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by James Dempsey Park Smith knows and loves his wine. The recipient of the COPIA award as the wine collector of the year, he has spent years building one of the great collections in the world. Contemplating his renowned cellar recently, Smith made the decision to mount one of the largest wine auctions in history—with the proceeds going to Holy Cross for the construction or restoration of the College's athletics facilities.

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by Laura Porter Last spring, the Holy Cross Board of Trustees approved a new Five-Year Strategic Plan. The culmination of two years of institution-wide discussion, the plan reflects a thorough assessment of the College’s immediate and future needs and its goals for meeting the most urgent of them. “It was time to set new directions,” says Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J., president of Holy Cross.

Our cover photo is a portrait of Park B. Smith ’54 in the wine cellar of his home in Lakeville, Conn. The photo was taken exclusively for Holy Cross Magazine by Ken Schles on Aug. 29.
“Iraq and the media”
If you’re going to use Holy Cross Magazine as a forum for arguing the morality of the U.S. military’s performance in Iraq (see “Letters to the Editor” in the summer issue of HCM), then I’d like to weigh in opposite Doug A. DeMeo ’89. Per Doug, we are to accept Dahr Jamail’s reporting without question even though Jamail’s bias against the freely elected government of Iraq, and for the Sunni insurgents, could not be more blatant.

From December 2004-June 2005, I was deployed to Multinational Forces-Northwest in Mosul where I served on the staff as an intelligence officer. I, for one, could not be more proud of our efforts there. We have given the diverse Iraqi people an opportunity to create a prosperous democracy that respects the rights of its minorities. No doubt, this will be a long haul—but thousands of Iraqis risk their lives daily to make this previously impossible vision a reality. “A mission of death”? That would describe the evil work of the car bombers and beheaders attempting to destroy Iraq’s potentially great future. Ultimately it will be up to the Iraqis themselves. If they fail, I hope it won’t be because we let them down.

Lt. Cmdr. Richard P. “Pat” Mahoney, USAR, ’69
 Severn, Md.

“A Question”
Reading the summer issue of Holy Cross Magazine, which arrived today with that great photo of the library steps plus all its other interesting photos and tales, makes me wonder aloud why not one single 2006 grad of my East Coast Jesuit Prep School alma mater will be entering the freshman class at Holy Cross this year. As best as I recall, that’s the second year in a row that no grads from that swell Jesuit prep picked Holy Cross. Could the tuition be the problem? Or the weather? Or maybe that Holy Cross is now co-ed and the 7 a.m. daily Mass requirement that we endured from 1958-61 has been eliminated?

Frederick W.T. “Fred” Hoogland, ’62
 Houston, Texas

Due to an editing error, a corrupt version of the following letter was published in the summer issue of HCM. We regret the error and are publishing the letter again in its original form.

“Professor Shertzer”
It was gratifying to read that Professor Janine Shertzer was selected a fellow in the American Physical Society. This is a great honor for her, the Physics Department, and the College. I also found the article on undergraduate research very interesting and nostalgically wished that it existed when I was a physics major. I wrote to Professor Shertzer a few years ago when I saw that she had attended graduate school at Brown. I confirmed that a friend and colleague of mine, Professor Emeritus Stavros Fallieros, had taught her at Brown. I also tried to verify the supposition that the Class of ’55 holds the College record for physics majors who went on to a Ph.D., namely three. Edward A. Clark and Donald J. McGibney (RIP) being the other two. Unfortunately, the physics department doesn’t maintain this information so Professor Shertzer was unable to corroborate my class prejudice. Any information (yea or nay) would be welcome. But again, congratulations to Professor Shertzer.

T. A. Hughes, Ph.D., ’55
 Arroyo Grande, Calif.
Both James Boswell and Edward Young labeled friendship, “the wine of life.”

The phrase is a fine characterization of the relationship between Holy Cross and one of its most loyal graduates.

The College has had few friends as generous and devoted as Park B. Smith ’54. Over the last decade or so, the name Smith has blossomed repeatedly on Mount St. James. The College community has been blessed with the gifts of the Carol and Park B. Smith Wellness Center, Carol and Park B. Smith Hall and, most recently, The Linda Johnson Smith Soccer Stadium (see Page 10). In fact, the catalyst that first ignited the Lift High the Cross Campaign was an initial $10 million donation from Park and Carol Smith, and the donation of $10 million from Park and Linda Smith, in the form of a challenge, was the inspiration that catapulted the campaign to its outstanding conclusion of $216 million.

And now—in the spirit of Boswell and Young—we are delighted to announce Smith's latest gift to alma mater, which manages to merge two of the great joys of the man’s life: Holy Cross and his passion for fine wine.

As you’ll read in our cover story, Park Smith knows and loves his wine. The recipient of the COPIA award as the wine collector of the year, he was once named honorary mayor and vigneron of the town of Châteauneuf-du-Pape, which produces the wine of the same name—Smith’s favorite. His award-winning Manhattan restaurant, Veritas, is known to have one of the finest and most extensive wine lists in the Big Apple.

The man has spent years building one of the great collections in the world, traveling the globe, befriending vintners, consulting with the experts. Wine maven Robert Parker calls Smith’s cellar one of the greatest he has ever seen. Contemplating his renowned cellar recently, Smith made the decision to mount one of the largest wine auctions in history—with the proceeds going to Holy Cross for the construction or restoration of the College’s athletics facilities.

News of the auction set the wine world abuzz—and media attention has been plentiful. To handle the event, Smith chose Sotheby’s, the world’s oldest international auction house. Sotheby’s senior vice president and head of the company’s United States wine department, Jamie Ritchie, concurs with Robert Parker’s assessment of Smith’s collection, calling it “amazing” and “one of the best cellars in the world.”

The daylong auction, which will take place on Nov. 18 at Sotheby’s in New York, is expected to draw an international crowd that will include the most discerning wine connoisseurs in the world. It is also expected to break bidding records.

When Smith was presented with an honorary degree at the College’s Commencement in 2005, his citation exhorted him to “choose the wine for our table, dear friend, and we will proudly toast the Renaissance man that you have become.”

Clearly, Smith took those words to heart.

Today, as he empties much of that celebrated cellar, he looks forward once again to giving to his College, assisting in its betterment, tending to its future.

In wine circles, Smith is famous for scrupulously guarding his collection from such spoiling agents as heat, light and vibration. Wine authority Parker marvels at Smith’s insistence on “pristine provenance.”

Here on Mount St. James, we’re fortunate to witness that same degree of care and concern extended to alma mater.
The Office of the Dean has announced the hiring of six new faculty members in tenure-track positions for this academic year. They are:

**Rosa E. Carrasquillo** (assistant professor, history), earned her Ph.D. and master of arts degree in Latin American history at the University of Connecticut and her bachelor of arts degree at the University of Puerto Rico. Formerly, she taught history courses at Assumption College and the University of Connecticut. Carrasquillo was the recipient of a faculty development grant at Assumption College and The Ann Plato Fellowship, a predoctoral fellowship for minority scholars, from Trinity College, Hartford, Conn. She is the author of *Our Landless Patria: Marginal Citizenship and Race in Caguas, Puerto Rico, 1880-1910* (University of Nebraska Press, 2006).

**Debra Gettelman** (assistant professor, English), earned her Ph.D., master of education degree and bachelor of arts degree at Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass. Her teaching interests encompass 19th-century British literature and culture, Romanticism, Modernism and 20th-century British fiction. She received the Bowdoin Graduate English Prize from Harvard University for her article, “Reading Ahead in George Eliot,” published in the fall 2005 issue of the critical journal *Novel: A Forum on Fiction*.

**Jack Mitchell** (assistant professor, classics), earned his Ph.D. at Stanford (Calif.) University and his bachelor of arts degree at McGill University, Montreal. His professional interests include archaic Greek poetry, ancient criticism, performance theory, intertextual theory and translation theory. Mitchell is the author of *The Roman Conspiracy* (Tundra Books, 2005).
Sara Gran Mitchell (assistant professor, biology), is a geologist who earned her Ph.D. at the University of Washington, her master of science degree at the University of Vermont and her bachelor of arts degree at Carleton College, Northfield, Minn. Specializing in the evolution of landscapes, she has conducted field research in the Cascade Range of Washington state and in Israel, among other locations. Mitchell was awarded the Howard A. Coombs Fellowship for Teaching Excellence in 2005; additionally, she has contributed to a number of articles published in scientific journals, including Nature, Geology and Quaternary Research.

Sarah A. Petty (assistant professor, chemistry), earned her Ph.D. and master of science degree in chemistry at the University of Liverpool, United Kingdom. She has written several articles concerning her research on peptides associated with diseases such as Alzheimer’s disease and Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease, which have appeared in several publications, including The Journal of the American Chemical Society, and Proceedings of the National Academy of Science of the United States of America. Previously, Petty was a postdoctoral research fellow at Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, Mass.

Bianca R. Sculimbrené (assistant professor, chemistry), earned her Ph.D. at Boston College and her bachelor of science degree at Xavier University. Most recently she was a postdoctoral associate at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge—funded by the National Institutes of Health Postdoctoral Fellowship and awarded to her in 2004. Her research interests include catalysts for phosphorylation and the development of other chemical tools for studying biological systems, on which she has published various articles.
The following two professors have taught previously at Holy Cross and now hold tenure-track positions:

**Caroline E. Johnson Hodge** (assistant professor, religious studies), earned her Ph.D. at Brown University, Providence, R.I., her master of theological studies degree at Harvard Divinity School, Cambridge, and her bachelor of arts degree at Pomona College, Claremont, Calif. She is the author of the forthcoming *If Sons, Then Heirs: A Study of Kinship and Ethnicity in Paul’s Letters* (Oxford University Press, 2007), and a range of articles in religious journals. Johnson Hodge has most recently taught as a visiting professor at Holy Cross, prior to which she was the Kraft-Hiatt postdoctoral fellow and lecturer at Brandeis University in Waltham, Mass. Her teaching interests include the history of early Christianity.

**Debra J. O’Connor** (assistant professor, economics), earned her Ph.D. at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, her master of science degree in taxation at Bentley College, Waltham, Mass., and her bachelor of arts degree at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. A visiting instructor at Holy Cross during the last academic year, she previously taught at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst and Worcester Polytechnic Institute. Her research interests include supply chain management, multi-criteria decision-making and nonlinear programming. O’Connor is a certified public accountant.
NEWS FROM THE HILL

College welcomes new VICE PRESIDENT for academic affairs

Timothy R. Austin, former dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and professor of English at Creighton University, Omaha, Neb., is the new vice president for academic affairs and dean of Holy Cross. Austin assumed his duties on August 1; he succeeds Stephen C. Ainlay, who became president of Union College, Schenectady, N.Y., earlier this year, after 24 years of service at Holy Cross—including 10 as dean.

“I am pleased that Tim Austin will be joining us in this very important position—I am confident that he has the skills, background and experience needed to move the College forward over the next few years,” says College president, Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J., making note of Austin’s academic accomplishments, administrative experience and familiarity with Jesuit mission and identity.

“I am excited and energized at the prospect of joining an institution with such a long and proud tradition,” says Austin. “In my 29-year career at Jesuit universities, I have come to respect Holy Cross as a pre-eminent liberal arts institution in that tradition. I look forward to working with faculty, staff and students in the years ahead to build on the College’s solid academic foundation and to deepen its commitment to Jesuit values.”

Born and raised in a small town just south of London, Austin attended Oxford University and earned his bachelor of arts honors degree in English language and literature before deciding to come to the United States to study linguistics; he received his Ph.D. in this field from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. In 1977, Austin began his teaching career in the English department at Loyola University Chicago, rising to chair of the department. He joined the Creighton University faculty as dean in 2001.

Austin’s research interests include theoretical syntax, the teaching of grammar, the grammar of poetry and the history of the English language. Widely published and an active figure in professional organizations such as the Modern Language Association, he is the author of many scholarly articles as well as two major books, Language Crafted: A Linguistic Theory of Poetic Syntax (Indiana University Press) and Poetic Voices: Discourse Linguistics and the Poetic Text (University of Alabama Press).

A member of the Nebraska Shakespeare Festival Governing Board, Austin has served as board member, treasurer and vice chair of the Nebraska Humanities Council.

His wife, Megan Overby, is currently writing her dissertation for a Ph.D. in speech pathology at the University of Nebraska; they have three daughters and one son.
NEW TRUSTEES
join College board

This year, two new Trustees have joined the Holy Cross Board. In addition, Park B. Smith ’54 has rejoined the Board. The new trustees are:

Erin Robert ’06 earned her bachelor of arts degree, with honors, in political science. Minoring in economics, she took part in the College Honors Program and made the dean’s list during each semester at Holy Cross. A three-time recipient of the Charles A. Dana scholarship, Robert is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Pi Sigma Alpha (the National Political Science Honors Association) and Omicron Delta Epsilon (the International Honors Society). The recipient of the Vannicelli Prize for outstanding Washington Semester thesis, she was co-chair of the Student Government Association and a student body representative to the finance and planning council at Holy Cross. A member of the College’s moot court and mock trial programs, Robert won the First Place Attorney Award at the 2004 Regional Tournament at St. John’s University and the First Place Witness Award at the 2004 Yale University Invitational Tournament. She resides in New York City.

Donna Winn ’76 is president and chief executive officer of OFI Private Investments, Inc., a subsidiary of OppenheimerFunds, Inc. She is responsible for separately managed accounts, registered hedge funds, 529 plans and charitable giving services and for creating investment products and packages that serve the Affluent Market. Winn joined OppenheimerFunds, Inc., in 1999; previously, she spent 22 years at Merrill Lynch in various sales and marketing positions, where she was responsible for product management of CMA and retirement plans. A member of the first full class of women to graduate from Holy Cross, Winn had majored in economics. She is a member of the Better Business Bureau Charitable Foundation Board; the Women Presidents’ Organization; the executive committee of the Holy Cross Club of New York; and the marketing committee of the Women’s Sports Foundation. Winn is married to Alexander Marasco ’74; they have two sons and reside in Larchmont, N.Y.
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ambiguity and uncertainty and combines a passion for truth with respect for the views of others…" The individual has achieved outstanding personal or professional accomplishments that reflect honor and glory on the College.

Nominations must be submitted to the Office of the Senior Vice President by Jan. 1, 2007. In order to be eligible for nomination, individuals must be Holy Cross graduates who have not received an honorary degree from the College. Current Holy Cross Trustees are not eligible while in service on the Board.

Nomination forms may be found on the College Web page of the senior vice president and, following completion, mailed to:

College of the Holy Cross
Office of the Senior Vice President
PO Box VP
One College Street
Worcester, MA 01610

The Nominations and Selections Committee will review the nominees’ credentials and make recommendations to the senior vice president. The committee is comprised of the senior vice president, College chaplain, director of public affairs, president of the General Alumni Association and a member of the executive committee of the Board of Trustees.

The 10th annual Sanctae Crucis Awards ceremony will be held at the annual spring dinner meeting of the Board of Trustees.

College brings summer SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL to city

Holy Cross and Worcester’s Redfeather Theatre Company partnered this summer to present Shakespeare’s As You Like It at the Memorial Grove Amphitheatre in Green Hill Park. The production, directed by Edward Isser, associate professor and chair of the College’s theatre department, is the latest community development project undertaken by the College—and the first summer festival held in Worcester in almost 10 years.

Isser has been directing Shakespeare regularly at Holy Cross since he joined the faculty more than a decade ago. His first Shakespeare production at the College, Measure for Measure, won an award in directing from the American College Theatre Festival. Since then he has directed four other Shakespeare productions on campus—as well as Macbeth and Romeo and Juliet at the Foothills Theatre in Worcester.

The cast of As You Like It was comprised of students, alumni, members of the local community and Holy Cross theatre professor, Steve Vineberg.

The cast and crew of As You Like It (first row, left to right): Savanah Shaughnessy ’09, Kate Hultgren, stage manager Morgan Montgomery ’06, assistant stage manager Micaela Mackie ’08, Danielle Metterville ’05. Second Row, left to right: Lauren Doucette ’08, Amanda Moar Sywak, William Taylor, Nathanael Shea ’04, Dan Schap, Danielle Harrison ’04, Rick Gregoire ’06, Emily Strong ’04, Mike Lueger ’07, Pat Gavin ’07, Eric Butler ’06, Joseph Finnernal, Holy Cross theatre professor, Steve Vineberg, Holy Cross lecturer and Redfeather artistic director, Timothy John Smith.
New SOCCER STADIUM dedicated

The new 1,320-seat Linda Johnson Smith Soccer Stadium at Holy Cross was dedicated on Sept. 8; the ceremony, which was open to the campus community and the public, preceded the men’s varsity soccer game against St. Bonaventure.

The stadium, located behind the Hart Center, serves as the first permanent home for Crusader soccer. Featuring a top-quality grass surface, permanently installed aluminum stands and lights for night games, the facility also includes a press box and large scoreboard. The first new playing facility on campus since the debut of the lighted artificial turf field and running track in 1988, the stadium is named in gratitude to Linda and Park B. Smith ’54 for their leadership gift to the $2 million project.

The Smiths at the dedication of the new soccer stadium

RABBI COHEN delivers lecture on campus


Cohen is the founding rabbi of Bet Shalom, an 800-family congregation in Minnetonka, Minn., created by 31 families in 1981. Prior to his arrival in Minnesota, Cohen served the oldest Jewish congregation west of the Alleghenies, Rockdale Temple in Cincinnati—in addition to teaching at Hebrew Union College and other colleges in Cincinnati. He has continued to serve on college faculties in the Twin Cities area, including the College of St. Catherine, Macalester College, the United Theological Seminary and St. Olaf College.

Cohen is the author of the book Jewish Bible Personages in the New Testament, as well as numerous magazine and newspaper articles; he has also appeared as scholar in residence in over two dozen cities. Cohen is currently working on a book, titled Stereotypes and Misconceptions that Christians and Jews Hold About Each Other.

The event was sponsored by the Chaplains’ Office.
LUDWIG ’73 delivers Thomas More Lecture

On Sept. 7, Edward J. Ludwig ’73, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Becton, Dickinson and Company, a Fortune 500 global medical technology firm, delivered the annual Thomas More Lecture on Faith, Work and Civic Life in the Rehm Library.

Becton Dickinson, headquartered in Franklin Lakes, N.J., makes and sells medical devices, instrumented systems and reagents—and is dedicated to improving people’s health throughout the world. The company sponsors a wide array of generous philanthropic programs to solve global health needs, most extensively, in the campaign to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus.

INTERCOLLEGIATE student group launched

A new citywide student group was recently created by a team of local collegians. Worcester Intercollegiate Government (WIG) is an organization representing students from Worcester’s nine colleges and universities. The group’s goal is to provide a sounding board for private and public sector organizations seeking to tap into Worcester’s large student market.

“With 30,000 students and a permanent population of nearly 176,000 residents, Worcester rivals places like Boston and Cambridge as a college town,” says Patrick Murray ’07, who serves as WIG’s chair.

“The city, through the UniverCity Partnership, has stressed economic development as a top priority—we feel that Worcester’s college students are a critical component to that development,” says Murray. “Making student leaders available to businesses, developers and municipal officials allows for the necessary communication that will help Worcester succeed.”

“Students are interested in being a part of the Worcester community,” he continues, “and this provides them with an outlet.”

According to Murray, WIG was developed to serve the Worcester community, individual colleges and student governments. Its principal goals include: Promoting economic development in the downtown area; formation of a student “think tank”; serving in a student advisory capacity on municipal policy issues; and increasing focus and participation in the Colleges of Worcester Consortium and intercollegiate activities.

The establishment of WIG was the major recommendation of a white paper developed last spring by Murray and another Holy Cross student, Nicholas Buonome ’06, who assessed past strategies for capitalizing on Worcester’s position as a college town. The students convened a committee of representatives from Worcester’s colleges and universities to identify the city’s strengths and shortcomings when it comes to attracting the student market.
CLASS OF 2010: A Profile

From a record number of applicants, 763 first-year students arrive on Mount St. James

The record 6,705 applications for admission to the Class of 2010—a 41 percent increase from the previous year—meant that acceptances to Holy Cross were particularly competitive this year. The spike in applications was partly due to the publicity surrounding the College’s announcement in spring 2005 that standardized testing would be an optional part of the admission process—still, 70 percent of applying students chose to submit their scores. The increased applicant pool resulted in an acceptance rate of 34 percent; early decision applications rose 49 percent.

“We’re delighted to welcome the Class of 2010,” says Ann B. McDermott ’79, director of admissions. “As a group, these young men and women have already accomplished a great deal in their high school classrooms, demonstrated an interest in community service, distinguished themselves in creative pursuits and athletic endeavors—and are as excited as we are that they’re joining the Holy Cross community.”

Here is an “at-a-glance” profile of the Class of 2010:

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Class of 2010 on move-in day
Calendar of Events

Center for Religion, Ethics and Culture:

OCT. 19  Deitchman Family Lecture on Religion and Modernity.  7:30 p.m.
           Topic: Authority, Allegiance, and Advocacy: Religion and Politics in American Higher Education
           Julie Reuben, Harvard historian of education
           Rehm Library

OCT. 23  Lecture in Ministry: “Christian Mission to the World: What are We Called to and Why”
           St. Sandra M. Schneider, I.H.M., of the Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley in California
           Rehm Library

OCT. 25  Lilly Vocation Discernment Initiative Lecture: 11 a.m.
           Wangari Maathai, founder of the Green Belt Movement and winner of the 2004 Nobel Peace Prize
           St. Joseph Memorial Chapel

OCT. 26  Writers on Vocation Series: Robin Hemley, 7:30 p.m.
           author and director of the nonfiction writing program at the University of Iowa
           Rehm Library

OCT. 30  Lecture: “The Sins of the Parents: Justice, Love, and Children”
           Cristina L.H. Traina, of the department of religion at Northwestern University
           Rehm Library

NOV. 6   Deitchman Family Lecture on Religion and Modernity.
           Topic: The Impact of Technology on Belief
           Rev. John Staudenmaier, S.J., editor of Technology and Culture
           Rehm Library

NOV. 8   Lecture: “Building a Bionic Jesuit: Enhancing Human Function with Medical Technology”
           James Collins ’87, professor of biomedical engineering at Boston University
           Rehm Library

NOV. 9   Celebration of faculty scholarship: A Voice of Their Own: The Authority of the Local Parish, 4 p.m.
           by Rev. William Clark, S.J., Holy Cross assistant professor of religious studies
           Rehm Library

NOV. 16  Lecture: “Effects of the Passing of Shoah Survivors: What happens to memory when the witnesses are gone?”
           Michael Berenbaum, of the University of Judaism, Los Angeles
           Rehm Library

NOV. 20  Lecture: “Jews and Jews: The Holocaust and the search for forgiveness”
           James Bernauer, S.J., professor of philosophy at Boston College
           Rehm Library

NOV. 29  Lecture: “The Pimple on Adonis’ Nose: On the Allocation of Social Resources to Education and Medicine in the United States”
           Robert Paul Wolff, professor of philosophy and African American Studies, University of Massachusetts at Amherst
           Rehm Library

           Phyllis Zagano, of the department of religion at Hofstra University
           Rehm Library

DEC. 5   Celebration of faculty scholarship: Capital Speculations: Writing and Building Washington, D.C., 4 p.m.
           by Sarah Luria, Holy Cross associate professor of English
           Rehm Library

For more information, please call 508-793-3869.

Fall Concert Series:

FAMILY WEEKEND CONCERTS:

OCT. 27  Holy Cross Choir 8 p.m.
           St. Joseph Memorial Chapel
           Jazz Ensemble 9:30 p.m.
           Hogan Campus Center

OCT. 28  Chamber Orchestra 3 p.m.
           Brooks Concert Hall

NOV. 11  Chamber Singers Concert 8 p.m.
           Brooks Concert Hall

NOV. 12  James David Christie, organ 3 p.m.
           The Buxtehude Tercentenary - Concert #3
           St. Joseph Memorial Chapel

NOV. 16  Jazz Ensemble 8 p.m.
           Hogan Campus Center

NOV. 29  Chamber Orchestra 8 p.m.
           Brooks Concert Hall

DEC. 1   Gamelan Gita Sari Concert 8 p.m.
           Brooks Concert Hall

DEC. 7   Festival of Lessons and Carols 8 p.m.
           St. Joseph Memorial Chapel

DEC. 10  James David Christie, organ 3 p.m.
           The Buxtehude Tercentenary - Concert #4
           St. Joseph Memorial Chapel

Theatre Performances:

NOV. 2-4 & NOV. 9-11  The Holy Cross Theatre Department presents: Good, by C.P. Taylor
           Fenwick Theatre, 8 p.m.

NOV. 30 & DEC. 3  The Alternate College Theatre presents: Rumors, by Neil Simon
           Nov. 30-Dec. 2, 8 p.m.; Dec. 2-3, 2 p.m.

The Iris & B. Gerald Cantor Art Gallery:

Ongoing: The Spiritual Landscapes of Adrienne Farb, 1980-2006
           First exhibition offering a survey of the works of New York-based abstract painter Adrienne Farb
           Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat., 2-5 p.m.
           Closed Nov. 22-25, for the Thanksgiving holiday
           For more information, please call 508-793-3356.

For more news about upcoming events and for up-to-date information about the campus, please visit the Holy Cross Web site at www.holycross.edu

For more information, please call 508-793-3869.
The Gift of Wine

In a historic event coordinated by Sotheby’s, the famed international auction house, Park B. Smith ’54 is selling part of his prestigious wine collection — and the proceeds of the sale will benefit alma mater.

BY JAMES DEMPSEY  Photographs by Ken Schles

Park B. Smith ’54 is wandering through the labyrinthine wine cellars beneath his home in Lakeville, Conn., bidding a fond farewell to his babies. Thousands and thousands of them.

“It’s a little sad,” he says with a smile. “I remember when I bought each one.”

Among the endless rows of wine, six workers from Sotheby’s auction house painstakingly open wooden cases, check the wines, replace the bottles in their cases and return each nail to its original hole. As the wines are slowly authenticated and repacked—the work will take all week—the cases are moved by elevator to the first floor and loaded into a refrigerated 18-wheeler truck sitting in the driveway.

They are headed for a temperature-controlled warehouse where they will be held until they are sold to wine-lovers at a daylong auction on Nov. 18 at Sotheby’s in New York. The proceeds—Sotheby’s is low-balling the day’s take at $3-to-$5 million, and very possibly more—will be donated by Smith and his wife, Linda, to Holy Cross, toward the construction or restoration of the College’s athletics facilities.
Smith, a robust and bright-eyed 74 year old, with a full head of white hair, never expected to own more wine than he could ever possibly drink. But as his passion for wine grew, so did his cellar, and, over the years, he burrowed deeper and deeper to make more space for the burgeoning collection. Soon, what had been a simple root cellar under his home was transformed into six temperature-controlled wine cellars—to which were added a full underground kitchen and dining room, a bathroom and even an elevator. The spaces are decorated with smoked glass mirrors and the many sculptures and paintings Smith picked up during his trips to Asia—and on the walls hang photographs of Smith with the great vintners and wine critics of the day. Also adorning the area are still-life arrangements of empty bottles, each memorializing some fondly remembered evening of friends, food and wine. Smith’s cellar is a temple to wine.

“This is one of the best cellars in the world,” says Jamie Ritchie, senior vice president of Sotheby’s and head of the auction house’s United States wine department. “The scale of it is just amazing.”

“Every bottle I ever bought I thought I would drink,” Smith says. “I guess my eyes were bigger than my stomach.”

Park Benjamin Smith was a New Jersey boy who worked hard at school and received acceptances at both Holy Cross and Notre Dame. He chose Holy Cross for the simple reason that it was closer to home.

“There was a Jebbie at each end of the corridor; it was all boys, and you went to Mass three days a week or got detention,” he remembers. “Everyone ate at one time, and you ate what they gave you, or you didn’t eat. We had three in a room; there were no private bathrooms. We didn’t know anything different. It was all part of the discipline. There was one way of doing it, and that was the Holy Cross way.”

Smith soon found himself admiring the discipline instilled into the students by the Jesuits. “One, we called J. Bryan God,” he says. “His name
To say that Robert Parker is considered a leading authority on wine is like saying that Solomon is generally viewed as a pretty good judge of character. Parker’s opinions are taken as gospel by oenophiles around the world—so much so that one writer has dubbed him “the most powerful critic of any kind, anywhere.” Hyperbole aside, there’s no doubt that Parker’s palate can lead a wine to stardom or to ignominy.

Parker became interested in wine in 1967 when visiting his girlfriend Pat (now his wife of 36 years) at the University of Strasbourg in Alsace, France. In 1978, against the advice of family and friends, he left a promising career in law to publish an upstart magazine called The Wine Advocate. He had just 600 subscribers.

The rest is not just history but the history of wine-drinking in the United States. Parker’s fresh and forthright magazine soon became de rigueur for tipplers of the vine. But it was in 1982 that Parker was catapulted to international prominence after opining, in the face of much criticism, that the vintage in Bordeaux that year was a great one. Today, The Wine Advocate has more than 40,000 subscribers and influences wine-buyers worldwide.

Parker and Park Smith have been friends for about 15 years.

**HCM:** Why did you start The Wine Advocate?

**Parker:** I had a sense that the industry and wine trade needed an independent voice. I didn’t know if I was the one. But I did know I loved wine, had friends who couldn’t find credible information about wines, and thought there was a need for that kind of thing. I wanted to apply myself and do the best job I could. There was no grand slam. I wish I could say I had a great business sense and a marketing strategy, but I never knew it would have the resonance it did. Things just happened, and a lot of it was being at the right place at the right time.

**HCM:** What was the effect of your “calling” the 1982 Bordeaux?

**Parker:** I thought it was a great vintage, and the more experienced writers disagreed with me, saying it was too California-like, too ripe—that it wouldn’t age well, but I truly believed in it. The controversy focused a lot of attention on my work and on the older writers, who were quite lazy. It was a great opportunity for me.

**HCM:** What is your opinion of Park Smith’s wine collection?

**Parker:** I’ve never seen such a great cellar. First, there’s the diversity. Great collectors tend to concentrate. They go for Bordeaux or Burgundy. Park has all that, but he also has great Spanish, Italian, Australian wines, and, of course, Californian. It is an amazing selection. Also, he bought the wines as soon as they were released. His is one of the few cellars you’re ever going to see where the wines were purchased as soon as they were released and shipped to his house in temperature-controlled trucks. You don’t often get that kind of pristine provenance. Their having gone right into his cellar is worth something to any collector.

**HCM:** What about his obsession with magnums?

**Parker:** Park always felt wine is to be shared, and the magnum is a perfect shape for aging the wine and a perfect shape for sharing. For four-to-six people, a bottle is not enough. A magnum goes much further. It also symbolizes the seriousness of the idea that “I love wine and I want to share wine.”

**HCM:** Is this a great age for the wine-drinker?

**Parker:** There is a worldwide proliferation of great wine. The high pedigree areas, Bordeaux and Burgundy, are making better wines than ever because there is a lot more active criticism from the wine press, especially the American wine press. Also, I think the younger generation has simply wanted to do a better job. A lot of the young producers from less prestigious areas of the wine world realized that if they made a great wine some journalists would recognize it. It’s an incredibly active period. If anything, the explosion of quality and new vineyards has maybe outstripped demand, but that’s a matter of education.

**HCM:** Any future plans?

**Parker:** They say traveling the road to the top of the mountain is a lot more fun than when you get there. But I’m still trying to do the best job possible, to publish a journal that is relevant and consumer-oriented. I’ve pretty much lived out my dreams, but I’m still having a lot of fun, and I still love wine.

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was J. Bryan Connors, and he always wore a black cape. He was also known as Batman."

After graduation Smith served in the Marines, where a knee injured during maneuvers kept him stateside teaching servicemen in the Corps about atomic, biological and chemical warfare. In civilian life, he entered the New York School of Interior Design with an eye to a career in textiles, which had been his family’s business.

"I always loved color, which holds a fascination for me," Smith says. "If I see a rainbow, I’ll stop the car and just look. I love the harmony there is in color. You never see colors in nature that don’t go together."

His early efforts in the textile industry were influenced by a desire to help others. After learning that the highest unemployment rate in the country was among the Native Americans in South Dakota, Smith started a company there called Dakotah, which he discovered meant “friend” in the Lakota language. He shopped at J.C. Penney for material and put together a collection of hand-quilted items, including bedspreads that featured vivid, colorful Native American designs. Within five years, Smith said, Dakotah was the second largest employer of women in the state, the first being the phone company.

He then focused on building up the Park B. Smith Company. Fired by his love for color, he visited India, whose bright, hand-woven textiles he admired greatly. “Back then everything was ‘natural’ color,” he says. “There was every color of beige you could want.”

In India, with no contacts and no appointments, Smith picked up an English-language newspaper, saw an article that mentioned a textile factory in a nearby town and went there to meet the owner. That was the beginning of a long love affair with India and the East. “That year I made 13 trips to India, and those were the days the journey took 30 hours,” he says.

By offering bright colors and natural textiles in an era of vinyl and earth tones, Smith built “a decent company of 200-plus employees.”

Crediting his achievements in the business world in part to the discipline and willingness to work hard that he learned at Holy Cross, Smith notes that there are three other important ingredients to his success: “First, you take a chance—I was always a gambler. You look at a situation, make an assessment of your abilities and you act. That’s kind of a gamble. Taking a chance is part of life.

“Second,” he continues, “if you make a mistake, admit it and move on. People are afraid to make mistakes, and I have never been afraid to, I learn by making mistakes.

“The last one is decision-making,” he concludes. “I look at these CEOs who agonize when they make a decision. I’ve never had that problem. I’m not saying I’m always right. But if your batting average is pretty high in decision-making, you’ll do OK.”

Like most Americans of his generation, Smith had never been a wine-drinker as a young man. At Holy Cross he and his classmates would drink beer at the Southbridge Street “dimies,” bars that offered 10-cent beers. It was a few years later, during his days in the Marines, that he first noticed a liquor store display for a Beaujolais wine selling at less than a dollar a bottle. He was intrigued.

“I don’t know what made me pick it up,” he recalls, “but I did, and when I tried it I said, ‘This isn’t bad.’ Then I said, ‘This is pretty good.’ I didn’t know what I was doing. But one thing led to another, and I started experimenting. The inexpensive wines were all I could afford back then, but, as you advance in your career, your taste improves. And, of course, the price goes up.”

That’s for sure. Among the Park Smith wines to be offered by Sotheby’s are 50 cases of the famous 1982 Mouton-Rothschild Bordeaux, for which bids might well reach $1 million; Smith believes nobody else in the world has 50 cases. Just six bottles of the 1985 Romanée Conti could pull down a cool $70,000. And then there are the “large format” wines, the magnums, double magnums and imperials for which Smith has something approaching an obsession; often, winemakers have made wine in these large formats for Smith alone. A collection of 11 magnums of a cult wine made by Colgin—the
only such collection in the world—could yield as much as $30,000.

In addition to the rarity of Smith's collection, what sets it apart is its provenance. Smith buys wine directly from the vineyard and transports it immediately in refrigerated airplanes and trucks to his cellars. There are no gaps in the history of Smith's wines, no periods when they might not have been as well preserved as possible. Wine-lovers are always prepared to pay a premium for what prominent wine authority Robert Parker calls “pristine provenance.”

Smith is unapologetically scrupulous regarding the keeping of wine. “Heat, light and motion are what destroys wine,” he says. “You see a lot of liquor stores with wine in the window. I would no more buy a bottle from those stores than fly to the moon. The sun kills wine. You can’t have a wine cellar next to a subway station, either, because the vibrations will ruin it.”

It is perhaps not surprising that Smith and other Holy Cross alumni have been drawn to the creation, collection and enjoyment of wine. Jesuit missionaries have carried grape vines to almost every continent. And, the phenomenon has been noted by Parker, publisher of The Wine Advocate: “It’s as if there’s something in the DNA of Jesuits and those who attend Jesuit-run schools,” he says.

Smith’s favorite wine is Chateauneuf du Pape, a wine from the region of France where the popes resided in the 14th century (the name means “the new residence of the Pope”). He keeps 500 bottles of vintage Chateauneuf du Pape in a temperature-controlled room immediately off his kitchen, and, in the second of his six underground cellars he has “more than they have in the region,” he jokes. The license plate of his BMW is, naturally, CNDP. Even his answering-machine message declares his undying fondness for the wine.

“I love this wine because it offers instantaneous gratification, a noble sweetness and a lingering aftertaste,” he says. “What other wine is so drinkable upon release and will be in another 25 years?”

And why Smith’s passion for magnums? “They’re good-looking,” he says. “I like to look at them. And,
Alumni Vinters

Maggie Wilderotter ’77

Maggie Wilderotter ’77 and her husband, Jay, are the classic bi-coastal couple—she working in Connecticut as chairman and chief executive officer of Citizens Communications; he overseeing the family’s 40-acre vineyard in California’s Shenandoah Valley. The two usually manage to spend 15 days a month together, except when the grapes are being harvested. From now through October, Wilderotter is a “grape widow.”

“The Shenandoah is the oldest red-grape growing region in California,” she says. “In the 1850s the Italian farmers came during the gold rush with grape cuttings from their homeland. We have 100-plus-year-old vines still producing. They planted very rich, hardy grapes such as zinfandel and barbera.”

The two were bitten by the wine bug while living in Sacramento. They were at a Napa Valley wine tasting when Jay mentioned that he’d love to start a vineyard. Wilderotter was unimpressed at first. “Honey,” she said, “the only thing you know about wine is how to drink it.”

Jay took courses, which Wilderotter thought would further deter him, but the more he learned, the more excited he became. “He has always been great at working with the land,” Wilderotter says.

After the couple bought a vineyard and immersed themselves in the vintner’s art, Wilderotter’s initial skepticism was transformed into enthusiasm. She found that wine-making provided the perfect counterbalance to the enjoyable but intense competition of her corporate life heading up the second-largest rural telephone company in the nation: “It’s totally different from what I do on a day-to-day basis. I have a lot of respect for what the land produces. Grape vines are majestic. And I’m pleased our two boys grew up working the land, harvesting, pruning and planting.”

Wilderotter understands the excitement in the wine world over the auction of Smith’s collection. “We have eaten at his restaurant in New York and so had the great privilege to taste some of his wines,” she said. “They are fabulous.”

Clayton Fritz ’94

Clayton Fritz ’94 is president of Fritz Winery in Sonoma County’s Dry Creek Valley.

“I got into wine the old-fashioned way,” he jokes. “My dad had a winery he started back in 1979, and I took it over five or six years ago.”

After graduation, Fritz worked for an international freight transportation company, leaving in 1997 to take a position with OverSea Systems, a technology company in San Francisco. He joined his father’s business in 1999, and, after mastering the finances of the concern, set about putting his own spin on the family business.

The Dry Creek region is notable for its “fog-influenced atmosphere,” Fritz says, which makes it ideal for the more delicate, thin-skinned grapes such as pinot noir and chardonnay.

Fritz keeps himself to the business side of the winery. “I worked two years in the cellar and knew I didn’t have that bit of magic of the artist as well as the scientist that you need for the craft,” he says. “So I stay toward the business development end and the overall design of the brand.”

Fritz Winery has undergone a major rebirth under Fritz’s leadership, moving into position to become one of the region’s leading artisan wineries.

“Business is good,” Fritz says. All over, people are drinking more wine, whether they’re unscrewing it or pulling the cork.

Fritz, who majored in religious studies at Holy Cross, admits that he was not always a devotee of fine wines. When he drank wine during his Holy Cross days, it was the kind that “came in a jug,” he says.

“Like most wine drinkers,” he says, “I came to an appreciation later in life.”

Mike Benziger ’73

Mike Benziger ’73 is yet another Holy Cross graduate who moved West after graduation and fell into a lifelong relationship with wine. A job in a fine wine shop led to an apprenticeship to a vintner, during which time he learned “respect and reverence for wine and vine.”

In 1996 Benziger began converting his vineyard to a form of organic production that requires, among other things, close attention to the forces of nature that influence the vines. The conversion has been a great success, and last year the Benziger winery was awarded the first Green Award to be given by Sunset Magazine.

“It’s a life’s work to make a wine that is ultimately connected with a place and the people who farm it,” he says.

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I like to have something left in the bottle—and when you have two bottles in one you never have that problem."

For Smith, the drinking of wine is not only a physical and esthetic pleasure but also a kind of spiritual celebration. He warmly remembers an evening in early fall when a trio of Holy Cross classmates and their wives drove out to his home to spend a weekend together.

“There was Ronnie Perry and his wife, Pat, my old roommate Harry McElroy and his wife, Elena, and Joe and Alice Harrington,” he said. “Father McFarland came up, too, and he said Mass for us in the cellar, standing right before a statue of the Buddha, and as he spoke the candles in the candelabra shimmered—and it was just a wonderful evening with friends.”

“In every bottle of fine wine,” he says, “you find the love, energy, artistry, care and tradition of the winemakers in perfect harmony with the color, texture, sweetness and complexity of one of God’s great creations—the grape. The enjoyment that comes in drinking such wine is a celebration of life, a life only given meaning by our relationship to God.”

And so, with this landmark auction, Smith has found a way to bring together the two great passions of his life—wine and the College on the Hill. His friends on Mount St. James reciprocate the warmth and esteem.

“It is difficult for me to separate my friendship with, and love of, Park and Linda from my love of Holy Cross,” says Frank Vellaccio, senior vice president of the College. “They, like Holy Cross, have truly enriched my life. And they, like me, are relentless in their desire and drive to make Holy Cross the premier undergraduate liberal arts college in the country. Park, with a vitality energized by Linda’s support, counsel and love, has found a way to combine his passion for wine with his relentless drive to promote Holy Cross’ mission.”

“Park has lived his life dedicated to the principles of excellence, generosity, fellowship and hard work,” says Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J., president of Holy Cross, summing up one of the College’s most loyal sons. “Just as his pursuit of quality has shaped his magnificent wine collection, his many contributions to the College—which range from Smith Hall housing the Center for Religion, Ethics and Culture, to the Wellness Center and the new soccer stadium—along with his challenge gift that propelled our recent Lift High the Cross campaign far beyond its original goal, have added immensely to the quality of our academic and campus lives.”

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Prior Proper Planning

Cooking up a Plan for the Next Five Years on Mount St. James

BY LAURA PORTER Illustrations by Michael Witte

IN ACCORDANCE with its mission statement, Holy Cross exemplifies a tradition dedicated to academic excellence, the development of the whole individual and the search for meaning and value at the heart of the intellectual life. But tradition is often best preserved through judicious change. No institution, academic or otherwise, can survive without paying careful attention to its own shifting needs in the face of evolving social and intellectual realities in the world at large. Periods of consolidation must alternate with deliberate and measured strides forward. Indeed, part of Holy Cross’ long-term success has been its leaders’ ability to address new priorities while continuing to uphold and strengthen its larger mission. Last spring, as students packed up to head home and professors prepared for a summer of scholarship, the Board of Trustees approved a new Five-Year Strategic Plan. The culmination of two years of institution-wide discussion, the plan reflects a thorough assessment of the College’s immediate and future needs and its goals for meeting the most urgent of them.
“I credit Holy Cross with teaching me that complacency is never acceptable,” says Erin Robert ’06, who served as one of three students formally involved in the strategic planning process. That process “took a look at Holy Cross in much the same manner, questioning why we operate [the way] we do and if there were a better way,” she explains.

In brief, the key elements of the Strategic Plan call for the renovation and expansion of Haberlin Hall, site of the chemistry and physics departments, as well as for an increase in faculty salaries and curricular reforms that include the implementation of a universal First-Year Experience. Goals have also been set to revamp admissions and marketing efforts and to increase financial aid. A presidential discretionary fund has been set aside to meet unexpected needs.

“The committee first completed a “SWOT” exercise, or internal audit, to identify the College’s strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats. The environmental audit that followed, says Vellaccio, meant looking at general trends in higher education as well as “seeing who your peers are, who you’re competing with for students and faculty.”

Building upon that initial assessment, the members of the committee labored long and hard to create the concise but eloquent vision statement that guided the strategic planning process from start to finish:

“As a Jesuit and Catholic liberal arts college, Holy Cross distinguishes itself by its rigorous pursuit of excellence in teaching, learning and research, and by its unparalleled commitment to the religious and moral development of its students. To this end, Holy Cross generates in students a fascination with ideas, a passion for justice, both local and global, and an aptitude for wonder.”

Committee members agreed that any initiatives adopted would have to facilitate two fundamental objectives: “producing graduates [that meet] the highest standards of undergraduate education” as well as helping Holy Cross to “become the college of choice for the most talented students seeking a challenging and creative undergraduate education.”

But, says Vellaccio, “all of that is kind of rhetorical until you get down to saying, ‘You have a certain amount of money—What are you going to use it for?’”

From the very outset, it was clear that every effort would be made to give everyone on campus an opportunity to answer that question. Twice, the PSC sent letters to the entire College community asking for feedback. Open meetings were held. There were student and faculty focus committees on planning. In a series of meetings with Vellaccio
called “Frank with Frank,” students offered opinions on everything from “transportation around Worcester to availability of classes in specific academic departments,” says Robert.

In addition, the committee asked representatives from a host of different areas to examine and report on their own needs. Information came in from admissions; athletics; the Center for Religion, Ethics and Culture; curriculum; diversity; faculty compensation; financial aid; financial resources; food services; marketing; the religious development of students; space and facilities, including the Haberlin project; student behavior; technology; and tuition pricing.

“It was as inclusive of the whole community as possible,” says Vellaccio.

For Alice Laffey, associate professor of religious studies and a member of the PSC for much of its tenure, the process “was very important because it wasn’t done hierarchically. The attitude was, ‘Let’s take hold of the future, and let’s do it together, and let’s do it with a vision that transcends the divisions, that focuses on Holy Cross as a college community.’”

In her 25 years at the College, says Laffey, “This was the first time we were planning ahead for a vision that was larger than my own academic box.”

“People were very honest,” she continues. “They responded with passion and great seriousness.” As a result, “the finished product as best we could reflects a good combination of the ideal and the real.”

The plan that emerged details six new strategic initiatives that will shape the parameters of institutional development during the next few years. The first four—the renovation of Haberlin Hall, faculty salaries, curriculum and the President’s Discretionary Fund—fall under the heading of “strengthening” initiatives. These goals are not necessarily departures but rather efforts to bolster and broaden what the College already does well.

The final two initiatives—admissions/financial aid and marketing—focus on “leveraging.” They seek to make Holy Cross a stronger contender in the business that is higher education, addressing the highly competitive environment of admissions, increasing the diversity of the student body and improving the College’s position as it competes for the best students.

At its peak, in 2011, the estimated annual cost of the strategic initiatives will be approximately $9.3 million. Funding will come from a variety of sources. The Development Office will highlight support of the science center, financial aid and curriculum in its solicitation of gifts and donations. In addition, tuition, fees, room and board will increase at a nominal rate over and above the College’s long-term planning targets through 2011. Operating budget support from the endowment will be increased through the activation of unrestricted endowment reserves and a one-time lifting of the spending stabilization cap which will allow spending from the endowment to be reflective of current market values. Finally, the targeted three percent operating budget reserve will be relaxed. The $60 million Haberlin project will be supported by gifts, capital reserves and $45 million in new debt to be issued in spring 2007 to meet the project’s construction schedule.
The completion of the Strategic Plan has not meant the end of planning at Holy Cross. Just the opposite, in fact. In the course of the planning process, “a number of facilities issues emerged,” says Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J., president of the College.

As a result, attention will now turn to putting together a new master plan that will serve as “a blueprint for construction and new ventures on campus,” says Scott M. Merrill, director of the physical plant department. Though the last master plan was conducted in 1997, this new plan will not merely be an update. Instead, says Fr. McFarland, it will “take a comprehensive look at all of these issues and their possible solutions.”

Examining the impact of the strategic initiatives on the campus—particularly the new science complex—“in terms of its vehicular, pedestrian and landscape needs,” will be a key priority in the master plan process, says Merrill. However, the new Massachusetts Turnpike exit at Route 146, which feeds onto McKeon Road near campus, has also affected the College. Increased traffic from Boston has made “the east entrances into campus more of an arrival point.” New signs and gates, as well as a possible new drive through campus, are under consideration. In addition, the space assessment undertaken as part of the strategic planning process revealed a deficiency in facilities for athletics, recreation and intramural sports that will need to be addressed.

The College has signed a contract with the Campus and Facility Planning Consulting firm of Dober, Lidsky, Craig and Associates to formulate the master plan. The company will spend the next several months evaluating the existing master plan and the Strategic Plan—as well as studies that have already been done in space utilization, residential needs, dining services and building conditions. They will work in conjunction with a Steering Committee composed of representatives from the faculty, student life, development and the administration—including finance and physical plant. After meeting with a variety of groups on campus and brainstorming with the Steering Committee, the architects will then present different options detailing “which kind of facilities we need and where on campus they should go,” says Merrill, who is serving as the contract administrator; the President’s Cabinet will determine the final parameters of the new plan. The entire process is expected to be completed by March or April 2007.

“This opportunity to revisit and update the campus master plan,” says Fr. McFarland, “will ensure that the projects we undertake over the next few years are integrated and are as efficient and effective as possible.”

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Ultimately, says Fr. McFarland, these strategic initiatives “will help us realize our mission more fully: to take some of the brightest students and prepare them to make a big impact on the world. We’re looking at both the intrinsic quality of the experience here and making sure that it’s visible to prospective students.”

Clearly, it was not possible to address every suggestion made during the planning process. As the Strategic Plan notes, “hard choices had to be made.” “Ideas weren’t lost because they were not respected,” says Laffey, “but because dialogue showed that they fell short or other things needed to take precedence.”

Indeed, Vellaccio says, “Even if someone gave us $300 million, we wouldn’t want to spend that endowment immediately. That’s not the way change should happen in an academic setting.”

But both he and Fr. McFarland emphasize that the College’s efforts to bring about positive change do not begin and end with this particular Strategic Plan. Even the briefest overview of all of the initiatives undertaken in the past 20 years makes it clear that there has been vigorous and constant attention paid to improving campus life for students, staff and faculty alike.

Moreover, Fr. McFarland notes, “There are a lot of ongoing projects that are aligned with the strategic priorities but that didn’t get singled out. We consider them important as well.”

In particular, he cites efforts to enhance diversity, aided by the Cassin Educational Initiative, as well as the creation of the Center for Religion, Ethics and Culture and improvements in the students’ social lives. Work on campus during the past two years has brought about the renovation of the Mary Chapel, the building of apartment-style student residences, new advances in technology, including wireless access, and curriculum and advising changes.

“The plan is founded on a very strong sense of who we are and what we value,” he says. “Our goal is to integrate moral and academic development. This will help us improve the quality of the experience at Holy Cross as well as our impact on church and society.”

In many ways, the discussion of how to accomplish that goal has just begun. “We don’t think of this as a stagnant document,” says Vellaccio. “It will be reviewed every year.” Built into the plan is a framework for what Laffey calls “more fine-tuning. It’s a shrewd way of continuing the conversation.”

As the Strategic Plan’s first year gets under way, it is clear that the dynamics of communication on campus have become more fluid. “I think the PSC made us more aware of the fundamental importance of assessment,” says Robert. “The value of the committee will not be forgotten as these initiatives are implemented and the need for others eventually identified.”

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The Lift High the Cross campaign was a giant success. Alumni, parents and friends rallied and committed $216.3 million to Holy Cross. Eighty percent of alumni participated over the span of the effort.

Because a full report on the campaign will be published this winter, we are not producing an annual Report of Giving for 2006. Since there is so much annual giving information that is important, however, we are using this space in Holy Cross Magazine to report on the year in giving—particularly on the news from many of the classes that celebrated reunions in 2006. Thanks for another good year.

■ Highlights of the Holy Cross Fund
- The Holy Cross Fund exceeded $7 million for the first time reaching $7.76 million with $7,264,348 gifted by alumni.
- A record 16 classes raised more than $150,000 in donations for the Fund.
- Alumni support increased by 15.5 percent.
- The Class of 1951 set three 55th reunion records—198 donors; $205,825 in gifts to the Fund; and $1,529,090 in total gifts and pledges.
- A record 73 Holy Cross Fund Scholarships were created.
- For the first time, two classes gave more than $500,000 to the Holy Cross Fund—the Class of 1956 and the Class of 1981.
- The Class of 1981 set a new record with 391 donors.

■ Range of Alumni Gifts

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■ President’s Council
- There are now 2,352 members of the President’s Council. This includes:
  200 Benefactors Circle members ($10,000 annually)
  232 Regent members ($5,000 annually)
  404 Distinguished members ($2,500 annually)
  1,351 Patron members ($1,000 annually)
  165 Patron, for recent graduates ($500 annually for alumni within 10 years of graduation—formerly Junior membership)

Highlights:
- More than 100 members elevated their President’s Council level by increasing their annual giving.
- In June, more than 120 people attended a reception hosted by Rose and John J. Mahoney Jr. ’73 and Ann Marie and William J. Teuber Jr. ’73. This event, held at the Ritz in Boston, was for members at the Distinguished level and above.
- Our Oct. 15 President’s Council dinner featured Charles P. Pierce, an award-winning journalist currently on staff at The Boston Globe Sunday Magazine and writer at large for Esquire Magazine. Pierce can also be heard weekly on National Public Radio's “Only a Game.” He is a regular panelist on NPR's popular current-events quiz show, “Wait, Wait, Don’t Tell Me”; and is a frequent host on ESPN radio.
- On Nov. 12, Distinguished, Regent, and Benefactors Circle members of President’s Council gathered with members of the Fitton, Fenwick, and Cornerstone Societies during the second President’s Council weekend. New members of Cornerstone, Fitton, and Fenwick Societies were inducted.
- Since the fall dinners, 149 alumni, parents and friends have joined President’s Council.
- Members of President’s Council contributed 73 percent of total dollars to Holy Cross in 2006.

To learn more about President’s Council, please contact Maggie Hayden Bramley ’98, membership coordinator, at (508) 793-2340, or e-mail hepc@holycross.edu.
Holy Cross Fund Scholarships

Anonymous
Louis and Helen Besedes Memorial Scholarship
Lou and Liz Veilievacca Scholarship
The Judith and Henry J. Blommer, Jr. Scholarship
Gieriet Sullivan Bowen ’86 Scholarship
The Class of 1966 Scholarship
J. Christopher ’80 & Catherine Z. Collins ’80 Scholarship
Maryellen F. & Michael F. Collins, M.D. ’77 Scholarship
The Connolly Family Scholarships (4)
Myles F. Costello Scholarship
Elizabeth ’81 and Jude ’81 Curtis Scholarship
Josephine J. Dalton Memorial Scholarship
Daniel D. Deferie, M.D. ’81 Memorial Scholarship
Helene S. & William J. Doyle ’48 Scholarship
Helen G. & David H. Drinan ’69 Scholarships (2)
Constance A. Eagan ’81 Scholarship
Alison Maloney Estep Memorial Scholarship
The Malachi J. Flanagan Jr. ’80 Scholarship
The Froude Family Scholarship
Jeanne & John Gibbons ’47 Scholarship
Mary L. Glennon Scholarship
Marjorie Sullivan Goodwin ’81 Memorial Scholarship
Professor William A. Green P89 Scholarship
Gene P. Grisanti ’51 Scholarship
Clare L. Hart Scholarship
The Sally Ann and Kevin M. Healy ’60 Scholarship
John G. Higgins ’53 Scholarship
Hugh J. Kelly Memorial Scholarship
The Kenny Family Scholarship
Kunzman Family Scholarship
Robert J. ’81 and Kristen Sloan ’82 Maccini Scholarship
Paul J. & Eunice M. Maloney Scholarship
Fallon O’Toole Mcintyre Scholarship
The Dr. Barbara B. McLaughlin Scholarship
Margaret and Brian W. McNeill ’77 Scholarship
Daniel N. Michaud ’81 Memorial Scholarship
Joseph W. Mullen Jr. ’57 Scholarship
Robert S. Murphy P78 Scholarship
Kathleen Nolan ’81 and Shaun Levesque Scholarship
Robert P. Perkaus, Ill ’81 Memorial Scholarship
Joseph E. Peters ’59 Scholarship
Emmett R. Quady Foundation Scholarship
Roberto Quarta ’71, P97 Scholarship
Thomas C. Regan, Esq., ’81 Memorial Scholarship
Jack D. Rehm ’54 Scholarship
Philip J. Reilly ’55 Scholarship
Jim ’81 and Marguerite Roach Family Scholarship
Mark V. Robichaud ’81 Memorial Scholarship
Jay P. Russell, M.D. ’81 Memorial Scholarship
Elizabeth F. Scully Scholarship
The Sheehan Family Scholarship
Edward L. Speroni Scholarship
The Sprague Family Scholarship
Francis X. Stankard ’53 Scholarship
Katherine and Paul S. Stuka ’77 Scholarship
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Marguerite L. Ticho Scholarship
Michael J. Treanor ’81 Memorial Scholarship
The Vicedomino Family Scholarship
Dwayne Yancey ’81 Memorial Scholarship

Parents Council

During FY 2006-07, more than 140 families were involved with Parents Council, sharing their talents and resources. Here are some of the highlights of a great year:

The Parents Fund closed with an astounding $939,888: $458,528 in unrestricted gifts, and $481,360 in restricted gifts and pledges from over 1,000 donors. Thanks go to Susan and Michael Stuart, P10, 09, 06 for their efforts as chairs of the program.

Honor with Books allows parents to purchase a book for the library in honor of their son or daughter’s graduation. This year, 93 families gave a total of $11,600. Thanks go to Larry and Jane Arseniadis P06 who ran the committee this year.

Sal and Donna DellPrete P08 chaired the Career and Internship Committee, providing assistance to the Summer Internship Program. Parents helped secure 25 summer internships for Holy Cross students.

The Admissions Committee contacted more than 700 families of the Class of 2009, to welcome them to Holy Cross. In addition, members of the Committee volunteered at the student orientation and summer Gateways Program. Thanks go to Hugh and Patricia Hayden P06, 98, who chaired the Committee during the past two years. Their energy and commitment will be missed!

I also want to recognize and thank our Parents Council Co-Chairs, Bob and Marie DeSantis P08, for their leadership and enthusiasm. Fortunately, they have agreed to stay on as Parents Council Co-Chairs for another year. Finally, I extend a special thanks to all Holy Cross parents who have shared their talent, time and resources this past year! I look forward to another exciting year working with you.

Rebecca Ely
Director, Parent Programs
## Reunion Giving 2006

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<th>Class</th>
<th>Class Chairs</th>
<th>Gift Chairs</th>
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<th>Participation</th>
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<td>Robert Tivnan</td>
<td>Dick Kelly, Frank McNamara</td>
<td>87</td>
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<td>198</td>
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<td>Daniel M. Dunn</td>
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<td>Kenneth M. Padgett</td>
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<td>Robert T. Bonagura</td>
<td>Jerome J. Cura Jr.</td>
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<td>1981</td>
<td>James G. Healy</td>
<td>Katharine Buckley McNamara, Elizabeth Stevens Murdy, William J. Supple</td>
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<td>1991</td>
<td>Peter J. Capizzi</td>
<td>John Figge, Kathleen Maggi Krieg</td>
<td>278</td>
<td>50%</td>
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<td>1996</td>
<td>Jennifer E. Burns</td>
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<td>276</td>
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<td>2001</td>
<td>Megan Kehew Baroni, Catherine G. Bryan, Sarah Lawlor</td>
<td>Ryan J. Hayward</td>
<td>268</td>
<td>43%</td>
<td>$22,688</td>
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*Red type indicates a new record set in FY 2006*

## Outstanding Non-Reunion Classes

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<th>Class</th>
<th>Volunteers</th>
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<td>Group I</td>
<td>1965</td>
<td>David J. Martel, Thomas F. McCabe Jr.</td>
<td>$1,376,052</td>
<td>$116,662</td>
<td>231</td>
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<td>Group II</td>
<td>1970</td>
<td>Anthony M. Barclay, John R. Doyle M.D.</td>
<td>$444,183</td>
<td>$119,819</td>
<td>235</td>
<td>48%</td>
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<td>Brian A. Cashman, Kathleen T. Connolly</td>
<td>$1,280,302</td>
<td>$210,667</td>
<td>267</td>
<td>47%</td>
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<td>Group IV</td>
<td>1993</td>
<td>Eileen Kasprzak Read, Patrick J. Comerford</td>
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<td>$45,865</td>
<td>264</td>
<td>43%</td>
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<td>Group V</td>
<td>2005</td>
<td>Luz Colon-Rodriguez, Elizabeth B. Corridan, Jennifer L. Marcotte</td>
<td>$9,221</td>
<td>$7,731</td>
<td>249</td>
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**Honor Roll of Classes**

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<td>1947</td>
<td>66%</td>
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<td>1961</td>
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* (Classes with at least 40 members)

**Top Ten Classes**

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**All-Time Reunion Class Records**

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<td>$2,158,048</td>
<td>1967</td>
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<td>1965</td>
<td>284</td>
<td>1950</td>
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<td>$1,979,768</td>
<td>1954</td>
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<td>45th</td>
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<td>1958</td>
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<td>1951</td>
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<td>60th</td>
<td>$140,091</td>
<td>1940</td>
<td>$65,394</td>
<td>1941</td>
<td>88</td>
<td>1937</td>
<td>94%</td>
<td>1922/1927</td>
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Reunion Gift Total = All gifts to Holy Cross Fund, all other gifts in current year, and all outstanding pledge balances. Red Type = New Record in FY 2006

**"RISING STAR" HONORS**

Highest Participation; Classes Out Less Than 5 Years

Class of 2002: 43% (271 donors)

Class of 2005: 40% (249 donors)
OUTSTANDING HOLY CROSS FUND VOLUNTEERS

- Matthew P. Cavanaugh ’20 Award

WILLIAM J. SUPPLE ’81

This award, established in 1970, is given in memory of Matthew P. Cavanaugh ’20, who started the Holy Cross Fund in 1947, and served the College in the Office of Development from 1947 to 1989. It is given to the Class Chair who, over the past year, has demonstrated exceptional dedication to his or her Class and to the College.

- Joseph A. Perrotta ’28 Award

ALBERT J. MCEVOY JR. ’51

This award, established in 1975, is given in memory of Joseph A. Perrotta ’28, who served as Secretary to the President of the College from 1929 to 1972. It is given to the Class Chair or Correspondent who, over the past year, has communicated with his or her classmates in an especially dedicated way.

- Report on 2006 Senior Class Gift

The Class of 2006 has left a lasting impact on future Holy Cross students. The Class raised more than $5,700 for the Student Emergency Fund, a campus discretionary fund—managed through the Class Deans’ Office—that lends monetary support to students during an unexpected emergency or family incident. This support money will be used for students who cannot afford emergency travel or other costs on their own.

The largest portion of the gift came from two successful fundraising events: a Senior Date Auction, where groups of seniors auctioned themselves off to classmates in exchange for a special “date”; and Holy Cross Idol IV, a talent show modeled after the American Idol television contest. With the Hogan Ballroom filled to near capacity, Phil Landry ’09 became this year’s Holy Cross Idol.

The 2006 Senior Class Gift effort was led by committee members shown here with Fr. McFarland (left to right): Alyssa Milot, Katharine Reilly, Melissa Becchi, Kevin Gilbert, Bryan DiMare, Ashley Scibelli, and Caitlin Plunkett (missing from photo: Dwayne Callender, Brittany Chapman, Sean Davey, Adam Ponte, and Raul Portillo.)
Holy Cross students are part of a close-knit community involving peers and dozens of professors, administrators and staff. Following graduation, class letters and Holy Cross Magazine keep alums up-to-date on College news and activities, but every once in a while, we all wonder what became of a particular person.

We decided to ask, “What ever happened to Fr. George O’Brien ’54, former director of development?”

The quick answer is that he celebrated his retirement Mass last June after 48 years of service to the Diocese of Worcester. He currently resides on Cape Cod, in South Yarmouth, Mass., often saying Mass at St. Pius X Church.

**Five decades of service**

Fr. O’Brien held eight assignments during his almost half-century of ministry, and although each post brought different challenges, the one constant was his knack for making friends.

A native of Worcester and a graduate of St. John’s High School, then located in Worcester, Fr. O’Brien came to Holy Cross as a member of the Class of 1954. He went on to the seminary—St. Charles Borromeo in Philadelphia—and was ordained to the priesthood in 1958.

His first assignment, in 1958, was at St. Mary’s Church in North Grafton, Mass., followed by a year at St. Augustine in Millville, Mass. In his next three parish assignments, Fr. O’Brien served for longer periods of time—fostering relationships with parishioners who became lifelong friends. No doubt the parishioners of St. Leo’s in Leominster, Mass., where he served from 1960-1965, were sad to see him leave when St. Joseph’s Church in Auburn, Mass., needed a new associate pastor. Fr. O’Brien served at St. Joseph’s from 1965 until 1969, when he moved to Our Lady of Good Counsel in West Boylston, Mass.

Reflecting on parish life and ministry, Fr. O’Brien says that he most enjoyed “working closely with people and parishioners and truly being a father figure.”
After a brief stint in the Worcester Diocese’s Marriage Tribunal, Fr. O’Brien came to Mount St. James in 1976 for a two-year assignment at the College, overseeing fund-raising activities as the director of development. This relationship worked for everyone involved—the diocese, Holy Cross and Fr. O’Brien—and two years quickly turned into 18 years. Fr. O’Brien’s lengthy service at Holy Cross contributes perhaps to the common misperception that he is a Jesuit priest, when in actuality he is a diocesan priest.

During his 18 years as director of development, Fr. O’Brien interacted with graduates and students. While most of his time was spent raising money for the College and traveling the nation to meet with alumni donors and friends, he still found time to become involved with the students.

In the late 1970s, Fr. O’Brien began his ministry as chaplain to the football and basketball teams.

“My fondest recollections of service at Holy Cross were the times I was able to be available to students, even though it wasn’t part of my job,” he recalls. “Interacting with and helping the Worcester-area students and the athletes was a great byproduct of my work at Holy Cross.”

In those days, there was often a good chance of finding Fr. O’Brien—day or night—in his O’Kane office, Loyola Hall residence, the Hart Center, Fitton Field or St. Joseph Memorial Chapel.

The “new” Holy Cross

Eventually, the Diocese of Worcester needed Fr. O’Brien to serve in a parish; as a result, in 1994, he was transferred to Holy Cross Church in East Templeton, Mass. The similarity of the names caused a bit of confusion as he settled into his role of pastor for the first time.

“Returning to parish life was a big change, principally...
because it had changed dramatically since 1973,” he recalls. “The increased involvement of the laity was a positive thing but also a necessary one. When I came to Holy Cross Church, I was the only priest—which meant I had to be on top of everything and cover every event. When I left St. Leo’s in 1965, I was one of three associates that the pastor had to assist him.”

Never one to sit back, Fr. O’Brien reestablished the Parish Council, renewed the CCD program and built a new parish center during his eight years at Holy Cross Church. As the saying goes, once a fund-raiser, always a fund-raiser.

In 2005, with Holy Cross Church in good shape spiritually and financially, Fr. O’Brien was given the green light to anticipate retirement from active ministry in a parish. On June 25, many of the friends that Fr. O’Brien had known during his 48 years of service gathered with him to celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving.

Leisure time

Just a few months into retirement, Fr. O’Brien still feels as though he is on summer vacation. “Good health and serving the church in a leisurely fashion with less responsibility” are among his hopes for the future, he says.

Traveling, gardening, stamp collecting and reading will fill his time, as well as visits from his seminary buddies and the friends he has made over a lifetime. And, of course, there are the sporting events at Fitton Field and the Hart Center, where he’ll be cheering on his Crusaders!

Marcy Vandale ’87 is a member of the GAA’s Communications Committee.
In the summer edition of HCM, the captions for the photos of two of the In Hoc Signo award winners were transposed. The editors regret this error and present the photos here with the correct captions.

College president, Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J., Frank J. Lasch ’54 and Brian Cashman ’77, GAA President

Fr. McFarland, John J. Farley ’64 and Brian Cashman ’77

Holy Cross invites you to join music department chair and author Jessica Waldoff and professor emeritus of history Bill Green in Austria and the Czech Republic next spring.

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- Learn about the cultural and historical interplay between music and empire.

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Join Holy Cross in Saltzburg, Vienna and Prague May 19-27, 2007

Echoes of Music, Memories and Empire

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Prague
In the person of R.J. Del Vecchio ’64, God is helping.

“Del” has spent the past 18 months working with, and reporting on, the disabled Vietnamese veterans still living in South Vietnam. He was haunted by a recent visit he made in early 2006—a visit that, he says, his wife wishes he never took. Because it still affects him. After his first return visit to Vietnam, Del started a charity for disabled veterans. There are a large number of badly disabled South Vietnamese vets still living in Vietnam, and, according to Del, the Vietnamese government has an official policy of discrimination against them: Their children have higher school fees. They do not have pensions. And all are subjected to a system of oppression and punishment that extends to their children and their grandchildren. Those who are healthy can manage adequately, but the poor are locked into a cycle of poverty and desperation.

To help, Del has rallied the local Vietnamese community in Raleigh, N.C., that numbers around 5,000 people. He has also met with a dozen veterans who spent time in the “re-education” camps—and many still have friends and relatives in Vietnam they are concerned about.

They came to Del for help, and he has been assisting them ever since.

“I told them they’d need to organize a charity,” he says. “To do that, you need data. You need interviews and pictures. They are all afraid to go back. They were in those camps. They said, ‘Del, you can go over there and be a tourist, and no one will notice you.’ So, that’s what I did. It was a tough journey, one that still affects me to this day.”

Del travels to Vietnam on his own expense, bringing money raised from friends and family in the United States—which includes several generous Holy Cross alumni. And when he held a fund-raiser recently in Raleigh, 200 Vietnamese showed up—clearly, the word is spreading. But the need continues. Del receives dozens of letters and documents from disabled veterans asking for help. He has to authenticate these requests through discharge papers and military awards. “I hate being restrictive,” he says, “but we have to be. It’s not hard to find disabled veterans—there are as many as 50,000 still alive.”

He knows there is more work to be done. “Our assistance is just a drop in the bucket,” Del explains, “but we’re doing what we can. Our work is conducted on an informal basis; the Vietnamese government would stop us if they knew, so we work carefully. We have a network of charity workers and Vietnamese living there who help us authenticate that the money we send gets to where it needs to go.”

Del is heading back to Vietnam in December with a video camera and a recording device to generate data, and to make the plight of the disabled veterans more real to more people. “If you’re going to ask people for money,” he says, “you need to demonstrate what the need is.”

So what does he hope to accomplish? “I have a fantasy of uniting the Vietnamese in this country,” he says, “but that’s not realistic—if we can help 30 vets, we will. It’s better to light one candle than curse the darkness, don’t you think?”

If you would like to help Del in his work with disabled veterans, contact him at: del@thevhf.org or visit his Web site at: http://thevhf.org/

“A lot of people talk in similes and metaphors about having their hearts torn. That is no longer just an expression for me. I watched a brave, long-suffering, proud old man turn away from me on a scarred and shattered lower torso. It was too much. Much too much. I wept then, and I weep now as I see it again in my mind. He wants a wheelchair. The kind they make here from bicycle parts. They cost $100. He will have one on Monday. He doesn’t know it is coming, but it will be there on Monday so help me God.”
Tony Sclafani ’99 is a New Yorker. “I’m the type of guy who doesn’t like to sit still for very long. Whether it’s reporting the news or releasing newsworthy information, I love being in the middle of the action, and there’s no better arena in which to do that than right here in New York.”

As a press secretary for the New York City Fire Department, he thrives on the Big Apple pace, relishing the adrenaline rush that comes from mixing it up with the Manhattan media.

But then, Tony knows a thing or two about the fast-paced world of New York news. Last summer, he was on the Bravo TV show, Tabloid Wars, which premiered on July 24. He thought it would be an interesting experience—and a chance to show people how a newspaper comes up with stories from start to finish. According to Tony, he enjoyed the experience, though he admits it took some time to get used to all the cameras. Adding that he was often described as “anxious and nervous” on the program, Tony insists he wasn’t at all. Sometimes celebrities are misunderstood.

Following graduation from Holy Cross in 1999, Tony worked at the Bridgeton News, a small paper with a 10,000 daily circulation. After getting his reportorial feet wet, he headed to Bridgewater, N.J., where he worked for three and a half years as a police reporter. At the Courier News, he learned how to craft a story. He covered 40 municipal police departments and clearly mastered the art of multitasking.

In December 2003, Tony joined the Daily News. “I grew up with the NEWS,” he says, “so working for them was a big goal of mine.” After three months, he was assigned to the police bureau at One Police Plaza in lower Manhattan, where he covered police and fire department news.

He was then presented with the chance for further growth with the job of press secretary for the New York City Fire Department. Tony jumped at the opportunity, and his training as a reporter seems to be serving him well there. The department lost 343 fire fighters on 9/11. And since that date, his office has been fielding a lot more requests for interviews.

“Part of the job is to assist and offer suggestions to fire department personnel,” he explains. “But part of the job is also to come up with the questions that we know reporters will ask. This job forces me to think every second of every day. You’ve got to be one step ahead of a lot of smart quick reporters. I know because I was one of them.”

Tony credits Professor Michael West’s history classes with opening up his mind to the importance of current events and to the belief he holds that individuals can have a dramatic effect on society as a whole.

“He opened my eyes to the history that’s around us and taught me how fortunate we are to be a part of it,” he says.

Tony and his wife, Silvana, live in Brooklyn, New York.
The Gods and Technology: A Reading of Heidegger
BY RICHARD J. ROJCIEWICZ ’69

The Gods and Technology (State University of New York Press), by Richard Rojciewicz ’69, is a careful analysis of the principal statement of Martin Heidegger's philosophy of technology, Die Frage nach der Technik. Through a close reading of the original German text, Rojciewicz shows that, for Heidegger, the philosophy of technology is a philosophy of the gods. In fact, the philosopher believes that technology is not applied knowledge, but the most basic knowledge—of which science is one application. The ultimate goal of Rojciewicz’s book—and of Heidegger's thought—is to find the appropriate response to the challenges of the modern age and to learn to live in a technological world without becoming a slave to technological devices.

Rojciewicz teaches philosophy at Point Park University in Pittsburgh, Pa. He has translated numerous philosophical works.

John the Baptist: Prophet and Disciple
BY ALEXANDER J. BURKE JR. ’53

In John the Baptist (Saint Anthony Messenger Press), Alexander J. Burke Jr. ’53 pieces together the mystery of this well-known disciple of Jesus. In this accessible, comprehensive work, the author covers John’s preaching, arrest and execution, as well as his role in eastern and western Christian traditions. Burke also explores the many paradoxes surrounding the disciple. Included in the book are references to artists’ renderings of John the Baptist and their significance as well as scholarly opinions that may differ from those presented by the author. He closes with several pages of devotions to John the Baptist.

Burke is a professor of English and director of the publishing studies program at Hofstra University in Hempstead, N.Y.

Tom Never’s Ghost: An Eyewitness Account of the Past 350 Years on Nantucket Island and in Its Little Known Southeast Quarter
BY JACK WARNER ’57

In Tom Never’s Ghost (Netsource Distribution), Jack Warner ’57 delivers a fresh account of the legendary island of Nantucket. This historical narrative—based on nearly five years of research—goes beyond the island’s well-known past as a whaling empire and premier resort destination to reveal a few surprises, including the “real” reasons why Nantucket eclipsed all other ports in whaling wealth and why its fortunes ultimately fell; the true mission of the “top secret” Tom Nevers Navy Base; the attempted federal takeover of the island in 1972; and the three unrelated events that triggered Nantucket’s current real estate craze.

A summer resident of Nantucket since 1982 and vice president of the Tom Nevers Civic Association, Warner holds a certificate in historic preservation studies from the National Preservation Institute.

Red Brick in the Land of Steady Habits: Creating the University of Connecticut, 1881–2006
BY BRUCE M. STAVE WITH MICHAEL E. NEAGLE ’98

Written in celebration of the 125th anniversary of the University of Connecticut, Red Brick in the Land of Steady Habits (University of Connecticut), by Bruce M. Stave with Michael Neagle ’98, traces how the university emerged from its foundation as a tiny agricultural college to become the leading public university in New England. Connecticut’s nickname, “The Land of Steady Habits,” comes from the strict morals of its early inhabitants. “Red Bricks” refers to universities in England’s industrial cities during the late 19th century that admitted students regardless of class or religion and concentrated on practical skills. This book covers how UConn—“Red Brick” in its origins—was shaped by events on the national and international scene and transformed from a serene, rural campus into a competitive national research university.

Neagle is a graduate student at the University of Connecticut.
A Call to Save: The Memoir of a Fire Chaplain
BY MONSIGNOR THOMAS J. HARRINGTON '60

In his memoir, A Call to Save (Spinner Publications, Inc.), Monsignor Thomas J. Harrington ’60 tells the story of his life as a fire chaplain and a priest in the Diocese of Fall River, Mass. This poignant tale of his work with firefighters recalls such emotional events as the raging conflagration that leveled Fall River’s Notre Dame Church and the solemn march through Worcester in remembrance of six firefighters lost in a warehouse fire. A tribute to the men and women of the fire service, this book portrays the author’s journey to save others and depicts the dramatic, joyous and awe-inspiring experiences he encountered along the way.

A fire chaplain for 40 years, Monsignor Harrington has served as a priest throughout Southeastern Massachusetts and as a lawyer for the Fall River Diocese.

Courbet and the Modern Landscape
BY CHARLOTTE N. EYERMAN ’87 AND MARY MORTON

Courbet and the Modern Landscape (Getty Trust Publications: J. Paul Getty Museum), by Charlotte Eyerman ’87 and Mary Morton, is a catalog that accompanies the first major museum exhibition specifically to address Gustave Courbet’s extraordinary achievement in landscape painting. With its fittingly dramatic design, the book presents many carefully selected works—produced from 1855 to 1876 and gathered from Asia, Europe and North America—that will be new to readers. The catalog highlights the artist’s expressive responses to the natural environment and includes essays that examine his distinctly modern practice of landscape painting. An essay by Eyerman investigates how later generations of 19th- and 20th-century artists responded to Courbet’s example. Full-page color plates are organized by subject matter and include: the sea, snow, rocks and grottoes, and the late, melancholic visions of Swiss lakes and mountain ranges painted during Courbet’s exile.

Eyerman is assistant curator in the department of paintings at the J. Paul Getty Museum in Los Angeles.

Golf’s 100 Toughest Holes
BY CHRIS MILLARD ’82 AND REES JONES

From the 17th hole at the Tournament Players Club at Sawgrass to the 17th hole at the Old Course at St. Andrews, Golf’s 100 Toughest Holes (Harry N. Abrams, Inc.), by Chris Millard ’82 and Rees Jones, is the guide to the most confounding, challenging holes in the world. In this engaging, informative book, noted golf writer Millard draws upon his own knowledge of the game—as well as statistical data and consultations with other experts—to explain what makes each hole so difficult. Accompanied by first-rate photography, this authoritative list is sure to spur discussion and debate among avid golfers for years to come.

Former director of communications for Jack Nicklaus and Golden Bear International, Millard is co-author of Nicklaus By Design: Golf Course Strategy and Architecture.

A Literary and Political History of Post-Revolutionary Mexico: Redefining “The Ideal”
BY KATHRYN QUINN-SÁNCHEZ ’92

Kathryn Quinn-Sánchez ’92 is author of A Literary and Political History of Post-Revolutionary Mexico (Edwin Mellen Press), a study that demonstrates how the original, exclusive portrayals of the “ideal” nation and its “ideal” citizens are carried into the post-revolutionary era, whereby, authors such as Rosario Castellanos and Octavio Paz view their society as a system that has segregated rather than unified individuals into one nation. Therefore, the state’s authority to imagine what is considered “the ideal” is questioned, as is the authenticity of its foundational imaginings. A direct response to Doris Sommer’s Foundational Fictions, this work exploits and expands the interdependent relationships among ideology, literature and the Mexican state that essentially guaranteed the failure of successful nation building. Moreover, the text exposes this failure through an analysis of how 20th-century Mexican authors and their works reject and contest the positivist legacy of the original foundational fictions.

Quinn-Sánchez is an assistant professor at Georgian Court University in Lakewood, N.J., where she teaches Spanish language and Latin American literature and culture.
Joe Petrelli loves Torey Thomas like a son. So the fright in the quivering voice of this kid of 13 shot right to his heart.

Over the phone that day, Torey told “Mr. P” that folks were telling him he was “a bleeder” and might never be able to play basketball again. That he had something called hemophilia.

Torey’s mother, Rosemary, is a transmitter of this disease. Torey had been having chronic nose bleeds. And doctors were expressing concern.

Petrelli, a 1973 Holy Cross grad and bonds trader, had grown close to Torey. His son Kyle and Torey played on the same youth basketball team in White Plains, N.Y. “He’s part of the family. He still goes out with us on my birthday. He’d have sleepovers with Kyle. Susan and I consider Torey our fifth kid.”

Fortunately, Petrelli had experience with blood problems. His iron deficiency had been treated at the Weill Cornell Medical Center in New York City. He allayed Torey’s fears and arranged testing at Weill Cornell for Torey, his mom and his younger half-brother Trevon.

Torey received a clean bill of health. But it was determined that Trevon has a deficiency in plasma coagulation factor IX, known as Hemophilia B. His mom, a nursing home social worker and community liaison, has earned certification to give Trevon the required injections.

“My brother can’t play contact sports, but he’s the most courageous kid I know. He is very smart, really copes well and is always optimistic,” says Torey, admiringly.

Petrelli is just one of many who have been drawn to Torey, not because of his amazing athleticism, but because of his magnetic personality. Torey credits “Mr. P” and several other adult males in his life for becoming “father figures” and providing him with guidance, goals and structure.

Torey says he has no relationship with his own father, who left his mom when she was pregnant with him. Besides Trevon, now 12, he has two older sisters, Tasharna and Tammy Thomas, and a stepfather, Greg Williams.

Growing up on hard-scrabbled Ferris Avenue in White Plains, Torey acknowledges he was enveloped by poverty and folks caught in the grip of personal stagnation.

“Ferris Avenue is like quicksand,” Torey explains. “A lot of things are going on along that strip. People get stuck and can’t get out. I love the people there, and they love and care for me. But I want to become something more, and I knew hard work and sacrifice would get me loose.”

Torey remembers his sisters bringing him to the park off Ferris Avenue. “I just gravitated to the courts,” recalls Torey.
His agility and speed drew attention. He played at the White Plains YMCA, becoming a teammate and pal of Joey Papalardo Jr. whose father Torey calls “Coach P.”

Joe, who is retired after selling his distributing business, and Gloria Papalardo consider Torey part of the family.

Over time, Torey, Joey Papalardo and Kyle Petrelli became involved in a hoop league at the Don Bosco Community Center in neighboring Port Chester, N.Y. Their coach, Billy Walsh, had played for Frank McGuire at South Carolina. He would be added to Torey’s growing list of mentors. “We were there to make sure kids like Torey didn’t fall through the cracks,” says Joe Papalardo.

Torey, a top student, won a scholarship to Trinity Catholic in Stamford, Conn., where Walsh coached the first-year students and Papalardo served as his assistant. Torey made all the necessary sacrifices. He got up at 6 o’clock each morning and made the 30-minute trip from White Plains to Stamford where he would catch a van to Trinity. He attacked academics with the same ferocity he approached sports.

At Trinity, Torey’s unusual leadership ability became obvious. He progressed quickly from freshman ball to the varsity. Just before tournament time, Coach Mike Walsh had his poised point guard running the offense.

“When the kids were freshmen, Coach (Billy) Walsh challenged his team—‘How many sit-ups and push-ups can you guys do?’” recalls Papalardo. “Torey replies, ‘What about a thousand each?’ Well, Coach Walsh cut that number back to something like 50 ... but Torey would do a thousand every day. The other kids knew who their team leader would be,” adds Papalardo.

What followed was a spectacular schoolboy career. As a junior and senior, Torey sparked Trinity to back-to-back Connecticut championships. He set a school record in assists (689), scored 1,140 points and, as a 5-9 (now 5-11) guard, pulled down 527 rebounds. Twice, he made first-team All-State. As a senior Torey was Connecticut Player of the Year, making everyone around him, including teammate David McClure (now at Duke), a better performer.

More importantly, to Torey and his mom, he became a member of the National Honor Society while developing his skills as a school and community leader.

He also developed another close bond with the family of teammate Jimmy O’Leary. Soon Torey became another son to Mike and Maryanne O’Leary, who already had six stellar scholar-athlete kids. During the season, he would often stay overnight at the O’Learys, rather than make the commute to White Plains and back.

The qualities that the Petrellis, Papalardos, O’Learys, Walishes, Willards, and everyone who meets Torey rave about are his compassion for others and his passion for life.

“He cares so much about making others better while working hard to make himself a better person,” Papalardo assesses.

Papalardo offers an example. Torey wants to give back to his Ferris Avenue community. He sees kids struggling. He suggests that an enrichment program be set up at the White Plains Y. Papalardo asks for an audience with the board of directors. He lets Torey do the talking and sell the concept.

Torey’s passion takes over. He tells the board his story, how he was saved by those who took time to mentor him. He brings tears to the eyes of those present. His plan would combine AAU basketball with a tutoring program at the Y. Businessman Chris Combe funds Y scholarships for 70 kids from Torey’s neighborhood. Torey’s plan is executed by him and others inspired by him. The program is becoming an outrageous success.

Despite all the accolades, as a high school senior Torey Thomas is not being romanced by the big-time hoop colleges. His work ethic, his academics, his talent, his proven successes are all a matter of record. But powerhouses hesitate when they realize Torey is anywhere from 5-8 to 5-11—depending on who’s doing the measuring. Wisely, Torey decides to delay his decision until his senior season ends, and his stock rises.
“I wanted to go to a college with academic prestige where I could prove I could play at a top level,” Torey says.

“Mr. P” had just the place. Joe Petrelli thought his alma mater would be a perfect fit for Torey. And his sister, Susan, had married William P. Doran, Class of 1977—who happens to be enshrined in the Holy Cross Varsity Club’s Hall of Fame for his prowess in basketball and baseball.

Petrelli and Doran double-teamed Ralph Willard ’67, current Crusader coach and former captain. Come take a look at our guy, they pleaded. Willard made a special Sunday trip to see Torey work out.

“Torey has great instincts and quickness,” Willard says. “I was impressed with his ball handling, his work ethic and his self-discipline. Most of all, he exuded that passion you can’t teach. I turned the trip into an official visit and offered him a scholarship on the spot.”

Willard tells an insightful anecdote about Torey. During Torey’s first year, the coach yanked Torey from a game and started to lecture him about the fine art of Willard-style defense. Torey looked away, then walked away, a bit ticked off.

Later Willard called Torey into his office. In no uncertain terms, he told Torey that he had to look him in the eye when he was speaking to him. Willard wanted to be absolutely sure Torey was listening to every word he spouted. Willard read Torey the riot act about being at a great school and that he should never disrespect people by not paying strict attention.

Torey left. Moments later: Knock, knock. Torey is back. Torey tells Willard: “Coach, you will never have to have this conversation with me again. Ever!”

Before each season begins, Torey presents Willard with a typed-up contract. It is loaded with items Torey vows to accomplish. He will improve his ball handling. He will increase his three-point shooting percentage. He will... on and on and it goes. He signs this performance contract and so does Willard.

“He has never looked away since our talk,” says Willard. “I consider Torey the best person I’ve ever coached. His greatest talent is caring about others. He doesn’t drink or smoke. He leads by example. He is a true motivator, destined for great things.”

“If they had municipal elections up here, Tory would be Mayor of the Campus,” Willard adds.

Torey loves Holy Cross, and the College loves him. He is not only No. 1 on the court, but the College’s Web site features Torey as its cover story in its “The Spirit of Holy Cross” public relations campaign.

And it was love at first sight. Torey recalls walking into the lobby of Hanselman Hall on his 18th birthday and being ambushed by his dorm-mates and friends.

He swells with pride when he tells how Holy Cross went to Notre Dame and beat the Irish in their own house in the NIT’s opening round. He had 16 points, six rebounds, two assists and a memory for a lifetime.

Torey speaks with common sense and sensitivity toward all as he recounts the progress that the Black Student Union made while he served as its chief of staff.

He chatters with delight about his two years as a resident assistant and about being an ambassador for the College while giving campus tours to incoming students. He relishes mentoring inner-city kids on Sunday mornings in the College Hill program run by John and Ellen Moynihan.

When he brags, it is about his senior sidekick and roomie, Keith Simmons ’07 being first-team All-Patriot League—or the accomplishments of others.

He talks lovingly about all those who have mentored him. He leaves out nobody.
But mostly he talks about his mother, and how she nurtured him, giving him space to grow and to be his own man.

He says he has recovered fully from off-season knee surgery, ticking off all those who helped, from his surgeon, Dr. Phil Lahey ’69, to those who spurred on his arduous rehab. He mentions he would like to become a lawyer someday, so he can help the needy.

He believes if everyone is healthy and gives 100 percent, the basketball season ahead will be a success. His desire is seen simply by glancing at a few startling facts: at 5-11, Torey was fourth in overall rebounding in the Patriot League last season. And he led the league in minutes played, including all 50 in a double-OT against Fordham.

He resolves to stick his nose in where it don’t belong and come out with the ball for his team. He will take his lumps and survive.

Because, he says, he only bleeds purple.

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Give Another Hoya!

...or is it “Hoiah”?* 

BY JOHN W. GEARAN ’65

And now we interrupt this ballgame for an important public service announcement …

As loyal alums, we have all stood at Fitton Field and other arenas of Crusader combat, bellowing out in unison our favorite College fight song: “Give another hoya and a choo-choo, rah-rah, choo-choo, rah-rah for Holy Cross …”

In singing, of course, spelling doesn’t count. So you don’t think much about it or contemplate what exactly a “hoya” is anyway. Who cares! Fight songs are part of a college’s tradition, which you basically learn through phonics. There is never any pop quiz after the game.

I’ve been singing and humming hoyas and choo-choos for more than a half century: from the days my dad Paul, Class of ’27, would bring me to every football game and tiddly wink match as a kid; right through my four years (1961-1965), during my son Paul’s four years at The Cross (1983-1987), and while covering Holy Cross games for many more seasons with the Worcester Telegram.

Now, alas, I have learned spelling may indeed count.

This column kicked off in the summer 2005. Its title, “Give Another Hoya,” was selected after deep consultation with esteemed editor, Jack O’Connell, and other Purple Pooh-Bahs of the written word.

Until now, “Hoya” has traipsed along its merry way unnoticed. Alums have read through the title without so much as an uncomfortable twitch.

Then, out of a purple haze, came a whack upside the head. Some cranky ancient alum, hiding behind the signature “Anonymous,” sent this nasty dispatch:

“It’s HOIAH, stupid, not hoya. What do you think we are, those rich kids from Georgetown? Oy!”

Mr. Anonymous included a photocopy of an arcane music program that included his alleged preferred spelling.

This bold challenge, of course, required refutation through vigorous research in the College archives and elsewhere. That’s how we Crusaders are trained to handle such situations. In Rhetoric, this is how professor William “Scratch” McCann and others taught us to fight back—with well-reasoned arguments, with irrefutable logic, with a withering assault of historic fact.

So I hit the mattresses, dove into a pile of musty books, called Jo-Anne Carr in Archives for her learned guidance and, er, Googled the hell out of hoya and hoiah. Scholarship is never easy.

We discovered the obvious. That the word “Hoya” is most famously associated with Georgetown University. Indeed the school newspaper has been called The Hoya since 1920 when it abandoned The Hilltopper.

Since the late 1920s, sportswriters have used The Hoyas as a nickname for Georgetown. Patrick Ewing was a Hoya. As an undergraduate, Bill Clinton enjoyed that moniker. Ya-da, ya-da, ya-da.

It is said that once the Georgetown baseball team was called the Stonewalls (1866-1873), as its field was surrounded by college walls.

Speculation has it that some classics major, combining the Greek word hoia (what) and the Latin word saxa (rocks), suggested cheering the Stonewalls on with yells of Hoia Saxa or “What Rocks!” Hoia apparently got Anglicized, with the small “i” transmuting to a small “y” and Hoya was on its way.

* or is it “Hoiah”?
Father Anthony J. Kuzniewski—Jesuit, professor of history and author of the College’s history, _Thy Honored Name_—makes several observations while confessing that the Hoya versus Hoiah debate continues to baffle archeologists, geologists and psychiatrists.

“Georgetown has a Congressional charter and actually conferred degrees at Holy Cross until Holy Cross was granted its Massachusetts charter (March 12, 1865),” notes Fr. Kuzniewski.

As an offshoot of Georgetown, founded in 1789, it seems likely that Holy Cross may have adopted a Hoya cheer or two.

In the 1890s, when baseball blossomed at The Cross, whacky cheers were profligate. In his history of Holy Cross, Father Kuzniewski footnotes several typical cheers, including “Hooki, eyki, Kai-ai-ai; Hooki, eyki, Kai-ai-ai; Ho-o, ho-o-o, Hollo-haloo, Holy Cross!”

I suppose throwing a hoya or even a hoi-ah into College cheers would not have seemed all that irrational.

In 1905, President Theodore Roosevelt arrived to speak at Holy Cross’ first commencement held at Fitton Field. Father Kuzniewski describes the scene in his book: “As he came into sight students gave him a college cheer: Hoiah, hoiah, Choo Choo, Rah-Rah, Choo-Choo Rah-Rah, Hoiah Roosevelt Rah.”

In time, such cheers were turned into lyrics and music.

J. Leo Gorman, a teacher and 1904 Holy Cross graduate, penned “Chu! Chu!” with B.J. Shandley composing the music. “Ring out with your Hoiah and a Chu! Chu! Rah! Rah!” is how the song begins, according to the lyrics appearing on the back of a 1979 album, _Songs of Holy Cross_. It also makes plain that Chu!Chu! is not spelled Choo-Choo.

There are other lyrics that confirm Hoiah, such as “Hoiah, Holy Cross” (words by Gus Conniff of the Class of 1902; music by J. Edward Bouvier). Also “Linden Lane” starts out “Then we’ll give another Hoiah, As we go down Linden Lane …” and those words were penned by Rev. Michael Earls, S.J., a poet and graduate from the Class of 1896.

In my father’s 1927 yearbook, _The Purple Patcher_, lyrics of all the popular College songs appear on Page 322. Somehow a song called “The Slogan” (words by Francis E. Foley of the Class of 1908 and music by Francis P. McGovern, Class of 1903) and the aforementioned “Chu! Chu!” are melded into one song called “Holy Cross Slogan.” So, after you sing the “Ring out then your Hoiah with a Chu-Chu, Rah-Rah,” then comes “March on as knights of old, With hearts as loyal and true and bold …”

Historians seem flummoxed about exactly how _Hoia Saxa_ became _Hoya_ became _Hoi-ah_ and now _Hoiah_ at Holy Cross. They observe that another Jesuit school, Marquette, has a fight song, titled “Ring Out Ahoya.”

Ergo, “Anonymous” seemingly has a valid point. Not that we’re stupid, necessarily, but I will concede that this column, for the purposes of historical accuracy, should be called “Give Another Hoiah!”

Not that I really give a hoiah what the column is called as long as our favorite fight song sounds the same while we’re cheering our Crusaders on to victory, as we did during the season’s opener, a 26-13 humbling of The Hoyas of Georgetown.
1942
CLASS CHAIR
LEE F. BARTLETT JR.
Joseph E. Cunneen, a bi-weekly movie columnist for the National Catholic Reporter newspaper, writes that his translation of theologian Raimon Panikkar’s The Experience of God: Icons of the Mystery, has recently been published by Augsburg Fortress. Cunneen adds that he has also published articles on the French priest-novelist Jean Suvian in Commonweal and The American Catholic.

1945
John R. Driscoll writes that he has been re-elected chairman of the board of trustees of the Downeast Health System in Maine. John E. McAuliffe, D.D.S., writes that he recently received the Chapel of Four Chaplains Legion of Honor Award at the Cultural Centre-Commune de Contern in Oetrange, Grand Duchy of Luxembourg; according to McAuliffe, the award “recognizes people who have made exceptional, exemplary, and lasting contributions to humanity and their communities without regard to race, religion or creed.” He adds that he was also among World War II veterans who received the Medal of Honor USVFL at a reception held at Foundation Pescatore, Gen. Patton’s former headquarters in Luxembourg City.

1948
CLASS CHAIRS
JOHN F. BECKER
VINCENT ZUARO
Raymond B. Carey Jr. was one of seven individuals selected by Gardner (Mass.) High School (GHS) for induction into its newly formed Hall of Fame for Extraordinary Achievement. Recognized as a distinguished alumnus of the high school, Carey had served as the chairman and chief executive officer of ADT, Inc., in New York City, prior to his retirement; during his career, he had also organized the Raymond B. Carey Foundation in honor of his father, an alumnus of GHS and Holy Cross, Class of 1920.

1950
CLASS CHAIR
KIRBY HENDEE
In August, the Hartford Financial Services Group Inc. announced the spon-}

1952
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
JAMES E. HAYES
BERTRAM U. MOUNT JR.
JOSEPH F. WHALEN JR.
CLASS CORRESPONDENT
REV. JOHN R. MULVEHILL
Ralph Catuogno writes that the International Association of Approved Basketball Officials (IAABO) honored him during its spring convention held in Rockville, Md.—“for 50 years of outstanding and dedicated service to young officials and scholar-athletes.” The law firm Pierce Atwood announced in July that Ralph I. Lancaster, a partner in its Portland, Maine, office, has been selected for inclusion in The International Who’s Who of Commercial Litigators 2006, published by Law Business Research Ltd., the official research partner of the International Bar Association.

1953
CLASS CHAIR
REV. EARLE L. MARKEY, S. J.
The June 30 edition of The Catholic Free Press included an announcement of the July 1 retirement of Rev. Peter J. Scanlon from active ministry. Ordained to the priesthood in 1957, Fr. Scanlon served the Diocese of Worcester in many capacities, including associate pastor of several churches; campus minister at Worcester Polytechnic Institute; diocesan director of the Newman Apostolate; vicar of all campus communities in the diocese; pastor of Our Lady of Fatima Church, Worcester; and chaplain for the Worcester Fire Department.

1954
CLASS CHAIR
BARRY R. MCDONOUGH
CLASS CORRESPONDENT
PAUL F. DUPUIS
The June 30 edition of The Catholic Free Press included an announcement of the July 1 retirement of Rev. George L. O’Brien from active ministry. Ordained to the priesthood in 1958, Fr. O’Brien had served in the Diocese of Worcester as associate pastor of several parishes, member of the diocesan marriage tribunal and, most recently, as pastor of Holy Cross Parish, East Templeton, Mass.; from 1976-94, he had been the director of development at Holy Cross.

1956
CLASS CHAIR
DANIEL M. DUNN
Rev. Donald L. Larkin, S.J., who is in his 52nd year as a Jesuit, writes that he is celebrating the 40th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood this year. In his 42nd year of service in Jamaica, he is the local superior of the Jesuit community at Campion College, Kingston—one of two Jesuit secondary schools located in the country; in addition to performing hospital ministry, Fr. Larkin conducts retreats and spiritual direction and assists at various churches and religious communities.

1957
CLASS CHAIRS
WILLIAM J. ELLIS
RAYMOND A. NOTHNAGLE
Thomas J. Bonomo, D.D.S., writes that, in addition to continuing to practice dentistry part time and serve as editor of the Suffolk Dental Bulletin—published by the Suffolk County Dental Society—he is very active in his dental fraternity, Xi Psi Phi, assisting young members in the profession. Rev. William F. Martin writes that, following his retirement as a chaplain with the U.S. Air Force in 1995, he has been working with the Christian Foundation for Children and Aging, a Catholic child-sponsorship program in the United States; in this ministry, he visits churches nationwide 41 weeks per year to invite parishioners to sponsor children in third world countries who are involved in Catholic programs. John L. Suter writes that he retired last January as the administrator of St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church in Tampa, Fla.
American Medical Association; he adds that, on March 3, he received the Outstanding Clinician Award from the New Jersey Thoracic Society.

1960
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
GEORGE M. FORD
GEORGE F. SULLIVAN JR.
The July 25 edition of the Worcester Telegram & Gazette included a mention of the recent publication of the book, A Call to Save/The Memoir of a Fire Chaplain, by Monsignor Thomas J. Harrington—about his longtime ministry to firefighters in the Diocese of Fall River, Mass. Last June, Jay O’Callahan Jr. presented A Neighborhood, A Town at the Gloucester (Mass.) Stage Company—a performance that included his classic work Edna Robinson as well as his most recent Pill Hill story, Muddy River Playhouse. He also recently announced two scheduled storytelling events: a maritime performance this past August aboard the Carnival Victory cruise ship, sailing from New York to Canada, in celebration of the 35th anniversary of the nonprofit performing arts company Revels; and a trip in September to China—including a visit to Gengcun Revels; and a trip in September to China—including a visit to Gengcun

1962
CLASS CHAIR
WILLIAM J. O’LEARY JR.
Thomas A. Vinton writes that, since his retirement in 1993 from the FBI and his four years of service as deputy commissioner, Westchester County (N.Y.) Police, he now has a private investigations business, covering Westchester County, New York City and Long Island.

1963
CLASS CHAIR
CHARLES J. BUCHTA
CLASS CORRESPONDENT
MICHAEL J. TONER
The July 12 edition of the Branford Review included the announcement that John E. Donegan and his wife, Betty Ann, have been named vice chairs of the Oct. 28 Yale New Haven Hospital 2006 Gala, with proceeds to benefit the hospital’s pediatric minimally invasive surgery program. Donegan, who is a partner in the Branford, Conn., law firm, Gibson & Donegan, has served as probate judge in Branford since 1991. Thomas H. Kieren owns and operates a commercial photography business in New York City called Custom Corporate Photography, specializing in portrait, architectural and interior images; his work includes the photography of executives in their workplace or leisure environments for magazines and corporations. Kieren, whose photos have appeared in many publications, such as Architectural Digest, Elle Décor, The New Yorker and Business Week, announces the establishment of his new architectural and interiors photography Web site, www.customcorphotog.com, which showcases the current media work of his company. Last April, Paul O. LeClerc was elected a member of the American Philosophical Society; LeClerc serves as the president and chief executive officer of The New York Public Library and as an adjunct professor of French and English at the City University of New York Graduate School and University Center. The June 8 edition of the weekly newspaper Danvers (Mass.) Herald included a Q&A with David E. Pauley on the occasion of his retirement from Danvers High School following 42 years of service; during his career, Pauley had been an English teacher, guidance counselor, special education chairman and language teacher-exploratory French and Latin.

1964
CLASS CHAIR
RONALD T. MAHEU
CLASS CORRESPONDENT
WILLIAM S. RICHARDS
Peter J. Barrett, M.D., is a professor of radiology at the Tufts University School of Medicine in Boston. The Realtor® Association of Pioneer Valley, Springfield, Mass., recently announced the selection of John R. Bien as its 2006 Affiliate-Member of the Year. Bien, who joined the association in 1997, is vice president and manager of the Western Massachusetts office of the Commonwealth Land Title Insurance Company and Lawyers Title Insurance Company, also located in Springfield.

1965
CLASS CHAIRS
DAVID J. MARTEL
THOMAS F. MCCABE JR.
James J. Marcellino, who serves as a partner in the Boston office of the law firm McDermott Will & Emery, writes that he has been appointed an adjunct faculty member at Boston College Law School for the 2006-07 academic year.

1966
CLASS CHAIRS
KENNETH M. PADGETT
REV. JOHN A. WORTHLEY
Ronald J. Ferrer writes that he is working for the Jesuit Refugee Service in Washington, D.C., on a contractual basis, creating a development program for the organization. Walter T. McPhee, M.D., is an internist at Windham Hospital in Willimantic, Conn. Daniel J. Vitiello announces his retirement last April from the Food Safety and Inspection Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, following 30 years of service.

1967
CLASS CHAIRS
JOHN J. MCLAUGHLIN JR.
JOHN P. SINDONI
The June 22 edition of the weekly newspaper Worcester Magazine included a Q&A with Henry L. Cyr Jr. in its One on One column, related to his recent retirement as an instructor in the Junior ROTC program at Burncoat High School in Worcester. Cyr, a 26-year veteran of the Air Force, retired in 1994 as a colonel and subsequently assisted in founding the school’s Air Force JROTC program.

Christopher J. “Chris” Matthews, anchor of MSNBC’s Hardball and host of the syndicated weekly news program The Chris Matthews Show, delivered the keynote address and received an honorary degree at commencement exercises held last May at Fordham University in New York City. John S. McGovern writes that he is currently practicing forensic psychology as a clinical psychologist in New Jersey, with an office in Madison; he adds that he also serves as an adjunct professor at
Drew University, Madison, where he teaches a course on existentialism.

1969
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
DAVID H. DRINAN
JAMES W. IGOE
ROBERT G. POWDERLY
DANIEL L. SPADA, M.D.
The June 30 edition of *The Catholic Free Press* included an announcement of the appointment of Rev. Joseph J. Jurgelonis Jr. as pastor of Holy Cross Parish, East Templeton, Mass. The Aug. 1 edition of the Worcester *Telegram & Gazette* included an article about Stephen M. Pezzella, M.D. and his recent appointment as acting president and chairman of the Fallon Clinic, a 240-physician group practice based in Worcester; Pezzella has been associated with the clinic since 1978. The Aug. 12 edition of the *Bennington (VT.) Banner* newspaper included an interview with Vermont state senator, Peter F. Welch, about his life and campaign for Vermont’s at-large seat in the U.S. House of Representatives.

1970
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
ANTHONY M. BARCLAY
JOHN R. DOYLE, M.D.
Michael F. Addonizio writes that he recently gave a paper, titled “How Much Do Schools and Districts Matter? Alternative Estimation Approaches,” at an international Economics of Education conference held at the University of Burgundy in Dijon, France, and organized by the World Bank; Addonizio is a professor of education policy at Wayne State University in Detroit. The Rockefeller Foundation, headquartered in New York City, announced in July the appointment of Peter L. Costiglio as its director of communications; in this capacity, Costiglio has principal responsibility for the foundation’s internal and external communications. Thomas F. Murphy Jr., a master in the U.S. Merchant Marine, practices admiralty law in Boston; Murphy writes that he recently completed a four-week residence at the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, Kings Point, N.Y., in the National Sealift Training Program. The Aug. 7 edition of the Lawrence *Sun* newspaper included an article about Timothy O. Sheehan and his recent appointment as interim director of business and finance for the Groton-Dunstable Regional School District in West Groton, Mass.

1971
CLASS CHAIR
ROBERT T. BONAGURA
CLASS CORRESPONDENT
JEROME J. CURA JR.
James F. Donahoe writes that he has been appointed vice president of human resources for Varian Inc., a maker of scientific instruments, located in Palo Alto, Calif. The July 13 edition of the weekly newspaper *Country Journal* included an article announcing the appointment of Paul H. Dunphy as the town administrator of Chesterfield, Mass., effective Aug. 1. The July 14 edition of *The Catholic Free Press* included an article about the appointment of Monsignor Thomas J. Sullivan as pastor of St. Columba Parish in Paxton, Mass.; he is continuing to serve as chancellor and director of development for the Diocese of Worcester. The May 26 edition of the weekly newspaper *Ocean Star* announced that the New Jersey Supreme Court has appointed William J. Wolf to serve on the Committee on Complementary Dispute Resolution. A partner in the Lakewood, N.J., law firm Bathgate, Wegener & Wolf, he concentrates his practice on commercial litigation and land development, including municipal land use approvals.

1972
CLASS CHAIR
ALLAN F. KRAMER II
James A. Cardle writes that he is now practicing patent law in the Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minn., area, while holding the position of intellectual property counsel at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas; his focus is on medical devices and numerical algorithms. After teaching fluid mechanics and related subjects to engineering students for many years as a member of the faculty of the University of Nevada, he had recently attended law school at the University of Notre Dame in Indiana. Edward P. Jones had a collection of short stories published in September, titled *All Aunt Hagar’s Children*. Richard B. Jones currently serves as city clerk of Newburyport, Mass. Kenneth J. Marra writes that he recently completed his Ph.D. in leadership studies at the University of San Diego and accepted a position with an analytics firm in San Diego, where his responsibilities include working on projects for the Office of Naval Research; he adds that he is also providing college admissions and recruiting advice to John Paul the Great Catholic University in San Diego, scheduled to open this past fall. Jerome F. “Jerry” Murphy III and his brother, Paul, manage the family business, M. Steinert & Sons Company, Inc., a longtime piano merchant headquartered in Boston. In addition to serving as a director of NAMM, the International Music Products Association, Murphy is vice chairman of the Retailers Association of Massachusetts and president of the Cambridge (Mass.) Boat Club; he has been active in rowing since 1989. Theodore V. “Ted” Wells Jr. was selected by *The National Law Journal*, in its June 19 edition, as one of “the 100 most influential lawyers in America.” Wells serves as a partner and co-chairman of the litigation department of the New York City law firm Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP.

1973
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
WILLIAM F. BAGLEY JR.
PHILIP J. CROWLEY
The Boston-based law firm Goodwin Procter announced in June that partner Thomas C. Meriam has joined its private equity practice in New York City. Leo T. “Lee” Myles, chief executive officer of St. Mary’s Regional Medical Center, Lewiston, Maine, also serves on the board of the St. Boniface Haiti Foundation; his involvement includes traveling to Fond des Blancs, Haiti, to work at the foundation’s project, St. Boniface Hospital, which is located there. John F. Shea, who has been practicing environmental and land use law for more than 30 years, is a shareholder in the boutique environmental law firm Mackie Shea O’Brien, located in Boston. EMC Corporation, headquartered in Hopkinton, Mass., announced in May the appointment of William J. Teuber Jr. to the newly created position of vice chairman of the company; he is also continuing to serve as chief financial officer—a post he has held since 1997.
Building “The Bog”: Addesa ’66, Annicelli ’79 and Cook ’79 Make Ice

By Karen Sharpe

For years, scoring good ice time anywhere on Massachusetts’ South Shore generated as much competition among hockey teams as the games themselves. In an area known as a haven for hockey enthusiasts, with an estimated 4,500 youth and adult players, ice rinks are few and far between.

But a year ago, a conversation among former Crusader hockey teammates Brian Cook ’79 and Peter Annicelli ’79, and their former Holy Cross coach, Mike Addesa ’66, led to plans for the creation of a giant indoor rink and athletic facility called “The Bog” in Kingston, Mass.—a place where hockey players, teams, figure- and speed-skaters and Olympic hopefuls not only can find good ice time, but also can learn under the guidance of professional coaches—and maybe launch a pro career.

The Bog facility—named for the numerous cranberry bogs upon which many South Shore kids learned to skate—includes a 60,000-square foot twin rink and a soccer and lacrosse center attached to the Kingsbury Club, an existing 100,000-square foot tennis, health and swim complex located on the Duxbury/Kingston line. According to Cook, it will be one of the largest recreational facilities to be built in New England in the last 25 years. Players and skaters will be able to hit the ice in late October.

For Cook, an attorney and a former National Hockey League player agent, hockey is not just recreation—it was the foundation of his career path. He first met Addesa at a little community rink, the Weymouth Skating Club, built on Cook family land in the town where he grew up.

“I guess there was rink-building in my blood,” Cook says. “That old rink, a barn really, was the center of our lives from 1969 until it burned down in 1975. And the biggest presence was Mike Addesa. Mike convinced me to come to Holy Cross and later helped me get into law school.”

Cook’s understanding of what hockey did for him—and the huge need for more rinks on the South Shore—prompted him to recruit help from his Holy Cross hockey connections.

“One of the big things about Holy Cross is the athletic tradition and the respect for that tradition,” he says. “Holy Cross hockey was a big part of what brought me and Peter there, and it’s the glue that keeps us coming back.”

Cook and his partners hope The Bog will recreate some of the community center feeling of the Weymouth Skating Club—and provide a similar platform for future student athletes.

“Right now while the sun is shining,” Cook says, “the ice is being made. The future looks bright for The Bog and for a new generation of hockey players.”

Lamparello as a trustee of the foundation. Lamparello, who is the managing partner of the Secaucus, N.J., law firm, Chasan Leyner & Lamparello, PC, concentrates his practice in civil and criminal litigation.

1975

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


1976

CLASS CHAIR
THOMAS E. RYAN

Paul F. McKenney, M.D., writes that, in October 2005, he was promoted to associate vice president, medical affairs, at Kent County Hospital, Warwick, R.I. Mary Donahue Quinlan is the director of advertising at Cosmopolitan magazine.

1977

CLASS CO-CHAIRS
BRIAN A. CASHMAN
KATHLEEN T. CONNOLLY


MARRIED: Robert F. Martinelli and Alice Kalil, on Sept. 23, 2005.
1978
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
MARCIA HENNELLY MORAN
MARK T. MURRAY
MICHAEL H. SHANAHAN
Mary Lou Graham writes that, in May 2004, she received her master’s degree in nursing from the Yale School of Nursing, New Haven, Conn.—and was graduated as a psychiatric nurse practitioner.

1979
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
GLENNON L. PAREDES
DEBORAH A. PELLES
St. Thomas Aquinas High School, Dover, N.H., selected Stephen L. “Steve” Freeman as the recipient of its 2005 Distinguished Alumni Award. Sharon Gardella Garvey writes that she has been a graphics consultant with PepsiCo since 1979, overseeing in-house design and video production, as well as digital archiving services. Mary Flynn Myers writes that she recently accepted a new position at Brigham and Women’s Hospital in Boston as senior director of biomedical research development.

1980
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
J. CHRISTOPHER COLLINS
KATHLEEN L. WIESE
The Colleges of Worcester Consortium, Inc., announced in August the appointment of Mark P. Bilotta as its new chief executive officer, effective Sept. 5. The May edition of the Bergen County, N.J., monthly magazine, (201), included Leigh Anne Brodsky in its Working Moms feature, titled “Making it Work”; Brodsky is the president of Nickelodeon and Viacom Consumer Products. Louis F. McIntyre III, M.D., a surgeon since 1994 with Westchester Orthopedic Associates, White Plains, N.Y., announced in July the results of a clinical study examining the use of new ultrasonic suture welding technology to treat rotator cuff injuries. Chief of orthopedics and a medical board member at the Westchester Ambulatory Surgery Center and a member of the staff of White Plains Hospital, he is an adviser for shoulder arthroscopy to Axya Medical in Beverly, Mass. An active member of the Arthroscopy Association of North America, McIntyre has been a master instructor at the Orthopaedic Learning Center in Chicago. The alumnae association of Mercy High School, Middletown, Conn., recently selected Teresa J. Opalacz as a recipient of its Catherine McAuley Award, presented in recognition of “those who have made a significant contribution to the school community and have lived by the ideals of the Mercy tradition and exemplified the qualities of Catherine McAuley, Sisters of Mercy Toundres.” An alumna of Mercy High School, Opalacz is a member of its board of trustees; she also serves on the financial and strategic planning committees. The June 12 edition of the weekly publication Banker & Tradesman included a profile of Ronald K. Perry, titled “Former Athletic Standout Now a Star in Real Estate Industry”; Perry is a principal in the Boston-based commercial real estate firm Meredith & Grew. The June 29 edition of the weekly newspaper Ashland (Mass.) Tab included an article about Marcia A. Reni and her recent election to the Ashland School Committee.

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MARRIED: Beth (Fox) Wills and Keith Pallesen, in December 2005.

1982
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
JEAN KELLY CUMMINGS
SUSAN L. SULLIVAN
Timothy J. Babinewau, M.D., has recently been appointed senior vice president and chief medical officer at the University of Maryland Medical Center in Baltimore.

1983
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
PATRICIA G. HAYLON
DAVID J. TRASATTI
The June 2 edition of the weekly newspaper North Andover Citizen featured a Q&A with Rev. John W. Delaney in its “Getting to know you” column, titled “Celebrating life and faith”.

1984
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
SUSAN F. FEITELBERG
EDWARD J. LYNCH III
FRED J. O’CONNOR
Kevin T. Rosseel writes that, after 16 years of service at the Washington, D.C., headquarters of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, he has been promoted to the position of communications director for the agency’s climate change division.

1985
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
THOMAS M. FLYNN
JOSEPH TERRANOVA
CLASS CORRESPONDENT
JOANNE S. NILAND
Brian R. Kane, who maintains a landscape architecture business in Arlington, Va., also teaches in the landscape architecture program at the University of Maryland-College Park. Christopher J. Supple has been re-appointed to a four-year term on the board of directors of the Boston Redevelopment Authority; he has been a member of the board since 2000. Supple serves as counsel with the Boston law firm Donovan Hatem LLP, where he also manages the government relations firm Chris Supple Strategies LLC.

1986
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
VIRGINIA M. AYERS
EDWARD T. O’DONNELL
KATHLEEN QUINN POWERS
Wendy L. Grimaldi and her husband, Andrew, announce the birth of their daughter, Delaney Katherine, on Dec. 19, 2004. Sharon Nee Gsell writes that she continues to work in the pharmaceutical industry in Maryland; for the past three years, she has been marketing oncology products. Patrick A. Rogers, an attorney in the Providence, R.I., office of the law firm Edwards Angell Palmer & Dodge, also serves as chairman of the East Providence Waterfront Commission; the June 5 edition of the Providence Business Journal included a Q&A with Rogers about plans for the development of the waterfront property. Catherine “Kitty” Kane Ronis and her husband, James, announce the birth of their son, James Michael “Jack” Jr.; Ronis is a partner in the Washington, D.C., law firm of Wilmer, Cutler, Pickering, Hale & Dorr.

Mark J. Savant, M.D., who maintains an internal medicine practice in San Francisco, writes that he continues to serve as a physician for the University of San Francisco athletic department and as the acting chairman of the Asian Physicians Advisory Committee at St. Mary’s Medical Center in San Francisco. Kelley O’Loughlin Southwick continues to teach French and coach tennis at Leicester (Mass.) High School; she writes that she was recently made lead teacher for the district.

MARRIED: Andrea L. “Andy” Bennett, M.D., and Colin Harris, on Dec. 3, in Spokane, Wash.
husband, David, announce the birth of their daughter, Darian, on April 6. The Boys & Girls Clubs of Boston recently announced the appointment of Patricia J. “Trish” Gannon as vice president of finance and chief financial officer for the organization. Siobhan Kelly Hansen and her husband, Dean, announce the birth of their daughter, Charlotte Rose, on March 9. World Energy Solutions, headquartered in Worcester, announced last August the appointment of James F. Parslow as chief financial officer and treasurer of the company. Kristen J. Plumley and her husband, Jeff Summerville, announce the birth of their twins, Annelly and Henry, on Nov. 14.

Catherine M. Sullivan now serves as vice president, management supervisor, in the public relations division of Publicis Dialog, in its New York office. Ann (Gracey) Toran, M.D., writes that she now works for Massachusetts General Hospital as a cardiac surgeon at North Shore Medical Center/Salem (Mass.) Hospital. The July 14 edition of the weekly newspaper Leominster (Mass.) Champion included an announcement of the appointment of Carol T. Vittorioso as a trustee of Fitchburg (Mass.) State College; a partner in the Leominster law firm Vittorioso & Taylor, she also serves on the Leominster Planning Board. Kathleen (Bannon) Wroblewski, M.D., and her husband, Len, announce the birth of their son, John Leonard, on July 15, 2005; Wroblewski maintains a part-time practice as a nephrologist in Everett, Wash.

1988

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

The June 8 edition of the weekly newspaper Andover (Mass.) Townsman included an article about Ian C. Dow and his work as a board member and promoter of the A Better Chance (ABC) program that enrolls inner city youth at Andover High School. Dow is a partner in the advertising marketing agency THINKcollaborative, located in Andover. M. Katherine “Katie” (Youngs) Goodman, director of development for the Capitol Center for the Arts in Concord, N.H., was recently accepted into the Leadership New Hampshire program, as a member of the Class of 2007. William P. “Bill” Kelly is a partner in the New York City law firm McCarthy & Kelly; he specializes in personal injury cases. Victor M. Luis writes that he recently accepted a position with Coach Inc., as chief executive officer for Japan. Andrew Zaharevitz writes that he continues to fly for the agency formerly known as US Customs Service—since transferred into the Department of Homeland Security.

1989

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

Amy McDermott Ferrone and her husband, Michael, announce the birth of their son, Sean Michael, on March 21, 2005. John A. Franchi Jr. and his wife, Valerie ’91, announce the birth of their son, Matthew, on Nov. 8. Kerri P. Keough works as a clinical social worker at the UCSF Medical Center in San Francisco; she received her master’s degree in social work from New York University in May 2003. Lt. Col. Kevin M. Schmiegel, USMC, was promoted to the rank of lieutenant colonel on Jan. 1, 2005; his three-year tour of duty in Mons, Belgium, as the aide-de-camp to Supreme Allied Commander Europe ended last June. Louise A. “Luann” (Doherty) Smulsky, who recently relocated to Plymouth, Mich., began her own consultancy in 2004, called “ib4e Writing Solutions”—specializing in writing, editing and graphic design services.

1990

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

Jeffrey L. Bennett teaches social studies and coaches football in Lake George, N.Y. Anthony M. “Tony” Bonanno and his wife, Susan ’91, announce the birth of their son, Andrew Christopher, on Jan. 11. Debra “Debbie” Shields Clifford and her husband, Denis, announce the birth of their son, Conor Andrew, on Jan. 4; Clifford serves as counsel with the law firm Gibbons, Del Deo, Dolan, Griffinger & Vecchione, in its Newark, N.J., office. Kristin (Miller), M.D., and Robert C. George Jr. announce the birth of their son, Matthew Flynn, on Jan. 11. Bonanno is a partner with the Boston-based advertising agency Mercury Marketing. Valerie (Atkins) Franchi and her husband, John ’89, announce the birth of their son, Matthew, on Nov. 8. Janine (Savarese) Kelly and her husband, Mark, announce the birth of their daughter, Emma Clare, on March 15. Deirdre McCarthy Ogden and her husband, Garrett, announce the birth of their son, Theodore “Teddy” McNelis Ogden, on April 26. Josh A. Schaad is an assistant vice president at the Great American Insurance Company in Cincinnati. The law practice Mintz Levin Cohn Ferris Glovsky and Popeo announced in May the promotion of Donald W. Schroeder to partner of the firm; Schroeder works in the employment, labor and benefits section of its Boston office. June (Donnelly) Wendler and her husband, Paul, announce the birth of their daughter, Lily, on Aug. 10, 2005; Wendler continues to work in advertising sales for TIME magazine, in Atlanta.

1992

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

Colleen F. Amann and her husband, Peter ’93, announce the birth of their son, Brendan, on July 28, 2005. Window to the World Communications, Inc., Chicago—the parent company of Fordham University in New York City. Brian M. Legere, M.D., and his wife, Mary Beth, announce the birth of their son, Benjamin Richard, on Dec. S. Joseph A. Sack writes that he recently opened his own law practice in New York City, concentrating in securities and criminal litigation—and, also, that he serves as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals in Rye, N.Y. Timothy D. Toole, who is the owner and president of the Naples (Fla.) Title Co., has recently been appointed a member of the Collier County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.
CLASS NOTES

WTTW11 and 98.7WFMT, announced in July the promotion of Anne J. Gleason to the position of vice president of marketing and new media. Suzanne M. O’Connor and her husband, Raymond Fagnant, announce the birth of their son, James Raymond, in May. Karrin Wicht and Andrew G. Plotner announce the birth of their daughter, Caroline Whelan, on Sept. 20, 2005. The June 16 edition of the Newport (R.I.) Daily News included an article announcing the appointment of Amy Donnelly Roche as the director of special education for the Newport school system; she had held the position of assistant director there since October 2005. Stacey A. Sweklo-Bradley and her husband, Charles, announce the birth of their twins, Carsyn Ann and Charles Michael Jr., on Jan. 27.

MARRIED: Jennifer J. Dawson and Andy D’andrea, on July 2, 2005, on Nevis, West Indies. Kristin M. Reichardt and John Kirwan, on Feb. 18, at the St. Francis Chapel in San Diego.

CLASS CO-CHAIRS

PATRICK J. COMERFORD
EILEEN KASPRZAK READ

Peter G. Amann, M.D., and his wife, Colleen ’92, announce the birth of their son, Brendan, on July 28, 2005. Peter Beale-DelVecchio is the director of development at Cristo Rey Jesuit High School in Chicago. Cari L. Borja writes that, for the past four years, she has been the owner and fashion designer of "cari..."

left to right: T.J. Ragnoni, Liz Stanton Ragnoni ’89 and Marcia Stankard ’89

The Spriitelees: A Story of Friendship, Kindness and Hope

By Karen Sharpe

Marcia Stankard ’89 had not planned to write a children’s Christmas story. She had been contemplating a self-help book for women friends in times of crisis, but, “in the middle of that, the children’s book wrote itself.”

Stankard, a former marketing executive in Boston, is now a stay-at-home mother—and thankful that her family has been blessed with good fortune and good health. Life has not been as easy, however, for one of Stankard’s close friends, Elizabeth Stanton Ragnoni ’89. Ragnoni also has three children, but her youngest, Timothy—or “T.J.”—has struggled for the majority of his four-year-old life with treatments for a Juvenile Pilocytic Astrocytoma (“JPA”) brain tumor. JPAs are often called “orphans” in the medical world, since research for JPA is not supported or promoted by a famous celebrity or foundation. Fearing T.J. may run out of time before a cure is found, the Ragnonis have dedicated themselves to raising money for research and have enlisted as many people for their cause as they can.

Including a band of whimsical fictitious children that are the title characters of Stankard’s book, The Spriitelees: A Christmas Tale About Kindness.

Geared toward the preschool-to-kindergarten set, this picture-book story—in which Christmas is in jeopardy because Santa’s elves have come down with the flu—illustrates the importance of acting kindly toward others. Stankard likens this lesson to the Jesuit precept of learning to be a person “for others”—that is reflected in her decision to donate all proceeds from book sales to T.J.’s specific research fund.

“You never know why life unfolds the way it does—I had no idea I would get this far, and I feel very inspired that this is happening,” Stankard says. “I can’t fix T.J., and I can’t find the cure, but I can do this.”

Stankard credits her parents with giving her the confidence to believe that she could accomplish whatever she sets out to do. Self-published, this is Stankard’s first book; she has plans for more Spriitelees stories and products—all of which will be geared toward teaching the importance of helping others, with donations from sales going to charities. Her greatest hope at the moment is that children will be inspired by the Spriitelees to act kindly toward others. An activity page accompanies each book; math and language arts activities for teachers are available on the Spriitelee Web site.

The Spriitelees: A Christmas Tale About Kindness is available at amazon.com and www.spriitelee.com. All proceeds from amazon.com sales and $5 from each spriitelees.com sale will be donated to T.J.’s fund. More information about the fund may be found at www.teamtj.org.
and his wife, Carrie, announce
Melissa L. Streeto
and
and her
Commission.

Jeff, announce the birth of their daughter, Annaika Grace, on Feb. 9. Paula J. Valencia-Galbraith and her husband, Jeff, announce the birth of their son, Alejandro James, on Aug. 8, 2005.


MARRIED:

Sardinia, Italy.

FALL 2006
Martineau ‘97 Makes Friends Forever

By Karen Sharpe

In the United States, religious tolerance is considered a given. But in Northern Ireland and Jerusalem, children are brought up with generations’ worth of ingrained hatred, fear and mistrust of those of other faiths.

That’s where Friends Forever comes in. For 20 years, Friends Forever, based in Portsmouth, N.H., has been working to bridge the chasm of religious divide by bringing together Catholic and Protestant teens from Northern Ireland for an intensive, two-week cultural immersion program in the United States—followed by a yearlong commitment to forging friendships and promoting tolerance back in their hometowns. For the last 10 years, the non-profit organization has also run a similar program for Muslim and Jewish youth from Jerusalem.

Stephen Martineau ’97, who became executive director of Friends Forever last fall, traces his introduction to social justice and social service to a spring break trip with Habitat for Humanity during his final year at the College. What followed were stints as an AmeriCorps volunteer and various jobs working with teens.

For Martineau, the mission of Friends Forever was one he could support wholeheartedly.

“I have an Irish ancestry, so the organization’s work in Northern Ireland has always held an interest for me,” he says, “but what also struck me was the opportunity to be able to be a leader, to be the decision-maker. I think one of the greatest things I got out of Holy Cross was the ability to lead with conviction. And the approach of Friends Forever being in the business of world peace—it’s not just a feel-good thing. It offers a serious solution.”

Teens interested in the program are recruited through youth organizations like the YMCA. Hosted by community groups upon arrival in the United States, they live together like family—immersed in both social and learning programs: Protestants and Catholics cooking dinner side by side; Jews and Muslims organizing and presenting dialogue sessions.

Serious work is being done alongside the social activities, Martineau says, with each interaction providing an opportunity for the teens to drop their misconceptions about each other and to relate to one another as human beings. They also have a chance to interact with American teens—which is often an eye-opening experience.

“In America, people don’t view themselves through the lens of religion, but for these teens, they are always a Protestant or Catholic, a Jew or Muslim first,” Martineau says. “They are blown away when some American kids don’t even know what denomination they are.”

That is just the beginning of what Friends Forever does. Once the teens return home, they must commit to monthly meetings and activities where they have the opportunity to draw in family members and friends, spreading the knowledge and freedom tolerance brings to the neighborhoods beyond their homes. The program has been so successful during its 20-year existence, some neighborhoods in Northern Ireland are known as “Friends Forever-ized,” Martineau says, noting that there are areas where sectarian divisions have almost completely disappeared.

Many Friends Forever alumni have gone on to establish their own social service programs in Northern Ireland, aimed at promoting tolerance and multiculturalism among youth and families. Those kinds of programs just did not exist there 20 years ago, Martineau says.

Until now, Friends Forever has brought teen groups only to the New England states, but Martineau’s goal is to expand the program into a nationwide endeavor. He has already begun discussions with a former Holy Cross classmate who lives in Alaska about the possibility of taking a group there for a two-week intensive immersion program.

“You don’t need an advanced degree or a major in peace studies to become part of the peace process,” Martineau says. “These kids make the decision, consciously or unconsciously, to get over generations of learned mistrust and to see themselves as future generations of peace.”
the birth of their son, Jackson Martin, on Oct. 16, 2005. Andrew P. Lannon has joined the law firm Holland & Knight LLP, in the commercial litigation and appeals department of its Orlando, Fla., office. Catherine (Sichol) Lombardo and her husband, Jim, announce the birth of their son, William James, on Aug. 12, 2005. Patricia (Ahearn) Miller and her husband, Drew, announce the birth of their daughter, Morgan Patricia, on March 8. Kristin (Berta) Moetzinger and her husband, Steven, announce the birth of their son, Thomas Joseph, on March 18. Jodi A. Monaco and her husband, Edward, announce the birth of their son, Thomas Joseph “TJ,” on Nov. 4. Katherine “Katie” (Harrison) Morris and her husband, Tony, announce the birth of their son, Michael Vincent, on July 13, 2005. Leane Guzzetta Poate and her husband, Tim, announce the birth of their daughter, Caroline Rose, on Dec. 9. Maureen (Bannon) and George J. Tamer Jr. announce the birth of their son, Christopher Patrick, on Feb. 8. Daria Blake Walton works as a Web developer at Recruitment, Inc., in Portland, Maine. Kathleen (Dunnells) and Daniel M. Walz announce the birth of their son, Jackson (Wright) Young and his wife, Daniel, announce the birth of their son, Jackson Louis, on June 14, 2005. MARRIED: Annie H. Birde and Christopher Keller, on June 17, 2005, at the Church of the Resurrection in Rye, N.Y. Daria J. Blake and Justin Walton, on April 17, 2004. Heather M. Lynch and Tom Monaco, on Oct. 22, 2005. Peggy A. Pollak and John MacInnes, in September 2004.

1997

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

Timothy F. Doyle and his wife, Kim, announce the birth of their daughter, Grace Maria. Keith E. Driscoll writes that, after touring nationwide for the past five years to consult for six combined PGA and LPGA Tour events, he recently accepted a new position as national event specialist for FirstComp in Warwick, R.I. C. Travers Garvin continues to serve as an associate with the law firm Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld, in its Washington, D.C., office. Kevin J. Kruzenski and his wife, Denise, announce the birth of their daughter, Nina Michelle, on Feb. 10. Nicole (Gandia) Mantville and her husband, Michael, announce the birth of their daughter, Alyson Claire, on May 5. Amy (Ottoson) Roberge and her husband, Michael, announce the birth of their daughter, Caitlin Noelle, on Dec. 12, 2004. Alison (Bozzi) Zaya writes that, last January, she received her master of science degree in library science and her master of arts degree in history from Simmons College, Boston. MARRIED: C. Travers Garvin and Jessica Sauer, on May 6, at St. Ignatius Church, Baltimore. Jill J. Jeffrey and Bryan M. O’Connor, on April 28, at the Unitarian Universalist Society of Rockport in Massachusetts.

1998

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

According to an article in the June edition of the Wakefield (Mass.) Daily Item, the Music Ministry of St. Florence Church in Wakefield selected Rochelle M. Bard as a featured soloist for its spring 2006 concert series. Bard performed nationally with various groups, including the Baltimore Opera, Maine Grand Opera and New England Light Opera companies. David K. Brannegan and his wife, Ellen, announce the birth of their daughter, Mallory Karen, on May 23. John P. Calabro and his wife, Jacqueline ‘96, announce the birth of their son, William “Liam” Kenyon Calabro, on July 14. Daniel R. Corsetti and his wife, Danielle, announce the birth of their daughter, Lucia Patrina, on Oct. 22. Corsetti currently teaches history at the Thomas Edison Middle School in Meriden, Conn. Jaime (Cellitti) and Mark A. Costiglio announce the birth of their daughter, Emma Marie, on March 15; Mark is currently employed in media relations at The Bond Market Association in New York City. Renee (Zannini) and Robert E. “Rob” Croak announce the birth of their daughter, Courtney Zannini Croak, on March 12, 2005. Alison Dietz Faery and her husband, Matthew ’96, announce the birth of their daughter, Rian Dietz Faery, on June 28. James M. Ferraiolo continues to serve as a systems administrator in the information technology department at the University of Virginia. Kathleen (Grammatico) Ferraiolo writes that she has accepted a tenure-track position as assistant professor of political science at James Madison University in Harrisonburg, Va. Michael D. Higgins and his wife, Tammy ’01, announce the birth of their children, Molly, on June 5, 2003, Lucas, on Oct. 4, 2004, and Alicea, on April 24. Monica (Frattaroli) Shear and her husband, Jonathan, announce the birth of their son, Jack Durant, on May 3. Amanda (Ottoson) and David J. Underwood announce the birth of their daughter, Ava Paige, on Sept. 1, 2005. Amanda works part time as a physician assistant in a family practice, and David is lead technical developer for Custom Scoop in Concord, N.H. Allison Bastiani Volchok and her husband, Japa, announce the birth of their son, Benjamin Zollie, on Feb. 20. MARRIED: Katherine Poggio and Christopher Fuschillo, on Oct. 8, 2005, at the Church of Our Saviour in New York City.

1999

CLASS CO-CHAIRS
MARGARET E. DEVINE
THOMAS C. SOPER

Michael R. Bourque Jr. and his wife, Emma, announce the birth of their son, Ethan, on Feb. 22. Mary M. Condo and her husband, Rick Lodge, announce the birth of their daughter, Hannah Belle, on Dec. 9. Megan (Norton) and Mark S. Eskander announce the birth of their son, Theodore “Teddy,” in March 2005; Mark is pursuing his orthopedic surgery residency at the University of Massachusetts Medical School in Worcester. Laura Virzi Estaphan and her husband, Brian, announce the birth of their son, Brendan Thomas, on Feb. 16. Capt. Robert A. Knauer, USMC, a member of the Marine Corps since 1999, has served three combat tours in Iraq; following the completion of his last tour, he was stationed at Camp Lejeune, N.C. Reverting to reserve status with the Marines in August,
Knauer was accepted into the master’s degree program of The Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) at Johns Hopkins University, Washington, D.C., effective this past September. Joseph A. Manfredi, D.D.S., who received his degree from the New York University College of Dentistry in spring 2005, has accepted a position as a general cosmetic dentist with Dr. Jeffrey Dorfman and Associates in New York City. Kelley E. McNeil is an associate in the business department of the Boston law firm Choate Hall & Stewart. Christine J. Monahan and her husband, Daniel ’00, announce the birth of their son, Patrick Timothy, on Feb. 2. Laura P. Newcombe works for the Suffolk County District Attorney’s Office, Hauppauge, N.Y., as an assistant district attorney, assigned to the governmental corruption bureau. Capt. Patrick M. Roddy Jr., USA, writes that he assumed command of C/1-2 CR, an Infantry Rifle Company in the Army’s fourth Stryker Brigade Combat Team at Fort Lewis, Wash. Michael J. Schmid and his wife, Cari, announce the birth of their son, Xandos Collins Schmid, on March 17. Jaime (Evanowski) Walker and her husband, Tom, announce the birth of their son, Aidan Thomas, on Jan. 3. Sarah (Greisch) White and her husband, Jeffrey ’00, announce the birth of their son, Jack Richard, on July 3. MARRIED: Scott D. Cavanagh and Elisabeth A. Hessler, on Aug. 5, at St. Peter’s by-the-Sea Church, Narragansett, R.I. John R. Cronin and Sonya L. Wall, on Aug. 12, at St. Augustine’s Roman Catholic Church in Larchmont, N.Y.

2001

Class Co-Chairs
M E G A N K. B A R O N I
C A T H E R I N E G. B R Y A N
S A R A H K. L A W L O R
R U S M I R M U S I C

Matthew D. Desmarais and his wife, Gina ’02, announce the birth of their son, Michael, in September 2005; Desmarais writes that he is working at the New York Police Department as a forensic scientist. Tammy (Kayachack) Higgins and her husband, Michael ’98, announce the birth of their children, Molly, on June 5, 2003, Lucas, on Oct. 4, 2004, and Alicea, on April 24. The August edition of the Vocation Newsletter of the Jesuit Vocation Office of the New York and Maryland Provinces included the announcement that Jesuit novice Brent H. Otto, S.J., professed first vows on August 12, at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Fayetteville, N.Y. Allison M. Piatak writes that she has received her M.B.A. from Boston University. MARRIED: Matthew B. Gozyci and Alicia Tanskey ’01, on Sept. 3, 2005, in St. Joseph Memorial Chapel.

2002

Class Co-Chairs
L A U R E N M. B U O N O M E
P E T E R D. M C L E A N

Laura H. Hogan of the Jesuit Vocation Office of the New York and Maryland Provinces included the announcement that Jesuit novice Brent H. Otto, S.J., professed first vows on August 12, at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Fayetteville, N.Y. Allison M. Piatak writes that she has received her M.B.A. from Boston University. MARRIED: Matthew B. Gozyci and Alicia Tanskey ’01, on Sept. 3, 2005, in St. Joseph Memorial Chapel.

2003

Class Co-Chairs
E L I Z A B E T H L. M A L O Y
I N E Z C. R U S S O

The July 27 edition of the Concord, Mass., newspaper Woburn Advocate included the announcement that Michael J. Ballway had joined its staff July 17 as news editor. The Hartford, Conn., law firm Halloran & Sage recently announced that Elizabeth A. Butler, a student at the University of Connecticut School of Law, took part in its summer associate program. Gabrielle A. Deifik writes that, in addition to working full time at the architectural firm Payette Associates in Boston, she is pursuing her master’s degree in architecture at the Boston Architectural College. Gina R. Desmarais and her husband, Matthew ’01, announce the birth of their son, Michael, in September 2005; Desmarais writes that she has been accepted into the English master’s degree program at Clark University, effective this past fall. Michele E. DeTraglia writes that she received her degree in May 2005 from Boston College Law School and is currently practicing in the family firm in Utica, N.Y.—performing civil litigation as well as some family court and criminal work. Michael T. Mooney is a senior investment consultant with Robert W. Baird & Co., Inc., in Milwaukee, Wis. and a student at Marquette University, also in Milwaukee, where he is pursuing his M.B.A. The August edition of the Vocation Newsletter of the Jesuit Vocation Office of the New York and Maryland Provinces included the announcement that Jesuit novice Thomas M. Olson, S.J., professed first vows on August 12, at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Fayetteville, N.Y. The May 20 edition of the Worcester Telegram & Gazette included a story about Patrick A. “Pat” Rissmiller and his hockey career, titled “Crusader Flavor in Stanley Cup Playoffs”; Rissmiller, who joined the NHL team San Jose Sharks last March, had previously played for the Cleveland Barons, a minor league club.
receive a 2006 graduate scholarship from the foundation. The Roger Williams University Ralph R. Papitto School of Law, Bristol, R.I., announced that Nathan A. Kelly received his juris doctor from the school at commencement ceremonies held last May. David J. Murphy is attending the College of Environmental Science and Forestry at SUNY-Syracuse, where he is pursuing his master of science degree. Jean M. Sabloff writes that she was promoted last October to the position of clinical trials project leader for RadPharm in Princeton, N.J.

2004
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
KATHRYN C. LEADER
KATHRYN D. MEYERS
JOHN M. O’DONNELL
Patrick T. Battersby writes that he is in this third year at the Catholic University of America Columbus School of Law, in Washington, D.C. Kathryn M. Galiani writes that she accepted a position in business operations with the Women’s National Basketball Association (WNBA) in New York City. Kevin M. Hannon works for Bear, Stearns & Co., Inc., in New York City. Carla J. Jurczynski writes that she is currently stationed in Camp Fallujah, Iraq, while deployed as a communications officer with the 9th Communications Battalion out of Camp Pendleton, Calif. Sangita V. Malhotra writes that she is now a marketing and communications manager at GE Commercial Finance. Nichole R. Senkowski is working at The New England Center for Children in Southborough, Mass., and pursuing her master’s degree in intensive special needs at Simmons College in Boston. Sarah E. Studley serves as a banquet coordinator at the Westin Hotel at Copley Place in Boston. MARRIED: Patrick T. Battersby and Lerin Tagge, on Aug. 5, in Clifton, Va.

2005
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
LUZ M. COLON-ROMERO
ELIZABETH B. CORRIDAN
JENNIFER L. MARCOTTE
Jennifer M. Doheny works as the development director at St. Luke’s Elementary School in New York City, through the Patrons Program of the Archdiocese of New York. 2nd Lt. William C. Fox graduated in May from the U.S. Army Ranger School, following the completion of a six-week leadership course conducted at Fort Benning, Ga., and Eglin Air Force Base, Fla. Also a graduate of the U.S. Army Air Defense Artillery Basic Officer Course at Fort Bliss, Texas, he is currently serving as Launcher Platoon Leader, D Battery, 5th Battalion, 7th Air Defense Artillery Regiment (Patriot) in Ansbach, Germany. Derek J. Lemley is a neuroscience healthcare representative for Pfizer Pharmaceuticals. Allison M. O’Donnell writes that she is working as a tax title paralegal for the Massachusetts law firm Kopelman and Paige, P.C. Emily J. Pereira writes that she is working for the Republican National Committee in Washington, D.C. Michael A. Ruvalcaba writes that he is working as general manager of the Mexican restaurant Crema Restaurante, in New York City, and pursuing his master’s degree in music technology at New York University. Erin M. Scanlon is in her first year at the University of Minnesota Medical School in Minneapolis. Adán E. Stevens-Díaz writes that he is an adjunct lecturer in the department of Puerto Rican and Latino studies at CUNY-Brooklyn College and a student at the Union Theological Seminary in New York City, where he is pursuing his master of arts degree in social ethics and theology; Stevens-Díaz adds that he is also a mentor with Youth Ministries for Peace and Justice. Mark S. Umphrey II writes that he has been accepted to medical school at the University of New England, Biddeford, Maine, effective this past August.

2006
CLASS CO-CHAIRS
LISA M. LITTERIO
GLENN R. MCGOWAN
ASHLEY B. SCIBELLI
Sacred Heart University, Fairfield, Conn., announced in July the appointment of Shannon R. Bush as an assistant women’s basketball coach for the 2006-07 season.

CLASS NOTES
SULLIVAN '03 AND DILLON
Suzanne Dillon and Daniel A. Sullivan ’03 were married on July 1 in Ballyshannon, Ireland. Front row, left to right: Paul D. Sullivan, D.M.D., ’74, Steven M. Sullivan ’07, Linda Sullivan Miano ’75, Andrew E. Lottes ’03, Daniel A. Sullivan ’03, Nick Brown ’04. Second row, left to right: Pat Sullivan ’05, Dale M. Johnson II ’03, Andrew F. Poe ’03, Daniel D’Agata ’04, Brian P. Sullivan ’05.

JOHNSON ’00 AND CAMBRIA ’00
Sarah C. Johnson ’00 and Andrew J. Cambria ’00 were married July 2 at Chatham (Mass.) Bars Inn. Left to right: Sarah Johnson Cambria ’00; Steve Vineberg, Holy Cross professor of theatre; and Andrew Cambria ’00. The photo was taken by Robert Bennett ’98.

HARVEY ’03 AND NOKES
Jennifer L. Harvey ’03 and Charles Nokes were married June 17 in Ferrisburg, Vt. First row, left to right: Jessica L. Nelson ’03, Jennifer L. Harvey ’03, Charlie Nokes, Emily R. Hunter ’03. Second row, left to right: William J. Kenney ’03, Bridget Biggins Kenney ’03, Carissa M. Bennett ’03, Cheryl L. Jakielo ’03, Ashley J. Higgins ’03, Mary Catherine Youmell ’03, Christian G. Mariano ’04, Erin T. Quigley ’03, Sarah C. Hodge ’03.
In Memoriam

1925
G. FRANCIS FARRELL
JULY 16, 2006
In Connecticut, at 101. Mr. Farrell had worked many years for the Travelers Insurance Co. in Hartford, Conn.; he retired in 1969 as an assistant secretary of the corporation. An accomplished athlete, Mr. Farrell had been a member of the baseball team at his alma mater Hartford High School and a member of the 1925 varsity baseball team at Holy Cross; he later played semi-professional baseball in the Middlesex County and Twilight leagues and, also, for the Savitt Gems in Hartford. During World War II, Mr. Farrell had served three years with the Army Air Corps; stationed in India as an air traffic controller, he was a recipient of the Asiatic Pacific Theater Campaign Ribbon, a Distinguished Unit Badge and a Good Conduct Medal. Mr. Farrell is survived by three sons; three daughters; 17 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

1929
RICHARD H. BUCKLEY
MAY 27, 2006
In New York, at 99. A veteran, Mr. Buckley had served in the Army during World War II, attaining the rank of first lieutenant. He was a lifelong member of St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Albany, N.Y. Mr. Buckley had been a member of the track team at Holy Cross. He is survived by a granddaughter; and three nephews. His son was the late Richard H. Jr. ’69.

1930
LEAMON F. DONAHUE
MAY 20, 2006
At Langdon Place, Nashua, N.H., at 96. During his career, Mr. Donahue had worked 38 years for the U.S. General Service Administration and predecessor agencies in Manchester, Boston, New York City and Washington, D.C.; he retired in 1972. A Navy veteran of World War II, Mr. Donahue subsequently served in the Naval Reserves until his retirement in 1969 as captain, supply corps. He is survived by a son; a daughter; a brother-in-law; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

1936
JOHN H. DANTE
APRIL 26, 2006
In the Heritage Health Care Center, Naples, Fla., at 92. During his career, Mr. Dante worked 19 years as a geologist for the Federal Power Commission in Washington, D.C., retiring in 1973. A member of the Naples Stamp Club, National Model Railroad Association, Inc., and the Southwest Florida Archeology Club, he had also volunteered at the Craighead Laboratory at the County Museum in Naples; in addition, Mr. Dante had served as a case-worker with the St. Vincent de Paul Society. He is survived by his wife, Rosalia; two sons; three daughters; five grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and many nephews and nieces.

1937
MONSIGNOR JOHN J. WIEST
JUNE 13, 2006
In New York, at 88. Monsignor Wiest had most recently served as the pastor of St. Mary’s Church in Manhasset, N.Y.; at the time of his retirement in 1987, he was named pastor emeritus, following 18 years of ministry there. Previously, Monsignor Wiest had been the pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, West Islip, N.Y.; for two years. Following his ordination to the priesthood in 1941, he was named as an associate pastor of Our Lady of Loretto Church in Hempstead, N.Y.; from 1942-50, Monsignor Wiest taught speech, English and religion at the Cathedral College in Brooklyn. He then served three years as an associate pastor of Our Lady Help of Christians Parish, Brooklyn, and five years as an associate pastor at St. Anthony of Padua Church in East Northport, before becoming the prefect of studies at St. Pius X Preparatory Seminary, Uniondale; in 1963, he was named rector. During his ministry, Monsignor Wiest had also been a member of the board of directors of St. Francis Hospital in Roslyn, from 1974-87, serving two years as director. In addition, he had been a trustee of the Cathedral College of the Immaculate Conception in Douglaston; a member of the board of Catholic Charities; a delegate to the Priests’ Advisory Council; and a member of the Priests’ Senate and Priests’ Retirement Board. Named a monsignor in 1980, he celebrated the 65th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood last June. Monsignor Wiest had been a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross. He is survived by five nieces; 11 grandnephews and grandnieces; and five great-grandnieces and great-grandnephews.

1939
RAYMOND M. COVENEY
JUNE 23, 2006
At the Beaumont Rehabilitation and Skilled Nursing Center of Northborough, Mass., at 87. Active in the chemical industry for many years, Mr. Covene had retired in 1984 from the Houghton Chemical Corp. of Allston, Mass., as the vice president of sales. He had been a member of the Chemical Club of New England and a former member of the Industrial Commission of Marlborough, Mass., as well as past president of the Marlborough Junior Baseball League. An Army Air Corps veteran of World War II, Mr. Covene had served four years as an air transport command navigator, attaining the rank of captain. He had been a Holy Cross class agent. Mr. Covene is survived by three sons, including Robert P. ’72; a daughter; two stepsons; a sister; nine grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and many nephews and nieces.

1940
CHARLES M. CALLAHAN JR.
JUNE 25, 2006
In Wing Memorial Hospital, Palmer, Mass., at 89. A longtime businessman, Mr. Callahan had established the Palmer Paving Corp. in 1955; during his career, he expanded the company and served in a variety of capacities until his death. Mr. Callahan had also owned and operated several other businesses, including the Wilbraham (Mass.) Tennis Club in the 1970s and 1980s. Active in industry trade organizations, he had assumed the post of director on state and national levels—in addition to serving as the Massachusetts state director for the National Asphalt Association (NAPA) in the 1970s, Mr. Callahan had held several positions in the 1980s on the board of directors of Construction Industries of Massachusetts (CIM); elected chairman of CIM in 1987, he received its Man of the Year award in 1998. A captain in the Army during World War II, Mr. Callahan had been a recipient of the Bronze Star.
He was a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross and a Holy Cross class agent. Mr. Callahan is survived by his wife, Marguerite; three sons; two daughters; and six grandchildren.

PERICLES T. LABOVITES
JUNE 21, 2006
In UMass-Memorial Hospital, Worcester, at 95. During his career, Mr. Labovites had served as the athletic director at the former Worcester Junior College and as a sports coach at the YMCA for more than 25 years. He had also been the assistant athletic director of the Ionic Avenue Boys Club and, from 1947-51, the physical education director at the Jamestown, N.Y., Boys Club. Director of the Worcester Central Y Junior Church Basketball League, Mr. Labovites had been active in the Greek fraternal organization, the Sons of Pericles, playing basketball throughout New England. A track star at his alma mater North High School in Worcester, he had also participated in the basketball program at Holy Cross. During World War II, Mr. Labovites had served in Belgium, Germany and France as a second lieutenant. A longtime member of the St. Spyridon Greek Orthodox Cathedral in Worcester, he had been a board member and a cantor there for 25 years; in recognition of his contributions to the cathedral, Mr. Labovites was honored with the Greek Orthodox Diocesan Award in June 2000. He is survived by two sons; a grandson; a nephew and nieces; and cousins.

1941
WILLIAM A. EGAN JR.
OCT. 31, 2005
In the White Plains (N.Y.) Hospital, at 87. During his career, Mr. Egan had been an attorney in private practice in New York for more than 54 years. A Navy veteran of World War II, he had served four years in London. Mr. Egan is survived by his wife, Patricia; a son; a daughter; a son-in-law; a grandchild and a granddaughter.

1942
REV. T. BYRON COLLINS, S.J.
JUNE 17, 2006
At the Halquist Memorial Inpatient Center, Arlington, Va., at 85. During his career, Fr. Collins had worked many years at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C., serving three decades as assistant to the president for federal relations. Entering the Society of Jesus in 1940, he received his degree from the former Woodstock College in Maryland and then taught at the Georgetown Preparatory School from 1946-49. Ordained to the priesthood in 1952, Fr. Collins earned his master’s degree the following year at the Weston Jesuit School of Theology in Cambridge, Mass. Appointed physical plant administrator at Georgetown in 1954, he subsequently served as the vice president for business management until 1976. In addition, Fr. Collins celebrated Mass weekends at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church in Centreville, Md. Survivors include a cousin.

1943
PAUL E. DRISCOLL
JUNE 12, 2006
In St. Petersburg, Fla., at 84. During his career, Mr. Driscoll had been the owner of Driscoll Mortuary in Torrington, Conn., for many years; he had founded the business in 1948. Mr. Driscoll had also served as a member of the Torrington City Council from 1947-57. Active in community affairs, he had been a member of the Torrington Kiwanis Club, the March of Dimes—for which he had served as chairman—the American Red Cross, Heart Fund, Cancer Society and Torrington Grange; in 1952, Mr. Driscoll helped to establish the first professional ambulance service in Litchfield County. Appointed to the Connecticut state Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers in 1966, he had held the post of chairman for 25 years; Mr. Driscoll had also been a member of the American Board of Funeral Service Education. A Navy veteran of World War II, he had served as a pharmacist mate, stationed at hospitals in Springfield, Mass., and Newport, R.I. Mr. Driscoll is survived by two sons; a daughter; eight grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

JAMES H. JAHANT
JUNE 19, 2006
In Evanston, Ill., at 86. During his career, Mr. Jahant had worked many years for Newsweek magazine in Chicago. A lieutenant junior grade in the Navy during World War II, he landed on Normandy Beach on June 6, 1944. Mr. Jahant is survived by his wife, Jo-Ann; a son; a daughter; and two grandchildren.

T. FRANK KEANE
JULY 25, 2006
In Beaufort, S.C., at 86. Mr. Keane had taught 33 years in the Waterbury, Conn., public school system, retiring in 1982 as head of the history department at Kennedy High School; beginning his career as a history teacher at the Slocum School, he later taught the same subject at Leavenworth and Croft high schools. While at Kennedy, Mr. Keane studied at Jagellonian University in Warsaw Poland, through a Fulbright-based program for high school teachers. Also retiring in 1982 from the Waterbury Parks Department, he had been a supervisor for more than 20 years at the Washington Park Community House. A World War II veteran, Mr. Keane served in the Pacific theater as a corporal in the 775 Army Air Force Base Unit; he had been stationed in Miami and Honolulu. Mr. Keane is survived by two sons; two daughters; and nine grandchildren.

WILLIAM A. SARTORELLI
JUNE 14, 2006
In Brigham and Women’s Hospital, Boston, at 85. Prior to his retirement, Mr. Sartorelli had been a teacher for more than 35 years in the Chelsea, Mass., public school system. A former football coach at Chelsea High School, he had also been the physical education director for many years for the Chelsea YMCA and Camp Robie. During World War II, Mr. Sartorelli had been a lieutenant in the Navy, serving aboard the USS Cushing in the Pacific. A member of the varsity football team at Holy Cross, he had been a co-captain of the football team at his alma mater Chelsea High School; in 1938, he was named to the first string choice for All Scholastic guard. Mr. Sartorelli had been an active member of the Chelsea Senior Center and vice president of the Friends of the Council of Elder Affairs. He is survived by his wife, Edith; three sons; a daughter; and four grandsons and a granddaughter.

JOHN E. SCOLA
JUNE 12, 2006
In Massachusetts. During his career, Mr. Scola had practiced law in the Worcester area for more than 30 years, specializing in tort litigation and performing much pro bono work. In addition, he had served as a professor at Worcester State College and, as a professor of business law, at Assumption College. An Army veteran of World War II, Mr. Scola was chief interpreter for Italian prisoners of war. He is survived by his wife, Louise; a
son, John E., M.D., '79; two daughters; a brother; one grandson; and five grandchildren, including Laura Virzi Estaphan '99 and Julie Virzi Jarry '00.

1945
JAMES E. MAHONEY
APRIL 6, 2006
In Indiana, at 82. An attorney, Mr. Mahoney had practiced with the law firm of Saul I. Ruman, Hammond, Ind., for more than 30 years. A Marine Corps veteran of World War II, serving in the South Pacific, he had been a recruiting sergeant for the Marines during the Korean War. Mr. Mahoney is survived by his wife, Marian; a son; three daughters; a brother; nine grandchildren; a great-grandchild; and many nephews and nieces.

FRANCIS J. WAICKMAN, M.D.
JULY 26, 2006
In Ohio, at 83. During his career, Dr. Waickman had practiced pediatrics and, subsequently, allergy medicine, for many years in Akron, Ohio. A member of the emeritus teaching staff at the Children's Hospital Medical Center of Akron, he had been an associate clinical professor of pediatrics at the Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine, and director of the Part II Instructional Program of the American Academy of Environmental Medicine, retiring in 2000. Dr. Waickman had been the recipient of numerous honors: the Forman Award in 1990 from the American Academy of Environmental Medicine; and the Golden Apple Award for excellence in teaching from the American Academy of Otolaryngic Allergy. At the start of his career, he had been an instructor in pediatrics at the University Medical School, Montreal, in 1946, and, from McGill University Medical School, Montreal, in 1948, Dr. Flahive then served in the Navy until 1955—as an officer and physician at various hospitals in the United States and, during the Korean War, aboard the aircraft carrier USS Boxer. He had been a member of the Springfield Rotary Club, which honored him with its Paul Harris Award. Dr. Flahive is survived by his wife, Mary; two sons, including James J. '78; two daughters, including Joan P. '75; a brother; four brothers-in-law; five sisters-in-law; and 13 grandchildren, including Peter R. Quinby '99 and Nicholas A. Quinby '08.

JOHN J. FLAHIVE, M.D.
MAY 27, 2006
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ROBERT J. KUBISZEWSKI
JULY 16, 2006
In Virginia, at 80. Mr. Kubiszewski had served more than 20 years in the Navy, retiring as a lieutenant commander. A World War II veteran, American theater and Navy occupation, he had been assigned to the USS Soley, USS O’Hare, USS Washtenaw County, USS Scalion, and USS Pandemus; an engineering officer on several ships. Mr. Kubiszewski had been the recipient of the National Defense Service Medal. Following the war, he assisted with minesweep efforts and lived briefly in Japan. Mr. Kubiszewski had participated in the Navy ROTC program at Holy Cross; receiving his full commission in 1946, he later served as an instructor for two years at Duke University, Durham, N.C. After retiring from the military, Mr. Kubiszewski had been a civic league president and math teacher at several high schools in Norfolk, Va.; an insurance and investment broker based in Suffolk Va., he had also taught investing for the NASD Licensing (Life of Virginia Insurance Co.). Mr. Kubiszewski is survived by his wife, Elaine; a son; four daughters; two stepsons; a stepdaughter; a brother; a sister; several grandchildren; several stepgrandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; one step-great-granddaughter; and a nephew.

REV. JOSEPH H. MORRISSETTE
JULY 26, 2006
In the St. Joseph Living Center, Windham, Conn., at 81. Fr. Morrissette, who had been a priest for many years in the Diocese of Norwich, Conn., retired from his full-time duties at the Diocesan Tribunal in 1999. He began his ministry in the Norwich diocese in 1966 as the assistant pastor of St. Mary Church, Putnam, and served in this capacity until 1991, when he was named associate pastor of Sacred Heart Parish, Taftville. Appointed associate judge of the Diocesan Tribunal in 1971, Fr. Morrissette became a full-time advocate in 1992, with residence in Baltic; in 1995, he was appointed to a five-year term as judge and instructor. During his ministry, Fr. Morrissette had also been a member of the Diocesan Commission on Sacred Liturgy and the Priests’ Senate. Ordained to the priesthood in 1953 in Spencer, Mass., he was ordained a priest of the Diocese of Norwich in 1969. A veteran, Fr. Morrissette had served in the Navy as a commissioned officer during World War II. He is survived by a sister; two nephews; and a niece.
EUGENE S. OSTROSKI  
JULY 30, 2006
In Connecticut, at 82. Prior to his retirement in 2005, Mr. Ostroski had served 32 years as the civil defense director for New Britain, Conn.; during his tenure, he provided assistance to the Red Cross and the local police and fire departments. Previously, Mr. Ostroski had been a salesman for several years with the Schaeffer Brewing Co. At the start of his career, he had worked briefly as an interpreter for the Immigration and Naturalization Service before attending the New York School of Broadcasting in New York City. Mr. Ostroski then joined the WESB-AM radio station in Bradford, Pa., where he had been an early morning announcer, known as “The Milkman.” In 1953, Mr. Ostroski relocated to New Britain and accepted a position as an announcer for radio station WHAY—which subsequently became WRCH and featured polka dance music programs. A weekend announcer at Channel 30 in West Hartford, Conn., he later worked at a studio in Southington-and, for the past six years, had been a disc jockey for the Patti Ann Jakubiak show “Polka Happiness” on WXCT-AM. An Air Force veteran of World War II, Mr. Ostroski had served in Central and South America. He is survived by his wife, Terry; three sons; a daughter; and five grandchildren.

COURTNEY H. SIMPSON, D.D.S.  
JUNE 28, 2006
At his home in Yarmouthport, Mass. Prior to his retirement, Dr. Simpson practiced dentistry for more than 40 years in Manchester, Conn. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy; a son; two daughters; and three grandchildren.

1947
KENNETH B. DUBOIS JR.  
MAY 20, 2006
At St. Peter’s Hospital, Albany, N.Y., at 83. During his career, Mr. Dubois had worked 36 years for the New York State Department of Civil Service, retiring in 1984 as an associate personnel examiner. Active in community service, he had volunteered at the Albany Memorial Hospital, Our Lady of Mercy Life Center, Guilderland, N.Y., and Meals on Wheels of the Guilderland Interfaith Council. A lector and an usher at Christ the King Parish, Mr. Dubois had been a member of the Visitation and Respect for Life committees there as well as a member of several pro-life organizations. His service work also included: the Capital District Christian Family Movement Coordinating Committee; Renew of the Albany Catholic Diocese; the Bishop’s Development Fund; the Guilderland Interfaith Census; the Catholic Inter-Racial Council; the International House Hospitality Group; and the Boy Scouts of America of Westmere, N.Y. In 1997, he published a book of 18 spiritual poems, titled Loving Us. Mr. Dubois is survived by his wife; two sons; two daughters; 15 grandchildren; two nephews; and a niece.

EDWARD A. TIMMES  
JULY 30, 2006
In Florida, at 80. During his career, Mr. Timmes had served many years in the military. A Navy veteran of World War II, he entered the U.S. Marine Corps in 1947 as a regular officer, completing almost 31 years of active duty and attaining the rank of colonel. Mr. Timmes had been the recipient of numerous awards and medals, including the Bronze Star. Following retirement, he worked as the manager of a medical textbook publishing company and as business manager of a gold and silver smelting company. Mr. Timmes had been an active member of the Incarnation Church and a charter member of Council 8612 of the Knights of Columbus in Tampa, Fla.; serving in various capacities with the Knights on the local, district and state levels, he received the first Pro Deo-Pro Patria award for his efforts. Mr. Timmes is survived by his wife, Tillie; two sons; three daughters; 14 grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

1949
WILLIAM E. BISKUP  
JULY 8, 2006
At Vassar Brothers Medical Center, Poughkeepsie, N.Y., at 81. During his career, Mr. Biskup had been the international marketing director for the Burroughs Corp., New York City, retiring in 1993. Following ordination to the diaconate on May 28, 1983, he became the first permanent deacon at Regina Coeli Church in Hyde Park, N.Y. A volunteer and charter member of the Roosevelt Fire Department, Engine Co. #3, Hyde Park, Mr. Biskup had also served as chaplain for the Roosevelt Fire Department. A member of the College varsity baseball team, he played in the Hyde Park Fastpitch Softball League from 1955-75; Mr. Biskup was inducted into the Dutchess County Fastpitch Hall of Fame in 1990. Active as well in the Hyde Park Little League program, he had been a coach of the Velts baseball team. Mr. Biskup served in the Navy during World War II aboard the USS Saratoga. He had been a Holy Cross class agent. Mr. Biskup is survived by his wife, Geraldine; two sons; a daughter; six grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and several nephews and nieces.

1950
MONSIGNOR JOHN J. DYER  
MAY 29, 2006
In UMass-Memorial Medical Center, Worcester, at 81. During his ministry, Monsignor Dyer had served in the Diocese of Worcester for many years. Following his ordination to the priesthood in 1956, he had been an associate pastor at St. Andrew the Apostle and St. Margaret Mary parishes in Worcester. After pursuing studies at Boston College, Monsignor Dyer was appointed financial assistant for the diocese in 1959 and, later that year, administrator of the Prince of Peace Mission in Princeton; he became pastor in 1967 when the mission was raised to parochial status. Appointed diocesan director of cemeteries and superintendent of St. John’s Cemetery in 1968, Monsignor Dyer held this post until 1982. Other pastoral assignments included: St. Joan of Arc Parish, Worcester, 1970-76; St. Catherine of Sweden Parish, Worcester, 1976-80; and Immaculate Conception Parish, Lancaster, 1980-89. He then became the pastor of St. Joseph Church, Leicester, and, later in the year, of St. Pius X Church, also in Leicester. Monsignor Dyer served in this capacity until June 1992, when he was appointed senior priest at St. Stephen’s Parish in Worcester; in February of that year, he had been named a monsignor. Beginning in 1995, Monsignor Dyer assisted at the Notre Dame Long Term Care Center in Worcester for several years as a chaplain; he retired from his position at St. Stephen’s in 2001. An Army veteran, Monsignor Dyer served in the European theater during World War II; he was a recipient of the Purple Heart. Monsignor Dyer is survived by a brother; a sister; and several nephews and nieces.

ROBERT W. HALEY, M.D.  
JUNE 14, 2006
In Massachusetts. Prior to his retirement in 1991, Dr. Haley had practiced anesthe-
siology at the Leonard Morse Hospital in Natick, Mass. During his career, he had also worked at St. Elizabeth’s Hospital, Brighton, Mass., and served as a clinical instructor at Tufts Medical School in Boston. Dr. Haley is survived by his wife, Helen; five sons, including Paul F., M.D., ’81; three daughters, including Jeanne M. ’82 and Kathleen Haley Langenhorst ’86; and 14 grandchildren.

GERARD J. KENTON
JULY 23, 2006
At the Sturdy Memorial Hospital, Attleboro, Mass., at 78. Prior to his retirement, Mr. Kenton had been an executive with the Edward & Cook Co. and, also, the Stern-Leach Co., Attleboro, for 40 years. In addition, he had worked many years as a certified public accountant for the Ward-Fisher Company in Providence, R.I. An Army veteran, Mr. Kenton served as private first class during World War II. He is survived by his wife, Joan; two daughters; three grandchildren; a nephew; and two nieces.

J. WILLIAM MACPHERSON
MAY 16, 2006
In Houston, at 80. A veteran, Mr. MacPherson had served in the Army Air Corps during World War II. He is survived by his wife, Jeanne; a son; two daughters; three grandchildren; a nephew; and two nieces.

1951
DONALD N. DAVIS
JULY 17, 2006
In the Beaumont Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Westborough, Mass., at 80. During his career, Mr. Davis had worked many years in the banking industry, serving as a vice president of the former Worcester County National Bank. Prior to his retirement in 1994, he had been a mortgage officer for the Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency in Boston. A three-sport athlete at his alma mater St. John’s High School, Worcester, and a member of the Holy Cross football team, Mr. Davis had served many years as an assistant football coach at the former St. Peter’s High School in Worcester; he had recently been inducted into the St. John’s Sports Hall of Fame. Active in civic affairs, Mr. Davis had been a longtime town meeting member in Shrewsbury, Mass.; a member of the town personnel board for 13 years; and a member of the Democratic Town Committee. A Navy veteran, he had served in the Asiatic Pacific theater during World War II. Mr. Davis had been a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by his wife, Ann; two sons; and a daughter; four grandchildren; and nephews and nieces.

LEONARD H. GODDARD JR., D.D.S.
MAY 9, 2006
At Morristown (N.J.) Memorial Hospital. An orthodontist, Dr. Goddard had maintained offices in Chatham and Nutley, N.J., since 1960. During his career, he had also taught 25 years at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey—leading ethics classes for graduate students. In addition, Dr. Goddard had been a member of the dental staff at All Souls Hospital, Morristown, and a member of the attending staff at Morristown Memorial Hospital, for 35 years. His professional affiliations included: fellow of the American College of Dentists; former president of the Tri-County Dental Society; and member of the American Association of Orthodontists, the American Dental Association and the New York Academy of Dentistry. A long-time member of St. Vincent Martyr Parish where he had served as Eucharistic Minister, Dr. Goddard had also been a retreat participant at the Loyola House of Retreats in Morristown and a member of the Kiwanis Club of Chatham. During World War II, he had been a lieutenant with the U.S. Naval Dental Corps. Dr. Goddard is survived by his wife, Helen; three sons, including Jeffrey D. ’85; a daughter, Jacqueline Goddard Snyder ’81; two sisters; and nine grandchildren.

1952
JOSEPH R. HINTELMANN
JULY 28, 2006
At Riverview Medical Center, Red Bank, N.J. at 75. Mr. Hintelmann, who had taught 47 years at Red Bank Catholic High School, retired in 2002 as the chairman of the English department. During his career, he had also been a sports reporter for the former Red Bank Register, the Two River Times and the Newark Star Ledger. A veteran, Mr. Hintelmann served in the Army during the Korean War. He is survived by two brothers; two nephews; a niece; and six grandnephews and grandnieces.

PATRICK E. KLEIN
APRIL 13, 2006
At the Cedar Valley Hospice Home, Waterloo, Iowa, at 76. A systems analyst and programmer for many years, Mr. Klein had been employed by the Rand Corporation, System Development Corporation and, later, Unisys, until his retirement in 1986. He then worked five years for the Fairfax County (Va.) government, on the 9-1-1 emergency and court docket systems. A participant in the Naval ROTC program at Holy Cross, Mr. Klein had served aboard the USS Missouri and, during the Korean War, aboard the USS Chevalier; he retired from the military in 1955 as a lieutenant. Mr. Klein is survived by a son; two daughters; five sisters; two grandchildren; and 42 nephews and nieces.

REV. THOMAS A. O’CONNOR, S.J.
JULY 9, 2006
At Sisters of Charity Hospital, Buffalo, NY, at 75. Fr. O’Connor had worked 40 years at Canisius College in Buffalo, most recently serving as a pastoral minister. Joining the college staff in 1966 as an instructor in management, he subsequently served as an assistant professor in the department of management-marketing, from 1967-86; in addition to teaching commercial affairs and administration, Fr. O’Connor had held for a short time the post of vice president for business and finance at Canisius. He began working in the campus ministry program in 1986. In addition, Fr. O’Connor had been the moderator of the Alumni Sodality for eight years. Awarded the Rev. Thomas E. Fleming, S.J., Distinguished Service Award in May 2006 by the Canisius College Masters of Business Alumni Association, he had been an ex officio member of its board of directors. In addition to his work at the college, Fr. O’Connor had been a weekend assistant at the Newman Center of SUNY-Buffalo, north campus; he had also served Mass at times at St. Joseph University Parish in Buffalo. Fr. O’Connor entered the Society of Jesus at the Jesuit Novitiate in Poughkeepsie, N.Y., on July 30, 1949; he was ordained to the priesthood in 1962 at the Canisius College Christ the King Chapel. From 1956-59, Fr. O’Connor had taught Latin and English at the Fordham Preparatory School in New York City. He is survived by many relatives.
1953

ROBERT T. VANASSE
MAY 26, 2006
In Connecticut Hospice, Branford, at 75. Prior to his retirement, Mr. Vanasse had served as the director of social services at Greenwich (Conn.) Hospital; previously, he had been employed by the Greenwich, Conn., public school system and Griffin Hospital. Following retirement, Mr. Vanasse worked for the state of South Carolina in its home health care program. He had been a member of NSWA. Active in Catholic Charities, Mr. Vanasse had been a bereavement counselor and lay minister. During military service, he had been a first lieutenant of the medical corps stationed at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, and Fort Meade, Md. At the start of his career, Mr. Vanasse worked for Big Brother in Maryland. He is survived by his wife, Rose Marie; a son; three daughters; two brothers; and eight grandchildren.

1954

LOUIS J. DOLAN JR.
JUNE 17, 2006
At Santa Monica Medical Center, Los Angeles, at 74. During his career, Mr. Dolan had been a tax attorney for Standard Oil Co. and the Amerada-Hess Oil Co. A member of the Screen Actors Guild, he had appeared in many films and television programs. Mr. Dolan had also served as a lieutenant in the Navy. He had been a Holy Cross class agent. Mr. Dolan is survived by his wife, Sylvia; five sons, including Louis J. III ’83; and four sisters.

1955

JOHN M. GIBBONS JR., M.D.
JULY 22, 2006
In St. Francis Hospital, Hartford, Conn., at 73. A longtime physician and community leader in Hartford, Dr. Gibbons opened a private practice there in 1970 and began his 20-year tenure as chairman of the department of obstetrics and gynecology at St. Francis Hospital. Board certified in the area of maternal and fetal medicine, he had founded a section at the hospital for this specialty and written numerous articles on women’s health issues. Appointed director of medical affairs at St. Francis Hospital in 1993, Dr. Gibbons assumed the position of special assistant to the president in 2001; in 1996, the department of obstetrics and gynecology had named its new pavilion in the patient tower after him. A member of the hospital board for almost 20 years, serving on the Executive, Compensation and Finance committees, he had most recently been an honorary board member—as well as member of the St. Francis Foundation Board; during his career, Dr. Gibbons had also served on the boards of Bristol and Mount Sinai Rehabilitation hospitals. Active in many professional organizations, he had held leadership roles in the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists on the local, state and national levels; Dr. Gibbons had served as its president in 2003. In addition, he had been president of the Hartford County Medical Association and the Connecticut Society of Board Obstetricians and Gynecologists—and chairman of the Connecticut State Medical Society. A fellow of the American College of Surgeons and the Society of Perinatal Obstetricians, Dr. Gibbons had been a member of the Hartford Medical Society and the New England Obstetrical and Gynecological Society—as well as an honorary member of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons in Ireland; in 2001, he was appointed to the Advisory Council of NIH’s National Institute of Child Health and Human Development. Dr. Gibbons had also been a member of the staff of the University of Connecticut School of Medicine in Farmington; named a professor of obstetrics and gynecology in 1978, he later served as associate chair of the department and assistant dean of Graduate Medical Education. At the start of his career, Dr. Gibbons worked at Memorial Hospital, New York City, and at North Shore Hospital, Manhasset, N.Y., before becoming chief of the department of obstetrics and gynecology at Fordham University in New York City. In addition to his work as a member of the Capital Area Health Consortium, Medical Delivery Systems, Inc., and the Hartford Alcohol Detoxification and Rehabilitation Center, he had been active in the city’s cultural programs; a member of the board of the Greater Hartford Arts Council and the Hartford Stage Company, Dr. Gibbons served as chairman of the Hartford Ballet, overseer of the Bushnell Performing Arts Center and corporator at the Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art. He had also been a member of the Knights of Malta and a member of the Parish Council of St. Patrick-St. Anthony Parish in Hartford. Dr. Gibbons is survived by his wife, Mary; two sons; three daughters; a brother, Myles F. ’62; and 12 grandchildren.

1955

EDMUND J. KEANE JR.
JUNE 14, 2006
On Wellesley Island, N.Y., at 72. During his career, Mr. Keane had worked many years for Key Bank of Northern New York and Key Bank of Idaho; previously, he had been employed 13 years by the National Bank of Northern New York in Watertown as vice president, senior vice president and executive vice president. When National Bank merged with Key Bank of Northern New York in 1980, Mr. Keane became president of the bank and, in 1981, its chief executive officer. Relocating to Boise, Idaho in 1987, he assumed the post of vice president and chief executive officer of Key Bank of Idaho. In 1994—while continuing to serve as chairman and chief executive officer of the bank—Mr. Keane was appointed vice president and group executive for Key Corp.’s Rocky Mountain Banking Group and, in 1995, executive vice president and group executive for Key Corp.’s Florida region. Mr. Keane began his career as a bank examiner for the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, from 1958-61, and, as assistant to the president of Gramatan Bank and Finance Co., Bronxville, from 1961-63. He then held the post of assistant vice president and loan officer for the Scarsdale National Bank, from 1963-67; during this time, Mr. Keane had been the town club treasurer in Scarsdale, a member of the Village Safety Committee and president and board member of the Men’s Association of the Westchester Symphony Orchestra. His community involvement in Watertown included serving as a board member and chairman of the House of the Good Samaritan—now Samaritan Medical Center—and, as an officer and member of the board of directors of the Henry Keep Home, Inc.; Mr. Keane had also been a director of the New York Business Development Corp., president.
and a board member of the Noon Rotary Club of Watertown and president and chairman of fund drives for the United Way of Jefferson County. In 1988, St. Lawrence University, Canton, N.Y., awarded Mr. Keane its North County citation, for his contributions to improving the quality of life in Northern New York. A veteran of the United States Air Force, he later served in the Reserves and attained the rank of captain. Mr. Keane had been a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross. He is survived by his wife, Judith; four sons; one daughter; two stepchildren; a grandson; three step grandchildren; a nephew; two nieces; and cousins.

AUSTIN J. MAHER JR.
JULY 10, 2006
In New Jersey, at 73. During his career, Mr. Maher had been the director of software engineering at Singer-Kearfott and, subsequently, at B.A.E. Systems, Wayne, N.J., for 42 years. He had been a Holy Cross class agent. Mr. Maher is survived by his wife, Maureen; three sons; a daughter; a brother; and nine grandchildren.

1956
RONALD G. BARRY
JUNE 27, 2006
At his home in Huntington, N.Y., at 71. Prior to his retirement in 1999, Mr. Barry had worked at Syosset (N.Y.) High School for 42 years; joining the staff as an English teacher, he subsequently served as a dean and, for more than 20 years, as assistant principal. During his career, Mr. Barry had also been the timekeeper for Syosset football team’s home games and adviser to the student newspaper The Pulse. Mr. Barry is survived by his wife, Nancy; a son; three daughters, including Anne E. Millard ’86 and Katherine M. “Kate” ’89; a son-in-law Matthew K. Fallon ’92; a brother; and seven grandchildren.

1959
JOHN F. CARRINGTON, M.D.
MAY 11, 2006
In New York. Prior to his retirement, Dr. Carrington had practiced orthopedic surgery for many years in Brooklyn, N.Y. He is survived by his wife, Barbara; five children; and two grandchildren.

JAMES F. VAN DEUSEN
MAY 20, 2006
At his home in Oneonta, N.Y., at 69. Mr. Van Deusen, who began working in the insurance industry in 1959, founded the Southern New York Claim Service in 1962—an independent adjusting firm in Oneonta; he had operated the company with his wife for 44 years. During his career, Mr. Van Deusen had also served on the boards of local business and civic organizations, including the Huntington Memorial Library and the Wilber National Bank Corporation. A member of the National Association of Independent Adjusters, he had held many leadership positions with the New York State Association of Independent Adjusters, including that of president, from 1993-94. Mr. Van Deusen is survived by his wife, Marjorie; three sons; a sister-in-law; and a grandson and a granddaughter.

1960
VITALIANO F. COSTANZO
APRIL 20, 2006
In Los Angeles, at 67. During his career, Mr. Costanzo had worked as an attorney in Los Angeles. He is survived by six sons; a sister; grandchildren; and nephews and nieces.

WILLIAM V. DEPAOLO
JULY 30, 2006
In Providence, R.I., at 67. During his career, Mr. DePaolo had been a restaurateur in Southington, Conn., opening the Racquet Lounge and, later, Hitchcock Station; previously, he had assisted with the operation of his family’s furniture business Val DePaolo & Sons. Active in civic affairs, Mr. DePaolo had been a member of the Southington Town Council, from 1995-2003, and its chair, from 1999-2001. A member of the original Charter Commission in 1964, he had also served many years as a member and chairman of the Board of Park Commissioners. In addition, Mr. DePaolo had been president and state vice president of the Jaycees and a member of the board of directors of the Southington chapter of the American Red Cross. He had been the recipient of numerous awards, including the Southington Jaycees’ Distinguished Service Award in 1967 and the Southington Democratic Town Committee’s Democrat of the Year Award; listed in the 1969 edition of Community Leaders of America, Mr. DePaolo was honored in 2003 by the Connecticut secretary of state, General Assembly, state comptroller and attorney general, for his contributions to the community. In 2005, the Southington Chamber of Commerce honored him with its first annual public service award. In recent years, Mr. DePaolo had been a member of the Town Hall Additions Building Committee, the Open Space Land Acquisition Committee and chairman of the new Charter Revision Committee. A veteran, he had served in the Marine Corps. Mr. DePaolo had been a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by two sons; a daughter; his partner, Susan Platek; a sister-in-law; five grandsons; four nephews; a niece; and numerous uncles; aunts; and cousins.

1962
JOHN E. PLOURDE
MAY 12, 2006
At his home in Paxton, Mass., at 64. Prior to his retirement, Mr. Plourde had worked 30 years for the Paul Revere Life Insurance Co. in Worcester. A veteran of the U.S. Navy and the Reserves, he had served aboard the USS Wasp during the Cuban missile crisis and aboard the USS Ingraham during the Vietnam War; he retired as a lieutenant commander. Mr. Plourde is survived by his wife, Paulette; two sons; and four grandchildren.

1963
GORDON D. MURPHY JR.
JULY 11, 2006
At Friedwald Center, New York City, at 65. A copywriter and sports reporter during his career, Mr. Murphy had been the editor of the Ridgewood (N.J.) News. He had also written poetry and had had his work published by the Ramapo State College of New Jersey, Bergen Community College, Rejoit Publishing, the American Poetry Association and the United Black Afro-American Writers Alliance, among others. Mr. Murphy is survived by two sons; a daughter; his mother; three brothers, including Stephen W. ’67; two grandsons and two granddaughters; four nephews; and a niece. His father was the late Gordon D. ’37 and his brother was the late James A. ’64.
REV. RICHARD L. MCCAFFREY, S.J.
MAY 7, 2006
At the Colombiere Jesuit Community in Portland, Ore., at 63. During his ministry, Fr. McCaffrey had worked many years in the Diocese of Fairbanks, Alaska; his responsibilities included assisting in the diocesan marriage tribunal, serving as associate pastor of Sacred Heart Cathedral and as a visiting priest at St. Patrick's Parish in Point Barrow. Chancellor of the diocese from 1981-85, Fr. McCaffrey had also assisted at village parishes and helped with building projects, including the construction of a new Jesuit residence in Fairbanks. Pastor of the Immaculate Conception Church in Bethel from 1987-98—as well as Russian Mission and Marshall—he oversaw the construction of a new church in Bethel and, in addition, served as a member of the financial, liturgical, ecumenical and construction committees for the diocese. Fr. McCaffrey then served seven years as pastor of the Immaculate Conception Church in Fairbanks, returning to the Loyola Jesuit Center, Portland, Ore., in 2005. Entering the New England Province of the Jesuits at Shadowbrook in 1961, he completed his regency assignment in Alaska and spent summers there while pursuing theological studies at the Weston Jesuit School of Theology in Cambridge, Mass. Ordained to the priesthood in 1973, Fr. McCaffrey pronounced his final vows in 1992 and became a member of the Oregon Province, which includes Alaska. He is survived by a sister-in-law; and nephews and nieces.

WILLIAM E. REED III
JUNE 30, 2006
At Emerson Hospital, Concord, Mass., at 55. Mr. Reed had most recently served as a partner in the Boston law firm Robins, Kaplan, Miller & Ciresi; previously, he had been associate general counsel at Factory Mutual Engineering and Research, Norwood, Mass., from 1977-79, and, assistant general counsel, from 1979-85. His professional affiliations included membership in the Federation of Defense & Counsel; the Defense Research Institute; and the American, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Boston bar associations. A member of St. Bernard's and Holy Family parishes, Concord, where he had served on the Parish Council and transition team, Mr. Reed had also been a lector, Eucharistic Minister and a participant in youth service. Enrolled for four years in the diaconate program at St. John's Seminary in Brighton, Mass., he had been scheduled for ordination this past September. Mr. Reed had been a member of the President's Council at Holy Cross. He is survived by his wife, Deborah; a son; two brothers; his father-in-law and mother-in-law; two aunts and two uncles; several in-laws; nephews; nieces; and cousins.

MARK E. REYNOLDS
JULY 29, 2006
In Indiana, at 55. Mr. Reynolds had been an executive for many years in the insurance industry, serving as president of the COVA Financial Group, Oakbrook Terrace, Ill., and chief financial officer of Lincoln National Annuities, Fort Wayne, Ind. Active in community affairs, he had been a board member of Catholic Charities of Chicago, and the Embassy Theatre, YMCA, and Anthony Wayne Services, all located in Fort Wayne. Mr. Reynolds had been a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross. He is survived by his wife, Marcia; two sons; two daughters, including Caroline M. ’04; his mother; a brother; a sister; a grandson; an aunt; three nephews; two nieces; and many cousins.

JOAN M. ROCHELEAU
JUNE 10, 2006
In Maine, at 51. During her career, Ms. Rocheleau had worked 10 years as a clothes buyer for the former Jordan Marsh Company and Saks Fifth Avenue, Boston. She had been a Holy Cross class agent. Ms. Rocheleau is survived by her parents; two stepsons; three brothers; a sister-in-law; and four nephews.
At her family’s home in Quincy, Mass., at 23. A second-year graduate student at St. Joseph’s University in Philadelphia, Ms. Lynch had been pursuing her master’s degree in biology; she also taught science in Philadelphia to children in kindergarten through third grade, as a fellow of the Wagner Free Institute of Science. A biology major in the premedical program at Holy Cross, Ms. Lynch had participated in many activities as a student, including the Appalachia Service Project; campus liturgies; the residence assistance program; Ignatian retreat; and Best Buddies; she had also been a volunteer in Papua, New Guinea with Habitat for Humanity. In addition to serving as 2001 class valedictorian and member of the National Honor Society at her alma mater The Newman School in Boston, Ms. Lynch had played basketball and soccer there for four years, earning most valuable player awards, scholar-athlete honors and Independent School League All Star honors; for several summers, she had worked as a deckhand on excursion vessels in Boston Harbor and to St. George’s Island. As a student at the Sacred Heart School in North Quincy, Mass., Ms. Lynch had played Sacred Heart basketball, Quincy youth soccer and Squantum softball and taken part in gymnastics programs. Ms. Lynch is survived by her parents, J. Harry ‘74 and Patricia (Coen) Lynch; a brother; four sisters, including Elizabeth V. ‘01 and Susanna T. ‘08; a grandfather; uncles; aunts; and cousins. The Boston Globe featured a remembrance of Sheila and her life in its July 28 edition.

FRIENDS:
Wife of the late John J. Jr. ’43 and mother of John J. Bradbury III ’69; Li-hou Chen, modern languages and literatures department; father of Laurie (Giblin) Cohoon ’82; sister of Henry Corazzini, physical plant; mother of George N. ’95, Christina N. ’97 and Angela S. Davilas ’05; mother of Mary Lou Flaherty, wife of the late Roy P. ’58, grandmother of Julie C.


REV. LIONEL P. HONORÉ, S.J.
JUNE 25, 2006

At the start of his career, he had taught at Jesuit High School in El Paso, Texas, from 1962-65; from 1973-75, he served in ministry at Loyola University, New Orleans.

Entering the Society of Jesus at St. Charles College, Grand Coteau, La., on Aug. 14, 1958, Fr. Honoré pursued philosophical studies at Spring Hill College in Alabama; he began theological studies at St. Mary’s in Kansas and completed them at the Weston School of Theology in Massachusetts.

Fr. Honoré was ordained to the priesthood on June 8, 1968, by the late auxiliary bishop of New Orleans, Louis Abel Caillouet.

He is survived by two nieces; and many cousins.

Following is an excerpt from the homily given by Rev. Vincent A. Lapomarda, S.J., Holy Cross associate professor of history, at Fr. Honoré’s funeral Mass, celebrated in St. Joseph Memorial Chapel on June 28:

For Father Lionel, life has changed, not ended, and he has escaped in death all the shadows of this earthly life by entering the bright dawn of eternal life. We now pray that he is achieving that goal for which he entered into the Society of Jesus and that he is enjoying eternal life with all those relatives, especially his father and mother and sister, and all those friends that have gone before him, and yes, even with those great operatic stars who sang the music that was the consolation and joy of his life.
It was almost four months ago that Fr. McFarland offered me the position of vice president for academic affairs and dean of the College. Since then, I have been busy with all of the tasks that a cross-country move entails, and I have experienced many emotions—from regret at leaving behind a wonderful group of friends and colleagues at Creighton University to excitement and anticipation as I enter my new life at Holy Cross. The following notes offer a taste of my first 30 days here on the Hill.

July 28
A friendly limo driver picks me up at Bradley International Airport. As we turn off I-290, I find myself wondering whether the city of Worcester and the College should pay him as their spokesperson. He has boasted about the city's link to space exploration, reviewed the College's major sporting achievements, and offered a "Top 10" list of the cultural and recreational opportunities in the region.

A pair of students—athletes, I suspect—take pity on me and help hoist my two heavy suitcases up the steps to the front door of O'Kane. They point me toward Fenwick 115, and I walk in to a friendly greeting from the members of the Dean's Office staff. This will be the first of many warm welcomes on this friendliest of campuses.

August 4
I have asked the chairs of all the College's departments for an opportunity to meet with them individually for about an hour and a half. These visits will represent my first chance to learn in detail about the academic life of the College.

Today's appointment takes me to Alan Avery-Peck's office in the department of religious studies. We discuss the scholarly interests of his faculty colleagues, the areas in which they teach and the relationships between the department, the Chaplains' Office, the Jesuit Community and the Center for Religion, Ethics and Culture. Our 90 minutes pass too quickly, but I leave with a vivid impression of the department's vitality, and promise to return after the start of the semester to speak with its faculty as a whole.

I shall repeat this process 16 times during the month of August—not to mention meeting with those who supervise critical ancillary units, from the libraries to the Cantor Gallery.

August 8
My furniture arrives—finally! The afternoon and evening are spent unpacking boxes and finding spaces for their contents in my Shrewsbury apartment.
The longer I belong to this extended community, the clearer it becomes to me that we are linked by much more than a shared vocabulary.

August 15
Fr. Jim Hayes has graciously invited me to Mass, followed by dinner with the Jesuit Community. We enjoy a leisurely meal (including my first New England lobster since my days as a UMass graduate student) and exchange stories about the Jesuit institutions at which we have served. I recognize—not for the first time—how disorienting I would find it to work on a campus that did not share the very special Jesuit vision of education.

The longer I belong to this extended community, the clearer it becomes to me that we are linked by much more than a shared vocabulary. Faculty, staff and administrators at Jesuit schools understand that their roles are formative as well as instructional; they take pride in the fact that the graduates of their institutions move out into the world not only as highly competent young women and men but also as individuals of conscience, conviction and compassion.

August 16
I see on my PDA a scheduled meeting of the Crisis and Catastrophic Emergency Postvention team—which sounds pretty daunting. It transpires that this team has gathered to discuss how faculty, staff and administrators should respond if (Heaven forbid) some crisis should occur on campus. We run through case studies, and I am struck by the care (that word again!) with which those around the table probe constantly to see whether every member of the community would have the support and encouragement that he or she needed.

August 20
Ed Isser, chair of the theatre department, has invited me to an open-air performance of As You Like It in Green Hill Park. (I have been a fan of outdoor productions since my undergraduate days at Oxford, when I worked as a “techie” on several shows; more recently, I served on the Board of the Nebraska Shakespeare Festival.) Under Ed’s direction, a local company that includes a healthy number of Holy Cross students, faculty and alums mounts a spirited performance that holds the audience spellbound despite intermittent sprinkles. I drive home reflecting on other opportunities for collaboration between the city and the College.

August 22
The President’s Cabinet meets off campus for a one-day planning retreat. This is my first chance to interact closely with my fellow vice-presidents and with Fr. McFarland. The tone of the discussion is upbeat and collegial; an ambitious agenda is agreed to; and I am pleased that I have already begun to develop a reasonably clear picture of how the puzzle-pieces fit together.

August 26
The first-year students have arrived!
In my first month, I have learned so much, met so many people, taken pages of notes... but none of it has seemed quite real. The campus has remained largely deserted, the classrooms suspiciously free of chalk dust, the hallways silent except for the occasional echoing footstep. Now, as a steady stream of SUVs and UHaul vans rolls up past the Fieldhouse, I get my first sense of what the Hill will feel like once it is fully occupied and fulfilling the purpose for which it is intended.

At 4:00, Fr. McFarland celebrates the Mass of the Holy Spirit. The threatened showers hold off, but the Kleenex tissues come out as first the faculty and then the parents bless the young women and men who today become the newest Crusaders.

At 7:00, I have my first opportunity to speak to them. I decide to be frank about my own newcomer status and ask them to accept me as an honorary member of the Class of 2010. As I stress in my remarks, they and I still have much to learn about this very special place. But I have enjoyed my first month on the Hill—the first, I hope, of many to come.
In the July issue of The Bahamas Investor magazine, Mark G. Holowesko's childhood friend Myles Pritchard, a Merrill Lynch international adviser based in Los Angeles, described him as the most competitive person he has ever met, but also as extremely ethical. When asked what motivates him and how he is able to keep his competitive edge while at the same time maintaining high ethical standards, Holowesko credits his parents and his education.

"Holy Cross has a mission of service and when you leave Holy Cross you are expected to be a good citizen," he says. "Hopefully I'm taking that attitude of service from Holy Cross and applying it to my daily life."

Since 2000, Holowesko has been chief executive officer and president of Templeton Capital Advisors Ltd., based in Nassau, The Bahamas. He joined Templeton Global Advisors in 1985 when he was 25 years old. Two years later, Holowesko took over the day-to-day management of the portfolios previously managed by Sir John Templeton.

Recognizing his talent and drive, Templeton took the young money manager under his wing and entrusted him to serve as director, president and head of investments of Templeton Global Advisors from 1992 to 2000. During that time, Holowesko served as portfolio manager of the publicly held Templeton Growth Fund, Templeton World Fund, and Templeton Foreign Fund.

In 2000, Holowesko bought 80 percent of Templeton Global Advisors and switched from managing global mutual funds to overseeing private hedge funds. Today he manages hedge funds for an exclusive group of about two dozen institutional and high net worth investors.

Sir John Templeton, a pioneer in international investing, was a major influence on his young rising star. In 1992, at the age of 31, Holowesko was the youngest person on Fortune magazine's list of the best money managers of his generation.

"Sir John was my first great business role model," Holowesko says. "His genius is in his ability to take complex issues and simplify them. He is also a deeply religious man. We started every meeting in his office with a prayer."

While Holowesko thrives in the competitive world of international hedge fund investment, he is also an avid cyclist and sailor. A champion rower at Holy Cross, he was a member of the 1996 Bahamian Olympic sailing team at the Summer Games in Atlanta.

Growing up in The Bahamas, Holowesko was naturally attracted to the water—and began sailing when he was just six years old. He looks upon sailboat racing as "a moving chess match and a very intellectual sport."

Holowesko also founded the Bahamas-based VMG Racing cycling team in 2005. The goal of the organization is to develop world-class competitors, as well as solid citizens, by maintaining the highest ethical standards of sportsmanship.

Holowesko's three-time participation in the CEO Ironman Challenge in Lake Placid, N.Y., has also earned him a mention in BusinessWeek as one of the "World's Fittest CEOs."

Who was your biggest influence at Holy Cross?
There were so many people who influenced me—that is what makes Holy Cross such a special place. Two of my biggest influences were Tom Sullivan '70, who was my crew coach, and Fr. John Brooks (Holy Cross president emeritus and member of the Class of 1949). He set such a great tone on campus.

Why did you choose to attend Holy Cross?
I wanted to go to a Catholic college that had a strong liberal arts program and was on the East Coast. And my sisters, Diane '78 and Susan '79, had gone to the College.

Can you describe the place that Holy Cross holds in your heart now?
Holy Cross holds a special place in my life because of the values it taught me. That's part of the Jesuit tradition, and I'm very respectful of that.

What would people be surprised to learn about you?
I love to cook, and I make good bread. When my wife and I got out of college, we had no money for Christmas gifts, so we made bread to give to everyone as gifts.

Birthplace: Washington, D.C., March 12, 1960. His parents, who were Bahamians, attended Catholic University. They returned to the Bahamas three months after Holowesko was born.


Family: Wife, Nancy (Schoeb) '84. Children, Lauren, 21; Peter, 19; Meaghan, 17; and Patrick, 13

Profession: Chief executive officer and president of Templeton Capital Advisors, Inc.
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