2002 Award Recipient

Joseph J. Maggi '67

Joseph Maggi, your commitment to voluntarism and your support of your alma mater have garnered you respect from your class and well-earned recognition from the WPI community.

As a student, you were called to a leadership role as president of your fraternity, Theta Chi. As an alumnus, you stepped forward to support the university as a fund-raising volunteer. It was as a class agent, and then head agent, for the Class of 1967 that you began your alumni leadership role with WPI. You have distinguished yourself further by serving as a member of the Executive Board of the Alumni Association and as chair of the Alumni Funds Board. You have been recognized as a volunteer for all occasions through your service on your Class Board of Directors, as a reunion volunteer, and as a member of the committee for your class's 25th Anniversary Gift effort.

You have continuously endeavored to raise awareness of the importance of voluntarism and its connection to the long-standing health and vibrancy of the university. Maintaining that gifts of time are as crucial a component of philanthropy as gifts of dollars and cents, you have been a generous supporter of the university in both capacities by becoming a lifetime member of the President's Advisory Council and, later, a member of the Alden Society. These recognition circles underscore your belief that the university needs support today and tomorrow-in time as well as other resources.

Perhaps the best way to summarize your commitment to WPI as an institution can be found in your own words, from the September 1995 issue of the The Wire:

"...I do what I do because of the people. I don't do it because I was a great student and I loved the education, and I don't do it because I like bricks and mortar. But I find as I get older I have very fond memories of the people I knew when I was here."

Joe Maggi, it is because of your commitment to voluntarism and people that WPI recognizes your contributions and your loyalty by presenting you with the Herbert F. Taylor Alumni Award for Distinguished Service to WPI.