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The Class of 1965 memorialized two of its classmates killed in Vietnam with this weeping mulberry tree near the Jesuit cemetery. (See story, Page 36.)

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Photographed by Matthew Atanian

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The spring cover story, “For the Love of the Earth,” examined the College’s efforts to stem environmental concerns.

**Green Response**

As an environmental studies major from the class of 2002, I found it heartening to read of the continued efforts in promoting environmental stewardship on Mount St. James and beyond (“For the Love of the Earth,” Spring 2010). Thanks to the Center for Interdisciplinary and Special Studies (CISS) and supportive faculty members, I have gone on to enjoy a career in the environmental field ranging from risk assessment to public programming at the United States Botanic Garden. Kudos to Holy Cross for supporting students wishing to pursue these careers.

*Maura Nelson Clifford ’02 Arlington, Va.*

I had a friend who would have a half-gallon of ice cream for dessert. However, he washed it down with diet soda—he was on a diet.

As much as I admire the steps taken to overcome [the College’s] environmental challenges, take a look at an old aerial photo of the campus. Do you notice all that green space? Now all of it is parking lots for how many cars? 2,000? 3,000? 4,000? The energy consumption of these cars has to far exceed the savings from new light bulbs and cafeteria trays.

Educating the children of wealth presents challenges and I am sure they are in love with their conspicuous consumption. Holy Cross students once walked to downtown Worcester! In the distant past, students took the bus and other forms of mass transit! Those two things above your feet can be used for locomotion! Carpooling is possible and convenient to most of the Northeast!

Hope you continue on your path, but take the big steps first and the small steps later.

*Peter Larmour ’66 Claverack, N.Y.*

Each new issue of Holy Cross Magazine gives me reasons to feel proud of alma mater, but perhaps no recent issue has provided as much cause as your Spring 2010 coverage of the College’s thoughtful and systemic efforts to promote the study and adapt the practices of sustainability. As one who has had the privilege of teaching some courses cross-listed with the environmental studies program as a visiting adjunct instructor, I can attest to the authenticity and critical rigor of Holy Cross students’ commitment to these issues, and am glad to see that energy and enthusiasm being matched by the administration. Those who do not work in the environmental field may not be able to fully grasp just how impressive Holy Cross’ achievements within the ACUPCC framework are to date, nor how much of a national leadership role the College is taking in setting aggressive, but realistic and necessary, carbon neutrality goals for the 2030-2040 time frame.

Another step that could help reach that overall goal—as well as generally conserve resources—would be to allow readers to choose to receive the Magazine as an emailed PDF file or via an emailed link to an online version. And perhaps future issues could meet the standards for the Forest Stewardship Council seal? As the College’s single largest publication, your excellent magazine shouldn’t just be reporting on the “greening” of the Cross—it should be demonstrating it. Keep up the great work—every issue is a pleasure.

*George Grattan ’91 Waltham, Mass.*

Thank you for your kind letter, Mr. Grattan, and rest assured we have been working with our printer on how Holy Cross Magazine can be greener. An online version of the Magazine is available at holycross.edu/magazine, though it does not contain the Class Notes or Weddings sections due to privacy concerns.

**Bonds of Friendship**

In the Spring issue you ran a story on Lisa-Marie Calderone-Stewart ’79 (“Living the Mission”). Many people have written in these pages over the years about the life-long friendships made at Holy Cross and how fortunate we are to have met such wonderful people. Lisa was one of those people for me. We volunteered in ACT together, lived in Heaven together and shared many happy times. We have continued to stay in touch and are in similar professions. I work in faith formation of adolescents. Lisa has made a significant contribution to the field of youth ministry. As your article mentioned, she has written 20 books. In addition, she is a frequent contributor to professional publications. Her organization, Tomorrow’s Present, demonstrates her expertise and creativity. She is truly one of the most remarkable women of faith I know. Naturally I am very sad that she is dying. If anyone would like to support Lisa’s work and make sure it continues, donations can be made to Legacy Fund for Tomorrow’s Present, Attention: Peter Holbrook, The Leadership Center, Cardinal Stritch University, 6801 N. Yates Rd. #438, Milwaukee WI 53217.

*Mary Lemire-Campion ’80 Westwood, Mass.*
A Magazine Makeover

The best part of any makeover show is, of course, “The Big Reveal,” when everyone gets to see the revamped rec room or ultra-glamorized mother of five in a chorus of gasps and applause. This issue is the big reveal of a new Holy Cross Magazine. [Insert gasps and applause here!]

From front cover to back, our creative team has reconsidered every element of Holy Cross Magazine. But first, we talked with you, the readers. Thank you for the substantial input and ideas you provided through e-mails, letters, roundtable discussions, review panels during reunion weekends and sometimes just a quick phone call. Our goal over the past many months was to devise a plan to refresh HCM while retaining its most-loved parts. Some of the new features include Campus Notebook, a slice-of-life glimpse into what is happening on the Holy Cross campus today, and Living the Mission, which shines a spotlight on an alumnus or alumna who is making a difference being a “man or woman for others.”

You’ll still see a special alumnus/a profile in each issue, but you’ll also see a new back-page feature called “Your Turn.” It’s a first-person essay from a member of the Holy Cross community on a topic dear to his or her heart. We hope you’ll also enjoy the new look … fresh fonts, larger photos, a brighter color palette … all tweaks informed by the latest design trends in print publications.

Through many rounds of changes and designs, we heard loud and clear your message to keep meaningful feature stories. In this issue you’ll find two powerful articles to dig into: first, the cover story about alumni who have served in the armed forces—from Mr. William Shea ’39, who has the kind of life story we’ve all come to admire from America’s Greatest Generation, to Ensign Conor O’Neil ’09, who is, as you read this, training to be a Navy pilot. Writer Christine Hofmann-Bourque found that the common thread among all our military interviewees is a dedication to service above oneself.

Our other special feature is a sweet tale of two brothers with a love for one another and for a staple of Worcester life: diners! Phil Juska brought back memories aplenty when he presented his brother Bill Juska ’66 a scale model of the Miss Worcester Diner. Known as a late-night stop for many a generation of Crusaders, the Miss Woo is also where Bill wooed his sweetheart.

We have really enjoyed putting this issue together for you. I’d be remiss if I did not thank Director of Public Affairs Ellen Ryder for her guidance, and designer Karen Shilad, design consultant Hans Teensma, and assistant editor Pam Reponen for diligently working through the evolution of this project. As with any creative endeavor, the redesign of HCM is an ongoing process, so please let us know what you think of the new look and content.

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See what’s online in our Web exclusives

You probably already know that each new issue of Holy Cross Magazine is available online at holycross.edu/magazine. But did you know that there is also exclusive companion content that you can only find online? Partnering with the Holy Cross Web team, we are pleased to bring you additional features and photos online under our “Web Exclusives” list. For the summer edition, you’ll find the moving speech that Phil Byrne ’62 delivered at the dedication of a war memorial at his high school alma mater, Boston College High School. Plus, an excerpt from Monsignor Peter Vaghi’s new book, The Sacraments We Celebrate: A Catholic Guide to the Seven Mysteries of Faith. Finally, in researching the cover feature about alumni who have served in the armed forces, we learned that there are far too many engaging, powerful stories of service to fit into one magazine article. Therefore, we have set up a guest book where alumni with military connections can log on and leave their stories of serving our nation. Visit holycross.edu/hcm/military to share a memory.
**John Becker ’48**

*After the obituary for John Becker ’48 appeared in the Spring 2010 issue, we received several calls and notes from classmates who wanted to share personal stories of the many contributions he made to alma mater over the years. Following is a special tribute from Class of ’48 president, Thomas Costello, capturing the spirit of generosity that endeared Mr. Becker to his classmates:*

> It is more blessed to give than to receive. John Becker ’48 lived faithfully to this principle throughout his entire life. His family came first—Pat, his beloved wife, and his two children, Peter and Gretchen. A close second was Holy Cross and in particular, the Class of ’48, to which his service was nonpareil. During his 15 years as class chairman, he begged, he pleaded, he pressured the men of ’48 to be as generous as possible in giving to the College on the Hill that gave so much to them—raising a total of $930,630 with an average percentage of donors at 69%.

John’s newsletters were masterpieces—a unifying factor that kept the class together.

A devoted Catholic and family man, John also reached out to classmates who suffered great loss. Joseph Barrett, a stalwart member of the Class of ’48, lost his wife 17 years ago. In Joe’s time of bereavement, John and his wife Pat invited him to spend his vacation time in Port Maitland, Nova Scotia, which Joe described as “a little bit of heaven.”

One of John’s brainstorms was inviting grandchildren of Holy Cross Men, who themselves were students of the Cross, to become honorary members of the Class of ’48. These honorary members include Kate (Hughes) Joyce ’03, John Cantwell ’05, Maggie (Fontana) Weber ’05, Katherine McCarthy ’05, Hadley Dinardo ’06 and Nicholas Carr ’07.

One of the finest contributions that John made to the College was when he became a member of the Bishop Healy Committee, which was established to recruit minority students to attend Holy Cross.

Peter, John’s son, gave a beautiful eulogy remembering his life with his father and their close relationship. Peter described some of his father’s many talents, which are indicative of the fact that John was a true Renaissance Man. He was born on September 21, 1926 and passed away on December 21, 2009.

> John Becker’s epitaph well might be: I have fought the good fight I have finished my course I have kept the faith 2 Tim. 4:17

> Thomas P. Costello ’48 Bronx, N.Y.

**Fr. Desautels**

*I was truly saddened by the news of Father Desautels’ passing away (“In Memoriam,” Spring 2010). During my time at Holy Cross, or even earlier, I did not meet a better professor and friend. He was there for me, when I most needed him, strengthening my capacity to think, and to act—an unusual combination he was able to deliver which, in turn, inspired me to exercise it to the fullest in my day-to-day life as a father, husband, son and friend, as well as in my professional life. In fact, it was through his relentless advice for me to continue my French studies that I was able to reach the high levels one ostensibly needs in that language, both in the diplomatic world that became my life’s work with the United Nations, and with the Nicaraguan Foreign Service. May God be right at his side, and I thank you most kindly for the beautiful obituary published in your Spring edition.*

> Guillermo Perez-Arguello ’73 Managua, Nicaragua

**Correction:**

The write-up of Professor Mark Freeman’s book, *Hindsight*, in the Spring 2010 issue referenced the book being awarded the American Psychological Association’s Theodore R. Sarbin Award. The award was actually bestowed upon Freeman for his body of work, not only his most recent book. The glowing citation from the award committee reads, in part: “Through scholarly articles and chapters and through such groundbreaking books as *Rewriting the Self*’(1993) and *Hindsight* (2010), [Mark Freeman] has made transformative theoretical contributions to the psychological study of narrative, memory and the self. One of the foremost thinkers in the growing field of narrative psychology, Freeman is the rare psychologist with the gift of discerning the philosophical undercurrents and deep moral significance of everyday behavior and consciousness.” Congratulations to Professor Freeman!

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164th Commencement

The weather could not have been better for the College’s 164th Commencement exercises. Sunshine, light breezes and low humidity set the happy tone for the special occasion. The day included engaging words from honored speakers, the processing of students in their graduation garb and the sound of snapping camera shutters. A reception in the courtyard outside of Kimball Hall capped off the festivities. See Page 9 for more Commencement coverage.
Bishop Robert J. McManus of the Diocese of Worcester

Valedictorian
Julianna Stuart ’10

Bishop Robert J. McManus of the Diocese of Worcester
Mark Shriver ’86, vice president and managing director of Save the Children, delivered the principal address and received an honorary degree at the College’s 164th Commencement, held May 28, on Fitton Field. A total of 715 men and women were awarded bachelor of arts degrees during the ceremony.

Shriver remarked that the graduates, in choosing to study at Holy Cross, had accepted an invitation to live life differently than had they enrolled in any other college.

“Just think of the name of this college: Holy Cross,” he said. “You enrolled in a place that sees the Cross, the painful crucifixion of Jesus Christ as a Holy and redeeming moment. A place whose very identity is shaped by the image of a very human, frail, broken, and persecuted Christ. A Christ who said yes to the invitation to sacrifice his humanity and save the world.”

Noting that the graduates will often “be face-to-face with circumstances in which the good life is not being lived, in which freedom and opportunity for others is being denied or compromised,” Shriver remarked, “Individualism and consumerism will invite you to look their way, to focus exclusively on your needs and desires.

“Will you accept that invitation?” he asked. “Or will you accept Christ’s invitation to right the wrongs around you and to heal the world?”

In expressing the hope that the graduates will choose “to make gentle the ways of the world in whatever way God invites you,” Shriver shared the stories of four Holy Cross alumni dedicated to serving the needs of others: Thomas Flynn, M.D., ’51; Elizabeth Sheehan ’81; David Perini ’59; and Eddie Jenkins ’72.

Challenging the graduates to accept the invitation to be a “woman for others” or a “man for others” in the Jesuit tradition, throughout their lives, he concluded with a quote from Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.: “Everybody can be great because anybody can serve. … You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love.”

In his work with Save the Children, Shriver oversees efforts to provide early childhood development, literacy, physical activity and nutrition for children living in impoverished rural communities in the United States; he also serves as chairman of the National Commission on Children and Disasters, ensuring that the needs of children are included in planning, response and recovery efforts. Serving two terms as a member of the Maryland House of Delegates from 1994 until 2002, Shriver was the first chairman of the Joint Committee on Children, Youth and Families. In 1988, he founded Choice Program in Maryland, a public/private partnership serving delinquent and at-risk youth through community-based counseling and job training services.

Shriver is married to Jeanne Ripp Shriver ’87; the couple have three children. His parents, R. Sargent Shriver and the late Eunice Kennedy Shriver, a former Holy Cross Trustee, had also received honorary degrees from the College, as well as his sister, Maria Shriver, and uncle, the late Sen. Edward M. Kennedy.

This year’s valedictorian was Julianna B. Stuart, a religious studies major with a concentration in peace and conflict studies, from Storrs, Conn. Reflecting on the capacities learned at Holy Cross to question and to listen, Stuart observed: “This institution never asked us to be satisfied. In fact, this institution taught us how to be uncomfortable. It gave us a gift and a responsibility. And honoring that responsibility requires that we never stop questioning, we never stop listening, we never stop trying for something better than what we are told to accept.”

In addition to Shriver, Holy Cross awarded honorary degrees to: Rev. William A. Barry, S.J., ’52 distinguished commentator and guide on Ignatian spirituality and author of numerous books, including Finding God in All Things; Rev. Sally Bingham, Episcopal priest and canon for the environment in the Diocese of California; and Sidney Callahan, lecturer, professor and psychologist, who has written numerous books and articles devoted to religious, psychological and ethical questions.

On Thursday afternoon, May 27, the College community gathered on the Hart Center lawn to celebrate the Baccalaureate Mass with the graduates and their families. Holy Cross president, Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J., was the principal celebrant and Rev. James J. Miracky, S.J., associate dean for faculty development, the homilist.

Visit holycross.edu for additional coverage of Commencement.

—Pam Reponen
Through a Parent’s Eyes

As students wrapped their arms around friends and received the congratulations of their loved ones, we asked parents how they were feeling on Commencement Day, and what their lasting impressions would be of the Commencement events.

“It was just a fantastic day for everyone, especially the ceremony itself when the purple and white balloons were released into the blue sky over Worcester. That was just the perfect image for the graduates leaving Holy Cross that day. We feel so lucky to have been there—and even luckier to be returning for two of the next three graduations.”
—Jim Colihan ’75 of Wilton, Conn., with wife Jane, daughters Katherine ’10 and Leigh ’11, and sons John ’13 and Jimmy

“The weather was so spectacularrly beautiful and the Commencement itself ran like clockwork. We were so impressed! I think our most favorite memories were all on Thursday. Bob and I will always have a stillframe photo in our minds of watching Meg—beaming and surrounded by friends—process over the hill from the Hart Center toward the Baccalaureate Mass location. And then when the students turned around, faced their parents and offered a blessing—well, we all had lumps in our throats.”
—Anne Schulte of Centerville, Mass., with husband Bob and daughter Margaret ’10

“Without question, we were in a special place, surrounded by special people.”
—Steve Malfitano of Harrison, N.Y., with wife Barbara, daughter Amanda ’10, son Christopher ’13 and Steve’s parents

“Perhaps the single best word that captures all our emotions is ‘gratitude.’ To everyone associated with the Holy Cross community—‘people of God and people of love’—people who have embraced and loved our children as much as their own, we are grateful beyond words.”
—Michael Stuart of Storrs, Conn., with wife Susan, daughter Julianna ’10, son Alex, daughter Katie ’06 and son Jimmy ’09; Julianna was the 2010 valedictorian.

“Aafter we attended the Baccalaureate Mass, we relaxed and socialized with about 10 families of Greg’s friends, knowing the kids had worked hard, gotten through and had a great experience. … And what remains with me are the faces of the graduates as they processed onto the field for Commencement: the excitement, the joy and the pride in making it through.”
—Jim Moye of Fairfield, Conn., with wife Jeanne, son Greg ’10, son Patrick and daughter Lucy

“I really enjoyed the Baccalaureate Ball, because it gave me the opportunity to visit with so many of my son’s friends and their parents. It made me feel part of a real community. The next day, I was struck by how many guests of the graduates were wearing purple … I was so touched to think that now Patrick was one of these proud Holy Cross alumni. Mark Shriver’s speech really impressed me. That he is a Holy Cross graduate who has done so much for others seemed very fitting. This is what Holy Cross is all about.”
—Linda Cheney of Dartmouth, Mass., with husband Chris and son Patrick ’10, son Matthew and daughters Elizabeth and Rebecca

The Colihan family now counts four Crusaders among its ranks. Katherine (far left) received her degree on May 28.
Six Employees Receive Claire B. Burns Awards

The Claire B. Burns Awards, sponsored by Donal J. ’49 and Claire B. Burns ’90, are presented annually to non-exempt employees of the College who foster the spirit of family that is a treasured characteristic of the Holy Cross community. This year, the recipients are Debora M. Cain, health services; Lillian G. Carlson, dining; Helena J. Mahan, physical plant/building services; Sonia Manguard Corazzini, physical plant/building services; Robert L. Pratt, physical plant/grounds and Lillian M. Williams, athletics. As part of the Claire B. Burns Awards Program, Debora M. Cain received The Rev. William J. O’Halloran, S.J., Award. This award was established to honor Fr. O’Halloran’s long years of service to the College (1963–2008) and his closeness to non-exempt employees. Fr. O’Halloran served as chair of the psychology department, assistant chaplain, rector of the Jesuit Community, Trustee, vice president of the College, and special assistant to the president.

PURPLE GOES BLUE

Millions of people around the globe were seeing blue on April 1, thanks to the Light It Up Blue event organized by Autism Speaks, the non-profit group founded by Suzanne and Bob Wright ’65. To help raise awareness of autism and to commemorate World Autism Awareness Day on April 2, prominent buildings across North America and the world—including the Empire State Building in New York City and Fenway Park in Boston—were illuminated with blue light (lightitupblue.org). Holy Cross proudly participated: Workers climbed into O’Kane Tower to turn its four white clock faces blue for that special evening.

WORD ON THE HILL

What do you think might surprise alumni about Holy Cross today if they magically found themselves living back on campus?

“Professors now more than ever are using technology and multimedia to teach their classes. Readings are supplied through Electronic Reserve, assignments are posted via Moodle and lectures are given with the help of PowerPoint presentations.”

— Matt Mullaney ’11, Livingston, N.J.; Economics/Accounting & Classics
New Associate Dean for Faculty Development

Psychology Professor Amy Wolfson has been tapped to replace Rev. James Miracky, S.J., as the new associate dean for faculty development at the College. Fr. Miracky, who joined the English department in 1996 and has served as associate dean since 2008, is heading to Maryland to become dean of the Loyola College of Arts and Sciences at Loyola University Baltimore.

“I was very happy to hear of Professor Wolfson’s appointment,” says Fr. Miracky. “Her strong record as a teacher, scholar and active citizen of the College, as well as her work as chair of the psychology department, make her a natural for the position.”

Wolfson will be heavily involved in developing the College’s new Center for Teaching and Learning, which will be supported by a grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation.

Having earned her B.A. from Harvard and both an M.A. and a Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from Washington University, Wolfson joined the College faculty in 1992. Receiving tenure in 1999, she was promoted to professor in 2006; Wolfson chaired the psychology department for the past two years. Her work on sleep patterns in adolescents has been supported in recent years by a seven-figure grant from the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development.

Eyes Wide Open

When Holy Cross Assistant Chaplain Rev. Gregory Lynch, S.J., visited Le Moyne College in Syracuse, N.Y., last year, something grabbed his attention and didn’t let go. A display of boots—worn by New York soldiers killed in action—had been arranged at Le Moyne by the American Friends Service Committee. The traveling exhibit is called “Eyes Wide Open,” and it moved Fr. Lynch. “It immediately seized my attention,” he says, adding that along with the military boots, “about 30 pairs of civilian shoes represented the causalities of innocent civilians who were simply in the wrong place at the wrong time.”

Fr. Lynch began a plan to bring the exhibit to Holy Cross, hoping it would “raise the perennial questions about war and peace that permeate our political and religious discourse.” In April, his idea became a reality.

The Eyes Wide Open exhibit, set up in front of St. Joseph Memorial Chapel, showcased the boots of more than 200 fallen New England soldiers. Students, faculty, staff and members of the Worcester community stopped by to ponder the scene, which included personal notes and mementos in and on the boots.

“My hope was that the boots would captivate us and remind us of the beautiful individuals whose affection, love, faith and selflessness live on as visible signs of an invisible grace, most especially for those who knew them,” Fr. Lynch says.

—Cassie Shortsleeve ’10
Name of Course: Sea Power

Professor: Cmdr. John K. Bishop, USN, (right) acting commanding officer, visiting associate professor and acting chair, naval science, Holy Cross NROTC Unit

Enrollment: Required of all midshipmen; intended for first-year students.*

Description: A survey of U.S. naval history from the American Revolution to the present, focusing on the Navy's role as an instrument of national security and foreign policy; in-depth discussion of naval developments, key maritime strategies and naval contributions in various periods of American history.


Requirements: Term paper, quizzes/homework, class participation, midterm and final exam

Class visit: Brief update on current events, followed by lecture/discussion on World War II—“War in the Pacific, the Defensive Phase”: Consideration of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor and the battles of the Coral Sea, Midway and Guadalcanal, with emphasis on war strategy, weapons systems, maintenance of crucial communications and supply lines; and the concept of strategic vs. tactical victory

Professor quote: “The objective of the Sea Power class is to enlighten and educate students about the history of the U.S. Navy and the role of the Naval Services (U.S. Navy and U.S. Marine Corps) as an instrument of U.S. national security and foreign policy,” says Cmdr. Bishop. “The class is first introduced to the earliest seagoing civilizations, concerned with providing security and increased protection for their seaborne commerce. The class then follows the historical aspects of the emergence of the great sailing fleets of Europe, the Navy’s founding during the American Revolution, technological advancements through the ages, and, finally, development of maritime strategies during periods of peace and armed conflict.”

Professor bio: Executive officer of the Holy Cross NROTC Unit since 2006, Cmdr. Bishop became acting commanding officer in 2009. He had previously held the posts of Naval Forces Europe command duty officer during Operations IRAQI and ENDURING FREEDOM and Navy Region Europe air operations officer and chief of staff, while serving in London. A graduate of Ball State University, Muncie, Ind., he was commissioned through the Aviation Officer Candidate Program in 1983 and designated a naval flight officer in 1984. Cmdr. Bishop received his master’s degree in national security and strategic studies from the Naval War College in 1994.

Student quote on the impact of the Navy in shaping American history: “During the early years of our country’s existence, the Navy played the largest role in preserving our new found freedom in, for example, the War of 1812 and the Barbary Wars,” says Frances Klimczak ’13, of Collinsville, Conn. “... Today, while many believe surface warfare has become obsolete, especially with the aircraft technology we have, I believe the Navy will always play a large role in defending the United States. A large percentage of the globe is covered in ocean, not to mention all the coast line we need to protect! The class has gotten me excited about taking part in the next phase of the U.S. Navy’s evolution.”

* Depending on space availability, any student may take naval science courses and receive credit for the satisfactory completion of accredited courses; he or she does not, however, have any official status in the NROTC program or receive any of the benefits provided to NROTC students.

The department of naval science at Holy Cross educates students to serve as commissioned officers in the Navy and Marine Corps. The department was founded concurrently with the establishment of the Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps (NROTC) program at the College. Military science is also offered through the Colleges of Worcester Consortium, including ROTC programs for the Army and Air Force at Worcester Polytechnic Institute.
Not For Sale, a California-based organization dedicated to establishing a grassroots effort to “re-abolish” slavery and eradicate human trafficking across the world, recently recognized Matthew Harper ’11 for his work researching trafficking patterns in Cambodia and raising $1,600 to help shine a light on the problems of modern-day slavery in that area. “I know that no amount of money will solve the horrors many find themselves trapped in,” he says, adding that he is committed to examining the root causes of Cambodian trafficking and investigating possible solutions.

Harper was introduced to Not For Sale by classmate, friend and NFS Connecticut state director Jamee Herbert ’10, who volunteered for NFS with rescued children in Lima while studying abroad in Peru in 2009.

Herbert is pleased that the group is off to a good start at Holy Cross, collaborating with other student organizations to bring events and displays to campus and getting the fledgling Holy Cross Coalition for Students Against Human Trafficking off the ground.

HIP HOP SYMPOSIUM

Students from Worcester’s North High and South High schools came to campus this spring for a Hip Hop Symposium, a collaborative effort by Margaret A. Post ’96, director of the Donelan Office of Community-Based Learning, and Daniel DiCenso ’98 (shown here with students), visiting instructor of music. The students engaged in college-level discussions of the cultural influence of hip hop. The event also encouraged the students to think about how college might be part of their futures.
Sanctae Crucis

Established in 1998 to recognize the distinguished achievements of alumni, the Sanctae Crucis Award is the highest non degree recognition bestowed by the College on a graduate. Joined by classmates and family at the May 7 dinner honoring their achievements, this year’s recipients posed with Board of Trustees Chair P. Kevin Condron ’67 (back row) and Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J., president of the College (far right). They are (from left) Gregory J. Dever, M.D. ’68, Tricia M. Striano ’95, Michael G. Duggan ’82, Jay Clarke ’88 and Robert E. Morris, D.D.S., ’65.

The accolades for the 2010 recipients are as diverse as they are impressive: a teacher-turned-physician who dedicated his professional life to improving medical care in the South Pacific (Gregory Dever). A scholar and curator whose Ignatian approach to seeing the world in new ways has expanded the understanding of art (Jay Clark). A social worker who has used his talents and faith to create hope where none existed (Michael Duggan). A Vietnam veteran and dentist who asks “What am I doing for God?” and answers through his efforts with the World Health Organization (Robert Morris). And a researcher who has unlocked the mysteries of developmental psychology with her ground-breaking discoveries (Tricia Striano). Learn more about the Sanctae Crucis award at holycross.edu/senior_vp/sanctae_crucis

Students Honored

At the May 27 awards presentation ceremony held in Dinand Library, nine graduating students were honored with the 2010 Presidential Service Award and one with the George B. Moran Award, in recognition of their service and contributions to the College and Greater Worcester communities. The 2010 George B. Moran Award recipient was Neha Patel. The 2010 Presidential Service Award recipients were Eric Collazo, Sean Fitzpatrick, Jamison Herbert, Jacqueline Mulvehill, Melissa Nelson, Kerry Sorensen, Julianna Stuart, Christopher Szkutak and Yachira Torres.
Young Alumni

Holy Cross’ exceptionally strong alumni participation rate caught the attention of “Marketplace Money,” the news program broadcast on National Public Radio stations across the country. Reporter Amy Scott sat in while Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J., president of the College, had breakfast with a small group of recent graduates in New York City. The newest Holy Cross alumni talked about how the breakfast gathering gave them an opportunity to re-connect with alma mater—and how that translates into doing what they can to give back in support of College priorities.

The Cost of Higher Education

WBUR’s “Morning Edition” highlighted Holy Cross in a story titled “The Education Bubble.” Fr. McFarland, Director of Financial Aid Lynne Myers and Jill Coughlin ’10 were interviewed about the Holy Cross policies and procedures that help keep manageable debt loads for graduating students.

Strong Worcester Connections

New England Cable News’ Katie Daly reported that relationships built at the College over the last four years led many of the Class of 2010’s 715 graduates to seek and find jobs in the Worcester area.

Trash Becomes Treasure

The Worcester Telegram & Gazette, New England Cable News and The Catholic Free Press all covered the efforts of Holy Cross students to turn end-of-the-semester “trash” into treasure. Clothes, rugs, small appliances, books and nonperishable food that normally find their way to Dumpsters are collected by the College’s student environmental group, Eco-Action, and donated to the Salvation Army and other local service groups. This year’s effort netted hundreds of pounds of usable items and food for those in need, and prevented that amount from ending in landfills.

TRAINING IN TAGALOG

Several members of the Holy Cross family, including College president, Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J., and senior vice president, Frank Vellaccio, traveled to Washington, D.C., to see Harry K. Thomas Jr. ’78 (above, left) sworn in as the U.S. ambassador to the Republic of the Philippines. A career Foreign Service official, Thomas served most recently as director general of the Foreign Service. His previous postings include India, Zimbabwe, Nigeria, Peru and Bangladesh, where he served as the U.S. ambassador from 2003 to 2005. Thomas speaks Spanish, Hindi and Bangla (and now he is learning Tagalog!).

Quick Bites  Can you guess how many

1. Pizzas are baked in Crossroads in one semester?
2. Oranges are given the squeeze in the new Science Café in one month?
3. Gallons of chicken noodle soup were served in Kimball this winter?

A. 6,786  B. 167  C. 5,680

Get the answers at the bottom of the page.

WORD ON THE HILL

What’s one of the hidden gems at Holy Cross?
“The philosophy department’s coffee room. It is on the top floor of Smith with an incredible view of the Chapel side of Easy Street. It is a very relaxing place to study.”

—Claire Moynahan ’11, Sandwich, Mass.; English
A Special Community Evening

Each spring, the Bishop Healy Committee (BHC) of the Holy Cross Alumni Association honors the graduating international and ALANA students and their families at the ALANA Baccalaureate Banquet. (“ALANA” refers to students of African-American, Latin American, Asian-American and Native American heritage.) This year, 310 attendees enjoyed dinner, conversation and laughs as the newest members of the alumni family reflected on their years at Holy Cross.

Luz Colon-Rodriguez ’05, chair of BHC and assistant director of the Office of Multicultural Education, explains that students, family, friends, faculty and staff are all invited to the event to help celebrate the community that fosters the success of the students. “Celebrating in community is extremely important in most world cultures,” Colon-Rodriguez says. “We have had guests coming from as far away as India, China, South America, Canada and Europe.”

As in previous years, there was open-mic time after dessert for guests to share their memories and gratitude with the community. With the help of former BHC Chair Joseph Reilly Jr. ’55, the BHC gave each student an inscribed paperweight. “This year 127 paperweight mementos were given to the graduating ALANA seniors as way to remember the College as they move into the next phase of their lives,” Colon-Rodriguez says, adding “I hope that the students and their families are able to remember that no matter how far they go they are a part of the Holy Cross alumni family ... one that at times can be as challenging as a biological family, but that will provide unconditional support, friendship and fun whenever they need it.”

Olujimi Ijandipe ‘10 (above) and Brenda Castaneda ‘10 (far left) were among the students at the ALANA and International Student Banquet. Family and friends were invited to help celebrate the students’ achievements.
Lectures & Lessons

The spring semester brought dozens of acclaimed speakers and experts to campus to address the Holy Cross community on a wide range of topics. *Sex and the Soul* (Oxford 2007) author and assistant professor of religion at Boston University, Donna Freitas, spoke in April about her research into the influence of sexuality and romantic relationships on the spiritual identities of America's college students. Author and activist Ilyasah Shabazz, daughter of martyred human rights activist Malcolm X, was the keynote speaker for Unity Week. Award-winning *New York Times* columnist Juan González spoke about his current research into how race and technology have shaped the structure and history of the U.S. news media at the Se Puede: Working Toward Latino Student Success conference.

The Office of Student Programs & Involvement Recreation Services (SPI REC) welcomed professional triathlete and cancer survivor Karen Smyers to speak about the four Ps: passion, perseverance, positive attitude and perspective in a Special Spring Speaker event based on the concept of *cura personalis* (care of self, care of others—mind, body and spirit).

To commemorate the 80th anniversary of famed British author and Catholic convert G.K. Chesterton's visit to Holy Cross, the G.K. Chesterton Society of Worcester and the Center for Religion, Ethics and Culture presented "Chesterton in America and at Holy Cross," in the Rehm Library. The event's speakers included Rev. Ian Boyd, C.S.B., president of the G.K. Chesterton Institute for Faith and Culture at Seton Hall University and editor of *The Chesterton Review*, and Dermot A. Quinn, professor of history at Seton Hall and associate editor of *The Chesterton Review*.

In late April, Holy Cross Students for Life invited Serrin M. Foster, president of Feminists for Life of America, to speak on the topic "The Feminist Case Against Abortion." If you live near campus or are planning a visit to Worcester, be sure to check the Holy Cross events calendar to see which speakers are coming throughout the summer and into the fall semester, as many events are open to the public. Visit holycross.edu/calendar/.

SCIENCE NOTES

The new Clare Booth Luce Scholarship is awarded to two women majoring in the physical sciences who are entering their fourth year of study at the College. In addition to the scholarship, the Luce Scholars will partake in paid research fellowships this summer. The first Clare Booth Luce Scholars are chemistry major Lindsey Tonge of Harvard, Mass., and math major Annie Cervin of Yarmouthport, Mass., both members of the class of 2011.

Juan González

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Ilyasah Shabazz

Donna Freitas
Here is a sampling of events happening on the Hill and among alumni clubs across the country. Please refer to the online Holy Cross Events Calendar at http://events.holycross.edu/events/ for details and to see additional events that may have been added since presstime.

**JULY**

15 **Holy Cross Club of Chicago**: 12th annual Chicago Cubs Outing
Chicago Cubs vs. Philadelphia Phillies at Wrigley Field, with pregame reception at the Irish Oak in Chicago

31 **Feast Day of St. Ignatius of Loyola**
and the kickoff of the 2010-11 Jesuit Heritage Celebration: “Jesuits around the World,” a yearlong series of events on campus highlighting the global impact of the Society of Jesus

**SEPTEMBER**

1 **First day of classes**

21 **Second-Year Opportunities (2YO) Keynote Address to the Class of 2013**: “Listening is an Act of Love: A How to,” by Dave Isay, radio producer, StoryCorps founder, and author of *Listening is an Act of Love: A Celebration of American Life from the StoryCorps Project*—followed by a book signing. Hogan Campus Center Ballroom, 7 PM

**AUGUST**

1–21 **Eighth annual Summer Passport Program**: An intensive academic program for members of the Class of 2014. Funded by a grant from The Goizueta Foundation

22–27 **Odyssey 2014**: A Preview of your Holy Cross Journey: An optional orientation program for ALANA (African-American, Latin American, Asian-American and Native American) and international students

Hours: Weekdays, 10 AM–5 PM; Saturdays, 2–5 PM

**OCTOBER**

2 **Memorial Mass for Kim McElaney ’76**, longtime director of the Office of College Chaplains. Mary Chapel, 4:30 PM, with Holy Cross president, Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J., as presider and homilist

2 **Fall Homecoming**, featuring the Holy Cross football team vs. Fordham and the second annual HCAA In Hoc Signo Awards dinner

5 **Deitchman Family Lectures on Religion and Modernity**: “Ecology and Theology,” by Elizabeth Johnson, C.S.J., of Fordham University. Rehm Library, 7:30 PM

Inspired by Buddhism, nature, Islamic architecture, industry and 1960s pop culture, Lanzetta’s work “incorporates a complex amalgam of archetypal organic plant forms juxtaposed with repetitive patterns extracted from architecture and surface textures of industrial materials.” For more information about her work, visit margaretlanzetta.com


29–31 **Family Weekend**

**29 Concert**: Holy Cross College Choir, St. Joseph Memorial Chapel, 8 PM
In *Becoming American Under Fire*, Christian Samito shines a light on the little-known influence African American and Irish American soldiers had on the modern vision of national citizenship that developed during the Civil War. By bearing arms for the Union, African Americans and Irish Americans exhibited their loyalty to the United States and their capacity to act as citizens, strengthening their American identity in the process. *Holy Cross Magazine* checked in with Samito, an attorney in Boston who teaches at Boston College and the Boston University School of Law.

**Q** You were a history major at Holy Cross. How far back does your love of history go?

**A** My father is a history teacher, and he exposed me to the subject from a very young age, especially American history. Reading about Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln and other historical figures, and visiting historical sites during family vacations, helped bring history alive for me. When I enrolled at Holy Cross I don’t think there was any doubt in my mind that I’d study history as a major.

**Q** Your expertise is clearly in the Civil War era. What draws you to this particular time period?

**A** I’m drawn to the Civil War era because of its importance in American history. The Civil War and its aftermath affected just about every facet of American life and government in some way, and the American people made critical choices during this time period that helped create the United States we know today. I’m fascinated by the history of the Revolution and early Republic for the same reason and hope someday to write a book examining some aspect of that period of American history as well.

**Q** What do you think readers will find surprising about this slice of American history when they read your book?

**A** I think readers will be surprised by how the postwar activism of African Americans helped bring about recognition of their full citizenship through naturalization and caused the United States to pressure Britain to abandon its centuries-old policy of refusing to recognize the naturalization of British subjects abroad (such as Irish who immigrated to the United States and naturalized here). Also by how vaguely defined national citizenship was before the Civil War and how it emerged from the Civil War era greatly transformed in concept and in practice, by how active and vocal African Americans were during this time period and by some facets of the black military experience; for example, that African American soldiers received a high level of due process when they were tried by general courts-martial. I grew to have a profound respect for the African Americans I researched for this book, many of whom were not famous leaders, many of whom were recently off the plantation, who not only fought for the Union but also for equal citizenship rights with striking eloquence and courage. Their story is a very moving one.

**Q** Can one draw parallels between African Americans and Irish Americans gaining recognition from their Civil War service to today’s immigrants fighting in the U.S. military and then becoming U.S. citizens?

**A** I think one can. There are thousands of non-naturalized immigrants serving in the U.S. military, some on the front lines. African Americans (excluded from national citizenship before the Civil Rights Act of 1866 and the Fourteenth Amendment ratified in 1868) and Irish Americans (who faced nativist hostility) used their military service to call for full inclusion as U.S. citizens. At the same time, their service emphasized an allegiance to the U.S. borne out of serving in its armed forces—an especially profound process for ex-slaves, most of whom probably never considered if they owed allegiance to any country while on the plantation. I suspect similar processes are taking place for immigrants serving in the U.S. military today who want to naturalize, and that their military service helps reinforce their new allegiance.

**Q** Care to share any fond memories of Holy Cross?

**A** Certainly the sense of community at Holy Cross and all the terrific friendships, many of them still going strong 15 years after I graduated. History professors Lorraine Attreed and Bill Green (among others) and John Hamilton and Blaise Nagy in the classics department not only taught me well, they showed me the power that professors have to influence and inspire students. Their example made me want to teach as well.
Canoe Trip: North to Athabasca
By Dave Curran '73
L&R Publishing/Hellgate Press
In 2002, Dave Curran journeyed by canoe on the MacFarlane River to pristine Lake Athabasca and, along the way, saw the rarely traveled and uninhabited remote wilderness of northern Saskatchewan, Canada. Canoe Trip is the story of his adventure—and tips for planning one of your own.

Finger of God: My Driven Odyssey Toward Deliverance
By Pasquale A. Emiro '56
Dorrance Publishing Co.
Finger of God chronicles retired guidance counselor Pasquale Emiro's life, and how God shaped him from a juvenile delinquent into a loving and compassionate husband and father.

Divine Worship and Human Healing: Liturgical Theology at the Margins of Life and Death
By Rev. Bruce T. Morrill, S.J., '81
Liturgical Press
Through narratives from his own pastoral experiences, as well as biblical, historical and other academic sources, Fr. Morrill explores how the rites serving the sick, dying, deceased and grieving show why sacramental liturgy is fundamental to communities of faith.

The Holy Transfiguration
By Rev. Robert F. Slesinski '72
Eastern Christian Publications

Help My Unbelief
By Rev. William O'Malley, S.J., '53
Orbis Books
An author and teacher for more than 40 years, Fr. O'Malley uses Help My Unbelief to answer the pressing questions facing modern Catholics, including "How can I know there is a God?", "Does science make my faith look foolish?" and "How do I respond to the 'new atheism' and to scandal in the Church?"

Negotiation Techniques to Help Your Family, Your Business and Yourself
By John R. Kilsheimer '45
AuthorHouse
After a long career with four Fortune 500 companies, John Kilsheimer shares his insights on effective negotiation for students pursuing their life goals and adults trying to perfect their personal and business relationships. His chapter-ending truisms include gems such as, "Yes or no can blow the show," and "Have no fear, just keep your calculator near."

The Sacraments We Celebrate
By Monsignor Peter J. Vaghi '70
Ave Maria Press
Monsignor Vaghi's guide to the seven mysteries of faith explores the scriptural foundation, symbolism and history of each sacrament, and is aimed at Catholics seeking to understand the central actions of their faith. Read an excerpt of this book online in the Web exclusives at holycross.edu/magazine

The Soviet Famine
By Nicholas Ganson '98, visiting assistant professor of history
Palgrave Macmillan
Drawing on materials declassified since the fall of Communism, this text highlights a little-known crisis in the Soviet Union: the famine of 1946–47. Ganson gives voice to the famine's victims and explores how the famine stood at the crossroads of Soviet social and political history, World War II, the Cold War, ideology and famine in the modern world.
Before Fr. Brooks was Rev. John E. Brooks, S.J., ’49—respected president emeritus and Jesuit with a heart of purple—he was Private Brooks, a second-year student, who, in 1943 felt a call that was red, white and blue. “In those days, everyone wanted to go,” says Fr. Brooks, who enlisted in the U.S. Army during World War II like many of his classmates and spent more than two years overseas. “You were proud if you were a volunteer.”

Both in times of peace and war, thousands of Holy Cross students and alumni have raised their right hands and taken an oath to support and defend the U.S. Constitution as members of the military. Edward Scott, the very first student to arrive at the College in 1843, later fought in the Civil War, as did 27 other alumni. Three wooden plaques in St. Joseph Memorial Chapel list the names of every Holy Cross man who was killed in combat from World War I through the Vietnam War. Women, too, have made their mark. In 1976, 2nd Lt. Kelley McAvoy claimed two milestones on graduation day: She became both the first woman to complete the Holy Cross Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps (NROTC) program, and the first woman in the United States to be commissioned into the Marine Corps through the NROTC “Marine Option.” This long legacy of military service continued in May of this year, when three Marine Corps officers and seven Navy officers—including two women—were commissioned through NROTC.

The call to serve something greater than oneself rings loudly on Mount St. James. To heed the call to military service requires acceptance of the dangers that come with active duty, a dedication to training and a willingness to sometimes face the vocal disapproval of one’s fellow citizens. Despite those hurdles, many Holy Cross men and women choose the path, inspired by the Jesuits’ daily reminder to be “men and women for others.” Exemplifying the selflessness demanded by military service, Holy Cross alumni have received two Medals of Honor, four Navy Crosses and 18 Silver Stars. These are the three highest awards given by the armed forces to those who act with exceptional bravery and valor, often at risk—and sometimes at the cost—of their own lives.
ROTC Trains Tomorrow’s Military Leaders

Some Holy Cross veterans enlisted (or were drafted) during wartime. Others enrolled in Officers Candidate School (OCS), a three-month, post-college class that molds officers quickly. (These new officers are cheekily referred to as “90-Day Wonders,” says retired Capt. Thomas Kelley ’60, himself an OCS graduate who went on to receive the Medal of Honor.) But many prepared to be officers on campus through the Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC).

The Navy ROTC (NROTC) program at Holy Cross is an intensive four-year program that simultaneously trains undergraduates in the liberal arts and in military subjects such as national security policy and leadership. Students choose either the Navy option or the Marine Corps option; they can also join the Air Force ROTC program, whose detachment was at Holy Cross from 1951 until 1990, when it moved to Worcester Polytechnic Institute. Funded by the U.S. military, ROTC programs provide full- and partial-tuition scholarships in return for at least four years of active-duty military service.

“Our midshipmen are so patriotic,” says Cmdr. John Bishop, USN, who tracked hostile submarines in the Pacific before taking charge of the Holy Cross NROTC program—and its 65 or so midshipmen—four years ago. “They love this country, and that’s why they’re doing it. We serve from the heart.”

At 69 years old, the NROTC program at Holy Cross is one of the oldest in the country and the only one at a small, private, liberal arts college in New England. During the Vietnam era, many schools—including Harvard, Brown, Yale and Tufts universities—ordered their ROTC programs to leave campus. Not that the Holy Cross program endured smooth sailing: It too was the target of protests, and in 1971 the Holy Cross student body voted to remove NROTC from campus. The College administration, however, overruled that decision.

One unusual campus legend from that tumultuous period involves the well-worn pool table that currently resides in the NROTC wardroom in Carlin Hall, where the midshipmen study. When the Harvard ROTC unit was booted from campus, so the story goes, the members bequeathed their game table to the Holy Cross unit. Nice story, but in reality, the pool table predates the ROTC shutdown in Cambridge. Many of the books used by Holy Cross ROTC students in the 1970s and beyond, however, were stamped as the property of the Harvard, Brown and Dartmouth programs.

New in 2009: Yellow Ribbon Program

To make private education more affordable for veterans and their children, the College joined the Yellow Ribbon Program, along with more than 60 Massachusetts schools, and many more countrywide. This program is part of the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008, otherwise known as the New GI Bill. Simply put, it helps bridge the financial gap between what the GI Bill covers—an amount pegged to the cost of a public education—and the cost of a private school. For qualified veterans, Holy Cross offers $6,000 a year toward tuition, says Lynne Myers, director of financial aid; the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) matches that amount.

New in 2010: Marine Corps Grant

With an impressive initial endowment of $1 million, the brand-new Holy Cross/U.S. Marines Corps Scholarship Fund will offer its first grant to a student applying this year to begin Holy Cross in the 2011-12 year. The brainchild of Park B. Smith ’54, the scholarship benefits a Marine veteran and/or a child of a disabled Marine veteran. Earnings from the endowment will determine the dollars available each year for the scholarship; the first scholarship will be enough to cover the full tuition, which is currently about $39,300. As the endowment grows from additional contributions and from investment growth the Fund will be able to offer additional scholarships. “We’re constantly looking for ways fundraising can meet the needs of new populations like veterans,” says Myers.
Why Liberal Arts Makes a Difference

The Holy Cross men and women who have served in the military would agree that military might should not equate solely to brute force. It encompasses strength of body and mind and character. “I understand that with the sophistication of equipment the military needs people who are engineers,” says Fr. Brooks. “But I think it’s extremely important that the armed forces have leadership that’s been trained in the liberal arts. They have a sense of history and are able to articulate and have good moral judgment.”

The fact that more than 15 Holy Cross graduates have earned the high-level ranks of flag and general officers in the Navy, Army and Marine Corps (including one Secretary of the Navy) is proof positive, says Fr. Brooks, that the first-class liberal arts training at Holy Cross produces leaders: “That’s the result of this education.”

Behind each name, rank and number is a personal story of service to our country and fond memories of Holy Cross. Read on as alumni representing each decade from the 1930s through the 2000s share their journeys.

Lives Saved, Life Lived

William T. Shea ’39, U.S. Navy

If you spot William Shea’s new, cherry-red Ford pickup truck tooling around Worcester this summer, you’d be forgiven for guessing there might be a freshly minted Holy Cross graduate behind the wheel, enjoying a cool gift from Mom and Dad. But look closer and you’ll see that the driver—a handsome man with snow-white hair—is 93 years old. He earned his degree from Holy Cross 71 years ago.

Knowing from an early age that he would join his father and brothers in running Shea Drug Company, the family’s pharmacies, Shea enrolled at the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy after finishing at Holy Cross in 1939. He was drafted into the Navy in 1942, at the beginning of his senior year. Shea spent most of the next three years in Newfoundland, New Guinea and the Philippines as a harbor pilot, guiding incoming and outgoing ships safely to and from dock.

While in the Philippines, he received an official Navy commendation for saving a U.S. serviceman from drowning. It was the last in a trio of unusual events: When he was 14 years old, Shea came to the aid of a man who was having an epileptic seizure; when he was 22 and away on vacation, he encountered another man having a seizure, forcing Shea to run to a local pharmacy for medication. (The latter incident delayed his first date with his future wife, Irene. “My date was at 7:30 p.m., but it was 8:30 p.m. when I got there,” he says. “I thought she’d say ‘Keep going!’ but she didn’t, and we’ve been married 65 years.”)

Then, in 1945, the lieutenant was on a dock in the Pacific. “All of a sudden I look, and there’s a guy in the water,” he says. “So I dove in.” Shea dragged the man to safety, only to realize he was having an epileptic seizure. He knew exactly what to do. Coincidence? Not a chance, says Shea. “I think the man up above somehow tells you what to do. There’s no other way that I would be that lucky.”

That same year, he also helped bring into port the survivors of the torpedoed USS Indianapolis, the worst Naval disaster in U.S. history. In July 1945 the Indianapolis was heading for the Philippines when she was bombed by a Japanese sub. She took only 12 minutes to sink, leaving about 900 of her 1,196 crew in the water. Almost five days of exposure, shark attacks and dehydration, only about 300 men were rescued from the sea.

Back in the United States, Shea worked hard to send his seven children to college, including three—Timothy ’70, Peter ’75 and Rosemary ’79—to Holy Cross. Shea shut down his pharmacies when he was 59, then went to work for the Veterans Administration until he was 76. Not content to be idle, he made deliveries for an auto parts store in a (what else?) pickup truck, retiring at 80. “I’m an old man, and I live day to day,” Shea says. “And one of these days I won’t be here, but we’ve had a wonderful life.”
With a new name and new status as an official affiliate of the Alumni Office, the O’Callahan Society—formerly the O’Callahan NROTC Committee—is looking for new members to join the 1,400 Holy Cross servicepeople who are already on its mailing list. Are you a veteran, on active duty, an ROTC graduate or simply a supporter of the military? Then, just like Uncle Sam, the O’Callahan Society wants you. There are no dues or applications. All that’s required is a shared commitment to the Society’s three key missions:

**Mission No. 1:** Remember Fr. O’Callahan. The Society wants to make sure that new generations hear the story of its namesake, Rev. Joseph T. O’Callahan, S.J. Not only was he the first Navy chaplain to receive the Medal of Honor in World War II, he taught mathematics, physics and philosophy at Holy Cross before and after the war. Fr. O’Callahan was a lieutenant commander in the Navy’s Chaplains Corps, stationed on the USS Franklin when the ship was set afire by a Japanese attack in March 1945. He provided comfort to men of all faiths onboard and manned a fire hose, cooling hot live bombs that were rolling about the deck of the injured ship. He directed the flooding of the magazine and the jettisoning of fuel, all through choking smoke. Fr. O’Callahan is the Society’s symbol of service to his fellow man and his country.

**Mission No. 2:** Support NROTC and ensure its continued existence. Although about 70 midshipmen will participate in the NROTC program at Holy Cross this coming fall, that number has inched slowly downward over the years. The Society works to promote the value of the program, says retired Cmdr. Bill Dempsey ’63, U.S. Navy Reserve, who is chairman of the Society and an NROTC graduate. “A liberal arts education encourages one to think broadly and comprehensively,” says Dempsey, who believes that thoughtful military officers are essential in this fast-paced, complicated world. “To deny access by the armed services to a source of liberally educated officers is to ultimately deny policymakers the benefit of that thinking, and that is probably not a good thing for the country. In this regard, the Holy Cross unit is particularly important because it is one of the few remaining at a small, liberal arts college.”

The Annual Speaker Dinner is a key way for the Society to increase the visibility of NROTC and reinforce its contributions to Holy Cross and the military. Everyone in the campus community—including alumni—are encouraged to attend this year’s dinner on Oct. 2, 2010. Cmdr. Bernadette Semple ’82, U.S. Navy, will be the featured speaker. The dinner is also the Society’s only fund-raising event; ads in the evening’s program raise a few thousand dollars each year. “The money is directed back to the NROTC unit in the form of recognition awards to the midshipmen,” says Society member and NROTC graduate Jim Delehaunty ’67, who was a Holy Cross NROTC instructor from 1971 to 1974. The Society offers two $500 grants to non-scholarship NROTC students and presents all graduating seniors with their first rank insignia: ensign for those in the Navy or second lieutenant for those in the Marine Corps.

**Mission No. 3:** Respect the contributions of our military. “We honor and remember those who have served, are serving and will serve,” says Dempsey. Special focus is paid to those from Holy Cross, Worcester Polytechnic Institute and Worcester State College, the three schools in the ROTC consortium, sharing resources and students. One event hosted by the Society in 2008 celebrated Lt. Frank Malinski ’61, an NROTC graduate who died when the USS Thresher sank off the coast of New England in 1963. Malinski had no living relatives who could carry on in his name. Dempsey says simply, “People shouldn’t be forgotten.”

For information about joining the O’Callahan Society, email ocallahan@holycross.edu. And for the full story of Fr. O’Callahan’s bravery on the USS Franklin, visit holycross.edu/HCM/ocallahan.
Prisoner of War, Warrior on the Field
THOMAS COSTELLO ’48, U.S. ARMY

A year and a half ago, Thomas Costello ’48 was walking down a street in New York wearing a cap embroidered with the words “World War II veteran.” A 19-year-old woman—a complete stranger—came up to him and said, “Thank you for your service to our country.” No one had ever said that to him before. “It took me by surprise and uplifted me,” says this 86-year-old Holy Cross valedictorian, who spent one year and one week as a German prisoner of war from 1944 to 1945. Costello was 20 years old when he was captured on the Anzio beachhead in Italy; his brother Joe was captured a few months later at the Battle of the Bulge. “My poor mother went through hell,” says Costello, who plays down his own miserable POW conditions. His mother stopped answering her front door because it often foretold bad news. His father asked the postman to deliver all telegrams to the tavern he owned nearby, rather than the house. “Especially mothers, they suffer when you go off to war,” he says.

After the war, Costello ended up at a port in Le Havre, France, with about 25,000 other servicemen waiting to head home. “And one day, I was standing in a field maybe 10 or 15 yards off an old dirt road, and who did I see walking at a very fast pace but my brother,” he says. Their joyous return to New York kicked off with a welcome from their Catholic grammar school. “The nuns got word we were coming,” he says, “and they were all hanging out the windows, waving at us.”

While his war memories are still vivid, so too are recollections from his student days on the Hill. Costello, who entered Holy Cross after the war on a football scholarship, notes that some of his happiest days occurred on the playing field, and he likes to remind folks that his team beat a heavily favored Boston College in both 1946 and 1947.

Off the Shelf

Military themes have found their way into fiction and nonfiction books by Holy Cross alumni authors with military backgrounds. Here are a few recently published works.

Same Date of Rank: Grads at the Top and Bottom from West Point, Annapolis and the Air Force Academy (Xlibris Corp.)
By Lt. Col. C. J. Hoppin, USAF (Ret.) ’64
The last man in the class at West Point is called “the goat,” and in 1942, the class goat was the first man in his class to be promoted to brigadier general. This is just one of the inspiring, sometimes quirky stories Hoppin shares in Same Date of Rank, a personal introduction to “active citizen patriots,” who are products of America’s service academies.

How the Navy and I Survived Each Other During WWII (AuthorHouse)
By John R. Kilsheimer ’45
Kilsheimer describes this book as a “mini autobiography relating the adventures of a young free spirit during wartime with friends both good and otherwise.” The book covers two invasions, but focuses more on the unusual happenings taking place during preparation and training periods.

The Carnival Diversion (AuthorHouse)
By Thomas P. Humann ’93
A former Marine pilot for the White House, Humann brings insider details to his first novel about a terrorist plot against the President and First Lady. Humann’s training as a contingency planner for the President informs this work of fiction, full of political intrigue and a fevered countdown to save Air Force One.
Costello, who went on to become a respected trial attorney, won the election for senior class president in 1947 thanks to an unusual campaign strategy. The morning of the vote, his election committee plastered “Vote for Costello” signs only in the men’s rooms: on the mirrors above the sinks, above the urinals and on the inside of each bathroom stall. Costello handily won the election, which earned a scatological nickname from his classmates. One of the students he defeated that day was his late friend William “Rocks” Gallagher ’48, who lost his vision and became well-known for his work on behalf of the blind, serving as president of the American Foundation for the Blind. “This man was so exceptional ... He made it a lot easier for blind people to become full members of society,” says Costello, who is currently seeking a publisher for the book he has written about Gallagher.

Costello has five children and 10 grandchildren with his late wife, Anne, an Army nurse in World War II. He says with a chuckle, “She was a second lieutenant, and I was private first class, and she insisted I had to salute her.”

Setting Sail
CAPT. JIM BALDES ’57,
U.S. NAVY RESERVE (RETIRED)

Growing up in Minnesota—nicknamed the “Land of 10,000 Lakes”—it's perhaps no surprise that Jim Baldes was drawn to the water. “I always wanted to be in the Navy,” says Baldes, who arrived at Holy Cross in 1953 as an NROTC student. “I enjoyed the classes and the Navy subjects, like gunnery, navigation and military science.”

Heading into service at the beginning of the Cold War, Ensign Baldes quickly discovered that one of the staples of Navy life—frequent deployments—had an upside and a downside. On a positive note, he冒险ed around the world to places both exotic and dangerous. As an officer on the USS Robert K. Huntington, he followed the legendary USS Intrepid, an aircraft carrier that is now a historic landmark and docked in New York City as part of the Intrepid Sea, Air and Space Museum. “We were her permanent plane guard,” he says. “Wherever she went, we were there.” And, Baldes was aboard the last Naval squadron—the Destroyer Squadron Six—to sail into Cuba’s Havana harbor. Noting that he also made his way around the United States, he observes: “I’ve been under almost every suspension bridge in the U.S. on a Navy warship.”

The not-so-great angle? The toll deployments take on the family left behind. “Those damn deployments,” says Baldes, who took a seven-day leave from the USS Steinaker in 1958 to hop from Crete to Germany to marry his sweetheart. “It’s nothing that the Navy’s not doing today. These long deployments, that’s normal if
you’re a seagoing naval officer. That’s part of the deal.”

After three years on active duty, Baldes joined the active Naval Reserve. He moved to the Seattle area, where he retired from the military in 1976 after serving 25 years. He retired entirely from paid work in 2000 from Weyerhaeuser, a forest products company where he was a director. Of his time in the military, Baldes says with typical Midwestern understatement: “There’s a sense of duty, but I wouldn’t say I was sad about it.”

The Highest Honor

Capt. Thomas G. Kelley ’60, U.S. Navy (Ret.)

Vietnam veteran Capt. Thomas Kelley makes one thing clear: He “received” the Congressional Medal of Honor, the highest military award given for valor in combat. He did not “win” it. Even though the history books will forever honor his actions on June 15, 1969, Kelley says he was simply serving his country—and fulfilling a promise to lead his men and bring them home safely.

Kelley had arrived in Vietnam eight years after joining the Navy. “Vietnam was just heating up, and they were looking for volunteers for what they call the Brown Water Navy—the boats that go up and down the canals in Vietnam,” says Kelley. One June day, while in command of eight boats, he and his men came under attack after one of their boats broke down. Kelley put himself in the direct line of enemy fire in order to protect his vulnerable men. Despite receiving severe head wounds that left him unable to speak clearly, he maintained command and brought all his men to safety.

After recovering for months in a series of hospitals—in Vietnam, Japan, the Philippines, and finally, Hawaii—he had to fight once again, this time to stay in the Navy. Because of his injuries, the Navy declared that he wasn’t fit for duty, and it wanted to release him from military service. “I lost an eye and a good bit of my skull, but fortunately not my brain, so I fought it,” Kelley says. He was eventually allowed to continue in the Navy, where he served another two decades.

Kelley’s 30-year career in the military is all thanks to his roommates at Holy Cross. It was his last year, graduation was looming, and he possessed neither a job nor a plan. “Two of my best friends came back from downtown Worcester one afternoon and said, ‘We just signed up for the Navy,’” says Kelley, who was intrigued by the idea of spending the summer in Newport, R.I., at Officers Candidate School with roommates Domenic Sica ’60 and Donald Vasconcelos ’60. “I went down the next day and signed up.”

Today, Kelley, who retired from the military in 1990 and lives in Somerville, Mass., with his wife, Joan, heads the Massachusetts Department of Veterans’ Services (mass.gov/veterans), which works on behalf of the Commonwealth’s 400,000 veterans to help with everything from job searches to the effects of post-traumatic stress disorders and traumatic brain injuries.

This year marks the 50th anniversary of his graduation from Holy Cross, and one memory from Kelley’s student years still burns brightly: going to Mass every morning. “It was a good thing to do,” Kelley says with a laugh, “but we did a lot of complaining about it at the time.”
**All Ahead Full for New Adventures**

**Rear Adm. Arnold Lotring ’78, U.S. Navy**

During the mid-1970s at the Holy Cross NROTC unit, there must have been (pun intended) something in the water. Three of the midshipmen whom Rear Adm. Arnold Lotring trained with—Vice Adm. Bruce MacDonald ’78, USN (Ret.), Vice Adm. Pete Daley ’77, USN, and Rear Adm. William McCarthy ’76, USN (Ret.), plus Lotring himself—went on to become “flag officers,” the highest ranks in the Navy. Flag officers are so called because they can fly flags on their vessels or at their shore-based command showing their ranks.

Not bad for a bunch of liberal arts graduates, jokes Lotring. “There’s a great quote I like to use: ‘We’re trained for nothing, prepared for everything.’”

Growing up near the submarine base in Groton, Conn.—and inspired by his Navy father, whose sight was damaged in a kamikaze attack during World War II—Lotring always wanted to be a part of the military. He entered the Holy Cross NROTC program in 1974, when the wounds of the Vietnam War were raw; the library was still spray-painted with an anti-war slogan.

Post-graduation, this chemistry major was accepted by Adm. Hyman G. Rickover into the competitive Navy Nuclear Propulsion program, which trains officers to work on nuclear-powered submarines and aircraft carriers. When Lotring took charge of the *USS Minneapolis-St. Paul* in 1995, he became the first Holy Cross graduate to command a fast attack nuclear submarine.

Currently Lotring is in charge of all Navy advanced skills training, making sure sailors are well prepared in everything from how to rig parachutes and build bridges to fix engines. Lotring is especially encouraged by the young people he meets. “Nobody should have any doubt this is a generation exceptionally dedicated to service to their country,” he says. “There is a war going on, and they’re still coming forward.”

This year, Lotring will retire from the military after 32 years of service. “I’ve had a great career, well-formed from Holy Cross,” he says. “The Jesuits, they’re the greatest teachers. There are far too few of them, even when I was there.”

Lotring and Kathy, his wife of 28 years who was also in the Navy, don’t have definite post-military plans. He says simply, “The adventure will continue as civilians.”

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**A Family Legacy**

**Cmdr. Bernadette Semple ’82, U.S. Navy**

Arriving in the Virginia Colony in the 1600s, the Semple family forged a storied history. One of its members has served in almost every U.S. military conflict in the past 234 years. Civil War Navy Capt. James Semple, who married President Tyler’s daughter Letitia, inspired *The Rebel and the Rose*, a 2007 book that delves into Semple’s connection to lost Confederate gold. Another relative had to pass for white in order to serve in the Spanish American War as a gunner’s mate; several others could only serve as mess cooks because of their race. Cmdr. Bernadette Semple earned her own chapter in the family lore: She became the first woman in her family to serve.

“Service has always been ingrained on both sides of the family: Semple, Lenningham, Barnes, Rice and Howe,” she says. “It’s military and faith and the rule of law.” Still, she didn’t embark on a military career from the get-go. After receiving her degree from Holy Cross in 1982, Semple took off a year before heading to law school, or so she thought. But while auditing a postgraduate class on national security at Columbia University, she felt the call to serve in the military.
What Do They Mean?

U.S. service personnel are awarded citations for exemplary service and other career highlights. The accompanying ribbon is worn on one’s uniform as a point of pride. Below are just a few of the ribbons earned by Holy Cross alumni.

Global War Service
Korean Service
WWII Victory
Humanitarian Service
Fleet Marine Force
Prisoner of War
Vietnam Service
Legion of Merit
Army Achievement
Distinguished Flying Cross
Kuwait Liberation
Philippine Defense
Kosovo Department of Defense
National Defense
Bronze Star
Army Distinguished Service
Distinguished Presidential Unit Citation
Silver Star
Air Force Cross
Coast Guard Medal
Coast Guard Special Operation
Coast Guard Commendation

“I originally signed on for an eight-year commitment, four years active, and four years reserve,” says Semple, who graduated from Officers Candidate School in Newport, R.I. “I had no intention of staying more.”

Four years on active duty turned into 20, and this summer she will retire from the military. “Time just went by so fast,” says Semple, who is a noted expert in computer cyber security with two masters’ degrees, one in information resource management and one in national security affairs, which included a double major in nuclear strategic planning and international negotiation. In one of her recent positions she was the commanding officer of Naval Communications Security Material System (NCMS) in Washington, D.C., where she, with her team, ensured that military communications could be securely sent and received worldwide.

Semple, who is a College Trustee, credits Holy Cross for fostering a solid moral and academic foundation that has influenced her life tremendously. “One of the best decisions I ever made in my in life was going to Holy Cross,” she says. “Holy Cross impacted my approach to leadership and how I treat people. The Jesuits train you to think critically. The training I got at Holy Cross allowed me to see that it’s important to step back, be very thoughtful and stand up for what is right no matter the cost.”

Semple’s post-military future is full of possibilities, but she would like to focus on cyber security law, policy and technology. “To whom much is given, much is expected,” she says. “I remember when my mom died about 12 years ago, the monsignor said that life is always about service. Money, fame and station in life are unimportant. God wants to know, Did you serve? Did you try to help someone? It’s always about giving back.”

Cmdr. Bernadette Semple ’82 also serves as a Holy Cross Trustee.

Matthew Atanian

Ribbons photographed by Adam Kohut
Two recent graduates, Capt. Laura Bridge ’06, U.S. Air Force and Ensign Conor O’Neil, U.S. Navy, exemplify the gifts that a liberal arts education from Holy Cross will bring to the armed forces in the future.

Capt. Laura Bridge ’06, U.S. Air Force

By the time you’re holding this magazine in your hands, Capt. Laura Bridge ’06—fresh from graduation at Georgetown University School of Medicine—will be one of the newest members of the U.S. Air Force: She will have been on active duty for about 10 days.

“My grandfather, Charles Bridge, was drafted into the Army in World War II,” says Bridge, who lost her personal hero this spring. “I spent my whole childhood in awe of him and all the people of his generation who served, the men who made this huge sacrifice. And I wondered if I had what it took to do that.”

She is proving that she does. Bridge attended Holy Cross as the only Air Force ROTC cadet in her 2006 class. (The Air Force ROTC detachment was a part of Holy Cross until 1990, when it moved to Worcester Polytechnic Institute.) This June, Capt. Bridge, M.D., reports for duty at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio, her first active-duty assignment.

Bridge is more than ready to begin her military career. “I cannot wait,” she says. “I want to get back to my Air Force family. I feel like that is where I belong.”

Of course, like any 18-year-old, she had brief moments of What was I thinking? Bridge vividly recalls her first semester at Holy Cross when she was living in Clark Hall. “I remember the first time the alarm rang at 5 a.m. for PT [physical training], and I thought, I can’t believe I’m going to do this two or three times a week for four years.”

She persevered, inspired in part by the ideals of her schools and instructors. At Holy Cross and Georgetown, well-known mottos are “men and women for others” and “care of the whole person.” In the Air Force, a core value is “service before self.”

“They all overlap and intersect,” says Bridge. “What I was learning at Holy Cross, what I was learning through Air Force training and what I learned in pre-

Ensign Conor O’Neil ’09, U.S. Navy

During his NROTC commissioning ceremony last year, Navy pilot-in-training Conor O’Neil was sure of his immediate future: “I thought I was going to charge out of Hogan and jump in the cockpit.” Instead, the military put him in a holding pattern of sorts while key training equipment was being repaired. He was put on funeral detail in Massachusetts for five months.

Every day, O’Neil and two other servicemen would crisscross the Boston area from Weston to Revere to Dorchester to play “Taps” and ceremoniously fold the American flags that were draped over veterans’ coffins. Then this young man would hand the families the flags, accompanied with
the solemn words, “On behalf of the President of the United States of America, a grateful nation, and a proud Navy ...”

“It almost transcended the military,” says O’Neil, who was an altar server at Holy Cross and has trained to be a lay leader of prayer in the Navy. “It’s in the spiritual realm.” Although most funerals were for World War II, Korean, and Vietnam veterans, two were for sailors on active duty. When one of those sailor’s bodies arrived at Logan Airport, O’Neil was there to make sure he had a proper, respectful welcome home.

“It makes me appreciate more what I’m doing,” says O’Neil. He saw firsthand a common thread at every funeral, whether the veteran had been in the military for one year or 20, and whether that vet was a mechanic or millionaire: “They loved the Navy, and they loved their country,” he says.

O’Neil comes from a long line of Navy men. Just ask his mother, Cathy Lyons O’Neil ’77, about the legacy of the pin she often wears. In World War II, the Navy gave these pins—which feature the Navy insignia above an ensign bar—to the mothers of newly commissioned officers. Conor’s great-grandmother received the pin in honor of her son, Capt. John O’Neil, USNR (Ret.). After he married, the pin was handed down to his wife, Carmel, who wore it while her two sons—Conor’s dad, Capt. Sean O’Neil ’76, USNR (Ret.) and Conor’s uncle, Lt. Owen O’Neil ’86, USN—were ensigns. Cathy was given the pin to wear for her oldest son, Lt. Patrick O’Neil ’06, who returned in June from a six-month deployment in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Today, she wears it for Conor.

The delays in Conor’s pilot career are now over. He is six weeks into his training program in Pensacola, Fla.. Soon, he will transfer to nearby Whiting Field. Conor says simply, “I don’t know a life without the Navy in it.”

Marine First, Lawyer Second

Maj. Kurt Sanger ’93, U.S. Marine Corps Reserve

No matter where in the world Maj. Kurt Sanger roams with the Marines, a fellow alumnus is nearby. “I run into a lot of Holy Cross people in the oddest places,” he says. “I was in the middle of Afghanistan and met a Holy Cross guy running out of the bathroom.” How did Sanger figure out there was purple beneath the camo? Hint: A Massachusetts accent was involved.

Sanger joined the Marine Corps in 1999 at the age of 27. He was knee-deep in classes at the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law in New York City when he felt the call to serve. “I wanted to serve the right kind of clients and do the right kind of work, and the United States seemed like a pretty good client to me,” he says.

A military attorney in Europe, Africa, the former Soviet Union and Romania, Sanger taught at Camp Lejeune, N.C.; served as the aide to two generals; and deployed twice to Afghanistan, where he mentored Afghan lawyers. Sanger left the Marines in 2004 but returned to active duty three years later. He missed the teamwork and camaraderie that he says were tough to find outside the military and his rugby team at Holy Cross. “I had never really had a professional experience that made me happy outside the Marine Corps,” he says.

Silent retreats, Wednesday night Masses and especially his political science professors at Holy Cross steered Sanger toward this path. “They gave me an emotional connection to the world,” he says. “I learned that the things we did in America had an effect on every place else.

“The service culture is so ingrained in me,” continues Sanger, who is currently stationed at MacDill Air Force Base in Florida, and who added “newlywed” to his life experiences this spring. “At Holy Cross you’re taught to be a person for others, and when I learned that at Holy Cross, it felt like it’s something you should do,” he says. “But really after I’ve been out of Holy Cross for 17 years, I realize it’s something you are. It’s not something you can fake.”

Maj. Kurt Sanger ’93 in Afghanistan with students in his criminal investigations class.
Wherever the tip of the spear was, I wanted to be there. I loved every minute of

Three Brave Men

The Holy Cross family counts three Medal of Honor recipients among its ranks: Lt. John V. Power ’41, Capt. Thomas Kelley ’60 and Rev. Joseph T. O’Callahan, S.J. (Fr. O’Callahan’s medal, right, is part of the Holy Cross Archives.)

Graduates of Boston College High School, Fr. O’Callahan and Kelley were recently honored by fellow Holy Cross and Boston College High alumnus Phil Byrne ’62, who was instrumental in creating a veterans’ memorial at the high school.

In his speech at the dedication, Byrne recounted: “As a wise man once said, ‘If a nation does not educate both great plumbers and great philosophers, neither its pipes nor its arguments will hold water.’ To paraphrase that thought, in the dangerous world in which we live, we will need both the peacemakers and the peacekeepers.”

To read the rest of Byrne’s moving speech, visit holycross.edu/magazine and see Web Exclusives.
Brian Buckley entered the Marine Corps in the same way he played defensive end for the Holy Cross football team: passionately, full-force, no holding back. “My original plan was just to do four years, and live it as intensely as I could, see as many deployments, as much action as I could,” says Buckley, an intelligence officer who will leave the Marine Corps this fall after five-and-a-half years, two intense tours in Afghanistan and Iraq and a Bronze Star Medal for service. “Wherever the tip of the spear was, I wanted to be there. I loved every minute of the Marine Corps, and it’s certainly a conflicting feeling to get out.”

Buckley decided to become a Marine about a year after graduation from Holy Cross. While sitting at a nice desk at an investment firm in Boston in 2004, he felt a call to do something more. “The country’s at war, and I said to myself, regardless of the politics of the whole situation, it will be young Marines implementing our foreign policy and ultimately out there fighting and dying,” Buckley recalls. “And I think I have something to offer these Marines.”

His 2008–09 tour in Afghanistan was particularly brutal. But, he says, “We kept our humanity intact in spite of many bad situations.” When his team’s commander Maj. Rocco Barnes of the U.S. Army Special Forces was killed in June 2009, Buckley took command of the unit. Shaken, the Marines got to work on a fitting tribute: hosting a free medical clinic in Barnes’ honor. Ten days after his death, they treated more than 400 impoverished villagers, giving away $50,000 worth of medicine. After the clinic, they held Barnes’ memorial service. “That was a good way to bring things full circle,” Buckley says. “Being able to give back was cathartic. We were certainly living up to that Jesuit ideal of being men for others.”

Buckley even got a helping hand from fellow Holy Cross alumnus and Marine B.J. Cassin ’55, whom Buckley considers a mentor. Cassin emailed Buckley to ask what he needed in the remote, ungoverned part of Afghanistan where he was working. Buckley asked for one soccer ball; Cassin sent 200. “You often hear the news media talk about the battle for hearts and minds, and what that means in real terms is winning over the trust of the local population,” says Buckley, who will start an M.B.A. program at New York University in the fall. “When you jump out of your Humvee and hand a child a soccer ball, the Taliban propaganda falls away.”

Journalist Christine Hofmann-Bourque is the daughter of James Hofmann ’62. She is also an Army spouse who founded thestrengthbehindthestrong.com, which supports friends and family of military personnel.

Tell Your Story
Are you a Holy Cross graduate with a military background? Please help us collect the stories of Holy Cross alumni service personnel by visiting holycross.edu/HCM/military. There, you will be able to share a memory of your time in the armed forces. Whether your designation is ROTC, OCS, V-12, enlisted, officer, retired, active duty, reserves … please consider writing in, and read submissions from other alumni who have served.
Memorial plaques are supposed to remind us of the past. The irony is, however, that they become such a part of our everyday world that we tend to overlook them. That’s unfortunate, because they are a sign that people can be so moved by passion or gratitude that they create a place where others can stop and reflect on loss, on life and on something larger than themselves.

A Worcester Son

People hurrying to and from the Hogan Campus Center may notice a plaque at the back entrance commemorating the naval destroyer USS Power, named for Lt. John V. Power, USMC, ’41, a Worcester native who grew up on Austin Street. He was eager to enter the service but was rejected because of poor eyesight. His father, a Worcester policeman, pulled a few strings and got Power into the Marines, where he was quickly promoted to first lieutenant. He would only see one combat mission in the Pacific, but it was one of such selfless bravery that he would be awarded the Medal of Honor.

When his unit landed on the island of Namur, the Americans encountered heavy resistance. Power was wounded in the abdomen by machine-gun fire and was treated in a shell-hole, refusing to return to the safer areas of the beach. When a man in his platoon threw a grenade into a Japanese pillbox, Power, stanching the bleeding wound with one hand and brandishing his carbine in the other, ran forward, firing into the opening made by the explosion. When Power attempted to reload, the surviving enemy in the pillbox killed him at point-blank range.

There’s a statue of Power on the side of Worcester’s City Hall that catches the morning sun. It shows him contrapposto, helmet straps undone, rifle swung lazily over a shoulder. Forever young.

Brothers in Arms

On the grassy rise across from Lehy and Hanselman halls stands a single weeping mulberry tree. A simple bronze plaque atop a granite post reveals the tree’s purpose: to honor Navy pilot Lt. j.g. Thomas E. Gilliam and Marine Corps pilot Capt. John J. Burke, two members of the Class of 1965 who were killed while serving in Vietnam.

The Class had the tree planted as part of its 30th reunion in 1995. Five years later, during a return trip to campus, Navy veterans J. Paul Giuliani ’65 and Robert Morris ’65, and Air Force retiree Donald Morrissey ’65 found themselves unable to locate easily the tree honoring their classmates. Morris suggested they erect a plaque to make it easier to find but, more importantly, to encourage future generations to reflect on Burke and Gilliam’s choice to serve country above self, and their ultimate sacrifice.

With generous donations from their class, the three men organized a dedication and reception. Morrissey and Giuliani went to work finding relatives of Burke and Gilliam, including Kelly Burke Holland, John’s daughter (who was just a tot when her father went to war), and Esther Gilliam, Tom’s mother. Esther Gilliam had been widowed young, and she scrimped and saved as a single mother to send her only child, Tom, to Holy Cross. Emotions ran high as the two women unveiled the plaque during the dedication ceremony, but some memories brought smiles as well as tears. Tom was remembered as a serious student who earned high marks, and was always willing to help out, whether coordinating the intramural sports program or making a pizza run in a near blizzard to cheer up his roommates.

Giuliani recalls the camaraderie shared among the ROTC students when Burke announced his engagement. “John got married in his senior year. We all got together to get a gift, but of course nobody had any money,” he says, chuckling. “In the end we got him a dinner service for eight: knives, forks, plates, bowls and so on, every single piece of which was ‘appropriated’ from Kimball dining hall.”

— By James Dempsey
It was Christmas evening 2008, and the extended family of Bill Juska ’66 was gathered at his sister Paula’s house in Owego, N.Y. With most of the gifts opened, it was nearly time for dessert. “Twenty people ready for their sugar fix,” Bill recalls, “and my brother Phil says, ‘Wait, here’s one more.’”

In the living room sat a large box for Bill and his wife, Maryann. “It’s a little fragile,” Phil warned coyly. Bill carefully lifted the top off the box. Inside he found a homemade miniature replica of the Miss Worcester diner on Southbridge Street—a beloved refuge for Bill and countless other Holy Cross students since its establishment in 1948 as Car No. 812 of that ne plus ultra of New England diner manufacturers, the Worcester Lunch Car Company. The diner was just as Bill remembered it, only smaller (1:24 scale, to be exact): The blue, Old English lettering on the outside. The Red Sox poster on the refrigerator. The red counter stools. Even a diminutive Bill and Maryann sitting cozily in a booth, with their regular orders—a cheeseburger and a cup of tea, respectively—laid out before them.

“I was stunned,” says Bill, a maritime lawyer, in the kitchen of his Brooklyn brownstone, where Maryann, a clinical psychologist, their children and he have lived since 1976. “It’s hard not to say it’s the best Christmas gift I’ve ever received.”
It touched not just on the Miss Worcester, which has been a consistent part of my life, but on our growing up. We’ve always been diner guys.”

The Juska brothers’ love affair with diners started long ago—started, in fact, with a love affair. Thanks to Phil, it was at the Miramar Grill and Restaurant in Asbury Park, N.J., that 18-year-old Bill, then a Holy Cross second-year student, and 15-year-old Maryann first met. Bill, home for Christmas break, had agreed to take Phil’s dishwashing shift so that the younger brother could attend the high school basketball game. “I walked in, and there she was, waiting tables,” Bill says now, gazing at his wife of 43 years. “That was it. Last girl I ever looked at. Lucky day.”

Their courtship continued, fittingly, at the Miss Woo, during Maryann’s frequent visits to Holy Cross. No matter the occasion—homecoming, winter weekend, junior prom—they’d always end up at the diner at two in the morning. “Holy Cross was like going to college in a snowglobe: all men, only seniors could have cars, room check-in at 10:30, daily Mass, jackets and ties to class,” Bill explains about the strict,
insulated atmosphere on The Hill. “You’d go out drinking at the Black Orchid and stop at the Miss Worcester for something to settle your stomach, a cup of coffee.”

There was Russell, a behind-the-counter character who, when asked what pie they had that day, “would invariably answer, instead of apple, cherry, lemon meringue, just ‘Table Talk.’” There was the night when a customer suffered a heart attack, fell from his stool and got whisked away in an ambulance; after the incident, when Charlie the cook asked Bill’s roommate, “So, what do you want, Joe?” Joe answered, “Not what that guy had!” There was the time when a classmate asked Maryann—in front of Bill—to run away with him to Mexico (she didn’t). A half-mile walk from campus, the Miss Worcester offered, along with its 75-cent bowl of beef stew and its Number 2 Special (two eggs over easy, homefries, bacon, toast), contact with “the real world”—truck drivers, cops, midnight watchmen.

Phil’s model faithfully features a midnight watchman, chatting up a rotund waitress, in tribute to the Harry Chapin song “A Better Place to Be.” Artist Ralph Goings’ photorealistic diner paintings were another inspiration. Though Bill says that Phil, an amateur artist, is known in the family for his “unique and thoughtful” gifts—including cartoons and needlework—the Miss Worcester is by far his most ambitious. He created it from scratch in three months of nights and weekends, working with a floorplan and photographs found online, Richard Gutman’s 2004 book *The Worcester Lunch Car Company: Images of America,* a
few calls to the Miss Woo’s owner to check details and his own 30-year-old memories of having been there just once. “Because this was my first model”—he has since made two others, Phil’s Diner in North Hollywood and White Haven Family Diner in Scranton, Pa.—“there was a lot of trial and error.” His first attempt, out of balsawood, curled up when he tried to paint it, so he started over, with sturdier basswood. He created the appliances from styrene, a pliable plastic, and the figures from a hobby clay called Sculpey. The stools are made of washers, spacers and wooden buttons, and for each sugar dispenser lid, he used a single silver sequin. To achieve the “tiled” look of the floor, he first painted it all brown and then painstakingly scraped away the tiny white squares with a crafts knife. “Yeah,” he allows, “that took a few weekends.”

At the end of March, Phil and his big brother went on a reconnaissance mission to his next challenge, Gilley’s in Portsmouth, N.H., and, of course, they had to stop at the Miss Worcester on the way to show Phil’s model to Kim Kniskern, the diner’s owner since 2006, and to have breakfast. (Visit holycross.edu/hcm/misswoo to see snapshots from their visit.) Bill hadn’t been to the diner since his 30th reunion 14 years earlier, when, inevitably, he ended up there at two a.m. with two classmates “doing the same thing as during college—eating eggs, bacon and homefries, and talking about life.”

Much remained unchanged since his last visit. “As we rolled up to 300 Southbridge St.,” Bill says, “everything—the railroad trestle, the big brick building behind the diner, the diner itself—looked exactly the same.” Sitting at the counter, he overheard the diner slang ping between the waitress and the short-order cook, reminiscent of Russell and Charlie’s rat-a-tat exchanges years earlier. The wooden booths have been replaced by plastic benches and fancier items, like cranberry walnut pancakes, have been added to the menu, but many aspects—the enamel refrigerator, the chunky homefries and the “formidable” steak-and-eggs—are just as in the ’60s. And though it’s no longer open round the clock, the diner still counts Holy Cross students among its regulars.

The Miss Woo is now known beyond its circle of local loyalists: It was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 2003, served as a location for a recent independent movie shoot and was named the Number One diner in the nation by The Learning Channel series “Best Food Ever.” And yet, the reliable charm of this “unself-conscious place with no airs,” as Maryann remembers it, remains intact.

“It’s comfortable,” Bill explains simply about the object of his steadfast affection. “You feel like you fit there.”

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Ride the 6 train to Hunts Point Avenue in the South Bronx, walk past the fruit stand, under the Bruckner Expressway and up Garrison Avenue to Manida Street, and you’ll see an old brick bread factory covered in murals of the local streets and community life. That building houses The Point Community Development Corporation (thepoint.org), a community center in the Hunts Point neighborhood. The Point aims to revitalize this immigrant neighborhood with a unique synergistic approach, integrating arts and culture with youth and community development. Former Holy Cross Trustee Kellie Terry-Sepulveda ‘00 (below) has been the executive director of the program since 2008.

Hunts Point, which is located in one of the poorest congressional districts in the United States, is often defined by statistics. Over half the population lives below the poverty line, with a median household income of $19,113. Just 8.6 percent of residents have a college degree. “Those demographics aren’t the fault of the people here, and they don’t define the people,” Terry-Sepulveda explains. “This community is our greatest asset.”

As we walk into the atrium, the walls are covered with children’s self-portraits and advocacy posters railing against a proposal to put yet another jail in the neighborhood. Terry-Sepulveda’s office faces a computer lab for the after-school program. Down the hall, there’s a reading loft, the Point Café and a theater for Cirque du Monde, the children’s circus program.

Terry-Sepulveda grew up in the Bronx and still lives there with her husband, Freddy Sepulveda, and their two children, Ali and Naim. She credits her sense of social justice to her father and her Catholic education, which started in first grade. “If there ever was an example of a Catholic school girl, I’d be it,” she says, laughing.

At Holy Cross, Terry-Sepulveda majored in political science and wrote a thesis, titled “Flipping the Script on the Dominant Discourse: Hip-Hop as a Subversive Form of Political Discourse.” Following graduation, she taught for Teach for America. Terry-Sepulveda came to The Point as the after-school program coordinator and, five years later, took over as executive director. “There’s no greater person,” says Louise Mathies, who works as a teaching assistant in the public schools and founded the after-school program at The Point. “She goes above and beyond. She’s like a daughter to me.”

Terry-Sepulveda speaks passionately about The Point’s advocacy—on everything from the Sheridan Expressway (one of the most dangerous highways in the country, which runs right through the neighborhood) to toxic waste and a new smokestack proposed for a site near a residential community and two schools. Terry-Sepulveda also talks about an upcoming hip-hop show and the South Bronx Greenway project, which The Point helped to develop. She’s particularly proud of the
These photos are the work of students in The Point's award-winning collaborative program with the International Center of Photography, ICP at The Point. The program teaches children and teens the fundamentals of black-and-white photography while fostering self-esteem and expression. Limited edition prints of these images and many others are available at thepoint.org/gallery.php. Proceeds benefit the program and the young artists.

after-school program. “It’s those kids walking through the door that keep you grounded,” she says.

For all the successes, there are also setbacks. Recently, The Point lost one of its teen staffers—he was killed in a shooting in Harlem. Sadly, this is not uncommon. “Since then, there have been two or three other shootouts. What that says to us is we need to step our game up,” Terry-Sepulveda says. “There’s no such thing as a bad kid. There’s a kid who’s surrounded by crappy choices.”

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Shortly after the United States entered World War II, policy-makers in Washington, D.C., recognized that the empty college classrooms left by the young men and women who had joined the service resulted in a dearth of graduates from which to attract officer recruits. Their answer was the V-12 Navy College Training Program. The initiative would send to college students who had already been accepted into the Navy and Marine Corps reserve programs, enlisted men who had been recommended as officers and high school seniors who passed the national qualifying examination. In effect, the V-12 would educate the Greatest Generation. It offered a chance to serve one’s country and to take advantage of an educational opportunity that for many was only a dream.

In July of 1943, Holy Cross became one of 131 institutions across the nation to host a V-12 unit. Though the ROTC was already at Holy Cross (and remained separate from the new program), V-12 caused a military surge in the life of the quiet Catholic New England college. As recruits began to outnumber civilian students on campus, the halls of academe echoed to reviews, parades and inspections. Floors became “decks,” walls “bulkheads,” doors “hatches” and bathrooms “heads.” A rifle range was set up. The unit had a band and a drum and bugle corps—and even published its own magazine. Naval equipment began appearing on campus, including 280 rifles, a 4-inch gun and, for some reason, a 30-foot whale boat with sailing rig.

To meet the V-12 students’ classroom needs, some Jesuit professors were sent to train in areas outside their regular coursework, and the Navy footed the bill. Rev. Joseph J. Shea, S.J., for example, taught philosophy and English, but was trained in a summer session at Columbia University in 1942 to instruct mechanical drawing and descriptive geometry.

Most interestingly, perhaps, for the first time in the College’s history, a group who had been scarce on Mount St. James until then attended the College: non-Catholics. It was something of a culture shock for both the students and the school.

Holy Cross would go on to become one of the great providers of commissioned officers during the war. Indeed, there is a memorial at the U.S. Naval War College in Newport, R.I., honoring the thousands of Holy Cross men who served in the Navy and Marine Corps. (The memorial—a 60-foot flagpole, plaque and surround dedicated in 1999—was a gift of the late Lt. Edward J. Brennan ’52 USN (Ret.), retired Navy Lt. Cmnr. James E. Hayes ’52 and retired Marine Corps Capt. James T. Larkin ’53.)

The V-12 program can also be credited with saving Holy Cross...
athletics. “Between 1943 and 1946 most able-bodied men were at war, and of the students here a disproportionate number were disqualified from service,” explains Rev. Anthony J. Kuzniewski, S.J., professor of history at Holy Cross and College historian. “The V-12 men rescued our program. It included the men who went to the Orange Bowl in 1946, our one major bowl game.” (In that mythical match-up Holy Cross played powerhouse University of Miami, losing a heartbreaker in the dying seconds of the game.)

Nationally, the V-12 initiative produced leaders in many fields. More than 40 Navy admirals (including Samuel Gravely, the first African American admiral) and 18 Marine Corps generals began their service in the program. Other notable V-12 graduates include Robert F. Kennedy, Jack Lemmon, Daniel Patrick Moynihan, Johnny Carson and Pierre Salinger.

Mandy Correale ’10
Mandy Correale demonstrated a keen dedication to both academics and athletics during her four years on the Hill.
She excelled in her work as an economics major in the Health Professions Advisory Program, tailoring her course work in preparation for a career in physical therapy. In 2008, she served as a tutor in organic chemistry and hosted drop-in sessions each week.
When Correale wasn’t at the lab bench, she was on the softball diamond. Playing on the women’s team for four years, she was the team’s co-captain. As a member of the executive board for the Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC), Correale helped create a sense of mutual support among Holy Cross teams and helped plan numerous events—from food and clothing drives to auctions, launch-a-ball contests and a teddy bear toss—in support of local service organizations.
Correale’s list of recognitions while at Holy Cross is a long one: Dean’s List, the Patriot League Academic Honor Roll, Crusader of the Week, All-Patriot Second Team, ESPN The Magazine All-Academic District I team and a candidate for Lowe’s Senior CLASS Award.
This summer, Correale will begin pursuing a Ph.D. at Massachusetts General Hospital’s Institute of Health Professions.
Vanessa Borges ’10
Vanessa Borges has volunteered extensively in the Worcester community while preparing for a career in nursing, where she can have a tangible impact on patients’ lives.

Borges helped at Friendly House, a K-5 after-school program; Dismas House, which assists former prisoners reintegrate into society; and the Creamer Center, a tutoring program for students whose schooling has been interrupted by factors such as pregnancy or time in prison. She also served as a Science Ambassador, sharing the unique and entertaining aspects of science with the Holy Cross community and children of Worcester.

Borges, who attended Worcester public schools, worked hard to prepare for college and views Holy Cross as a chance to “spread my wings. I’ve been overwhelmed by the support, kindness and generosity I feel from this community,” she says.

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Michael Garrity ’93 Honors Grandfather and Alma Mater with Generous Gift

By Kristin F. McCue ’01

For Michael Garrity ’93, Holy Cross is a family tradition. He never knew his grandfather, Francis J. “Hank” Garrity ’31, but he knew the stories. Born in Boston, Hank came to Holy Cross on an athletic scholarship to play both baseball and football, captaining the football team in the fall of 1930, kicking off what would become one of the most successful decades in Holy Cross football history with wins over Harvard and Boston College, among others. A two-sport All-American, Hank signed with the Chicago White Sox after graduation and played professional baseball for the better part of a decade, finishing his career with the Boston Braves. These stories gave Hank a larger-than-life, legendary stature in his grandson’s life.

When the time came for Michael to select a college, Holy Cross topped the list. He still remembers the thrill of receiving his acceptance letter. “I knew Holy Cross was the place for me,” he recalls. Like his grandfather before him, Mike played baseball on Fitton Field. Holy Cross offered him the opportunity to grow academically and athletically, a balance that he values even more as an alumnus.

A few months ago, Mike had the opportunity to reconnect with Holy Cross baseball and meet Coach Greg DiCenzo. The meeting made an impression. He created The Francis J. “Hank” Garrity Baseball Fund to support Coach DiCenzo and his program. He hopes the fund will help with the team’s immediate needs.

“My grandfather would want to see Holy Cross baseball continue to thrive,” says Mike. “Right now, it’s a great program with a great coach. I want to play my part in supporting the program and today’s students.”

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FUND CHALLENGE UPDATE

Remember that gifts to the Holy Cross Fund must be postmarked by June 30, 2010, to be counted in the Jerry Sheehan ’52 Participation Challenge. Help Holy Cross maintain its impressive status as one of the Top 10 schools for alumni participation. If we reach 53 percent, Jerry Sheehan ’52, P81, 80 will make a $500,000 gift to the Fund.
“I came to Holy Cross from Somerville, Mass., in 1978, and it changed my life. The reason we named this office is because my mother, who was a single mother, sent my sister, Barbara, and me here, and she died when I was a senior. She didn’t get a chance to see either of us graduate, but we wanted to acknowledge how important Holy Cross was to her. It is just a wonderful, wonderful place.”

—Robert Harrington, M.D., ’82, an interventional cardiologist at Duke University Medical Center and director of the Duke Clinical Research Institute. Harrington is shown here outside the office named for his mother, Jean Gatti Harrington, with his sister, Barbara Loblundo ’86 (left) and his wife, Rhonda Larsen (right).

At the March dedication of the new $64 million Integrated Science Complex—the most ambitious building project in the College’s history—donors were able to see the finished spaces they had named for their loved ones. Many shared the moving stories of why being a part of the future of Holy Cross and its academic achievements is so important to them as they memorialized mothers, fathers, mentors and friends.

Donors Visit Science Complex
Blessing and Dedication of New Building Is Cause for Celebration
November 11, 1911, is the day my father landed in this country. I am the only child of his family who went to college. If he could imagine his family name outside that door … it is awesome. Awesome.”
— Victor E. Keyloun, M.D., ’56, son of Syrian immigrants Razkalla and Laya Keyloun, speaking with great emotion about the Carol and Victor E. Keyloun, M.D. ’56 Research Laboratory.

Holy Cross has been such a big part of the Lahey family for many generations. My father was the central focus of our family, and he loved Holy Cross very, very much. There was no better way for us to remember him. He was the most decent guy I have ever known in my life, and he also happened to be my father.”
— Stephen Lahey, M.D., ’71, chief and director of cardiothoracic surgery at Maimonides Medical Center in Brooklyn, NY, who joined his brother, Philip Lahey Jr., M.D., ’69, an orthopedic surgeon at UMass Memorial Hospital, in memorializing their father, Philip Lahey, M.D. ’39, by naming an office in the new Integrated Science Complex after him. Shown here, the brothers are joined by Rev. John E. Brooks, S.J., ’49 at the ISC dedication.

Outgoing Student Government Association co-president Kristopher Zelesky ’10 poses with honored guest and Nobel Prize recipient Joseph E. Murray, M.D., ’40, who performed the world’s first organ transplant in 1954.

Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J., president of the College, and Board of Trustees Chair P. Kevin Condon ’67, look on during the ceremony.

The Park B. and Linda Smith Laboratories were the first spaces opened for students in the new Complex last year.
THE POWER OF ONE

Ryan F. Kenny ’01

Hometown: Boston

Family: Parents, Richard ’72 and Mary Kenny; siblings, Megan and Brendan

What he did at Holy Cross: “I was a pitcher on the baseball team, majored in political science and served as a Eucharistic Minister.”

Current job: “I work as an attorney for Cetrulo & Capone LLP in Boston, specializing in toxic tort litigation. I also serve on Boston’s North End/Waterfront Neighborhood Council and help coach Little League.”

The working life: “Although work is rewarding, I have found that it is important to maintain a good work/life balance. Pursuing interests and activities outside of the workplace along with giving back to the community can be equally rewarding.”

How Holy Cross affected his life: “Holy Cross helped shape me into the person I am. Whether by attending Mass, meeting up with fellow alumni or going back to visit the College, I try and carry a little bit of Holy Cross with me each day. Meeting a fellow graduate of Holy Cross for the first time feels like reconnecting with an old friend.”

Memorable teachers and moments at Holy Cross: “Associate Professor Loren Cass’ political science classes were challenging, and always interesting. He encouraged us to think globally and taught the importance of appreciating other cultures and governments beyond the United States. Playing on the baseball team provided me with many wonderful memories and lifelong friendships. Making appearances in the 1999 and 2001 Patriot League playoffs is something I’ll never forget.”

Why he stays connected to Holy Cross: “Being the son of a Holy Cross grad, staying connected to the College was something that was always second nature for my family. Now as a resident of Boston, there is such a strong community of Holy Cross alumni it makes it very easy to stay in touch. It is important for me to stay connected with those friends who had a significant impact on my life and shared many similar experiences.”

Why he believes in Holy Cross: “Holy Cross consistently produces alumni who are not only gifted academically, but also have a real grasp on what it means to help others who are less fortunate. Whether it is making a donation to Holy Cross or volunteering in the community, Holy Cross alumni take great pride in being ‘men and women for others’ years after leaving the College. I donate because I want others to have the same opportunity to attend the College and experience all that makes Holy Cross great.”

Photograph by Dan Vaillancourt
New Orleans is on its knees after Hurricane Katrina rampages through the region in August 2005. Folks there are praying for a miracle. The city’s beloved Saints dixie out of The Big Easy, NFL orphans driven from a battered Louisiana Superdome.

In February 2006, Terry Malone ’82 receives a call for help from an old friend, Sean Payton. Payton, the Saints’ new head coach, asks him to join a Crusade. Would he come to help lift the spirits of those devastated by the hurricane? Would he come to resurrect not only a professional sports franchise, but a proud city?

Malone must make a life-changing decision. For nine seasons, he has had his dream job, coaching at Big 10 Michigan near his birthplace of Redford, Mich. He, his wife, Ann, and their four kids—Kara, Patrick, Ryan and Natalie—are happy living close to family and friends. After 22 years on the college-coaching merry-go-round, Malone resides in a comfort zone. Now he is being asked to move into a war zone.

“We had to uproot everything,” recalls Malone, now the Saints’ tight ends coach. “The region is a mess. The Saints, coming off a horrid 3-13 season, are nomads. No home to play in, no permanent place to practice at. Yet something is telling me that something special would happen there.”

There was dire need: A city and its team needed to be bailed out. “The kids were not happy, but understood our reasons. We do everything as a family,” notes Malone.

His Holy Cross teammates called
him Moses, after the hard-working Hall of Fame NBA center, Moses Malone. A 6-foot-3, 225-pound tri-captain, Terry Malone served as the Crusaders’ spiritual leader whose clever pass-catching and fierce blocking could part defenses, if not seas. His teammates believed Malone would lead Holy Cross to the Promised Land, the fledging NCAA Division 1-AA playoffs. Malone missed his first season, sidelined in the fall of 1978 with mononucleosis. As a 22-year-old senior, he delayed his June graduation in order to exercise his NCAA eligibility to play another season. Inspired by head coach Rick Carter and assistants Mark Duffner, Frank Novak and Dan Allen, he had established a clear career path: coaching football.

The Crusaders posted an impressive 8-3 record in 1982, igniting a resurgence of Holy Cross football under Carter and Duffner. “I graduated in the top 10 of my class,” observes Malone, wryly noting only nine others received their diplomas in December. Since then, Malone’s career climb has been steady in the rough-and-tumble profession of coaching. Carter invited Malone back to coach at Mount St. James in 1985 after two seasons as a graduate assistant at the University of Arizona. The next season he jumped to Bowling Green State University in Ohio, where he remained for 10 seasons. In 1996, he joined Dan Henning’s staff at Boston College. Alas, Henning was fired and Malone hit the road again.

This is where fate sashayed in. Malone hooked on with the University of Maryland, where he met another aide, Sean Payton. Malone was there only a month, Payton just five weeks. Malone received an attractive offer from the University of Michigan and accepted. Payton got an unexpected chance to join the NFL Eagles and flew off. But during that brief encounter, Malone and Payton formed a lifetime friendship.

“Moving back to Michigan turned out to be my biggest blessing. My father was being treated for cancer during my first season there (1997),” Malone says. He recalls Michigan’s final regular-season game against Ohio State. “We were in the tunnel before the game. My dad, surrounded by our family, touched the Michigan banner for good luck. We won and went on to play in the Rose Bowl. The whole family assembled again in Pasadena to celebrate our victory over Washington State (21-16).”

Paul Malone, a semipro warrior for the Troy (N.Y.) Bulldogs, had watched with pride as his son Terry coached undefeated Michigan to the National Championship. Along for that joyous ride was Terry’s uncle Tony Malone ’59, a Holy Cross performer under Dr. Eddie Anderson.

The following fall, Paul Malone died.

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DETERMINATION

The Women’s Varsity Eight rowers work out on Worcester’s Lake Quinsigamond, where the Crusaders finished tied for second overall in a field of 24 teams competing in the New England Championships in May. After an “up-and-down” season, Coach Patrick Diggins ’86 has high expectations with seven strong recruits arriving in the fall. The team opens with the Snake Regatta on Lake Quinsigamond on Oct. 17 before competing the following weekend at the Head of the Charles. Photograph by Matthew Atanian
SAVE THE DATE!
The Holy Cross Alumni Association has selected Saturday, October 2 as the date for Fall Homecoming 2010. The Holy Cross Alumni Association dinner will take place on Saturday evening in Hogan Ballroom.

www.holycross.edu/alumni/events/homecoming

Built in 1905, Alumni Hall was named as a lasting monument to alumni loyalty.
HCAA President’s Note

On Saturday, March 27—a gorgeous spring day—volunteers from the Holy Cross Alumni Association’s Young Alumni Committee (chaired by Bryan DiMare ’06) joined students and College staff for Holy Cross Cares Day. Since 1996, this event has been an annual tradition focused on delivering service to non-profit Worcester organizations.

We gathered at the Hogan Campus Center before dispersing to our assigned locations, with growing enthusiasm and camaraderie ... and adorned in Holy Cross Cares T-shirts with our brand-new alumni association logo (check it out on Page 58!). Alumni teamed up with current students at two locations—St. Stephen’s Church on Worcester’s east side and the Nativity School of Worcester. (The school is a Jesuit middle school that educates an underserved portion of the Worcester community. It receives invaluable support from Holy Cross students who tutor there, and from faculty and staff who serve as fundraisers and board members.) I was honored to spend the day at St. Stephen’s, where the church’s deacon greeted us. His words of deep gratitude for the assistance provided by Holy Cross students since the program’s inception were moving and powerful.

This terrific day was yet another illustration of the special, lifelong affection so many of us Holy Cross men and women have to our school and its home city. Thank you, Young Alumni Committee members, for your dedication and service. Mark Powers ’85
President, Holy Cross Alumni Association

PUT SOME PURPLE IN YOUR JOB HUNT

If you are looking for career advice or networking opportunities, Holy Cross Alumni Career Services offers a spectrum of resources to alumni in need of job search assistance or help finding a new employee:

◆ The Alumni Career Advisors group includes 5,000 alumni representing a wide range of industries and professions who have volunteered to serve as career resources to fellow graduates and students.
◆ Job Postings let you “Hire a Crusader” or “Work for a Crusader.” Career Affinity Groups help you make important connections, share knowledge and explore opportunities in law, technology and finance.
◆ Career Discussion Groups for alumni in law and finance and alumnae looking to return to the workforce offer the opportunity to exchange ideas, information, advice and support.
◆ Career Self-Help Guides assist you in writing your resume and cover letter and preparing for interviews.
◆ Alumni Career Planning Resources offer career counseling, self-assessment and job search strategies.
◆ Holy Cross Regional Club Career Events provide an opportunity to introduce timely and topical career programs on a regional level.

If you are seeking career advice and support or would like to be a Career Advisor or post a job opportunity in the Crusader Job Bank, be sure to visit Alumni Career Services online at holycross.edu/alumni/services/career or contact Robert S. Wally ’68, assistant director for Alumni Career Services, by e-mail: rwally@holycross.edu or by phone: 508/793-3758.
New Alumna Q&A

Melissa Nelson ’10, was one of the first two student representatives on the Holy Cross Alumni Association Board, serving since fall of 2008. Originally from Randolph, Mass., Nelson was an anthropology major with a premedical concentration, a resident assistant and co-chair of the Black Student Union (BSU).

Q: How did you get involved with the Holy Cross Alumni Association?

A: I initially got involved during the BSU’s 40th anniversary celebration. It was delightful to interact and engage in conversation with alumni about Holy Cross. I learned a lot about the benefits of a Holy Cross education. I was ecstatic when the opportunity came to become the Class of 2010 representative for the HCAA. I knew that my involvement with the association would allow me to bring current student concerns to the Alumni Association and help create connections between alumni and current students.

Q: As one of the first two student representatives on the Alumni Association Board, what did you learn about the alumni body once you became involved?

A: I learned that the Alumni Association provides a network for Holy Cross graduates to connect with one another and creates mentoring opportunities for HC alumni by HC alumni. I came to appreciate how devoted the Association is to developing relationships with current students. Examples are: helping out on Freshman Move-In Day, facilitating the Life After College series and hosting the Senior Reflection Luncheon.

Q: What will you take with you as you leave Holy Cross from your experiences with the Young Alumni Committee?

A: I have learned the importance of maintaining a relationship with alma mater. I have met so many alumni as a result of the Holy Cross Alumni Association. I learned important skills about networking and received meaningful mentoring. My experience with the Young Alumni Committee has prepared me to enter the real world.

Q: What are your plans after graduation?

A: I will attend the University of Pennsylvania Nursing School where I will study to become a Certified Nurse-Midwife (CNM) in the fall of 2010.

In March, alumni (from left) Paul T. McGee ’87, Timothy J. Treanor ’89, Michael R. Treanor ’88 and Thomas F. Jessop ’88 were on hand to support the United States in the Sevens rugby tournament in Hong Kong (think of it as the Masters for “rugby sevens,” the most popular form of rugby). Along with 40,000 fellow fans, the Holy Cross crew watched as 24 teams battled it out for the cup. Powerhouse Samoa topped New Zealand 24-21 for the championship.

Worcester Gets a (Purple) Helping Hand

The Holy Cross Alumni Association helped to sponsor this year’s Holy Cross Cares Day on March 27th. Alumni joined with students to volunteer their time painting, raking and cleaning at a number of Worcester area non-profit organizations. Clockwise from bottom left: Tom Mahon ’83 and Dave Mahaney ’63 raked up leaves aplenty, Joe Reilly ’79 tackled some handyman work, Tessa Wiegele ’05 put elbow grease into polishing pews, Jared Fiore ’07 used a shovel to spiff up some outdoor spaces and Bryan DiMare ’06 helped haul needed supplies.
She has dedicated three decades to widening the circle, making high-quality health care accessible to more people in need. And in recent years, even as Donna O’Brien ’77 has continued along that path, the longtime hospital administrator and consultant also has been narrowing a circle—that is, working to bring the latest science to more people. “The two goals really are one goal,” she says.

After a career spent in hospital and health system operations and developing community health care programs, O’Brien was asked by the director of the National Cancer Institute (NCI) to plan an ambitious endeavor: bring state-of-the-art cancer care and research to more community hospitals nationwide, including underserved rural areas and inner cities.

In 2007 she helped launch the NCI Community Cancer Centers Program (NCCCP), which now includes 30 community cancer centers in 22 states. For her efforts on the team that developed the program, O’Brien, who is president of the New York consulting firm Community Healthcare Strategies, LLC, was recognized last July with the National Institutes of Health Director’s Award.

“Approximately 85 percent of cancer patients are taken care of in community hospitals,” O’Brien says. “So it makes sense to bring state-of-the-art cancer care to that setting. And that’s also where a lot of the information is, that scientists need. In order to make personalized medicine possible, researchers rely on a connection to a diverse community.”

O’Brien’s work falls right in line with the mission of her alma mater. “Yes, the ‘person for others’ motto is something I really felt at Holy Cross,” she says. “I can’t point to one class or student activity—it was more a case of my whole experience in the campus community promoting those values. Being in a culture like that also resonated with my family background.”

The Jesuit way does run in the family. O’Brien’s father went to Fordham, and brothers Charles Murphy ’78 and Edward Murphy, Jr. ’85 came to the Cross as well. O’Brien went on to earn a master’s degree in hospital administration at Saint Louis University—another Jesuit school.

Following an administrative residency at Tulane, O’Brien was recruited to work at the University of Texas’ M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, a world-renowned organization where care was also available to all Texans with cancer, regardless of their ability to pay. The commitment to community, the focus on cancer treatment and research—both were revisited decades later when O’Brien began her work with the NCI.

But something was different the second time around. “My mother had died of cancer since my time in Texas and one of my brothers was diagnosed with lymphoma,” says O’Brien, “so now I have a better appreciation for what patients’ families go through.” The personal connection goes even deeper. Her mother died of a brain tumor called a glioblastoma, which is among the first cancers being researched by the NCI’s Cancer Genome Atlas, a new science initiative to understand the molecular basis of various cancers. NCCCP sites collect biospecimens for The Cancer Genome Atlas project. “It’s nice to be working on a project which could lead to more effective treatments,” she says, “so that other families afflicted by cancer may see a better outcome than ours did.”

Donna O’Brien ’77, center, makes an annual pilgrimage to Lourdes, France, with the Order of Malta and several fellow alumni. “We usually try to take a Crusader photo,” she says. “And we always hope there are more of us than Notre Dame and BC alums!”
Q&A:

What is your take on the health care debate in Washington, D.C.?

The health reform bill expands coverage for people, and that’s something I’ve been in favor of for my whole career. So I see it as a positive.

Do you find the politics distasteful?

It is hard not to, but ultimately we have expanded healthcare coverage. One political measure that’s having a large impact on my work is the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, or Stimulus Act. Its passage in 2009 has brought the NIH much added funding for research. It’s helped the NCCCP project expand to more communities.

And finally, a not-so-serious question: You’ve spent a lot of time in hospitals, and you must have gotten hungry. What is your position on hospital food?

Is it possible for me to not have a position? [Laughs.]

Let me just say this: Food should promote health.

Stats:

Born and raised: Garden City, N.Y.

Residence: Garden City, N.Y. (with several stops before returning home)

Birthdate: July 16, 1955

Family: husband, Tom O’Brien, who is senior vice president and general manager of RCG Information Technology; daughter Mary Beth, 29, and son Patrick, 27

Jurists in the Family

This winter, Mary Gibbons Whipple ’76 was sworn in as a judge of the Superior Court of New Jersey; she is currently assigned to the Superior Court, Family Division, of Morris County. A graduate of the Seton Hall University School of Law, Whipple began her career as an assistant U.S. attorney and subsequently served as an attorney with two New Jersey law firms. Whipple is shown here at the swearing in ceremony with her father, John J. Gibbons ’47, a former Trustee of the College and current director of Gibbons P.C. in Newark, N.J.

A Gracious Gathering

This winter, 50 Holy Cross alumni and guests attended the 56th Annual Winter Antiques Show at the Park Avenue Armory in New York City, one of the nation’s premiere antiques venues. They were hosted by the show’s executive director, Catherine Sweeney Singer ’78, and plans are already under way for a repeat event in January.

Created as a benefit for the East Side House Settlement, which provides educational and community services in the Mott Haven section of the South Bronx, the Show provides over 30 percent of the charity’s budget through ticket sales, catalogue revenues and corporate sponsorships.

When the Holy Cross contingent arrived at the show, Sweeney Singer greeted her guests in the Armory’s Veteran Room, also known as the “Tiffany” room. (It is one of only two surviving intact interiors designed by Louis C. Tiffany with architect Stanford White and other collaborators.) Sweeney Singer then gave a 40-minute lecture on the Tiffany Room’s art, the history of the Armory and background about the Winter Antiques Show, which she has directed for 16 years. She included moving references to how Holy Cross, and the influence of Professor Virginia Raguin specifically, helped shape her life and life’s work.

The Holy Cross group dispersed to enjoy the show’s vetted antiques and decorative arts from around the world, ranging from an Egyptian sarcophagus to mid-century modern furniture.

Jean Sweeney ’78, current president of the Fairfield (Conn.) Club, will be organizing the event again for January 2011. Members of the Holy Cross New York Metropolitan Clubs should look for their invitations in early January 2011 by e-mail and mail. For more information, visit winterantiquesshow.com. After the incredible success of the inaugural event, Sweeney says, “This event is sure to become a cornerstone of alumni affairs for years to come. We hope to see you all there!”
than she has relocated with her husband, Joshua, to Newport, R.I., where she is pursuing her career as an independent scholar and art historian; Rovner adds that she recently returned from a two-week research trip in England, courtesy of a grant from The Furniture History Society. Jennifer M. Vargas and her husband, Eric J. Sack ’99, announce the birth of their daughter, Madeline Emma, on May 15, 2009. Class Co-Chairs Eric B. Javier, Alyssa R. MacCarthy

Michelle A. Cardona, M.D., and her husband, Michael Stitzel, announce the birth of their daughter, Josephine, on May 18, 2009; Cardona writes that she completed her residency in family medicine in Lancaster, Pa., last June—and is currently on the faculty at Franklin Square Hospital Family Medicine Residency in Rosedale, Md. Jessica (McSheehy) Del Llano and her husband, Brian, announce the birth of their daughter, Sara Bailey, on July 30, 2009. Caroline M. Duffy and her husband, Mike Waits, announce the birth of their daughter, Ella Josephine Waits, on July 19, 2009. Steven J. Florio writes that he is now living in Brooklyn, N.Y., with his wife, Alicia Starkey ’03, and working at AOL as an advertising program producer. Elizabeth G. and Kevin R. Hennessy announce the birth of their daughter, Jane Louise, on March 3. David R. Lockey and his wife, Kylene ’02, announce the birth of their son, Aidan David, on March 15. The Lockeys write that they currently reside in McKinney, Texas, where David works as a financial adviser with Edward Jones. Kasia Szyfelbein Masterpol, M.D., and her husband, Richard, announce the birth of their son, Richard Konrad, on Jan. 5. Kendra (Baratz) Randall and her husband, Matthew, announce the birth of their daughter, Caden Taylor, on March 3; Randall writes that she lives in Charleston, S.C., with her family and works as an interior designer. Jessica M. Tynan-Lynch notes that, having earned her master’s degree in social work administration at Columbia University and worked six years, after graduate school, at Hamilton-Madison House, a voluntary, nonprofit settlement house in New York City, she is now employed by the American Cancer Society in Waterbury, Conn. Margaret E. Callie and Jay Lee were married on Jan. 9, at Santa Cruz Catholic Church in Tucson, Ariz.

From Holy Cross to Harvard University Graduate School of Design, Anthony Di Mari ’04 is certainly no stranger to intense academics and competitive environments. In January, Di Mari was a finalist in the SHIFT-boston Ideas Competition for his innovative vision and design concerning urban expansion in Boston. This prestigious honor follows two competitive research grants awarded by Harvard, allowing Di Mari to travel to Chile and Japan to study environmental issues. He also took advantage of research grants, studying drawing in Rome, even interning in Spain. A pioneer for the architectural studies major offered through the Center for Interdisciplinary and Special Studies (CISS), Di Mari was one of the first to select courses from different academic departments to build the major.

But a seminar with Professor Joanna Ziegler, Visual Arts department chair and Edward A. O’Rorke Professor in the Liberal Arts, would prove to be the most influential in determining Di Mari’s future. “She shaped my idea of space in a way I could not have received elsewhere,” Di Mari observes. Along with other professors, Di Mari says, Ziegler “saw my interest in space and design and embraced and nurtured it.” Unlike a five-year professional architecture program, he adds, the liberal arts education he received at Holy Cross taught him to “balance thinking while making,” a skill that has served him well as a student and a professional. While he continues work on his own thesis, a design project for an adaptable urban infrastructure for the 2016 Olympics in Rio de Janeiro, he can be found back on Mount St. James as a visiting lecturer and a mentor for current architectural studies majors. Even having graduated from Harvard last month, Di Mari plans to remain very connected to the academic community and to Holy Cross.

“I will continue,” he says, “to balance professional work as an architect and work with students on an academic level.”
Meghan Crow ’93 is following the mission of being a person for others, even 5,000 miles outside of her comfort zone. Recently, Alaskan Gov. Sean Parnell selected Crow to serve on his Suicide Prevention Council. “We are faced with a daunting task because the rate of suicide for Alaska natives is nearly four times the national average,” she says.

Crow, a Walpole, Mass., native, played basketball and majored in English at Holy Cross. A transformative experience in rural Alaska as a volunteer with the Tundra Women’s Coalition through the Jesuit Volunteer Corps prompted her to return to the 49th state after receiving her masters’ in social work from Boston College in 1998.

Now, with her husband Jack and their three children, Katie, Jamin and Peter, Crow lives in Bethel, Alaska, located about 400 miles west of Anchorage and accessible only by plane. She has been a social worker in the secondary school system there for 12 years. Crow recalls that her desire to pursue a career of service had its foundations on Mount St. James. “Never before or since have I been part of a community where the majority of people are truly focused on both how to better themselves and help make a difference in their world,” she says. She credits two staff members for aiding her success. “My coach Bill Gibbons is the embodiment of the Holy Cross mission,” she says, adding, “and Father LaBran guided me through my spiritual development while at Holy Cross.”

Crow doesn’t have to go far if she misses the Hill: Fellow public school social worker Nicholas Naneng ’77 keeps the purple pride flowing up north. “When Meghan started working in Bethel and said she graduated from Holy Cross, it brought back many good memories of the school,” says Naneng, a sociology major who played intramural sports, participated in SPUD and took photos for The Crusader and The Purple Patcher at Holy Cross. Naneng, who chose Holy Cross partly because it was so far from his Alaskan hometown and he would have to “stick with it, if I got homesick,” suspects he may be the first Yupik Eskimo to graduate from Holy Cross.

**Rerooted in a Frozen Place: Meghan Crow ’93**

*By Rebekah C. Linga ’09*

Social workers Meghan Crow ’93 and Nicholas Naneng ’77

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Sberlati and Lauren Bollettino were married on Oct. 24, in Oak Brook, Ill. Jessica M. Tyan and Charles Lynch were married on July 18, 2009, in Simsbury, Conn. Class Co-Chairs Lauren Bylinski McCarthy, Elizabeth S. Rapuano, Anthony Trani III ’01

Tarah M. Auguste writes that she is currently living with her family in Bed-Stuy Brooklyn, N.Y., and working as a critical care nurse in a surgical intensive care unit; Auguste notes that she recently returned from a medical relief mission in Haiti, where she had been part of a team aiding earthquake victims. Melissa and Matthew Bryan announce the birth of their twins, Henry Joseph and Luke Charles, on Feb. 25. Mary Kathryn (Kennedy) Devine writes that she is currently pursuing her master’s degree in national policy and security studies at the Naval War College in Newport, R.I.; she had completed command of Patrol Coastal Crew KILO in September 2009. Laura B. Lewandowski writes that she has been named chief resident of pediatrics at UMass Medical Center in Worcester, for 2010-11. Emily (Hughes) and Nathaniel J. Malloy announce the birth of their son, Jonathan Francis, on Dec. 7, 2009; the Malloys note that Nathaniel continues to work as a town planner for the town of Amherst, Mass., and that Emily writes for the Channing Bete publishing company in South Deerfield, Mass. Rebecca (Donovan) Manikian and her husband, Max, announce the birth of their daughter, Reese Vivienne, on Sept. 18. Manikian writes that she has worked four and a half years at Cone LLC in Boston, where she is an account supervisor, “specializing in cause branding.” Madeleine S. Moreno and her husband, Dashiell Birnkrant, announce the birth of their son, Shaya Moreno Birnkrant, on Dec. 19. Kathryn (Gilles) Pék and her husband, István, announce the birth of their daughter, Liliana Teréz, on Dec. 9. Kimberly Bosworth Phalen and her husband, Daniel, announce the birth of their twins, Sophia Marie and Abigail Elizabeth, on May 29, 2009. Tracy (Scott) Yurkewicz and her husband, Rob, announce the birth of their son, Simon Roberts, on April 13, 2009. Rebecca L. Donovan and Max Manikian were married on Oct. 4, 2008, in York, Maine. Emily M. Hughes and Nathaniel J. Malloy were married on Dec. 6, 2008, in St. Joseph Memorial Chapel at Holy Cross. Class Co-Chairs Megan K. Baroni, Catherine G. Bryan, Rusmir Music ’02

Margaret “Meg” (Malchodi) Brock and her husband, Tom, announce the birth of their son, Aidan, on Feb. 14. Kara J. Clifford writes that, since receiving her degree in 2007 from the Northeastern University School of Law in Boston, she has been working as an attorney at a general practice in Quincy, Mass., with a focus on domestic relations. Elizabeth Curl-Chappell and her husband, Danny, announce the birth of their son, Ronin Danny, on Feb. 13; Curl-Chappell writes that she has now teaching English as an adjunct faculty member at a local community college. Kylen (Sierkowski) Lockey and her husband, Daniel, announce the birth of their son, Simon Robins, on March 15. The Lockeys note that they currently reside in McKinney, Texas. Patrick T. Maloney and his wife, Kristine, announce the birth of their daughter, Anna Katherine, on March 30. David G. “Dave” Ries and his wife, Jenelle ’03, announce the birth of their daughter, Elizabeth “Eliie” Aidan.
IN MEMORIAM

1933
M. Osmond Grimes, M.D.
M. Osmond Grimes, M.D., died Feb. 6, 2010, at St. Clare Home in Newport, R.I., at 95. A longtime physician, Dr. Grimes had been a member of the Newport Hospital medical staff for 47 years, practicing ear, eye, nose and throat medicine at the start of his career and, later, ophthalmology, until his retirement in 1998. His professional affiliations included the New England Ophthalmological Society, the Rhode Island Medical Society, the American Medical Association and the American Academy of Ophthalmology. A member of the Newport Representative Council from 1951 until 1953, Dr. Grimes had been a life member of the Newport Yacht Club, a lifelong parishioner of St. Joseph’s Church in Newport, a board director of the Newport Boys Club and a member of the Lions Club and Hazard’s Beach. He is survived by his 11 sons, including Andrew M., M.D., ’68; four daughters; three sons-in-law; 10 daughters-in-law; 31 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

1939
Walter R. May
Walter May, of Alexandria, Va., and Rockport, Mass., died Dec. 8, 2009, at 91. During his career, Mr. May had been a counsel for many years to U.S. Senate and House committees. He is survived by his wife, Alice; two sons; a daughter; a son-in-law; two daughters-in-law; a brother; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. His brother was the late Robert E. ’43.

Robert E. Sunderhaft
Robert Sunderhaft died Dec. 26, 2009, in the Lewis County General Hospital, Lowville, N.Y., at 93. A longtime businessman, Mr. Sunderhaft had opened the R.E. Sunderhaft Department Store in Lowville after World War II; the business—which was merged in the 1950s with Bateman’s, an adjacent store owned by his father—continued in operation until the early 1970s. Prior to his retirement in 1981, Mr. Sunderhaft had been a steward at the Lowville Elks Club. An Army veteran of World War II, he had been stationed in Seattle—had served in the Asiatic Pacific theater, including the Aleutian Islands, Burma and India; Mr. Sunderhaft was honorably discharged as a master sergeant. An accomplished student athlete in basketball and baseball, he had played centerfield for many years for the Lowville town team. Mr. Sunderhaft had been a longtime member of St. Peter’s Roman Catholic Church in Lowville. He is survived by his wife, Virginia; three sons; a daughter; a son-in-law; three daughters-in-law; eight grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

1940
Thomas M. Murphy
Thomas Murphy died Jan. 29, 2010, at his home in New London, Conn., at 91. During his career, Mr. Murphy had been employed by the FBI, undertaking assignments that included his working 27 years in New London; joining the bureau in 1947 as a special agent, he retired in 1977. A Navy veteran, Mr. Murphy had served in the Pacific theater during World War II. He had been a parishioner of St. Mary Star of the Sea Church in New London. He was a member of the St. Bernard High School Athletic Hall of Fame in Uncasville, Conn. Mr. Murphy had been a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by his wife, Anne; two sons; two daughters; a sister; nine grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

1941
Joseph A. Dorgan, M.D.
Joseph Dorgan, M.D., most recently of Boston, died on March 12, 2010. During his career, Dr. Dorgan had been a member of the staff of many hospitals in Boston; he was the New England Patriots’ first team orthopedic surgeon. Dr. Dorgan also undertook pro bono work at Boston City and Cambridge hospitals. A veteran, he had served as chief medical officer in the Mediterranean Fleet during World War II and, again, in the Korean War. He is survived by three daughters; a son-in-law, Lawrence M. Strang ’69; six grandchildren, including Joseph G. Jordan ’99 and David R. Jordan ’01; and many nephews and nieces.

Frank J. Gaziano
Frank Gaziano died Jan. 16, 2010, at his home in Cape Elizabeth, Maine, at 92. A longtime businessman, Mr. Gaziano began his career with Anheuser-Busch in Boston. Joining the company in 1946 as a route salesman, he later served as the branch manager in Boston and, then, in New York, at several locations; promoted to assistant regional manager in 1952, Mr. Gaziano subsequently became the division manager, assigned to the New England area. In 1960, he purchased National Distributors, Inc., in Portland, Maine, where, during his long tenure as president and chief executive officer, he greatly expanded the company’s operations and work force. A generous supporter of local sports and community programs, Mr. Gaziano had been instrumental in the construction of the bandstand in Deering Oaks Park in Portland and, also, in establishing an annual scholarship at his alma mater Waltham (Mass.) High School, to be awarded to an outstanding
John F. Luick

John Luick died on March 9, 2010. During his career, Mr. Luick had worked in advertising for many years in Chicago. Co-author, with William L. Ziegler, of the book Sales Promotion and Modern Merchandising, he had also been a freelance writer, publishing many articles in various publications. Mr. Luick is survived by three children; several grandchildren; and great-grandchildren.

James J. Reilly Jr.

James Reilly, of Portsmouth, R.I., died Jan. 28, 2010, at the Grand Islander Nursing Home in Middletown, R.I., at 91. A longtime employee of the New England Power Service Co., in Westbrook, Mass., he retired as senior right of way agent. At the start of his career, he had worked for several newspapers in Houston and, subsequently, for the power industry in Texas. A World War II Navy veteran, Mr. Reilly first served on the destroyer USS Porter in the North Atlantic and North Africa. Later joining the staff of Adm. H. Kent Hewitt, Commander, U.S. Naval Forces, Northwest Africa Waters, he assumed the posts of assistant flag secretary and assistant to Rear Adm. Spencer Lewis, serving on the admiral’s flagship during assaults at Gela, Sicily; Salerno and Anzio, Italy; and San Raphael, France. Following the appointment of Adm. Hewitt as Commander, U.S. Naval Forces in Europe, Mr. Reilly undertook the assignment of U.S. naval observer on the staff of then U.S. Ambassador to England John G. Winant. The recipient of numerous medals—the Bronze Star, Navy Unit Commendations, Knight Cross Crown of Italy and the French Croix de Guerre—he served in the U.S. Naval Reserves following his discharge from active duty. Mr. Reilly had been a member of the New York Athletic Club and the Redwood Library in Newport, R.I. He is survived by two sisters; a nephew; three nieces; and six grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

James P. Lynch Jr.

James Lynch died Feb. 25, 2010, in Newton-Wellesley Hospital in Newton, Mass., at 88. Prior to his retirement in 1991, Mr. Lynch had served 19 years as a judge of the Massachusetts Superior Court, including a five-year term as chief justice, beginning in 1978. A graduate of Boston College Law School in 1949, he began his career as a law clerk in the U.S. District Court in Boston before joining the Boston law firm Ropes and Gray; during this time, he served two years as an assistant U.S. attorney in Boston. Mr. Lynch subsequently worked at the Boston firm Nutter McClennen & Fish LLC. In the late 1950s, he had also taught rules of evidence at Harvard Law School and, thereafter, lectured and taught trial practice at Harvard Law School in Cambridge, Mass. The Boston Bar Association honored Mr. Lynch, in 1998, with its Haskell Cohn Distinguished Judicial Service Award. A Navy lieutenant in World War II, he was assigned to a landing craft that transported soldiers and supplies during the D-Day invasion. Mr. Lynch had been a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross and was named an Honorary Scholar-Athlete. In 1996, a celebration was held in commemoration of his 50 years in the industry, at which time Anheuser-Busch presented him with a special commendation. A standout athlete at Waltham High School, where he established several records in football, Mr. Gaziano had been a member of the varsity team at Holy Cross—and was named an All-American football player; after graduation, he played professional football with the Washington Redskins and the Boston Yanks. A veteran, Mr. Gaziano had served in the Army during World War II, following the completion of his military service, he returned to Waltham where he was elected to the School Committee. Mr. Gaziano had belonged to numerous veterans’ and community organizations, including the Portland Lions Club and the Italian Heritage Club. He had been a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross. Mr. Gaziano is survived by three children; several grandchildren; and great-grandchildren.

1942

Edward J. Harrington

Edward Harrington died Jan. 28, 2010, in the Holy Trinity Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Worcester, at 88. A teacher in the Worcester public school system for many years, Mr. Harrington had retired as principal of the Downing Street School. He was a U.S. Army-Air Force veteran of World War II. Mr. Harrington was a parishioner of Our Lady of the Angels Church in Worcester and a member of the Holy Cross Alumni Sodality of Our Lady; he had also belonged to several professional teachers’ associations. Mr. Harrington had been a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by two sons; a daughter; a son-in-law; two daughters-in-law; and six grandchildren.

John J. McNulty Jr.

John McNulty died Dec. 28, 2009, at his home in Green Island, N.Y., at 87. A lifelong resident of Green Island, Mr. McNulty had established the McNulty Funeral Home there in 1945 and served many years as its director. Active in the village’s affairs, he had held the posts of Green Island town supervisor, from 1949 until 1957; mayor, from 1957 to 1974; sheriff of Albany County, from 1974 to 1979; and mayor, again, from 1983 to 1985 and 1992 to 2002. A member of the New York State Commission of Correction from 1985 until 1989, Mr. McNulty was a trustee and vice chairman of the Green Island Power Authority, from 1988 to 2005; a special consultant for governmental affairs; and chairman of the Green Island Industrial Development Agency (IDA), from 1979 until 2003. In addition, he had been a board director of the Pioneer Savings Bank in Troy, N.Y., from 1971 until 1997; a member of the New York State Sheriffs’ Association and the New York State and Capital District Funeral Directors associations; and a member, president and board chairman of the Society of the Friends of St. Patrick in Troy. Involved in Democratic politics throughout his career, Mr. McNulty was the chairman of the Green Island Democratic Committee for many years—and had most recently served as a committeeman; he had also held several positions with the Albany County Democratic Committee. A member of numerous fraternal, veterans’ and community organizations, including the Knights of Columbus and the Pat Aiezza Post Catholic War Veterans, Mr. McNulty had been an active, lifelong parishioner of St. Joseph’s Church in Green Island and a member of the Perpetual Adoration Society of St. Augustine’s Church, the Capital District First Friday Club and the Association of Jeanne Jugan. A Navy veteran, he
had served in the Pacific theater during World War II. Mr. McNulty is survived by two sons, including Michael R. ’69; two daughters; a son-in-law; two daughters-in-law; 11 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

Richard H. Shults
Richard Shults, of Delray Beach, Fla., died Feb. 10, 2010, at 88. Mr. Shults is survived by his wife, Peggy; four sons; six daughters; 21 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

1944
Francis E. Barry, M.D.
Francis Barry, M.D., died Jan. 18, 2010, in Salem (Mass.) Hospital, at 87. A longtime obstetrician/gynecologist, Dr. Barry began his practice in the 1950s in Lynn, Mass.; during the last 11 years of his career, he was director of the Marion E. Fether Medical Center in Immacolatae, Fla. Dr. Barry had been a member of the American Medical Association. A veteran, he had served as a flight surgeon in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War, attaining the rank of major. Dr. Barry had been a parishioner of Sacred Heart Church in Lynn. His interests included golf, reading and travel. Dr. Barry is survived by his wife, Carol; a son; three daughters; two grandchildren; and several nephews and nieces.

Alexander J. MacCausland Jr.
Alexander MacCausland died March 4, 2010, at Freedom Village in Coatesville, Pa., at 87. Involved for many years in the automotive industry, Mr. MacCausland had established MacCausland Motors in Devon, Pa., in 1962; he operated the dealership—which sold American Motors Corporation and Fiat vehicles and, later, Jeeps—until his retirement in 1988. Beginning his career with his father at the Sentman Motor Co., a Chrysler-Plymouth dealership in Philadelphia, he subsequently worked as an automotive salesman for Videon Motors in Newtown Square, Pa. An Army sergeant in World War II, serving with the First Infantry Division, Mr. MacCausland saw action in North Africa and Italy and participated in the landing on Omaha Beach during the Normandy invasion; later captured by the Germans, he spent five months as a prisoner of war in Poland and Germany. Mr. MacCausland had been a recipient of the Bronze Star. Prior to enlisting in the military in 1943, he had attended Holy Cross and St. Joseph’s University in Philadelphia. Mr. MacCausland is survived by his wife, Ellen; three sons; two daughters; a brother; three sisters; 14 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Donald D. O’Brien
Donald O’Brien died Jan. 14, 2010, at the Berkshire Medical Center, Pittsfield, Mass., at 87. Working in retail management for many years during his career, Mr. O’Brien had owned and operated the Hampton Terrace Bed and Breakfast in Lenox, Mass., with his wife, from 1968 through 1999. He had also been a volunteer at the Tanglewood Music Festival in Lenox for more than 25 years. Mr. O’Brien is survived by his wife, Mary; three daughters; two sons-in-law; seven grandchildren, including Mary R. Ferrel ’08; and a great-grandchild. His brother was the late William R. ’34.

1945
Eugene P. Burns
Eugene Burns, of Jamaica Plain, Mass., died Jan. 7, 2010. During his career, Mr. Burns had worked many years as an attorney; he had been a member of the Massachusetts Bar Association. Mr. Burns was a graduate of the New England School of Law in Boston. A veteran, he had served as a lieutenant in the Navy during World War II; Mr. Burns was a member of the first class of the NROTC unit at Holy Cross. He had belonged to several veterans’ organizations as well as the Patrol Craft Association and the Jamaica Pond Association. Mr. Burns is survived by a daughter; a son-in-law; a brother, Rev. John F. ’44; and two grandsons.

C. Frederic Edgerton II
C. Frederic Edgerton, a longtime resident of Concord and East Falmouth, Mass., died Jan. 20, 2010, in North Falmouth, at 89. During his career, Mr. Edgerton had served many years as an investment broker, first, at Hornblower & Weeks, and, later, with Dean Witter Reynolds and Morgan Stanley in Boston. He had also been active in volunteer work at Falmouth Hospital, St. Barnabas Episcopal Church in Falmouth, Trinity Episcopal Church in Concord, the Davisville Association and the Social Circle in Concord. A Navy veteran, Mr. Edgerton had served aboard the schooner Bowdoin during World War II. He is survived by two sons; a daughter; a brother; a sister; and two grandchildren.

John N. Kallis
John Kallis died Feb. 11, 2010, at his home in Hyannis, Mass., at 88. A graduate of Suffolk University Law School, Mr. Kallis had maintained a private practice in Boston for 45 years; the founder of Kallis & Kallis, he retired in 2002. Mr. Kallis had lived in Canton, Mass., for 57 years; following retirement, he relocated to Hyannis, where he had been a summer resident for many years. A veteran, Mr. Kallis had served as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II. He is survived by his wife, Doris; three sons, including Nicholas J. ’69; a daughter; a sister; 14 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

1947
J. Arthur Choiniere Jr.
J. Arthur Choiniere died Jan. 14, 2010, in Lanessa Extended Care, Webster, Mass., at 84. During his career, Mr. Choiniere had served many years as the owner and operator of Choiniere Dairy in Webster. After the closing of the dairy in 1983, he worked for Laipson Dairy in Worcester and, then, Cranston (R.I.) Print Works, retiring in 1991. Mr. Choiniere had been a member of St. Anthony of Padua Church in Dudley, Mass. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy; two sons; four daughters; two sons-in-law; a daughter-in-law; seven grandchildren; and several nieces.

William S. Waldron
William Waldron, of California, died Jan. 8, 2010, at 87. During his career, Mr. Waldron had served as a commander in the U.S. Navy; he was a veteran of three wars. Mr. Waldron is survived by his wife, Dorothy; a son; three daughters; 11 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

1948
Robert J. O’Brien
Robert O’Brien, of East Dennis, Mass., died March 12, 2010, at the Cape Cod Hospital in Hyannis. Involved for many years in the pharmaceutical industry, Mr. O’Brien had been a sales representative for GlaxoSmithKline in Connecticut; following his retirement in 1984, he relocated to East Dennis. Mr. O’Brien had been a member of Our Lady of the Cape Church in Brewster, where he served as a Eucharistic minister and an altar server; he was a recipient of the Marian Medal. Mr. O’Brien had been a Holy Cross class agent and a longtime, active member of the alumni association, serving on its executive and 50th reunion planning committees. A past president of the Holy Cross Club of Cape Cod, he had also held the posts of vice president, secretary, chairman of the summer fellowship committee and director of the board—and, in 1994 and 1998, was named the club’s Crusader of the Year. Mr. O’Brien
Banadakoppa T. Lingappa, professor emeritus of biology at Holy Cross, died Feb. 20, 2010, at his home in Manchi, India, at 83.

A microbiologist, Mr. Lingappa had been a member of the College faculty for 33 years, retiring in 1995. During his tenure, he had taught microbiology, botany and other courses in biology and conducted research, teaming with his wife, Yamuna, also a scholar in this field, who taught part time at the College.

Beginning his career at Holy Cross in 1962 as an assistant professor, Mr. Lingappa was promoted to associate professor in 1964 and full professor in 1968. During his tenure, he published numerous research papers focusing on various areas of microbiology.

In addition, Mr. Lingappa had owned and operated with his wife, the Annapurna Restaurant, a vegetarian eating establishment in Worcester, serving South Indian (Udipi) cuisine. Operating the business from 1973 until 1993, the couple published a book, titled Wholesome Nutrition for Mind, Body, and Microflora, on the scientific basis for vegetarianism.

Mr. Lingappa earned his Ph.D. in microbiology at Purdue University, West Lafayette, Ind., in 1957, and, subsequently, completed postdoctoral studies at the University of Michigan and Michigan State University. A native of Karnataka State (formerly Mysore) in India, he had relocated to the United States with his wife in 1953.

Mr. Lingappa is survived by his wife, Yamuna; three children; many brothers and sisters; five grandchildren; and other extended family.

A memorial reception was held at Holy Cross for him on March 17, in the Atrium of Smith Laboratories.

Professor George Hoffmann shares the following remembrance of Banadakoppa Lingappa, his longtime colleague in the biology department at the College:

The biology department was saddened by the death of Professor Banadakoppa T. Lingappa in February. The sadness was tempered, however, by the knowledge that Lin had a long life, and he lived it well. He was a member of our faculty for almost half a century and had a lasting impact on the College. He retired in 1995 after 33 years of teaching and research, and we were honored to have him as a professor emeritus for 15 more years. In his retirement, he spent winters in his native India but remained a vibrant presence in our department.

Born in 1927 in Mysore State, India, Lin was the first in his village to attend grade school. He went on to receive a B.S. in agriculture (1950) and an M.S. in microbiology (1952) from the Banaras Hindu University. His youth coincided with India’s struggle for independence, unification and peace. In his humanitarian spirit, gentle manner, principled life, tolerance and quest for truth and justice, Lin reflected the lessons of his early years. He later shared those lessons in an unassuming way with hundreds of students, friends and colleagues through intellectual discussion and personal example. In 1953 Lin and Yamuna Lingappa were married in India and became Ph.D. students at Purdue University. For the next 57 years, they were inseparable, and their three children carry on their legacy as scholars.

Lin joined the Holy Cross faculty in 1962 and had a transformative influence here. The integration of teaching and research, now the hallmark of a Holy Cross science education, was in its formative stages. Lin brought first-class scientific research to Holy Cross. He taught microbiology and botany, stimulated students’ scientific curiosity, and instilled a love of the laboratory experience and research. He generously gave his time to foster public scientific literacy. He published about 45 papers on development in fungi and microbial bioconversion. His work appeared in prestigious journals, and Holy Cross students were among his coauthors. His creativity led to grant support, inventions and patents, and his methane generator received much newspaper coverage. This work, together with the Annapurna Restaurant that the Lingappas ran near campus, made him a Worcester legend. Through their book, Wholesome Nutrition for Mind, Body & Microflora, Lin and Yamuna informed many about vegetarian diets and health.

To be around Lin for only a few minutes was to be captivated by his enthusiasm for life. He radiated a love of science. By sharing his time and insight, he was a model of professorial generosity, and we benefited immensely from his wisdom and friendship.
was honored in 1999 with the alumni association’s In Hoc Signo award. He had been a member, as well, of the Dennis-Harwich Lions Club and a recipient of the Massachusetts Lions Eye Research Recognition Award. A Navy veteran, Mr. O’Brien served in the Pacific during World War II. He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth; two daughters; two sons-in-law; five grandchildren; and a great-granddaughter.

**Thomas P. Quinn**

Thomas Quinn died Feb. 23, 2010, at his home in Fiskdale, Mass., at 84. Prior to his retirement, Mr. Quinn had been the sales manager at the Southbridge (Mass.) Lumber Co., for 40 years and, subsequently, at the Morse Lumber Co., in Southbridge, for more than five years. Following retirement, he worked several years for the Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home, also in Southbridge. During his career, Mr. Quinn had been a member of the Southbridge School Committee for 10 years and its chairman for seven years. His community involvement included serving as a Literacy Volunteer with the Jacob Edwards Library in Southbridge and as a member of the town Lions Club; Mr. Quinn had also been an active member as well of St. Mary’s Parish. A three-sport athlete at his alma mater St. John’s High School in Worcester, he had been a member of the varsity baseball team at Holy Cross. Mr. Quinn had also played on several baseball teams in the Worcester area and served as a Little League coach in Southbridge. He is survived by his wife, Anne; a son; three daughters; two sons-in-law a daughter-in-law; two brothers; eight grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and many nephews and nieces.

**Richard P. Buellesbach**

Richard Buellesbach, a longtime resident of Elm Grove, Wis., died Jan. 7, 2010, at 83. During his career, Mr. Buellesbach had been an attorney with the law firm Whyte Hirschboeck Dudek S.C., in its Milwaukee office; he had joined the firm in 1952. Mr. Buellesbach had also been a trustee for the Village of Elm Grove for 30 years and a member of the Planning Commission. Involved in numerous community and professional organizations, he was an active volunteer at Marquette University High School in Milwaukee and at St. Mary’s Parish in Elm Grove. Mr. Buellesbach had been a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross. He is survived by his wife, Mary Ellen; four sons; two daughters; a son-in-law; four daughters-in-law; two sisters; a brother-in-law; and 23 grandchildren.

**Edward J. Getlein**

Edward Getlein died Nov. 29, 2009, at his home in Woodbridge, Conn., at 81. Mr. Getlein is survived by his wife, Olive Nancy Tippe; five children; a brother; and four grandchildren. His brother was the late Frank J. ’42.

**Joseph E. Gill**

Joseph Gill, a longtime resident of Elmira, N.Y., died Jan. 14, 2010, at Elcor Health Services, Horseheads, N.Y., at 84. Mr. Gill had been a member of St. Patrick’s Church in Elmira. He is survived by numerous cousins.

**Edward A. Maher Jr.**

Edward Maher died Nov. 9, 2009, at 83. During his career, Mr. Maher had been the president of Maher Oil Company. A former resident of Garden City, N.Y., he relocated to Palm City, Fla., in 1986, following his retirement; Mr. Maher had also spent summers in Windham, N.Y. He is survived by his wife, Jean; four sons; a daughter; and 11 grandchildren. His brother was the late Stuart T. ’58.

**Robert C. O’Brien**

Robert O’Brien, of Winchester, Mass., died on March 2, 2010. Mr. O’Brien was a veteran of World War II. He is survived by his wife, Mary; three sons; two daughters; and seven grandchildren.

**Francis X. O’Hare**

Francis O’Hare, of Marblehead, Mass., died in Salem (Mass.) Hospital, on March 1, 2010, at 84. Involved for many years in the food industry prior to his retirement, in 1950

**Chandler P. Creedon Sr.**

Chandler Creedon, a lifelong resident of Shrewsbury, Mass., died Dec. 20, 2009, in St. Mary’s Health Care Center in Worcester, at 86. A longtime educator, Mr. Creedon had taught fourth- and fifth-grade mathematics in Shrewsbury before beginning a 34-year tenure at the Framingham (Mass.) Middle School. During his career, Mr. Creedon had also been active in the food service business, working as a bartender at numerous locations and as a manager at Creedon and Company, a catering service and tent rental business in Worcester. In addition, he had been a member of the Shrewsbury School Committee for 12 years. An Army veteran, Mr. Creedon had served in the Pacific theater during World War II. A sports enthusiast, he had been a member of the national winning four-oared crew team for Shrewsbury as well as a member of the International Association of Basketball Officials. Mr. Creedon was a parishioner of St. Mary’s Church. He is survived by his wife, Eileen; five sons; three daughters; three sons-in-law; two daughters-in-law; a brother; a sister; 17 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.
Edward S. Polak
Edward Polak, of Gallatin, Tenn., died Jan. 19, 2010, at 83. Active for many years in the manufacturing industry, Mr. Polak had most recently been associated with Kirby Building Systems; joining the company in 1980 as vice president of manufacturing, he had worked at the company’s plants in Houston and Portland, Tenn., retiring in 1991. Mr. Polak had previously worked six years for National Steel, assuming the position of plant manager at its subsidiary Stran-Steel in Houston and, also, undertaking executive assignments at National Pipe and Tube in Liberty, Texas. Joining the General Electric Co., in Pittsfield, Mass., in 1951, Mr. Polak had completed manufacturing assignments in Rome, Ga., as well as Clyde, Auburn, and Syracuse, N.Y.; prior to joining National Steel in 1974, he had worked seven years for the Butler Manufacturing Co., during which time he carried out various manufacturing projects in Kansas City, Mo. Mr. Polak was a parishioner at Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church in Hendersonville, Tenn. An Army Air Corps veteran, he had been trained as an aircraft and engine mechanic, specializing in B-17 bombers. As a student at Warren (R.I.) High School, Mr. Polak received All-Star honors in baseball and, later, played on the varsity baseball team at Holy Cross; serving as team captain in 1950, he was voted third team All-American by the College Coaches Association at the end of the season. Following graduation, Mr. Polak played in the St. Louis Cardinals farm team system in Lynchburg, Va., Winston-Salem, N.C., and Allentown, Pa. He is survived by his wife, Jacqueline; three daughters; two sons-in-law; a brother; a sister-in-law; two grandchildren; and several nephews and nieces.

John Rosseel
John Rosseel died Jan. 21, 2010, at 84. During his career, Mr. Rosseel had served as vice president and treasurer of the family business, Washington Press of Worcester; the sales accounts manager for numerous New England businesses, he had worked with the Boston Red Sox and several other teams in the printing of their annual yearbook. In the early 1960s, Mr. Rosseel started Sunrise, a magazine dedicated to winter sports and recreational activities. When Washington Press closed in 1977, he joined the Boston printing firm Mark-Burton Co., as director of sales; he retired in the early 1990s. Enlisting in the Army following graduation from St. John’s High School in Worcester, Mr. Rosseel had served as an Army Air Corps navigator during World War II, serving in the Asiatic-Pacific theater. He was a longtime parishioner of Immaculate Conception Church in Worcester. Mr. Rosseel had been a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by three sons; three daughters; a son-in-law; two daughters-in-law; seven grandchildren; and several nephews and nieces.

Robert C. Kane
Robert Kane died Dec. 14, 2009, at his home in Westport, Conn., at 77. During his career, Mr. Kane had worked 20 years for the Xerox Corp., as a regional vice president. Following retirement, he volunteered with the International Executive Service Corps, undertaking assignments worldwide. Mr. Kane had been a resident of Westport for 36 years. A veteran, he had served as a naval officer, stationed in San Diego. Mr. Kane had been a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by his wife, Susan; two sons; a daughter; a son-in-law; two daughters-in-law; four brothers, Arthur W. Jr. ‘53, John N. ‘59, Thomas E. ‘63 and Richard (B.C. ’67); two sisters; a brother-in-law; four sisters-in-law; a nephew, John N. Jr. ’93; two nieces, Carol A. ’81 and Catherine Kane Ronis ’86; and seven grandchildren. His brother was the late Paul R. Sr. ’56.

Francis A. McGillicuddy
Francis McGillicuddy died Jan. 3, 2010, at 82. During his career, Mr. McGillicuddy had worked for the Portland (Maine) Housing Authority, serving 23 years as a social worker supervisor. In 1989, his wife and he founded the Portland Yoga Studio, which they operated until 2005; during this time, the couple taught yoga at the Cumberland County Jail—and also were featured in a weekly segment about yoga on a local news station. Pursuing a degree in philosophy and theology at St. John’s Seminary in Brighton, Mass., Mr. McGillicuddy was ordained to the priesthood in 1958; he served as a priest in the Diocese of Portland until 1972. Mr. McGillicuddy was a longtime advocate for peace, equality and social justice. He is survived by his wife, Elaine.

James P. Ewen
James Ewen died Feb. 14, 2010, at his home in Lunenburg, Mass., at 77. During his career, Mr. Ewen had worked 20 years at the former Crocker Burbank, Weyerhaeuser and James River Paper companies in Fitchburg, Mass.; prior to his retirement in 1995, he had been employed by Anheuser-Busch, Inc., in Merrimack, N.H. In 1966, Mr. Ewen and his family founded Ewen’s Sleepy Hollow Sugarhouse in Lunenburg. A former Boy Scout leader, he had been active at one time in youth sports programs; Mr. Ewen had also been a school bus driver for the community. An Army veteran, he had served with the U.S. Army Security Agency in Germany during the Korean War. A standout athlete at his alma mater Fitchburg (Mass.) High School, Mr. Ewen had been a member of the varsity football team at Holy Cross. He is survived by two sons; two daughters; two sons-in-law; two daughters-in-law; a sister; a brother-in-law; seven grandchildren; his companion, Helen A. Dumont; and several nephews and nieces.

William J. Morgan
William Morgan died March 5, 2010, in Brigham and Women’s Hospital, Boston, at 76. During his career, Mr. Morgan had held mar-
keting and advertising positions at several radio stations, including WMEX and WORL in Boston. Beginning work in fundraising in the late 1970s, he founded his own company several years later, operating it until his retirement in 2004. During this time, Mr. Morgan had also pursued his interest in theater, performing in productions, including Man of La Mancha, Carousel and Guys and Dolls; following graduation from Holy Cross, he had relocated to New York City to pursue a theatrical career. Mr. Morgan was a 1951 graduate of Cohasset (Mass.) High School, where he had been an outstanding athlete, excelling in both basketball and baseball; named three times to the Massachusetts All-Scholastic basketball team, he set several school and high school tournament scoring records. During his lifetime, Mr. Morgan had undertaken extensive national and international travel. He is survived by his wife, Kathryn; two sons; and a brother.

George J. Robinson
George Robinson, of Webster, Mass., died Dec. 29, 2009, at the UMass Memorial Medical Center—University Campus, Worcester, at 76. A longtime attorney, Mr. Robinson had established the law firm Robinson & Jaylbert in Webster; he retired in 2006. Active in civic and community affairs, he was a former member of the Oxford (Mass.) School Committee; past president and New England district director of the Webster Exchange Club; a member and past president of the Webster-Dudley-Oxford Chamber of Commerce; director of the United Way of Webster; and a member of the Webster Advisory Board. In addition, Mr. Robinson was the past president, corporator and director of the Hubbard Regional Hospital in Webster and a longtime member, corporator and trustee of the Webster Five Cents Savings Bank; at the time of his retirement, he had been the chairman of its board of directors. A veteran, Mr. Robinson had served as a major in the Marine Corps. He is survived by his wife, Jean; a son, Maj. George M., USMC '92; four daughters, including Susan E. Jefferson '78; four sons-in-law; a daughter-in-law, Jill '96; a brother; 10 grandchildren; a great-granddaughter; and several nephews and nieces.

David M. Sheehan
David Sheehan, of Haymarket, Va., and Santa Rosa, N.M., died Jan. 4, 2010, at his home in Santa Rosa, at 75. During his career, Mr. Sheehan had worked 31 years for the Mobil Oil Corp.; he retired in 1996 as the general manager of corporate aviation. Mr. Sheehan had been an active member of St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Santa Rosa and Our Lady of Refuge Catholic Church in Puerto De Luna, N.M. An Air Force veteran, he had been an officer in the 50th and 522nd Tactical Fighter Wings, stationed at Cannon Air Force Base in New Mexico and, also, in Germany. Mr. Sheehan is survived by his wife, Mida; a son; three daughters; three sons-in-law; a daughter-in-law; a sister; five grandchildren; and several nephews and nieces.

Rev. Edward A. Wetzel
Rev. Edward Wetzel died Jan. 2, 2010, at his home in Powell, Wyo., at 76. During his career, Rev. Wetzel had worked many years in the advertising field, serving as an officer of two major agencies in New York City and, then, as manager of the office of another large advertising agency in Dayton, Ohio. Later becoming a substance abuse counselor, he worked at treatment facilities in Georgia and Virginia, primarily helping individuals whose addictions led them into the criminal justice system. Upon relocating to Powell, Wyo., in 1995, Rev. Wetzel assisted in developing the Park County Drug Court, where he had served early on as a coordinator. Joining St. John’s Episcopal Church in Powell, Rev. Wetzel was called by the congregation to enter ordained ministry; following his ordination in January 2008, he served two years as a local priest at St. John’s. Rev. Wetzel had been a member of the board of the Park County Library Foundation and, also, the Heart Mountain Volunteer Medical Clinic. He is survived by his wife, Carra; a son; three daughters; three sons-in-law; a daughter-in-law; two brothers, Paul J. ’59 and William A. ’62; a sister; and 11 grandchildren.

1956
David E. Murphy
David Murphy, of Falmouth, Mass., died March 1, 2010, at 75. During his career, Mr. Murphy had been a partner for 30 years in the certified public accounting firm Murphy & Kligman, in Quincy, Mass. Relocating to Falmouth following his retirement in 1995, he earned his real estate license and worked several years for John Conway Realtors®. Before starting his own firm, Mr. Murphy had been employed by Lybrand, Ross Brothers, now Coopers & Lybrand. A veteran, he had served as a captain in the Air Force, navigating refueling jets, from 1956 until 1959. Mr. Murphy had been a resident of Hingham, Mass., for 29 years. He is survived by his wife, Violet; two sons, Steven A. ’88 and Brian T. ’91; a daughter, Donna E. Jackson ’86; a son-in-law; two daughters-in-law; a brother; six grandchildren; many nephews and nieces; and two cousins.

1957
Frank S. Ablett
Frank Ablett, of Bogota, N.J., died Feb. 6, 2010, at 73. During his career, Mr. Ablett had taught in the West Sand Lake School District in New York. Relocating to New Jersey in 1966, he worked for more than 15 years as a copywriter for Prentice-Hall in Englewood Cliffs; Mr. Ablett then undertook freelance work for several advertising agencies in New York City. He is survived by numerous cousins.

Thomas B. Cavanaugh Jr.
Thomas Cavanaugh died Feb. 7, 2010, at St. Mary’s Meadow Nursing Home in Holyoke, Mass., at 75. A longtime educator, Mr. Cavanaugh had served as a science
Jerome K. Murphy
Jerome Kevin Murphy died Jan. 16, 2010, at his home in Northbridge, Calif., at 74. During his career, Mr. Murphy had worked in the construction field, establishing, in 1965, JKM Industries, a grading and paving company in San Fernando Valley, Calif. He subsequently served 14 years as the director/administrator of Egremont Schools, Inc., in Chatsworth, Calif., retiring in 2005. Active in the community, Mr. Murphy had been involved in the construction of the Little League fields in Northbridge and, also, in the remodeling of the baseball field at California State University-Northbridge; a past president/director of the Northbridge Little League, he helped to establish the girls’ softball league. Earlier in his career, he had held the post of president of the Encino Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Murphy had served in the Air National Guard. A member of the track team as a student at Holy Cross, he won the Bart Sullivan trophy in 1954. Mr. Murphy is survived by his wife, Judith; three sons; a daughter; a son-in-law; two daughters-in-law; a brother, Brian C. ’58; a sister-in-law; six grandchildren; and a nephew, Philip ’10. His father was the late Jerome F. ’35.

Rev. Thomas J. Quinn, S.J.
Rev. Thomas Quinn, S.J., died Jan. 8, 2010, at 74. During his ministry, Fr. Quinn had taught many years at Canisius High School in Buffalo. After a sabbatical in Jerusalem, he joined the staff of the Mount Manresa Retreat House on Staten Island, N.Y., where he served as a retreat and spiritual director and became an accomplished artist. Entering the Society of Jesus at St. Andrew-on-Hudson in New York, in 1957, he was ordained to the priesthood in 1968 at Canisius College; Fr. Quinn had completed studies at Saint Louis University in Missouri and Woodstock (Md.) College. He is survived by a sister.

Nicholas P. DeCarlo
Nicholas DeCarlo died Dec. 30, 2009, at his home in Arlington, Va. During his career, Mr. DeCarlo had served 26 years in the U.S. Navy Judge Advocate Corps (JAG), retiring as a captain. He subsequently taught language arts and religion for 10 years to middle school students at Holy Trinity School in Washington, D.C.; he had also been the moderator of the Student Council. Mr. DeCarlo is survived by his wife, Sara; two sons; two daughters; a son-in-law; two daughters-in-law; his mother; and seven grandchildren.

John P. Royston
John Royston, of Washington, D.C., died on Dec. 31, 2009. Mr. Royston had been a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by his wife, Dolores; three sons, including Timothy M. ’86; a daughter; two daughters-in-law; six siblings; and four grandchildren.

John M. Farino Jr.
James Farino, of San Luis Obispo, died Dec. 24, 2009. Mr. Farino is survived by his wife, Janet; a son; a daughter; his mother; and a brother.

Matthew A. Kass
Matthew Kass, of Western Springs, Ill., died Feb. 15, 2010, at 72. Mr. Kass was a retired commanding officer in the U.S. Naval Reserve. He had been a Holy Cross class agent. Mr. Kass is survived by his wife, Barbara; three sons; a daughter; a son-in-law; three daughters-in-law; eight grandchildren; and extended family.

Rev. James M. Murphy
James Murphy died Feb. 1, 2010, at his home in Jersey City, N.J., at 76. Involved for many years in the journalism field, Mr. Murphy had most recently worked 15 years for Dow Jones Newswires, writing a twice-a-day column, called “Mark to Market”; honored with a National Headliners Award for this column in 1999, he was a recipient of Newswires’ William R. Clabby Award in 2003. Mr. Murphy is survived by his wife, Ruth; a son; a daughter-in-law; and two granddaughters.

1968
Richard L. Sartini, M.D.
Richard Sartini, M.D., of Palm Springs, Calif., died Feb. 19, 2010, in Salt Lake City, at 63. During his career, Dr. Sartini had maintained a pulmonary practice in California, beginning in 1980; he covered four hospitals in South Orange County, including San Clemente Hospital, where he had served as director of the respiratory department. A 1972 graduate of Tufts University School of Medicine in Boston, Dr. Sartini completed his medical internship and residency at the University of Cincinnati and then practiced internal medicine in San Jose for two years before pursuing a pulmonary fellowship, from 1972 to 1975, at the University of California at Irvine. Board certified in both internal and pulmonary medicine, he had been a member of several professional associations, including the American College of Physicians, the Orange County Medical Association and the California Medical Association. His interests included traveling and skiing. Dr. Sartini is survived by his mother; a brother; a sister; a brother-in-law; a sister-in-law; a stepbrother and step-sister and their families; two nephews; three nieces; a grandnephew; and two grandnieces.

1964
Robert W. Getz
Robert Getz, of Lafayette Hill, Pa., died Feb. 16, 2010, at 73. During his career, Mr. Getz had been the former owner of Getz Printing in Flourtown, Pa. He is survived by his wife, Carol; two sons, including Timothy M. ’88; a daughter; a son-in-law; a daughter-in-law; and five grandchildren.

1959
James M. Farino Jr.
James Farino, of San Luis Obispo, died Dec. 24, 2009. Mr. Farino is survived by his wife, Janet; a son; a daughter; his mother; and a brother.

1965
James M. Murphy
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1976
Alfredo R. Lewis
Alfredo Lewis, of Westhampton, N.J., died Dec. 18, 2009, at 56. During his career, Mr. Lewis had been a physician’s assistant, working at the Bayley Seton Hospital on Staten Island, N.Y. He was a jazz enthusiast. Mr. Lewis is survived by his wife, Margaret; a daughter; his mother; his mother-in-law; several brothers and sisters; a brother-in-law; a sister-in-law; an aunt; and two grandsons.
Katherine M. “Kim” McElaney ’76


During her career, Ms. McElaney served 25 years as a chaplain at Holy Cross. Joining the staff in 1985, she was named director of the Office of College Chaplains in 1992, the first layperson and first woman to hold this position. In fulfilling her duties as chaplain and director, she was deeply committed to mentoring students and educating for social justice, advancing her vision for campus ministry and the Catholic Church.

Starting a chapter of Pax Christi on campus at the beginning of her tenure, Ms. McElaney subsequently implemented the Mexico Immersion trip—a faith-based program enabling students to work for peace and justice—and, in 1999, the Magis program, an initiative designed to assist students develop into leaders in ministry and the Church.

Receiving her degree from Holy Cross in 1976, she had been a member of the first class of women who enrolled in 1972, the year the College became coeducational. Following graduation, Ms. McElaney served with the Jesuit Volunteer Corps and earned her master of divinity degree at the Weston School of Theology in Cambridge, Mass. She then became a chaplain at Fairfield (Conn.) University, a position she held until returning to Holy Cross.

A longtime chair of the board of Pax Christi East, Ms. McElaney had also been a member of the boards of International Partners in Mission and Pax Christi.

In 1994, the Weston School of Theology honored her with its Pedro Arrupe Medal for Excellence in Ministry.

A strong feminist and a vocal advocate for social justice, she had a profound interest in and fondness for Latin American culture. Her interests included gardening, quilting, knitting, travel, and cooking and baking.

Most recently a resident of Douglas, Mass., Ms. McElaney was born in Boston and raised in Newton, Mass., and West Hartford, Conn.; a graduate of Northwest Catholic High School in West Hartford, she spent many summers in Pocasset on Cape Cod, Mass.

Ms. McElaney is survived by her husband, Tim Cox; her mother; four sisters, Margaret “Meg” Woolley ’77, Ann McElaney-Johnson ’79, Jane M. Peterson ’81 and Julie McElaney-Gorman ’87; four brothers-in-law; several in-laws; Steph Marcucci and Paul DeBenedictis; and 16 nephews and nieces and their spouses.

The funeral Mass wascelebrated on May 7, at Christ the King Church in Worcester, with Holy Cross President Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J., presiding. Following is an excerpt from the homily delivered during the service by Rev. James Hayes, S.J., rector of the Holy Cross Jesuit Community and associate chaplain:

“Kim’s spirit lives on. She has been transfigured in light, into power, into love. She missions us just as Jesus sent Mary — Tell my friends to go out and spread the good news. The good news that Kim shared with others is that each of us matters. Each of us is the beloved of God. Each of us has a special dignity, a purpose and a mission in the world. Let us claim our gifts. Let us rejoice in our greatness. Let us live our Christ self and share it with others.

“Kim had the amazing ability to make the one to whom she was listening feel like the most important person in the world. Let us give that same quality of presence to everyone we meet in honor of Kim.

“As the evangelist John wrote, there are many stories that could be told of Jesus, but no book could contain them all. The same could be said of Kim. Like Mary, she assumed the role of apostle to the Holy Cross community. She exercised a priestly, regal and prophetic role among us. May we strive to live our vocation as faithfully as Kim lived hers.”

Note: A memorial Mass for Kim McElaney, open to the entire College community, will be celebrated on Oct. 2 at 4:30 p.m. in the Mary Chapel, with Holy Cross President Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J., as presider and homilist. Also, the Alumni/ae Colloquium, “Vision for the Church: Celebrating Kim McElaney’s 25 years of Ministry at Holy Cross,” originally planned for May 15, 2010, has been rescheduled to Oct. 2. Booked to capacity, with a waiting list, the colloquium will be limited to prior registrants only.
1977

Thomas C. Petrella
Thomas Petrella died Jan. 17, 2010, at his home in Worcester, at 54. Born in South Bend, Ind., Mr. Petrella was a graduate of Burncoat High School in Worcester, where he had been a member of the varsity baseball and basketball teams for three years; he was also a member of the freshman baseball team at Holy Cross. Mr. Petrella’s interests included fishing, hiking and camping. He is survived by his father, Frank, Holy Cross professor emeritus of economics; his mother, Maureen Cavanaugh Reidy ’91; Gerald C. Cavanaugh, father of mother of Lori Stanford, dining; Carol Callahan, McNamara ’81; wife of the late James H. Jr. ’49, Barbara Buckley, “Ted” III ’86, mother of the late Edward A. services; Gail Gallagher Bren- nieces.

1983

Karen E. Stauss
Karen Stauss died Jan. 9, 2010, at her home in Meredith, N.H., at 48. During her career, Mrs. Stauss had worked for the Raytheon Co., as a systems engineer. She had also been an assistant coach of the football cheerleaders at Inter-Lakes High School in Meredith. Mrs. Stauss was an active member of the First Baptist Church in Meredith, assisting with preschool child care and Bible study classes. She was a 1979 graduate of Choctawhatchee High School in Fort Walton Beach, Fla. Mrs. Stauss is survived by her husband, Wayne; two daughters; her parents; a brother; and two nieces.

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SPORTS—GIVE ANOTHER HOIAH!
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There would be no instant cure for the New Orleans Saints, a team flat on its back. Nobody had used the Super Dome since it served as a refuge for 26,000 folks escaping the hurricane’s wrath, which took 1,836 lives and caused $81 billion in damages.

The Saints have had flashes of success since their birth in 1967.

Payton, an imaginative football mind with a legendary work ethic, would assemble a staff and roster with a similar mindset.

“Sean knew he had to rebuild the attitude in the locker room,” Malone says. “He wanted players and coaches of high character who would invest themselves in winning.”

Payton acquired Drew Brees, an exciting quarterback with a quick arm. “Drew is a great player and unbelievable leader on the field and in the community,” Malone observes. The Saints drafted Heisman Trophy winner Reggie Bush. “Piece by piece we put a shattered organization back together,” Malone explains.

On Monday Night Football, the nation watched the Saints’ glorious return to the Super Dome as they stunned Atlanta, 23–3, for its third victory of the 2006 season. “In that place, a scene of such tragedy and suffering, that uplifting emotion will never be matched again,” Malone says.

The Saints were on the march. They added role players. By the start of the 2009 campaign, Malone’s corps included Jeremy Shockey and former Patriots tight end David Thomas.

New Orleans’ offense dazzled as the Saints became America’s darlings. In the playoffs, they crushed the Arizona Cardinals (45-14), then somehow held on to defeat Brett Favre and his Vikings, 31-28 in overtime. Then they would face the incomparable Payton Manning, a son of New Orleans, and the Indianapolis Colts in Super Bowl XLIV.

“It was a far greater emotional experience than I had anticipated,” Malone says.

Perched in a coaches’ box, he contributed to a chorus of coaches calling for instant changes in the Saints’ game plan. Two moments, he declares, will stand out forever: first, “The Ambush,” an on-sides kick to open the second half that would shift the game’s momentum; second, a crucial two-point conversion pass, at first ruled incomplete by the officials.

“We had practiced that on-sides kick for two weeks and it always worked,” recounts Malone. “Sean decided to risk it, totally his call. I had returned to the coaches’ box, watching The Who at halftime, with my stomach in knots, wondering if ‘The Ambush’ would work.”

Rookie Thomas Morstead kicked a spinner to the left. It bounced off Colts’ Hank Baskett, and, after a wild scrum, the Saints’ Chris Reis hugged the ball at the Colts 42-yard line. The recovery sparked New Orleans to score a go-ahead TD. The tide had turned.

With 5:42 left, Brees threw a 2-yard TD pass to Shockey, making it 22-17. The Saints went for a two-point conversion. Brees fired low to Lance Moore on the goal-line. The ball came loose. The officials ruled the pass incomplete.

With their bird’s eye view, Malone and his fellow coaches screamed into their headsets for Payton to “throw the flag” and demanded a review of the play. The replay resulted in the officials overturning the call. Pass good, Saints up for good, 24-17.

The alertness of Malone and other assistants had been a key to preserving the Saints’ victory.

Across America Saints’ fans rejoiced. The Saints were Super Bowl Champions. Finally.

Together, the Malone family celebrated another national title. This time Terry’s dad has the perfect seat, watching from high above with other Saints.

Today Terry Malone looks back at his good fortune. He says Holy Cross inspired him to greatness. That he learned his passion for the game from Coach Carter. And he learned another great lesson from Coach Carter’s tragic death, triggered by a deep depression. “I love the game, but I do not take football or myself or too seriously. I count my blessings.”

Holy Cross, Malone adds, gave him a tremendous opportunity. “Even a chance to make mistakes and discover a lot about ME. I give thanks to (President Emeritus) Fr. (John) Brooks and others who insisted that we learn to speak, to write, to think and to problem-solve. I walked away with a solid foundation and the tools to make tough decisions and deal with whatever may come.”

Since leaving Holy Cross, he says nobody has called him Moses. He is simply Terry Malone, a devout husband, a loving father of four, a man who continues to help a community in need and, at 50, a hard-working coach who waded through flood waters to reach football’s Promised Land.

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As purple and white balloons took flight over Fitton Field, 715 graduates celebrated their Commencement Day. Turn to Page 5 for more photos of the day’s events.