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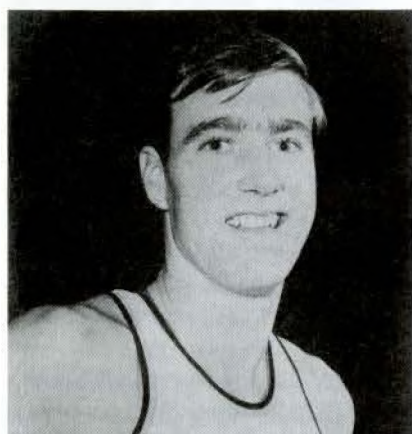
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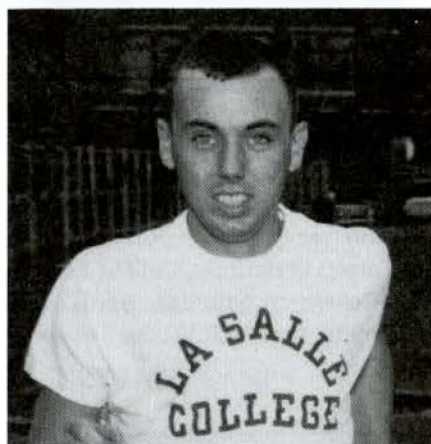
CANNON, MINEHAN AND FINEGAN TO BE INDUCTED



Larry Cannon

Cannon played in the American Basketball Association for five seasons from 1969-74 and in the 1970-71 campaign he led the Denver Rockets in scoring with a 26.6 ppg. average, which also ranked sixth in the league.

Injuries curtailed Cannon's playing career but he is currently coaching the Lancaster Red Roses entry in the Eastern Basketball Association.



Paul Minehan

Larry Cannon, Paul Minehan, and Jim Finegan, three of La Salle's greatest athletes, will be inducted into the Alumni Hall of Athletes at Homecoming on April 30.

Cannon, a member of the exceptional 23-1 basketball team in 1968-69, established one of the most brilliant individual records in Explorer basketball history.

In his three year varsity career Cannon averaged 19.0 ppg. and currently ranks sixth on the all time La Salle scoring list with 1430 points. He was more than a hot shooter, though, as his team high 140 assists and 147 rebounds (2nd best) during the '68-'69 campaign will attest.

Among the honors Cannon garnered for his fantastic senior year were first team All East, All MAC, and *Basketball Weekly* All America honors; *The Sporting News* All America second team; and Associated Press honorable mention All America.

won the mile and two mile events in the MAC Outdoor Championship Meet and paced the Explorers to the team title.

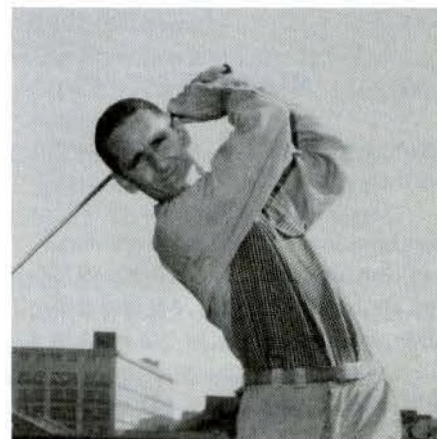
Minehan's record time of 4:09.6 in the outdoor mile was a long standing La Salle best until it was broken in 1975.

Jim Finegan, '51, was perhaps La Salle's greatest golfer and was accordingly ranked number one on the La Salle squad for his entire four year career. He also was the team's co-captain in his junior and senior years.

Finegan graduated maxima cum laude and was ranked first in his class with a four year index of 3.98, the highest ever recorded at that time. He was also the recipient of the James J. Ryan Memorial Award for the senior with the best scholastic record and the William T. Connor Award for the senior-athlete with the best scholastic record.

Minehan ('64) was one of the College's greatest distance runners. As a junior in 1962 Minehan captured the Middle Atlantic Conference and IC4A individual cross country championships. The following spring he won the MAC outdoor mile run, finished second in the two mile, and helped pace coach Frank Wetzler's cindermen to a third place conference finish.

In his senior campaign Minehan again doubled as MAC and IC4A cross country champion and led the Explorer harriers to team ties in each of the championship meets. He also



Jim Finegan

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Since his graduation, Finegan has gained distinction as a golfer as the Northeastern U.S. Navy champion in 1954 and was captain of the Navy team that won the Northeastern U.S. All Service championship. He is a former champion of the Llanerch Country Club and was the first player to win three consecutive Philadelphia Country Club championships (1972, 73, and 74), only to be dethroned by his son, Jim, Jr., a former MVP of the La Salle golf team himself, in 1975.

Finegan is currently a contributing editor to the Golf Journal, the official publication of the U.S. Golf Association and wrote a major piece on the great links of Ireland in the January/February 1977 issue.

He is the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Gray & Rogers, Inc., an advertising and public relations agency in Philadelphia.

Alumni President Joseph M. Gindhart, Esq., '58 will make the awards at the Homecoming Dinner in the College Union Ballroom at 8 p.m. Tickets for the dinner are \$25.00 a couple, and may be purchased through the Alumni office.

The Hall of Athletes Selection Committee, under the chairmanship of Joseph F. Sweeney, '54 presented its recommendations to the Alumni Board of Directors at its January meeting. The Board endorsed the choices unanimously.

REUNITE !

Spring brings showers, flowers, warm weather, and reunions!

Homecoming will begin the reunion tradition on Saturday, April 30, 1977. The classes of '37, '42, '47, and the silver anniversary class of '52 will participate on that occasion. Coinciding with their get-togethers will be the annual induction into the alumni Hall of Athletes. The evening will begin at 7:00 with separate class cocktail

parties, followed by dinner in the Ballroom at 8:00, and dancing to "Minus John" till 1:00 a.m.

On Saturday, May 7, the classes of '57 and '62 have their chance to reunite. The 20th and 15th anniversary classes will stage individual cocktail parties at 7:00, with dinner upstairs in the Ballroom at 8:00, and dancing till 1:00 a.m., with music provided by the "Ri-Vells".

On Saturday, May 14, the class of '67 will meet the second time, and the class of '72 will have their initial reunion since graduation. These 10th and 5th year classes will also host private cocktail bashes at 7:00, followed by dinner, and dancing to "Minus John".

Members of these anniversary classes will be receiving notices about their respective reunions. Anyone who would like further details, or knows of any alumnus who has not been contacted about these affairs, please call the Alumni Office. (848-8300 ext. 421)

WOMEN'S CAREER CONFERENCE

A conference, "Women, Reach Out . . . to Careers in Business," will be held at the College on Saturday, April 23, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The con-

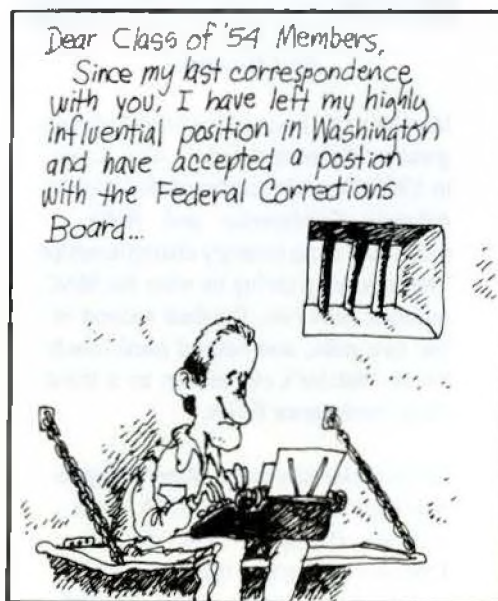
ference, sponsored by the Continuing Education for Women Program, the Career Planning and Placement Office, and the School of Business Administration, will be open, free of charge, to anyone who wants information about the opportunities and challenges which exist for women seeking careers in business fields.

The keynote speaker will be Mrs. Bea Hicks, Marketing Representative for IBM Corporation, and a student in La Salle's MBA Program.

Philadelphia women who are actively engaged in business careers will lead workshops in the following areas: accounting, insurance, banking, marketing, management, data processing, real estate, personnel, and media. Each participant will be able to attend three workshops of her choice to hear the leaders speak about their careers. In addition, ample time will be allowed for discussion and questions from participants.

There also will be two lunch-time workshops (those interested should bring a brown bag lunch) in "The Process and Problems of Returning to School" and "Overcoming Math Anxiety."

For further information, or to register by phone, please call Continuing Education for Women, La Salle College, VI 8-8300, ext. 279 or 320.



CLASS REPS SOUGHT

There are vacancies on the Alumni Association Board of Directors in the following classes: 1951, '55, '61, '70 and '71. Alumni interested in serving as class representatives should contact Jim McDonald, Director of Alumni, at the College.

PRESIDENT TO ADDRESS DOWNTOWNERS

Brother Patrick Ellis, F.S.C., Ph.D., the newly elected President of the College will be the guest speaker when the Alumni Downtown Club meets on April 13, it was announced by Club Chairman Terence Heaney.

As the former Director of Development Brother Patrick is well known to many alumni and is no stranger to Downtown Club gatherings. However, this will mark his first formal appearance as President before an alumni group. He will discuss "The Future of La Salle."

The April luncheon will be held in the Benjamin Franklin Hotel, at 9th and Chestnut Streets. Price has been set at \$7.25 a person, and reservations are requested in advance. Lunch will be served at 12:15 in the Betsy Ross Room. Please call the Alumni Office for any further information.

SPRISSLER TESTIMONIAL

A Testimonial Dinner for Joseph J. Sprissler, D.C.S., former Vice President for Business Affairs, will be held on Thursday, April 21, 1977 in Williamson's Restaurant. Sprissler, who served in different capacities at the College for close to 40 years, retired in June of 1976. The contribution for this farewell affair has been set at \$20.00 per person. Any alumnus who wishes to honor Dr. Sprissler by attending may make his check payable to "La Salle College, Friends of Joseph J. Sprissler, DCS". Checks may be sent to John L. McCloskey, Vice President Public Affairs, and tickets will be provided by mail.



Joseph J. Sprissler

Cocktails will begin at 7:00 p.m., followed by dinner at 8:00. Williamsons is located in the Germantown Savings's Bank Building on City Line Avenue.

BASKETBALL TEAM HONORED

For the ninth consecutive year, the Alumni Basketball Club will hold their Awards Dinner for the La Salle Basketball team. The 1977 squad will be honored on Friday, April 1, at the Shack Restaurant, 7133 Roosevelt Boulevard. Tickets for this affair are \$10.00 per person, and may be purchased through the Alumni Office (848-8300 ext. 421).

A cashbar will be open at 6:00 p.m., and dinner will be served at 7:00. All alumni are invited to participate in honoring this spirited young team for the tremendous effort and drive that they displayed throughout the year.

BASKETBALL CAMPS

Paul Westhead, head coach of the Explorers, will conduct his fifth annual Basketball Day Camp at Hayman Hall from August 1 to 5 for boys and girls between the ages of nine and sixteen who are interested in improving their basketball skills.

Assistant Coach Dave "Lefty" Ervin will hold an overnight camp in Avalon, N. J., June 27-July 1; a boys camp at Hayman Hall July 11-15; a girls camp (with Angie Scarangelli) at Hayman Hall, July 18-22; and one at Archbishop Ryan High School, August 1-5.

For information on any of these basketball camps contact the Alumni Office, (215) 848-8300, ext. 421.

NEWS FROM SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

The Spring and Summer travel offers are excellent, varied and many. Here are a few of the best values:

1. **Disney World Specials** — from April to December, from \$159.00 complete
2. **Hawaii** — 1 week, 10 days and 2 week trips, plus Hawaii, San Francisco, and Las Vegas. From May to Dec. from a low of \$399.00 direct from Phila.
3. **Rome and Cannonization of Bishop Neumann**— June 12-20, \$499.00 complete direct from Phila.
4. **Colonial Williamsburg** — 4 day Memorial Day Weekend special. Includes the Old Country, Busch Gardens, and a cruise to Newport News. From \$170.00 complete
5. **Bermuda** — May 27-30 and May 30 to June 3, plus trips in October and November from \$269.00 complete
6. **Irish Adventure** — 3 departures — May 22-30, July 14-22 and Sept. 15-23 from \$499.00 complete
7. **Mexico Special** — Mexico City, Taxco, and Acapulco, May 13-20 — \$377.00 complete
8. **San Francisco and Lake Tahoe** — Sept. 17-24 and Nov. 19-26, \$389.00 complete
9. **Germany and Switzerland** — 2 departures — June 21-29 and Sept. 15-23. From \$599.00 complete

Other trips are: Japan and the Orient, the Canary Islands, Las Vegas and Switzerland. Free travel information is available to all members of the College Community; call the Special Activities Office at 848-9318, or write, La Salle College, C/O Special Activities Office.

DIRECTORY DELAYED

The 1977 Alumni Directory has run into several technical problems which have forced a delay in production plans. Due to these difficulties, information regarding the directory will be reaching alumni later than expected. Each alumnus will be asked to fill in a biographic card, and return it to the Alumni Office in order to insure updated information for this publication.

Alumni are asked to disregard the scheduled return date of March 15, and have all cards in by April 30. The completed directory will be available by the summer. Any alumnus who wishes to purchase a directory may order one through his returned biographic card for the pre-publication price of \$8.50. Members of the Century Club (\$100.00 annual gift) will be receiving a copy of the directory as their gift from the college.



Head coach Dick Vermeil of the Philadelphia Eagles acknowledges applause after stimulating talk to the Alumni Downtown Club on February 24.

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