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Soccer player honored at awards convocation

A soccer player and Academic All-American received the university's award for outstanding student at the awards convocation on April 21.

James A. Gill, captain of the university's soccer team and a senior majoring in structural design and construction engineering technology, won the all-American designation from the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA).

In ceremonies at the Capital Union Building, he received the Eric A. and Josephine S. Walker Award, which recognizes character, skill, leadership and citizenship.

The annual ceremonies recognize a variety of college-wide and divisional achievements by students, faculty and staff.

William A. Henk, associate professor of education and reading, won the Penn State Harrisburg Outstanding Teacher Award. In recommending Henk for the award, Betty C. Fortner, acting head of the Division of Behavioral Sciences and Education, said he strives constantly to think of ways to improve his teaching, and is articulate, humorous and respectful of his students. As a teacher of future teachers, he provides an excellent model, Fortner said.

The award for outstanding research went to James F. Rooney, associate professor of sociology. An internationally recognized scholar in substance use and abuse, Rooney has also written extensively on the Three Mile Island nuclear plant disaster.

Author of more than 35 journal articles, Rooney most recently turned a one-year visit to Spain into several studies, including examinations of drug use among Spanish youth, the health effects of alcohol in Spain, men's taverns and youth bars. This work is being published in both Spanish and American journals.

Mary Alice "Harv" Pittman of the Lion's Den and "Penn State Harrisburg's answer to Hamburger Helper," carried off the outstanding service award. In presenting the award, Associate Professor James R. Hudson praised Pittman's "daily serving of energy, spirit and humor." He said the humor, contests and costumes she uses "add a dash of verve" to snack bar service.

The teaching, research and service awards were instituted three years ago by Penn State Harrisburg Provost Ruth Leventhal. Each winner receives a certificate plus \$1,000 for the teaching award and \$500 each for the research and service awards.

Carolyn C. Dumaresq, Superintendent of the Central Dauphin



Photo by Darrell Peterson

Clem Gilpin presents James Gill with the Josephine S. Walker Award which recognizes character, skill, leadership, and citizenship.

School District, delivered the convocation address.

"To have a successful future we must have better schools, and better schools result through the commitment and talent of people like those we honor today," she said.

Pieter Pos, a business major from the Netherlands, won the Doris Hughes Memorial Award for academic and community achievement by an international student.

Joanne K. Hooveer won awards for outstanding graduating senior and outstanding achievement from the American Marketing Association.

Other students and the divisional and professional awards they won included:

Lorraine A. Lynn and Barbara C. Hughes, American Association of University Women's Excellence in

Education Award;
Janice E. Mills, Award for

Distinguished Service in Community Psychology.

William M. Stoner, Outstanding Behavioral Science Student Award.

Mary A. Bahn, American Society for Training and Development Award.

Carol H. Reighter and Haven C. Wilson, Humanities Division Academic Achievement Award.

Nancy Kettering Frye, Joel Sater Award for Excellence in American Studies.

Susan L. Varvar, Outstanding Academic Achievement in Criminal Justice Program.

Kristofer A. Frederick, Kenneth W. Master Award in Public Policy.

Michael A. Meixler, Electrical Engineering Technology Outstanding Student.

Brian P. Costello, Mechanical Engineering Technology Outstanding Student.

Due T. Hon, Computer Science Outstanding Student.

Bruce Carbaugh, Structural Design and Construction Engineering Technology Outstanding Student.

Jennifer Breen, Environmental Engineering Technology Outstanding Student.

Nabila M. Audi, Mathematical Sciences Outstanding Student.

Thomas Billet, Wall Street Journal Outstanding Student.

Bonnee Esterbrook, Stephen Bufton Memorial Education Fund Award.

Mary Alice Gaster, Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants Senior Award.

Carol Fees and Glenn Houck, Ernst & Young Scholarship Award.

Douglas D. Garner, National Association of Accountants Harrisburg Area Chapter Outstanding Student Award.

Joann Darrow and Harold Brandt, Association of Government Accountants Scholarship Award.

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times a week," he said.

Terkel said he was more comfortable working with radio rather than television.

While working on "Eight Men Out", a movie about the 1919 Chicago White Sox who threw the World Series, Terkel received a request for an interview from a Cincinnati television reporter.

"The reporter said 'Let's have a bite,'" Terkel said. "I had visions of all the great German restaurants in Cincinnati."

"He took me to the TV station. He meant a sound bite," Terkel said. "I was still hungry."

Terkel was blacklisted in the 1950s because he belonged to a left-wing theater group that was thought to be Communist. This helped his career, he said, because he probably would have

never wrote his books if it weren't for the blacklisting.

Terkel said this was his first visit to Central Pennsylvania and recalled eating his first Hershey Bar at the age of seven.

"But then I saw TMI and forgot all about the Hershey bars."

Besides his Pulitzer-Prize winning book, Terkel has also published *The Great Divide: Second Thoughts on the American Dream* (1988), *Chicago*

(1986), *American Dreams: Lost and Found* (1980), *Talking to Myself: A Memoir of My Times* (1977), *Working: People Talk about What They Do All Day and How They Feel about What They Do* (1974), *Hard Times: An Oral History of the Great Depression* (1970), *Division Street: America* (1967), and *Giants of Jazz* (1957).

He is currently working on a book concerning race and the thoughts and fears of both blacks and whites.