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Having been closely involved in the development and operation of the original Nativity School, which has served as the model for more than 60 Nativity schools around the country, it was with great personal pleasure that I read about the Nativity School of Worcester in the Winter issue and the involvement of my alma mater in supporting this important mission for now 10 years. (“Meet Sam,” Page 26.)

In 1960 I assumed responsibility for a summer camp in Lake Placid, N.Y., (my hometown) to serve disadvantaged children from New York City. The next year at Fordham University I mentioned that the camp could be more effective if it were associated with a program in the city that was working with the same children during the school year. A Jesuit replied that Rev. Walter Janer, S.J., the director of the Nativity Mission Center on the lower east side, had called him just two days earlier to say that he had a program for boys and needed a summer camp!

Fr. Janer and I founded Camp Monserrate in 1962 as a seven-week program for about 60 boys with a mission to develop them physically, socially, spiritually and intellectually, and especially for these primarily Latino children, improve their reading and writing in English. After awhile, however, it became frustrating because the children had to go back to the same schools where nobody built upon the tremendous progress that they had made during the summer.

The idea emerged to start a middle school so that our program could have a greater impact on the development of the students during the whole year. In 1971, The Nativity Mission Middle School opened with Camp Monserrate as the summer session. Later we built an additional camp for girls on the same property to provide programs with up to 200 children and staff each summer for new Nativity model schools, including The Cornelia Connelly Center, St. Aloysius in Harlem and St. Ignatius in the Bronx. The banner at Monserrate reads, “Opportunity is Nativity’s Gift to You. What you do with that Opportunity is Your Gift to Nativity.”

For 51 years now, first while serving as a professor and vice president at Fordham University, then as president of Saint Michael’s College in Vermont, and now in retirement, I have continued my work with Nativity Schools and their summer camp programs. You can imagine my great joy in reading about my own alma mater’s effective involvement with a Nativity School. ■

Paul J. Reiss ’52
Lake Placid, N.Y.

EDITOR’S NOTE I am thrilled to report that since our story about Nativity School of Worcester ran this winter, the young man we featured, Sam, has received a full scholarship to one of Worcester’s top private high schools.

“MSGR. T”
Let me begin by thanking you and your staff for a great job on Holy Cross Magazine. I look forward to each issue, particularly with my 50th Reunion coming up this June. Keeping up with the College is always pleasant.

I am writing to share with your readers, my thoughts on a wonderful Holy Cross alumnus, Rev. Msgr. Vincent A. Tatarczuk ’46, a priest of the Diocese of Portland, Maine, who died on Dec. 27, 2013. “Msgr. T” was very special to me. He was my pastor for 17 years. He was a brilliant man—his grasp of business was such that he could have been the CEO of a large corporation. Instead, he answered God’s call to serve, a choice he never regretted.

He was truly a “man for others.” It was he (as the voice of the Holy Spirit, I know) who steered me onto a path I never would have imagined: 12 years as director of stewardship for the Diocese of Portland. I know he helped many others along life’s journey.

To us oldsters, veterans of eight semesters each of theology and philosophy, daily Mass and Jesuits on every corridor, Msgr. Tatarczuk is the epitome of the kind of man the College helped form. ■

William S. Richards ’64
Yarmouth, Maine

ERRATA
In our story summarizing all the “Opening Doors” events celebrating the 40th anniversary of coeducation at Holy Cross, we mentioned a March 2013 reception in New York City hosted by the alumni relations office. Melissa Montoya ’14 was not part of the panel discussion at that reception, as we reported. When she was called to jury duty, Courtney Penna ’13 stepped in and took her place.

Thank you to Tom Brennan ’60 of Stamford, Conn., for schooling us on an important bit of Latin. On Page 9 of the Winter 2014 issue, we wrote about the Sanctae Crucis Award, noting that sanctae crucis means “Holy Cross.” Brennan wrote, “Sanctae Crucis is the genitive singular of Sancta Crucis, which is the nominative singular and which is correctly translated as ‘Holy Cross,’ Sanctae Crucis literally is translated as ‘of Holy Cross.’” That’s the last time we print something in Latin before checking with the classics department.

We close each issue with an image that we hope reminds readers of the College’s beautiful campus. In the Winter 2014 issue, that image showed a scene outside the Integrated Science Complex that we called “the Arrupe Courtyard.” We soon learned that the courtyard—stunning even in the throes of winter—is called O’Neill Plaza (photo, opposite). It was named by a friend in memory of John J. O’Neill ’63, who had a long career in

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commercial banking and philanthropy, and died in 2004. Mr. O’Neill’s daughter, Jennifer, is a Class of 1995 graduate. We apologize for the error.

MYSTERY PHOTO

Can you help us identify the WCHC 88.1 deejay in this photo? We believe she is spinning tunes from the 1970s, and we’d love to know who she is. Email us at hcmag@holycross.edu if you can help solve the mystery. And if you’re wondering what the College’s deejays are playing these days, you can listen online at http://college.holycross.edu/wchc. Some recent offerings? “Iron Lion Zion” by Bob Marley, “Where Did the Party Go” by Fall Out Boy, “Papaoutai” by Stromae and “Crimson and Clover” by Joan Jett.

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THE INTERN’S TURN

Holy Cross Magazine has been lucky enough to have some great student interns. This semester, we are joined by English major Maureen Dougherty ’14 from Pearl River, N.Y. (daughter of Bill ‘73 and sister of Clare ’12). Along with 15 of her peers, Dougherty opted to spend part of her spring break participating in one of the retreat programs offered by the Chaplains’ Office. We asked her to share a bit about her experience. Here is her reflection:

The Holy Cross Spiritual Exercises are based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius Loyola, but rather than a month of silent reflection, the Exercises are condensed into a five-day silent retreat so that students can participate in this valuable opportunity to explore one’s relationship with God.

When deciding whether or not to attend the Spiritual Exercises over spring break, I painstakingly poured over the pros and cons. Naturally, I focused on what I assumed were the negatives: no talking, no Internet and (gasp!) no iPhone. After much deliberation and encouragement from friends who had attended the retreat in the past, I gave in, and entered the Campion Renewal Center in Weston, Mass., with an open mind and an open heart.

Under the guidance of four wonderful spiritual directors: Director of the Office of the College Chaplains Marybeth Kearns-Barrett ’84; Associate Chaplain Keith Maczkiewicz, S.J.; Sr. Lucille Cormier, S.A.S.V., of the Chaplains’ Office; and former Holy Cross President Rev. Michael McFarland, S.J., my peers and I were able to reflect on our faith and address our fears and doubts, which I, as a senior graduating in a few short months, was absolutely full of. Although I do not have it all figured out, I left the Exercises with a sense of peace regarding my future and a renewed foundation of my faith, something that will be vital as I approach my departure from the Hill.

The Spiritual Exercises are at the heart of Jesuit life, and this year, the Jesuits celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Restoration of their order. I hope you will enjoy our feature on this milestone, “The Jesuit Restoration,” starting on Page 22.

As always, I welcome your letters and emails about what you see in this issue—and what you’d like to see in future magazines. All the best from Mount St. James,

Suzanne Morrissey
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Following an extensive national search, Professor Margaret N. Freije was named vice president for academic affairs and dean of the College. Rev. Philip L. Boroughs, S.J., president, made the announcement on March 7.

Freije, a mathematician and leader in Jesuit higher education who has been serving as interim vice president and dean since July of 2013, is the first woman to hold the top academic post at Holy Cross. As vice president and dean, Freije provides leadership and day-to-day management for all facets of the academic life of the College. She also serves as a member of the President’s Executive Team, helping set strategic priorities for the College.

“I am delighted that Margaret has assumed this critically important post at Holy Cross,” said Fr. Boroughs in his announcement to the community. “Her administrative experience, teaching excellence, academic accomplishments and scholarship add up to the right fit for Holy Cross today and in the future. Her deep understanding of and commitment to
our Jesuit mission and Catholic identity will provide the leadership to propel us forward."

“I am excited and energized to begin this new chapter to advance the future of Holy Cross,” Freije says. “Holy Cross has been my academic home for 28 years. I look forward to working together with faculty, staff, students and alumni in the days, months and years ahead to build on the College's solid academic foundation and to deepen its commitment to the teaching, learning and scholarship that are hallmarks of Jesuit liberal arts education.”

Freije has a few specific initiatives on her radar in the immediate future: “I am looking forward to working with faculty and administrators to support new pedagogical initiatives such as educational technology,” she says. “And to enhance writing across the curriculum, to create new opportunities for experiential learning and to support the College's initiatives on diversity and inclusion.”

A native of New York, Freije earned her bachelor's degree in mathematics at Boston College in 1980 and her Ph.D. in mathematics at Brown University in 1986. A specialist in algebraic number theory and arithmetic geometry, Freije arrived at Holy Cross in the fall of 1986 and quickly began distinguishing herself as a teacher and scholar, and through her administrative contributions to the College.

She was honored with the Holy Cross Distinguished Teaching Award in 1997 and was named a “Woman of Distinction” by the Girl Scouts in 2003. She is the recipient of a number of grants and awards, including the NECUSE Grant, “Innovative Methods in the Teaching of Mathematics,” (with Holy Cross colleague David Damiano) and the 1992 Hewlett-Mellon Award, “Revising the Calculus Sequence.”

Central to her time at Holy Cross has been work to advance Jesuit mission and identity. In 2011, she was appointed by former President Michael C. McFarland, S.J., to the Presidential Colloquium on Jesuit Liberal Arts at Holy Cross to develop a document that provides a vision for Jesuit liberal arts education at the College. In 2010–11, she participated in the Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities' Ignatian Colleagues Program and subsequently became a member of the ICP leadership team and small group facilitator for the 2013 cohort.

She was co-facilitator of a yearlong faculty workshop on the commitment to the promotion of justice in Jesuit education, designing a series of seminars and an immersion trip to El Salvador. She was a member of the Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities (AJCU) Seminar on Higher Education Leadership in June 2005 and participated in the Ignatian Pilgrimage to sites in Spain and Italy with Holy Cross and AJCU colleagues in June of 2007.

Her professional memberships include the American Association of University Women, American Conference of Academic Deans, Association of American Colleges and Universities and many others.

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**Senior Convocation**

The Class of 2014, the 168th class to graduate from Holy Cross, celebrated its convocation on Jan. 20, 2013. Designed by seniors for seniors, the event allows members of the Class of 2014 to pause and reflect on their journey at Holy Cross, as well as the actions that will shape a meaningful life’s work as they begin their final semester on the Hill. After a call to order from Class President William Garey ’14 of Salem, Mass., a program of music and readings followed, including comments from Class Dean Esther Levine. Virginia Coakley and Paul Covino, chaplains for the Class of 2014, offered a blessing to the students.

Rev. Philip Boroughs, S.J., also addressed the class, giving advice that concluded with this timeless sentiment: “Finally, there is a lot of pressure in our highly competitive world to be the best, the most successful, the highest paid, the most sought-after. And there will be many opportunities where, if you choose, you can cut corners, avoid responsibilities, devalue commitments, and use others in order to get ahead, to be seen as the best, the most successful or the highest paid. I encourage you to have pride in who you are and what you believe. Find good friends who support your best self. You will never regret living authentically, justly and thoughtfully later in life when you look back on whom you have become.”

**Economics Alumna Makes Department Proud**

Holy Cross professors are known for keeping in touch with their former students, even decades after graduation. And they are quick to share news of their former students’ achievements, as Katherine Kiel, professor in economics and chair of the economics and accounting department, did recently.

“One of our former students, Corey Beck ’13, entered this year's Frank W. Taussig Article Award competition and received fourth place,” Kiel told HCM. “The competition is a national one, sponsored by Omicron Delta Epsilon, the international honor society for economics.”

Undergraduates and recent grads compete for the Taussig Award each year. Beck’s paper, “The Consequences of Overstating Fuel Economy,” arose out of Professor David Schap’s Law and Economics course term paper assignment from last fall. "Corey spent a great deal of time working on it during the January recess with some guidance from Professor Schap,” Kiel reports. “She was very active in our economics student organization during her senior year, and we are very proud of her accomplishment.”

Beck, who now works in New York City as an analyst for UBS, says she appreciates the time Schap dedicated to helping improve the paper, adding, “I hope students recognize that professors are an incredible resource and willing to help!”

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Mandela  Soon after the news of Nelson Mandela’s death, students, faculty and staff gathered in Hogan near the Bookstore to hear readings of Mandela’s writing and to observe a moment of silence, followed by the South African National Anthem.

USA/Mexico  On Jan. 25, more than 20 students explored the complex relationship between the United States and Mexico along its shared border as part of the eighth annual Presidential Scholars Public Policy Symposium.

Congratulations to the faculty members who have been promoted to the rank of associate professor with tenure (from left).

Renée Lynn Beard, of the department of sociology and anthropology, received her B.A. in sociology from Boston College and her Ph.D. in medical sociology from the University of California, San Francisco. A member of the Holy Cross faculty since 2008, her areas of expertise include the sociology of health and aging, illness narratives, Alzheimer’s disease and social policy.

Barbara L. Craig, of the theatre department, has designed and taught scenery, lighting, costume and properties in academic, professional and community theatres in Baltimore, Minneapolis, Denver and beyond. A member of the Holy Cross faculty since 2007, she has mentored students through the Center for Interdisciplinary Studies (CIS) and served as the department representative to the Academic Affairs Council. She received her B.A. in English from Barnard College and her M.F.A. in design and technical theatre from the University of Minnesota.

Caner K. Dagli, of the religious studies department, received his B.A. from Cornell University in Near Eastern studies, his M.A. from George Washington University in Religion with a specialization in Islam and his Ph.D. from Princeton University in Near Eastern Studies. Prior to coming to Holy Cross in 2008, he served as an interfaith affairs consultant at the Royal Hashemite Court of Jordan. Dagli is the recipient of a Fulbright Grant to study in Turkey and an Andrew W. Mellon Fellowship in the Humanities.

Bryan Engelhardt, of the economics department, earned his B.A. from Oberlin College and his Ph.D. from the University of Iowa. A member of the Holy Cross faculty since 2008, his research interests include labor economics, macroeconomics and the economics of crime. A frequent media commentator, his recent research includes a study on the effects of various labor market and crime policies.

John Panteleimon Manoussakis of the philosophy department received his Ph.D. from Boston College. He was ordained into the diaconate in 1995 and into the priesthood in 2011, receiving the distinction of an archimandrite. His research interests include the philosophy of religion, phenomenology, the Neo-Platonic tradition and Patristics. A member of the faculty since 2007, he is the author of two books and more than 30 articles in English, Greek, Russian, Serbian and Ukrainian.

Brian R. Linton (not shown) of the department of chemistry, earned his B.A. from Allegheny College and his Ph.D. from the University of Pittsburgh. A member of the Holy Cross faculty since 2008, his research focuses on the role of hydrogen bonding in protein structure and function, has been supported by grants and has resulted in numerous presentations throughout the United States. More than 25 students have been involved in his work through independent studies and summer research projects.

—Cristal Steuer
Student Artist Takes Top Prize

Bang Luu '14 took the first place prize at the 10th annual College Art Show, a juried exhibit of the best art coming out of Worcester-area colleges and universities, with her laser engraving on plywood panel titled “Stardust,” above. Luu is a visual arts studio major with a visual arts history minor from Lawrence, Mass. “Stardust,” which measures 23 inches long by 20 inches wide, depicts the interconnection among all humans, Luu explains. She developed the piece as part of the Digital Art Studio I course, taught by Rachelle Beaudoin, lecturer in the visual arts department. Luu hopes to work for an animation company following graduation.

“I would like to integrate what I have learned at Holy Cross and continue working with the technological medium that I love,” she says. ■

—Nick Markantonatos

Honoring Dr. King

On Jan. 21, Damon Williams, senior vice president for programs, training and youth development services for the Boys and Girls Clubs of America, delivered an address titled “Why We Can’t Wait: The Strategic Imperatives of Diversity in the New Economy” at the College’s Second Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Breakfast. As an author, educator, consultant and speaker at more than 200 institutions, Williams is widely considered one of the nation’s most dynamic and innovative leaders in higher education.

“Damon Williams is a leading voice in linking issues of diversity through institutional transformation, capacity building and committed leadership,” says Mable Millner, associate dean of students for diversity and inclusion and director of multicultural education at the College. “In a clear, concise and engaging manner he challenges current thinking and offers new insights for developing accountable, inclusive and proactive methods for change.”

The morning event included a tribute to Nelson Mandela from Jacqueline Peterson, vice president for student affairs and dean of students; a tribute to Martin Luther King, Jr., delivered by Sue Finne of residence life and housing; and a performance by the Holy Cross Chamber Singers. ■

Kane ’80 to deliver lecture

One day in 1917, while cooking dinner at home in Manhattan, Margaret Reilly felt a sharp pain over her heart and claimed to see a crucifix emerging on her skin. Four years later, Reilly entered the convent of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd in Peekskill, N.Y., where, known as Sister Mary of the Crown of Thorns, she spent most of her life gravely ill and possibly exhibiting Christ’s wounds.

Former Holy Cross Trustee Paula Kane ’80 researched Reilly’s life and last year published Sister Thorn and Catholic Mysticism in Modern America (University of North Carolina Press). Kane, who is the Marous Chair of Catholic Studies at the University of Pittsburgh, will present “Stigmata on the Hudson: the Strange Tale of Sister Thorn,” in Rehm Library on April 22 at 4:30 p.m. The event, co-sponsored by the McFarland Center for Religion, Ethics and Culture and the Alexander F. Carson Lecture Series, is free and open to the public.

Call 508-793-3869 or visit http://academics.holycross.edu/crec for more information. (There, you can also find videos of the McFarland Center’s many lectures and events.) ■

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Play Time The Alternative College Theatre presented Merrily We Roll Along (left) in Fenwick Theatre, Feb. 6–9. Conor Sullivan ’14 directed Stephen Sondheim’s reverse coming-of-age story.

Runway Worcester’s Mechanics Hall once again hosted the Annual Black Student Union Fashion Show, which took place Feb. 7 as part of the BSU’s Black History Month celebrations. The show explored fashion inspired by various artistic movements such as surrealism, pop art and impressionism.

Countdown On Feb. 14, students celebrated the Hundred Days Ball at Worcester’s DCU Center. The Ball, sponsored by the Purple Key Society, marks 100 days until graduation.
Chem Note  Elizabeth Landis, assistant professor of chemistry, received $35,000 from the Research Corporation for Science Advancement to help fund her project, “Molecular Monolayers on Nanoporous Gold Electrodes.”

Staff Honors  Five employees received a Claire B. Burns Award, presented annually to non-exempt staff, who in the fulfillment of their responsibilities have demonstrated, fostered and promoted the spirit of family. The honorees are Linda Bassan and Dhimiter Marka of physical plant, LuAnn Hennessy of the football office, Keith Rockwood of public safety and Heather Stewart of the bursar’s office.

Do the Math

Lauren Buckley ’14, Alison Wilkman ’14, Mathematics Professor Dave Damiano, Gopal Yalla ’15, Molly Lynch ’14 and Melissa McGuirl ’15 (from left), attended the 2014 Joint Mathematics Meeting in Baltimore in January. The five mathematics majors each presented posters on the summer math research they conducted at Holy Cross last year. Lynch, from Wethersfield, Conn., took home an Outstanding Presentation Award for “Modeling Homeostatic Expansion of Various T Cell Populations.”

Artist, Alumna Lecturer Inspired by Fitness Culture

Studio supervisor and visual arts lecturer Amy Archambault ’08 combined athleticism and artistic expression in her latest installation “Live-work,” (above). Funded in part by the 2013 Massachusetts Cultural Council Artist Fellowship Grant in Sculpture/Installation, “Live-work” recently ended a three-month stay at 17 Cox gallery in Beverly, Mass. Archambault’s site-specific installation was part obstacle course, part Habitatrail and part modular home. Visitors could either observe her bright, colorful constructions as sculpture or take off their shoes and participate in the various obstacles. Pathways through the gallery allowed for different levels of engagement—Archambault even included demonstration videos of her performances. Visitors were encouraged to “work out” in the gallery during the exhibition.

“‘Live-work,’ is largely inspired by fitness culture and its interaction with the physical properties of structural design. It invites the viewer to become both a spectator and a participant. I am interested in the way that a space, inclusive of its constructed interior, has the ability to direct one’s mobility within,” says Archambault. “The imprint for movement is in place. ‘Live-work’ is the first installation of its kind that encourages participation. That being said, the work has generated tremendous feedback and internal response about process, construction and relationship to our fitness-hungry culture.”

Archambault, who was featured in The Pulse magazine for its “Up & Coming Local Artists” feature in Central Massachusetts (April 2012), teaches mixed media painting and drawing. This summer, she’ll be doing grant research and spending time in her studio on new projects. “The body of work I have been exploring most recently—which is still very loosely defined—will be more sculptural and non-site-specific,” she says. “It will likely reference structures and systems for play from my childhood. ... I have been sketching and writing while thinking a lot about narrative and character construction.”

Dig into Pi

To celebrate Pi Day (that’s March 14 ... 3.14 ... get it?), Holy Cross Dining offered up apple and pumpkin mini pies for sale across campus (shown here by bakers Michelle Moreno, Leo Elia, Aida Clemmey and Laurie Agnitti). The team calculated that 52 pounds of fresh apples and 26 pounds of pumpkin puree went into that sweet equation.
Noted Economist Delivers BSU Keynote Address

The Black Student Union (BSU) welcomed Boyce Watkins, author, economist, political analyst and social commentator (above), as the Black History Month keynote speaker in February. Watkins, former member of the finance faculty and currently a Scholar in Residence in Entrepreneurship and Innovation at Syracuse University, is also a Distinguished Scholar with the Barbara Jordan Institute for Policy Research. In addition to publishing scholarly articles on finance and investing, Watkins is an advocate for education, economic empowerment and social justice; he has made regular appearances in various national media outlets, including CNN, “Good Morning America,” MSNBC, NPR, Essence magazine, USA Today, “The Today Show” and ESPN.

“Dr. Watkins’ address was beneficial as it related the importance of the past, present and future of African Americans,” says Payton Shubrick ’15 of Springfield, Mass. “Many mistake Black History month as a time to honor a few key figures, but Dr. Watkins was able to introduce current trending topics and the relevance they have to the black community today.”

Grand Finale

Students, faculty, staff and alumni filled the Ballroom for the 40th Anniversary of Coeducation Finale celebration on Jan. 28. The event marked the conclusion of the yearlong celebration of “Opening Doors,” which commemorated the strong legacy of women—past, present and future—at Holy Cross. Ann McElaney-Johnson ’79, president of Mount Saint Mary’s College and member of the Holy Cross Board of Trustees (above, with Rev. Philip L. Boroughs, S.J.), delivered the keynote address.

The event featured performances by the Delilahs and the Rhythm Nation Steppaz. Holy Cross Dining prepared dishes popular in each of the four decades women have been students at the College, which guests enjoyed as they browsed yearbooks from the first days of coeducation and read a display of posters profiling notable alumnae.

Online Only
See a photo gallery of the Opening Doors finale and read McElaney-Johnson’s remarks at holycross.edu/hcm/finale

Hail to the Chef
As part of the Claire B. Burns Awards, Angelo Berti in Holy Cross Dining received The Rev. William J. O’Halloran, S.J., Award. Berti has worked at the College for 20 years.

No. 8
Kiplinger’s Personal Finance magazine has ranked Holy Cross No. 8 among all liberal arts colleges in New England in its annual list of “best value” schools. The region-specific rankings are part of Kiplinger’s new College Finder tool.

Graduation News
Former director of speechwriting for the White House, Jon Favreau ’03, will deliver the commencement address May 23. Acclaimed soprano Rochelle Bard ’98 and noted scholar Rev. John W. Padberg, S.J., will also receive honorary degrees.
From time to time, HCM likes to take a stroll through Hogan Campus Center, the hub of student activity, to see what students are up to. Here’s who we found on our latest walkabout.

1 The tables at Cool Beans are prime real estate for studying: Friends Justin Grabowski ’15 of Beverly, Mass., Taylor Silva ’15 of Bethel, Conn., and Megan Demit ’16 of Milton, Ga. (from left) were embroiled in readings for their Art of Living and Social Theory classes. 2 The staircase in front of Cool Beans is a hot spot for campus postings—on the day HCM was there, signs reminded students that the deadline for being an RA was fast approaching. 3 Maria Palacios ’15 of Norwalk, Conn., tucked into a quiet spot on the second floor couches to study stats. 4 Down the hall, Boston native Alex Pagan-Mejia ’15, the Campus Activities Board (CAB) treasurer, was working in the CAB offices. 5 We found Taylor Gull ’16 of Rutland, Mass., hard at work in the Bookstore. 6 Down in the Crossroads Pub, we chatted with Frances Sullivan ’16 from Baltimore, who was studying for Intro to Women’s Studies.
DESCRIPTION  A study of drama from different epochs, examining how legal systems structure plays centered on questions of justice and how drama itself critiques the implementation and practice of law


OVERVIEW  Introducing students to drama as a literary genre and justice as a dominant theme in Western literature, the course provides students with the opportunity to see how plays, laws and attitudes toward justice change over time. During the semester members of the legal community visit the class to share their views on fictitious representations of the law. Students also watch several film clips of the plays and will attend this year’s Fenwick production of Sophocles’ *Antigone*. They come to realize that without performance, any play text is incomplete.

REQUIREMENTS  In-class panel presentation; short paper; mid-term; class participation; 10-12 page final paper or final exam

ON THE DAY HCM VISITED CLASS  In-depth analysis of the interaction of characters and episodes in Acts 2 and 3 of *The Merchant of Venice*—examining premises and audience/readers’ assumptions about the drama’s portrayal of cultural and social mores of the day and the pursuit of equity and justice amidst prevailing cultural biases and ingrained religious prejudice

PROFESSOR BIO  A 1976 graduate of Yale University, with a Ph.D. in English literature, Whall subsequently joined the Holy Cross faculty, becoming associate professor in 1982 and professor in 2008; her specialties include Shakespeare, Renaissance drama, modern drama and comic theory. Having served on most major College and department committees and councils, Whall is currently the director of Comprehensive Academy Advising and is a member of The Center for Learning Board as well as the Vocare Steering Committee (Vocation & Discernment Initiatives); she also recently served on the Steering Committee for the “Celebration of 40 Years of Women at Holy Cross.” Publishing in scholarly journals and the popular press, Whall lectures extensively throughout the New England Library System on Shakespeare and popular literature. Her civic involvement includes five years of service on The Massachusetts Board of Bar Overseers Hearing Committee, District 4.

PROFESSOR QUOTE  “I think justice is the single greatest concept we can ask liberal arts students to contemplate, analyze and debate,” says Whall, about the course. “Any discussion of law is going to bump up against notions of justice, and we all need to be very aware of what those notions are and whether our laws live up to them. Because drama doesn’t use a narrator to lead the reader, plays really challenge a student to figure out not just ‘what is happening,’ but, more importantly, ‘how and why that is happening’ both on stage, on the page and in the ever changing world.”

STUDENT QUOTE  “Law is based on a set of assumptions and premises concerning human nature/the human experience,” says Andrew Sullivan ’15, of St. John’s, Newfoundland and Labrador, Canada. “Humans are innately in need of ‘rules’ to govern their propensity for lawlessness. We have explored the interplay between law and identity in Shakespeare’s *The Merchant of Venice* and the relationship between law and order in Sophocles’ *Antigone*. By studying law’s societal influence from different time periods, it is clear that while concepts of justice change, the need for law as a means of governance is constant.”

COURSE INSPIRATION  Early in her career at Holy Cross, when she and a friend at Harvard Law debated the legal versus literary view of “stories” found in law books, Whall conceived of this course. She observes: “It occurred to me that looking at drama in relationship to law would be an effective way of making students examine their assumptions and back up their claims with evidence.”

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In A Man’s Guide to Healthy Aging, professor emeritus of sociology and former director of both Gerontology Studies and the Women’s and Gender Studies program at Holy Cross, Edward H. Thompson Jr. offers middle-aged and older men a clear and comprehensive manual for staying strong, smart and active as the birthdays pass. Not just a source for healthy eating and exercise, the Guide delves into the importance of social connection, spiritual well-being, stress response, caregiving and intimacy. Co-authored with Lenard W. Kaye, professor of social work and director of the Center on Aging at the University of Maine, the book offers insights in four sections: “Managing Our Lives,” “Mind and Body,” “Bodily Health” and “Living with Others.”

**Q** What part of their health do you find men tend to ignore?

**A** You name it.

**Q** What is the “three-legged stool” concept you describe in the book?

**A** When people (both lay and professional) discuss aging, typically mentioned is just the physical (bodily) and psychological (emotional, cognitive). Aging also involves our relationships—family, friends, co-workers, neighbors, etc. When considering “healthy aging,” people need to think in terms of physical, psychological and social health. Thus, the three legs of healthy aging, and the stool image has the three legs interconnected. Research shows that relationships yield better physical and psychological health, physical health affects social and psychological, and so on.

**Q** How do you recommend men stay motivated to address their health issues?

**A** Like anything that involves changing habits, it takes conscious small steps until the new habit replaces the old. Changing our physical activity, eating and socializing habits—the big three—cannot be the six- to eight-week immersion akin to a New Year’s resolution. Three steps forward, one or sometimes two back, but keep going forward. Things that were alien become normal habits.

**Q** What was the most challenging section to research and write?

**A** The cancer chapter. I foolishly started it first. Understanding cancer itself was not challenging. What was disheartening was reading the horrible experiences men (and women) undergo with the disease, the treatments and having to run up against the “cancer=death” imagery in the public discourse. I developed a section on one cancer and then literally put the chapter aside for a week or so.

**Q** Did any of your research for the book influence you personally, in your own habits or health practices?

**A** Oh yeah. Thinking in terms of being physically active rather than “exercise” affirmed my conscious decision to park my car farther away—at Holy Cross, I park closer to the Hart Center; in a shopping center, way down the row—and stop making excuses about walking. I eat less and drink more water now than five years ago. But we still have not updated our simple will—too lazy, I guess, to locate a new attorney.

**Q** Did you have any “ah-ha” moments while working on this book?

**A** My “ah-ha” moment for the book occurred in the mid-1990s—two moments, in fact. One was while teaching an “Aging & Health” course at UMass Memorial Medical School. I witnessed a pair of guest speakers ask a question about gendered health—such as, since men experience myocardial infarction symptoms this way (lists symptoms), how do women experience it? I knew the answer (Our Bodies, Ourselves existed), but the audience was floored that women’s bodily experiences with an MI differed. Another speaker an hour later asked, “If women compare passing a kidney stone to labor pain, how do men experience it?” Again, the audience was silent. Whoa, I thought, there is a need for information about how men experience their bodies and about men’s health. The second “ah-ha” moment was the recognition that bookstores had shelves with titles regarding women’s health and lives, but none on men, and certainly none on middle-aged and older men.

**Q** We hate to ask you to distill 574 pages into one answer, but we have to ask: What do you think is the single most important thing a man needs to do to remain healthy into his senior years?

**A** Men need to begin to view themselves as vulnerable like everyone else, and no longer take for granted their body or pretend to be only protectors, providers, good citizens, employees/bosses. We write several times in the book that it is OK to be a bit selfish—asking those we live with to help us change lifestyle habits and extend the quality of everyday life.

**Online only** Read more of our interview with Thompson, including his thoughts on working with student writers on this project and how the late, former Holy Cross president Rev. John E. Brooks, S.J., ’49 helped widen his career path into gerontology studies.
“IN THE CURRENT ARTICLE, we outline a framework that articulates how stigma can ‘get under the skin’ in order to lead to psychological and physical health disparities. Further, we consider when and to what degree concealability moderates these effects…”—Assistant Professor of psychology Stephenie Chaudoir, Valerie Earnshaw and Stephanie Andel, from “Discredited’ Versus ‘Discreditable’: Understanding How Shared and Unique Stigma Mechanisms Affect Psychological and Physical Health Disparities,” published in Basic and Applied Social Psychology Special Issue: Fifty Years of Stigma Research: Lessons Learned and Lingering Issues, Vol. 35, Issue 1

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?
“Poverty and racial minority status are two examples of stigmatized attributes that place Americans at risk for significantly poorer health outcomes. One of the prevailing views in the field is that discrimination causes these disparities,” explains Chaudoir. “We’re now seeing evidence that people whose stigmatized attributes are concealable and, as a result, are largely shielded from discrimination also demonstrate similar disparities.

“Our research suggests that some of the pathways that enable stigma to create disparities work differently with concealable stigmas compared to visible stigmas,” adds Chaudoir. Asked about the implications of her research, Chaudoir observes, “Our work shows that a ‘one size fits all approach’ to eliminating health disparities will not be effective.”—Kim Staley ’99
The Holy Cross Chamber Singers, under the direction of David Harris, perform Assistant Professor of Music Chris Arrell’s 2006 composition, “Three Psalms.” Harris says the renovated Brooks Concert Hall is “a gem in the liberal arts music world. It’s loaded with personality and a wonderful place to make music come alive.”
A Distinct Note of Generosity

The Class of 1953 honors its friend, Rev. John E. Brooks, S.J., '49, with a half million-dollar gift that is changing the way music is heard on the Hill.

BY MARK SULLIVAN

Bach and Chopin, Stravinsky and Haydn, Mozart and Monk—their notes rang true, cascading along stained glass and gothic arches. This was a celebration in music of a sacred space: the reborn Rev. John E. Brooks, S.J. Concert Hall.

And this night of music on Jan. 30 heralded something larger. President of the College, Rev. Philip L. Boroughs, S.J., welcomed the audience that filled the reconfigured former 19th-century Jesuit chapel to a "renaissance of the arts at Holy Cross."

When alumni from the Class of 1953 gave more than $500,000 to renovate the concert space named for their friend, the late Holy Cross President Rev. John E. Brooks, S.J., '49, they were contributing to a greater flowering of music, theater, dance and the visual arts at their alma mater.

For example, a visiting artists program, starting this fall with the support of a $600,000 grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, will bring pianists, violinists, violists, cellists and filmmakers to campus to teach. A chamber music institute on campus this summer will provide an intensive immersion program to talented high school students.

And the largest single gift in the College's history, $25 million from Cornelius B. Prior Jr. '56, will support the construction of a new performing arts center, to house a 400-seat concert hall, a 200-seat space for theater, a laboratory for innovation in media and technology and an art gallery.

"As a liberal arts college in the Jesuit tradition, we celebrate our long history of integrating the arts into the curriculum," Fr. Boroughs said. "From the 17th century, Jesuit schools were known for..."
their commitment to music and dance and theater. It is an exciting era for us to extend that tradition here at Holy Cross.”

When leaders of the Class of 1953’s 60th Reunion Gift committee heard the concert hall was going to be renovated, they decided to raise funds to support the project in memory of Fr. Brooks. “Our class felt we should honor someone who made a huge impact on the College,” says William F. Glavin ’53, H’96, who led the gift effort with John T. Magnier ’53, recent In Hoc Signo honoree Francis X.

Almost 70 percent of the Class of ’53 contributed to the 60th Reunion Gift this past June, putting more than a half-million dollars toward the concert hall’s renovation, says Glavin, a former Xerox Corp. vice chairman and Babson College president who is a past Holy Cross Trustee.

“The education we all received at Holy Cross lasted with us,” Glavin explains. “We had a very close class, and have kept in touch for a long, long time.”

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also great blending, so you can focus on parts and also be immersed by the whole,” Arrell says. “If you’re there for an orchestral concert you can hear every player individually as well as the whole.

“There are three things we worry about as musicians: acoustics, acoustics, acoustics, or ‘how does it all sound, how does it all sound, how does it all sound?’ And it’s wonderful. Brooks is an absolutely gorgeous hall with a fantastic sound,” Arrell says.

Student musicians agree. Diana Hurtado ’17, an alto with the Chamber Choir and College Choir, says the close proximity of the audience “keeps everyone engaged in the beauty of the music” while allowing performers to “express their sentiments easily” to listeners. “It makes performances extremely powerful,” she adds, calling the concert hall a “secret treasure” on campus.

Brendan Prast ’14, who plays viola with the Chamber Orchestra and Brooks String Quartet, says: “You can hear whatever is being performed everywhere in it. The new hall is amazing to play in. With its beautiful windows and architecture, not to mention its acoustics, Brooks Concert Hall is one of my favorite places on campus.”

Fr. Brooks’ contributions to the arts at Holy Cross include commissioning St. Joseph Memorial Chapel’s Taylor and Boody Organ, designed in the tradition of 16th- and 17th-century Dutch and north German organs.

A significant part of his legacy is the Brooks Music Scholarship, providing full tuition to a music major who has demonstrated outstanding accomplishment in instrumental or vocal performance or composition as well as in academics.

Brooks Scholars now find an especially compelling venue for their talents in the Brooks Concert Hall. “It is large enough for me to feel like I am performing for a large audience and small enough to feel comfortable,” says pianist Natalya Krykova ’14. Tenor Adam Ouellet ’16 says: “Singing in such a small venue has given me greater creative freedom to tell a story to the audience more effectively.”

“As a jazz musician,” says trumpeter Arthur Joseph “Joe” Dalton IV ’15, “my primary goal is to connect with my audience, engaging them in the creative process as much as possible. I’ve never played in a hall that achieves this as well as the Brooks. The audience is as much a part of the experience as the performers.

“The hall also holds special meaning for me as a Brooks Scholar,” Dalton adds. “Every time I perform in the space, I take part in the continuation of Fr. Brooks’ legacy. The scholarship has had an incredible impact on my life, and I am proud to call the hall named in his honor my home.”

### COME HEAR FOR YOURSELF

**There are several opportunities to hear Holy Cross musicians this spring. If you are in the area, please consider attending—all events are free and open to the public.**

**Holy Cross Jazz Ensemble Spring Concert**

Thursday, April 24

8 p.m.

Brooks Concert Hall

**Duruflé Requiem Worcester Choral Consortium, Holy Cross College Choir featuring Abraham Ross ’16, organ, and Joseph Dalton ’15, trumpet**

Saturday, April 26

3 p.m.

Mechanics Hall, Worcester

**Natalya Krykova ’14, piano Brooks Scholar**

Saturday, April 26

7 p.m.

Brooks Concert Hall

**Holy Cross Chapel Artist Series**

Phillip Christ, organ

Sunday, April 27

3 p.m.

St. Joseph Memorial Chapel

**Chamber Music Festival**

Tuesday, April 29

4 p.m.

Brooks Concert Hall

**Gamelan Gita Sari**

Friday, May 2

8 p.m.

Brooks Concert Hall

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### GIFTS

The generosity of the Holy Cross community is routinely noted as one of the best in the nation. Last year, alumni, parents and friends gave the College $26 million, with an unprecedented $9.3 million in unrestricted gifts to the Holy Cross Fund. Each year, the reunion classes have a special organized gift effort, led by a committee and a gift chair or co-chairs.

“Last year, the 12 reunion class gifts represented 37 percent of the Holy Cross Fund. The 50th reunion class alone raised 9 percent of the total Fund,” reports Christene Riendeau, associate director of the Holy Cross Fund and Reunion Fundraising. “What made the ’53 gift so special was that this group of men wanted to do something for their friend, Fr. Brooks,” says Maggie Hayden Bramley ’98, director of the Fund. “Dedicating their class gift to the Brooks Concert Hall renovation really motivated the committee and class. We set their initial goal at $250K, and they raised more than $500K.”
What is it like to meet Warren Buffett, the “Oracle of Omaha?” Imagine a Justin Timberlake concert where nearly everyone in the audience is wearing a dark business suit and freshly polished black shoes. The lights are bright. The ushers keep funnelling people into their seats.

In a long, narrow venue—the “Cloud Room” on the 15th floor of Omaha’s Kiewit Plaza (opposite, home to Buffett’s holding company, Berkshire Hathaway)—all those woolen-clad bodies sit shoulder to shoulder.

The Holy Cross contingent of 18 students joins about 80 others—most of them MBA candidates from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology,
the University of California-Davis, UCLA, the University of Houston, the University of Tennessee, the University of Western Ontario and a group of universities from Brazil. (For those keeping score, Holy Cross was the only liberal arts college in the room.) Smart phones—except for those being used for occasional selfies—are respectfully stowed in pockets or purses. Eyes remain focused on the front of the room where a long, low bench—prepped with two cans of Cherry Coke—awaits the main attraction.

Suddenly, a side door opens and in bounds the 83-year-old Buffett, the world’s greatest investor, the “Oracle of Omaha” and the featured performer for the next two hours.

“Talk about whatever you want,” Buffett says to the students. “It’s more interesting if you make it tough for me. And drink a Coke,” he urges them, motioning to tubs in the back of the room stocked with Coca-Cola products. “At least open the can.” (Berkshire Hathaway owns a 9.1 percent stake in Coca-Cola.)

The students from Holy Cross are seated in the first three rows on the left side of the room. “I didn’t expect Warren Buffett to be so close to us,” Katie Luther ’14, a political science major from Omaha, Neb., says later. “I was in the second row. I could have reached out my arm and touched him.”

TWO HOURS WITH THE ORACLE

It was the moment that Holy Cross students had been prepping for since last fall when they were chosen to take part in the Finance Club-sponsored trip to meet Warren Buffett. They read and discussed The Snowball: Warren Buffett and the Business of Life, by Alice Schroeder (Bantam, 2009), an 832-page book that provides insights into Buffett’s investment strategies and character. They took a weekend workshop in investing from Holy Cross investment officer Dan Ricciardi ’06, who has also accompanied them to Omaha. As part of the coursework, he assigned case studies that challenged the students to analyze selected companies, decide if Buffett would acquire them (or not), and defend their choices. And they met as a group to come up with perfect questions to ask Buffett during the Jan. 31, 2014, Q&A meeting at Berkshire Hathaway headquarters.

“We invested the time in educating ourselves on Warren Buffett and Berkshire Hathaway, and our preparation really paid off,” says Christina Rudolf ’14, an accounting major from Switzerland. “That’s part of the reason why were able to represent the Holy Cross brand so well.”

Not all the students on the trip are on an economics or accounting track. “Why is an English major going to see Warren Buffett?” asks Megan Marrkand ’14, herself an English major from Westford, Mass. “It doesn’t matter what major you have; with a liberal arts education you can go anywhere.”

“There was a certain depth to the questions that Holy Cross students asked during the Q&A session,” Ricciardi explains. “They knew this was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, and they didn’t want to waste their questions
First up on the big day? Natalya Krykova ’14, a music and psychology double major from Nashua, N.H., who asked Buffett what keeps him motivated. “I want to be the oldest man in the world,” he said to the sound of laughter, adding “I’m doing what I love doing; it doesn’t get any better than that. I get to paint my own painting. And I give my managers their own paintbrushes.”

Questions followed from each of the other schools before Eric Sherman ’14, an economics major from Hingham, Mass., got his turn at bat. He says he’s a fan of the “Secret Millionaires Club,” a cartoon show featuring Buffett that provides teens with advice about saving, earning and investing. Sherman then asked Buffett what kids should do if their passion is not financially rewarding.

“Buffett told the audience they have to do what they’re passionate about. “I’ve got three kids who all do different things,” he noted. “Who knows what’s inside you? Find out what it is.”

Holy Cross’ final speaker was Brendan Siebecker ’14, a double major in history and political science from White Plains, N.Y. He took the place of Rudolf, who graciously passed him the baton when a student from another school asked a question similar to hers (regarding women in business). Siebecker asked Buffett whether Berkshire Hathaway could ever get too big to deliver the kinds of returns it’s known for. Admitting it could happen, Buffett talked about the possibility of buying back shares and/or returning capital through dividends—something that the company hasn’t done before.

“I don’t know if there’s ever going to be an experience cooler than that,” Siebecker says. “I felt like we were the only two people in the room.”

Throughout the two-hour session, Buffett mixed humor with personal anecdotes and pearls of wisdom about career choices, investing and even choosing the right spouse. His answers danced across the decades of his life, from discovering his passion for investing at age 7 to what he’s looking for today in the next big deal. Filing out of the Kiewit building, Holy Cross students expressed respect for his business acumen as well as his acknowledgment of the importance of love.

“I felt like he was both a teacher and a student. And he is always learning. I see this as a goal for my own life,” says Andrew Marzo ’14, an economics major from Berkeley Heights, N.J.

“His talk about unconditional love rang a bell for me; it reminded me of my father,” says Nicole Tan ’15, an economics major and Asian Studies concentrator in the premedical program from Selangor, Malaysia. “It’s not always about status and power; it’s about doing what you love to do.”

“His laid-back personality made everything seem so simple,” Rudolf says. “He has encouraged me to go out there and do great things. I like that.”

**BREAKING BREAD WITH BUFFETT**

Once the Q&A session is finished, buses and cars full of students followed Buffett to Piccolo Pete’s (his favorite restaurant), an Italian steak house in one of Omaha’s most culturally diverse pockets. Buffett picked up the tab for everyone’s rib-eye steaks, chicken parmesans and vegetarian entrees. Mandatory root beer floats (Buffett’s float is bigger than everyone else’s) were followed by group photos for each school, an activity that allowed Holy Cross attendees a moment to present two highly personal gifts to their host.

The first gift is a purple Holy Cross pennant displayed as part of the group photo. The pennant previously graced the 2010 campus wedding of Ricciardi ’06 and Hilary Couture ’05. The other gift is a framed copy of *The Sporting News* from April 13, 1939. The highlighted story discusses a hot new Boston Red Sox player named Ted Williams and his potential for becoming rookie of the year. (The following day Williams would hit a grand slam home run during an exhibition game on Holy Cross’ Fitton Baseball Field. A huge Ted Williams fan, Buffet has a photograph of that at-bat hanging in his office.)

“We knew Mr. Buffett loves Ted Williams,” Ricciardi says. “We knew he loves newspapers. This was a nice way to dovetail Holy Cross history and his personal history at the same time.”
SEEING THE SUBSIDIARIES
Students also took tours of three Berkshire Hathaway subsidiaries in the Omaha area: Nebraska Furniture Mart, the largest home furnishings store in North America (photo, Page 19); Borsheims, a leader in the jewelry industry; and Oriental Trading Company, the nation’s largest direct merchant of value-priced novelties.

“Nebraska Furniture Mart uses electronic price tags so they can always sell at the lowest price,” Marrkand recalls. “This just shows they’re constantly trying to improve, which goes back to Buffett always trying to improve and stay ahead.”

Each tour allowed students to interact with an executive from the subsidiary’s management team. At Borsheims, for example, students listened as Chief Financial Officer Erin Limas described her company’s formula for business success: carry the biggest selection of inventory possible, offer fabulous customer service and undercut everybody else on price. At the conclusion of her presentation, students experienced the 62,500-square-foot store for themselves. In between more learned pursuits, Luther tried on a $350,000 diamond necklace (photo, Page 19).

“The biggest thing about the tours was seeing how successfully run each of these companies is,” says Brett Gardocki ’14, an economics major from Suffield, Conn., who had to reschedule a job interview in order to make the Omaha trip. “Not because Warren Buffett has his hands in it,” he observes. “He finds companies he sees growth potential in and lets them do their own thing.”

“They asked really sophisticated questions,” Ricciardi says. “They made the [business executives] think a little bit. At Borsheims, one of the students asked about the sourcing of the diamonds. At Nebraska Furniture Mart, someone asked, ‘Do you have a greater role in this community than just being a place to shop?’ Those questions are not on the standard list of questions you ask people; they come from the heart of what we’re trying to live and learn at Holy Cross.”

ALL IN THE FAMILY

When you attend Holy Cross, you gain a network of friends that lasts a lifetime. Not sure that’s true? Just ask any of the 18 students who met Warren Buffett in Omaha on Jan. 31. It took a community of alumni to make their trip a success, in addition to advance planning by Andrew Marzo ’14 and Christina Rudolf ’14.

Dan Ricciardi ’06, investment officer for Holy Cross, helped prepare the students for the adventure of a lifetime and accompanied them on their 1,400-mile-long trip to the Midwest. Luz Minerva Colon-Rodriguez ’05 learned Holy Cross students were coming to Omaha by reading the College’s website. After getting the green light from Ricciardi, she used her connections at Creighton University (a fellow Jesuit school) to set up a tour of the university’s Heider College of Business. Colon-Rodriguez, Creighton’s assistant director of the Office of Multi-cultural Affairs, previously worked at Holy Cross as the assistant director of the Office of Multicultural Education. And it was Bobby Sullivan ’08 whose networking abilities helped get Holy Cross students invited to meet the “Oracle of Omaha.”

“One of Holy Cross’s biggest draws is alumni relationships,” Sullivan says. “Even after you graduate, you’re still tied into all the alumni who do a good job of taking care of each other. I’m just fortunate that I was able to give back to a school that has helped me so much.”

WARREN’S PEARLS OF WISDOM

Advice for young female professionals going into professions dominated by men: “Out-compete ‘em and hope they get more enlightened.”

About investing: “You need emotional stability and guts; you have to do things when other people are petrified.”

About his management style: “I’m not bashful about getting people who are better than I am to do things on my behalf.”

About marriage: “The most important decision is whom you marry. If you make a mistake, it’s correctable. But only with an enormous amount of pain.”

About the difference between you and him: “We sleep the same. We eat the same. I pay more for my clothes, but they look cheap when I put them on.”

A little more about the difference between you and him: “Our lives are almost identical, except when we travel. I have a private plane. Money lets me travel exceptionally well.”

About the commercialization of his reputation: “We own Fruit of the Loom. You will not see Warren Buffett underwear covering the asses of the masses.”

ONLINE ONLY Read more advice from Warren Buffett in this issue’s Web Exclusives at http://magazine.holycross.edu/. There, you can also read more from the students about their experience in Omaha, and how it has influenced their plans for the future.
The Society of Jesus was 233 years old when Pope Clement XIV bowed to pressure from the monarchs of Europe and suppressed the Order in 1773. When Pope Pius VII restored the Society 41 years later in 1814, the Jesuits found themselves in a dramatically changed world. To celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Jesuit Restoration, Holy Cross Magazine asked members of our community—Jesuits, faculty and alumni among them—to examine the intricate political and religious influences surrounding this important milestone in Jesuit history, and to help look ahead to the future of the Society. Professor of History and papal scholar Rev. Thomas W. Worcester, S.J., describes the immediate aftermath of the Restoration, and how the Society of Jesus adapted to a new world and a refreshed mission. Timothy W. O’Brien, S.J., ’06, currently studying historical theology at the University of Chicago Divinity School, leads us through a discussion of the modern Society and what may lie ahead.
In 2013, for the first time ever, a Jesuit was elected pope. Although this was a first and a surprise, the Society of Jesus has always depended on the papacy for its very existence, just as popes have depended on Jesuit teachers, scholars, writers, preachers, spiritual directors, missionaries, and on Jesuits in many other roles. Pope Paul III approved the Society of Jesus on Sept. 27, 1540; Clement XIV suppressed it on July 21, 1773; Pius VII restored it on Aug. 7, 1814. For two centuries no pope has reversed Pius VII’s decision, though certain popes, annoyed or angered by various Jesuits or by the Society of Jesus as a whole, may have given such an action some or maybe even a lot of thought. Clement XIV was a Conventual Franciscan friar, while Pius VII was a Benedictine monk, and thus the story of Jesuit suppression and restoration is in some part a tale of rivalry, misunderstanding and/or of sympathy or mutual appreciation between diverse religious orders. That part of the story has yet to be given adequate attention by historians, but here I shall focus on some considerations that may help us to interpret and perhaps nuance or supplement the term “restoration” for describing what Pius VII set in motion regarding the Jesuits.

### REBIRTH

**BY REV. THOMAS WORCESTER, S.J.**

In 2013, for the first time ever, a Jesuit was elected pope. Although this was a first and a surprise, the Society of Jesus has always depended on the papacy for its very existence, just as popes have depended on Jesuit teachers, scholars, writers, preachers, spiritual directors, missionaries, and on Jesuits in many other roles. Pope Paul III approved the Society of Jesus on Sept. 27, 1540; Clement XIV suppressed it on July 21, 1773; Pius VII restored it on Aug. 7, 1814. For two centuries no pope has reversed Pius VII’s decision, though certain popes, annoyed or angered by various Jesuits or by the Society of Jesus as a whole, may have given such an action some or maybe even a lot of thought. Clement XIV was a Conventual Franciscan friar, while Pius VII was a Benedictine monk, and thus the story of Jesuit suppression and restoration is in some part a tale of rivalry, misunderstanding and/or of sympathy or mutual appreciation between diverse religious orders. That part of the story has yet to be given adequate attention by historians, but here I shall focus on some considerations that may help us to interpret and perhaps nuance or supplement the term “restoration” for describing what Pius VII set in motion regarding the Jesuits.

### STARTING OVER

**How did the Society of Jesus get up and running again after 41 years of non-existence?** And how much continuity or discontinuity was there between the Old Society, pre-1773, and what would develop post-1814? In small numbers, there were in fact men who had lived as Jesuits in the 1773-1814 period, especially in the Russian Empire, where Catherine the Great had refused to allow legal status to Clement XIV’s brief of suppression. Pope Pius VI (reign, 1775-99) largely ignored questions about what remained of the Jesuits, and he was otherwise occupied with patronage of the arts in Rome, with the Austrian emperor’s efforts to take all but total control of the Church in his domains, and then with the revolution in France. From very early on in his lengthy papacy (1800-23), Pius VII encouraged efforts to keep the Society alive, and then in 1814, almost as soon as he was freed from a lengthy imprisonment by Napoleon, he issued his Sollicitudo Omnium Ecclesiarum, re-authorizing the Jesuits everywhere.

Jesuit formation had always been lengthy, typically more than 10 years from entrance to the novitiate to ordination as a priest, and then still longer until “final” vows, the definite admission of an individual to the Society. But there had sometimes been diocesan priests who entered, and their formation would be shorter, and thus they could relatively quickly take up full-time work as Jesuits. This also happened in 1814 and beyond. An example is Francesco Finetti (1762-1842), a well-known Italian preacher who entered the Jesuits in autumn of 1814. He continued his preaching ministry, as a Jesuit, and among his published works is a sermon he preached in Rome in August of 1815 on the theme of St. Peter in Chains: He compared Pius VII to Peter, and Napoleon to the pagan Roman emperors; just as providence had freed St. Peter from incarceration, so too Pius VII, “the most glorious” of pontiffs. This Pope Pius did have a great deal to do with re-building the Church in the early 19th century after its near-annihilation in the 1790s, and he could arguably be the most important of the 12 popes who have chosen this name. And as I have told my students, without Pius VII, there very likely would be no Jesuit schools of any sort today.
By 1814 there were not a lot of “suppressed” Jesuits remaining, that is, of the pre-Suppression Jesuits many had died, others had become diocesan priests, or found other more secular careers. There were a few ex- or suppressed Jesuits in what had become the United States, some were eventually re-admitted to the renascent Society of Jesus, while others chose not to do so. Bishop John Carroll (1735-1815), suppressed Jesuit and, from 1789, the first bishop in the new republic of the United States, was still bishop of Baltimore in 1814, though he died the next year. Another, perhaps more surprising and fascinating case of what happened to a suppressed Jesuit is Joseph-Ignace Guillotin (1738-1814). In his post-Jesuit years he became a medical doctor and then at the French Revolution was elected to the National Assembly, where his proposal for use of a certain contraption for carrying out the death penalty was made law, and this supposedly humane instrument of execution was named after him. In his later years Guillotin promoted vaccination against smallpox. Dying just a few months before Pius’s decree of Jesuit restoration, Guillotin in his burial is re-connected with the Society in a small way, for his tomb is in the Paris cemetery of Père La Chaise, that is, the cemetery named after a Jesuit confessor to King Louis XIV.

For good or for ill, as a religious order, the Society of Jesus missed out on the French Revolution. That meant missing an extraordinary period for promotion of liberty, equality, fraternity, human rights and democracy; it also meant missing the Terror and its savage, bloody dictatorship and a campaign to destroy Christianity and compel submission to the state’s agenda in religion and everything else. In Europe, post-1814 Jesuits generally allied themselves with a conservative political agenda that sought restoration of monarchy and of pre-French Revolution society. Thus European Jesuits for the most part identified with efforts to undo what the revolution had done and return to a pre-1789 world. Yet this was supremely ironic, for the destruction of the Jesuits had been engineered not by republican revolutionaries but by the Catholic monarchs of Portugal, Spain and France, who had succeeded in pressuring Clement XIV to do what they told him to do. While post-1814 European Jesuits may have sought restoration in various ways of the Old Regime, in fact the 19th century, with its globalization and industrialization, was their inescapable reality, and a thorough-going “restoration” in politics was not possible, as it was not in religion or anything else.

Jesuit founder Ignatius of Loyola had insisted on adaptation to circumstances, for example, on giving the Spiritual Exercises in a way that met individuals where they were and in their relationship to God. In what ways was this dynamic, flexible Ignatius “recovered” by the “restored” Jesuits? Jesuit missioners, most famously Matteo Ricci (1552-1610) in China, had adapted themselves to local cultures; they understood themselves not only to bring God to others but to find in all sorts of ways how God was already present wherever they went, perhaps in ways that surprised and transformed them. The 19th century would open a new era of overseas missions, some of them to places Europeans had not gone before, such as the interior of Africa, or Australia. It makes no sense to speak of “restoration” of the Society of Jesus in such places if there were no Jesuits there in the 18th century or earlier. To what extent did Jesuits who were sent to such places attempt to transplant European attitudes and values—imagined as equivalent to “civilization”—and to what extent did they seek to adapt Catholic and Jesuit traditions to local situations? Much more research is needed for an adequate answer. The 19th century would see enormous growth in centralization of the Catholic Church, even as it also reached geographic and cultural peripheries it had previously not known.

GLOBAL PRESENCE
In the Old Society of Jesus, pre-1773, English-speaking parts of the world had played but a small role, with Jesuits claiming English as their native language but a few compared to the many speaking French, Spanish, Portuguese or German. But post-1814, both the expanding British Empire and the growing United States proved quite tolerant of Jesuits: As in the case of the Lutheran-turned-Russian-Orthodox Catherine the Great, non-Catholics often proved more supportive of or at least less hostile to the Jesuits than did fellow Catholics or countries that continued to have Catholic majorities. Most expulsions of the Jesuits from one or another country since 1814—and there has been no shortage of these—have been from such countries, France and Spain among them. Switzerland, with roughly equal numbers of Catholics and Protestants, expelled the Jesuits after the Revolution of 1848, and did not admit them again until the 1970s (by referendum). Meanwhile, in the century and a half after 1814, Jesuits in the United States grew from a tiny few to some eight thousand in the era of Vatican II and its dramatic updating of the Church.

What about elsewhere in the Americas? Like Europe, Latin America had very large numbers of Jesuits active pre-1773, and as in Europe, extant churches and other Jesuit buildings from that era, or ruins of such buildings, continue to suggest what was the widespread presence and influence of the Old Society. But the challenges for Latin American Jesuits in the last two centuries have been many, from coming to terms with newly independent republics in the years after 1814, to surviving eras of ferocious anti-clericalism, to serving the poor in societies where they have few to speak for them. November 16, 2014 will mark the 25th anniversary of the martyrdom of six Jesuits in El Salvador, Jesuits killed for their advocacy of justice for the poor. In Latin America, as elsewhere, the question of continuity or discontinuity of Jesuit history remains
a complex one, and the history of Jesuits killed for their faith, including a faith that does justice, is no small part of that.

But the story of the Jesuits in Latin America, and the story of the Jesuits as intertwined with the history of the papacy, took a monumental turn on March 13, 2013. Though it is too soon to say how the election of Jorge Bergoglio, S.J., as Pope Francis will change the Society of Jesus, it may be no less a significant event for Jesuits than what Pius VII did on August 7, 1814. Center and periphery: Francis describes himself as from a distant place, from the periphery geographically and perhaps in other ways, as he speaks almost every day of the urgent need to minister to the most marginalized people. He is now in the center, at the center or apex of the Church, a Jesuit pope, something surely inconceivable 200 years ago when any existence at all of the Jesuits was no sure thing. Perhaps Francis can teach Jesuits, along with their colleagues and collaborators, how to use positions of power and privilege for the benefit of people on the margins, the periphery. Perhaps Francis can demonstrate how a pope really can be a servant of the servants of God, one of the ancient titles of the bishop of Rome, but not one that has always been visible in action. And perhaps he can play a central role, not so much by decrees or directives as by personal example, not in restoring but in re-imagining and re-invigorating a Society of Jesus for the 21st century and beyond.


1540
Pope Paul III
approves Society of Jesus

1548
Spiritual Exercises published

1556
Death of Ignatius
of Loyola

1609
Jesuit missions created
in South America among indigenous peoples

1630
Jesuits arrive on east coast of future United States

SOME REMAINED

Although the Society of Jesus was officially suppressed in 1773 and restored in 1814, Ignatian scholars are quick to note that not all Jesuit work was stopped by that papal decree. Pockets of Jesuits remained active during the Suppression, many in the Russian Empire, where Catherine the Great did not recognize Pope Clement XIV’s decree to abolish the Society.

“Several of the Catholic monarchs had pressured Pope Clement XIV into suppressing the Jesuits, because kings wanted closer state control of the Church in their territories, a control that the Jesuits seemed to elude,” explains Fr. Worcester. “But Catherine the Great, a German Lutheran who had become Russian Orthodox when she married into the Romanov family, took pleasure in flouting the pope’s will and in refusing to allow publication of the decree suppressing the Jesuits. She appreciated the good work Jesuits did as teachers and made it possible for the Society of Jesus to continue to function within the Russian Empire.”
BECOMING A JESUIT

Assistant Chaplain Keith Maczkiewicz, S.J., right, is a Jesuit in formation who came to Holy Cross last August. He holds a master’s degree in social philosophy from Loyola University Chicago, and is a 2004 graduate of Fairfield University in Connecticut. His areas of expertise include directing the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola and the theory and practice of Ignatian discernment. HCM sat down with Maczkiewicz to find out what it’s like to be in formation in the Society of Jesus.

Q Please tell us a little about yourself.
A I’m originally from Long Island, N.Y., where I attended public schools. I am the middle of five children, though I have a twin sister who is nine minutes older than me! After attending Emerson College for one year as a theatre major, I transferred to Fairfield where I graduated in 2004.

Q When did you first begin thinking that a life in the Society of Jesus would be right for you?
A A Jesuit at Fairfield University first said to me, “you should think about this.” I was flattered, but also non-committal and nervous. But his simple invitation stuck with me, even after Commencement and moving on to graduate school.

Q Who gave you counsel as you made this important decision?
A The vocation director for the Jesuits was very helpful, guiding my application process and giving me lots of things to read, pray about and be attentive to. I was able to confide in good friends as well as that Fairfield Jesuit who first invited me to “think about this.”

Q So what is the first step in Jesuit formation?
A The first step is to live and minister as a Jesuit novice for two years. In this stage of formation a man learns how to pray, live in community with other Jesuits and begin to live the vows of poverty, chastity and obedience while doing local service work. It’s like an engagement: At the end of two years, you’ll either take the plunge by professing these vows with the Society of Jesus, or you won’t!

Q Can you describe the process you’ve been through thus far?
A After two years as a novice in Syracuse, N.Y., I was sent to study graduate philosophy at Loyola University in Chicago for three years. In addition to my studies, I did some ministry with the Ignatian Spirituality Project, which provides spiritual retreat opportunities to men and women who experience chronic homelessness.

Q What has been the most challenging, interesting or exciting part of your formation?
A During my first year as a novice my Jesuit classmates and I were sent to work as orderlies in a cancer hospice in the Bronx, N.Y. There we changed, bathed and physically cared for patients who were dying. My classmate, Tim O’Brien, S.J., ’06 called it a “terrible, wonderful place.” I would agree: It’s terrible that places like Calvary Hospital need to exist, but it’s wonderful that they do.

Q Please explain where you are now in formation, and what is the next step?
A I’m what you call a “Jesuit Regent,” or a “Jesuit in Regency.” Regency is a stage of full-time apostolic work in a Jesuit ministry. Many men in the past taught in our high schools, but now each placement is unique and tailored to both the gifts and desires of the individual Jesuit, and the needs and opportunities of the various Jesuit works. When I finish at Holy Cross after two or three years, I will return to school for graduate theology studies.

Q What projects have you been involved in as an assistant chaplain here at Holy Cross?
A In the Chaplains’ Office I’ve been working on programs to try to support the work the other chaplains are already doing. To that end, I developed a program called “Depth Perception,” which is intended for students returning from spring break immersions. It’s a program that flows out of Father General’s invitation to combat the “globalization of superficiality.” Additionally, I’ve brought back a program that Fr. LaBrann began, the Friends of Loyola, a monthly gathering of students who have made the Spiritual Exercises. And, of course, I have Holla@theCollar, where I spend several hours each Thursday in Cool Beans, among the students.

Q What would you say to a young man thinking about becoming a Jesuit?
A Ask lots of questions and don’t be afraid of the answers! Ours is a life of radical and counter-cultural transparency. It’s OK to have questions about what you don’t know, yet still might feel drawn to.

Q You’re often featured on a site called The Jesuit Post. Can you tell us a little more about that?
A The Jesuit Post (thejesuitpost.org) is an online magazine written entirely by Jesuits in formation (aka non-priests). It started two years ago as a continuation of Ignatius’ dictum, to find God in all things. The site is about making the case for God (better: letting God make the case for Himself) in our secular age. I am one of three bloggers for the site, publishing every three weeks or so. Holy Cross community members feature heavily in my posts!
The Society of Jesus was reborn into a world that had changed drastically from the time of the Suppression. Two revolutions, the American and the French, had convulsed the New World and Europe. Like the Catholic Church as a whole, the newly reconstituted Society was made to negotiate (often reluctantly) a milieu in which relationships among Church, state and society were fluid and continually evolving. The Society was forced to come to terms with the decline of its former cultural influence and the loss of some of its most prestigious works (especially schools, many now operated under the aegis of the state). But elsewhere—notably the United States—the Jesuits encountered fertile ground to undertake new missions in the name of the Gospel.

Put differently, the Society was reborn into a world not wholly unlike our own. Then as now, the Jesuits were invited to prayerfully discern how best to “help souls.” Then as now, the Church and the Society were made to consider their place in—and relationship to—the modern world. As much as any other, this theme has marked the Society since the Restoration. And it is this double move—looking back while looking forward—that perhaps best captures the invitation and the potential of Society’s commemoration this bicentennial.

Newly appointed Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the College Margaret Freije notes the importance of celebrating this milestone. “It is important to celebrate the anniversary of the Restoration of the Jesuits because the Restoration made possible the growth and development of Jesuit education in the U.S.,” she explains. “It is also an opportunity to reflect on the ways that the Society was able to maintain and renew its commitment to the spirituality and vision of St. Ignatius through the period of suppression and was thus prepared to fully resume its mission following the restoration. Such reflections may give insight into our own experiences of rejection and restoration.”

The Founding Fathers: Not Fans

“I do not like the Resurrection of the Jesuits,” John Adams wrote to Thomas Jefferson in May 1816, nearly two years after the universal Restoration of the Society. After reading the letters of Blaise Pascal and a history of the Society of Jesus, Adams was convinced that “If ever any Congregation of Men could merit, eternal Perdition on Earth and in Hell, According to these Historians though like Pascal true Catholics, it is the company of Loiola [sic].” Adams later bemoaned the fact that, in his view, the Society “has obstructed the Progress ... and the Improvement of the human
In Catholic dialogue between the councils. The Jesuit paleontologist Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, for example, a contributor to the discovery of “Peking Man,” was censured for his views on evolution and was barred from publishing his theological writings. Others helped spearhead theological renewal during this time. Two other French Jesuits, Jean Daniélou and Henri de Lubac, became the leading Jesuit exponents of the nouvelle théologie (‘new theology’). The watchword of this theological trend was ressourcement, a return to the sources of Christian theology with an eye towards contemporary theological issues. Though the approach would later become a watchword of the Second Vatican Council itself, its proponents were met with initial suspicion. De Lubac was removed from his teaching post. In Germany, the eminent Jesuit theologian Karl Rahner incurred Roman censorship. Across the Atlantic, Jesuit John Courtney Murray became an influential authority on religious liberty and the relationship between Church and state. He too incurred censure from the Vatican.

The Second Vatican Council marked a shift in the Catholic Church’s tone vis-à-vis the modern world, and Jesuits—including de Lubac, Rahner and Murray—participated as theological advisers. Like their brothers at Vatican I, they made pivotal contributions to key conciliar texts, even though Vatican II was much more positive about the Church’s relationship with modern society. Murray penned several drafts of what became Dignitatis Humane, the decree on religious freedom. De Lubac’s influence was felt particularly in Lumen Gentium, the Council’s constitution on the Church. Without doubt the Council’s most visible Jesuit was the German Cardinal Augustin Bea, who exerted considerable influence in the area of Jewish-Christian relations, and was crucial in securing the Council’s explicit rejection of anti-Semitism in Nostra Aetate.

The reappearance of Jesuits was “a retrograde step from light towards darkness.”

Given the concern that the Jesuits would hamper the flourishing of intellectual life, it is ironic indeed, that, to date, the restored Society has made its most visible contribution on these shores in the field of education. Archbishop John Carroll, himself a Jesuit before the Suppression and subsequently the first American Bishop, responded to the need for Catholic education in the fledgling nation by founding Georgetown University in 1789. The original faculty was composed of former (and future) Jesuits. Within 50 years of the Society’s restoration, 10 additional Jesuit colleges were founded in the United States—including Holy Cross in 1843. Though there is a temptation to see the Jesuits as a “teaching order” (with some justification), it is important to note that these schools were—and remain—missionary undertakings: a means of preaching the Gospel.

As the reconstituted Society was finding its footing and responding to new ministerial needs, the Roman Catholic Church was working out its own complicated relationship to modernity. This process, present throughout Christian history, was particularly visible between the First and Second Vatican Councils (1869-1870 and 1962-1965, respectively). As one would expect of an order deeply connected to the life of the Church, Jesuits played pivotal (if often unseen) roles at both of these gatherings, and (more visibly) in the years in between them. Vatican I, convened as a “remedy to the ills of the present century,” was hardly enthusiastic about the Church’s relationship to the modern world. Behind the scenes, Jesuit theologians helped craft the conciliar decrees, including its well-known (though poorly understood) teaching on papal infallibility.

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Though the legacy of the Second Vatican Council continues to be a topic of debate both in the academy and beyond, the Council unquestionably marked a turning point in one area of Catholic life: the increased role of lay women and men in the ministerial life of the Church and the Society of Jesus. Initiatives such as the Ignatian Colleagues Program reflect the fact that the mission of the Society of Jesus is shared by Jesuits and our many lay colleagues. Undergirding this shared labor, however, is Ignatian spirituality—which informs and supports all of our works—and is a heritage that Jesuits and our collaborators hold in common.

THE BICENTENNIAL

Writing to the whole Society in November 2013, Father General Adolfo Nicolás identified five themes for prayer and discernment surrounding the Restoration’s bicentennial. His message is clear: the anniversary invites Jesuits to reflect on our past in ways that inform the future. Jesuits in 1814 found themselves in a world they hardly recognized, but they were called (as we are today) to creative fidelity—to be steeped in the Ignatian charism, and prepared to incarnate it anew in “vastly changed circumstances.”

Creative fidelity, the General implies, grows from true love for our institute. That is to say, as Jesuits we are invited to love and serve the Lord and the Gospel, not our institutions in themselves, or our past successes and reputation. From the Society’s earliest days, the Jesuit’s vocation has never been to a particular place or institution, but is a universal mission. This was never clearer than immediately after the Restoration, when many Jesuits labored far from their native lands. Jerónimo Nadal, an early interpreter of the Society’s mission, famously stressed Jesuit availability by contrasting it to the fixity of monastic life (“We are not monks... The world is our house!”). Is this still true?

Many of our own Jesuits at Holy Cross agree emphatically. Rev. James Hayes, S.J., ’72, associate chaplain for mission, for example, spent much of his early career far from his native land—in Jamaica. “I lived and worked at St. George’s College in Kingston, Jamaica, from 1979 to 1982,” Fr. Hayes says. “And I returned there as a newly ordained priest in the summer of 1985. Then the Provincial asked me to return again for a special assignment from 1993 to 1994.” Fr. Hayes also spent five months in India and five months in Uganda. Travel is simply part of a Jesuit life. No wonder, then, that Fr. Hayes counts immersion trips with students as his favorite work at Holy Cross. “I have taken students to Jamaica for three years, once to El Salvador, once to Nicaragua, once to Tanzania and once to Kenya.”

One of the most striking aspects of the Suppression is that former Jesuits maintained bonds of brotherhood with each other—even after the Society disappeared. What is the quality of our own fraternal companionship, we who live a shared apostolic life lived in an individualistic age?

The restored Society’s growth and success were far from guaranteed: Jesuits faced setbacks, discouragement, and a precarious existence on many fronts. And yet they were reminded, as Jesuits have been from 1540 to the present: the Society is God’s work, not our own. In view of the challenges facing the Church and the Society today, what wisdom might we glean from their faith in providence?

As a community led by Ignatian principles, Holy Cross has an important stake in how the Society faces its future. “As we celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Restoration of the Society of Jesus and the first anniversary of the election of Pope Francis, the first Jesuit pope,” says Rev. Philip L. Boroughs, S.J., president of the College, “it is my hope that in the years ahead our faculty and staff will find creative new ways of appropriating and celebrating our Jesuit spirituality and mission here at Holy Cross and that our students and alums will consider the viability of a vocation to the Jesuits in order to sustain an ongoing Jesuit presence and ministry here on our campus and in our world.”

Holy Cross Class of 2006 valedictorian, Timothy O’Brien, S.J., ’06, is a graduate student in historical theology at the University of Chicago Divinity School.
Rev. Mike Rogers, S.J., ’02 is currently studying fundamental theology at the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome. He was in St. Peter’s Square when the white smoke rose from the Sistine Chapel, announcing that Cardinal Bergoglio had been elected Pope Francis. Fr. Rogers called it “a moment of great excitement, joy, hope and above all, surprise! I don’t know a Jesuit who really thought that there was a chance that we’d have a Jesuit pope.” A year later, we checked in with Fr. Rogers about his impressions of his fellow Jesuit, Pope Francis, whom he has now met twice.

I’ve gotten used to a certain sense of humor since I first met the Jesuits at Holy Cross back in 1998. It is a peculiar wry sense of humor with just a hint of sarcasm, which, rather than being mean, simply points to the fact that you are known and cared for. It should not have been a surprise, then, when Pope Francis, the Bishop of Rome, the Supreme Pontiff, the Vicar of Christ on earth, cracked a joke about the area of Theology that I find myself studying in Rome when I took my parents to meet him last month. The joke itself doesn’t translate well into English, but the point was that it is not the most exciting field of theology. If I am honest, it didn’t seem too far afield of the jokes that Ed Vodoklys [Rev. Edward J. Vodoklys, S.J., senior lecturer in the classics department] would always make about my passion for philosophy while I was on Mount St. James. The fact that it seemed eerily familiar also shouldn’t be shocking because this, the first Jesuit Pope, is still clearly a Jesuit. From how he carries himself to his spirit of discernment, from his insistence on homilies with three points to his peculiarly Jesuit sense of humor, he is still clearly one of us.

Online only History Associate Professor Rev. Vincent A. Lapomarda, S.J., offers his personal insights on the election of Pope Francis, which he calls a “stunning” event, in our Web Exclusives at holycross.magazine.edu.

JESUIT EDUCATION

The Society of Jesus has been known for its work in education since 1548, when the first Jesuit school was founded in Messina, Italy. Today, there are 189 Jesuit institutions of higher learning throughout the world, including the 28 Jesuit colleges and universities in the United States listed here.
For his dedication to building a more peaceful world through the elimination of chemical weapons, Paul F. Walker ’68 was honored with the “Alternative Nobel Prize.”

Right Livelihood

By Rebecca Smith ’99 and Kimberly Staley ’99
The year is 1994, the Cold War has ended, and arms control and nonproliferation expert Paul Walker ’68 finds himself in a Siberian forest, not far from the border of Kazakhstan. Here, in rural Shchuch’ye, he stands outside a facility that houses approximately two million artillery shells and missile warheads. Most of these shells contain chemical agents—a mere drop of which would kill a person in minutes—yet they are kept in a loosely guarded building with doors secured by a bicycle padlock.

“It looked battle ready,” recalls Walker, who, as policy director of the House Armed Services Committee, was leading an American delegation on this inspection of a Russian chemical weapons stockpile. “There were weapons as far as the eye could see, lined up like wine bottles. And they were guarded by a 16-year-old army private who hadn’t been paid in six months.”

The weapons were easy to move, easy to detonate and, the delegation discovered after talking with the locals, easy to buy.

That unsettling visit had a profound impact on Walker.

“Neither the U.S. government nor the NGO community nor even the informed foreign policy folks were paying any attention to this,” he explains. “Since [then], I have worked to abolish chemical weapons globally.”

GLOBAL VISION

Thinking globally is not new to Walker. His love for foreign travel began as a teenager, when he traveled to Germany as a foreign exchange student, and continued as a young man at Holy Cross. A modern languages major, Walker, who is fluent in both German and Russian, spent his junior year studying at the University of Vienna in Austria.

Upon graduating from Holy Cross in 1968, Walker, like many of his classmates, was drafted. He served three years in the Army, during the height of the Vietnam War, as a Russian Intelligence Specialist with the Army Security Agency, spending time on the East/West German border.

Walker’s experiences abroad led to his realization that the United States needed improvements in its foreign policy, so he focused his career on issues of international security upon his honorable discharge from the Army in 1971.

At the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies, Walker earned his master of arts degree in international relations/Eurasian studies. While in Washington, D.C., he also completed his graduate internship at the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency. Keeping his laser focus on the kind of work he wanted to do, Walker then earned a Ph.D. in political science/international security, in 1978, from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge. In the ensuing years, he worked with such influential groups as the Union of Concerned Scientists, Physicians for Social Responsibility and the Institute for Peace and International Security.

In 1991, David O’Brien, now Loyola Professor emeritus of history, invited Walker to teach at the College. While serving as a visiting lecturer for the Center for Interdisciplinary and Special Studies and acting director of the Peace and Conflict Studies Program, Walker received an unexpected call that changed everything: Congressman Ron Dellums [D-Calif.], chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, asked him to be the committee’s policy director.

“I left Holy Cross with a great opportunity to begin working in Washington, D.C.,” says Walker. “It was the end of the Cold War, a very historic, challenging, interesting time to figure out how to revise our threats—because we had no threats!”

For the next two years, Walker advised Congress on such issues as military strategy, foreign policy, arms control and nonproliferation. The top-level security clearance position was demanding and required exceedingly long hours. “It was grueling, but I loved it,” he recalls. “We accomplished a lot.”

In addition to overseeing the closure of 500 military bases worldwide, Walker helped write the legislation for the Cooperative Threat Reduction (CTR) Program, also known as the Nunn-Lugar Program, an initiative not only to destroy U.S. chemical, nuclear and biological weapons, but also to help the Russians do the same. In addition, Walker helped implement the Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC), an international arms control treaty that outlaws the production, stockpiling and use of chemical weapons.

“Our biggest—and most expensive—challenge was to get rid of old, leaking, costly and dangerous stockpiles,” says Walker, who fully realized the dangers of weapons stockpiles during that eye-opening inspection in Russia.

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A NEW CHAPTER

In 1995, Walker left the committee to join Green Cross International, a then-fledgling environmental group focused on global demilitarization efforts. Founded in 1993 by former Soviet Union President Mikael Gorbachev, Green Cross International works to promote security, eliminate poverty and prevent environmental degradation worldwide.

In his role as director of the group’s International Environmental Security and Sustainability Program and manager of the organization’s Washington, D.C., office (known as Global Green USA), Walker is responsible for facilitating the safe and environmentally sound...
destruction of weapon stockpiles, the cleanup of military pollution and the nonproliferation of weapons of mass destruction. In so doing, his goal is to promote transparency, engage the public and ensure adequate funding.

“We’re pretty uniquely situated in the interface between security and sustainability,” says Walker, who has helped rid the world of more than 58,000 metric tons of deadly agents and millions of chemical munitions. “Healthy communities have to be secure to be healthy, and vice versa.

“Whether we’re talking about the destruction of chemical weapons or recycling plastic, it’s all interrelated,” he explains. “I learned at Holy Cross that you have to take a holistic approach to protecting the world from the destructive nature of the human race and industrial processes.”

RECOGNITION AND RESPONSIBILITY

Established in 1980 to honor and support those “offering practical and exemplary answers to the most urgent challenges facing us today,” the Right Livelihood Award has become widely known as the “Alternative Nobel Prize.”

At a ceremony in the Swedish Parliament in Stockholm on Dec. 2, Walker was awarded one of the year’s four prizes, “for working tirelessly to rid the world of chemical weapons.” He is one of 153 laureates from 64 countries. In addition to government officials and international dignitaries, Walker’s wife, Deborah Klein Walker, and sons, Ian and Drew, were present at the formal event.

“The award has been extremely helpful to our work because it has brought enormous public attention across the globe to the effort to abolish chemical weapons and the more general effort to limit and disarm all weapons of mass destruction,” he says.

Just days after receiving the Right Livelihood Award, Walker had the distinct honor of attending the 2013 Nobel Peace Prize ceremony in Oslo, Norway, as an invited guest of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW). This intergovernmental organization received the Nobel prize for its “extraordinary efforts to rid the world of chemical weapons since the entry into force of the Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC) in 1997.”

Walker cites his strong Catholic upbringing and the lessons of the College Jesuits with setting the foundation for his life’s work.

“Heavy Cross really influenced me around issues of social justice,” says Walker, who received the 2007 Sanctae...
Crucis Award, the highest non-degree accolade bestowed on an alumnus/a, for his dedication to peace and justice worldwide. “Jesuits are well known for their commitment to public service, and they relate their career to the most needy in society. That was brought home to me during my time there.”

“It’s wonderful to point to Paul when we talk to students about impact related to mission,” says Gary DeAngelis, friend and former colleague of Walker and associate director of the College’s Center for Interdisciplinary Studies and lecturer in religious studies. “In applying his knowledge toward a much safer and humane world, he has dedicated his life to serving humankind. He really represents everything that this College stands for.”

Rebecca Smith ’99 and Kimberly Staley ’99 work together at the copywriting firm, SmithWriting (smithwriting.com).
As head of the National Fisheries Institute, John P. Connelly ’84 enjoys the challenge of getting all his constituents swimming in the same direction.
It wasn’t one of your typical job interviews, where you meet the office manager, hand over your resume and spend 20 minutes answering questions about your five-year goals. In fact, before John Connelly ’84 was named president of the National Fisheries Institute (NFI), he appeared before a daunting panel of 15 interviewers. And rather than provide stock answers, Connelly dug back to his history degree to make an analogy that changed his life.

“I explained that the seafood industry was like the German states in the 1860s,” Connelly recalls. “Each industry sector fought their own battles, like pre-Bismarck Germany. I told them we should unify and pick fights with beef and pork, much like the chancellor. It was important to fuse the seafood industry.”

The interviewers thought it was a strong comparison and Connelly was hired.

For the last decade, he has been in Washington, D.C., at the helm of the NFI, America’s trade association representing the multi-billion dollar seafood industry’s community.

There’s a keen importance to protecting this industry, Connelly says. After all, according to a United Nations report, global fish consumption is at its peak. Fish has become the world’s most traded food commodity, more than coffee, tea, grains and meats. For Connelly and his group, it is important to find the right balance of protecting the oceans’ resources while recognizing the importance of the jobs fishing creates.

“There’s a great economic benefit to seafood,” Connelly says. “From vessels at sea, to seafood processing operations, to retailers and restaurants providing healthy and nutritious meals, seafood provides an economic boost.”

BORN TO CAPTAIN THE SEAFOOD INDUSTRY

Some say that Connelly was destined to work in a field tied to the sea. He grew up in Milton, Mass., and used to sail in Boston Harbor. He admits that his coastal New England upbringing formed his love of seafood. After receiving his degree from Holy Cross, Connelly joined the U.S. Navy. He served six years on a ship and in the Pentagon, then 20 years as an active reservist, recently retiring as a captain.

After his active duty career, Connelly began serving as a voice for industries. For more than a decade, he had business and advocacy roles at the American Chemistry Council, the chemical industry’s trade association. It proved to be invaluable preparation for his current role. “I had great mentors who taught me the association and lobbying business,” he recalls.

At the beginning of 2003, Connelly became president of the NFI. Representing an industry that involves so many interests, he reports his biggest challenge is getting strong-willed leaders to align their priorities.

“The seafood industry is full of great characters, many of who built their businesses themselves,” Connelly says. “It takes work for our NFI team to get strong people with so many different opinions to think in common.”

In a position with so many responsibilities, Connelly keeps a chaotic calendar. “There is no typical day,” he explains. “Three weeks ago, I was in China talking to government officials. Last week I was in Brussels meeting with the World Bank. This week, I testified in front of the Senate. That diversity is what makes the job so interesting.”

When it comes to the many ways the NFI works for the seafood industry, Connelly tries to take a broad view.

“Too many people think of lobbyists as men and women trolling on Capitol Hill or a series of cocktail parties. The skills needed are much more diverse—developing data, seeing trends, developing persuasive communications and executing a strategy in Congress, in the regulatory agencies and in the media.”

Connelly’s NFI recently took the U.S. government to trial. And won. The NFI fought a six-year legal battle with U.S. Customs and Border Protection in the U.S. Court of International Trade on a technical policy that would have cost the seafood importing community hundreds of millions of dollars. “That was a great return on investment for our members,” Connelly notes.

Whether it’s the government or the media, Connelly enjoys a knock-down, drag-out fight.

“We took on The New York Times, which published a story about seafood that was just plain wrong and threatened to hurt us in the marketplace. We publicly challenged them. We were very pleased when they ran a major editorial pulling back the story, not just a page A-2 correction,” Connelly fondly recalls.

Frankly, he notes, there’s a certain level of fearlessness needed when representing an industry.

“That showed some guts—there aren’t many people who want to take on a great media power like that,” Connelly says.

KEEPING CLOSE TO THE HILL FROM THE NATION’S CAPITAL

In recent years, Connelly has kept a close relationship with Holy Cross on a number of fronts. Three students have served internships at the NFI, and this past summer, Xin Yuan ’14 accompanied him on a trip to China to assist with both “translation and cultural nuances.” She
became somewhat of a secret weapon.

“Xin is a very impressive young woman, who with a simple raised eyebrow helped steer me in a better direction during one crucial meeting,” Connelly recalls. “If she represents the added dimension and the direction Holy Cross is heading, the College is poised for even greater things.”

Connelly's ties to the campus are also personal. After spending part of his freshman year at Montreal's McGill University, Connelly realized he wanted a “true campus experience” and the kind of liberal arts education Holy Cross provides, so he transferred, arriving in Worcester in 1981. It would prove to be a transformative decision for Connelly for more than one reason. While waiting in a line for student IDs, a freckle-faced girl named Margaret McCloskey '84 caught his eye. A few years later, they were married.

Fast forward three decades, and the family is continuing the Holy Cross tradition. Three of the four Connelly children—Kate '12, Jack '14 and Bridie '15—have followed in their parents’ footsteps. Before agreeing to pay for college, though, their parents made a deal with them. They would need to spend one year learning economics, four years studying a language and another year immersed in studying in another country. The deal has been a success, Connelly says. Kate studied and then worked in France, while Jack has lived in Beijing and Shanghai. Bridie is currently spending her junior year in Dijon.

“The Holy Cross Study Abroad Program is a fantastic experience. Rare is the time when someone comes back and reports it is not a huge part of who they have become,” he says.

Connelly feels Holy Cross is making the right moves in preparing students to live in an increasingly small world: “It’s important that students appreciate the world does not stop at the Capital Beltway, or Route 128 or the Westchester County line. That Jesuit concept of magis is as important when doing business in Asia as when volunteering for a year in Omak, Wash.”

When he comes back to visit, Connelly notes the changes on campus since his days in Worcester, from expanded academics to increased diversity.

However, when he reflects on his connections to Holy Cross, whether it’s his children’s experience or the opportunity to work with interns such as Yuan, Connelly thinks there’s no question in what direction the College is headed: “It’s a much more rigorous school now. But I sure wouldn’t change it back!”
Most summer internships don't entail hearings on Capitol Hill or working on trade negotiations with foreign officials.

This past summer, however, was anything but typical for honors student Xin Yuan '14. A native of Ningbo, China, Yuan undertook an internship with the National Fisheries Institute (NFI), which gave her the chance to travel to Beijing with her boss, NFI president John Connelly '84. She assisted on the trip, meeting with officials at the Chinese Ministry of Commerce.

From expanding her knowledge of Sino-U.S. relations to working with the seafood industry firsthand, Yuan found her summer in D.C. and China to be invaluable.

“Based on my language skill and my understanding about Chinese culture, NFI provided me opportunities to conduct independent projects to promote Sino-U.S. seafood relationships in the Chinese market,” says Yuan.

“They not only took my input, but also guided me to improve my work. This trust significantly increased my confidence to encounter new challenges,” she continues. “I truly felt I was becoming a part of the team.”

During her time at the NFI, Yuan’s responsibilities ran the gamut. One day she would research trade issues involving the USDA Catfish Inspection Program, another day she would assist the NFI’s media director with monitoring social media to gauge the political climate.

Gary DeAngelis, associate director of the College’s Center for Interdisciplinary Studies and lecturer in religious studies, says Yuan is one of the best students he has taught in his 25 years at Holy Cross. “Xin’s success at NFI was no surprise: She shows great initiative, pays attention to detail, is not only bright but excels at critical analysis, brings great thoughtfulness and insight to problem solving, knows how to ask the right questions and knows how to work well as part of a team,” he says.

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Yuan adds: “I will always remember NFI’s motto: ‘Nothing is too big, nothing is too small.’”

This fall, the National Fisheries Institute landed another Holy Cross graduate to steer its mission. Sean O’Scannlain ’86 is the new chairman of the NFI, where he has been a member since 2002. O’Scannlain, who is the president and CEO of Fortune Fish & Gourmet in Bensenville, Ill., a company he founded in 2001, says his undergraduate degree in political science prepared him well for business school, which led to him starting his own business.

In his new role as chairman, O’Scannlain will focus on seafood nutrition education, marketplace labeling and working closely with legislators and regulators on strategic seafood issues. He has also stated that aquaculture and promoting domestically grown seafood will be a priority.

And what does O’Scannlain think about the odd twist that he and fellow Holy Cross rugby player John Connelly ’84 are now at the helm of the NFI? “Obviously, Holy Cross rugby players are natural, gifted leaders and most will be very successful in life!” he says. “Serious, it is a strange coincidence that we are heading up the NFI together. John and I like to joke that the Irish are now fully in charge of the NFI.”

Our interview with Sean O’Scannlain ‘86 continues at magazine.holycross.edu. Learn about his favorite professor, the best way he knows to cook fish and his concerns about seafood fraud.
A SLIGHT NIRVANA

Worcester’s Southeast Asian community gets a hand with assimilation and cultural celebration—with Holy Cross alumni and students helping along the way

Snow may be falling on the dimly lit streets of central Worcester, but inside the halls of a large function room near downtown, the city’s Southeast Asian community melts away the raw winter cold with the warmth and vibrancy of their traditional New Year celebrations.

A lone percussionist vigorously pounds on a cowhide drum as a pair of lithe-footed teenagers skirt around, performing the revered Lion Dance. In the background stands Boa Newgate, a refugee of the Vietnam War and volunteer youth leader attached to the nonprofit South East Asian Coalition (SEAC). The organization, founded in 1999, provides support services for South East Asian immigrants in central Massachusetts. Many come from Laos, Cambodia and—like Newgate—Vietnam.

Newgate, who arrived in the United States in 1992, tells me that this is the first time this particular team of Lion Dancers has performed in public, despite having come together a little over a month before. Nevertheless, he is keen that the community’s young people are given an opportunity to
engage with their traditions whenever possible.

“SEAC is all about community and culture. Interactive youth groups such as the Lion Dance troupe help to ensure that our customs are passed on to the next generation. They may be inexperienced, but this sense of achievement is worth more than months of preparation,” he says.

Newgate introduces me to Phát Nguyên, the choreographer of the Lion Dancers. Like Newgate, Nguyên is enthusiastic about his Vietnamese heritage, and proudly reports that previous incarnations of the Lion Dance groups came in second in regional finals against the likes of MIT and Brown universities. The 18-year-old also speaks highly of SEAC, extolling its virtues while acknowledging how influential the organization has been in his life.

“When I came to America I couldn’t speak a word of English. I missed my home and before long I had become a troublemaker,” he says. “If anything, meeting Boa saved me as it was he who invited me into the SEAC community.”

Nguyên explains that he had signed up for a three-month workshop with the organization, largely to keep him off the street. Three years later he is still there and has no desire to leave.

“SEAC provides a home for kids and adults alike. It makes them feel culturally connected while encouraging them to integrate into American society,” Nguyên says. “Not only am I now fluent in English, but I feel more connected to my heritage than ever before.”

He laughs at this last comment. It appears that the paradox is not lost on him.

SEAC’s youth projects are a big part of the coalition’s focus, but ensuring that first generation Asian-Americans embrace both aspects of their heritage is only the tip of the iceberg. SEAC’s presence in Worcester is felt far and wide, including here at Holy Cross.

“Holy Cross has been a great friend and supporter for SEAC for a long time,” says SEAC’s Executive Director Anh Vu Sawyer, “and at least half a
dozen of our former youth members are Holy Cross graduates. Some have gone on to become leaders here—their experience at the College has prepared them to be great and able people.”

Phuong Nguyen ’11 is one of the many such Holy Cross graduates who volunteered at SEAC over the years. Nguyen’s relationship with the coalition began as a freshman when she enrolled in the College’s Student Programs for Urban Development (SPUD). One of the program’s offerings is a summer program at SEAC.

“My time at SEAC began during my sophomore year at Holy Cross,” remembers Geiger, a Fulbright recipient and current ESL teacher at SEAC, “I was beginning my Asian Studies concentration, and I decided to try a new volunteer site.”

Geiger is in tune with the needs and difficulties of the 12,800 individuals living in Worcester’s Southeast Asian community. Like his colleagues, he is eager to ensure that the community stays in touch with its roots, but also offers help to those traversing the tricky chasm that is cultural assimilation.

“Many Southeast Asian nationals have settled into communities where they continue to celebrate their culture, speak their language and eat the dishes they are familiar with. For some, this can create a false sense of security,” he says. “SEAC helps these individuals find the independence to deal with making the transition to becoming Asian-Americans adapted to their American environment.”

As Sawyer explains, assistance is at the heart of the SEAC offerings. “Ever since it was established in 1999, SEAC has acted as a cultural broker. We assist low-income refugees and immigrants in stabilizing their living situations by preventing manageable problems from becoming overwhelming in their effort to become self-sustainable.”

While SEAC does much to assist with integration, the coalition also brings the process full circle for members of the community who have embraced their new surroundings. Manyu Ma ’16, a SEAC volunteer, comments that one of the coalition’s key strengths is linking assimilated immigrants to their cultural heritage. “People should not forget about where they come from,” she asserts, “as this is what makes our society different and diverse.”

Despite the wide reach between assimilation and cultural celebration, Holy Cross graduate and former SEAC tutor Lan Truong ’11 states that it would be erroneous to believe that the coalition is overstretched: “Many people at SEAC are immigrants themselves or have parents who were once immigrants. Their ability to empathize with and truly help those that come to SEAC is unsurpassed.”

Back at the Lion Dance, a first generation Asian-American teenager reflects for a moment when asked what she makes of SEAC’s role within the community. The girl then simply smiled and said, “It really is a slight Nirvana.”
There are two Asian student groups at Holy Cross: ASIA (Advocating Student Interest in Asia), and DESI (Developing and Educating South-Asian Ideologies).

According to Andrew Cavicchi ’14, who co-chairs ASIA with Joanna Chen ’15, ASIA serves a dual purpose. First, it aims to educate a diverse student body on Asia-specific issues by increasing their combined awareness of various Asian cultures. Secondly, ASIA serves as a place of discussion and experience for those interested in any aspect of the continent, including culture, history and cuisine.

The group runs two events during the year: ASIA Takes You to a Wedding (ATYTAW) and ExplorAsian. ATYTAW is a dinner show in the fall semester that recreates a traditional wedding from a specific Asian culture, complete with traditional cuisine. ExplorAsian takes place in the spring, and showcases a mixture of traditional and modern Asian performances from a variety of cultures. The 2014 program includes the traditional Philippine Tinikling dance, Korean hip-hop and a Russian piano piece.

DESI was established to inform the student body about the conditions of various third world nations within Southeast Asia. The organization annually runs two ticketed events where the audience can enjoy regional cuisine, music and dances, as well as speeches given by professors who comment upon the conditions in the area, according to DESI spokesperson and treasurer, Somesh Patel ’16. Both the spring and fall events are scheduled to coincide with important holidays in the region, with the fall event generally celebrating Diwali, and the spring event commemorating Holi.
This alumna answers a London calling to work her magic on J.K. Rowling’s innovative and immersive Harry Potter website  

BY JODY GARLOCK

When the fictional Harry Potter burst onto the scene in the late 1990s, Susan (Lopusniak) Jurevics ’89 wasn’t exactly the target audience for author J.K. Rowling’s fantasy novel. Almost 30 years old, planning her wedding and building her career, Jurevics’ focus was far from those of young readers imagining themselves getting whisked away to wizardry school. As the subsequent books in the series were released, though, the hype piqued her interest. “I remember staying up very late at night to finish the books,” she says.

Today, the 46-year-old is as immersed in the world of Harry Potter as a person can be. This past October, Jurevics became CEO of the London-based Pottermore, J.K. Rowling’s interactive website for all things Potter. Jurevics heads a team of 45 staffers and a global network of consultants responsible for the author’s digital platform, which allows users to play and explore as “students” of the Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry. The two-year-old site (pottermore.com) is considered groundbreaking in its immersive features that bring the books to life—and even expands on the characters and stories through Rowling’s special content—and its monetization potential through a shop that includes downloadable e-books and digital audio books.

As users cast spells and fight duels via their computers, Jurevics can be found in her office brainstorming ideas with her creative team. “It’s a huge privilege,” Jurevics says. “I have great respect for J.K. Rowling as a writer and a working mom. Being a mom myself now and watching my kids develop emotionally and intellectually, I see what a phenomenal storyteller she is and what an impact she has made. To be able to work on something that expands on what she has done is pretty heady.”

Also impressive is the fact that Jurevics has emerged as a leader in global brand marketing and intellectual property development, after getting in on the ground floor of social and digital strategies. Her 20-plus years include stints at companies such as Sony Corporation, Nickelodeon and Mattel, where she had design responsibilities for thousands of Barbie fashions and accessories. “There was quite a bit of luck and serendipity in all this,” she says. “I feel I was in the right place at the right time.”

At Holy Cross, Jurevics had the gumption to follow her creative heart by changing thoughts of law school to those

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**Awards** Digital Strategy of the Year (2013), The Bookseller Industry Awards; Internationalist of the Year (2011), *The Internationalist* magazine; 2011 Advertising Working Mother of the Year (2009), Advertising Women of New York and *Working Mother* magazine; numerous Webbys

**Off-the-job interests** Traveling, art, skiing, running

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The Harry Potter series resonated—and still resonates—with people?

**A** It has a lot of elements that readers and fans of the series can relate to: the challenges of growing up, good versus evil, the importance of learning to do the right thing, how to respond to failures and setbacks.

**Q** Are there certain books that stand out from your childhood? What’s your Harry Potter?

**A** My mother was a school librarian and we were a family of readers. I remember going to the local library on hot summer evenings, picking out loads of books, and writing summaries of them on index cards. Babar was an absolute favorite. As I grew older my literary palette expanded to include lots of different types of books and genres. And at Nickelodeon, I edited comic books so I read quite a bit of Marvel Comics "a" and "b" titles each month.

**Q** What’s on your nightstand now?

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HOLY CROSS NAMES NEW ATHLETICS DIRECTOR

Nathan Pine arrives from the University of Maryland with ambitious goals for Crusader Athletics

Nathan Pine is described as a “big-picture guy.” Introduced at a campus press conference in December as Holy Cross’ new athletics director, the 36-year-old former University of Maryland deputy AD sported a purple necktie and a grin as he pulled on a Crusaders warmup jacket and worked a receiving line of men’s and women’s basketball players like an old hand.

“We’re going to need the entire Holy Cross family to engage and get involved if we’re going to take this athletic department to the next level, where we all want it to be,” Pine said. “From the bottom of my heart—’Go ’Saders!’”

The Oregon native’s vision for Holy Cross athletics is ambitious: “across-the-board” elite status in the Patriot League, excellence in academics and robust fundraising in support of improved facilities.

Holy Cross President Rev. Philip L. Boroughs, S.J., welcoming his fellow Pacific Northwesterner to campus, said: “Nate’s commitment to both the entirety of the student-athlete experience at Holy Cross as well as development of an athletic program that values academic performance, excellence in academics and robust fundraising in support of improved facilities is in keeping with both the mission of Holy Cross and the principles of the Patriot League. I look forward to joining with him to build the future of athletics at Holy Cross.”

Pine arrived ready, he said, to “jump with both feet” into the job of leading Holy Cross’ storied sports program, which includes 27 NCAA Division I teams. “The passion our head coaches and student athletes have for the institution has been very contagious,” noted Pine, successor to Dick Regan ’76, who stepped down after 15 years as AD. “Their excitement has helped solidify for me what a great opportunity this is.”

In an interview a few weeks before starting full time at Holy Cross on Feb. 1, Pine remarked, “I’d like to see us at the top of the Patriot League. I’d like to see across-the-board contenders in every sport.

“A vibrant athletic department in a Division I program enhances the institution. It has a tremendous marketing effect, it helps our brand recognition, and that’s why it’s important that, if we’re going to compete at the highest level, we compete successfully,” he added.

“The win over Boston College in men’s ice hockey [Nov. 29] showed we can compete and knock off the big boys. We can compete at that level—I have no doubt about it,” Pine said. “As we win the Patriot League in women’s soccer, in women’s basketball, we’re competing in the NCAA tournament in these sports, and once you’re in—one or two games, you can get on a run, and at that time of the year, a hot team [can] triumph. We’ve got some opportunities to do some damage, win the Patriot League and make a run in the NCAA tournament.”

Pine’s agenda includes “significant fundraising” in support of Holy Cross athletics. “We do need to make some facilities improvements, especially to the Hart Center,” he said. “[Fundraising] is a big piece of [the job], and something I’m very comfortable with. There’s great opportunity here, and a willing alumni base we need to engage and cultivate.”

Outstanding performance in the classroom, as well as on the playing field, will continue to be a hallmark of the Crusader program, he said, adding, “A commitment to academic excellence is part of being a Holy Cross student-athlete. We are going to make sure that, as an institution, we are helping student-athletes be successful.”

Pine brings with him lengthy experience as an assistant athletic director, first at his alma mater, Oregon State; then, at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point and the University of California at Berkeley; and, most recently, at the University of Maryland.

Overseeing the athletic department’s development staff at California, Pine led a capital campaign that raised $500 million. At Maryland, where he supervised development, marketing, media relations and tickets for the athletic department, his duties included managing the apparel partnership with Under Armour that resulted in a national buzz over the football team’s colorful uniforms, inspired by the checkerboard heraldry of the state flag.

It was a measure of all he did for Maryland as deputy athletic director that the university was considering hiring two people to replace him, according to Alex Prewitt, a writer who covers Maryland sports for The Washington Post.
"Nathan is one of the brightest and most talented rising young administrators in intercollegiate athletics," said Maryland Athletic Director Kevin Anderson, a longtime mentor, with whom Pine worked previously at Army and Oregon State.

The Post’s Prewitt observed: "Nate is a big-picture guy. It was only a matter of time until he was offered a job to run his own shop."

CBS Sports college basketball broadcaster Chris Spatola commented: "The hiring of Nate Pine is spot-on. The diverse background he has established in the world of intercollegiate athletics is a great fit for Holy Cross.

"Not only has he spent time in the Patriot League as an administrator at West Point, but his time in both the Pac-12 and ACC conferences gives him as broad a perspective as you could want in an AD," Spatola continued.

"Holy Cross athletics has a great history. Nate Pine will not only celebrate that history, but ensure it continues to grow."

ONLINE ONLY Watch a video of the Dec. 17 press conference announcing the selection of Nathan Pine as Holy Cross’ new athletics director at http://holycross.edu/hcm/pine

ABOUT NATHAN PINE

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EDUCATION BS, Oregon State; MA, University of California at Berkeley

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

As deputy athletic director at the University of Maryland, oversaw men’s basketball, men’s soccer, women’s soccer and baseball, as well as development, marketing, media relations, ticket operations and video services for the athletic department. Negotiated most of the department’s business contracts. As assistant athletic director for major gifts at the University of California at Berkeley, oversaw $500-million capital campaign in support of athletics. As associate athletic director for business development and strategic planning at the US Military Academy at West Point, N.Y., oversaw all business initiatives for Army Athletics; as regional director of development for the Beaver Athletic Scholarship Fund at Oregon State University, helped raise millions in annual gifts and in capital support for stadium improvements.

PERSONAL Married to the former Stephanie Strowbridge.
The men’s ice hockey team was one of nine college teams invited to play at Citi Frozen Fenway, the annual series of ice events held at Fenway Park and hosted by Fenway Sports Management. The Crusaders met the Bentley Falcons on Dec. 28, the first day of the 17-day event. Tied 1-1 after the first period and 2-2 after the second, the Falcons pulled ahead in the third and kept the lead, with a final score of 3-2. Defenseman and captain Ryan McGrath ’14 noted before the game that being in the hallowed baseball venue was an experience the team eagerly anticipated, saying, “Just looking around and being here, thinking about all the great moments that have happened at Fenway, is incredible. To be a part of this is certainly something we’ll all remember.”

The team wrapped its season in the AHA quarterfinals, but ultimately bowed to No. 1 seed Mercyhurst on Mar. 15 with a final score of 4-1.
Spanish major Henry Van Damme ’14 (second from left), who lived in seven countries before arriving on Mount St. James, found a comfortable new home on the rowing team. Sometimes, he learned, answering, “Why not?” opens the best doors.

Q You were born in Cochabamba, Bolivia, and now call Africa home. Please tell us about your global upbringing.
A Bolivia is the country I have lived in the longest, so I have always considered that to be the country I grew up in. Because of my parents’ jobs we have moved to and from Bolivia, Belgium, Senegal, Guatemala, Peru, Maine and now Maseru, Lesotho, where my mother is currently the Peace Corps Country Director.

Q What was it like, attending American International schools?
A I graduated from the American International School of Guatemala (Colegio Maya), however, most of my schooling was done at the American International School of Bolivia. Although I was in Central and South America, many of my closest friends were either from Asia or Europe. American schools overseas tend to be very small, and you get to really know your teachers.

Q What made you want to come to this small liberal arts college in Massachusetts?
A Holy Cross has a great reputation as a school that is academically excellent, and the personalized attention the professors give to students because of the College’s size was very appealing to me.

Holy Cross being SAT optional was also encouraging—I appreciated that Holy Cross put higher value on my whole student career, rather than the results of one test.

Q Did you have a rowing background before you came to Holy Cross? How did you first become interested in the sport?
A I had no prior experience with rowing. I was approached by my current coach, Todd Pearson, during Summer Gateways. He had me write down my email address and later contacted me when school started.

Q So you were a walk on?
A Yes, and, even though it was a “why not” decision, looking back, it is amazing the impact this decision has had on my time here at Holy Cross and on my life. I would definitely encourage people who have never had a chance to row before to try it. Being part of the rowing team at Holy Cross is a unique experience, and I cannot imagine my time here without it. The friends you’ll have and the experiences you’ll make more than compensate for the grueling nature of the sport. Rowing has really given structure to my experience here at Holy Cross.

Q What are you going to miss the most about Holy Cross?
A I am definitely going to miss my friends and rowing the most. I will miss being a part of a team and seeing my best friends on a daily basis. We always make fun of each other, and I’m sure this interview will give them new material.

Q What are your plans for the future?
A I am applying to the Peace Corps and am hoping to go to a French-speaking country in Africa.

Q What advice can you give the students in the incoming Class of 2018?
A I used to hate hearing this because I thought it was cheesy, but try to do as much as you can while you are here—it really does fly by.
Cassandra and Michael Matteo ’89 create an endowed scholarship to “give back continuously” and help students clear financial hurdles.

Michael Matteo ’89 considers the Dana Scholarship he received as a Holy Cross sophomore “borrowed money.” That is why the former Dana Scholar and his wife, Cassandra, a registered pharmacist, decided to pay back the College’s investment in him through the gift of an endowed scholarship. The couple timed their generous gift well. Mike and his classmates will celebrate their 25th reunion in June.

“You get to a point in your life where you start to reflect on how you can help others in a more significant way,” says Mike, executive vice president at Optum, a division of UnitedHealth Group. “Education is expensive and very important. Cassandra and I want to contribute to the institutions from which we and our children have benefited. Holy Cross was the obvious place for me. It was especially important to me personally because I had an academic scholarship at Holy Cross from my second year on—and it is one of the few schools that admit students need-blind.”

As a high school senior, Mike was offered full academic scholarships to several colleges. Though his parents had their fingers crossed that he would accept one of those offers, he decided to go to Holy Cross, but without a scholarship. He knew from day one on the Hill that he had made the right choice. He worked hard in and beyond the classroom to make it work academically and financially, ultimately graduating magna cum laude. His hard work did not go unnoticed.

“I was named a Dana Scholar beginning in my sophomore year,” he says. “That helped me get through college without having to take out significant loans. I think back on that often. I feel that I kind of ‘borrowed’ the money that I received through the Dana Scholarship. Now it’s time for me to return it.”

After discussing many options for directing their gift, the couple decided that establishing a scholarship at the
College would be the most personally meaningful and practical way to help Holy Cross provide deserving students with needed financial resources.

“We also chose to establish the scholarship because it is a way to give back continuously and to affect multiple students over many years,” Cassandra says.

The couple needed to have one more important conversation—with their daughter and son—before committing to the gift.

“We wanted to be sure that our children were onboard with the gift,” Cassandra says. “It’s a big investment for our family. Our daughter, who’s 16, went to Africa last summer with a school group. She saw how children there have to strive for an education. She came home with a new appreciation for how important an education is—and with the understanding that it’s not just given to everybody. By involving our children in such decisions, it teaches them that when they’re adults they can give back in any way they can—and that it’s important to give.”

Mike echoes those sentiments.

“We structured the scholarship at Holy Cross so that first consideration would be given to students from our high schools, Xavier and Mercy in Middleton (Conn.), where Cassandra and I started dating,” the Glastonbury (Conn.) resident says. “We also expanded that consideration to students from our children’s schools. This was a family decision. We want to give back to our children’s school communities and to Holy Cross. We want to make sure that kids have an opportunity to go to the college they want.”

Mike also has committed a gift of time and energy to Holy Cross. He agreed to chair the Class of 1989 reunion gift committee. In addition to his demanding career, focused on improving health care, and his extensive volunteerism as an active member of advisory boards, including the MetroHartford Alliance, the Greater Hartford YMCA and the Connecticut Science Center, he also coaches his son’s football team.

“I have trouble saying ‘no,’ as Cassandra can attest, but that’s not why I agreed to chair the reunion gift committee,” he says. “How do you say ‘no’ when what Holy Cross is asking you to do is to work with people you graduated with, and to ask them to help the college that gave us all so much?”

Mike is the first to admit he has taken on a considerable challenge.

“While it’s a lot of work, it’s fun work,” he says. “I’m reconnecting with people. We have an absolutely fantastic gift committee. Our biggest challenge is that some people don’t know how to give back. We hope our gift inspires people to do anything they can. All gifts help to make it a better experience for students at Holy Cross. If everyone gave $100, or whatever amount, for every year since they graduated, our class could have a huge impact. As a committee, we want to find ways to help people connect to the reunion emotionally and to help Holy Cross.”

Mike has had a strong drive to improve the lives of others since high school, Cassandra says. “That’s what gave him his zest for health care. He found something that he wanted to fix and to make it better. No matter what he’s doing, whether it’s coaching our son’s youth football team or dealing with clients, he wants everyone to get a fair assessment. I think Holy Cross is a huge part of why he is the person he is today, as far as moral character, striving to do his best and wanting to help other people.”

Mike sees those qualities as part of the instant bond he shares with other Holy Cross alumni, regardless of the year they graduated.

“I think Holy Cross gives people the notion that while you’re working hard, you’re doing it for the greater good and you need to give back,” Mike says. “That’s in the Jesuit tradition. That’s why I say ‘yes’ when I’m asked to serve. That’s the spirit of service. That’s what Holy Cross gave me. That’s why Cassandra and I feel so strongly about giving back.”

The Parent-to-Parent Spring Giving Challenge, launched in early February, is in full swing. Thanks to a small group of generous Holy Cross parents, all new and increased parent gifts to the College made through May 15 will be matched dollar for dollar up to $100,000. Are you a parent inspired to make a current-use gift to the College that will help enrich and enhance all areas of the student experience and advance the mission of Holy Cross?

Please visit holycross.edu/hcm/p2p to make your gift. And thank you!
Hometown
Summit, N.J.

Family
wife, Carolyn ’96; sons, Thomas (age 9) and Patrick (age 8)

What he did at Holy Cross
“Aside from class and good times with my friends, I co-chaired the Student Alumni Association for a few years, organized an intramural ice hockey team every year and, during my senior year, I helped coach the women’s ice hockey team along with a crew of five other friends. A handful of times I pitched in with Matthew 25, the group founded by Rev. Fred Enman, S.J., to renovate houses for families in need.”

How Holy Cross affected his life
“Not a day goes by that isn’t colored by my time at Holy Cross. I met all of my best friends there, including my wife. It gave me leadership and organizational experiences that have been important in my career.”

Current job
“I work at Jones Lang LaSalle in New York where I’m a commercial real estate broker and adviser. My clients are tenants whom I assist to acquire and dispose of their leased and owned commercial and industrial facilities. Whether for a small office, a large corporate headquarters facility or a portfolio of sites, I strategize, advise and execute accordingly, providing market research, due diligence and financial analysis.”

The working life
“I’m very fortunate to like where I work. As the demands of the career require that I spend more time at work than with my family—which is a time demand most people probably have no matter what they do—I greatly appreciate the culture of the company where I’ve spent almost my entire professional life. I’ve been lucky to be with the same organization for 17 years, and while that may seem like a long time to some, there are always new challenges that make it interesting and engaging.”

Memorable Holy Cross teachers
“I greatly enjoyed Professor Steve Vineberg’s film criticism class, during which I was subjected to about 37 repeat viewings of Jaws when my roommate, Samuel Rulli ’96, wrote a paper about it. Though in all fairness he did have to watch Robert Altman’s M*A*S*H an equal number of times for my paper.”

Why he stays connected to Holy Cross
“It never ceases to amaze me how engaged alumni are with the College. When I was younger, any alum that I called on was helpful when I needed career advice. I’ve always been very appreciative of that and I try to do the same.”

Why he believes in Holy Cross
“The goal of being ‘men and women for others’ is important to improving our world and society. I appreciate that the school tries to help further that ideal. I wish I were better at it. And the liberal arts education gave me the tools to tackle issues on a multifaceted basis.”

Why he gives to Holy Cross
“The four years I spent there made an indelible positive impact on my life. I would like others to have the same opportunities and great experiences that the College afforded me.”

“Not a day goes by that isn’t colored by my time at Holy Cross. I met all of my best friends there, including my wife. It gave me leadership and organizational experiences that have been important in my career.”
Let’s just forget that Worcester was once again on the Top 10 list of snowiest cities in America, with about 85 inches of the white stuff blanketing campus this winter, because by Reunion time (May 30–June 1 and June 6–9), our lush campus will be looking a lot more like this.
HCAA President’s Note

OPPORTUNITIES

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HCAA leaders began their participation in alumni activities at the Regional Club level. The Clubs have become a vital source of opportunity for innovative new alumni activities such as Holy Cross Cares Day and Welcome to Your City. The immeasurable value of Regional Club spirit and volunteer leadership is now formally recognized through an annual Regional Clubs Volunteer Award. Phil Colvin ’04, the first recipient of this award, is featured on Page 56.

I urge you to examine the Alumni section of the Holy Cross website (alumni.holycross.edu), and note the broad spectrum of opportunities for you to engage with the College. If we have overlooked an offering or activity that would appeal to you, please communicate your suggestion at any time. The HCAA will never ignore a good opportunity to engage you, or any of our alumni, for life.

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Many thanks for connecting with Holy Cross through this Magazine. Whether motivated by memories of the past, activities of the present or concern for the future of Holy Cross, your engagement serves to strengthen the incomparable bond between the College and its 33,000+ alumni across the globe.

The Holy Cross Alumni Association strives to identify and implement diversified opportunities for all alumni to connect and remain engaged with Holy Cross throughout a lifetime. For those who find it convenient, the HCAA offers a wide variety of on-campus activities throughout the year. From homecoming weekends to reunions, Continuing Education Day, career service events, recognition dinners, faculty lectures and more, opportunities for alumni to connect on campus are diverse and ever growing.

For those limited by time, distance or health, the HCAA continues to expand the range of opportunities for alumni to connect with Holy Cross digitally. Participation in faculty webinars, web-based affinity groups and HCAA committee work, to name few, have become a new standard for engaging alumni, regardless of where they reside.

Your HCAA is committed to the growth and expansion of universal alumni engagement opportunities through activities of Holy Cross Regional Clubs from Maine to Hawaii. A significant number of past and current

TRAVEL WITH HOLY CROSS TO PARIS OCTOBER 11–18, 2014

Experience the history, style and culture of Paris on this city-stay tour for alumni, parents and friends. Explore on your own or sign up for optional tours led by a local guide. Your trip includes round-trip flights from Boston or New York, six nights’ accommodations, two dinners, a cruise on the Seine River, daily buffet breakfast and a half-day orientation sightseeing tour.

For more information, visit http://offices.holycross.edu/alumni/events/travel or call the Alumni Office at 508-793-2418.
The Holy Cross Alumni Association has announced the names of those alumni nominated to serve as officers and members of its Board of Directors. Kristyn M. Dyer ’94 has been appointed executive secretary. Michael H. Shanahan ’78 has been re-appointed treasurer. Alumni Association bylaws do not require yearly nomination to these offices. Nominations for the board were selected in accordance with the Alumni Association bylaws, which allow for no more than 12 alumni to be chosen annually for three-year terms, with 10 of them from class year groupings and two representing regional clubs.

Although this slate of candidates represents the choices of the HCAA nominating committee, it should be noted that any member of the HCAA may be nominated in accordance with Article VII of the bylaws, as follows: “Any member of the Alumni Association may be nominated for director by a petition containing the signatures of 20 alumni with the executive secretary no later than April 1.” Any member of the HCAA who would like to be so nominated should submit a petition to Kristyn Dyer by April 1, 2014. If any petition should be received, a ballot will appear in the next issue of Holy Cross Magazine so that alumni can vote for the candidate(s) nominated by petition.

**PRESIDENT**
**COLLEEN M. DOERN ’89**

Colleen M. Doern ’89 has served on the HCAA board of directors since 2004, including two years as vice president, from 2011 to 2013, and one year as president-elect, from 2013 to 2014. Doern, who was a member of the IT and Communications committees, currently sits on the Strategic Planning, Scholarship, Budget & Finance, Executive, Nominations & Elections and Holy Cross Cares Day committees. She chaired the HCAA Dinner Committee in 2011 and currently co-chairs the Homecoming Committee. Doern has also been an Alumni Admissions volunteer since 2000. Her Holy Cross ties include her father, David ’62, and brother, Timothy ’91. She resides in Hartsdale, N.Y.

**PRESIDENT-ELECT**
**KIMBERLY A. STONE ’90**

From 1998 to 2002, Kimberly A. Stone served as secretary, treasurer, vice president and president of the Holy Cross Club of Greater Worcester. She has been a member of the HCAA Board of Directors since 2006. Stone, who has been a member of the Book Prize Committee since 2006 and co-chair since 2008, has also served on the Mission Statement Committee. She is currently Vice President of the Holy Cross Alumni Association and sits on its Executive Committee. A litigation attorney with Counsel on Call in Boston, she resides in Worcester with her husband, Patrick Jones ’92, and three sons.

To view all the HCAA Board of Directors’ candidates, please visit http://alumni.holycross.edu (and click on “Alumni Association Board Nominations 2014.”)

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**BIG APPLE BENEFIT FOR HOLY CROSS ALUMNI AND PARENTS!**

Whether you live, work or travel to New York City, you will find a “home away from home” at the Princeton Club of New York (PCNY). Holy Cross has partnered with the PCNY to offer Crusaders an opportunity to relax, network and socialize in the heart of midtown Manhattan. Club benefits include exclusive social, educational and networking events; 52 guest rooms; two restaurants; private meeting space; squash courts; an elegant clubhouse and 200+ worldwide reciprocal clubs. For more information, visit alumni.holycross.edu or call the PCNY membership office at 212-596-1240.
The Holy Cross Alumni Association has announced the 2014 recipient of its inaugural Regional Clubs Volunteer Award, which recognizes outstanding service to alma mater through the Holy Cross Regional Clubs Program.

PHILIP D. COLVIN ’04
Philip D. Colvin ’04 has served as the president of the Holy Cross Club of the Capital Region since 2010, and has transformed that Washington, D.C., area group into one of Holy Cross’ flagship regional clubs—organizing well over 30 events last year alone. Colvin manages a club board of dedicated volunteers, and keeps everyone engaged and on task. The members are indebted to Colvin for his commitment, collaborative spirit and leadership.

A Georgia native, Colvin majored in political science at Holy Cross. He works as a program manager in the external relations division at the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) in Washington, D.C.

SPOTLIGHT ON... 
HOLY CROSS CLUB OF 
THE CAPITAL REGION

Stretching in all directions around the District of Columbia, the Holy Cross Club of the Capital Region serves more than 2,000 alumni, parents and friends—making it one of the largest regional clubs in the Holy Cross network. An extremely active group, the club organizes more than 30 gatherings a year, ranging from monthly happy hours to sporting events to service opportunities. There’s something for every Crusader in metro D.C.

Email the Club at DCclub@alumni.holycross.edu

History
The Club gathers on May 23, 1945 for its alumni dinner at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, D.C. Sen. David I. Walsh, Class of 1893 (left), and Rev. Joseph R.N. Maxwell, S.J., president of Holy Cross (second from left), were among those in attendance.

Camaraderie
Suzanne C. Richeson ’06, Gordon H. Wong ’11, Meghan M. Stuessy ’11 and Brian P. Lewin ’11 (from left) reconnect at the club’s “Welcome to Your City” social event in Bethesda, Md., in September.

Service
In December, club volunteers joined Boston College alumni at Arlington National Cemetery to place wreaths at the graves of deceased Crusaders and Eagles. This joint event, part of a national “Wreaths Across America” effort, honored our fallen heroes. If you know of alumni who are buried at the National Cemetery, and whom we can honor at a future event, please contact the Alumni Relations Office at alumni@holycross.edu or 508-793-2483.
Winter Homecoming, which took place this year over Valentine’s Day weekend, is always an opportunity for alumni to reconnect with friends and faculty, enjoy the campus with their families and even do a little networking too. And of course, there are the Homecoming games. At the Hart Center, the women’s ice hockey team bested Manhattanville 3-2 and women’s basketball posted a 76-68 win over Lehigh, while men’s ice hockey lost to UConn 5-0.

Along with other Homecoming favorites, including open skating and swimming at the Hart Center, the Legacy Luncheon and Kimball Brunch, the Alumni Association offered a few new events this year: About 60 alumni involved in education attended a casual networking reception and heard remarks from Heather Johnson ’06, director of the Holy Cross Teacher Education Program, and Trevor Bonat ’96, principal of Bishop Brady High School in Concord, N.H. Fran Taylor, the director of Wellness Programming, presented a session on emerging from cabin fever and self-care as we await the warmth of spring. Sharon Matys of the graphic arts department (right) hosted a Zentangle workshop, a “yoga for the brain” guided drawing exercise for artists and non-artists alike. Save the date for Fall Homecoming: Sept. 26–28.
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/memorial. To notify the College of a death, please call the Alumni Office at (508) 793-3089 or send an email to AlumniRecords@holycross.edu, attaching a copy of a newspaper obituary, if available.

1939

William T. Shea
William Shea died Aug. 24, 2013, at home in Worcester, at 96. A graduate of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy in Boston, he operated two independent pharmacies in Worcester with his family, Hastings Drug and Shea Drug; he later worked for the U.S. Veterans Administration as a pharmacist, until the age of 83. Mr. Shea was a past president of the Massachusetts Pharmacists Association. A Navy veteran of World War II, serving as a lieutenant in the U.S. Pacific, he had been licensed by the Coast Guard as a pilot for vessels of any tonnage; during his time of military service, Mr. Shea earned a commendation. He was a lifetime, active member of St. Jean of Arc Parish in Worcester. Mr. Shea had been a Holy Cross class agent. He was survived by his wife, Irene; two sons, Timothy B. ’70 and Peter ’75; five daughters, including Rosemary Keleher ’79; their spouses; a brother, three sisters; 19 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

1941

James A. Morris
James Morris, of Oak Park, Ill., died March 16, 2012, at 92. Mr. Morris is survived by four sons; two daughters; their spouses; 12 grandchildren; and many nephews and nieces.

1944

George A. Druckenbrod Jr.
George Druckenbrod, of Mountain Top, Pa., and Chapman Lake, Pa., died July 19, 2013, at 90. Prior to his retirement, Mr. Druckenbrod had worked for the Liberty Mutual Insurance Co. as a claims adjuster. He was an Army veteran of World War II. Mr. Druckenbrod belonged to St. Jude’s Church in Mountain Top. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy; a son, two daughters; their spouses; and six grandchildren.

1947

Edward E. McCarthy
Edward McCarthy, of Natick, Mass., and, formerly, of Waban, Mass., died June 27, 2013. Prior to his retirement, Mr. McCarthy had been the president of M.J. McCarthy & Co. of Charlestown, Mass. He was an Army Air Force veteran of World War II. Mr. McCarthy is survived by his wife, Margaret; two sons; three daughters; their spouses; three sisters; nine grandchildren; and several nephews and nieces.

1940

Joseph F. Terranova
Joseph Terranova died Aug. 3, 2013, in Westerly (R.I.) Hospital, at 95. Mr. Terranova taught Latin, Italian and English at his alma mater Westerly High School for 30 years, retiring in 1985; chairman of the language department from 1981 to 1985, he was named “Teacher of the Year” by his colleagues for the 1984-85 academic year. Earning a master’s degree in education, with emphasis in school administration, Mr. Terranova received a Fulbright Scholarship in 1966 to study at the University of Rome. Following retirement, he volunteered and started a Latin program at St. Plus X School, Westerly, and St. Michael School, Pawtucket, R.I. At the start of his career, Mr. Terranova held several defense and social work positions with the state of Connecticut. Active in many professional, fraternal and community groups, he had been a member of the State Legislative Committee for five years and, also, a charter member and past president of La Societa Dantesca, among other endeavors. Mr. Terranova is survived by his wife, Evelyn; and several nephews and nieces, grandnephews and grandnieces, and great-grandnephews and great-grandnieces.

1937

Daniel R. Riordan
Daniel Riordan, a lifelong resident of Worcester, died Aug. 16, 2013, at 97. Founding his own realty and appraiser business, Riordan & Associates, in Worcester in the 1960s, Mr. Riordan managed the business for almost 50 years, retiring in 2010. Active in many civic, community and business groups, he had been the treasurer of the Home Federal Bank and member of the Industrial Development Finance Authority. Among other endeavors, as well as a member of the Worcester diocesan Realty Advisory Board. In addition, Mr. Riordan was qualified as a real estate expert in the Massachusetts federal and state court systems and, also, for the Massachusetts Appellate Tax Board. A World War II veteran, he served in the U.S. Army Air Force as a navigator in B-29s; continuing his service as a liaison officer for the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo., Mr. Riordan had been a member of the Army Air Force Reserve in Worcester for 30 years, retiring as a lieutenant colonel in 1976. A graduate of North High School in Worcester, he undertook coursework at many local colleges over the years. Mr. Riordan is survived by three sons; their spouses; two granddaughters; and many nephews and nieces.

1934

William H. Monagan
William Monagan, of Washington, D.C., died July 24, 2013, at 100 years old. Mr. Monagan had been a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross. He is survived by a son; a daughter; two sisters; and six grandchildren. His father was the late Walter E., Class of 1902, and his brothers were the late Walter E. Jr., ’32, C. Andrew ’37 and John S. ’39.

1943

Thomas L. Ferry Jr.
Thomas Ferry, a lifelong resident of Meriden, Conn., died June 22, 2013, at 92. Mr. Ferry was the retired president of the John J. Ferry & Sons Funeral Home in Meriden. A lifelong parishioner of St. Rose of Lima Church, he was active in community affairs, serving as a board director of the Central Bank for Savings, member of the Boys and Girls Club of Meriden and Rotary Club president, among other endeavors. Mr. Ferry had also been a longtime member of the Order of the Golden Rule, National Funeral Directors Association and Connecticut Funeral Directors Association. A World War II Navy lieutenant junior grade, he served on the LST-729 in the Atlantic and Pacific theaters. Mr. Ferry is survived by three sons, including William C. ’73; two daughters; their spouses; two brothers, including Vincent J. ’46; two sisters; their spouses; eight grandchildren; and many nephews and nieces. His brother was the late John J. ’41.

1947

Richard F. Tyler
Richard F. Tyler, of Fairfield, Conn., died June 25, 2013, at 86. Receiving his master’s degree in education from Boston College and MBA from New York University, Mr. Tyler began his career in industry, where he worked for more than 22 years, first with the Sikorsky Aircraft, and, then, for the Perkin-Elmer Corp. He later taught 28 years at Fairfield (Conn.) University, retiring in 2005 as assistant professor of management emeritus. During his tenure, he served on many university committees and held several positions in the Charles F. Dolan School of Business, including area coordinator of management; in 1997, he was inducted into the Alpha Sigma Lambda Honor Society. Mr. Tyler had been a longtime, active member of St. Plus X Church in Fairfield. He is survived by two sons; a daughter; their spouses; and
nine grandchildren. His brother was the late John E. Jr. ’44.

1948

Eugene A. Leverone Jr.
Eugene Leverone died Aug. 22, 2013, at his home in York, Maine, at 90. Mr. Leverone worked more than 35 years for the Container Corporation of America as a sales executive. Following retirement, he had been a film and television actor, model, and member of the Screen Actors Guild. A World War II Navy veteran, Mr. Leverone served as an officer and PBV (patrol bomber aircraft) pilot in the South Pacific. He is survived by his wife, Bertha; three sons; a daughter; their spouses; a sister; and five grandchildren.

Robert B. McKeon
Robert McKeon, of Avon, Conn., died Aug. 19, 2013, at 88. A graduate of the Fordham University School of Law in New York City, Mr. McKeon, a tax attorney, served as the vice president and director of taxes for Anheuser Industries in Garden City, N.Y.; following the company’s acquisition by United Technologies in 1979, he continued to work there until his retirement in 1988. Mr. McKeon had also been involved in many community, civic, church and youth-related activities, including the Boy Scouts. A veteran, he served as a naval officer during World War II. Mr. McKeon is survived by his wife, Eileen; two sons; two daughters; their spouses; and six grandchildren.

Gerald L. Pisano
Gerald Pisano died Feb. 4, 2012. Mr. Pisano is survived by a son; three daughters; and four grandchildren.

1949

Bernard A. Chlama
Bernard Chlama, most recently of North Carolina, died June 11, 2013, at 89. A graduate of Georgetown Law Center in Washington, D.C., Mr. Chlama worked as a patent attorney for the Xerox Corp. prior to retirement. Following graduation, in 1942, from the Aquinas Institute of Rochester in New York, he served as a B-24 bombardier in the U.S. Army Air Corps. Mr. Chlama is survived by his wife, Ruth; a son; two daughters; their spouses; and five grandchildren.

William F. Hopkins Sr.
William Hopkins, of Bethel, Maine, died July 22, 2013, at 87. During his career, Mr. Hopkins worked 32 years as an underwriter for the New England Mutual Life Insurance Co., retiring in 1987. A veteran, he served with the U.S. Navy Air Corps during World War II and in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers during the Korean War. Born in Cambridge, Mass., and raised in Belmont, Mass., Mr. Hopkins lived many years with his wife in Cambridge and Lexington, Mass., before relocating to Bethel in 2003. He is survived by his wife, Alice; a son; and two grandchildren.

John J. Sayers
John “Jack” Sayers, of Greenwood Village, Colo., died on Aug. 9, 2013, at 87. Mr. Sayers had been a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by his wife, Agnes; four sons; their spouses; and eight grandchildren.

1950

James G. Chilleri
James Chilleri, of Vero Beach, Fla., and Chaplin, Conn., died July 30, 2013, at 88. A longtime educator who earned his master’s degree and a certificate of advanced studies in the field, Mr. Chilleri taught 23 years at the Annie E. Vinton Elementary School in Mansfield Center, Conn., and subsequently held the post of principal for 18 years. Serving in the European theater during World War II, he had been attached to the Third Army, with the 965th Engineer Maintenance Company. Mr. Chilleri is survived by his wife, Eileen; three sons; a daughter-in-law; a sister-in-law; four grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and nephews and nieces.

John F. Hogan Sr.
John “Jack” Hogan died July 25, 2013, in Naples, Fla., at 83. Working for many years in the advertising field, Mr. Hogan held senior executive positions at Erwin Wasey, Rethrauff & Ryan, BBDO; and Rumrill-Hoyt. He retired in 1985 as the chairman and chief executive officer of DePalma & Hogan Advertising. Mr. Hogan earned a graduate degree at Columbia University in New York City. A former resident of Eastchester, N.Y., and Hawthorne, Mass., he was a graduate of All Hallows High School in Bronx, N.Y. Mr. Hogan had been a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross. He is survived by four sons, including David M. ’84 and Mark E. ’95; four daughters; their spouses; and 15 grandchildren.

John J. McNally
John “Jack” McNally, of Bronxville, N.Y., died on July 23, 2013. Joining White & Case LLP in New York City following graduation from Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Mass., in 1953, Mr. McNally practiced law with the firm until his retirement in 1994. During his career, he had been active on numerous boards, including All Hallows Foundation, Lavelle Fund for the Blind, Lawrence Hospital and Mohawk Paper Mills. He was a Navy veteran of World War II. Mr. McNally had been a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross, a Holy Cross class agent and a 1975 recipient of the In Hoc Signo Award. He is survived by his wife, Sally; a son, Thomas G. ’91; four daughters; their spouses; two sisters; and 15 grandchildren. His brother was the late Richard J. ’50.

1951

Peter J. Frasca
Peter Frasca, of Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., died July 25, 2013, at 84. Mr. Frasca was a longtime professional golfer and a life member of the Professional Golfers’ Association of America. He is survived by three sons; their spouses; and four grandchildren.

Robert T. Gilhuly
Robert Gilhuly died Aug. 26, 2013, at his home in Cos Cob, Conn., at 83. A graduate of Yale Law School in New Haven, Conn., Mr. Gilhuly practiced trust and estates law with Cummings & Lockwood in Greenwich, Conn., for more than 55 years, serving as a partner until 2013. Active in state and local bar associations, he was chairman of the Connecticut chapter and longtime regent of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel, and a fellow of the International Academy of Estate and Trust Law. In addition, Mr. Gilhuly had been active in Greenwich town affairs, serving as a Representative Town Meeting member and longtime member of the Board of Estimate & Taxation, among other duties. As a Navy veteran, he served as a first lieutenant in the Judge Advocate General’s Corps, working at the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. Mr. Gilhuly had been a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross. He is survived by his wife, Anne; four sons; a daughter; their spouses; a brother; a sister; and 15 grandchildren.

Rev. Charles J. Snopek
Rev. Charles Snopek died Sept. 8, 2013, in Castle Hayne, N.C., at 83. A longtime priest of the Diocese of Charleston, S.C., where he was ordained in 1966, Fr. Snopek served as parochial vicar of Blessed Sacrament Church, Charleston; St. John Neumann Church, Columbia; and St. Mary Church, Greenville; pastor of Precious Blood of Christ Church, Pawleys Island; and administrator of Jesus, Our Risen Savior Church, in Spartanburg. He earned a master’s degree at Columbia University in New York City and a master of divinity degree at Mount St. Mary’s University in Emmitsburg, Md. Fr. Snopek is survived by a sister; a nephew; three nieces; a grandnephew; and a grandniece.

1952

Gerard P. Cloney, D.D.S.
Gerard Cloney, D.D.S., of Sharon, Conn., Patet, Bermuda, and New York City, died Sept. 4, 2013, at 87. A graduate of Georgetown University School of Dentistry, Washington, D.C., Dr. Cloney practiced dentistry for 11 years in New York City prior to relocating to Sharon, where he had been associated with the Sharon Clinic until 1980. Maintaining a private practice in Sharon until his retirement in 1996, Dr. Cloney had been on the staff of Memorial Sloan-Kettering and Lenox Hill Hospital in New York City and Sharon Hospital in Connecticut. A member of the Navy Reserve for 16 years, Dr. Cloney retired in 1970 with the rank of commander; he also served on active duty, from 1958 to 1960, with the Navy SEALs in Coronado, Calif., and the 3rd Marine Division in Okinawa. During his career, Dr. Cloney had also been a board member of Town Hill School and Indian Mountain School, both in Lakeville, N.Y., and Maplebrook School, Amenia, N.Y., as well as a partner in the Miller Brook (N.Y.) Gallery, from 1962 to 1987, Purchasing Highfield Farm in Sharon in 1970, he operated a registered Polled Hereford breeding farm there with his family in the 1980s and, in 1997, maintained a registered Blank Angus herd in partnership with an associate. Following retirement, Dr. Cloney volunteered with the AIDS centers Allan Vincent Smith Foundation in Hamilton, Bermuda, and Gay Men’s Health Crisis (GMHC) in New York City. He is survived by his wife, Annette (deVallieres Frith) Cloney; two sons; a daughter; their spouses; a sister; and seven grandchildren.

Robert J. Cronin
Robert Cronin, of Sharon, Mass., and formerly of Wellesley Hills, Mass., died Aug. 30, 2013. Mr. Cronin was the former president of Grover Cronin, Inc., of Waltham, Mass. A Navy veteran, he served with the
UDT (Underwater Demolition Team). Mr. Cronin was a graduate of the Canterbury School in New Milford, Conn. He had been a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross. Mr. Cronin is survived by his wife, Gall; three sons; three daughters; their spouses and partners; a sister; and six grandchildren. His brother was the late Paul J. ’44.

John W. DesJardin
John DesJardin, of Bonita, Calif., died Aug. 20, 2013, at 83. A longtime educator, Mr. DesJardin earned his Ph.D. at the United States International University (USIU) in California and taught economics at USIU, San Diego, Whittier (Calif.) College and National University, San Diego. He was a Navy veteran of the Korean and Vietnam wars, serving as a naval aviator and Blue Angels squadron commander in Vietnam in 1967. Mr. DesJardin retired from the military in 1973. He is survived by his wife, Mary; two sons; three daughters; their spouses; and three grandchildren.

Robert B. Lariviere
Robert Lariviere, of Auburn, Mass., died March 16, 2013, at 83. During his career, Mr. Lariviere worked 36 years for the Wyman-Gordon Co., retiring in 1991 as manager of international sales. He had completed courses at the former Worcester Junior College, Worcester Polytechnic Institute and Harvard Business School, Boston. Mr. Lariviere was an Army veteran, serving in the Korean War. He is survived by his wife, Shirley; four daughters; two sons-in-law; a brother; a sister; three grandchildren; a great-granddaughter; and several nephews, nieces and cousins.

Monsignor Robert L. Lawler
Monsignor Robert Lawler died Aug. 29, 2013, in St. Joseph’s Home, Ogdensburg, N.Y., at 82. A longtime priest of the Diocese of Ogdensburg, Monsignor Lawler began his ministry as assistant pastor of the Church of the Holy Family in Watertown and, also, as assistant secretary of Catholic Charities; subsequently assuming the post of executive secretary of Catholic Charities, he continued to serve in this position until 1986 when he was appointed pastor in Brownville and Dexter. Named vicar general for the diocese in 1994, Monsignor Lawler became the pastor of the Church of St. Mary, Canton, in 1995 and pastor of St. Mary’s Church, Waddington, in 1996. Elected diocesan administrator in 1999, he was reappointed vicar general in 2000 and named pastor of St. Mary’s Church, Waddington, and the Church of St. John the Baptist, Madrid, in 2002. Elected diocesan administrator again in 2003, Monsignor Lawler was also named vicar general in 2004; he retired as the pastor of St. Mary’s Church, Waddington, and St. John the Baptist Church, Madrid, in 2012. Ordained to the priesthood in 1956, Monsignor Lawler was made papal chaplain in 1967 with the title of monsignor; named prelate of honor of His Holiness in 1976 and a protonotary apostolic in 1995, he had also received the diocesan Caritas Award in 1986. Monsignor Lawler is survived by a brother; a sister-in-law; six nephews; a niece; three grandnephews; and a grandniece.

John P. Ryan
John “Jack” Ryan died Aug. 19, 2013, at his home in Rockport, Mass., at 84. A manager with the General Electric Co. for 35 years, Mr. Ryan worked at GE plants in New York, New Jersey, Germany, California and Connecticut, retiring in 1989. A veteran, he served in the Marine Corps, from 1946 to 1948. Mr. Ryan is survived by his wife, Fay; a son; a daughter; their spouses; a brother; a sister-in-law; seven grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and several nephews and nieces.

Richard N. Sweeney
Richard Sweeney of Potomac, Md., passed away on Aug. 7, 2013, at the age of 82. Mr. Sweeney was a graduate of Loyola Academy in Wilmette, Ill., where he played football throughout his high school years. In 2005, he was inducted into Loyola’s Athletic Hall of Fame. Mr. Sweeney pursued his love of football at Holy Cross and was drafted by the New York Giants before an injury on field put an end to his football career. He married Martha Marie Gagnon days after graduation; the couple raised six children before her death in 2000. Mr. Sweeney attended business school at Boston College and spent his career in national and international marketing management. He had been a Holy Cross class agent. Mr. Sweeney is survived by three sons, including Kevin P. ’78; two daughters, including Margaret A. ’79; their spouses, including MaryPat ’79; partner Jane Flood; and nine grandchildren. Another daughter predeceased him in 2001.

1953 Monsignor Harold B. Bumpus
Monsignor Harold Bumpus died July 5, 2013, at his home in Land O’ Lakes, Fla., at 82. A longtime priest of the Diocese of St. Petersburg, Fla., Monsignor Bumpus served the parishes of St. Michael in Sarasota, St. Anthony in San Antonio, St. Theresa in Spring Hill and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in Citrus Springs; prior to his retirement in 2008, he ministered, for 10 years, at the Prince of Peace Parish, Sun City Center. From 1963 to 1995, Monsignor Bumpus was chaplain of the Catholic Student Center at the University of South Florida, Tampa. Active as well in diocesan affairs, he served as director of the Commission for Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs, among other appointments. Entering Holy Cross College Seminary in 1949, Monsignor Bumpus completed studies at Boston College and Weston College, Cambridge, Mass., prior to his ordination to the priesthood for the Society of Jesus of New England in 1963. He subsequently taught several years at the college level and earned his Ph.D. in theology at the University of Tübingen in West Germany, Monsignor Bumpus was incardinated into the Diocese of St. Petersburg in 1978. He is survived by many friends.

Paul V. Nally, M.D.
Paul Nally, M.D., a longtime resident of Shrewsbury, Mass., died Sept. 24, 2013, at 82. Receiving his medical degree in 1965 from Creighton University in Omaha, Neb., Dr. Nally established a dermatology practice in Worcester and served on the staff of the former St. Vincent Hospital and UMass Medical Center, also in Worcester. He had been a member of several professional organizations, including the New England Dermatological Society and Worcester District Medical Society. Prior to attending medical school, Dr. Nally had worked many years in Worcester as a social worker. He served 10 years as a first lieutenant in the National Guard. Dr. Nally is survived by his wife, Ann; and many nephews and nieces.

Richard “Dick” Dugan, of Little Compton, R.I., died Sept. 4, 2013, at 81. Mr. Dugan, a retired U.S. Navy commander, received numerous awards and medals during his career, including the Bronze Star with “Combat V,” for his service in Vietnam; he had been a member of the NRTOC program at Holy Cross. After retiring from the Navy, Mr. Dugan worked for Logicon and then joined the faculty at Johnson & Wales University, Providence, R.I., where he taught economics. Active in youth baseball sports programs in Newport and Portsmouth, R.I., he belonged to St. Catherine of Siena Parish in Little Compton. Mr. Dugan received a master’s degree from Bryant College, Smithfield, R.I. He had been a member of several military organizations, including the Military Officers Association of America. In addition, Mr. Dugan had been a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by his wife, Patricia; four sons; their spouses; nine grandchildren; a nephew; and three nieces.

Joseph J. Gummersbach
Joseph Gummersbach, of St. Louis, died on June 29, 2013. Mr. Gummersbach was a 1949 graduate of St. Louis University High School and the head usher, for 20 years, at the Cathedral Basilica of Saint Louis in Missouri. He had been a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross and a volunteer for the Holy Cross Club of Greater St. Louis. Mr. Gummersbach is survived by his wife, Janice A. Noack; a brother; and cousins.

John G. Hughes
John Hughes, a longtime resident of Larchmont, N.Y., died July 18, 2013, at 81. Active for many years in the marketing and advertising field in New York City, Mr. Hughes worked at various firms during his career, including Coigiate-Palrmolive, BBDO, Booz Allen Hamilton, and his startup, Wesco Promotions. Earning his MBA at New York University, he also served as an adjunct professor at several colleges and universities. Mr. Hughes had been a member of President’s Council at Holy Cross. He is survived by two sons; two daughters; their spouses; and nine grandchildren.

1955 James F. Shea
James Shea died July 31, 2013, in Cape Cod Hospital, Hyannis, Mass., at 81. An Army veteran, Mr. Shea had worked 35 years for the Liberty Mutual Insurance Company. He had been an active parishioner of Good Shepherd Parish in Wayland, Mass., and a Holy Cross class agent. Mr. Shea is survived by his wife, Maureen; a son, Robert J.; two daughters; their spouses; a brother; four grandchildren; two nephews; a niece; and cousins.

1956 John E. Curtin
John Curtin, of Troy, N.Y., and Harwich, Mass., died July 16, 2013, at 77. Working many years in New York state government, Mr. Curtin began his career with the Department of Health. Also serving in various capacities
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Rev. Daniel Harrington, S.J., renowned scholar, author, and professor of Sacred Scripture at the Boston College School of Theology and Ministry, died Feb. 7, 2014, at 73.

The author of more than 60 books on Scripture and the life and times of Jesus, Fr. Harrington was the general editor of New Testament Abstracts, from 1972 until his death, and a three-year contributor to “The Word” column for America magazine.

A faculty member of the Jesuit School of Theology in Cambridge, Mass., for many years, he joined the newly established School of Theology and Ministry at Boston College in 2008, following Weston Jesuit’s re-affiliation with the college.

Fr. Harrington’s pastoral ministry included celebrating Sunday Mass, for many years, at St. Agnes Parish in Arlington, Mass., and St. Peter’s Church in Cambridge.

Born in Arlington, he attended Boston College High School where he played hockey and baseball; following graduation, Fr. Harrington entered the Society of Jesus at the Jesuit Novitiate in Gloucester, Mass. Undertaking philosophical studies at the Weston Jesuit School of Theology, he then studied ancient Near Eastern languages at Harvard University in Cambridge, where he earned his Ph.D.; while at Harvard, Fr. Harrington took courses at The Hebrew University of Jerusalem and the Dominican Ecole Biblique et Archeologique de Jerusalem.

Completing theological studies at Weston Jesuit in 1969, he was ordained to the priesthood in 1971 at the Church of St. Ignatius of Loyola, Chestnut Hill, Mass. Fr. Harrington served as a professor of Sacred Scripture at St. Mary of the Lake Seminary in Illinois before joining the faculty at the Weston Jesuit School of Theology in 1972.

A member of the Holy Cross Board of Trustees from 1975 to 1986, he received an honorary degree from the College in 2005.

Fr. Harrington is survived by a brother; a sister-in-law; nephews; nieces; grandparents; and grandchildren.

Reflecting on the passing of Rev. Daniel J. Harrington, S.J.
Holy Cross Associate Professor of religious studies Alice Laffey offers the following tribute to her longtime colleague, “I knew Dan Harrington most directly through the Catholic Biblical Association of which we were both members and through his publications, though he graciously welcomed me to Massachusetts and to Holy Cross in 1981. If I had to describe Dan in one word, I would say, ‘inspiring.’ The qualities of his personality and character—dedicated and committed to God and to all whom he met, honest, hard-working, self-disciplined and focused, kind, generous in placing his extraordinary intellectual gifts at the service of the community, unassuming, respectful, and the list goes on—belonged to him in such a way that he inspired others to want to develop those qualities within themselves. Though he will be missed by the so many who loved him, his values live in them; he truly was an inspiration.”

Rev. William E. Reiser, S.J., professor and chair of the religious studies department at Holy Cross, shares a recollection of Fr. Harrington:

“The first thing that comes to mind when I remember Dan is the old library at Weston when we were still seminarians. In the evening he would be standing in front of one of the long display cases, moving along slowly as he examined the hundreds of journals, one by one. Years later, in his office, he recommended an article, recalling not only the year, but where on the page I should look. Of course, he had a similar command of the Bible, although when it came to Scripture, he remembered the whole of it so well because it lived inside him. Whenever I hear Jesus’ words ‘every scribe who has become a disciple for the kingdom of heaven,’ I see Dan’s face.”
sisters; four grandchildren; and many nephews and nieces. His brothers were the late Bart J. ’49 and Paul P. ’55.

1959
David P. Ryan
David Ryan, of Hiltontown, S.C., died Aug. 15, 2013, at 75. A longtime educator who earned graduate degrees at Fairfield (Conn.) University and New York University, Mr. Ryan began his career as a teacher at Central Catholic High School in Norwalk, Conn. Subsequently serving as assistant superintendent of schools for the Diocese of Bridgeport, Conn., and, then, for the school district in Gafftown, N.H., he was appointed superintendent of schools in 1980 for the Churchville (N.Y.)-Chili School District. Following his retirement as superintendent, Mr. Ryan relocated with his wife to Hilton Head Island. He is survived by his wife, Ruth Anne; two sons; their spouses; two daughters, a sister, and three grandchildren. His father was the late James J. ’33.

1960
Anthony M. Liebler
Anthony Liebler, of West Palm Beach, Fla., and, formerly, of Bronxville, N.Y., died Nov. 11, 2012, at 74. Mr. Liebler was an Air Force veteran. He is survived by a son; a daughter; and three grandchildren.

Donald W. Rouke
Donald Rouke, of Arlington, Va., died Nov. 23, 2012, at 74. Born and raised in Worcester, retired Maj. Donald Rouke served 20 years in the Marine Corps. His tours of duty included: Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego; Vietnam; Okinawa and Iwakuni, Japan; Quantico, Va.; Headquarters Marine Corps; and the Pentagon, as special assistant to the assistant secretary of the Navy (financial management). In 1980, Mr. Rouke joined the Computer Sciences Corp., Applied Technology Division, Falls Church, Va., where he worked 20 years, holding various senior level positions, including director of planning, Eastern Division. He earned a master of public administration degree in technology of management in 1968 at American University in Washington, D.C. Mr. Rouke is survived by his wife, Lynette; and six cousins.

Nicholas A. Sergi Jr.
Nicholas Sergi, of Ormond Beach, Fla., died July 7, 2013, at 75. During his career, Mr. Sergi worked for more than 20 years with FlightSafety International, serving as an advocate for the aviation maintenance profession; a member of many aviation-related committees and boards, he was the industry representative for the Professional Aviation Maintenance Association, from 1987 to 1998. Retiring in 2007, Mr. Sergi formed NAS Aviation Consultants. After receiving his degree from Holy Cross, he joined the Marine Corps and, serving as a helicopter pilot, attained the rank of captain. Mr. Sergi was a 1956 graduate of Chaminade High School in Mineola, N.Y. He is survived by his partner, Suzanne Albert; three sons; and three grandchildren.

1962
J. Paul McGrath
J. Paul McGrath, of Montclair, N.J., and Sanita Springs, Fla., died July 9, 2013, at 80. Receiving his LL.B. in 1963 from Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Mass., Mr. McGrath spent his entire career in private practice with the New York City law firm Dewey, Ballantine, Bushby, Palmer & Wood, becoming managing general partner and chairman of the litigation department. Nominated by President Ronald Reagan in 1981 to be an assistant attorney general of the United States, he served in this capacity from 1981 to 1985, first as head of the Civil Division of the U.S. Department of Justice and, subsequently, as head of the Antitrust Division. After leaving Dewey Ballantine in 1992, Mr. McGrath was general counsel at AlliedSignal Engineered Materials and senior vice president and general counsel at FMC Corporation; joining American Standard Companies, Inc. in 2000, he served as senior vice president, general counsel and secretary until his retirement in 2004. Mr. McGrath is survived by his wife, Eileen “Honey”; two sons; two daughters, including Robin ’96; their spouses; his brother, Thomas E. “Ted” Jr. ’55; two sisters; and five grandchildren.

1963
Peter M. Acton Sr.
Peter Acton, a 14-year resident of Chatham, Mass., died July 2, 2013, at 72. A graduate of the Fordham University School of Law in New York City and member of its Law Review, Mr. Acton served 28 years as an attorney for IBM; retiring in 1996 as the associate general counsel, he subsequently joined TIG Holdings in New York City as the general counsel and secretary. Following his retirement from TIG, Mr. Acton and his wife relocated to Chatham, where he had been a member of the board of the Holy Cross Club of Cape Cod, an arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association and executive chair of the town’s Zoning Board of Appeals, among other endeavors. A member of the NROTIC program and Glew Club as a student at the College, he served as a Navy officer aboard the USS Baker, following graduation. Mr. Acton had been a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross and a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by his wife, Marie; a son; two daughters; their spouses, including Peter G. “O’Sullivan ’94; a sister; eight grandchildren; a nephew; and two nieces.

1964
Joseph F. Merola Jr.
Joseph Merola died Sept. 3, 2013, at his home in Waltham, Mass., at 70. During his career, Mr. Merola had been a software engineer, for many years, at the Digital Equipment Co. in Maynard, Mass.; following retirement, he worked for H & R Block during the tax season. After receiving his degree from Holy Cross, Mr. Merola taught mathematics briefly in Ayer, Mass., before joining the Army; he was a veteran of the Vietnam War. Mr. Merola is survived by a brother, Henry J., M.D., ’71; a sister, a sister-in-law; four nephews; and three nieces.

1965
Andrew D. Popoli
Andrew Popoli, of Hodges, S.C., died July 20, 2013, in Self Regional Healthcare, Greenwood, S.C., at 70. During his career, Mr. Popoli worked for the Rural Housing Authority in Massachusetts and owned Popoli Honda Yamaha in Westfield, Mass. A graduate of Assumption Preparatory School in Worcester, he earned his master’s degree in social work at the University of North Carolina, at Chapel Hill. Mr. Popoli had been a member of the Greenwood Motorcycle Club and the Greenwood YMCA. He is survived by his wife, Valeria “Val”; two sons; a stepson; a stepdaughter; their spouses; two brothers; and nine grandchildren.

1967
Paul E. Courchaine
Paul Courchaine, of Wethersfield, Conn., died Aug. 10, 2013, at 68. Active for many years in the insurance industry, Mr. Courchaine began his career with Aetna Insurance Companies and, subsequently, worked for Pureline Insurance, Price Waterhouse, Price Waterhouse Cooperers, Anderson Consulting, Darwin Associates and, finally, The Hartford, retiring in 2010. Interested in early New England history, he had been involved in community affairs, serving on the Wethersfield Town Council, Historic District Commission and Insurance Commission, among other endeavors. In addition, Mr. Courchaine had been a member of the State of Connecticut Board of Landscape Architects. An Army veteran, he served in Heidelberg, Germany. Mr. Courchaine had been a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by his wife, Donna; two sisters; a brother-in-law; two sisters-in-law; and many nephews, nieces, uncles, aunts and cousins.

Thomas C. FitzPatrick
Thomas FitzPatrick, of Royal Oak, Mich., died June 20, 2013, in Rochester, Minn., at 67. Mr. FitzPatrick is survived by a son; two daughters; a son-in-law; a sister, a brother-in-law; two grandchildren; and his companion, Ede Franklin.

Robert F. Kumar Jr.
Robert Kumar, a longtime Massachusetts district court judge and former city mayor and state official, died July 21, 2013, at 67. A 1963 graduate of Chicopee (Mass.) High School, Mr. Kumar received his degree from Boston College Law School in 1970; he was also awarded a master of public administration degree from the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University in Cambridge, Mass. Maintaining a private law practice for nine years, Mr. Kumar served as the mayor of Chicopee from 1980 to 1984. Subsequently appointed deputy commissioner in the Department of Environmental Management by former Massachusetts Gov. Michael S. Dukakis, he also held the port of assistant secretary in the Executive Office for Administration and Finance. Appointed to the District Court bench in 1990 by Gov. Dukakis, Mr. Kumar served nine years as the first justice of the Springfield District Court—and, since 2005, as a circuit court judge in Western Massachusetts. Retiring from the bench in 2009, he was honored with the Judicial Excellence Award at the Massachusetts Judges Conference. A Marine Corps veteran, Mr. Kumar was assigned to the 3rd Marine Division on Okinawa, serving off the coast of Vietnam; returning to the United States, where he was stationed with the 2nd Marine Air Wing, he had been a judge advocate in the Special Court-Martial Military at Cherry Point, N.C. Mr. Kumar is survived by two sisters; a brother-in-law; an uncle; an aunt; five nephews and their families; and many cousins.
Paul B. Nedza
Paul Nedza, of Old Bethpage, N.Y., and, formerly, of Lynbrook, N.Y., died on Feb. 8, 2013, at 67. During his career, Mr. Nedza worked in the reinsurance industry, serving as a vice president and a consultant. He was an Army veteran. Mr. Nedza is survived by a sister, a brother-in-law; and a niece.

1968
Robert E. Kennedy
Robert Kennedy, of Cambridge, Mass., died on June 26, 2013. Mr. Kennedy was a former director of the Psychological Clinic at Penn State University, University Park. He is survived by his wife, Barbara; two sons; their spouses; a brother, James A. Jr. ’59; and a granddaughter.

Louis F. Sciarrillo, M.D.
Louis Sciarrillo, M.D., died Aug. 6, 2013, at 67. A graduate of Georgetown University School of Medicine, Washington, D.C., Dr. Sciarrillo practiced obstetrics/gynecology for 34 years at Kaiser in Vallejo, Calif. He was born in Hoboken, N.J., and raised in Weekaun, N.J. Dr. Sciarrillo is survived by his wife, Jackie; a son, a daughter; a son-in-law; and a sister.

1969
William H. O’Connor Jr.
William O’Connor, of Gorham, Maine, died Aug. 23, 2013, at 66. Mr. O’Connor had worked for Lepage Bakers Inc. of Auburn, Maine, for the past 27 years, as a distribution manager. A veteran, he served with the Air Force in Japan and the Philippines during the Vietnam War. Mr. O’Connor was a 1965 graduate of St. John’s Preparatory School in Danvers, Mass. He is survived by his wife, Mary Jo; two sons; a daughter; their spouses; a brother; a sister-in-law; and four grandchildren.

Lawrence M. Strang
Lawrence “Larry” Strang, of Concord, Mass., died Aug. 12, 2013, at 65. A longtime investment banker, Mr. Strang worked for Salomon Brothers and First Albany Corp., among other firms in the finance industry. Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., he was raised in Rochester, N.H., and graduated from St. Thomas Aquinas High School in Dover, N.H. Mr. Strang is survived by his wife, Mary Ann; a son, two sisters-in-law; and nephews and nieces, including Holy Cross alumni.

Robert B. Jeglè
Robert Jeggé died Aug. 22, 2013, at 61. Mr. Jeggé was a 1969 graduate of Brooklyn (N.Y.) Preparatory High School. He is survived by three brothers; three nephews; two nieces; and 18 cousins.

William J. Taylor
William “Bill” Taylor died Aug. 22, 2013, at his home in Franklin, Mass., at 61. During his career, Mr. Taylor had been the president and chief executive officer of Advocates Inc. in Framingham, Mass. He is survived by his wife, Laurie; his mother; a son; two daughters, including Alisha R. Dyan ’03; a son-in-law, Daniel R. Dyan ’03; a daughter-in-law; and three grandchildren.

1974
James C. Lynch
James Lynch died after a brief illness on July 19, 2013, in Boca Raton, Fla., at 59. A career journalist, Mr. Lynch rose from copyboy to executive editorial positions at the New York Post, the Daily News, American Media and the Chicago Sun-Times; for the past several years, he had been working as a freelance writer and editor. Mr. Lynch’s community involvement included serving as a Big Brother and as a volunteer with Helping Hands of Boca Raton. He was a graduate of Fordham Preparatory School in Bronx, N.Y. Mr. Lynch is survived by his wife, Susan, and their son, Luke; his mother, a sister; a brother; their spouses; and several nephews and nieces.

1976
John O’Brien Coleman
John Coleman, of Oyster Bay Cove, N.Y., and, formerly, of New York City, died Sept. 23, 2013, at 49. Mr. Coleman had been a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross. He is survived by his wife, Julia; three children; his parents; three brothers; a sister; their spouses; and many nephews and nieces.

1981
Harry J. Craig
Harry Craig, of West Chester, Pa., died Sept. 23, 2013, at 93. A graduate of St. Joseph’s Preparatory School in Philadelphia, Mr. Craig worked as a certified public accountant/project consultant for A.C. Lardi in Malvern, Pa. A member of St. Agnes Church in West Chester, he also coached youth baseball and soccer. Mr. Craig is survived by his wife, Eileen; his parents; a son; a daughter; a brother; two sisters; their spouses; three nephews and two nieces.

1982
Tracy A. Durkin
Tracy Durkin died Sept. 29, 2013, in Yale-New Haven (Conn.) Hospital, at 53. Ms. Durkin was a longtime resident of Pawling, N.Y., where she owned a gift and frame shop, the Maple Tree Gallery. After its closing, she taught chemistry at Edgemont High School in Scarsdale, N.Y. Ms. Durkin served as a former trustee for the Village of Pawling, among other endeavors, and as a parishioner of St. John’s Church. She received her master’s degree from Boston College and Ph.D. in chemistry from Yale University in New Haven. Ms. Durkin is survived by two uncles and two aunts; and many cousins.

1983
James M. Mason
James “Jim” Mason, of Bethpage, N.Y., died on Sept. 23, 2013, at 52. Receiving his Ph.D. in 1982 in molecular biology/biochemistry from the University of Connecticut School of Medicine in Farmington, Mr. Mason began his career at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Md., working with a team of scientists and clinicians performing the first human gene therapy clinical trial in 1990. He subsequently collaborated with clinicians in various medical fields, including cancer research, wound healing, bone regeneration and the study of viruses. Mr. Mason also coached youth soccer in his local community. He is survived by his wife, Annamarie; a son; a daughter; his father; three brothers, including Robert T. ’82; a sister, and many nephews and nieces.

1986
John M. F. Egan
John M. F. Egan, of Newton, Mass., died Oct. 29, 2013, at 66. He is survived by his wife, Ann; three children; his parents; three sisters; and many nephews and nieces.

Friends
Nalini Ambady, formerly, psychology department, Helen and Robert A. Babineau Sr., M.D., parents of Timothy J., M.D., ’82; Marianne Biely, wife of Michael J. ’53; Eloise Davis Bunnell, mother of Jane Reynolds, student affair affairs, and grandmother of Matthew L. ’05 and Damon W. ’08; Carol E. Chase, mother of Alice Swett, development; Scott A. Clark, husband of Elaine Nalcy Clark ’86; Theresa Clark, mother of Rev. William A., S.J., religious studies; Stephen J. Clarke, formerly, education department; Nancy Dean, mother of Barb Dean, senior vice president’s office, mother-in-law of Gary Carakadd, development, and grandmother of Adam Carakadd, student and part-time employee, dining; Irene (Annesse) Fallon, wife of John A., M.D., ’69, Francisco Faria, father of Carlos, athletic department; Thomas R. Gibbons Jr., uncle of William P., athletics, Patricia Gibbons Haydon ’83, development, and Kathleen M. Trainor ’87, and granduncle of Camille A. Trainer ’12 and Mary-Kate C. Haydon ’17; Katie Graham, sister of David L. ’59 and aunt of Peter W. ’84; Donald F. Gibbons, father-in-law of Elizabeth, development office, and grandfather of Nicole L. Pribyl ’00, Andrew D. Gibbons ’08 and Brendan P. Gibbons ’12; Mildred E. Hanley, mother of Michael J. ’72; David A. Herr, father of Stephen D. ’75, Helenmarie D. Hoffman, mother of David D. ’85, Essie May Jenkins, mother of Eddie J. Jenkins Jr. ’72; Janice H. Johnson, wife of Carl, information technology services; Olga Q. Koleska, mother of the late Edward S., M.D., ’74 and grandmother of Edward W. II ’03; Marie C. Lockbaum, mother of Gordon C. ’86; Leo Magri, father of Julie M., M.D., ’85; Claire K. Menahan, wife of the late Richard J. ’50; Judith M. (Bronshtain) Morano, retired, Dinar Library, and wife of the late Paul D. ’63; Thomas Mountain, father of Thomas “Toby” Jr., music department, Sarah A. “Sallie” (McCormett) Mullaney, wife of Paul V. ’42 and mother of Paul A. ’76; Rita Mary O’Shea, wife of the late John J. C. O’Shea ’49 and mother of John J. C. III ’80 and Brian C. ’87; Joseph M. Polkoff, uncle of Timothy F. ’03 and Andrew J. ’10; Violet M. Rogacevic, mother of Stanley, information technology services; Mary Rumberger, a friend of Holy Cross; Doris G. Skane, mother of R. Michael ’64 and Edward S. ’63; Lawrence J. Walsh, father of Rose Caranci, student affairs; Barbara E. Wojak, mother of Jacqualyn ’88

At press time, Holy Cross Magazine learned of the passing of four members of our community. John J. “Bud” Ryan ’41 was a longtime class chair and volunteer in Holy Cross Alumni Association and Varsity Club activities. With his wife, Anne Bernay, Justin Kaplan was the first to hold the Jenkins Chair in Contemporary Letters (from 1992 to 1995) at Holy Cross. Joseph R. “Joe” McGinnity ’64 was the bestselling author of Fatal Vision and The Selling of the President 1968. Kathleen Carney was the director of library services for the College since 2010. Complete obituaries for all four will appear in the summer issue. HCM invites alumni, family and friends to send a special remembrance or tribute about them to hcmag@holycross.edu.

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BY HARRY K. THOMAS JR. ‘78

IT IS NEARLY SIX MONTHS SINCE Nov. 8, 2013, when Typhoon Haiyan struck the Philippines, causing immense damage. Six thousand people died, four million were displaced and more than 500,000 homes were destroyed. The international community’s robust efforts — especially those of the United States — closely aligned with the government of the Philippines and blunted a full-blown humanitarian crisis. That said, it will take years to repair the lives that Haiyan mangled.

Our government continues to partner with the Philippine government, and we have received numerous thank you messages from Filipino friends. But the people of the Philippines yearn to stand on their own. Filipinos and Americans have much in common, including resilience, ingenuity and self-reliance. Teresa Chan, Samantha Tinsay, Ednita Sapinoso and Rev. Jose Ramon Villarin, S.J. — four local Filipino heroes I know — used traditional and modern means to assist and inspire people who do not look upon themselves as victims, but as survivors.

In the immediate wake of the typhoon, Fr. Villarin, the president of Ateneo de Manila University (the Philippines’ Jesuit University in Quezon City), volunteered his school to serve as a unit for relief operations. Students helped to raise cash and pack relief goods. Fr. Villarin charged all to see Lux in Domino (light in the Lord) as they helped and prayed for those lost and hurt.

The coastal city of Cebu, home to American companies such as Timex and Accenture, was also affected. Medical school student Samantha Tinsay, who was born in the Philippines but raised in Southern California, utilized social media and proved that even a young person from a modest background can assist. Tinsay told me that she started to “heal the hurting because my friends and I saw firsthand how the typhoon ravaged Visayas (Central Philippines).” She and her friends were in Northern Cebu when they heard the reports of the typhoon coming, and they were able to catch the last boat out at 6 p.m. the night before the storm made landfall. “The waves were flowing into our small fisherman’s boat, rain was pouring down, the motor stopped a few times, but we made it back to mainland Cebu safely. On that boat I knew that this typhoon was going to be devastating,” she told me. “My gut was telling me that this was not normal. The next day, Haiyan made landfall with full force.”

A day later, Tinsay was physically safe, but says her spirit was crushed. Though medical school studies demand most of her time, she set up an online fundraiser, and word soon spread among her friends. “People from all over the globe poured out their blessings,” Tinsay says. “I love how we have a global network of donors who have done an amazing job helping here in the field. With the money raised, I partnered with other organizations to distribute supplies, shelter kits and food. It’s been a blessing being back here. I know that this is where I’m supposed to be.” Tinsay now says she plans to open a free hospital for the poor in the Philippines, just as 2012 Holy Cross Commencement speaker and honorary degree recipient Paul Farmer, M.D., did in Haiti. “It’s a tough road ahead, it’s not easy, but I’m doing what I love,” she says. “I’m walking in my destiny.”

In Iloilo, a major fishing hub and sugar-producing area in the Philippines center, Teresa Chan runs The 1Meal Program, a non-governmental organization (NGO) whose intent is to improve the standard of education in the province by providing basic necessities, such as classrooms, learning materials and feeding programs to the less-privileged students. Chan has partially amended her focus to assist fishermen who did not want handouts or government-built houses. Their experience taught them that the opportunity to fish again would provide food and the income necessary to build their own homes. A new fishing boat costs about $340 and takes five days to build. Chan hails from a wealthy family and used her extensive local and international contacts to help more than 2,000 fishermen construct the boats they need.

Filipina-American Ednita Sapinoso worked with an all-volunteer group that housed evacuees at Villamor Air Base in Manila, the Philippines’ capital city. The Philippine and U.S. militaries air-evaced Leyte residents to Manila (an hour’s plane ride). Sapinoso and her colleagues heeded the call of a Facebook message seeking volunteers to staff tents and donate food. “I knew I needed to get involved, so I volunteered to help work in the makeshift kitchen during the graveyard hours,” says Sapinoso, who brought a 10-kilo bag of organic carrots with her. “I helped cut up veggies and deliver food to hundreds of evacuees after they settled into the shelter.” As she handed out bowls of hot rice, fried fish and vegetables, Sapinoso told the evacuees, “We are happy you came to Manila” and “Please feel welcome here.” She saw devastation in the eyes of the people she served, and made it her mission to remain positive.

“I offered my emergency blanket and seat cushion from my car to an elderly lady who told me that she had stood in the evacuation line in Leyte for three days without sleep!” Sapinoso recalls. “I told her that she was safe and advised her to rest, but she cried and repeated the names of the loved ones she lost in the typhoon. ‘Please lay down and rest,’ I said to her before getting back to distributing food. I later searched the shelter for her and smiled when I saw her asleep.”

While the United States’ humanitarian assistance program was timely and essential, the work of these every day heroes is equally important and effective.

Harry K. Thomas Jr. ’78 served as the U.S. ambassador to the Philippines from 2010 to 2013. He is currently the State Department’s diplomat-in-residence for the Southwest.
Sunshine fills Figge Hall, which celebrates its third anniversary this year.
What is John P. Connelly ’84 doing with a fish on Capitol Hill?! Hook this story on Page 36.