective April 1, to enter private business as vice president and chief operating officer of Food Services, Inc., in Anchorage, Alaska.

Dr. Frederick E. Blumer, president of the college, said a search is presently being conducted to find a replacement for Dr. Jose. "American higher education will miss the contributions of an able and loyal servant as he joins the ranks of business and industry," said Dr. Blumer. "The academic program at Lyscoming has prospered during the decade Dr. Jose has been a member of the staff. The faculty have enjoyed imaginative and industrious leadership, and our students have had the benefit of compassionate, stimulating administration during his tenure."

Dr. Jose was assistant dean and assistant professor of international relations at American University prior to becoming academic dean at Lyscoming. He is a graduate of Mount Union College and American University.

# LYCOMING SPORTS SCENE

BRUCE L. SWANGER

## Football Players Cited At Third Annual Banquet

Rick Burd, the sophomore quarterback who last fall led Lycoming College to its first Middle Atlantic Conference championship, was named 'Most Valuable Player' on the team at the third annual football banquet held in the Genetti-Lycoming Hotel.

Burd, a transfer student from Lock Haven State College and a resident of Lock Haven, stepped into the quarterback spot in the first game of the year and directed the Warriors to a 5-1 MAC record and 7-2 overall. He was the leading quarterback in the conference in passing with 532 yards and five touchdowns in the six conference games. He added 206 yards and two touchdowns in the three non-conference contests and also scored a touchdown rushing.

Other individual awards announced by coach Frank Girardi for individual achievements during the season included tackles Jerry Butler and Tony DiSandro, Defensive Players of the Year; tailback Kevin McVey and guard Francis Miller, Offensive Players of the Year, and Tim VanSyckle, Most Improved Player. All are seniors except DiSandro, who is a junior.

Butler, DiSandro and VanSyckle all had outstanding years on defense. Butler led the team with 62 solo tackles, had nine quarterback sacks and recovered two fumbles. DiSandro stopped opponent runners 54 times, sacked the quarterback on six occasions and recovered one fumble, while VanSyckle had 40 solo tackles, seven sacks, and one fumble recovery. He also blocked a punt and intercepted one pass.

Miller had an outstanding season leading the offensive line charges and was named to both the MAC and ECAC all-conference teams. McVey capped his outstanding intercollegiate career with 805 yards rushing and seven touchdowns. He also caught 10 passes for 45 yards. The 155-pound scatback established numerous school records during his career and finished with a total of 2,176 yards rushing. Both McVey and Butler were also named to the All-MAC first team and VanSyckle and DiSandro received honorable mention.

Bill Byham, sports announcer from Radio Station WMPT, served as master of ceremonies during the program following the banquet. Special championship plaques were presented to members of the team and the coaching staff, and Frank Girardi, head coach, was given a citation in recognition of having been named Coach of the Year in the Middle Atlantic Conference. Ten seniors on the squad receiving special recognition included Miller, McVey, Butler, VanSyckle, John Jordan, Gaspar Rodriguez, Jay Rubino, Ty Bornman, Carl Caserta, and Gene Daly.

The First Annual Coaches Award, presented to a Lycoming graduate who contributes most to the success of the football program, was awarded to Barry G. Yerger, a member of the Class of 1959 who now resides in Harrisburg. He was cited for his assistance in recruiting student athletes from the Harrisburg area.

Also participating in the program were Dr. Frederick E. Blumer, president of the college; Dutch Burch, director of athletics; Robert Curry, administrative assistant in athletics, and Girardi.

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**EXCLUSIVE CLUB:** When senior guard Mike Brown converted the second of two foul shots in a 74-65 loss to Elizabethtown in Hilltop Gym, it moved him into elite company in the Warrior record books. The successful free throw gained Mike admission to the exclusive Lycoming 1,000 Career Point Club, an achievement only nine other Warrior players have accomplished. Brown, who is co-captain of the team, ended the evening with 1,004 points but has since increased the total to 1,031 with five games remaining on the regular schedule. Officials stopped play when Mike reached the 1,000 mark and coach Dutch Burch presented the game ball to Brown.

## Season Producing Both Surprises, Frustrations

There have been both disappointments and pleasant surprises among the four winter sports teams now approaching the end of the 1978-79 season.

Perhaps one of the most pleasing developments of the year has been the fine performance of the swim team coached by Dave Hair. Woefully weak for the last five years, a period in which they won only three meets, the Warrior mermen have done an about-face. After dropping their first two meets at the opening of the season, one by only four points, they bounced back to capture the next three, thus clinching the best season record in nearly a decade, no matter what happens in the three meets remaining on the schedule.

One of the disappointments has to be the record of the Warriors basketball team. When the season opened in November, Coach Dutch Burch had a solid nucleus of veterans returning from the team which the previous year had missed winning the Middle Atlantic Conference championship by only three points, losing in the final playoff game, 52-50, to Scranton. But the Warriors failed to play a consistent brand of ball during the year, and with five games left on the 22-game schedule, the team is struggling to remain above .500 with an 8-9 overall record and 4-5 in the conference. In addition, they will probably not qualify for the conference playoffs. Four of the five remaining games are MAC contests.

The girls' basketball team coached by Deborah Holmes has produced few surprises. Although they did perform at times better than might be expected from a team competing for the first year with varsity status. Despite being outscored by a large margin by several schools which have had a varsity program for a number of years, the Lycogals captured their initial win as a varsity team when they defeated Williamsport Area Community Col-

lege, 60-56, midway through the season. Their record was 1-5 with four games remaining.

The Warrior wrestlers coached by Budd Whitehill have been having a better than average year, but the season has not been without some unusual developments. For example, when Lycoming defeated Delaware Valley, 28-6, in the fifth dual meet of the season, the victory notched a notable milestone of 200 wins in the coaching career of Whitehill, a record only a few collegiate coaches have achieved. The only coach the Warriors have had since the sport was introduced at Lycoming in 1956 went into the final week of the season with a record of 204-98-3 and a quadrangular and two dual meets remaining on the schedule. And who would have suspected the team would battle two opponents to ties during the season after recording only one deadlock in the nearly 300 recorded matches prior to the current season? The Warriors fought the University of Maryland to a 15-15 stand-off in 1973-74 for the only previous stalemate prior to the 17-17 decision with Rider and a 19-19 tie with Bucknell this season. The Warriors approached the final three matches of the year with a 7-3-2 record.



Barry G. Yerger, Coaches Award Winner

## Meet Lycoming's Trustees . . .

**SAMUEL H. EVERT**, a 1934 graduate of Dickinson Seminary and Junior College, was first elected to the Board of Trustees in 1969 and had been, until resigning recently, chairman of the Buildings and Grounds Committee of the board for a number of years.

He is a retired building contractor who for many years was associated with several construction firms in the Bloomsburg area, where he continues to maintain a home. However, he also spends considerable time at a second home in North Palm Beach, Fla., an area more conducive to the winter pursuit of his favorite hobby, golf.

Despite living part-time in Florida, Evert continues to fulfill his responsibilities to the board and has been actively engaged in assisting with planning for the new physical education and recreation center to be constructed on the campus.

He is a member of St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Bloomsburg, and for many years has been a member of the church council, which he has also served as president. He is also past president of both the Pennsylvania Council of General Contractors and the Pennsylvania Chapter of the Associated General Contractors of America. He has been active in the Boy Scout movement and has served as past district chairman and past council president and national representative for the Columbia-Montour Council of Boy Scouts of America. His contributions to Scouting were recognized when he was given the prestigious Silver Beaver Award. He has also served for many years as a member and president of the boards of education of both the Bloomsburg Area School District and the Columbia County School District.

Evert is married to the former Dorothy Walden. They have four children, Mrs. Carol Ent, Mrs. Sandra Cliff, Barry and Samuel, Jr.

The Rev. Dr. DONALD H. TREESE, pastor of Allison United Methodist Church, Carlisle, has been a member of the Board of Trustees since 1967 when he was elected to his first three-year term while serving in Williamsport as minister of the Newberry United Methodist Church.

The Rev. Dr. Treese was first associated with Lycoming in 1956-57 when he was director of religious activities on the campus following a year as associate pastor of Pine Street United Methodist Church, Williamsport. He was named to the position at Pine Street in 1955 immediately after completing his formal education. He received a bachelor of arts degree from Juniata College and a master of divinity degree from the University of Chicago Federated Theological School. He was also awarded an honorary doctor of divinity degree from Lebanon Valley College in 1976.

The Rev. Dr. Treese, who has also served as pastor of United Methodist Churches in Altoona, Gettysburg and Newport, will be

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## Three From Lycoming Win Awards at Theatre Festival

Awards to two students and a professor for outstanding individual achievements in the Lycoming presentation of "Peer Gynt" at the American College Theatre Festival held at Pennsylvania State University have been announced by the festival judges.

Gary Dartt, assistant professor of theatre, and the two students, Glenn McCreary, of Montoursville, and Mark Albright, of Altoona, were cited for their individual parts in the production which was presented in competition with four others. The winner of the competition will represent Region XII in the national finals to be held in April at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C. Dr. Robert Falk, professor of theatre and director of the play, said the winner will not be announced until March.

Dartt received the award for the "Best Technical Direction and Properties" in the competition with productions presented by Hofstra University, Adelphi University, Muhlenberg College and Behrend Campus of Penn State.

McCreary was one of two students chosen as finalists in the competition for student criticism of the plays written during the festival and reviewed in workshop sessions. He will also compete in the national finals in Washington, D.C., in April.

Albright was one of 10 finalists in the Irene Ryan Acting auditions. He competed against 41 actors and actresses from schools throughout Region XII (New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania). The first-place winner of a \$500 scholarship was from Hofstra University.

## Lycoming To Get Second Honor Society This Year

Phi Gamma Mu, social science honor society, has become the second national honorary to approve a chapter for Lycoming College during the current academic year. The first, a chapter of Phi Kappa Phi, was authorized early in November.

James R. Jose, dean of the college, said an installation ceremony officially incorporating the chapter as part of the college program will be held during the spring semester, probably near Honor's Day in April. The dean said the approval by national headquarters to establish a chapter at Lycoming "is significant because it is testimony to the quality of the academic program, the faculty and students. It provides an opportunity to recognize students with superior scholarly achievement and contributes to the intellectual life of the campus."

leaving the active ministry soon. He was recently appointed associate general secretary of the Board of Higher Education and Ministry of The United Methodist Church and will assume the responsibilities of that position in June.

He is a member of both the Board of Higher Education and Ministry and The Ordained Ministry of the Central Pennsylvania Conference of the church. He has had articles published in a number of church publications and is listed in Who's Who in The United Methodist Church. He is married to the former Lois A. Ward, a graduate of Indiana University of Pennsylvania, and they have three children, Joel, Laura and Hope.

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Dr. Jose explained that authorization for the new chapter was given only after Lycoming met rigorous standards of performance and quality. Membership in the society is limited to those students, alumni or faculty who have had at least 20 semester hours of social science with an average grade of B and have further distinguished themselves in the social sciences. Only students in the upper 35 per cent of their class may be admitted to the society by any chapter in one year.

The established purpose of Phi Gamma Mu "is to improve scholarship in the social studies and to achieve synthesis therein; to inspire social service to humanity by an intelligent approach to the solution of social problems; to engender sympathy toward others with different opinions and institutions by a better mutual understanding; and to supplement and to support, but not to supplant existing social science organizations by promoting sociability and attendance at meetings."

MEMO:

TO: All Alumni  
FROM: Dale V. Bower, Director of Alumni Affairs  
RE: Etching of Clarke Chapel  
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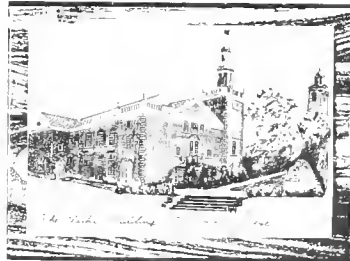


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