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Michael Neagle’s article, “1969: The Missing Season,” was a splendid account of a most notable happening in collegiate football. I had the privilege of participating in the epidemiologic investigation of the outbreak that befell the varsity football team for the Worcester Department of Public Health.

Comments by team members assembled 35 years later—and the excellent photographs—offered a vivid recollection of the event that occurred at a time when the hepatitis viruses were not yet identifiable in the laboratory. In 1969, the diagnosis of hepatitis A virus infection was made by clinical impression and epidemiologic circumstances.

Appreciating that virus laboratory testing would be developed in the future, serum specimens from the team members were serially collected, frozen and stored in the Infectious Disease Laboratory of Dr. Thomas O’Brien (Holy Cross alumnus—class of 1950). Years later, when laboratory methods for identifying the hepatitis viruses became available, the specimens were thawed and studied. They tested positive for hepatitis A virus, confirming our clinical impression.

The accomplishments of all the athletes interviewed by Mr. Neagle are most impressive. They may have lost their football season to hepatitis A virus, but they certainly won success in their professional careers.

Leonard J. Morse, M.D.

In response to Michael Neagle’s article on the lost football season of ’69, I want to commiserate with all the guys who were my teammates when I was a senior in the 1967-68 season. I want to verify that they would have had an outstanding season if it had been a normal year, and no hepatitis virus had struck. What an ignominious way to kill the great Crusader gridiron tradition!

I personally verify that Lamb, Moncevicz, Doherty, Cooney, et al., were very good players who deserved to play at the highest levels of college football (as the Holy Cross schedule called for back then). Keep your heads held high, guys!

John Vrionis ’68
Roswell, Ga.

I read the article about the hepatitis A outbreak with a mixture of interest and annoyance. Yes, it was interesting that these men had a bad experience but were able to learn some valuable lessons from it. But, it’s annoying to see a relatively mild disease covered as though it was a major medical crisis.

Perhaps my view was biased. I contracted hepatitis C in 1962, but due to the latency of this serious disease, it was not diagnosed until 1999. Unlike hepatitis A, there are no vaccines for hepatitis C. Hepatitis A rarely causes complications or death, but hepatitis C is a major cause of liver failure in this country.

What about a feature article on alumni who have overcome more serious viruses, such as hepatitis C or HIV? I am taking the New York State bar exam in February 2005, and I know there must be alumni who have contracted these diseases.

Peggy Michaels ’80
Brooklyn, N.Y.

I enjoyed the article, “In the Footsteps of Ignatius,” and think it’s a wonderful opportunity for the College’s young faculty members to learn of the Jesuits’ origins. However, I do have one correction. You incorrectly identified Montserrat and Barcelona as being “in the Basque region of Spain,” when, in fact, they are both located in Catalonia, not the Basque region. These distinct regions have different language, history and ethnicity. I am of Catalan heritage and visited Montserrat with my cousin (whose first name is “Montserrat”) and family who live in Barcelona. It is a beautiful, spiritual place. Again, great story.

Dana St. James ’77
Mansfield, Mass.
Editor’s Note

At the Top of Their Game

“I want to thank Crusader!”

Those were the words of “Best Actor” winner Jamie Foxx as he accepted his Oscar at the Academy Awards ceremony on Feb. 27. Foxx was referring to Crusader Entertainment, one of the production companies responsible for this year’s hit film, Ray, the life story of music legend, Ray Charles. And, yes, the company has a Holy Cross connection—Karen Mulvihill Baldwin ’85.

HCM first profiled Baldwin eight years ago. At that time, she was working to launch a hockey-themed movie, Mystery Alaska, which featured a young—and still mostly unknown—actor named Russell Crowe. Over the ensuing years, Baldwin and her husband, Howard, have steadily built a reputation as industry players with a knack for spotting talent and a good story. In the wake of the acclaim that Ray has received—and with three big-budget films scheduled for release before the end of the year—the Baldwins are making their mark in a notoriously competitive and fickle industry.

A psychology major while on the Hill, Baldwin originally planned on a career in medicine. But 20 years after graduation, she finds herself reading scripts, attending casting sessions and, increasingly, walking down a succession of red carpets at award shows. Turn to Page 14 to learn how this budding mogul rose to the top of her field.

Another alum “on the rise”—in an altogether different fashion—is Fred Contrada ’74, who, on Page 30, recounts for us his recent expedition to Mount Kilimanjaro. Appropriately, Contrada’s climbing hobby began on Mount St. James, with a trek up nearby Mount Monadnock. After years spent scaling peaks in the Rockies, the Cascades and the Andes, Contrada set off last September for Africa and a midlife attempt to climb higher than he’d ever before attempted.

Like Baldwin, Contrada has also been featured in a previous issue of HCM. In our winter 2000 issue, Fred recalled the story of his spur-of-the-moment, 1973 road trip to New York City, where, as editor of The Purple, he finagled an impromptu and mildly surreal interview with Salvador Dali at the St. Regis Hotel. Thirty-one years later, Contrada’s trip to Tanzania was a bit more grueling, but his account of the journey is no less humorous.

And while we’re on the subject of Crusaders scaling peaks, I want to call your attention to a new, recurring section of the magazine. The close out to each issue, “The Profile” will feature alumni at the top of their game—business visionaries, pioneering entrepreneurs and mavericks of industry. We debut this new section with a visit to J.D. Power ’53, who, at press time, was popping up in The New York Times, Business Week, and The Financial Times with some exciting news. In case you missed it, turn to “The Profile” on Page 96 for details.

Jack O’Connell
PUNDIT RUSSERT
 to speak at Commencement

Tim Russert, managing editor and moderator of NBC’s *Meet the Press* and political analyst for the network’s *Nightly News* and *Today* programs, will deliver the College’s Commencement address to the graduating class of 2005 on Friday morning, May 27.

A graduate of a Jesuit high school and college, Russert will receive an honorary degree from the College at the 159th graduation exercises.

The College has announced that the following individuals will also receive honorary degrees: Rev. Daniel Harrington, S.J., widely published and renowned scripture scholar who is professor of the New Testament at the Weston Jesuit School of Theology; Edward P. Jones ’72, acclaimed fiction writer and author of the Pulitzer Prize-winning novel *The Known World*; and retiring Trustee Park B. Smith ’54, successful entrepreneur, designer and wine connoisseur, whose generosity to the College is marked by the Carol and Park B. Smith Hall and the Carol and Park B. Smith Wellness Center.

Russert joined NBC News in 1984, and, the following year, supervised the live broadcasts of the *Today* program from Rome, negotiating and arranging an appearance by Pope John Paul II—a first for American television. In 1991, he took over the helm of *Meet the Press*, which has since become the most-watched Sunday morning interview program in America. He also anchors *The Tim Russert Show*, a weekly interview program on CNBC and serves as a contributing anchor for MSNBC. In addition, Russert is the senior vice president and Washington bureau chief of NBC News.

During his career, he has interviewed nearly every major figure on the American political scene and has moderated numerous gubernatorial, U.S. Senate and presidential primary candidate debates.

In his bestselling memoir, *Big Russ and Me*, Russert writes with fondness and appreciation of his Jesuit education. He is a graduate of Canisius High School in Buffalo, John Carroll University in Cleveland and the Cleveland-Marshall College of Law.

Russert lives in Washington, D.C., with his wife, Maureen Orth, who is a writer for *Vanity Fair* magazine.
Robert Cording, professor of English, has received a Literature Fellowship in Poetry from the National Endowment for the Arts in the amount of $20,000. The fellowship, awarded to only 45 writers nationwide, is intended to encourage the production of new works of poetry by affording recipients the time and means to write.

Cording has published four collections of poetry, including Life-List, which won the Ohio State University Press/Journal award, in 1987; What Binds Us To This World (Copper Beech Press, 1991); Heavy Grace (Alice James, 1996); and Against Consolation (CavanKerry Press, 2002). He also has contributed more than 300 poems to magazines such as The Nation, Image, Georgia Review, Kenyon Review, New England Review, Poetry, DoubleTake, Orion, Paris Review and the New Yorker.

Cording’s work has appeared in several anthologies, including The Best Spiritual Writing of 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2004; the Pushcart Anthology, 2002; and Godine’s Poets of the New Century. He has received a number of awards and grants, including a previous fellowship from the National Endowment for the Arts, and fellowships from the Connecticut Commission on the Arts and the Bread Loaf Writers’ Conference. In 1992, he was poet in residence at the Frost Place in Franconia, N.H.

A member of the Holy Cross faculty since 1977, Cording was honored with the College’s Distinguished Teaching Award in 1995. In 2002, he was named the James N. and Sarah L. O’Reilly Barrett Endowed Chair in Creative Writing. Cording lives in Woodstock, Conn., with his wife, Colleen ’78, and their three sons.
Three distinguished alumni journalists returned to campus on Jan. 25 to share career advice and insights with a standing room crowd of students.

Sponsored by the College’s career planning center, the event was moderated by Gary Santaniello ’79, a freelance writer and adjunct professor at Elms College in Chicopee, Mass. Participants included Jim Farrell ’80, an education reporter for the Hartford Courant and a writing teacher at Manchester (Conn.) Community College; Annie Rourke ’93, a broadcast journalist with NBC30 News in Hartford, Conn.; and Joe Shortsleeve ’79, chief correspondent for WBZ TV-Channel 4 News, a CBS affiliate station in Boston.

On Nov. 18-21, the College’s Center for Religion, Ethics and Culture hosted a three-day colloquium, “Renewing the Church.” One hundred alumni/ae and spouses and 20 student leaders examined the present difficulties faced by the Catholic Church and discussed possible solutions to those difficulties. Scholars and church leaders attending the event included Christopher M. Bellitto, assistant professor of history, Kean University; Most Rev. Matthew H. Clark, Bishop of Rochester; Michael F. Collins, M.D. ’77, clinical professor of medicine, Tufts University School of Medicine and chair of the Board of Trustees, College of the Holy Cross; Donald Cozzens, writer in residence, John Carroll University; Barbara Anne Cusack, chancellor, Archdiocese of Milwaukee; Rev. Joseph A. Komonchak, priest of the Archdiocese of New York and John and Gertrude Hubbard Chair in Religious Studies at The Catholic University of America; Thomas M. Landy, associate director of the Center for Religion, Ethics and Culture, College of the Holy Cross; Dolores Reckey, senior fellow, Woodstock Theological Center; Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J., president, College of the Holy Cross; David O’Brien, Loyola Professor of Roman Catholic Studies, College of the Holy Cross; Catherine M. Patten, R.S.H.M., coordinator, Catholic Common Ground Initiative at the National Pastoral Life Center; and Bruce Russett, Dean Acheson Professor of International Relations and Political Science at Yale University. (An essay about the colloquium by attendee Laurence O’Donnell ’57 may be found on Page 93.)
SYMPOSIUM focuses on tsunami disaster
Event includes 24-hour fast in honor of victims

On Jan. 27, the College hosted a scholarly panel, “Tsunami Symposium: Making Sense of the Asian Devastation,” in the Mary Chapel. Featuring presentations by experts on the disaster and the region, the event also included a 45-minute interfaith prayer service, followed by an All-Bach recital in the Brooks Concert Hall. Dedicated to the victims of the tsunami, “The Partitas of J.S. Bach” was performed by Sarah Grunstein, assistant professor in the music department.

The College community also held a “Sundown to Sundown Fast,” during which money otherwise spent on food was donated to the Holy Cross Tsunami Relief Fund, with all donations evenly distributed among Oxfam, Catholic Relief Services and Save the Children relief programs.

Participants in the symposium included Susan Rodgers, professor of anthropology and director of the College’s Asian studies program; Alan Kafka, seismology professor at Boston College and chair of the college’s department of geology and geophysics; Daniel Libraty, M.D., of the University of Massachusetts Medical School Center for the Study of Viral and Infectious Diseases, who spent four years in Bangkok with the Thai Public Health Service; Danuta Bukatko, professor of psychology at Holy Cross; and Maurice Weinrobe, chair of the economics department at Clark University.

Holy Cross sent four teams to the 2004 Yale Invitational Mock Trial Tournament in December. The College claimed a sixth-place team finish and a host of individual awards.

Earning an overall team award with a nearly seamless case was Elizabeth Letak ’06, Adam Zybulewski ’05, Brendan Misset ’08, Jessica McCaffrey ’08, Jon King ’07, Mike Collins ’07, Steve Meahl ’07, and Jared Hasten ’05. Tiffany Kouri ’06 and Erin Robert ’06 received individual awards in the category of “best witness.” Receiving “best attorney” awards were Kim Richardson ’06, Katie Manzi ’08, and Liz Letak, who earned a perfect score. Erin Robert and Liz Letak both placed first in their respective categories.

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In November, the College's theatre department presented *Mimpi*, an original dance drama, in Fenwick Theatre. The play, which means “dreams” in Bahasa Indonesian, is a collaboration between writer-director Lynn Kremer, and composer Desak Made Suarti Laksmi, both of the theatre department. The production utilized Indonesian fairy tales and poetry to tell the twin fables of a covetous husband and a self-sacrificing wife, and an ogress who sets her evil eye on a pair of happy children. A versatile cast, which includes Tom Layman ’06 and Mel Ruiz ’06, portrayed a range of human and animal characters. Gita Sari, the Holy Cross Gamelan ensemble, was joined by professional musicians playing western instruments to underscore the performance. Kremer, who spent two months in Bali doing research for the play, is chair of the theatre department.
On Jan. 24, novelist Alice McDermott received an honorary degree from the College during a ceremony in the St. Joseph Memorial Chapel. McDermott was originally scheduled to receive her honorary degree at the College’s May 2004 Commencement, but a family illness prevented her from attending the ceremony. The presentation was part of the Senior Convocation event—a special program designed to give fourth-year students an opportunity to reflect on their college careers and consider their lives after graduation.


The degree presentation was part of Senior Convocation, an event designed for the Class of 2005 to reflect on their first three and a half years of college and consider how they will use their remaining time at Holy Cross to shape their lives and their life’s work. The program at the Chapel included presentations and addresses by seniors, including speeches by Emily Cura, Brendan Kearney and Joanna Wusinich; a reading of McDermott’s work by Musonda Nyendwa; and musical performances by Aleksandr Kirillov, Jonathan Yasuda, Andre Isaacs and the Chamber Singers. Following the Chapel program, seniors gathered for dinner at the Ballroom in Hogan Campus Center, featuring more student entertainment and a Senior Class slide show.

Senior Convocation is sponsored and funded by the Lilly Vocation Discernment Initiative.

Started in the fall of 1997 at Holy Cross, Mock Trial is an opportunity for undergraduate students to learn about trial techniques used by lawyers in the courtroom. Teams consist of six-to-eight students who take on the roles of attorneys and witnesses in a simulated court case.

Led by educating coaches Ed McDermott ’79 and Carey Smith ’79—partners in the Worcester law firm of Morrison, Mahoney, & Miller—and Scott Sandstrom, prelaw adviser and associate professor of accounting—Holy Cross mock trial had already enjoyed great success this year. In November, a Holy Cross team finished in fourth place in the 2004 Ocean State Mock Trial Invitational Tournament. Four of the 20 individual awards also went to Holy Cross students, including the overall “best attorney” award which was presented to Elizabeth Letak ’06, and the overall “best witness” award which was given to Mike Collins.
Exhibit features drawings by Holocaust survivor, WEISSOVA-HOSKOVA

On Feb. 9, the College hosted an opening reception for “A Child Artist in Terezin: Witness to the Holocaust,” an exhibit featuring drawings by Helga Weissova-Hoskova. Held in the Rehm Library of Smith Hall, the reception featured a talk by Edgar Krasa, of Newton, another Terezin survivor. Krasa once shared a room with Hoskova in the ghetto.

Born in Prague on Nov. 10, 1929, Hoskova was deported to Terezin, a camp northwest of Prague, on Dec. 17, 1941. Her brushes and paints packed among her limited luggage, the 12-year-old created a personal diary of her images of life in Terezin. She was sent to Auschwitz with her mother on Oct. 14, 1944 and, then, to the work camps at Freiberg and Mauthausen. She survived and returned to Prague, where she studied painting with the Czech artist Emil Filla.

Hoskova remains alive and active, working as an artist in Prague. This collection of artwork chronicles life during the Holocaust as seen through the eyes of a young artist facing an uncertain future.

The exhibit, co-sponsored by the Center for Religion, Ethics and Culture; the Center for Interdisciplinary and Special Studies; and the Cantor Art Gallery, is being staged in collaboration with Clark University’s Strassler Family Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies exhibit, “Forging a New Life: The Jewish Experience in Central and Eastern Europe on the Cusp of a New Millennium.”

College officials view the exhibition with Czech visitors who helped to organize it. (left to right): Roger Hankins, director, Cantor Art Gallery; Peter Rafaeli, honorary consul general of the Czech Republic-Philadelphia; Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J., president; Iva Raising, director, Czech Center New York; Thomas Doughton, Center for Interdisciplinary and Special Studies
**FITTON to be HOME FIELD for Worcester baseball team**

In a move considered a model for the new UniverCity Partnership initiative that joins together the resources of Worcester’s area colleges and public and private support in order to generate local economic development, Holy Cross has made Fitton Field available as “home base” for the city’s first professional baseball team in 71 years.

The Worcester Tornadoes, a member of the independent Can-Am League, is scheduled to play its first game on Saturday, May 28.

“Baseball fans should praise the effort and cooperation of both Holy Cross and the City in returning professional baseball to Worcester,” said team president and chief executive officer, Alan Stone. “We are thrilled that Fr. McFarland, the Trustees and administrative leadership have allowed us to be guests on their campus and utilize historic Fitton Field with its rich baseball history and tradition.”

Fr. McFarland emphasized that the College’s closest neighbors—residents of College Hill, Quinsigamond Village and South Worcester—as well as baseball fans throughout the city will now have access to a new family-friendly entertainment venue. With a summer schedule of games, the new team will be able to utilize Fitton Field while campus traffic is at a minimum.

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**WORCESTER NOTES**

**Worcester Mayor Timothy Murray** is lobbying for more commuter trains to Boston. Expanded commuter rail service for Worcester, he says, could alleviate congestion and air pollution generated by the long commute to Boston from MetroWest areas and Worcester. In a report on the matter, he also pointed to **research conducted by Holy Cross students** in a Community-Based Learning course that showed asthma hospitalization rates falling in Boston in recent years while they have increased in Worcester and Springfield...

**Marshalee Ellis-Kehlhem** has been named Development Director of the **South Worcester Neighborhood Improvement Corporation**, and is working with the College on a number of new initiatives... In downtown Worcester, **construction has begun on a new 200-room hotel**, slated to open in the summer of 2006. Adjacent to the DCU Center, the Hilton Garden Inn will be connected to both the DCU Center and the Worcester Center Boulevard parking garage via a pedestrian skybridge.
Latino student leaders from 28 colleges across New England arrived on campus February 18 and 19 as Holy Cross and the Latin American Student Organization hosted the third annual New England Latino Student Leadership Conference at Hogan Campus Center.

The theme of the conference was "Striving Toward Our Destiny: Using Our Past and Present to Build the Future." More than 300 students, faculty, and administrators attended keynote lectures, workshops, and panels, including a talk by Gladys Rodriguez-Parker, district director for U.S. Rep. James McGovern and a founding member of the Worcester Working Coalition for Latino Students (WWCLS).

Cristina Baldor ’07, who along with Luz Colon-Rodriguez ’05 were the Holy Cross student organizers, says the level of enthusiasm and the variety of college representation—from community colleges to the Ivy League—were among the highlights of the two days.

“One of the main goals of the conference," says Baldor, "was to stress the pursuit of higher education in order to be able to ‘give back’ to our communities."

On Feb. 9, acclaimed Australian pianist Sarah Grunstein, assistant professor in the College’s music department, performed the first of three recitals at Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall, N.Y. Grunstein’s return to the famed concert hall was a special event—she made her debut there in 1984.

“Carnegie Hall is one of the most important places to play in the world,” Grunstein says, “and Weill Recital Hall is a remarkably beautiful concert hall.”

Currently on leave, Grunstein has been teaching at Holy Cross for the past two years. A recipient of the Queen Elizabeth II Silver Jubilee Award for Young Australians, Grunstein is a Steinway Concert Artist. Throughout her career, she has performed concerts in the United States, Austria, Hungary, Italy and the United Kingdom. In Australia, she has appeared as soloist with the Sydney Symphony Orchestra, the State Orchestra of Victoria, and the Melbourne Musicians.

Grunstein earned her doctor of musical arts degree from the City University of New York and her bachelor and master of music degrees from the Juilliard School, where she had held a teaching fellowship for four years following graduation. She also has taught at the Juilliard School, the Manhattan School of Music, the City University of New York, Fordham University, the Sydney Conservatorium of Music, and the Victorian College of the Arts.

“Music is my life,” says Grunstein. “It’s the way I express myself. What I love about playing music is that music, in any style, is an array of sounds and silences that one can shape in lines, and textures and forms. It’s kind of like poetry ... we can make it through our own voice and expressiveness. At the piano, we create a voice through our hands.”
Lectures:

APRIL 6  “Immigration Reform: A New Strategy on the Border”
By Tamar Jacoby, Senior Fellow, Manhattan Institute for Policy Studies
Rehm Library, at 4 p.m.

By: Professor Frank Morgan, the Webster Atwell ’21 Professor of Mathematics at Williams College
Hogan Campus Center, room 519, at 8 p.m.

APRIL 9  “Apocryphal Literature in the Early Church”
Pheme Perkins of Boston College
Rehm Library, at 10 a.m.

APRIL 12  “Gospel of Mary and its part in The DaVinci Code”
Jane Schaberg of the University of Detroit-Mercy
Rehm Library, at 7 p.m.

APRIL 14  2005 Presidential Colloquium: Jesuit Liberal Education and the Engaging of Cultures
“Jesuit Education as Moral Formation”
Presenter: Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J., president of the College
Rehm Library, at 4:30 p.m.

APRIL 14  A presentation on the politics, culture and religion of the Andean region
By: Rev. Xavier Albó, S.J., an anthropologist working in Bolivia
Rehm Library, at 7 p.m.

APRIL 18  “Religion and Ethics in Liberal Arts Education”
Mark Roche of the University of Notre Dame
Rehm Library, at 4 p.m.

Spring ’05 Visiting Writers Series:

APRIL 12  Chris Forhan
Levis Browsing Room, Dinand Library
7:30 p.m.

APRIL 19  Alicia Erian
Levis Browsing Room, Dinand Library
7:30 p.m.

APRIL 21  Susan Brind Morrow
Levis Browsing Room, Dinand Library
7:30 p.m.

APRIL 28  Bill Roorbach
Rehm Library
7:30 p.m.

Theatre Performances:

APRIL 7-9  The Sea Gull
By Anton Checkhov
Fenwick Theatre
8 p.m.

&  Gamelan Gita Sari Concert
By: 8 p.m.
Rehm Library
Fenwick Theatre
Admission: $7 Holy Cross community and $10 general public
For more information, please call 508-793-2496.

APRIL 22  Dance Concert
A collage of new and repertory pieces performed by Holy Cross students
Fenwick Theatre
8 p.m.

Concert Series:

APRIL 7  Holy Cross Choir
Holy Cross College Choir with the Colleges of the Worcester Consortium
Mechanics Hall, Worcester
Tickets: $15 general, $8 seniors and students

APRIL 10  Oliver Latry, organist
Organ recital
St. Joseph Memorial Chapel
3 p.m.

APRIL 14  Holy Cross Chamber Singers
Holy Cross Chamber Singers
Brooks Concert Hall
8 p.m.

APRIL 16  Senior Recital
Mark Ferraguto ’05, piano
Brooks Concert Hall
7 p.m.

APRIL 27  Holy Cross Chamber Orchestra
Brooks Concert Hall
8 p.m.

APRIL 28  Chamber Music Festival
Presented by the Holy Cross Chamber Players
Works of Golijov, Korde and Licata
Brooks Concert Hall
4:30 p.m.

APRIL 30  William Prabhu ’05
The Compton Exhibit: Six Portraits of Gramercy Music and Film
Brooks Concert Hall
May 2  Contemporary Music Concert
8 p.m.
Presented by the Holy Cross Chamber Players
Brooks Concert Hall

MAY 1  Carmina Burana
Holy Cross College Choir with the Colleges of the Worcester Consortium
Mechanics Hall, Worcester
Tickets: $15 general, $8 seniors and students

MAY 2  Jazz Ensemble
8 p.m.
Hogan Campus Center Ballroom

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

NOW THROUGH APRIL 13  Terri Priest Interactions: Paintings and Works on Paper
Selections from the four-decade career of Terri Priest, Worcester artist and member of the College visual arts department from 1978-93

APRIL 28- MAY 27  Annual Senior Concentration Seminar Exhibition
Work by fourth-year students enrolled in the Concentration Seminar offered by the visual arts department/studio art faculty

JUNE 4- JUNE 30  Reunion Times II
James Stroud ’80: Recent Paintings and Prints
James Paradis ’55: Shaped Paintings

For more information, please call 508-793-3356.

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Producing Success

With her hit film, *Ray*, winning acclaim and awards, Karen Baldwin ’85 is poised to make more movie magic.

BY REBECCA SMITH ’99

From the beginning, Karen Baldwin ’85 loved stories. As soon as she could read, she devoured books. She spent summer vacations immersed in the fictional worlds created by authors as diverse as Charles Dickens, Mark Twain and Ray Bradbury. Then came the day in 1974 when her grandmother brought her to a Hartford movie theater to see the film, *Mame*. She recalls with fondness getting dressed up and feeling “very grown up” at the theater. And as she watched Lucille Ball singing “We Need a Little Christmas” on the big screen, Baldwin promptly fell in love with the movies.

“I remember being totally mesmerized by the singing and dancing and thinking how magical it was,” she reflects.

Soon after, Baldwin’s parents took her and her sister to see another film, *Mary Poppins*, at New York’s Radio City Music Hall. Although she was quickly enamored of the cinema, at the time Baldwin had no idea that she would end up one day making movie magic of her own.

“I always loved a good story,” she recalls, “but it was never something I thought would turn into a career.”
Spotlight on:
Sam Gowan ’63

When Sam Gowan ’63 started a historical building preservation group in Gainesville, Fla., he didn’t realize it would be a foray into the movie business.

In what he describes as “a classically strange situation,” Gowan was telephoned one day in 1976 by independent film director Victor Nunez, who was looking for an old house in which to shoot a small feature film. The pair became friendly and continued to work together, eventually formalizing their partnership with the formation of Nunez-Gowan Productions, Inc.

Described as “Florida’s greatest filmmaker,” Nunez wrote and produced Ruby in Paradise, Coastlines and Ulee’s Gold, which earned Peter Fonda an Academy Award nomination for best actor. Gowan is credited as producer on all three films.

After graduating from Holy Cross, Gowan taught English and the humanities through a graduate assistantship at the University of Florida. His interests drew him into historic preservation, and he became a librarian at the university—a job he left in 1998 to go full time into moviemaking.

Currently, the duo is at work on another independent feature film. In addition, Gowan is raising money for a PBS series documenting the history of Floridian architecture, in what he explains as “an attempt to link these two parts of my life.”

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However, with the 2004 Oscar-winning film, Ray, on her list of production credits—and many others in the works, including this spring’s Sahara and A Sound of Thunder—producer Karen Baldwin has proven that you can take a passion, add a little patience and persistence, and end up at the top. Even at the Academy Awards.

ACT I: HOLY CROSS

Born in Boston to a Holy Cross family—her father, James E. Mulvihill, D.M.D., ’62, and uncles, John ’65 and Thomas ’70, are alumni—Baldwin grew up in Massachusetts and, later, Long Island. After high school she entered Wellesley College, during which time her family moved to Connecticut. However, after two years at Wellesley, Baldwin decided to follow in her father’s footsteps and transferred to Holy Cross.

“And I decided to stay,” she says.

“Obviously, the education is fantastic at both schools, but I just found a warmth and a family atmosphere at Holy Cross that weren’t quite as prevalent at Wellesley.”

As to her professors, Baldwin characterizes them as inspirational and hard working.

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“They all had passion for their particular subject matter,” she says, “and I think that really came across. I can honestly say that I didn’t have a professor at Holy Cross who wasn’t a genuinely good person. I think that they really care about the student.”

During her two years on Mount St. James, Baldwin did not have as much time to get involved in acting and performing as she had wanted. A psychology major who was premed, she carried a heavy course load and studied hard, graduating Phi Beta Kappa. But she was sure to make time to attend theatrical productions at the College.

“They really had a nice program,” she says. “They put on some wonderful things, and I always liked to attend those events.”

Even now, in her Santa Monica, Calif., office—along with countless movie scripts and aspiring actors’ headshots—she receives Holy Cross theatre department mailings. And she finds the department’s quality level and the strong film component “very impressive.”

ALWAYS ONE STEP “AHEAD OF THE GAME”

Although she was premed, Baldwin was not sure during her final year on the Hill that she wanted to attend medical school.

Instead, she applied her liberal arts degree
A philosophy and political science double major at Holy Cross, Kirk D’Amico ’77 set out to “change the world” by becoming a lawyer or politician. His plans changed, however, shortly after law school when a friend who shared his “passion for film” helped him break into the movie business.

D’Amico began his career producing television documentaries on famous Americans, including Albert Einstein and Aretha Franklin. His PBS documentary on Ray Charles attracted the attention of Taylor Hackford, director of Ray, and the two were in touch during the film’s post-production.

“In fact, they put my documentary on the Ray DVD,” D’Amico explains. This makes for a unique Holy Cross connection, as Ray was produced by Karen Baldwin ’85.

Currently the founder and president of Myriad Pictures in Santa Monica, Calif., D’Amico has produced numerous feature films including The Good Girl, Jeepers Creepers II and Kinsey, the story of the life and work of controversial scientist Dr. Alfred Kinsey, whose research exposed the sexual habits of Americans.

Numerous films are currently in production for D’Amico, most notably the Australian crime drama Little Fish starring Cate Blanchett.

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its kind to feature two female hosts.

During her time in Hartford, Baldwin met her husband, Howard, then-owner of the Hartford Whalers hockey team. The couple’s foray into the movie business began when a friend in Los Angeles came to them with a proposition: if he ever came across a movie script or a project that needed the last bit of funding, would they consider contributing to it? The Baldwins responded to the opportunity with great interest.

“Again, I love to read,” she says. “And so, we said that we’d take a look at anything that came along.”

The first project in which the Baldwins invested was Disney’s Flight of the Navigator in 1986, which did quite well in theaters. Encouraged by their initial success, Baldwin and her husband continued to invest in films, and one day, David Kelley, the son of then-Whalers’ Coach Jack Kelley, timidly approached the couple with a script for their perusal.

The project, a legal comedy called From the Hip, was made into a movie immediately. And after writing that script, David Kelley landed a job as a writer for the television series, L.A. Law, which launched his career.

Even after he became a TV wunderkind, Kelley continued collaborating with the Baldwins, based on their shared love of hockey and entertainment. Their film, Mystery, Alaska, is a story he and Howard Baldwin developed, which celebrated hockey and the way that both had learned to play it—out on the pond.

**CHANGE OF SCENERY**

Eventually, the Baldwins decided to leave the East Coast and move to Los Angeles in order to pursue full-time careers in the film industry. To become better acclimated to the business, Baldwin took writing and acting classes. She studied under many different teachers, all the while getting to know casting directors and her classmates—most notably of whom was an aspiring actor named Johnny Depp.

“I often will turn on the TV or go to a movie and see someone who was in one of my
classes; so that's kind of fun," she adds.

Baldwin’s own acting credits include the films, *Who’s That Girl?*, *Spellbinder*, and two films for which she is also credited as writer: *Eyewitness to Murder* and *Sudden Death*.

When writing the screenplay for *Sudden Death*, Baldwin drew on her knowledge of, and connection to, hockey. Featuring Jean-Claude Van Damme, the action movie was filmed in the ice rink that was home to the Pittsburgh Penguins, the team owned by the Baldwins at the time. She calls the film, “*Die Hard* in our Pittsburgh arena.”

After learning all the different aspects of the business, Baldwin zeroed in on producing, the role she liked best.

“The best thing about producing is that you go from the original concept,” she explains, “and you can take it all the way through to marketing it in the theaters.”

Baldwin especially enjoys the creative side of the business, such as assisting with writing the script and casting the actors. And her acting background is often put to work when reading lines with potential actors.

The Baldwins partnered with their *Sudden Death* co-producer, Richard M. Cohen, to form their own production company. They began by producing and developing their own projects, and, eventually, other writers started approaching them with story ideas. In addition, the Baldwins began to option books and obtain the rights to individuals’ life stories.

After the death of their producing partner, the Baldwins formed a partnership with Philip Anschutz, and Crusader Entertainment was created. Named by Baldwin after the Holy Cross mascot, the company produced quality

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**Spotlight on: Michael Hogan ’88**

While a student at Holy Cross, Michael Hogan ’88 cultivated his love of film by taking Professor Steve Vineberg’s courses, “American Film” and “American Directors.”

A member of the College’s NROTC program, Hogan served four years in the United States Navy as a SEAL after graduation. He went on to pursue his Ph.D. in English Literature at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. There, he earned his master’s degree while teaching composition, literature and film courses.

Ultimately, he decided against completing his Ph.D. and opted for business school instead—although, according to Hogan, “I hold out hope that some day I’ll find the time to write my dissertation.”

Together, he and his wife Joanne ’89 attended the Amos Tuck School of Business Administration at Dartmouth College, graduating in 1999.

Soon after, Hogan met the founding partners of Hart Sharp Entertainment through a connection; he has been working in their New York City offices since then.

“My title is ‘chief operating officer,’ though that’s a rather highfalutin title, given that we’re a 10-person company,” Hogan explains. “So I prefer ‘partner.’”

Hogan is responsible for the company’s business operations, including the creation and management of the True Film

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family films, including, *Children On Their Birthdays*, *Joshua* and *Danny Deckchair*.

However, the Baldwins missed being their own bosses and, in early 2004, amicably parted ways with Anschutz to form Baldwin Entertainment Group, of which Karen is currently partner and senior executive vice president of creative affairs.

“The hardest thing with leaving Crusader Entertainment,” she says, “was knowing that we wouldn’t be able to take that name with us!”

RAY

Having worked alongside some of Hollywood’s biggest names—from Robert Redford to Russell Crowe—Baldwin cites recent Oscar and Golden Globe-winner Jamie Foxx, star of the hit movie *Ray*, as the most talented and versatile actor with whom she has worked.

“He’s a comedian, he’s a classically trained pianist, he sings, he dances, he acts,” she says. “I’ve had a lot of fun getting to know him through the *Ray* process. I think of everybody that I’ve worked with, Jamie—by far—is able to do just so much so well, that I find him really inspiring.”

But she is quick to point out that Foxx has not been an overnight success; he has worked hard and has dedicated himself to acting. In fact, in order to play Ray Charles, he performed the role as if he were really blind, wearing prosthetics over his eyes.

The first time Foxx actually saw the film was with Baldwin at the premiere.
“It was really wild,” she recalls. “He was saying, ‘Oh my God, that’s what that scene looked like!’ and ‘That’s what she had on!’ because he had not seen it until then.”

With two Oscars, a Golden Globe, two Critics’ Choice Awards and two National Board of Review Awards, Ray’s success is being celebrated throughout the film community. And Baldwin is enjoying every minute of it, including some walks down that famous red carpet.

“It’s been a lot of fun,” she says, and adds, “I’ve had to buy some new clothes!”

COMING ATTRACTIONS
Switching gears from the true-life drama of Ray, Baldwin’s next film is an action-adventure called Sahara. Based on Clive Cussler’s popular book series, the film features Matthew McConaughey as Dirk Pitt, Steve Zahn as his sidekick Al Giordino, and Penelope Cruz as U.N. scientist Eve Rojas.

Also due out this year from Baldwin Entertainment Group is the much-anticipated film adaptation of Ray Bradbury’s famous short story A Sound of Thunder, in which time travelers inadvertently change the future by going back in time to hunt dinosaurs.

Although the movie features the star power of Edward Burns, Catherine McCormack and Ben Kingsley, Baldwin was most impressed with getting to know the man behind the story—science fiction author Ray Bradbury.

“He’s in his 80s, and he has such a fantastic mind,” she says. “And he’s a wonderful person.”

Another project that Baldwin has optioned is the true-life story of Julia Butterfly Hill, the environmentalist
who sat in a redwood tree for two years to save it from destruction.

Baldwin Entertainment will make history with the movie, Luna. It will be the first film shot on an “all-green” set: almost everything on the set will be recyclable; and no Styrofoam will be used.

“We wanted to put our money where our mouth was,” she says.

Although it will take some extra work on Baldwin’s part, she and her husband hope to start a trend in Hollywood, making films in which both the message and the production itself are environmentally responsible.

“It’s really what the whole movie is about,” she explains, “how each person can make a difference, even if it’s just in a small way.”

Other upcoming projects that Baldwin has in the works include a film adaptation of Ayn Rand’s bestselling novel, Atlas Shrugged; Mandrake, based on the famous comic book magician; and the family film, Rat’s Tale, the Cinderella story told from the perspective of the rat that becomes a human coachman for the night.

CLOSING CREDITS

Baldwin acknowledges that her success has been a long time coming and expresses gratitude for her family’s support over the years.

“Although they really tried to understand just what the heck we were doing,” she says, “I’m not sure they really did. When we finally had a movie on the screen that people could go see, then I think they got it a little more.”

She also credits her husband and business partner, Howard, as integral to her many accomplishments.

As to her time at Holy Cross, Baldwin looks back on it with fond memories.

“Holy Cross really gave me the confidence to do well in business and the social skills to interact with people,” she says.

And she recognizes that the passion she learned from her Holy Cross professors has stuck with her throughout her professional life.

“The key is ‘don’t give up,’” she says. “This is an extremely competitive business. You need real tenacity. If you work hard and keep moving forward, sooner or later, the dream comes true.”

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Currently on display on the second floor of Dinand Library, The Fatherless Children of France: “Their Book” exhibit is a rare event. Given to the College by Mrs. David Johnson in 1953, the collection was a gift in memory of her husband, who from 1891-1893 attended the Holy Cross Preparatory School, which was affiliated with the College until 1909. The collection contains autographed messages, manuscripts, photographs and artwork from the greatest political and military leaders, writers and artists of the World War I era. The items were originally assembled for a fund-raising auction to benefit the Fatherless Children of France Society, an organization founded in 1915 by American women to help French war orphans.

above: “Prisonniers Français Regardant Les Pièces Prises Aux Boches”
By Mathurin Méheut
The auction items range from autographed poems by Robert Frost and Edith Wharton, to a 1918 autographed musical score for "The Stars and Stripes Forever," by John Philip Sousa; from signed messages and photographs of President Woodrow Wilson, King Albert of Belgium and Queen Marie of Roumania, to a sketch by Enrico Caruso, the famous Italian tenor. Spanning the humanities, the collection is a profound record of the Great War that evokes worldwide hope for a new generation.

The number of people who died in World War I was staggering, beyond anything the world had seen up to that time. There were almost 900,000 war orphans in France. The story of the orphans is one of the most tragic in modern civilization, and the response on the part of the world was an emotional one: a desire to thank France for its great sacrifice and to offer support for the “fatherless” children. Relief from America dur-
ing the war and reconstruction was substantial and flowed from government agencies, private individuals and families that sent money to relatives in the war areas.

The Fatherless Children of France Society sought to cultivate ties between orphans and American “godparents,” who assisted 300,000 children in the aftermath of the war. In total, the Society collected $10 million dollars in aid. Within the Society, there were 200 committees spread across the country; Johnson was the speaker of the Boston committee.

From the end of the war through 1920, Johnson was responsible for soliciting contributions and collecting all the pieces that make up “Their Book”—“objets d’art from the most renowned artists, authors and politicians of (the) time.”

The original plan for the collection was to mount each contribution on a uniform-sized page, bind the pages together into one book and sell it for the cause. However, because the contributions were so eclectic, not all of them proved suitable for inclusion in this manner. In the end, the original concept proved infeasible. It was then proposed that the Society sell the items one by one. But not wanting to split up “The Book,” Johnson bought the entire collection herself and donated the purchase price to the war orphans effort.

Mark Savolis ’77, head of archives and special collections at the library, says that the Fatherless Children items are not
only unique on their own, but also because they represent the premier art collection of the College.

Most of the work of the archives and special collections department is devoted to Holy Cross records and a retrospective cataloging of things that have long been in storage at the College. When the two departments were combined in 2000, one of the goals was to redouble efforts to show off the College’s collections.

“We decided to create a new gallery,” explains Savolis, “on the second floor of the library.”

Previous exhibits have concerned Holy Cross history—from the construction of campus buildings, to graduates who served in World War II. The “Their Book” exhibit is an artifact of a world well away from the College but with thematic ties to its fundamental mission to guide its students to use their education—in whatever discipline and perspective—to help others and better society.

The exhibit, which opened in September, will run through the end of the spring semester. Fifty-seven pieces from the catalog are displayed, a rare showing of items that have only been seen a handful of times. In 1921, “Their Book” was displayed at the Library of Congress, the American Art Gallery in New York, the Boston Public Library and the Widener Library at Harvard University—all to raise awareness of the exhibit and the fund-raising intention behind it. After Johnson bought the collection, it stayed in her possession until she donated it to Holy Cross. It was not displayed again until 1955, when the College loaned it to the Worcester Art Museum.

According to Lois Hamill, assistant archivist and special collections librarian, she and Savolis—along with staff and work-study students—chose which items to display, with each person answering questions such as, “What’s interesting? Who have you heard of? What catches your eye?”

“Since the show is such a testament to the liberal arts,” says Hamill, “we looked for balance, picking from all the categories.”

The responses so far are as broad-based as the collection, with English, history and art faculty and students all visiting the exhibit, drawn by different pieces.

“When people take the extra flight up the stairs in the library to compliment the exhibit,” says Savolis, “you know they like it. Many are connecting with famous names, such as John Singer Sargent or John Philip Sousa—individuals whom students have studied. It’s often a thrill when they realize that there’s an original work of these artists up on the wall right here in the library.”

Visual Arts Professor Virginia Raguin plans to take the students from her “Introduction to Art” class to the exhibit—not only to expose them to some great works of art, but also to introduce them to the idea of an exhibition, a collection of pieces put together with a particular intent.

“The students’ final project will be to sketch out what they think is an ideal exhibition,” says Raguin. “Why do people group things in a certain manner? What’s the intention? How might they take an idea they care about and bring it across?”

For Raguin, who has been involved with several exhibitions at the Cantor Gallery, the most fascinating aspect of any exhibit is the convergence of a historic context and the motivation behind the actual collecting.

“In the case of ‘Their Book,’” she says, “what makes it so interesting is the participation of literary as well as visual artists, including artists we now call illustrators, and photographers who have produced images that might not be considered ‘a work of art,’ but are historic documents of individuals.”
Those documents include a mesmerizing amateur photograph of the author Joseph Conrad—taken while he was in detention in Poland at Zakopane—with a note that it is the only print and that the plate had been destroyed. The drawings and sketches of people are moving as well—especially American portrait painter Joseph De Camp’s original pencil drawing of a woman in profile, her features shadowy in grief. And then there are the images of famous leaders, such as a portrait of Woodrow Wilson.

“The fact that this exhibition collects that kind of information makes a statement that art has to be true to itself,” says Raguin. “The artists were encouraged to speak for themselves. This is not meant to be a collection of propaganda.”

Meant to raise money at a time when there were not the social network and government relief agencies that exist today, the “Their Book” collection is a testament to a belief in the power of the human spirit as it ranges through the military, politics, the arts and the humanities.

“It also inadvertently speaks to the arts of communication,” says Raguin, who found the signed letters very compelling. “We don’t see people’s handwriting anymore.”

“Collected almost a century ago,” Raguin points out, “the exhibit is an artifact of a time before we had television. Certainly before we had widespread use of cameras by the average person and nothing close to digital imaging. The book was the primary mode for communication and the exhibition reflects the reading and seeing habits of those accustomed to the book. All of the sizes of the illustrations are book-based concepts. It’s entirely appropriate for the library.”

The original auction catalog for The Fatherless Children of France: “Their Book” collection—copies of which are available at the exhibit—exemplify Raguin’s point and is an evocative treasure itself. Designed by the American Arts Association in 1921, the catalog is made of octavos, bound in paper with pages that feature deckle edges. Black and white plates and facsimiles of the autographed messages, musical scores, handwritten poems and etchings are tipped-in, compelling as fossils. The “Their Book” catalog is a pleasure to hold in one’s hands, to rest on one’s lap. It induces reflection—and commemoration—not only of the contents, but also of the creative enterprise of good will that brought it into being.

The Fatherless Society of France: “Their Book” exhibit is free and open to the public during normal library hours. It will remain on display through the end of June.

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**Crusader Baseball Exhibit Planned**

The college archivists are planning an exhibit on the history of Holy Cross baseball. They are looking for pre-1970 baseball memorabilia, equipment, uniforms, photos, etc. If you have any materials that you would be willing to lend for the exhibit, please contact:

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A Kilimanjaro Notebook

Midlife impressions from 19,000 feet

BY FRED CONTRADA ’74
My first glimpse of Mount Kilimanjaro comes from the window of the twin-prop flying me from Nairobi to Tanzania. Down below is a cloud cover so perfect it looks like Antarctica. I expect to see a snow-spattered peak poking up through this. Instead, there is suddenly a long black ridge that breaks the plane of clouds and keeps rising, like a great surfacing whale. An estimable chunk of Africa is mounting into the sky, and its peak is not down there but at eye-level as we cruise at 20,000 feet.

Some mountains are like concepts rising out of the unconscious. Kilimanjaro is a complete ideology.

Sept. 10, 2004: I’m on my way to climb Mount Kilimanjaro with a group of scientists. The leader, Doug Hardy, a University of Massachusetts climatologist, has built a weather station atop the summit ice field at 19,000 feet to study why the mountain’s once grand glaciers are rapidly vanishing. Hardy estimates that 80 percent of Kilimanjaro’s ice has disappeared in the last century. At this rate, the snows of Kilimanjaro, celebrated by Hemingway and a symbol of Africa, will be gone in a generation. I’m hoping to get there first.

I didn’t climb my first mountain until I was a senior at Holy Cross. A bunch of us drove to Mount Monadnock in New Hampshire. I was stunned by how incessantly the trail climbed and appalled by the
I don’t know when I started thinking about Kilimanjaro, only that I remembered by then that anything is possible.

burning in my calves and lungs. When we got to the top, though, you could see Worcester and Boston both, and I thought I could trace the path of my life from the place where I was born to the place where I came of age. I knew right away that I liked this.

In my knocking-around years, I climbed in the Rockies and then went on to those most splendid American mountains, the Cascades. I climbed Rainier a month after Mount St. Helens erupted, looking back down into the blown-out, smoking crater that seemed a stone’s-throw across space.

When I started a family, I thought that part of my life was over, but things happened. In my mid-40s I got a chance to climb Pico de Orizaba, the highest mountain in Mexico. On the eve of my 50th birthday I made a failed attempt at a 19,000-footer in the Andes. I don’t know when I started thinking about Kilimanjaro, only that I remembered by then that anything is possible.

Doug Hardy didn’t know me except as a reporter who had interviewed him for some stories, but he agreed to let me come along on his next expedition. We don’t meet face-to-face until we board the plane at Logan. Thirty-eight hours later, we arrive in Tanzania, exhausted but eager to go.

Doug’s colleagues are already waiting at the hotel in Moshi. Mark Losleben, a climatologist with the University of Colorado, will set out sensors to gauge how weather systems move up and down the mountain. At 53, Mark is tough and wiry as a rooster and has a motor that never stops. During meals in our funky dining tent, he regales us with stories about his time in Antarctica and, over the course of two nights, recounts the complete history of cork.

Bill Duane, 49, is the Brit among us. Polite in a way I can only aspire to be, he never balks at whipping out his calculator and translating meters into feet so I have some idea of where I am. Bill served in the English army, sports some fading tattoos and has pretty much been everywhere on Earth. He has a laser device that will map the face of the Northern Icefield in exquisite detail.

Our Tanzanian collaborators are...
Tharsis Hyera and Emmanuel Mpeta, meteorologists from Dar es Salaam. Both hit the trail dressed as if they’re going to the mall. Emmanuel, 51, has never climbed before and lags far behind. It is only after the trip that we learn he had malaria.

Tharsis gives his age as “60 minus one.” He’s round and jolly and looks as if he has never seen a Stairmaster in his life. I’m astonished to learn he has done this climb with Doug before. It turns out he is game for anything and enjoys it immensely when I tell him he’s my hero.

First scaled in 1889, Kilimanjaro, in northeast Tanzania, remains a challenge to mountain climbers everywhere.

Our first day on the mountain is a leisurely ascent through a rain forest alive with exotic birds and flowers. We make our camp in the mists at the forest’s edge, where a large group of Dutch explorers is happily encamped. I’ve been somewhat obsessively gauging my chances at making it to the top. The sight of Tharsis is encouraging, but I have to believe I can out-climb the Dutch. The Dutch live below sea level. The Dutch get nosebleeds when they stand on chairs. I find out later that the Dutch, at least these Dutch, go to the Alps on vacation.

The cloud cover butts up to the lip of our second camp at 12,500 feet like a vast foaming ocean. The only island is the peak of Mount Meru, a smaller volcano some 50 miles away. I go on an acclimatization hike with Doug, Mark, and Bill and find out what happens when you hike with scientists. They want to check out every ridge and valley for glacial moraines and ancient volcanic activity. Our day-hike turns into a six-hour trek, but every step is worth it because, on a remote plateau, we stumble upon the remains of an elephant. Erick, our ever-present guide, is among the few who have seen these bones before. He says they’re 1,000 years old.

We ascend to 15,000 feet and camp beneath a huge volcanic plug called the Lava Tower. Doug wants to climb it just for fun and enlists me, Bill, and Tharsis to join him. There are three Class 4 moves to the climb. I’m unfamiliar with technical climbing jargon but learn that Class 4 means you will fracture your spine if you forget for a moment where any one of your hands or feet is. Tharsis needs some guidance, but he knocks the Lava Tower off, and I remind him that he is my hero.

Our last camp before the summit climb is a cloud-torn aerie past which plunge some rugged glaciers. Looming above is the Western Breach, named for the place where an ancient eruption broke
through the crater rim. This will be our route.

As always, I’m anxious on the eve of a climb. The true summit of Kilimanjaro is Uhuru Peak, a fragment of rim that tops out at 19,340 feet. At 52 years old, this is higher than I have ever climbed. Before I get there, I must spend two nights in the crater below. What if I get sick? What if I don’t make it?

The camp is incessantly noisy as I lie awake thinking. There’s another party getting ready. Like most climbers on Kilimanjaro, they’ll set out at midnight, tag the summit around dawn, and be down to a comfortable altitude by breakfast. It sounds as if some of them are Dutch.

The porters are also up, chatting in Swahili and playing their radios. They are young Tanzanian men who carry huge sacks of food and gear up and down the mountain on their heads for $8 a day. Because of all our equipment, we have 30 porters. Some lack decent bags and are staying up to keep warm. Their taste in music is eclectic. One of them is into Kenny G.

The main obstacle to sleep is Emmanuel, whose snoring is so terrifying it deserves another name. Think of someone trying to start a chainsaw all night. We have learned to camp away from Emmanuel’s tent, but the mountain is only so big.

Finally, in the lost hours, there is a long rockslide somewhere on the Western Breech. For a while I actually wonder if there’s a truck grinding around camp.

Venus is coming up over the summit in advance of the sun as we start out. The route goes straight up a rock rib and requires we use our hands. At this altitude you can only go a step at a time. The first of us reaches the crater in about four hours.

Kilimanjaro is one of the biggest volcanoes in the world, and its summit is enormous. As I follow the porters across the crater, they vanish into the mists, and for a while I am wandering alone on the roof of Africa.

We set up camp at the edge of the Northern Icefield, Kilimanjaro’s largest remaining glacier. I feel OK for the first hour, then retreat to my tent with the chills. My head is pounding, and I can’t stop shivering. I take my contacts out for relief, but when I crawl out of the tent the sky has cleared, and the glacier is so dazzling that everything melts to tears.

My headache lasts all night, throbbing to my pulse. Inside my tent the temperature drops into the single digits so that I have to sleep with my water bottle to keep it from freezing. I’ve been gobbling aspirin to thin my blood, an acclimatizing trick, but it has the side effect of bloodying my snot. When I blow my nose, I find small carapaces of...
dried blood. Somewhere, the Dutch are laughing.

The next day we all feel better. Strapping on my crampons, I follow Doug up onto the Northern Icefield. The route is so steep that Mark has to cut steps with an ice ax lest we go plunging off the mountain.

Just before the weather station we come upon an astonishing sight. An antelope carcass has been exposed. It looks mummified, as if it has been entombed in the glacier for centuries. None of us can guess why an antelope is here in the arctic zone. Doug recalls that the Hemingway story cites the legend of a leopard frozen on the summit.

The weather station is an assemblage of steel and electronic components that stands naked to the sky. It's a unique venture in gathering scientific data at altitude. Doug works here all day, but I return to camp for lunch, then go exploring with Tharsis. He wants to show me the actual crater pit. We have to hike over a couple of rises to get there. Sulfur fumes leak from vents at the crater's edge, turning the rocks a greenish yellow. Tiptoeing as close as I dare, I look down into the smoking heart of Africa.

I start down the next morning, leaving the others behind. The crater is wondrous, but I'm in equatorial Africa, and all I've seen is ice. I want some giraffes. But first there is the peak.

After two days of acclimatizing, another 500 feet is no problem. Erick sends a guide with me who, confusingly, is named Eric. We cross the crater and trudge up through the scree. As soon as we gain the ridge, I see the sign that marks the summit. It's small at first, then grows bigger as it drifts from dream to reality. Finally there is just the moment. I'm here at the top of Africa. Eric takes my picture. I take his. There's nothing more to say.

When I make it to the trailhead the next day, there's a book to sign. The park keeps close tabs on its climbers, and I have to write my name and age and how high I got. Glancing up the page, I notice at least three people in their 60s have made it to the summit. It seems there were also a few Dutch.

A park ranger hands me a certificate that says I've successfully climbed Uhuru Peak, the highest point in Africa. I take it home with me, but I don't really need it.

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Maurice Géracht, the Stephen J. Prior Professor of Humanities at Holy Cross, has been involved in study abroad programs at the College for almost 40 years; he began his association in 1968, two years after成为ing a member of the English department faculty in 1966.

“lt was my first college committee assignment,” he says. Since 1989, he has served as director of the program.

During the first half of his tenure, the study abroad options available to Holy Cross students were fairly representative of those found at most American colleges or universities: Holy Cross contracted with other organizations or institutions to run the programs; fundamentally American in nature, they often isolated students with their compatriots, rather than meaningfully integrating them into host institutions; and the programs lasted for one semester rather than for a full year.

This approach changed in the latter half of the 1980s—due, in significant part, to the initiative of Senior Vice President Frank Vellacio, who had become dean of the College in 1986 and academic vice president the following year.

The changes initiated almost 20 years ago fundamentally altered the character of the study abroad programs at Holy Cross.

“And, in many ways,” Géracht says of today’s offerings, “the Holy Cross study abroad program runs counter to prevailing currents. Many of its features are unique.”

The program is built around the importance of immersion in a variety of ways: First and foremost, almost all of the current programs are full year.

“There’s really an exponential difference between a semester and a year,” argues study abroad assistant director Brittain Smith. “The extra time that you spend—not just in the linguistic environment but also in the cultural environment—provides a categorically more enriching experience; there’s just no substitute for that extra time.”

Géracht concurs.

“In other programs,” he says, “students arrive in October, and they know they’re coming home in December. There are certain cultural things that they simply don’t have to face. But if you have a long haul, then you have to come to terms, you have to confront certain things—confront ‘the other’ in a way that you don’t in the short term. And confront the fact that you also are ‘the other’ in a way that you don’t have to confront in the short term.”

The current programs, which Holy Cross directly controls, also integrate students much more fully into host institutions.
“Students take regular courses in the institutions to which they are attached,” Géracht explains. “There is a difference between being enrolled in one of the Oxford Colleges and being a full member there, versus having an American program ‘at Oxford,’ simply located in the place.”

With this higher degree of integration comes a higher degree of support, he stresses—“both language and cultural support. For every course students take—in France, Italy, Spain, Mexico, wherever—they have available to them a private tutor, from the beginning, so they don’t fall through the cracks.”

The accessibility of study abroad programs has also been increased via changes in the financial aid policy. Currently, approximately 60 percent of students receive some form of financial aid from the College. In the past, that money could only be applied to study on campus; now, the money “travels,” allowing students to pursue a junior year abroad on a need-blind basis. Program secretary Sandy Shook estimates that, over the past five years, between 20 and 22 percent of Holy Cross third-year students have participated in the program.

Finally, a key part of the program is the Independent Study Project (ISP), required of all participating students.

One of the key purposes of the ISPs, according to Géracht, is to “prevent our students from being ‘accidental tourists’—they give them a better sense of themselves as products of their own culture, an appreciation of the values and wonder of the cultures of others. They earn the comfort of being in a culture not their own.”

Caroline Howe, associate professor of sociology, who helped set up the study abroad program in Puebla, Mexico, con-
curs—noting that the ISP for the Puebla program also requires a social service project of the students, in part because this is a standard component of college education for most Mexican students:

“One of the most important things for North Americans to learn when they go to a Latin American country to ‘help’ the people there is that they end up receiving more than they give. They learn more from the people and receive more in terms of human ‘gifts’ than they can imagine being able to give,” Howe says. “They learn that poor and marginalized people are very intelligent, resourceful and have some important values we could all learn from,” she continues. “One hope [for the program] is that this can help break down elitist attitudes North Americans often have towards Latin Americans.”

The benefits of cultural immersion, both during their time abroad and after their return—to campus—and to life beyond Holy Cross—are certainly clear to the students who participate in the program.

Leah Grogan ’05, for example, spent the 2003-04 academic year at the University of Melbourne in Australia.

“It was most gratifying” Grogan says, “to learn about something in the classroom, then actually go out and see and experience it for myself.

“Coming back to campus, not only do I have a plethora of stories to entertain, but I have a new understanding of the world,” she explains. “Whereas before my world was concentrated within the United States, now I have a new outward look beyond the scope of my immediate surroundings. The experience made me more aware of global affairs, more independent, and more mature.”

The issues of independence and maturity were threaded through the comments of both the study abroad program staff and participating students.

“At the time of my departure I had never been away from home for more than two weeks without a visit—and I couldn’t even go to the grocery store without dragging someone with me,” says Lindsey Veautour ’05, who spent her year at Oxford University. “The idea that I knew almost no one overseas and would have to find people to travel with during the breaks was petrifying. Establishing friendships and being brave enough to
travel to 11 different countries instead of just returning home for all the breaks in between semesters was a huge accomplishment—and one that will stay with me forever.”

Study abroad assistant director Karen Sweetland-Dion recalls a recent interaction with a student who spent last year in one of the study abroad programs in Spain and subsequently applied for “Teach For America.”: “She said to me, ‘I’ve been through so much during my study abroad experience. I spent a whole year in a country that speaks a different language. It wasn’t always easy, but in facing the challenges I accomplished so much. I feel like, since I’ve done this, I can do anything.’”

The student, Kathryn Cronin ’05, has since been accepted by “Teach for America.”

“The effects on our students are long term,” Sweetland-Dion continues, “Students’ lifetime decisions are altered tremendously by their experiences abroad. Many contemplate career options they might not have considered before going abroad. Many choose to live, study or do research abroad—not necessarily in the same country—later on in life. Many of our study abroad students go on to receive prestigious fellowships to conduct research abroad.”

While Géracht and the study abroad program staff evince broad satisfaction with and pride in what the program is doing for students, they still see work to be done in communicating to Holy Cross faculty exactly what the program does and how it can be useful both to them and to their students.

“There is a misperception on the part of a lot of faculty members about what study abroad is,” Smith says. “Either they are not familiar enough with our programs or they are familiar with programs at other institutions [which function differently]—so study abroad is conceived of often as a kind of ‘travel abroad pro-

When Alison Hawkins ’97, marries this May, her family—including her younger sister Jackie ’06—will be in attendance. Also present will be Alison and Jackie’s Spanish “family,” with whom Alison lived in Palma de Mallorca, Spain, during her junior-year abroad experience from 1995-96 and with whom Jackie is currently staying.

The connections between the two families—Manuela Arcos-Fernandez, her husband Juan Pocovi, and their two children, Juan Pocovi-Arcos and Cristina Pocovi-Arcos—have endured and deepened over the past 10 years.

“I have stayed in close contact with them,” Alison says. “Manuela and I write letters to each other, and we also communicate via e-mail. I have been back to visit three times since I lived there. I have tickets to go back again in March to visit the family and my sister, Jackie.”

“I am the youngest of four kids, so I have always hated the phrase following in someone’s footsteps,” Jackie says. “I came to the decision [to do a junior-year abroad] all on my own after I decided to major in Spanish—however, when it came time for me to tell my family that I was going to Spain, I did feel really obligated to go to Palma where my sister had been since she still was in contact with her family and spoke so highly of her experience there.”

“I was definitely nervous to meet the family, but I was still confident that we would be a good match,” Jackie continues. “And I have been very lucky that it has been a good match thus far. The kids in my family are a lot older now, so it’s different in many respects from when Alison was here. I actually go out a lot with my brother, Juan, who is 18.”

The sisters both studied at the Universitat de les Illes Balears, which is located near the center of Palma. While sustaining a student population of 10,000, the University features small classes, which are taught in Catalan and Castilian. While Jackie finishes up her JYA experience, Alison is studying at the Yale School of Nursing.

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EDMOND YIP ’05: from the Northeastern U.S. to Northeastern China

Edmond Yip ’05 grew up in Providence, R.I., in a household that included his grandparents as well as his parents, and, in which, Cantonese was one of the primary languages spoken. Both of his parents came to the United States from Hong Kong, where most of his mother’s side of the family continues to live. Still, Yip did not often feel sufficiently connected to Chinese culture.

“I always wanted to learn Mandarin,” he says, “because I felt somewhat lost from the culture of my ethnicity growing up in Providence. The deeper realization of my ignorance of Chinese culture began with my experience in Harbin with our native Chinese roommates.”

According to Professor Claudia Ross, who teaches Chinese in the department of modern languages and literatures, “Most Holy Cross students study at the Beijing Institute of Education. Students with more advanced Chinese language skills can study at the Harbin Institute of Technology.”

“Initially, I wanted to go to Beijing,” Yip says. “I had never even heard of Harbin. But Professor Ross convinced me to go up to Harbin for a better learning environment since it was not as international a city as Beijing.”

“Both programs house students with Chinese roommates,” Ross says, “setting the groundwork for real friendships between the Chinese and the ‘foreign’ students, and for real, meaningful cultural exchange. A unique feature of study in Harbin is that ‘foreigners,’ and in particular, English-speaking Americans and Europeans, are few, so students have no choice but to interact in Chinese on a regular basis, further strengthening their Chinese language skills and their understanding of Chinese culture.”

With a double major in economics and Chinese language and civilization, Yip has made good use of the curricular options available to him, both in Harbin and at the College.

He particularly enjoyed a one-on-one tutorial class for which he was able to choose the topic: “Chinese Film and PopCulture.”

On his return to campus, Yip felt that his appreciation for other courses was also greatly enhanced. He cites in particular Professor Karen Turner’s course, “Law and Human Rights in China.”

“I was able to relate to the things we were learning, especially having spoken to our [Chinese] roommates about how they felt about some controversial issues. I saw the changes and progress that China has made.”

While he says his academic choices were not based on future professional plans, Yip still sees his connection to China as ongoing, for both personal and—at least potentially—business reasons.

“At some point in my life,” he says, “I would like to work in or with China in some sort of business.”

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for which students are often obliged to set aside and postpone fulfilling requirements for their major, or otherwise get around our curriculum. Rather, since our partners abroad are now important international institutions, their offerings present the College and departments opportunities to individualize and extend our curriculum.”

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Study Abroad: THE FACTS

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Additional programs can be approved on an individual basis.
We often fail to see things that are right before our eyes: we lack perspective; we lack context; we lack the right frame. Five years ago, when Franco Mormando, associate professor of Italian and chair of the department of romance languages and literatures at Boston College, was involved in the rediscovery of a long-lost painting by 16th-century artist Jacopo Tintoretto, “The Raising of Lazarus,” the meaning of the painting wasn’t immediately clear to him.

“In doing the background historical research on the painting,” Mormando says, “I discovered that the painting was dated to a period of plague in Venice and that ‘Saint Lazarus’ was historically considered a ‘plague’ saint—a heavenly protector against the plague—so I concluded that the painting was probably an ex voto offering in time of plague, even though there are no overt signs of the plague in the scene.”

This was interesting and familiar territory to Rev. Thomas Worcester, S.J., associate professor of history at Holy Cross.

Ortensio Crespi (attributed to), Lamentation, ca. 1610-14
Oil on canvas, Richard L. Feigen & Co., New York
Fr. Worcester had team-taught a course “Saints and Sinners: Christian Exemplars as Cultural History,” with Professor Joanne Pierce of the religious studies department. “Several of the saints we considered were ‘plague’ saints—such as Saints Sebastian and Roch—saints to whom people prayed for deliverance from the plague. So, when Franco Mormando suggested doing a show on painting and plague, I was immediately interested.”

This set of realizations led to the reconvening of an interdisciplinary group of scholars, across four institutions, to mount the forthcoming ambitious and historic exhibit at the Worcester Art Museum, “Hope and Healing: Painting in Italy in a Time of Plague, 1500-1800.” The exhibit will feature 37 paintings, on loan from museums and collections around the world.

The four curators—Gauvin Bailey, an associate professor of art history at Clark University; Pamela Jones, an associate professor of art at the University of Massachusetts, Boston; Mormando; and Fr. Worcester—had previously worked together on a similar project.

Jones cites that previous experience as one of her motivations for getting involved in the current project.

“One on the personal side,” she says, “the four of us curators had had a wonderful experience working together on the exhibition, ‘Saints and Sinners: Caravaggio and the Baroque Image,’ which was on view at BC’s McMullen Museum of Art in 1999. Therefore, when Franco brought up the possibility of working together on an exhibition focusing on the plague, I was favorably disposed.

“On an intellectual level,” Jones continues, “I have always been especially interested in interdisciplinary topics. Often art
exhibitions are concerned solely, or, at least mainly, with artistic style and the attribution of given works of art to given artists. Exhibitions of that type are perfectly valid, but my own work has always been deeply interdisciplinary, so I have welcomed the chance to work on exhibitions of a broader historical scope with colleagues who are not all art historians themselves.

“I also find particularly stimulating research projects that resonate with contemporary socio-religious issues,” she adds—“and the plague certainly fits that profile. Although bubonic plague itself is fortunately rare these days, plagues such as AIDS are still a horrifying reality. Like early modern plagues, AIDS raises religious, medical, philosophical and social issues of great importance. Our exhibition treats these questions in the context of early modern culture.”

“In spring 2001,” Fr. Worcester relates, “I approached Fr. McFarland and Dean Ainlay, and they were very enthusiastic. They contacted the Worcester Art Museum on our behalf, and the project began to become a reality. Some months later, Gauvin Bailey spoke to the president of Clark University about the project. Holy Cross and Clark then formed a partnership with the museum to sponsor this show.”

According to Fr. Worcester, one crucial aspect of the current exhibit is its chronological—as well as interdisciplinary—scope. That roughly a third of the population of Europe perished in epidemics of bubonic plague between 1348 and 1350 is well known, Fr. Worcester says, and this record has been thoroughly studied. Less well known, he notes, is the degree to which epidemics of plague recurred locally into the 18th century. Pointing out that, in 1720, half the population
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of Marseilles perished in such an epidemic, Fr. Worcester explains that the Italian peninsula, as a hub of trade—a nexus of seaports with links to East and West—was particularly susceptible to this problem, as new strains of plague were constantly being imported.

“Italian cities often sought deliverance from pestilence by enlisting the help of local saints who subsequently combined the roles of city patron and plague saint,” Bailey notes in his essay in the exhibit catalog. “We have seen several examples of this in this catalog, notably Saint Januarius, patron of Naples, or St. Charles Borromeo, his counterpart in Milan. Such saints often dated back to early Christian or medieval times, and their cults were only resurrected in the context of the plague in the early modern period. Borromeo, a contemporary figure who played an active role in the post-Tridentine reconstruction of the church, was a famous exception.”

The image of Borromeo may be seen from more than one angle, Fr. Worcester suggests: Cardinal-Archbishop of Milan, a diplomat of the Holy See under his uncle, Pope Pius IV, and an important actor in the Catholic Reformation, Borromeo is venerated for his selfless ministrations to victims of the plague—in one sense, then, this and other paintings of Borromeo serve to proclaim the good works of the Church and its steadfastness in the face of disease and death. In another sense, according to Fr. Worcester, these images may be seen as a correction, intended for members of the clergy and laity who fled a scourge—in a commonplace of the time—and, in so doing, severed the bonds, husband from wife, parent from child, neighbor from neighbor, priest from congregation, which held society together.
Fr. Worcester places particular emphasis on the ways in which an interdisciplinary approach to art, to history, to culture “can provide a window onto times past—not only onto institutional or political history—but to the history of mentalities of fear and security, to the history of popular and elite religion, to the history of daily life.”

In the here and now, all of the curators see the exhibit as having direct impact on their scholarship, their teaching and their students.

“My work on the exhibition is fully integrated into my intellectual life at the University of Massachusetts Boston,” says Jones, “and has seen fruit in recent talks I have given in the United States, Britain and Italy.”

Fr. Worcester points to the current semester:

“I am teaching in the College’s First-Year Program this year,” he says, “and our theme is ‘Confronted by Suffering and Loss, How Then Shall We Live?’ The exhibition will be the culminating event of the year, in April, when we take all 130 students to the museum.”

Bailey has similar plans:

“I intend to bring students into the galleries,” he says, “and have them study and present in front of artworks. This ‘up close and personal’ approach to studying art is 10 times more effective than working with slides in a darkened lecture room. Also, I hope that I can get some of them hired as docents or interns, giving them a better idea of how the museum works—valuable expertise for those planning careers in the museum field.”

“As a result of working on this project,” Mormando says, “whenever I study, teach or write about early modern Italian history and culture, I constantly ask myself: What about the plague? How has it affected the history or particular theme I am studying?”

The “Hope and Healing” exhibition will run from April 3 through Sept. 25 at the Worcester Art Museum. Additional information can be found online at: http://www.worcesterart.org/Exhibitions/

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From the Dean’s Desk ...

“The ‘Hope and Healing’ exhibit represents an extraordinary instance of collaboration among three institutions: the College of the Holy Cross, Clark University and the Worcester Art Museum. The relationship between Holy Cross and the Worcester Art Museum, in particular, has been developing over a number of years. The College has worked with the museum to catalog its remarkable library collection and reestablish an active acquisition program. The ‘Bridges to Art’ program represented another instance of collaboration and provided unprecedented electronic access to the museum’s collections and targeted use by the Worcester Public Schools.

The exhibit has allowed the College to enhance its program and realize its own institutional mission. For example, the First-Year Program has adopted the theme of ‘hope and healing’ for this year’s program. At the same time, we are committed to sharing the exhibit with a broader audience. The College will host the meetings of both the New England Renaissance Society and the International Word and Image Conference (a collaboration between Holy Cross and the University of Paris). We are confident that the exhibit will spur important conversations among scholars.”

Stephen C. Ainlay, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the College
During his years as a student at Holy Cross, George F. Cahill '49, remembers riding the train back to school after time home in Newton, Mass., with classmate John E. Brooks '49. On occasion they would share a taxi from the Worcester train station back to Mount Saint James, where they lived on the same floor. During those days, Cahill was the class president.

“As a returning veteran of World War II,” Cahill recalls, “John Brooks was a serious student and a most esteemed member of the Class.”

Brooks, who went on to become a Jesuit priest and president of Holy Cross from 1970-1994, says: “People had a great deal of respect for George. He had the ability to draw all people in. He was a very well respected member of the community here.”

The friendship that was established during those years between Fr. Brooks and Cahill continued to grow. Cahill became a Boston lawyer and married his wife, Connie. They...
had four children—Greg ’81, Mark, Pamela and Christopher. Connie and George attended Fr. Brooks’ first public Mass, which was celebrated in June of 1959 at St. Joseph’s Church in Needham, Mass. The Cahills and Fr. Brooks remained friends throughout the years and shared a love of all things Holy Cross. George has been an active participant in many alumni activities, including serving as class chair and, eventually, president of the General Alumni Association (GAA).

One of the things the Cahills enjoyed together was music. For more than 25 years they held tickets to the Boston Symphony Orchestra, and every summer they headed west on the Massachusetts Turnpike to Lenox to attend concerts at Tanglewood. One of the most memorable BSO performances they attended together was The Passion According to St. Mark, composed by Holy Cross Associate Professor of Music Osvaldo Golijov. Cahill called the February 2001 performance “absolutely overwhelming”; critics called The Passion, “the first great symphony of the 21st century.” Golijov lectured a group of Holy Cross alumni just prior to that performance as part of the Donelan Faculty Lecture Series, and the evening brought together all the things George Cahill loved most: being with Connie, taking in a stunning performance and enjoying the company of Holy Cross friends.

When Connie became very ill with cancer in 2002, Fr. Brooks notes, she suffered without complaint, which was her way. During the Christmas season of that year, Fr. Brooks and Fr. Francis Miller, S.J., ’46, went to visit the Cahills, to bless Connie and to celebrate the Eucharist for her at the Cahill home in Weston. Connie died in January 2003; Fr. Brooks celebrated the funeral Mass and delivered the homily at St. Ignatius Church in Chestnut Hill, the parish church where George had worshipped as a youth.

On the occasion of his 55th reunion in June of 2004, George decided he wanted to make a significant contribution to Holy Cross, so he went to see Fr. Brooks.

“No one that’s both ‘semi-retired,’” says George, “there is more time for conversation, and it’s kind of nice.”

They talked and came up with the notion that part of the gift would benefit the music department, to honor Connie and to address the needs of a department about which Fr. Brooks cares deeply. This was accomplished with the establishment of The Constance and George Cahill Music Scholarship. The scholarship, which will be awarded by the music department, will provide needed financial aid to talented students majoring in music.

Cahill also decided to memorialize several classmates and friends. He has established 15 Holy Cross class fund endowments in their names. Those men will be listed as donors to the College in perpetuity.

While Connie played piano, George and his friend, Fr. Brooks, laugh about their lack of musical talents. Fr. Brooks explains that his interest in music comes from his understanding of the history of Jesuit education, not from an ability to play an instrument. Not only were the Jesuits dedicated in their teaching of the classics and philosophy, he explains, but they also had a strong interest in music, art and theatre.

As president of the College, Fr. Brooks thought Holy Cross should have strong programs in these areas, and he worked to nurture them. This music scholarship—part of the Brooks Music Center—was created to honor a beloved wife and devoted friend, and is, according to George, “a fitting remembrance of Connie, perpetuating her name at Holy Cross, which she loved, and paying tribute to many years of friendship with Father Brooks—and our shared love of music—all to benefit Holy Cross.”

THIS MUSIC scholarship, PART OF THE BROOKS MUSIC CENTER, WAS CREATED TO honor A BELOVED WIFE AND DEVOTED FRIEND...
The Lift High the Cross campaign has surpassed the $150 million mark thanks to the generosity of many alumni, parents and friends of Holy Cross. Thanks to all who have contributed to this effort. For those who have not yet participated but would like to, visit www.holycross.edu/campaign to learn how, or call the Development Office (508) 793-2423.
Bill Supple ’81 and Mary Lynch Supple ’82 graduated from Holy Cross only a year apart, but they barely knew each other in college. It wasn’t until three or four years later that they were formally introduced by mutual Holy Cross friends.

“Mary and I met because of Holy Cross but not at Holy Cross,” says Bill. “And I consider that a kind of divine intervention—we didn’t meet until we were ready.”

Although their own paths rarely crossed, Bill and Mary found that their Holy Cross experiences were profoundly influenced by the same man—the legendary Rev. Joseph J. LaBran, S.J., ’38. A beloved figure to generations of Holy Cross students, Fr. LaBran was known for his purple Stetson, walking staff and his spirited greeting of “Yahweh!” to everyone he met. Separately, both Bill and Mary attended one of Fr. LaBran’s retreats, the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius, spending five days in silent reflection on their relationship with God.

“Father LaBran connected people in so many ways,” says Mary. “He lived in the dorms; he let you know when he didn’t see you at Mass, but he was also no stranger to visiting students in the pub. He was larger than life in many ways, but he was also a very holy man.”

Still connecting the Supples and Lynches to Holy Cross long after their graduation, Fr. LaBran celebrated Mass after several of the Lynch family biannual Holy Cross get-togethers and baptized all four of the Supple children. Now in his 90s, Fr. LaBran resides in the Campion Jesuit Community Retirement Home in Weston, Mass.

In honor of Fr. LaBran’s life and work, the Supples recently made a gift of $50,000 to the Lift High the Cross campaign; $25,000 will create the LaBran Endowment Fund for general scholarships.

“Whether he was championing migrant farm workers, or raising funds for Holy Cross students who couldn’t afford to attend the Spiritual Exercises, Father LaBran was committed to true social justice,” says Bill. “We hope that this scholarship, in some small way, furthers his ideals.”

Mary and Bill are part of a large Holy Cross family. Mary’s father is retired Capt. Hugh F. Lynch, USN, ’60; her brother, Paul, is a member of the Class of 1984 and her sister, Coleen, of the Class of 1995—plus, one of her uncles and several cousins are Holy Cross graduates. Bill’s brother, Chris, graduated from Holy Cross in 1985 and his brother, Dave, in 1990. The Supples live in Needham, Mass., with their four children. A managing director at Robeco Investment Management in Boston, Bill has served as a class chair since graduating from Holy Cross; both he and Mary are members of the President’s Council and Holy Cross class agents. Their license plate reads “HC 8182.”
Father and son, James F. Mooney Jr. ’52 and James F. Mooney III ’90, have joined together to create a new scholarship fund at Holy Cross, which they have named in honor of their wife and mother, Joan Marie Mooney. Joan, a graduate of Marymount College and Fordham University, was a former manager of employment at NBC in New York. This unique family endeavor will provide talented and deserving students the opportunity to receive a Holy Cross education—something both Jim Jr. and Jim III say has influenced their lives in profound ways.

“I was very proud when Jim chose to attend Holy Cross,” says the elder Mooney. “And I feel very proud that we are able to make this gift together today—especially as it honors a wonderful woman who has made great contributions to both our lives.”

“My mother has been one of the guiding forces in my life,” says Jim III. “She gave me the values I needed to make the right choices. To the extent that I have been successful, she is a big reason for it.”

Avid supporters of Catholic education, both father and son feel strongly about the impact that such a scholarship can have on a young person’s life. “One of the things that is so special about Holy Cross is that it helps you establish a foundation for dealing with the world,” says Jim III. “It teaches you how to think about things within a moral framework.”

“It is a tough world out there today,” Jim Jr. adds, “and navigating it takes a true moral compass. I believe that a college like Holy Cross provides that compass.”

Holy Cross has maintained a special presence in the Mooney family, spanning the more than 50 years since the elder Mooney graduated. Both father and son maintain close friendships with classmates and such legendary Holy Cross figures as President Emeritus Rev. John E. Brooks, S.J., ’49—who was president when Jim III was a student—and Rev. Francis X. Miller, S.J., ’46, who is vice president emeritus.

Jim Jr. was principal and president of Mooney & Company, Inc., an Anheuser-Busch wholesaler, and of MacDougall’s Cape Cod Marine Service. Currently, he is president of the Catholic Foundation of the Archdiocese of Boston, a member of the finance council and a trustee of the Catholic Schools Foundation. Joan and he are residents of Boston and Woods Hole, Mass.

Jim III, who has been a member of the President’s Council since graduation, is a principal with The Baupost Group, a private investment firm in Boston. He and his wife, Lisa, have been active in the Catholic Schools Foundation for the past five years. They live in Cambridge with their two children, James, age 5, and Catherine, age 3.

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On Nov. 6, 2004, at the dinner for distinguished, regent and benefactors circle members of President’s Council in the Hogan Ballroom, Heidi Brake Smith ’82 was inducted into Cornerstone. Right: Rev. Michael McFarland, S.J., and Chair of the Board Michael Collins ’77 present Brake Smith with her cornerstone crystal.

Guests were entertained with musical selections performed by students in the music department. Annoosua Mukherjee ’07, (above left) a Rev. John E. Brooks, S.J., Music Scholar, violinist and music major from Hollis, N.H., performed a Beethoven sonata. New members of the Fitton and Fenwick Societies were publicly recognized. Above right: P.J. Crowley ’73 and his daughter, Mary ’08. left: Cornerstone members Bill ’66 and Joan Guiney; below left: Katherine and Paul Stuka ’77; and below: Dan ’55 and Lise Wellehan.
Anthony Marlon, M.D., ’63, founder, chairman and CEO of Sierra Health Services, Inc., made a presentation to students in the premedicine and prebusiness programs on Nov. 16. Sierra Health Services operates an HMO covering more than 220,000 members and a medical practice group in Nevada.
“Information, opportunity and support”

Career network offers assistance to alums

BY MAUREEN E. MORAN ’89

Maybe it has been a few years since you ate a meal in Kimball or heard a lecture in Beaven, but Holy Cross still has much to offer when it comes to achieving your career goals.

A newly launched career network offers career advice and support to alumni/ae managing career changes and making career decisions. According to Robert Wally ’68, coordinator of the Student and Alumni Career Network, “our goal is to provide information, opportunity and support that will result in enhanced career success and satisfaction.”

More than an element of the program’s name, the word “network” is key to its mission: to create a link between those seeking career advice and those in a position to provide assistance.

“With more than 32,000 living Holy Cross alumni,” says Wally, “both the need and the source of support for such a network are clear.”

Alumni seeking assistance in achieving their career goals can access the career network in several ways, including a Web site linked from the General Alumni Association Services page of the Holy Cross Web site, available at:
http://www.holycross.edu/departments/alumnidev/alumni/career/

Once an alumnus/a is a registered user, he or she is then able to utilize this online professional networking resource. Alums can check an online directory, take advantage of a career center and message boards, and sign up to become career advisers through the “Career Planning Volunteer” option. The Career Planning Volunteer Indicator identifies those alums who have agreed to serve as career advisors. In addition, registered users can set up a permanent e-mail address through the College; this address can be configured to forward messages to a work or home e-mail address.

In his role as network coordinator, Wally is available to offer alums assistance in refining a career-related inquiry or identifying career opportunities. In addition, he recommends career advisers–graduates who are willing to share their knowledge and “lessons learned” with fellow Crusaders–and facilitates contact between advisers and those seeking their advice. Wally, who has a background in counseling and education administration, also provides ongoing follow-up with alumni/ae and students.

“Holy Cross graduates are a wealth of information concerning almost any conceivable career path,” Wally says. “Because of their commitment to being ‘men and women for others,’ they are willing to share their time and knowledge with those who are striving to make their way in a job market that is increasingly characterized by multiple career changes and high mobility.”

The assistance the network adviser provides is practical in its scope: informational interviews that offer career information and insight; resume review and advice; networking opportunities and personal referrals; and job-seeking strategies.

“Our goal is not to find a job for someone,” Wally says. “Instead, we want to make certain those who seek our advice and assistance have all the tools they need to make good career choices.”

Funded by the May and Stanley Smith Charitable Trust, the career network was launched in June 2004 to expand the existing practice of offering career advice and networking opportunities to alums as well as students. Although this ambitious project has been under way for just a few short months, Wally has already made significant strides. In October, letters were sent to 7,400 career advisers with the goal of updating and solidifying an existing database of advisers.

In November, Wally organized a Senior Class Career Networking Evening for the Class of 2005, hosted by the GAA and the College’s Career Planning Center. The soon-to-be graduates had the opportunity to network and learn more about various profes-

Nick Gillman ’05 (left), and Francis McKenna ’84

Ed Murphy ’87 (left) talks with Maria Hedrick ’05.
sions from 42 alums who represented 19 fields, ranging from marketing and sales to counseling, real estate and social services.

Judithe Andre ’98, a marketing professional who participated in the November event, was impressed with the quality of the questions that students posed, as well as the professional manner in which they approached the event.

“The students maintained a professional and outgoing decorum that would be expected of them in any professional networking environment,” she says. “They should be commended for aggressively trying to map out the paths in which they will launch their careers so early in the year.”

John Winters, director of the College’s Career Planning Center, has high praise for the efforts of alums who take the time to share their experiences with both graduates and students.

“For those students in the early stages of career exploration, advisers offer firsthand insight into careers that are of interest to students,” he says. “For those who have already developed a focus, advisers are a great source of information and advice regarding a student’s search for an internship or first professional position.”

As he pushes ahead with an ambitious plan to connect alums, Wally is already seeing the fruits of his labor.

“An increasing number of alumni/ae have sought assistance with career networking, and the Student and Alumni/ae Career Network has responded with personal contacts, the identification of career advisers, and follow-up to make certain that alumni/ae are finding the network helpful,” he says. “Today’s workplace is vastly different than the workplace of 20 years ago. Because things change so quickly, we must stay on top of those changes so that the services we provide alumni/ae and students allow them to position themselves competitively.”

Wally has high praise for alums who form the backbone of the network. “It is both encouraging and gratifying to see the assistance and support that alumni/ae career advisers offer,” he says. “As we continue to grow the network, it promises to become an even busier and more beneficial resource for alums and students.”

For more information concerning the network—whether as someone seeking career assistance or one willing to provide it—contact Bob Wally ’68, coordinator of the Student and Alumni/ae Career Network, at 508-793-3758 or rwally@holycross.edu.

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GENERAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION CONTINUING EDUCATION DAY

Saturday, April 2

Join fellow alumni as they return to Mount Saint James for the 23rd year of “The Classroom Revisited.” Participants may choose from nine engaging lectures and workshops during the day’s three sessions. Attendees can look forward to helpful updates on familiar subjects or stimulating introductions to new areas of interest!

For a brochure and registration form, contact the Alumni Office at 508-793-2418.

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Women in Ministry for the 21st Century

When: Sept. 22-24, 2005

What: A fully funded conference for women graduates involved in or preparing for professional ministry. An opportunity to come together to reflect on the context, joys, challenges and directions for ministry in the 21st century. How did we get here? Why do we do what we do? What sustains us? What resources do we have to share with future generations of Holy Cross women called to ministry?

Why: Through part of a $2 million grant awarded to Holy Cross by the Lilly Endowment for the theological exploration of vocation, the Office of the College Chaplains will sponsor two conferences for Holy Cross graduates in ministry in 2005 and 2006.

Where: College of the Holy Cross

For more information please contact the Office of the College Chaplains at 508-793-2448 or consult our Web page: http://www.holycross.edu/departments/chaplains/index.htm

HOLY CROSS ALUMNI/AE RETREAT

The Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius Loyola

“The Fourth Week”

When: Thurs., May 12, 5 p.m., through Sun., May 14, 1 p.m.

Where: Our Lady of Peace Retreat House
Narragansett, R.I.

Return to Our Lady of Peace and join Holy Cross alumni/ae for a silent retreat, based on the “Fourth Week” of the Spiritual Exercises. Led by Rev. James M. Hayes, S.J., ‘72; Katherine M. McElaney ‘76; and Rev. William R. Campbell, S.J., ‘87, the retreat will feature presentations and individual direction. Space is limited to 25-30 participants. The cost is $160. For more information, contact Pat Christensen, by phone at 508-793-2427, or by e-mail at pchriste@holycross.edu
Providence, The Renaissance City
BY FRANCIS J. LEAZES JR. '71 AND MARK T. MOTTE
Francis J. Leazes Jr. ’71 is the author of Providence, The Renaissance City (Northeastern University Press), an authoritative account of the revival of Providence, R.I. The book depicts the ideas, opportunities and people behind the 25-year rebirth of this New England city. Considered valuable reading for political scientists and urban planners, it lays the historical, economic and political groundwork that paved the way for the transformation of Providence's downtown into one of the nation's most attractive urban environments.

Leazes is a professor and department chair of political science and public administration at Rhode Island College. He is the author of Accountability and the Business State: The Structure of Federal Corporations.

Cracking More Cases: The Forensic Science of Solving Crimes
BY THOMAS W. O'NEIL '59 AND DR. HENRY C. LEE
Cracking More Cases (Prometheus Books) is the sequel to 2002’s Cracking Cases, by Thomas W. O'Neil '59 and legendary forensics expert Dr. Henry C. Lee—best known for his role in the O.J. Simpson case. This follow-up book focuses on the brutal slayings of six-year-old JonBenet Ramsey and teenage Martha Moxley, along with three lesser-known homicide cases. It offers an insider's look into how criminal forensics assists in bringing perpetrators to justice in some of the most notorious and troubling criminal cases of recent times.

O'Neil is a professional writer and instructor of journalism at Gateway Community College in Connecticut. On June 29, he will be appearing on the Court TV network to discuss cases featured in the book.

Emergency Medicine: The Essentials
BY STEPHEN P. MCELROY, M.D., '88
Stephen P. McElroy, M.D., '88 is the author of Emergency Medicine: The Essentials (Health Emergency Publishing), a comprehensive pocket guide to the diagnosis and treatment of emergency medical conditions. Designed to be a concise, well-organized reference for emergency or internal medicine attendings, residents or students, the book covers topics such as anesthesia, dermatology and hematology/oncology. Its pediatric companion edition, Pediatric Emergency Medicine: The Essentials, provides physicians and residents information for the diagnosis and treatment of pediatric emergency medical conditions; it includes helpful references such as growth charts and normal ECG values.

McElroy, an assistant clinical professor at the Boston Medical Center and Quincy (Mass.) Medical Center, is a graduate of the University of Massachusetts Medical School in Worcester.

The Lion and the Lamb: Evangelicals and Catholics in America
BY WILLIAM M. SHEA
In his book The Lion and the Lamb (Oxford University Press), William M. Shea presents an accessible and timely study on the contemporary American religious landscape. One of the most intriguing questions in American Christianity today is whether the recent mending of relations between Catholics and conservative evangelicals indicates a deliberate movement away from the past 500 years of deep animosity between the two groups. Shea’s book examines the history of this troubled relationship, as well as the signs of potential reconciliation in light of the radical change each community has experienced in the 20th century.

Director of the College’s Center for Religion, Ethics and Culture, Shea is the author of The Naturalist and the Supernatural and editor of several collections of papers.
Paranoia and Contentment: A Personal Essay on Western Thought
BY JOHN C. HAMPSEY '76

In Paranoia and Contentment (University of Virginia Press), John C. Hampsey ’76 turns upside down the modern, negative definition of paranoia as “mental derangement” and, instead, presents paranoia as a positive concept. Written as part scholarship, part personal essay, the book offers an original read of the Western tradition using such figures as Jesus, Socrates and Joan of Arc. Historian and author Howard Zinn agrees, writing, “Hampsey’s goal is to startle us into reconsidering our conventional ways of thinking, and I believe he has achieved that goal admirably.”

Hampsey is a professor of English at California Polytechnic State University in San Luis Obispo.

BY JOSHUA R. PAHIGIAN ’96

The Spring Training Handbook (McFarland), by Joshua R. Pahigian ’96 is based on the author’s visits to each of the 26 current spring training ballparks in Florida and Arizona. This reference work provides a detailed description of each ballpark as well as information on the park’s history and the spring training history of the resident major-league teams. In addition, the book includes information about the area surrounding the ballpark, focusing on other baseball- and sports-related attractions nearby.

Pahigian has written for various magazines and literary journals, including The Worcester Telegram & Gazette, Portland Press Herald and Port City Life Magazine. A resident of Buxton, Maine, he is co-author of The Ultimate Baseball Road-Trip: A Fan’s Guide to Major League Stadiums.

Companies With a Conscience: Intimate Portraits of Twelve Firms That Make a Difference
BY MARY SCOTT ’80 AND HOWARD ROTHMAN

Companies With a Conscience (Myers Templeton), by Mary Scott ’80 is required reading at universities and business schools across the country. Its goal is to provide positive examples of companies that have prospered while also being committed to social, environmental and community causes. The book profiles 12 successful enterprises, including Ben & Jerry’s, Patagonia and Celestial Seasonings. According to The Wall Street Journal, “If you want to turn your own business into a socially responsible one, then (this book) might be just what you’re looking for.”

Scott, a resident of Denver, Colo., has been a financial reporter, magazine editor and a commentator on public radio’s Marketplace Radio.

Belonging to God: A Personal Training Guide for the Deeper Catholic Spiritual Life
BY MSGR. CHARLES M. MURPHY ’57

Msgr. Charles M. Murphy ’57 is the author of Belonging to God (Crossroad), a guide for working Catholics who want to grow in their spiritual lives but do not have access to a spiritual director or hours of free time. Murphy offers insights into the Catholic approach to spiritual formation, using values from the religious tradition and examples drawn from the lives of everyday people.

A writer and teacher, Msgr. Murphy holds a Ph.D. from the Gregorian University in Rome; previously the rector at the North American College in Vatican City, currently he serves as pastor of Holy Martyrs Parish in Falmouth, Maine.
Athletics

Is Clam Chowder Really a Meal?

And other questions that arise when a college hosts the NCAA tournament.

BY MICHAEL REARDON

Frank Mastrandrea ’88, assistant athletic director, chuckled about the event that was rapidly consuming his life.

“The worst is yet to come, and ignorance is bliss,” Mastrandrea said, as he sat in his Fieldhouse office on a luminous and frigid January morning.

At the time, he was fully immersed in planning the NCAA Division I Men’s Basketball Championships, aka “The Big Dance,” the highlight of the college basketball season. The challenge of hosting a massive, logistically complex multi-day event was intensifying, and Mastrandrea was feeling the pressure. Holy Cross, as tournament host, would be under the microscope across the country as tens of thousands of college basketball fans, media, officials, players and others descended on Worcester for the better part of a week.

Now that the tournament is part of NCAA history, the College can look back with pride as the host of a successful major national event, where all those thousands of people were treated to great basketball games and warmhearted hospitality. And Mastrandrea is no doubt catching up on some much needed sleep and getting reacquainted with his family.

Rabid college hoops fans jammed the DCU Center on Friday, March 18 and Sunday, March 20 to see some of the best college basketball teams in the country compete in the first and second rounds of the tournament. Fans were electrified by the exciting games played by student-athletes who may someday compete in the National Basketball Association.

The nation thrilled to the action on the DCU Center court, but comparatively few people were aware of the pressure-packed, behind-the-scenes planning of the event. Director of Athletics Richard M. Regan Jr. ’76, Associate Athletic Director Rosemary A. Shea ’87 and Mastrandrea worked for years with Sandy Dunn, general manager of the DCU Center (formerly the Worcester Centrum), city officials and business leaders to bring one of the premier events in all of sports to Worcester.
The city joined Boise, Charlotte, Cleveland, Indianapolis, Nashville, Oklahoma City and Tucson as first- and second-round sites.

Planning for the tournament was a monumental and at times overwhelming task. The amount of work behind the scenes to prepare for that week was staggering—and intensified as March drew closer. All the while, Mastrandrea, Shea and Regan firmly believed a sense of humor was essential to surviving the stress.

“I was looking forward to April,” Mastrandrea said with a smile. “But we were all pretty calm. There’s a certain calmness that comes over you when you realize you can’t have your hand in everything. Things will go wrong, but you can’t let it bother you. With something this big, we knew there would be little bumps. You just have to move on.”

In their Fieldhouse offices, a sense of calm did prevail. One morning in the weeks leading up to the tournament, Mastrandrea fielded questions from media seeking credentials to cover the event; Regan poured over NCAA tournament regulations; and Shea worked with staff to organize ticket packages. However, beneath the unflappability and good humor was mounting pressure to make the tournament go off with nary a
Beneath the unflappability and good humor was nary a hitch and ensure that NCAA officials, terrific and memorable week.

Although the tournament itself was hectic, the Holy Cross planners were busiest during the last four days leading up to the games. Much of the work could not be done until after it was known which teams would be coming to Worcester.

“Selection Sunday”—in which college teams from across the country are chosen to play in the tournament—was March 13, just a few days before the first game was to be played.

“Selections were made Sunday night and teams arrived here for practice on the following Thursday,” Shea said. “Nothing prepares you for the wave that comes after ‘Selection Sunday.’”

Shea was the only one among her colleagues planning the 2005 tournament who was working at Holy Cross in 1992—the last time the College hosted the NCAA Division I Men’s Basketball Championships. She was not involved in planning the event at that time, but as media relations assistant, she gathered statistics, put together media guides and served as practice coordinator.

“I remember they were great games,” Shea said of the 1992 tournament. “People still talk about them and what a great experience it was for Worcester. The first day of the tournament is always an exciting one. There are usually some upsets, and you get teams coming out of nowhere and advancing.”

The road to hosting this year’s NCAA Division I Men’s Basketball Tournament began almost five years ago. Because the NCAA plans for tournaments several years in advance, a bid to become a host site for 2005 was submitted by Holy Cross and SMG (the DCU Center’s management company) in June 2000. The NCAA conducted a site visit to Worcester in September of that year in order to evaluate the DCU Center, airports, local hotels, and the ability of Holy Cross to administer the tournament according to the NCAA’s policies.

“As part of the bidding process, prospective hosts submit materials to support how they meet those criteria,” explained William R. Hancock, consultant to the NCAA Division I Men’s Championships. “Specifically, we ask for facts and figures about the facility, such as capacity, locker rooms, media space, number of daily arrivals and departures from nearby airports and descriptions of hotels, including the distance from the competition venue. Holy Cross was committed to making the event successful.”

In December 2000, the NCAA notified Holy Cross that the tournament would be coming to Worcester. After that, there was a three-year lull. Planning activity did not pick up again until August 2003 when Regan and Shea traveled to Indianapolis, home of the NCAA, for a seminar for future tournament hosts. They went back to Indianapolis in August 2004 for another seminar and, last year, attended the NCAA Division I
Men’s Championships in Raleigh, N.C., to observe behind the scenes how the tournament is run.

NCAA officials returned to Worcester in January of this year for a last two-day site visit. The NCAA requires the host institution to hold a basketball game in the same arena where the tournament will take place to ensure the venue is appropriate for the tournament. Holy Cross moved a men's basketball game against Iona to the DCU Center so that NCAA officials could observe a game in progress.

Regan said Holy Cross did not make a substantial profit as a result of hosting the NCAA Division I Men’s Basketball Championships, explaining that this was not the school’s intention. Rather, he points to the prestige that comes with serving as a host of the tournament.

“It was an honor to be selected,” Regan said. “It raised the profile of the College. People across the country watched the tournament. It gave the institution some visibility.”

Noting that the “amount of detail is overwhelming” in planning for the tournament, Shea says that, for months, Regan, Mastrandrea and she each carried around a door-stopper-thick, 225-page NCAA manual issued to all tournament hosts. According to Shea, the manual spells out exactly how the host institution must conduct the entire tournament, from hotel accommodations to drug testing of student-athletes.

“This was the most specific document you’ve ever seen,” Mastrandrea agreed. “They’re so specific they tell us the number of colored markers we need.”

He points out other examples of the details covered in the manual, such as: how many somersaults a cheerleader can perform (no more than one rotation); the duration of team practices (50 minutes); the specific number and type of supplies for media (i.e., four blue/black markers); the number of school logos allowed on the basketball court (two logos that cannot measure more than five by five feet, and lettering no more than 42 inches high); the allotment of drinking cups permitted for media, teams and cheerleaders (15,000); and length of television interviews (no more than four minutes).

The NCAA was also a stickler about the types of food that could be served in places like the media buffet room. With permission, a host could substitute a food recommended by the NCAA with local cuisine. But it wasn’t easy.

“In an effort to bring some local flavor to the event, we wanted to replace one of the NCAA’s recommended hot items with clam chowder,” Shea said. “There were high level staff members at the NCAA office deciding if soup was really a meal.”

Hancock said the NCAA believes it is important that the tournament have the “same look and feel” everywhere in the country. Guidelines for everything from what the public address announcer can say to the size of a manufacturer’s label on a school band member’s uniform guarantees there will be that consistency.

“The NCAA Division I Men’s Basketball Committee wants the teams, media and fans to be treated the same in Worcester as they are in Tucson and Oklahoma City and Charlotte,” Hancock said. “The only way to do that is to have a clear set of policies for all host institutions.”
And make no mistake: Holy Cross planned the tournament according to the strict guidelines set down in the manual—but that did not stop Mastrandrea and Shea from poking a little fun at the NCAA and its obsession with regulating every last minute detail of the tournament.

“There is a section that reads, ‘review seating assignments during each half to ensure authorized person is in seat and not a freeloader,’” Mastrandrea said. “The fact that the word ‘freeloader’ is in the book was my favorite part.”

“No detail is too small for the NCAA,” Shea added. “We provided the banner dimensions for the officials' and media tables at least six times. I think that brides have been measured for their wedding dresses fewer times than we had to check sizes for NCAA banners and table skirting.”

As tournament manager, Shea had the most crushing workload of anyone in the athletic office. For the past year leading up to the tournament, she was the person who submitted all the plans, documents, maps and diagrams to the NCAA office. In addition to handling ticket orders, she was also the primary contact for the teams, officials and NCAA personnel during the tournament.

Shea’s experience and hard work were invaluable to planning this year’s tournament.

“If Rose and Frank weren’t here,” said Regan, “I don’t know what I’d have done.”

Despite the attention to detail, glitches are inevitable in planning the event. In 1992, the NCAA added the letter ‘h’ to ‘Worcester,’ misspelling it ‘Worchester’ on some of its materials. The same thing happened again this year—shirts sent to Holy Cross had Worcester spelled with an ‘h’ on them.

“Overcoming the mispronunciation and misspelling of Worcester was one of our biggest challenges,” quipped Shea.

Shea marveled at the changes that have occurred in the years since Holy Cross last hosted the NCAA Division I Men’s Basketball Championships. Noting the emergence of technology as the biggest change in how the games were covered behind the scenes, Shea recalls that she and others typed out game statistics on typewriters in 1992. And, when they wanted to use computers on “Selection Sunday,” she said, they had to go to the student computer lab because there were not enough computers in the athletic department.

“It’s almost incredible that we made the whole event happen in 1992 without personal computers, laptops, Internet, cell phones, voice mail or e-mail,” Shea noted. “Earlier this year the NCAA asked for digital photos from the last time we hosted the tournament. The only digital technology we used then was for watches.”

Mastrandrea’s biggest job was issuing media credentials. He knew major media outlets like The New York Times, Sports Illustrated and The Boston Globe would be on hand, but without knowing until “Selection Sunday” which teams would play in Worcester, he could only estimate how many media credentials he would need to issue.

Because it was also impossible to put together media guides until the teams were named on “Selection Sunday,” these last minute tasks kept Mastrandrea awake at night. In the months leading up to the tournament, he estimated that up to 300 media members could be in Worcester that week.
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Frank Mastrandrea ’88, assistant athletic director

“It was like planning a wedding for 300 of your closest friends,” he said. “I was trying to plan for the worst case, but there are only so many seats in the first round. You are going to tick somebody off. As best as possible, I wanted to take care of those who have been good to Holy Cross.”

The emergence of online media was another challenge for Mastrandrea—he had to consult newspaper circulation figures and television and radio market areas to determine which traditional media outlets received credentials. For online media, the NCAA required that the outlet receive at least one million unique users a month in each of the 12 months leading up to the tournament and that it cover college basketball on a daily basis.

“The NCAA has been very progressive in saying you have to recognize these people as media,” Mastrandrea said.

The success of the tournament also hinged on the effective use of about 100 volunteers from Holy Cross, the community and other colleges and universities.

“As we gathered volunteers, people said they did this 13 years ago and that they wanted to do it again,” Shea said. “People really enjoyed doing it. No matter how small the task, they wanted to be part of it.”

Mastrandrea needed approximately 50 volunteers just to handle media. Jobs included handing out press credentials, escorting team coaches and student-athletes to the interview room for postgame interviews and holding microphones for media to ask questions.

These jobs were not nearly as glamorous as they seemed, said Mastrandrea.

“Being a coach escort is a hard job,” he explained. “The escorts have to bring the coaches and players to the interview rooms at certain times. It’s not a fun job for the escort of the losing coach. The escort has to knock on the door of the locker room and get that coach to come out to do the interview.”

Many of the volunteers in the DCU Center “worked 12 hours and only saw maybe five minutes of basketball,” said Mastrandrea.

Others volunteered at hotels—some of which were as far away as Marlboro, Westboro and Framingham; the NCAA required that rooms in 10 hotels no more than 20 miles from the arena be reserved for the NCAA officials, media, teams, game officials, school bands, cheerleaders and mascots. In all, approximately 1,000 people, who were somehow officially attached to the tournament, stayed in the region’s hotels.

Volunteers, or “team liaisons,” as some were called, did everything from escort teams from airports to hotels, to running errands for coaches.

After all the meetings, phone calls, stress, sleepless nights and attention to every last detail, in the end one question remained: Did Mastrandrea, Shea and Regan enjoy the games or were they buried in work during tournament week, running in several different directions at once?

“I sat down and enjoyed it for a minute,” Shea said. “I let it sink in. I enjoyed that moment.”

Then she went back to work.

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Many college basketball players—especially at the Division I level—enter their first season with dreams of the National Basketball Association, no matter how unrealistic those aims may be.

This is sometimes true of non-scholarship hoopsters, even in the Patriot League—which is known for its high graduation rate among student-athletes. And it certainly was true for Rob Feaster ’95, who came from Chicago to Mount St. James with high hopes in the early 1990s.

Feaster, however, put up offensive numbers that most Patriot League players can only dream about. He averaged 28 points per game for the Crusaders in 1993-94, ranking second in the nation in Division I, behind future NBA star Glen Robinson.

Not to be outdone, he averaged 25 points—eighth in the nation—and 6.9 rebounds per game in his final season. For comparison, the entire Army team averaged 50.5 points per game during the 2003-04 season.

Feaster had 2,224 points in his Holy Cross career. That is the most ever for a Patriot League player, and second in school history. He was the Patriot League’s most valuable player in 1993 when Holy Cross won the league title. Player of the year in 1995, he was named to the all-decade team in the Patriot League. Feaster was drafted by the Connecticut Pride of the Continental Basketball Association after college, but the NBA never called his name.

But 10 years after his graduation, Feaster is now playing pro hoops—though he admits he will never order room service as a player in the NBA. “My clock on the (possible) NBA experience has clicked,” he says. “The NBA was a dream that wasn’t attained.”

But that doesn’t mean that Feaster, who turns 32 in May, has not had a lengthy and profitable pro career. He has—and the 6-foot-7 forward has seen much of the world at the same time. Feaster has played for pay in Germany for three seasons, in Australia for nearly three full seasons, and, in January, he joined a team in France. He also played in the minor leagues in the United States.
“It depends on what your goals and priorities are,” he says, prior to a game in Paris. “Not everyone can play over here. And I am not talking about talent.”

The stories are legend: many American hoopsters come to Europe for a tryout, or perhaps have signed a contract. And more than a few, over the years, have gotten on the next plane and headed home—the victim of culture shock, a foreign language or perhaps being without a support system for the first time.

“They don’t want to come over here and be forgotten,” says Feaster.

So what advice would Feaster give to aspiring Euro-players?

“First and foremost,” he says, “you have to have an open mind. Americans by nature are pretty confident and arrogant. You have to respect (that) you are in someone else’s home. You have to adapt to that. You have to be humble.”

Feaster doesn’t pretend to be perfect. He says he was naive as a rookie pro in 1995-96 when he played in Germany.

“I was one of those young people who wanted people to adjust to me,” he says. “In my younger years (as a pro), I thought I had to come over and score buckets. But they don’t want you to come over here and make their (native) players look silly. They want you to complement their players, on and off the court.”

“In school,” he explains, “you have structure. You have classes. When you are an adult and your occupation is basketball ... you would be surprised at how much free time you have.”

So how does Feaster spend his free time?

“I take my profession seriously,” he says. “I stretch (in exercises), I do what I need to do. I make sure I eat right. I do massages, physical therapy, ride the bike.”

Feaster played in Australia for most of the past three seasons. Playing for the Perth Wildcats in 2002-03, he averaged 19.2 points and 7.2 rebounds per game as his team advanced to the finals, and he was a second-team all-league pick.

Last season, he played for the Victoria Giants in Australia and averaged 18.5 points and 5.7 rebounds per game.

“The quality of life is great, and everyone speaks English,” he says of the Land Down Under. Feaster saw the world-famous Opera House in Sydney; when he played in Germany from 1995-98, he visited famous cathedrals and the site of the former Berlin Wall.

He thought he would have to sit out this season while dealing with family issues in Chicago. But Reims—a team in the French pro A league—had room for a second American on its roster, and Feaster signed a temporary contract in January.

Most Americans who play pro hoops in Europe are provided the free use of a car and apartment by the team, and the salary is normally tax-free. So Feaster’s expenses in France are just meals, utilities and phone calls back to the States.

In his third game in France, Feaster had a team-high 16 points in 29 minutes of action in a 72-66 loss to Paris Racing Basket on Jan. 22 in southeast Paris. He averaged 14.3 points per game in his first outings for Reims, a town of about 200,000 people nearly 90 minutes northeast of Paris.

“The people are great, and it’s a nice town,” Feaster says of Reims. “We are trying to get a stronger following (for the team), but you have to win games.”

That was a problem before Feaster joined the team. The team fell to 2-16 with the loss to Paris, whose lineup included point guard John Linehan from Providence College, plus former players from Georgetown, St. Joseph’s and North Carolina State.

American Ryan Fletcher, the top scorer for Reims this season, was impressed when Feaster joined the club. “From day one he was making shots,” says Fletcher, who played at the University of Cincinnati. “He causes a lot of match-up problems. You really can’t put a big guy on him because he is too quick.”
Postage sheetlets honor Issa family

By Rebecca Smith ’99

In September 2004, the Jamaican government released a series of stamp sheetlets featuring people who have distinguished themselves in their contributions to the country’s tourism industry. The series commemorate the centennial of the Jamaica Hotel Law, a 1904 act that provided incentives for hotel construction and stimulated the development of tourism.

The stamps feature two Holy Cross alumni: the late Abraham “Abe” Issa ’26, first chairman of the Jamaica Tourist Board (JTB), and his nephew John Issa ’60, chairman of SuperClubs and former chairman of the JTB. This marks the first time in Jamaica’s stamp history that an uncle and nephew have been featured on a single sheetlet.

Other notable people on the stamp series include Gordon “Butch” Stewart, chairman of the Sandals Group and former member of the JTB, and Ralph Lauren, chairman and chief executive officer of Polo Ralph Lauren and philanthropist of Jamaican causes.

Abe Issa, along with his father and brother, was part of what people consider “the most powerful dynasty in the Caribbean.” The Issa family owned retail stores, real estate, movie theaters, hotels and car dealerships throughout Jamaica. Today, the Issa name remains well known all over the island.

Hailed as “the father of Jamaican tourism,” Abe Issa’s foray into the tourism business began in 1943 with the purchase of the Myrtle Bank Hotel. Based on its great success, five years later Issa built Tower Isle Resort Ocho Rios, the first resort on Jamaica’s undeveloped north coast. The resort flourished and attracted many celebrity guests during the 1950s, most notably Debbie Reynolds, Vincent Price and Eva Gabor.

In 1978, after over 30 years in the hotel business, Issa introduced the luxury resort concept for couples only. At that time, Tower Isle Resort was renamed Couples, and today the Issa family owns three Couples resorts on the island. For his success in raising international awareness of Jamaican vacations to tourists, Abe Issa has become known as “Mr. Jamaica.”

Following in his uncle’s footsteps, John Issa also became an influential figure in the Jamaican tourism industry. He began his career working alongside Abe as a shareholder and director of the family company. Upon Abe’s death, John succeeded him as the director of the family’s hotels in 1961.

John Issa is known as the pioneer of the all-inclusive resort concept, introducing the first such hotel on the island with
edition of the weekly newspaper Nantucket (Mass.) Independent announced that Robert F. Mooney received the Paul Joseph Revere Award for history last October from the Olde Colony Civil War Round Table.

1954
CLASS CHAIR
BARRY R. MCDONOUGH
CLASS CORRESPONDENT
PAUL F. DUPUIS
The Oct. 11 edition of Home Textiles Today magazine noted that, last September, Park B. Smith was named an honorary mayor and an honorary vigneron of the town of Chateauneuf du Pape in France. Smith is the founder and chairman of the home textiles business Park B. Smith Inc.

1957
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
WILLIAM J. ELLIS
RAYMOND A. NOTHNAGLE
Paul A. Bornstein has been elected commander of VFW Post 1288 in his retirement community of Sun City Center, Fla.

1960
CLASS REUNION
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
GEORGE M. FORD
GEORGE F. SULLIVAN JR.
State Bancorp Inc., Jericho, N.Y.—parent company of State Bank of Long Island—announced in September the election of Andrew J. Simons Sr. to its board of directors and his appointment as a director of State Bank of Long Island. Since December 2000, Simons has served as the associate dean of St. John’s University School of Law in Jamaica, N.Y.

1961
Effective last July, Kevin J. Collins was elected to a two-year term on the executive committee of the New Jersey Commission on Higher Education. Last November, Laboure College in Boston honored Richard F. “Dick” Connolly Jr. with its Laboure Medal. Connolly serves as senior vice president-investments, with UBS Financial Services Inc., also in Boston.

1962
CLASS CHAIR
WILLIAM J. O’LEARY JR.
B. Joseph Fitzsimmons Jr., who was named to “Who’s Who in American Law,” continues to practice in

Issa Family

the development of Negril Beach Village Resort in 1976 (now Hedonism II). Issa’s aim was to offer tourists vacations with no hidden costs. This promise has drawn visitors from around the world. From Hedonism II, Issa launched the Super Clubs group of 16 all-inclusive hotel properties in Jamaica, Curacao, the Bahamas, the Dominican Republic and Brazil.

With over 40 years of experience in the tourism industry, Issa has earned numerous awards for his innovative efforts, including the rank of Commander in Jamaica’s Order of Merit; the Caribbean Hotel Association’s “Caribbean Hotelier of the Year” award, and the honor of “Man of the Decade,” by Investor’s Choice Magazine. Issa is a director of Grace, Kennedy & Co. Ltd. as well as a director on the board of the Jamaica Stock Exchange. He served as president of the Jamaica Hotel and Tourist Association and chairman of several organizations, including the JTB.

As to seeing his own face on a postage stamp, Issa remarks, “It is very satisfying and gratifying to know that my contributions to my country’s development have been recognized.”

Looking ahead, Issa plans to develop new brands and varieties of hotels to enhance further Jamaica’s tourism industry, while continuing to speak out on matters of concern to the country.

The Issa family has a long tradition at Holy Cross. In addition to Abraham and John, graduates include John’s father Joseph ’27; brothers Richard ’50 and Francis ’59; children Joseph J. ’88, Muna ’89 and Zein ’89; and nephews Christopher ’78, John A. ’72 and (Salvador) Jose ’77.

Since its establishment by the Jamaican government 50 years ago, a member of the Issa family—and a Holy Cross graduate—has served on or chaired the JTB during every decade except the 1990s. Currently, Issa’s daughter Zein serves as a member.
Weymouth, Mass., with the family firm; he is the author of Civil Litigation in Massachusetts. Fitzsimmons also recently became a Class “A” PGA Professional.

The board of trustees of the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey presented Arthur E. Weyman, M.D., with its Distinguished Alumnus Award for 2004, “in recognition of his contributions to the advancement of the diagnosis and treatment of cardiovascular disease.” Weyman is a professor of medicine at Harvard Medical School, Cambridge, Mass., and a physician at the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, where he serves as research director of the Echocardiography Laboratory.

1963
CLASS CHAIR  
CHARLES J. BUCHTA  
CLASS CORRESPONDENT  
MICHAEL J. TONER

Last October, the Poetry Foundation awarded Billy Collins its inaugural "Mark Twain Award" for humorous poetry.

1964
CLASS CHAIR  
RONALD T. MAHEU  
CLASS CORRESPONDENT  
WILLIAM S. RICHARDS

The Sept. 22 edition of the Stamford, Conn., newspaper Advocate announced that Richard L. Maiberger, M.D., has been named the chairman of the department of psychiatry at Norwalk (Conn.) Hospital. Maiberger, a senior attending psychiatrist, joined the hospital in 1974 as a staff psychiatrist.

1965
CLASS REUNION  
CLASS CO-CHAIRS  
DAVID J. MARTEL  
THOMAS F. MCCABE JR.

Robert H. "Bob" Williams is in his 15th year as the president and chief executive officer of the Better Business Bureau (BBB) of Eastern Massachusetts, Maine and Vermont. Appointed last June to the national business advisory board of “Business Professionals of America,” Williams is a national instructor to the BBB’s Professional Development Program.

1966
CLASS CHAIR  
KENNETH M. PADGETT  
CLASS CORRESPONDENT  
WILLIAM L. JUSKA JR.

Fitchburg (Mass.) State College announced in October the appointment of William E. Aubuchon III to the College Foundation board of directors; Aubuchon is the chief executive officer of W.E. Aubuchon Co., Inc., in Westminster, Mass. After 25 years in the magazine publishing business, Richard P. Lague is now a partner in the Brandware Group, a public relations and market research company with offices in Atlanta, Ga., New York City, N.Y., Detroit, Mich., and Los Angeles, Calif. In addition, Lague, with his two sons, is the founder of a television production company which creates documentaries and action sports shows for cable TV outlets and DVD distribution.

1967
CLASS CO-CHAIRS  
JOHN J. MCLAUGHLIN JR.  
JOHN P. SINDONI

Paul T. Collura, M.D., who continues to practice radiology in Lancaster, Pa., serves as president of Lancaster Radiology Associates—which recently joined an 87-member multispecialty group, Physician’s Alliance Ltd. George W. Conk recently lectured on tort law and the structure of the American legal system at the law schools of Peking University and Central China University of Science and Technology—as part of a Fulbright Senior Specialists grant. The Nov. 14 edition of the Boston Sunday Globe included a story about Christopher J. Matthews, host of Hardball on MSNBC-TV—and his selection as one of the keynote speakers for the 25th anniversary celebration of the “Understanding Our Differences,” program, scheduled last November in

Alumni Election Results

The following is a list of Holy Cross alumni who made a successful bid for public office last November:

Robert A. Antonioni ‘80 was re-elected to a seventh term in the Massachusetts State Senate, from the Worcester and Middlesex District.

Timothy H. Bishop ‘72 was re-elected to the U.S. House of Representatives from the 1st District of New York.

Robert P. Casey Jr. ‘82 was elected the state treasurer of Pennsylvania.

Joseph M. Fischer ‘76 was re-elected to the Kentucky House of Representatives.

Rachel Kaprielian ‘90 was re-elected to the Massachusetts House of Representatives from the 29th Middlesex District.

Michael R. Knapik ‘85 was re-elected a Massachusetts state senator from the 2nd Hampden and Hampshire District.

Michael R. McNulty ‘69 was re-elected to the U.S. House of Representatives from the 21st District of New York.

James P. Moran Jr. ‘67 was re-elected to the U.S. House of Representatives from the 8th District of Virginia.

Thomas V. Sannicandro ‘78 was elected to the Massachusetts House of Representatives from the 7th Middlesex District.

William T. Stachowski ‘72 was re-elected to the New York State Senate, representing District 58.

Robert P. Lague is now a partner in the Brandware Group, a public relations and market research company with offices in Atlanta, Ga., New York City, N.Y., Detroit, Mich., and Los Angeles, Calif. In addition, Lague, with his two sons, is the founder of a television production company which creates documentaries and action sports shows for cable TV outlets and DVD distribution.
Newton, Mass.; David A. Ticchi, an administrator for the Newton Public Schools, was chosen to receive a leadership award at the event. U.S. Trust Corp. in New York City announced in October the appointment of Gerald T. Mulligan to its board of directors; Mulligan currently serves as an adjunct professor in the finance department of Babson College, Babson Park, Mass. Robert G. Stevenson currently serves as an assistant professor in the graduate counseling program at Mercy College, Dobbs Ferry, N.Y. Prior to moving to inactive status in the New York Guard, Stevenson and his son, Sean, received the Defense of Freedom Medal from the governor for work with the 88th Brigade. Stevenson and his son, Sean, received the Distinguished Service Citation for similar service at the 7th Regiment Armory.

1968

CLASS CO-CHAIRS
ALFRED J. CAROLAN JR.
JOHN T. COLLINS

The Oct. 14 edition of the weekly newspaper Belmont (Mass.) Citizen-Herald announced that Walter L. Guertin has earned the “Certified Senior Advisor” designation, following the completion of a comprehensive course of study; he currently serves as the vice president of First Financial Trust in Newton, Mass. William A. Mueller currently works as a realtor in Boston and suburban areas.

1969

CLASS CO-CHAIRS
DAVID H. DRINAN
JAMES W. IGGE
DANIEL L. SPADA, M.D.

The Helena, Mont., law practice Doney, Crowley, Bloomquist, Payne, Uda P. C., announced in January that Frank C. Crowley, an attorney with the firm, was inducted last December into the Minor League Football News (M.L.F.N.) inaugural class “Hall of Fame.” He writes that he recently completed his 27th season of minor league football, with a record of 318 games–an M.L.F.N. national record–and that his playing 2 ¾ games in a row, both offense and defense at season’s end, earned him the “iron man” of the year award from the M.L.F.N. Last May, the Wilderness Society, Boulder, Colo., presented John H. Stansfield Jr. with its “Environmental Hero” award, in recognition of his involvement with the Wilderness Steering Committee in the 1970s and 1980s. Great Lakes Carbon Income Fund announced in September the appointment of Ronald J. Statille as senior vice president and chief financial officer of the company.

1970

CLASS REUNION
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
ANTHONY M. BARCLAY
JOHN R. DOYLE, M.D.

Donald T. Allegra, M.D., who maintains a private medical practice, serves as an infectious diseases physician in Northern New Jersey; he recently received the St. Clare’s Humanitarian Award—for “best exemplifying the core values of the institution and for his medical volunteer work in developing countries.” John J. Boucher and his wife, Therese, have recently published a book, titled An Introduction to Catholic Charismatic Renewal (St. Anthony Messenger Press, June 2004). Michael P. Cavanagh has worked 33 years as an art bronze craftsman at the Paul King Foundry in Rhode Island. Concord Communications Inc., a provider of business service management software solutions in Marlborough, Mass., announced in October the appointment of Robert E. Donahue to its board of directors. Donahue serves as a member of the board of directors and as interim president and chief executive officer of Lightbridge, Inc., a transaction processing company based in Burlington, Mass.

Stephen I. Dwyer, who currently practices commercial real estate, banking and litigation law with the New Orleans, La., firm of Dwyer & Cambre, is also developing real estate projects, such as the Wyndham Metairie (La.) Hotel. As chairman of the public recreation district, Dwyer planned and developed a 45-acre gymnasium/ballfield project.

Dominic J. Keating, who continues to serve as president of the Avanti Cigar Co. in Scranton, Pa., has been named to the Lackawanna County (Pa.) Railroad Authority. Aon Consulting recently announced the promotion of David P. Maslen to the position of executive vice president; he leads research and technical services for the firm in its Newburyport, Mass., office. Lee J. Merkel has worked 35 years for the Worcester Telegram & Gazette, serving as news editor (Page One) since 1989. Thomas F. Murphy Jr., who practices admiralty and maritime law in Boston, was recently promoted to “Master,” U.S.
in December the appointment of Guy D. Chapdelaine as finance officer of the diocese; previously, he had served as the director of finance. The spring 2004 issue of Reference & User Services Quarterly includes an article by Tony V. Stankus, titled “Supporting Volunteers in Their Personal War on Obesity with Reliable Information from Widely Available Health Science Journals”; Stankus serves as the College science librarian. Michael S. Wronski is the director of foundation and corporate relations in the division of institutional advancement at Worcester State College.

Merchant Marine. The Nov. 11 edition of the weekly newspaper East Greenwich (R.I.) Pendulum announced that Timothy J. Yentsch has joined Independence Bank as a full-time commercial loan officer; he specializes in underwriting, credit review and quality control of commercial loans made under Small Business Administration Government Guaranteed loan programs.

1971
CLASS CHAIR ROBERT T. BONAGURA
CLASS CORRESPONDENT JEROME J. CURA JR.
Wolff & Samson announced in December that Robert T. Carlton Jr. has joined the law firm of counsel in the fidelity and surety department of its Philadelphia, Pa., office. Paul M. McGarvey is the publishing systems manager at The Boston Globe. In October, James E. Murray Jr. was named administrator for behavioral health services at St. Francis Hospital and Medical Center in Hartford, Conn.

1972
CLASS CHAIR ALLAN F. KRAMER II
Ronald F. Dobrowski, who works as a construction manager for the commonwealth of Massachusetts, is currently serving his fifth term on the Brockton (Mass.) School Committee. Robert E. Dolan was recently appointed to the board of trustees of North Carolina Central University in Durham, N.C.; Dolan is the vice president of vaccine and sterile operations at Merck & Co., Inc., Whitehouse Station, N.J. The National Board of Trial Advocacy (NBTA) announced that Richard J. Kenny of the Hartford (Conn.) law firm of Kenny, O’Keefe, Ussegio has achieved board certification as a civil trial advocate through the NBTA.

1973
CLASS CO-CHAIRS GREGORY C. FLYNN EDWARD P. MEYERS
Bishop John B. McCormack of the Diocese of Manchester, N.H., announced

1974
CLASS CO-CHAIRS BRIAN R. FORTS STANLEY J. KOSTKA JR. ROBERT C. LORETTE
Ralph J. Lamparello, the managing partner of the Secaucus, N.J., law firm of Chasan, Leyner, Bariso & Lamparello, was re-appointed last June as a trustee of the New Jersey State Bar Foundation; Lamparello concentrates his practice on civil and criminal litigation. James H. Longstreet is an attorney with Maloney, Craven & Longstreet in Des Plaines, Ill. A pastel portrait by George J. Maichack of retiring Westfield (Mass.) State College President Frederick Woodward, was unveiled last September at the dedication ceremony of the new Woodward Center at the college.

1975
CLASS REUNION
CLASS CO-CHAIRS JOSEPH W. CUMMINGS JOSEPH A. SASSO JR.
Steven J. Blizzard, who currently serves as senior mid-Atlantic counsel for the Stewart Title Guaranty Co. in Fairfax, Va., has been elected president of the Virginia Land Title Association, for the 2004-05 term. Gary R. Hurst, a partner and member of the board of directors of the Atlanta, Ga., law firm, Drew Eckl & Farnham, has been appointed to the board of directors for the Diabetes Association of Atlanta. Kevin F. Wolfe, who is an architect, appeared on the program, “A Walk Through New York”—a tour of the borough of Queens hosted by David Hartman and Barry Lewis—which ran last December on PBS Channel 13 in New York.

1976
CLASS CHAIR THOMAS E. RYAN
CLASS CORRESPONDENT THOMAS C. HEALEY
James J. “Jim” Grogan is the president and chief executive officer of the Loreto Bay Company in Scottsdale, Ariz. Appointed in 2000 by the governor of Arizona to serve as chairman of the board of the Arizona Tourism and Sports Authority, Grogan is the chairman for the Randy Johnson Invitational Golf Tournament—a fund-raising event that benefits research efforts of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation—and a member of the board of directors of Phoenix Suns Charities. John C. Hampsey has published a book, titled Paranoia and Contentment: A Personal Essay on Western Thought (University of Virginia Press, 2004). The November issue of National Jesuit News included a story about the work of Rev. Michael J. Vjecha, S.J., M.D. Fr. Vjecha, who works at the VA Medical Center in Washington, D.C., was appointed coordinator of the CPCRA Strategies for Management of Anti-Retroviral Therapy—an NIH-funded AIDS study designed to track 6,000 AIDS patients over an eight-to-nine year period.

1977
CLASS CO-CHAIRS BRIAN A. CASHMAN KATHLEEN T. CONNOLLY
ABN AMRO announced last May the appointment of William A. Eagan III as head of financial institution and public sector banking, North America; based in New York, Eagan is responsible for coordinating and managing the company’s relationship with banks, finance companies, insurers and public sector entities in the United States and Canada. In October, Reed Group, Ltd., a disability and absence management company, headquartered in Westminster, Colo., announced the appointment of Kevin D. Moran as its new chief executive officer. Mary Agnes “Maggie”
Wilderrotter has been named president and chief executive officer of the Stamford, Conn.-based telecommunications company, Citizens Communications, effective this past November.

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

Daniel A. Day, who has joined the public relations firm, Stern and Associates of Cranford, N.J., handles media relations and strategy for clients.

Nancy Lusignan Schultz is a contributing co-editor of a new book, *Salem: Place, Myth, and Memory* (Northeastern University Press, 2004), with Dane Morrison. Schultz co-wrote the book’s introduction and contributed a chapter, titled “Salem as Hawthorne’s Creation.” Thomas J. Solitario writes that he has joined Scientific-Atlanta Inc. as Southeast regional sales manager.

Margaret Lanzetta had a site specific exhibition—on view from Nov. 7, 2004 to Feb. 6, 2005—at the Queens (N.Y.) Museum of Art; Lanzetta is a 2004 fellow at The MacDowell Colony in Peterborough, N.H. Dwight Asset Management, Burlington, Vt., announced in October the appointment of Jeffrey B. Norris as chief operating officer of the company.

1979
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
GLENNON L. PAREDES
DEBORAH A. PELLES

Margaret Lanzetta had a site specific work, titled “The World’s Great Age,” in the *Queens International 2004* exhibition—on view from Nov. 7, 2004 to Feb. 6, 2005—at the Queens (N.Y.) Museum of Art; Lanzetta is a 2004 fellow at The MacDowell Colony in Peterborough, N.H. Dwight Asset Management, Burlington, Vt., announced in October the appointment of Jeffrey B. Norris as chief operating officer of the company.

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

Mark P. Bilotta is in his sixth year as the executive assistant to the president of Assumption College in Worcester. Leigh Anne Brodsky currently serves as president of Nickelodeon and Viacom Consumer Products in New York City; her responsibilities include managing the strategic development of Nickelodeon’s consumer products business. Gregory D. “Gregg” Burke has been named deputy director of athletics at the University of Rhode Island in Kingston—serving as chief operating officer, he is responsible for all aspects of the daily operation of the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics. Thomas H. McLain, chairman, chief executive officer and president of Nabi Biopharmaceuticals in Boca Raton, Fla., was recently elected chairman of the board of the nonprofit organization BioFlorida. The board of trustees of Elms College, Chicopee, Mass., announced in December the selection of James H. Mullen Jr. as the ninth president of the college, effective this summer; Mullen is currently serving as chancellor of the University of North Carolina in Asheville.

Mary G. Berner was named “Publisher of the Year” by *Advertising Age* magazine at the American Magazine Conference 2004, held last October in Boca Raton, Fla.

Berner, who is the president and chief executive officer of Fairchild Publications in New York City, joined the company in 1999. Previously, she had served four years as the publisher of the beauty/fashion magazine *Glamour*. In 1997, Berner was named a vice president of Condé Nast and “Condé Nast Publisher of the Year.”

Following graduation from Holy Cross in 1981, she worked for City Group Publications in Boston, selling advertising space. Berner then joined *Working Woman Magazine* as a divisional manager and, subsequently, served as the publisher of *Success Magazine*. Before beginning her tenure at *Glamour*, she had been the senior vice president/publisher of *TV Guide*.

During her career, Berner has been the recipient of numerous awards, including the “Young Women Achievers” award by the National Council of Women; “The American Advertising Federation Hall of Achievement” award; and “Publisher of the Year” by *Frohlinger Report*. Inducted into the Academy of Women Achievers in 1997, Berner has been named “Executive of the Year” by *Adweek*, *Brandweek* and *Mediaweek* magazines.

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

Patricia (Rottmann) Blewett, M.D., was recognized as a fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians at its convocation ceremony held last October in Orlando, Fla.; Blewett continues to work at Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, in the health services clinic. Louis M. Ciavarra, a partner in the business litigation and intellectual property areas of the Worcester firm Bowditch & Dewey, was included on the “Massachusetts Super Lawyers” list, featured in the November issue of *Boston Magazine*; the list was the result of a survey sent to Massachusetts’ attorneys asking them “to vote for the best lawyers they had personally observed in action.” Since
Catholic Worker alumni travel to Sudan

By Rebecca Smith ’99

In December 2004, Scott Schaeffer-Duffy ’80, founding member of Saints Francis & Therese Catholic Worker in Worcester, traveled to the war-torn Darfur region of Sudan as part of a four-member Catholic Worker Peace Team.

Considered by the United Nations as the world’s worst current humanitarian crisis prior to the 2004 Indian Ocean earthquake, the tragedy in Darfur has resulted in an estimated 70,000 people dead and 1.8 million forced into refugee camps.

The peace team was comprised of Holy Cross alumna Brenna Cussen ’00, member of the St. Peter Claver Catholic Worker, South Bend, Ind.; alumnus Christopher Allen-Doucet ’89, co-founder of the St. Martin de Porres Catholic Worker, Hartford, Conn.; and Grace Ritter, member of the Ithaca, N.Y., Catholic Worker.

Home to Africa’s longest-running conflict, Sudan was ravaged by 20 years of civil war between Arabs in the north and ethnic Africans in the south. The country’s Islamic government in Khartoum had been accused of withholding wealth and autonomy from—as well as discriminating against—Christian and animist Sudanese of African origin. Hope for an end to the violence was restored when the two sides signed peace accords in January.

However, in the western region of Darfur, ethnic Africans continue to rebel against their government. Khartoum authorities have responded by mobilizing militia groups, although they deny accusations of backing the Janjaweed, an Arab militia group responsible for widespread abuses against the black African population, including murder, rape and forced slavery. The United States has accused the Janjaweed of committing genocide.

In an effort to garner more attention to and nonviolent intervention in Darfur, the Catholic Worker Peace Team embarked on a mission to Sudan.

With $18,000 in the form of bread, clothes, blankets and peanuts, the group distributed goods to appreciative residents of numerous camps around the South Darfur town of Nyala.
According to Schaeffer-Duffy, small amounts of money were also distributed to approximately 40 families, and donations were given to a Catholic church, the Sudan Catholic Bishops Conference, and the Sudan Council of Churches: “excellent groups doing terrific service work as well as work for justice.”

After experiencing life in Darfur firsthand, Schaeffer-Duffy describes the government in Khartoum as “quite repressive and in a very real way totalitarian.”

In light of suppressive government restrictions, his team was able to meet with various peace activists. Through these gatherings, the peace team was advised that although a protest in Khartoum would be squelched immediately, one held at the Sudanese embassy in Washington, D.C., would exert real pressure on the Sudanese government to end its support of the Janjaweed and its campaign of genocide against Africans in Darfur.

As a result, Schaeffer-Duffy’s group held a protest in Washington, D.C., in February. The members of the team were particularly encouraged by a meeting they had with activists from the grassroots peace-building group, Ayya (Arabic for mother), which strives to bring African tribal chiefs and Arab sheiks together for dialogue.

“The leaders at Ayya are eager to work with internationals, and we hope to connect future generations of peace activists with them,” Schaeffer-Duffy explains, “We may also return next year ourselves to do more peace work at the grassroots level.”

Looking ahead, the team is eager to give public slide presentations on its trip with the hope of encouraging people to help those in Darfur’s camps and to increase pressure on the government of Sudan to stop the violence in that region.

Schaeffer-Duffy has an extensive background in nonviolent social activism. With his wife, Claire, he is co-founder of Worcester’s Saints Francis & Therese Catholic Worker, a community whose mission is to try to identify Christ in the poor, downtrodden, oppressed and the enemy. They provide food and shelter to the homeless and work to promote peace and justice. Previously, Schaeffer-Duffy has participated in or led peace campaigns in Nicaragua, Bosnia, India, Iraq and Israel-Palestine.

“All four of us in the Catholic Worker Peace Team were heartbroken at the scope of the humanitarian disaster in Darfur,” he says, “but simultaneously enamored of the beautiful people we met there ... In spite of their horrific poverty and vulnerability, they smiled readily and had a terrific amount of dignity.”
works part time as a physician assistant in internal medicine, in Atlanta, Ga.

1985
CLASS REUNION
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
THOMAS M. FLYNN
JOSEPH TERRANOVA
CLASS CORRESPONDENT
JOANNE S. NILAND

Anne (Cannon) Cowles recently joined the board of trustees of Saint George’s School, Spokane, Wash.—an independent school for students in kindergarten through the 12th grade. James A. “Jim” Dino was recently named the director of marketing at Preakness Healthcare Center in Wayne, N.J. Bernadette M. Murphy, M.D., and her husband, Richard, announce the birth of their son, Michael Richard, on March 31, 2003. Murphy is a physician and partner/owner of Fairfax (Va.) Pediatric Associates.

1986
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
VIRGINIA M. AYERS
PATRICK L. MCCARTHY JR.
EDWARD T. O’DONNELL
KATHLEEN QUINN POWERS

In November 2003, Charles T. “Chuck” Coursey was elected to the West Hartford, Conn., Town Council. Joseph A. Gibbons and his wife, Trish, announce the birth of their daughter, Erin Kathryn, on Aug. 2. Elizabeth “Liz” (Whearty) Hildebrand and her husband, James, announce the birth of their son, Joseph Damien, on July 31. Mark K. Shriver is the vice president and managing director of the U.S. programs for Save the Children in Washington, D.C.

1987
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
KATHLEEN E. MOYLAN
ERIN B. GRIMES MYERS
JAMES W. NAWN JR.

Kenneth J. Cammarato, who has relocated to Chapel Hill, N.C., serves as division general counsel for Kidde plc, a manufacturer of fire detection systems for industrial, residential and aerospace markets. Julie (Reeves) Campbell and her husband, Drew, announce the birth of their son, Lachlan Denning, on May 3. Thomas J. Conte, a partner in the business litigation and construction services practice area of the Worcester firm Bowditch & Dewey, was included on the “Massachusetts Super Lawyers” list, featured in the November issue of Boston Magazine; the list was the result of a survey sent to Massachusetts’ attorneys, asking them “to vote for the best lawyers they had personally observed in action.” John J. Farley-Blackshire Sr., an ordained elder, accepted a contracted position, effective last June, with Morris Cerullo World Evangelism as the director of field operations (Dallas School of Ministry). Jane C. Morrissey and her husband, Christopher, announce the adoption of their son, Luke Joon-Kee, on Aug. 2; Luke was born in Seoul, South Korea, on May 16, 2003. Steven A. Napolitano and his wife, Liz, announce the birth of their daughter, Ava Catherine, on June 21. Catherine “Cathy” Robertson-Souter and her husband, David, announce the birth of their daughter, Katrina Josephine, on Feb. 10, 2004. Gina T. (Guarino) Ryan and her husband, Peter, announce the birth of their daughter, Theresa Maria, on May 15. Marcy M. Vandale and her husband, Rick, announce the birth of their daughter, Erin Lynne, on April 5.

1988
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
ELLEN S. CONTE
PAUL E. DEMIT

Jay A. Clarke and John Bradley announce that they are the parents of Liam O’Connor Bradley, who was born on March 28, 2004. Claire (Rogers) Morris and her husband, Jim, announce the birth of their son, James Michael, on Sept. 9. Katherine “Kate” McGuane Murphy and her husband, John, announce the birth of their daughter, Madeline Frances, on June 24. The Oct. 6 edition of the Springfield, Mass., newspaper Republican announced that Lt. Col. Joseph R. Perlak, USMC, was promoted to the rank of lieutenant colonel last September, in Washington, D.C. The article also notes that, in June, Perlak received the Eugene P. Angrist Award—which “recognizes a person whose contribution to the Navy or the American public reflects qualities of public service and professional excellence.” Arlene R. Quaratiello and her husband, Mark, announce the birth of their son, Joseph James, on Nov. 19. Quaratiello recently had a book published by Greenwood Press, titled Rachel Carson: A Biography. Patricia “Tricia” (Daly) Santos and her husband, Ron, announce the birth of their son, Gavin Francis, on July 19. Eric J. Schuck, M.D., and his wife, Kristie, announce the birth of their daughter, Madeline Jane, on Feb. 18, 2004. Schuck practices pediatrics in State College, Pa. Dennis R. Scribner Jr., M.D., currently maintains a practice in Roanoke, Va., called Carilion GYN Oncology Associates.

1989
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
CHRISTINA M. BUCKLEY
SEAN T. MCHUGH

Douglas A. DeMeo is the assistant director of campus ministry at St. Peter’s College, Jersey City, N.J. The Oct. 19 edition of the Outer Banks Sentinel newspaper announced that Ann Marie Kennedy was one of 16 individuals to receive a 2004-05 North Carolina Arts Council Fellowship Award. Cmdr. Thomas J. LaCoss, USN, who was promoted to the rank of commander last June, celebrated his 15th anniversary in the Navy at the same time; the ceremony took place in Mechanicsburg, Pa., where LaCoss is currently stationed.

MARRIED: John P. Luedtke Jr. and Kimberly Ann Smith, on July 10, in Chicago, Ill.

1990
CLASS REUNION
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
NANCY L. MEANEY
LISA M. VILLA
MARK P. WICKSTROM

Elizabeth A. Burke, who serves as the associate director of development at the Museum of Modern Art in New York City, presented training and workshops last summer at the Louvre Museum in Paris—on U.S. models and strategies of...
nonprofit fund raising; in addition, she gave talks to students at the Université de Paris, Dauphine, and, at the Institut des Etudes Sciences Politiques. Burke, who teaches a graduate-level fund-raising course in the Columbia University Teachers College arts administration program, also continues to do printmaking at Manhattan Graphics studio. The Markel American Insurance Company recently invited Michael J. Lambert to speak at its Inaugural Litigation Management Symposium held in Milwaukee, Wis. Lambert, a director in the regional business law firm of Sheehan Phinney Bass & Green, Manchester, N.H., concentrates his practice on complex commercial litigation; insurance coverage; insurance defense; and product liability defense. Matthew F. McManus and his wife, Kimberly, announce the birth of their daughter, Meghan Kelly, on May 24, 2002, and their son, Patrick Francis, on June 14. McManus, who is in the combined degree program at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia, finished his Ph.D. in neuroscience in 2003; he is currently completing his M.D. there. Wendy R. Morris and her husband, Erik, announce the birth of their son, Aidan Gerard, on March 16, 2004. Morris currently works part time as a development coordinator at Saint Mary-Sacred Heart School in North Attleboro, Mass. Elizabeth “Liz” (Gale) Napolitano and her husband, Steve ’87, announce the birth of their daughter, Ava Catherine, on June 21. Timothy D. Toole is the president of Naples (Fla.) Title, Inc.

MARRIED: Elizabeth A. Fasy, M.D., and Nicholas L. Lurie, on July 4, in St. Anthony’s Church, Portsmouth, R.I.

1991

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

Kathleen “Katie” Connorton and Michael P. Fogarty announce the birth of their son, Milo James, on March 14, 2003. Sheri-Nouane Johnson, who recently joined the foreign service (USAID), arrived to her posting in Dhaka, Bangladesh, in March 2004. Robert S. "Bobby" Pomer and his wife, Kathleen, have been named resident directors of “A Better Chance of Westport, Conn.”—which involves living with seven high school scholars from inner cities in the Northeast who have been selected for the program; Pomer is continuing to serve as guidance coordinator at Darien (Conn.) High School. Eric L. Probst was recently promoted to counsel at the Morristown, N.J., office of Porzio, Bromberg & Newman, where he specializes in mass tort/pharmaceutical defense work. Jeffrey T. Wilsted and his wife, Deanne, announce the birth of their daughter, Faith Marie, on July 21.

1992

CLASS CO-CHAIRS
MAURA E. MCGOVERN
TIMOTHY D. MCGOVERN
CHRISTOPHER J. SERB

Kristin (Glass) Dodds and her husband, Jeremy, announce the birth of their daughter, Lauren Noelle, on May 27. Heather Drinan now works for Dartmouth College, Hanover, N.H., as a content editor for the 13P (Institute for Information Infrastructure Protection). Todd D. Manning and his wife, Kathleen ’93, announce the birth of their son, Lew Thomas, in December 2003. John S. Moriarty and his wife, Lori, announce the birth of their daughter, Molly Catherine, on June 8. Jeffrey A. Nedoroscik currently serves as the executive officer for the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) office at the U.S. embassy in Zagreb, Croatia. Rev. Paul D. Scalia was selected to serve as one of the presenters of the Arlington, Va., 2004 Diocesan Catechetical Conference held last November in Reston; the title of his workshop was, “Stewards of the Eucharist.” James F. “Jim” Shea and his wife, Kirsten, announce the birth of their daughter, Erin Elizabeth, on Nov. 21, 2003. Gonzalo S. Zeballos currently practices EC competition law at the law firm of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett in London, England.

1993

CLASS CO-CHAIRS
PATRICK J. COMERFORD
EILEEN KASPRZAK READ

Elisa (Codispoti) Britnell and her husband, Jim, announce the birth of their daughter, Giuliana Miranda, on Sept. 14. Meghan Sullivan Crow and her husband, Jack, announce the birth of their son, Peter Thomas, on March 27, 2004. Margaret “Meg” Schaefer Farra and her husband, John, announce the birth of their daughter, Margaret “Maggie” Mavec, on March 14, 2004. Kathleen “Kathy” (Fox) Hackett and her husband, Ed, announce the birth of their daughter, Faith Marie, on July 21.
MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 2004 WHO ARE CURRENTLY SERVING AS JESUIT VOLUNTEERS:

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1994

CLASS CO-CHAIRS
JULIA F. GENTILE MCCANN
AMANDA M. ROBICHAUD

Jenna (Dempsey) and Henry L. Danis III, M.D., announce the birth of their son, James Dempsey. Henry is in the last year of his gastroenterology fellowship.
at Brown Medical School in Providence, R.I. Timothy J. Jordan and his wife, Lindsay, announce the birth of their son, Owen Dennis, on May 10. Renee Swanson Massaua and her husband, Matt, announce the birth of their daughter, Cecilia Marie, on Aug. 2. Sean P. Murphy and his wife, Gretchen, announce the birth of their son, Jack Joseph, on March 2, 2004. Joseph O. Quinn and his wife, Lauren ’95, announce the birth of their daughter, Caroline Mary, on March 16, 2004. Robert T. Stroh and his wife, Jennifer, announce the birth of their son, Luke Michael, on April 28. An attorney with the Washington, D.C., law firm of Bruder, Gentile & Marcoux, LLP, Stroh advises investor-owned utilities, electric cooperatives and gas pipelines on energy regulatory matters. Brian M. Wahl and his wife, Kiki ’95, announce the birth of their son, Alexander Roy, on May 28. Elizabeth A. Walsh has been appointed district director of world languages for the Cranford (N.J.) Public School District. PricewaterhouseCoopers announced in September that Heather L. Wright was selected as a recipient of the firm’s 2004 Chairman’s Award, “in recognition of her extraordinary level of performance.”

MARRIED: Jeffrey P. LeJava and Kristine M. Kenefick, at Sacred Heart Church, Highland Falls, N.Y.

1995

CLASS REUNION

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

Jeanne (McNulty) and Ryan J. Brophy announce the birth of their twins, Julia Madeline and James Ryan, on Feb. 13, 2004. John P. Calareso Jr. and his wife, Julie, announce the birth of their daughter, Josephine Anna, on Dec. 4. Ann (Pittoni), M.D., and Sean F. Condon announce the birth of their son, James Patrick. Ann, who has completed the final year of her pediatric residency, accepted a position with a private pediatric practice in Sleepy Hollow, N.Y. Kiki N. Donis-Wahl and her husband, Brian ’94, announce the birth of their son, Alexander Roy, on May 28. Eva (Galeazzi) and Patrick J. Flanagan announce the birth of their son, Thomas Ian, on April 12. Cheryl Cofone Griffin and her husband, Christopher, announce the birth of their daughter, Claire Marie, on March 22, 2003. Griffin works as a nurse practitioner with Cardiology Associates of Fairfield County in Norwalk, Conn. Effective this past September, Kevin M. Kudla has accepted a new position, teaching English and coaching girls’ varsity basketball, at Williston Northampton School in Easthampton, Mass. Michelle (Chambers) and Sean J. Mack have accepted a position as a clinical research coordinator for the HIV Center at St. Vincent’s Hospital in Manhattan. J. Patrick Moran Jr. and his wife, Melissa, announce the birth of their son, William Tate, on May 14. Rupal Shah Palanki and her husband, Cha, announce the birth of their daughter, Maya, on June 14. Palanki is an assistant attorney general with the Connecticut Attorney General’s Office. Lauren B. McConnell Quinn and her husband, Joe ’94, announce the birth of their daughter, Caroline Mary, on March 16, 2004. Kimberley (Monahan) Read is a teacher at the American Community School located outside of London, England. Lisa (Vella) and Eric A. Riedell announce the birth of their son, Jackson Thomas, on Feb. 3, 2004. Sonia (Barbosa) Silva and her husband, Alirio, announce the birth of their son, Adam Alirio, on April 27. Silva continues to work as the project manager of the Diversity Archive at the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study at Harvard University in Cambridge, Mass.; in January 2004, she began a second bachelor’s degree in nursing at Simmons College in Boston. Patrick J. Slattery is the principal of Skutt Catholic High School in Omaha, Neb. Diane Pokorny Wilson and her husband, Jim ’93, announce the birth of their son, Regan James, on April 11.

MARRIED: Derek M. Massey and Eugenia L. Rutherford, on July 31, at St. Elizabeth Seton Church in Bedford, N.H.

1996

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

Lucy E. Baird-Stoddard and her husband, Owen, announce the birth of their children, Hazel Skye, on Aug. 23, 2003, and Harris Fraser, on Dec. 3. Michael D. Beauvais and his wife, Kristy ’98, announce the birth of their daughter, Emily Grace, on Aug. 10. Michelle L. Bergeron and her husband, Kyle McNamara, announce the birth of their daughter, Grace Lind, on July 21. Daniel R. Brannegan and his wife, Alice, announce the birth of their daughter, Nora Jane, on June 16. Kathleen “Kathy” (Gravel) Cote and her husband, Joe, announce the birth of their son, Patrick Anthony, on Nov. 13, 2003. Joanne (Correllus) Crane and her husband, Brad, announce the birth of their son, Daniel Fulton, on June 24. Mary Cavanagh Dunn currently serves as a litigation associate at the Providence, R.I., law firm of Blish & Cavanagh. Francine Gardikas joined the law firm of Burns & Levinson last May as an associate in the divorce and family law group of its Boston office. Sara H. Just was named the Robert Frost Teaching Chair at Amherst (Mass.) Regional High School for the 2004-05 school year—an award for excellence in high school teaching. Rachel E. Keeler and her husband, Noel Flatt, announce the birth of their daughter, Annie Grace, on Jan. 28, 2004. Alison (O’Connell) Lynch and her husband, Kevin, announce the birth of their daughter, Amelia, on June 18. Christine C. Martel is a drug source manager at Millennium Pharmaceuticals Inc. in Cambridge, Mass. Patricia “Patty” (Ahearn) Miller and her husband, Drew, announce the birth of their daughter, Grace Angela, on July 11. Katherine “Katie” Harrison Morris is a faculty member of the University of Maryland School of Social Work baccalaureate program in Rockville. Joshua R. Pahigian recently had a new book published, titled Spring Training Handbook: A Comprehensive Guide to the Ballparks of the Grapefruit and Cactus Leagues. Nichole (Martin)
Reimer and her husband, Mark, announce the birth of their son, Cade Matthew, on April 14, 2004. Reimer, who earned her M.B.A. from Boston University in 2001, currently works part time at United Way. Diane Costello Schwerdt and her husband, Paul, announce the birth of their son, Michael Paul, on April 29. Aileen Mullahy Sullivan and her husband, Neal, announce the birth of their son, Declan Michael, on Jan. 7, 2004. Sullivan is an elementary school teacher on Long Island, N.Y. Marc E. Trigilio and his wife, Leigh, announce the birth of their daughter, Carina Jule, on April 29. Trigilio recently accepted an associate position with Purrington Moody, a boutique law firm in Greensboro, N.C., specializing in hedge, private equity and other investment funds. Kim (DiBari) Warrell and her husband, Mark, announce the birth of their son, Dylan Warrell, in his second year as an occupational therapist and clinical instructor at the U.S. Athletic Training Center. While a student at New York Medical College, Barclay organized “Race for Rehab”—now in its fifth year—to raise funds for the Achilles Track Club. According to the article, she has also run marathons in New York City, Boston, Chicago and San Diego. Andrew F. Cutney is completing a combined residency in internal medicine and pediatrics at Strong Memorial Hospital/University of Rochester, in New York. Christopher M. Fulco is in his second year as an assistant principal of Downingtown (Pa.) High School. Kristi (Avery) Hanney and her husband, Mark, announce the birth of their daughter, Abigail Avery, on April 8. Hanney, who is an attorney with the New London, Conn., firm of Mariani & Reck, practices family law. Hope Pulick Hanscom is a special education teacher in Hanover, Mass. Joseph P. Hazelton was recently promoted to regional account manager with Novartis Pharmaceuticals. Colm T. MacMahon has been accepted into the master’s degree in school leadership program at Columbia University, New York City, effective this past fall. Robert A. O’Connell has completed his third year at Longmeadow (Mass.) High School, where he teaches mathematics. Kathleen (Hatherley) Pavento is an occupational therapist at a rehabilitation hospital in Stoughton, Mass. Alison (Bedell) Quinn and her husband, Tom, announce the birth of their daughter, Logan Bedell, on Oct. 5. Matthew J. Ragan, who received his master of science in public policy and management degree from the Heinz School at Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, Pa., currently works for the Mellon Financial Corp., also in Pittsburgh. Tracy D. Sullivan has been appointed public relations manager for Altova, Inc., an XML development tools provider located in Beverly, Mass.


1997

CLASS CO-CHAIRS
MARNIE J. CAMBRIA, M.D.
KRISTIN M. O’CONNOR
JULIE E. ORIO

Christina L. Barber is a features editor at the Daily Hampshire Gazette in Northampton, Mass.; she also writes a restaurant column for the paper, called “No Reservations.” The spring/summer 2004 issue of Chironian, published by the New York Medical College in Valhalla, N.Y., included an article about Megan K. Barclay, titled “Physical Therapy Grad Gets a Stint with the Grand Old Man of Ballet.” The profile describes her work as a physical therapist, including a recent opportunity to serve in this capacity for ballet dancer, actor and choreographer Mikhail Baryshnikov during his three-week tour of Europe last February to raise funds for the new Baryshnikov Arts Center in New York City. Barclay, who received her master of science degree in physical therapy from New York Medical College in 2000, currently works for University Place Physical Therapy in Manhattan; immediately following graduation, she served as a full-time therapist and clinical instructor at the U.S. Athletic Training Center. While a student at New York Medical College, Barclay organized “Race for Rehab”—now in its fifth year—to raise funds for the Achilles Track Club. According to the article, she has also run marathons in New York City, Boston, Chicago and San Diego. Andrew F. Cutney is completing a combined residency in internal medicine and pediatrics at Strong Memorial Hospital/University of Rochester, in New York. Christopher M. Fulco is in his second year as an assistant principal of Downingtown (Pa.) High School. Kristi (Avery) Hanney and her husband, Mark, announce the birth of their daughter, Abigail Avery, on April 8. Hanney, who is an attorney with the New London, Conn., firm of Mariani & Reck, practices family law. Hope Pulick Hanscom is a special education teacher in Hanover, Mass. Joseph P. Hazelton was recently promoted to regional account manager with Novartis Pharmaceuticals. Colm T. MacMahon has been accepted into the master’s degree in school leadership program at Columbia University, New York City, effective this past fall. Robert A. O’Connell has completed his third year at Longmeadow (Mass.) High School, where he teaches mathematics. Kathleen (Hatherley) Pavento is an occupational therapist at a rehabilitation hospital in Stoughton, Mass. Alison (Bedell) Quinn and her husband, Tom, announce the birth of their daughter, Logan Bedell, on Oct. 5. Matthew J. Ragan, who received his master of science in public policy and management degree from the Heinz School at Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, Pa., currently works for the Mellon Financial Corp., also in Pittsburgh. Tracy D. Sullivan has been appointed public relations manager for Altova, Inc., an XML development tools provider located in Beverly, Mass.


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

Kristy (Lenihan) Beauvais and her husband, Michael ’96, announce the birth of their daughter, Emily Grace, on Aug. 10. Kathleen (Grammatico) Ferraiolo, who received her Ph.D. in government from the University of Virginia, has accepted a one-year visiting professor position in American politics at James Madison University, Harrisonburg, Va., for the 2004-05 academic year. Brenda Ramos Santana and her husband, Calixto, announce the birth of their daughter, Ariana Lee, on Sept. 10. Anabela (Vasconcelos) Shaughnessy continues to work with the Inner-City Teaching Corps in Chicago, Ill. Amanda (Kokocinski) Tini and her husband, Craig, announce the birth of their son, Matthew James, on Nov. 9. MARRIED: H. Edward “Ted” Duffy and Emily C. Cunio ’00, on July 10, on Cape Cod, Mass. Christina Griffin and John P. Thayers III, on Nov. 6, at Assumption Church in Chicago, Ill. Anabela V. Vasconcelos and Peter Shaughnessy, on July 17.
1999
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
ROLAND A. BARONI III
THOMAS C. SOPER

Ariane M. Abcarian has been accepted at Eastern Virginia Medical School, Norfolk, Va., beginning this past fall. Amy O’Brien Davagian and her husband, John, announce the birth of their daughter, Kathryn Jennifer, on Dec. 15. Britte (Pettazzoni) McBride attends Suffolk University Law School in Boston. Todd F. Schettini, who has been promoted to Pfizer Pharmaceuticals’ oncology specialty division in lower Connecticut/New York, has recently joined the Disaster Medical Assistance Team for the state of Connecticut.


2000
CLASS REUNION
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
JASON C. HOFFMANN, M.D.
KATHRYN R. REMMES

Christine (Carr) Carrillo, a Spanish teacher at DaVinci Academy, Elgin, Ill., has spent her summers volunteering and leading student groups to Mexico, El Salvador and Peru. Jessica (Smith) Colyer, M.D., who received her degree from Penn State College of Medicine, Hershey, Pa., last May, is pursuing her pediatric residency at the Children’s National Medical Center in Washington, D.C. Margaret “Peggy” (Lyons) Fiege and her husband, Mike, announce the birth of their son, Michael Patrick, on Dec. 14. Kimberly C. Hemming, who received her master of arts degree in French instruction from Indiana University, Bloomington, in 2002, currently teaches Spanish at St. Francis de Sales High School in Chicago, Ill. Dan C. Kozusko is a litigation associate with the New York City law firm of Willike Farr & Gallagher. The Oct. 3 edition of the Boston Sunday Globe included a story about Tommy Maddox-Upshaw, titled “From Here to Hollywood.” Maddox-Upshaw, who graduated last May from the American Film Institute, works as a cinematographer in Hollywood, Calif.; his first feature film, American Wake—written by Maureen Foley—was featured last summer in the Boston Film Festival. Capt. Michael M. Murphy, USA, currently serves with the 3rd Infantry Division (mechanized) as chief of legal assistance at Hunter Army Airfield, Savannah, Ga. Richard J. Schneeberg is pursuing graduate work at Boston University. Jill P. Tabaroni, who is in her last year of nursing school at Simmons College in Boston, works in the emergency room at Brigham & Women’s Hospital, also in Boston. Elizabeth M. Trottier, who received her juris doctor and master of arts degree in international relations and diplomacy last May from Seton Hall University, New Jersey, accepted a clerkship in Equity Court, Paterson, N.J., effective this past September. Katherine T. “Katie” Volk recently completed her joint master’s degree in child development and urban policy from Tufts University, Medford, Mass. Jeffrey J. White recently joined the Hartford, Conn., office of the law firm, Robinson & Cole.


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

Lindsay A. Ciombor Brislin attends Tufts University School of Dental Medicine in Boston. Catherine G. Bryan, who received her degree last May from Notre Dame (Ind.) Law School, is a first-year associate at the law firm of Connell Foley in its Roseland, N.J., office. Matthew P. Collins, who received his master of fine arts degree in graphic design from Indiana University, Bloomington, now works for Abelson-Taylor, Inc. in Chicago, Ill., as an interactive art director. Kelly M. Dease, who is a third-year student at the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine, was selected to receive a fellowship in osteopathic manipulative medicine. Kristin C. Hopman recently accepted a position as a communications specialist for Catholic Charities in Chicago, Ill.; she currently serves as vice president of the Alpha Sigma Nu alumni club of Chicago. Gregory T. Nolan, who received his juris doctor last May from the Quinnipiac University School of Law, Hamden, Conn., is currently a judicial law clerk, serving in the state of Connecticut judicial branch in Hartford. Monika L. Rothemich was accepted at Georgetown University School of Medicine in Washington, D.C., effective this past fall.

MARRIED: Sean P. Maloney and Amy C. Spotts, on Sept. 4, at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church in Hershey, Pa.

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

Sarah J. Bolduc is in her second year of medical school at the University of Rochester. Sean M. Downey currently serves as the deputy scheduler for U.S. Sen. Joseph Lieberman in his Washington, D.C., office. Evan K. McCarthy has been a foreign service officer with the U.S. Department of State since last May; following the completion of his training in Washington, D.C/
Arlington, Va., he accepted a two-year assignment at the U.S. Embassy in Dushanbe, Tajikistan. The Oct. 25 edition of Banker & Tradesman announced that Michael J. McElaney has joined the Boston-based real estate firm Meredith & Grew as an associate in its downtown brokerage group. Melissa Lin Monte and her husband, Philip, announce the birth of their daughter, Olivia Rose, on June 18, 2003. In February 2004, Monte was accepted into the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine, Biddeford, Maine. Stephanie C. Nist and a friend recently opened a women’s boutique in Brookline, Mass., called “Mint Julep.”

**MARRIED:** Janelle D. Berg and Randy T. Conroy, on Oct. 10, in St. Joseph Memorial Chapel.

### 2003

**CLASS CO-CHAIRS**

ELIZABETH L. MALOY

INEZ C. RUSSO

Brian P. Cullinan works for Schwab Soundview Capital Markets, Boston, in institutional sales. Leah J. (Fosnock) Hollins recently accepted the position of clinical research coordinator at Tufts University School of Dental Medicine in Boston; she is also completing her master of public health degree at Tufts Medical School. Caitlin R. McMahon is pursuing her Ph.D. in clinical psychology at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn. The Jesuit Volunteer Corps announced last October that Owen F. Speer is currently participating in this program as a teacher at San Miguel School in Camden, N.J. Robert J. Unger, who enlisted in the Marine Corps, graduated from boot camp Parris Island, S.C., last July.

**MARRIED:** Leah J. Fosnock and Brett M. Hollins, on July 10, at Blessed Sacrament Church in Saugus, Mass. Erin J. Williams and Phillip Williams, on Sept. 4, at the Harvard Memorial Church in Cambridge, Mass.

### 2004

**CLASS CO-CHAIRS**

KATHRYN C. LEADER

KATHRYN D. MEYERS

JOHN M. O’DONNELL

Randy J. Brodeur works as a service representative/policy analyst in the new business/policy change department at MetLife in Boston. Christopher M. Brown works at St. Bonaventure (N.Y.) University as a residence director and liaison for first-year student services while pursuing his master of arts degree in counseling. Michael A. Disenza is attending Albany (N.Y.) Law School. Iliana M. Friedson-Trujillo currently works in New York City as a writing assistant at MTV Networks: Nickelodeon, for Dora the Explorer and a new program, Go Diego, expected to air May 2005. Erika C. Gutierrez works for University Behavioral Associates at Montefiore Medical Center in New York City. Anna G. Harmon, who accepted a position teaching pre-kindergarten at Greenwich (Conn.) Academy this past fall, is pursuing her master’s degree in early childhood education at Manhattanville College in Purchase, N.Y. Danielle M. Harrison works as a development associate at Children’s Hospital Trust, the development office for Children’s Hospital in Boston. Dianne E. Harrison works at the Learning Center for Deaf Children, Framingham, Mass., as a classroom assistant with the preschool classes. The Sept. 10 edition of the bi-weekly Springfield, Mass., newspaper Catholic Observer announced that Alison E. Hogan has accepted a position at Holyoke (Mass.) Catholic High School, teaching religion and serving as the assistant coach for the girls’ soccer team—through the Providence Alliance for Catholic Teachers (PACT) program. Beth M. Jenusaitis works at Boston Scientific in Natick, Mass. Andrea M. Kraicjci works in New York City at Coach Inc., in the merchandising division. Brian S. McEachern accepted a position teaching history at Scituate (Mass.) High School, effective this past September. Mark W. Milone is attending the Boyd School of Law at the University of Nevada in Las Vegas. James J. Ralabate is working as a news bureau reporter at ESPN in Bristol, Conn. Jessica L. Timpone is pursuing her master’s degree in accounting at Boston College.

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**GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION OF ALUMNI WEDDING PHOTOS**

This summer, Holy Cross Magazine will begin publishing alumni wedding photos. The following are the magazine’s guidelines for photo submission: Bride or groom must be a graduate of Holy Cross. Only group photographs will be accepted. All persons in the photograph must be alumni. All alumni must be identified by first name, maiden name (where applicable), last name and class year. The date and location of the wedding must accompany the photograph. If a professional photographer has a copyright on the photograph, a letter of permission for use from the photographer must accompany the photograph. We will accept both standard prints and digital images. Digital images must have a resolution of at least 300 dpi. Standard prints and accompanying information may be mailed to:

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Identifying information may be included in the body of the e-mail accompanying the photo. Please be advised that space is limited, and submission does not guarantee publication.
1928

JOHN B. BAXTER
SEPT. 28, 2004

In Florida, at 97. Mr. Baxter is survived by his wife, Dorothy; three sons, including John B. Jr. ’55 and Thomas G. ’69; a daughter; a stepson and a stepdaughter; 19 grandchildren; and 24 great-grandchildren. His sons were the late Peter B. ’58 and Anthony C. ’60.

WALTER W. WALSH
AUG. 2, 2004

At the Connecticut Hospice, Branford, at 98. A 1931 graduate of Yale Law School, Mr. Walsh had maintained a practice for many years in New Haven, Conn.; he had also been a partner with the New York City firms, Chapman, Walsh & O’Connell and Hawkins Delafield & Wood. During his career, Mr. Walsh had served as general counsel and longtime member of the board of trustees of the Hospital of St. Raphael in New Haven. From 1942-48, he had been the Connecticut state tax commissioner and, from 1936-42, assistant attorney general in Connecticut. In 1960, Mr. Walsh had been the president of the National Tax Association. He is survived by his wife, Barbara; four sons; eight grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

1932

LESLIE M. PARENT, M.D.
NOV. 17, 2004

At the Mercy Medical Center, Springfield, Mass., at 94. During his career, Dr. Parent had worked 30 years as an anesthesiologist at Mercy Medical Center. A World War II Army veteran, he was a recipient of the American Theater Ribbon and the World War II Victory Medal. Dr. Parent was a member of the American Medical Association and a fellow of the American College of Anesthesiologists. He is survived by three sons; two daughters; a sister; eight grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

1929

JUSTIN J. MURPHY
DEC. 28, 2004

Justin J. Murphy died Dec. 28 at his home in East Hampton, Conn., at 96.

Mr. Murphy had worked many years for the New York Telephone Co. and AT&T in New York City, retiring in 1971 as the assistant vice president for public relations. He then pursued two additional careers, the first with the Brooklyn Academy of Arts and Sciences, as vice chairman of development, and, the second, with the Downtown-Lower Manhattan Association, where he had served as president; the association named him “Honorary Mayor of Lower Manhattan” upon his retirement.

An active Holy Cross alumnus, Mr. Murphy had been a member of the President’s Council and a class chair since 1974; following graduation, he became a class agent and served in this capacity throughout his life. Mr. Murphy had also been a career planning counselor and a member of several alumni boards. In 1974, he was honored with the College’s In Hoc Signo award, presented in recognition of his years of service to Holy Cross.

A former president of the Holy Cross Club of New York, Mr. Murphy received its “Man of the Year” award in 1977 and its Mugee Award in 1970.

A 1925 graduate of Regis High School in New York City, he was a recipient in 1989 of its Deo et Patriae award—in honor of his longtime service to the high school and the community.

Mr. Murphy is survived by a son; three daughters; eight grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

1934

REV. FREDERICK L. MORIARTY, S.J.
OCT. 5, 2004

At the Campion Center in Weston, Mass., at 91. A longtime educator, Fr. Moriarty taught sacred scripture and theology at Weston (Mass.) College, from 1950-71, and served for a time as the dean of the theology department; from 1963-71, he also taught several semesters at the Pontifical Gregorian University and at Boston College. Entering the Society of Jesus in Lenox, Mass., in 1934, Fr. Moriarty pursued three years of ascetical and classical studies at Lenox and two years of philosophy at Weston College. Prior to his ordination to the priesthood in 1941, he taught philosophy and English for two years at Boston College and, after his ordination, completed theological studies at Weston; from 1945-46, Fr. Moriarty undertook further ascetical and spirituality studies in Pomfret, Conn., and also served in pastoral ministry there. He then studied ancient Eastern languages for one year at Johns Hopkins University and sacred scripture for two years at the Biblical Institute in Rome; Fr. Moriarty returned to Weston in 1950 where he earned his Ph.D. in sacred scripture. For the last 25 years of his career, he had been a visiting professor at several institutions, including The Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley, Calif., Loyola University in Chicago, Ill., and Gonzaga University in Spokane, Wash.; he returned to Boston College in 1995 to serve for a while in active ministry. Fr. Moriarty was the author of several books, including Introducing the Old Testament; Ezra and Nehemiah; and The Second Book of Samuel; he was also a contributing editor and translator for

The Holy Cross Archives
the New American Bible. Fr. Moriarty is survived by many nephews and nieces.

1935
THOMAS J. CALLAN
OCT. 13, 2004

At the Hernando Pasco Hospice in Brooksville, Fla., at 90. Prior to his retirement, Mr. Callan had been an Army chief of management officer in Panama. During his career, he had worked as a commercial pilot for TACA Airlines in Costa Rica and established his own airline in Colombia, SERACO Airlines. In addition, Mr. Callan had taught mathematics in Worcester. A retired Navy lieutenant commander, he had been an aviator during World War II, serving in Panama, Brazil and the Pacific. Mr. Callan had been a member of the football team at Holy Cross. He is survived by his wife, Virginia; five daughters; a stepdaughter; nine grandchildren; and a great-granddaughter.

WILLIAM J. HUGHES JR.
OCT. 4, 2004

In Gainesville, Fla., at 92. During his career, Mr. Hughes had been an attorney in the War Assets Administration, General Accounting Office, Atomic Energy Commission, Office of the Secretary of Defense and State Department (Arms Control Agency) in Washington, D.C.; he retired in 1965. A member of the senior executive service, Mr. Hughes received the Civilian Meritorious Achievement Medal. In 1970 he relocated to Mount Dora, Fla., where he helped coordinate parish-building campaigns at his local church. At Holy Cross, Mr. Hughes had played the trumpet and led the College band; he later served in the Marine Corps Reserve Band. Mr. Hughes is survived by three sons; three sisters; 10 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

1936
JOHN T. CONNOLLY
OCT. 3, 2004

At the Greenwich (Conn.) Woods Health Care Center, at 90. Mr. Connolly had been the chief probation officer and the chief U.S. pre-trial services officer for the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York, retiring in 1976. At the start of his career, he worked for the nonprofit prison advocacy group, Prison Association of New York (now called The Osborn Association); Mr. Connolly joined the U.S. District Court Probation Office in 1941 as a probation officer. Following retirement, he served as an adjunct professor in criminal justice and public administration at the University of New Haven. Historian and secretary of the Retired Men’s Association of Greenwich, he was the recipient of its “Outstanding Service Award” in 1995. Prior to relocating to Greenwich in 1983, Mr. Connolly had been a longtime resident of Port Chester, N.Y., where he served as president of the board of education, village trustee and member of the board of the public library. Mr. Connolly had been the manager of the 1936 football team at Holy Cross. He is survived by two sons; two daughters; 10 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

1937
BERNARD J. FOLEY
OCT. 28, 2004

At the Knollwood Nursing Home in Worcester, at 88. Prior to his retirement, Mr. Foley had taught many years at Wachusett Regional High School in Holden, Mass., and served as chairman of the language department; he began his career as a teacher at Turners Falls (Mass.) High School. During World War II, Mr. Foley had been a communications officer at Pearl Harbor and Midway Island. He is survived by his wife, Mae; three sons, including Bernard J. Jr. ’64; a daughter; 12 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

ROBERT C. REIDY
OCT. 1, 2004

In St. Vincent Hospital, Worcester, at 89. During his career, Mr. Reidy had been a partner in the Worcester real estate firm, Maurice F. Reidy & Co. in Worcester for 60 years; he was past president and a founding member of the Worcester Board of Realtors and a member of the Appraisal Institute. Active in community affairs, Mr. Reidy had been a member of the Rotary Club, the Worcester region of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children and a past president of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. A member of the board of trustees of St. Vincent Hospital and the board of directors of Colony Homes, the Worcester Public Library and the Mohegan Council of the Boy Scouts of America, he had also been a registrar of voters for the city of Worcester. In addition, Mr. Reidy had been a member and club champion of the Worcester Country Club. He was named a Knight of Malta by Pope Paul VI. During World War II, Mr. Reidy served as a flight instructor in the Navy. He had been a Holy Cross class agent. Mr. Reidy is survived by his wife, Barbara; three sons, Christopher R. ’74, Joseph P. ’76 and Rev. Richard F. ’80; and a daughter. His brother was the late Philip M. ’41.

1939
WILLIAM F. LEE
OCT. 13, 2004

At the Community Hospital of the Monterey (Calif.) Peninsula, at 86. Prior to his retirement in 1974, Mr. Lee had worked 28 years for the Veterans Administration Hospital program as assistant administrator and director of several hospitals; he was a fellow of the American College of Health Care Executives. Mr. Lee served as vice president of the California College of Podiatric Medicine in San Francisco from 1974-77 and, as assistant to the director of the San Mateo County Area Agency on Aging, from 1977-82. During his career, he had also been a realtor in Santa Clara County, Calif. Prior to beginning military service in 1942, Mr. Lee had been a teacher and assistant coach at Attleboro (Mass.) High School; he served as a captain in the 8th Army Air Corps in Europe until 1946. Mr. Lee had been a Holy Cross class agent; as a student, he had been a member of the College orchestra for four years. Mr. Lee is survived by his wife, Joan; two sons; three brothers; and a sister.
1940

CHARLES O. HERMAN
OCT. 28, 2004

At Overlook Hospital, Summit, N.J., at 87. During his career, Mr. Herman worked 28 years with the Air Reduction Co. Inc. in New York City and 10 years for the Procon Co., retiring in 1983; an organic chemist, he was the holder of five patents. Mr. Herman had been a member of the Chemist Club of New York and the Poetry Club of Whiting, N.J. He is survived by a son; two daughters; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandsons.

1941

JOSEPH T. FAHY
OCT. 23, 2004

In New York, at 81. Prior to his retirement in 1988, Mr. McGillicuddy had worked many years at his alma mater, Canisius High School, in Buffalo, N.Y.—serving as a teacher, coach and the director of athletics. Joining the staff in 1944, he taught algebra, English and Latin; Mr. McGillicuddy began his coaching career with the junior varsity base-

1942

JOSEPH F. BOYLE
FEB. 14, 2005

At his home in St. Petersburg Beach, Fla., at 85. A 30-year veteran of the military, retired Col. Joseph F. Boyle, USA, began his career serving in World War II; he was the recipient of numerous awards, including the Bronze Star; the Combat Infantryman Badge; the Parachutist Badge; the Legion of Merit; and the Purple Heart at the Battle of the Bulge. Prior to his retirement from active duty in 1973, Mr. Boyle had served as the professor of military science at Gonzaga University, Spokane, Wash., where he had developed its ROTC program. Active in many service and community organizations, he had been a past president of Human Life in Spokane; past grand knight of the Knights of Columbus in Spokane and St. Petersburg; former commander of the Military Order of World Wars; and a member of the Retired Officers Association of Spokane and the Disabled American Veterans. A member of the President's Council at Holy Cross, Mr. Boyle had also served as an admissions adviser, alumni job network adviser and career planning counselor. He is survived by his wife, Catherine "Kay," three sons; nine daughters; a brother; 21 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

EDWIN J. EDWARDS JR.
SEPT. 7, 2004

In Doctors Hospital, Sarasota, Fla., at 84. Prior to his retirement in 1985, Mr. Edwards had been co-owner of the Builders Tile and Carpet Co., Uncasville, Conn. An Army veteran of World War II, he attained the rank of sergeant. Mr. Edwards is survived by two sons; two daughters; five grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

ARTHUR M. MCHUGH
JUNE 4, 2004

At Marlborough (Conn.) Health Care Center, at 85. During his career, Mr. McHugh had been employed by the Savings Bank of Manchester in Connecticut; Dynamac Inc. of Marlborough, Mass.; The J.C. Barton Co. of East Hampton, Conn.; and the Rafferty-Brown Steel Company of East Longmeadow, Mass. A corporator of Farmers and Mechanics Bank, he had been elected to the East Hampton Board of Education, for which he served as chairman. Mr. McHugh had been a member of the Middlesex County Council of the Boy Scouts of America. An Army veteran of World War II, he served in the South Atlantic Frontier Command and the Pacific theatre of operations; assigned to the 76th Infantry Division, he attained the rank of major. Former Connecticut Gov. William O'Neill appointed Mr. McHugh to the governor's military staff as a military adjutant with the rank of colonel. He is survived by a son; a daughter; and five grandchildren.

EDWARD P. ROJCEWICZ SR.
SEPT. 24, 2004

In Radius Health Care Center, Worcester, at 84. Prior to his retirement in 1998, Mr. Rojcewicz had been an attorney in Worcester for 50 years; in addition to maintaining a practice with his brother in the firm Rojcewicz & Rojcewicz, he had been a partner in the law office of Samborski, Rojcewicz & Meehan. During World War II, Mr. Rojcewicz had served in the Navy as an ensign on a light cruiser and a mine sweeper in the Atlantic theatre. A member of Vernon Hill Post 435 American Legion, he had also been a member and judge advocate for the Polish American Veterans of World War II. Mr. Rojcewicz had belonged to the Catholic Alumni Sodality of Our Lady at Holy Cross for 50 years. He is survived by his wife, Therese; three sons; two daughters; nine grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and nephews and nieces. His brother was the late Walter A. ’44.

1943

CORNELIUS V. MCGILLCUDDY
OCT. 3, 2004

In New York, at 81. Prior to his retirement in 1988, Mr. McGillicuddy had worked many years at his alma mater, Canisius High School, in Buffalo, N.Y.—serving as a teacher, coach and the director of athletics. Joining the staff in 1944, he taught algebra, English and Latin; Mr. McGillicuddy began his coaching career with the junior varsity base-
ball team. Named basketball coach in 1957, he served in this capacity for 22 years; during this time, the team won two Manhattan Cup playoff championships and seven Monsignor Martin Association league titles. A longtime varsity baseball coach, Mr. McGillicuddy began his tenure in 1966 and continued for two years following his retirement from Canisius; under his direction, the team won eight league titles and six Georgetown Cup championships. After retiring, he volunteered as the alumni moderator and historian for the school. In addition to his work at Canisius, Mr. McGillicuddy had coached in amateur baseball programs—the All American Amateur Baseball Association, the American Legion Baseball program, the Buffalo Municipal League and the National Amateur Baseball Federation—in the city of Buffalo for many years; in 1999, a baseball diamond in Delaware Park was named for him, in honor of the contributions he had made to the Police Athletic League. Since 1960, Mr. McGillicuddy had been a statistician for the Buffalo Bills; previously, he had served in this capacity for the Bisons and Bills in the All-American Football Conference. The recipient of many honors, Mr. McGillicuddy was inducted into the Greater Buffalo Sports Hall of Fame in 1994; he was also a member of the Western New York Baseball Hall of Fame, the Western New York Basketball Officials Hall of Fame and the Canisius High School Sports Hall of Fame. Mr. McGillicuddy had been a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by a brother; and many nephews and nieces.

1945

JAMES A. GETTINGS
SEPT. 19, 2004

At Griffin Hospital, Derby, Conn., at 81. Prior to his retirement, Mr. Gettings had been a fireman for the city of New Haven, Conn. During World War II, he served in the Army. Mr. Gettings is survived by friends.

1946

RICHARD J. MAHER, M.D.
SEPT. 23, 2004

At his home in Chicopee, Mass., at 78. A longtime physician, Dr. Maher had been a founder of Medical West, Chicopee, in 1978. Serving as its medical director for the first 10 years, he retired from the center in 1995. Previously, Dr. Maher had maintained a private practice in Holyoke, Mass., for 24 years. A Navy veteran of World War II and the Korean War, he served in the Naval Reserve until 1969. Past president of the medical staff of Providence Hospital, Dr. Maher had also held the post of chief of staff at Holyoke Hospital; in 1969, he founded the Alcoholic Outpatient Clinic at Holyoke Hospital and, in 1974, started the Holyoke Detox Center. During his career, Dr. Maher had served many years as the team physician for the sports programs at Holyoke Catholic High School. Past president of the Springfield Academy of Medicine, he had been a member of the Hampden District Medical Society and the American College of Physicians; in addition, Dr. Maher had served on the Personnel Board for the city of Holyoke. A member of the Knights of the Holy Sepulcher, he had been a member as well of the President's Council at Holy Cross. Dr. Maher is survived by his wife, Barbara; two sons; two daughters; two brothers; two sisters; eight grandchildren; one great-grandchild; several nephews and nieces; and cousins.

1947

SANFORD J. MATTHEWS, M.D.
AUG. 2, 2004

In Emory University Hospital, Atlanta, Ga., at 78. Dr. Matthews had been a pediatrician for many years in Atlanta. During his career, he had commented on local health news for the WXIA-TV noon news program and recorded 90-second health advisories for the Atlanta radio station WCNN, which were rebroadcast nationally. Dr. Matthews was also co-author of the book, Through the Motherhood Maze (Doubleday 1982). He had been a member of the President's Council at Holy Cross and a Holy Cross class agent. Dr. Matthews is survived by his wife, Helen; three sons, including Sanford J. Jr. ‘77; a daughter; three brothers, including John A. ‘34 and Peter L. ‘57; and two grandchildren. His father was the late John A. Sr. honorary ‘58 and his brother was the late Rev. Donald C., S.J., ‘53.

1948

JOHN M. COMISKEY
AUG. 29, 2004

At his home in Mystic, Conn., at 78. Prior to his retirement, Mr. Comiskey had served almost 50 years as a physicist/engineer at the Naval Underwater Systems Laboratory in New London, Conn.; during his career, he worked on the design and development of submarine antennas. Mr. Comiskey had been the recipient of numerous awards, including the Decibel Award from the Navy, for technical excellence; and the Submarine Electromagnetic Systems Department Sail Award, for his design efforts involving antenna systems installed in modern U.S. submarines. Active in community affairs, he had been a member of the Old Lyme (Conn.) Lions Club and a volunteer with the TVCCA (Thames Valley Council for Community Action)—a nonprofit corporation provid-
Edward A. Salmon
Oct. 24, 2004

In the UMass-Memorial Medical Center, Worcester, at 81. Mr. Salmon had worked 43 years in the Worcester regional office of the Massachusetts Department of Revenue; retiring in 1993, he had been a supervisor of tax examiners. An Army veteran of World War II, Mr. Salmon had served in the European theater, including combat duty in the Battle of the Bulge in Germany. He had been a member of the Holy Cross Club of Worcester. Mr. Salmon is survived by his wife, Mary; two sons; a daughter; a sister; seven grandchildren; and nephews and nieces.

James P. Trainor
Sept. 24, 2004

At his home in Vernon, Conn., at 80. Prior to his retirement, Mr. Trainor had been employed by the U.S. Postal Service; he had also served as a health inspector for the city of Hartford, Conn. A radioman 2nd class in the Navy during World War II, Mr. Trainor had been stationed in Pearl Harbor. He is survived by his wife, Mary; four sons; three daughters; 16 grandchildren; and a sister.

William E. Webster
Nov. 14, 2004

At his home in Bakersfield, Calif., at 78. Prior to his retirement in 1994, Mr. Webster, a professor emeritus of California State University, Bakersfield, had taught for 13 years in the education department. The senior research scientist and a member of the university’s Applied Research Center for eight years, he was co-director of the Institute for the Study of Secondary Education at California State. Following retirement, Mr. Webster taught four months at the Universidad Autónoma de Tlaxcala in Mexico. He began his 41-year career in education in California as a teacher and principal at Freedom Elementary School in Santa Cruz County and as the principal of several schools in Citrus Heights; Mr. Webster then held the post of principal for four years at Weeks Junior High School in Newton, Mass., while serving...
as associate in education at Harvard University, Cambridge. In 1969, Mr. Webster relocated to Washington, D.C., where he was an assistant professor at Catholic University and a fellow at the Washington Center for Metropolitan Studies. He then served as the coordinator of project redesign in the New York State Education Department in Albany before returning to California to become the deputy superintendent for programs with the State Department of Education in Sacramento. Joining the faculty of California State College, Bakersfield, in 1981, Mr. Webster was an associate professor of educational administration before becoming a full professor in 1985. The author of numerous books and articles on education, he had been a participant in the Phi Delta Kappa's Author-Lecturer Series since 1988–most recently visiting Thailand in the spring of 2004. His interests included world travel and photography. A Navy veteran of World War II and the Korean War, Mr. Webster attained the rank of lieutenant. He is survived by his wife, Beverly; three sons; four daughters; including Mary Murphy ’78; three daughters; a brother, Robert J. ’57; three sisters; 13 grandchildren, including Eric J. ’06; and nephews and nieces. His brother was the late Paul F. ’55.

1950

JOSEPH T. CUNNANE
SEPT. 2, 2004

At the Tippett House in Needham, Mass., at 79. Prior to his retirement, Mr. Cunnane had been the president of Life Insurance Marketing of Braintree, Mass. He had also been a leader at the Boston College Institute for Learning in Retirement. Mr. Cunnane is survived by his wife, Margaret; three sons; a daughter; a brother; a sister; and seven grandchildren.

JOHN C. FITZMAURICE
NOV. 27, 2004

In Huntington (N.Y.) Hospital, at 78. Prior to his retirement in 1991, Mr. FitzMaurice had worked more than 25 years for Maritz Inc., serving as the vice president of sales for its New York office; he began his sales career with General Electric in 1952. Mr. FitzMaurice was a Navy veteran of World War II. He had been a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross and a Holy Cross class agent. Mr. FitzMaurice is survived by his wife, Nancy; three sons; two daughters, including Moira FitzMaurice McLaughlin ’79; a sister; and 12 grandchildren.

1949

BART J. MURPHY JR.
NOV. 28, 2004

In Massachusetts, at 79. Prior to his retirement in 1987, Mr. Murphy had served many years as the chief financial officer at Fairlawn Hospital in Worcester. He began his career as an accountant with his father in the firm of Crosby & Murphy. Mr. Murphy had also been a part-owner and an officer of the Worcester Taper Pin Co. for several years. An Army veteran of World War II, he received training as an Air Corps navigator in Louisiana and as a flight attendant at the University of Michigan; commissioned a lieutenant, Mr. Murphy was assigned to the 95th Bomber Group in the European theater. The recipient of three Bronze Stars, he had been a B-17 navigator on Allied bombing and supply missions over the Ardennes region, Central Europe and Germany in the final phase of the war. Mr. Murphy is survived by his wife, Beatrice; three sons, including James B. ’78; three daughters; a brother, Robert J. ’57; three sisters; 13 grandchildren, including Eric J. ’06; and nephews and nieces. His brother was the late Paul F. ’55.

ROBERT KENNEDY SMITH
OCT. 9, 2004

In New Jersey, Mr. Smith is survived by his wife, Margaret; four sons; and three daughters.

1951

MORTON J. ABBAZIA, D.D.S.
OCT. 27, 2004

At his home in Voluntown, Conn., at 74. Prior to his retirement, Dr. Abbazia had maintained a dental practice in Stamford, Conn., for 50 years. During his career, he had also been a member of the International Board of Tres Dias; financial officer for the Voluntown Baptist Church; and a member of the North Stamford Exchange Club and the Voluntown Historical Society. A U.S. Air Force captain during the Korean War, Dr. Abbazia had been stationed in England for seven years. He is survived by his wife, Marilyn; four sons; three daughters; three sisters; five grandchildren; many nephews and nieces; and cousins.

WILLIAM F. DECHARD
NOV. 10, 2004

At his home in Bethany Beach, Del., at 75. Prior to his retirement in 1994, Mr. DeChard had been the chief executive officer and president of the New York City retail insurance company, T.E. Denton Associates Inc., for 30 years. He began his career, with the Prudential Insurance Co., also in New York City, and subsequently worked for New York Life. Active in community affairs, Mr. DeChard had been the president of the Mahwah, N.J., Little League and served for many years as a football and baseball coach. In addition, he had been a member and two-term vice president of the Mahwah Board of Education. A veteran of the Korean War, Mr. DeChard had been the captain and quarterback of the Marine Corps football team that won the Rice Bowl in Tokyo, Japan, in 1953; he retired as a captain of the Marine Corps Reserve. At Holy Cross, Mr. DeChard had been a member of the varsity football team for three years; named as a defensive back for the All-New England All-Star team in 1950, he played in the North-South All-Star Game the same year at the Orange Bowl. A graduate of
Gonzaga College High School in Washington, D.C., Mr. DeChard was elected to the Gonzaga Hall of Fame in 2000. He is survived by his wife, Mary; three sons; a daughter, Kate ’76; a sister; and 14 grandchildren.

RICHARD J. FLANAGAN
OCT. 31, 2004

In Liberty Commons, Chatham, Mass., at 75. During his career, Mr. Flanagan had served as a civilian in the U.S. Army Intelligence, from 1955 until his retirement in 1989—with posts in Germany, Thailand, Florida, Hawaii and Washington, D.C. Following his retirement, he attended Georgetown University Law School and received a certificate as a paralegal; Mr. Flanagan then worked as a security investigator. A veteran, he served with the Army in Germany, from 1951 to 1954; from 1960 to 1965, Mr. Flanagan had been a captain in the Army Reserve. He was a member of the Holy Cross Club of Cape Cod. Mr. Flanagan is survived by his wife, Winifred; a son, Richard J. II ’88; three daughters; a daughter-in-law, Jennifer Z. ’88; and two grandchildren.

The following is an excerpt from an essay written in honor of the late Mr. Flanagan by J.W. Cahill ’88:

“Richard was the first in his family to attend college, and he and his wife managed to provide excellent educations for their own children, despite hop-scotch ing the globe at the behest of a government whose pay grades advanced rather gingerly. A lifelong and loyal Democrat, he was disappointed when his party did not secure national office, but never mis placed his optimism for America, probably taking solace in the fact that he and his colleagues were protecting our ability to bicker for another four years.

Recently, he took great consolation in the championship victory of his beloved Red Sox, affording him the opportunity to inform his family that, not to worry, at least we won’t have to wait 86 years for a Democrat to secure the White House. ... Richard spent his life, in large part, safeguarding us. Both kindly and duty-bound, he navigated this earth with an innate moral compass point honed to an edge by the Jesuits and the military. When the time came, he was able to carry out dangerous, thankless and anonymous tasks without rancor or pause, in a context far removed from the comfort and surety of home (much less country), all the while remaining a devoted husband and father.”

1952
JOSEPH J. SPRAGUE
NOV. 15, 2004

In Rhode Island Hospital, Providence, at 73. Prior to his retirement, Mr. Sprague had been a teacher and an administrator for almost 40 years in the East Providence, R.I., school system. Beginning his career in the mid-1950s as an English teacher at East Providence Central Junior High School; he then taught English and served as a guidance counselor at East Providence High School before becoming the principal of the school in 1979. A longtime coach, he led the cross-country and golf teams to state championships and the hockey team to the Interscholastic League’s Suburban Championship. Following retirement, Mr. Sprague worked for several years in private business and, subsequently, served as the first executive director of the Rhode Island Golf Association (RIGA); each year, the association presents an award in his name to the RIGA player with the lowest stroke average. An accomplished golfer, Mr. Sprague had been a finalist in the State Amateur in 1963 and a three-time semi-finalist; he was also club champion seven times at the Wannamoisett Country Club in Rhode Island. In addition to serving as a member of the U.S. Golf Association’s Regional Association Committee, Mr. Sprague had been the president of both the High School Coaches Association and the Hockey Officials Association. A member of the freshman baseball, hockey and golf teams at Holy Cross, he had also been an amateur radio operator. He is survived by his wife, Joan; a cousin; and three sisters-in-law and their husbands.

1955
FRANK J. CREAGH
OCT. 30, 2004

At his home in Worcester, at 70. Prior to his retirement in 2000, Mr. Creagh had worked 34 years for Commerce Bank of Kansas City, serving as vice president, secretary and general counsel. From 1953-55, he had been a 1st lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force. After receiving his law degree from Kansas University in 1958, Mr. Creagh served as a law clerk to the U.S. district of Kansas under Judge Arthur E. Stanley, from 1958-60. He is survived by his wife, Joan; a cousin; and three sisters-in-law and their husbands.

1956
JAMES F. JOHNSTONE
JUNE 11, 2004

At the Millard Fillmore Hospital Skilled Nursing Facility in New York, at 69. Prior to his retirement in 1994, Mr. Johnstone had been an employment interviewer.
for the New York State Department of Labor in Buffalo. Previously, he had worked at the Westinghouse Electric Corp. Mr. Johnstone is survived by his wife, Arlene; a daughter; and a granddaughter.

**JOHN J. MAHER**
**NOV. 10, 2004**

At his home in Pomfret, Conn., at 70. During his career, Mr. Maher had maintained a private law practice in Putnam, Conn., for many years; he had also served as town counsel for Putnam and as chairman of the board of directors of Cargill Bank. In addition, Mr. Maher was a former chief clerk of the Superior Court of Windham County, Conn. He is survived by many cousins.

**1957**

**WILLIAM J. MCCLUSKY**
**OCT. 3, 2004**

At the Samaritan Medical Center, Watertown, N.Y., at 68. A longtime attorney, Mr. McClusky had most recently maintained a practice with his twin sons in Adams, N.Y.; prior to forming the McClusky Law Firm in 1988, he had been a sole practitioner for 14 years. At the start of his career, Mr. McClusky had worked one year for David Fellows Attorney at Law in Syracuse, N.Y., and one year for Allstate Insurance, also in Syracuse. Relocating to Watertown, N.Y., in 1961, he joined the Robert Weldon Law Firm and, after two years, became a partner of Kinnie, Brown & McClusky. From 1963 to 1966, Mr. McClusky had been the assistant district attorney for Jefferson County, New York, and, from 1966-73, Jefferson County district attorney and the last district attorney coroner; in 1973, he became a Jefferson County judge. A member and past president of the New York State Bar Association, Mr. McClusky was a founding member of Credo and president and member of the founding board of directors of the Disabled Persons Action Organization. He had also been a founding member of the Sacred Heart Foundation and a former member of the Northern New York Cerebral Palsy Association. Mr. McClusky is survived by his wife, Debra; six sons; two daughters; a brother, John L. ’57; a sister; 13 grandchildren; and several nephews and nieces.

**1958**

**WILLIAM F. RYAN**
**OCT. 11, 2004**

In New York, at 68. A longtime educator, Mr. Ryan had served 13 years as the principal of Hart’s Hill Elementary School in the Whitesboro (N.Y.) Central School District, retiring in 1994; at the start of his career, he had been a teacher and an administrator in the Clinton (N.Y.) school system. A member of the New York State School Administrators Association, Mr. Ryan had served on the Utica (N.Y.) School Board of Education, from 1985-89. He had been a Holy Cross class agent. Mr. Ryan is survived by his wife, Clare; three sons; a daughter; a brother; a sister; and five grandchildren.

**1959**

**RAYMOND J. FITZPATRICK JR.**
**AUG. 24, 2004**

At his home in Milford, Conn., at 66. During his career, Mr. Fitzpatrick had been a purchasing agent for 19 years with the Bridgeport (Conn.) Brass Co.; previously, he had worked for U.S. Motors. After the closing of Bridgeport Brass, Mr. Fitzpatrick became involved in the food service industry; he also served as a substitute teacher and worked at various sports venues, including the New Haven Ravens, the Milford Ice Pavilion and Yale University. Most recently the director of the Milford golf course, The Orchards, Mr. Fitzpatrick assisted in creating leagues for children and disabled individuals. In 1974, he started the St. Mary Basketball Tournament in Milford, which raised funds for St. Mary’s School. The New Haven (Conn.) Board of Approved Basketball Officials named him an honorary member in March 2004, for his “outstanding contribution” to youth basketball. Mr. Fitzpatrick is survived by his wife, Norma; two sons; two daughters; a brother, David W. ’62; a brother-in-law; a sister-in-law; nine grandchildren; nephews and nieces; and cousins. His father was the late Raymond J. ’33.

**1960**

**ANTHONY J. BRAVO, M.D.**
**NOV. 19, 2004**

In Bridgeport (Conn.) Hospital, at 66. Dr. Bravo had worked 28 years for the Bridgeport Radiology Associates, retiring in 1998; during this time, he had been associated with Bridgeport Hospital, where he served as chairman of the department of radiology from 1980-93. Also interested in anthropology, Dr. Bravo pursued a second career at Quinnipiac University, Hamden, Conn. – he had been medical director of the diagnostic imaging program at the Bioanthropology Research Institute. An Army veteran, Dr. Bravo attained the rank of first lieutenant. He had been a Holy Cross class agent. Dr. Bravo is survived by his wife, Beverly Ann; two sons; a daughter; and five grandchildren.

**1962**

**GERALD J. FLEMING**
**OCT. 5, 2004**

In Andover, Mass., at 63. During his career, Mr. Fleming had been the owner of Spectracorp in Lawrence, Mass. He was a member of the American Chemical Society. Mr. Fleming is survived by his wife, Margaret; two sons; a daughter; a daughter-in-law, Tara E. ’91; a brother, Thomas F. Jr. ’61; two grandsons; and several nephews and nieces.

**1965**

**FREDERICK J. MANNING**
**SEPT. 22, 2004**

In Maryland. Mr. Manning was a retired Army colonel. He is survived by his wife, Ellen; a son; a daughter; his mother; two brothers; a sister; and many nephews and nieces.

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career as a legal intern to the general counsel in the Department of the American Maritime Association; he then worked for the Department of the Interior in Washington, D.C., as an associate attorney in the area of maritime law. Returning to his hometown of New London, Conn., Mr. Rafferty served as an associate attorney for Judge A.A. Washouton. He had also been a corporate counsel for the Margaret Mead Foundation, the World Fellowship and the Mead School of Human Development. Mr. Rafferty is survived by his wife, Setsuko; his mother; and two daughters.

ROBERT F. STEWART JR.
SEPT. 24, 2004
In Delaware, at 60. Mr. Stewart had most recently served 12 years as chairman of the labor and employment department of the Philadelphia, Pa., law firm of Dilworth Paxson; previously, he had worked seven years in the Philadelphia office of the firm Duane Morris. At the start of his career, Mr. Stewart had been an officer in the U.S. Air Force Judge Advocate General’s Corps, serving in South Korea, Clovis, N.M., and Anchorage, Alaska, until his retirement in 1977. He then joined the Philadelphia-based firm of Obermayer Rebmann Maxwell & Hippel, where he was named a partner. Other professional responsibilities included serving as chairman of the Employee Relations Committee; senior counsel and labor adviser to the Delaware State Chamber of Commerce; and labor counsel to the MidAtlantic Employers’ Association. President of Common Cause of Delaware for 40 years, Mr. Stewart had also been a member of the board of Catholic Charities. He was the author of a monthly “Labor Advisor” column which appeared in the Delaware publication, The Business Ledger, and on the Dilworth Paxson Web site; his writings appeared as well in the Wall Street Journal and Business Week. Mr. Stewart was listed in Who’s Who in American Business and Who’s Who in American Law. He had been a member of the varsity football team at Holy Cross. Mr. Stewart is survived by his wife, Tara; three daughters; three sons-in-law; two brothers, including James W. ’72; a sister; and six grandchildren.

Catherine P. Joyce, a Friend of the College, died Jan. 19 in New York, at 93. A longtime resident of New Rochelle, N.Y., Mrs. Joyce had been active in her parish, the Church of the Holy Family; in addition to founding a chapter of the Legion of Mary there, she had been a member of the Holy Sepulchre.

Mrs. Joyce had been married 54 years to her husband, John, until his death in 1989. The former chairman of Joyce Beverages, Inc., Mr. Joyce received an honorary degree from Holy Cross in 1979. They had been members of the President’s Council at Holy Cross.

Mrs. Joyce is survived by two sons, John M. III and his wife, Geraldine, and Timothy J. ’69 and his wife, Nancy; four daughters and three sons-in-law, Mary Catherine McCooy, Patricia Joyce Figge and her husband, John ’59, Bonnie Joyce Grace and her husband, Thomas ’62, and Cashie Joyce Egan and her husband, Thomas ’71; daughter-in-law, Mary McConnville Joyce; a sister; 34 grandchildren, including John M. IV ’79, Thomas P. Jr. ’82, Mary Figge Power ’83, Julie Joyce Kenary ’84, Robert E. ’86, John C. ’87, Robert H. McCooy Jr. ’87, Ann Figge Nawn ’88, Mark J. McCooy ’89, John O. Figge ’91, Timothy J. McCooy ’91, Cathleen J. Staley ’91, Marianne Joyce Swift ’91, Mary C. McCooy-Dodman ’92, Michael J. Figge ’93, and Thomas G. Grace ’95; and 74 great-grandchildren, including Catherine A. Lemek ’06. In addition to her husband, Mrs. Joyce was predeceased by her son, Thomas P. ’59; a son-in-law, Robert H. McCooy ’52; and seven brothers.

Charles F. Fewore
SEPT. 18, 2004
In Massachusetts, at 60. Mr. Fewore had been the president of the Steco Engineering Co. in Falmouth, Mass., since 1989. Previously, he and his wife had owned the pet shop, “Wet Pets,” also in Falmouth. An Army veteran, Mr. Fewore had served in Korea and Germany as a military policeman. He is survived by his wife, Cathleen; two sons; uncle; aunts; and cousins.

Robert L. Elliott
OCT. 16, 2004
At Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, Lebanon, N.H., at 55. A 1974 graduate of Suffolk University Law School, Mr. Elliott had maintained a law practice in Manchester, N.H., until the time of his death. An amateur golfer, he had won New Hampshire State Golf Championships in 1969 and 1972 and City Championship titles in 1970 and 1972. In 2000, Mr. Elliott was inducted into the Queen City Hall of Fame. He had been a four-year member and a co-captain of the College golf team. Mr. Elliott is survived by his wife, Constance; his mother; two daughters; three sisters; a granddaughter; uncle; aunts; and nephews and nieces. His father was the late Robert H., D.M.D., ’43.

Paul R. Pfeifer
DEC. 1, 2004
At Crittenton Hospital, Rochester, Mich., at 49. During his career, Mr. Pfeifer had worked as an engineer at General
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Dynamics, Raytheon Corp. and General Motors in Michigan for many years. Previously, he had been employed by Hughes Aircraft in California. Mr. Pfeifer had been a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by his wife, Sharon; his father; his stepmother; four brothers; a sister; two sisters-in-law; a stepson; two stepchildren; an uncle; and two nieces.

FRIENDS:
Wife of James H. ’53 and mother of Kevin T. Brogioli ’83 and Laurie M. Kasabian ’84; father of Alessandro Camarra ’99, Dinand Library; wife of the late Thomas E. Jr., M.D., ’38, mother of Richard P. ’80 and Mary Louise Cavanaugh ’84, aunt of Margot Hennelly Walthall ’77 and Marcia Hennelly Moran ’78 and sister of the late Thomas P., M.D., ’38 and John W. Hennelly ’50; mother of C. Louis Clemente ’58; wife of Thomas P. Costello ’48; grandmother of Jennifer G. DiFranco ’99, fund office; wife of Joseph L. Duffy Jr. ’45 and sister of the late Haydon R. Duffy, M.D., ’45; father of Kyle P. Fischer ’07; wife of Peter J. Frasca ’51; mother of David J. ’01 and Peter G. Galalis ’04; wife of Andrew H. ’40 and mother of the late Richard H. Giardi ’68; wife of the late Edward B. ’33, former College Trustee, mother of Edward B. Hanify Jr. ’64 and grandmother of William Rivers Pitt ’95; wife of the late J. Leo Kelley ’32; wife of the late Paul E. Kirby Sr. ’35; father of Jacqueline E. Masto ’91; father of Katherine A. McGrew ’05; wife of the late Richard M., M.D., ’49, mother of Kevin M. ’77 and mother-in-law of Karen M. McGuane ’78; wife of David C. Mills ’60; wife of Thomas S. ’49 and mother of Thomas E. Moroney ’77; wife of Gerard W. “Gerry” Moynihan ’63; father of Brendan C. Murphy ’07; wife of the late William R. Jr. ’47 and mother of Ann M. ’77, William R. III ’80, Maureen E. ’81, John F. Neelon ’82, Ellen M. Rogers ’89 and Beth Neelon Stevens ’92; Paul H. Nitze, honorary ’85; wife of the late Edward A. O’Rorke ’29; wife of James M. Quinn, M.D., ’69; wife of the late John P. Reardon, visual arts department; Rev. Harold Ridley, S.J., College trustee; mother of Rhea Ringgard, development office; grandmother of Kathleen E. Ruyak ’03; mother of Robert F. Shea Jr. ’85; mother of Edward Sheridan, dining services; Elizabeth M. Spear, retired, physical plant department and development office; mother of William J. ’81, Christopher J. ’85 and David P. Supple ’90 and mother-in-law of Mary Lynch Supple ’82; father of Arthur M. ’68 and grandfather of Matthew M. Surabian ’07; mother of Robert B. Tangney ’69; father of Harry K. Thomas Jr. ’78; mother of Ralph D. Willard ’67, athletic department; wife of Alexander J. Wizbicki ’47; mother of Christina M. Zorzi ’05

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Edward P. Jones ’72 and The Known World

In my freshman year at Holy Cross, my English professor asked me: “Why do we read novels?” I replied, “Novels give us insight into human nature.” My professor was pleased with that answer, but little did he realize that I was not talking from personal experience, but only had repeated something I had heard elsewhere.

Having just read the Pulitzer Prize winning novel The Known World, by Edward P. Jones ’72, I have now received in abundance insight into human nature. Mr. Jones, to this reader, may well be Faulkner’s literary successor. His style and subject matter are both reminiscent of that great novelist, while his characters expose how our actions are often predetermined by our mental gestalt.

The Holy Cross community can be forever grateful to the admissions officer who, in 1968, wrote “accepted” on the application of a marginal Black applicant from Washington, D.C., and to the good fortune of Mr. Jones having chosen to attend the College.

Clinton Sornberger ’63
Poinciana, Fla.

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With the first game played there 100 years ago—in April 1905—Fitton Field has a long history of hosting professional baseball, most notably the Boston Red Sox. During an exhibition game between the Major League Club and the Holy Cross baseball team in April 1939, the legendary Ted Williams hit his first professional home run at Fitton Field.

City Manager Michael V. O’Brien stated that the real progress made on this effort is due to the strong partnerships forged and the spirit of teamwork: “The entire community is energized and more than enthusiastic that first class, professional baseball is back in Worcester.”

Worcester Professional Baseball will construct a permanent ballpark with a seating capacity for approximately 3,000 fans. The terms of the agreement also include a five-year lease for the team to play at Fitton Field.

The Worcester UniverCity Partnership, which began operation in December 2004, involves public and private sector leaders, along with college and university presidents, coming together in a coordinated effort to increase the impact of higher education in the region—especially higher education’s impact on economic development.

The team will have use of Fitton Field for approximately 46 home dates plus training, practices, up to eight possible playoff games, camps and other community events. As part of the agreement, the College’s academic and athletic schedules will not be interrupted or otherwise inconvenienced by the team’s schedule.
Dear Fr. Mike:

When I told you that Joan and I would be heading to Holy Cross for a colloquium on renewing the Church, I knew you would be interested—and you were. You study the “big picture” issues and encourage new initiatives in our parish. It was no surprise when you asked me to bring back copies of the talks and other handouts.

Right after the conference, you asked, “How was it?” and I told you—“It was the best single event I’ve attended at Holy Cross since graduating in 1957.”

This event was spectacular, its stars exploding all over the place. There were 14 presenters, some—such as Rev. Donald Cozzens and Dolores Leckey—well known in Church circles as circuit riders in the Church reform movement, each addressing different aspects of the many problems threatening the Church. Most of them spoke for an hour and then fielded questions for 15 or 20 minutes. The cumulative effect of these presentations was a remarkable mosaic of the Church today.

The weekend was organized to be an “Ignatian discernment,” seeking to ask hard questions about today’s Church and its troubles: the sex abuse scandal; the declining number of priests and religious; fall off in church attendance; parish closings; resignations of bishops; unprecedented financial strain; squabbling among lay Catholic groups; and public argument over the relation of faith to political life. Plus: Confusion over the exercise of authority in the Church and Church governance, and over the credibility of Church leaders. Not much cheer in this list!

The intention of the conference was to help participants increase their knowledge of the “challenges and opportunities the Church in America faces” and then to map out ways for participants to use their gifts and talents “to shape the Church and pass on a lively Catholic faith to future generations.” Specific areas of need were identified: evangelization, education and healing.

The colloquium did better at plugging gaps than laying out clear options for action. Much needed was a Tom Brokaw-type anchor, con-
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stantly connecting the dots among speakers and prodding Church complainers to make their points.

The possibility that this colloquium would turn into another dump-on-the-bishops fest was huge. Eastern Massachusetts and other parts of nearby New England are still smarting from the sex abuse disclosures in recent years, ironically starting with the tragic and tawdry tale of John Geoghan, defrocked and convicted of widespread sexual abuse among children while a Boston priest—and a member of my class at Holy Cross. People from this area are still angry and came to the colloquium wanting to vent.

Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J., president of Holy Cross, warned that despair and resentment among Catholics and “self-serving individualism” among Church leaders and laity, posed serious roadblocks to renewal and reform within the Church. But he found encouragement in the history of the Church: “The Church has faced far worse crises in its history and has come through them stronger than before,” he said. “We have had corrupt and venal popes, bishops and clergy, intense confusion and conflict over leadership, outright warfare over doctrine and power, murderous opposition from governments, widespread indifference and apostasy among laity and clergy, and just about every other problem imaginable.” Yet, he added, “We have always managed not only to survive, but to use these occasions for reform and renewal. … There is no question that our God wants to bring healing and restoration to the Church. The only question is whether we want to join in and be part of the process.”

There was no meltdown at the colloquium. Perhaps the Spirit intervened. As the weekend unfolded, the focus shifted to how lay people can be more effective in their own backyards, starting with their parishes but also including contact with their bishops.

“I believe it is the laity’s moment,” said Fr. Cozzens.

Sister Catherine Patten, an authority on changing roles within the Church, asserted: “It is already happening.” She reported that the number of parishes with lay ecclesial ministers now exceeds 30,000—up from less than 22,000 in 1992—and that the total of lay ministers far exceeds the current number of “active” diocesan priests (under 20,000) and permanent deacons (14,000). “Seventy percent of parishes have lay participation, including volunteers,” said Sister Patten. “The changes are rapid and major. We are already living in the era of declining priests.”

As participants compared notes on their parish life, many discovered an encouraging trend. Alive-and-well parishes, such as ours at the Church of the Annunciation here in Paramus, aren’t isolated and exceptional. Increasingly, they are becoming more typical. Moribund inner-city parishes are in the news as dioceses close empty churches. But missing are stories scrutinizing crowded and vibrant parishes.

Participants did get a performance review, of sorts: Implied criticism that too many educated Catholics are unread on Church history, especially since Vatican II. The Council ended nearly 40 years ago after issuing 16 documents. Many of us have yet to read a single one top-to-
bottom. The complete and much-praised report on the crisis in the Catholic Church by members of the National Review Board is also collecting dust. “There is no need for Vatican III,” remarked Christopher Bellitto, a Church historian at Kean University in New Jersey. “We haven’t finished Vatican II yet.”

Bishop Matthew Clark of Rochester, N.Y., who attended Holy Cross in the late 1950s, underscored the need to read the Vatican II documents. “There is need for people to know the documents—need for the documents to ‘sink into the heart.’”

Fr. Joseph Komonchak, a professor of theology and the history of Vatican II at The Catholic University of America, wondered how many of the 220 Catholic colleges and universities in the United States still require courses in religion and theology, as C.U. does. (Holy Cross dropped the requirement years ago but does require hours of “religious studies.” Additionally, large numbers of students are active in outreach programs in Worcester, other parts of the country and overseas.)

The more than 50 participants, with help from facilitators, presenters and students, defined in personal terms what they could do to help renew the Church. Most of the ideas were humble, down-to-earth and deeply moving. “Stay informed. Write a letter. Host a dinner. Hang in there.”

Others agreed on the importance of lay people reaching out to the embattled, isolated, sometimes-embarrassed bishops. Rev. Kevin Donovan ’83, serving in the Hartford Diocese, stressed the importance of prayer: “Pray for each other, for parish priests and for your bishop, especially when you don’t want to.”

“Don’t underestimate the power of chicken dinners!” declared Professor Leckey, citing a lesson she learned during Vatican II when she stayed in a small hotel filled with bishops from all over the world. “Bishops are human.”

Michael F. Collins, M.D., ’77, chair of the Holy Cross Board of Trustees, described the need for educated, ethical Catholics to serve on boards of hospitals within the vast $60 billion Catholic Health Care system, the largest in the country. Professor David O’Brien, who teaches the history of Catholicism in the United States at Holy Cross, urged participants to avoid the language of division that is “poisoning our Church” and to seek to be bridge-builders within the Church and “across religious, racial, cultural and economic divides” the world over.

The colloquium didn’t ignore the mismanagement and blunders at the top in handling the sex abuse scandal and other related problems. Fr. Cozzens, an expert on the topic, said priests, themselves polarized, “are too reluctant to speak candidly to bishops.” If the Church had apologized right away for the cases of child abuse, there would have been fewer lawsuits, he said.

At the end of the day, people seemed more hopeful. Instead of getting an executive summary on the Church’s troubles, they apparently received something more personal, emotional and spiritual. For many it was a retreat.

If there are further colloquiums, organizers might consider two suggestions. First, give the participants time to breathe, instead of planning 12 hour days without interruptions. Second, consider dropping the title colloquium. It may be an accurate word to describe an event where experts do most of the talking and participants get to ask questions at the end. But colloquium isn’t a household word and suggests something academic, highbrow and dense, which the November event was not.

Father Mike, having plowed through all this, what do you think? I must tell you that I compared our experiences at the Church of the Annunciation with life in other parishes I heard about over the weekend. Our modest-sized parish with its 75 tiny “ministries,” most of them active, stacks up well. The parish commitments you have encouraged help us to have a clear vision, which has generated serious involvement by many lay people to make the vision a reality; and has created a general sense that we are making headway.

Thanks, Father Mike. We are blessed.

Fr. Shaheen had studied to be an Xaverian brother before becoming a priest in the Newark Diocese. He has been pastor of the Church of the Annunciation in Paramus, N.J., for the past eight years. Larry and Joan O’Donnell, who live in nearby Ridgewood, N.J., joined Annunciation three years ago. O’Donnell served on the Holy Cross Board of Trustees from 1982-1990.
The Profile

James David Power III ’53

Q & A

What was the first car you bought, and how would it have rated with J.D. Power and Associates?

I bought a used car when I got out of the Coast Guard. It was a 1952 Chevy coupe. It served me well all through graduate school. But later on I was driving to Detroit, and the insulation on a rubber mat caught fire because of oil dripping on it. So I had to stop the car and throw the mat out onto the road.

Who was your greatest inspiration in life?

My father and mother. My dad was always for the underdog and the less fortunate.

What is your favorite book?

I just read Moneyball: The Art of Winning An Unfair Game, by Michael Lewis—since I’ve followed the Red Sox for so long. On the wall of my office I have a picture of Ted Williams taking his first at-bat. It was April 14, 1939, and it was at Holy Cross. I was 8 years old and at that game. My uncle was editor of the Worcester Evening Gazette, and he took us to the game.

On March 8—after 37 years as the voice of the consumer—J.D. “Dave” Power III ’53 sold his company, J.D. Power and Associates, to McGraw-Hill Cos. With the sale finalized in April, Power stepped down as company chairman and now holds the title of “founder.” He is staying on for a period of time to work on strategy and the integration of his company into McGraw-Hill.

Power says the sale of the company he founded, nurtured and grew into a consumer research powerhouse is “bittersweet.”

“The biggest realization is that I’m getting older,” says Power. “That’s one thing you can’t slow down. There’s a time for everything.”

J.D. Power and Associates is often the first place consumers consult when buying a car, boat, television, digital camera and other products. The firm also rates hotels, hospitals, insurance companies, restaurants, home builders and more.

A top ranking from J.D. Power and Associates serves as a mark of prestige for a company and can have a profound impact on sales.

Power started the company in 1968 after working for the Ford Motor Company, Marplan, J.I. Case Company, and McCulloch Corporation. J.D. Power and Associates has built a reputation for trust and quality both with consumers and corporations. Power’s business philosophy revolves around “integrity, independence and impact.”

“We try to maintain our integrity by telling it like it is,” Power says. “We remain independent by doing our own research. And we can have greater impact by remaining independent.”

A Worcester native, Power says he had no choice as to where he would go to college. One could say Holy Cross was in his blood. His father, James Jr., was a 1920 graduate; an uncle graduated in 1916 and, another, in 1923. Power’s brother, John, received his degree from the College in 1969—and his daughter Susan is a 1993 graduate.

While a student at Holy Cross, Power developed guiding principles that have shaped his life.

“I think the Jesuit education had the greatest impact on me,” Power says. “It has influenced my personal philosophy. I respect the inquisitiveness that the Jesuit education gave me to dig down for basic truths and to learn how to ask the right questions. That has served me well in the business world.”

STATS

- Residence: Westlake Village, Calif.
- Additional Education: University of Pennsylvania, Wharton School of Finance, 1959, M.B.A.
- Most Influential Holy Cross Professor: Rev. Patrick J. Cummings, S.J., English and Latin
- Residence Hall: None. Lived at home and commuted to school. Such students were called “day-hops” in those days. Had a locker in the “day room,” which was previously a gym. Played cards there with other students.
Who are these people and where did they get those hats?
Here's another mystery from the College's photographic archives. If you are the first person to identify correctly the individuals in this photograph, HCM will send you a complimentary T-shirt from the College Bookstore. Please send photo information to: hcmag@holycross.edu or mail to:

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Congratulations to Rodney De Leaver '74, who was the first person to identify last issue's mystery photo. De Leaver recognized Peter Vaas '74, caught in mid-pass during the Army game of Nov. 18, 1972. A College T-shirt is on its way to De Leaver. Thanks to all who participated in our initial contest.