The 1886 Baseball Team.
For some reason, pride in a school has traditionally depended on the strength of its athletics. When you get together with old high school friends you don't insult them because your school's average Verbal SAT score is 60 points higher than theirs. Instead, you laugh at them because our hoop team beat theirs by 30. The following photos show just a few of the reasons we have to proud of our school.
This year’s Crusader football team was characterized by its ability to overcome adversity to achieve success. 1992 marked the beginning of a new era of Crusader football with the debut of new Head Coach Peter Vaas. While the coach may have changed, the Crusaders did not change their winning tradition. The intensity and desire of this squad was most evident in winning five of its last six games.

The seniors were the biggest and brightest reasons for the continued success of the football program. The seniors established an impressive 36-7-1 career record, including a 19-2-1 record at Fitton Field. In addition, the seniors anchored a defense which ended the season ranked #3 nationally. Heading the charge for the defense was co-captain Tom McDonald, who was recognized for his excellence on the field by being named Patriot League Co-Defensive Player of the Year. McDonald was also honored as a member of three post-season All-American teams.
Holy Cross was well represented on the All-Patriot League team as McDonald, Todd Araujo, Jim Bowes, Troy Dixon, Greg Draddy, Marcus Duckworth, Bill Hitchmoth, Rob Milanette, Garrett Morris, and John Powell were all honored. Another inspiration to the defense and entire team was Mike Walsh. In addition, players such as Monte Chandler and Sean Hailey, with their ability to step in and play at any time, provided the depth necessary for defensive success.

The offense was anchored by All-league picks John Zufall and Ron Hooey. Seniors Ed Coburn, Matt Horstman, Russell Player, Shawn Sierra, Chris Bodanza, Craig Derrell, and Henry Ashton provided leadership and support to the younger offensive players. Coach Vaas brought a new offensive philosophy to the team. The transition from a more wide open run and shoot offense to one more conservative required perseverance and patience. It was the players’ pride and dedication which proved to be an example for the younger players and facilitated the transition. Senior leadership was necessary to continue the winning Holy Cross tradition.

This year’s seniors now pass the baton to capable players such as Rob Milanette, Todd Araujo, Frank Visconti, Mike Flanagan, Chris Summers, and Reggie Willis. These players will lead the Crusaders on the field next season.

- Bill Hitchmoth
The Women’s Volleyball team learned some hard lessons during their 1992-93 season. The team’s final record does not reflect the many positive results, including consistent improvement throughout the Fall. The Lady Crusaders maintained a positive attitude through many tough defeats, allowing them to reach many individual goals.

Senior captain Tricia Gallivan was the major contributor to the team both on and off the court. In addition to her all around talent, Tricia led the team with her aggressive play and her hustle. Off the court her sense of humor and supportive attitude towards her teammates helped improve the morale of the team when things were bleakest. Her leadership and athletic abilities earned her the Most Valuable Player award as well as a spot on the Patriot League’s All Tournament Team.
Senior defensive specialist Pam Benzam was another important force on the Crusader squad. Pam was characterized by her essential digs and hustle, providing a fine example for the younger players. She also provided words of encouragement whenever necessary.

Next year’s team hopes to continue building on this season’s successes and win more matches for Holy Cross. Junior middle hitters, Suzanne Giorgio, Christine Svitila and Liza Sullivan have improved their blocking and hitting, which will make them league leaders in these areas. First year students Nancy Burns and Christina Houston will be looked upon to contribute both offensively and defensively. Junior outside hitters Maureen Bolton and Sophomores Shelagh Foley and Marla Parese hope to see increased playing time next season. Quarterbacking the team will be sophomore Deb MacLaren and first year student Mary Cavanaugh. This year’s experiences have provided the confidence necessary for Deb and Mary to lead the Crusader offense to more victories.

- Maureen Bolton
Striving to overcome last year's disappointing season, the 1992 Women's Field Hockey team proved that they had the talent and determination to beat the odds. Projected to finish last in the Patriot League pre-season poll, the Lady Crusaders foiled this prediction, capturing an impressive second place in the league. Dramatically improving in all areas, the team finished the season with an overall record of 8-9-1, which marks the fewest losses since Holy Cross turned Division I. In addition to these remarkable team accomplishments, there were several extraordinary individual performances.

Co-captain Chantal Lacroix was selected to the All-Patriot League team and named a Regional All-American, while co-captain Nora Tracey and Michelle Gagne were also selected to the All-Patriot team. Furthermore, Gagne led the league and the team in goals and sophomore Erin Hoye led the league and team in assists. Fortunately for the Crusaders, this scoring duo will be around for two more seasons.

The senior contingent of Nora Tracey, Lisa O'Neill, Janet Burke and Wendy Faivre were an integral part of the team's successes. Burke, Faivre and Tracey were unfailing on the defensive line, while O'Neill continually sparked the attack. In appreciation, Tracey was voted team Most Valuable Player and O'Neill was voted team Unsung Hero.

Since depth was a major asset to this 1992 squad, the contributions of the underclasses should not go unnoticed. Junior standouts Chantal Lacroix, Liz Walsh, Yuki Minami, and Carolyn LoCurto filled critical spots in both the mid- and back-fields. Goalies Cheryl Lane and Tara Tully rounded off this defense-oriented class with their solid performances in the cage. Sophomore forwards Michelle Gagne, Most Improved Player Erin Hoye, and Julie Gomeau contributed dynamic offensive assaults while sweeper Laurie (Rhonda) Colarusso and mid-fielder Sue Cameron provided aggressive defensive performances.

The future of the Crusaders looks bright with the potential of its first-year players, including Rookie of the Year Lori Ann Lima, forward Christina Iwane, and goalie Julie Elmore. With this year's tremendous successes and improvements, co-captains Chantal Lacroix and Liz Walsh look to lead the Crusaders to an even more successful 1993 season.

- Lisa O'Neill
As usual, the 1992 season began with an intense pre-season for the Holy Cross Crusaders. Second year Head Coach Elvis Comrie and Assistant Coach Tom Foley hoped that triple daily sessions would transform his young team into legitimate Patriot League contenders. The team returned twenty varsity lettermen, anchored by returning captain Paul Schmidt, co-captain Pat Mungovan, and four year starters Danny Fetters and Tim Graham. Experienced leadership and skilled underclassmen seemed keys to a successful season.

The Crusaders defeated Bucknell University in their home opener. This conference win was important as the team struggled with injuries throughout the season. Hopes for a Holy Cross conference championship were dashed by tough losses to nationally ranked Army and powerhouses Navy and Colgate. Despite these disappointments, the team maintained optimism as players such as Brian Nigri filled important roles on the field.

The level of play improved throughout the season as individuals became a competitive unit. Strikers Travis Glasson and Brian Nigri were ever present threats, and were supported by a midfield anchored by Danny Fetters, Justin Cross, Pete Gauchat, and Tim Graham. The Crusader defense successfully frustrated opponents, and was led by sweeper Pat Mungovan and stopper Paul Schmidt. Wingbacks Eric Kelly and Brad Porter did excellent marking jobs, providing additional offensive punch. Coach Comrie pushed his players to new levels of play, holding the Crusaders together with his effusive personality and strong character. All around, team members helped make 1992 a memorable season.

Glimpses of the future could be seen in spring season play, in which the Crusaders placed third at the UCONN indoor tournament and rousted UMASS 2-0 in outdoor play. If younger players continue their improvement, the Crusaders promise to provide tough competition for other NCAA schools next season.

- Paul Schmidt & Danny Fetters
Sports
Women's Soccer

The 1992 Women's Soccer team began its season knowing that the road to success would be difficult. 1991 assistant coach, Mary Curtis, became the third head coach in four years. The team suffered from the loss of graduated seniors Dina DeSantis, Lee Hendrickson, and Debbie Nowell, as well as students abroad Colleen Keaney and Jen Bissonette, and transfers Kristen Eckman and Valerie Thomas. Still, throughout preseason, the team remained optimistic with the acquisition of a strong class of first year players.

As preseason progressed, however, the team also lost seniors Holly Simms and Barbara Cassidy, as well as sophomore Audrey Smith, to knee injuries. Without the offensive power of Barb and Holly or the control Audrey provided in the midfield, the team was forced to make major adjustments. Yet, the enthusiasm of Coach Curtis and the spirit of the players provided high hopes for the 1992 season.

Unfortunately, the season did not progress as hoped. There were many disappointing losses, including a 1-0 heartbreaker to nationally ranked UNH with four seconds left in regulation. The game against third-ranked UCONN, although resulting in a 2-0 loss, was a positive experience for the young Crusader squad. The season provided other positive experiences as well, of which the rainy overtime win against Patriot League opponent Lehigh is a perfect example. The team also defeated Harvard, the first time the Holy Cross women ever defeated their Ivy League opponents.
The disappointing season was not due to lack of hard work by team members, led by senior tri-captains Shannon Carroll, Carol Fitzpatrick, and Peg Sullivan; juniors Amy Gorin and Meri Rogers; sophomores Jessie McMahon, Chris Porath, Allyson O’Connell, Kim O’Malley, Helen Litsas, Jodie “Friskey” Johnson, Sue McKay; and freshmen Kathy “Wheels” Dachowski, Coleen Madden, Kara McDermott, Caitlin Lambert, Jessica Murphy, Kara Rozendaal, and Mary Harrahy.

Despite a 5-12 record, the team finished the season with great memories. Freshmen initiation was memorable. Special thanks to Bill, Brian, and Matt for your help. Bus rides were always informative, especially for Dan “the manager man” Manuszac. The team banquet brought an official end to the 1992 season with the awarding of team honors: MVP went to Shannon Carroll, Rookie of the Year to Colleen Madden and Unsung Hero to Carol Fitzpatrick. Congratulations to Peg Sullivan who earned Patriot League MVP honors.

The seniors would like to thank all the underclassmen for making our senior year the best one yet. Thank you, coach Curtis and assistant coach Walker. A very special thanks to Uncle George, our most loyal fan over the past four years. You will always be a part of our Holy Cross soccer experience. Best wishes to the team for future success. We’ll miss you!

-Shannon Carroll
After a disappointing season in 1991, the Holy Cross Women’s Tennis Team came back with a stronger showing in 1992. Coached by veteran Oscar Najarian, the women finished with a 5-8-1 record, including wins over Hartford, Rhode Island, and Patriot League rival Fordham. Despite a losing record, the Crusaders improved over last year’s finish and the camaraderie among the teammates was inspiring. The team will graduate four seniors, all sharing captain responsibilities, but a new group of women provide a strong team for the future.

Playing in the first singles position was Kathleen Melli who jumped from the fourth singles position her first year at HC. While she played the best players in the Patriot League and beyond, her determination led Melli to a 6-8 record in singles. Senior Sarah Mick, playing #2 singles this season, compiled a lot of playing time in her four years on the team. First-year Pam Petti made a strong showing and garnered herself the #3 singles spot. Pam should definitely make strides during her next three years at HC.
Junior Deidre O’Brien was the #4 player on the team and will lead the Crusaders as a senior next year. Kay Perkins, a newcomer to the team, made a great impression during the season. She compiled a 9-4 record in singles and picked up MVP honors. The final singles player in the starting line-up was senior Charuda “Bee” Upatham who moved from her doubles position last year into the singles roster.

Coach Najarian mixed up the doubles line-up frequently, but in the Patriot League Tournament Melli and senior Adriana Bauza were #1, Sarah Mick and sophomore Sharon Cox #2, and first-year roommates Piretti and Perkins #3. These three teams provided many strong finishes at the end of matches. Rounding out the team were senior Meg Flemming and junior Ally McDonald who should make great showings next year.

This year’s record does not reflect the quality of tennis played. Many matches were extremely close, usually determined by three-set struggles. The support shown during the season was unparalleled, and should help the team develop the depth and strength that it needs to make further improvement next year. The team will miss the four seniors next fall, but with their help and inspiration this season, the Crusaders are headed for the winning track in the future.

-Charuda “Bee” Upatham
Men's Ice Hockey
This was the year the dream came true. After a 13 year absence, the Holy Cross Men's Basketball Team finally returned to the NCAA tournament after several near misses in recent years. This year's squad was lead by a seasoned quintet of seniors who posted an 83-36 record in their four years as Crusaders. The seniors combined with a talented group of underclassmen to capture the Patriot League Tournament title and an automatic berth to the NCAA tournament.

Holy Cross fans knew they were in for an exciting year after a thrilling win over Sienna in the second game of the season. Playing at the Centrum for the first time in several years, the hoopsters pulled off a 96-95 overtime win in a classic battle between the two rivals. The team bounced back after some disappointing losses to UMass, Boston College, and Manhattan by going 14-2 over the rest of the season.

The Crusaders finished second in the Patriot League during the regular season behind Bucknell. This gave the Bison the homecourt advantage for the league tournament. After having lost there just two weeks earlier, the 'Saders returned to Lewisburg, PA to play for the league title. In a game nationally televised on ESPN, and in front of several hundred loyal fans who made the trek to unfriendly Davis Gym, the team crushed Bucknell 98-73 to grab the NCAA berth.
The campus buzzed with excitement. Holy Cross was now in the national spotlight, and members of the media from all over New England invaded Mount St. James. The HC players and fans anxiously watched the NCAA tournament selection show to find out that they would play at Winston-Salem, N.C. against the nationally ranked Razorbacks of Arkansas. The team fell to the powerful and talented Razorbacks, but played with courage and pride in the process. Arkansas advanced to the Sweet Sixteen before falling to the eventual national champions, North Carolina.

The '92-'93 season also saw the emergence of a new Holy Cross force, the “Hart Attack.” Student fans rallied behind the team and reestablished the concept of Purple Pride. The vociferous antics of the Hart Attack made the Hart Center one of the most difficult gyms to visit in the East. The newly formed Hart Attack was instrumental in helping the Crusaders finish with a record of 13-1 in the Hart Center. Roger Breslin and Frank Powell were the co-captains of this year’s exciting team. Roger and Frank led the team with vocal enthusiasm and embodied the spirit and energy necessary for a great basketball team. The other three seniors, Bill Walker, Derek Farkas, and Rick Mashburn, also served as outstanding role models for their younger teammates.

The future looks bright for the Crusaders. Junior John Young has developed into one of the best big men in the Patriot League. Rob Feaster had a stellar sophomore campaign and has already emerged as one of the finest players in the East. As co-captains of next year’s team, it will be their duty to carry the torch this year’s seniors have passed to them.

The accolades and awards collected by the members of this year’s team were numerous. But rather than presenting a long list of impressive honors gathered by individuals, it would be more appropriate to emphasize the greatest accomplishment of all; the establishment and creation of a TEAM in the truest sense. The '92-'93 Crusaders were all about sacrifice. They were a perfect combination of 15 players, 4 coaches, and 3 managers, all working together for a common cause. On any given night, any player could have been the star of the game. On most nights, however, everyone wound up stars because of the way this team performed as a unit.

- Francis R. Powell & William E. Walker
Cross Country
Track & Field
+Oh the beautiful trail I am, with it I wander.\textsuperscript{1} -Navajo Song

It is the crack of the gun; all hell breaking loose. 
It is the wind, rain and snow; embracing the elements. 
It is pleasure and delight; loneliness and freedom. 
It is unleashed rage, It is to soar. It is CROSS COUNTRY.

There are no cheering crowds. There is no one. There is you. 
There is the earth pulling down; callused feet pushing up. 
There is fatigue of the hill; the silence of the wood. 
There is the scorned body wanting to collapse. There is no rest.

In Summer, Winter, Spring, and Fall; THIS is Cross Country. 
In willing the mind over the body; THIS is Cross Country. 
In the agony and ecstasy of the finish; THIS is Cross Country. 
Cross Country is not mere sport; This is how to live.
Coach Al Halper anticipated some changes in his program this year as, for the first time, the team consisted entirely of non-scholarship athletes. In the past, the Lady Harriers were characterized by success and talent and this year’s squad refused to relinquish that reputation.

The Women’s Cross-Country team, which has traditionally been close knit both on and off the course, was especially tight this year. The team’s top seven runners remained a coherent group during most races, particularly the Holy Cross Crusades at which the Purple pack captured places one through four. Although the Patriot League championships were a disappointment for the team led by Senior co-captains Jean Donnelly, Kathleen McKnight, and Kim Coulter, the overall successes of the season outweighed the team’s shortcomings.

The most notable performance this year came from Jean Donnelly who returned to the team with a vengeance after spending her spring semester in Washington, D.C. Coach Halper and Jean’s teammates named her Most Valuable Player for placing in the team’s top three in every race. After three somewhat disappointing years, Jean’s success her senior year stands as an inspiration to her younger teammates.

For the first time in years, underclassmen comprised a majority of the Varsity squad. The Varsity team consisted of seniors Jean Donnelly and Kathleen McKnight, junior Christine Davenport, sophomores Lynn Liberatore, Amy DesRosiers, and Keelin Ahern, and freshmen Julie Lavelle, Tara McGarry and Nicole Martin. Nicole, awarded the distinction of Most Valuable Freshman, was an especially valuable addition to the team. Despite the loss of two senior top runners, Women’s Cross Country can look forward to a successful future.

- Kathleen McKnight
The 1992 Crusader Cross Country season was one of both tribulation and triumph. Early success over URI and solid performances at the National Catholic Championships at Notre Dame pointed the squad in the right direction heading into the Patriot League Championships. However, the Crusaders only managed to capture fifth place. Despite this performance, HC bounced back at the IC4A Championships two weeks later with their best team effort of the year, capturing 5th out of 22 teams in the University Division.

With junior Pat Kiley and seniors Justin Renz, John Griffin, and captains Bob Dominique and John Carron, the 1992 team brought a great deal of experience to the squad. However, significant contributions were made by sophomores Joe Hinchey, Rich Griffin and Shane McLaughlin as well as first-year students Jeff Paterno, Evan Chekas, Tim Fahey, Aaron Uhle, and Marc LeCours.
The 1992-1993 Men’s and Women’s Swimming Teams completed another successful season at the Hart Recreation Center. Barry Parenteau, coaching in his thirteenth season, led the Lady Crusaders to a 5-8 record, while his father, Paul Parenteau, coaching in his twentieth season, led the men to a 6-7 mark. While both teams finished the year under .500, hopes abound because of the youth of the squads and another class of strong recruits.

The Lady Crusaders’ record is deceiving as three of their defeats came by a single point. Patriot League rivals Colgate and Lafayette, as well as Springfield were all able to edge out the team in the final relay and secure wins. Senior co-captains Laura Whalen and Sara Naill provided valuable leadership for a squad largely comprised of first and second year swimmers. Whalen swam both the butterfly and the middle distance freestyle, while Naill excelled in the sprint freestyle for the fourth straight year.
The team’s other graduating senior, Amanda Ferry, used her versatility to score critical points in a combination of events. Also, sophomore Colleen Lynch capped off another successful season by capturing the 200 yard freestyle crown at the Patriot League Championships. In addition, Allysia Bates scored in both the 100 and 200 butterflies, while Meg Naill scored in both breaststrokes. Bara Connolly, Tracy Juan, and Deb Prol provided valuable depth for the team. Congratulations to Erin Kimbrel on being named “Most Improved” swimmer.

The men’s squad also had a successful season, punctuated by exciting wins over Trinity and cross town rivals Clark and WPI. Leading the men were co-captains Kevin Carolan and Tim Jordan. Carolan, the only senior on the squad, set a new school record in the 200 yard breaststroke. Jordan, only a junior, swam as captain in only his second year of swimming for Holy Cross. Jordan proved a valuable performer in the sprint freestyle events, scoring many valuable individual points.

Roger Brunelle performed admirably in the freestyle events, scoring many first place points for the team. In addition, first year student John Hay showed versatility, swimming butterfly, breaststroke, and distance freestyle, and was named Most Valuable for his effort. Both the men’s and women’s swim teams look forward to greater success next season.

- Kevin Carolan
In the 1992-93 Patriot League preseason poll, Holy Cross was the coaches' top choice. Predicted to repeat after the 1991 championship season, the Lady Crusaders could not defend their title last year. This year's team, led by its four seniors, Beth Godfrey, Norinne Powers, Carrie Ramenofsky, and Meghan Sullivan, were not about to let that happen again.

"I really have a feeling that these four are ready to accept the challenges of leading this team. They all 'grew up' last year, and I do see a bond and a determination that they want this year to be a memorable, championship end to their careers. Their time has come - it is their team to lead and mold."

-Head Coach Bill Gibbons

Championship, indeed. The Lady Crusaders finished the season with a record of 22-7 overall, 12-2 in league play. Despite two heartbreaking losses to Fordham and Army, the team captured the Patriot League title.

Each senior was a leader, either by her words or her actions, and that balance proved to be the exact formula for a tremendous year. Forward Norinne Powers led the team in scoring and finished her career third in the school's all-time scoring list. She was named All-ECAC and Patriot League "Player of the Year" for the second straight year. Meghan Sullivan was the team's steady influence in the backcourt and stood out as an inspiration in her comeback from a knee injury to make the All-Patriot League Second Team. Joining her on the Second Team was three point specialist Carrie Ramenofsky who consistently contributed with her solid play in the small forward spot. In the middle, Beth Godfrey, with her physical play down low and her knack for doing the unnoticeable little things, established herself as the team's unsung heroine. Freshman Karen Juda also had a tremendous first season, grabbing the Patriot League "Rookie of the Year" honor.
After the post-season league honors were awarded, the team focussed on winning the Patriot League Tournament. The Lady Crusaders defeated rival Fordham University in the championship game at the Hart Center in March. Seniors Meghan Sullivan and Carrie Ramenofsky were named to the All-Tournament team, while Norinne Powers was awarded the tournament’s "Most Valuable Player." With the league and tourney championships under its belt, the team had a fine shot at being granted an at-large bid to the NCAA tournament. There were many quality teams vying for the limited number of spaces in the tournament, however the Lady Crusaders unfortunately did not receive an invitation.

Even this disappointment could not dampen the team’s spirits. This was an outstanding season. Only rarely can a Division I team finish its season on a winning note. Along with the year’s success, the team learned, grew, and shared a great deal. The friendships they formed and the memories they created are things that, as they all well know, will last a lifetime.

“We are family! . . . FOREVER!”

- Norinne Powers
The 1992-93 crew season was a successful one for Holy Cross men’s crew. With nine seniors and a total of fourteen returning oarsmen, this year’s team was a very seasoned one. Adding strength were the sophomores, up from last year’s New England champion novice team. The Fall season opened on Columbus Day weekend with the Head of the Connecticut Regatta. The lightweight squad, in its second year under coach Tom Sullivan, fielded two full eights, the first of which placed ninth out of thirty-five boats. They finished as the top Dad Vail crew. The heavyweights, under the guidance of coach Bud Ermilio, boasted a strong, experienced eight which included four seniors. In addition, the lightweights and heavyweights competed in the Championship Eights event. Rowing under the name of Quinsigamond Rowing Association, Holy Cross competed in the Club Eights event at the Head of the Charles, in a composite boat which consisted of both heavyweights and lightweights. There they placed a very impressive 4th out of 45 boats, earning medals and an automatic entry for next year. The following weekend at the Snake Regatta in Worcester, the heavyweights and lightweights finished first and second against a field of fifteen boats. The second varsity also finished an impressive fourth in the race, defeated only by the WPI varsity. This race marked the first race for the first years, who were coached by Dave Bice and Joe Tracy. Both boats finished strong, with the stronger boat taking second place in a closely contested race with WPI. The freshman team returned two weeks later, however, by winning the freshmen only Foot of the Connecticut Regatta. After the successful completion of the fall schedule, the Crusaders headed indoors to the Hart Center tanks for Winter training. Winter workouts included weight circuits, in addition to running on the ergometers and in the tanks, and running in the hockey stadium. In addition, the team travelled to Oak Ridge, Tennessee, over Spring Break where they put in double workouts every day, while rowing a total of nearly 200 miles. The Winter was lengthy, and Lake Quinsigamond remained frozen until the second week of April. The frozen course led to the cancellation of a scrimmage with Princeton and a race against Coast Guard, Wesleyan and URI. The team was forced to travel into Boston on the weekends in search of valuable water time. After only two days of practice and Lake Quinsigamond still frozen solid, Holy Cross raced MIT on the Charles. All three varsity boats were impressive, each coming within one second of defeating MIT crews which had been on the water for several weeks. The freshman heavyweight gained the only Crusader victory when they defeated MIT in their race. Lake Quinsigamond finally opened on April 8th. All Holy Cross boats enjoyed successful racing seasons. The varsity heavyweight, second varsity, and freshman heavies all won the Worcester City Championships as Holy Cross took the team point trophy for the fourth consecutive year. Their victory earned the heavyweights the right to represent Worcester in the Eastern Sprints. Other heavyweight victories included wins over Boston College, Wesleyan, Colby, UVM, Amherst, and Williams. Also, they won the petite final at the New England Championships, placing seventh overall and posting a faster time than two in the grand final. In addition to defeating WPI at the City Championships, the second varsity also defeated UMass, Colgate, Tufts, Ithaca, and UNH. Having qualified for the grand final, the team placed fifth at the New Englands. Lightweight victories came over UMass, Trinity, Williams, Ithaca, Boston College, URI, Michigan, Purdue, Union, Kansas, and Manhattan. Seeded first at the New Englands, the Lightweights qual-
Strong performances by the lightweights and the second varsity earned them bids at the new Champion International Intercollegiate Regatta, a national championship event for smaller colleges held in Worcester on May 16. The second varsity qualified for the petite final, where they took second in a fast race and eighth overall. The lightweights posted the third fastest qualifying time, but were in a tough heat, placing them in the petite final, which they won, placing them seventh overall. The lightweights actually posted a better time than three of the boats in the grand final. Varsity team members included captains Mike Smith and Pete Stanton, seniors Tim O'Brien, Mike Spencer, Eric Grenier, Noel Pardo, Jim Lennon, Steve Harr, and Jeanine Gandt. Juniors included Frank Ernst, Ray Cabrera, Dan Kiely, Pete Orio, and Chris Noone. Sophomore members were John Cantwell, Bob Smith, Rob Murray, Matt Burke, Tom Gillon, Dave O'Donnell, Todd Gallentine, Nick Mangonaro, Steve Pongonis, Tom Sullivan, Matt Simitis, Dedra Desio, and Caitlin Scanlon. First year Elliott Repko completed the varsity squad. The team looks forward to next season in which Frank Ernst and Rey Cabrera will lead as team captains.
The 1992-1993 Holy Cross Golf Team enjoyed one of its most successful seasons in recent memory. Following junior co-captain Chris Winter’s (74-71) second place individual performance and the team’s strong finish (6/18) at the New England region of the NCAA’s the outlook was promising. Junior Pat Kuntz (80-80) and senior co-captain Ryan Kenny (82-79) paced the Crusaders in a 7/15 finish at the UNH Wildcat Invitational.

The following week, Winter responded with a 71 and junior Steve Conley chipped in a 78 as Providence edged HC at Pleasant Valley (395-397). Holy Cross capped off the Fall season with the Worcester City Championship, which they won for the ninth time in ten years. Kuntz (77) claimed medalist honors while Winter (79) was runner-up.

The Spring season presented Holy Cross golfers with the opportunity of a lifetime. An Easter break trip pitted the Crusaders against the defending National Champion University of Arizona Wildcats. While the favorites prevailed 11-4, Winter proved his mettle in defeating All American Rob McIver, and Conley earned one point with a 37 on the back nine at Tucson National CC. Following a disappointing fifth place finish at the Patriot League Championships, the Crusaders posted a 318 to finish 8/18 at the URI Invitational with Winter (76) and Kenny (78) as low scorers. The weather-shortened season came to a close with a loss to Providence in which senior Rich Mynahan scored a hole in one on the 8th hole at Wannamoisset CC. Did anyone see it, Rich?

- Ryan Kenny
Despite a 3-29 final record, there were many bright spots in the Lady Crusaders' softball season. For starters, all three wins came against Patriot League opponents, helping the team to a sixth place finish. A 6-5 decision over defending Patriot League champions Army marked the first time in their ten year existence that the Lady Crusaders beat the Lady Knights. The other two wins were against Patriot League opponent Lafayette.

Five returning letter-winners led the way for the 'Crusaders. Senior Lisa Cascio captained the young, inexperienced squad and tied with Michelle DeViva for a team high 12 R.B.I. Cascio played superbly at first base, earning a .972 fielding percentage by committing only six errors over thirty-two games. Junior Colleen Correa captured the landmark win over Army, and the team will no doubt look to her for guidance next year. Sophomore Jackie Gray finished strongly with the team leading batting average of .292 and fine performance in the outfield. Sophomores Dawn Bowler and Megan Gaffney played well at third base and short stop respectively. Providing infield experience, they will be vital to the team’s success next season.

Some first year players who contributed right away were Julie Elmore, who took over pitching duties, batted well, and proved a very good utility player, Michelle DeViva, who co-owned the team high 12 R.B.I. and hit consistently well, Karen Iandoli, who proved to be a defensive stalwart at second base, and Jill Zaliekas behind the plate. Glenna Ryan, Christina Ranelli, Alison O’Connell, Melissa Merola, and Stephanie Paolini (all ’95) also contributed at key points throughout the season.

Losing only Cascio, coach Fran Dyson will have one senior, three juniors, and nine sophomores returning. Next year’s incoming class will include two pitchers. If performance matches the enthusiasm and intensity of the team, the Lady Crusaders will look to contend in the Patriot League.

- Lisa Cascio
With five seniors returning, the Men’s Tennis team anticipated an impressive season. However, bad weather caused a loss of valuable practice time, and the effects showed for the first couple weeks of the season. The team consisted of Lance Hutchinson (co-captain) at #1 singles, Steve Cutone (co-captain) #2, Dave Howe #3, John Enright #4, Brian Brandt #5, and freshman Steve Baker #6. Matt Smith, Adrian “Pineapple” Perttierra, Anthony Vinciquera, and “Mustard Man” Bob Murray also made contributions to the team. Hutchinson and Howe played #1 doubles, Brandt-Enright #2, and Cutone-Baker #3. Baker had an impressive year with eight wins in singles and seven in doubles. Lance Hutchinson also had seven singles victories.

The team finished with a 3-5 record in matches and highlights included victories over UNH and Trinity. On the downside, Coach Oscar “Mr. Magoo” Najorian had to pull the team off the court at Central Connecticut to protest a lack of sportsmanship on the part of the opposition’s coach and two players. Most of the matches which the team lost could have gone either way.

Motivational leader John Enright came through with strong performances at the end of the year, saying he was inspired by Steve Baker’s winning play. Third doubles was strong throughout the year. Cutone attributed this to his and Baker’s ability “to work as a team on and off the court.” So, while the overall season was a bit of a disappointment, the team had a lot of fun along the way.

- Lance Hutchinson
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With the loss of veteran coach Jack Whalen just before the Spring, the Holy Cross baseball team looked to its seniors for guidance during the 1993 season. Any way you look at it the seniors delivered.

No one came through more than captain Jim Larkin. He led the team in batting (.321), rbis (17), and hits (35), while playing twenty-three games without an error. Larkin was best noted for his clutch batting. His 11th inning home run to beat rival Fordham and his 9th inning three run homer against Dartmouth are two great examples. Larkin was honored for his outstanding play by being named to the first team All-Patriot League and by winning the Hop Riopel Award as team MVP.

Senior Jerry Powderly led all Patriot League catchers in hitting, fielding percentage, and throwing out base runners. Ed Balsdon '93 led all infielders in fielding percentage and owned the lowest strikeout ratio of any regular starter. Brendan McGrail, not to be outdone by his classmates, played well in left field, frequently robbing opponents of doubles and triples. Jim Liebler, Terrence Butt, Chuck Fox and McGrail led the offense with clutch hitting with men on base. Butt was named to the second team Patriot League for his play on the field, while Paige Brennan was named a GTE District I Academic All-American for his work off the field.

The pitching staff was led by its ace, Bill Lazos, who was the team leader in strikeouts. Starters Dave Boudreau and Jim Liebler followed close behind with fine seasons. Boudreau, with his 90+ fastball, is currently being scouted by the Astros. Liebler, a 4-year starter, and a captain, will play semi-pro ball in Winter 1993-94. Dave Ruddy '93 pitched well in relief all season, holding opponents to only a .238 batting average, and was successful in every save opportunity.

While the team ended with a disappointing 12-20 record overall, 9-11 in the Patriot League, this season remains memorable. 1993 highlights included 3 victories over the Crusaders' biggest rival, Fordham, who recently won the ECAC tournament and will play in the NCAA College World Series. The team looks forward to next season when Butt, Brennan and Fox will lead the team to more victories.

- Dave Ruddy