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Our cover illustration was painted by Lauren Dehler ’04 of Ho-Ho-Kus, N.J.

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Words in Stone

For so very many years now, I have had ambivalent feelings about my alma mater. These feelings of uncertainty started within a couple of years of my graduation. While serving overseas with the Navy, two incidents (today I cannot recall what they entailed) caused me to wonder if what I had been taught at the College was really being practiced by the same organization. For the past several years, the articles published in your excellent magazine, coupled with letters to my home from various groups concerned with the moral health of the College, and the endless debates about the continuing (or non-continuing) Catholicity of Holy Cross, have only added to the doubts in my own mind as to the College's allegiance to the truths and teachings of the Roman Catholic religion.

I am no scholar, my Holy Cross education notwithstanding. I lack the ability to phrase in lofty and learned language my feelings concerning my alma mater. Most fortunately, I am spared that challenging task. Your spring 2003 edition of the magazine has done the job for me in exemplary fashion. I refer to the back cover which shows an anti-war banner spread over the top of Dinand Library on 24 March. Whether such peace-at-any-cost sentiments are more valid vis-a-vis Catholic teaching than the pro-military attitudes of other Holy Cross students is a question I will leave to those far more learned in Church law than I am. My point, however, is this. The banner completely covers the words chiseled in stone that run across the top of the library. The words, I believe, come from the Gospel of John. If I can recall my Latin, the words are: UT COGNOSCANT TE SOLUM VERUM DEUM ET QUEM MISISTI IESUM CHRISTUM.

To this one graduate, it seems that this was the message that Holy Cross was preaching in the 1950s, and it is sad to see it superseded and covered over by the extraneous claptrap and passing political whims of the modern world. I used to believe that Holy Cross was made of sterner stuff.

Robert A. Augelli '60
Whippany, N.J.

The Military Experience

I want to commend your Spring issue on War & Peace. I also want to share a story sent to me by a friend that did not make the big papers. It is a story that shows a unique side of military character that is universal, and shows why the military experience is so worthwhile. (My three years in the Marine Corps are cherished.)

This story also sheds a different light on the high level political rift that arose between the United States and Germany which apparently has not quite reached the lower echelons.

Shortly after the invasion of Iraq, an American officer on active duty in Germany was caught in traffic while approaching the gate at Ramstein Air Force Base. By then the German military had assumed control of all gate security 24/7 in order to relieve U.S. troops needed for service in the Middle East. As the officer approached the gate he noticed German soldiers milling about for no apparent purpose. They soon were moving down the line of cars asking that engines and lights be turned off. Suddenly, blue flashing lights appeared on the horizon from the direction of the air base. German security cars were escorting a convoy of U.S. medical buses. Lights were on inside the buses making the hanging IV bags visible. This was the first shipment of our wounded warriors being transported from the battlefield to Landstuhl for medical treatment.

What happened next was not rehearsed. Without any command, the German gate guards walked to the Jersey barriers in the middle of the road and lined up shoulder to shoulder facing the direction of the approaching buses. And on cue, without a word being spoken, the German soldiers snapped a sharp salute as the buses drove past, presenting arms until the last bus passed, “soldier to soldier, rendering honor and respect.” It is a

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Editor’s Note

Understanding Eating Disorders

Earlier this fall I was contacted by a Wall Street Journal reporter working on a story about the “freshman fifteen.” She sought information about how colleges and universities help first-year students avoid that so-called prevalent weight gain. Looking for Holy Cross-specific information to respond to the inquiry, I contacted Fran Taylor, the College’s director of wellness programming. Fran explained we don’t have a freshman-fifteen problem; rather, we have some students with eating disorders. I had already read a draft of our cover story on the topic, so I’d anticipated that answer and explained this to the interested reporter. She ended up interviewing Linda Nardella, director of dining services, about her staff’s efforts to assist our students in making healthy food choices. The article, “The Dining-Hall Diet,” appeared in the Nov. 7 edition of the paper.

Our cover is a deliberately arresting depiction of the impact an eating disorder may have on a young person. The artist, Lauren Dehler ’04, explains that her painting was influenced by a photograph she saw in her Introduction to Psychology class text. Lauren is a NEED peer educator who works to encourage healthy attitudes among her peers at Holy Cross. You may read more about Lauren and the NEED team on Page 14.

We selected this sensitive topic as a cover story because it’s a challenge faced not only by some of our students but by young people nationwide and, perhaps, by someone you know. We thought you’d like to know how Holy Cross students are working to help their peers, and that the College’s Counseling Center is on top of the issue, providing assistance to students dealing with these serious challenges to their health.

We hope the stunning nature of the cover won’t overwhelm your ability to notice some design changes launched with this issue of Holy Cross Magazine (HCM). We strive to keep the content fresh, interesting and thought provoking. Likewise, we want the look and feel—the design—to support and enhance the quality of the content.

Collaborating with Christine Koch of Knockout Graphics, the magazine team set out to develop a cleaner, better organized, more “modern” look. The team, led by editor Jack O’Connell ’81, spent months poring over dozens of magazines, selecting our favorite elements and details. Molly Fang (HCM designer), Joyce O’Connor Davidson (contributing writer/editor from the Development Office), Jack and I had fun with this creative process, and we hope you’ll be pleased with the results.

As always, we welcome your reactions, suggestions and constructive criticism about the content and/or the design.

Katharine B. McNamara
NEW TRUSTEES
Join College Board

THIS YEAR, SIX NEW TRUSTEES HAVE JOINED THE HOLY CROSS BOARD:

Rev. Gregory C. Chisholm, S.J., who was born in New York City, attended Catholic schools there. He has a bachelor of science degree, a master of science degree and a Ph.D. in mechanical engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Fr. Chisholm also has a bachelor of arts degree in philosophy and theology from the University of London and a licentiate in sacred theology (S.T.L.) from the Weston Jesuit School of Theology in Cambridge, Mass. A member of the New England Province of the Jesuits since 1980, he is currently an administrator at the Holy Name of Jesus Church, Los Angeles, Calif. His theological interests include theologies of liberation and the history of black Catholics. Fr. Chisholm serves on the governing boards of the Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley in Berkeley, Calif., and at St. Anne’s Maternity Home in Los Angeles. He is a 4th-degree member of the Knights of St. Peter Claver and chaplain of the Western States District of the Knights of St. Peter Claver.

Matthew J. Chmura ’03 is the manager of communications for the MetroStars, the major league soccer team that plays its games at Giants Stadium. Prior to graduation from Holy Cross, Chmura was both station manager and sports director for WCHC, the campus radio station. He also served as sports editor of The Crusader, concert committee chairman for the Campus Activity Board and reserve board chair of the Student Government Association. Chmura worked as an intern for the New England Patriots, the Tennessee Titans, the New England Revolution and The Boston Herald.

Mary Coffey Moran ’77 majored in economics at the College and received a master of science degree in accounting from Northeastern University. She worked as a certified public accountant for Peat Marwick & Co., before becoming senior vice president of Boston Sand & Gravel Co. A member of the 1843 Society, Moran is also an admissions advisor, a career counselor, an alumni job network advisor and a member of the President’s Council. In 2002, she established the F. Grant Waite and Mary Coffey Moran ’77 Merit Scholarship at the College with a gift of $500,000. A member of the board of directors of the Massachusetts Society of Certified Public Accountants, Moran is also a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the Financial Executive’s Institute and The Treasurer’s Club. She resides in Andover, Mass.

Roberto Quarta ’71 is a partner in the firm of Clayton Dubilier & Rice, one of the world’s leading private equity firms. As chief operating officer of CD&R Europe, he is responsible for leading potential acquisitions and actively chairing the fully constituted boards of portfolio companies. He also serves as non-executive chairman of the BBA Group plc; as chairman and chief executive officer of Italtel Holdings SpA; and as non-executive director of Equant NV.
Born in Italy, Quarta emigrated to the United States at age 15. The father of Elizabeth Quarta ’97, he now resides in London.

John T. Sinnott ’61 retired in July 2003 from his position as chairman and chief executive officer of Marsh Inc., the world’s leading risk and insurance services firm – and a division of Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc., a global professional services company with annual revenues of more than $10 billion. After graduating from Holy Cross and serving two years as a naval officer, Sinnott joined Marsh & McLennan as a trainee in New York. Over the next 40 years, he served in various capacities, culminating in his appointment as co-chief executive officer in 1992 and his promotion to chairman and chief executive officer of Marsh Inc. in 1999. He was recently chosen as the “2003 Insurance Leader of the Year” by The School of Risk Management, Insurance and Actuarial Science of The Peter J. Tobin College of Business at St. John’s University. A member of the President’s Council and the Varsity Club, he resides in Bedford, N.Y., with his wife, Eileen.


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**Holy Cross at 27 in USN&WR ranking**

The following are the top national liberal arts colleges as recently ranked by U.S. News & World Report (schools with the same number rank are tied):

1. Williams College (Mass.)
2. Amherst College (Mass.)
3. Swarthmore College (Pa.)
4. Carleton College (Minn.)
5. Pomona College ( Calif.)
6. Wellesley College (Mass.)
7. Davidson College (N.C.)
8. Middlebury College (Vt.)
9. Haverford College (Pa.)
10. Bowdoin College (Maine)
11. Wesleyan University (Conn.)
12. Claremont McKenna College (Calif.)
13. Washington and Lee University (Va.)
14. Vassar College (N.Y.)
15. Grinnell College (Iowa)
16. Smith College (Mass.)
17. Bryn Mawr College (Pa.)
18. Colby College (Maine)
19. Colgate University (N.Y.)
20. Harvey Mudd College ( Calif.)
21. Hamilton College (N.Y.)
22. Trinity College (Conn.)
23. Bates College (Maine)
24. Oberlin College (Ohio)
25. Macalester College (Minn.)
26. Mount Holyoke College (Mass.)
27. Bucknell University (Pa.)
27. **COLLEGE OF THE HOLY CROSS (Mass.)**
28. Colorado College
29. Bard College (N.Y.)
TENURE-TRACK

THE OFFICE OF THE DEAN OF THE COLLEGE ANNOUNCES THE HIRING OF 11 NEW FACULTY MEMBERS:

Cara Marie Constance (biology; molecular genetics) received her bachelor of arts degree in biology from Hiram College in Ohio and her Ph.D. in biology from the University of Virginia, where she was recently a postdoctoral fellow. Constance, who studies biological clocks and the molecular basis for biological rhythms, will add new courses in molecular biology to the curriculum.

Kimberley Frederick Schrum (chemistry; analytical chemistry) has taught at both Maryville College in Tennessee and Whittier College in California. She received her bachelor of arts degree in chemistry from Lawrence University, Appleton, Wis., and her Ph.D. from Purdue University in Indiana. Her research includes an interest in the development of new methods of detection using Raman spectroscopy in the field of forensics.

Robert Baumann (economics; industrial organization/labor economics) received his bachelor of arts degree in mathematics and economics from Bluffton College in Ohio and his master of arts degree in economics from The Ohio State University where he completed his Ph.D. research on poverty in Appalachia. His contributions in research and teaching will strengthen the College’s offerings in issues related to social justice.

Neva Novarro (economics; economics and ethics of health care) will join the faculty as the James N. and Eva Barrett Fellow in Ethics and the Liberal Arts. Novarro, who received her undergraduate degree from Pomona College, Claremont, Calif., completed her Ph.D. at Stanford University in California. Her position strengthens the College’s course offerings and scholarship commitment in ethics across the curriculum.

Ericka Fisher ’96 (education; social justice education) returns to her alma mater after completing her Ed.D. in social justice education at University of Massachusetts. Her course offerings will include Social Issues in Education, Oppression and Education, and Multicultural Education. Fisher grew up in Worcester.
Leila Philip (English; creative writing/nonfiction) graduated from Princeton University in New Jersey with a degree in comparative literature and completed a fifth-year degree in East Asian Studies from Princeton and the Intensive Summer Language Program in Japanese at Middlebury College in Vermont. Her M.F.A. from Columbia University, New York City, was in fiction. Philip has taught at Colgate University, Hamilton, N.Y.

Sahar Bazzaz (history; Middle East history) graduated from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign with a bachelor of arts degree in history and a minor in biology. She completed her master of arts degree at the University of Chicago and her Ph.D. in history and Middle Eastern Studies at Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass., where she received an award for excellence in teaching. Bazzaz received a Fulbright to study in Morocco in 1997. She will teach courses in modern Middle East history.

Daniel Frost (modern languages and literatures; Spanish) graduated summa cum laude from Hamilton College, Clinton, N.Y., with a degree in comparative literature. He received his master of arts degree from Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass., where he is completing his Ph.D. in Spanish literature. He has repeatedly received awards and certificates for teaching excellence and distinction while at Harvard.

Stephanie Hilger (modern languages and literatures; French) received her Licence in English and German language and literature from the Université de Liège in Belgium where she graduated with highest distinction. Hilger, who earned a master of arts degree in English literature at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, is completing her Ph.D. there in comparative literature. Her areas of expertise include 17th- and 18th-century French and European literature, French language and culture, and comparative literature. She is fluent in German as well as French.

Rosemary Carbine (religious studies; Catholic systematic theology) graduated summa cum laude from Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., where she majored in theology. She earned a master of arts degree in divinity and a Ph.D. in theology from the University of Chicago Divinity School. She recently completed a postdoctoral fellowship in public theology at the Center for the Study of Religion at Princeton University in New Jersey. Her current work centers on feminist theory and Christian theology, two areas in which she also teaches.

Oneka LaBennett (sociology and anthropology; anthropology—gender and ethnicity) majored in anthropology and sociology at Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn., where she received her bachelor of arts degree. LaBennett recently completed her Ph.D. at Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass., in anthropology. Her areas of expertise, which inform her scholarship and her teaching, include Caribbean migration to New York City, ethnography of the Anglophone Caribbean, and youth culture.
This fall the Holy Cross community welcomed William Shea as the new director of the Center for Religion, Ethics and Culture.

Shea takes over directorship of the Center from David O’Brien, who has rejoined the history department faculty. O’Brien describes Shea as “a first-class intellectual, an experienced academic, a serious Catholic and a leader in religious studies.”

“He will provide the Center for Religion, Ethics and Culture with wise leadership; he will draw the community further into ecumenical and interfaith dialogue; and he will bring to the College a strong, affirmative voice for its ongoing effort to encourage the engagement of faith and learning,” says O’Brien.
Shea has been a member of the faculty in the department of theological studies at St. Louis University for the past 12 years, chairing the department for half of that time. Prior to teaching at St. Louis University, he held faculty positions at Catholic University and the University of South Florida. He also served as a visiting faculty member at a number of other institutions as well as a resident fellow at the Woodrow Wilson Center at the Smithsonian. Additionally, he is the past president of the College Theology Society.

Shea earned his Ph.D. in the philosophy of religion from Columbia University. His areas of specialization include contemporary religious thought, philosophical theology, the history of American religion, American religious thought and American philosophy of religion. An active scholar, he has published numerous articles spanning these areas of specialization, and he has written and edited four books: The Naturalists and the Supernatural: A Study in Horizon and an American Philosophy of Religion; The Struggle Over the Past: Fundamentalism in the Modern World; Knowledge and Belief in America: Enlightenment Traditions and Modern Religious Thought (with Peter Huff); and Trying Times: Essays on Catholic Higher Education in the 20th Century (with Daniel Van Slyke). His newest book, which will be published by Oxford University Press, is titled The Lion and the Lamb: Evangelicals and Catholics in America.

Stephen C. Ainlay, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the College, says the Holy Cross community is “very fortunate that Bill Shea has agreed to lead the Center for Religion, Ethics and Culture.” According to Ainlay, “[Shea] is a well-established scholar who brings a wealth of experience to the position. He has an intellectual curiosity that is contagious, and he understands the Center’s mission. Like his predecessor, David O’Brien, Bill believes the Center can make a real difference. I know that he is committed to facilitating campus, regional and national conversations on topics of great importance. I look forward to working with him.”

Originally from the Bronx, N.Y., Shea has spent the past 25 years living and working in Tampa, Fla., and St. Louis, Mo. Despite the distance, he is no stranger to Holy Cross. Shea’s connection with the College dates back over 40 years, when his younger brother Timothy Shea ’61 was a student here. Co-captain of the basketball team while he was a student, Tim is a Holy Cross Athletic Hall of Famer.

Holy Cross also plays a major role in the life of Shea’s wife, Helene A. Lutz, who is a visiting assistant professor of Christian ethics in the religious studies department, and in the life of his son Nathanael, who is a member of the class of 2004. Shea’s son Christopher is a first-year student at Allegheny College in Pennsylvania.

“We all think Holy Cross is an outstanding educational community, and we are proud, as well as happy to be here,” says Shea.

In regard to his new role at the College, he observes, “The administration has invented (and a lot of generous supporters have underwritten) a unique instrument to further the College’s mission in Catholic and Jesuit ecumenical education. I am thrilled to be part of that mission.

“David O’Brien has directed the Center with both creativity and sensitivity,” Shea continues, “and I am honored to take his place, thereby giving him the chance to devote his time to teaching and writing once again. I am also happy to be joining a team of wonderful colleagues on the Center’s Faculty Advisory Committee and to work every day with people of the caliber of Tom Landy and Beth Johns. A dream that I didn’t even have has come true. Now that’s something ...”

Established in 2001, the Center for Religion, Ethics and Culture provides resources for faculty and course development, sponsors conferences and college-wide teaching events, hosts visiting fellows and coordinates a number of campus lecture series. In addition to serving the Holy Cross community, the Center reaches out to the larger Worcester community and aims to work with other liberal arts colleges to examine the role of faith commitment and value inquiry in education and in the larger culture.
FACULTY AWARDS WERE PRESENTED AT THE ANNUAL FALL CONVOCATION held on Sept. 30. The event honored the recipient of the 2003 Holy Cross Distinguished Teaching Award and the recipients of the Rev. Raymond J. Swords, S.J., Faculty Medal.

John B. Little III, a professor in the mathematics and computer science department, was this year’s distinguished teacher.

Little has been a member of the Holy Cross faculty since 1980. He received his bachelor of arts degree in mathematics from Haverford College in 1976 and his Ph.D. in mathematics from Yale University in 1980.

The Distinguished Teaching Award, which was established to recognize the dedicated faculty members at the College, carries with it a $1,000 honorarium.

The Rev. Raymond J. Swords, S.J., Faculty Medal, named after the 28th president of the College, was designed to honor members of the faculty who have served at Holy Cross for 25 years. Three members of the Holy Cross faculty were recognized this year: Patricia Bizzell of the English department; Thomas Cecil of the mathematics and computer science department; and Judy Chubb of the political science department.

(Professor Little’s award lecture can be found on Page 72.)
SANCTAE CRUCIS

Nominations are being accepted for the Sanctae Crucis Awards, the highest nondegree recognition bestowed by the College on an alumnus or alumna.

The Holy Cross Mission Statement is the foundation for the awards, which are presented in three categories:

- **AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT:** for an alumnus/alumna “who, as a leader in business, professional or civic life, lives by the highest intellectual and ethical standards …” The alumnus/alumna is widely recognized by colleagues as greatly accomplished in his/her field. The individual’s private business or professional affairs are imbued with hard work, integrity and Judeo-Christian principles reflecting honor and glory on Holy Cross.

- **AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY SERVICE:** for an alumnus/alumna who “seeks to exemplify the longstanding dedication of the Society of Jesus to the intellectual life and its commitment to the service of faith and promotion of justice …” The individual performs outstanding and praiseworthy service in the interests of humanity and reflects honor and glory on the College.

- **OUTSTANDING YOUNG ALUMNUS/ALUMNA AWARD:** awarded to an alumnus/alumna under age 40, who has already demonstrated a promising degree of worthy accomplishment. He or she is “open to new ideas, patient with ambiguity and uncertainty and combines a passion for truth with respect for the views of others …” The individual has achieved outstanding personal or professional accomplishments that reflect honor and glory on the College.

Nominations must be submitted to the Office of the Senior Vice President by Jan. 1, 2004. In order to be eligible for nomination, individuals must be Holy Cross graduates who have not received an honorary degree from the College. Current Holy Cross Trustees are not eligible while in service on the Board.

The nominations and selections committee will review the nominees’ credentials and make recommendations to the provost. The committee is comprised of the provost, vice president for business affairs, College chaplain, director of public affairs, president of the General Alumni Association and a member of the executive committee of the Board of Trustees.

The seventh annual Sanctae Crucis Awards ceremony will be held at the annual spring dinner meeting of the Board of Trustees.

NEW RESIDENCE HALL DEDICATED

Gathered for the ribbon-cutting ceremony at the blessing and dedication of the new residence hall were (left to right): Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J., president of the College; Jacqueline Peterson, vice president for student affairs and dean of students; Christopher Hill, project architect of CBT Architects; Scott Merrill, director of the physical plant department; Kristine Cyr-Goodwin, associate dean of students; Thomas Maples of Bond Brothers Construction Co., Alix Dejean ’04, Catherine Lyons O’Neil ’77, P’02, ’06 and Ann Marie Connolly ’74, Trustee.

On Friday, Sept. 5, the College dedicated its first new residence hall in 35 years. The 244-bed, five-story apartment complex broke ground in early May 2002. The 85,000-square foot facility is located between Alumni and Loyola halls. It features 61 two-bedroom apartments, each with living room, full kitchen, bathroom and dining/study area. The project was designed to bring off-campus students back to the campus. A new parking garage was also erected on campus during the last year.
According to the MacArthur Foundation, “the Fellows Program is designed to emphasize the importance of the creative individual in society. Fellows are selected for the originality and creativity of their work and the potential to do more in the future.”

“We are proud to count two members of the Holy Cross family among the recipients of the prestigious MacArthur Fellowships,” says Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J., president of Holy Cross. “Osvaldo Golijov and Jim Collins exemplify the breadth and depth of opportunity available in a liberal arts education. Brilliant composers and scientists alike are encouraged and shaped by institutions like Holy Cross, dedicated to bringing together outstanding students and gifted faculty to explore fundamental questions.”

Golijov is the world-renowned composer of La Pasión Según San Marcos (The Passion According to St. Mark). In September 2000, Golijov’s La Pasión had its world premiere in Stuttgart, Germany, where it opened to fantastic critical acclaim. In February 2001, his La Pasión had its United States debut at Symphony Hall in Boston, performed by the Boston Symphony Orchestra (BSO) and the Schola Cantorum de Caracas. An Argentine-born Jew, Golijov was chosen by conductor Helmut Rilling to compose this original work for the 250-year commemoration of Bach’s death; only three other people in the world were select-
Golijov earned his Ph.D. at the University of Pennsylvania. He was the first-prize winner of two Kennedy Center Friedheim Awards—in 1993 for Yiddishbbuk, and, in 1995, for The Dreams and Prayers of Isaac the Blind. Golijov's music is frequently performed around the world by numerous ensembles and orchestras, including the BSO, the Kronos Quartet, the Los Angeles Philharmonic and the London Sinfonietta.

Considered one of the most inventive researchers in the field of biomedical engineering, James J. Collins was a Dana Scholar, a Fenwick Scholar and the winner of the Presidential Service Award as an undergraduate at Holy Cross. Graduating summa cum laude in 1987 with a degree in physics, he was the valedictorian for his class. A Rhodes Scholar, Collins earned his doctoral degree in medical engineering at Oxford University in 1990.

Professor of biomedical engineering at Boston University, he is also co-founder and co-director of the University's Center for Biodynamics and director of the Applied Biodynamics Laboratory. His research focuses on understanding how biological signals can be either degraded or, counterintuitively, enhanced by noise. Collins has recently applied his understanding of the biophysics of noise to the control of gene networks in living cells. He has published in journals such as Nature, Physical Review Letters, Chaos, and the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.
Food, Fear and

Caroline Fallon, a cheerful and ambitious 21-year-old from Breezy Point, N.Y., graduated from Holy Cross this past May with a degree in psychology/premed—but not without a struggle. Academics weren’t her problem. Anorexia was.
Fallon had grappled with anorexia nervosa, an extremely serious eating disorder, throughout high school. She had been hospitalized due to the disorder four times before coming to Holy Cross. Her ordeal began on her 14th birthday: “For some reason, the singing, the cake, the candles and the presents weren’t enough,” she recalls. “I felt unloved, forgotten about, and alone. I remember looking in the mirror and telling myself I had to change, but the only thing I could do was change who was outside. That is when I stuck my fingers down my throat and threw up everything that I had in my stomach. It hurt, I cried, and I went to bed.”

Within a few months, she’d stopped eating altogether. “I threw up any meal that I was forced to eat; hunger pains made me feel stronger, and for once I felt in control,” continues Fallon, who was a star athlete and attended high school on an academic scholarship. “I could resist eating; how many other people could do that? I would only eat dinner because my parents were around for that meal, and I’d find ways to lie about the other meals. ‘I had a big breakfast … I just ate lunch … my stomach hurts.’ You name it, I used it. I lost about 10 pounds in two months. I went from 112 pounds to 98 pounds (she’s 5 feet, 4 inches tall), but still felt like I could do better.”
Her parents, frightened for her life, said she could go away to college only if her eating disorder was under control. So Fallon set her mind to it, remaining stable long enough to enroll at Holy Cross. But the disease flared up again. In the spring of her second year, she left school and entered Long Island Jewish Hospital in New York, at an all-time low of 76 pounds. Doctors told her parents they didn’t think she would make it. “I had a feeding tube in my nose, IVs in my veins, and a heart monitor on my chest,” she says. “I could only use a wheelchair to get around. My heart was so weak they would have to wake me up in the middle of the night to make sure I was OK, because the monitor was beeping.”

Miraculously, something changed during this terribly dark time. “My dad said, ‘Caroline, we can’t help you anymore; only you can beat this,’” she continues. “It was like a switch flipped. From that point on, I was sick of being sick. I decided I wanted to go back to school. That summer, I began to realize that I could still be thin and happy and in control. I didn’t have to be one or the other.”

Eating disorders are really coping mechanisms, ... People are using these behaviors as a way to cope with life circumstances that are otherwise hard to deal with.”

Neal Lipsitz, director of the Holy Cross Counseling Center.

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In adolescence, which is when anorexia generally begins, it may be a girl’s fear of a changing body and impending womanhood, combined with a desire to separate from her parents and exert control over her own life. Anorexia sets in: She starves herself, eating less and less until her bony frame seems so frail one would think she could be knocked down by a strong gust of wind. Anorexia can be deadly: More people die from it than from any other mental illness.

For an older girl—often college age—the disorder may start with a simple desire to lose some extra pounds but quickly spirals downward into bulimia, which is characterized by a furious effort to get rid of calories either by throwing up, exercising for hours, or using laxatives or diet pills. Like anorexia, bulimia has serious health consequences, including damage to the stomach and esophagus, and possible infertility.

Statistics suggest that eating disorders are very rare, both nationally and at Holy Cross.
Cross. It’s hard to find precise data, Lipsitz says, but most experts agree that about 5-10 million American women and 1 million men struggle with eating disorders, primarily anorexia, bulimia and binge-eating (in which large amounts of food are consumed in a frenzy). Officially, anorexia afflicts less than 1 percent of the population, while bulimia affects about 1-3 percent. Of course, these numbers count only those people who seek treatment.

And, in any event, the numbers are clearly higher on college campuses, according to Lipsitz. “A good estimate is that 15-20 percent of college-age females suffer from subclinical conditions or meet criteria for diagnosis of anorexia, bulimia or binge-eating disorder,” he says. “I’ve seen statistics suggesting that 15 percent of women aged 17-24 have disordered eating; 91 percent of college women have attempted to control their weight through dieting, and 54 percent of men are unhappy with their appearance and wish their bodies were different.”

At the Counseling Center, he says, they see about two or three students per year with anorexia, and another dozen or so who have bulimia. But those are just the ones who actually come in to the Counseling Center to get help. He says he doesn’t know how many more may be struggling with unhealthy relationships with food and appearance—which, although undiagnosed, can be considered forms of disordered eating.

**WHAT’S THE CAUSE?**

Clearly, our weight-conscious culture, combined with media images of impossible thinness, influence all of our perceptions of a desirable body image—even if almost no one in the real world possesses one. Indeed, one of the great ironies of our culture is that the number of obese Americans keeps increasing, even as others are fretting about being thin enough. So why does one person develop an eating disorder, and another does not?

“Why?” repeats Lipsitz with a sigh. “A lot of different factors come together in a very complex way. It’s multiply determined and complex, ranging from developmental issues, to genetic predisposition, to personality characteristics, to media influences. In some cases, but not all, an eating disorder shows up in people who also have depression, obsessive-compulsive disorder or other mental illness.”

They are hard to treat, because they require a dual approach—healing the body and the mind.

“This can’t be just contained to a medical diagnosis and solved with a pill,” says Betsy Cracco ’89, who worked as a staff psychologist at Holy Cross for three years before moving to private practice and part-time work at Connecticut College this past summer. “It took a long time to get entrenched, and it will take a long time—months, even years—to get a handle on it.”
“A medical doctor works on the physical conditions—heart rate, blood and urine tests, weight checks—but to really help deal with the problem there also needs to be a counseling role,” adds Lipsitz. “It’s a very secretive illness. They don’t want to talk about it. What we try to do is help them look at the fact that the eating disorder is a coping mechanism, and they need to find another way to cope. It takes a long time to achieve that.”

Even those who don’t have full-blown eating disorders may still worry to an inordinate degree about their appearance, focusing as much on food and exercise as they do on their studies, their extracurricular activities and their friends. This insidious problem, which could be dubbed “appearance preoccupation,” for want of a better name, is also hard to crack—especially on a college campus where hundreds of young people are living together in very close quarters, exerting enormous influence on each other.

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Recognizing the Symptoms of an Eating Disorder ... and Knowing What to Do

Concern about appearance is normal; it’s part of being a functioning member of society. But being overly concerned is not. What are the signs that someone you love may have an unhealthy preoccupation with appearance ... and, in turn, an unhealthy relationship with food?

And, what—if anything—should you do about it?

“Granted, virtually none of us is ‘at peace’ with food,” says Betsy Cracco ’89. “But very stark rigidity—a long list of absolutely ‘forbidden’ foods, for instance, or eating the same foods every night, laying them out on the plate in a certain way—is one of the things I’ve seen that distinguishes a person with an eating disorder from someone with a less problematic concern with weight.”

“When girls stop coming to the dining hall, back out of dinner plans, and just take pick-up dinner to go—and it happens repeatedly—that’s the first sign that something might be going on,” says Kristin Tyman ’04. “They don’t come out as often, they sleep more, they go to the gym a lot. They can become irritable and depressed.”

“People need to trust their instincts,” adds Cracco. “If you look at a person, and you are struck by their extreme thinness, or you feel their habits are rigid or extreme, then these are warning signs.”

According to national experts, possible signs of an eating disorder include:

**Anorexia:**
- Extreme thinness—15 percent or more below normal body weight—yet the person feels fat
- Obsessive exercise, frequent weight checks, loss of appetite
- Feeling cold—even when others don’t
- Thinning hair
- Preoccupation with cooking and food—yet the person eats very little
- Cessation of menstruation

**Bulimia:**
- Overeating and/or binge eating as a response to stress
- Frequent purging of calories just consumed
- Frequent weight fluctuation
- Swollen glands
- Obsessive concern with weight—but the person generally fails at dieting
- Menstrual irregularities

What should you do if you recognize these symptoms in another person over a period of time? You may be afraid that, by trying to help, you will
weight people are very low,” says Kristin Tyman, a fourth-year student from Revere, Mass. “You see a very thin population. It’s tough, especially if you are struggling with losing weight because you gained it, as I did freshman year.”

“Society looks at a slim figure as another mark of accomplishment,” observes Cracco. “Holy Cross students consider themselves (and others consider them to be) ‘put together.’ Being thin is perceived to be part of that. So the focus on weight consciousness and self-criticism is very common.

“There are full-length mirrors in every residence hall, and you can see what’s happening as people are getting ready to go out at night,” she adds. “Everybody’s standing around saying: ‘I’m so fat.’”

“There are too many mirrors—way too many mirrors,” agrees Tyman with a laugh. “Obviously you need to look at yourself to make sure you’re put together and have no stains. But you don’t need to check yourself out constantly.”

Small wonder, then, that so many try to do all they can to keep their weight in

lose a friend, or your family member will become angry or resentful—and that may very well happen, according to Cracco and Lipsitz.

But that doesn’t mean you shouldn’t try anyway.

The first step, says Cracco, is to explain the specific situation to a professional, in order to obtain some helpful coaching. In extreme cases, when the person’s life is in danger, immediate medical attention may be necessary. And if a student’s behavior disrupts the dorm community—if she vomits in her bedroom or fails to discard bags of vomit, which Lipsitz says can happen—school officials will step in to handle the problem.

But for less drastic situations, you may be advised to discuss your worries with the person, gently and lovingly.

“To approach someone with a laundry list of the eating behaviors you’ve been monitoring for the past month obviously puts them on the defensive,” says Cracco. “The main task is communicating concern for the person, not condemnation of the behavior. There is already enough shame.

“You might note one or two of your most compelling reasons for concern, and offer to assist the person in getting help—perhaps through the Counseling Center,” she continues. “Communicate that you are there for them and will continue to care for them.”

The person may reject your appeal out of hand. And even if the individual does agree to seek help, it may take a while before he or she is truly ready to accept it. So patience is key.

“You cannot just send someone to the Counseling Center, and they will get better,” says Lipsitz. “They have to be ready. We cannot make people ready. We can try to make people ready, and we can help people who are ready. But if they’re not, they may have to go through several iterations of this process.”

The important thing is to persevere.

“If you see someone is struggling, don’t say things like, ‘eat this, you look great’; instead, ask them if they are OK,” suggests Caroline Fallon ’03. “Just try and do what my roommate did: keep them in the circle of friends. And tell a parent or adult who can use their authority to help. The sick person is going to hate you. But believe me, we get over it.

“I thank God for the girl on my high school basketball team who told my coach I was throwing up in the bathroom, and for my roommate who told my parents I wasn’t doing well,” she adds. “They were angels in disguise. The worst you can do is nothing. And the best you can do is be there.”

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check—even if they are not pursuing such extreme habits as self-induced vomiting. Indeed, many use a more socially acceptable means: exercise.

“I see a lot of obsessive exercisers,” says Lauren Dehler, a fourth-year student from Ho-Ho-Kus, N.J., who is double majoring in visual arts and psychology. “There are people who weigh themselves when they get to the gym—and weigh themselves again after exercising another hour.”

“By 8 a.m., the elliptical machines are all taken—and some of those people have already been there for hours,” confirms Tyman. “The gym can be a really tough place to go when you’re in college.”

Dehler says this preoccupation with appearance is partly what inspired a painting she made this past spring for a class assignment. Untitled, it is an oil image of a painfully thin girl, illustrated by a quote Dehler found in a memoir she was reading about anorexia—part of her research for the honors thesis she will write this year on the topic.

“I haven’t suffered from an eating disorder myself, but I haven’t found anyone who’s immune to media images of what we should look like,” she says. “No one ever feels that their body is good enough.

WHAT CAN BE DONE?

Dehler also tries to build awareness through her work with a campus peer education program known as NEED (Nutrition, Exercise, Eating Disorders). The mission of the group, which is made up of about 20 students trained by the Counseling Center, is to promote healthy body image and a healthy lifestyle overall. These students are also educated about the signs of eating disorders and know how to respond if they encounter the problem on campus (see sidebar).

“The peer-to-peer contact is very effective,” says Lipsitz. “Students can ask their peers, ‘where do I go, what do I do?’ Then the NEED educators can refer the person to the Counseling Center for professional help.”

“Having the students involved is very important, because students listen to other students more than to adults,” agrees Cracco, who was the faculty adviser to the NEED program.

The members of the NEED program do their best to change perceptions about body image. In February, they organized a “Love Your Body Week,” in conjunction with a national eating disorders awareness effort. “We made a CD with songs celebrating our bodies and blasted it for a night in Kimball,” recalls Christine Clark, a fourth-year student from Melville, N.Y., who is an executive board member of NEED along with Tyman. “We also gave out 500 pins that said ‘I love my body.’ It was very interesting to see people’s reactions to wearing that.”

“We had very good feedback at our events,” adds Tyman. “One of the most moving things was eight anonymous testi-
monials we got about people’s personal struggles with food. We hung them on a central bulletin board. That was huge.”

And, in conjunction with the Holy Cross athletic department and Girls Inc. of Worcester, they also helped to run a weeklong camp in April for fourth- to sixth-grade girls from the city. It was designed to teach them to accept their bodies and to enjoy physical activity for its own sake.

Interestingly, the Holy Cross students said they learned as much that week as the younger girls did. “We had the girls look at magazines and point out pictures of women they liked or didn’t like,” says Clark. “We all realized that they were already getting ideas about skinny being ‘good’ and fat being ‘bad.’ It was horrific for us to see how much society pushes these ideas on kids, at younger and younger ages.”

**CHANGE WILL BE SLOW—BUT IT’S POSSIBLE**

“To some degree, eating disorders are diseases of our culture, and if you can change the climate, you can reduce the frequency of the disease,” says Cracco. “But change is slow. It is sort of a Herculean task. It’s not going to happen overnight. And men need to be involved as well. Men don’t realize that their comments about women’s bodies play as much, if not more, of a role as women talking about it themselves.”

Respected national eating-disorder treatment organizations, such as the Renfrew Center, say there are things we all can do to help prevent eating disorders in the first place: don’t label foods as “good” or “bad”; don’t use food as a reward or punishment; encourage healthy eating habits and exercise; and discuss how different body types can all be accepted and appreciated.

“One major thing for parents to remember is that ‘do as I say, not as I do’ thing just doesn’t work,” says Cracco. “If you yourself are striving for an impossible ideal, and engaging in surgery or restrictive dieting to get there, then this is about the most potent message about what you value in people, in life and in yourself.

“If you are commenting about ‘how nice and thin’ this or that person is, you send the message,” she continues. “That will be passed on. And for gosh sakes, if you buy Barbie, at least have the discussion that no one could possibly look like that!”

Today, Caroline Fallon still struggles with anorexia—“I don’t think an addict can ever be totally recovered,” she says, “mostly because it’s a part of you forever, no matter how much better you get”—but she’s doing well. At 105 pounds, she now weighs herself to make sure she’s maintaining weight. She works at Mount Sinai Hospital in Manhattan, and plans to take the Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT) next spring, with hopes of working as an emergency room physician someday.

“Your body isn’t who you are—the Jesuits will tell you that it’s just a covering over your soul,” concludes Clark. “It’s just like a little costume that you wear. You really can’t make major changes in your body. I think people just need to remember to love people for who they are, not what they look like.”

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Mushy Zones, X-ray Vision a Quantum Id
New members of the physics department are doing cutting-edge experimental research

There’s a buzz in the physics labs over in Haberlin, and it’s not just the computer hard drives. In the past five years, the physics department has hired three tenure-track faculty. Atomic physicist Timothy Roach arrived from Harvard in 1999 and established a state-of-the-art laboratory to study wave properties of cooled atoms. Matthew Koss, a condensed matter materials physicist from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, brought his NASA-funded dendritic growth laboratory to Haberlin in 2000. The newest member of the department, Tom Narita, is an astrophysicist from the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics; he designs and builds X-ray detectors. The recent hires join a department of three theorists (Randy Ross in astrophysics, Janine Shertzer in atomic physics, and Robert Garvey in cosmology) and one experimentalist (De-Ping Yang in condensed matter).

MEANDERING THROUGH THE MUSHY ZONE

It’s not a solid. It’s not a liquid. It’s in-between, and it’s called “the mushy zone.” While it may not sound very scientific, the mushy zone is the transition phase of solidifying materials that Assistant Professor Matthew Koss wants to understand. He’s studied this zone both on Earth and in space, in experiments conducted (from ground control) on the space shuttle in 1994, 1996 and 1997.

By Allison Chisolm

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As materials like iron, steel or aluminum move from a liquid to a solid state, they produce dendrites—finely branched crystals resembling tiny trees. Think snowflakes: dendrites that form as water freezes. In his experiments, Koss works with succinonitrile (SCN), a transparent, organic plastic material with growth characteristics similar to metals and alloys. Understanding a material's microstructure and the dynamics of dendrite growth, he explains, will help future metallurgists create desired properties in industrial materials, making them hard, soft, springy or stiff as needed for a particular application.

Why study dendrites in outer space? The gravitational forces on Earth contribute enough heat transfer to affect the growth process of dendrites, as they release energy when they solidify. In apparent microgravity conditions, Koss and other researchers on his team found that dendrites grow more slowly and their tips grow larger than on Earth, providing an important clue as to how metals solidify.

Data collected from the three space flights is “absolutely a scientific gold mine,” says Koss. “I can’t see the end of interesting issues to explore.” But despite the project’s potential, funding for continued research in orbit has been discontinued due to budget cuts at NASA.

However, back on Earth, Koss is examining how pressure changes affect dendrite growth to learn more about the dynamic process of the mushy zone.

In his three years at Holy Cross, Koss has already worked with a dozen students. His line of inquiry clearly remains appealing to future physicists who wish to enter “the mushy zone.”

**HIS X-RAY VISION FINDS DYING STARS AND BLACK HOLES**

Assistant Professor Tom Narita can’t be accused of being starry-eyed. That’s because the stars he studies aren’t always visible. He develops and uses X-ray telescopes to detect the radiation given off by dying stars across our galaxy and beyond.

While Narita has remained grounded in Worcester since 2001, his work can’t take place on Earth. That’s because our atmosphere, which protects us from the effects of intense radiation from outer space, blocks the X-rays. To get an X-ray picture of distant galaxies or stars, the telescopes have to work above our atmosphere. One option is to launch a telescope into space, as with the X-ray satellite Chandra, launched in 1999. A less-expensive method involves sending a computer-controlled telescope on a balloon up about 120,000 feet to the edge of our atmosphere to scan the universe.

NASA has specialized launch sites for these high-altitude balloons in Texas and New Mexico.
“It’s often mistaken for a UFO,” says Narita, as the balloon is 100 meters across—the size of a football field—and is made of a reflective white material filled with helium gas. The balloon only lasts for a day or two before it loses altitude and parachutes back to Earth. Then a NASA truck has to chase after it to recover the million-dollar telescope. If it lands in water, it’s ruined. If it lands in the mountains, a special helicopter must retrieve it.

Because X-rays penetrate matter much more than ordinary visible light, the detector must be made with a dense semiconductor. Narita and Francis Niestemski ’03 have worked to develop the electronic circuit that will measure the energy of X-rays and gamma-rays received by a massive, 2,500 square-centimeter cadmium zinc telluride (CZT) detector in an imaging X-ray telescope called EXITE3. EXITE3 is scheduled to be launched on a balloon in 2005.

Once collected, interpreting X-ray data requires a process of deduction. Variations in brightness or X-rays of certain energy can be detected. Narita studies binary stars, which offer a useful method of locating the most peculiar objects in the sky.

“Most stars occur in pairs,” Narita explains. “Our sun is an exception.” When one of the pair dies (runs out of fuel), its core collapses and compresses to become a neutron star. If the compression is extremely powerful, it may collapse to a “black hole”—where the gravitational pull into that core is so strong, no light can escape.

“We know black holes exist because we see stars that are clearly circling an unseen companion,” says Narita. The X-ray telescope can detect radiation from that invisible companion star as it strips and sucks the gas from its binary partner. And “there are plenty of X-ray sources to look at,” he adds, noting our galaxy has hundreds of them.

SLOW DOWN AND WAVE

Freeze it, zap it, trap it and let it fall. That’s the approach Assistant Professor Timothy Roach takes to slow an atom to a crawl and then make it dance. When atoms slow down, they behave more like waves than particles. This dual nature has been predicted since the early 1900s, but the technology to demonstrate it has only recently caught up with the theory.

“We’re still investigating the fundamental properties of quantum physics,” Roach says. Physicists demonstrated the wave/particle duality of electrons 75 years ago, but atoms, due to their greater mass, are harder to slow down. They have to be
cooled to a much greater degree. The 1997 and 2001 Nobel prizes in physics were awarded for the discovery and application of methods to slow down atoms using laser light.

As Roach explains, at room temperature, a hydrogen atom will zoom around at 5,000 miles per hour. Freeze it to within an inch of its life—or a few millionths of a degree above absolute zero (that’s minus 273 degrees Celsius)—and it will slow to less than one mile per hour.

Roach chose to work with the element rubidium (Rb) because it has a simple internal structure, which makes it easy for laser light to slow the atom. This same structure makes rubidium a key component of certain atomic clocks.

Students working in his lab use a custom-built “magneto-optic trap.” This apparatus chills the atoms, traps them in a laser beam tuned to rubidium’s specific wavelength, and then scatters them off a magnetic surface to view their diffraction patterns—in other words, to see them behave like waves. The magnetic surface in this case is a naked Zip® disk, programmed with a pattern of alternating magnetic polarities. The rubidium atoms actually bounce off the magnetic field generated just above the zip disk’s surface, doing the curious dance of quantum physics.

“It’s unusual to find such sophisticated experimental laboratories at a small liberal arts college,” says department chair Janine Shertzer. “The research opportunities that we can offer undergraduates is an important factor in recruiting new students. With over 30 majors, Holy Cross has one of the largest physics departments among the liberal arts colleges. Of the past two graduating classes, over 75 percent of the physics majors entered graduate programs in physics-related fields; others pursued careers in physics education and patent law.

“Our graduates are using their physics degrees and that is how we measure the success of our program,” says Shertzer.

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Networking has become the survivor’s mantra in these days of drastic downsizing, massive layoffs and corporate bankruptcies. At Holy Cross, this means of exploring career paths and landing jobs has always been a key component of the educational premise. Three years into the 21st century, the College is offering a high-tech resource to help students and young alumni in their career search. Gone are the days of the notebook database; enter the electronic age of the online networking community.

Although telephone and face-to-face meetings cannot be replaced, technology is making the way individuals initially connect as quick and easy as a computer keystroke.

Twenty-five years ago, the process was a bit more involved. According to John Winters, director of the career planning center, students in the ’80s had access to a notebook that contained data on alumni in various fields.

“Students or alumni would have to come into the office and flip pages to get a little bit of information about an alum,” he says. Separated into specific industries, these notebooks contained only a code number, which meant referencing yet another notebook with additional details. “It was pretty cumbersome,” Winters adds.

By Phyllis Hanlon
By the mid-90s, the College moved the information into an Access program that proved to be more effective—but still tied the users to the campus, since the database was available only on computers located in the Career Planning Center.

The College now offers two electronic options to those seeking career direction: an extensive alumni database—close to 30,000 alumni are listed—and an 8,000-name career advisor directory. Winters sees several advantages to having alumni information online. “The online access allows alumni to update information,” he says. “And it is really in keeping with current technology. To have that information in a notebook is obsolete at this point.”

Virtual accessibility is another attractive feature of the online directory. “Alums are scattered all over the globe. Unless you’re in the Boston area, it doesn’t make sense to have to come back to campus for this type of information,” says Winters. New graduates gain access to this online alumni community a few months after graduation.
The career advisor database, accessible in the Career Planning Center, allows students to identify career advisors by major, field of employment and geographic area. The database presents an ideal resource for students to gain firsthand information about potential careers. By doing a bit of research on an industry, the student can ask appropriate questions of an individual actually working in that profession. The next step is to find out what prospects exist. “Since many opportunities are unlisted, a student would use networking to speak with alumni to learn about positions in their organization, as well as to get suggestions from alumni regarding the job search,” says Winters.

These resources are not limited to fourth-year students or new graduates. Winters notes that any alum might become a casualty of the economy or may be ready for a career change after several years in the same profession. “That person is starting from scratch, so they have to go out and research other fields,” Winters says. The alumni and career advisor databases offer these individuals valuable insight into other career paths and may lead to employment.

As fast and easy as access to the online alumni community is, it has not eliminated the practice of on-campus and in-person networking. The Career Planning Center continues to sponsor workshops on resume writing, interview preparation and job searching for students in which the importance of networking is emphasized. Additionally, special career nights held throughout the academic year highlight specific professions. These targeted panel discussions give graduates a chance to relate their personal experiences and explain how and why they have chosen the jobs they now hold. Such panel presentations allow students to see the assorted paths their educations might follow.

Career planning works closely with alumni relations in guiding students and alums with career choices. When Kristyn M. Dyer ’94, associate director of alumni relations, receives a request for career assistance, she automatically turns to technology. “The alumni directory online has significantly changed what we do. Alums call, and we point them to the directory. They can search right away for specific locations and industries,” she says.

This year, these two offices have joined forces with the General Alumni Association (GAA) to sponsor a senior reception, which, in the past, involved casual schmoozing in a laid-back social atmosphere. According to Dave Doern ’62, GAA president and coordinator of the evening, the 2003 senior reception was different. “We turned it into a career networking reception. We invited 40 or 45 alumni in different careers—banking, teaching, medical, research, real estate and law.” After the alumni were introduced to the students in attendance, the real networking began. For an hour and a half, students had the opportunity to speak with these graduates to get detailed answers to their questions regarding the job search.

“With the job market the way it was, we thought this would be a great help with a lot of take-home value for the students,” says Doern.

A prime example of successful online and direct networking, Sean Murphy ’94, New England regional manager for the AT&T Alliance Channel, took full advantage of Holy Cross’ strong career support system when plans for a job after graduation fell through. After studying the online directory, he identified a list of alumni and contacted them for informational interviews. With the help of these contacts, Murphy landed a position with AT&T and has risen in the ranks ever since.

A grateful Murphy assists other alums in their job search when the occasion arises, returning to the College to participate in a career night informational program. He feels that the mix of the two networking tools—in person and online—is a perfect combination.

“To put a face in front of you is very effective,” Murphy says, “but then to go back and use the online tool is definitely a necessary follow-up.”

To access the online directory, visit: www.alumniconnections.com/olc/pub/HYC

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This summer, Harry K. Thomas Jr. ’78, was named the 11th United States Ambassador to Bangladesh—not surprising news to those who know him well. “My first reaction was: ‘What took so long?’” chuckles his classmate and friend, Michael T. Holmes, a vice president with Right Management Consultants in New York.

“This didn’t come out of the blue. He has advanced very thoroughly and effectively through his career at the State Department,” adds Rev. John E. Brooks, S.J., president emeritus of the College, who was among the several dozen college friends in attendance at Thomas’ installation in Washington, D.C. “He’s a very bright fellow, and an outgoing, jovial person who naturally attracts people. The officials there spoke in very laudatory terms of Harry’s history of public service in the government.”

Thomas, a political science major, earned his master’s degree in urban planning at Columbia University. He joined the Foreign Service in 1984, the same year he married Ericka O. Smith, a jazz singer. Thomas’ career has taken him around the world—to postings in India, Zimbabwe, Nigeria and Peru—and into the inner sanctum of the White House, where, from 2001-02 he served as the National Security Council’s director for South Asia under Condoleezza Rice.

“It was always a thrill to go and brief the president, and Dr. Rice always allowed us to brief him one-on-one,” says Thomas, whose wife and 15-year-old daughter, Casey, have joined him in Dhaka, Bangladesh. Although he is fluent in Spanish and Hindi, he has also begun studying Bangla, to equip him for his latest assignment.

During his years in Washington, Thomas was responsible at one point for running the State Department Operations Center, a 24-hour alerting, briefing and crisis management office for the secretary...
of state and his principal advisers. “We ran task forces to support the aftermath of the bombings of our embassies in Nairobi and Dar es Salaam, took the lead in running the evacuation of besieged embassies in Kosovo and Liberia, and supported attacks in Afghanistan and Sudan,” Thomas explains.

He has won several State Department honors, including the coveted Arnold Raphel award for leadership, motivation and mentoring of colleagues—and Holy Cross classmates say this corresponds perfectly with the Harry Thomas they knew 25 years ago, when he was an active member of the Black Student Union and the head resident assistant in Clark Hall.

“Harry was always able to listen, to facilitate conversations and to advocate issues across all lives, at a variety of levels,” says Holmes, adding that he and Thomas remain as close as brothers.

“And, he has always been committed to the country. When it came to the flag and the country, he was always a real patriot.”

“Clearly, we knew he was going to do something wonderful and in a leadership capacity,” agrees Mary Fuller McGrath ’78. “Service is a defining part of Harry’s life.”

It’s a value that began at home, according to Thomas’ older sister. “I’d say that our parents instilled an expectation of service—although we didn’t know it was ‘service’ but thought of it as a response and responsibility that everyone had,” says Nelda Thomas Canada, a paralegal in South Carolina, who, with her husband, has started a church ministry called Manna Station, through which they provide food and counsel to homeless people once a month.

“I owe a greater debt than can ever be paid to my personal heroes, Harry and...
Hildonia Thomas,” Thomas said when he was sworn in as ambassador. “My mother is an inspiration for tolerance and learning. My father is a source of strength and optimism for our entire family. A woman who participated in the March on Washington and a man who was forced to walk through manure to register to vote following service in World War II live to see their son serve as the ambassador of this great nation to Bangladesh.”

Small wonder that that son—one of only a few dozen black students in his class at Holy Cross—so quickly found a home on campus in the mid-1970s.

“I knew I wanted to attend a small college. I graduated from an excellent but impersonal engineering high school in New York, Brooklyn Tech, with 6,000 boys and two girls,” Thomas recalls. “I visited Holy Cross for a weekend as a senior and immediately fell in love with it. My father wanted me to attend Yale, but I chose Holy Cross, and it was the right decision for me. The Jesuits instilled a sense of purpose and belief in the importance of doing the right thing and never giving up, no matter the obstacle.” Five years after graduation, Thomas converted to Catholicism.

During the speech he gave at his installation, he referred to his alma mater. “You all know of the love I have for the two institutions that shaped my life: the State Department and the College of the Holy Cross,” he said. “This day would not have been complete without Fr. Brooks, Dr. (Ogretta) McNeil and my schoolmates from Holy Cross. Go Cross!”

“My best friends are from Holy Cross,” he added later, during an interview. “We were in each other’s weddings. We’re godparents to each other’s kids. We can argue political issues and remain friends because of the respect we have for each other. I have a wide scope of friends which I may not have had if I had not attended Holy Cross—white, black, Hispanic, men and women. I think we are all better off.”

“When he spoke about Holy Cross during his speech we were all cheering and had goosebumps,” McGrath says. “He has such a wonderful combination of compassion and humor—and that wonderful smile and laugh! He will make Holy Cross so proud.”

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Mary Fuller McGrath ’78
Porter Endowment Encourages Students to Learn About the World

BY JOYCE O’CONNOR DAVIDSON

Former Holy Cross Trustee Timothy Porter ’68 wants to encourage students to encounter and appreciate other cultures in what he calls “a diverse and increasingly interconnected and interdependent world.” Porter thinks students can become comfortable with other cultures by traveling abroad and by in-depth involvement in and study of other countries. To encourage student travel and study abroad, Porter has made a gift to the College to establish The Ann and Timothy Porter Endowment in Honor of Ann Joyce, Harry Mahoney, and Gabriel Bennett, three ancestors who reflect his family’s long association with the Jesuits and his own multicultural roots.

Porter, who is vice president of Labor, Employment, and Environmental Law at AT&T, has traveled extensively. Traveling for business and pleasure, he recalls his first international travel experience in 1972 and how it permanently changed his
thinking about the world. At the time, Porter was working as an administrator for an African-American theatre company in New York's East Village. The company was invited to participate in the cultural portion of the 1972 Olympic Games in Munich, Germany, where it presented two plays over the course of a couple of weeks.

“We left Munich and returned to the States at the conclusion of the cultural portion of the Olympics, shortly before the games began,” Porter remembers. “I had only been back in New York for a day or so when the Israeli athletes were taken hostage. Later they were killed by extremists who had transported the Middle East conflict to what was to have been a neutral international venue in the Bavarian capital. Like the rest of the world, I was stunned ...
One could not help thinking about the multiple currents from other parts of the world intersecting in that one place.”

This experience contributed to Porter's view that “we must think globally and as citizens of a world that extends beyond our own borders,” and that immersion in another country can be an important part of the undergraduate liberal arts experience.

The Porter Endowment was created to encourage students to study abroad by offsetting some of the cost associated with travel. The fund is named in memory of three of Porter's ancestors, who symbolize his family's long involvement with and service to the Jesuits, and “who lived lives that were affected by the confluence of social and political events during an earlier period of global trade and expansion.” These ancestors are also emblematic of “the complexity of issues related to identity and the resilience and adaptability of the human spirit in the face of radically changed circumstance and profoundly new cultural experiences.” The three ancestors are: Ann Joyce, Harry Mahoney and Gabriel Bennett.

Ann Joyce, Porter's maternal great-grandmother 11 generations back, was an indentured servant of Irish descent who arrived in Maryland in the 1600s, in the service of the Calvert family. Her family's indenture was later transferred to the Jesuits. Harry Mahoney, a descendant of Ann Joyce, was Porter's great-great-great grandfather. While engaged by the Jesuits at St. Inigoes Manor in southern Maryland, Mahoney is credited with playing a major role in preserving some of the property of the Manor during a raid by British forces in the War of 1812. By this time the family was of both African and Irish descent.

Gabriel Bennett was Porter's maternal grandfather's brother, and Mahoney's great-grandson. He and Porter's grandfather came to Woodstock, Md., shortly before the turn of the 20th century, to work at Woodstock College, the Jesuit theological seminary there. Bennett worked at the college until he was 90 years old. He died in 1974 at the age of 102, two weeks after Porter graduated from New York University Law School. Bennett's more than 50 years of service to Woodstock College marked some 300 years of continuous service by Porter's family to the Jesuits in the New World.

Porter hopes his gift to the College will help undergraduates prepare for life in the world: “Those who are comfortable functioning in a diverse environment, who embrace it and are not afraid of other cultures and other ways of seeing things, have a much greater chance of contributing to and thriving in today's world.”

Porter and his wife, Ann, live in New York City. Their children are Timothy and Lauren.
Celebrating the Rich History of the Wills Family and the Jesuits

The foundation of the Maryland Province of the Society of Jesus begins the story of Catholicism in the United States. Historical accounts describe how Rev. Andrew White, S.J., celebrated Mass on a small island in the lower Potomac near the Maryland shore, blessing a new colony in March of 1634. Fr. White was accompanied by a few other Jesuits and by English Catholics seeking, among other things, religious freedom. Among those first colonists who joined the Jesuits in southern Maryland were ancestors of the Wills family.

To this day, the life and education of the Wills family in southern Maryland has been interwoven with the history of the Jesuits, especially with St. Ignatius Church at Chapel Point, the oldest Catholic parish in continuous existence in the United States. The cemetery there overlooking the Potomac River is the final resting place for many of the early settlers and their descendants, including recently J. Eugene “Gene” Wills ’53, P’83, and his father, Benjamin “B.B.” Wills ’22.

Gloria Wills P’83, who married Gene in 1957, recalls “B.B.” hosting alumni dinners at his home in Spring Valley in Washington, D.C., which were attended by former Holy Cross president, Rev. Raymond J. Swords S.J., ’38, Rev. John E. Brooks, S.J., ’49, president emeritus; and Joe Perrotta ’28 (secretary to the president of Holy Cross from 1929-72). Gloria fondly remembers these events and some of the Holy Cross alumni from the ’20s and ’30s.

Gene and Gloria had five children, of whom only Victoria ’83 followed her father and grandfather to Holy Cross. Victoria married Gene McMahon ’84, and the two are active alumni in Milwaukee, Wis. One day, in 1991, while Victoria and Gene were leaving Mass at Holy Trinity, the Jesuit parish in Georgetown, they encountered Brian Kane ’85. Kane and McMahon had known each other at Holy Cross, where both were on The Crusader staff. Victoria and Gene introduced Brian to Victoria’s sister, Olivia, and two years later Brian and Olivia met at Holy Trinity again—this time at the altar.

As the time of Gene Wills’ 50th reunion from Holy Cross approached, Gloria Wills decided she wanted to recognize and remember the interwoven and rich history of the Wills family and the Jesuits that began in the 1600s and continues to this day. She did so by making a significant “family-oriented” gift to the Holy Cross Fund.

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or Barry Reardon ’53, returning to Holy Cross for his 50th reunion this past June was hardly a traditional visit back to his alma mater. In fact, he hadn’t been back to campus since he graduated. With an economics degree, and the ambition and confidence typical of Holy Cross graduates, Reardon went west after college, spending the next 21 years in Los Angeles, working for Warner Brothers, where he was president of distribution and marketing.

One of the most respected executives in the movie industry, Reardon was presented with the ShoWester award in 1998 by the National Association of Theatre Owners, naming him the best there is in marketing movies. It was the first time the association had given the award to someone outside its own organization, and the recognition is a testament not only to Reardon’s success but also to why he hadn’t been back to Holy Cross for previous reunions—because they fall during the same week big summer movies hit the screens.

“The big summer blockbusters always open in May or early June. So I was always in California, too busy to leave,” says Reardon, who in the course of his career guided big commercial successes, such as the three Superman films, the four Batman films, The Green Mile and The Fugitive, as well as more critically acclaimed “award pictures,” including The Color Purple and Chariots of Fire, which won the Academy Award for Best Picture in 1981, and Driving Miss Daisy, which won Best Picture in 1989.

After retiring in 1999, Reardon moved to Vero Beach, Fla., where he lives for eight months out of the year. (He spends the summer and early fall in Vermont.) It was here that he coincidentally “returned” to Holy Cross, meeting fellow classmates Jack Magnier, Bill Glavin, Bud Kielley and Jack Scully, all of whom live in Vero Beach as well. The group has breakfast once a month at Toojays, bringing each other up to date on what’s going on at the College. With the 50th reunion coming up, the group encouraged Reardon to go.

“It was just nice to see fellow classmates you hadn’t seen in 50 years and hear how they’d fared since graduation,” Reardon says. “It was nostalgic seeing that Alumni Hall, where I lived, is still in good shape. But overall it was great to see how the school has changed. I think Fr. McFarland is doing a terrific job running the school through an ever-changing period. It’s certainly not an easy task, trying to placate the body of graduates.

“A Holy Cross education is a well-rounded one,” Reardon continues. “It has a great impact on how you conduct your professional life in the business world, especially these days. It’s the best education you could possibly get.” And to help make that education available to others, Reardon has established a scholarship fund in tribute to his time at Holy Cross.
The blessing and dedication of the Robert H. McCooey ’52 Memorial Chapel took place on Sept. 14. In attendance at the liturgy were: (right) Most Rev. Daniel P. Reilly, D.D., Bishop of Worcester, who presided; the McCooeys, including Robert Jr. ’87, Kristina (Grimm) ’89, (and their children), Timothy ’91, Kevin, Mary, Michael, Mary Catherine McCooey-Dodman ’92, Patrick Dodman ’90, and Mark ’89; John ’52 and Marietta McGarry; students; and John ’59 and Pat Figge P’93, ’91, ’88, ’83 with Fr. McFarland and Mary McCooey.
Providing Access to Holy Cross a Priority for Murray

When Robert C. Murray ’68, P’93, was a student at Holy Cross, the student population was “mostly Irish-Catholic men from the Northeast,” he says. And though Murray believes that the College has made great strides toward increasing diversity on campus, he also thinks there is still “a ways to go.” When he decided to make a gift to the campaign—to give back to the school that had equipped him with the skills to lead a meaningful life—he asked that the money go toward efforts being made on campus to increase diversity.

With that in mind, Murray established The Ellen and Robert C. Murray Scholarship Fund with a $100,000 gift to the College. Preference in awarding the scholarship will be made for African-American students with great financial need.

Murray, a retired partner at Morgan Stanley & Co. and chief financial officer of Public Service Enterprise Group, says he is a “big believer in the value of diversity.” He learned in the workplace that the best decisions are made by diverse groups of people. He also got a gentle nudge from his wife, Ellen, and his daughter, Erin Murray Marra ’93, both clinical social workers who have worked with underserved populations in the New York City area. Both women helped Murray see the unique challenges faced by economically disadvantaged people of color and suggested that his gift to Holy Cross be targeted to help them.

The Murrays, who live in Irvington, N.Y., have two children, Erin and Griffin.

Campaign Update

The campaign to honor the longtime commitment of the late Dean Joseph H. Maguire ’58, to the students of Holy Cross has reached the $800,000 mark. The effort, led by Ed Ludwig ’73 and Bob Brennan ’81, intends to raise enough money to endow a senior faculty position in the department of education, about which Maguire cared deeply. Under Maguire’s leadership, the Teacher Certification Program was created and a strong relationship with the Worcester Public
Joseph R. Levis ’64, P’98, jokes offhandedly that he didn’t spend much time in the library as a student. But study or not, Levis has done quite well in the years since he graduated from Holy Cross. Levis is president and chief executive officer of Crusader Paper Co., Inc., a company he founded in 1967 in Lawrence, Mass. Crusader Paper, which is now located in North Andover, employs 65 people and supplies cut paper and paperboard to the industry.

It is no coincidence that Levis’ company shares the name of his alma mater’s moniker. Levis and his older brother, Richard ’62, both attended Holy Cross—a fact that made their father very proud. When trying to come up with a name for his business, Levis says his father suggested the name “Crusader,” and it caught.

In gratitude to Levis for his recent gift to the campaign, Holy Cross is naming the Dinand Browsing Room after him. Located in the lower level of Dinand Library, the area will be known as The Joseph R. Levis Browsing Room. The room is a multi-purpose space—used as a meeting place for faculty and for seminars—and is a comfortable spot for studying. Levis said he made his gift because “of my love for Holy Cross. I felt a desire to give and was very happy to be able to do so.”

He and his wife, Judie, live in Andover; together, they have eight children.

School System—where many Holy Cross student-teachers intern—was established.

More than 250 supporters have already contributed to the effort to endow the education professorship, which Ludwig and Brennan hope will serve as tangible evidence of the impact that “Dean Joe” had on the lives of countless students. The goal is to reach the $1.5 million total before the first anniversary of Maguire’s death in December. Those who wish to participate may contact Brian Davis ’79 in the Development Office at (508) 793-2306 or bdavis@holycross.edu for more information, or may send a donation marked for the Campaign for Joe Maguire ’58.
Lawrence Rutkowski Esq. ’75 is spearheading an effort to organize all the Holy Cross students who have gone on to become lawyers in an affinity group known as the Holy Cross Lawyers Association (HCLA). An independent organization within the General Alumni Association, the HCLA would provide a means through which Holy Cross alumni who are members of the bar could develop and maintain personally and professionally rewarding contacts and further their own professional development.

Topping the fledging organization’s “to do” list is compiling and publishing a directory of all Holy Cross lawyers. The directory would contain an individual’s biographical and professional data, including members’ principal practice areas, organized geographically and indexed alphabetically and by graduation year. Rutkowski believes that such a directory could provide an excellent source for referrals.

“Lawyers—even those in the largest firms—have the need to refer business to lawyers in different geographical locations or in specialized practice areas from time to time,” Rutkowski says. “Who better to refer it to than someone with whom you share certain common experiences and background? We hope to accomplish much more, though, than producing a directory. While important and potentially of immediate use, we do not wish the directory to be our defining achievement.”

Once the HCLA is up and running, its organizers have some ambitious goals: regular meetings as well as opportunities for continuing legal education. In addition, Rutkowski would like to publish a newsletter and develop a Web site that would be linked to the main GAA site. “We hope we can offer a different perspective on the job of lawyering,” he says. “Our Jesuit-influenced liberal arts education was the springboard for various law school experiences. This makes us quite a unique group.”

To get the HCLA off the ground, it’s going to take a few good men and women who are willing to volunteer their time and expertise to lay the groundwork for a successful organization. Rutkowski is currently attempting to gauge the level of interest among alums for such a group. Although the GAA is willing to assist the HCLA, it will be an independent body run by—and for the benefit of—its members.

“I think we hit on something with this idea,” Rutkowski adds. “Our initial approach to potential members generated a very enthusiastic response. Holy Cross grads are a gregarious and sociable lot, and the HCLA will offer the opportunity to grads who are lawyers to participate in a group with a character quite different from the usual bar association.”

For more information concerning the HCLA, contact Larry Rutkowski at (212) 574-1206 or by e-mail at rutkowski@sewkis.com. The HCLA has established its own e-mail address, HCLA2003@hotmail.com.
United States Magistrate Judge John M. Facciola ’66 has created a unique service opportunity for law students working for him this summer. Federal judges offer first- and second-year law students the chance to work in chambers as unpaid interns. Facciola decided that he wanted to provide his interns with both an opportunity to see the workings of a judge’s chambers and to become involved with public service organizations, such as the Advisory Council of the Legal Network, that provides legal services pro bono to people who cannot afford counsel. Among this year’s interns was Richard DiZinno ’96.

“I wanted to provide young people an opportunity to see how a public service organization operates and how important these organizations are in the administration of justice,” Facciola says. “I hope that I can start a lifelong involvement by young lawyers in the work of organizations like the Network.”

Facciola intends to call this position a “Brooks Internship,” in honor of Rev. John E. Brooks, S.J., the president emeritus and Facciola’s former professor. “I wanted to recognize the profound influence that Fr. Brooks had on so many of us who attended Holy Cross and then became lawyers and judges,” Facciola says. “I also hope that other Holy Cross graduates will be encouraged to create other ‘Brooks internships’ in their chambers and law offices and encourage their interns to volunteer for public service work.”

For more information, Facciola can be reached at the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, 333 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C., 20001.
id you know that each alumnus/a belongs to the largest organized group at Holy Cross? With 30,000 members—all the College’s graduates—the General Alumni Association is Holy Cross’ largest organization. As such, the GAA has a two-pronged purpose: to serve the alumni body and to assist the College as it strives to accomplish its mission as a Jesuit liberal arts college.

The GAA has a range of committees to fulfill its commitment to its membership, the College and current Holy Cross students. Admissions, Bishop Healy, Book Prize, Budget and Finance, Communications, Continuing Education, Credit Card, Guest Program, In Hoc Signo, Nominations and Elections, Regional Clubs, Scholarships, Senate, Summer Fellowship, Senior Reception and Young Alumni/ae are all committees that fall under the GAA umbrella. The committees have missions that range from fund raising and award presentation to fostering interest in GAA activities and providing financial assistance to current and future Holy Cross students.

As with any organization, the GAA has gone through cycles of extensive involvement by its members as well as times when interest lessens. In response to cyclic changes, several years ago the GAA appointed a study committee to review the organization’s structure and programs. The committee was charged with developing recommendations concerning any changes that were needed to make the GAA more effective in the 21st century.

After much research, many meetings, brainstorming, writing and revising, the study committee issued a modified constitution and bylaws. At the June 2002 GAA meeting, the board of directors approved both the revised constitution and bylaws.

The revisions make some important changes, including reducing the board of directors from more than 130 members to 42. In addition, the board will now include seven GAA officers, five current or past regional club presidents, and 30 directors who are elected from five groups of classes. This smaller board should be more accountable and be able to better respond to the needs of alumni. To continue this effort, we are currently reevaluating the mission and success of each committee mentioned earlier.

Going forward, improved communication with alums will be an important component of a streamlined, more dynamic GAA. In sharing ideas and information, the GAA’s officers and chairpersons, as well as the Alumni Relations Office, are committed to utilizing e-mail, with its immediacy, ease of response and convenience. If you are interested in serving on a committee, or just want to share some thoughts or ideas, please feel free to contact me at d.doern@att.net.

Change is exciting, as well as challenging. As we implement the bylaw changes and streamline the GAA, we look forward to a revitalized organization to serve those who have a deep commitment to, and affection for, “the Cross.”

David Doern ’62
President of the General Alumni Association
Alumni and friends gathered in San Diego in September to cheer on the Holy Cross football team.
From Aug. 14-24, the Holy Cross men’s basketball team roamed the Emerald Isle, playing five games against Irish professional teams. The Crusaders dominated the competition for most of the five games, but the experience gained by the squad and the camaraderie that was instilled in the players will definitely benefit the team in the upcoming season.

“I knew that we had a very young team with only one senior (Jave Meade) on the roster,” says Holy Cross head coach Ralph Willard. “Having lost three starters and our sixth man from a year ago, I knew that this would be a trip that would give us an opportunity to improve and establish an identity with some players who have not played a lot of minutes.”

The Crusaders landed in Dublin at 6 a.m. on Friday, Aug. 15. The team could not check into the hotel till after 1 p.m., so a tired Holy Cross squad dropped its bags off in the hotel and headed into the city to see some of the sights. After a brief tour of the city and a wonderful dinner at Oliver St. John Gogarty, the team headed to bed to prepare for its first game against the Tolka Rovers the next day.

In its first game of the tour, Holy Cross saw six players reach double figures as it posted a 99-69 win. The team shot 60.0 percent from the floor and blocked seven shots in the win. Nate Lufkin ’05 (Austin, Texas) and John Hurley ’05 (South Boston, Mass.) led the way with 17 and 15 points, respectively. Hurley added 11 rebounds to post the only double-double of the game.

The next day the Crusaders battled the Irish Partner Saints, coming away with a 104-73 victory. Lufkin scored 22 points while center Neil Fingleton ’04 (Durham, England) added 21 points and 11 rebounds to lead the way.
Michael Smiley ’05 (Swampscott, Mass.) chipped in with 19 points. Holy Cross blocked 15 shots and held the Saints to just 36.6 percent shooting from the floor.

In Waterford, the Crusaders had a wonderful tour of the Waterford Crystal factory, where Jave Meade ’04 (Queensbridge, N.Y.) and Greg Kinsey ’05 (Philadelphia, Pa.) did their best impersonations of glass blowers. Lufkin and Hurley then tried their hand at cutting glass before all the members of the Holy Cross party etched their names into a piece of glass.

Later that night, Holy Cross defeated the Crystal Institute 81-20, holding the Waterford team to just six points in the final 20 minutes of the contest. Smiley led the scoring effort with 15 points while Fingleton added 14 points and 10 rebounds.

After Waterford, Holy Cross headed to the southern city of Cork, where the team battled the UCC Demons, the winners of the Irish Superleague last season. Holy Cross had six players reach double figures in scoring—led by Kevin Hamilton ’06 (Queens Village, N.Y.) with 16 points—to capture a 93-54 win.

For its final leg of the 10-day tour, Holy Cross headed to the city of Limerick. In its final game of the trip, the team again kept up the defensive pressure, holding the BK Limerick squad to just 29.0 percent shooting from the floor. The Crusaders again posted a 30-point win, capturing a 79-49 victory. Hamilton and Kinsey led the scoring effort with 15 points each to lead five players in double figures.

The next day, Holy Cross headed for Shannon Airport, tired, but happy to have spent the time in Ireland.

“This type of trip gives the guys an opportunity to bond,” says Willard. “One of the things I was trying to develop was some court leadership from some of the other players. The best way to do that is by playing other teams. The opportunity to have the guys practice and work on some things that I thought we would be weak in, heading into the year, was something that can really help
On Aug. 19, the Holy Cross women’s basketball team arrived at Shannon Airport in Ireland for a six-day trip throughout the country. The Crusaders were able to take in a lot of the local flavor, as well as compete against some of the better women’s basketball competition.

On their first evening in Limerick, the players celebrated with a medieval banquet at Bunratty Castle. The team easily adjusted to the Irish meals, enjoying its fill of a four-course meal of soup, ribs, chicken and potatoes, and dessert. During the meal, Coach Bill Gibbons made an appearance in the banquet festivities. He was accused of treason and taken prisoner in the dark dungeon. In order to be released, Gibbons was forced to sing the Crusader fight song, “Chu-Chu-Rah-Rah.”

Following his short imprisonment, Gibbons led the Crusaders into their first game of the trip against the University of Limerick. Guard Maggie Fontana ’05 (Barrington, Ill.), named “Patriot League Tournament Most Valuable Player,” continued where she left off last season, leading Holy Cross with 23 points and 13 rebounds. Forward Patty Fitzgerald ’04 (Cranston, R.I.) added 15 points and eight rebounds of her own. Guard Shannon Bush ’06 (Doylestown, Pa.) had 12 points off the bench, including a pair of three-pointers, and the Crusaders wound up on top by a final score of 86-61.

The following day, the team was off to Dublin. During the day, players visit-
ed Saint Patrick’s Cathedral and saw the Book of Kells located at the Trinity College library. That evening, the College took on the Sasha Meteors in its second matchup. Lisa Andrews ’05 (Concord, Mass.) had 18 points, 9 rebounds and 7 blocks while Jessica Conte ’06 (Scarsdale, N.Y.) added 17 points in the 89-47 win. Gibbons was reunited with former player Eileen Bradley ’97, who led the Meteors with 13 points and six rebounds.

After spending the night in Dublin, the Crusaders were off to Waterford, Ireland’s oldest city. A walled city of Viking origin, Waterford retains much of its medieval character. The team toured the city and made a stop at the Waterford Crystal Factory to explore the plant. That evening, Holy Cross faced the Waterford Wildcats in its third game of the trip. Everyone on the team played well, and the Crusaders romped, 94-42. Conte continued to play exceptionally, bettering her performance from the night before, with a game-high 18 points.

Next, the players were off to Killarney, where they spent the final days of their trip. Along the way, they stopped in Cork to see the famous Blarney Castle. In their fourth and final game, the Crusaders faced St. Paul’s team, 122-58. Holy Cross was firing on all cylinders once again as seven Crusaders scored in double-digits. Andrews paced the team with 22 points, with Sarah Placek ’06 (Alexandria, Va.) right behind her with 21 points.

The women’s team returned to Worcester with nothing but great memories and high expectations for the upcoming season.

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**Patriot League tops NCAA Graduation rate for fifth-straight year**

For the fifth straight year, the Patriot League leads all Division I athletic conferences in graduation rates, according to a report issued this week by the NCAA. In the national survey, the Patriot League full-member institutions graduated 84 percent of its student-athletes, a more than 10 percent higher graduation rate than any other NCAA Division I conference. Holy Cross tied with Lafayette College to rank 23rd nationally in graduation rates, with an 82 percent rate.
“Mr. Excitement”

Ari Confesor
continues to dance into end zones.

Ari Confesor ’04 (Providence, R.I.) is not the ideal wide receiver on paper. However, there isn’t a soul on the Holy Cross football squad who would want to have anyone other than Confesor catching passes on Fitton Field for the Crusaders this season.

“I was always told I was too small to play football,” says Confesor, “but what really counts is what is in your heart and your God-given ability. You cannot teach that, and that is how I am proving people wrong.”

Besides his heart and ability, Confesor has another advantage over the opposition—fancy footwork. Confesor has been taking dance classes regularly since the age of 12. “I guess I got into it in school around the sixth grade or so,” admits Confesor. “I really love music and dance, and I was eager to continue when I saw Holy Cross had dance classes. It really does relate to football.”

Confesor has wasted no time putting his dance moves to good use on the gridiron. “Dancing requires a lot of concentration,” he says. “It has a team mentality that’s similar to football. If one person messes up the routine, it affects everyone, and the overall result is not good. It really reinforces the team concept.”

Of course, Confesor is not the first football player to take dance classes to fine-tune his ability. Names like Lynn Swann of the Minnesota Vikings, Philadelphia Eagles and Dallas Cowboys in the ’80s and ’90s come to mind. Swann was described as having “gazelle-like speed,” which helped him garner Super Bowl MVP honors in 1975. Upon his induction into the NFL Hall of Fame, Swann recalled, “I was always smaller and younger than the other kids. My game had to be a mental one. I had to outsmart and out-quick the other kids and take advantage of mistakes.”

Walker used the skills he learned to dance to the Heisman Trophy in 1982 and an All-Pro NFL player in 1986. “I did not know about Swann, but I had heard Hershel took dance,” Confesor says. “But I did not do it to copy him. It is just something I like to do.”

Confesor had a breakout performance in the season opener last year, when he racked up 327 all-purpose yards in a 30-21
upset over the Black Knights of Army, only 10 yards shy of the all-time record set by Gil Fenerty in 1983. With Holy Cross trailing the Cadets 21-17 late in the third quarter, Confesor received a kickoff at the five-yard line, artfully dodged a few tacklers and tiptoed down the sideline through the Army special teams to return the kickoff for a touchdown. The score swung the momentum of the game to Holy Cross for good and propelled the Crusaders to a 30-21 victory and their first win over a Division I-A opponent since 1987. The win also made Confesor the Crusaders’ most potent weapon on offense.

“I would like a performance like that every game,” says Confesor. “I knew nothing was going to stop me that day. My teammates always gave me the feeling that I could do something like that. They have always had confidence in me, and even though I might have surprised other people, I did not surprise myself, my teammates or my coaches, because they always knew I could do it.”

Confesor continued to put up impressive numbers game after game last season. Against Harvard, he caught four passes for 57 yards with a touchdown and also returned a punt 85 yards for another touchdown. Against St. Mary’s, he ran a reverse for a 20-yard romp to the end zone. He caught 12 passes for 132 yards and four touchdowns in the Dartmouth game. Thanks to outings like these, he was given the nickname “Mr. Excitement” by fellow captain Steve Fox ’04 (Fairfax, Va.).

But Confesor is not the College’s only wide receiver to earn that nickname. Mark Gallagher ’91 was another atypical target for Purple quarterbacks during his four years at Holy Cross. Similar to Confesor, Gallagher stood only 5 feet 9 inches tall and also specialized in kickoff and punt returns. Both names are peppered throughout the College record book and have remarkably similar numbers in categories of receptions, yards receiving, and punt return yardage.

“It is great to be mentioned with great players like Mr. Gallagher,” says Confesor. “It shows you how much hard work pays off. It is quite a reward and blessing to have it pay off like that.”

As far as the upcoming season is concerned, Confesor cannot wait to get started. “I have never been happier. I am very optimistic entering the season this year,” Confesor interjects. “I want to have 100 yards or more receiving every game. I know I have the tools to do it. I just have to step up. I want to excel in all parts of my game this year, and I know if I just do my best, that is all I will need.”

If Confesor can improve on last season, he will be sure to have Crusader fans dancing in excitement along with him.
Coach Allen Update

Holy Cross Head Football Coach Dan Allen’s physical health has been garnering a great deal of national media attention this season.

He was the subject of September feature articles in The Boston Globe and USA Today, as well as a segment on ESPN that aired in October. All three pieces have chronicled Allen’s efforts to continue coaching the Crusaders.

Defensive captain Ben Koller ’04, quoted in the USA Today article, says, “Coach Allen does everything he can to be there for us. Seeing him work, seeing him push and fight to get better, it puts everything in perspective. For many of us, he was the primary reason we decided to come to Holy Cross.”

Allen prefers that the focus be on the team, however, and not on himself. He now runs practices and coaches the games from the sidelines on Fitton Field.

McKeon ’52 leads Marlins to the World Series

He may not have graduated from Holy Cross, but former student and Florida Marlins manager Jack McKeon has been praying for a World Series victory since his days in the St. Joseph Memorial Chapel. On Oct. 27, the former Crusader outlasted the Yankees in Game 7 of the World Series, bringing victory to South Florida. It was McKeon’s first trip to the playoffs in 13 seasons.

In 1948, McKeon left Mount St. James midway through the school year for a chance to play for the Dodgers in Brooklyn. Leaving college behind, he began a 54-year career in baseball that has led to his prayers being answered. A native of South Amboy, N.J., McKeon managed the Royals, A’s, and Reds before signing on as the Marlins’ manager last May. A long and exciting summer later, he is now the oldest manager to reach the postseason for the first time, as a 72-year-old grandfather.

By the end of the season, McKeon had proved his worth, bringing the Marlins to a 75-49 finish in the regular season. “I didn’t think I’d ever get an opportunity again to come back and really reach the postseason,” McKeon told the Boston Globe on Oct. 25. “Finally, Jeffrey Loria and the Marlins decided to take a chance on an old goat like me, and we have one more crack at it … I think the good Lord looked after us and took good care of us.”
THE NEW ENGLAND BASKETBALL HALL OF FAME honored its 2003 inductees on Sept. 19 in the Ryan Center at the University of Rhode Island. The College congratulates the following Holy Cross inductees:

George Blaney ’61, Division I Men’s Coach
Blaney was the head men’s basketball coach at Holy Cross from 1972-94. Coaching in a record 633 games—longer than any coach in school history—he posted a record of 357-276 in his 22 seasons with the Crusaders. As a player, Blaney scored 1,012 points and currently ranks 38th on the College’s all-time scoring list. A two-time All-New England selection, he served as team captain in 1961. Blaney played professionally with the New York Knicks and the Philadelphia 76ers.

Bill Gibbons, Division I Women’s Coach
Holy Cross women’s basketball coach since 1985, Gibbons has led the Crusaders to nine Patriot League championships in the last 13 years; with an overall record of 380-157, he helped the women’s basketball team to more victories than any other coach. Gibbons was named Patriot League Coach of the Year six times. Every student athlete who has played four seasons under his guidance has earned her degree. Gibbons’ program has produced four national Academic All-Americans as well as several Academic All-District selections; three players have earned Patriot League Female Scholar Athlete of the Year honors. Gibbons’ teams have consistently ranked among the best at Holy Cross in overall team GPA.

Amy O’Brien ’99, Division I Women’s Player
O’Brien is the second-leading scorer in Holy Cross women’s basketball history, with 2,075 career points. Earning the Patriot League Player of the Year title twice, she was a three-time First Team All-Patriot League team member. O’Brien was also an Associated Press Honorable Mention All-American and a two-time GTE-CoSIDA Second Team Academic All-American. As a fourth-year student, she was the New England Collegiate Athletic Conference Female Athlete. Earning All-Patriot League First Team honors on three occasions, O’Brien was the Patriot League Tournament Most Valuable Player in 1998. In addition, she was the Patriot League Scholar Athlete of the Year in 1998 and the Patriot League Women’s Basketball Scholar Athlete of the Year in 1998 and 1999.
Togo Palazzi ’54, Division I Men’s Player

Palazzi was co-captain of the 1954 men’s basketball team. A two-time All-American, he scored 1,633 career points at Holy Cross in three seasons, averaging 20.4 points per game. Palazzi also ranks second all-time at Holy Cross in rebounding with 1,086 total boards in his 80 games. One of just three players in their Holy Cross career to score over 1,500 points and pull down over 1,000 rebounds, he averaged 24.8 points per game in 1954—the fourth highest single-season total in the College’s history. Palazzi’s remarkable 31 rebounds against North Carolina during the 1952-53 season is the second highest single-game total in school history; he averaged 16.2 rebounds per game that season, which is the second highest single-season per game average in school history. A first-round pick for the Boston Celtics in 1954, Palazzi enjoyed a six-year professional basketball career with the Celtics (1954-57) and the Syracuse Nationals (1957-1960).

Lester “Buster” Sheary, Division I Men’s Coach

Sheary was the head men’s basketball coach at Holy Cross from 1948-55. During his seven years as coach, he compiled a .811 winning percentage, coaching Crusader greats Tom Heinsohn ’56, Bob Cousy ’50, Togo Palazzi ’54 and Ron Perry ’54. Sheary won at least 19 games in all seven seasons in which he was head coach, taking his team into postseason play in five of the seven seasons. During an incredible three-year stretch, from 1949-50 to 1951-52, he led the Crusaders to 71 wins in 84 total games. The team went to the NCAA tournament and made one appearance in the NIT. Fifty-three of Sheary’s players have gone on to coach in the prep, collegiate, or professional ranks.

The following members of the Holy Cross community were honored for excellence in basketball prior to coming to Holy Cross:

Ann Zelesky, Head High School Girls’ Coach – St. Peter-Marian High School (Mass.)

As the former head girls’ basketball coach at St. Peter-Marian High School, Zelesky’s teams posted a record of 272-54, winning eight Central Massachusetts titles, seven district championships and one state crown. Named Massachusetts Coach of the Year on two occasions, she is currently associate athletic director at Holy Cross.

Bob Curran ’48, High School Player – St. John’s High School (Mass.)

One of the top basketball players in St. John’s history, Curran earned All-New England honors while serving as team captain. He was well-known for his remarkable defensive play and poise. After high school, Curran played one season at Holy Cross before enlisting in the Navy; he returned to campus in 1946, following three years of military service. Captain of the Crusaders’ 1947-48 NCAA Championship team, Curran was one of just four Crusaders to play in all 30 games during the season.

Jim McCaffrey ’86, High School Player – Rutland High School (Vt.)

McCaffrey, who scored 1,111 points at Rutland High School, holds the Vermont state scoring record, having earned 55 points in a single game. He also holds the state tournament record for registering 48 points during a single game in his senior year. An All-State selection, McCaffrey averaged 30.0 points per game during his final year of high school.

Ron Teixeira ’69, High School Player – Catholic Memorial High School (Mass.)

A Roxbury, Mass., native, Teixeira was a high school All-American under former Holy Cross athletic director Ron Perry Sr. at Catholic Memorial High School. At 6 feet 9 inches tall, he was known as an outstanding defensive player who blocked numerous shots. At the time, he was the tallest player in Holy Cross history.

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The Known World
BY EDWARD P. JONES ’72
In his first novel, The Known World (Amistad), Edward P. Jones ’72 explores an oft-neglected chapter of American history—the world of blacks who owned blacks in the antebellum South. This follow-up to the National Book Award-nominated short story collection, Lost in the City, has earned the author advance praise. According to Publisher’s Weekly, “(the) narrative achieves crushing momentum through sheer accumulation of detail, unusual historical insight and generous character writing.”

A recipient of the Lannan Foundation Grant, Jones currently resides in Arlington, Va. (At press time, The Known World had just been nominated for the prestigious National Book Award.)

Crossing the Racial Divide: Close Friendships Between Black and White Americans
BY KATHLEEN ODELL KORGEN ’89
Kathleen Odell Korgen ’89 is the author of Crossing the Racial Divide: Close Friendships Between Black and White Americans (Praeger). Utilizing a sociological framework to examine the nature of friendships between black and white Americans, Korgen sheds light on important aspects of contemporary race relations. In interviews conducted in cities and towns across the United States, members of 40 black and white pairs of friends reflect on how their cross-racial friendships have influenced their views and actions.

Korgen is an assistant professor of sociology at William Paterson University in Wayne, N.J. She has published articles, as well as the book, From Black to Biracial: Transforming Racial Identity Among Americans (Praeger).

The Secrets of Wildflowers, and Ridgefield: 1900-1950
BY JACK SANDERS ’66
Jack Sanders ’66 is the author of two new books: The Secrets of Wildflowers (The Lyons Press) and Ridgefield: 1900-1950 (Arcadia). The Secrets of Wildflowers explains the natural history, folklore, name origins and the lore of hundreds of North American plant species, from ordinary weeds to cherished orchids. Smithsonian magazine calls the book “one of the best things that has ever happened to wildflowers.” Ridgefield: 1900-1950 explores the “golden age” of this Connecticut town. Part of the “Postcard History Series,” the guide includes more than 200 images of the resorts, inns, mansions, churches and village shops of Ridgefield.

Sanders is an editor at the Ridgefield Press. A resident of Ridgefield and member of the town’s historical society, he has published several books on the history of the region.

Laugh It Off!
BY JIM FABIANO ’72
Laugh It Off! by Jim Fabiano ’72 (Independent Publishing Group) is a collection of “unbelievable, real life misadventures” drawn from the author’s humor column, which appears regularly in the York (Maine) Independent. Featuring titles such as “Real Men Don’t Eat Pate” and “The Leaping Voles of Spring,” these 30 short pieces have been compared to the work of Dave Barry and Hunter S. Thompson.

A resident of Southern Maine for the past 28 years, Fabiano teaches high school in Newmarket, N.H.
1946
CLASS CHAIR
ROBERT X. TIVNAN

The Bar Association of Erie County (BAEC), N.Y., honored Lawrence H. Wagner as “Lawyer of the Year,” at its annual meeting held in June in Buffalo. Wagner, who had been associated for many years with the Buffalo firm of Jaeckle, Fleischmann & Mugel, had also taught trial techniques at the University of Buffalo. In addition, he served as director of the BAEC and treasurer and secretary of the Western New York Trial Lawyers Association.

1949
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
DONAL J. BURNS
GEORGE F. CAHILL

The June 3 edition of the Providence Journal included a tribute to Ralph A. Celone, titled “Admirers still recall Ralph Celone’s lasting lessons.” The article notes his 33-year teaching career in the Bristol (R.I.) schools and his athletic achievements as a student at Colt Memorial High School; Celone is an inductee of the Bristol Athletic Hall of Fame.

1951
CLASS CHAIR
ALBERT J. MCEVOY JR.


1953

The July 3 edition of the West Springfield (Mass.) Record included a story about Frederick S. Conlin Jr., D.D.S., in recognition of his contribution to the city of West Springfield as a longtime public official; his 33-year career included serving on the Park and Recreation Commission; Board of Selectmen; and Town Council. Prior to his retirement in 2001, Dr. Conlin had maintained a private dental practice in West Springfield for 40 years.

1954
CLASS CHAIR
BARRY R. MCDONOUGH
CLASS CORRESPONDENT
PAUL F. DUPUIS

James D. Hessman, who served 31 years as editor in chief of the Navy League publication Sea Power, has assumed the new post of senior writer and editor emeritus.

1955
CLASS CHAIR
JOSEPH J. REILLY JR.
CLASS CORRESPONDENT
ROBERT F. DANAHY

In November, the U.S. Congress passed a bill naming the Worcester Post Office after Joseph D. Early, a former U.S. representative who served the city and the third Congressional District for 18 years. A public ceremony honoring Early took place at the post office in May. The Centre Cultural Exchange d’Auvillar, Auvillar, France, invited James A. Paradis, for the second time, to serve as an artist in residence there; his month-long stay in June included the presentation of an exhibit on the theme of “Turbulence,” shared with French artist Bruno Riboulot. A solo exhibition of Paradis’ recent works was held this fall at the French Library and Cultural Center of Boston.

1956
CLASS CHAIR
DANIEL M. DUNN

George F. Madaus Jr., Boisi Professor of Education and Public Policy at Boston College, was the 2003 recipient of the E.F. Lindquist Award. Sponsored by the American Educational Research Association and the American College Testing Program, the award honors a research scientist “for significant contributions to the field of educational measurement.” A member of the Lynch School faculty at Boston College since 1966, Madaus is director of the National Board on Educational Testing and Public Policy at the school.

1957
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
WILLIAM J. ELLIS
RAYMOND A. NOTHNAGLE

Richard J. Klimek, who retired from Montgomery College, Rockville, Md., holds the title of professor emeritus in psychology there; he continues to maintain a small private practice in psychotherapy.

1958
CLASS CHAIR
BRADEN A. MECHLEY
CLASS CORRESPONDENT
ARTHUR J. ANDREOLI

C. Louis “Lou” Clemente, who retired from Pfizer Inc., is now chairman of the International Trachoma Initiative, a program founded in 1998 by the Edna McConnell Clark Foundation and Pfizer to achieve global eradication of the eye disease.

1959
CLASS CHAIR
WILLIAM P. MALONEY
CLASS CORRESPONDENT
JOHN J. ORMOND

Francis J. “Frank” Luongo works as a reporter for the bi-weekly newspaper, the Westport (Conn.) News. Ralph A. O’Connell, M.D., provost at New York Medical College, Valhalla, and dean of its School of Medicine, was elected president of the Associated Medical Schools of New York, a consortium of 14 medical schools in the state.
1960
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
George M. Ford
George F. Sullivan Jr.

G. Thomas Moynihan Jr. recently retired as a justice of the New York Supreme Court for the Fourth Judicial District.

1964
CLASS CHAIR
Ronald T. Maheu
CLASS CORRESPONDENT
William S. Richards

In April, Rimvydas P. Miksys was re-elected to a second term as president of the Lithuanian-American Community of Washington State. Francis X. Miller has retired after 36 years with the Travelers Insurance Company in Hartford, Conn. Thomas E. Sullivan, M.D., was recently elected to a one-year term as president of the Massachusetts Medical Society. A specialist in cardiology and internal medicine, he holds an appointment at the North Shore Medical Center and maintains a private practice at the Women's Health Center in Danvers, Mass.

1965
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
David J. Martel
Thomas F. McCabe Jr.

On July 30, the University of Ulster awarded an honorary degree to John V. Connorton Jr. at a graduation ceremony hosted by the Fordham University School of Law in New York City. Connorton, who is an attorney in New York City, received this honor for his work in peace and reconciliation in Northern Ireland. The June 10 edition of the State House News Service of Boston announced the appointment of Superior Court Judge Robert A. Mulligan to a five-year term as chief justice for administration and management of the trial court, effective in October. The position involves oversight of a judicial system that includes the housing court; land court; probate and family court; Superior Court; and 69 divisions of the District Court across Massachusetts. Mulligan has served as a Superior Court judge since 1982. Philip J. Sullivan, M.D., who has been practicing emergency medicine in Colorado since 1975, is associated with the Swedish Medical Center, a Level 1 Trauma Center in Denver.

1968
CLASS CHAIR
Alfred J. Carolan Jr.
CLASS CORRESPONDENT
John T. Collins
Brian W. Hotarek

The June 23 edition of The Philadelphia (Pa.) Inquirer included a story about Paul M. Kochis, titled “He inspires his managers in serving region’s wealthy.” Kochis, who works for Mellon Financial Corp., is the regional president for its private wealth management group in Philadelphia; he has recently been named chairman of Mellon’s Mid-Atlantic region. William A. “Bill” Monti is the recipient of the Ridgefield, Conn., 2003-04 Teacher of the Year Award. Monti, who has worked in the Ridgefield school system as a teacher and an educator since 1974, currently teaches history at the high school. The July 17 edition of the Ridgefield Press included an article about his career.

1969
CLASS CHAIR
David H. Drinan
James W. Igoe
Daniel L. Spada, M.D.

Robert L. Devaney, a mathematics professor at Boston University, was a recipient of the university’s 2003 Metcalf Award for Excellence in Teaching. Presented at commencement, the award recognizes “a teacher’s scholarship, dedication and commitment to students.” The Aug. 1 edition of The Catholic Free Press announced the appointment of Rev. Chester J. Misiewicz as the pastor of St. Charles Borromeo Parish in Worcester. Rear Adm. Thomas W. Steffens, USN, a Navy SEAL and 34-year veteran, retired from the military in June.

1970
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
Anthony M. Barclay
John R. Doyle, M.D.

In January, John J. Boucher was appointed director of the Office of Parish Life for the Diocese of Trenton, N.J. Dennis L. Kennelly continues to practice employment law in Menlo Park, Calif. Louis H. Reiss, M.D., serves as a staff physician at a medical clinic near Memphis, Tenn.

1971
CLASS CHAIR
Robert T. Bonagura
CLASS CORRESPONDENT
Jerome J. Cura Jr.

Ohio Gov. Bob Taft appointed Galen H. Graham to serve on his newly formed Commission on Higher Education and the Economy. Graham is regional vice president of DeVry University and president of the DeVry University/Columbus campus.

1972
CLASS CHAIR
Allan F. Kramer II

Robert E. Hamilton, a partner in the Chicago, Ill., law firm of Wildman, Harrold, Allen & Dixon, has been elected chairman of the Board of the Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education.

1973
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
Gregory C. Flynn
Edward P. Meyers

The May 29 edition of Church World included an announcement of the appointment of Rev. Paul M. Sullivan, S.J., as the pastor of St. Joseph Church, Gardiner, Maine, effective in July.
1974
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
BRIAN R. FORTS
STANLEY J. KOSTKA JR.
ROBERT C. LORETTE

The Stride Rite Corp., Lexington, Mass., announced the promotion of Richard T. Thornton to president and chief operating officer, effective Aug. 1.

1975
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
JOSEPH W. CUMMINGS
JOSEPH A. SASSO JR.

William F. Franklin Jr. is a vice president of UBS Financial Services in Boston. Louis C. Galdieri, M.D., is the chief of urology at the St. Barnabas Medical Center in Livingston, N.J. International Technology Partners Worldwide, a Houston, Texas-based partnership of executive search professionals for the high technology and venture capital markets, recently announced the election of Charles A. Polachi Jr. to its board of directors. Polachi is the founder and managing partner of Polachi & Co. Inc., Sherborn, Mass., a retained executive search firm focusing on the venture capital private equity and technology markets. Peter H. Smyth, president and chief executive officer of Greater Media Inc., Boston, is ranked 26th on Radio Ink magazine’s list of the “40 Most Powerful People in Radio (2003).”

1976
CLASS CHAIR
THOMAS E. RYAN
CLASS CORRESPONDENT
THOMAS C. HEALEY

John P. McDermott and his wife, Lena, announce the birth of their daughter, Rose Grace Aurora Suyuk Jessup, on July 3. The Aug. 8 edition of the Canton (Mass.) Journal announced that Joseph V. Morrissey has been appointed president of Milton (Mass.) Hospital. Acting president since January, he had previously served as the vice president of financial services at the hospital.

1977

Theresa A. Brown, associate director of regulatory affairs at SNET, New Haven, Conn., has been appointed to the board of directors of Bridgeport (Conn.) Area Youth Ministry Inc. – a nonprofit organization that provides programs for young people to develop life and work skills. The July 28 edition of Rhode Island Lawyers Weekly included a Q&A with Thomas M. Dickinson, titled “Lawyer Wins New Trial in Domestic Abuse Case / Supreme Court Decision May Have Repercussions for Defense Bar.”

Dickinson is an alternate judge of the Woonsocket (R.I.) Municipal Court and a member of the Law Office of Jeffrey B. Pine, Providence, R.I.

1978
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
MARCIA HENNELLY MORAN
MARK T. MURRAY
MICHAEL H. SHANAHAN

John E. “Jack” Byrnes Jr., M.D., is the new director of emergency medicine at Doctor’s Hospital in Springfield, Ill. Col. Michael F. Cuenin, USA, assumed command of the Würzburg Dental Activity in June – an organization with 13 dental clinics and 250 employees, providing dental care for the 1st infantry division soldiers in Bavaria.

Diane E. Majcher, M.D., and her husband, Conrad, announce the birth of their daughter, Ariel Noel, on Dec. 17, 2001. Eaton Vance Corp., a Boston-based investment management company, announced in June that Maureen J. Murphy has joined the firm’s investment counsel group as vice president and investment counselor. Patricia A. Radice is an account manager at the Franco Public Relations Group in Detroit, Mich. St. John’s Preparatory School, Danvers, Mass., announced the appointment of Michael H. Shanahan to its board of trustees. Shanahan is co-founder and managing director of Egan-Managed Capital in Boston. Mark H. Sipple is the executive director of the Malley Farm Boys Home in Somersworth, N.H.

1979
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
GLENNON L. PAREDES
DEBORAH PELLES

Brian R. Cook has joined the Christmas Tree Shops, South Yarmouth, Mass., as corporate counsel. Denise E. Cuenin is the chief of financial management for the 98th Area Support Group in Würzburg, Germany. Robert M. Lynch, D.M.D., recently received the “#1 Choice for Dentist” Readers’ Choice Award in a reader poll conducted by the Cape Cod Community Newspaper Company. Onye Onyemaechi, a percussionist/composer and recording artist, has formed a band called CASSAVA, consisting of professional musicians from diverse musical backgrounds and cultures, based in Santa Rosa, Calif.

1980
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
J. CHRISTOPHER COLLINS
ELIZABETH PALOMBA SPRAGUE
KATHLEEN L. WIESE

Harry C. “Chip” Zimmer III has accepted a position with GE-Employers Reinsurance Corp. as retrocession program manager, in Overland Park, Kan.

1981
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
JAMES G. HEALY
KATHARINE BUCKLEY MCNAMARA
ELIZABETH STEVENS MURDY
WILLIAM J. SUPPLE

Donna L’Ecuyer Acox is completing her master’s degree in exercise science at Syracuse (N.Y.) University. Patricia (Rottmann) Blewett, M.D., has left private practice in Franklin, Ky., to join the Student Health Services of Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green.
Rev. Richard T. Burton, who was ordained to the priesthood in May, currently serves as a parochial vicar at Holy Rosary Parish in Lawrence, Mass. The Aug. 20 edition of the Telegram & Gazette included an article about the appointment of Frederick H. Eppinger Jr. as the president and chief executive officer of Allmerica Financial Corp. in Worcester. Linda A. Herzog recently received her M.B.A. in marketing and finance from the University of Connecticut. Kathleen M. Ingram has been awarded tenure and promotion to associate professor in the psychology department at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond. Lorraine Mulligan Ryan recently opened a new “Bridget’s An Irish Tradition” Irish import store in North Plymouth, Mass.; she also has a store by the same name in Walpole, Mass.

MARRIED: Christopher L. Irving and Jeanne M. Siebert, on May 31, at the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola in New York City.

1982

CLASS CO-CHAIRS
JEAN KELLY CUMMINGS
SUSAN L. SULLIVAN

Dina Sheridan Grant and her husband, Stephen, announce the birth of their son, William Stephen, on July 2, 2002.

1983

CLASS CO-CHAIRS
PATRICIA G. HAYLON
DAVID J. TRASATTI


1984

CLASS CO-CHAIRS
FRED J. O’CONNOR
CARLINE L. SALVUCCI
RICHARD W. SHEA JR.

The Aug. 8 edition of the Telegram & Gazette announced that Mary E. “Beth” Burke has been named to the board of directors of the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority. Laura Caroompas Cannon works for Metro Networks as its evening reporter and editor for Hartford, Conn., and Springfield, Mass. Robert J. Cannon Jr. works in the commercial loans department at The Milford (Conn.) Bank. Lisa Ferreira, D.O., and her husband, Alan, announce the adoption of their son, Manuel Ferreira, from Guatemala, in May. Ferreira is a pediatrician at the West Palm Beach Health Department in Florida. Mary (Duggan) Hedvig, who received her master’s degree in education, has been teaching the sixth grade at a school in Worcester for the last six years. Mary Joy Moriarty and her husband, Keith, announce the birth of their son, James William Min, on Sept. 23, 2002, in Seoul, South Korea, and his arrival home, in February.

1985

CLASS CO-CHAIRS
THOMAS M. FLYNN
JOSEPH TERRANOVA
CLASS CORRESPONDENT
JOANNE S. NILAND

Anne Cannon Cowles was elected to the board of St. George’s School in Spokane, Wash., an independent K-12 school. Nora Walsh Loughnan and her husband, John ‘87, announce the birth of their son, Shea Timothy, on June 23, 2002, in Seoul, South Korea, and his arrival home, in February.

1986

CLASS CO-CHAIRS
VIRGINIA M. AYERS
PATRICK L. MCCARTHY JR.
EDWARD T. O’DONNELL
KATHLEEN A. QUINN

Lisa (Dion) Akerson and her husband, Michael, announce the birth of their children, Michael, on Oct. 17, 2000, and William, on June 3, 2002. Patricia “P.J.” (McCue) and Gerald R. “Jerry” Boardman announce the birth of their daughter, Olivia Catherine, on June 23, 2002. P.J. is a vice president, editor in chief, at Prentice Hall, Pearson Education. Jerry is a math teacher at Montclair (N.J.) Kimberley Academy. Since May 2001, Cmdr. David A. Chase, U.S.N., has been assigned to the director of Surface Warfare, on the Chief of Naval Operations staff in Washington, D.C. A financial analyst, he is responsible for developing and evaluating shipbuilding plans. Thomas R. Cirincione and his wife, Jennifer, announce the birth of their son, Andrew.
Thomas, on Aug. 9, 2002. John S. “Sean” Clark III works in Chicago, Ill., for the Seattle, Wash.-based firm, SAFE-CO Asset Management Co., as a regional sales director in institutional investments. Donna Kaley Cooney is a registered nurse at the Berkshire Medical Center, Pittsfield, Mass., in the post-anesthesia care department; she also works on-call as a crisis R.N. and home health care nurse. Donald C. Cournoyer Jr. practices law with his father in the Southbridge, Mass., firm, Cournoyer & Cournoyer. Martha (Lepore) Delaney now serves as an AmeriCorps/VISTA attorney fellow, in Minneapolis, Minn., expanding the provision of legal services to low-income persons by implementing a new clinical model based on pairing law students with attorneys doing pro bono work. Joseph J. Donner is now the director, internal communications, for Novartis Corp., in New York City. Roberta L. "Bobbi" Driscoll and her husband, John, announce the birth of their son, Dylan, on Oct. 18, 2000. Kathleen Smith Ennis and her husband, Chris, announce the birth of their daughter, Caitlin Virginia, on Nov. 18, 2002. Mary Kay Fenton is the senior director, finance, for Achillion Pharmaceuticals, Inc., in New Haven, Conn. Anthony A. Froio is a partner in the Boston office of the Minneapolis, Minn.-based law firm, Robins, Kaplan, Miller & Ciresi. Appointed to the firm's executive board last March, Froio concentrates his practice in business and intellectual property litigation as well as corporate and transactional matters. Julie A. Caligaris-Garilli and John A. Garilli announce the birth of their daughter, Sydney, in July 2002. Julie is the pension manager for The Holmes Group in Milford, Mass. John works as the controller for First Winthrop Corp. in Boston. Melinda J. Gleason, who has been with The Forum Corporation for almost 17 years, now serves as a vice president in Boston, providing sales, leadership, management and service training to Fortune 500 organizations. Linda R. Lacke is the sole proprietor of a public health and elder services consulting business in Wrentham, Mass. Last fall, she was elected to the board of trustees of Caritas Norwood (Mass.) Hospital and subsequently appointed chair of the board’s committee on community benefits. Elizabeth “Beth” Hannigan Lander, a mental health therapist in private practice, specializes in working with children and teens. Marie-Christine Longo, M.D., is a pediatrician in Seattle, Wash. James P. "Jim" Melendez and his wife, Jeanette, announce the birth of their son, Gregory Robert, on Aug. 31, 2002. Melendez continues to work for a private company in San Diego, Calif., doing environmental consulting work with the Navy. Kris Bianco Noonan and her husband, Tom, announce the birth of their daughter, Caitlin Rose, on May 28. Noonan, who has a master of arts degree in elementary education, has been teaching for 14 years on Long Island, N.Y. Matthew T. Nunez and his wife, Marie, announce the birth of their twins, Tess and Liza, on Nov. 1, 2002. Jean P. (Rainville) Randazzo, M.D., is the assistant chair of medicine at Morristown (N.J.) Memorial Hospital; program director for the medicine/pediatrics residency; and associate program director for the medicine residency. She is also involved in women’s health issues as liaison of the Jersey Battered Women’s Service. Kevin E. Reilly, M.D., is in his eighth year of practice with Wellington Orthopaedics in Cincinnati, Ohio. Shawn P. Reilly is an attorney in private practice with his father, brother Ed ’94, and two other attorneys, in Abington, Mass. Anne F. Riordan, who received her M.B.A. from Clark University in 1998, works at Worcester Polytechnic Institute in the Career Development Center. The assistant director for experiential education, she manages the summer internship and co-op programs and provides other career services and counseling for the students. Michael A. Simons and his wife, Karen, announce the birth of their daughter, Molly Moritz. At the end of last year, Simons was given tenure and promoted to full professor at St. John’s University School of Law, Jamaica, N.Y. Mary (Scalley) Singas, who has worked 17 years for The Commerce Insurance Company, serves as the claim training manager. Sean L. Smith works as an account manager and center manager for a language teaching company outside of Paris, France. Thomas J. Spellman III and his wife, Courtney, announce the birth of their son, Declan Thomas, on June 9. Spellman is senior counsel with Johnson & Johnson in New Brunswick, N.J. Washington and Lee (W&L) University, Lexington, Va., announced in June that Jeanine Silveira Stewart has been appointed as the university’s interim dean of the college. Stewart, who began working at W&L in 1994 as an assistant professor of psychology, has served as associate dean since 2001. Jeanine Padala Toes and her husband, Jim, announce the birth of their daughter, Emma Katherine, in April. Barbara (O’Connor) Trudel is in her sixth year as a special education advocate, assisting families of children with special education needs negotiate for appropriate services. Kathleen “Kitty” Wach works part time as the pro bono counsel for a mid-size Washington, D.C., law firm. Timothy R. Walsh and his wife, Katherine, announce the birth of their sons, Finn, Cavan and Tynan. Walsh, who has worked with the San Diego (Calif.) District Attorney’s Office since 1991, was honored in 2001 as the San Diego District Attorney’s Office Prosecutor of the Year. A commander in the Naval Reserve, he also serves as a professor at a local college and lectures on legal topics around the country. Kevin D. White continues to work for Lehman Brothers in New York City. MARRIED: Martha (Lepore) Delaney and Scott Russell, in 2002, in Minneapolis, Minn. Sean L. Smith and Najine Shahnaei, June 2000, in Paris, France.
**1987**

**CLASS CO-CHAIRS**
- KATHLEEN E. MOYLAN
- ERIN B. GRIMES MYERS
- JAMES W. NAWN JR.

Joseph M. “Joe” Casto, who has recently been appointed the director of research at the Central Illinois Neuroscience Foundation, also serves as an adjunct faculty member of the department of biological sciences at Illinois State University. Mary Beth McDonagh Davidson and her husband, Chad, announce the birth of their son, Seamus William, on April 13. Davidson works as a real estate agent out of the Duxbury (Mass.) office of Coldwell Banker. Paula (Scanlon) and Paul J. Eberle announce the birth of their daughter, Sarah Keenan, on March 7. Charlotte N. Eyerman has recently been appointed assistant curator of paintings at the J. Paul Getty Museum, Los Angeles, Calif. Frank W. Forbes Jr. and his wife, Katherine, announce the birth of their son, Andrew Robert, on July 31, 2002. John G. Loughnane and his wife, Nora ’85, announce the birth of their daughter, Rachel, on Feb. 17. Deirdre Daly Macnamara and her husband, Mark, announce the birth of their son, Patrick Kieran, on April 3. Thomas R. Raab has been appointed the vice principal of Norwood (Mass.) High School. David T. Raccagni and his wife, Amy, announce the birth of their daughter, Caleb Joseph, on Feb. 17, 2002. Maj. Kevin M. Schmiegel, USMC, serves as the aide de camp in Belgium to the Commander U.S. European Command and Supreme Allied Commander Europe, Gen. James L. Jones.

**MARRIED:**
- Anne K. Jordan and Christopher P. Duffy, on May 31, at the Church of Our Lady of Sorrows in White Plains, N.Y.

**1988**

**CLASS CO-CHAIRS**
- ELLEN S. CONTE
- PAUL E. DEMIT

Ronald J. “R.J.” Bukovac continues to work at Putnam Investments, following the media and entertainment sector and managing a consumer sector fund. Richard W. Conron Jr., D.O., and his wife, Kristin, announce the birth of their daughter, Lauren Elizabeth, on April 5.

**1989**

**CLASS CO-CHAIRS**
- CHRISTINA M. BUCKLEY
- SEAN T. MCHUGH

In May, Michael J. Brennan was named the director of admissions at Boston College High School; he has most recently served as an English teacher and assistant baseball and golf coach at the school. Michael W. Carroll has recently opened his own law firm in Providence, R.I. Kurzweil Educational Systems Inc., Bedford, Mass., announced in August that Bradley K. Desmarais has been appointed chief financial officer of the company. Dennis J. Golden and his wife, Jennifer ’90, announce the birth of their daughter, Rachel, on Feb. 17. Kevin J. Curley Jr., M.D., and his wife, Deneen, announce the birth of their daughter, Kristen Grace, on July 17, 2002. Curley works for Continuum Orthopedics and Sports Medicine in New York City as a sports medicine specialist. Ann M. Delaney and her husband, Robert, announce the birth of their son, Sean William, on June 10. Timothy P. Donovan and his wife, Michelle, announce the birth of their daughter, Regan Marie, on Nov. 12, 2002. Lisa Martins Doo and her husband, Derek, announce the birth of their daughter, Ashley Celeste, on July 31. In June, Gov. John G. Rowland appointed Gerald E. Farrell Jr. to a three-year term as chairman of the Connecticut State Marshal Commission; appointed to the commission in 2000, he had served as its vice chairman. An attorney in the Wallingford (Conn.) firm of Farrell, Leslie and Grochowski, Farrell is also a town councilman in Wallingford and the founder and president of the Wallingford Historic Preservation Trust. He was recently named the Italian-American Citizen of the Year in Wallingford.

**MARRIED:**
- Anne K. Jordan and Christopher P. Duffy, on May 31, at the Church of Our Lady of Sorrows in White Plains, N.Y.
his wife, Lauren ’92, announce the birth of their son, Brendan Patrick, on May 22. Sullivan works as an investment banker at Lehman Brothers in New York City.

**MARRIED:** Melissa A. Henriksen and Siva Vaidyathan, on Aug. 2, at the Emerson Inn by the Sea in Rockport, Mass.

**1991 CLASS CO-CHAIRS**
PETER J. CAPIZZI
JOHN R. HAYES JR.
KRISTIN M. KRAEGER


**1992 CLASS CO-CHAIRS**
SEAN T. KEAVENY
CHRISTOPHER J. SERB

Karen Barry Carter and her husband, Doug, announce the birth of their son, Ryan Joseph, on June 1. Patrick R. Jones and his wife, Kim ’90, announce the birth of their son, Tucker Clayton, on April 10. David S. Mahaffey and his wife, Lisa, announce the birth of their daughter, Cailyn Jane, on Jan. 5. Lauren O’Connor Sullivan and her husband, Chris ’90, announce the birth of their son, Brendan Patrick, on May 22.

**1993 CLASS CO-CHAIRS**
PATRICK J. COMERFORD
PATRICK J. SANSONETTI JR.

Patricia “Patti” Smith Barrett is a reporter for WPIX-TV (WB11) in New York City. Caryn (Geraghty) and Brian J. Jorgensen announce the birth of their son, Michael, on May 21. Caryn became a shareholder in the Seattle, Wash., law firm of Mills Meyers Swartling, last January. Brian works as technology architect and project manager for a consulting firm in Seattle. Ashley (Dinneen) Rolls and her husband, Jason, announce the birth of their son, Jeremy Austin, on May 7. Simona Rossi, M.D., who completed a residency in internal medicine after receiving her degree from the Georgetown University School of Medicine, Washington, D.C., in 1998, is now in the second year of a gastroenterology/hepatology fellowship in Philadelphia, Pa.
2. Damon J. DeTeso, M.D., who recently completed a radiology residency at Tufts-New England Medical Center in Boston, has accepted a one-year fellowship in cross-sectional imaging at the University of California-San Francisco. Jennifer A. Lennon and her husband, Andrew, announce the birth of their son, Andrew James, on June 14. Lennon continues to work in the child abuse unit of the Middlesex District Attorney’s Office in Cambridge, Mass. James A. Piacentini, D.O., accepted a position with an internal medicine practice in Wilmington, Del., following the completion of his residency in internal medicine at Christiana Hospital, Newark, Del.

MARRIED: Tracy M. Anderson and Michael J. Coolican, on June 30, 2001, in St. Joseph Memorial Chapel.


1995

CLASS CO-CHAIRS
CHRISTOPHER J. CASLIN
B. TIMOTHY KELLER
SHELAGH FOLEY O’BRIEN

Amy (Fontaine) Gakopoulos and her husband, Tim ’96, announce the birth of their daughter, Madison Olivia, on July 13. Denise A. Hines, who completed her Ph.D. in psychology at Boston University, has accepted a new position as a postdoctoral research fellow in the Family Violence Research Lab at the University of New Hampshire, Durham. She is the co-author of a book published in September, titled, *Family Violence in a Cultural Perspective: Understanding, Defining and Combating Abuse.* Jennifer (Fusco) Hoye, who is enrolled at the N.E. School of Floral Design, Norton, Mass., is starting an at-home floral design business with a friend. Anne (Collins) and James Loos announce the birth of their daughter, Emma Katherine, on May 17. Anne is a technology project manager at Lite Care, Inc. in Westport, Conn. James is the director of finance for Salick Health Care Inc. in New York City. Heidi Schafer McDade and her husband, Rob ’97, announce the birth of their son, Ryan Walter, on May 31. Alexander A. Merati completed his master of arts in theology degree in May at the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. Jason P. Spinazzola, who received his M.P.H. degree from Boston University last May, recently formed Spinazzola Real Estate, Inc., serving the residential real estate market on the North Shore of Massachusetts. Kathryn L. Taneyhill, who received her M.B.A. from the Tuck School of Business, Dartmouth College, Hanover, N.H., accepted a position with Microsoft Inc. in Redmond, Wash., effective this past fall.

1996

CLASS CO-CHAIRS
JENNIFER E. BURNS
HOLLY R. KHACHADOORIAN, M.D.
CHRISTOPHER L. SEARS

Alison A. Baikal, O.D., who received her doctor of optometry degree in May from the New England College of Optometry in Boston, is currently a practicing optometrist in Connecticut. Euthymios “Tim” Gakopoulos and his wife, Amy ’95, announce the birth of their daughter, Madison Olivia, on July 13. Paul F. Healy III works as an assistant district attorney in Worcester County. Melissa (Duarte) Henretta, M.D., who recently received her degree from the University of Connecticut School of Medicine in Farmington, has accepted a four-year residency in obstetrics and gynecology at the Ohio State Medical Center in Columbus. Meghan T. Keaney recently received her master’s degree in public health from the Boston University School of Public Health. Karin (Iandoli) Kelly and her husband, Dennis, announce the birth of their daughter, Lauren Clara, on May 26. Kelly received her Ph.D. in physical therapy from the MGH Institute of Health Professions in December 2002. Judith A. Kowenhoven works for PricewaterhouseCoopers, Boston, as a C.P.A. in tax and legal services. Darren R. McDonald, M.D., who received his degree from the University of Vermont College of Medicine in May, has accepted a residency at the Mayo Clinic in otorhinolaryngology. Gina M. Miele received her Ph.D. in romance languages and literatures in June from Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass. Christine A. Pipchick and her husband, Joe, announce the birth of their son, Jack Dilan, on Jan. 9. Brian P. Regan, who is now living in Greensboro, N.C., continues to work as a manager for Ernst & Young. Sharon T. Sullivan, who earned her Ph.D. in bio-inorganic chemistry at Emory University, Atlanta, Ga., in 2001, is pursuing postdoctoral work with the Centers for Disease Control, also in Atlanta. David J. Watson and his wife, Danielle, announce the birth of their daughter, Ani Gwendolyn, on April 27. Watson continues to work for Hartford Insurance in Connecticut in its actuarial department.

MARRIED: Nicole A. Bard and John T. Lian, on May 30, in St. Joseph Memorial Chapel. Melissa S. Duarte, M.D., and Matt Henretta, in May, in Chester, Vt. Paul F. Healy III and Patricia Leen, on April 26, at St. Margaret’s Church, Burlington, Mass.

1997

CLASS CO-CHAIRS
MARNE J. CAMBRIA, M.D.
BRIAN T. O’CONNOR
JULIE E. ORIO

David J. Joy, who received his degree from Case Western Reserve University School of Law, Cleveland, Ohio, in May, is now pursuing his master of laws degree at George Washington University Law School, Washington, D.C. Giulia (Saraceno) Lau D.O., began her obstetrics and gynecology residency in June at the Reading (Pa.) Hospital and Medical Center. Robert W. McDade and his wife, Heidi ’95, announce the birth of their son, Ryan Walter, on May 31.

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1929

WILLIAM D. KELLEHER II
JUNE 22, 2003

At his home in Worcester, at 95. A longtime businessman, Mr. Kelleher had been the president of the American Supply Co. of Worcester and Boston; founded by his father in 1899, the company ceased operations in 1981. In addition, he and his brother, Thomas, owned the Northbridge Furniture Co. of Worcester and the Lewis Furniture Co. of Fitchburg and Framingham. In 1954, Mr. Kelleher was awarded the papal medal, Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice, by the late bishop of Worcester, John J. Wright. An avid golfer, he held an honorary life membership at Worcester Country Club following 75 years of membership; in 1951, he shot a hole in one on the sixth hole there. Mr. Kelleher also studied boating and yachtsmanship with the Worcester County Power Squadron; attaining the rank of navigator, he taught Power Squadron courses. He served on the boards of the Worcester Country Club; Catholic Charities of Worcester; and Bay State Savings Bank. In the 1920s, his high school Radio Club was awarded the first FCC radio license in Worcester, which became WSSR96.1. Mr. Kelleher is survived by four sons; four daughters, including Polly Kelleher Sturm ’77; a brother, Thomas A. ’37; 16 grandchildren; and many nephews and nieces.

1930

LEO G. CYR
JULY 27, 2003

At his home in Sterling, Va., at 93. A career foreign service officer, Mr. Cyr worked 37 years for the federal government; his first assignment was with the National Recovery Administration in Washington and San Juan, Puerto Rico. Working a year for the Rural Resettlement Administration and four years at The National Archives, Mr. Cyr entered the service of the Department of State in 1941; during his early years with the State Department, he worked on economic warfare programs, postwar disposal of surplus property and civil aviation projects. Following an assignment to the National War College in 1948-49, Mr. Cyr returned to the State Department to assist with the establishment of a new African bureau; he served as deputy director and the director of the Office of African Affairs from 1952 to 1957. Mr. Cyr was assigned to Tangier as consul general in 1957 and, in 1960, to the Republic of Cameroon, where he held the post of chargé d’affaires in Yaoundé. From 1961 to 1965, he served as the deputy chief of mission in Tunis, Tunisia. Following an academic year as diplomat in residence at Ohio University in Athens, Ohio, Mr. Cyr was appointed ambassador to Rwanda by former President Lyndon Johnson; he served five years in the capital city of Kigali prior to retirement. Mr. Cyr is survived by his wife, Katherine; a son; two daughters; four grandchildren; and four great-grandsons.

1933

GEORGE F. DERBY
JULY 27, 2003

In St. Mary’s Healthcare Center, Worcester, at 94. During his career, Mr. Derby worked more than 40 years for the U.S. Postal Service. He leaves no immediate relatives.

1934

CONSTANT T. PAULUKONIS
JULY 6, 2003

In Autumn Village Nursing Center, Worcester, at 92. Prior to his retirement in 1976, Mr. Paulukonis had served 36 years as the principal of Lake View School in Worcester. Previously, he had worked at Union Hill School, Bloomingdale School and Grafton Street Junior High School, also in Worcester. Mr. Paulukonis is survived by a son; a daughter; two sisters; five grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and nephews and nieces.

1935

REV. JOSEPH I. COLLINS
SEPT. 30, 2003

At the Regina Cleri Residence, Boston, at 89. Ordained to the priesthood on May 3, 1940, Fr. Collins served in the Archdiocese of Boston for many years. He began his ministry as a curate at St. Mary of the Assumption Church, Hull, Mass., and Gate of Heaven Parish in South Boston. Entering the U.S. Army in 1944, Fr. Collins had been a military chaplain with the 89th Infantry Division, Camp Butner, N.C., and also in Germany and France; he was the recipient of two Battle Stars for combat. Fr. Collins then served as curate of St. Paul Church, Cambridge, Mass., from 1948-65, and as pastor, from 1965-71; he became a chaplain at Radcliffe College and Harvard University in 1960. Fr. Collins was the pastor of St. Pius V Church, Lynn, Mass., from 1971-83. In addition to serving as secretary of Liturgical Week, Boston, 1948 and as chairman of the United Ministry at Harvard, from 1963-64, Fr. Collins had been a member of the
Liturgical Commission for the archdiocese; the Cambridge (Mass.) Unity Committee, from 1965-71; the Cambridge Economic Opportunity Committee, from 1968-71; the Cambridge Executive Committee, from 1959-72 and the Knights of Columbus. Fr. Collins had been a chaplain for several service organizations, including the Cambridge Council, Boy Scouts of America, from 1955-61; the Lynn (Mass.) Fire Department, from 1973-80; and the American Legion Post in Cambridge, from 1948-71. He was also the co-founder of the Boston Archdiocese Choir School at St. Paul, Cambridge. Fr. Collins had been in residence for two years at St. Michael Parish, Avon, before entering the Regina Cleri Residence in 1985; during this time he continued to celebrate Mass as a visiting priest in area parishes. He was a Holy Cross class agent. Fr. Collins is survived by many nieces and nephews, including James F. Jr., M.D., ’70; Michael F., M.D., ’77; and J. Christopher ’80. His brothers were the late James F., M.D., ’33 and Francis J. ’39.

THOMAS A. O'KEEFE JR.
JULY 31, 2003

In Massachusetts, at 90. A third generation leather manufacturer, Mr. O’Keefe owned T.A. O’Keefe Leather, located in Salem, Peabody and Beverly, Mass. He worked 60 years in the industry, retiring in 1985. Mr. O’Keefe had also been an avid horseman and showed his horses. He is survived by two sons, including Peter J. ’64; five grandchildren, including Peter J. Jr. ’95; and several nephews and nieces.

1937
PAUL F. DONOHUE SR.
AUG. 23, 2003

At St. Peter’s Hospital, Albany, N.Y., at 87. The founding partner of the law firms of Donohue, Bohl, Clayton & Komar and Paul F. Donohue Sr. and Associates in Albany, Mr. Donohue had practiced law for more than 50 years, retiring in 1985. He had also been a member of the board of trustees of St. Coleman’s Home, Watervliet, N.Y., for over 50 years. Following retirement, he was active in community affairs, serving more than 18 years as a driver for Meals on Wheels and as an announcer on RISE and WMHT radio for the blind. A World War II veteran, Mr. Donohue had been a lieutenant in the Navy; following the war, he worked as a law clerk for Judge Marvin Dye of the New York Court of Appeals. Mr. Donohue had been a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by his wife, Ann; three sons, including Paul F. Jr. ’66 and Daniel J. ’75; a daughter; and eight grandchildren.

1938
THOMAS F. MAHER
JULY 27, 2003

In St. Vincent Hospital at Worcester Medical Center, at 87, after an illness. Mr. Maher had been a realtor and a partner in Maher & Associates, Worcester, retiring in January. He is survived by a brother, Edward C. ’40; and nephews and nieces, including Kevin J. ’76, Sheila M. Quigley ’83, Edward C. Jr. ’87 and Mary C. Wright ’88. His brother was the late Cornelius L. Jr. ’34.

1939
JOHN J. O'NEILL
JULY 5, 2003

At the Wentworth-Douglass Hospital, Dover, N.H., at 85. A longtime educator, Mr. O’Neill had been a professor of philosophy for more than 30 years at Boston College; he then taught at Bunker Hill Community College, Boston, prior to retirement. Mr. O’Neill began his career at Fitchburg (Mass.) State. He is survived by several cousins.

1940
REV. ROBERT G. HOWES
JUNE 23, 2003

In Wayside House, Wayland, Mass., at 83. During his ministry, Fr. Howes served in 32 different churches in the United States, Canada and the Bahamas as a church pastor planner. Ordained to the priesthood in 1951, he was based out of the Diocese of Worcester. Fr. Howes was the author of several books, including Bridges, Toward the Inter-parish Regional Community, which won the 1998 first prize from the Catholic Press Association; he also wrote poetry which appeared in many periodicals. Fr. Howes created the first Catholic television program in Worcester, titled "Lamp to Our Feet." He also supervised the creation of 200 wayside shrines throughout Worcester County by the Catholic Youth Councils. During the 1960s, Fr. Howes formed and chaired the Clergy Committee for the Community in Worcester. A founder of the National Organization for Prayer in the public schools, he advocated for this right on national television and before the U.S. Supreme Court. He was the founder of the Conference for Pastoral Planning and Council Development and a charter member of the American Institute of Planners. In 2003, Fr. Howes was the recipient of the Lumen Gentium Award from the Conference for Pastoral Planning and Council Development. A first lieutenant in the Army during World War II, he was stationed 15 months in Greenland and a year in occupied Germany. Fr. Howes is survived by a sister-in-law; many nephews and nieces; and grandnephews and grandnieces.

1942
ROBERT O. KELLEY
JULY 20, 2003

At his home in Manchester, N.H., at 84. Prior to his retirement in 1981, Mr. Kelley had worked for the federal government as the chairman of the Veteran’s Review Board. Previously, he had been an attorney for the McLane Law Firm. Active in the St. Vincent de Paul Society, Mr. Kelley had been a volunteer for many years through the RSVP program, providing free legal services for people in the Valley Street Jail; he was also a founder of the North Little League’s minor league team. During World War II, Mr. Kelley served in the Army. He had been a Holy Cross class agent. Mr. Kelley is survived by a son, Robert O. Jr. ’70; a daughter; and six grandchildren.

WILLIAM E. ROGERS, M.D.
MAY 6, 2003

In Wilkes-Barre (Pa.) General Hospital, at 82. A fellow of the American College of Surgeons, Dr. Rogers was licensed to practice in Pennsylvania, New York and...
California; he maintained an office in Bronxville, N.Y. During his career, Dr. Rogers had been chief of surgery for the Veterans Administration Hospital, Saginaw, Mich., and at the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Plains Township, where he also served as the director of the surgical residency programs. In addition, Dr. Rogers had been an associate professor at New York Medical School and Temple University, Philadelphia, Pa. A World War II Navy veteran, he served as a lieutenant colonel in the Air Force during the Vietnam War, holding the post of chief of surgery at Travis Air Force Base, Fairfield, Calif. Dr. Rogers is survived by his wife, Roberta “Bobbi”; four daughters; seven grandchildren; and two sisters.

1943

ALBERT L. GEORGE, D.D.S.
MAY 23, 2003

In Shady Grove Adventist Hospital, Rockville, Md., at 81. Prior to his retirement in 1990, Dr. George had maintained a private dental practice in Worcester for 44 years. During the Korean War, he served as a dentist in the Army. Dr. George had been an accomplished 10-pin bowler. He is survived by his wife, Gloria; a son; his caretaker, Jill George; a grandson and a granddaughter; and several nephews and nieces.

THOMAS F. RIEDY JR., M.D.
JULY 17, 2003

At the Villa Mary Immaculate Nursing Home, Albany, N.Y., at 81. During his career, Dr. Riedy practiced with the late Dr. Hugh Leahy and served as the school pediatrician for the Albany School District for 35 years. He was also a former instructor of pediatric medicine at Albany Medical College and an attending pediatrician at the Albany Medical Center, St. Peter’s Hospital, Brady Maternity Hospital and Memorial Hospital. Dr. Riedy had been a fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics. From 1946-48, he served as a captain and battalion surgeon with the 25th Division U.S. Army Medical Corps in Osaka, Japan. Dr. Riedy is survived by his wife, Elizabeth; four sons; five daughters; and 24 grandchildren.

In late July, Bruce I. Miller, longtime director of the College Choir and Chamber Singers, died peacefully in his sleep. He was about to begin his 29th year of service to Holy Cross.

Bruce’s contributions to the College were many. Evidence of the very personal impact he had—and continues to have—on many of his students may be obtained at the Web site bruceimiller.com, where you’ll find dozens of reflections written by students and friends. (Look hard enough, and you’ll even learn what his mysterious middle initial signified!) My own contribution there suggests my personal experience of the man, whom I knew for 15 years. So in this space I’ll try to capture his career at Holy Cross.

Many readers of this magazine will remember Bruce most strongly from his annual Parents/Family Weekend concerts. How appropriate that his career at the College began with one, on Oct. 31, 1975. The program suited both the nation’s bicentennial and the young maestro’s expertise: All-American, with everything from colonial hymns and Civil War songs to early 20th-century selections. He raised eyebrows at the time with his insistence that as a melodist, Foster was the equal of Schubert. That was Bruce—a passionate holder of strong convictions, and specifically a champion of American music as worthy to stand beside the European masterworks he also performed so well. Last March, Bruce’s beloved Chamber Singers offered a similar program—Stephen Foster, Charles Ives and their contemporaries—as their spring concert.

Bruce’s second Parents Weekend found the Glee Club officially renamed the College Choir, and performing in the acoustically friendlier St. Joseph Memorial Chapel. The new name and location have both lasted. And, in 1978, Bruce saw two other, similarly permanent traditions begin for his Choir: closing Parents Weekend concerts with a suite of Songs of Holy Cross he compiled with Edward Judd, Jr., and singing a “Festival of Lessons and Carols” in St. Joseph Memorial Chapel before Christmas break.

Many exciting things lay in store for succeeding generations of the College Choir. There would be tours—throughout New England, to New York (City and upstate), Washington and Florida. Travel eventually took the group abroad, to England, Ireland and Italy—the last of those trips including a papal audience as
well as five concerts, all in January 1989. The early '90s brought five consecutive years with the Boston Pops at Christmastime.

Bruce’s talent for organization on a grand scale also led him several times to combine his Holy Cross forces with those of other ensembles (from the Worcester MasterSingers to the combined choirs of the Consortium). Thus, he enabled his students to perform massive works like Beethoven’s Ninth Symphony, the Verdi Requiem, Orff’s Carmina burana and Brahms’ German Requiem—each experience unforgettable for both performers and audience.

To many people, however, Bruce is most fondly remembered not as the conductor of gorgeous concerts in the chapel and Mechanics Hall but rather as the director of countless theatrical ventures. From 1979 to 1987 he was essential to the senior play, presenting remarkable productions of everything from Oklahoma! to Of Thee I Sing. And from 1988 to 1998, he worked with The Alternate College Theater (ACT), whose many successes under his guidance included The Mikado, Carousel and—the peak of his stage career—Sweeney Todd, a shocking and challenging show that so riveted audiences that it even sold out on Super Bowl Sunday.

Bruce seized every chance he could find to include theatrical music in his concerts. Remember that 1976 Parents Weekend concert I mentioned before—the one that permanently transferred that occasion to St. Joseph Memorial Chapel? The program was no less than a concert version of West Side Story, a show he’d later stage with the senior play and again with ACT. Future concerts would offer excerpts from all the musicals mentioned above, and many more besides. Particularly prominent, both in concert and onstage, were the works of his beloved Gilbert and Sullivan; no one present will soon forget his distinctive and brilliant way with the scores of Trial by Jury, The Pirates of Penzance and Iolanthe.

This was also a man who could achieve miracles with much smaller forces. He was rightly proud of his Chamber Singers, a subset of the College Choir (16-to-20 voices in size) that made special contributions to big concerts and also maintained a separate rehearsal and performance schedule all its own. In 1979, he founded the Holy Cross Wind Ensemble, which performed a delightful and varied repertoire for years.

And, to return (as Bruce loved to do) to the theater, Bruce directed four productions of that most intimate of shows, The Fantasticks: one with ACT, and the others as isolated projects, just because he believed every college student should know the piece, which after all is about growing up. The 1992 production took place in Crossroads, the 1994 one in the O’Kane “Pit”; the last, Bruce’s return to stage direction after five years away, was in March 2003, in (of all places) the Choir Room, Hogan 514. He was so pleased with the results, and with the current talent pool, that he encouraged the students to found a new group, the Holy Cross Light Opera Company. (The L.O.C.’s premiere production will take place in February 2004, in the Hogan Ballroom.)

Bruce’s legacy continues at the College, with the Choir and Chamber Singers currently in the capable hands of their interim director, John Delorey. The 2003 Family Weekend program follows his plans, as will Lessons and Carols in December. In spring 2004, two of his favorite pieces will be featured: Ralph Vaughan Williams’ Five Mystical Songs (sung at Bruce’s first-ever Spring Concert here, in 1976) and Mozart’s Requiem, a masterpiece he’d conducted in four different Holy Cross “seasons”—and now offered in his memory. Choir alums who wish to join in singing on this occasion are encouraged to contact me (bmechley@holycross.edu) for details.

Braden Mechley ’92 is an assistant professor in the classics department.
1944

REV. ROBERT F. HOEY, S.J.
APRIL 29, 2003

At Campion Center, Weston, Mass., at 81. A longtime college professor and chaplain at Boston College, Fr. Hoey had worked at the Jesuit Provincial Offices toward the end of his career. From 1971 to 1976, he had been director of personnel and editor of the Province Registry. After serving as assistant director of development at Boston College High School, assistant pastor at a Leominster (Mass.) parish, and assistant director of the Jesuit Missions Office, he returned to provincial headquarters in 1985 as librarian and coordinator of the province’s personnel data. In 1942, Fr. Hoey entered the Society of Jesus, Lenox, Mass., where he studied for four years before pursuing his master’s degree in philosophy at Weston College. He then taught English, Latin and history at Fairfield (Conn.) Preparatory School from 1948-51 and subsequently returned to Weston College for theology studies. Ordained to the priesthood in 1954, Fr. Hoey completed his theology studies at Weston the following year. He then taught theology one year at Boston College High School and completed a year of advanced ascetical studies and pastoral work in Connecticut. In 1957 he began working at Boston College, where, during the next 12 years, he served as a professor of theology; assistant dean of the School of Education; director of the summer session; and university chaplain. Following a one-year sabbatical, Fr. Hoey returned to the college to serve as assistant chairman of the theology department; he compiled a collection of new prayers for publication which had been composed during and after Vatican Council II. Fr. Hoey is survived by three cousins.

1946

AUSTIN T. MCGRATH
JULY 6, 2003

At his home in Galway, N.Y., at 81. Prior to his retirement in 1988, Mr. McGrath had been employed by Ralph Wilson Plastics, Congress, N.Y., as a manager for 25 years. Following retirement, he was president of the Galway Senior Citizens; a master gardener in association with the Cornell Cooperative Extension; a volunteer gardener for the handicapped in Saratoga County; and a volunteer driver for the Meals on Wheels program. Mr. McGrath is survived by his wife, Rita; two daughters; a sister; six grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; and several nephews and nieces.

1947

RAYMOND A. COTE
AUG. 18, 2003

In Holyoke (Mass.) Hospital, at 81. Prior to his retirement, Mr. Cote had worked for the Allstate Company as a manager and claims analyst for 35 years. An Army veteran of World War II, he received the American Theater Campaign Ribbon; Asiatic Pacific Theater Campaign Ribbon; Philippine Liberation Ribbon with Bronze Service Stars; and Victory Medal. Mr. Cote is survived by his wife, Priscilla; a son; two daughters; a sister; seven grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and a nephew and two nieces.

EDWARD J. WOODWARD
APRIL 29, 2003

In Connecticut, at 78. During his career, Mr. Prior had been employed as a regional sales manager with International Chemical Co., until 1977; he retired from the American Oil and Supply Co. in 1987. Mr. Prior had also been the chairman of the Economic Development Commission in Rocky Hill, Conn., for several years. A Navy veteran, he served aboard the USS Jallao submarine in the South Pacific during World War II. Mr. Prior is survived by his wife, Lorraine; two sons; a daughter; five grandchildren; a step-grandson; two brothers; two sisters; and several nephews and nieces.

PHILIP E. PRIOR SR.
APRIL 29, 2003

In Connecticut, at 78. During his career, Mr. Prior had been employed as a regional sales manager with International Chemical Co., until 1977; he retired from the American Oil and Supply Co. in 1987. Mr. Prior had also been the chairman of the Economic Development Commission in Rocky Hill, Conn., for several years. A Navy veteran, he served aboard the USS Jallao submarine in the South Pacific during World War II. Mr. Prior is survived by his wife, Lorraine; two sons; a daughter; five grandchildren; a step-grandson; two brothers; two sisters; and several nephews and nieces.

JUNE 10, 2003

VINCENT E. HINSON

At his home in Shrewsbury, Mass., at 80. Prior to his retirement in 1987, Mr. Hinson had been a group pensions underwriter for the AllmericaState Mutual Insurance Co. in Worcester for 35 years. He had also been a coach and member of the board of directors of the Shrewsbury Little League. A Marine Corps veteran of World War II, Mr. Hinson served in the Pacific where he was awarded the Bronze Star for valor; he later served in the Korean War. Mr. Hinson had been a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by two sons; two daughters; two sisters; and 11 grandchildren.

THOMAS F. KELLY
MAY 25, 2003

At his home in Londonderry, N.H., at 81. During his career, Mr. Kelly had served as a salesman for several insurance companies, including Prudential and Great American. In 1995, he came out of retirement to work for Northern Life, where he was ranked among the company’s top salesmen for two consecutive years. Mr. Kelly had also owned and operated his own tax preparation business in Westborough, Mass., for 15 years. An Army veteran of World War II, he served with the Army Air Force meteorology department. Following graduation from Holy Cross, Mr. Kelly had been an FBI agent for four years. He is survived by his wife, Doris; a son; three daughters; six grandchildren; and many nephews and nieces.
1948

ROBERT S. CHISHOLM, D.D.S.
FEB. 7, 2003

At Penobscot Bay Medical Center, Rockport, Maine, at 80. Prior to his retirement in 1996, Dr. Chisholm practiced dentistry for more than 44 years in Rockland, Maine. A Navy veteran of World War II, attaining the rank of lieutenant (j.g.), he continued in military service with the U.S. Naval Reserve. Dr. Chisholm served many years on the board of directors of the Rockland District Nursing Association. He is survived by his wife, Regina; six sons; and a brother. His father was the late John A. ’16.

1949

At press time, the editors learned of the death of our prominent alumnus, William A. Eagan ’49. Mr. Eagan’s obituary will appear in the winter issue of Holy Cross Magazine.

WALTER C. BRENNAN
MAY 26, 2003

In the Pavilion Extended Care Center, Centerville, Mass., at 76, after a long illness. During his career, Mr. Brennan had been a sales representative for Capeway Plumbing and Heating Supply Co., Wareham, Mass., retiring in 2000. A three-sport athlete at his alma mater, Marlboro (Mass.) High School, he was a member of the Holy Cross football team; in 1946, he scored a touchdown in the Orange Bowl against the University of Miami. Mr. Brennan is survived by his wife, Doris; three sons, including Richard S. ’74; two daughters; three brothers; two sisters; eight grandchildren; and many nephews and nieces. His brother was the late William J. ’55.

PHILIP A. STENT, M.D.
JULY 25, 2003

At the John N. Dempsey Hospital, Farmington, Conn., at 75. At the time of his death, Dr. Stent was the medical director for the Office of Emergency Medical Services, state of Connecticut. Previously, he had served as the director of emergency services at John N. Dempsey Hospital, UConn Health Center. At the start of his career, Dr. Stent joined the surgical practice of Dr. William Ellis in 1961. In 1969, he was appointed the director of ambulatory care at St. Francis Hospital, Hartford, Conn., where he assumed the responsibility for the emergency department and outpatient services; he began working at the John N. Dempsey Hospital in 1980. A Navy veteran, Dr. Stent was stationed in Memphis, Tenn., from 1957-58. He had been a member of many professional organizations, including the American College of Surgeons and the American College of Emergency Physicians. Dr. Stent is survived by his wife, Linda; four sons; two daughters, including Belinda S. ’76; six grandchildren; and a sister.

1950

REV. WILLIAM L. QUIRK
AUG. 2, 2003

At the Catholic Medical Center, Manchester, N.H., at 74. Serving the Diocese of Manchester throughout his ministry, Fr. Quirk had been the pastor of St. Timothy Parish, Bristol, for six years prior to his retirement last October.
Donald J. Winn, chief congressional liaison for the Federal Reserve Board and top adviser to its chairman, Alan Greenspan, died Aug. 14 at Georgetown University Hospital, Washington, D.C., of pancreatic cancer, at 66.

During his 30 years on the board, Mr. Winn served under four Federal Reserve chairmen; he was head of congressional liaison during Greenspan’s chairmanship and also that of his predecessor, Paul Volcker.

A former Jesuit seminarian, Mr. Winn was a 1961 graduate of Boston College where he also earned his master’s degree in philosophy. He then taught philosophy and logic at Holy Cross in the early 1960s and, subsequently, obtained a bachelor’s degree in divinity and a licentiate in philosophy from Weston (Mass.) College.

Deciding not to seek ordination, Mr. Winn relocated to Washington, D.C., to pursue a degree at Georgetown University Law School. In 1968, he began working as a legislative assistant in the office of former Woonsocket, R.I., Congressman Fernand J. St. Germain. During this time, he also served on the staff of the House subcommittee on bank supervision and regulation. In 1974, he joined the Federal Reserve as a special assistant for congressional liaison; he was named director in 1980.

In 2001, Mr. Winn also became the director of the Office of Board Members, which includes the board’s public affairs office and administrative support personnel for the Federal Reserve Board of Governors.

Mr. Winn is survived by his wife, Barbara; two sons; a daughter; two brothers, including Neal E., M.D., ’59 and James C. Jr. ’67; and a sister. His father was the late James C. Sr. ’27.

Rev. William J. O’Halloran, S.J., special assistant to the president, offers the following tribute upon the death of Mr. Winn:

My recollections of Donald Winn remain vivid after these many years. He was a Jesuit scholastic (seminarian) assigned to teach philosophy at Holy Cross during his regency in the early 60s. He would have been known to his students as well as to the young men he prefected on corridor as “Mr. Winn, S.J.” Twenty-six years of age, he was not too much older than his students when he arrived at the College. He was bright, demanding as a teacher, good company, good-natured and funny. During his theology studies and in preparation for the priesthood, after a lot of soul searching and consultations with his Jesuit superiors, he decided that ordination was not for him. He kept in touch with his friends in the Society and enjoyed a distinguished personal and professional career.

Previously, he had been the pastor of St. Joseph Parish, Laconia, from 1992-96; St. Mary Parish, Rochester, from 1989-92; and Immaculate Conception Parish, Portsmouth, from 1983-89. Ordained to the priesthood in 1954, Fr. Quirk was appointed associate pastor of St. Joseph Cathedral in Manchester. He then served as associate pastor of St. John the Evangelist Parish, Hudson; St. Bernard Parish, Keene; and St. Joseph Parish, Laconia. Appointed administrator of St. Catherine Parish, Charlestown in 1966, he later became pastor of St. Patrick’s Parish, Pelham, St. Matthew Parish, Windham and St. Peter Parish, Concord, from 1978 to 1983. Following retirement, Fr. Quirk served as a temporary administrator for St. Patrick Parish, Jaffrey, and provided pastoral assistance at St. Elizabeth Seton Parish, Bedford. Dean of the Concord, Laconia and Dover deaneries, he had been a member of the College of Consultants; the Council of Priests; the Priest Personnel Board; diocesan director for the Bureau of Information and notary of the Marriage Tribunal. Fr. Quirk is survived by his sister-in-law; a nephew and three nieces.

1951  DAVID F. GONYNOR  SEPT. 25, 2003

In Michigan, at 73. Mr. Gonynor had been a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross and a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by his wife, Sadie; a son, David F. Jr. ’78; four daughters; a brother, James F. ’56; a sister; eight grandchildren; and nephews and nieces. He was the brother of the late Robert F. ’39; John J. ’49; and Donald P. ’53.

NORMAND R. MOREAU  JUNE 5, 2003

In Philip Hulitar Inpatient Center, Providence, R.I., at 76. Prior to his retirement in January, Mr. Moreau had worked 29 years as a senior revenue agent at the Rhode Island Division of Taxation; previously, he had been a partner in Moreau Motors. During World War II, Mr. Moreau served in the Army. He is survived by his wife, Judith; a son; three daughters; a sister; and five grandchildren.
1952

ROBERT C. FUEGNER
JUNE 15, 2003

In Edina, Minn., at 73. During his career, Mr. Fuegner had worked 33 years for IBM. He had also served with the U.S. Air Force in Korea. Mr. Fuegner had been an active member of SCORE and SERRA. He is survived by his wife, Jane; a son, Paul W. ’87; two daughters; four grandchildren; and two brothers.

PAUL F. MOORE
JULY 15, 2003

In Florida, at 73. Mr. Moore is survived by his wife, Betty; five daughters; three sons-in-law; and two granddaughters. His father was the late J. Byrne Sr. ’22.

1953

ARTHUR H. FLEMING
APRIL 21, 2003

At his home in Wakefield, Mass., at 71. During his career, Mr. Fleming had been a security accountant for State Street Bank in Boston. He later worked for Gallahue’s and Cerretani’s supermarkets and Mystic Valley Elder Services, retiring in 2000. During the Korean War, Mr. Fleming had served in the Army. He is survived by his wife, Glenda; three sons; a daughter; nine grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

DONALD P. GONYNOR
JUNE 7, 2003

In St. Vincent Hospital at Worcester Medical Center, at 70. During his career, Mr. Gonynor had been the comptroller for several area groups and a former priest in the Diocese of Worcester. He is survived by his brother, Luke M. ’64; a sister; and nephews and nieces.

EDWARD P. NUTTALL
JUNE 23, 2003

In Mercy Hospital, Scranton, Pa. Prior to his retirement, Mr. Nuttall had owned and operated Buff-Away Inc., B and E Carpets and Electric City Rug Designs. A lieutenant in the Air Force, he served as a navigator. Mr. Nuttall had been a Holy Cross agent. He is survived by his wife, Elinor; three sons, including Frederick L. ’82; five daughters; two sisters; 14 grandchildren; nephews and nieces; and cousins.

1954

At press time, the editors learned of the death of our prominent alumnus, Charles E.F. Millard ’54. Mr. Millard’s obituary will appear in the winter issue of Holy Cross Magazine.

RICHARD J. DOWD, D.M.D.
AUG. 4, 2003

In UMass Medical Center – Memorial campus, at 71. During his career, Dr. Dowd worked for the city of Worcester more than 30 years in the health department. He opened a dental practice in Paxton, Mass., in 1961 and, while in private practice, served on the dental staff of several hospitals. Dr. Dowd also completed two terms on the Paxton Finance Committee and five terms on the Appeals Board. He was a member of many professional organizations and a former member of the Central New England Dental Research Group and the Academy of General Dentistry. An Air Force veteran, Dr. Dowd was stationed in Dover, Del., from 1959-61. He is survived by his wife, Shirley; five sons, including Dennis J., D.M.D., ’75; a daughter; a sister; 12 grandchildren; and nephews and nieces.

J. MARK FOLEY
JULY 27, 2003

At his home in Worthington, Ohio, at 71. During his career, Mr. Foley founded Foley and Foley Financial Services in Ohio, which is now operated by his son. He also served on the Worthington Board of Education. A participant in the P.L.C. Marine Corps Officer Training program, Mr. Foley served two years in the Marine Corps and four years in the Marine Corps Reserve, attaining the rank of captain. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy; five sons; two daughters; a brother, Luke M. ’64; a sister; and 11 grandchildren. His father was the late John E. ’28.

THOMAS A. MCGOVERN
MAY 30, 2003

In Connecticut, at 70. Mr. McGovern had worked 37 years for Consolidated Edison, retiring in 1994 as vice president of services. He had served in the Army from 1954-56. Mr. McGovern had been a member of President’s Council at Holy Cross. He is survived by his wife, Miriam; three daughters, including Pamela A. ’85; a son-in-law; and a granddaughter.

ARTHUR D. MURPHY
JUNE 16, 2003

In San Luis Obispo, Calif., at 70. A longtime entertainment reporter, Mr. Murphy had been a member of the staff of Variety for almost 30 years. Setting the standard of box office reporting by the media, he developed various economic indicators, including Variety’s “Box Office Index,” which tracked the financial performance of films. He began his career as a film critic, later becoming a motion picture editor, financial editor and theatrical news reporter for weekly and daily Variety. In 1993 Mr. Murphy joined The Hollywood Reporter as chief box office consultant and analyst. Founder of the Peter Stark Motion Picture Producing Program at the University of Southern California School of Cinema-Television, Los Angeles, in 1979, he held the post of director until 1996; he continued to teach there until his retirement in 1997. Following graduation from Holy Cross, Mr. Murphy served 10 years in the Navy, attaining the rank of lieutenant. There are no known survivors.

JOHN W. RUTHERFORD JR.
JUNE 8, 2003

At Good Shepherd Hospital, Barrington, Ill., at 70. Mr. Rutherford had been a manufacturer’s representative in the automotive industry since 1968. He had also served as a second lieutenant in the Marines. Mr. Rutherford is survived by his wife, Cathy; five sons; five daughters; and many grandchildren.

JOHN F. STAFSTROM SR.
MAY 15, 2003

At Manchester (Conn.) Memorial Hospital, at 71. Prior to his retirement, Mr. Stafstrom had been the comptroller of the Sisters of Mercy of Connecticut.
Previously, he worked as a financial officer for the Stanley Works, Interoyal and New Departure, a division of General Motors. Mr. Stafstrom is survived by his wife, Joan; five sons, including John F. Jr. ’78; and 10 grandchildren.

1955

DANIEL J. KEEFE JR.
JUNE 4, 2003

At MetroWest Medical Center, Framingham, Mass., at 69. Mr. Keefe had been a senior financial representative for the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co. and a charter life underwriter. He had also been a former Natick (Mass.) Town Meeting member. Mr. Keefe is survived by his wife, Elinor; three sons; three grandchildren; a brother, Kevin M. ’63; two sisters; and several nephews and nieces, including Kevin M. Jr. ’89 and Charles J. ’96.

PATRICK M. WALL
JULY 5, 2003

At White Plains (N.Y.) Hospital Center, at 68. A criminal defense attorney, Mr. Wall maintained a private practice in New York City for many years. From 1970-81, he was chairman of the Advisory Committee to the New York State Judicial Conference on Criminal Law and Procedure; in the 1970s he served on the Mayor’s Judiciary Committee. Author of Eye Witness Identification in Criminal Cases, Mr. Wall wrote the story, titled “The Annals of Crime,” which appeared in the Nov. 14, 1988 edition of New York magazine. He is survived by his wife, Jean; two sons; a daughter; a brother; and two grandchildren.

1956

WILLIAM H. BARRY JR.
MAY 16, 2003

At Southern New Hampshire Medical Center in Nashua, N.H., at 73. At the time of his death, Mr. Barry practiced law with his son at the Barry Law Office in Nashua. Previously, he served from 1984 to 1995 as a magistrate judge of the U.S. District Court in Concord, N.H.; he had been the clerk of court there from 1969 to 1984. At the start of his career, Mr. Barry had practiced law in Nashua; in 1964, he was a delegate to the Democratic National Convention. An Army veteran of the Korean War, Mr. Barry was a recipient of the Purple Heart; the Korean Service Medal with two Bronze Stars; and the United Nations Service Medal. He is survived by his wife, Nancy; a son, William H. III ’81; two daughters; six grandchildren; two sisters; several nephews and nieces; and cousins.

JOSEPH V. MCCARTIN
JULY 10, 2003

At Cape Cod Hospital, Hyannis, Mass., at 68. Mr. McCartin worked 36 years in public service with the state of New York; he began in 1959 at the Division of the Budget, rising to the position of special assistant to the director of the budget. Appointed deputy commissioner for administration and fiscal affairs for the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, Mr. McCartin held this position until his retirement in 1995. During his career, he received numerous awards for outstanding public service. A Navy veteran, Mr. McCartin served three years with the Office of Naval Intelligence in the New England area. He had been a Holy Cross class agent. Mr. McCartin is survived by his wife, Marybeth; four sons, including Joseph A. ’81 and James P. ’96; two daughters; seven grandchildren; a sister; and a niece.

1957

JOHN J. GEGHAN
AUG. 23, 2003

At UMass Memorial HealthAlliance – Leominster (Mass.) campus, at 68. Mr. Geoghan, a former Roman Catholic priest, was attacked at the Souza-Baranowski Correctional Center; he had been serving a nine-to-10 year sentence for indecent assault and battery on a boy. Convicted of the offense last year, Mr. Geoghan had been accused in civil lawsuits of sexual misconduct with nearly 150 minors over three decades while a priest. Ordained in 1962, Mr. Geoghan had been a priest at six parishes in the Archdiocese of Boston; he retired in 1996. Mr. Geoghan was dismissed from the priesthood on Feb. 17, 1998. He is survived by a sister.

1958

HUGH F. HEALY
JULY 29, 2003

At Penobscot Bay Medical Center, Rockport, Maine, at 67. Prior to his retirement in 1986, Mr. Healy had worked 19 years for Formica Corp. as a marketing and sales specialist. Previously, he had worked for Laminated Top, Charlotte, N.C., from 1959-67. His volunteer work included serving as a spokesperson for the National Organ Donation Bank and as treasurer of the Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE); he oversaw the establishment of a SCORE office in the Camden-Rockport area. Mr. Healy had been a member of the U.S. Army National Guard. He is survived by his wife, Barbara; two sons; two daughters; one grandchild; and three sisters. His brother was the late John C. ’49.

PAUL F. TOLAND
JUNE 12, 2003

At Jordan Hospital, Plymouth, Mass., at 67. During his career, Mr. Toland had been active for many years in the insurance industry, working for Metropolitan Life and later Crown Life. A veteran, he served two years in the Navy, based in Pearl Harbor. Mr. Toland had been a football standout at Boston College High School and Holy Cross, playing three years on the College varsity team; at the annual Boston College-Holy Cross game in 1956, he caught the winning pass at Fenway Park with 20 seconds remaining, leading to a 7-0 upset. Mr. Toland had been a volunteer tutor for the Melrose (Mass.) Public School and treasurer for a SCORE office in the Camden-Rockport area. Mr. Toland had been active for many years in the insurance industry, working for Metropolitan Life and later Crown Life. A veteran, he served two years in the Navy, based in Pearl Harbor. Mr. Toland had been a football standout at Boston College High School and Holy Cross, playing three years on the College varsity team; at the annual Boston College-Holy Cross game in 1956, he caught the winning pass at Fenway Park with 20 seconds remaining, leading to a 7-0 upset. Mr. Toland had been a volunteer tutor for the Melrose (Mass.) Public School and treasurer for the Lancers Club at Malden (Mass.) Catholic High School. He is a member of the Boston College High School Hall of Fame and the South Boston Hall of Fame. Mr. Toland had been a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by three sons; two daughters; three brothers; a sister; six grandchildren and many nephews and nieces.
1959

MELVIN B. CLIFFORD JR.
JULY 16, 2003

At his home in West Chatham, Mass., at 66. Prior to his retirement in 1997, Mr. Clifford had worked many years in the Brockton, Mass., public school system, serving five years as a teacher at East Junior High School and 31 years as a guidance counselor at Brockton High School. From 1970-77, he worked in the Bridgewater (Mass.) State College Continuing Education Program. Active in several professional and service organizations, Mr. Clifford was chairman of the Reading is Fundamental Foundation. He is survived by his wife, Judith; two sons; and three grandchildren.

1960

WILLIAM B. CALDWELL
DEC. 10, 2002

In Washington. Mr. Caldwell is survived by his wife, Jane; two sons; two daughters; and eight grandchildren.

JOSEPH C. MCLAUGHLIN, D.D.S.
APRIL 24, 2003

At Strong Memorial Hospital, Rochester, N.Y., at 64. During his career, Dr. McLaughlin had been employed by Great Lakes Dental Services in Rome, N.Y. He is survived by his wife, Judith; his mother-in-law; four sons, including Timothy J. ’89; two daughters; two brothers, including Paul V. ’70; a sister; three grandchildren; nephews and nieces; and cousins.

1963

HENRY M. HAYWARD
JUNE 26, 2003

At his home in Nahant, Mass., at 61. A stockbroker, Mr. Hayward had worked for Cantor Fitzgerald in New York, Needham & Co., in Boston, and, most recently, for Tradition-Asiel Securities in Boston. A decorated combat veteran and Purple Heart recipient, he served with the Marines during the Vietnam War. Mr. Hayward is survived by three sons; his mother; a brother; several uncles and aunts; and cousins. His father was the late Henry A. ’35.

1964

ROBERT P. TRUDEL
AUG. 24, 2003

At his home in Haddam, Conn., at 61. Mr. Trudel was president of the title-search firm, Trudel Associates, in Haddam. Vice president and director of Friends of Children Inc., New Canaan, Conn., he served as chapter president of the Meriden/Middletown Ostomy Association in Middletown. Active in alumni affairs, Mr. Trudel had been a 1964 class chair and class correspondent; in 1993, he was honored with the Perotta Award for his bi-monthly newsletters. President of the Class of 1964 Charitable Foundation, Mr. Trudel co-developed and administered the Class-Networking Program. A member of the College’s Career Education and Resources Committee, he was a Holy Cross class agent. In addition, Mr. Trudel served as director of the Fairfield County Regional Alumni Club. In 2002, he was a recipient of the In Hoc Signo Award. Mr. Trudel is survived by his wife, Mary; two sons; a daughter; three sisters; a great-aunt; and a granddaughter.

1965

RICHARD E. KEEGAN
APRIL 5, 2003

In North Carolina, as the result of an automobile accident, at 61. Mr. Keegan retired in 2002 as director of research in the polyurethane division of Bayer Corp., after 29 years of service. He is survived by his wife, Linda; a son; a daughter; a brother; a sister; four grandchildren; and many nephews and nieces.

1978

JOHN W. GLISPIN JR.
JUNE 30, 2003

In the University of Pennsylvania Medical Center, Philadelphia, at 47. Mr. Glispin had been a pilot in the U.S. Air Force for more than 12 years, retiring as a major. He then owned and operated a Subway franchise in Toms River, N.J., for several years. Mr. Glispin was a former member of the Grafton (Mass.) Fire Department, assigned to Engine Co. 2. He is survived by a son; a daughter; his parents; a brother; two sisters; and several nephews.

1990

CAROL A. BRYDA, D.V.M.
MAY 6, 2003

At her home in Granville, N.Y., at 35. A 2000 graduate of the Tufts School of Veterinary Medicine, Grafton, Mass., Dr. Bryda had most recently been associated with the Granville Veterinary Service, working primarily with large animal farms in the Granville area. Before attending Tufts, she had worked in a number of animal practices in the Boston area. An outdoors enthusiast, Dr. Bryda and her husband spent several summers in Alaska, photographing, hiking and fishing throughout the state. She had been a member of several professional organizations, including the American Veterinary Medical Association and the Association of Bovine Practitioners. Dr. Bryda is survived by her husband, George; her parents; her mother-in-law; two sisters and their children; and several brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law.

FRIENDS:
Mother of Christopher S. ’83 (chaplains’ office), Michael G. ’84 and Peter J. Barrett ’86, Kelly Barrett Andreu ’87 and Daniel F. Barrett ’93, and mother-in-law of Marybeth Kearns-Barrett ’84 (chaplains’ office) and Patricia Smith Barrett ’93; brother of William C. Casey ’78 and nephew of George F. ’49 and Charles A. Cahill ’52; brother-in-law of Daniel F.X. Deedy ’80; mother of Tom Foley, public safety; mother of Ann (Lambiotte) Fouch ’91; father of Katherine Garrahan ’78; wife of the late W. Graham Gebhardt ’31; father of Michael R. Horowitz ’88; partner of Tom Landy, Center for Religion, Ethics and Culture; brother of Ann Marie Lucas, development office; father of John J. Jr. ’69, grandfather of Brian J. ’07, brother of Joseph P. ’47 and uncle of Eleanor A. Lynch ’79; son of E. Thomas Massey ’90;

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Being selected as this year’s recipient of the Holy Cross Distinguished Teaching Award is a great honor. Thank you all for this wonderful recognition. As some of you know, both my parents were teachers in the Pennsylvania state college system and that had a huge influence on me. From high school on I knew I wanted to follow in the same profession. I feel extremely fortunate to have “grown up” as a teacher here at Holy Cross in an exceptional faculty of able teachers and scholars, mentors unusually devoted to the intellectual and personal development of their students, and uncommonly thoughtful, conscientious, and supportive colleagues. I believe this award truly celebrates all of our achievements, and I am proud to accept it in that spirit.

Being singled out in this way has been a great surprise, too (and for some of the same reasons I mentioned before). Frankly, it has been extremely difficult for me to reconcile your expression of esteem with my own perceptions of where I am in understanding effective teaching, and especially of the many things that I have not mastered. Rightly or wrongly, I feel that this award is taken as an indication that the recipient has to some extent found an “answer.” Most of the time, though, I have many more questions than answers. In fact, much of my effort in the past 15 years or so has been devoted to unlearning the style and attitudes I learned from many of those who taught me, and that I relied on at the start of my career.

While research mathematics has made great strides in the past 25 years, most mathematicians would agree, if they were being honest, that our educational efforts have not been successful to anything like the same degree over this time (if indeed they ever have been). Nationwide, there is concern about an ongoing decline in the number of students pursuing undergraduate majors in mathematics and a growing realization that different approaches to teaching may be necessary to capture and retain the interest of today’s students. Moreover, our understanding of how to harness the available computational power for educational purposes is, to be charitable, still in its infancy.

However, trying to change college and university mathematics teaching is a bit like trying to steer the Titanic. Mathematics teaching has a tremendous amount of inertia and many entrenched attitudes and competing pressures actively resist change. At colleges like Holy Cross, of course, teaching is a much higher priority than it is at many universities. But in order to get tenure, college mathematicians must also be (at least to some extent) research mathematicians, and the ways we are formed as professionals have often been unhelpful in reconciling the sometimes conflicting demands of teaching and research.

One unfortunately common attitude among university mathematicians is exemplified by the following quote from the Cambridge don, Godfrey Harold Hardy, one of Great Britain’s leading...
mathematicians in the first half of the 20th century: “I hate ‘teaching,’ and have had to do very little, such teaching as I have done having been almost entirely supervision of research; I love ‘lecturing’ and have lectured a great deal to extremely able classes; and I have always had plenty of leisure for the researches which have been the one great permanent happiness of my life.”

This candid and most unapologetic sentiment comes from Hardy’s famous little book titled A Mathematician’s Apology, in which he claimed that one justification for his life’s work in mathematics was its “uselessness.” He meant by this that even though he thought his mathematics was not likely to be of practical utility, it was at least “clean and innocent”—not likely to be of harm to any one. He would probably be horrified to learn that today the useless number theory he especially loved is the basis for encryption systems that make it possible for you to communicate securely over the Internet with an online merchant, or for terrorists to do the same thing with one another. The biggest single employer of number theorists in the United States (and of mathematics Ph.D.’s more generally) is the National Security Agency.

Hardy’s views here are extreme, of course. But for many of the mathematicians I know, myself included, what drew us to the subject was, if not its “uselessness,” then the almost otherworldly, crystalline beauty of its logical structure and the excitement of solving challenging problems within that structure. To some, mathematics can even come to seem like a refuge from the “messiness” and illogic of interacting with other people, and the intractability of many problems that matter in the real world.

It should come as no surprise that these attitudes carry over into traditional approaches to mathematics teaching, starting right from the single most influential mathematics book ever written, the Elements of Euclid. Much of our present conceptions of what mathematics is and what it is about (especially the idea of axiomatic, deductive presentations of mathematical results) can be traced directly back to Euclid. Indeed, some historians have called the Elements the second most influential book in Western civilization. And up until about 15 years ago, if you had walked into almost any high school geometry class, you would have found the textbook, the selection of topics, the style of presentation, and so forth to be recognizably derived from Euclid.

As a ninth grader in Phil Brennan’s geometry class at Mansfield High in Pennsylvania, I absolutely fell in love with that kind of mathematics, and that experience (plus the five or six other courses I took from him) is certainly the main reason I am a mathematician. Mr. Brennan was one of those teachers who leave indelible impressions (not always positive ones) on generations of students. On a superficial level, he might have been the model for the photo next to the dictionary entry for “nerd.” On a deeper level, he really knew the structure of geometry proofs and could get enthusiastic (in his own understated way) about a clever construction or an unexpected way to solve a problem. He awoke a passion for mathematics in some of his students, but lost or alienated many of the others. I never knew him well enough on a personal level to know whether that discouraged him or whether he just accepted it as a part of being a mathematics teacher.

Almost all of the courses I took in college and as a graduate student were also taught in a deductive Euclidean style: the inexorable succession of “definition—theorem—proof” that might be familiar. One of the teachers who influenced me

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the most here (and, I have to say it, in some of the least productive ways) was the longtime chair of the Haverford College mathematics department, Dale Husemoller. Dale always looked as if he had just been roused from a sound sleep, but he could give a beautiful hourlong lecture on any topic from measure theory to cohomology operations at the drop of a hat. All he asked you to do as a student was to learn the proofs of the theorems he carefully wrote out on the blackboard and repeat them on the exams. I was very good at it, and thought that was what mathematics teaching was supposed to be for a very long time. Dale’s approach to teaching was also an extreme case. You could say that it was extremely successful in its way. Haverford alumni are over-represented among Ph.D. mathematicians (as indeed are Holy Cross alumni).

What is wrong with Euclidean-style mathematics? I would argue that the principal lesson that those who have thought seriously about these issues have learned is that it is a mistake to rely too much on the final product of a mathematical theory (the Euclid-style deductive presentation) as a model for how that body of mathematics should be taught and learned. When they only see the final product, students have a difficult time appreciating the process by which human beings actually do mathematics—the guesses, the false starts, the backtracking, the exhilaration of finally getting a difficult argument to work, and finally the sometimes even more difficult job of explaining your ideas in a comprehensible way to another person. They don’t understand that they can participate in that process themselves.

When I began teaching in graduate school, and in my early years at Holy Cross, I was mainly concerned with giving clean, “elegant” lectures that would efficiently impart a high-level understanding of the subject to my students. More recently, stimulated by my colleagues Dave Damiano and Margaret Freije, I have gained a fair amount of experience in two complementary approaches to structuring classes—computer laboratories and small-group collaborative discussion exercises—that I now use together with lectures. Both laboratories and discussions have given the students more responsibility for what happens during the class meetings. I think they have also helped prepare students better for the ways they will need to use mathematics and perhaps even develop new mathematics themselves in their future careers. To put it a different way, I believe that my approach to teaching has definitely moved in the direction of making some of the assignments in almost every course more like really doing mathematics. But make no mistake, constructing appropriate discussion questions and truly educational lab activities is hard work and I cannot claim that I have been uniformly successful there.

To summarize, probably the most important things I have learned about teaching are first that students learn best when they are as actively and personally
involved as possible, and second that learning happens most readily in a general atmosphere of encouragement of students as individual human beings. To be honest, though, it is in this area that I think I have the most work left to do. There have been times when I feel I have been too focused on the ideas I find interesting in mathematics.

Before closing, I want to tell one more story related to teaching that means a lot to me and to correct an oversight. Toward the end of the spring semester of my fourth year at Haverford, I was asked to meet with a panel of faculty members who were charged with awarding College honors. One of the members of the panel was Brad Cook of the French department, who had taught five different semester-long French literature courses I had taken.

When it was his turn to ask questions in the interview, knowing that I wanted to be a college teacher, Brad gave me a scenario—I was a teacher of an average French class assigned to discuss Molière’s *Le Malade Imaginaire*. How would I structure the class discussion? What would I do to pique their interest?

I gamely proposed: “First, I would have the class see a production, point out the physical comedy and farcical situations to show how funny so much of it is (or can be).”

He responded, “Well, what if they don’t ‘get’ that aspect of it, what if they still don’t see why they should be bothered?”

I pressed on, suggesting a number of other ideas. Each time, Brad responded with the same question, “What if that doesn’t work?” Eventually, we came around to the idea that it might very well be the case that nothing would work; successful teaching depends both on the skill and dedication of the teacher and on the receptivity of the student.

I am not sure that I appreciate the full wisdom of what he was trying to tell me even now. I do know that I have only very rarely encountered that sort of stalemate situation here. Almost all of the students I have taught at Holy Cross have responded very well to what I have tried to do in my classes, and I know I wouldn’t be here giving this talk without them. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them also.
The Need for ROTC

Your spring 2003 interview with Capt. Labrecque echoed the thoughts I had during my first days of active duty in the U.S. Air Force. After receiving a commission through the ROTC program, my initial assignment placed me in the midst of a group of recently commissioned officers, a great number of whom graduated from the U.S. Air Force Academy and The Citadel. As the war in Vietnam continued, I was amazed at the lack of critical thinking I encountered in my peers. In a nation still bitterly divided by the war, I was surrounded by junior officers who were, generally, astonished that I could be at all sympathetic to, or understanding of, those who genuinely felt the war was not in the best interest of our country. My impression then, as now, was that maybe we should have demonstrations at Holy Cross to expand ROTC. According to Capt. Labrecque, “you have to ask where your officers should come from.” I could not agree more. The military has changed, but it still needs more men and women with a background that an institution such as Holy Cross can offer.

John “Skip” Sweeney ’70
Kensington, Md.

A Day at Holy Cross

The photo essay, “A Day at Holy Cross,” was a touching and illuminating portrait of a day in the life of the College. At the risk of nitpicking, I would like to point out that the caption under the photo of Evan MacCarthy ’03 (Page 32,) “... while this year’s Fenwick scholar ...” should, perhaps, have read, “... while one of this year’s Fenwick scholars ...” In an unusual decision, the Fenwick Committee granted the scholarship separately to a pair of exceptionally talented roommates: Evan A. MacCarthy and John T. Giblin.

Andrew D. Hwang
Assistant Professor, mathematics
College of the Holy Cross

The Other War

You have given a good amount of space to ROTC, pacifism and both sides of the Vietnam debate.

What about Holy Cross and its other war?

Lately we’ve had quite a bit of publicity for a movie, Gangs of New York, which portrays the immigrant experience during the mid-19th century. The subject of the movie is thuggery, battles between gangs of immigrants and the native-born, and a portrayal of resistance to the Civil War draft, which culminated in an alleged race riot. Though that era is the same one in which Holy Cross and Fordham University were founded, I have not seen much in the way of objection or alternative to this portrayal.

The relationship of Holy Cross to this subject is not peripheral. As chaplain of the (once famous) Excelsior Brigade, the priest who became the school’s eighth president, Joseph B. O’Hagan, S.J., ministered to the very same community portrayed in the movie: New York City immigrants and their children, many German and other nationalities, as well as Irish. The few pages O’Hagan left behind are a fascinating glimpse of frustration turning into admiration for his wards and their courage, and his witness to ugly manifestations of anti-Catholicism, which was hardly the province of native-born thugs alone, and battlefield carnage. O’Hagan’s Excelsior Brigade was cut to pieces at Gettysburg in July of 1863. During the days of rioting portrayed in the Gangs of New York climax, O’Hagan was ministering to his unit’s Gettysburg dead and dying, giving the last rites of the Church to hero-scoundrel General Dan Sickles, whose leg had been blown off by a cannonball.

When I attended Holy Cross, a prominent history professor remarked to us that the best thing about the place was that it was close to Harvard’s Widener library. I disagree. The best thing about Holy Cross is that it was built by and for the immigrant community that O’Hagan once served.

Holy Cross and Fordham are part of a larger story that brought to America Social Security, labor rights, legislative campaigns for anti-lynching legislation and the Tuskegee airman. And bringing ROTC to Holy Cross, for example, was just another way of leveling the playing field to those responsible for those changes.

Why Holy Cross and Fordham remain silent about this versus Gangs, neglecting their roots, is a puzzle. Perhaps you have too many too eager for admission to the Widener library.

Jim McManus ’70
Phoenix, Ariz.

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naturally acquired value of respect that warriors have for fallen warriors, regardless of nationality, that I suspect can be traced back to the Middle Ages.

Yet the story does not end there. At two a.m., a single C-17 aircraft lands at Ramstein with only one other fallen warrior aboard, 19-year-old Pfc. Jessica Lynch. And who shows up at 2 a.m. to escort her ambulance to Landstuhl? Over 100 German Polizei cars and the entire German contingency assigned to Ramstein, an escort fitting for the highest visiting dignitary.

If this is an example of “old Europe,” God bless ’em. And please hang on to the ROTC.

Richard L. Sippel ’60
Commencement Controversy

I write in response to "Commencement Controversy" in the summer issue. Despite the irony of my being cast as the Poster Boy for a challenge to the president and the trustees, I affirm my pride in being the Poster Boy for the unborn and the pro-life movement.

After all is said and done, I find it shameful that Fr. McFarland and the trustees, acting on our behalf, awarded an honorary degree to a self-described pro-choice advocate, Chris Matthews ’67. Contrary to the assertion in the article, Chairman Collins never contacted me until the trustee decision was taken and he so advised me. There was no contact on the merits, only on the outcome. I am not looking for vindication. I do, however, find validation in the fact that Bishop Reilly chose to boycott commencement for the first time in eight years; and in doing so, issued the following statement:

"It is my responsibility as the bishop of Worcester to teach and preach the church’s position that all human life be respected and protected absolutely from the moment of conception. Holy Cross will confer an honorary degree on a Catholic person who publicly espouses the view that, in some cases, people have a right to terminate a life in the womb. I cannot let my presence imply support for anything less than the protection of life at all stages."

It is not a coincidence that Bishop Timlin of Scranton, Pa., boycotted commencement at the (Jesuit) University of Scranton for the same reason: the awarding of an honorary degree to Chris Matthews.

Thus, with two bishops providing imprimatur, I leave it to your readers to make their own determination.

Old Saybrook, Conn.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph
I love you very much.
I beg you to spare the life of the unborn child that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion.

(Charles E.F. Millard ’54 died on Oct. 20. An obituary will appear in the winter issue of HCM.)

As a 1952 graduate of Holy Cross, I was enthralled by the controversy over the Commencement address and honorary degree delivered and bestowed on Mr. Chris Matthews ’67.

I am a physician who trained and practiced obstetrics and gynecology in the late 1950s when elective abortion was illegal (although abortion for medical reasons was legal in most states). I subsequently changed specialties in 1963 and practiced urology/gynecology until 1998 and since then have been a consultant for quality assurance for a major health management plan. During my medical career I have held a position of clinical associate professor of surgery at the University of Illinois Medical College.

As Mr. Mathews has stated, few, if any, responsible people—and certainly no physicians—believe that elective abortion is a good outcome. Elective abortion is a failure of humans to accept the responsibility of bringing a new life into this world. The solution is to educate and help, mostly young people, to not conceive a life, until to the best of their knowledge they are able, and most importantly, willing to guide their offspring to adulthood.

To accomplish the level of no—or at least very few—elective abortions, young people must be taught and indoctrinated in responsible sexual activity. This is essential if the number of abortions in the world is to be reduced to an absolute minimum. Banning birth control except for the rhythm or Billings method (which does not work for many couples for a variety of reasons) is not the answer.

Pope Paul VI’s 1968 encyclical Humanae Vitae has diminished papal and church teaching authority more than any other topic in the history of modern Catholicism and has greatly stimulated study of the meaning of papal authority, sin and dissent. It is likely the most
important single issue that separates young educated Catholic men and woman from a true and unequivocal embrace of their church and its authority. Sexual abstinence before marriage is an ideal to be admired but is and will not be the norm in either the developed or third world countries. Responsible sexual education with all options fully discussed is the best approach in the struggle to reduce and hopefully eliminate elective abortions.

I wish to congratulate Fr. McFarland and Avery Cardinal Dulles, S.J., for their support of having Chris Matthews as speaker. Their statements and presence underscore the importance of an “educational institution of higher learning maintaining a commitment to thoughtful and open inquiry of all positions in order to fulfill our mission to produce thoughtful and principled and well-prepared leaders for the church and society.” Kudos to both of them!

To Bishop Daniel Reilly of Worcester and Charles Millard ’54, I say that the issue of elective abortion is a very complex one and both sides must approach the solution not with authoritarian pronouncements, but with a spirit of cooperation and education in an honest attempt to prevent unwanted pregnancies both in married and unmarried relationships. Shutting out the possibility of finding a solution because of fixed dogma may give a sense of steadfastness in the short run, but certainly does not add any impetus to the solution.

Donald P. Feeney, M.D., ’52
Rockford, Ill.

Walking the Walk

I was touched by your article, “Walking the Walk,” (Summer 2003), in memory of both Glenn Crane and John Bombard. Fighting cancer is a challenge for both a family and a community. It is imperative that the cancer victim knows that he/she has that support. It is inspirational to witness your team’s encouragement toward both teammates’ battles with cancer.

I am convinced that it is this support that keeps a victim alive. (From experience, I believe that it was my family’s support that kept my 29-year-old brother alive for his 21 months of struggle with brain cancer, until he finally succumbed. The initial diagnosis said he would live for only six months.)

Keep it up—continue to “Walk the Walk” for other cancer patients who need the continued research and development.

Megan Wagner Modine ’90
Red Bank, N.J.

Holy Cross Magazine welcomes letters regarding the magazine’s content. Letters intended for publication must be signed and may be edited for style, length and clarity. Opinions expressed in the letters section do not necessarily reflect the views of the administration or the editorial staff.

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1998

CLASS CO-CHAIRS
CHRISTIAN P. BROWNE
ERIC B. JAVIER
ALYSSA R. MACCARTHY

Danielle M. McCann, an attorney with the Syracuse, N.Y., law firm of Bond, Schoeneck & King, has been elected treasurer to the board of directors of the Central New York Women’s Bar Association. Thomas B. McCrosson is a college football researcher for ABC Sports in New York.

MARRIED: Elizabeth A. Moore and Thomas A. Walsh ’97, on Aug. 9, at the Church of St. Aidan in Williston Park, N.Y.
1999
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
ROLAND A. BARONI III
THOMAS C. SOPER

Roland A. Baroni III is currently a second-year M.B.A. student at Harvard Business School in Cambridge, Mass. Marissa A. LaVigne, a team leader in the investment management group at JP Morgan Chase in Boston, has been accepted to the M.B.A. program at Boston College, beginning this past September. Elizabeth A. “Betsy” Rausch, who received her M.D. from SUNY Upstate Medical University in Syracuse, N.Y., in May, is remaining at the university to pursue an internship in preliminary medicine, followed by a residency in ophthalmology. Eaton J. “Jim” Rigg has been named the principal of St. Joseph Elementary School, Memphis, Tenn., effective this past fall. Sara F. Slater is in her third year at the University of Denver (Colo.) Law School.


2000
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
JASON C. HOFFMANN
KATHRYN R. REMMES

Kate (LeChasseur) Hardy works as an archivist for the Allied Pilots Association. Dan C. Kozusko, who received his law degree from Harvard University, has accepted a position as an associate with the New York City law firm of Willkie, Farr & Gallagher, effective this past September. Christopher S. Perry, who received his degree from the Duke University School of Law, Durham, N.C., in May, accepted a position, beginning in August, as law clerk to Gerald Tjoflat of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit in Jacksonville, Fla.


2001
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
SARAH K. FOLEY
MEGAN E. KEHEW

John Sullivan, who completed the GE Capital Financial Program in June, is an associate sales representative at GE Capital in Danbury, Conn.

MARRIED: Alyson M. Macomber and Eric Turner, on Aug. 3, at St. Patrick’s Church, Whitinsville, Mass.

2002
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
LAUREN M. BUONOME
PETER D. MCLEAN

Michael J. Ballway has been named a staff writer for The Spencer (Mass.) New Leader weekly newspaper. Kara M. Jackman is an archivist for the Thompson Design Group in Boston. Maura C. Kaveney works for Merck & Co., Inc. as a pharmaceutical sales representative. Christopher B. Moore works for Aon Risk Services in New York City. William S. Perritt, who graduated from the Westchester County Professional Firefighter Academy in December, is currently assigned to Station 2, Fire Headquarters, in Scarsdale, N.Y.

2003
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
ELIZABETH L. MALOY
INEZ C. RUSSO

Mark W. Spiers presented his paper, “Strengths and Weaknesses of the Cuban Tourism Industry,” at the 13th annual meeting of the Association for the Study of the Cuban Economy held last August at Coral Gables, Fla. He conducted his research under the direction of Holy Cross associate professor of economics, Nicholas Sanchez, who chaired the presentation.

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Calendar of Events

Important Dates:

**DEC. 13-20**  
Final Examinations

**JAN. 21**  
Classes Begin.

**FEB. 3**  
Holy Cross Winter Convocation  
“Walk with Me,” a focus on public and community service, with the opening in memory to Martin Luther King Jr.  
The evening addresses the question of the Holy Cross Mission Statement: “What are our obligations to one another?”  
4:30 p.m.-8 p.m.  
St. Joseph Memorial Chapel, for the program, followed by dinner in Hogan Campus Center

**FEB. 7**  
Winter Homecoming

**APRIL 3**  
GAA Continuing Education Day  
10 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Hogan Campus Center  
fee: $25

**APRIL 23-24**  
Siblings Weekend

Fall Events:

**DEC. 2**  
Suzanna E. Waldbauer Memorial Concert  
Sarah Grunstein, piano, and Carol Lieberman, violin  
Featuring works by Beethoven and Ravel  
Presented by the Holy Cross Chamber Players  
8 p.m.  
Brooks Concert Hall

**DEC. 4**  
Holy Cross Jazz Ensemble  
8 p.m.  
Hogan Campus Center Ballroom

**DEC. 4-7**  
The Alternate College Theatre presents:  
“Noises Off”  
By Michael Frayn  
8 p.m. nightly/2 p.m. Sat. & Sun.  
Fenwick Theatre  
Admission: $7 Holy Cross community and $10 general public  
Box Office: 508-793-3536

**DEC. 5**  
Gamelan Gita Sari  
Featuring students in Luce Scholar Desak Made Suartak Laksma’s gamelan and Balinese dance classes and professional guest artists  
8 p.m.  
Brooks Concert Hall

**DEC. 10**  
Conference: “So I will disappear, Insights into the Writings of Thomas Merton”  
A series of scholarly papers on the life and thought of Thomas Merton, marking the 35th anniversary of his death  
Sponsored by the Center for Religion, Ethics and Culture  
An opportunity for a question and answer dialogue will follow each presentation.  
**BY REGISTRATION ONLY** – for more information, please call 508-793-3869.  
Rehm Library

**DEC. 11**  
Festival of Lessons and Carols  
Holy Cross College Choir  
8 p.m.  
St. Joseph Memorial Chapel

**NOW-DEC. 19**  
An exhibition of the three-dimensional sketches of California-based ceramic sculptor Robert Arneson (1930-1992) as well as works on paper and two bronze sculptures  
Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sat., 2p.m.-5 p.m.  
For more information, please call 508-793-3356.

Spring Events:

**AFRICAN-AMERICAN ARTIST SERIES AT HOLY CROSS:**

A series of presentations and workshops by African-American artists, examining the history, identity and collective experiences of African Americans  
Clarissa Sligh will visit the campus on Feb. 19 and Deborah Muirhead on March 18, 2004  
For more information, please call the Black Student Union at 508-793-2693; Susan Schmidt, visual arts department, at 508-793-2227; or Roger Hankins, Cantor Art Gallery, at 508-793-3356.
Theatre Performances:

**FEB. 5-8**
The Alternate College Theatre presents: “Kiss Me Kate,” with lyrics by Cole Porter
Directed by Dianne Harrison ’04
8 p.m. nightly/2 p.m. Sat. & Sun.
Fenwick Theatre
Admission: $7 Holy Cross community,
$10 general public
Box Office: 508-793-3536

**MARCH 25-27 & APRIL 1-3**
The Holy Cross theatre department presents: "Our Country’s Good"
By Timberlake Wertenbaker
8 p.m.
Fenwick Theatre
Admission: $7 Holy Cross community
and $10 general public
For more information, please call 508-793-2496.

**APRIL 23**
Gamelan Gita Sari Concert
Traditional costumes and masks from the island of Bali provide an enchanting visual backdrop.
8 p.m.
Brooks Concert Hall

**APRIL 29**
Dance Concert
A collage of new and repertory pieces performed by Holy Cross students
8 p.m.
Fenwick Theatre

Exhibitions at the Iris & B. Gerald Cantor Art Gallery:

**JAN. 21-FEB. 20**
Vision Quest: Men, Women of Sacred Sights of the Sioux Nation
Photographs by Rev. Don Doll, S.J., a noted photographer, professor of journalism and holder of the Charles and Mary Heider Endowed Jesuit Chair at Creighton University, Omaha, Neb.

**MAR. 10-APR. 16**
Featuring almost 50 objects borrowed from museum archives, religious institutions and private collections, the exhibition documents the history of the image of Jacob’s Ladder, from its European roots in Colonial America, to its varied renderings by contemporary artists.

**APR. 26-MAY 28**
Annual Senior Concentration Seminar Exhibition
Work by fourth-year students enrolled in the Concentration Seminar offered by the visual arts department/studio art faculty

Music Programs:
The Holy Cross Chamber Players has scheduled the following performances at 8 p.m. in Brooks Concert Hall:

**APRIL 1**
Sarah Grunstein, piano
Featuring works by Schubert and Schumann

**APRIL 6**
Jennifer Ashe, soprano
Featuring works by Wolf, Schoenberg and Berio

**APRIL 20**
Contemporary Music Concert
Works by Gólipov, Korde and Claman

**APRIL 27**
Chamber Music of J.S. Bach
Carol Lieberman, violin, Mark Kroll, harpsichord, and guest artists

The Holy Cross Chapel Artists Series has scheduled the following organ concerts at 3 p.m. in St. Joseph Memorial Chapel:

**MARCH 21**
Carole Terry, professor of organ, University of Washington, Seattle, and organist for the Seattle Symphony Orchestra

**APRIL 4**
Jean Ferrard, professor of organ, Royal Conservatory of Music
Brussels, Belgium

**APRIL 25**
Jean-Pierre Leguay, composer and titular organist
Notre Dame Cathedral, Paris

For current information about the campus and upcoming events, visit our web site at www.holycross.edu
The College’s first apartment-style residence hall was dedicated on Sept. 5.
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