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The entire expansion program carries a $15,000,000 price tag and will permit the college to accommodate about 3,400 full time day students, an increase of more than 1,300 over last fall's enrollment. The cost is shared equally by Broome County and the state.

1970 Total Constitutes Record High

Attending college is becoming more and more a year-round effort, and this summer Broome Tech will have about 1350 students enrolled in various courses.

The summer session has about 1125 taking courses both in the daytime and at night. About 60% of these are enrolled in day courses.

The 1125 constitute a record summer session total.

These are semester length courses, many of which are transferable to other colleges which explain why many college students who attend out-of-town colleges take summer courses at Broome Tech. There are at least 60 colleges accepting transfer credit this year.

In addition, more than 200 full-time students enrolled in the college's electrical, mechanical, and X-ray technology curricula are taking their regularly scheduled summer quarter courses. There are 103 in electrical, 72 mechanical and 31 X-ray, with a total of 119 freshmen and 87 seniors.

The electrical and mechanical students must take the summer term to make up for the time they spend on their jobs in the college's co-operative work program, and the X-ray students spend much of their summer quarter working in X-ray rooms of the participating hospitals.

There are also 18 students enrolled as part-timers in some of the courses for the electrical and mechanical students.

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Graduates Told They Can Do Something About Pollution

Individuals can do something about the pollution problem facing civilization today, Broome Tech graduates were told during the recent commencement ceremonies.

David D. Comey, who has become an important authority on pollution control, pointed out that individuals must exert self Discipline without delay, change their life styles in the not too distant future, and put pressure on the three primary groups responsible for pollution—industry, legislators and governmental officials.

Mr. Comey was the executive director of the Citizens Committee to Save Cayuga Lake, and he has recently been appointed director of environmental research for Businessmen for the Public Interest (BPI) in Chicago.

Self discipline on the part of the individual includes reeding as much as possible about pollution to become informed on this vital subject. Then effective use of this information must follow, he said.

To prevent adding to water pollution problems, switch to low-phosphate detergents, and don’t use pesticides or herbicides and don’t pour them down the drain. Keep your automobile in tune, buy unleaded gasoline and don’t burn leaves. Use them for compost or mulch. This will help to check air pollution.

Reduce use of paper towels and plastics, boycott non-returnable bottles, avoid plastic garbage bags that are not biodegradable, and save newspapers and corrugated boxes for paper drives to cut down on solid wastes to be disposed of. And above all, don’t litter.

Looking ahead, Mr. Comey stressed the dangers of overpopulation. “If our current growth rate were to continue, we would have 700 million people by the year 2060, an ecological disaster,” he stated.

Even if families limited themselves to two children each, the nation’s population would not stabilize until the year 2050, he said. Voluntary restrictions on the size of families are impractical, so that harsh solutions like an involuntary negative income tax exemption is necessary to make it prohibitively expensive to have more than one child.

Other changes in people’s life styles must include making the automobile “a secondary means of transportation.” High speed rail travel must replace more highways and jetports, he stressed.

People can exert influence on corporations by writing to the president or to members of his family or to the directors to advise them the company is acting irresponsibly when the firm is polluting the atmosphere. Sometimes officials are actually unaware of it, he said. But they usually will respond to mature and responsible.

Graduates Largest Class; Total Is 226

The Class of 1970 is the largest by far in Broome Tech’s history, with 728 graduation candidates surpassing by 22 percent the previous high, 579 last year.

In fact, this year’s class is larger than the combined total of the college’s first six from ’49 to ’54.

It is a diversified class, with many graduates planning to continue their higher education and many planning to go to work. It contains a grandmother and many mothers, one with six children.

There are a set of twins, two pairs of brothers and a family with two sisters and a brother. The oldest graduate is 54 years old and several others are in their 40’s.

Life Begins at 40

For These Graduates

Life can begin at 30 or even 40 for some graduates of the Class of 1970. Among those earning their associate degrees were 30 adults who have been taking courses in the evening through Broome Tech’s Division of Continuing Education.

Eight of these 30 are 40 or over and a total of 20 is in the over-30 age category.

Eleanor Wood, who works in the Finance Office at Broome Tech, was the oldest graduate. She is 54 and proud of it, as well as of her academic accomplishment. She took all her courses in the evening and has been attending classes since 1960.

Another of the graduates in this group was Rev. Robert Darling, minister of the United Methodist Church in Vestal.

Six of the group work for IBM, which had more employees earn degrees this year than any other employer.

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Class of 1970 Includes a Grandmother

Mrs. Grace Officer, who has six children; Mrs. Esther Adams, whose daughter graduated the same night from Wilson Memorial School of Nursing; and the first men to receive their associate degrees—William Mihal and John Way.

There was also Mrs. Diana Celenza, who had previously earned her B.A. Degree from Syracuse University and taught German at Harpur before deciding she would prefer a career in nursing.

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From Bermuda

Barry DeCouto’s mother and father came from Bermuda, and Joan Jecko’s husband came from Long Island to give the invocation and the benediction. He is the vicar of the Church of St. Margaret in Plainview.

Broome Tech faculty members had family representation in the Class of 1970. There were Dick Baldwin’s daughter Debbie, Dr. Porter Swift’s son Neil, Douglas Rittenhouse’s daughter Vivian, and Ruth Stratton’s husband William.

The Lehr family of Greene was also well represented, with Michael and his two sisters Ann Louise and Jane. The girls took liberal arts and Michael chemical technology.

There were also the Stalker twins, Marcia in nursing and Mary Lou in secretarial; the Cavanaugh brothers, James in business and Michael chemical technology; and the Prentice brothers, Edward and William, both in electrical technology.

Norman Shadduck of the County Legislature had his son and namesake among the graduates, Norman Shadduck, Jr.
Above Last Year
Paula Serbonich’s 3.88 Top 2-Year Average

Paula Serbonich of Endwell had the highest two-year grade point average among the 728 Broome Tech graduates, as she posted a cumulative average of 3.88 out of a possible 4.00. She earned 32 A’s and four B’s during her two years of study in the college’s dental hygiene curriculum.

Her 3.88 average was barely higher than Deborah Livingston’s 3.87, Debbie posted 29 A’s and five B’s in the college’s liberal arts program.

Two other graduates with cumulative averages above 3.80 were Richard Clark of Binghamton and Dennis Noyes of Vestal. Clark had a 3.85 average in the engineering science curriculum, and Noyes’ two year record showed a 3.83 average in the accounting program.

Miss Serbonich will work as a dental hygienist with Drs. James and Robert Farrell in Binghamton, while the other three plan to continue their formal education — Miss Livingston at Syracuse University, Clark at Cornell and Noyes at Harpur.

All four were on the President’s List for all six terms at Broome Tech. Nancy Simkulet of Binghamton was the only other graduate to earn that honor. She finished with a 3.64 two-year average.

It is interesting to note in this connection that Clark’s wife may follow in his footsteps. She is the former Candice Constine, and they married just a week prior to graduation. She was a freshman in the college’s dental hygiene program, and has been on the President’s List for the three terms of her freshman year.

A total of 18 students graduated with high honors, a recognition for those whose two years of study cast cumulative averages between 3.50 and 4.00.

The others, in addition to Misses Serbonich, Livingston and Simkulet, and the technical areas and about the same percentage in the health science programs. The 30 who received their associate degrees through the college’s Division of Continuing Education evening program were about 4 percent of the total.

Here is the curriculum breakdown of the graduating class:

| Business | 229 |
| Secretarial | 54 |
| Business Admin. | 47 |
| Liberal Arts | 207 |
| Technical Areas | 132 |
| Accounting | 128 |
| Medical Lab. Tech | 10 |
| Medical Office Asst. | 14 |
| Nursing | 47 |
| X-ray Tech. | 14 |
| Evening | 30 |

Total 728

states the case for my generation and at the same time offers you the challenge to do better than we have.” Mr. Walker cited some facts collected by Bergen Evans, an educator from Northwestern University and a radio performer of some years ago.

It was noted that the parents and grandparents of today’s graduates have done much in the last five decades from 1919 to 1969. They have:

• Increased life expectancy by fifty percent.
• Cut the work by a third while doubling per capita output.
• Made a healthier world and practically eliminated the threat of epidemics.
• Lived through the great depression, and thus sought a better life for this generation. Hence “you are the tallest, healthiest, brightest sons of your parents.”
• Been materialistic, and as a result “you will work fewer hours, learn more, have more leisure time, travel to more distant places.”
• Fought man’s grisiest war and had the compassion to spend billions to help the former enemies rebuild their homelands.
• Built thousands of schools and made higher education a real possibility for millions.
• “They have not yet found an alternative for war. Nor for racial hatred. Perhaps you, the members of the graduating class, will perfect the social mechanisms . . . so that the earth will no longer need police to enforce the laws, nor armies to prevent some men from trespassing against others.
• “If your generation can make as much progress in as many areas as these two generations have, you should be able to solve a good many of the world’s remaining ills.”

Mrs. Grace Officer is a proud mother and graduate, as she poses with five of her six children. The children look pretty proud too.
2 Tech Alumni Near Doctorate

Two Broome Tech graduates are working for their doctorates at the University of Pittsburgh. Robert Capwell (CH-61) in physical chemistry and Ronald Wilkes (LA-65) in psychology.

Capwell, who expects to receive his degree in August, has his B.S. in chemistry from Ohio State and his M.A. in educational psychology at Pitt. Two years before entering Pitt two years ago, Wilkes was 28 when he entered Broome Tech, and then he earned his A.B. at Syracuse and his M.A. in educational psychology at Pitt. He is working in Pittsburgh on the desegregation problem in Detroit. He travels to Detroit for his information and then returns to Pittsburgh to feed his findings into the computer for analysis.

This spring he delivered a paper at the annual convention of the Eastern Psychological Association on "The Impact of Evaluative Feedback on Program Management." Not bad for a fellow who never graduated from high school, as he entered Broome Tech by passing an equivalency test.

Medical Society Honors Tech

President Cecil C. Tyrrell (left) accepts the Broome County Medical Society annual service award from Dr. Dominick Artuso, as the college was honored "for its outstanding contributions to the health of the community" in recognition of the health science programs that prepare many graduates to work in the community's health facilities.

CAMS Gives $1,200 to Foundation

A $1,200 donation has been given to the Broome Tech Foundation by the Collegiate Administration Society (CAMS), a student organization formerly known as the Business Club.

The money has been earmarked for the Walter Tedick Memorial Scholarships, with the conditions that no recipient receive more than $200 and that he or she be a business student.

The scholarships were named in honor of the late Walter Tedick, who was on the business division faculty for 19 years before he died of lung cancer in December.

Most of the money was raised by selling advertising for the basketball program for the Turkey Trot basketball round-robin last Thanksgiving.

Peace Movement at Broome Tech Orderly, Non-Violent

Students at Broome Tech became involved in the nationwide student peace movement in May, but without any of the violence or destruction that accompanied many of the nation's campus demonstrations.

The effort at Broome Tech was marked by orderly conduct and a positive approach, as the student Action Committee worked in close cooperation with the college's administration.

The significant events on campus were:

- A convocation in the gym on Thursday morning, May 14, to explain to the students about a referendum that afternoon to determine if the majority of students favored redirecting all classroom time on Friday to a discussion of the Vietnam situation.
- A late-afternoon convocation in the gym on Friday brought out about a dozen speakers and about 150 students and faculty members.
- A noon service on Monday on the Quad for the four slain Kent State students.
- Quite a few students marched in the Peace March in the community on Saturday, May 15, and a few went to Albany for the march there on May 20.

Monday and Tuesday classes were held as usual, with most of them returning to academic pursuits—but only after a vote of the students at the beginning of the class, as per the referendum agreement.

The student Action Committee also agreed to have four nights of speeches on different phases of the Vietnamese War from May 25-28 in Titchener Hall. The speakers included clergymen, politicians and faculty members.

The student Action Committee also did a fine job of turning out mimeographed sheets daily to keep students and faculty informed of developments and to keep the lines of communication open. This helped to keep thing orderly.

It should also be stressed again that there was a most positive approach to the students' efforts, and never was there an attempt to close the school or engage in violence. As one faculty member summed it up, "The students were not interested in destruction, they were interested in discussion."