

Lasswell Award of the Policy Studies Organization "as an outstanding scholar contributing to our understanding of the substance and process of public policy."

Daniel A. Mazmanian has been appointed to the newly established Luther Lee Chair in Government at The Claremont Graduate School.

Joseph S. Szyliowicz, professor, Graduate School of International Studies, University of Denver, has been selected as the outstanding scholar of the year at the university and was presented with the Burlington Northern Foundation Award for "unusually significant and meritorious achievement in professional scholarship" at the commencement ceremony.

Marvin G. Weinbaum, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, was a recipient of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching. □



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In Memoriam

Stefan C. Maczynski

Stefan C. Maczynski, associate professor of political science at St. John Fisher College, died suddenly of a heart attack on July 10, 1986. He was 61 years of age and was honored recently for having completed 29 years of teaching at the College.

Both his colleagues and his students will remember an outstanding individual whose devotion to academic excellence and ethical values was exemplary. As one of the most respected faculty members at the College, Stefan was very active in academic governance and served as pre-law advisor and coordinator of the Washington Semester Program to hundreds of students over the years.

Stefan was chairman of the department when he offered me the position of assistant professor 15 years ago. It was in large part due to my impression of this rugged individualist, whose humane values and compassion were clearly evident, that I accepted his offer and moved my family to Rochester, New York. Working with a man who became both my mentor and close friend has been a blessing for me. Although Stefan's background and ideological orientation were very different from my own, I deeply respected his perspicacity and confidence in getting to the core of complex issues. He was a man who marshalled his considerable intelligence and reasoning powers for just ends.

He was very proud to be a citizen of the United States. This was evident in his enthusiastic participation in my Jamaican-born wife's naturalization when I was conducting research abroad. Stefan became an expert in the theory and functioning of American governmental institutions which in his words "are the best protection free people have been able to devise." He was a man whose historical perspective and insight into the human condition was deeply influenced by personal experience.

Born in 1924 in Wilno, Poland, Stefan

Maczynski joined the Polish underground at the age of 15. His participation in the Warsaw Uprising was recognized by Poland's high military honor "Virtuti Militari" and the Cross of Valor. After the Uprising, the Germans took him as a prisoner of war and he spent half a year in German camps. At the end of World War II he went to Italy and served in the Second Polish Corps under British command. He then immigrated to England to continue his education. In 1952 he earned his bachelor's degree in political economy from the University of London. After immigrating to Canada where he continued his study of political economy, he received his master's degree at the University of Montreal in 1955. After joining the faculty of St. John Fisher College in 1957, Stefan became a leading spokesman for faculty and student interests. I will always remember the power of his eloquence on the floor of the faculty assembly. He was a man who commanded attention and influenced outcomes of debate through reason and diplomacy.

Stefan lived robustly on his beloved "farm" where he gardened and chopped wood; and where our families congregated often to have a hearty meal and some good talk.

Stefan's family, loved ones, friends, colleagues, and students are joined by the Polish community, in which he was active as a former president of Polish Veterans of World War II, a translator and a counsellor, in remembering a man of great courage and conviction whose life was inspirational to those who knew him.

Memorial donations may be made to the Stefan Maczynski Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o Department of Political Science, St. John Fisher College, Rochester, New York 14618.

Richard S. Hillman
St. John Fisher College

Harold Rakov

Harold Rakov, professor of political science emeritus at the State University of New York at Brockport, died in Brock-

port, March 9, 1985, after a four-month bout with cancer of the colon. He is survived by his wife of 45 years, the former Jill McLaughlin, a son, and a daughter.

Harold had served the college loyally and well in many capacities for more than 36 years. He had been director of admissions, dean of students, vice president for student affairs, graduate dean, vice president for urban affairs, and department chair, among other titles. After his retirement in January 1983, he had remained active as a special assistant to the president. Perhaps no one in the 150-year history of the institution had done so much for it in so many different ways for so long. In recognition of those many contributions, the SUNY trustees authorized the designation of a college building as the Harold Rakov Center for Student Services. Also, the department had established the Harold Rakov Scholarship Fund in his honor at the time of his retirement and the Rakov family has donated the money for a Harold Rakov Memorial Visiting Professorship for fall 1986.

That recognition honors more than the mere performance of tasks, however numerous and important they may have been. Harold Rakov was a monumental presence on the Brockport campus. At 6-foot 3-inches, he towered over most of his colleagues. His thick shock of sparkling white hair, jet-black eyebrows, hawk-like nose, and thoroughbred stance and gait made an indelible impression on all who met him. He radiated good humor, optimism, and confidence. He strode across campus, whistling and greeting cheerily everyone he encountered. He was legendary for unflagging courtesy and tact, gallantry and courtliness, sensitivity, unwillingness to criticize or complain, boundless energy, sincere and intense interest in the personal well-being of each student, intimate classroom style, ingenuity, insistence on the highest standards of quality, and determination always to seek a constructive solution to every problem, but never at the expense of a fellow human being. His positive influence was especially cherished during his last few years, which were very difficult for the institution.