or more than 160 years, the women and men who have had their young adult years shaped by Holy Cross’ distinctive liberal arts, Jesuit education make their mark on their neighborhoods and communities, their professions and industries. Name any field, and you will undoubtedly find Holy Cross graduates effecting change and advancing understanding—whether they are making headlines on the world stage or working in their parishes, schools, state governments and professional associations.

Each year we are reminded of the extraordinary accomplishments of our graduates when we celebrate the Sanctae Crucis Awards on campus (see story, Page 24). This fall, as I talked to the 2014 recipients and listened in on their conversations with students, faculty and staff, I saw and heard examples of how these exceptionally talented people are not only shining lights in their professions, but also how they uniquely represent the distinction and dynamism of the Holy Cross community.

We have many ways of talking about the life of our community. Alumni “bleed purple.” Traditions run deep, and our history is cherished. It is well documented how our graduates give back—whether through mentoring, community service or helping make our gift participation rate among the highest in the nation. The power of the Holy Cross network takes many forms, including our alumni admissions programs and professional affinity groups. And over and over while talking with our Sanctae Crucis Award recipients, I recognized that the bonds forged in our community are deeply ingrained.

For example, decades after graduation, the awardees were picking up right where they left off with former professors. Magazine editor Aimee Bell ’88 talked to Professor Bill Morse about the English literature seminar he allowed her to design. Rights advocate Elizabeth Cafferty ’97 reconnected with professors Virginia Raguin and Lorraine Attreed and remembered that their courses—outside her political science major—helped shape her understanding of women’s history. And beyond essential classroom experiences, former university president Denny Golden ’63 and physician Robert Ferris ’92 talked about their experiences living, teaching and working in the Worcester community right after graduation—with Denny even inviting former Worcester neighbors to the awards dinner. Dr. Jim Murphy ’62 may best exemplify how bonds are forged in the Holy Cross Community: Even though he never crossed paths with classmate Conrad Heede ’62 on Mount St. James, 45 years after graduation they discovered—when Connie read an article about Jim’s work and noticed his Holy Cross affiliation and his commitment to social justice—both had a shared interest in securing medical supplies and equipment for the same neglected government-run hospital in Ghana.

Aimee Bell has a phrase for these strong bonds. As deputy editor of Vanity Fair, Aimee is the go-to person for her colleagues who want to make the right assignment, find a source or connect with an expert. Certainly, her experience, tenure and professional success at the National Magazine Award-winning publication count toward that distinction. But Aimee also credits something else. When she has a question, needs assistance or a unique reference, wants a writer or an expert on a project, she regularly turns to her Holy Cross network. If a classmate doesn’t know, more often than not, her Holy Cross connections lead her to answers. She calls it “the long arm of Holy Cross.”

All of us in this community have experienced that long arm—offering encouragement, support, friendship, solutions, opportunities. This unique pairing of accomplishment and community is indeed what makes our lifelong relationship with Holy Cross very special.

Very truly yours,

Rev. Philip L. Boroughs, S.J.
A snow-kissed December view across Hogan Courtyard to Smith Hall and Rehm Library.
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COVER STORY

Meet the five recipients of the 2014 Sanctae Crucis Award, the highest non-degree honor bestowed by the College. Representing the fields of medicine, journalism, advocacy and education, these outstanding alumni each followed a passion and found success far beyond financial reward. Listen in as they returned to campus to meet with students who are just starting to consider their life paths. PHOTO BY TOM RETTIG

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DEAR HCM,

On Living the Magis

In the secular world it is difficult to incorporate the concept of the magis in a public school system. Twenty-eight years ago, my husband, Rutland (Vt.) High School Principal Bill Olsen ’86, left Mount St. James with the Holy Cross gift of the Jesuit philosophy of the magis in his soul. Throughout his career in public education, he is mindful not to speak publicly of the magis, but in his heart he always strives to “serve the more universal good ... and meet the needs of those for whom there is the least care and support” in our community. As an educator and a leader of a comprehensive public high school, he leads by example, always encouraging his faculty and students to “engage the creative tension between doing good and doing well.” He cannot help but lead this way; it is who he is, and he owes this strong Jesuit identity to Holy Cross.

Presently, Bill holds the title of 2014 Vermont Principal of the Year, a wonderful award; but the true spiritual reward Bill hopes to receive daily is the gift of discernment, which comes from contemplating the magis. Bill leads a high school building of young, maturing minds eager to learn. He knows it is his responsibility to lead and guide faculty and students to the best of his ability, a task requiring much trust in God, and Holy Cross well prepared Bill for this role. Bill is driven by his desire “not simply for external acclaim, but in order to draw closer to God and the needs of God’s people.”

Thank you, Fr. Boroughs, for reaffirming why it is important for Bill to wake up each day, enter Rutland High, and strive to affect positively those he comes in contact with no matter the circumstances. Your Jesuit perspective on the concept of the magis reinforces the importance of “public service beyond volunteerism,” and in our own Holy Cross family, your words are greatly taken to heart.

Kathleen Olsen ’87
Rutland, Vt.

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— Kathleen Olsen ’87 RUTLAND, VT.

SIMPLY WORK

I recently had the opportunity to speak at Harvard. My speech would touch on the concept of magis. “How would secular Harvard receive that?” I asked myself. Seems with a standing ovation!

While I did my bit at Holy Cross for magis, the concept only took hold sometime in the early 1980s, when the late Rev. Peter Mendonca, S.J., of Pune, India, called me long distance (India to South America) and asked what I was doing for God that day. (As I was in some rat hole of a public health clinic at the moment, I said, “I am working.”)

His words resonated with me, and drove my work thereafter. I would simply work—to improve health wherever I could in the developing world, and to thus improve society. To be of service to others, to be of service to God!

Robert Morris,
D.D.S., M.P.H., ’65, P0O
South Boston, Mass.

EDITOR’S NOTE

Dr. Morris, a 2010 Sanctae Crucis honoree, is being modest in his letter. His recent speaking engagement at Harvard was on the occasion of his receiving the Harvard School of Public Health’s highest honor—the Alumni Award of Merit—in recognition of the contributions he has made during his 30-year career as an international health consultant.

HCM’s New Look

I love the new look, especially the photos and the general layout. Sharp, fresh, easy on the eye. Well done.

Matt Quinn
Former editor, Holy Cross Quarterly and Crossroads

Love the New Issue

I love the new issue of Holy Cross Magazine! Admittedly, as the director of marketing for an independent pre-K-12 school that publishes a biannual magazine, I probably
study the magazine more closely than most readers. The design is excellent—I absolutely love the large photographs. And there was something about the layout that made me stop and read more articles than I normally would. All of the alumni profiles toward the end of the magazine were fun to read.

Also, having launched a new identity system for our school when I started five years ago, I have to say that I love the new visual identity for Holy Cross, too. It’s fresh, simple and in-line with current design trends. Nice work to the team that developed it. Keep up the good work!

Kerry Skowron Shea ’99
Dallas

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Bill Cambria ’69, POO, 97
Westfield, N.J.

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Simpler Days
The new design of Holy Cross Magazine motivated me to read the Fall issue in somewhat more depth than in past issues. While I enjoyed it greatly, it served to illustrate the extent to which Holy Cross has changed since my graduation in 1957. That period seemed to concentrate to a greater extent on traditional Catholic values. While I recognize the challenge of educating the complete individual may be more difficult in today’s complex world, I long for the simpler days (old fashioned?), like the mandatory daily Mass, mystery meat in Kimball and Fr. Abbott and “Black Mac” chasing students around campus who had violated the curfew. At that time, I could never have anticipated a Holy Cross assistant professor developing a proposal on “building a database of information on the ... experiences of transgender individuals and the social movement to advance their rights” (“Opening a New Archive,” Page 47) or Buddhism and Zen meditation as presented by Professor Todd Lewis in “Syllabus” (Page 23). But I bite my lip as I write my small check to Holy Cross, designated for the Holy Cross Students for Life, understanding that the magis is not a stagnant term, but evolves with the challenge of just what is required to develop the complete mind, body and spirit of a student to prepare for life in 2015 and not the simpler life of 1957.

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I lived in Alumni for three years—great hall. A friend’s son was coming in this fall as a freshman, so I found out where he was: Hanselman. Turns out he’s in the same room I lived in my senior year!

Gary Santaniello ’79
Waterford, Conn.

Professor Randy Ross

In late March 1965, after my application for admission had been accepted, my father, mother, grandfather and I traveled from New Jersey to Holy Cross on a Sunday morning. My father worked six days a week, so our only opportunity to visit Holy Cross was on a Sunday. Although we had notified the Admissions Office that we were coming, our arrival surprised the receptionist in O’Kane. She contacted Rev. Ambrose Mahoney, S.J., director of admissions, and he quickly hurried in to greet us. We spoke with him for a time, and he then said he would make arrangements for us to get a tour of the campus. Very shortly thereafter, Mike Scollins arrived in his Purple Key blazer and very graciously accompanied us on our tour. He was an outstanding representative for Holy Cross. After the tour, we gave Fr. Mahoney our deposit and our family’s life-long commitment to Holy Cross was sealed. (My three brothers, two daughters, three of my nephews and one of my nieces have followed me and are Holy Cross graduates.)

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and disciplines inherent in the coursework to be quite helpful in my later graduate studies in economics—a tribute to his enthusiasm for the subject matter and his abiding wish to have a positive impact on his students’ lives in whatever career paths they chose. I am supremely confident that Professor Ross now enjoys a complete understanding of the mysteries of the cosmos as he dwells in the loving embrace of its, and our, Creator. Alev ha-sholem, Professor Ross. We miss you.

Steven Gandt ’88
Duxbury, Mass.

Good Reads

I was very pleased with the new edition of Holy Cross Magazine. Congratulations on a progressive step. I have a grandson in high school with whom I will share this issue with the hope that it may lead him to some interest in attending.

The section on alumni authors has led me to suggest a broader approach to recommended reading. Several years ago the College published a little booklet about top 100 classics of literature as determined by the faculty, and I found that very helpful. Could not Holy Cross Magazine have suggestions of books that alumni might like to read? I am thinking of books such as Robert Blair Kaiser’s Inside the Jesuits—How Pope Francis is Changing the Church and the World or John Thiel’s Icons of Hope: The “Last Things” in Catholic Imagination. The last would be especially interesting to those who graduated before 1960!

Cornelius F. Murphy Jr. ’54
Valencia, Pa.

A Purple Love Story

Mount St. James is a place where students learn, grow and serve others. And for some, it’s also the place where they fall in love. Every once in a while, an alum shares his or her Crusader love story with HCM. In the spirit of Valentine’s Day next month, we’re sharing one such tale from Stephen Bonventre ’06 about his bride, Laura Hammond ’08. The pair were married in September 2013:

Not sure if you will have room for a short story, but it really is a nice one to tell (okay, maybe I’m a bit biased)!

Thanks to encouragement from two close family friends, alumnae sisters Eileen and Maureen Murphy, both Class of ’78, my wife Laura applied to Holy Cross. She was a freshman in Wheeler when I was a junior living in Alumni. We both grew up in Massapequa Park, N.Y., about two miles apart, but didn’t meet until we came to Holy Cross. For our first date—a blind date—we went to a Holy Cross hockey game.

A few years later, I proposed in Nantucket while we were staying at the house of the Murphy sisters—the same women who were instrumental in Laura being at Holy Cross where our paths crossed. We had our engagement photos taken on campus, of course, and included our chocolate lab, Bear (see photo, above). Now, married a little more than a year, Laura and I enjoy alumni events like Holy Cross Cares Day, and continue to support Holy Cross—the place where we first met.

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Magazine News

Well, holy smokes, Holy Cross Magazine readers! Your positive response to the redesigned and reimagined Fall 2014 issue has made all of us on the HCM team smile. We’re thrilled that you enjoy the larger, full-spread photos, especially the Mystery Photo, which we plan to include in each issue (see the latest one on Pages 58-59). We heard lots of calls for “postcards in every issue!” That would be fun, we agree, but it might stretch our budget too thin. (We’re going to try to make those postcard inserts an annual treat, though.) We’re also so glad that you liked the expanded Alumni News section and the addition of Purple Patcher yearbook photographs to the In Memoriam section. (As many of you know, Holy Cross Magazine is one of the few, if not the only, alumni magazine that reserves space in each edition for obituaries.) You also noticed the new binding (called perfect binding), that gives the Magazine a nice, sturdy spine.

Our favorite comment, and one we’ve heard quite often in the past three months, is “We get three [or sometimes four or five] alumni magazines at our house, and Holy Cross’ is the best one!” As you might imagine, there is an easy camaraderie among alumni magazine editors, because we are not technically competing for readers. Each college or university has its own alumni body and they receive that institution’s magazine—end of story. But I’d be fibbing if I said there wasn’t a little part of me that jumps for joy when I learn that our readers compare us to the magazines published by their graduate schools … and HCM comes out on top!

So thank you for all your letters, emails, tweets and calls. And we’ll continue to find ways to improve. When you have an idea, be sure to let me know. And when you see something in these pages that you don’t care for, let me know that, too. It’s all part of the creative process.

Now let me tell you a little bit about the issue in your hands. On Page 24 you will find what has become an annual feature about the most recent Sanctae Crucis Award honorees. For 2014, those folks are Aimee Bell ’88, Elizabeth A. Cafferty ’97, Robert Ferris, D.O., ’92 Dennis C. Golden ’63 and James P. Murphy, M.D., ’62. These five alumni represent the hard work, professional excellence and commitment to justice that are the hallmarks of a Holy Cross graduate. We first wrote about James Murphy, M.D., ’62 in our Summer 2012 issue. His devotion to treating patients in Ghana touched me then and touches me still today.

To make sure that current students had an opportunity to meet these inspiring alumni, the College arranged for a day of discussions that allowed students, faculty and staff to get to know each honoree. In our cover feature, we’ve shared not only the biographies of these five men and women, but the insights they gave the students who sought their advice.

You’ll also find an interesting personal story about Fred Lombardi ’71 and his years of work researching one of Hollywood’s most prolific—but largely forgotten—directors (Page 46). On Page 32 you can learn about members of the Class of 1972 who visited Israel together this summer, and called the experience “the trip of a lifetime.”

We hope you enjoy these stories and more, and wish you a peaceful, healthy new year ahead.

All the best from Mount St. James,

Suzanne Morrissey, editor hcmag@holycross.edu

(above) To introduce the on-campus community to the new look and content of HCM, we held a small reception in Rehm Library this fall. The biggest hit was the Holy Cross Magazine photo booth, and our team took a turn in front of the camera: from left executive editor Ellen Ryder (who is also the chief communications officer of the College), designer Stephen Albano, me (editor Suzanne Morrissey) and assistant editor Pamela Reponen.
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SNAPSHOT / CAMPUS NOTEBOOK /
Famous Astrophysicist Brings Down the House at Hanify-Howland Lecture

Astrophysicist Neil deGrasse Tyson lectured to a packed house Nov. 13, 2014, in the Hart Recreation Center, where more than 2,500 people were in attendance. The talk, titled “Science as a Way of Knowing,” was part of the College’s 49th annual Hanify-Howland Memorial Lecture series. Tyson is the head of the world-renowned Hayden Planetarium in New York City and the first occupant of its Frederick P. Rose Directorship. He is also a research associate in the department of astrophysics at the American Museum of Natural History. For five seasons, beginning in 2006, Tyson appeared as the on-camera host of PBS-NOVA's spinoff program “NOVA scienceNOW,” and served as executive editor and on camera host for Emmy-nominated “Cosmos: A SpaceTime Odyssey,” the 21st-century reboot of Carl Sagan’s landmark television series.

Media interest in Tyson’s visit to the Hill was high. The Worcester Telegram & Gazette reported, “Tyson is a brilliant astrophysicist with that rare ability to help everyday people understand the bewildering vastness of the universe, but, as was evidenced Thursday night at the College of the Holy Cross, he’s also hilarious.”

Reporter Steve Foskett continues: “From his taunting of long-suffering believers that Pluto is still a planet (‘Get over it’), to a riff on Russian dash cams and the amazing calmness of citizens as an asteroid plowed through the atmosphere last year at 40,000 miles per hour (‘If I was in the car I would have screamed. Those were some cool Russians’), Tyson was careful most of the time not too take himself or his subject matter too seriously.”

One particular interaction with an audience member, Kaitlynn Goulette, stole the show, when the little girl asked, “How can first graders help the Earth?”

A video of the intimate and inspiring moment between the astrophysicist and six-year old soon went viral, claiming more than 300,000 views on YouTube and even resulting in an article by Time.com, which highlighted the video on its homepage.

Earlier in the day, Tyson met with 25 Holy Cross students for a discussion seminar, and later received a key to the city of Worcester from Mayor Joseph Petty.

Since 1965, the Hanify-Howland lecture series has brought to the Holy Cross campus a series of distinguished speakers who have exemplified in their own work the spirit of public service that the series was established to encourage. ■—Cristal Steuer and Evangelia Stefanakos ’14
STRONG IN SERVICE  Thirty-one recent graduates have dedicated themselves to a year of service with the Jesuit Volunteer Corps (JVC) and the Jesuit Volunteer Corps Northwest (left), making Holy Cross first in the nation for the most Jesuit volunteers. JV’ers work at schools, clinics, parishes, domestic violence shelters and non-profit organizations in the United States and abroad. Those working in the Northwest also teach in schools on Native American reservations.

OFFICER ON DECK  In June, Holy Cross welcomed a new commanding officer for the Holy Cross-Yale NROTC Consortium, Capt. Vernon P. Kemper, USN. A native of Festus, Mo., Capt. Kemper graduated from the Missouri University of Science and Technology in 1986 with a bachelor of science degree in chemical engineering. He was commissioned in November 1986 following completion of Naval Officer Candidate School in Newport, R.I. His seagoing assignments have included duty aboard both attack and ballistic missile submarines in the Atlantic and Pacific Fleet. His shore assignments have included duty on the staff of the U.S. Joint Forces Command, as commanding officer of the Naval Submarine Support Center in Bangor, Maine, and, most recently, as commanding officer of Officer Training Command, Newport, where he oversaw the training and development of students at the Navy’s Officer Candidate School, Officer Development School, Direct Commission Officer Indoctrination Course, Limited Duty Officer/Warrant Officer Indoctrination School and the Naval Science Institute.

Capt. Kemper holds a master of science degree in financial management from the Naval Postgraduate School; his personal awards include Legion of Merit awards, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medals, Navy Commendation Medals and Navy Achievement Medals.

LIFE STANDS STILL HERE  Alumnae and female students are invited to attend “Life Stands Still Here,” a women’s retreat March 27-29, at the Campion Renewal Center in Weston, Mass. “This 48-hour retreat will be an opportunity for Holy Cross women of all generations to build community, share their stories, reconnect with their own voices and become grounded in God’s love,” Assistant Chaplain Sarah Fontaine-Lipke ’08 says, adding that spending a weekend away from the busyness of life can lead to great renewal of physical and spiritual well-being.

Space is limited, and the cost is $250 for alumnae and $50 for students (scholarships are available). To register, visit http://offices.holycross.edu/chaplains. For more information, contact Assistant Chaplain Sarah Fontaine-Lipke ’08 at sfontain@holycross.edu or call (508) 793-2428.

(above) Alumnae and students enjoying the last women’s retreat, held in 2012.
Holy Cross’ athletics teams are tied for first in the nation for highest graduation rate: 99 percent, according to the Graduation Success Rate report released by the NCAA. Holy Cross’ overall graduation success rate for all student-athletes was matched by only two other schools in all of Division I: Dartmouth and Notre Dame.

On Nov. 15 and 16, Rev. Philip L. Boroughs, S.J., president of Holy Cross, traveled to El Salvador to join hundreds of priests from around the world, Massachusetts Congressman Jim McGovern, thousands of Salvadorans and a delegation of other presidents, administrators, faculty, staff and students from Jesuit institutions across the United States to honor the six Jesuit priests, their housekeeper and her 15-year-old daughter—killed 25 years ago and known as the “martyrs for justice.” Interviewed by the National Public Radio affiliate WBUR (Boston) about the commemoration, Fr. Boroughs said of his fellow Jesuits, “They were trying to walk a very careful line between social change and the needs of the poor—and not violent revolution. But they, in the minds of others, were seen as fomenting violent revolution, which was not their stance at all.” Army generals and death squads had accused the Jesuits of inspiring and advising the Salvadoran rebels. Fr. Boroughs participated in a series of events, including a candle-lit procession that traversed colorful sand paintings on the campus of the University of Central America (above), where the killings took place in 1989. During the procession and subsequent Mass, the crowds recalled the deaths that caused worldwide outrage, sparked a U.S. congressional investigation (in which McGovern played a prominent role) and finally brought an end to the brutal civil war. Fr. Boroughs also visited the small chapel where Fr. Óscar Romero, the Archbishop of San Salvador, was shot in 1980 while celebrating Mass (above, right). At Holy Cross, the deaths were also being recalled that weekend. The campus chapter of Pax Christi USA sponsored a display of crosses on the Hogan Courtyard. After Sunday evening Mass at St. Joseph Memorial Chapel, there was a procession and ritual at the memorial to the martyrs in the Chapel Plaza, followed by fellowship with the Latin American Student Organization. On Nov. 17, Jesuits, faculty and students took part in a panel discussion on “The Jesuit Martyrs and Those Who Paid the Price: Returns on a Jesuit Education.”

Online Only See a photo gallery of Fr. Boroughs’ trip in this issue’s Web Exclusives at magazine.holycross.edu.

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SOOTHING SOUNDS A Worcester Telegram & Gazette article showcased violinist Tiffany Holland ’16 and her efforts to bring soothing music to the psychiatric unit at St. Vincent Hospital. With the help of Christine Case, volunteer coordinator at the downtown Worcester hospital, Holland was able to combine her passion for music and her desire to help people through the therapeutic benefits of music.
Return to Me: Lenten Reflection

The College's Mission office, led by Rev. Paul F. Harman, S.J., vice president for mission, has prepared a special Lenten resource for the Holy Cross family: The "Return to Me: Lenten Reflections from Holy Cross, 2015" booklet contains reflections written by professors, students, chaplains, staff and alumni. "Various members of the community were asked to write. I interviewed Charlotte Wise, the iconic Kimball ID-checker known as 'Sis,' for one of the reflections," says Keith Maczkiewicz, S.J., assistant chaplain. "The scripture readings that day are focused on family, and she often refers to the students here as 'her kids.' It was great to include her."

Maczkiewicz explained how the project came about: "Fr. Harman and I thought this would be a unique way to share the stories of Holy Cross and to unite alumni and friends spread throughout the country to the campus and those here. Lent is an important season, of course, in the Christian traditions, and so it seemed like an ideal time period to focus on."

"Return to Me" will be offered as a daily digital reflection series. Those who subscribe will be sent an email each morning containing a reflection, and the listing of sacred texts from Scripture for each day of Lent. (Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 18 and concludes on Easter Sunday, April 5.) The reflections will also be made available throughout Lent, as a print booklet, in St. Joseph Memorial Chapel. The full PDF of reflections may be downloaded beginning Jan. 20 at http://offices.holycross.edu/chaplains/returntome. To sign up for the daily Lenten reflection email, visit http://offices.holycross.edu/chaplains/returntome.

"It's our hope that these reflections will help members of the community to enter deeply into the season of Lent," Maczkiewicz says. "Sometimes we get caught up in our personal observances during Lent, but this project is a way to acknowledge the communal aspect of the holy season."

Scholarship, Loyalty and Service

This fall, 28 students joined the ranks of Alpha Sigma Nu, the honor society of Jesuit institutions of higher education. Recognized for distinguishing themselves in scholarship, loyalty and service, the students gathered for the induction ceremony in Rehm Library, followed by a reception in Hogan Campus Center with family and friends. "Listening to the citations of the new student and faculty Alpha Sigma Nu members was truly edifying," says College President Rev. Philip L. Boroughs, S.J. "The intellectual talent, creative energy and social engagement of each of the honorees is extraordinary. Their achievements and values make me proud to be part of this transformative educational community."

ONLINE ONLY
See a photo gallery of images of the ceremony and reception, and hear from the inductees about why they think their fellow students, in the words of classics major Harry Crimi '15, are "going to change the world with their passion to use their intelligence and skills for the greater good."

ALPHA SIGMA NU INDUCTEES: CLASS OF 2015
Nicholas V. Barresi  •  Bethanne Bartscherer  •  Timothy J. Beeckman  •  Meghan P. Casey  •  Nikolas C. Churik  •  Nicholas R. Cormier  •  Harry G. Crimi  •  Thomas F. Dess  •  Karalyn G. Donahue  •  Alanna R. Downing  •  Erin S. Emmons  •  Christine M. Fimognari  •  Declan J. Foley  •  Alison J. Franco  •  Michelle C. Gilligan  •  Richard M. Guerra  •  Elizabeth M. Inman  •  Valerie L. Kisselback  •  John D. Milner  •  John W. Morton  •  Lindsey A. Nemshick  •  Kristen D. Paadre  •  Chase J. Padusniak  •  Camille M. Santrach  •  Lorena R. Sferlazza  •  Andrew P. Sullivan  •  Hope T. Tobin  •  Cecilia M. Wolfe  •
Shutterbugs

The Study Abroad Photo Contest has become an annual tradition for students studying overseas. Enjoy the images captured by the winners of the 2014 contest. Both first and second place honors went to Caitlin Cantor ’15.

**FIRST PLACE** (left)  
*Unveiled Truth*  
by Caitlin Cantor ’15  
Location: Cusco, Peru  
Program: Lima, Peru (Spring 2014)

**SECOND PLACE** (middle)  
*Unknown Field, Unknown Workers* by Caitlin Cantor ’15  
Location: Caral, Peru  
Program: Lima, Peru (Spring 2014)

**THIRD PLACE** (right)  
*Do you want to build a snowman?* by Sophia Jin ’15  
Location: Harbin Ice and Snow Festival in Harbin, China  
Program: CET Intensive Language in Beijing

**DISCUSSION**  
A fishbowl-style discussion on "Adjudicating Sexual Assault on Campus" brought various members of campus together to discuss the issue in the Rehm Library. The conversation focused on the national debate over the pros and cons of whether colleges, as opposed to law enforcement authorities, are the best venue for adjudicating sexual assault cases.

**FOND FAREWELL**  
Michael J. Lochhead, vice president for administration and finance at Holy Cross since 2004, will become the executive vice president at Boston College, his alma mater, in February. "While Mike will be greatly missed here, we wish him every success in his new position," said Fr. Boroughs, adding that details about a national search for a permanent successor are forthcoming.

“Fr. Campbell, currently president at Cheverus High School in Portland, Maine, will succeed Rev. Paul F. Harman, S.J., in this leadership position,” Fr. Boroughs explains. “Fr. Harman, who returned to Holy Cross in 2009 as special assistant to former president Michael C. McFarland, S.J., and was named vice president in 2011, will remain at Holy Cross, working in a variety of mission-related activities on campus.”

As vice president for mission at Holy Cross, Fr. Campbell will serve on the president’s Executive Leadership Team and Cabinet and as chair of the College’s campuswide Mission and Identity Committee. He will also oversee the work of the Chaplains’ Office and all mission-related initiatives.

When Fr. Campbell arrives in early August, it will mark his third turn on the Hill. As a student, he majored in English and music. From 2003 to 2005 and from 2007 to 2008, he served as assistant chaplain, leading retreats in the Spiritual Exercises and organizing immersion programs. He also moderated various student groups, including Students for Life and Men’s Vocation Discernment.

Fr. Campbell studied at the St. Michael’s Institute at Gonzaga University, and received both his master of divinity degree (1997) and licentiate of sacred theology (1998) from the Weston Jesuit School of Theology (now Boston College School of Theology and Ministry). Ordained a priest in 1998 in St. Joseph Memorial Chapel he professed his final vows in the Society of Jesus in 2007.

(above) The College’s new vice president for mission, Rev. William R. Campbell, S.J., ’87, has a not-so-hidden talent: He plays the sax. In his current role as president of Cheverus High School in Portland, Maine, Fr. Campbell has an open invitation from the music teacher to join the school band for practice anytime, and has actually played during school assemblies.

The Student Government Association, in partnership with the Diversity Leadership Team and various academic departments, offices and student organizations, hosted discussions, film screenings, workshops and multicultural festivals around topics related to diversity and inclusion as part of the College’s 14th annual Unity Week celebration Nov. 9-16.

Events included the “ReSSpect Training—Rethinking the Sexuality Spectrum” SGA dinner; a panel discussion on intercultural relationships; a screening of Cuban film director Gloria Rolando’s “1912: Breaking the Silence;” Torah study with Rabbi Norman Cohen ’72; an exercise on unconscious bias in the workplace and much more.

Hill Harper, actor, best-selling author and philanthropist known for his role on the hit drama “CSI: New York,” gave a talk, entitled “The Importance of Unity and Community Understanding When it Comes to Diversity,” in the Hogan Ballroom, as part of the week’s special programming.

Chris Campbell ’15, director of diversity for the SGA and member of the Diversity Leadership Team, says Unity Week “allows us to learn from those whose experiences, beliefs and perspectives are different from our own.”

Tom Cadigan ’02, associate director of Alumni Relations and a fellow member of the Diversity Leadership Team, agrees. Diversity and inclusion “are woven into the fabric of our mission statement,” he says. “It’s a shared responsibility of the entire campus community. Unity Week is a terrific reminder of that responsibility.”

GLOBAL EXPERIENCE Santander Bank, N.A., through its Santander Universities Global Division, recently signed its second collaborative agreement with Holy Cross. It will enhance existing faculty-led study tours and immersion programs that take students to Central and South America, Africa, Asia and Europe by providing financial aid to students who would not otherwise be able to participate and reimburse faculty members who volunteer to lead experiences around the world.
DECEMBER

EAT UP To keep students fueled during finals, administrators—including Rev. Philip L. Boroughs, S.J., and all four class deans—volunteered to sling hash into the wee hours Dec. 14-18. The menu included popular breakfast items, such as scrambled eggs, bacon and Belgian waffles.

SING On Dec. 11, the pews of St. Joseph Memorial Chapel were full for the 37th annual Advent Festival of Lessons and Carols. The holiday service of music and readings reached an expanded audience (as far away as India, Bolivia, and Hong Kong!) via a live webstream.

(above) As part of Unity Week, the Office of College Marketing and Communications, Diversity Leadership Team and Office of Multicultural Education sponsored the Faces of the Hill photography project. Students, faculty and staff were invited to have a portrait taken and answer the question, “How do you define yourself?” College photographer Tom Rettig captured dozens of images, which will be part of a special “visual library” of our community.
Holy Cross students are guaranteed excellent academics at the College, but their experience on the Hill doesn’t end at the library steps. That’s where Student Affairs comes in. At the 50th-year celebration of the Division of Student Affairs on Oct. 23, 2014, members of the campus community noted the progress of the division and the meaningful impact it has had on students, both past and present.

The afternoon event began with a display of the multifaceted nature of Student Affairs in the Hogan Campus Center. It includes 13 departments, ranging from multicultural education and recreational sports to career counseling and public safety. The event highlighted the centrality of these services to campus life, while also taking the time to honor the foundation upon which these services were built.

“Over these 50 years, the division has engaged students outside of the classroom, educated them on life skills and empowered them to challenge conventions and make a difference in the world,” offered Associate Dean for Student Life Derek Zuckerman during the afternoon ceremony. “This history of success is celebrated today.” Two men in particular, Rev. Charles Dunn, S.J., vice president emeritus, and Rev. Earle Markey, S.J., ’53, also a vice president emeritus, were presented awards for their service. “Today, we honor two pillars of the field who paved the way for us at Holy Cross,” remarked Zuckerman, while addressing the significant contribution these men made to student life at the College in the past 50 years.

The ceremony also looked toward the future, honoring recent graduates, including Melisa Jaquez ’06, assistant director of career planning, for choosing a career in student affairs. ■ —Evangelia Stefanakos ’14

(top left) The office suite for Student Affairs—which encompasses 13 different departments, including residence life, wellness and student conduct—had a makeover to celebrate the division’s 50th anniversary. Jacqueline Peterson, vice president for Student Affairs and dean of students, presented Rev. Earle Markey, S.J., ’53 (above, right) and Rev. Charles Dunn, S.J., (above, bottom left) with awards to honor their many contributions to the lives of Holy Cross students.

MOVING UP The mediation team placed third in the 15th Annual International Mediation Tournament and earned a chance to be one of four undergraduate teams to compete against law school teams in the spring. The winning team members, all veterans of mock trial competitions, are Emily Cross ’15, Robert Tiro ’15 and Jonathan Formichella ’15. They were coached by Ed McDermott, visiting lecturer at the College.

ON STAGE Julia McCarthy ’15 will direct the Alternate College Theatre’s production of the musical comedy, “The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee,” Jan. 29-31 and Feb. 1. For tickets and information, call (508) 793-3490.
SENIOR CONVOCATION  This annual event will take place Jan. 19. Designed for and by seniors on the eve of their final semester, it offers the students an opportunity to reflect on their journey thus far and to consider how best to use their remaining time at the College to shape the life they want to lead beyond the Hill.

100 DAYS  A special dinner dance for seniors 100 days before graduation will take place Feb. 13 at Mechanics Hall in downtown Worcester.


Holy Cross welcomed families to campus for Family Weekend on Oct. 24-26. The activity-packed three days featured lectures, tours, athletics events, music and dance, brilliant autumn foliage, and even a few ghosts and princesses on the Hogan Courtyard (after younger siblings had a chance to do some early trick-or-treating in one of the residence halls).
Professor of Philosophy travels to Moscow with Templeton Grant

While we see the success of faculty on campus every day, their achievements are not limited to the Hill. A grant by the John Templeton Foundation will bring John Panteleimon Manoussakis, associate professor of philosophy, to Moscow in the 2015-2016 academic year, where he will share his scholarship with various academic and ecclesial audiences.

The funded lecture series, which is centered on the expression of theology in a secular world—specifically Orthodoxy in modern-day Russia—directly connects to Manoussakis’ work on the philosophy of religion. His scholarship focuses on the translation of theological language into philosophical idioms that make theology accessible to a contemporary audience. As an ordained priest in the Orthodox Church, receiving the distinction of an archimandrite in 2011, Manoussakis has a longstanding interest in the theological tradition of the Eastern Church, married with an understanding of the philosophical and intellectual movements that took shape in the West.

His success, which includes the translation of his book, God After Metaphysics: A Theological Aesthetic into Russian by one of Kiev’s most notable publishers, is further substantiated by this award, as he joins the ranks of the internationally renowned scholars honored before him. “The grant provides my work with a recognition that I am humbled to receive,” says Manoussakis. “The decision of the Templeton Foundation to include me in this program as one of the recipients of this grant reassures me that my work is moving in the right direction; that the work we do here on Mount St. James does not go unnoticed by our colleagues in this nation, as well as abroad—and as far away as Moscow!”

—Evangelia Stefanakos ’14

Bringing Music to the Children of Palestine

Palestine’s West Bank has long been entangled in a web of political unrest, but on a quiet backstreet in Ramallah, tension and scrutiny are put to one side as deprived children from across the region strive to forge a new future through the limitless possibilities of classical music. Eric Culver, current music director of the Holy Cross Chamber Orchestra, has been working on the project as a seasonal guest tutor since 2010 and discusses more about the vision of the trio of schools known as The Al Kamandjâti Association. He has received generous funding from Holy Cross for travel through the Research and Publication Fund and the Dean’s Office.

Eric Culver is an unassuming man with neat wire glasses and an endless store of patience. He sits quietly by a coffee table, methodically recounting his experiences with a warm smile and a sequence of deliberate gestures. Culver eagerly shares photographs from his trips, fondly peering at the silent faces, patently avoiding politics and stressing the power of musical society.

“Al Kamandjâti is a product of profound conflict,” explains Culver, “but operates a non-sectarian environment where children from refugee camps and isolated villages are given the chance to enjoy an alternative way of life.”
Al Kamandjâti, Arabic for “violinist,” has unusual origins. Opened in the fall of 2002, the school was established by a musician named Ramzi Aburedwan. Like many of his students, Aburedwan was raised in the Al’ Amari refugee camp in the southern fringes of the West Bank. In 1988, at age 9, Aburedwan was caught on camera throwing rocks at Israeli soldiers during their occupation of Palestine. The photograph’s message went global when *Time* magazine printed it on the cover of one of its issues.

“But somehow, somebody put an instrument in his hands,” says Culver, chuckling, “and Ramzi Aburedwan became an exceptional musician, renowned the world over as a brilliant oud player as well as a master of the viola.”

Aburedwan’s first exposure to formal musical education was at the age of 16, when he attended an outreach project run by the Edward Saïd National Conservatory of Music in Ramallah. The experience had a profound effect on the young man, and he began to look beyond the barrier of conflict for his inspiration. Between 1998 and 2005, Aburedwan studied at the National Regional Conservatory in Angers, France, before embarking upon an international career as a soloist, teacher and member of a number of orchestras and ensembles.

“Just like Ramzi’s experiences back in the ’90s,” explains Culver, “many of the students come from extremely impoverished backgrounds. But Al Kamandjâti uses his example as an inspirational success story, helping its students to forge a positive sense of identity based upon music and the satisfaction brought by a good performance.”

Currently 500 students attend the three Al Kamandjâti schools in Ramallah, Jenin and Gaza, learning everything from the cello to the *yarghul*. Attendees also take music theory classes, where they are exposed to both Eastern and Western thinking. Students are trained individually, in small groups and as a part of a larger orchestra, with a small concert space located on the roof. In turn, the school is connected to a number of local and international institutes, ranging from the Goethe Institute in Ramallah and the A.M. Qattan and Drosos foundations, to the French Institute and General Consulate of France in Jerusalem.

“Two students are currently on a study year at the Jacques Thibaud Conservatory in Bordeaux,” reveals Culver with a glimmer of pride, “with the scholarship designed to allow them to teach at Al Kamandjâti when they return.”

This “rotating cast of characters,” as Culver refers to the school’s musicians, allows for a cosmopolitan blend of talents as students mature, travel, and then return to Al Kamandjâti to reinvest their discoveries on the next batch of recruits. This diverse mixture allows the school to run extra-curricular summer events where students, faculty members and Western guest tutors, such as Culver, come together to offer over 60 concerts, with some impromptu shows included for good measure.

“We concentrate on Beethoven and Mozart,” explains Culver of the summer programs, “with guest tutors, such as oboist Demetrios Karamitzas, who plays on occasion with the Worcester Chamber Music Society, lending their expertise, and Holy Cross’ own string professor, Peter Sulski, attending for the 15th year running.”

The summer programs also see the students of Al Kamandjâti reaching across the divide. Concerts are organized throughout locations in the West Bank, including Jerusalem and Bethlehem, but tensions are high where the countries meet, and difficulties have been known to arise.

“The Qalandia Crossing is Ramallah’s busiest crossing into Israel,” explains Culver, “and on one particular occasion we were waiting for quite some time at the holding shed outside the gates, so the kids pulled out their instruments and held an impromptu concert.

“The Israeli guards were taken aback,” he continues, “but did not discourage us in any way; some even began dancing. A video ended up on YouTube. Admittedly, it is always a little unsettling seeing an 18-year-old guard coming up to you wearing a sub-machine gun.”

Not all of the students were permitted to cross the border that time. Culver refuses to speculate why, reiterating that music must be kept separate from politics, even when he is back in the United States.

“Those few of us who could pass went on to Saint Anne’s Church, just inside the Lion’s Gate in the Old City of Jerusalem,” Culver remarks, “and had to apologize to the audience for not being able to present Beethoven’s *Eroica* without most of our student-musicians.

“This June, the entire group was again refused access after a scuffle that had occurred the previous evening between the Israeli Defense Forces and some locals in Ramallah,” he says. “We later found out that a close friend of one of our musicians had been shot by a sniper.”

This is the closest Culver has gotten to the heat of the conflict, but at times the strain of the outside world does find its way into the Al Kamandjâti sanctuary. He recounts an occasion when one of the students made a remark at a concert during the summer camp that upset the American Consul, resulting in the school falling out of favor with the ambassador’s office and losing its funding.

“We are determined to diffuse such situations in-house and not allow them to jeopardize the good work the students are doing at the school,” says Culver, who, at press time, was packing for his eighth trip to Al Kamandjâti over the holiday break.

“Ultimately, our purpose is to give the students a sense of accomplishment,” he adds, “a deeper, more cosmopolitan cultural identity, and that is where our focus must lie.”

Culver pauses and, taking a lingering look at the photographs of his students, says, “What we want to do is take the stones out of their hands, and replace them with violins and Beethoven.” —*Amadeus Finlay*
Holy Cross is well-known for the amount of hands-on research students are able to do with faculty members. Here, HCM will highlight some of those dynamic duos and the cutting-edge findings they are making together.

SARA MITCHELL,
Biology department since 2006

NICKOLAS BRADLEY ’15,
East Haven, Conn.

Mitchell and Bradley worked together on a summer research project, titled “Relationship Between Climate, Topography and Talus Slopes in the Sierra Nevada, and Implications for Landscape Evolution.”

Why did you come to Holy Cross?
SM I wanted to go to a small school to receive a very personalized education and that is exactly what I have been given.

Could you briefly explain your research?
SM Nick was looking at how climate affects the generation of talus, the coarse rocky material that collects on steep mountainsides. The question is: Does the generation of talus only happen above a certain altitude, one that is set by the local temperature and

Education Professor’s Book Bridges Two Worlds

In his latest book, From the Ivory Tower to the Schoolhouse: How Scholarship Becomes Common Knowledge in Education (Harvard Education Press, 2014), Jack Schneider, assistant professor of education, has taken a new approach to a perennial question: Why is there a disconnect between research and practice in education? Schneider offers cases where the gap between the ivory tower and the classroom has been bridged.

The book, published by the Harvard Education Press in April, explores the complex relationship between educational scholarship and the K-12 classroom, while acknowledging the intricacies of each.

Through close inspection and analysis of cases that have successfully moved beyond these often disparate worlds, Schneider identifies four characteristics crucial to their success: perceived significance, philosophical compatibility, occupational realism and transportability—and offers conclusions for research-informed practice oriented toward the future.

“It is not impossible to imagine a world in which unions, state and federal offices, schools of education, districts, school administrators and classroom teachers engage in genuine partnership for the sake of advancing a shared aim,” offers Schneider. “And though such common ground has been elusive, connecting research with practice is a uniquely alluring opportunity. It may not promise quick fixes or easy solutions, but it does promise an agenda for collectively moving forward, armed with knowledge.” —Evangelia Stefanakos ’14
Five Decades on the Hill

After 46 years in the history department, Rev. Vincent A. Lapomarda, S.J., retired in the spring, about the same time he marked the golden jubilee of his ordination. Family, friends and Jesuit brothers celebrated Fr. Lapomarda with cake and “Oh Vinnie Boy” sung to the tune of “Oh Danny Boy,” by retired Worcester Bishop Daniel Reilly.

Rector Rev. John Savard, S.J., told HCM, “Vincent is the most hospitable member of Ciampi Hall Jesuit community, embodying the Jesuit saying that is inscribed over the front doors of Kimball, Hospes Venit, Christus Venit, “When a guest comes, Christ comes.” Now that Vincent is retired, he has more time to welcome our guests and make them feel at home.”

Born in Portland, Maine, Fr. Lapomarda entered the New England Province of the Society of Jesus on Sept. 7, 1951, earning a bachelor’s and a master’s degree at Boston College before teaching at Boston College High School from 1958 to 1961.

Ordained to the priesthood in 1964, Fr. Lapomarda obtained a licentiate in sacred theology from Boston College in 1965, and a Ph. D. in history from Boston University in 1968. The following year, he taught his first of many classes on Mount St. James. Fr. Lapomarda is the longtime coordinator of the Holocaust and Italian American collections at Holy Cross, and a prolific author. His published works include The Jesuit Heritage in New England and The Jesuits and the Third Reich.

Fr. Lapomarda will be using part of his newfound time to create a history of people of Italian descent in Worcester County, Mass. “The work covers the contributions of Italian Americans in business, culture, education, health, law, politics, religion, sports and other areas,” he says. “Since the immigration of Italians did not become significant until after the American Civil War, the Jesuits were perhaps the first Italians to settle here back in 1843.” Fr. Lapomarda adds that he may also write more about Jesuits who have been recognized by Yad Vashem, the State of Israel’s authority for honoring those non-Jews who have helped to save Jews during WWII.

—Evangelia Stefanakos ’14

What were your main findings?
NB The relationship between talus slopes and climate is complicated in environments like the Sierra Nevada. We concluded that a different frost cracking mechanism is predominantly controlling talus production in the Sierra Nevada: the freeze-thaw mechanism. Therefore, the frost-cracking window of -3 to -8, which is a widely accepted hypothesis today, cannot be used as a proxy for predicting talus slopes in all landscapes.

How is your research practically applicable and how did the idea develop?
SM The bigger research picture is about how climate affects the topography (height and shape) of mountain ranges. This is a topic of much research and debate in the geosciences today. And the idea is part of a project that I’ve been working on with a colleague at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.

What did you enjoy most about this project?
NB That’s a tough question to answer; I loved a lot about my research project! I most enjoyed using the software called ArcGIS. Geographic Information Systems (GIS) are designed to store, manage and analyze data spatially. Because of the power of GIS, I was able to accurately collect my data in the Sierra Nevada while sitting behind the computer right here in our geomorphology lab at Holy Cross!

—Evangelia Stefanakos ’14
One uses the power of words to reach millions.
One fights the spread of HIV.
One turned down an NFL career to serve in higher education.
Another cares for the sick where doctors are scarce.
And another stands with women and children displaced by war.

Meet the five amazing alumni who accepted the College’s highest non-degree honor this year: The Sanctae Crucis Award.

Each year, Holy Cross bestows the Sanctae Crucis Award on alumni who are leaders in business, professional or civic life, who live by the highest intellectual and ethical standards and who are committed to the service of faith and promotion of justice.

The 2014 recipients are Dennis C. Golden ’63, Aimee Bell ’88, Elizabeth A. Cafferty ’97, James P. Murphy, M.D., ’62 and Robert Ferris, D.O., ’92 (above, left to right).

Shepherded by Senior Vice President Frank Vellaccio, the awards are the highest non-degree honor an alum can receive from alma mater. “The primary goal of the Sanctae Crucis Awards is to honor outstanding alumni and in so doing recognize and celebrate the distinctive mission of Holy Cross,” says Vellaccio, who established the award in 1998.

To give students an opportunity to meet these outstanding members of the alumni community they will join upon graduation, award organizers arranged for a series of campus events, culminating in the 17th annual awards dinner on Sept. 12. During the day, recipients participated in a panel discussion moderated by Rev. Philip L. Boroughs, S.J., president of the College, and seminar-style “campus conversations” with faculty and students about how their lives and career paths were shaped at Holy Cross.
before beginning her campus conversation, Vanity Fair Deputy Editor Aimee Bell ’88 asked the students, staff and faculty in attendance to move their seats from ordered rows to a semi-circle at the front of the room. Immediately creating a relaxed atmosphere of community and conversation, she dispensed almost two decades of experience as an editor and a mentor in the magazine industry.

Her first job was at Spy, the breakthrough, irreverent monthly magazine that smartly elbowed American media, entertainment and society. She moved on to become an editor at The New York Observer, and then Vanity Fair. There, she started out editing the magazine’s popular “Vanities” section, became senior articles editor and ultimately deputy editor.

In her two decades at Vanity Fair, she has edited special issues covering Africa, music, royalty, the environment, fashion and theatre. She edits world-renowned and award-winning writers, specializing in the work of essayists, and including the late Christopher Hitchens (whom she cites as the writer who changed her life), James Wolcott, Bob Colacello, dance critic Laura Jacobs and humorist Fran Lebowitz. She has convinced Stephen Colbert (son of the late James Colbert, M.D., ’42), Archbishop Desmond Tutu and Hillary Clinton, among other luminaries and opinion leaders, to contribute to her magazine’s pages.

Vanity Fair reaches 1.1 million subscribers and newsstand buyers each month, and during Bell’s tenure, the magazine has won 14 National Magazine Awards. Bell attributes her professional success to the unparalleled education she received at Holy Cross.

“I am where I am today because I Xeroxed willingly and was rewarded with writing assignments,” Bell says. Her fellow interns who scoffed at the “drudge work” were not as lucky.

Hold on to the value of a liberal arts, Jesuit education, Bell told the students in her session, adding that a “strong work ethic, writing and reasoning skills and an absence of a sense of entitlement” are what sets Holy Cross students apart. Bell continues to help keep the distinct Holy Cross story alive by providing professional counsel to the College through her work with the Alumni Marketing
Advisory Group.

True to the “generosity of spirit” she says connects the Holy Cross community, Bell mentors new hires at *Vanity Fair*, sharing her own tricks of the trade.

So what’s her secret? “Make yourself indispensable,” Bell says. “Work harder than anyone else: be the first one at the office in the morning and the last one to leave at night.”

Bell’s passionate commitment to Holy Cross’ values struck a chord with mathematics major Brooke Levine ’15 who will graduate in the spring.

“It was comforting to hear that the Holy Cross spirit becomes an intrinsic part of you, no matter where you choose to take your talents,” Levine says. Grateful for the time she’s had and for the days to come, Levine says Bell’s talk reminded her how fortunate she is to be a part of the community atop Mount St. James.

It is no secret that Holy Cross has a long tradition of producing skilled healers. What is less obvious—and, perhaps, less demonstrable—is how Holy Cross-educated doctors perpetually infuse their practices, research and actions with an ongoing commitment to justice; to standing in solidarity with those who suffer.

A psychology major at Holy Cross, Robert Ferris, D.O., ’92 worked after graduation for two years in the Worcester Public Schools and volunteered renovating houses through the group Matthew 25. In 1994, he began his medical studies. After graduating from the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine, he deferred his internship and elected to spend a year volunteering in Haiti at a pediatric hospital, where he slept each night and quickly became a permanent fixture in the lives of the children under his care.

He became particularly close with Zico, a seven-year-old boy infected with HIV. But like so many other children plagued with the disease, the medicine available to treat Zico could only do so much to ease his symptoms. After just three short months, his HIV progressed to AIDS and he passed away.

“Zico’s death had a huge effect on me,” Dr. Ferris says. “Here was a child who, if only he had access to the right medication, would most likely still be alive today.”

Dr. Ferris returned to the United States, pursued a residency at St. Vincent Hospital in Greenwich Village caring for people with HIV and, ultimately, became boarded on both pediatrics and internal medicine. He then embarked on clinical research in the metabolic complications of HIV at SUNY-Stony Brook, and entered the master’s program in public health at Columbia University.

Around the time he finished his clinical research, the United States had recognized that the global AIDS pandemic was a major crisis. Dr. Ferris joined the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), where he oversees a $125 million technical assistance and research portfolio, supporting more than 30 national HIV programs around the world. But, as he explained to students in his campus conversation, his story has always been one of discernment, leaving space for his interests to evolve.

Ann Sheehy, associate professor of biology and Dr. Ferris’ faculty host, applauded his ability to connect his academic interests to a “social call” despite not really knowing what to do after his time at Holy Cross.

“For his lifelong devotion to healing and research; for his dedication to easing the suffering of the sick; and for advocating on behalf of millions of women, men, and children around the world who face health crises, the College of the Holy Cross presents to Robert Ferris the Sanctae Crucis Award.” — Citation for Robert Ferris, D.O., ’92
“Bob paid attention to what he was drawn to and what he was good at in the changing landscape of his field,” Sheehy says. “He broadened his scientific career and is now in a position where he can influence the response to HIV and how we help one another.”

Sheehy hopes her students follow in Dr. Ferris’ footsteps, recognizing that determining their life calling is a process.

“I think the students got a picture that maybe they don’t need to have it all figured out right now, and there is a sense of relief in that,” Sheehy says.

From the moment he entered the session, Dr. Ferris says he sensed the students really wanted to “do something good, beyond just for themselves,” a feeling he still sees in the lives of his own classmates today.

“My hope is that [the students] keep pushing and don’t stop. Those opportunities will come, and they will be able to find meaningful work that will be fulfilling,” Dr. Ferris says, noting that the Sanctae Crucis Award is a tremendous honor in his life. “There are so many people doing great work from Holy Cross,” he says. “I just hope to continue living up to this honor every day.”

James P. Murphy, M.D., ’62

“80 percent of living a successful life is just showing up.”

“For his commitment to patients, for setting new standards of excellence, for his deep faith and for using his gifts to bring the finest care and support to those suffering; for his consistent selfless service to so many without any thought of the usual rewards, the College of the Holy Cross presents to James P. Murphy the Sanctae Crucis Award.” — Citation for James P. Murphy, M.D., ’62

“I tell my kids that 80 percent of living a successful life is just showing up. I think that’s true with everything you do,” says James P. “Jim” Murphy, M.D., ’62, quoting director Woody Allen.

In the traditional sense, Dr. Murphy’s career has easily been a successful one. This Bloomfield, N.J., native arrived at Holy Cross in 1958. Majoring in biology, he also immersed himself in theology, religion and philosophy.

He went on to the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, where he received his medical degree. What followed was a decade of graduate education and residencies in medicine (at the University of Kentucky), general surgery (Cook County Hospital in Chicago), otolaryngology and maxillo-facial surgery (Northwestern) and otology and head and neck surgery (Baptist and Mercy Hospitals in Nashville). During these 10 years, he also served two years as a captain and flight surgeon in the U.S. Army.

While a resume can easily point to professional accomplishments, Dr. Murphy says it was through his relationships and studies at Holy Cross that informed the way in which he would “show up” to reach true achievement in life.

“I think taking classes in philosophy and religion helped me make the decision that I wanted to help people, and that there was a greater good than just becoming successful financially,” Murphy says as he reflects on his choice to keep individuals at the center of all he has accomplished.

After all his training, Dr. Murphy could have set up a private practice. Instead, he accepted an invitation from a Canadian priest from Ghana—a man he met while visiting the Catholic Medical Mission Board in New York City—to serve people in Ghana. He booked passage on a freighter to Africa. He became the medical director for St. Joseph’s Mission Hospital. There, he learned what it was like to work in a place where a single doctor can make an enormous difference.

After two years, concerned for his parents’ health, Dr. Murphy returned to New Jersey—with a plan to return to Africa someday.

In 2007, after closing his practice and seeing his four children through college, he did just that. He moved to Tamale, in northern Ghana, where he is the only ear, nose and throat physician providing emergency and medical care for more than 2 million people.
Elizabeth Cafferty ’97

“Do not ask people for jobs; ask them for advice.”

“For accompanying, serving and advocating for women and girls who are living with enormous loss and life-threatening violence; for her expertise and skills as researcher, advisor and policymaker; and for the tenacity of her beliefs, actions and commitment in bringing peace, justice and empowerment to those who are suffering, the College of the Holy Cross presents to Elizabeth A. Cafferty the Sanctae Crucis Award.”

— Citation for Elizabeth A. Cafferty ’97

Elizabeth Cafferty ’97, who was recently named gender advisor to the United Nations’ World Humanitarian Summit and previously worked as the senior advocacy officer with the U.N.’s Women’s Refugee Commission, told the students in her campus conversation, “You never know where your career will take you or what opportunities will open up to you.”

Twenty years ago when she arrived at Holy Cross, Cafferty became a political science major, a course of study that helped set a solid grounding for her desire to work in international relations. And it was also her exploration outside her major—that in Professor Virginia Raguin’s course on women, art and philanthropy in 19th-century New England and in Professor Lorraine Attreed’s courses on women in the Middle Ages—that helped provide valuable, memorable perspectives on the role of women in political and social life through the centuries and across continents.

Attreed guided Cafferty to her first postgraduate position. “I never had a five- or 10-year plan. Attreed encouraged me to go to the University of York for graduate school,” she says. “I ended up working in London for eight years.” Cafferty served as founding director of Women for Women International’s U.K.

People, seeing patients of all ages with ailments from wounds to deformities.

So it is fitting that when he arrived on campus as a Sanctae Crucis award recipient that he was adorned in his striped Ghanaian “chief smock,” another accolade given to him by a different kind of community, thankful for the good that has come from his compassion.

For fourth-year student Colette Houssan ’15, a chemistry major on the premedical track, seeing Murphy dressed in this attire not only demonstrated his “fun-loving and passionate personality,” but also affirmed her own desire to become a doctor. Houssan says that the impact Murphy had on his patients by just being present to those he served “gave [her] chills.”

“The hours [Murphy] puts in and the number of patients he sees, even at this stage in his life when most people are retired, is absolutely amazing,” Houssan remarks. “Hopefully, one day as a doctor I can offer my patients more than just typical care, but show them that I really care about them as a whole.”

In addition to spending time with family and traveling, Murphy says one of his greatest joys is that “[his] medicine is saving lives.” He calls the Sanctae Crucis Award an “encouragement,” saying any field can be difficult at times.

“[The Sanctae Crucis Award] helps me persevere,” Murphy says.

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office and deputy executive secretary of the Council for Assisting Refugee Academics. Returning to New England, she worked at Massachusetts General Hospital as associate director of the Division for Global Health and Human Rights. There, she directed a pioneering international research study on sex trafficking of women and girls, and developed and managed a variety of international women’s health initiatives.

As the senior advocacy officer of the Women’s Refugee Commission, Cafferty advised members of the United Nations Security Council, donor governments and United Nations agencies, and worked to improve the lives and protect the rights of women and girls who have been affected by conflict, disasters and poverty. (The U.N. reports that 80 percent of the 43 million people displaced by war and conflict around the world are women, children and young people.)

Today, she is focused on her new role with the World Humanitarian Summit, which convenes in 2016 to make recommendations on how the international community can be more effective and inclusive in its work responding to conflicts and natural disasters. As the Summit’s gender advisor, Cafferty will ensure all the regional consultations, discussions and overall preparations leading up to and including the Summit include a gender perspective, as well as the meaningful participation of women. “Humanitarian work cannot be considered effective or inclusive if it does not include women and girls,” she says.

Cafferty has spent a good deal of her work efforts on U.N. Resolution 1325, which she explained to students and faculty: “In 2000, the United Nations Security Council formally acknowledged through the creation of Resolution 1325, the changing nature of warfare, in which civilians are increasingly targeted, and women continue to be excluded from participation in the peace processes,” Cafferty said. “The resolution addresses not only the inordinate impact of war on women, but also the pivotal role women should and do play in conflict management, conflict resolution and sustainable peace.”

Cafferty also offered practical job hunting advice to students, emphasizing the importance of figuring out their passions, identifying what they are good at and taking a job, even if it's not “perfect,” while building relationships to gain traction for the issues about which they care deeply. “Do not ask people for jobs; ask them for advice. Asking for a job can end a conversation early. If you ask for advice you begin building a relationship,” she added.

Students asked Cafferty a variety of questions, ranging from sexism in the workplace to starting one’s career abroad. Raguin asked her former student about the breadth of women’s issues globally. Cafferty noted that there was a time when “women’s issues” referred only to childcare, but that has changed: “The issues today refer to women’s rights more broadly, including access to jobs, political processes and healthcare, and their reproductive rights,” she concluded.

Dennis C. Golden ’63

“Do the best good you can do for the rest of your life.”

“For his unwavering devotion to and support of men and women who are making their way in the world; for modeling leadership and working to advance the service of faith and the promotion of justice; and for recognizing and advancing the power and value of Catholic higher education, the College of the Holy Cross presents to Dennis Golden the Sanctae Crucis Award.” — Citation for Dennis C. Golden ’63

As his campus conversation presentation drew to a close, Dennis Golden ’63 gave each audience member a small card that simply read “EIWP-GP: Everything is working perfectly, God’s plan.” A phrase borrowed from a close friend, Golden says it has been his mantra for life.

“I really believe that as I look back over my life, and see how things happen ... it’s not necessarily how I thought it would happen, or what I believe I wanted to happen, but it
was the right thing—part of God’s plan,” Golden says.

Like many who have passed through the gates on College Hill, Golden’s interests were diverse. A charismatic figure on Fitton Field, he was a two-way tackle under coach Dr. Eddie Anderson. He co-captained the Crusaders’ 1962 football team with fellow Hall of Famer Tom Hennessy ’62. He was a student leader and worked as a resident assistant in Alumni Hall.

Upon graduation, Golden was drafted by the Dallas Cowboys, but turned down the pro offer to enter the Marines. After his service and ready to pick up his football career, a series of chance events and conversations with Jesuits led him to a position in the Dean’s Office at Holy Cross—the beginning of a five decade and highly esteemed career in higher education.

Golden earned a master’s in guidance and psychology from Assumption College and a doctorate in higher education administration from Boston College. He taught and worked in student affairs at Holy Cross, Framingham (Mass.) State University; Duquesne University, Pittsburgh; University of Louisville (Ky.) … and coached football on the Division I and Division III levels for 13 years.

In 1995, Golden was named president of Fontbonne University in St. Louis: the first male, married and lay president of the Catholic university sponsored by the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet. During his tenure, he increased enrollment to an all-time high, oversaw the change in status from college to university, led a record-setting comprehensive campaign and served as professor of education. His outreach to underserved populations was a cornerstone of his presidency.

A nationally recognized authority on pluralism and diversity, Golden received the State of Missouri’s Martin Luther King, Jr. 25th Anniversary Award.

Jacqueline Peterson, vice president for student affairs and dean of students, knows Golden well from his time at Fontbonne. She recalls the way in which Golden listened to the passions he developed at Holy Cross with both “heart and mind,” making them into a career.

“Denny has told me how his career in higher education and his journey to the presidency began on Alumni 3 here on our campus,” Peterson says. “I think he can help students to see the integration of all the aspects of their undergraduate education.”

And that is comforting for students like SGA co-president John Milner ’15 who, in addition to being a leader on campus, also hopes to pursue a career in neuroscience. “[Our passions] are not just a fleeting ambition for a year or two that you are going to be involved with, meet some people and move on—they’re something on which you can center your life,” Milner says.

With so many different roads to travel, Golden says that he knew he was making the right decision when he felt a sense of peace. He told students making life-altering choices is never easy. Paraphrasing Robert Frost, Golden advised them that when they face those kinds of decisions, they must quiet their minds and realize that if one takes the road less traveled, it could make all the difference.

“You just have to do the best good you can do for the rest of your life,” he says.

Do you know an alumnus or alumna the Sanctae Crucis selection committee should hear about? In 2015, the award will be given in September, so the deadline for nominations is Feb. 1, 2015. Remember, candidates can be nominated in one of three categories: Distinguished Professional Achievement, Outstanding Community Service and Outstanding Young Alumnus.

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A JOURNEY
40 YEARS IN THE MAKING
BY ELIZABETH WALKER
A pilgrimage to the Holy Land became the trip of a lifetime for 15 members of the Class of 1972 when the context, culture and contours of Israel and its history informed and enriched the journey they took four decades after standing together at their Commencement.

It sounds like a joke, “A rabbi and a priest get onto a plane ...” But in this case, the rabbi and the priest are Holy Cross classmates, and they take a group of fellow alumni, friends and family on the trip of a lifetime: a pilgrimage to the Holy Land.

For 40 travelers—15 members of the Class of 1972, several other alumni, plus spouses, children, siblings and friends—a 10-day journey to Israel in June 2014 quickly became a true “trip of a lifetime.” The group credits the deeply meaningful aspects of the experience to the unusual pairing of the trip organizers, Rabbi Norman Cohen ’72 and Rev. James “Jim” Hayes, S.J., ’72, their fortuitous timing and their extraordinary access, by bus and by foot, to the living history of the Jewish and Christian scriptures.

“Our pilgrimage paired both Old and New Testament readings and perspectives,” says Miguel Satut ’72 of Grosse Pointe, Mich. “The Judeo-Christian grounding of my Holy Cross education served me at nearly every site we visited and made the educational experience much more meaningful. It truly was the trip of a lifetime.”

The idea for the trip sparked at the Class of 1972’s 40th reunion in June 2012.

“Tim Smith suggested that Norman and I organize a visit to Israel and the Holy Land for our class,” recalls Fr. Hayes, associate chaplain for mission at Holy Cross, adding that after they discussed the idea, Rabbi Cohen planned “everything down to the smallest details.”

The itinerary, which included sites of great interest to Catholic travelers, made it a very different kind of trip for Rabbi Cohen, who first visited Israel as a study abroad student his junior year, and again as a rabbinical student at Hebrew Union College in Jerusalem. He realized early on that 45 years after he arrived on the Holy Cross campus, he again would be the only Jew among his classmates (see ‘Why Holy Cross?,’ Page 39), but this time the journey would be on his turf.

“It was a voyage down memory lane as I thought back to the Holy Cross campus filled with crosses and Christian flavor,” Rabbi Cohen says. “I recalled that in such an environment, I chose to become more Jewish. Indeed, had I not attended Holy Cross, I might never have decided to become a rabbi.”

Between them, Rabbi Cohen and Fr. Hayes have visited the area dozens of times, and have created an extensive reading list that helped prepare the Pilgrims for their journey.

But no amount of planning could prepare the group for the events that unfolded shortly before the Holy Cross contingent arrived in Israel: Three young Israeli men were abducted. The kidnappings and their tragic outcome bookended the Holy Cross group’s trip. “Three teenagers had been kidnapped in the West Bank, but not yet found, just days before we arrived in Israel,” says Col. Jeffery Barnett, USAF (Ret.), ’72 of McLean, Va. “But during our time there, the police presence was nearly unnoticeable. We had a sense of peace, and no sense of how close to the precipice of violence we were.”

The teens’ bodies were found June 30, less than a week after the travelers returned home. Some in the group had brought home the buttons they had worn with great hope during the trip. The buttons read, “Bring Our Boys Home.”

In this special travel feature, the Class of ’72 Holy Land pilgrims allowed HCM to share their story, using their own words from blog posts, personal reflections and travel journals.

DAY 1
The group wings its way to Israel.
The pilgrims were flying into Tel Aviv from airports all over the United States and Europe. For those coming from Boston’s Logan Airport, the flight was about 12 hours.

DAY 2
Arrival in Tel Aviv
The 40 travelers came together as a group for the first time on June 16 at Tel Aviv’s beachfront Herod’s Hotel. “Rabbi Norm and Fr. Jim introduced our tour guide, Julie Baretz,” Katherine Barnett wrote in her journal, where she faithfully recorded the events of each day.

For Kieran Donovan ’72, who lives near Cork, Ireland, the first day together allayed his early trepidations about the trip.

“When I first heard of Norman and Jim’s trip in early 2013, I jumped at the chance to go,” he says. “My only apprehension was how I would interact with people I had not seen for more than 40 years. Knowing that Richie Crooke, one of my closest friends at Holy Cross, would be on the trip eased my nerves a little.

“All my misgivings disappeared in the first couple of hours in Tel Aviv,” Donovan wrote. “I can honestly say that the friendship and camaraderie that developed, not just among the 15 classmates, but within the whole group of 40, was genuine and unprecedented in my experience. This was in no small measure due to the generous and outgoing nature of Norman and Jim and to the brilliance of our guide, Julie.”
“Our Israeli guide, Julie, had a very impressive knowledge of Christian history,” confirmed Fr. Hayes.

Before dinner, the travelers set out on their first tour. “Walked with our guide through the 4,000-year-old Port of Old Jaffa,” Barnett wrote. “Enjoyed views of the 17th-century St. Peter’s Church and the House of Simon the Tanner, on whose roof St. Peter is said to have brought St. Tabitha back to life ... Archaeologists and historians are certain that this is the house because of the freshwater spring inside the compound.”

That evening Yisca Harani, a noted Biblical scholar and Jewish interfaith activist, spoke to the group. Harani called Israel’s geography the fifth gospel. “Put the topography into what you’re reading,” she suggested.

“She was very interested in Christian text and Jewish text—and told us that we should look at the land as a text,” Fr. Hayes says. “So many stories Jesus told were about the text and the land. He was so aware of the farmers and the shepherds—so many things that made up a livelihood in the first century.”

**DAY 3**

**Tel Aviv – Caesarea, Nazareth and the Sea of Galilee**

The walking tour of Tel Aviv continued the next morning. The group strolled through the city’s largest public space, Rabin Square, named in memory of Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, assassinated in 1995. They went on to Independence Hall, where Israel’s Declaration of Independence was signed on May 14, 1948. The group witnessed the actual announcement through the miracle of tape recording as David Ben-Gurion, the first Prime Minister of Israel, read the words. Rabbi Cohen shared a photograph of his junior year abroad class meeting with Ben-Gurion at his home in 1971, about two years before he died.

Once their bus got rolling, the first stop was Caesarea, a city of contemporary buildings, Christian antiquities and ruins, where King Herod’s ambitious building projects, including the 40-acre harbor, 3,500-seat amphitheater, magnificent palace on a promontory and grand-scale aqueduct, dazzled. “The aqueduct is impressive for its size and how well preserved it seems to be,” Barnett noted. Nazareth, now a bustling city known as the “Arab Capital of Israel,” was a tiny, unknown village that housed fewer than 30 families in Jesus’ early years. Its Church of the Annunciation was built on the traditional site of Mary and Joseph’s home.

The group developed something of a “bus culture” during their travels among sites. Heady discussions about what they saw and even spontaneous singing took place as they took in scenes along the way of people in traditional Orthodox garb, dramatic changes in landscape and impoverished Bedouin camps. Working through the Ignatian Exercises with Fr. Hayes punctuated the quiet time for several travelers.

▲ **CHURCH OF THE ANNUNCIATION** BUILT IN 1969 IN NAZARETH, NOW A BUSTLING CITY KNOWN AS THE ARAB CAPITAL OF ISRAEL

▲ **THE GALILEE BOAT** AT THE YIGAL ALON MUSEUM IN GALILEE, THE TRAVELERS SAW THE REMAINS OF THE 25-FOOT GALILEE BOAT THAT DATES FROM THE FIRST CENTURY CE.
“What made it special was the camaraderie that so quickly developed after what was for many 40-plus years of separation,” Satut wrote. “Old acquaintances were renewed by the first night and new connections were made as the trip unfolded.”

ARRIVAL IN GALILEE
Overnight at the Nof Ginosar Hotel and Kibbutz
The travelers spent the first of several nights on a kibbutz (a group farming community). “When I found out that we were going to stay at a kibbutz, I had visions of sleeping on a cot in a tent,” says Dick Witry ’72 of Skokie, Ill. “Instead, we stayed at a four- or five-star hotel. The food was fresh, lots of hummus and grilled vegetables.”

DAY 4
Sea of Galilee
The group boarded a boat on the Sea of Galilee to travel to Capernaum, the ancient fishing village that was Jesus’ home during his years of ministry.

“Being on the Sea of Galilee was the most meaningful highlight of the trip for me,” wrote Tim Smith ’72 of Princeton, N.J. “We were enjoying an early morning boat ride on the Sea of Galilee when our guide began pointing out all the sights on the shore in Capernaum. So many pivotal events in Christ’s life—and the birth of Christianity—took place in this small village. This day was topped off by Fr. Jim’s celebrating Mass where the Sermon on the Mount took place.”

At the Yigal Allon Museum on the kibbutz, the travelers saw the remains of the 25-foot Galilee Boat that dates from the first century CE. It had been used by Jesus’ contemporaries for fishing or transportation on the Sea of Galilee.

“After a lunch of fish caught from the Sea of Galilee, we went to the River Jordan where Christians from all over the world come to be baptized,” Smith wrote on the trip blog he and daughter Katie shared. “We had Mass outdoors near where the Sermon on the Mount took place. I can now say I have proclaimed the Good News from the very place where Christ preached the Beatitudes, because my classmate, Fr. Jimmy Hayes, selected me to read the Responsorial Psalm. We shared the Kiss of Peace with classmates and new friends, topped with a special ‘Shalom’ I shared with Rabbi Norman Cohen and our tour guide.”

It was the first of two Masses Fr. Hayes celebrated with the assistance of Joe McKenzie ’72 of Bethesda, Md., while other classmates did readings. “I celebrated Mass outside at the Church of the Multiplication up on the hill,” Fr. Hayes said. “It was beautiful, looking out over the Sea of Galilee and the hillside with a light breeze. It probably looked as it did in Jesus’ time. My sermon began with the Beatitudes. We had just been to Mount Carmel the day before. The Gospel of the day was from the Sermon on the Mount. I was conscious of Norman and our guide being there, so I wanted to make the sermon as universal as possible.”

DAY 5
Safed (Tzfat) and the Golan Heights
Safed is a mountain-top city of ancient synagogues and art galleries, once known as the spiritual center of the Jewish world.

“I was very excited to hear that we would be visiting the ancient city of Tzfat (Safed on the map),” Katie Smith wrote on her blog. “I had never heard of it before this trip, but learned that it’s the center of Jewish Kabbalah, the mystical school of Judaism ... According to the book of Genesis, in the beginning there was a light; where did all that light come from if there was no sun or moon? Kabbalah tradition refers to this as divine light—whenever we use our free will for evil, we shatter this divine light in the world.”

A visit to the Golan Heights offered a firsthand look at its vital importance to Israeli security.

“The Golan Heights was amazing to see,” Witry said. “The view from maybe the highest point in Israel was like Moses looking into the Promised Land. You can see forever. We could see a Syrian flag and barbed wire beneath us. He who controls the highest spot controls the surrounding area.”

▲ JEFF AND KATHERINE BARNETT
AT THE GOLAN HEIGHTS
Arrival in Jerusalem and the Western Wall

The travelers arrived in Jerusalem with an ambitious agenda of sacred places to visit. The Mount of Olives from where Jesus ascended to Heaven is also a 3,000-year-old Jewish cemetery that holds 150,000 graves, and the Garden of Gethsemane, among others.

“The trip opened my eyes to see Israel through the eyes of people of a different religious orientation,” Cohen said. “A great deal of spiritual learning took place through our eyes, our souls and our hearts. A highlight for me was celebrating Shabbat together.”

The group joined the crowds at the Western Wall on Friday evening. “We went to the Western (“Wailing”) Wall before returning to the hotel for Shabbat dinner,” Tim Smith wrote. “It was as if we were at a football pep rally, the Jewish teenagers were dancing and singing to welcome the Sabbath … The custom is to place a note with petitions in cracks in the Wall, which I did. Without speculating how or why, I placed both palms on the wall and felt its warmth and strength, a humming sensation, peacefulness and quietness in the midst of the teenage dancing that I didn’t hear.”

“I brought nine prayers with me from friends and relatives to tuck into the Western Wall,” Witry added. “I felt the presence of God.”

Jerusalem–Hebrew Union College and the Church of the Holy Sepulchre

“Shabbat morning began with a short walk from the hotel to the Hebrew Union College,” Cohen wrote on his blog. “The walk is in a neighborhood I know so well, the blocks that were my home away from home as a junior in college, the very time I was a student at Holy Cross, and again in my first year of Rabbinic studies immediately following my graduation, where I stood with the very same people who make up our traveling group. It was as if time were standing still.”

Fr. Hayes led the travelers along the Via Dolorosa in Old Jerusalem, the path Christ followed as he carried the cross. The path is marked by nine Stations of the Cross; the rest are inside the Church of the Holy Sepulchre.

“Fr. Hayes led us along the Stations of the Cross,” Cohen wrote. “He invited our classmates to read appropriate passages at each of our stops. He concluded with a Mass just a short distance from the Tomb of Jesus in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. Jim wove into his homily references from our Shabbat morning service and even a gem from the Tzfat mystical Creation story.”

The experience was powerful. “I had a very profound spiritual experience in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, which I had not anticipated,” Katherine Barnett wrote in her journal. “To this day, I can conjure that sense of ecstasy and

▲ THE WESTERN “WAILING” WALL  “I BROUGHT NINE PRAYERS WITH ME FROM FRIENDS AND RELATIVES TO TUCK INTO THE CRACKS OF THE WESTERN WALL, AS IS THE CUSTOM,” RICHARD WITRY ’72 RECALLS. “I FELT THE PRESENCE OF GOD.”
euphoria of being ‘grabbed’ by the Holy Spirit. I now better understand some of the evangelical and mystical traditions in Christianity and other faiths.”

**DAY 8**

**Mud-coated frolic in the Dead Sea**
The group traveled by foot or cable car up to the desert fortress Masada, built by Herod on an outcropping 1,500-feet above the Dead Sea. The story of the great struggle at Masada is an important symbol of Jewish freedom. Then it was off to the Dead Sea for a float. Those who waded in could not help but float due to the high mineral content of the water. The mud is said to be good for the skin and, apparently, fun to fling.

“We all enjoyed this experience, but it’s good that this came at the end of our trip, when our inhibitions were relaxed and we trusted each other,” Katherine wrote.

“At the Dead Sea, people were acting like 10-year-olds, throwing mud all over the place,” Witry said. “It was hilarious to see grown-ups caking themselves in mineral salts and mud, and then float. We were all very comfortable with ourselves there.”

That evening Gil Hoffman, chief political correspondent and analyst for The Jerusalem Post, spoke to the group and fielded their many questions about the state of the State of Israel. He spoke highly of United States Secretary of State John Kerry, saying, “John Kerry learned that you have to come here frequently to have credibility. He was here 11 times in six months. Now he has the stature and respect of those negotiating for Israel’s security.”

**DAY 9**

**Jerusalem – Yad Vashem – Center of Jewish and world remembrance**
The travelers visited Yad Vashem, a Holocaust memorial that includes a museum, archives and a children’s memorial among other exhibits.

“We finished our tour with a beautiful memorial to the 1.5 million Jewish children who were murdered during the Holocaust,” Katie wrote. “With the theme that a flickering candle can represent a life easily extinguished, we walked into the darkened building, where images of children who had been killed reflected in the prism-like background where their photos were hung. As we passed that wall, we were in a hall of tiny lights that flickered like stars in the night. It brought a kind of harrowing peace to think that so many innocent lives were at rest, but not from a peaceful or timely death.”

Witry purchased a coffee table book, To Bear Witness, at the museum, and asked each of the travelers to write an inscription inside. The book was then donated to Holy Cross’ Dinand Library so that generations to come could read a testament to their journey.

**DAY 10**

**Bethlehem and a Change in Plans**
The group visited Bethlehem, the birthplace of Jesus and the birthplace and hometown of David, King of Israel. In this Palestinian city on the West Bank, about 85 percent of the residents are Muslim and 15 percent are Arab Christian. Here the group would spend their last full day in Israel, minus Rabbi Cohen, guide Julie Baretz and bus driver Kfir.

▲ THE DEAD SEA  SOME PILGRIMS TOOK A DIP IN THE DEAD SEA AND SLATHERED ON THE MUD THAT IS SAID TO HAVE HEALTH BENEFITS.

MASADA  CABLE CARS RUN UP TO THE DESERT FORTRESS MASADA, BUILT BY HEROD ON AN OUTCROPPING 1,500-FEET ABOVE THE DEAD SEA. ▲
"I didn’t go with the group to Bethlehem,” Cohen said. “They went on a different bus with a Palestinian driver and guide. Julie and I, plus our bus driver, stayed back because Israelis are not allowed in the West Bank. As a rabbi, I didn’t want it to be a problem during this tense time of the kidnapping.”

“The Israel Museum had a spectacular 1:50 scale model of Jerusalem,” Katherine wrote. “We visited the Church of the Nativity, though the actual Manger is now in Rome, thanks to the Crusaders.”

As the trip wound down, the travelers reflected on the meaning of their journey. “This special pilgrimage with Holy Cross opened our eyes and our souls,” said Greg Flynn ’73, of Weston, Mass., who traveled with his wife, Joan. Donovan noted, “This was the most compelling journey of my life, which makes the current situation there all the more heartbreaking. Even in our brief visit to this land, it was possible to see the incredible potential that exists there if only peace would prevail.”

“This trip went beyond all expectations,” agreed Eileen and Jim Brucia ’72, P’02 of Sparta, N.J.

LAST NIGHT IN ISRAEL
At the closing banquet Cohen told his classmates, “When we graduated, we each went our separate way, beginning the journey of our adult lives. Now that most of us are approaching retirement and realizing that much of the path has been travelled, I wish for you a similar ‘epiphany’ to the one our alma mater gave to me: that the experience in the Jewish homeland inspires you to deepen your own faith and that this shared pilgrimage serves as a rudder for the remainder of our adult lives, which in our tradition, are wished to last ad meah v’esrim, to 120!”

BACK ON CAMPUS
On Nov. 12, 2014, the pilgrims gathered once again—some by phone—at a panel discussion and slide show in Rehm Library. Rabbi Cohen and Fr. Hayes spoke about the nature of pilgrimage and spiritual journeys, highlighting the true interfaith aspect of the Class of 1972’s trek. To read more about this event and what the pilgrims shared, visit our Web Exclusives at magazine.holycross.edu.
Rabbi Norman Cohen ’72: Why Holy Cross?

Why did you go to Holy Cross?” is a question Rabbi Norman Cohen ’72 (far left) is used to answering.

“When I came to Holy Cross as a freshman, I was wearing my religion lightly,” Rabbi Cohen says. “I took it for granted. I grew up in Pittsburgh in a predominantly Jewish neighborhood and attended a predominantly Jewish high school. Jim Gallagher from the Holy Cross admissions office came to my high school and invited me to come to campus. The College was trying to diversify its student body.”

Rabbi Cohen was so impressed by the outstanding number of Holy Cross graduates accepted into medical school that he did visit and found the campus beautiful. “The more I learned about Holy Cross, I could see that it was an outstanding academic institution—and they offered me a scholarship,” he says. “I thought it would be no big deal that there weren’t many other Jewish students there. I didn’t realize until I got to campus to begin my freshman year that I was the only one.”

Undaunted by the crosses, masses and Catholic culture on campus, Rabbi Cohen found his classmates welcoming and the College sensitive. In his first weeks of freshman year, he responded to a flyer pinned on a bulletin board in Beaven, his residence hall. The flyer invited Jewish students to high holidays—rides provided—at Worcester’s Temple Emanuel (second from left). “Instead of a flyer, I think they could have sent me a personal invitation,” Rabbi Cohen says, laughing.

He got to know Worcester’s welcoming Jewish community through the Temple, where he made lifelong friends. On campus, he took an Old Testament class taught by Rev. John Brooks, S.J., ’49 who would ask him questions about Jewish history and his faith.

“That was strong motivation for me to prepare well for class,” Rabbi Cohen says. “The following year, there was another flyer that caught my attention. It advertised a junior year abroad programs in Israel offered through the Jacob Hiatt Institute of Brandeis. Those six months in Israel changed my life. There was so much content. I was learning Jewish history and seeing the vibrant Jewish state. It meant so much to me that I thought I wanted to do something about this for the rest of my life. I had an identity reawakening. If I hadn’t gone to Holy Cross, I probably wouldn’t have become a rabbi.”

When Rabbi Cohen returned, he went to discuss his intention to become a rabbi with Rabbi Klein at Temple Emanuel. “He did what we rabbis do when someone comes to us who wants to convert to Judaism. He both discouraged and encouraged me. He also invited me to teach religious school classes at the temple.”

After graduation, Rabbi Cohen returned to Israel to begin his rabbinic studies at Hebrew Union College (second from right, see Day 7 reflection, Page 36). Following ordination he served at Rockdale Temple in Cincinnati, the oldest Jewish congregation west of the Alleghenies, and in 1981, he became the founding rabbi of Bet Shalom Congregation in Minnetonka, Minn. (far right). For more than a decade, he has spent a week back on the Holy Cross campus each fall, initially at the invitation of the late College chaplain Katherine “Kim” McElaney ’76. He meets with Jewish students and faculty, guides Torah study, visits classes and hosts a Friday evening Shabbat dinner, where all are welcome.
The state of Connecticut’s judicial system is a hub of Holy Cross graduates who welcome the weight of the black robe.

BY MARK SULLIVAN
You might say Judge Gary White’s black robe has a purple lining. The administrative judge of the Stamford-Norwalk (Conn.) Superior Court and 1976 Holy Cross alumnus is not alone on the Connecticut bench: Nearly a dozen Superior Court judges and judge trial referees in the Nutmeg State are Holy Cross graduates. White recalls that in one murder trial, all three judges on the panel rendering the verdict were Holy Cross alumni.

His Holy Cross education has been “invaluable” to his calling as a jurist, says White, who oversees judges at Stamford Courthouse, where thousands of cases are adjudicated every year, from motor-vehicle offenses to murder. “At Holy Cross you learn to take a broad perspective, to take into account different points of view,” he says. “That training has served me well.”

That’s why, to current Holy Cross students considering a career in law, Judge White offers this advice: “Read as much as possible about a wide variety of subjects. Listen to people who challenge your point of view, who don’t agree with you, because you may be right, but there’s a strong possibility you might be wrong. You might alter your thinking.”

Jesuit schools have a mission to educate the whole person “in solidarity with the real world,” the past superior general of the Society of Jesus, Rev. Peter-Hans Kolvenbach, S.J., has said. Students, he notes, “must let the gritty reality of this world into their lives, so they can learn to feel it, think about it critically, respond to its suffering and engage it constructively.”

The “spirituality that seeks justice” guiding Jesuit higher education is reflected in the number of graduates who go on to public service of one form or another, according to the Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities. The AJCU points out that, in the United States today, 54 members (or one-tenth) of Congress, two Supreme Court justices, 30 presidential appointees, and many more governors, mayors and judges are products of Jesuit schools.

One is Superior Court Judge Richard Dyer ’72, of the Juvenile Court in Willimantic, Conn., who recalls the internship he had as a Holy Cross senior teaching English to inmates at Worcester County Jail. He was inspired to work after college as a juvenile probation officer, attending law school at the University of Connecticut at night. “My experience as a Holy Cross student at the jail led me to a career in law,” he says, and ultimately, to a judgeship in Connecticut.

He’s in good company. Whether a function of political connection—“It doesn’t hurt,” says Bantam Superior Court Judge Paul Matasavage ’81—or purely of math—“Holy Cross graduates a lot of lawyers,” observes Dyer—the Connecticut state court system is a hub of jurists who got their start on Mount St. James.

Francis McDonald Jr. ’53 is a retired chief justice of the Connecticut Supreme Court. Another former pillar of the state’s high court, Associate Justice Angelo Santaniello ’46, was so devoted to alma mater, “he bled purple,” in the words of one colleague—and was a courtside fixture as a season-ticket holder at Crusader basketball games.

The Connecticut Superior Court got its first Indian-American judge when Hon. Rupal Shah ’95 was confirmed this year. Judge Shah serves in New Britain.

Matasavage recalls three Holy Cross-educated judges in Waterbury when he was growing up a lawyer’s son in that city.

Between 2008 and 2011, four Holy Cross alumni—Judges White ’76, John Blawie ’79, Alfred Jennings ’61 and William Mottolese ’56—were assigned to the bench at Stamford Courthouse.

“At one time, Judges John Blawie ’79, Alfred Jennings ’61, William Mottolese ’56 and Gary White ’76, (from left) all worked in the Stamford (Conn.) Courthouse (right).
Stamford, there was a lot of camaraderie because of the Holy Cross connection, and the ribbing we would take from alumni of colleges with more prominent sports programs,” recalls Jennings. “It was pretty well known throughout the courthouse that we were Holy Cross alumni. I run into other Holy Cross alumni judges at other venues, and we usually chat for a while. There is a recognition of a common bond.”

White adds: “I enjoy those guys as people. They’re a lot of fun to be around. They’re interesting [and] they’re smart.”

Blawie notes an additional tie: “Three of the four of us judges in Stamford were also fortunate enough to have graduated from the same Jesuit high school, Fairfield [Conn.] Prep. The values of a Jesuit education have not “gone out of style” but remain “as relevant as they have always been,” Blawie says. “It has all served me in good stead.”

White says they shared an education that encouraged practical thinking, considering all sides of an issue and engaging with human challenges, a foundation for their callings in the courtroom.

“When you’re sitting in a criminal court, not everybody’s a scholar,” White says. “You’re listening to people testify and you’re listening to lawyers making arguments, and you have to be able to blend the theoretical with the practical, make decisions that synthesize the law and the facts and come up with decisions that are practical—and just.

“When you’re a lawyer or a judge, it’s more than just being an academic,” he continues. “You have to have some street sense and know what’s going on in the real world.”

He recalled a murder trial in 2008 in which the defendant requested a three-judge panel instead of a jury to decide the verdict, an option under Connecticut law. Judge White was joined on the panel by two fellow Holy Cross alumni, Judges Blawie and Jennings.

The details of the case were ugly. The defendant Anthony Rogers, previously convicted in the execution-style slaying of a homeless man, was accused of fatally shooting a man he had taken to be a female prostitute. The prosecution’s case relied on testimony given by Rogers’ former girlfriend—herself a convicted felon who had been offered a reduced sentence in exchange for testifying, and who had given several conflicting accounts of the incident.

No corroborating witness could be produced to establish Rogers as the assailant beyond a reasonable doubt. Jennings recalled: “We heard the evidence and unanimously decided to acquit.” As the verdict was announced, White was quoted as saying: “A finding of ‘not guilty’ is not a finding of innocence.”

Blawie says reaching a decision in the Rogers trial gave him “a better appreciation of the job we routinely task our fellow citizens with: that of serving jury duty.”

“I’m not an idealist to believe firmly in the jury system,” he says, “because I’ve seen it work time and time again, but a court is only as good as its jurors, and a jury is only as good as the folks who make it up.”

Longtime Connecticut courthouse reporter Thomas Scheffey has spent years covering judges at work. “There’s a reason judges wear black robes, and that is because they’re representing a legal system that has to look as if it
comes in one flavor,” says the former Connecticut Law Tribune correspondent. “But underneath, judges are as different as Baskin Robbins.”

Judges, says Scheffey, are “non-public public figures.” Their job imposes a certain isolation: Judicial conduct laws restrict what a judge may say or do in public, to avoid any impropriety or conflict of interest or the appearance of same. Mottolese observes: “You can’t go out with an old law-firm colleague and pay for his lunch or allow him to pay for yours.”

The black robes carry great weight. “It’s an awesome responsibility,” says White. “I’m aware that when I enter a courtroom, I am representing the people of the state of Connecticut [and] charged with the responsibility of being fair and doing the right thing on behalf of all the people. I try to the best of my ability to do that.

“I love being a judge,” Mottolese continues. “All of us do. It’s a very rewarding, satisfying occupation. You’re dealing with humanity and its faults. You see humanity at its lowest. Sometimes you can do something to help with that.”

Judge Matasavage, a standout defensive lineman in football as a Connecticut high schooler and at Holy Cross, says there are “some really tough days” as a judge. “You get some tough calls, here, certainly,” he explains. “The bottom line, at the end of the day, is that you do the right thing. You feel good if you make a decision that solves some people’s problems.”

White is a boxing judge in his spare time, scoring amateur bouts around the Northeast. He recalled one match when one of the fighters, a middleweight in his early 20s, approached and profusely thanked him. “It turns out I had sentenced him,” White recalls.

The young man had come before him as a defendant in a drug case, fully expecting to be sent to jail. Instead, Judge White, a former public defender, had given the man a suspended sentence and a talking-to, urging him to turn his life around. “It inspired him,” says White. Today, the former defendant is “quite an accomplished boxer,” preparing to turn professional.

“I mostly see people at their worst,” says White. “It’s nice when things turn out for them.”

Mark Sullivan, a freelance writer in Ashland, Mass., regularly contributes to Holy Cross Magazine.

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— Hon. William Mottolese ’56, Judge trial referee, Stamford, Conn.
Rendering Their Verdict

Nearly a dozen Holy Cross alumni serve as Superior Court judges or judge trial referees in Connecticut.

At the invitation of Holy Cross Magazine, several offered perspectives on the jurist’s calling.
ON BEING A JUDGE

“Each week presents a wide variety of crucial human problems, many involving high conflict. Some are poignant and the outcomes are heartwarming. Others are shockingly repulsive and the outcomes fail to heal the damage. Only a small percentage are mundane. Judges affect the lives, livelihoods and liberties of people every day. There are many cases I will never forget.”

~ Hon. Robert Vacchelli ’73, Superior Court judge, Hartford, Conn.

“It is unlike any other new experience I have had. Every day I learn something new.”

~ Hon. Rupal Shah ’95, Superior Court judge, New Britain, Conn.

ON THE INFLUENCE OF A HOLY CROSS EDUCATION

“Being a judge presented many challenges in an era of uncertain and changing values. With logic, political history and religion courses, Holy Cross prepared me for life.”

~ Hon. Francis McDonald Jr. ’53, retired Connecticut Supreme Court chief justice, Middlebury, Conn.

“Holy Cross gave me a foundation for the power of analysis, and for speaking and writing and expressing myself: A judge’s stock in trade is the English language. And Holy Cross taught a sense of treating everyone fairly.”

~ Hon. William Mottolese ’56, judge trial referee, Stamford, Conn.

“I learned from Holy Cross that a well-prepared mind is one that can tackle any problem. I review all available information before taking the bench. I know I will never know as much about a case as the attorneys, but I prepare to the fullest extent possible so that I can render a fair and impartial decision as expeditiously as possible. I am constantly reminded that as a judge I must, first and foremost, adhere to the letter of the law. I am mindful, however, that we are all human beings who can and will constantly fall short of the mark. I have always, and will continue, to temper my judgment in each and every matter with reason, fairness and human understanding. This is what Holy Cross gave to me.”

~ Hon. Peter Brown ’84, Superior Court judge, Derby, Conn.

ON HOW THE LEGAL PROFESSION HAS CHANGED

“I began my legal career in New York City with the federal government in the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission’s Division of Enforcement. There, I prosecuted Wall Street insider trading cases and broker-dealer fraud, and it was the end of the era when corporate annual reports were still largely printed and filed in paper format. Although in January 1983, Time magazine had named the PC the ‘Machine of the Year,’ I started my job as an SEC attorney that same year initially without a personal computer on my desk. Technology has transformed society, but our laws do not always keep up with the rapid pace of technology. When it comes to the search and seizure of electronic information, and the vast amounts of personal data out there, stored in such massive quantities on devices like our cell phones, the cloud and data generated by us and stored on commercial servers, in many ways we are operating in the 21st century on a legal platform whose essentials were designed in the 18th and 19th century. I recall waiting—waiting!—to use the College’s mainframe in the basement of Fenwick Hall, and watching its results print out in staccato type on giant spools of paper. Today’s Holy Cross students and younger alumni will spend their entire lives embedded in this technology, and their cell phones are able to process so much more data so much faster and with greater ease than that giant mainframe.”

~ Hon. John Blawie ’79, Superior Court judge, Bridgeport, Conn.

ADVICE TO TODAY’S STUDENTS CONSIDERING A CAREER IN LAW

“Take the hardest courses you can. Take courses that force you a little bit.”

~ Hon. Howard Owens ’56, judge trial referee, Bridgeport, Conn.

“Be able to write. I was a history major, and I wrote an awful lot. That was very helpful. You have to be able to write and express yourself in the law.”

~ Hon. Paul Matasavage ’81, Superior Court judge, Bantam, Conn.

“I would advise them to keep an open mind, build strong relationships and work hard, but also keep things in perspective. The law is more about being able to find the answers with the skills you build rather than having all the answers.”

~ Judge Shah

ON THE REWARDS OF BEING A JUDGE

“When in Stamford I would usually walk the mile or so from the train station to the courthouse. One day a uniformed security guard came running toward me from one of the big glass towers. I thought I had inadvertently breached a security area or was stepping on newly planted grass or something like that. It turns out he had been an alternate juror at a medical malpractice trial. He recognized me as the trial judge and said he couldn’t wait to tell me how much he enjoyed the experience and what a great job I had done. After that he would be waiting for me to come by, and give me a big smile and a wave.”

~ Hon. Alfred Jennings ’61, judge trial referee, Bridgeport, Conn.

“When is being a judge most rewarding and inspiring? Two times. First, when a case is resolved and I believe I made the best decision I could, under all the circumstances. Second, going to elementary, middle and high schools talking to students about the law. It is gratifying to see how much respect young people afford to me when I visit their class. They have wonderful questions. It’s the highlight of the day.”

~ Judge Brown
Fred Lombardi ’71, pictured in his Elmwood Park, N.J., home, spent seven years researching prolific—but under recognized—Hollywood director Allan Dwan.
Born in 1885, Dwan was a Hollywood film director who guided more than 400 films during his long career from 1911 to 1961, worked with many of the greatest actors of all time and made some of the most innovative movies in Hollywood history. Compared to other directors of his time, however, his name is virtually unknown today. Lombardi aims to change this perception with his first book, *Allan Dwan and the Rise and Decline of the Hollywood Studios*, detailing the life and career of one of America's most overlooked auteurs and, in doing so, unraveling a most incredible story and life that lasted 96 years.

**HOLY CROSS MAGAZINE** Did you always have a fascination with movies, or is this an interest that came later on?

**FRED LOMBARDI ’71** It happened when I was very young. When I was growing up, there was nothing like what we have today in terms of literature on film. I remember going to the library to search through old microfilms of *The New York Times* for the original reviews and the original "10 best" lists from every year. That was my first film education.

**HOLY CROSS MAGAZINE** Tell me about the influential film program at Kimball Hall.

**FRED LOMBARDI** It was called the Gallagher Film Series, and the organizers would arrange discussion periods with various members of the faculty and the students. We would watch lots of foreign films from all different time periods, artistic films, more recent American commercial films, and sometimes experimental movies. [Editor’s Note: Read more about the origins of the Gallagher Film Series, named after Rev. Fred Gallagher, S.J., in the Flashback story in Holy Cross Magazine’s Fall 2008 issue: holycross.edu/hcm/gallagherfilm]

**HOLY CROSS MAGAZINE** What sparked your interest in Allan Dwan?

**FRED LOMBARDI** In late 2003, I went to see a retrospective of Allan Dwan’s films at Lincoln Center. The 20 movies that were shown whetted my appetite because there are many famous directors who have been written about, but the only major writings on Dwan in English were a book of interviews by Peter Bogdanovich.

Frederic Lombardi ’71 wants you to know Allan Dwan.
and pieces by film historian Kevin Brownlow. So that intrigued me; it was an open field, and I wouldn’t have to compete with all the different writers who already had this particular area covered. So I said, “Why not?”

HCM Was it easy to find a publishing company to work with?

Lombardi I wrote up a summary of my plan for the project and sent it to the McFarland Company, which specializes in film books; the publishers replied that they were interested, but wanted to see a lot more. So I had to provide a pilot for the book, with a synopsis of every chapter, which required a good amount of research. Once it was all received, they finally said, “Yes.”

HCM Your book is very detailed. How did you go about your research? Did you do a lot of traveling yourself?

Lombardi A good amount of traveling, but with a very limited budget, I couldn’t do it all myself. I hired freelancers for some places I couldn’t visit, while I made a lot of progress at the Billy Rose Theatre Division in Lincoln Center. Access to microfilm reels of the Santa Barbara News-Press was critical: Because the company that Dwan worked for at that time was the main industry in that city, the newspaper devoted a great deal of space to film production. I saw movies at the George Eastman House International Museum of Photography and Film in Rochester, N.Y.; I also visited the Margaret Herrick Library, the USC Archives and UCLA archives, all in Los Angeles. The Library of Congress was an important resource as well—I went there several times to see movies and do research.”

HCM In the book you often mention Dwan’s ingenuity and creativity. Do you think, for the period, it made him unique?

Lombardi I think what was very important was the way Dwan started in the business. He was, in essence, the executive in charge. He was the film director, but, at the same time, he knew all the practical things about running the movie business. He always had a very practical side. What really gave him an edge over a lot of other people was that he remained an incredibly efficient director. In articles about his movies, writers talk about how Dwan set a new record for finishing them in ‘X’ amount of time, and the quality didn’t suffer.

HCM You lectured at the Museum of Modern Art in New York City for its film series on Dwan, an exhibition that won the National Society of Film Critics’ Film Heritage Award in 2013, correct?

Lombardi Yes, in the summer of 2013, MoMA hosted a film exhibition called “Allan Dwan and the Rise and Decline of the Hollywood Studios,” which is also the title of my book. I introduced the opening film (1929’s The Iron Mask, starring Douglas Fairbanks) and three other movies. We also had a panel discussion and a Q&A session. I think the series was really enjoyed, and for a lot of people, it opened their eyes about Dwan.

HCM Are there any more book projects in your future?

Lombardi I’m still catching up with a number of things that were neglected while I was working on my book. I do have some writing projects in mind, including quite possibly another book.

Louie Despres, a Worcester-based photographer, writes the blog, “Give Me the Good Old Days!” dedicated to rediscovering the life and career of comedian El Brendel.
Lombardi’s Must-See Movies

*HCM* asked former *Variety* writer, author and film aficionado Fred Lombardi ’71 for his “Top Five” lists.

**TOP FIVE MOVIES OF ALL TIME in alphabetical order**

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**READER POLL** What are your top five favorite movies of all time? Email hcmag@holycross.edu. The first three respondents will receive a surprise from our goodie drawer of Holy Cross garb. Names and answers may appear in a future issue.
$400-million Become More Campaign Co-chairs Announced

BECOME MORE

Alumni Anne Schiffmann Fink ’85, P17, Richard Patterson ’80 and William Phelan ’73, P04, 01, 99 are co-chairing the $400-million Become More campaign, the most ambitious fundraising effort in Holy Cross history. Fink, Patterson and Phelan, all Trustees of the College, share decades-long dossiers of leadership, service and support on behalf of Holy Cross.

“We’re fortunate to have this extraordinary group of volunteer leaders chairing this campaign,” says Tracy Barlok, vice president for Advancement. “Not only do Anne, Rick and Bill share in the vision of the future of Holy Cross, they have lived the mission of what this institution represents in their own lives. Together, they’re guiding and empowering an exciting new chapter for all of us.”

Fink, Patterson and Phelan are leading what College President Rev. Philip L. Borroughs, S.J., has called “the greatest fundraising effort in our history.” The Become More campaign has the potential to strengthen every dimension of the Holy Cross experience.

A critical aspect for Phelan is financial aid. “It takes resources to maintain the College’s need-blind admission policy,” he says. “Plus, the campaign’s proposed Contemplative Center and upgrades to the Hart Center and other athletics facilities—they’re all essential.”

For Patterson, strengthening the endowment is another critical element of the campaign. “It assures affordability, accessibility and viability for the future,” he says. “A billion-dollar endowment would put Holy Cross in a very solid place financially for generations to come.”

The passion of the campaign’s honorary co-chairs, Jack Rehm ’54, P88, 85, 81 who led the $175-million Lift High the Cross campaign, and Park B. Smith ’54, who ignited that campaign with a $10-million challenge gift, is inspirational, Patterson says. “They’ve been strong and visionary leaders who put the College on their backs.”

Fink has embraced her new role with several expectations. “I expect to be inspired by the passion and generosity of our alumni and parents,” she says. “I expect that many others will offer their support. I also expect that we, as a community, will be extremely successful and exceed our goals.”

CAMPAIGN CO-CHAIR
Richard Patterson ’80


Patterson joined the Holy Cross Board of Trustees in 2011, where he serves on the Finance and Investment Committees and is co-chair of the Institutional Advancement Committee. A member of the Executive Committee of the Holy Cross Leadership Council of New York, he sits on the steering committee for the Financial Markets Alumni Network. Patterson was a member of the Lift High the Cross New York Regional Campaign Committee (2002-06) and the Holy Cross Metro New York Campaign Committee (1991-94). He was the co-chair for three reunion gift committees.

Patterson and his wife, Regina Speroni Patterson ’80, have been members of the President’s Council since 1990. In 2002, they established a Holy Cross Fund Scholarship, the Edward L. and Mary Lee Speroni Memorial Scholarship, in memory of Regina’s parents. They were inducted into the Cornerstone Society in 2014. The Pattersons have three grown children, Marty, Anna and Joe. Their niece, Samantha Speroni ’17, is a pole vaulter on the women’s track and field team.
CAMPAIGN CO-CHAIR
Anne Schiffmann Fink ’85, P17

Become More campaign co-chair
Anne Schiffmann Fink ’85 is the chief operating officer of PepsiCo North America Foodservice. Fink oversees operations for Pepsi Beverages, Gatorade, Tropicana, Frito-Lay and Quaker Foods and Snacks in the United States and Canada. She previously served as senior vice president and chief customer officer for PepsiCo Sales. Fink also led the company’s Global Sales Leadership Council. Since joining PepsiCo in 1988, she has held various leadership positions where she has developed broad and diverse business and general management experiences in retail sales, foodservice, marketing, insights, operations, franchise management and new business. She has participated in executive development programs at the Yale School of Management and the University of Virginia’s Darden School of Business.

Fink joined the Holy Cross Board of Trustees in 2011. A member of the Leadership Council of New York, she has sponsored Holy Cross interns for four years. Fink has been actively involved with the Career Advisor Network, the Pre-business Program and the Women in Business Network, serving as the keynote speaker at the 2014 Women in Business Conference. Fink chairs the Buildings and Grounds Committee of the Board of Trustees, and has served as a class agent since graduation. She also serves on the boards of the Industry Affairs Council of the Grocery Manufacturers of America and the Food Marketing Institute’s Foundation, and is a member and former board member of the Network of Executive Women. She is an executive sponsor of PepsiCo’s Women’s Inclusion Network and PepsiCorps.

Fink and her husband, John, are Benefactor-level members of the President’s Council. They have three children, John ’17, Katherine and Charles. Her extended Crusader family includes her brother, John Schiffmann ’82 and niece Alexandra Schiffmann ’15.

CAMPAIGN CO-CHAIR
William J. Phelan ’73, P04, O1, 99

Become More campaign co-chair
William “Bill” Phelan is the co-founder and executive chairman of Charter Brokerage Corp., a privately held global trade services company headquartered in Norwalk, Conn., and Houston, Texas. He was also a founding partner of the law firm, Phelan & Mitri, in Connecticut. Previously, Phelan was a partner in the law firm of Donohue & Donohue in New York. He earned his juris doctor from New York Law School in 1976.

Phelan, who joined the Holy Cross Board of Trustees in 2014, chaired the Leadership Council of New York for four years, served on the Lift High the Cross Regional Campaign Committee of New York, and has worked to increase and enhance finance internships and programming opportunities in the New York metro area. Phelan regularly serves on his class reunion gift committee and chaired his class’s 40th-reunion gift effort. He is a Knight of Malta and serves on the executive committee of the board of The Inner-City Foundation for Charity and Education Inc., in Bridgeport, Conn.

Phelan and his wife, Patricia, established The Phelan Family Scholarship Fund in support of the Lift High the Cross campaign. They joined the President’s Council in 1988, where they are Benefactor-level members. They were inducted into the Fitton Society in 2002. The Phelans have five grown children, including Katie Phelan Contino ’99, Peggy Phelan Cook ’01 and William L. Phelan ’04.
On a beautiful Saturday evening in early November, members of President’s Council gathered in the Hogan Ballroom to celebrate donor generosity and the tremendous impact it has on campus. In his remarks, College President Rev. Philip L. Boroughs, S.J., said: “This event, for me, is an occasion on which I am able to thank you, on behalf of this wonderful community. To thank you—genuinely and deeply—for your faith, your assistance, your humbling generosity, your wisdom and your counsel.”

Individuals were recognized for reaching Fitton, Fenwick and Cornerstone lifetime giving societies. Three outstanding students shared highlights from their varied experiences at Holy Cross, thanking members of President’s Council for providing resources that support their pursuits in and beyond the classroom. Among those recognized for transformative giving were John Mullman ’82, P07 and Dan Wellehan ’55, P’88.

Of Mullman, Fr. Boroughs said: “Galvanized by a service trip to Appalachia and a Spiritual Exercises retreat as a student, John subsequently joined the Jesuit Volunteer Corps (JVC) and worked with disadvantaged youth in Washington, D.C. In the years to come, those pivotal experiences guided his quest to do more. John has adapted Ignatian principles in his personal and business life, focusing on making the world a better place.”

Of Wellehan, Fr. Boroughs said: “Dan opened the door to give fellow Downeasterners from his beloved state of Maine the path toward successful and meaningful lives and careers through the Daniel J. Wellehan Jr. Family Scholarship at Holy Cross. He recently magnified his generosity with a significant gift to the forthcoming Holy Cross performing arts center. Dan’s support of the center comes from an enthusiasm and love for music that began at his mother’s knee.”

Fr. Boroughs introduced three alumni who will lead the College in the Become More campaign: Richard Patterson ’80, William Phelan ’73 and Anne Fink ’85 (see story, previous page); and recognized two honorary campaign chairs, Park B. Smith ’54 and Jack Rehm ’54. “We are about to enter a defining moment for the College,” Fr. Boroughs remarked. “We have recently launched the most ambitious campaign in our history. The challenge laid out ahead of us is bold and grand. Over the next several years, we plan to raise $400 million. And when we do this, we will transform every dimension of the Holy Cross experience.”
The Power of One

Daryl Brown '09

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Daryl Brown '09

Stone Mountain, Ga.

“I am my father’s youngest child and my mother’s only child. I got married this past summer to my wife, Jasmin.”

The working life

“I work as a regional sales representative supporting the northeast territory for GE Capital’s Commercial Distribution Finance organization. In today’s working environment, only those who are open-minded, diligent and collaborative are truly able to succeed. The liberal arts education at Holy Cross allows students to learn these essential skills as they transition into the working world.”

What he did at Holy Cross

“I was a member of the football team, serving as a co-captain during my senior season. Outside of football, I tried to immerse myself in the culture of Holy Cross by participating in as many clubs and organizations as possible. During my four years, I completed two Manresa retreats (one as a student leader), was a member of the Campus Christian Fellowship and served on the leadership team for the Black Student Union (BSU). I volunteered as a Big Brother and had the opportunity to speak at numerous fundraising events for the United Way of Central Massachusetts in order to raise money for the organization.”

How Holy Cross affected his life

“My four years were better than I could ever have imagined. The mental and spiritual growth I experienced, and the amazing classmates and professors I had the opportunity to learn from, pushed me to be my very best in every aspect of life. Holy Cross is in a class of its own when combining a positive college experience and a strong network after graduation. I love that alumni look out for each other! The Holy Cross network is really strong at General Electric, and there’s a strong network in Chicago, so it has been great to connect with alumni that are active in the community and pursuing amazing careers.”

Memorable moments

“President Obama’s election in 2008; beating Lafayette my senior year on a last-second Hail Mary TD pass; the men’s hockey team making it to the Frozen Four; both basketball teams going to the NCAA tournament my sophomore year; my Manresa retreats and my trip to Seattle with a group of classmates for the National Jesuit Leadership Conference.”

Why he stays connected to Holy Cross

“I stay connected because I am proud of Holy Cross and I am excited about the direction in which the College is headed. Holy Cross believed in me and offered me everything I needed, including the opportunity to get a great education and play Division I football.”

Why he gives to Holy Cross

“I give because Holy Cross changed my life and I want to pay it forward to the next generation. I am so thankful for my time on the Hill and feel so blessed to have had the experience. I truly believe that each Crusader is blessed with this experience in order to be a blessing to the next generation.”

Big Night for Leadership Council of N.Y.


Each year the HCLC of NY honors a distinguished member of the Holy Cross community who is thoughtful, hard-working, trustworthy and devoted to the common good and the service of others. Previous honorees include Michael E. Daniels ’76, P04, 03; Edward J. Ludwig ’73 and Stanley E. Grayson ’72.

Since its inception, the HCLC has raised more than $4.5 million in support of the Summer Internship Program and other initiatives. In the spring of 2014 the HCLC held its most successful dinner to date raising over $500,000.

The success of this dinner in recent years has enabled the Council to support the Summer Internship Program at a higher level, increasing the number of students who are able to gain meaningful work experience in N.Y.-area businesses and organizations.

“Internships are a prerequisite in today’s highly competitive job market,” says Pam Ahearn, director of the Summer Internship Program at Holy Cross. “Employers often cite work experience as a deciding factor for hiring as they seek candidates who can immediately make contributions.”

“As one of our recent students said, internships are really a 10-week long job interview,” she continues, “employers have the opportunity to see whether a student has the skills and knowledge they require and students get the opportunity to test drive an industry while deciding if it’s something they want to pursue.”

For information about the Council and this important annual event, contact Patricia Haylon ’83, P17 at nylc@holycross.edu or (508) 793-3856. Or visit alumni.holycross.edu/nylc.
Malcolm L. Miller ’15 of Laytonsville, Md., is known for his speed and long reach on the court as a forward for Coach Milan Brown’s Crusader basketball team. But when Holy Cross Magazine talked to this 6-foot-7-inch philosophy major, we asked him some distinctly non-sports questions.

HOLY CROSS MAGAZINE  You have a brother and two sisters ... Where are you in that lineup, and how did that shape your personality?
MALCOLM MILLER  I am the baby of the family (although I’m the biggest one in my family). It makes me grateful for having older siblings who care so much for me. We’re all very competitive, but we are all really close to each other.

HCM  Did you have fun with your family over the holidays? What’s your favorite tradition?
MILLER  My favorite holiday tradition is our yearly Christmas videos that my father makes us perform in. Since I was a kid, he records us coming down the stairs and “acting” surprised to see the presents under the tree. We tend to get less enthused as the years go by, but still excited for the tradition.

HCM  You are from Laytonsville, Md., just outside of Washington, D.C. What’s your favorite tourist attraction there?
MILLER  By far my favorite museum in D.C. is the National Air and Space Museum. I’ve gone on countless field trips there. If I could have a superpower, I would want to fly, but since I don’t, planes and space ships are the next best thing.

HCM  What led you to major in philosophy?
MILLER  I never thought I would be a philosophy major when I graduated high school, but after taking a few classes I really enjoyed the concepts and perspectives that were presented. Thinking is so important, and it’s interesting to follow many great thinkers’ thought processes. My favorite philosophy moment has to be Professor Joseph Lawrence standing on his head or eating chalk to prove a point. (This would probably only be experienced in a philosophy class.)

HCM  Um, eating chalk?!
MILLER  Yes ... he wanted to prove a point, that in a world dominated by reason and logic, irrational and silly things happen that go against what most would call normal. He’s a pretty goofy professor, but his point was pretty deep.

HCM  You can have dinner in Kimball with three celebrities, living or dead. Who would be on your guest list?
MILLER  If I had to have dinner with three celebrities, I would choose Beyoncé (she’s perfect), Tupac (musical genius) and Socrates (so I can just engage in a dialogue).

HCM  If you had to describe Holy Cross in three words, what would they be?
MILLER  Community, challenging, fulfilling

Catch Miller and his fellow Crusaders when they host Lafayette on Jan. 21, Navy on Jan. 24, American on Feb. 2 and Colgate on Feb. 5. They’ll play at Loyola Maryland on Jan. 28 and at Bucknell on Feb. 8. Visit goholycross.com for more information.
Ah, winter on the Hill: sipping hot cocoa, bundling up to get to class and … sprinting around the track with your buddies?! If you can shed some light on what was going on this photo, please let us know at hcmag@holycross.edu. (The last issue’s Mystery Photo is unraveled on Page 65.)
The Holy Cross Alumni Association sponsors events near and far—through the various committees that the HCAA has established as well as through its regional clubs. Those events run the gamut from the Family Fun Day sponsored by the Young Alumni Committee to community service through Holy Cross Cares Day to educational events such as Continuing Education Day (this year on April 11, 2015) to spiritual programs such as Masses and Communion Breakfasts sponsored by regional clubs and the Parenthood Mass last year at Holy Cross.

The mission of the HCAA is to engage alumni for life—to engage you through various activities and events whether they are in your neighborhood or on campus. We invite you to participate, to become involved and engaged alumni. Attend a regional event. Return to campus. Have fun at Winter Homecoming on Feb. 14, 2015. Check out our website (holycross.edu/alumni) to see the various activities that we sponsor and support. If you don’t see something that interests you, I encourage you to reach out to me or the Alumni Relations Office and suggest something.

Follow @HCAlumni on Twitter and Instagram, and join the College of the Holy Cross Alumni networks on Facebook and LinkedIn.

I look forward to seeing you at an event!

Colleen M. Doern ’89
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Welcome to Your City Day 2014 Becomes Global Event

On Sept. 18, close to 1,000 alumni (both young and “young at heart”) gathered in 25 cities across the United States and United Kingdom to socialize and network all on the same night. Crusaders reminisced, connected with recent graduates in their area and toasted the Holy Cross alumni family. This global event, sponsored by the HCAA and its regional clubs, continues to grow each year. Check out http://alumni.holycross.edu/wtyc to view more fun photos from the night.

Atlanta Crusaders show off their Southern hospitality (top); Dallas alums welcome each other “Deep in the heart of Texas” (middle); and London goes “purple” (bottom).

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The Holy Cross Alumni Association (HCAA) supports alma mater in its Catholic, Jesuit mission by bringing together the diverse talents, experience and knowledge of Holy Cross alumni. We accomplish this by engaging alumni for life through our reunions, regional clubs, community outreach and intellectual and spiritual formation programs. By these means, we nurture our love for and dedication to Holy Cross, its students and its alumni as men and women for others.
Show your HC Love ♥ at Winter Homecoming

Saturday, Feb. 14, 2015

In addition to annual Winter Homecoming favorites, there will be Valentine-themed activities throughout the day.

- Legacy Luncheon
- Painting Social
- Brunch in Kimball Dining Hall
- Residence Hall Tour
- A Capella Concert
- Family Skate and Swim
- Movie in Seelos Theater
- Men’s Basketball vs. Lehigh
- Men’s Hockey vs. RIT

Look for the full schedule in mid-January!

Crusaders in Paris

In October, more than 35 alumni, parents and friends enjoyed the culture, history and cuisine of the City of Lights. For those new to Paris, the traditional tourist attractions were a must—visits included the Eiffel Tower, Arc de Triomphe and The Louvre. Other travelers ventured outside of the city to visit the historical beaches of Normandy and Giverny, the home of Claude Monet and the inspiration for many of his paintings. The group also enjoyed a dinner with Holy Cross alumni living in Paris and the Stephen J. Prior Professor of Humanities, Maurice Géracht, of the English department.
Win Holy Cross Tech Prizes

New registrants to the Holy Cross Alumni Online Community will be entered into a drawing on the last Tuesday of each month with a chance to win a Holy Cross “Tech” prize!

10 winners will receive a Holy Cross Digi Clean—a reusable screen or lens cleaner for smartphones, tablets or electronic readers.

3 winners will receive a Holy Cross Power Bank (above)—recharge your electronic device when an outlet is not available.

Visit http://alumni.holycross.edu to register.

What a Blast!

FALL HOMECOMING brought friends and families back to the Hill for bunches of fun. Here are some of our favorite photos from the weekend.

1 Tailgating on Freshman Field is a multigenerational hit. 2 It was all laughs, games and great grub at the Multicultural Student Organizations (MSO) Kimball Quad Takeover. 3 Spirit was high even though the Crusaders fell to Fordham 45-16 in the Homecoming game. 4 The O’Callahan Society welcomed Admiral Michelle J. Howard, USN, Vice Chief of Naval Operations, as its annual dinner speaker. 5 Peter ’93 and Colleen Amann ’92 and two of their children enjoyed the Homecoming festivities. 6 (from left) Aimee Bell ’88, of Vanity Fair, Kate Lawler ’86, formerly of Ladies’ Home Journal, and Cassie Shortsleeve ’10, with Shape.com, spoke at a panel on the magazine industry, moderated by HCM editor Suzanne Morrissey.
From Our Alumni Authors

**The Lake of Far**  
*By Paul R. Lilly ’62*  
*Politics and Prose*

In a collection of 13 short stories, Paul Lilly ’62, professor emeritus at the State University of New York at Oneonta, gives readers a view of men and women trying to maintain or find their humanity as they experience the human condition, each in a unique way. Upstate New York serves as the setting for three of the stories, “Hooks,” “Mother’s Milk” and “Do Not Please Shoot.”

**What others say:** “The Lake of Far catches the hard truths of the human soul, its yearnings for new life, in a minor key of dissonance and recollected detachment. The 13 stories amaze, haunt, reassure with quiet wisdom about how we live now.” —Author Richard Giannone, professor emeritus at Fordham University

**When Nobody’s Home**  
*By Michael S. Oden ’84*  
*Authorhouse*

Michael S. Oden ’84 believes gaining emotional freedom from substance dependency is possible, and in his career as a counselor and deputy probation officer in California, he has worked with thousands of clients on whom drug and alcohol addiction have taken a heavy toll. Oden’s book draws on this work and includes chapters on drug abuse and the orphaned child, making sense of criminal thinking styles and when belief and thought turn into pathology. He also offers his solution to addiction, “The Needs Based Method.”

**What others say:** “In his capacity as a counselor and a deputy probation officer ... since 1998, Michael Oden has always gone above and beyond the standard requirements. In his eyes, every client was once a person with unlimited potential and possibilities, who missed receiving the best foundational building blocks needed to become a happy, healthy, emotionally stable person who gets to choose their own path in life.” —Mila M. Jasey, member of the New Jersey General Assembly, 27th Legislative District

**Common Cents Saving: A Simple, Everyday Approach for Real People**  
*By Vincent Brown Jr. ’68*  
*Authorhouse*

In his new book, author and certified public accountant Vincent Brown ’68 explains the importance of saving money and gives real-life tips on managing spending. Created with non-experts in mind, *Common Cents* is for people serious about saving and willing to “apply a little common sense to the process,” the author notes. The result is a helpful overview for those with little financial experience.

**Give, Save, Spend with the Three Little Pigs**  
*By Clint Greenleaf III ’97 with illustrations by Phil Wilson*  
*Greenleaf Book Group Press*

Author Clint Greenleaf ’97, takes a spin on the classic children’s story *The Three Little Pigs*, providing his young readers with a new story about saving and spending. In it, the three pigs create a successful building company and then figure out how to spend their profits, ultimately hatching a plan to give some, save some and spend some.

**What others say:** “No one knows better how to keep the wolf from the door than the Three Little Pigs. This wonderful little book is a great way to start kids on the path to financial literacy—a key survival skill in the 21st century.” —Author Bo Burlingham, editor-at-large of *Inc.* magazine

Have you written a book, cut an album or created some other form of media? HCM would like to know about it. Please send a copy to Editor, Holy Cross Magazine, One College St., Worcester, Mass. 01610-2395. (Items will not be returned.)
The Class of 1963 has come through—with the answer to our Fall issue’s Mystery Photo. Jim Corbett ’63, of Salem, Mass., was the first to report that the photo of Holy Cross men playing a game of egg toss with a row of young women was from the Class of 1963’s Junior Prom Weekend in 1962. “We had a Dixieland band theme for the whole weekend, so that’s where the straw hats came from,” he says.

Mike Falivena ’63, of Venice, Fla., says the hats were, indeed, favors handed out that weekend, along with lighters from Kent Cigarettes.

Several readers, including Jim Amrein ’63, P87, 86, helped identify some of their classmates in the photo. Frank “Bud” Piff ’63 is second from the right, and the late Ed Doherty ’63 is fifth from the right in long pants. To Doherty’s right is Harry Egner ’63, P05, 00.

Tom Conroy Jr. ’63, of West Boylston, Mass., shared a few more details: “On that bright Saturday afternoon in 1962, we gathered at the Yellow Barn in Westborough, Mass., for the picnic, softball and egg tossing,” he says, adding that they enjoyed the music of jazz musician Maynard Ferguson and his group.

Speaking of musicians, Corbett shared a few more fun memories of his days on the Hill after cluing us into the Mystery Photo info. A member of the Holy Cross Marching Band, Corbett reveals, chuckling, that he and his band mates used to sneak their dates into home games without paying for their tickets by having them crouch down in the center of their formation. As the band marched onto the field, so did their dates, who then melded into the stands.

Corbett’s musical experience followed him into his post-Holy Cross work. In 1965, while serving in the Navy, he was stationed on the USS Wasp, the aircraft carrier that recovered NASA’s Gemini 4 astronauts James McDivitt and Ed White (the first American to walk in space). When one of Corbett’s commanding officers learned that he played the trumpet, and had his instrument with him, he tasked the younger officer with assembling a band on the flight deck for a special ceremony for the astronauts. “We had 14 people with instruments, but only about five or six could actually play!” Corbett says, adding that the wind was so strong on deck that no one could really tell that the whole band wasn’t playing.

Thank you to all the readers who shared their knowledge of our Fall issue Mystery Photo. And be sure to examine this issue’s image on Pages 58-59. Can you shed some light on why these students were circling the track in the middle of winter? ■
ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

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Defeating Hopelessness

BY MAUREEN DOUGHERTY ’14

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more than 8,000 homeless and at-risk men, women and children rely on the San Diego Rescue Mission, a nonprofit, nondenominational Christian organization committed to helping the whole person as he or she strives for a more positive life. That takes funds. And that’s where Mark Lagace ’02 steps in.

Lagace, the individual gifts manager in the Rescue Mission’s development department, is responsible for securing financial gifts to fund various life-changing programs. These include yearlong residential recovery centers, emergency shelters for women and children, food recovery from local restaurants/caterers and mental health counseling. Last year, Lagace’s department raised more than $10 million dollars.

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— Mark Lagace ’02, Individual Gifts Manager, San Diego Rescue Mission

“Our mission is to spread the good news of salvation through Christ by serving the needs of the poor, addicted, abused and homeless, thus improving the quality of their lives,” Lagace says. Combining rehabilitation and a relationship with God is the Mission’s bread and butter, a potent mixture, he says, “leading to positive, lasting change.”

Lagace credits his liberal arts education at Holy Cross for giving him the skills required to effectively communicate the needs of the people at the Mission to major donors. As an ambassador for the Mission, Lagace also speaks at public events, promotes projects and gives tours of the Mission so that donors can see for themselves the fruits of their generosity—and what still can be accomplished.

With no particular career path in mind when he arrived in Worcester in 1998, Lagace was first a political science major at Holy Cross before switching to psychology in his second year. But it was the Jesuit influence of “being men and women for others,” combined with meaningful discussions in such courses as Introduction to Sociology, that made Lagace think about working in solidarity with the poor. A chord was struck. Finding his calling, Lagace fostered his passion for serving others through Chaplains’ Office programs—SPUD, Students for Life, the Spring Break Appalachia Service Projects (he was a leader on his senior year trip) and the Mexico Immersion Project. Lagace, who earned the SGA Leadership Award in 2002, also got real-life experience working in the development field while at the St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital (in its Newton, Mass., office), as a major gifts intern during the summer after his third year.

“That internship gave me my first taste of a career in the development world. I saw that the fundraising profession was where I could use the skills God had given me—I could build relationships with donors to help change lives through organizations we both cared about.”

Even when Lagace is off the clock, he continues to give his time and talents to others in his community, including fellow Crusaders. A board member for the Association of Fundraising Professionals, San Diego Chapter, he volunteers at his church, leading a community group, and serves as a regional ambassador for the Holy Cross Club of San Diego. In his spare time, this native New Englander enjoys exploring San Diego with friends, going to the beach, hiking and travelling.

“Being outside year-round is one of the best parts of Southern California living,” he says. “Calls to friends and family back East in January while sitting by the pool always include an invitation to visit sunny San Diego!”

Lagace, who says his work brings him satisfaction because he gets to “serve God every day by helping others,” gives simple advice to new graduates seeking to live the mission: “Follow God’s prompting. Find out where your passions intersect with the gifts and talents God has given you and run with it. If your day job brings you fulfillment like mine—awesome! If not, then reach out to local charities whose causes you are passionate about and see if they need any volunteer help. You will enjoy the experience, and others will be blessed by you sharing your time!”

Lagace’s voice has a distinct note of happiness and excitement as he recalls a particular San Diego Rescue Mission success story. “When I first got to the Mission about 10 years ago, I met an amazing young man named Brandon who was enrolled in our Men’s Center Residential Recovery Program. I got to know him pretty well,” Lagace says. “While living here, Brandon became a chapel leader and an intake helper. At his graduation from the program, Brandon was the speaker.”

Just a few weeks later, Brandon moved into his own studio and began working. About a year later, Lagace received an invitation to Brandon’s wedding. “Of course I went—and it was simply amazing,” he recalls. “There was Brandon up there on the altar, clean-cut in a suit and standing next to his beautiful bride whom he met at church. His family had flown in from the East Coast: It was a truly joyful day for them, happiness and excitement as he recalls a particular San Diego Rescue Mission success story. “When I first got to the Mission about 10 years ago, I met an amazing young man named Brandon who was enrolled in our Men’s Center Residential Recovery Program. I got to know him pretty well,” Lagace says. “While living here, Brandon became a chapel leader and an intake helper. At his graduation from the program, Brandon was the speaker.”

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“It was hard to believe that when Brandon first arrived at the Mission, he looked just like that man with a shopping cart you see in Worcester every day, dirty and hopeless looking ... yet, because of the caring program staff at the Mission, all of our generous supporters and the grace of God, Brandon was able to get a second chance. I got to be a part of that second chance. What better job could I possibly have?”
Melissa Luttmann ’15 saw the Panathenaic Stadium every day from her apartment and from the main building at College Year in Athens while studying abroad in Greece. “That structure came to signal ‘home’ for me whenever I caught sight of it,” she says.
Sit Down, My Child  

BY MELISSA LUTTMANN '15

When I packed my bags for Greece, I heard no dire warnings about the country where I would spend the next several months away from family and friends. It wasn’t that they hadn’t read the articles that called Greece “hopeless,” or seen the dramatic images of Athens in flames when protesters set fire to 45 buildings across the city in reaction to the Parliament passing austerity measures—which happened just a few months before my departure. But both my parents are of the firm belief that the media exaggerates anything, and Greece, in their minds, was no exception to that rule. Even relatives who believed the reports coming from Greece and may have been worried for me knew that telling me horror stories about my chosen study abroad destination was futile. I am a classicist, and Greece is a classicist’s paradise—crisis or no crisis. I was going to study there regardless of what anyone else had to say about it.

So I arrived in Athens in September 2013, expecting to have the time of my classics-obsessed life. And for about a week, I did. The places I’d dedicated the past two years to studying were now at my feet. The main building of College Year in Athens commanded a perfect view of the Acropolis and the Panathenaic Stadium, and when we weren’t in class, my friends and I were rambling through other sites. I did see a few things that irked my American sensibilities—anarchist graffiti scribbled on some walls, police officers toting machine guns in the National Gardens—but these things faded into the background, partly because I was so enthralled by the ruins. For the most part, I couldn’t see what all the media’s fuss was about.

About a week into my stay in Greece, I injured my right knee. What I thought was a simple bruise evolved into an odyssey entailing three hospital visits, two crutches, and, ultimately, my return to the United States for reconstructive surgery. This sounds like a miserable experience, and I will not lie: in many ways, it was. But it was also the experience that really introduced me to the wonders of modern Greece. Even though the archaeological sites I loved so much now threatened to hurt me more with every rock, I still wanted to explore them (and I did, at a glacial pace). But I began to spend the bulk of my time in my own neighborhood’s cafes, bakeries and tavernas. And in these places, I discovered Greece’s true asset: its people.

Everyone who loves Greece writes about the warmth of the people. But they mention it because it is true. One of the first phrases I learned to recognize in Greek was Kathiste, paidi mou—“Sit down, my child”—because people were constantly producing chairs for me. Pharmacists dispensed hugs and kisses along with my pain pills and strangers offered to carry my groceries. And I could not believe how many things I received for free from Greek business owners. Bakers stuffed me with free sweets in an attempt to make me feel better; taverna owners brought out complimentary rounds of ouzo and toasted my health. “No wonder they’re in debt,” my dad said when I told him about this. “They give so much stuff away that they never make any money.” But for Greeks, I have come to realize, it’s not about the money.

Giving a half kilo of cookies a week to an injured girl will not help you turn a profit, but actions like this do show the incredible love and respect for humanity that pervades Greek culture. This is something that the United States, with its all-consuming consumerism, has completely lost sight of. And if the Greeks hold on to it, I believe it is something that will sustain them far beyond the current “crisis.”

There is one restaurant in Pangrati that I frequented for its delicious sandwiches. If the owner was there when I went in, he’d sit with me while my food cooked and ask about my knee. He did the same thing right after my injury, when I was in his restaurant at least once a week. And every week—when it was obvious that I was in pain and that it wasn’t getting any better—he would pat my hand and repeat a single phrase until I calmed down: “Siga, siga.” Slowly, slowly.

I kept those words with me when I had to return to the United States. In the nights after my knee surgery, as I waited for the painkillers to kick in and wondered whether I’d ever feel normal again, I repeated them to myself. Siga, siga. Slowly, slowly.

Greece, like my knee, is not going to get better overnight. But I am healing, and I believe that this country can too. I believe in Greece, and, more importantly, I believe in its people. I don’t deny that they have made mistakes in the past, but I have hope that they, dynamic and loving as they are, will be able to move forward. I went to Greece because I was in love with what it was long ago, but I went back because I have fallen in love with what I know it can become. I look forward to the day when I will be able to run, pain free, to the top of the Acropolis. And I look forward to the day when the world will see Greece for what it is rather than for what the media wants it to be.

Melissa Luttmann ’15 has returned to Holy Cross for her final year, and reports that although her knee lets her know when rain is coming, it doesn’t bother her much anymore.
Work has a way of following Victor Luis ’88 around, even when he steps out of his New York City office. As CEO of Coach, the American luxury brand known for its handbags and leather goods, Luis soaks in the fashions of people he passes on the streets or stands next to in line at the coffee shop. “I spend a lot of time giving people compliments on their Coach bags,” Luis says. “They don’t know who I am, but I’ll get a smile.”

Those everyday observations are just one small way Luis keeps a pulse on the industry—and the $5 billion Fortune 500 company he leads. In January 2014, the 48-year-old stepped into the top spot of the classic design house after recent years building Coach’s international business.

He thrives on the energy of working in Coach’s mid-town Manhattan headquarters—the same location as the factory lofts where the company got its start in 1941. “Every single bag is designed in our New York offices—we have sample-making facilities in our basement,” says Luis, who reviews each design with various creative teams. He also takes pride in heading up an iconic American company. “There’s no other brand that can claim to being America’s original house of leather,” he says.

Still, Luis knows he has big shoes to fill. His predecessor, Lew...
Frankfort, who led the company for 35 years and whom Luis calls a mentor and friend, is revered in the industry. Faced with strong competition from other American brands, Luis is tasked with re-energizing Coach into a “lifestyles” brand that includes apparel and footwear. “The opportunity for us as a company and brand is to evolve, and this is the right time for us to do so,” Luis says.

For Luis, challenge translates into opportunity—a word that describes the company’s American Dream-type of ascent as much as it does Luis’. Coach started as a family-run workshop—just six craftsmen handcrafting leather goods from skills handed down through the generations. Luis’ humble beginnings started on an island in the Azores. When he was 7 years old, his family immigrated to the United States. His parents, who came with nothing more than “a bag and $5 in their pocket,” worked in factories to make ends meet and ensure that Luis would get the education they didn’t have.

Luis was able to attend college, thanks to the need-based financial assistance that Holy Cross offered. “I’m forever grateful for that,” he says. “Education opens up your world to opportunity. I would say that is the greatest gift Holy Cross gave me.” He credits a passionate political science professor, the late Maurizio Vannicelli, with inspiring him to think big. “He truly opened up the world for me and got me interested in everything international,” Luis says. “My life has been this wonderful path of connections, and he was one of them.”

Early in his career, Luis re-connected with his heritage when he and a business partner started a Portugal trading company in Japan, a short-lived venture. “It’s such a cliché to say that failure helps to mold you, but it does,” Luis says. “Life is truly a journey, and all of life’s experiences—good and bad—have an impact on you.” Indeed, it was that failed endeavor that opened a door for Luis at Moët-Hennessy Louis Vuitton Group. That job led to Baccarat, where he ran the French crystal manufacturer’s North American operation before joining Coach in 2006.

And it’s at Coach where he feels at home—in a company that popularized the concept of “approachable luxury.” “I spent almost a decade working with European luxury brands—and they were terrific—but they didn’t represent the values of what America is,” Luis says. “We have a more democratic approach to luxury. It’s not about exclusivity. The idea that a bag should cost $5,000 just because it has a certain logo on it is absurd.”

As for re-trenching Coach, Luis is excited to have designer Stuart Vevers—known for turning around labels such as Mulberry and Loewe—on board as executive creative director; his first full collection debuted in 2014. Coach is now part of New York Fashion Week, a move to help position the company as a formidable fashion house. Coach stores are also being renovated to reflect the classic-meets-modern shift representative of its new designs.

Luis is banking on the changes, coupled with Coach’s rich tradition, resonating with consumers. “Coach stands for quality,” he says. “It has a heritage and history. Hard work, perseverance, creating a dream for consumers—our success was built around those values.”

The same could be said of Luis himself.

6 Fun Questions
with VICTOR LUIS

You work in the luxury goods industry. What do you consider to be a luxury in your personal life? Time with my children and loved ones—no doubt about it. My limited free time is first and foremost focused on my children and loved ones. I also enjoy running—usually a good four to five days a week. My 45-60 minutes on a treadmill or a trail allows me to be present; it’s a good way to unplug. And I’m an avid Boston sports fan—whether it’s the Patriots, Celtics, Bruins or Red Sox. As I live in New York, I spend a lot of time either in glory or in misery!

What’s your favorite Coach product that you own? My personal favorite is my crocodile wallet. I’ve had it for five years. It’s unique—sort of an orange color. It’s been in my back pocket so long it has kind of molded itself to me.

And what’s at the top of your list for gifts to give? For gifts for men, it’s definitely our business totes—a Bleecker Traveler backpack. For women, I love to give products from our newest collection, such as the Swagger or Rhyder.

Over the years, has there been a Coach product that enjoyed sales success that surprised you—and, conversely, anything you were surprised that under-performed? The classic for us is the Coach Duffle. It never ceases to surprise me how it has stayed in fashion for so many years. As for failures, there are some as well. Every season we have bags that don’t meet our expectations. But the beauty of our business is that we have the opportunity to make everything better. One of the most important aspects of any business is to continuously improve.

If you were to design a Holy Cross bag, what would it be? A purple backpack!

The Class of 2015 has just started its last semester at Holy Cross. What advice would you give to the graduating class? I would encourage them to be inquisitive, learning, growing. Too often we find out late that life’s journey is short and that discovering your passions and finding them can be a path to true happiness.
e asked and you delivered! Look at all these Holy Cross-themed vanity plates sent in after HCM put out the call for license plates that showed off your purple pride in the Fall 2014 issue. From Alabama to Vermont, the roads are full of Holy Cross tags. And some have interesting back stories. One of our favorites came from Dick Bean ’75, whose Subaru sports the K1HC plate in the lower left corner. “My license plate shows my ’vanity’ ham radio call sign, K1HC, assigned by the Federal Communications Commission,” Beans says. “I also hold an Irish ham radio license, call sign EI2HC, which was randomly assigned (through divine intervention perhaps), by the Irish Department of Communications in 1992. As you might expect, I was a member of the Holy Cross Ham Radio Club during my four years at Holy Cross.” Read more stories behind the tags in this issue’s Web exclusives at magazine.holycross.edu.
Calling All Day Students

Through the years, not every Holy Cross student has lived in the campus residence halls. “Day students,” who sometimes called themselves “day hops,” drove in from homes off campus for classes and events. For a time, this group of commuters had its own lounge in the basement of Kimball, where students could stash their books and gather between classes. During Fall Homecoming, the HCAA hosted day students from the ’50s through the ’80s for the first-ever gathering for day student alumni/ae. The Saturday morning social was attended by Gail Radcliffe ’78 P08, Bill Sweeney ’71 and Ronald Plamondon ’75 (top photo), Bill Loftus Jr. ’55 P81, Joe Lian Jr. ’55, Paul Martinek ’55 P82, Carl Foley ’55 and Thom Mooney ’59 P84 (bottom photo), along with several others. “The HCAA strives to engage all alumni/ae through its programs and services, and the Day Student Reunion is a direct result of that commitment,” says Colleen Doern ’89, HCAA president. “We were delighted to welcome so many former day students back to campus, and we look forward to seeing them again at future events.” If you were a day student, let the HCAA know who you are!

To register, visit http://alumni.holycross.edu/daystudents or call Alumni Affairs at (508) 793-2418.

It’s a Small (Purple) World

Holy Cross alumni often report chance meetings with fellow Crusaders to us here at HCM. The most recent comes from Jane Morrissey ’87 (left), who is a nurse at MassGeneral for Children at North Shore Medical Center in Salem, Mass. Morrissey works with Nurse Practitioner Melanie Bartkiewicz ’04 (center) and Kristin O’Sullivan, M.D., ’02 (right) in the pediatric emergency department. Do you work with a group of fellow alumni? Snap a photo (hi-res, please!) and email it to hcmag@holycross.edu. We may run it in an upcoming issue.
1931
Bernard J. Mann
Bernard Mann died April 26, 2011, at his home in Bangor, Maine, at 101. Mr. Mann taught many years in the Bangor school system and at the Eastern Maine Vocational Technical Institute, also in Bangor. A volunteer in numerous community and youth organizations, he held leadership positions in the Boy Scouts of America Katahdin Area Council and received the Silver Beaver Award for his service. Mr. Mann had been a member of St. John's Church in Bangor. He was survived by a son; three nieces; and several grandchildren and grandnephews.

1941
William C. Samko
William Samko, of Worcester, died June 20, 2014, at 95. A trainer and, then, the director of sports medicine in the College's athletics department at the start of his career, Mr. Samko joined the staff of Worcester Academy in 1967; he served many years there as an assistant to the athletic director and, then, as the director of sports medicine. Mr. Samko had also been a part-time athletic director at St. Mary's High School in Worcester. In addition to his work in these positions, he assisted many Worcester-area athletes with training and physical therapy; in 1983, Mr. Samko headed the committee for the licensure of Massachusetts athletic trainers. In recognition of his many accomplishments, he was inducted into the National Athletic Trainers' Association (NATA), Athletic Trainers of Massachusetts (ATOM) and Worcester Academy halls of fame. A graduate of the former St. Peter's High School in Worcester, Mr. Samko was an Army veteran of World War II. He is survived by two sons; a daughter-in-law; four grandchildren; and nephews and nieces.

1942
Richard A. Schaefer
Richard "Dick" Schaefer died May 23, 2014, at his home in Orange, Conn., at 92. A sales representative for the Graybar Electric Company for more than 25 years, Mr. Schaefer subsequently worked as an independent manufacturers' representative. He was a charter member of the West Haven (Conn.) Lions Club, a longtime, active member of St. John Vianney Church, also in West Haven, and, since 2002, a parishioner of Holy Infant Church in Orange. A Marine Corps veteran of World War II, Mr. Schaefer served in the Pacific theater, attaining the rank of captain. He had been a Holy Cross class agent. Mr. Schaefer is survived by his wife, Barbara; a son; two daughters; two sons-in-law, including Kevin J. Hadlock '71; seven grandchildren, including Karen Hadlock Putney '00; eight great-grandchildren; and many nephews and nieces.

1946
Edward C. Krebs Jr.
Edward Krebs, a retired Navy captain, died June 18, 2014, at his home in Venice, Fla., at 92. Following his commission as an ensign, Mr. Krebs was assigned to the USS Midway (CV-41) as assistant navigator. He subsequently served as operations officer at the Naval Air Station in Pensacola, Fla.; navigator aboard the USS Strong (DD-758); commanding officer of the PC-581 at Newport, R.I.; executive officer of the USS Borie (DD-704); and commanding officer of the USS Putnam (DD-757). His onshore assignments included the U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md., instructor in the department of seamanship and navigation; General Line School, Monterey, Calif.; U.S. Embassy, Paris, assistant naval attaché; Naval War College, Newport; National War College, Washington, D.C.; Office of Naval Intelligence, Washington, D.C.; U.S. Embassy, Leopoldville, Congo, naval attaché; and Office of the Secretary of Defense, Washington, D.C., Near East South Asia desk. Mr. Krebs had been a member of many fraternal, veterans' and community organizations, including the Venice chapter of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA), where he was a former president, and MOAS, the association's Sarasota, Fla., chapter. Born in Dover, Ohio, Mr. Krebs resided in McLean, Va., before locating to Venice; he lived there for 44 years. Following his graduation from Dover High School in 1939, Mr. Krebs enlisted in the Navy a week after Pearl Harbor; after 18 months of active duty in the South Pacific, he was ordered to Colgate University's V-12 training program in Hamilton, N.Y., and, the next year, transferred to the NROTC Unit at Holy Cross. Mr. Krebs had been a member of Epiphany Cathedral in Venice. He is survived by his wife, Mary Joan; two daughters; a sister; a grandson; and several nephews and nieces.

1948
James F. Connolly
James Connolly died June 6, 2014, at his home in Canton, Ga., at 89. Working many years in the retail sales industry, Mr. Connolly was the manager of the Montgomery Ward store in New London, Conn., among other positions. He was a Navy lieutenant during World War II. Born in New Bedford, Mass., Mr. Connolly was a graduate of Holy Family High School.
He is survived by three sons; three daughters; their spouses; a sister; 14 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and eight nephews and nieces.

1949
Edmund F. Ackell, D.M.D., M.D.

Edmund Ackell, D.M.D., M.D., died May 16, 2014, at his home in La Jolla, Calif., at 88. Working many years in higher education as an administrator in health planning, Dr. Ackell began his career in 1966 at the University of Florida, assisting in the establishment of its colleges of dentistry and veterinary medicine, and serving as the dean and vice president for health affairs. Subsequently appointed vice president of health affairs at the University of Southern California, he was later recruited by Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, where he served as president from 1978 to 1990. For more than 12 years, Dr. Ackell had also been an adviser to various organizations, including the National Institutes of Health, the former Department of Health, Education and Welfare and the Los Angeles County steering committee on health planning. On the international level, he assisted officials of Saudi Arabia and the former Yugoslavia in health care plan development. A 1953 graduate of the Tufts University School of Dental Medicine in Boston, where he received his doctor of dental medicine degree, Dr. Ackell completed graduate work at the University of Pennsylvania and then attended Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, earning his doctor of medicine degree there in 1962. A World War II naval Air Force pilot, assigned to the carrier USS Tripoli, he flew Corsair aircraft for more than three years. Dr. Ackell is survived by his wife, Judith Fox; two sons; two daughters; the mother of his children, Connie Kelly Ackell; a brother; a sister-in-law; four grandchildren; and several nephews and nieces.

Vincent F. Connolly

Vincent Connolly, of Auburn, Mass., died May 23, 2014, at 87. A longtime educator, Mr. Connolly began his career teaching at Auburn High School, Holliston (Mass.) High School and Burncoat Junior High School in Worcester. Earning his master’s degree in education at the University of Vermont and pursuing his Ph.D. at Clark University, he later taught at Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI) and Worcester State University; Mr. Connolly retired from WPI as a professor emeritus, after teaching for 45 years in the mathematical sciences department. He was a graduate of the former Sacred Heart Academy in Worcester, where he had been a class president, a parishioner of North American Martyrs Church in Auburn, and a member of the Catholic Alumni Sodality. A veteran, Mr. Connolly served in the Navy during World War II. He is survived by four sons; their spouses; a brother; eight grandchildren; and many nephews and nieces.

1951
Dr. John L. Kelley

Dr. John Kelley died June 17, 2014, in Jacksonville, Fla., at 84. A graduate of the Georgetown University School of Dentistry in Washington, D.C., Dr. Kelley practiced dentistry for many years in Jacksonville, prior to his retirement. He was a member of Christ the King Church in Jacksonville. Dr. Kelley was a graduate of Boston College High School. A veteran, he served in the U.S. Navy Reserves as a lieutenant. Dr. Kelley is survived by his wife, Marjorie; five sons; five daughters; their spouses; a brother; a sister-in-law; 31 grandchildren; including Dennis J. ’16; and 14 great-grandchildren. His brother was the late Gerald F. ’48.

1952
John P. Muldoon Jr.

Mr. Muldoon had worked in sales for 34 years with the manufacturing company S.C. Johnson Wax, headquartered in Racine, Wis. Involved in community and youth sports programs in his hometown of Dorchester, Mass., he later relocated with his family to Hingham, where he was an active member of St. Paul Parish and an instructor for special needs athletes with the Massachusetts Special Hockey Boston Bear Cubs organization, among other endeavors. An Army veteran of the Korean War, Mr. Muldoon had been the recipient of several medals, including the Combat Infantry Badge. He is survived by his wife, Marjorie; five sons; five daughters; their spouses; a brother; a sister-in-law; 31 grandchildren, including Dennis J. ’16; and 14 great-grandchildren. His brother was the late James T. Ryan, D.M.D., of Salem, Mass., died June 5, 2014, at 83. A 1960 graduate of the Tufts University School of Dental Medicine, Boston, Dr. Ryan maintained a practice in Salem, from 1960 to 2010, and served as the city’s dentist for 40 years. Active in civic affairs, he held posts on the Salem School Committee, from 1978 to 1982, and the Parks and Recreation Commission, from 1984 to 1999. A 50-year member of the American Legion and a past commander of Post 23 in Salem, Dr. Ryan oversaw and coached the Post’s baseball team for 40 years. A Korean War veteran, he served as a Navy officer, from 1952 to 1956, stationed aboard the USS Salem heavy cruiser. Dr. Ryan was a 1952 graduate of Salem High School, where he played football, basketball
Robert C. Taylor

Robert “Bob” Taylor, a longtime resident of Somers, N.Y., died Nov. 1, 2013, at 82. Mr. Taylor is survived by his wife, Anne; four sons, including John G. ’86; two daughters; nine grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Richard S. Wackell

Richard “Dick” Wackell, of Auburn, Mass., and, formerly, Shrewsbury, Mass., died June 16, 2014, in Rose Monahan Hospice Home in Worcester. Establishing Wackell Insurance with his father in 1962, Mr. Wackell sold the agency in 1988 to his son, Richard; he continued to work there until 2012. A member of the Massachusetts Independent Insurance Agents, Mr. Wackell had also been involved in community and sports groups, including the Central Massachusetts Football Officials Board, where he served as secretary/treasurer for more than 25 years. He was a member of Our Lady of Czestochowa Church in Worcester and the Alumni Sodality of Our Lady at Holy Cross. A graduate of Classical High School in Worcester, Mr. Wackell served four years in the Navy, stationed in San Diego. He is survived by his wife, Rita; a son; a daughter; their spouses; a sister; a brother-in-law; a sister-in-law; and many nephews, nieces, grandnephews and grandnieces.

1953

Gerald F. O’Neill Jr.

Gerald O’Neill, of West Harwich, and Worcester, Mass., died June 24, 2014, at 83. A longtime Massachusetts judge, Mr. O’Neill served 13 years as an associate justice of the Barnstable Superior Court prior to his retirement in 2001. Named a judge of the Massachusetts District Court in 1979 and the Superior Court in 1982, he presided in courtrooms throughout the commonwealth until his appointment to the Barnstable Superior Court. A graduate of Boston College Law School, Mr. O’Neill began his career working as an in-house counsel and a trial attorney with Liberty Mutual Insurance, from 1956 to 1968; he then became a partner in the Worcester law firm, Ellis, Minor & O’Neill. In 1988, the St. Thomas More Society of Worcester honored Mr. O’Neill with its Distinguished Jurist Award. He was born in Woburn, Mass., and raised in Worcester, graduating from Classical High School in 1949. Mr. O’Neill had been a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross. He is survived by his wife, Joyce; five sons; two daughters; their spouses; and 12 grandchildren.

Gerald F. O’Leary

Gerald “Gerry” O’Leary died May 23, 2014, at his home in Quincy, Mass., at 81. Mr. O’Leary had been a member of the football and track teams at Holy Cross. He was formerly a resident of South Boston. Mr. O’Leary is survived by five daughters; their spouses; a brother; and three grandchildren.

Roger Grant Jr.

Roger Grant, of Medford, Mass., died on June 9, 2014. Mr. Grant was a 1963 graduate of Salem (Mass.) State College, with a master’s degree in education, and a 1980 graduate of Suffolk University Law School in Boston. He was a former member of the Medford City Council and an Army veteran of the Vietnam War. Mr. Grant is survived by a brother; a sister; a brother-in-law; a sister-in-law; and many nephews, nieces, grandnephews and grandnieces.

1955

Gerald E. Bodell

Gerald “Gerry” Bodell, of Westport, Conn., died April 26, 2014, in St. Vincent’s Medical Center, Bridgeport, Conn., at 80. A 1958 graduate of Fordham University School of Law and a longtime attorney in New York City, Mr. Bodell first joined Cahill Gordon and then established his own firm in Manhattan in 1964. An authority on legal cases involving the rights of the individual, he was named special counsel for the Legal Aid Society of New York and involved in numerous constitutional law trials. General counsel for The New York Foundling Hospital, Jewish Child Care Association, Susquehanna Valley Home, and the Cardinal McClosky School and Home for Children in White Plains, N.Y., among many other organizations, he also wrote and lectured extensively on children’s rights and child welfare law. In addition, Mr. Bodell had been a member of the Mamaroneck (N.Y.) Board of Education, from 1972 to 1974, and a Representative Town Meeting member in Westport, from 2000 to 2002 and 2004 to 2006. He retired from the practice of law in 2004. Mr. Bodell is survived by two sons; a daughter; their spouses; a brother; and five grandchildren. His wife, Eileen, also passed away in April, near to the time of her husband’s death.

Robert W. Bryan

Robert Bryan, of Palatine, Ill., died on May 15, 2014. Retiring as an insurance broker, having established a Chicago-based agency later in his career, Mr. Bryan had served 12 years in the Air Force following graduation from Holy Cross. Assigned to the USAF 776th Squadron, Pope Air Base in Fayetteville, N.C., upon completion of flight training, he subsequently fulfilled various duties, including those of flight instructor and test pilot. At the end of his career, Mr. Bryan served with the 928th Squadron U.S. Air Reserve Station at O’Hare Airport, Chicago; prior to retirement, he was promoted to major. Mr. Bryan is survived by his wife, Eleanor; three sons; a daughter; their spouses; and 10 grandchildren.

John R. Campbell

John Campbell, of Tucson, Ariz., died on Sept. 6, 2013, at 84. Mr. Campbell is survived by his wife, Edna; two sons; a daughter; their spouses; 13 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

IN MEMORIAM
Joseph J. Reilly, Jr. (1931-2014)

Joseph J., “Joe” Reilly Jr. ’55, former special assistant to the president and vice president for student affairs at Holy Cross, a longtime, active member of the Holy Cross Alumni Association (HCAA) and past chairman of the Bishop Healy Committee, dedicated to increasing racial and ethnic diversity at the College, died Sept. 9, 2014, at the Lexington (Mass.) Health Care Center, at 83.

Involved in the human resources field for 35 years, Mr. Reilly later worked for various nonprofit organizations, serving as the first executive director of the Massachusetts Catholic Conference in Boston. He taught religious education to high school seniors for 25 years, spoke to many Catholic groups throughout New England and held leadership positions in the Right to Life Movement.

Born in New York City, where he was a graduate of Xavier High School, Mr. Reilly attended a Jesuit seminary for almost two years before beginning his studies at Holy Cross. He earned his master of arts degree in religious education in 1970 at Emmanuel College in Boston. Mr. Reilly had been a resident of Waltham, Mass.

Chairman of the Bishop Healy Committee for many years, he returned to campus to serve as special assistant to the president and the vice president for student affairs, between 1997 and 2005, committing his efforts to the work of increasing diversity at Holy Cross. In recognition of his dedication to the College, the Office of Multicultural Education presented him with its Lifetime Achievement Award, in 2001, at the ALANA (African-American, Latin American, Asian-American and Native American) Baccalaureate Banquet; beginning in 2002, this award has been presented annually to two fourth-year students “who exemplify the ideals of Holy Cross and the caring and loving example of Joe Reilly.”

He was also honored in 2008, during the 40th-anniversary celebration of the Black Student Union and, again, in fall 2011, during an ALANA dinner that included celebration of the 15th anniversary of “Odyssey”—a one-week orientation program open to all first-year ALANA and international students, as an introduction to the Holy Cross experience. The Bishop Healy Committee and the Office of Student Affairs recognized Mr. Reilly during 2012 fall homecoming, “for his dedication, leadership, service and living the mission.”

A Holy Cross class chair, class agent, member of the President’s Council, Admissions adviser and Varsity Club member, he held numerous leadership and committee memberships in the HCAA. His involvement included serving as a past president, alumni board director and member of the class reunion; book prize; budget and finance; and nominations and elections committees. In 1987, the HCAA honored Mr. Reilly with its In Hoc Signo Award, in recognition of the generous donation of his time and talents to Holy Cross.

Past president of the Holy Cross Club of Boston, he received its Crusader of the Year Award in 1981. Elected senior class president as a student at Holy Cross, Mr. Reilly was chosen to be the class’s lifetime president in 1985.

He is survived by his wife, Evelyn; four sons, including Joseph J. III ’79, Brendan J. ’82 and Terence P. ’83; two daughters, Anne Reilly Ziaja ’78 and Gaele E. ’85; their spouses, including Kenneth M. Wetzel ’83; and 13 grandchildren, including Elinor M. Reilly ’18.

He was predeceased by his father, Joseph J. Sr., Class of 1904; his first wife, Elinor; his daughter, Kathleen P. ’80; and his grandson, Taylor Reilly.

Members of the Holy Cross community shared remembrances of Joseph Reilly and his many contributions to the College:

Jacqueline D. Peterson, vice president for student affairs and dean of students:

“When I think of Joe Reilly, I remember a person who truly exemplified what it means to be ‘a man for others.’ Joe had such love for family—and that included his Holy Cross family, which was so apparent whenever he would tell one of his captivating stories about his children, grandchildren, his roommate at Holy Cross, or the many students that he came to know. I will greatly miss Joe’s stories; I will miss his sage advice; but most of all, I will miss the person who welcomed me with open arms 17 years ago to Holy Cross, and was a friend to the end.”

Mable Millner, associate dean of students for diversity and inclusion, director of multicultural education and vice chair of the diversity leadership team:

“Joe was a special man—generous, thoughtful, caring, loving and extremely passionate about his Holy Cross. Joe never tired of reminiscing about his days ‘on the Hill’ or his commitment to being an active and loyal alumnus. He wanted every student to share his enthusiasm and devotion to the College, and he worked tirelessly to provide opportunities and resources to enable all students to enjoy the best of Holy Cross. Joe’s life exemplified the values of a Jesuit education, anchored in faith and committed to justice. He became a champion, an advocate and a ‘Crusader,’ challenging the College to reach beyond limits and ‘Ask More’ of itself. It was a joy and privilege to be his colleague and friend. His benevolent spirit will live on through the lives of all he touched.”

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1957
Michael J. Barron Sr.

Michael Barron, of Sylvania, Ohio, died May 25, 2014, at 78. Active for many years in the railroad industry, Mr. Barron retired in 1996 as the chief executive officer of the Ann Arbor Railroad; he began his career with the Burlington, Detroit, Toledo and Ironton (DT&I), and Grand Trunk railroads. A member of the NROTC program at Holy Cross, Mr. Barron served as a Navy officer from 1957 to 1960, attaining the rank of lieutenant junior grade. He was a 1953 graduate of Fenwick High School in Oak Park, Ill., and a 1967 graduate of the University of Chicago, where he earned his MBA. Mr. Barron had been a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by his wife, Kathleen; three sons, including Leo G. ’95; and two daughters; their spouses; two grandchildren; and a great-grandson, a brother-in-law; 17 nieces and nephews; four sons, including Leo G. ’95; and a 1967 graduate of the University of Chicago, where he earned his MBA. Mr. Barron retired in 1996 as the chief executive officer of the Ann Arbor Railroad; he began his career with the Burlington, Detroit, Toledo and Ironton (DT&I), and Grand Trunk railroads. A member of the NROTC program at Holy Cross, Mr. Barron served as a Navy officer from 1957 to 1960, attaining the rank of lieutenant junior grade. He was a 1953 graduate of Fenwick High School in Oak Park, Ill., and a 1967 graduate of the University of Chicago, where he earned his MBA. Mr. Barron had been a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by his wife, Kathleen; three sons, including Leo G. ’95; a daughter; their spouses; a sister; and 16 grandchildren.

1959
John J. Bush Jr.

John “Jack” Bush, of Hanover, Mass., and, formerly, of Chatham, Mass., died on June 6, 2014. A graduate of Suffolk University Law School, Boston, Mr. Bush began his career with Central Massachusetts Legal Services, Inc. in Worcester. Later joining the law firm Rollins, Rollins & Fox in Chestnut Hill, Mass., he started Heritage Properties in 1978, a real estate investment and management company that continues to operate in Lowell, Mass., and Portland, Maine. Born in Medford, Mass., Mr. Bush was a graduate of Malden (Mass.) Catholic High School. He is survived by his wife, Melody; two sons; two daughters; their spouses; a brother; two sisters; and 10 grandchildren.

Robert S. Holgate, D.D.S.

Robert Holgate, D.D.S., died May 22, 2014, in Biloxi, Miss., at 77. Receiving his doctor of dental surgery degree from the SUNY-Buffalo School of Dental Medicine and a master of science degree from the University of Texas in Houston, Dr. Holgate served 30 years in the Air Force, retiring with the rank of colonel. Stationed nationally and internationally during his military career, he had been the recipient of many awards and commendations, including the Meritorious Service Medal and the Legion of Merit with Oak Leaf Clusters. Born in Bronxville, N.Y., Dr. Holgate relocated to the Mississippi Gulf Coast in 1992. He is survived by his wife, Beverly; a brother-in-law; a sister-in-law; nine grandchildren; and many nephews and nieces.

1958
Thomas O. Fitzpatrick, M.D.

Thomas Fitzpatrick, M.D., of Chelmsford, Mass., died May 11, 2014, at 79. A 1962 graduate of the then named University of Buffalo (N.Y.) Medical School, Dr. Fitzpatrick served more than 40 years as a practicing physician at Lowell (Mass.) General Hospital and worked many years in group and private practice. A pilot, Dr. Fitzpatrick had been a Federal Aviation Administration pilot examiner and MedFlight volunteer, as well as a Boy Scout leader and an active parishioner of St. John The Evangelist Church in North Chelmsford. He had been a captain in the Army. A 1951 graduate of Massena (N.Y.) High School, Dr. Fitzpatrick attended the Jesuit Seminary before beginning his studies at Holy Cross. He is survived by his wife, Kathleen; three sons, including Thomas S. ’84 and Sean W., M.D., ’85; two daughters; their spouses; a brother; a sister; a sister-in-law; nine grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; and many nephews and nieces.

Ronald J. Levinson

Ronald Levinson, of Levittown, N.Y., died on Sept. 9, 2013. Mr. Levinson is survived by his wife, Maureen; two sons; three daughters; their spouses; two sisters; a brother-in-law; 17 grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

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1959
William J. Moore

William “Bill” Moore, of Glen Allen, Va., died June 3, 2014, at 77. A mortgage banker for more than 40 years in Washington, D.C., and Virginia, Mr. Moore first worked for F.W. Berens, Inc. in Worcester. Later joining the law firm Rollins, Rollins & Fox in Chestnut Hill, Mass., he started Heritage Properties in 1978, a real estate investment and management company that continues to operate in Lowell, Mass., and Portland, Maine. Born in Medford, Mass., Mr. Bush was a graduate of Malden (Mass.) Catholic High School. He is survived by his wife, Melody; two sons; two daughters; their spouses; a brother; two sisters; and 10 grandchildren.

Robert S. Holgate, D.D.S.

Robert Holgate, D.D.S., died May 22, 2014, in Biloxi, Miss., at 77. Receiving his doctor of dental surgery degree from the SUNY-Buffalo School of Dental Medicine and a master of science degree from the University of Texas in Houston, Dr. Holgate served 30 years in the Air Force, retiring with the rank of colonel. Stationed nationally and internationally during his military career, he had been the recipient of many awards and commendations, including the Meritorious Service Medal and the Legion of Merit with Oak Leaf Clusters. Born in Bronxville, N.Y., Dr. Holgate relocated to the Mississippi Gulf Coast in 1992. He is survived by his wife, Beverly; a brother-in-law; a sister-in-law; nine grandchildren; and many nephews and nieces.

Francis S. Ruddy

Francis Ruddy died on May 7, 2014. Working internationally, particularly in Africa, Mr. Ruddy served as U.S. ambassador to Equatorial Guinea and, through his work in the State Department and USAID, assisted in directing United States’ aid efforts on the continent. Overseeing the U.N. referendum in Western Sahara, Mr. Ruddy became an advocate for the political and human rights of the Sahrawi people. During his career, he was also general counsel for the Department of Energy, a university professor, a writer and an editor. A graduate of Xavier High School in New York City, Mr. Ruddy received his Ph.D. in international law from the University of Cambridge in England. He was a Marine Corps veteran. Mr. Ruddy is survived by three
Terri Priest (1928-2014)

Terri Priest (Theresa Khoury Struckus), an internationally recognized artist and associate professor emerita, visual arts, at Holy Cross, died Sept. 13, 2014, at her home in Worcester, at 86.

A gifted artist and teacher, Terri Priest taught in the visual arts department from 1978 until 1993, serving as a mentor to many of her students. During her tenure at the College, she taught perspective and introductory and intermediate courses in painting and design; served on various faculty committees; and held the post of department chair for several years.

Following her retirement from the College, Ms. Priest devoted more concentrated time to her own painting and, also, to managing and directing the Fletcher/Priest Gallery, a contemporary art space located in Worcester, from 1990 to 2003.

Taking many courses at the Worcester Art Museum as a student, Ms. Priest was offered a part-time position in the museum school’s adult education division, where she taught from 1967 to 1976. She pursued several enrichment courses at Quinsigamond Community College in Worcester and then transferred to the University of Massachusetts-Amherst, where she was a student in the University Without Walls program. Ms. Priest received her bachelor of fine arts degree in 1975 and her master of fine arts degree in 1977.

The recipient of many awards and commissions during her career, she had been approached by Holy Cross to create a painting depicting the five major religions of the world for Carol and Park B. Smith Hall, which houses the College’s Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J., Center for Religion, Ethics and Culture. The artwork, titled “Paths to Divine Light Through Vermeer’s Lens,” was installed in the cupola of Smith Hall, a domed area near the entrance, and dedicated in 2008.

Ms. Priest’s pieces, which have been exhibited extensively in solo shows and many group and invitational events, are in the collections of many museums, organizations and educational institutions, including the Iris and B. Gerald Cantor Art Gallery at Holy Cross, which presented an exhibition of her work in 2005, titled “Interactions: Paintings and Works on Paper”; the Worcester Art Museum; Fitchburg (Mass.) Public Library; DeCordova Museum in Lincoln, Mass.; and Bishop Ireton High School in Alexandria, Va.

Focused on the issues of homelessness, education and civil rights, she was a strong supporter of Abby’s House, whose mission is to provide shelter, housing and advocacy to homeless, battered and low-income women and children; the Nativity School of Worcester, an independent, Jesuit middle school, dedicated to educating underserved boys of all faiths; and the Worcester Art Museum, where she had been a member, corporator and an educator.

Ms. Priest is survived by two sons; a daughter-in-law; four nephews, two nieces and their spouses; and three grandnephews. Her husband was the late Edward J. Struckus, former superintendent of the parks and recreation department for the city of Worcester.

Following are remembrances of Terri Priest by her colleagues at Holy Cross: Frank Vellaccio, senior vice president of the College:

“Terri Priest was everything a Jesuit liberal arts college looks for in a faculty member. She was a skilled and caring teacher who was able to convey her passion and love of art to all her students. She was a productive and talented artist who produced works that brought great comfort and joy to all who experienced them. And she was a humanitarian who truly lived the mission of being ‘a woman for and with others.’ To know her was a privilege; to be her friend was a true grace.”

Roger Hankins, director of the Iris and B. Gerald Cantor Art Gallery:

“At the beginning of the fall, we lost Terri Priest, one of the true giants in the Worcester community, especially for those of us in the arts at the College of the Holy Cross who had the pleasure of knowing her. Over the years, including the time we were organizing a career-long survey of her work for the Cantor Art Gallery, I came to know the many facets of this wonderful woman—mother, artist, teacher, businesswoman and friend. It was always abundantly clear to me that Terri had an undeniable passion for life and art. That passion translated into everything she did, and it was especially evident in her work—beautiful, complex and sometimes playful paintings that she created throughout her adult life. To appreciate Terri for her art alone, though, wouldn’t be the whole story. I always saw Terri as an amazingly supportive person, someone who paid close attention to things that she felt mattered in our community and world, and doing her part, and more, to address those concerns. Terri put herself out there and will be sorely missed by her many friends, family, colleagues, fellow artists, and countless people she touched through her art and life.”
sons, including David F. ’93; a daughter-in-law; and three grandchildren.

1963  
Stephen H. Griffin

Stephen Griffin, of Millbury, Mass., died June 17, 2014, at 72. Teaching physics for many years at the collegiate level, Mr. Griffin later worked as a product development engineer. A graduate of the High School of Commerce in Worcester, he earned his master’s degree in science (physics) at Worcester Polytechnic Institute. Mr. Griffin had been an avid philatelist. He is survived by his wife, Ritva; a son; his husband; a nephew; two nieces; and extended family.

Daniel J. Hussey

Daniel Hussey died May 26, 2014, at his home in Colonia, N.J., at 72. A graduate of Seton Hall University School of Law, Newark, N.J., Mr. Hussey had served many years as an attorney and a labor arbitrator. He belonged to the New Jersey and American bar associations and served on public and private sector labor relations panels in New York and New Jersey, including the New Jersey Public Employment Relations Commission. Born in Jersey City, N.J., Mr. Hussey was raised in Bayonne, N.J.—and was a graduate of Saint Peter’s Prep in Jersey City. He had been a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross. Mr. Hussey is survived by his wife, Margaret “Maggie”; a son; a daughter; their spouses; and five grandchildren.

1967  
Charles A. Adams

Charles Adams, of East Haddam, Conn., died May 18, 2014, at 69. A 1962 graduate of Norwich (Conn.) Free Academy (NFA), Mr. Adams later taught English literature there for 36 years, until his retirement in 2003. He received his master’s degree in 1975 from the University of Hartford, West Hartford, Conn. Coach of the NFA rifle team and a competitive rifle shooter, Mr. Adams had also been an avid fan of Sherlock Holmes, belonging to the Connecticut chapter of the Baker Street Irregulars, and serving as a charter member of the local Holmes society, The Winter Assizes at Norwich. He is survived by his wife, Carol; a son; a daughter-in-law; and a brother, Albert M. ’61.

William M. Roney

W. Michael Roney, of Salem, Mass., and, formerly, of Waltham, Mass., died May 5, 2014, at 68. Prior to his retirement in 2007, Mr. Roney had been a cost accountant for Aritech Corp. and Malden Mills. A graduate of Bishop Fenwick High School in Peabody, Mass., he earned his MBA at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst. Pursuing a lifelong interest in railroads, Mr. Roney was a founding member of the Mystic Valley Railway Society and a longtime volunteer. He had also been a parishioner of Immaculate Conception Church in Salem for many years. Mr. Roney is survived by his wife, Nancy; a son; a daughter; a son-in-law; a nephew; a niece; and a cousin.

1975  
Andrew J. Donohue

Andrew Donohue, of Worcester, died May 22, 2014, at 61. During his career, Mr. Donohue had been an oil burner technician for the Claffin-Donahue Co. and, later, Peterson Oil Service. He was a graduate of Saint John’s High School in Shrewsbury, Mass., and Fitchburg (Mass.) State College. Mr. Donohue is survived by five brothers; a sister; their spouses, including Richard P. Simitis, D.M.D., ’68; and many nephews and nieces.

1980  
Philip F. Mulvey III

Philip Mulvey, of Milton, Mass., died on May 9, 2014. During his career, Mr. Mulvey worked as an attorney. He had been a Holy Cross class agent. Mr. Mulvey is survived by his wife, Therese (Leary) Mulvey, M.D., ’80; three daughters; his parents; three brothers; and many nephews and nieces.

1985  
David M. McDowell, M.D.

David McDowell, M.D., died June 4, 2014, at his home in New York City, at 51. A 1989 graduate of the Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York City, Dr. McDowell completed a medical internship at the Presbyterian Hospital in New York City, a residency in psychiatry at the New York State Psychiatric Institute/Columbia University and a fellowship in substance abuse at Bellevue Hospital/ New York University Medical Center in 1995. Beginning a private practice in psychiatry at that time, he also joined the faculty of Columbia University's Division on Substance Abuse in the department of psychiatry; Dr. McDowell co-founded STARS (Substance Treatment and Research Service), serving as medical director of the program until 2004 and, then, as senior medical adviser. In 2004, he founded the Buprenorphine Program at Columbia University, an opiate treatment program. Author of many scholarly articles and chapters and co-author of the book, Substance Abuse: From Principles to Practice, Dr. McDowell focused his work on the co-occurrence of psychiatric disorders and substance abuse problems. A guest on talk shows and contributor to various media outlets, he had also been a consultant in the production of plays and films. In 2008, Dr. McDowell joined the faculty of The Mount Sinai Medical Center in New York, expanding teaching and clinical services for those with substance abuse issues and the dual diagnosed. He had also been a longtime member as well as a past vice chair and acting chair of the American Psychiatric Association (APA) Scientific Program Committee. The recipient of numerous honors during his career, Dr. McDowell was named a distinguished fellow of the APA. He had been a Holy Cross class agent. Dr. McDowell is survived by his partner, Carlos Moreira; his mother; three brothers, including Arthur V. III, M.D., ’74; a sister; two sisters-in-law; and several nephews, nieces and cousins.
1988

Dawn M. Kelly-Sullivan

Dawn Kelly-Sullivan, of Barrington, R.I., died May 8, 2014, at 48. Mrs. Kelly-Sullivan had been a scientist with Novartis Institutes for BioMedical Research, Inc., in Cambridge, Mass., for the past three years; during her career, she received several awards for her work as a scientist. Mrs. Kelly-Sullivan had been a member of St. Luke’s Parish in Barrington, a Girl Scout leader and a volunteer for the Rhode Island Special Hockey Association. Born in Winthrop, Mass., she lived in Barrington for 14 years. Mrs. Kelly-Sullivan is survived by her husband, Scott F. Sullivan; her twin children; her father, mother and stepparents; two brothers; two sisters; her mother-in-law; two brothers-in-law; a sister-in-law; and several nephews and nieces.

2006

Lisa M. Halley

Lisa Halley, of Leicester, Mass., died June 11, 2014, at 34. Ms. Halley had worked as a health adviser at Community Healthlink in Worcester. She was a graduate of Leicester High School. Ms. Halley is survived by many uncles, aunts, cousins and close friends.

FRIENDS

Thomas C. Cadigan, father of Thomas M. ’02, alumni office; William P. Conley, father of Jerome M. “Jerry” ’90 and father-in-law of Mary Beth Conley ’90; Lucille Gauthier Dubois, wife of the late Jacques E. ’41, mother of Jacques E. Jr. ’70, Margaret Dubois Daly ’76, Henry E. ’83 and Charles E. ’87, mother-in-law of Robert B. Daly, M.D., ’74 and Judith Dubois ’88, grandmother of James J. Daly, M.D., ’08 and Robert B. Daly Jr. ’16, and daughter of the late Henri E. Gauthier, M.D., Class of 1918; Richard Eder, father of Ann A. Eder Mulhane ’81 and Claire M. ’83; Linda Gannon, mother of Michael L. ’96; Veronica “Ginger” Hennigan, retired, treasurer’s office; Carole G. Henry, mother of the late Katherine A. Henry ’86 and co-founder of the Katherine A. Henry ’86 Memorial Lecture Series on Women’s Health Issues, established at Holy Cross in 1999 with her late husband, Richard, in memory of their daughter; Margaret Herrmann “Peggy” Kenny, wife of John J. “Jack” ’52; William E. Malia, father of Scott, theatre department; Cynthia A. O’Leary, wife of the late James D. ’54; John Wilson Perry, father of Ellen E., classics department; Patricia “Patty” Alesio Purcell, wife of Peter F., M.D., ’70; Virginia E. Quitadamo, mother of Susan Q. Hunt, government and community relations; Edward R. Regan, father of Patricia A. Chuplis, information technology services; James A. “Jim” Romano, father of James A. Jr. ’66; Judith A. Shea, mother of Paul A. Irish, student affairs; Theofanis Stefanakos, father of Evangelia ’14, college marketing and communications; Edith Swanson, mother of Schone L. Malliet ’74; William H. Sweet, retired, environmental services, and father of Maureen McCann, public safety; Donald F. White, transportation/public safety
You don’t hear the word “raconteur” used much anymore. And that’s a shame, because it so ably sums up the personality of a gregarious man who is admired by a wide group of friends for his social skills — someone like Paul Lilly ’29. His peers described the Brooklyn native as “at once host, hostess, butler, master-of-ceremonies and sergeant-at-arms to the delightful nocturnal festivals in Beaven.” Lilly, a natural social butterfly who belonged to the College’s Metropolitan Club for four years, owned one of the few Victrolas on his hall, causing it to be a central gathering spot for his classmates. “Surely the sins of any ordinary lifetime,” reads his biography in the 1929 Purple Patcher, “are expiated by one who patiently endures ‘I Wanna Be Loved By You’ ten thousand times and more without murmur.” It did not surprise his friends, then, when Lilly, “a source of good cheer” to his class, joined the cheerleading squad in his senior year. And that brings us to this issue’s Artifact.

Lilly’s son, Paul Lilly ’62, kept his father’s original cheerleading sweater and a photo of the five-man squad. These mementoes of Crusader spirit past are now part of the Archives and Special Collections in Dinand Library. (Coincidentally, the younger Lilly is featured on Page 64 for his new collection of short stories.)
As we eagerly await the chance to update you on the College's plans for a new contemplative center near the campus, *HCM* is collecting stories from alumni who have had meaningful experiences on a spiritual retreat. Did a retreat change the path of your life? Or change your way of thinking? Did it enhance your connection to faith? Or to your classmates? Please share your story with us.

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When you were looking at schools, how did Holy Cross land at the top of your list? What made you say “yes” to that acceptance letter from Admissions? Your answers may appear in a future issue.

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