

# OpeningREMARKS

## BOUNDLESS OPPORTUNITIES

TALK ABOUT BEING AT THE CENTER OF HISTORY. In the appendix of his fascinating memoir *From Kristallnacht to Watergate* (SUNY Press, 2013), Harry Rosenfeld '52 shares a transcription from one of the infamous Nixon White House tapes that figured in the disgraced president's fall from power. And there, on April 16, 1973, is Richard M. Nixon discussing Rosenfeld with his press secretary, Ron Ziegler. Rosenfeld, then metropolitan editor of *The Washington Post*, was guiding reporters Bob Woodward and Carl Bernstein on their Watergate investigation, and the taped conversation reveals that Nixon and Ziegler understood *The Post* had more information than it had reported so far and was tying together the loose ends, ready to put more damning evidence in print.

For Rosenfeld, it's just one chapter of an extraordinary career. Take a look at the profile of him (pages 44-45) in this issue and you'll learn that he credits his work with *The Daily Orange* as an "invaluable experience." Like so many students, Rosenfeld took advantage of opportunities he found here at Syracuse and grew from them.

That, of course, is one of the beauties of a Syracuse education. Opportunities, in the classroom and beyond, abound. In our Orange Legacy article, for instance, Vince Rigolosi '54 mentions the role that being exposed to people with different interests played in his development as a person. "It wasn't just the experience I got in the classroom, but the experience I got on campus, too," he says.

Rigolosi isn't alone in this assessment. In our profile of Tanya Forrest Hall '93, she notes how her SU experience not only expanded her mind academically,

but also taught her a great deal about herself. As you comb through the pages of this issue, you'll come across plenty more examples that illustrate how the SU experience can have such a positive impact, professionally and personally, on students during their time here. Whether it's doing research with a faculty member, tackling the University's new Outdoor Challenge Course, studying abroad, getting involved in a student organization, or immersing oneself in numerous other opportunities, today's students have a wealth of territory to explore—and more often than not they capitalize on these offerings.

For so many of us, college is the place where we discover ourselves—who we are and who we want to become. We gain knowledge, uncover new interests and talents, expand our horizons, forge lifelong friendships, and head out into the world with a sharper vision of what life has to offer and what we can do to make it better for others. There's no doubt that education and learning are so integral to our journeys—and it's nice to see how those journeys take shape here on the Hill.



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