

'Friday Night Heroes' documentary by Dr. Anthony Mussari wins award

The documentary "Friday Night Heroes", produced by Dr. Anthony Mussari, professor and chairperson of communications at King's College, recently won a Silver Plaque award at the prestigious Chicago International Film Festival.

Dr. Mussari, a Dallas resident, has been widely published and is the author of a book on the Agnes Flood. He also was editorialist for WNEP-TV, a former candidate for mayor of Wilkes-Barre and has served on boards for several regional organizations.

The award was presented by Michael Kutza, founder and artistic director of the Chicago International Film Festival through Intercom (International Communications Competition) in the Industrial and Video Festival, a division of the Chicago International Film Festival, in the category of sports and recreation.

The competition is the oldest and most prestigious of its kind in the United States. Intercom is a non-profit organization dedicated to the advancement of the arts. Now in its 27th year, the festival was organized to encourage and promote the art forms of film and video. Entrants in the competition were from various parts of the country and the international community.

The film is a production of Mussari-Loftus Associates and includes the involvement of King's students, alumni and faculty. The production focuses on the dreams, disappointments and growth of band members and football players at Ohio's Reynoldsburg High School in 1990, and depicts the

transition from adolescence to young adulthood. "Friday Night Heroes" is the story of a small Ohio high school football team which bounces back from a tradition of losing seasons. It is not a story about football as much as it is the story of parents, the high school band, and other often overlooked individuals.

The film was also written and directed by Dr. Mussari. Associate producer was Kitch Loftus; graphics were arranged by Ann Joyce, assistant professor of communications at King's; and narrator was Jerry Heller, adjunct professor of communications at King's. Amy Fixl and Katy Pinko, who both earned degrees in communications from King's in 1990, coordinated the video and sound for the film.

The documentary will be aired

on WVIA-TV on Wednesday, Jan. 8, at 10 p.m.

"Friday Night Heroes" is one of several film projects produced by Mussari-Loftus Associates in the past several years. Other productions have centered on the topics of teen suicide; Hispanic role models, the insanity defense in criminal cases, the coal mine fire that forced the permanent evacuation of Centralia, and poverty in the Wyoming Valley. Mussari-Loftus Associates has made 17 productions, many of which have won prestigious national awards.

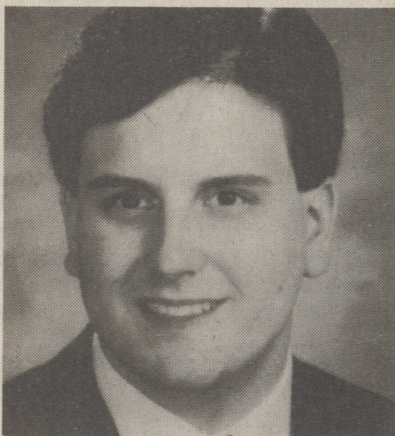
A member of the King's College faculty since 1968, Dr. Mussari earned his Ph.D. from the University of Iowa. He also has conducted post-graduate study at Lehigh University and additional study at the University of Texas in Austin.

Richardson named account executive at First Affiliated

John F. Gager, registered principal at First Affiliated Securities is pleased to announce the appointment of Mark D. Richardson as a Registered Account Executive.

Richardson is an honors graduate of Cornell University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Applied Economics and Business Management. He is a graduate of Dallas High School and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Richardson.

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HONORED BY KING'S COLLEGE - Shown from left: the Rev. James Lackenmier, C.S.C., president of King's College, with the three recipients of the Christi Regis Award; Dr. Edmund Napieralski, Dr. William Drumin, Dr. Edward Schoen and Dr. Donald Farmer, vice president of academic affairs at King's.

King's College honors Back Mountain faculty members with Christi Regis Award

Three Back Mountain residents on the King's College faculty and administration recently received recognition for outstanding service.

Three members of the faculty received the Christi Regis Award for 20 years of distinguished service, three members of the staff and administration received the 20-year service award and seven retirees were honored. The celebration included a mass at the Chapel of Christ the King followed by a reception and dinner in the Sheehy Dining Hall.

The Christi Regis recipients were: Dr. William Drumin, associate professor of philosophy; Dr. Edmund Napieralski, professor of English and coordinator of the CORE curriculum and assessment and Dr. Edward Schoen, professor of business administration and dean of the William G. McGowan School of Business.

Benjamin Dragan of the maintenance department, Donna Kazmierski of secretarial services, and Rita McGurk of the library all received the 20-year service award.

Retirees included Joseph Dobash, the Rev. Clement Kazlauskas, C.S.C., Earl Keller, Peter Pelak, Frank Poslock, Carl Schneider and Geraldine Wabik.

Dr. Drumin, Dallas, also serves as an adjunct professor of mathematics and physics at King's. Drumin is currently the moderator of the King's chapter of Phi Sigma Tau, the national Honor Society for Philosophy. He is also a member of the Eastern Pennsylvania Philosophical Association and has been asked to review several texts on critical thinking.

He received his B.S. in physics from Fordham University, his M.S. in mathematics from New York University and his Ph.D. in philosophy from Columbia University.

Dr. Napieralski, is a member of the Modern Language Association and the National Collegiate Honors Council. He has served as the chairperson of the Faculty Council, director of the honors program

and as moderator of the Regis, King's yearbook. He is the recipient of various honors including listings in the Directory of American Scholars and Who's Where Among Writers.

Dr. Napieralski received his A.B. from Canisius College of Buffalo and his Ph.D. from Loyola University of Chicago.

Dr. Schoen, a former Dallas resident, has served as council to the court in the Luzerne County Court of Common Pleas, and in the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Office. He was chairperson of King's business administration department for 10 years and chairperson of the business division for two years. He holds the John Davis Distinguished Service Professorship in Business at King's.

Dr. Schoen received his B.S. in accounting from LaSalle University, where he was valedictorian and his J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center.

Obituaries

MICHAEL BLAINE

Michael Patrick Blaine, 3 of RR 1, Dallas, Idetown, died Dec. 16, 1991, at Nesbitt Memorial Hospital, Kingston.

Born in Kingston, March 3, 1988, he was the son of Joseph and Sandra Wentzel Blaine Sr. He was a member of Shavertown United Methodist Church.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Joshua, in 1976; paternal grandfather, William Blaine, in 1989.

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are a brother, Joseph Jr., at home; sister, Angela, at home; paternal grandmother, Ruth Brink Blaine, Hunlock Creek; maternal grandparents, Francis and Shirley Campbell Wentzel of Dallas; maternal great-grandfather, Doyle Campbell, North Fort Myers, Fla.; numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Interment, Lateer Cemetery, Sweet Valley.

RAYMOND BUIKUS

Raymond W. Buikus, 65, of West Union St., Kingston, died Dec. 19, 1991, at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital after a seven-month illness.

Born in Wilkes-Barre, he was the son of the late Stanley and Eva Butkowskas Buikus.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Clement, sister, Mrs. Florence Zabroskie.

Surviving are his wife, the former Geraldine Cooper; daughters, Mrs. Marie Lacey, Harveys Lake; Mrs. Lorraine Bartolai, Swyersville; brother, George, Wilkes-Barre; sisters, Mrs. Anna Flynn, Wilkes-Barre; Mrs. Helen Murray, Nanticoke; Mrs. Leona Cooper, Scranton; three grandchildren.

Interment, Holy Trinity Cemetery, Bear Creek Township.

ARTHUR KLINE

Arthur G. Kline, 86, of Meadowcrest, Trucksville, died Dec. 18, 1991, in Nesbitt Memorial Hospital, Kingston, after a lengthy illness.

Born in Scranton, he was the son of the late William E. and Ada Devans Kline. He had resided in Trucksville since 1965, formerly living in Forty Fort and Kingston for most of his life. Prior to his retirement 16 years ago, he was employed in the maintenance department of the Luzerne County Housing Authority at Meadowcrest. He previously operated his own appliance repair business and was a member of Church of Christ Uniting, Kingston.

Surviving are his wife, the former Marie Sickler, son, John, Exeter; daughter, Janet Kline, Edwardsville; sisters, Miss Ella Kline, Pocomo, Md.; Mrs. Agnes Ort, Jenkins Township, four grandchildren.

Interment, Marsh Cemetery, Centermoreland.

Memorial donations, if desired, may be made to the American Cancer Society, Kirby Health Care Center, 71 N. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre, 18701.

THOMAS HELFRICH

Thomas J. Helfrich, 77, Andover St., Wilkes-Barre, died Dec. 22, 1991 in the V.A. Medical Center, Plains Township.

Born in Wilkes-Barre, he was the son of the late George and Mary Flynn Helfrich.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Christine; three brothers, John, Robert and Charles.

Surviving are his wife, the former Florence Gulick; daughters, Mrs. Richard (Maureen) Yanchuk, Dallas; Mrs. Vito (Jane) Aiello, Wilkes-Barre; one grandson; brothers, Bernard, Hanover Twp.; Joseph, Sayre, George, Fla.; sisters, Mrs. Mary Frantz, Dallas; Mrs. Florence Morrissey, Wilkes-Barre.

Entombment, St. Mary's Mausoleum, Hanover Township.

AUDREY MICHAELS

Audrey Michaels, of Walton Drive Rd., Hatboro died Dec. 18, 1991 in the Philadelphia Hospital.

Born in Rohrsburg, she was the daughter of the late Ira and Myrtle Redline Halfpenny.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Edward Michaels.

Surviving are a daughter, Margaret Sutton, Hatboro; three grandchildren; sisters, Anna Alt, Harveys Lake; Laura McHugh, Hanover Twp.; Bernice Jennings, Kaska; Margaret Wolford, Berwick; Ruth Pasavade, Exeter.

Funeral services were from Lewis Plunkett Funeral Home, Hatboro.

WILLIAM HOOVER

William E. Hoover of Lewis Street, Hanover Green, Hanover Township, died Dec. 18, 1991, at the Veterans Administration Medical Center, Wilkes-Barre.

Born in Wilkes-Barre, he was the son of William and Emma Munson Hoover.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Kenneth.

Surviving in addition to his parents are his wife, the former Connie Rudnitskas; daughter, Joanne DalSanto, Dallas; son, Bill, Wilkes-Barre; three grandchildren; brothers, Gerald, Sweet Valley; Russell, Trucksville; sisters, Betty Skovronsky, Tunkhannock; Catherine Hoats, New Jersey.

Interment, St. Mary's Cemetery, Pringle.

FRANCES WISNEWSKI

Frances P. Wisnewski, of RR 2, Harveys Lake, died Dec. 16, 1991, at the Valley Crest Nursing Center, Plains Township.

Born in Kingston, she was the daughter of the late Gerald and Josephine Niemotka Ogurkis. She was a member of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Lake Silkworth.

Surviving are her husband, Fred; son, Thomas, brothers, John, Courtdale; Gerald, Dallas; sister, Irene Pinkey, Hometown; one grandson.

Interment, St. Mary's Annunciation Cemetery, Pringle.

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