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UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION AT ALBANY ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

The University Foundation at Albany has elected an expanded slate of officers and directors to its Board of Directors reflecting its new effort to achieve greater cooperation between the University at Albany and the regional community, Steven Einhorn, Foundation president announced.

"The Foundation will broaden its activities beyond business and economic development in order to widen participation from both the University and the community," Einhorn said. "We have created four new councils, each headed by a vice president, to promote University-community interaction."

The 1988-89 Board of Directors officers are Steven L. Einhorn, President of the architectural firm of Einhorn, Yaffee, Prescott, P.C., as Foundation President; Richard J. Miller, President of Richard J. Miller and Associates, P.C., as Vice President, Membership; Sydney T. Jones III, President of the Hudson Valley Paper Company, as Treasurer; and Phillis E. Dake, Executive Vice President of Stewart's, as Secretary.

In addition, the Board created four new councils and elected vice presidents to head each one. They are Arthur J. Roth, President of Roth Lurie Nobis, P.C., Vice President, Council for Business and Economic Development; Robert J. Krackeler, President of Krackeler Scientific, Vice President, Council for Humanities and Arts; Mark Simmons, President of Vulcan Development and Management Corporation, Vice President, Council for Community Development; and Robert H. Iseman, attorney with DeGraff, Foy, Conway, Holt-Harris & Mealey, Vice President, Council for Intercollegiate

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New directors elected to the Board are Eve Zimmerman of Loudonville;
Ross A. Parkinson, Vice President of Northern Operations, Albany
International Felt Division; Peter Newkirk, President of Newkirk Products;
and Fred B. Wander, an attorney with O'Connell & Aronowitz, P.C.

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THE UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY TO NAME ITS PUBLIC AFFAIRS LIBRARY
FOR GOVERNOR THOMAS E. DEWEY, SEPT. 8

Thomas E. Dewey, three-term governor of New York and twice the Republican Party's candidate for President of the United States, will be honored at the University at Albany on Thursday, September 8, when the University will name its public affairs library in his honor.

The half-hour ceremonies formally dedicating the Governor Thomas E. Dewey Graduate Library for Public Affairs and Policy will begin at 12:15 p.m. on the University's downtown campus, 135 Western Avenue, at the entrance to the Hawley Hall Building where the library is housed.

The governor's son, Thomas E. Dewey, Jr., will participate in the ceremonies as will University at Albany President Vincent O'Leary and Warren F. Ilchman, Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs. Joseph C. Burke, Provost of the State University of New York, will deliver the principal address.

"In 1946, Governor Dewey initiated the Temporary Commission on the Need for a State University which resulted in legislation creating the university system a few years later." President O'Leary said. "It is most appropriate that SUNY's finest library of public affairs and policy be named in honor of the father of the State University of New York."

The library, with 85,000 specialized volumes and a reference collection of 8,000 books including an extensive collection of books on the law, serves the Nelson A. Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy, one of the

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largest such schools in the nation. Rockefeller College is composed of the School of Social Welfare, the School of Information Science and Policy, the School of Criminal Justice, and the Graduate School of Public Affairs. The library is also noted for several special collections such as author Joseph Persico's papers for his book on Governor Rockefeller.

A special two-hour program which is also open to the public, "Thomas E. Dewey Remembered", will begin at 10 a.m. in the Arthur Levitt Executive Seminar Room in Draper Hall. John E. Burton, past state budget director and vice president emeritus of Cornell University who served on the Temporary Commission on the Need for a State University, will talk on "Thomas E. Dewey: The Father of the State University of New York." Malcolm Wilson, former New York governor, lieutenant governor and state legislator, will speak on "The Governor as an Innovator." Former secretary to Governor Dewey and later his law partner R. Burdell Bixby will talk on "Thomas E. Dewey: The Man Who Could Have Been President."

The naming of its public affairs library for Governor Thomas E. Dewey continues an effort by the University to honor public sector leaders of New York State. Last year, the Arthur Levitt Executive Seminar Room was dedicated and in 1981 Rockefeller College was established.

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Albany Artist Awarded in Van Guard International Photo Competition

Barry Koblenz, a May graduate of the University at Albany's Fine Arts bachelor's program, was recently awarded second place and an honorable mention in the Van Guard International Photography Competition.

Koblenz, who studied under University art professor Phyllis Galembo, competed with more than 1,000 photographers from around the world.

He described his work as a series of studies in environmental placement, focusing on alternate environments for people and bringing these environments to light.

"I did much of my work at night. I also worked in the darkroom to manipulate and juxtapose human elements into an alternate environment," Koblenz said. "I portrayed a depth of perception which showed that figures of persons enter images, look around and experience from within."

Koblenz's work will be on display until Sept. 25 in the Little Gallery of Albertus Magnus College in New Haven, Connecticut.

Jurors for the competition were: Peter Moore, senior editor of *Modern Photography Magazine*; Jonathan Rho, J.R. Productions, New York City; and Karen Rossi, Art Education, Connecticut.

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RICHARD DRESSNER NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION AT ALBANY

Dr. Richard B. Dressner has been appointed Executive Director of the University Foundation at Albany, which was established to promote greater cooperation between the University at Albany and its regional community.

The newly-created position of Executive Director is part of an effort to expand and broaden the activities of the Foundation. In addition to its long-standing efforts to enhance business and economic development in the area, the Foundation has recently established councils headed by a vice president to promote regional-university cooperation in the arts and humanities, community development and intercollegiate sports.

Dressner will continue as Associate Vice President for Public Service at the University. The Office of Public Service, which he heads, provides a range of services to area business and industry including corporate contracts, seminars for professionals, and technical assistance through the Small Business Development Center and the new Women and Minority Owned Business Development Center.

Dressner joined the University at Albany in 1978 as Dean of the Division of Continuing Studies which operated the University's evening undergraduate degree programs, community education programs and professional development workshops. The Division also administered the University's Summer Sessions. Dressner assumed his current duties in 1985.

A Phi Beta Kappa graduate of George Washington University, Dressner took his graduate training at Cornell University where he earned his Ph.D. in

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American Intellectual History. He has taught in the history departments of Cornell, Colgate University, the University at Albany and Hiram College in Ohio.

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A BIG DONATION FROM A BIG 8 FIRM

One of the nation's "Big Eight" accounting firms has donated \$12,000 to the University at Albany's Accounting and Law Department for the development of a tax library. In a formal presentation, Wednesday, Sept. 14, at 8:30 p.m., in Lecture Center One of the University's uptown campus, a representative from Ernst & Whinney, presented the check to Dr. Enrico Petri, chair of the accounting department.

The donation preceded a presentation to undergraduates by the accounting firm on interviewing techniques. Ernst & Whinny recruits employees several times each year from the University's accounting department.

The National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) reported this September that the University's accounting graduates were some of the best in the nation, with the number of Albany students who passed the November 1987 Certified Public Accountant examination on their first try greater than anywhere in the country. "Albany's graduates have been in the top ten on every CPA exam since the results have been published," said Petri. "Considering that we do not offer a CPA review course as part of our curriculum, this is particularly outstanding," he said.

Petri noted that in addition to its generous donation, Ernst & Whinny would supply an advisor to help establish the new library and recommend to the University which books to buy. Tax laws are revised often and the library will have to be updated regularly.

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U.S. Information Agency Awards \$46,000 Grant to Albany Italian Studies

The United States Information Agency's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs recently awarded a \$46,000 grant to the University at Albany's Hispanic and Italian Studies department. The funding will support faculty exchanges between the University at Albany and the centuries-old University of Salerno, in southern Italy, and also bring about an international symposium in Albany.

The project, an educational and cultural exchange partnership forming a relationship of mutual research and teaching between the two universities, will include a series of up to eight semester-long faculty exchanges during the next three years.

In addition, an international symposium, *Southern Italy and America: Regional, Cultural and Political Life*, will be held in Albany on Apr. 11-13, 1989. It will be a continuation of themes and topics that were discussed at a 1987 conference held in the Italian Region of Molise.

The ultimate goal of the project is to form a Center for Southern Italian Studies at the University at Albany, similar to the established Center for Southern Italian Humanistic Studies located at the University of Salerno.

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"Eighty-five percent of Italian immigrants in the U.S. and Canada, including those who settled in New York State, came from southern Italy," said Giose Rimanelli, an Italian Studies professor at the University at Albany and project director. "Despite this large population segment, very little is known here about that area's social and cultural traditions. Most research and cultural exchanges have focused on northern Italy."

Each University has a personal interest in studying the southern Italian heritage mix. Albany seeks to better understand Italian-American heritage by studying its origins in southern Italy. Salerno, at the same time, is interested in studying southern Italy's influence on American culture and values, and the works of Italian-American scholars and artists.

"The faculty exchange will enable an intertwining of two different methods of teaching and also of political and cultural ways," said Rimanelli, a native of Molise. "We want to capture and focalize the attention of Italians and Americans on having the University become a center for that type of study. It will be the only one like it in North America."

Rimanelli, a novelist and literary critic, maintained a close relationship with his native region. Wanting to give people a consciousness of their being, he wrote an autobiography, *Molise, Molise*, which was well-received by the Italian public and his friend, professor Paolo Nuvoli, president of Region Molise. Not wanting to lose linkage with his heritage, and feeling the time was right, Rimanelli initiated the project with Salerno in 1986.

Other project initiators from Albany are Alicia de Colombi-Monquio, chairman of Hispanic and Italian Studies; Francis Femminella, associate professor of Program Development and Evaluation for the School of Education; and Francine Frank, dean of the College of Humanities and Fine Arts.

The faculty exchange between the two universities is underway. Sebastiano Martelli, an Italian scholar, recently visited Albany's campus and lectured on southern Italy's culture. Luigi Reina, an Italian professor, scholar and author, is currently visiting Albany until December. In January, Albany will send a faculty member to Salerno.

In addition to Federal Government funding, the overall endeavor is supported by two major national associations in the U.S.: the National Italian American Foundation, Washington, D.C.; and the American Italian Historical Association, New York. A number of private sources are also interested in supporting a Center for Southern Italian Studies, which would be based at the University at Albany.

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TREATMENT FOR CHILDREN SUFFERING FROM ANXIETY IS RESUMED

With the arrival of the new school year, the University's Center for Stress and Anxiety Disorders is resuming its two programs for anxiety-troubled schoolchildren ages six to 16.

One program treats children who are afraid to attend classes. The other treats children who suffer from general anxieties and phobias (fear of darkness, loud noises, crowds, dogs, etc.).

Both programs are headed by psychologist Wendy Silverman.

School phobias may result from a fear of teachers, other children, tests, speaking before a class, or may be rooted in family problems. Children who have been chronically absent from school for a year or more are not eligible for treatment.

Treatments are drug-free. Psychologists work with parents as well as children to help the children cope with and gradually overcome their anxieties.

For more information, call Chris Karney or Dr. Silverman at 456-4127.
