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Mass Appeal
I really enjoyed the article in the Spring 2012 magazine regarding the top 25 moments in Holy Cross history. I'm sure this is only one of many letters you will receive regarding the erroneous date (August 1962) cited for the end of compulsory daily Mass. When I enrolled in the fall of 1964, daily Mass was still compulsory, at least for freshmen. It was ended at the end of our first semester in the face of vocal discontent with the requirement and growing absenteeism.

Bob Murray ’68
Irvington, N.Y.

Regarding the “Top 25 Moments in Holy Cross History” article in the Spring 2012 issue on the end of compulsory Mass: God bless those students that have continued this tradition. May their reward be great in heaven and on earth.

Daniel V. Bartolomei Jr. ’58
Falmouth, Mass.

EDITOR’S NOTE
We received an abundance of emails and calls about the Spring 2012 issue “Top 25 Moments” cover feature (several of them pointing out our error on the end of compulsory Mass). We’ve included some of the comments in our follow-up coverage beginning on Page 24.

Justice Clarence Thomas ’71
As a Holy Cross graduate, I am proud that a Crusader, Clarence Thomas ’71, is on the Supreme Court. When Holy Cross gave him an honorary degree this spring, I reviewed his 20-year voting history. I was surprised to find he has turned against many of the social values I had learned during my eight years of Jesuit education.

He voted with the majority of Supreme Court justices to allow the sale of violent video games to children (State of California, 2007); to block class action suits (AT&T); to stop the Wal-Mart sex discrimination suit; to allow unlimited, anonymous, multinational corporate donations to influence elections (Citizens United); and to stop public schools from using affirmative action to achieve integration. He was also one of the dissenting votes against open access to health insurance in June.

Thomas’ outspoken opposition to race-based admission criteria may be particularly troublesome for Crusaders who have read Fraternity and are familiar with Fr. Brooks’ extraordinary efforts to recruit black students, such as Thomas, to the College.

Just as friends don’t let friends drive drunk, Crusaders should not sit passively while Thomas ignores social injustice and favors multinational corporations. I hope this letter opens a dialogue among staff, faculty, students and alumni about his voting record.

I close with the words of editor and writer Walter Lippmann: “The theory of the free press is not that the truth will be presented completely or perfectly in any one instance, but that the truth will emerge from free discussions.”

Michael Maloney, M.D., ’67
Cincinnati

The Holy Cross website and alumni magazine rightfully highlight the achievements of its graduates. However, your continuing adulation for Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas ’71 as an exemplary graduate is beyond belief.

Where is your editorial judgment? The print version of the spring alumni magazine carried six photos of Justice Thomas. Surely this play is excessive for someone who is more an embarrassment than an example of our best graduates. I mention only a few details: the confirmation hearing Anita Hill testimony, an unusual reputation for not asking questions during oral arguments before the Court and tone deafness to conflict of interest related to his wife’s activism for conservative causes.

Political persuasion aside, Justice Thomas is far from the ideal product of a Jesuit liberal arts education. Please profile graduates who work tirelessly every day in accordance with this tradition, not only those in the public or corporate spotlight.

Joseph Carey ’73
San Antonio

Grateful for Inspiration
I offer special congratulations to Associate Professor Mary Roche on her recent reception of tenure at the College (Spring 2012, Page 6). As a former student in both an ethics seminar and a tutorial on South Asian sexual ethics (also advised by Professor Todd Lewis), I caught up with Prof. Roche at this spring’s women’s retreat at Holy Cross. In light of the recent scrutiny by Church hierarchy placed on female theologians who work with the most marginalized, I look back on the time I spent studying these women’s syntheses in class under Prof. Roche and others, including Associate Professor Rev. William Clark, S.J.; Associate Professor Emeritus James Nickoloff; and Rev. James Corkery, S.J. (visiting lecturer from Ireland).

In these classes, I learned that the challenge for us theologians, both published and unpublished, is to ask tough questions through which rich dialogue may transform us and lead to a better understanding on how to serve others in a broken world. Though I mourn this dark period for so many
respected women of faith, I celebrate the personal theology Mary Roche and others from my time on the Hill continue to inspire in my thoughts and deeds.

Katie Dearing ’08
Boston

EDITOR’S NOTE
It is with sadness we note the passing of author and educator Lisa-Marie Calderone-Stewart ’79, whose work and inspiring spirit were featured in this Magazine in the past two years. Her obituary appears on Page 87, and our Spring 2010 “Living the Mission” feature about her work with at-risk youth appears online at holycross.edu/hcm/lisa-marie

THE JOY OF REUNIONS

“OH MY GOSH, DAD, LOOK AT YOUR HAIR!”

So squealed dozens of children as their parents stopped by the Holy Cross Magazine table at Reunion Weekend in June, and alumni from the Classes of 1987, 1992, 1997, 2002 and 2007 flipped through our display copies of the Purple Patcher to show their children what Mommy and Daddy looked like in college. But it was what happened next that stopped me in my tracks: After giggling over Dad’s long hair or Mom’s big glasses, the kids started pointing to other Crusaders and exclaiming, “There’s Auntie Margaret!” and “There’s Uncle Jimmy!”

These weren’t aunts or uncles by blood, I realized, but by friendship. These children of alumni are living examples of the strong bonds formed here on the Hill—bonds that turn a classmate from “family friend” to the even more cherished “aunt” or “uncle.”

The second weekend of reunion was just as much fun, as the Classes of 1952, 1957, 1962, 1967, 1972, 1977, 1982 and the Purple Knights gathered. One of our favorite visitors was Mr. Frederick L. “Fred” Bogan Jr. ’42, who hand-delivered the snapshot you see below of himself with two of his classmates. Mr. Bogan regaled us with tales of the Holy Cross of his era, and left us with a quip about “cleaning up” at the Bookstore, where his status as a Purple Knight celebrating his 70th reunion netted him a 70 percent discount on the item of his choosing. (That “your reunion year is your discount” offer draws a lot of alumni to the Bookstore.) The Knights and their younger counterparts remind us that as much as the College has changed over the decades, the love of this place remains unaltered.

Thank you to everyone who stopped by the HCM table during reunion to offer a story idea, a compliment or just to enter our giveaway. (The winners, by the way, were Abigail Scully ’07 and Rick Peirce ’67. Enjoy all your Holy Cross gear and goodies!)

As you read this issue of your alumni magazine, please think about sending us a letter to tell us what touched you, enlightened you or even annoyed you. And as always, all the best from Mount St. James,

Suzanne Morrissey
hcmag@holycross.edu

Edward F. “Ed” Daly ’42, Lee F. Bartlett Jr. ’42 P67 and Fred Bogan ’42 (from left) enjoying a reunion event. Mr. Bogan shared a bit of Purple-Knight wisdom with our team when he visited the HCM offices last month: “Remember, if you’re vertical, everything else is incidental.”

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691 Graduate at the 166th Commencement

In his address at the College's 166th Commencement Exercises, held May 25, Paul Farmer, founding director of Partners In Health, reminded members of the Class of 2012 that they are graduating from an institution that challenges them to be “men and women for others,” and the world, “riven by inequality,” is in need of their talent and spirit.

Under cloudy skies, on Fitton Field, 691 men and women were awarded bachelor of arts degrees before an estimated 6,000 spectators.

In his speech, Farmer made three points, drawn from his own experience during a 1982 trip to Haiti. After traveling a great distance to visit a gravely ill man, himself injured and without the proper medical equipment, Farmer discovered the man close to death from acute asthma. With the inhaler he was carrying to treat his own asthma condition, Farmer saved the man’s life.

He told graduates that “we inhabit a bizarrely unequal planet,” and, despite the fact that 30 years have passed since that incident, a poor man dying of something as easily treatable as asthma is as likely today as it was then.

Second, he expressed that he came to understand that there was something miraculous in that experience: “the miracle of human solidarity.”

Third, he relayed that privilege comes with obligation to others, especially the poor.

“Realize your good fortune and share it with others, by putting your gifts and training in the service of others who may not have had the same opportunities, but are certainly appreciative of your powers to do good. Your school, a Jesuit institution, was founded on Catholic social teaching that
reminds us of that obligation—unshakeable and imperious and beautiful.”

The valedictory address was given by Mark Weyland ’12, of Silver Spring, Md., an art history major in the College Honors Program.

“The mission of Holy Cross, forming us into men and women for—and with—others, has impelled us to find the worth and dignity in each person we meet—whether they be students we tutored in Worcester, neighbors whose homes we helped build in New Orleans or families we lived with in El Salvador. And in these encounters, we learned to find our own selves,” Weyland reflected.

Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J., 31st president of the College, received a standing ovation after Rev. Philip Boroughs, S.J., the College’s current president, conferred upon him an honorary degree.

In addition to Farmer and Fr. McFarland, honorary degree recipients were Lisa Sowle Cahill, the J. Donald Monan Professor of Theology at Boston College, and Sherry Turkle, Abby Rockefeller Mauzé Professor of the Social Studies of Science and Technology in the Program in Science, Technology and Society at MIT.

**Online Only**

To hear audio and see additional photos of all the 2012 Commencement events, including the Baccalaureate Mass, citations for the honorary degree recipients and NROTC Commissioning ceremony, visit [www.holycross.edu/commencement](http://www.holycross.edu/commencement). —Nick Markantonatos
CELEBRATING A CRUSADER

Holy Cross marked the 50th anniversary of the groundbreaking book about poverty, The Other America, by Michael Harrington ’47, with a conference, titled “The Other America Then and Now.” Sponsored by the Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J. Center for Religion, Ethics and Culture, the two-day event featured presentations by renowned historians, activists and sociologists, including Maurice Isserman, William Julius Wilson and Annette Lareau.

“The first day looked at the impact of The Other America in the 1960s, while the second day asked, ‘If someone were to write an updated version today, what should be included?’” explains Thomas M. Landy, director of the McFarland Center.

Published in 1962, The Other America is widely recognized as influencing President Lyndon B. Johnson’s War on Poverty and other social reforms of that decade—and is one of the 10 most influential books of the 20th century, according to Time magazine.

“Harrington opened many people’s eyes to the impact of poverty, to the falseness of the assumption that a growing economy benefits everyone. He made people believe that the richest society in the world could do something to alleviate poverty in America,” says Landy, adding, “If he were alive, he’d be calling on [today’s] politicians to account for their failure to even talk about the poor as a social priority.”

**ONLINE ONLY:** To view videos from the conference, visit holycross.edu/mcfarlandcenter.

—Kimberly Staley ’99

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**Above, left:** Michael Harrington ’47 sitting at his desk as the managing editor of The Purple

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**CROSS NOTES**

**MARCH**

The “R” Word Students helped spread the word on the “End the Word” campaign, encouraging classmates to stop using the term “retard(ed),” an affront to people with intellectual disabilities, their friends and families. Sponsored by Special Olympics and Holy Cross Goes Unified, the campaign asks people to take the pledge and help promote a new R-word: respect.
Each May, the College’s Cantor Art Gallery hosts an exhibition of artwork produced by senior studio art majors. This year’s exhibit, titled “in-finity,” featured installation, mixed media works, drawing, painting, photography and artist’s books. The works explored such diverse themes as gender expectations, emotional connectivity and identity. The 2012 studio art majors are, from left, above, Marcy Kenney from Medfield, Mass.; Jennifer Bautista from St. John’s, Newfoundland; Craig Martin from Plano, Texas; Rachel McMahon from Itasca, Ill.; Taylor Blackwell from Worcester; Kelsey Long from Killingworth, Conn.; Moniqua Williams from Boston; and Kate Cassidy from Hampton Bays, N.Y.

**Online Only**: Take a look at the artists’ work and read about their process and inspiration in this issue’s Web Exclusives, http://magazine.holycross.edu.

—Rebecca Smith ’99

**College Employee Kudos**
Holy Cross housekeeper Margaret Quinn (left), described as a “gem” to the College community, won the 2012 Rev. William J. O’Halloran, S.J., Award for non-exempt employees.

**Ambassador Visits**
U.S. Ambassador to the Philippines Harry K. Thomas ’78 (flanked by Nicole Ortiz ’12 and Philippe Candido ’11) visited campus in March and spoke to students and faculty about careers in foreign service.

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Tracy Barlok has been appointed the College’s new vice president for development and alumni relations. As a member of the College’s senior executive team, Barlok will report directly to President Rev. Philip L. Boroughs, S.J., and oversee a team of 46 employees. She will be responsible for all aspects of the College’s fundraising efforts as well as donor and alumni relations.

Barlok comes to Holy Cross with 26 years of experience in the field of advancement. She was associate vice president for advancement at Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs, N.Y., where she directed the college’s successful $200 million comprehensive campaign. She began her career in advancement at her alma mater, Colgate University in Hamilton, N.Y.

“I was hoping that the Colgate maroon might blend in nicely with the Holy Cross purple,” quips Barlok, “but it’s already clear that I will be needing a new purple wardrobe to reflect my new allegiances!”

An active member of the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE), Barlok is a frequent speaker and panelist—and currently serves as a member of the organization’s board of trustees. She was named CASE District II Professional of the Year in 2010.

On joining “team purple,” Barlok says, “I have long admired Holy Cross’ intellectual rigor, its mission-centered identity and its deep alumni loyalty. I hope that I can add value to the terrific work that the advancement staff is undertaking, and I look forward to making this school my new community.”

Native New Engenders and avid sports fans, Barlok and her husband are parents of two teenage children. —Rebecca Smith ’99

Holy Cross Welcomes New VP for Development & Alumni Relations
THE COLLEGE BOASTS 14 FULBRIGHTERS

GEORGE MATTHEWS ’12
Westwood, Mass.
Grant to study classics at the University of Liverpool in the U.K.

ELIZA GETTEL ’12
Merrimack, N.H.
Grant to study social archaeology at the University of Southampton in the U.K.

PETER RENEHAN ’12
Cheshire, Conn.
English Teaching Assistantship to Indonesia

MARIA JAROSZEWICZ ’12
East Longmeadow, Mass.
English Teaching Assistantship to Poland

TIMOTHY BEEKMAN ’15
Basking Ridge, N.J.
Summer Institute to study at Newcastle University in the U.K.

JENNIE GERMAN MOLZ
assistant professor of sociology
Grant to teach and research in Rovaniemi, Finland

PREDRAG CICOVACKI
professor of philosophy and director of Peace and Conflict Studies
Grant to teach and research in Varanasi, India

JAELYON LEE ’12
Norwood, Mass.
English Teaching Assistantship to Korea

DANIEL GEIGER ’11
Maple Plain, Minn.
English Teaching Assistantship to Sri Lanka

COURTNEY LESOON ’12
Pittsburgh
Grant to the United Arab Emirates

HEIDI GREK ’12
Auburn, Mass.
English Teaching Assistantship to Germany

MATTEA CUMOLETTI ’12
Guilford, N.Y.
English Teaching Assistantship to Italy

JOSEPH CAVANAUGH ’12
Plymouth, Mass.
English Teaching Assistantship to Spain

CAROLINE GALITASOS ’12
West Springfield, Mass.
Grant to Luxembourg

This year, 14 Holy Cross scholars will venture overseas to broaden and share their knowledge as recipients of prestigious Fulbright grants. Eleven recent graduates—as well as two faculty members—were awarded competitive, merit-based grants to study, teach or conduct research abroad. And Timothy Beekman ’15, of Basking Ridge, N.J., will participate in a Fulbright Summer Institute in England, a world-renowned and highly selective summer scholarship program.

“My professors have prepared me for my Fulbright year by teaching me to think critically,” says Eliza Gettel ’12 of Merrimack, N.H., who received a grant to study social archaeology at the University of Southampton in the United Kingdom.

On the faculty side, Jennie German Molz, assistant professor of sociology, received a grant to teach a course on the cultural study of tourism and conduct research on sustainable hospitality and tourist dwelling with colleagues at the University of Lapland in Rovaniemi, Finland.

“The Fulbright award places an emphasis on mutual exchange, and I like the idea that I will be learning from colleagues and students in my host institution, but also contributing my expertise to their program,” says Molz.

Predrag Cicovacki, professor of philosophy and director of Peace and Conflict Studies, received a grant to undertake a project, titled “Educatings for Peace, Nonkilling and Humanity,” at the Malaviya Centre for Peace Research at Banaras University in Varanasi, India. Read more about the summer plans of father-daughter Fulbright duo Heidi Grek ’12 and Predrag Cicovacki and their family on Page 18. —Rebecca Smith ’99

Purple Goes Blue
The O’Kane Hall clock was lit in blue on World Autism Awareness Day as part of Autism Speaks’ “Light It Up Blue” campaign. Autism Speaks was co-founded by Bob Wright ’65 and his wife, Suzanne.

... and Purple Goes Green
Once again, The Princeton Review and U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) have named Holy Cross to their list of the nation’s most environmentally responsible “green colleges.”
“This is not your parents’ bookmobile,” said Worcester City Manager Michael V. O’Brien (above) at the May 1 unveiling of Library Express, a state-of-the-art mobile library funded through a partnership between the city and the College. Staffed with professional librarians and stocked with an extensive collection of books and multimedia resources, Library Express—or “Libby,” as it will be affectionately called—was named by four Worcester Public Schools students after a citywide naming competition. — Rebecca Smith ’99

Above, far right: Students Jake Ford, Ricardo Figueroa and Patson Pierre each received an award for coming up with a name for the new bookmobile: “Library Express.” Figueroa said he likes the name because The Polar Express is one of his favorite books. Holy Cross will contribute $80,000 annually for the next five years to fund “Libby,” whose predecessor (above, second from right), sported a much different look.

The Presidents’ Review ROC students from Holy Cross, WPI and Worcester State assembled before their family, friends and faculty to be reviewed by their institutions’ presidents, and to receive awards for their academic and military prowess.

Bacon or Sausage? President Rev. Philip L. Borroughs, S.J. (left), joined fellow members of the Jesuit community to serve Midnight Breakfast to students studying into the wee hours for finals.
Student leaders converge on the Hill

From July 25 to 29, Holy Cross will host the National Jesuit Student Leadership Conference. The conference was founded in 1997 by the Jesuit Association of Student Personnel Administrators (JASPA), which includes all 28 Jesuit universities and colleges in the United States. About 300 students, each nominated by their institution, will participate in discussions, reflections and workshops pertaining to this year’s theme, “Live the Mission.” In addition, there are selected speakers, including noted author and commentator Rev. James Martin, S.J. Participants also will have the opportunity to explore the Worcester/Boston area during a service day, a mock-casino night and a trip to Faneuil Hall.

Paul Misci ’13, of Peabody, Mass., and Antonio Willis-Berry ’13, of Atlanta, hatched the idea for Holy Cross to host the National Jesuit Student Leadership Conference after attending the 2010 conference at Fordham University in New York City. With Brenda Hounsell Sullivan, assistant dean and director of student involvement, and Sara Swillo, associate director of student involvement, they placed a bid for the College to host the 2012 conference.

“We wanted to push the limits of NJSLC and bring a diverse group of students from across the country to Holy Cross to show them all that we have to offer. We were energized and pumped to put together a bid packet,” Misci says.

Many Holy Cross students will lead and facilitate discussions, Sullivan notes, adding that she hopes the experience gives participants “the chance to network, share ideas, realize innovative ideas and share best practices.”

—Annie O’Shea ’12
IN APRIL, the College held its annual Academic Conference, a four-day event at which nearly 300 students presented the results of their independent work in the performing and visual arts, social sciences, humanities and physical sciences.

Patrick Lowe ’12 (above), of Northborough, Mass., shared the results of his yearlong research in a presentation, titled “First Down or First Impression? A Study of the Primacy Effect in Football Scenes in Expert Players and Non-Players.” A biology major with both a biological psychology and premedical concentration, Lowe developed a computer program that he tested on students to determine how being an expert affects memory.

Lowe collaborated with Associate Professor of Psychology Gregory DiGirolamo on the project from its inception—an experience he feels will give him a leg up at the University of Massachusetts Medical School this fall.

“Professor DiGirolamo and I sat down and designed this project together,” explains Lowe. “We bounced ideas off each other and solved problems as a team. It was a great learning experience—one that will no doubt benefit me in my M.D./Ph.D. program.”

“The Academic Conference is an excellent opportunity for students to present to the faculty and their peers the rigorous science research that they have been doing,” says DiGirolamo. “The presentations demonstrate the high degree of thoughtfulness, skill and independence that can be achieved with one-to-one research at a liberal arts college.” —Rebecca Smith ’99

THE SEARCH FOR CHIEF OF DIVERSITY

FR. BOROUGH has named a Diversity Leadership Team to “facilitate the development of a comprehensive, action-oriented plan to focus institutional attention on diversity at Holy Cross.” Work to increase student diversity has proceeded over the past decade, with the percentage of students of color more than doubling since 2000. The 2010 accreditation report praised this work (see HCM Spring 2011, Page 24), noting that faculty and staff diversity must also be addressed. The search to fill a position of Chief Diversity Officer has been suspended.

Members of the team are Ana Alvarado, Development; David Chu, Entrepreneurial Studies; Virginia Coakley, Chaplains’ Office; Lynne Herring, Human Resources; Jim Kavanagh, Athletics; Mabel Millner, Student Affairs; and Amy Wolfson, Dean’s Office.

A Time to Reflect

Jerry Dickinson ’09, a student at Fordham Law School, was one of four alumni to speak at the Senior Reflection Luncheon, during which soon-to-be-graduates shared their experiences on the Hill.

ALANA Celebration

Families gathered for the 16th Annual ALANA Baccalaureate Celebration, sponsored by the Bishop Healy Committee. The event celebrated the successes of the graduating class, and ALANA stoles were presented to each senior.
The Art of Discovery

From left, front row: Barbara Merolli, science librarian, and Leila Philip, associate professor of English. Back row: Amy Boerman ’12, Nicole Passa ’13, Kate Broderick ’12, Simone Blanchard ’12, Eric Obeysekere ’13, Brandi Ramos ’12 and Juliette Ferrigno ’13

The posters lining windowed walls of the O’Callahan Science Library posed two questions to all who entered: What are the questions that science asks? and What are the questions that literature asks?

After weeks of exploration and experimentation with narrative, the students in English Associate Professor Leila Philip’s science writing workshop, “Quarks to Quasars,” were eager to present their work to an audience at their pioneering event, “Opposites Attract: Exploring the Bond between Science and Literature.” On the evening of April 18, the normally hushed atmosphere of the library was transformed into a dimmed venue where the class shared the results of its semester-long dedication to Holy Cross’ first science-based creative writing class.

In her introduction, Philip described the influence that the scientific method had on the course she architected: “Much like the process of good science, creative writing also has us ask questions, complete background research, conduct a hypothesis and test that hypothesis through word.” Calling her students “explorers,” Philip asked them to trigger memories by using scientific fact in interpreting life experiences.

With the assistance of science research librarian Barbara Merolli, the students found creative ways rooted in science to link many different academic interests to their narratives. Topics ranged from the chemical makeup of sea glass to the psychology of human interaction.

Amy Boerman ’12 wrote a narrative on her experiences in an Ecuadorian medical clinic. “This course definitely made me think outside the box,” she says. “It required me to synthesize my two fields of study, English and pre-health, to create a final piece that was reflective of both my analytical and creative skills.”

Associate Professor Matthew Koss of the physics department was very impressed by the work at the “Opposites Attract” event, remarking, “Science is not science unless you can communicate it. The students will become better scientists if they can think through and articulate it.”

Philip’s class was motivated by what she calls “eureka moments” when word and scientific fact suddenly connect. “Good scientists, by nature, must be profoundly creative people,” she says.

**Online Only:** Read some of the students’ creative writing at http://magazine.holycross.edu. —Caroline Cataldo ’12

The Office of the College Chaplains recently hosted the fourth annual Rites of Passage, a religious ceremony honoring graduating students from the African diaspora who have been active in worship life at Holy Cross. The honorees celebrated this milestone—college graduation—with family, friends and members of the College community.

“Literacy was something our ancestors longed for, prayed for, were punished for and some ultimately died for,” explains Virginia Coakley, assistant chaplain and director of Protestant and ALANA (African-American, Latin American, Asian-American and Native American) ministries. “I imagine many of them could not even conceive of a day when a person of color would be able to attend college, let alone graduate. This is what the Rites of Passage aims to celebrate.”

—Kimberly Staley ’99

Class of 2016 Preps Gateway Summer Orientation welcomed more than 700 members of the Class of 2016 in June. Spanish Professor Francisco Gago-Jover (left), the class dean, says the two-day Gateway sessions are designed to help the new students make a preliminary academic plan, get to know their classmates and learn about campus before they make their official arrival on Mount St. James this fall.
If you roam the corridors and stairwells of the buildings around campus, with a little luck, you may get to hear one of the five Holy Cross a cappella groups rehearsing for its next gig. These five dynamic groups, each with a distinctive sound, look and sense of humor, break into a song on a moment’s notice. They can be found performing at various campus events, including the NEEDS benefit, Relay for Life and pub nights. Some groups also offer singing Valentine’s Day greetings. The highlight of the a cappella year, however, is the spring Foolsapalooza concert, which includes all five groups harmonizing on their favorite numbers their way. Holy Cross Magazine caught up with the singing groups, which range from 10 to 15 members, to chat about their gleeful pursuit of vocal music.
FOOLS ON THE HILL


“A very colorful and silly bunch, each with our own individual sound, personality and sense of humor”

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OFF THE RECORD

“Our fun and talented group debuted in 2001.”

“A uniquely close group of talented, amazing young women who bring together a variety of musical backgrounds, interests and contributions”

2009: The group debuted at an SRC (Students for Responsible Choices) event in early 2010.

“An all male a cappella group that combines the best of music and friendship into one fun time”

SONS OF PITCHES

“We had a new member, this year, Meghan Casey ’15, who felt that the Fools helped her adjust to her first semester at college so easily that she made us all goody bags and mugs filled with hot chocolate and a personal letter to thank us at Christmastime. That meant a lot to all of us. We are so blessed to have our Fools family.”

“We couldn’t just choose one: We’d love to perform with Ben Folds, Michael Buble, Dave Matthews, The King’s Singers and Rockapella.”

“We took this question literally. We would have to choose Salvador Dalí, because he was so ‘foolish.’ Right up our alley!”

“Hearing the audience actually get excited for us singing a Christmas carol from the 1500s!”

“We could perform with any artist that was ‘foolish’ in a musical way!”

“American Honey,” by Lady Antebellum

“Girlfriend,” by Avril Lavigne

“Under Pressure,” by Queen and David Bowie

“Oops! ... I Did It Again,” by Britney Spears

“Girlfriend,” by Avril Lavigne

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“Girlfriend,” by Avril Lavigne

“Under Pressure,” by Queen and David Bowie

“Oops! ... I Did It Again,” by Britney Spears
If philosophy Professor Predrag Cicovacki and his family starred in a reality television series, it would have to appear on the Travel Channel. Cicovacki, who also directs the Peace and Conflict Studies program at Holy Cross, is spending the fall semester in India as a Senior Fulbright-Nehru Fellow at the Malaviya Centre for Peace Research. Also this fall, his daughters, Heidi ’12, Vera ’14 and Lydia Grek ’16, are embarking on academic adventures of their own, scattering the family among three continents.

“I’ll spend four months in India at Banaras Hindu University in Varanasi,” Cicovacki says. “This area is the cradle of Hinduism in India. Nearby is the famous Deer Park, where the Buddha began preaching his sermons. You have two of the oldest religions in the world, Hinduism and Buddhism, virtually in one place.”

Cicovacki is particularly interested in the influence that religion played on Gandhi’s views and conduct, and what effect Jainism—with its emphasis on nonkilling—had on Gandhi’s thoughts and actions. He plans to live for several weeks in a Jain community.

“I want to study the Jains and their way of life,” he says. “That fits very well with directing peace studies here and teaching nonviolence, and with my work on Albert Schweitzer, who had this great idea about reverence for life. We have so much to learn from each other.”

Cicovacki’s family certainly has learned from each other—Cicovacki and his wife, Jadranka Grek, have instilled a love of learning and travel in their three daughters.

Heidi, who graduated magna cum laude in May with an English major, a German minor and a creative writing concentration, is heading to Germany in September, where she has a Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship. In addition to teaching English to German students, she also will take German literature courses at a local university. Her father’s sabbatical year at the University of Freiburg in 1999 made a deep impression on her. She returned to Germany in 2010 on a scholarship from the German Academic Exchange Service.

“I’ve taught English to adult immigrants in Worcester, to children in Bosnia through Builders for Peace and to kindergartners in China,” Heidi says, adding that she might apply to graduate schools for a master of fine arts degree in creative writing when she returns from Germany. She was more decisive about applying early decision to Holy Cross, which was her first choice.

“We practically grew up on the Holy Cross campus,” Heidi continues. “Yet I never realized how committed the College was to community service until I became a student here. I know that Holy Cross has prepared me for the next step.”
The next step for Vera is Russia, where she will polish her language skills before spending her junior year in Spain. Vera has travelled extensively with her family and on her own, but the Spanish major has never been to Spain. Her parents intentionally omitted the country on the family's trips every other summer to the former Yugoslavia and Serbia to visit relatives.

“When I was in eighth grade, my dad was supposed to go to a conference in Spain, but it didn’t work out,” says Vera, who speaks fluent Serbian. “My parents said they would go everywhere but Spain because I needed to experience that on my own. I knew then where I would go on study abroad some day. I’ll be in Moscow for six weeks this summer in an intensive Russian class. In August, I’ll finally head to Spain.”

Vera points to the advantages of growing up in a bilingual home: “I learned that you can’t expect the rest of the world to speak English.”

In August, Lydia will be traveling a short distance—just over a mile from the family's home near Worcester—to take a big step: She will join the Class of 2016 at Holy Cross. Like her sisters, Lydia plans to live on campus. For the summer, however, she will hold down the fort; when Jadranka Grek joins her husband in India for two months, Lydia will be the only family member on this continent.

As a Crusader, Lydia also intends to continue her volunteer work, which includes fundraising for Invisible Children, teaching piano lessons to low-income people through Afternoon Tunes and working with elders in a music therapy program. Studying languages, playing music and traveling remain her passions.

“All the traveling my family has done has made me more curious,” Lydia says. “It definitely opened my eyes to the world. I like learning just to learn. I attribute that to my parents and all the traveling we have done.”

“We’re used to everyone heading off in all directions,” says Cicovacki, who is known to leave candy bars in his daughters’ campus mailboxes to sate the cravings of this family of avowed chocoholics. “Vera reminded me that she has been to 20 different countries—16 in the past 10 years.”

Jadranka has no qualms about the prospect of her family living in four different countries in the coming year. “I always expected this would happen,” she says. “I have always looked forward to seeing what kind of people our daughters would become. I love to hear about their adventures.”

“Holy Cross has been a big part of all of our lives in different ways since I joined the faculty in 1991,” Cicovacki adds. “It’s kind of an American dream we’re living with our daughters. The future is open to us—and the world is our backyard.”
A GOOD MAN: 
REDISCOVERING MY
FATHER, SARGENT SHRIVER
BY MARK K. SHRIVER ’86   Henry Holt And Company

When Sargent Shriver, founder of the Peace Corps and architect of President Johnson’s War on Poverty, died in January 2011, he was hailed as a “good man” by heads of state and acquaintances alike. In his new book, vice president and managing director of U.S. programs for Save the Children Mark Shriver ’86 examines the kindness of spirit and deep faith that fueled his father’s success and the admiration that so many around the world had—and have—for him. We spoke about the book’s universal messages with the Holy Cross history major, who received an honorary degree from the College and spoke at Commencement in 2010.

Q. Why did you write this book?
A. I wrote the book on my dad, Sargent Shriver, the man who created the Peace Corps, Head Start and Legal Services, to name just a few of his accomplishments, not to celebrate his achievements but to better understand how he was happily married to the woman of his dreams for 56 years (after a seven-year courtship!); how he helped raise five kids, all of whom loved and admired him; how he had an intense, daily relationship with God and had countless friends; how he treated everyone the same, regardless of whether they were the President of the United States, a cardinal or a waitress at his favorite restaurant; and how he did it all with such joy. I also wanted to figure out how he balanced it all. I know that so many people are struggling, like Jeanne and I are, with raising young kids and taking care of aging parents and finding a balance between faith, family, friends, work and trying to make a difference in our community, our country, our world.

We live in a challenging time. I think Dad had some insights on how to thrive in such times and I think those insights can help everyone to be a better person.

Q. Throughout the memoir, you relate stories of your father’s enormous energy but also paradoxically of his “taking time” with peers, colleagues, strangers and the family—sometimes to the point of irritation. How did this contribute to him being seen as “a good man”?
A. Dad had boundless energy and vitality, all fueled, I’m convinced, by a deep, personal relationship with God. He saw God in everybody and in everything and that excited him every day. It was that outlook that energized him, but it also slowed him down to appreciate every moment and everybody. People still tell me today that when they met Dad and spoke with him, they had the sense that he was focused on them alone. He didn’t look over shoulders, searching for someone more important. No, you were special to Dad because God made you and the moment you were sharing, together. That combination of energy and the ability to be in the moment with whomever he met is very rare.

Q. In Chapter 31 you write about how much your four years at Holy Cross mean to you. Are there any memories you didn’t have room for in the book that you’d like to share now with fellow Crusaders?
A. I loved Holy Cross. I would have loved to tell the story of traveling with Fr. Kuzniowski and my roommate and great friend, Dick Burke ’86, through Poland and the U.S.S.R. during the summer of our junior year. Fr. K said Mass every day in our hotel room, which was against the law. I’ll never forget that trip.

There are also a bunch of stories that I’m glad will never make it into any book—or so I hope!

Q. The Class of 2012 has just graduated. As a father and a fellow alum, what lesson or advice from your own dad would you most like them to carry with them?
A. While I was writing the book, I stumbled upon a letter that Dad wrote me on the day I graduated from high school. I put it in a scrapbook some 30 years ago and forgot about it. He didn’t tell me that America was the land of opportunity and if I worked hard, all of my dreams would come true. He wrote, instead: “Happy Graduation Day, Mark, and Congratulations! Always remember, numero uno, that you are a unique, infinitely valuable person—your Mother & I love you—so do your brothers & sisters & friends—But all our love & interest put together cannot compare with the passionate interest & love God himself showers on you. You are His! He wants you! And He will make you the perfect Man you want to be. Love, Daddy.”

It sounds corny, doesn’t it? But I have come to understand that Dad was talking about the foundation for life—if you believe that your parents, family and, most importantly, God, love you, you will succeed in whatever career you choose.

Q. Time for a lighter question: Who is the perfect Man you want to be? Love, Daddy?
A. Jeanne! Her three brothers, John ’70, Bob ’78 and Mike ’80, are all Crusaders, as was her uncle, Gerard Ripp ’51. I am the only Shriver smart enough to have enrolled in and graduated from Holy Cross!

ONLINE ONLY: Read our entire interview with author and children’s advocate Mark Shriver ’86 at http://magazine.holycross.edu.
PIERCING THE IRISH CEILING
BY ROBERT E. RILEY '51  Swift Ink Books
Winner of the 2012 Axiom Business Book Award silver medal, this narrative memoir chronicles Riley's rise in the Boston investment world—and how he confronted historic prejudice in that arena. With Irish humor and nostalgia, the author shares his inspiring story of hard work and dedication. (To read excerpts selected for HCM readers, visit this issue's Web Exclusives at http://magazine.holycross.edu.)

THE ORDER OF ALHAMBRA:
ITS HISTORY AND ITS MEMORIALS
BY REV. VINCENT A. LAPOMARDA, S.J., ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF HISTORY
International Order of Alhambra
Fr. Lapomarda has published his third edition of The Order of the Alhambra: Its History and Its Memorials, which explores the formative years to the current “indecisive years” of this fraternal organization of charitable Catholic men founded in 1904.

HARRY’S OUR MAN
BY JAY O’CALLAHAN ’60  Artana Productions
O’Callahan, a renowned professional storyteller who will be appearing at the National Storytelling Festival in Jonesborough, Tenn., in October, offers this fictional political love story set in Boston in 1950. Harry’s Our Man recounts the funny, absurd and bizarre experiences Harry Hutchison endures while embarking on a journey to run for Congress.

FINALLY: OUTCOME MEASUREMENT STRATEGIES
ANYONE CAN UNDERSTAND
BY LAUREL A. MOLLOY ’97  Innovations Quantified
Molloy’s book shares user-friendly recommendations and exercises to help readers develop a successful, solid outcome measurement system for an organization. The book also offers a practical alternative for the nonprofit professional who prefers working with people to spreadsheets, by using real-world examples and familiar metaphors to relay concepts.

PURE BEEF: AN ESSENTIAL GUIDE TO ARTISAN MEAT
WITH RECIPES FOR EVERY CUT
BY LYNNE CURRY ’87  Running Press Book Publishers
This cookbook is a former vegetarian’s guide on how to prepare tasty, “green” beef meals for every season. Keeping in mind the increased demand for beef that is healthy and safe, Curry provides 150 recipes for the organic soul. (Peek at three recipes, including Deluxe Pimento Cheeseburgers, in this issue’s Web Exclusives at http://magazine.holycross.edu.)

GOD IS LOVE
BY PAUL D. MELLEY  GIA Music
Inspired by an immersion trip to Kenya with a group of Holy Cross students in January 2009, Paul D. Melley, assistant chaplain and director of liturgical music at the College, has released God Is Love. The album is his second with GIA Music, an international publisher of Catholic and Christian resources for prayer and worship.

“I was inebriated by Kenyans’ use of song to communicate the meaning of who they are as individuals and as people,” Melley says. “You can’t escape music in Kenya. We seem to have lost that. Music can be heard everywhere here, in the car, iPods, in stores, elevators. But no one is singing. Kenyans are always singing.”

Melley wrote the title track with this in mind, recording it right in his office in Campion with a trio of Kenyan vocalists, to capture the authenticity he desired for the song.

Paul Melley’s “God Is Love” is available on iTunes.
MILTON  Professor William R. Morse

DESCRIPTION
The study of John Milton's *Paradise Lost* in the context of his entire poetic career, beginning with the "Ode on the Morning of Christ's Nativity" and concluding with *Paradise Regained* and *Samson Agonistes*. The course focuses on Milton's poetic principles, with biographical and historical elements viewed through them, enabling students to explore the readings from various religious and philosophical perspectives.

FORMAT
Lecture/class discussion of assigned texts

REQUIREMENTS
Two papers, a midterm and final exam

TEXTS

ON THE DAY HCM VISITED CLASS
Guided by Morse, students examined Milton's portrayal of Satan's first visit to the Garden of Eden and encounter with Adam and Eve, as presented in Book Four of *Paradise Lost*. Through a careful explication of the text, they considered the poet's view of evil as revealed in the depiction of Satan, his inner turmoil, encounters with the first couple and protecting angels, and use of animal disguises to obscure his identity. Points of discussion included the nature of the prohibition to eat of the Tree of Good and Evil as well as the dialectical relationship between good and evil, with thought to the role evil plays in elucidating the nature of goodness in the fallen world. Discussion also touched on insights about Milton's view of companionsate marriage, as revealed in his depiction of the relationship between Adam and Eve.

PROFESSOR BIO
An associate professor in the English department, Morse received his master of arts and Ph.D. degrees from Brandeis University in Waltham, Mass.; his areas of specialty are Renaissance literature, Shakespeare, Milton and Ovid. Joining the College faculty in 1984, Morse was appointed associate dean of the College in 2004 and served four years in this capacity. A member of various academic committees during his tenure, including the Academic Planning Action Committee, the Academic Affairs Council and Curriculum Steering Committee, he also assisted with the teacher certification program, the Smith Labs Building Committee and the Graduate Studies Committee. Morse has taught the course on Milton since 1988.

PROFESSOR QUOTE
“Once students discover Milton, they love him. It is very fulfilling to nurture that love and encourage their intellectual pursuit of the language, style and thematic development of his verse and its relation to the Western traditions that infuse it,” Morse says. “Milton challenges the reader to think about the value and purpose of poetry, what it can do and why we read it. Meeting this challenge, students develop a greater sense of their own capabilities, joining ‘a fit audience, though few’ the poet seeks.”

STUDENT QUOTE
“This class is the perfect culmination of my liberal arts education,” says Caitlin DiCapua ’12, of Wells, Maine. “All of the core human questions I have been wrestling with for four years culminate in Milton's *Paradise Lost*. Naturally, what is challenging and somewhat frustrating is that these questions can never truly be answered or understood. But what is rewarding is to finally have the education and experience in which to discuss these questions intelligently. … My experience with Milton has ... led me to a sufficient understanding of the nature of good and evil that I will continue to develop beyond the gates of Holy Cross.”
Following is a sample of events taking place on the Hill this summer and early fall. For a full listing with more details, visit the online Holy Cross Events Calendar at events.holycross.edu

JULY

ONGOING this summer The Iris and B. Gerald Cantor Art Gallery presents works from its permanent collection in the Cantor Resource Gallery, located in the hallway adjacent to the main gallery.
Weekdays, 10 AM–5 PM; Saturday, 2–5 PM.


29–Aug. 18 10th annual Summer Passport Program: An intensive academic program for members of the Class of 2016

31 Feast Day of St. Ignatius of Loyola

AUGUST

19–24 “Odyssey 2016: A Preview of your Holy Cross Journey”: an optional orientation program for first-year ALANA (African-American, Latin American, Asian-American and Native American) and international students as well as American students living abroad

25 Arrival of first-year students and Mass of the Holy Spirit. The HCAA invites alumni interested in volunteering on move-in day to call (508) 793-2418 or email hcaa@holycross.edu for more information.

27 The First-year Student Convocation:
This ceremony marks the threshold of full matriculation into the College community and features the dean’s welcome, presidential address and a senior address, as well as music, prayer, reflection and affirmation of the covenant pledge.
St. Joseph Memorial Chapel, 5 PM


29 Classes begin.

30 Night game: Holy Cross Football vs. University of New Hampshire, 7:30 PM. Visit goholycross.com for more information.

SEPTEMBER

7–8 “Escape Retreat for First-year Students,” offered by the Office of the College Chaplains

10 Lecture: “Rape as a Weapon of War,” by Kelly Askin, senior legal officer for international justice in the Open Society Justice Initiative and author of War Crimes Against Women: Prosecution in International War Crimes Tribunals. Rehm Library, 4:30 PM

13–15 A program of inauguration events taking place on the occasion of the installation of Rev. Philip L. Boroughs, S.J., as the 32nd president of Holy Cross. For the complete schedule, please consult the inside front cover of this issue, or visit holycross.edu/inauguration.

15 As part of the 2012-13 “Opening Doors” celebration of coeducation at Holy Cross, Alumni Career Services presents: “Alumnae Helping Alumnae Succeed.” Designed to assist alumnae seeking to re-enter the workforce or redirect their careers, the program consists of a keynote address, panel discussion, alumnae-led workshops and a networking lunch. Hogan Campus Center, 8:30 AM to 2 PM. For more information contact Bob Wally at (508) 793-3758 or rwally@holycross.edu

21–22 Fall Homecoming

30 Holy Cross Chapel Artists Series:
Francesco Cera, organist, international concert and recording artist. St. Joseph Memorial Chapel, 3 PM

Due to the large number of pieces in “Create,” including “Watches on Orange” by James Montgomery (above), the upcoming exhibition will be presented in two parts: Aug. 29–Oct. 6 and Oct. 22–Dec. 8, 2012, in the Cantor Art Gallery.

OCTOBER


5–10 “Spiritual Exercises” for students, offered by the Office of the College Chaplains


26–28 Family Weekend

28 Holy Cross Chapel Artists Series:
Concert by Ann Pilot Hobson, harpist; James David Christie, organist and distinguished artist in residence at Holy Cross; and Carol Lieberman, violinist and Holy Cross associate professor of music. St. Joseph Memorial Chapel, 3 PM
...AFTER RECEIVING 39% OF THE VOTE, THE

YOU VOTED.
THE RESULTS ARE IN ...
In the last issue we asked you, the more than 40,000 readers of Holy Cross Magazine, to cast your ballots for the top moment in Holy Cross history, based on the “Top 25 Moments” selected with the help of Rev. Anthony Kuzniewski, S.J., professor of history and author of Thy Honored Name.

The votes poured in, and by a large margin, your choice is January 1971, when coeducation was approved at the College.

As president from 1970 to 1994, Rev. John E. Brooks, S.J., ’49, championed the inclusion of female students, and spoke eloquently of the need for women to become a part of the Holy Cross family. “We were in a rapidly changing culture in terms of women’s experience,” Fr. Brooks said in a 1997 interview. “It was clear that women were getting into the job market, and they were going to be very influential. Our tradition at Holy Cross is to educate leaders who will have an influence on society and change the culture. More and more, those leaders are women.”

The decision-making process for coeducation took five years. A 1967 survey showed that 42 percent of alumni, 61 percent of students, 63 percent of faculty and 49 percent of the administration approved of the move to coeducation.

Certainly the decision to admit women to the all-male college on Pakachoag Hill was not without controversy. In its Dec. 11, 1970, edition, The Crusader reported, “At a coffee and conversation gathering on Dec. 3, Fr. Reidy, Rev. David Clarke, John Day ’70 and Charge Horgan, all Trustees of the College, heard students voice concern for going coed ... and other problems.” The plan moved forward, with student and faculty committees forming to address the needs of the new arrivals. It was decided that the first class of women would be housed in Mulledy, and renovations got under way. By the time Fr. Brooks issued the letters, above, announcing the decision to admit women, only pockets of resistance remained. In December 1971, the admissions office mailed letters of acceptance to 30 women under the early-decision plan, and on Sept. 14, the first women arrived on campus to begin their Holy Cross journey.

Laura Hogan Trani ’00 of Brooklyn, N.Y., is almost three decades removed from the first class of women, but has a personal reason for casting her vote for coeducation as the Top Moment: “Had women not been welcomed onto the Hill, my dad and I wouldn’t share the incredibly special bond of having both benefited from a Holy Cross education, nor would I have met my husband!” she says.

Many readers noted that choosing one Top Moment was rather difficult, and that some were intertwined in the history of the College. “It’s a tough decision between acceptance of women and Kim McElaney being appointed Director of the Chaplains’ Office,” wrote Allison Millar ’10 of Oakland, Calif. “The latter wouldn’t have happened without the former,
that's my top choice. The role of women at Holy Cross needs and deserves continued attention—Kim was one of the greatest champions of that.”

In the 2012-2013 academic year, the College will be celebrating the 40th anniversary of coeducation at Holy Cross with a series of events under the theme “Opening Doors.” The theme, selected by a committee that includes faculty, administrators and alumnae, celebrates the achievements of women who have crossed new thresholds while engaging in the life of the College and the wider world, but also recognizes there are still more doors to open.

“Opening Doors” will celebrate not only the first women students, but also the female administrators, faculty and staff who worked at Holy Cross in those crucial first years in the late 1970s and early 1980s.

With generous funding from the President’s Office, “Opening Doors” events will include lectures, art exhibitions, discussions and more beginning in the fall semester. Through these programs, current students and alumni will have opportunities throughout the year to participate and reflect on this important moment in Holy Cross history, as well as avenues to explore the impact the addition of women to the campus has had—and will continue to have—on developing able leaders.

Check Holy Cross Magazine and holycross.edu for more information as events are announced.
**THE FINAL TALLY**

The people have spoken, and here are the top three for each category.

**TOP MOMENTS IN HOLY CROSS HISTORY**

1. **January 1971**
   Coeducation Approved; Holy Cross Welcomes Female Students to Campus

2. **March 24, 1865**
   Massachusetts Grants a Charter to the College of the Holy Cross

3. **The 1960s**
   A New Era of Diversity Begins as Rev. John E. Brooks, S.J., '49 Leads the Charge to Recruit African American Men to Holy Cross

**TOP MOMENTS IN HOLY CROSS SPORTS HISTORY**

1. **March 24, 2006**
   At the NCAA tournament, Tyler McGregor '06 scores in sudden-death overtime, and the Crusaders' win over mighty Minnesota becomes one of the greatest upsets in the history of college ice hockey.

2. **March 25, 1947**
   Holy Cross wins the NCAA basketball title, defeating favored Oklahoma 58-47 in Madison Square Garden and becoming the first Eastern team to capture the crown.

3. **Nov. 28, 1942**
   Holy Cross scores a major football upset shocking Boston College 55-12 at Fenway Park in Boston. The 4-4-1 Crusaders defeat the No. 1-ranked Eagles on the day of the tragic Cocoanut Grove fire.

Even the moments that did not crack the Top 3 had passionate supporters, including May 1992, when Holy Cross adopted its current mission statement.

“Our mission statement is Holy Cross,” wrote one voter. “It’s what drives students and faculty every day, and what essentially brings us all together on the Hill. It’s Holy Cross’ essence. Top moment, hands down.”

Fall 1992 and Fall 2008, when Holy Cross’ First-Year Program (FYP) and Montserrat each earned national acclaim for innovative curriculum, ranked highest for former Student Government Association co-president Kevin Leggio '11. “Deciding to enroll in the First-Year Program was one of the best, formative decisions that I made at Holy Cross,” he says. “Being in the program opened my eyes to a different way of thinking and allowed me to start asking very difficult questions that I continue to ponder. Being immersed in a living and learning community like that of FYP is what Holy Cross is all about.

“As a last generation FYPer, it was amazing to see how that experience came full circle from our first experiences at the College,” he continues. “We celebrated our senior year with a FYP Reunion, where we reflected on our experiences in Hanselman and in the classroom. The introduction of that program (and Montserrat thereafter) is testament to the continuing innovation and impact Holy Cross has on its students and greater community.”

March 25, 1969, may not ring any bells for most alumni, but it marks the date that separate incorporation between the College and the Jesuit Community took effect.

“Separate incorporation saved the College from mediocrity and brought it into the modern academic world,” Rev. Earle Markey, S.J., ’53 wrote to us. “It can be considered the ‘Second Founding’ of the College.”
One of our Top 25 Moments turned out to be a double-edged sword. By celebrating the College’s current status as the only exclusively undergraduate institution in the Jesuit higher education system, which occurred when Holy Cross stopped offering master’s degrees in 1982, we inadvertently raised the ire of those men who proudly earned their M.S. degrees on Mount St. James.

“My academic year of September 1965 to June 1966, working on my one-year M.S. Chemistry degree, was one of the best experiences in my life!” wrote Paul W. Lauf ’66 B.A., M.S. “I spent all summer 1965 reviewing inorganic, organic, analytical and physical chemistry and scientific gender for the ACS [American Chemical Society] Qualifying Exams the first five days of the fall semester. The program was incredibly intense: advanced inorganic and organic chemistry courses, plus chemical kinetics and thermodynamics; seminar each semester (I chose inorganic polymers); and long hours of thesis research.”

Like many of the hundreds of students who received their master’s degrees from Holy Cross, Lauf enjoyed a long career using his scientific training. After 33 years in the research labs of Eastman Kodak in Rochester, N.Y., he indulged his love of modern art, receiving an honorary doctor of fine arts degree from the London International University in recognition of his book on artist Giorgio de Chirico and his art history research.

Creating the Top 25 Moments story was certainly an enlightening editorial pursuit—and a real conversation starter in our Holy Cross community. But in the end, perhaps Ed Bierma ’63 summed it up best when he wrote to us, “Holy Cross is a continuum. I wouldn’t even begin to define it by a ‘moment’ or ‘moments.’”

And we’ll let that be the last word.
THE 2012 SANCTAE CRUCIS AWARDS

PORTRAIT PHOTOGRAPHY BY BRIAN SMITH

FRANCIS M. CARROLL '60  JOHN F. CASTELLANO '71  MARIAN E. EARLS '76  JAMES E. MULVHILL '62  RICHARD J. SANTEN '61  LISA M. TAYLOR '96
Each year, Holy Cross selects an elite group of alumni to receive its highest non-academic honor, the Sanctae Crucis Award. In his address at the 15th Annual awards ceremony and dinner in May, Senior Vice President Frank Vellaccio offered insight into the award’s name: “These awards are named for the Cross,” he said. “Christ’s Holy Cross, the most powerful and enduring symbol in the collective consciousness of humankind. In so naming them, the College proclaims the esteem in which it holds the awards and those it selects to receive them.”

The award itself is a book sculpted from glass, representative of the learning, academic rigor and sharing of ideas that Holy Cross students experience from their first days on the Hill. “The glass symbolizes the clarity of the curious intellect, the vision of the active spirit and the fragility of our connections to pursuits that nourish the mind and the soul in our busy lives,” explains Vellaccio, who chairs the Santae Crucis selection committee.

This year, the two women and four men who received the Sanctae Crucis Award are Lisa M. Taylor ’96, Marian F. Earls, M.D., ’76, Francis M. Carroll ’60, Richard J. Santen, M.D., ’61, James E. Mulvihill, D.M.D., ’62, and John F. Castellano ’71 (above, with P. Kevin Condon ’67, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, and College President Rev. Philip L. Boroughs, S.J.).

Selected for their outstanding professional accomplishments or extraordinary community service, each honoree has chosen a path that demonstrates a devotion to the Holy Cross mission and brings honor to alma mater.

“Sanctae Crucis award recipients have accepted the legacy of sacrifice and salvation, hope and love, and joy and humility that Jesus bequeathed to the world through his Holy Cross,” Vellaccio says.

Holy Cross Magazine is pleased to present the 2012 Sanctae Crucis Award recipients. The portraits on the following pages are accompanied by the citation read at the awards ceremony.

Nominations are being accepted now through Jan. 1, 2013, for the 2013 Sanctae Crucis Awards. Visit http://offices.holycross.edu/svp for more information.
The magic of skating captivated Frank Carroll as a boy growing up in Worcester in the 1950s. He devoted himself to practice, going back again and again to the ice to perfect the art and skill of the sport that had become his passion—and, in the process, he caught the eye of a legendary figure skating coach, Maribel Vinson Owen.

There was no ice rink at Holy Cross at the time, so this dayhop walked and hitched and hurried between home and class and the Worcester Skating Arena at Webster Square, where he practiced and trained. A Dean’s List scholar, he nurtured his love of reading, and to this day television cameras will catch him rinkside with book—often a historical novel—in hand.

Rev. Joseph A. Glavin, S.J., dean of athletics at Holy Cross was a critical figure for young Frank: Father Glavin was the administrator who made sure Holy Cross funded some skating expenses so Frank could represent the College at the national figure skating championships, which he did throughout his four years on the Hill. “It was very scary to go back to that Quonset hut each year and ask him to renew the donation,” he once said.

Yet he prevailed in the face of both fear and competition, coming home with U.S. Championship medals in 1957, 1959 and 1960.

After graduation, Frank toured the world and skated for five years with Shipstads & Johnson Ice Follies, a touring skating show and precursor to the Ice Capades. He moved to California and took a turn at acting, but soon found himself back on the ice—discovering that he had an equal passion and determination for mentoring and coaching.

Frank Carroll’s figure skaters have won seven world championships, four junior world championships, four Olympic medals and 20 world championship medals.

His athletes—Linda Fratianne, Michelle Kwan and Evan Lysacek among them—are as devoted to him as he is to them.

Inducted into the World Figure Skating Hall of Fame and the United States Figure Skating Hall of Fame, Frank was named the 1997 Olympic Coach of the Year. After serving as head coach for more than 10 years at the Toyota Sports Center in El Segundo, Calif., he has moved to a new rink in Cathedral City—where Olympic-class figure skaters from all over the United States as well as Canada, China, Korea, Japan, Russia, the Philippines and Australia have come to train with Frank Carroll.

For his dedication to excellence and his tireless support and mentoring of world-class athletes, the College of the Holy Cross presents to Francis M. Carroll the Sanctae Crucis Award.
“One of the basic sayings of my family was, ‘Don’t be so full of yourself.’ When I’m alone and start thinking about accomplishment, and whether people revere me, I stop and say, ‘Get over it Frank.’”
“Much of my work over the last 10 years has been to build systems at the practice, state and national level for early childhood development and mental health. ... I am grateful for my education, my mentors and the privilege to care for children.”
MARIAN F. EARLS, M.D. CLASS OF 1976

Biology major at Holy Cross, received a master of theology studies degree from Harvard Divinity School in 1978 and doctor of medicine degree from University of Massachusetts in 1984 • A developmental and behavioral pediatrician, currently works as the medical director of Guilford Child Health (GCH), Inc., a large, nonprofit, private pediatric practice in Greensboro, N.C., that aids families at or below 200 percent of the federal poverty level • Serves on several boards, including the North Carolina Pediatric Society • Led the North Carolina Assuring Better Child Health and Development (ABCD) Project, integrating routine developmental and behavioral screening for children under 6 years old into primary care practice • Lives in Greensboro, N.C., with husband Jerry Ramsey. Daughter of Kevin M. Earls ’43, mother of Jacob and Naomi ’00

The Earls family name is legendary at Holy Cross, dating back to the end of the 19th century when young Michael Earls, the eldest son of Irish immigrants who settled in nearby Southbridge, arrived on campus. His writing and faith life blossomed: He became a poet, Jesuit priest, an influential teacher and a dynamic administrator who helped shape the College in the 1920s and 1930s.

His great-niece stands before us, a pioneer in her own right whose path has shaped the lives of countless children and their families.

Marian Earls came to Mount St. James as a member of the historic Class of 1976, which included the first women to spend four years as Holy Cross students. She was a biology major and, with the late Professor Banadakappa Lingappa, conducted microbiologic research under a National Science Foundation grant. After graduation, she studied at Harvard Divinity School, where she earned a master’s degree in theological studies, and then entered the University of Massachusetts Medical School.

She undertook her residency in pediatrics at the Moses H. Cone Memorial Hospital in Greensboro, N.C., where she found her calling and her home. For the past 22 years, this pediatrician has spearheaded efforts to recognize the complex developmental and social-emotional challenges faced by young children and their families—using her intellect, caring and passion to assess what services and advocacy are lacking, and working collaboratively with colleagues across multiple disciplines to address critical needs. Her groundbreaking studies have been widely published and have documented, translated and expanded knowledge about best practices in the emerging subspecialty of developmental and behavioral pediatrics to a national audience and via the American Academy of Pediatrics and its state chapter.

As her nominator Dr. Michael Reichel of the Class of 1968 wrote: “The arc of Dr. Earls’ career and ongoing contributions in community and general pediatrics have been truly spectacular, grounded in spiritual strength and purposeful commitment, which clearly reflect the Jesuit ideals of men and women for others.”

Currently medical director of Guilford Child Health and clinical professor of pediatrics at the University of North Carolina, Marian has added another important chapter to the Earls family history at Holy Cross: She is the mother of Naomi Earls Leslie, Class of 2000, making them the first mother-daughter graduates of the College. Marian is mentor to countless medical students and physicians, including Naomi, who followed her mother’s path to medical school and is now a child psychiatrist.

For setting new standards in the care and advocacy for children and families, for teaching and mentoring young physicians, and combining great faith with service and justice, the College of the Holy Cross presents to Marian F. Earls the Sanctae Crucis Award.
In beautiful manifestation of the Gospel message that “whatever you do for the least of my sisters and brothers you do unto me,” John Castellano has shaped his life’s work in serving those most in need.

It is an unfortunate reality of today’s culture that even the legal system can overlook the most vulnerable among us. So we are fortunate indeed that John reminds us—and our courts of law—of our responsibilities.

Unlike protections offered by the United States for the poor who are facing criminal charges, there is no constitutional right to counsel for low-income people facing a civil legal emergency.

A public service attorney, John has committed his life to ensuring that his clients, his sisters and brothers, are provided with the desperately needed, even life-saving assistance and protections they require and deserve. He represents men and women living in poverty, many of whom also live with serious and persistent mental illness. Since 1997, he has opened more than 2,000 cases representing people who face termination of cash payments from public assistance, Social Security, and disability; who have had limits placed onto their health care access through Medicaid and Medicare; who have been evicted or at risk of illness because their food stamps or utilities have been cut off.

He has done this work since 1997, when the Mercy Advocacy Program was founded at the Long Island social service agency Mercy Haven, located in Islip Terrace, N.Y. There, he works with colleagues who acknowledge the dignity and potential of people who are homeless, ill and suffering.

Immediately after graduation from Holy Cross where he majored in psychology and was one of the first participants in SPUD—newly formed by students who wanted to make a difference in the community—John taught religion at high schools in Worcester and Baltimore before deciding that his path toward working for justice lay in the law. After graduating from Hofstra University in 1976, he served as an attorney for Nassau-Suffolk Law Services, Westchester Legal Services and MFY Legal Services. Then, he and Mercy Haven joined forces.

In 2008, John, along with his colleagues from People Organized for Rights, was victorious in a Food Stamp class-action litigation, Graves v. Doar, that resulted in an increase of $150 million per year in federal Food Stamp benefits for 20,000 group home residents and 95,000 more recipients residing in public or subsidized housing throughout New York State.

Most recently, in November of last year, John played an essential role in Mercy Haven receiving a $2.5 million state grant to develop new housing for homeless families.

For his passion, his extraordinary faith, and for bringing his expertise in the law to serve and deliver justice to those who suffer, the College of the Holy Cross presents to John F. Castellano the Sanctae Crucis Award.
“I have been blessed with a vocation, including the gift of providing free legal services, as a work of mercy, to the poor. I have had the privilege and honor of securing some systemic changes, which have improved the lives of persons who are all too disenfranchised.”
“I believe that I have one of the best jobs in the world. I have learned through my years that being a lawyer involves drafting and arguing your case. But it also means knowing how to talk and listen to people from all walks of life.”
Consider a few of the ways Lisa Taylor, a civil rights attorney at the United States Department of Justice, has—so early in a career—brought change to families, classrooms, communities, and the lives of Americans:

In 2009, she successfully negotiated the settlement of a case in rural Louisiana’s Evangeline Parish, securing for Ville Platte High School’s students—the majority of whom are African American—$3 million in building renovations, an enhanced Advanced Placement program, and additional African American teachers.

In 2010, she prevailed in a case in St. Landry Parish, La., correcting the over-identification of African American students who were placed in special education classes.

She has monitored voting precincts in Florida to ensure that Haitian American voters were not disenfranchised; and she developed an intake process to address post-September 11th backlash discrimination complaints.

In her current responsibilities at the Justice Department, Lisa enforces the Americans with Disabilities Act, investigating claims of discrimination in employment, education, and hospitals throughout the country.

Given that record, it is not surprising that Lisa has received numerous Department of Justice awards for her outstanding performance in enforcing civil rights laws since she joined Justice in 2001 as one of 10 Honors Attorneys, having graduated from the University of Georgia School of Law. She is chair emeritus of the Department’s Association of Black Attorneys, having held the position of chairperson from 2005 to 2009. In that role Taylor met with Attorney General Eric Holder to encourage enhanced diversity at the Department and ensure that qualified black candidates are considered for the position of United States Attorney in districts throughout the country. She also partnered with the other DOJ organizations of color, DOJ Pride, and the Attorney General’s Advisory Committee on Disabilities to encourage diversity at the greatest level in the Department.

An English major at Holy Cross where she was a NROTC student, SGA co-chair and a Presidential Service Award recipient, Lisa served onboard the USS Tarawa after graduation. There she supervised a 42-member division; trained a crew of 900 personnel; and developed the ship’s first sexual harassment program.

Lisa has said that she decided to go to law school to strengthen her ability to serve those who could not serve themselves. And she has said that as a civil rights attorney for the United States of America, she believes she has the best job in the world.

For her unwavering commitment to public service; for working to ensure that no child is denied an educational opportunity; for her tenacity, passion and promotion of justice, the College of the Holy Cross presents to Lisa M. Taylor the Sanctae Crucis Award.
Those who know Jim will tell you that his passion and loyalty for friends and family are second only to his passion for ensuring that advances in health care reach the greatest number of people.

In fact, his impact on medical research, health care, and health advocacy has spanned decades and disciplines. After receiving a doctor of dental medicine from Harvard, he embarked on a distinguished career in academic dentistry and held teaching and senior administrative positions at Harvard, SUNY Stony Brook and the University of Connecticut. He has served as chairman of the Travelers Health Company, senior fellow in health policy at the Association of Academic Health Centers and president of the Forsyth Dental Center. During his tenure as president of the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation, he doubled annual program revenues and expenditures to support research. The Foundation became the fastest growing voluntary, nonprofit health agency in the country as well as the world’s largest nonprofit nongovernmental funder of diabetes research. He continues to be involved in a host of nonprofit health care organizations, including The First Tee, a national youth development program.

Jim is the author of two books and nearly 50 scientific papers and abstracts. He has been a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and of the American and the International Colleges of Dentists. He is a past chairman of the Association of Academic Health Centers and of the National Fund for Medical Education. He received the American Dental Education Association’s Distinguished Service Award. Jim has served on the board of directors of the National Fund for Medical Education and as a member of the Board of Overseers of the Joslin Diabetes Center.

This extraordinarily successful career may have been glimpsed as early as his very first days on Mount St. James. As part of his financial aid program, Jim was a waiter in Kimball—but it wasn’t long before he became head waiter, managing staff and ensuring a smooth and efficient operation. He was president of the Purple Key Society, the man to whom everyone would turn to get things done and ensure successful results. And, yes, his exceptional scholarship was legendary in the College’s rigorous premedical program. As classmate Dr. Anthony Fauci wrote in his nominating letter: “Jim is a truly shining example of the model Holy Cross graduate.”

For his dedication to healing and commitment to the health and welfare of a nation, for his expertise and skill, and tireless support and loyalty to the College and community, the College of the Holy Cross presents to James E. Mulvihill the Sanctae Crucis Award.
“I thank God, Holy Cross, my parents, my professional colleagues and my classmates for inspiring me to serve others through health care and health professions education. I am especially grateful to my wife Mary Jane and our children whose constant support, patience and understanding have been essential to the outcomes of my endeavors.”
“The mission of physicians is to care for their patients and advance the treatments to be offered. My career has focused on hormone dependent cancers of the breast and prostate. I have learned much from my patients and mentors and have tried to give back by teaching my protégés. Looking back, I have been blessed with an excellent education, wonderful mentors and grateful patients.”
To read Dick Santen’s curriculum vitae is to view the definition of medical practice and scholarship; science and humanism; faith and purpose. A leading authority in the field of reproductive endocrinology, Dick has worked tirelessly and brilliantly for more than three decades to increase our understanding of hormone-dependent breast and prostate cancers. He is world renowned for developing a breakthrough therapy for breast cancer and for a lifetime of oncology research and clinical work. As a professor of medicine, his leadership also manifests itself in a commitment to teaching and mentoring young doctors and researchers. Widely published, he has been active on scientific review groups at the National Institutes of Health and the World Health Organization. He has delivered invited lectures in 23 countries. In the mid-1970s, Dick recognized that blocking an enzyme called aromatase could be highly effective in treating breast cancer in women. He led a group of physicians and scientists in conducting studies exploring and validating this idea. This led to more scientists in academic and pharmaceuticals companies working to developing ever more effective aromatase inhibitors. Now in its third generation, these inhibitors have become the first line of therapy for women with estrogen-dependent breast cancer. In addition to this breakthrough development, Dick has written nearly 400 publications on the treatment of breast and prostate cancer and secured more than $10 million in research grant support. His work bridges the gap in molecular, translational and clinical research. Having trained 32 clinical and postdoctoral fellows, Dick inculcates the role of excellence in the care of patients. After graduating from Holy Cross, where he majored in philosophy, Dick received his medical degree from the University of Michigan. Upon completing training at the New York Hospital of Cornell Medical Center and the University of Michigan Hospital, he began his long and esteemed career in endocrinology. Since 1995, Dick has been professor of medicine in the division of endocrinology and metabolism at the University of Virginia School of Medicine. For his dedication to healing and intellectual rigor, for saving countless lives and pointing the way to future enhancements in curing the sick, the College of the Holy Cross presents to Richard J. Santen the Sanctae Crucis Award. 
23 WEEKS, 5 DAYS

The Story of a Holy Cross Family’s Journey in the World of High-Risk Neonatal Medicine

BY RICHARD HERRICK
Professor of Chemistry and Edward A. O’Rorke Professor in the Liberal Arts
MY GRANDCHILDREN’S BIRTH WAS A NEW PARENT’S WORST NIGHTMARE: BABIES IN SEVERE MEDICAL CRISIS, ONE THAT COULD END THEIR LIVES BEFORE THEY COULD LEAVE THE HOSPITAL OR EVEN BE HELD BY THEIR MOTHER.

This is the story of how my family faced this nightmare, how Holy Cross played a role in saving two tiny lives and how the experience changed us forever.

My wife, Jamie Herrick, and I came to Holy Cross in the 1980s. Jamie was the organic chemistry laboratory supervisor from 1989 to 2006 and is currently the College’s director of laboratory and studio safety. I’ve taught chemistry here since 1984 and serve as a member of the Health Professions Advisory Committee.

Jamie’s daughter, Stephanie (Rapa) Rodriguez, is a 2005 graduate of Holy Cross. Stephanie majored in political science, and professors Edward O’Donnell and Vickie Langohr were among her favorites. After an academic internship with Worcester Juvenile Court First Justice Carol Erskine, she was inspired her to pursue a career in juvenile law. Stephanie was accepted to Western New England Law School with an academic scholarship for fall 2006. While working at the Worcester Boys & Girls Club to raise money for law school, she met and fell in love with Edwin Rodriguez, a national Golden Gloves and national U.S. Boxing champion. They became pregnant with twins. Their plan was for Edwin to make the 2008 U.S. Olympic Boxing Team while Stephanie took care of their new family. After that, Stephanie would begin law school.

The plans you make don’t always work out.

This is the story of how Stephanie, Edwin and their twins faced the fight of their lives—and how three members of the Holy Cross family stood on the front lines with them.

Edwin Kelly Rodriguez Jr. almost died when he was 13 days old.

He weighed 1 pound 4 ounces, the equivalent of a pint of beer. He was 12 inches long, roughly the size of a loaf of bread. He'd never seen his mother, and he'd never been held by her. His eyelids were still fused shut, and he was too fragile to be picked up. From the time he was born, he'd been connected to an oscillator, a machine that breathed for him, pushing pure oxygen through the tube in his throat into his lungs. The settings were at the maximum levels, but even this hadn’t been enough. As the alarms on his monitors rang, first in a quick succession of beeps, and then in a constant urgent squeal, it looked as if he would never have the chance to see his mother or be cradled in her arms. His vital signs had collapsed. He was dying.

Stephanie was pumping breast milk at 2 a.m. when the hospital personnel swarmed in to work on him. Nurses and doctors hovered over the tiny baby, desperately working to resuscitate him. Edwin Sr. hurried in and anxiously watched his son. He had been asleep in the small room set aside next door for parents when the alarms went off.

He and Stephanie cried and prayed at their son’s bedside as the staff...

“Micropreemies are babies born before 26 weeks gestation or weighing less than 1 pound 12 ounces. My grandchildren were early and small, even for micropreemies, and their prognosis was not good.” —Rick Herrick
worked on baby Edwin. A nurse led them from the room as the doctor began to intubate the fragile little boy so he could be placed back on the oscillator. She told them that he had been without oxygen for a few minutes, and he might not pull through. She said they should prepare for the time when they might have to make a decision about continuing his care. Through tears, they talked and agreed that they wanted everything done to save their son.

That was just the first dramatic moment in the twins’ 122-day stay in the UMass Memorial Medical Center neonatal intensive care unit (NICU) in Worcester. For our family, it was 122 days of a life and death struggle during which doctors, nurses and parents fought to save the babies’ lives.

Our emotional journey started on Sept. 26, 2006. During a routine checkup in a previously uneventful pregnancy, Stephanie’s doctor found that she was partly dilated and in danger of early delivery. She was hospitalized and prescribed medication to delay labor. This strategy only worked briefly. Three days later Stephanie went into labor, and a delivery team quickly scrambled. The babies—Edwin Jr. and Serena—were delivered by emergency caesarian section and immediately taken to the NICU. They were nearly four months early. At 23 weeks five days gestation, they were mere days past the cutoff for viability. (A normal gestation period is 40 weeks.) At just over a pound, each baby was far too small and far too undeveloped for life outside the womb. “Micropreemies” are babies born before 26 weeks gestation or weighing less than 1 pound 12 ounces; they face enormous medical problems that just a decade or so ago made survival highly unlikely. And Edwin Jr. and Serena were early and small, even for micropreemies, and their prognosis was not good.

Each baby weighed 1 pound 3 ounces at birth and lost weight the first few days—Serena dropped below a pound for several days. Their first diapers comfortably fit a golf ball yet loosely covered their hips. Their translucent, fire-engine-red skin was sticky, gelatinous and incompletely formed. Though they were given pain medication before they were handled, and the nurses were gentle, they writhed in silent agony at the slightest touch. Their eyelids were fused shut, though they raised their eyebrows as if trying to see. They couldn’t cry or whimper, and the incomplete formation of their neurological system made them extremely sensitive to light and sound. They were heartbreakingly tiny and frail.

“I couldn’t talk or sing to the twins for most of the NICU stay,” Stephanie explains. “Noises would cause desaturations in their oxygen levels. Babies that premature aren’t meant to hear noises. Overstimulation was not good for development.”

Stephanie did what she could to comfort her children. “I sat with the twins and thought encouraging thoughts to them. Later, I assisted with holding tubes for feeds.” She also began holding the twins to her body for skin to skin contact, called “kangaroo care.” The technique is shown to help pre-term infants survive and develop.

While the twins were in the NICU, Stephanie wrote a blog, and shared these thoughts on being able to hold Serena: “The feeling of my daughter on my chest, the heat from her body against mine, and feeling (and hearing … she has an air leak in her tube and she makes a whistling/snorting noise with every breath) her chest move as she was assisted in taking breaths, was so magical. I love my babies more than anything in this world and being able to finally be so close to at least one of them brought me so much joy. I long to have them home where I can hold them and kiss them all day.”

The twins were in critical condition—especially Edwin Jr. His lungs were so poorly developed that doctors didn’t expect him to survive. Each baby was in a separate incubator lying inert on his or her stomach. An intubation tube down the throat delivered oxygen from a mechanical pump. A cuff attached to a foot measured blood oxygen saturation. An IV in the umbilical cord stump delivered fluids, and banks of monitors provided constant readings.

Stephanie and Edwin Sr. lived at the hospital for two weeks, watching over their babies. Doctors let them attend morning rounds when they discussed their children. Jamie went to the NICU every day to see her grandchildren and to help her daughter. She also kept family, friends and Holy Cross co-workers...
informed, sending a daily email with photos that updated the twins’ status.

“I started sending out emails with updates to a few friends days after the twins were born. By the end of the first month, I had 50 people from across campus who asked to be part of the daily emails,” Jamie says. Friends from academic departments, public safety, IT, human resources, physical plant, development and the Jesuit community all wanted to know how the babies were doing. “They served as my consolers and confidants,” Jamie recalls, “and they gave me support that was so essential to getting through each day.”

Despite the support of family and medical personnel, the twins struggled. Serena needed heart surgery at 21 days to close the hole in her heart. The surgeon, in a procedure called PDA ligation, cut a small hole in her back, near the left armpit, and attached a titanium clip to her heart. The clip forced the two sides of the opening together, allowing it to close over time.

It was minimally invasive surgery, but it required general anesthesia for a tiny baby, weighing barely 1 pound, clinging to life. She made it through the surgery. Then, perhaps in an attempt to steal the limelight from her sicker brother, her lungs collapsed. Medical workers poured in as klaxons alarmed. For long minutes she lay limp, not breathing, on the knife’s edge separating life and death. They managed to save her, but she had given everyone a scare.

Serena’s time in the NICU continued to be troubling: She remained intubated, with a machine breathing for her, until Day 51 of her life. Her vital signs crashed in two more episodes, but she progressed well compared to her brother. Over the course of three months, she graduated to breathing on her own with a nasal cannula providing oxygen.

Edwin Jr.’s first month in the NICU was spent clinging to life. Even with the highest forms of breathing assistance, he struggled. And his dependence on the oscillator would soon prove to be a problem. Days after Serena’s heart surgery, the doctor in charge asked to meet with Stephanie and Edwin Sr. They thought the meeting was to discuss giving little Edwin steroids for his lungs. Doctors had previously said they needed to wait one month from birth to administer them. But he dropped a bombshell, saying, “I have to be perfectly honest with you. Edwin Jr. has a nearly zero percent chance of survival.” The doctor went on to say that over the last 20 years, no baby at the UMass Memorial Medical Center, the region’s only Level III NICU for high-risk obstetrical and neonatal care, had ever survived on such high settings for such an extended time. Edwin was relying too much on the oscillator, and he was showing no signs that he could be weaned from the machine and the drugs he was taking. The doctor said that using steroids would not help, and that they would “just prolong the inevitable.” He also had an infection, and they couldn’t give him steroids until it cleared.

The one hopeful comment he made was that he hadn’t given up on Edwin and that he had no doubt Edwin wanted to live. The doctor said, “He has the will of a Cadillac and the body of a Chevy.”

There were tears as the parents discussed their son’s situation. Edwin Sr. remained adamant. He believed that his son would survive; he didn’t want to give up. Stephanie agreed. They would support their son in any way they could.

The next day, almost as if he’d been at the meeting, Edwin Jr. crashed. He wasn’t breathing and had no discernible heartbeat.

“The feeling of my daughter on my chest, the heat from her body against mine, and feeling her chest move as she was assisted in taking breaths, was so magical.”

—Stephanie Rodriguez ’05
Six doctors, nurses and respiratory therapists huddled over him. Stephanie, afraid that they were losing their little boy, called Edwin Sr. and told him to hurry to the hospital. The medical team took Edwin Jr. off the oscillator and used a manual air bag to inflate and deflate his lungs. Miraculously his oxygenation numbers climbed back to normal levels. He had cheated death once again. In a piece of unexpected good news, his infection, which had prevented doctors from giving him steroids, had disappeared. That day, the doctor told Stephanie and Edwin Sr. that baby Edwin needed the same heart surgery that Serena had recently undergone and needed it soon—but he said that he still had serious doubts that Edwin’s lungs would improve quickly enough for him to survive the surgery.

Baby Edwin showed marginal improvement over the next three days; the doctors OK’d his surgery. On Day 33 he went by ambulance—a little boy in his incubator, connected to a ventilator—to Children’s Hospital in Boston, an hour away. He had the surgery and spent the night in the Critical Care Unit. On the return trip to Worcester the next day, the ambulance had a sudden loss of power, forcing the ventilator onto battery backup. It made an emergency stop in Framingham, and the team moved their tiny patient to another ambulance. He made it back to Worcester safely. The miracle baby had beaten the odds yet again.

Edwin had one more series of miracles in store. When he reached the 60-day mark, he suffered a series of periods that the doctors called “death spells.” They were triggered by bronchial spasms where the muscles around the airway clamped down, and no air entered his lungs. His heart rate would slow or even stop, and he would turn blue, then white and lie limp. Doctors, nurses and respiratory therapists worked hard each time to bring him back. One of those doctors was Alan Picarillo ’93, whom Jamie describes as “our rock.”

“Alan was one of my first Holy Cross students,” Jamie says. “His smiling face and optimistic attitude guided us through Edwin Jr’s death spells. At a time when we thought the twins had been through the worst of it, the fears resurfaced, and we had to wonder, ‘Would Edwin Jr. make it home after all?’”

Baby Edwin had five death spell episodes in 10 days, and each time it seemed he wouldn’t make it. Then things unexpectedly turned around. Neither Stephanie nor anyone else could know it, but the worst was over.

Each twin would still have to endure one more surgery—a vision-saving eye procedure on Dec. 31, 2006. But the babies gained weight and were cleared for discharge.

After 122 days in the NICU, on Jan. 29, 2007, they left their first home and traveled a short distance to their new home. They weighed just 5 pounds, were fed oxygen through a nose cannula 24 hours a day and had several hours of nursing care each week.

But there were still crises: Each was hospitalized more than once. At age 20 months, Serena endured a four-hour operation on a vocal cord accidentally paralyzed during her heart surgery.

Day-to-day life was anything but normal, even when the babies came home. “The only time we ever left the apartment was for doctors’ appointments, and there were at least one or two a week with pulmonologists, audiologists, neurologists and routine doctor visits,” Stephanie explains. “Carrying two car seats with children attached to portable oxygen tanks and tubes was overwhelming. The fear of a tank emptying prematurely or the cannula coming out of the nose of either one on the drive was terrifying.”

Sometimes the monitors would alarm from the twins’ movements alone, sending their parents’ hearts racing. They always drove them together, so one could drive while the other watched over the babies in transit.

For two years the twins were monitored, and Stephanie recalls there was a beep every night that would send her and Edwin Sr. flying in to check on the babies.

Slowly their medical troubles eased. By age 2 and a half, neither twin needed oxygen unless sick—and when they reached age 5, Stephanie returned the last oxygen tanks and put away the monitoring equipment.

“It was an incredible relief when the oxygen tanks were taken away. We were very thankful to have made it through the most challenging times. We began to experience a sense of normalcy and realization that we now had children who aren’t critically or chronically ill,” Stephanie says.

Now nearly 6 years old, the twins have improved dramatically and have just finished a year of kindergarten. They will never be completely free of the effects of that early trauma: Edwin Jr. has a moderate case of cerebral palsy and autism. But he continues to surprise doctors and family members. At first they said he would never walk or talk. Yet he walks everywhere and can put together simple sentences. He loves to play in his bounce house. Serena has mild cerebral palsy that affects her fine motor skills. She is small and her paralyzed vocal cord keeps her voice quiet, but she is a happy, impish girl. She loves her princess dolls and her dog, Mellow. Recently Serena and Edwin began playing T-ball in Worcester’s Challenger League on a team called The Crusaders, coached by Kathleen Moylan ’87. (Moylan and her husband, Kevin, organized a league for children with special needs.)

Lately, when Edwin Jr. visits Jamie (continued on Page 50)
As young premed students, Erin Barlow, M.D., ’00, Alan Picarillo, M.D., ’93 and Stacey Valentine, M.D., ’97 often visited Holy Cross chemistry Professor Rick Herrick and organic chemistry lab supervisor Jamie Herrick to get academic advice, direction and, sometimes, a needed dose of reassurance.

In 2006, those roles were dramatically reversed. As their newly born grandchildren, Edwin Jr. and Serena, struggled to survive, the Herricks leaned on their former students for medical advice, direction and, sometimes, a reassuring embrace.

Picarillo, a neonatalogist at UMass Memorial Medical Center in Worcester, directed the twins’ care in the NICU. “Alan’s medical expertise saved Edwin Jr., but he also saved us along the way,” says Jamie. “He kept us calm and cautiously optimistic.” Barlow, a UMass Memorial obstetrics and gynecology physician, was a second-year resident at the time; she cared for the twins’ mother before and after delivery. “The morning the twins were born … Erin Barlow found me and hugged me,” Jamie remembers. Valentine, now a pediatric ICU pediatric physician at Boston Children’s Hospital, cared for Edwin when he was transferred to Children’s for heart surgery. Jamie was able to speak with her on the day of the surgery. “It was another comforting moment,” she says.

While every patient is important, these doctors hold a special place in their hearts for the twins. “Jamie was my teacher, and I knew Rick,” says Picarillo. “Because of that Holy Cross connection, they were family, and so Edwin and Serena were family too.”

Each of these Holy Cross graduates knew from a young age that they wanted to be a doctor, but each followed a unique path to medical school. Valentine, who was the first in her family to attend college, announced to her mother that she wanted to be a pediatrician soon after being hospitalized as a child. As the medical experts struggled to figure out what was wrong with her—the eventual diagnosis was a kidney infection—most of the doctors spoke only to her parents, never to Valentine. That changed with one pediatrician. “She sat down with me and said, ‘This is what’s going to happen,’ and she drew a kidney for me,” says Valentine, who attended the University of Vermont College of Medicine, followed by an internship, residency and fellowships at Boston Children’s Hospital and Harvard University.

“She explained to me everything that was going on. I was 10 years old, but I understood. I felt so much better that someone was talking to me. I wanted to bring that good experience to other children.”

While her profession provides exciting highs, there are also difficult lows, as when dealing with grave cases, such as Serena and Edwin’s. “The advances that we’ve had are just phenomenal in terms of being able to support those babies,” Valentine says. “As a micropreemie, it’s very intense. It’s a long road, and I tell parents, ‘Your life is no longer concerned with month to month or even day to day. It’s minute to minute.’”

Picarillo fulfilled a pledge made in his high school yearbook to become a pediatrician, graduating from UMass Medical School, where he also did a pediatric residency and neonatology fellowship.

Picarillo’s path, however, included a yearlong detour from school. As he was getting ready to (continued on Page 50)
(continued from Page 48) and me, he uses his new favorite sentence: “Watch golf now, Gaga.” Gaga is his word for grandpa. He stands transfixed, two feet from the TV, watching the golf balls in flight, pointing at the flags marking the holes and providing his own commentary.

Serena is not interested in watching golf, but loves playing “baby tag,” a game she invented that has the person who is “it,” carry a baby doll and tag people with the doll.

“My greatest joy is watching Serena and Edwin (aka Buddy) grow and develop their own special personalities,” Jamie says, adding that Serena acts much like Stephanie did as a child—talkative, strong-willed and yet playful. She also notes a special bond between the siblings who have gone through so much. “Serena will say, ‘Grammy could I have an apple and would you cut it so Buddy can share with me?’ She has a special sense of patience and understanding with him.

“And Buddy is the most innocent, sweet child I have ever known. His smile melts my heart. He is just learning to talk, and I marvel at every word, just as I marveled at his first steps.”

Our family is moving forward with the speed of those who never had to endure the medical nightmares of the twins’ earliest days. Stephanie completed her master’s degree in guidance counseling in May from Fitchburg (Mass.) State University. She has been an assistant guidance counselor for the past two years and recently accepted a guidance counselor position at a Worcester school. With the birth of the twins and with their medical problems, Edwin Sr., whose nickname in the ring is “La Bomba,” wasn’t able to train properly and failed to make the 2008 Olympic team. He turned professional in January 2008 and is now 21-0 after his recent HBO-televised victory at Madison Square Garden. (HBO will also carry his next fight on Sept. 29.) He hopes to have a shot at the super middleweight world championship in the next year.

“A lot of my strength comes from knowing that my kids have been fighting for their lives since they were born,” Edwin Sr. says. “They didn’t ask to be brought into what they were brought into, just playing the cards they were dealt. We’re just trying to make the best out of it that we can. But there is a lot of motivation for me, knowing that I have to provide for them.

“They are the champions in my life, and the only thing I can do is be the world champion and give them the life they deserve.”

When Stephanie thinks back to the night she was admitted to the hospital, she remembers a NICU doctor telling her that “23-weekers don’t always make it, especially twins, because twins tend not to develop as quickly as single babies.” He also said that preemies this early are rarely 100 percent normal. He told her and Edwin Sr. that they could choose not to provide care for their babies and hold them in their arms for their last moments, or they could have the doctors try to save them.

“To me the choice was so easy,” says Stephanie. “I knew that life might be hard and that Serena and Edwin might be severely disabled. But we loved them, and we were determined to accept them whatever their condition. Giving up on them would have been a cost way too precious to pay.”

THE DOCTORS

(continued from Page 49) graduate from the premed program at Holy Cross, he was struggling to decide if medical school was the right option. “I had a lot of serious talks with [former chemistry professor] Mike McGrath, who was a great mentor,” says Picarillo. McGrath encouraged him to take time off and helped him get job teaching at a Worcester high school. “It was a fantastic experience,” says Picarillo, who knew as soon as the acceptance letter from UMass Medical School arrived months later that he was still committed to being a doctor. “I had an incredible experience at Holy Cross,” says Picarillo, who hopes that one of his two sons, currently ages 6 and 8, will be the fifth generation of Crusaders in his family.

Barlow entered Holy Cross confident that she would be a pediatrician. But an internship during her third year with a pediatric surgeon at UMass Medical School changed her focus. “I was exposed to surgery at that time,” says Barlow, “and I was hooked.” After graduating from and completing her residency at UMass Medical School, she had a fellowship at The Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto. Today, this surgeon has a specialty in pediatric and adolescent gynecology.

Barlow, like Picarillo, took a detour from academics after Holy Cross to teach high school biology for a year. “It was a great learning environment, and a lot of work,” she says. “Working as a teacher helped reinforce that I wanted to make teaching part of my medical career, mentoring residents and students, for example.” For all its challenges, Barlow’s career provides benefits that are evident on the bulletin board in her office, which is covered with pictures of babies and toddlers she’s helped deliver. “That’s one of the great things about obstetrics—I get pictures on first birthdays and Christmas cards,” she says.

All three of these doctors applied to Holy Cross specifically because of the excellent reputation of its premed program, the opportunities to work on research directly with professors and the intimate class sizes. “You hear all these horror stories about medical school, but I loved it,” Picarillo says. “I’m being 100 percent honest—I still think medical school was easier than Holy Cross. It speaks to how well prepared I was coming out of Holy Cross.” —Christine Hofmann-Bourque

Online Only Meet Patricia Gates ’78 and her daughter Mary ’13, who also overcame tremendous odds as a preemie. Plus, Rick Herrick offers a primer on modern neonatal medicine: http://magazine.holycross.edu
Rick Herrick, known as “Gaga” to his grandkids, sharing a moment with Edwin Jr. and Serena at the fountain in the Integrated Science Complex in March 2012.
WHEN PATHS CROSS

Two classmates from '62 team up to bring medical equipment and healing hope to an impoverished area of West Africa  BY JODY GARLOCK

While in their 20s as students at Holy Cross, Jim Murphy '62 (top) and Conrad "Connie" Heede '62 (bottom) seemed to be living parallel lives. The science majors—Murphy, in biology, Heede, in chemistry—rose early each morning for Mass, spent their days in classrooms and labs and their nights hitting the books before lights out in the residence halls at 10:30 p.m. When they received their diplomas from Holy Cross with the 401 other graduates in 1962, both men also left the Hill with strong Catholic faith and commitment to serve in the Jesuit tradition.

As aligned as their young adult lives were, Murphy and Heede never met while attending Holy Cross. It took another 45 years—when they were well into their 60s and winding down professional careers—for their paths to cross.

Six years ago, Heede, a former Navy biochemist who ventured into commercial real estate and now lives in suburban Fort Worth, Texas, came across an article about Murphy's humanitarian effort in Ghana, West Africa. Murphy, a respected doctor in Kearny, N.J., planned to devote his retirement to establishing an ear, nose and throat department at the Tamale Teaching Hospital. Recognizing Murphy's name, Heede reached out to his classmate, offering his expertise in fundraising and contacts through his longstanding service work with Rotary International.

The former classmates embarked on what turned into a two-and-a-half-year project to secure medical supplies and equipment for the neglected government-run hospital. Heede, a Rotarian since the 1970s, helped set up a team that included Rotarians in West Africa as well as in Murphy's hometown in New Jersey and his own local club in Texas. Having written and secured grants in upwards of 40 developing countries, Heede took the lead on that for this project. The team worked to gather donations with Project C.U.R.E., a nonprofit organization that provides medical supplies and equipment to underserved countries.

In April 2009, some $800,000 worth of medical equipment and supplies were dedicated at the Tamale hospital—the largest gift in its history. For Murphy, who has lived in Ghana full time since 2007 (his wife, Cyndy, top left with Jim, lives there most of the time, too), the sight of two 40-foot containers finally making their way to the remote area of northern Ghana was humbling.

"It was a big day, and an emotional day, too," Murphy recalls. "When the equipment arrives, you can't help but think of the patients who are going to benefit from it—patients you couldn't operate on before. With the right equipment, you go from practicing medicine in the 1950s to the 2000s."

Back in Texas, Heede waited anxiously. "I was very happy to hear it had arrived, but at that point I was more interested in receiving word that it had been installed," he says. "Getting the equipment to a Third World country is maybe 75 percent of the job. The rest of it is getting it installed and getting people trained to use it."

Murphy sees the generosity pay off daily, as the surgeries to repair wounds, facial deformities and ear ailments change the lives of the poor in the mostly Muslim region. The updated equipment allowed the clinic—the only one of its kind in the region for a population of
more than 2 million—to expand from emergency only, to elective cases. In his blog (drmurphyinghana.blogspot.com), the otolaryngologist details his days, often with graphic photos—a toddler with a cleft lip, a woman with severe electrical burns to her nose, a boy whose trachea and thyroid gland were severed when an intruder slashed his throat.

Despite having more modern equipment, Murphy doesn’t sugarcoat the conditions. “We have a very long ways to go,” he says. “We don’t have power often, and we don’t have water often.” Sterilizing equipment is an issue due to lack of water, and, when power goes out, surgeries come to a halt. Treating patients, training young physicians, medical students and nurses, and working to secure donations from medical companies leave little spare time.

“Retirement is a misnomer,” Murphy says. “I’m working harder than I’ve ever worked before.”

In one way, the transition to living and working in Africa hasn’t been difficult, as English is Ghana’s official language (though some people speak a local tribal language that Murphy is slowly learning). But the challenges are many. Residents living in huts with no electricity or water are appreciative of the medical care Murphy and his team provide, but he adds, “Medically speaking, what’s been difficult is that, for many people, life is very cheap.

“Tribalism is a big problem, too. Different tribes go in and out of power, which affects money dedicated to the hospital and the appointments in the hospital,” Murphy explains.

Murphy, like Heede, credits Holy Cross for a well-rounded education that helped open his eyes to the bigger world. Classes in theology, religion and philosophy assisted in shaping both science majors’ outlook on life. “Those courses raised the fundamental questions of what life was about—about God and the purpose of life,” Murphy says.

Heede shares, “What Holy Cross instilled in me is that if you could help someone less fortunate, you should. It also re-enforced the spirit of community that I had received from my parents.”

In June, Heede headed back to the Hill for the Class of 1962’s 50th reunion, with stories to share of his collaboration with Murphy. The milestone reunion was also a time for contemplation. “It forces you to re-think your background and experience,” he says. “My years at Holy Cross were just an unbelievable growing experience. I remember going home at Thanksgiving during my freshman year and realizing that I was a different person. It was like Holy Cross opened up a whole new world for me and what I can be and do.”

Though Murphy wasn’t able to attend the reunion—he returns to the United States every 18 months or so for a visit—his chance encounter with Heede has forged a lifelong bond. In some ways, the two men, who have still yet to meet, are kindred spirits. “There are just some people who, out of the blue, will help you and do anything for you,” Murphy says. “Connie is one of the good ones.”

When it comes to their charitable endeavors, each knows his place. For Murphy, it’s using his skills as a physician and training the next generation of ENT specialists. At 72, he hopes to complete at least a few more years at the Tamale clinic. For Heede, it’s writing grants and being a behind-the-scenes facilitator. Neither man expects any pats on the back.

“Your reward is what’s inside yourself—it makes you a better person,” Heede says.

Thousands of miles away, Murphy shares a similar sentiment. “There is peace and satisfaction in doing something worthwhile and good,” he says.

Cyndy Murphy, who spends part of the year with her husband in Ghana, writes of her adventures and observations in her own blog at cyndymurphy.blogspot.com.

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—JIM MURPHY, M.D., ’62
In this special Flashback, Albert Mongillo ’54 shares his memories of a time when the Hill was alive with the sound of big band dance music.

The War ended and the Big Band Era ended with it. Glenn Miller was lost over the English Channel. Benny Goodman was playing small rooms. Count Basie folded his band while Woody Herman was forming The Third Herd, trying to survive.

Patriotism was still alive as war clouds loomed over Korea, a place little known to most of us. Post-war culture had turned America into a bedroom community, pushing the posh hotels and their entertainment venues into the past. On Catalina Island, even the iconic and beautiful Avalon Ballroom was shuttered—it later became a tourist attraction. The big bands folded one by one, or were left playing one-night stands and college proms. The Cold War had heated to a frenzy, creating a fear of returning to the battlefield.

Fortunately for me, Holy Cross kept The Crusader Dance Band alive, so when I came up to the Hill in 1950, I had the chance to audition for a chair in the saxophone section. We met in the basement of the Chapel.

Angelo “Angie” DiPippo ’51, the pianist and bandleader, greeted us and explained what he was looking for. The first two chairs were filled by returning juniors. Jim Kennelly ’52 ably led the section in the first chair, and I was no match for the booming tenor and delicate clarinet work of Irving Gilson, M.D., ’52. Dick Guthrie ’54 won third alto, and the baritone chair was occupied. Bobby “Tito” Sulick ’54, a fellow freshman, and I battled for the remaining tenor sax seat.

A week went by and we met again. The rhythm and brass
sections were set. The band sounded tight as they sight-read stock sheets. Tito appeared to have the seat sewed up, and, as the evening wore on, my chances looked dim. Angie came over, sat down next to me and said, “Kid, I have a problem. Did you ever play baritone sax?”

“No,” I answered, “but I started out on E Flat alto and I know the basics. Why?”

“Good,” he said. “That settles it. Take the fifth seat.”

We spent the year doing one-nighters and touring New England on vacations and holidays. We played the standards of Stan Kenton, Tommy Dorsey and others of the era, and also some of Angelo’s unique arrangements, including an oboe lead on Duke Ellington’s 1936 jazz standard “Caravan.” The highlight of the year was playing a Holy Cross dinner dance at The Biltmore Hotel in New York. Woody Herman’s “Early Autumn” and “Four Brothers” always brought the crowd around the bandstand. “Early Autumn” remains one of my favorite songs today.

We had gelled as a group and were contracted to be the house band on the S.S. Volendam for the summer of 1951. All the plans were made to leave in May and return in September. But the Korean conflict turned hot, and the draft board interceded. Our passports were frozen. We were devastated. Our sax section is gone now, but like the sounds of a swing band, we will blend together in the next world, helping to keep the Big Band sound alive.

Gabriel will blow first trumpet.
A $500,000 gift from Anthony M. Marlon, M.D., ’63 puts the Holy Cross Summer Research Program on a path toward full endowment

How low can Holy Cross go? With an average class size of just 19, Holy Cross is already the envy of larger universities that frequently must jam their lecture halls with 200 or 300—or more—students. Holy Cross upperclass students in many seminars see those class sizes drop as low as six. And in the highly competitive Summer Research Program, where rising Holy Cross second-, third- and fourth-year students join professors in the laboratory, the student-to-teacher ratio is trimmed down to an impressive one-to-one.

An increasing number of students are eager to extend their academic experience on the Hill through this rigorous program. For nine weeks in the summer, upwards of 100 undergraduates work at least 40 hours a week doing important primary research with mentoring from faculty from the departments of physics, chemistry, biology, mathematics and computer science, and more.

“We give students this opportunity to sit with and learn from some of the best scholars of the College,” says Timothy Austin, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the College.

The cost to these talented students? Not a single penny. Every student in the Summer Research Program is given a stipend, which equates to slightly more than minimum wage. They are also provided on-campus housing, a supply budget, and a travel allowance so they can present their research at a professional conference. All told, Holy Cross spends $7,000 for each participant. Because of budget constraints, last year the College had to turn down many qualified applicants. “The number of rejections we’re forced to make is increasing at an alarming rate,” says psychology Professor Daniel Bitran, who has been the science coordinator for the summer program for six years. “I’d love to say ‘yes’ to all the applicants.”

That hope may come true sooner rather than later thanks to a new $500,000 donation from Anthony Marlon, M.D., ’63, a retired board-certified specialist in internal medicine and cardiovascular diseases. While part of Marlon’s gift will go toward immediate expenses, the majority will be set aside to provide partial endowment for the program.

“Dr. Marlon’s gift is incredibly valuable to us,” says Bitran, who mentored Bethany Charron ’12 and Anna Whelan ’12 for their 2011 summer research project, Serotonin 2A Receptor Agonist Potentiates Amphetamine’s Disruption of Prepulse Inhibition in Mice. “As a liberal arts institution, we strive to increase our mentorship with the student beyond what we experience in the classroom, and getting them involved in research is an ideal way to do that. It’s transformative from their standpoint. They gain confidence and rhetorical skills, organizational skills and critical thinking skills. They learn to approach a problem from many perspectives. That’s the real payoff.”

As Holy Cross makes plans for an even stronger academic future, the special one-on-one learning opportunities of the Summer Research Program will play a pivotal role. “When the Trustees met last June to settle on the main priorities for the strategic plan, we came up with the phrase ‘strengthening the academic core,’” says Austin. “This suggests that, rather than putting on fancy curlicues and bells and whistles to existing programs, we will try to focus on what represents the bedrock of a Holy Cross education, which is the relationship between faculty and students. When you get down to it, you can’t replace that.”

In this respect, the relatively small size of Holy Cross, which allows faculty to develop a personal relationship with students, is a benefit and a blessing. “In the end, the thing that allows the students to really know what makes the faculty members tick, to know what excites them about their field of study, is to sit side by side with them in the laboratory doing research,” says Austin.

THE HEART OF MEDICINE

Marlon knows firsthand about the life-altering experience of working as a student in a laboratory. After graduating from the premed program at Holy Cross, he enrolled in medical school at the State University of New York (SUNY). During his final year of study there, he was exempted from all traditional classes so that he could spend his time doing research in a cardiac physiology lab. That lab experience unlocked his lifelong dedication to cardiology.

After completing his internship, residency and cardiology fellowship at Stanford University, he began his cardiology...
practice in 1972 in Las Vegas, where he lives with his wife, Renee. He founded Sierra Health Services, a Nevada HMO that grew naturally out of his practice. In 2008, this CEO, chairman of the board and president sold the HMO to UnitedHealthcare, a subsidiary of UnitedHealth Group.

Marlon’s good fortune has become the good fortune for many organizations, including Holy Cross. “When my company was bought out, I set up a family foundation,” says Marlon, who filled the foundation’s board with his three children, Bradley, Robert and Jeannine Zeller, so that he could teach them about philanthropy. “We give away five percent of the assets on an annual basis,” he explains, with the majority of money going to healthcare and education. Communities to which the family has direct ties are the biggest beneficiaries: The Marlon Foundation supports organizations in the Portsmouth, N.H., area where his daughter lives; in Las Vegas, which Marlon has called home for 40 years; and—of course—Marlon’s alma mater, which include Holy Cross and Chaminade High School in Mineola, N.Y.

Education is of particular concern to Marlon in part because he often witnessed the effects of substandard educations while he was the CEO to 3,500 employees. “When I ran a business, I was getting high school and college graduates who couldn’t read above a ninth-grade level,” he says.

He sees Holy Cross as a bright spot in academia, however, and hopes his donation to the Summer Research Program will encourage more students to study science. “I’ve met with students,” says Marlon, who has visited Worcester three times in the last five years. “I met with faculty and went through the new science building. Both my wife and I were very impressed with the changes that have been made since I’ve been there, and the product that Holy Cross turns out. And I support their mission. They’re right on track.”

PUTTING MUSCLE BEHIND SCIENCE
Strengthening and expanding the Summer Research Program benefits faculty as much as students. “In a liberal arts environment, we don’t have graduate or postdoctoral students, so the undergrads are the lifeline to our scholarship,” says Bitran. He, like many of his Holy Cross colleagues, draws on the summer research students to help him advance his own ongoing research projects. “As faculty members, we rely on high-quality student work.”

The faculty help the students, the students assist the faculty, and it all helps maintain Holy Cross’ reputation as a stellar institution for the study of science. “We have a pretty impressive list of alumni who have made very important careers in the sciences,” says Bitran. “That Holy Cross excels in the sciences is a historical fact, but we can’t sit on our laurels.”

The summer program helps ensure that future graduates are well-equipped for postgraduate life, whether that includes a Fulbright scholarship or a Ph.D. program. “The goal is to bring the students to the level that they’re more of our colleagues than our students,” says Bitran. “Their contributions are much

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—Anthony Marlon, M.D., ’63
more than menial labor. They’re involved in the thought process, the design of experiments, the write-up for publication, and ultimately they can earn an authorship on a paper that appears in a professional journal.”

DECADES OF SUPPORT FOR THE SCIENCES

Anthony and Renee have long thrown their financial support behind the science departments at Holy Cross. In the 1990s, the Marlons made a major gift that established the endowed Anthony and Renee Marlon Professor in the Sciences. For 13 years and counting, the Marlon Professorship has allowed one Holy Cross faculty member to carry a reduced teaching load, freeing up more time for research. It also provides additional salary compensation and money to pay for expenses such as attending conferences.

“I am very grateful to the Marlon family,” says the current Marlon Professor, Thomas E. Cecil ’68, of the department of mathematics and computer science. Cecil has been the Marlon Professor for three years; he will be replaced by Professor John B. Little, also of the department of mathematics and computer science, who will begin his three-year term as the next Marlon Professor in July 2012.

“The resources of the Marlon Professorship have been invaluable to my research efforts over the past three years,” says Cecil, who is writing a differential geometry book, titled Geometry of Hypersurfaces, with Patrick J. Ryan of McMaster University in Canada. “We have written more than 150 pages so far, and we recently received a contract for the book from the respected science publisher Springer-Verlag.”

In the 2000s, the Marlons again stepped up to issue two challenge gifts to help the construction of the $60 million Integrated Science Center, which opened its doors in 2009, and of which the Marlons were major champions. One challenge focused on his fellow physician-scientists and was met with tremendous success. The Marlons’ generosity continues in the 2010s with their donation to the Summer Research Program.

Although it’s not unusual for alumni to make consistent donations in one field of study—as the Marlons have to the science departments—the breadth of his support is uncommon. “What’s remarkable is the way in which Dr. Marlon is willing to ask, ‘What does it take to do science well at Holy Cross?’” observes Austin. “Faculty alone isn’t enough. Scholarship alone isn’t enough. Facilities alone aren’t enough. It’s a package. He provides all the legs of the stool. He’s supporting from every possible angle.”

“I continue to think that Holy Cross does one of the best jobs,” says Marlon. “I do believe that the education I got at Holy Cross and Chaminade and then in medical school enabled me to do the things I’ve done in my life up until this point. As difficult as Holy Cross was, I came out tough enough to survive anything.”

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THE POWER OF ONE

Barry Bruno ’94

Hometown
Originally from Bristol, R.I.; currently lives in Princeton, N.J.

Family
Wife, Hanna; son, Nicholas; daughter, Aerin

What he did at Holy Cross
Holy Cross Sailing Club, president of the Purple Key Society, dreamt of Cape Week through long Worcester winters

The lasting impact it had
“Holy Cross exposed me to a host of different ideas, ways of thinking and alternate world views. All of those challenged my preconceptions, helped to alter how I think and, in the process, helped make me who I am today.”

Memorable Holy Cross moments
“Debating ‘guns vs. butter’ during introductory economics with Dr. Ajit Ranade, along with a very long car ride to Winston-Salem, N.C., to watch our men’s basketball team play Arkansas in the first round of the 1993 NCAA tournament. We lost by 30 points, but it was great to be there surrounded by so many friends who had made the trek all the way from Worcester in a snowstorm to cheer on our team. I’m still waiting for our first modern-era NCAA victory.”

Why he stays connected to Holy Cross
“I still feel close to Holy Cross even though I’m far away and don’t make it back to campus too often. It has to do with the friends I made, the fantastic experiences I had and the belief that Holy Cross truly makes a difference in people’s lives. I also feel like I owe Holy Cross for the great education I received.”

Why he believes in Holy Cross
“The combination of the College’s consistent focus on academic excellence and its small size makes it an ideal place to learn and thrive. I also believe our base of alumni is a secret weapon that can be under-appreciated until you come across one and find out just how willing they are to go out of their way to help out a fellow alum. I owe many of them for helping me along my career path.”

Why he gives to Holy Cross
“I feel very fortunate to have been able to attend Holy Cross, and I want others to be able to benefit from the same very high quality education that I received. I like believing that every little bit I give helps someone else experience Holy Cross in the same way I did.”

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The Leadership Council of New York honored Stan Grayson ’72 on April 26 at The Pierre Hotel. A record-breaking number of alumni, parents and friends attended this year’s dinner, where Grayson was recognized for his loyal support of Holy Cross and his leadership in New York City. Since its inception, the Council has raised more than $3.5 million for the Summer Internship Program and other priorities. This summer the Council will fund 25 student internships at New York business and nonprofit organizations. The dinner committee was chaired by Ken Padgett ’66, P11, 07, 05. The Leadership Council is chaired by Art Casavant ’80, P13.
Bill ’80 and Lynda Glavin P10, Regina ’80 and Rick ’80 Patterson, Jim ’80 and Mary Ann ’80 Marrone P14, 09  
Susan Feitelberg ’84, Julie Halpin Anderson ’84, Beth Pasciucco ’84  
Kevin and Maureen Ward P15 and Gregory ’75 and Susan ’77 Gnall  
Marguerita Gonzales ’83 and Bernadette Semple ’82  
Neil Prior ’56, Steve Urbanczyk ’71, Jane Sullivan Roberts ’76  
Ted Wells ’72, Jaffe Dickerson ’72, Eddie Jenkins ’72, Art Martin ’70, Stan Grayson ’72, Joe Wilson ’73, Ron Lawson ’75, Chuck Presbury ’75, Schone Malliet ’74  
Patricia and Stan Grayson ’72 with their children Stephen and Lauren  
Eileen Moriarty W52, P88, 83, 81, 80, 79 and Rev. John Brooks, S.J. ’49  
Grayson and Jenkins
EVER STRIVING

Part philosopher, part drill sergeant, Coach Jim Kavanagh fosters passion and perseverance in cross country and track and field on the Hill

His boyish looks—those Irish eyes breakdancing with bedevilment—seem to be jumping off a vintage box of Wheaties. Jim Kavanagh, forever easygoing, belies his biostat of 65. In many ways, he is still the All-American freckle-faced kid with dreams of Olympic fame, if not becoming a cover boy for the Breakfast of Champions.

“These kids at Holy Cross keep our staff physically fit and mentally young,” Kavanagh remarks with aw-shucks modesty. “Coach K,” the Richard L. Ahern ’51 Director of Cross Country and Track and Field, leads a very experienced staff: women’s coach Egetta Alfonso ’92 has been with the Crusaders for 13 seasons; assistant coaches Pete Mariani and John Hoogasian have been on the Hill for 17 and 20 seasons, respectively; and women’s assistant coach Bruce Stearns has 31 seasons under his belt.

But Kavanagh himself rings in at 41 seasons at Holy Cross: In that time, he has motivated thousands of young men and women to achieve their personal bests in cross country and indoor and outdoor track and field while pushing them to perform as well in the classroom. He has been an agent for
change while adapting to seismic alterations in the College's athletic landscape.

When head coach Tom Duffy '20 and assistant W. Harold "Skip" O'Connor approached Kavanagh about becoming a Crusader assistant in 1971, Kavanagh told them bluntly, "You know I am THE ENEMY. Holy Cross has a track program, but not a track and field program. As a decathlete, I don't appreciate how one dimensional the program is."

Indeed the legendary Bart Sullivan, head coach from 1912 through 1964, smartly recruited gifted sprinters who could excel also in mile and two-mile relays and earn Holy Cross national attention. But other events were often neglected. "That's why we want you to come to Holy Cross, to change all that," Duffy replied.

Kavanagh had a glossy resume. He set Boston College records in the discus, the hammer throw, the shot put and still holds the all-time Eagle record for most points scored in the decathlon. Along with All-America honors in track and field, Kavanagh snared 44 catches in football during his junior and senior seasons. Drafted in 1968 by the NFL.
Kansas City Chiefs, Kavanagh had but a week to decide whether to turn pro and give up his amateur status and Olympic dreams. He signed with the Chiefs and broke his ankle in the preseason. “That [decision] blew up in my face,” he says.

Yet along with world-class athletic talent, Kavanagh had brains and a backup plan. At La Salle Academy in Providence, R.I., he had found a perfect role model in Pete Curtin, his geometry teacher and coach in track and field. “He was my idol. Because of him, I always knew I would someday coach and teach math,” recalls Kavanagh, who taught math in the Worcester public school system for 30 years while serving as a Holy Cross track and field and cross country coach.

Kavanagh’s parents impressed the importance of a good education on their seven kids. The two girls went to Providence’s St. Xavier’s Academy and all five boys went to La Salle Academy; where Coach K’s brother, Donald J. Kavanagh ’73, is now the school’s principal. Their mother, Thelma, a librarian by training, ran the household while giving home piano lessons. For 40 years, their dad, Ed, a burly no-nonsense guy, ran Kavanagh’s Tap, an Irish pub where boisterous political arguments often raged.

“My dad worked long hours and could never understand all the time and energy I devoted to athletics. He worked from dawn until after midnight and never saw me compete,” says Kavanagh, who now has three children of his own—Brian ’03, Michael and Jane—with his wife, Elizabeth.

Since Kavanagh’s arrival, times have changed dramatically, athletically and otherwise, at Holy Cross. Today, competition for gifted athletes is keen among highly ranked academic schools in the Patriot League and the Ivy League and in general among colleges and state universities throughout New England. The growth of sports such as soccer and lacrosse has watered down the talent pool. The College had but a handful of sports 50 years ago; now students compete in 27 varsity sports, notes Kavanagh, who assumed the mantle of head coach (still part time) in 1978.

A hard-nosed optimist by nature, Kavanagh sees a positive spinoff from the whirlwind of change. “The quality of the student-athlete here is fantastic. Our women’s program is getting better and better. Our kids are receptive to studying and training hard,” Kavanagh says. Holy Cross’ resurfaced outdoor track and other improved facilities are also providing added recruiting tools.

The women are guided by one of Coach K’s prized protegées, Egetta (Schumski) Alfonso ’92, a senior co-captain...
who set records in the shot put and as a member of the 4 by 100-meter quartet under the guidance of the esteemed Al Halper and Kavanagh. Alfonso taught English at Worcester’s South High, where she was a colleague of Kavanagh. In 1999, when Coach K was appointed full-time director of track and field and cross country, he brought Alfonso aboard.

This past indoor season, Holy Cross women posted their highest finish, fourth, in New England. Stephanie Okpoebo ’14 emerged as the team’s MVP, winning the 60 and 200 meter dashes in the Patriot League Indoor Championships and the 100 and 200 meters dashes in the Patriot League Outdoor Championships, hosted by Holy Cross. “Coach Alfonso was very supportive of me when I tore up my knee (ACL) in high school soccer. Her encouragement made me want to come here and get better each year,” says Okpoebo.

No doubt, the women’s team will miss senior leaders such as Katelyn Hartnett ’12, who set Holy Cross records in the 800 meters and 1,000 meters, and Alexandria Culkeen ’12, a fine performer in shot put, discus and hammer. Yet Coach Alfonso looks forward to the return of Holy Cross’ record-setting 4 by 100 meter relay team (47.02 seconds) of Okpoebo, Brianna Tabin ’15, Melanie Forte ’13 and Katie Bobinski ’15, as well as a strong supporting cast of other returnees and recruits.

The men’s teams are a slightly different story. “We are in a building phase,” explains Sam McGrath ’14, a promising 800-meter talent who ran a personal best (1:53:27) in the New England Outdoor Championship and is part of a very good 4 by 800-meter relay group with Nick Petsky ’14, Trevor Dutton ’15 and Nick Athanasidy ’14. “Our attitude is to train harder, compete harder and improve,” McGrath adds.

Coach K, the athletes will tell you, is two parts philosopher and one part drill sergeant who inculcates a realistic approach to keep Holy Cross competitive. He understands the formula for success: a mixture of hard work and talent. “I know these kids are making the effort and sacrificing their social life, and often come up short of their expectations. But they are measured only by striving for their best performances,” Kavanagh says.

An example of this attitude is Amenawon Johnson ’14, a 6-foot-3, 185-pound athlete who is being asked to pool all his talents and transform himself into 10-event decathlete. “It is frustrating trying to be good at everything. There are times I want to give up, but Assistant Coach [John] Hoogasian tells me champions don’t quit,” says this computer science major from Framingham, Mass. So this summer Johnson is dedicating himself to “getting better,” the Holy Cross mantra.

Is it worth it? “It’s tough being an athlete at Holy Cross. It takes away a good part of your social life, but I love to compete, and I would not have changed anything,” says Hartnett, who is trotting off to a career with a major accounting firm that believes Hartnett—like other Holy Cross athletes—is always reaching to achieve another personal best.

John W. Gearan ’65 is an award-winning writer who worked as a reporter and columnist for the Worcester Telegram & Gazette for 36 years. He resides in Rhode Island.

Jim Kavanagh has been the director of cross country and track and field at Holy Cross since 1998.
“Life goes on, but some things should not be forgotten,” says Andrew J. Kelly ’60, the keeper of his father’s flame.

Without a doubt, his father, Andrew B. Kelly ’17 (right), would be the face of track and field if Holy Cross had an imaginary Mount Rushmore chiseled somewhere dedicated to its glorious athletic past. Kelly would be alongside basketball’s Bob Cousy ’50, football’s Bullet Bill Osmanski ’39 and baseball’s Ownie Carroll ’25. They are the Big Four.

Yet somehow the fog of history can obscure the obvious. That is the danger of picking a debate-baiting list such as the “Top 25 Sports Moments” as we did in the last issue of Holy Cross Magazine. Alas, no mention of Andy Kelly’s exploits.

Kelly, to be fair, has been duly recognized by alma mater. He was among six chosen to the first class of the Holy Cross Varsity Club’s Hall of Fame alongside Cousy; Osmanski; Jack Barry, Class of 1910, who coached baseball at Holy Cross in five decades; the legendary Louis Sockalexis, member of the Class of 1897; and amateur golf king Willie Turnesa ’38. Not bad company. And since the early 1980s, every Alumni Weekend is highlighted by the Andy Kelly Road Race/Walk, an annual 5K in his honor. (Until her death in 2007, Kelly’s widow, Dorothy, would often shoot the starter’s pistol.)

“Dad didn’t talk a lot about his accomplishments,” notes the younger Kelly in a recent chat, who sent polite notes to HCM when Dad’s deeds of derring-do were overlooked in the Spring 2012 issue.

Andy Kelly was truly one of the most celebrated Crusaders in an era when newspapers reigned and radio and TV didn’t exist. Amateur track and field ranked right up there with baseball, college football, horseracing and boxing in popularity.

Kelly had national star status as a sprinter. As a junior, he gained notice as the New England Intercollegiate champ, setting records in the 100-yard dash (9 and 4/5 seconds) and in the 220-yard dash (21 and 2/5 seconds). As a senior, Captain Kelly was simply sensational. He won New England Indoor Championships in the 50-yard and 60-yard sprints. On Jan. 27, 1917, in the Coast Artillery Games, Kelly, along with Thomas H. Mahoney Jr. ’18, Jack Dunphy ’17 and Tony Doyle ’18, set a world record in the 1,280-yard relay (2 minutes, 28 and 2/5 seconds, see photo, opposite top). In a 1982 interview, Kelly explained: “That was an oddity really because that wasn’t a standard distance; it was just a traditional race at Mechanics Hall in Boston, and the distance was dictated by the room in the hall.”

On St. Patrick’s Day, in his hometown of New York City, Kelly retained his National AAU crown in the 300-yard dash, setting a
new world record with a time of 31 and 2/5 seconds. But perhaps better than the world record is the story that Andy Kelly, a gifted raconteur, loved to tell. “I got a dispensation to eat meat during Lent (and on Friday) from one priest the day before the meet in New York. I slipped down to a diner in Worcester so nobody would spot me and ordered a huge steak. But a Holy Cross alum spotted me and mentioned my misdoings to my corridor prefect, Fr. Duffy,” Kelly told a Worcester Telegram columnist in 1982. “Well, Fr. Duffy, with a brogue you could cut with a knife, comes storming into my room and snaps, ‘You’ll be goin’ straight to hell, you will,’ and threatens to have me expelled.”

Fr. Duffy was not overjoyed with Kelly’s explanation about getting a dispensation from another Jesuit just to help Kelly and the Crusader track team. “It’s still a mortal sin, young man!” roared Fr. Duffy. Kelly did not get expelled and the next day broke the world record, albeit steak-aided.

Experts predicted Kelly would be a key member of Team USA in the 1916 Berlin Olympics. No one knows what glories may have followed on his heels, as the 1916 games were cancelled due to World War I. Kelly enlisted in the 7th New York regiment and attained the rank of Army captain before the war ended on Nov. 11, 1918.

The following year in Paris, Kelly competed in the Inter-Allied Games, open only to veterans of the War. Running in the trials for the 100-meter dash, Kelly strained a tendon and lost an opportunity to compete against Charley Paddock and other finalists. In 1920 Paddock would win the 100-meter dash in the Antwerp Olympics.

Kelly, who had a successful career as a stockbroker and with the Internal Revenue Service, continued to run track with the New York Athletic Club and later officiated schoolboy track meets, but his days at Holy Cross remained the brightest spots in his memory. At his father’s 1956 induction into the Holy Cross Varsity Club Hall of Fame, Kelly ’60 observed, “My father likes his cigars, a good steak and his bridge games, but there was nothing that gave him more enjoyment or for which he was more fond than the times he spent at the College.”

**ONLINE ONLY** Read more about the athletic prowess, fame and legacy of Andrew B. Kelly ’17—and how a chance meeting at a New York bar saved his Holy Cross career—in this issue’s Web Exclusives at magazine.holycross.edu.

Andrew B. Kelly ’17, one of the earliest stars of Crusader athletics, made his mark internationally in track and field.

**BY JOHN W. GEARAN ’65**
Once tennis rivals at Worcester-area high schools, **EMILY MARR ’12** and **CAROLYN CHANDLEY ’12** became not only fearsome doubles partners at Holy Cross—this season, they tied the team’s all-time highest number of doubles wins with a 14–9 record—but also best friends. We caught up with these brand-new graduates as they look back at their Holy Cross years and look forward to the challenges ahead.

**Q** Emily, Carolyn said you were too humble to mention the big award you recently won, so we’ll bring it up: Congratulations on being named the 2012 Patriot League Scholar Athlete of the Year. Did you know you were getting it?

**MARR** “I was shocked! You have to work hard to be an athlete and do well academically, so it was a nice surprise.”

**Q** What are your post-graduation plans?

**MARR** “I’m working for Barton Associates, a recruiter for doctors, in Peabody, Mass. Last summer I worked for United Way of Central Massachusetts, where my job was to pair children with appropriate activities. My new job is kind of similar, but on a much bigger scale.”

**CHANDLEY** “I’ll be entering the financial analyst and sales program at Bloomberg in New York City. My major was political science, which I chose because I wanted to hone my writing and analytic skills, but I always thought I’d go into finance. I’m excited to move to New York. It’s going to be a big change for me.”

**Q** Worcester is your hometown. How did that influence your experience at Holy Cross?

**CHANDLEY** “I went home for dinner at least one night a week. That is a nice fringe benefit of living so close to home. Sometimes during those really stressful weeks it’s nice to go home to unwind a bit and remove yourself from all the stress of schoolwork.”

**MARR** “Going to school so close to home enabled me to remain involved in my high school, Notre Dame Academy, and coach alongside my father, Peter. My dad became the head tennis coach there in the spring of 2009, and in 2010 I took on an official position as the assistant coach underneath him. It is great having the opportunity to help a group of girls develop their tennis games just as my father helped me develop mine.”

**Q** Like a lot of Crusaders, you both have a penchant for nonprofit work. How have you explored this area?

**CHANDLEY** “Being from Worcester, it’s really important to me to give back to my hometown. With the free time that I had, I volunteered at places such as the Kids’ Cafe at the Boys & Girls Club of Worcester and through various SPUD programs. It never feels like enough, though. That’s another thing that really impressed me about Holy Cross: Students from all around the country give a lot of their time to a city that has afforded me a multitude of opportunities. It’s great to see!”

**MARR** “I spent time volunteering in Worcester at the Nativity School, where I tutored the same student for three years. Last summer, I interned at United Way as a youth coordinator. And last spring, I participated in an immersion trip to Appalachia.”

**Q** Carolyn, you have relatives who are alumni, including your parents and three uncles. Would you say you “bleed purple”?

**CHANDLEY** “Definitely! There are more than 30 members of both my immediate and extended family who went to Holy Cross. When I decided Holy Cross was where I would spend my college years, my grandmother started to cry because she was so happy. That was really a special moment for me.”

**Q** Please finish this sentence: “The most unusual thing I did at Holy Cross was …”

**CHANDLEY** “Watch President Obama announce they captured Osama Bin Laden, fall asleep and then awake to a mass of people running to Dinand screaming ‘USA! USA!’ I, of course, joined in on this chaos, and I think it was a night many of us won’t forget!”

**MARR** “Sledding down Mulledy Beach on a Kimball lunch tray—before Holy Cross got rid of Mulledy Beach and lunch trays!”

**Q** What will you miss most about Holy Cross?

**MARR** “I will miss the times spent making close friends on and off the courts, during five-hour van rides to matches, brunches at Kimball and long nights in the library. But I know I’ve made lasting friendships that I will carry with me long after graduation.”

**CHANDLEY** “The thing I’ll miss most is the tennis team. … Being part of a varsity team really enhanced my college experience.”

—By Cecile Rivera Llorens ’12 and Clare Dougherty ’12
alumni news
HCAA President’s Note

LOOKING BACK AND THINKING AHEAD

For our Alumni Association, spring brings a hectic but enjoyable pace. Our programs have attracted record participation and have engaged alumni with the College community in varied and effective ways. Our Continuing Education Day brought almost 200 alumni guests back to campus for an imaginative and instructive program; the Senior Reception and the “World of Work” seminar together enabled 300 Holy Cross seniors to discuss career options with alumni from many professions. At our Legacy Luncheon we greeted alumni and their children who attend Holy Cross; at a special brunch we met with recipients of our book prize who are considering enrollment on Mount St. James. Our regional clubs continue to expand their activities and programs—their receptions and dinners at sites throughout our nation have welcomed Fr. Boroughs. On “Holy Cross Cares Day” they brought together alumni at 17 different sites—10 more than last year—in public service projects for their communities, from Cape Cod to San Francisco. The board of directors of the Association has focused on new and evolving plans and programs which we will highlight next year.

These initiatives reflect a vibrant loyalty to Holy Cross, and an ethic of achievement and community service.

This edition announces the recipients of the Sanctae Crucis, In Hoc Signo and Young Alumni awards for this year, all of whom exemplify these qualities personally and professionally. In honoring them, we highlight their qualities and values to the students and to the alumni.

Fifty years ago, former College President Rev. Raymond Swords, S.J., wrote that a college “is most alive and alert when it lives looking back and thinks looking ahead.” As we look back to recognize our alumni for their achievements and values, as an Association we look ahead as we involve progressively more alumni in service to our College, to our students and to our communities.

Brian A. O’Connell ’71
President
Holy Cross Alumni Association

Have you recently moved to a new city? Are you looking to connect with other Crusaders?

NATIONAL “WELCOME TO YOUR CITY” DAY IS THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Visit http://alumni.holycross.edu/wtyc for a complete list of participating cities and locations.
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THOMAS E. CECIL ’68, holder of the Anthony and Renee Marlon Professorship in the Sciences, joined the department of mathematics and computer science in 1978, after receiving his Ph.D. from Brown University in 1973. Cecil’s professional interests include differential geometry and submanifolds, but his bedside reading often includes biographies.

READING

Einstein’s Life and World

One of the best books that I have read in recent years is Einstein, His Life and Universe, a biography of Albert Einstein by Walter Isaacson. At 675 pages, it is a long but captivating book. I loved the book’s warm portrayal of Einstein as a person, and I learned a lot about Einstein’s theories in physics through Isaacson’s excellent and fairly non-technical descriptions.

One of my favorite chapters concerns Einstein’s early romance with his first wife, Mileva Maric, including excerpts from love letters written by the young man to his sweetheart. Maric and Einstein were both students in physics at the Zurich Polytechnic at the time, and she had a great influence on Albert during his formative years as a scientist.

The chapter describing Einstein’s fundamental 1905 paper on special relativity was especially insightful. I particularly enjoyed the description of Einstein’s “Aha!” moment, when he realized that an apparent contradiction in his theory requiring that two observers traveling at different velocities measure the speed of light to be the same could be resolved if the two observers measured time differently. Thus, two events that appear to happen at the same time to the first observer would appear to happen at different times to the second observer. This radical idea is hard to swallow based on our everyday experience, and it violates Isaac Newton’s principle of absolute time, but it is a central tenet of relativity theory, and it has been verified by high-level physics experiments.

With interesting detail, the biography explores the last 22 years of Einstein’s life (1933-1955), spent at the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton, and his contributions to the international discussion of that era’s political issues, such as the development and use of nuclear weapons, and the possibility of a world government after World War II.

Overall, it is a beautifully written book that will give anyone (science geek or not!) a better appreciation of both the life and genius of Albert Einstein, and I highly recommend it.

SAVE THE DATE FOR HOMECOMING ’12

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

- Holy Cross Football vs. Dartmouth
- NEW FOR 2012:
  - Pre- and Post-Game Festivities
  - Kimball Brunch available for alumni, families and friends

KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR MORE INFORMATION LATER THIS SUMMER.
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION HONORS EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE TO HOLY CROSS

The Holy Cross Alumni Association has announced the 2012 recipients of the In Hoc Signo and Young Alumni Leadership Awards, which recognize significant and exceptional service to alma mater. John P. Brogan ’66, George M. Ford ’60, Mark W. Powers ’85 and William J. Supple ’81 will be honored with the In Hoc Signo Award. Bryan J. DiMare ’06 will be presented with the inaugural Young Alumni Leadership Award.

John P. Brogan ’66, who joined the Holy Cross Board of Trustees in 1982, served as its Chair from 1988 to 1996. As Board Chair, and as a Trustee until 1996, he volunteered his considerable financial acumen to help Holy Cross secure its position at the forefront of the nation’s small liberal arts colleges. He continues to provide his services today through his participation on the Holy Cross Advisory Board.

Brogan has generously invested his time and his financial expertise in volunteer service to Holy Cross in many ways over many years. He has provided other alumni with a worthy model of steadfast loyalty to the College by sharing his professional knowledge to support its mission and today’s students. He was both instrumental and persistent in helping Holy Cross work through the process to become a truly need-blind college, ensuring that no student would be turned away for financial reasons. He invested countless hours to see that effort through to completion.

A certified public accountant, Brogan has been chairman of Muench-Kreuzer Candle Company since 1980 and has served as director of AMERCO since 1998. He and his wife, Meg, live in Chatham, Mass., and Bluffton, S.C., and are the parents of three children.

George M. Ford ’60 has served as a class chair, class agent and reunion organizer for more than a half century. Ford has been a tireless promoter of the College, its events and its mission in Greater Boston. He has also served on the board of the Holy Cross Alumni Association, and as an officer and director of the Holy Cross Club of Boston.

Ford has worked closely with the Holy Cross alumni relations office for decades to bring his classmates back to campus for reunion and other events. As a highly active class agent, he has consistently sent class letters and contributed news to Holy Cross Magazine to strengthen connections among his classmates. He has sponsored the Holy Cross Book Prize at Hingham (Mass.) High and Thayer Academy (Brantree, Mass.) since the program was established by the alumni association in 1973. He also volunteers with the admissions office at regional college fairs.

A fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers, Ford is a partner in the Boston law firm Conn, Kavanagh, Rosenthal, Peisch & Ford, LLP, and a leader in the Boston legal community. In addition to his extensive service on behalf of his class and alma mater, he volunteers with and generously supports nonprofit programs for people with disabilities. He and his wife, Lynn, live in Hingham, Mass. They have two children, Scott ’91, married to Jacqueline McCauley Ford ’91, and Tammy.

Mark W. Powers ’85 has worked steadfastly on behalf of the College through his extensive service to the Holy Cross Alumni Association and the Holy Cross Club of Greater Worcester. A member of the Holy Cross Alumni Association board of directors since 1997, he was vice president of the alumni association from 2005 to 2007 and later served as president for the 2009 to 2010 term. Powers serves on a variety of Holy Cross Alumni Association committees, including alumni career services, nominations and elections, and budget and finance. Previously, he has been an active member of the executive, athletic guest program, scholarship and ad-hoc strategic planning committees, among others.

A past president of the Holy Cross Club of Greater Worcester, Powers also assisted in many other capacities.
In addition to his volunteerism on behalf of Holy Cross, he is a member of the Lay Advisory Board of St. Joseph’s Abbey in Spencer, Mass.

Powers is a partner in the law firm of Bowditch & Dewey, LLP. He and his wife, Lisa, live in Shrewsbury, Mass., with their two daughters. He is the son of Walter Powers ’55.

**WILLIAM J. “BILL” SUPPLE ’81** has served as co-chair of the Class of 1981 since his graduation. Under his enthusiastic leadership, the class achieved a remarkable 72 percent participation level in 25th anniversary giving to the Holy Cross Fund in 2006. In 2011, he and three other class chairs raised the bar for 30th reunion giving by setting three new gift and participation records. They, in turn, have received nearly 10 group performance awards over the years.

Supple received the Matt Cavanaugh Award in 2006 and again in 2011, in recognition of his best overall performance among Holy Cross class chairs. He continues his efforts to encourage others to support Holy Cross with record-breaking results through his leadership in class giving and his own example. He and his wife, Mary Lynch Supple ’82, co-chaired the Holy Cross President’s Council from 2006 to 2010.

Supple is the managing director of Robeco Investment Management in Boston. In addition, he serves on the board of Catholic Memorial School (West Roxbury, Mass.), where he is vice-chair. Supple is a member of the Finance Council of the New England Province of Jesuits, among other church and civic involvement. He and Mary live in Needham, Mass., with their four children, including Ned ’13.

**BRYAN J. DIMARE ’06** has been a member of the Holy Cross Alumni Association board of directors since 2008 and currently serves on its Executive Committee. He is the chair of the Young Alumni Committee and has been instrumental in helping to engage current students and recent graduates in Holy Cross activities and initiatives. DiMare was the driving force behind the Alumni Association’s involvement in the Senior Reflection Luncheon as well as the creation of National Holy Cross Cares Day in 2011. Additionally, he is a member of the HCAA Nominations and Elections Committee and vice-chair of the Fall Homecoming Dinner Committee. A class agent, DiMare also served on the 5th reunion fundraising committee.

Upon graduation, he participated in the Jesuit Volunteer Corps, teaching at the Nativity Schools of San Jose, Calif. He currently works in Global ETF Services for Brown Brothers Harriman in Boston and is pursuing an MBA at Boston College. DiMare is a board member of the Massachusetts Youth Leadership Foundation. He resides in Boston.

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**COME TO THE FALL HOMECOMING DINNER ON SEPT. 21**

Alumni, family and friends are invited to attend this annual gathering to honor the In Hoc Signo and Young Alumni Leadership award recipients. For ticket or sponsorship information, call 508-793-2418 or visit http://alumni.holycross.edu/AADinner
CLASS OF 1962
REMEMBERS
LARRY CELMER

On a sunshine-filled April morning, members of the Class of 1962 gathered at the National Museum of the Marine Corps in Triangle, Va., to pay tribute to their classmate, Capt. Lawrence “Larry” J. Celmer ’62 (USMC). Celmer was just 26 when he was killed in action in Vietnam, one of nine Marines from his basic training class company who were lost in that war. With the leadership of Col. Edward Cercone ’62 (USMC, Ret.), a plaque was installed and dedicated on the grounds of the Museum to honor their sacrifice. “To say that it was an especially emotional ceremony is something of an understatement,” says Cercone, adding that organizing the event and bringing together his Holy Cross classmates became a true “labor of love.”

Lt. Gen. Ron Christmas (USMC, Ret.), a member of Celmer’s company, led the dedication. “Larry and I were closer than brothers,” he said to the gathered crowd of friends and family. “Not a day goes by that I don’t remember him.”

Members of the Class of 1962 in attendance were (above, from left): Peter Holleran Jr., Ed Cercone, Bob Webster, John Short, Dominick Izzo III, John Dearie, Paul O’Keefe, Marty Schara III and Dick Schreyer. (Sadly, a few weeks after this photo was taken, Bob Webster passed away. His obituary will appear in the Fall issue of Holy Cross Magazine.)
More than 400 alumni, families and friends put the Holy Cross mission into action by taking part in the 2nd Annual National Holy Cross Cares Day on March 24. This event, a partnership between the Holy Cross Alumni Association and 17 regional clubs across the country, brought different generations of Crusaders together for a day of community service and support.

Across the country, Crusaders showed their school pride and supported wonderful causes in their own communities—volunteers raked leaves, cleaned up playgrounds, tutored schoolchildren and donated items to food pantries.

In Chicago (below left), 25 members of the Holy Cross Club volunteered at Saint Frances of Rome School in Cicero, Ill., making quick work of paint projects and helping refurbish the K-8 school’s gymnasium. Marisa Kahle ’05 (below middle) was one of several New York alums who pitched in, working with students at New York City’s Cornelia Connelly Center, which helps girls from low-income families gain solid educational footing. In Worcester, Galo Lopez ’07 (below right) helped beautify Cookson Park. Other participating alumni regional club included Northern California, Southern California, Greater Hartford (Conn.), Florida Suncoast, Greater Naples (Fla.), Greater Boston, Cape Cod, Merrimack Valley (Mass.), New Jersey, Eastern New York, Central New York, Long Island (N.Y.), Greater Philadelphia and Washington, D.C.
IN MEMORIAM

A Note about In Memoriam
Holy Cross Magazine publishes In Memoriam four times a year, in honor of College alumni, Trustees, students, employees and friends. Due to space constraints, obituary content is limited to an overview of an individual’s life accomplishments, including service to alma mater, and a survivors’ listing. Tributes appear in the order in which they are received; due to the volume of submissions and Magazine deadlines, it may be several issues before they appear in print. For a list of recent deaths, visit offices.holycross.edu/alumni/services/memoriam. To notify the College of a death, please call the Alumni Office at (508) 793-3039 or send an e-mail to Karen Harney at kharney@holycross.edu, attaching a copy of a newspaper obituary, if available.

1933
Frank J. Ciareglio
Frank Ciareglio, of Clearwater, Fla., and Westbrook, Conn., died Nov. 27, 2011, at 99. During his career; Mr. Ciareglio had been a securities analyst, a teacher, a principal of the Burns School in Hartford, Conn., and the founder of a real estate brokerage firm. Following his retirement from the Hartford public school system, he worked 15 years at the Holy Apostles College and Seminary in Cromwell, Conn., where he held various positions, including professor, dean of students and director of admissions. A veteran, Mr. Ciareglio served four years in the Army during World War II. He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth; a son; a daughter; a son-in-law; nine stepchildren; a sister; three grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and numerous nephews and nieces.

1939
Monsignor Edward J. Duncan
Monsignor Edward Duncan died Jan. 3, 2012, in Rancho Santa Fe, Calif., at 96. During his ministry, Monsignor Duncan had served as Catholic chaplain and director of the Newman Foundation at the University of Illinois, from 1943 to 1998. Ordained to the priesthood in the Diocese of Peoria, Ill., in 1941 upon completion of his licentiate in sacred theology at the Catholic University America in Washington, D.C., Monsignor Duncan was assigned assistant pastor at St. Malachi Church in Rantoul, Ill.; during this time, he was also auxiliary military chaplain at Chanute Air Force Base in Rantoul. After serving as assistant pastor of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Streator, Ill., and chaplain at St. Francis Hospital in Peoria, Monsignor Duncan completed doctoral studies in sacred theology at Catholic University. Upon receiving his degree in 1943, he was appointed director of St. John’s Chapel and the Newman Center at the University of Illinois. Among his many contributions to the Newman Center, university and greater community were his ministry to the university’s student-athletes as head chaplain and his extensive philanthropic endeavors; in 2001, Patrick J. Daly Jr. published a book about his work, titled A Campus Ministry: Monsignor Edward J. Duncan and the Newman Foundation at the University of Illinois in the Twentieth Century. Monsignor Duncan had been a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross and a 1982 honorary degree recipient. He is survived by a brother; and numerous nephews and nieces.

1943
Francis J. Kelley Jr.
Francis Kelley died Jan. 11, 2012, at his home in Chapel Hill, N.C., at 89. A 1949 graduate of Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Mass., Mr. Kelley had served as a management consultant for the international, Boston-based Paribane House, from the 1950s to 1977. He subsequently joined Advanced Technology in Reston, Va., where he worked until his retirement in 1982. Attending Midshipmen School at Columbia University in New York City after receiving his degree from Holy Cross, Mr. Kelley served aboard the USS Pensacola in the Central Pacific during World War II and, after the war took part in the Occupation of northern Japan with the 7th Army Division. Raised in Milton, Mass., he later lived there many years with his family and, during the 1960s, served as member and chairman of the town’s Warrant Committee. A lifelong runner, Mr. Kelley had been a member of the varsity basketball, track and cross country teams at Holy Cross. He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth; a son; a daughter; a son-in-law; two daughters-in-law; a brother; Daniel X. ’51; three sisters; 11 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and many nephews and nieces, including Holy Cross alumni.

William J. Oliverio
William Oliverio died Dec. 6, 2011, in Hardyton, N.J., at 93. Prior to his retirement in 1983, Mr. Oliverio had worked 35 years as a civil engineer for Patent Scaffolding in Newark, N.J. A decorated Army Air Corps veteran of World War II, he served as a B-17 pilot with the 92nd Bomber Group, 325 Bombardment Squadron of the 8th Air Force, attaining the rank of captain. Prior to joining the military, Mr. Oliverio played baseball in the Chicago Cubs minor league system. He had been a member of the Stockholme (N.J.) United Methodist Church as well as several civic and veterans’ organizations. Mr. Oliverio is survived by a daughter; two grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and many nephews, nieces, grandnephews and grandnieces.

1944
Ernest M. DiGeronimo, D.M.D.
Ernest DiGeronimo, D.M.D., died Nov. 8, 2011, in Cape Coral, Fla., at 88. A 1949 graduate of Tufts University School of Dental Medicine in Boston, Dr. DiGeronimo practiced dentistry in Fitchburg, Mass., for more than 30 years, retiring in 1985. A member of the staff of Burbank Hospital in Fitchburg and Leominster (Mass.) Hospital, he had also worked for the city of Fitchburg as the visiting dentist to local schools. In addition, Dr. DiGeronimo was a licensed hypnotist, assisting patients with pain management. Past president of the Wachusett District Dental Society, he had been the
co-owner of a bowling center and two nursing homes in the area as well as a trustee of Fitchburg Savings Bank. Receiving his bachelor’s and master’s degrees in chemistry from Holy Cross, Dr. DiGerominio worked as a research chemist with the Atlantic Refining Co., in Philadelphia following graduation. He served as a captain in the Air Force from 1953 to 1955. Dr. DiGerominio is survived by his wife, Rachel; three sons; a daughter; their spouses; six stepchildren; a sister; 19 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

John P. Morgan
John Morgan, of Bedford, Mass., died Nov. 13, 2011, at 88. A graduate of Georgetown University Law Center in Washington, D.C., Mr. Morgan had practiced law for many years in Boston; toward the end of his career, he opened an office in Bedford, where he worked until 2005. Mr. Morgan was a Navy veteran, serving in Europe, Africa and Japan during World War II and attaining the rank of lieutenant commander. He is survived by his wife, Katherine; three sons; a daughter; their spouses; and eight grandchildren.

Stanley J. Regan
Stanley Regan, of Winchester, Mass., died on Sept. 27, 2011. Former president of the Regan and Stapleton Lincoln Mercury car dealership in Wellesley, Mass., Mr. Regan was a graduate of Boston College and a Marine Corps veteran of World War II. He is survived by his wife, Mary; a son; two daughters; a sister; and six grandchildren. His brother was the late Rev. Warren J. ’44.

1946
Robert E. Mousseau, D.D.S
Robert Mousseau, D.D.S., of Narragansett, R.I., and, formerly, of Oxford, Mass., and Thompson, Conn., died Nov. 27, 2011, at 86. A 1951 graduate of the Georgetown University School of Dentistry in Washington, D.C., Dr. Mousseau practiced dentistry in Oxford, from 1952 to 1989; he was also chief dental surgeon at Hubbard Regional Hospital in Webster, Mass. Dr. Mousseau had been a member of several professional dental associations. He belonged to St. Mary Star of the Sea Church in Narragansett. A Navy veteran, Dr. Mousseau served as an intelligence officer during World War II. He had been a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross and a Holy Cross class agent. Dr. Mousseau is survived by three sons; a daughter; Ann Mousseau Noack ’80; a son-in-law, Thomas E. Noack ’78; three daughters-in-law; and six grandchildren.

1947
Jack L. Hadley
Jack Hadley died Oct. 30, 2011, at his home in Latrobe, Pa., at 85. A longtime railroad executive, Mr. Hadley had worked for Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp. and, later, LTV Steel Corp., retiring in 1987 as president and treasurer of its railroad division. He subsequently purchased his own short line railroads, the Kiamichi Railroad Co. and the Chaparral Railroad Co., which earned two national awards; Mr. Hadley sold the railroads in 1995 and returned to Latrobe. Assuming leadership positions in several railroad associations during his career, he had also been involved in civic organizations, serving as chairman of the Oklahoma State Chamber of Commerce and Industry, president of the Hugo (Okla.) Chamber of Commerce and member of the Traffic Club of Pittsburgh. Active as well in church affairs, he had been a Eucharistic Minister in the Diocese of Pittsburgh and member of the finance committee for the Diocese of Greensburg, Pa. In addition, Mr. Hadley had been a member of the American Arbitration Association’s panel of arbitrators and president and chairman of the Hadley Family Foundation. A Navy veteran, he had held the rank of ensign. Mr. Hadley had been a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross. He is survived by his wife, Jeanne; two sons; four daughters; their spouses; a brother; a sister; a sister-in-law; 15 grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren; and several nephews and nieces.

Daniel J. McCarty Jr.
Daniel McCarty died Nov. 23, 2011, in Holland, Ohio, at 92. A graduate of Syracuse (N.Y.) University with a master of library science degree, Mr. McCarty had served as an industrial librarian for the Federal Mogul Corp. and Kerr/Sybron Dental. He was a 50-year resident of Ann Arbor, Mich. Mr. McCarty is survived by two sons; a daughter-in-law; two grandchildren; and several nephews and nieces.

1949
David J. McCarthy
David McCarthy, of Centerville, Mass., died Nov. 18, 2011, at 87. During his career, Mr. McCarthy had worked in automobile sales, primarily for Ford. A 36-year resident of Wakefield, Mass., he relocated to Centerville in 1986 and worked for Thrifty Car Rental in Hyannis, Mass., prior to his retirement. Mr. McCarthy was an Army Air Force veteran of World War II, serving with the 502nd Bomb Squadron in the United States and Guam as a surgical technician. He is survived by his wife, Pat; five sons; four daughters-in-law; a sister; 11 grandchildren; a great-grandson; and many nephews and nieces.

1950
John S. Kent III
John Kent died Dec. 1, 2011, in Columbus, Ind., at 85. During his career, Mr. Kent had been a marketing and distribution director for Cummins Engine Co., in Columbus, retiring in 1990 following 31 years of service. A Navy veteran, he served aboard the destroyer the USS Frank Knox (DD-742) and attained the rank of seaman first class; he was a recipient of the World War II Victory Medal, the American Area Medal and the Asiatic Pacific Area Medal, with one star. Mr. Kent had been an active member of St. Bartholomew Catholic Church in Columbus. He is survived by his wife, Mary; five sons; a daughter; a son-in-law; three daughters-in-law; three brothers, including Peter ’51; three sisters-in-law; and 12 grandchildren.

John J. North Jr.
John “Jack” North, of Old Saybrook, Conn., died Nov. 14, 2011, in Middlesex Hospital, Middletown, Conn., at 88. During his career, Mr. North had worked for the State University of New York and, following retirement, became the Old Saybrook coordinator for Middlesex Community College in Middletown. An Army veteran, he served in the Asiatic-Pacific theater during World War II, participating in the Battle of Leyte Gulf. Mr. North was a member of Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Essex, Conn., where he had been active in the music programs. He was a Holy Cross class agent. Mr. North is survived by his wife, Yvette; three sons; a sister; a sister-in-law; two sisters; and a brother-in-law.

1951
Rev. John F. Burke
Rev. John Burke died Nov. 3, 2011, at 82. A longtime priest of the Diocese of Worcester, Fr. Burke had most recently served 26 years at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in West Boylston, retiring in 2004 as pastor emeritus. Previously, he was pastor and rector, for eight years, of St. Paul’s Cathedral in Worcester. Ordained to the priesthood in 1955, Fr. Burke served as associate pastor at St. Anne, Southborough; Our Lady of the Rosary, Spencer; Our Lady of the Lake, Leominster; and Sacred Heart of Jesus, St. Bernard, St. Andrew the Apostle, St. Peter, and Immaculate Conception, all in Worcester; from 1960 to 1968, he was Newman chaplain at Clark University. During his ministry, Fr. Burke was also chairman of the diocesan Ecumenical Commission and the Massachusetts Commission on Christian Unity as well as secretary and member of the steering committee of the New England Consultation of Church Leaders and member of the diocesan Senate of Priests; he received the diocesan John XXIII Ecumenical Medal in 2000. Fr. Burke had been a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by numerous cousins and their families.

Maurice I. Denis
Maurice Denis died Dec. 23, 2011, in Auburn, Maine, at 89. Active in the social work field during his career, Mr. Denis had worked 27 years for the Veterans Administration, retiring in 1979. Receiving his master’s degree in social service from Boston University in 1953, he was associated for 10 years with the VA Hospital in Topsham, Maine; subsequently promoted to chief of social service work, he was transferred to the VA Medical Center in Marion, Ill. A veteran, Mr. Denis served in the Army Air Corps from 1942 to 1946. He had also been active in several professional organizations as well as in numerous church and civic activities. Mr. Denis is survived by his wife, Yvette; three sons; a sister; a sister-in-law; two sons; and a brother-in-law.
in-law and brother-in-law; grandchildren; great-grandchildren; nephews and nieces; and grandnephews and grandnieces.

**John T. Egan**

John "Jack" Egan, most recently of Enfield, Conn., and Mattapoisett, Mass., died Jan. 15, 2012, at Mercy Medical Center, Springfield, Mass., at 84. Working in industrial engineering, personnel and labor relations and corporate law for several manufacturing companies in the Springfield area, Mr. Egan retired in 1992 from the Western Mass.-based Mestek, Inc., having served as corporate secretary, counsel and vice president. A 1966 graduate of the Western New England College School of Law in Springfield, he subsequently was employed two years by the college as an instructor. During his career, Mr. Egan also held leadership positions with the Employers Association of Western Massachusetts. He was an active member of Holy Cross Church in Springfield. A World War II Army veteran, Mr. Egan served in Germany in the Army of Occupation, attaining the rank of corporal. He had been a member of the President's Council at Holy Cross and a Holy Cross class agent. Mr. Egan is survived by his wife, Claire; two sons, Timothy S., '77 and Patrick L., '78; a daughter-in-law; a sister; two brothers-in-law; a sister-in-law; six grandchildren, including Brian J., '08; and nephews and nieces.

**James J. Fisher**

James Fisher, of Basking Ridge, N.J., died Oct. 12, 2011, at 82. During his career, Mr. Fisher had worked for the American Cyanamid Company, beginning as a bench chemist and subsequently holding various management positions. He lived in Cheshire, Conn., Pittsburgh, and Wyckoff, N.J., prior to relocating to Basking Ridge in 1974. Mr. Fisher received his bachelor of science degree in chemistry from the University of Notre Dame in Indiana and his master of science degree in chemistry from Holy Cross in 1951. He is survived by a son; two daughters; their spouses; a brother; a sister; a brother-in-law; a sister-in-law and five grandchildren.

**William J. Wholean**

William "Bill" Wholean died Jan. 14, 2012, at his home in Westerly, R.I., at 83. Executive director of the Connecticut Catholic Conference in Hartford for many years, Mr. Wholean first worked in the New Departure-Hyatt Bearing division of General Motors Corp., in Meriden, Conn., and, later, for The Miller Co.; he began his tenure with the Connecticut Catholic Conference in 1968. During his career, Mr. Wholean had also been active in civic affairs in Meriden and Westley, where he was a member of the Town Council among other affiliations. A combat veteran of the Korean War, he retired from the U.S. Army Reserve as a chief warrant officer. Mr. Wholean had been a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by five sons; four daughters, including Margaret A., '77; their spouses, including James J. Keating, '77; and 24 grandchildren. His father was the late William J., Class of 1913.

**Leo V. Willett Jr., M.D.**

Leo Willett, M.D., died Oct. 25, 2011, at his home in Durham, Conn., at 82. During his career, Dr. Willett had been associated with the Meriden (Conn.) Orthopaedic Group. Involved in community affairs, he volunteered on numerous boards and commissions in Durham and served as the town's health director for 35 years. Dr. Willett had also been active in many years for the Navy, attaining the rank of commander; the chief of orthopaedic surgery aboard the hospital ship U.S.S. Repose during the Vietnam War; he concluded his military career as the assistant chief of orthopaedic service and head of the amputee ward at the former Philadelphia Naval Hospital. A diplomate of the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery and a fellow of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons and the American College of Surgeons, Dr. Willett had published numerous articles on topics related to his specialty. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy; three sons; a daughter; a sister; and six grandchildren.

**1952**

**George F. Foley Jr.**

George Foley died Nov. 18, 2011, in Westwood, Mass. A 1957 graduate of Boston University School of Law, Mr. Foley had been a trial attorney in Boston for many years; he served on the Boston City Council from 1964 to 1965. Mr. Foley was a Marine Corps veteran of the Korean War and a member of the Marine Corps League. He was a former resident of Dorchester, Mass. Mr. Foley is survived by a brother; and several nephews and nieces.

**Robert F. Hafey**

Robert Hafey died Nov. 22, 2011, at his home in Dothan, Ala., at 83. During his career, Mr. Hafey operated the family-owned Hafey Funeral Service in Springfield, Mass., and, in the 1970s, served as a director of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce. A graduate of Boston College, Mr. Hafey received his master's degree from Springfield (Mass.) College. He was an Army veteran of World War II. Mr. Hafey is survived by his wife, Martha; and two sons and their families. His father was the late Francis J. '23.

**Richard E. Heon**

Richard Heon died Dec. 1, 2011, at his home in Morristown, N.J., at 81. During his career, Mr. Heon had been a special agent for many years with the FBI; following retirement, he worked as a special investigator for the bureau and, also, for the law firm of McCarter and English. A Navy veteran, Mr. Heon served two years as an officer aboard the USS Otterstetter. He had been a member of the varsity baseball team at Holy Cross. Mr. Heon is survived by his companion, Dorothy Meier; three sons; five daughters; their spouses; two brothers, including Robert H., '51; a sister; several grandchildren; and a great-granddaughter.

**John J. Herbert**

John Herbert died Dec. 5, 2011, at his home in Niantic, Conn., at 84. Employed by the General Motors Acceptance Corp. for 15 years, Mr. Herbert had worked in Manchester, N.H., and Boston as a traveling auditor until his appointment, in 1973, as manager of the New London, Conn., branch. He had also worked many years at the Cedar Ridge Golf Course Pro Shop in East Lyme, Conn. Mr. Herbert was a Navy veteran, serving two years as a fireman first class. In 1998 he was inducted into the sports hall of fame of his alma mater Malden (Mass.) Catholic High School. Mr. Herbert is survived by two sons; two daughters; a son-in-law; a daughter-in-law; two brothers; a sister; three grandchildren; and many nephews and nieces.

**Geoffrey T. Keating**

Geoffrey Keating, of Tilton, N.H., died Nov. 27, 2011. Mr. Keating had been a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by his wife, Jean; two sons; three daughters; their spouses; a brother; and eight grandchildren.

**Eugene J. Mascali**

Eugene "Gene" Mascali, of Monte Sereno, Calif., died Dec. 21, 2011, in Good Samaritan Hospital, San Jose, Calif., at 82. Active for many years in the computer industry, Mr. Mascali had worked for the Data Pathing Corp., in Sunnyvale, Calif., as vice president of sales and marketing and, subsequently, for the NCR Corp. as vice president. He began his career in sales and marketing in the 1950s for companies that included Remington Rand, Stromberg and the Control Data Corp.; prior to retirement, Mr. Mascali became a marketing consultant for high-tech startup companies in the region. A Navy veteran, he served as a lieutenant junior grade during the Korean War. Mr. Mascali is survived by his wife, Natalie; a son, Eugene J., Jr., '76; two daughters; a son-in-law; a daughter-in-law; a brother, Nicholas M., Jr., M.D., '58; a sister; and six grandchildren. His brother was the late Carmine C., '49.

**Daniel J. McLinden Jr.**

Daniel McLinden, of Marco Island, Fla., died Dec. 24, 2011, at 81. During his career, Mr. McLinden was the president/partner for 34 years, of 4D Sales Inc. in New York. He had also worked for the U.S. Department of the Treasury as an agent with the Federal Bureau of Narcotics in New York City. An outstanding athlete in his youth, Mr. McLinden had been a longtime football and basketball referee for schools in the New York City and metropolitan area. He served in the Marine Corps Reserve as a student at Holy Cross and twice on active duty, in the Army, during the Korean War. Mr. McLinden is survived by a son; two daughters; two sons-in-law; three grandchildren; and a great-granddaughter. His father was the late Daniel J., '17.

**1954**

**Harold A. McElroy Jr.**

Harold McElroy died Dec. 14, 2011, at his home in North Andover, Mass., at 78. During his career, Mr. McElroy worked for the Raytheon Co. for more than 38 years, serving as a manager and an ex-
Executive in the missile systems division; he led the company’s international business with Japan. A veteran, Mr. McElroy was an intelligence officer in the Army during the Korean War. He had been a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross. Mr. McElroy is survived by his wife, Elena; two sons, including Stephen P., M.D., ’88; two daughters; a son-in-law; a daughter-in-law; two brothers; a sister; two sisters-in-law; four grandchildren; and many nephews and nieces.

Eugene A. LaLancette, M.D.
Eugene LaLancette, M.D., died Oct. 19, 2011, at his home in Fitchburg, Mass., at 76. A graduate of the University of Pennsylvania Perelman School of Medicine in 1970, Dr. LaLancette maintained a family practice in Fitchburg until his retirement in 2001; in addition, he had served as president of the medical-dental staff at Burbank Hospital in Fitchburg. Receiving his Ph.D. in organic chemistry from Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y., in 1960, Dr. LaLancette subsequently worked six years as a research chemist at the DuPont Co., in Wilmington, Del., during this time, he published numerous articles in professional journals and magazines. Dr. LaLancette had been a member of the Worcester North District Medical Society and the Massachusetts Medical Society, which named him a Community Clinician of the Year in 2001. He is survived by his wife, E. Ruth; two sons; two daughters; a son-in-law; two daughters-in-law; a brother, Robert R. ’60; 11 grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

James F. O’Brien
James O’Brien, of Baltimore, died Dec. 20, 2011. Mr. O’Brien is survived by his wife, Marie; a son; three daughters; three brothers; eight grandchildren; a great-grandson; and 11 nephews and nieces.

1957
Thomas K. Brosnihan
Thomas Brosnihan died Oct. 26, 2011, in South Dennis, Mass., at 76. Involved in the social work field for 45 years, Mr. Brosnihan had worked in various capacities for the Massachusetts Department of Public Welfare, the United Way and Cape Cod Child Development in Hyannis, Mass., among other organizations. He earned his master’s degree in community organization in 1962 from the Boston College School of Social Work. Mr. Brosnihan is survived by a son; a daughter; and six grandchildren.

1958
Gerard F. Gilbert
Gerard Gilbert died Dec. 28, 2011, at his home in Madison, Wis., at 76. During his career, Mr. Gilbert had worked for Hoffmann-La Roche Pharmaceuticals and Anaquest as an executive in pharmaceutical development. A veteran, he served as a captain in the Marine Corps from 1958 to 1960. Mr. Gilbert is survived by his wife, Connie; two sons; a daughter; a son-in-law; a daughter-in-law; his mother-in-law; Ken and Joan Nizolek; four grandchildren; and many nephews and nieces.

1959
Jerome T. Ambrose
Jerome “Jerry” Ambrose, of Bradenton, Fla., died Oct. 29, 2011, at 74. Involved for 49 years in the banking and finance industry, Mr. Ambrose had held executive positions with Morgan Stanley, Smith Barney, Crossland Savings, and the Franklin Federal and Coastal Federal Savings and Loan Associations. He had also been active in community affairs, serving as past president of the South Manatee Rotary Club in Florida and past director of the Sarasota County (Fla.) Chamber of Commerce, among other endeavors. Mr. Ambrose had been a parishioner of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Bradenton. He was a veteran of the Army and the Reserve. Mr. Ambrose is survived by his wife, Marcia; two sons; a daughter; a son-in-law; a daughter-in-law; a brother; and six grandchildren.

1955
Edward I. Stromski
Edward Stromski, of Gardner, Mass., died Nov. 23, 2011, in Heywood Hospital, Gardner, Mass., at 78. A certified public accountant, Mr. Stromski had served 31 years as the director of corporate operations and auditing for the Simplex Time Recorder Co., in Gardner, until his retirement in 1996. He had previously been an international controller for the company. Active in community affairs, Mr. Stromski served as an accountant for local nonprofit organizations, board chairman of Heywood Hospital and treasurer of the Chair City Club, among other endeavors; he was also a coach for several youth sports and the first treasurer of the Pop Warner Football League. Mr. Stromski belonged to St. Joseph’s Church in Gardner, several Polish-American associations and the Gardner Museum. He had been a member as well of the Institute of Management Accountants. A star athlete at his alma mater Gardner High School, Mr. Stromski played football and basketball at Holy Cross. He was a captain in the Air Force from 1956 to 1958. Mr. Stromski is survived by his wife, Barbara; two sons; a daughter; a son-in-law; two daughters-in-law; a sister-in-law; 11 grandchildren; a great-granddaughter; and several nephews, nieces and cousins.

1956
Henry T.H. Grant, M.D.
Henry Grant, M.D., of Gilford, N.H., and Venice, Fla., died Dec. 17, 2011, in Venice, at 78. A graduate of New York Medical College in New York City, Dr. Grant practiced anesthesiology in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Maine and New Hampshire. He was a veteran, serving as a physician in the Navy. Dr. Grant is survived by his wife, Clare; two sons; three daughters; their spouses; and 11 grandchildren.

1958
Francis P. Quinn Sr.
Francis Quinn died Jan. 2, 2012, at his home in Northborough, Mass., at 74. Mr. Quinn had been a longtime sales and marketing executive in the pharmaceutical industry; employed for more than 47 years by the Nutley, N.J.-based Hoffmann-La Roche Industries, he was the recipient, numerous times, of the Presidential Achievement Award. A three-sport athlete at his alma mater North High School in Worcester and a co-captain of the varsity golf team at Holy Cross, Mr. Quinn continued to play golf competitively for many years, winning the New England Amateur in 1966 and twice attaining second place in the Massachusetts Amateur; among other accomplishments. He also enjoyed following his sons’ golf careers. Mr. Quinn was a longtime member of the Pleasant Valley Country Club in Sutton, Mass. He is survived by his wife, Carol;
five sons; two daughters; their spouses; and 16 grandchildren.

David F. Stecchi
David Stecchi died Jan. 7, 2012, at his home in Dracut, Mass., at 76. An educator for 35 years at Dracut High School prior to his retirement, Mr. Stecchi had taught business, history, civics and drivers education, and served as a longtime coach in the football and track programs. In addition, he had been an assistant football coach at his alma mater Lowell (Mass.) High School, where he was inducted into its hall of fame in 1995; a founding member of Dracut Pop Warner football; and a football and track official. A member of the varsity football and track teams at Holy Cross, Mr. Stecchi was inducted into the College’s Varsity Club Hall of Fame in 2008. He had served as a lieutenant in the Marine Corps. Mr. Stecchi had been a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by his wife, Janice; three sons; two daughters-in-law; a sister; a brother-in-law; a grandson; two step-granddaughters; a nephew; a niece; and numerous extended family.

Thomas P. Dougherty
Thomas Dougherty died Dec. 11, 2011, in Toms River, N.J., at 73. Involved for many years in the education field, Mr. Dougherty had been the principal of the Mainland Regional High School in Linwood, N.J., and, most recently, an adjunct professor of mathematics at Ocean County College in Toms River. In 1992, he was named New Jersey High School Principal of the Year. Mr. Dougherty had been an active member of Our Lady of Fatima Church in North Bergen, N.J. A veteran of the Navy submarine service, he was a member of the crew of the USS Sea Owl. Mr. Dougherty belonged to the President’s Council at Holy Cross. He is survived by his wife, Helen; a son; two daughters; their spouses; and nine grandchildren.

1960
William J. Dobson Jr.
William Dobson died Oct. 14, 2011. Mr. Dobson is survived by his wife, Eleanor; a son; a daughter; two stepsons; their spouses; a sister-in-law; and 10 grandchildren.

John T. Kirwan
John “Jack” Kirwan, of Kansas City, Mo., died Jan. 3, 2012, at 73. Active for many years in the insurance industry, Mr. Kirwan retired in 2000 as a vice president of the Employers Reinsurance Corp.—General Electric Reinsurance, in Philadelphia. Beginning his career with Connecticut General Life Insurance—now CGSNA Corp.—in Bloomfield, Conn., he subsequently relocated to San Francisco and Kansas City, where he was a member of Visititation Parish. Mr. Kirwan was a veteran of the Army and the Army Reserve. He is survived by his wife, Marcia; a son; a daughter; their spouses; a sister; and five grandchildren.

Ralph J. Mancini
Ralph Mancini died Oct. 13, 2011, at his home in Shrewsbury, Mass., at 72. During his career, Mr. Mancini had taught English for more than 35 years in the Framingham, Mass., middle schools; he retired in 2002. A baseball umpire and football official on the high school, college and legion levels, Mr. Mancini was a past treasurer and secretary of the Central Mass Conference of Football Officials. Active in community affairs in Shrewsbury and a member of several professional organizations, he had been a member of St. Mary’s Parish. Mr. Mancini was also a talented woodcarver. He is survived by his wife, Nancy; two sons; three daughters; two sons-in-law; a daughter-in-law; a sister; a sister-in-law; four grandchildren; and nephews and nieces.

John A. Timperio
John Timperio, formerly of Watertown, Mass., died Dec. 28, 2011, at his home in Alta Loma, Calif., at 72. During his career, Mr. Timperio had worked 43 years for the G.E. Electric Co., serving in various locations; prior to his retirement, he was the general manager of the GE Aviation Engine Services facility in Ontario, Calif. Mr. Timperio was a Marine Corps veteran, attaining the rank of captain. He had been a member of the varsity football team at Holy Cross. Mr. Timperio is survived by his wife, Cassandra; two sons; two daughters; a brother; a sister; a sister-in-law; and several grandchildren.

1964
Thomas J. Monahan
Thomas Monahan died Dec. 25, 2011, at his home in Sandy Hook, Conn., at 69. Receiving his Ph.D. from the University of Connecticut and his juris doctor from the Franklin Pierce Law Center in Concord, N.H., Mr. Monahan taught botany at Providence (R.I.) University and Rutgers University in New Jersey; subsequently serving as director of the Intellectual Property Office of Pennsylvania State University, he was most recently a patent attorney in private practice. Mr. Monahan is survived by his wife, Carolyn “Lynn”; four sons; a daughter-in-law; a brother; two sisters; two brothers-in-law; a sister-in-law; two grandchildren; and 11 nephews and nieces.

1967
Thomas J. Cox Jr.
Thomas Cox, of Williamsburg, Va., died Dec. 3, 2011, at 66. Prior to relocating to Williamsburg in 2003, Mr. Cox had lived 30 years in Bethesda, Md., where he worked for the U.S. Department of Commerce. He had been an active member of the Bruton Parish Episcopal Church in Williamsburg. A veteran, Mr. Cox served with the U.S. Army Signal Corps from 1968 to 1970. He is survived by his wife, Susan; a son; a daughter-in-law; a sister; a brother-in-law; and a grandson.

1968
Richard A. Buttna
Richard Buttina, of Somberfield, Wis., died Dec. 25, 2011, at 64. During his career, Mr. Buttina served in the Navy, attaining the rank of commander. Following retirement from military service, he earned a master’s degree in education and taught fifth grade for 18 years at the Ben Franklin Elementary School in Menomonee Falls, Wis. Mr. Buttina is survived by his wife, Susan; a son; two daughters; two sons-in-law; a sister; a brother-in-law; five grandchildren; and nephews and nieces.

Lawrence J. Oakley
Lawrence “Larry” Oakley, of Webster, N.Y., died Jan. 7, 2012, at 65. During his career, Mr. Oakley worked as a nonprofit administrator and, also, as an instructor at a local junior college. He is survived...
by his wife, Deborah; two daughters; their spouses; and three grandchildren.

1969

James T. Conlon Jr.

James Conlon, of Kansas City, Mo., died Dec. 10, 1969, at 64. A longtime attorney, Mr. Conlon was a litigating partner for 25 years in the firm Sedgwick, Detert, Moran and Arnold in New York City. Receiving his law degree from New York’s Fordham University in 1927, he subsequently served as an assistant district attorney in Westchester County, N.Y., and, then, as a partner with the firm Bower & Gardiner in New York City. Listed in Best Lawyers in America, Mr. Conlon also received the Martindale peer review rating of "AV® Preeminent." An outstanding athlete at his alma mater St. Sebastian’s School in Needham, Mass., he played varsity baseball and soccer at Holy Cross and received the Hop Rispel Award; drafted by the Minnesota Twins, Mr. Conlon played in the minor leagues before attending law school. He is survived by his wife, Leanne DeShong; a daughter; and three stepchildren.

Ronald M. Vallon

Ronald Vallon, of Medfield, Mass., died Dec. 23, 2011, in Cambridge, Mass., at 64. During his career, Mr. Vallon had been a research analyst for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs in Boston. He is survived by his wife, Kathrynn; a son; a daughter; their spouses; a grandson; many cousins; and other extended family.

1970

Thomas J. Neville Jr.

Thomas Neville, of New York City, died Nov. 18, 2011, at 63. During his career, Mr. Neville worked for Warner-Amex Cable, served as a vice president of Viacom and, prior to his retirement, held the position of director of BskyB (British Sky Broadcasting Group) of London. He received his Ph.D. from Princeton (N.J.) University in 1981. Mr. Neville is survived by his wife, Isabelle; a son, his twin brother Timothy F. ’70; two sisters; three brothers-in-law; two sisters-in-law; and numerous nephews and nieces.

Thomas M. Smith

Thomas Smith, of Paxton, Mass., and, formerly, of Westborough, Mass., died Nov. 6, 2011, at 63. Commissioned an officer in the Navy upon graduation, Mr. Smith served 21 years in the military, retiring as the commanding officer of the USS Pyno (AE-24), with the rank of commander. He subsequently worked in the Office of the Comptroller for the commonwealth of Massachusetts and for the Massachusetts Educational Financing Authority in Boston. Mr. Smith is survived by his wife, Kathleen; three daughters; three sons-in-law; his mother; two brothers; four sisters; three brothers-in-law; a sister-in-law; five grandchildren; and many aunts, nephews, nieces and cousins.

1971

John F. Mattson Jr.

John Mattson, of North Grafton, Mass., died Dec. 21, 2011, in Saint Vincent Hospital, Worcester, at 61. During his career, Mr. Mattson was the owner and president of the Consolidated Co., in Bellingham, Mass. He had also been a member of Corvettes United. Mr. Mattson is survived by his wife, Carolyn; a daughter; and a sister.

1972

Michael J. Pullano

Michael Pullano died Oct. 24, 2011, in Lockport, N.Y., at 61. A longtime educator in Lockport, Mr. Pullano began his career at DeSales Catholic High School, teaching religious education and coaching track and field. He subsequently joined the faculty of North Park Junior High School, where he taught social studies and special education classes; prior to his retirement in 2009, Mr. Pullano had been a special education teacher at Lockport High School. He was an active member of St. Mary Catholic Church in Lockport. Mr. Pullano had been a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by his wife, Monica; a son; his mother; two brothers; and a sister.

1973

Robert M. Kemp

Robert M. "Bob" Kemp, of Freemont, Calif., died Nov. 16, 2011, at 60. Receiving his M.B.A. from Notre Dame University in Indiana, Mr. Kemp had worked as an accountant during his career; he was also active in his church and the Boy Scouts of America. A member of the College ROTC program, Mr. Kemp had served as a naval officer from 1973 to 1977. He is survived by his wife, Joanne; two sons; and a sister.

1974

Joseph P. Scully Jr.

Joseph "Jay" Scully, of Worcester, died Jan. 5, 2012, at 59. Involved for many years in the human resources field, Mr. Scully had most recently worked at Notre Dame Long Term Care Center in Worcester. Active in community groups and on advisory boards, he also taught at Assumption College in the evening division. Mr. Scully is survived by his wife, Christine; and three sons.

1977

Paul F. Shaughnessy Sr.

Paul Shaughnessy died Nov. 16, 2011, at his home in Canton, Mass., at 58. During his career, Mr. Shaughnessy had owned and operated Progress Pallet, Inc., in Middleboro, Mass., for many years. He was born and raised in Brockton, Mass. Mr. Shaughnessy is survived by his wife, Patricia; two sons; a daughter-in-law; a brother; two sisters; and two grandchildren.

1978

Richard J. Dillon

Richard Dillon, of Weymouth, Mass., died Jan. 13, 2012, at 55. During his career, Mr. Dillon had worked many years for CSC in Boston. His interests included traveling, gardening, cooking and folk music. Mr. Dillon is survived by two brothers; a sister; their spouses; three nephews; five nieces; and a great-niece.

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Lisa-Marie Calderone-Stewart

Lisa-Marie Calderone-Stewart, of Milwaukee, died Dec. 9, 2011, at the Zilber Family Hospice in Wauwatosa, Wis., at 53. Born in Montgomery, Ala., Calderone-Stewart was raised in Linden and Mountainside, N.J. She attended Union Catholic High School in Scotch Plains, N.J., and, following graduation from Holy Cross with a degree in psychology, earned her master’s degree in early childhood education at Lesley College in Cambridge, Mass. Calderone-Stewart received her Ph.D. in leadership for the advancement of learning and service from Cardinal Stritch University, Milwaukee, in 2003. She had been a Holy Cross class agent. Calderone-Stewart is survived by two sons; two daughters-in-law; three brothers; including Joseph P. Jr., M.D., ’78 and Steven C. P. ’81; three sisters-in-law, including Heidi A. Calderone ’78; three grandsons; and three nieces.

Friends

Edward Augustus, father of Edward M. Jr., government and community relations; Eleanor and Robert A. Belmonte, parents of Dru T. Horin ’78; Margaret "Patti" Bileau, wife of Nolin "Joe" ’51; Helen M. Brennan, wife of the late Edwin L. ’37; John Brogan, father of John P. ’66, former Holy Cross Trustee; Luisa Bruttomesso, mother of Raymond J. ’56; Gertrude Cadarette, mother of Joanne O’Connor; development; Sally Clements, wife of Robert F. ’53 and mother of Patricia M. ’82; Joan E. (Cromand) Connell, wife of the late William A. Jr. ’48; Philip H. Des Marais, father-in-law of John J. Murphy Jr. ’73, former Holy Cross Trustee, and grandfather of Dylan J. Murphy ‘99; Donald D. Diverio Sr., father of Donald D. Jr., D.D. ’83 and Thomas K. ’88, father-in-law of Kristin E. ’99; Edward A. Dubois Sr., husband of Maureen, grants and corporate and foundation giving; Evelyn Dugan, wife of the late Paul F. ’40 and mother of William K. ’69; Lillian Fleming, mother of Lillian Carlson, dining; Robert C. Foster, father of Alice Resler, music department; Antonio Iraffarini Jr., husband of Amarilis, dining; Marjorie A. Mathieson, mother of Ann C. MacGillivray, dean’s office; Donald R. Mayo, formerly of the College ROTC Unit; Anita J. McCarthy, wife of the late Richard E., M.D., ’55; Frances Fitzgerald McGuane, wife of the late George J. ’37 and mother of George J. Jr. ’70 and Martha M. ’77; George A. Query, physical plant/grounds; H. Edward Schollmeyer, father of Margaret Schollmeyer Reier ’82; E. Jay Tierney, father of Jayne Tierney Bledsoe ’68, Edwin C. Tree, father of Christine M. ’92.

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Rev. John E. Brooks, S.J., ’49, president emeritus of the College and Loyola Professor of the Humanities, passed away on July 2, 2012, as this issue was going to press. Fr. Brooks first knew Holy Cross as a student in 1942, and after leaving to serve in the Army, resumed his studies, graduating with the Class of 1949. After entering the Jesuits and earning advanced degrees, he returned to Mount St. James as a professor in 1963. He later served as an administrator and then as president, from 1970 to 1994, a tenure marked by decisions that transformed the College of the Holy Cross.

Extensive coverage and commentary on Fr. Brooks are available on the College website. Holy Cross Magazine will be sharing more perspective on Fr. Brooks’ extraordinary life and impact on generations of students in a future issue. If you have a memory or anecdote you’d like to share, please visit http://www.holycross.edu/hcm/brooks
“God is always at work in our lives. There is no way I could have survived 24 years as president of Holy Cross without God’s presence every day. While in the past I undoubtedly took many of life’s gifts for granted, I’ve now reached a stage of life where I know more than I once did about the importance of the role God plays in my life.”

—Rev. John E. Brooks, S.J.

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