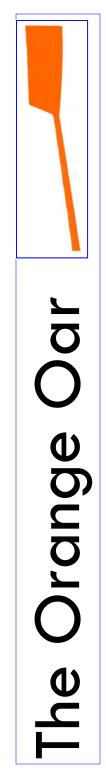


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# Fall Alumni Gathering in Syracuse; Reischman Lists Needs to Succeed

Head Coach Dave Reischman begins the 2005-2006 season, his fourth at SU, with an invitation, an appeal and a challenge to crew alumni, to get or stay involved personally and be part of returning the men's program to the top tier of collegiate rowing.

The invitation is to a gathering of alumni in Syracuse the weekend of October 14-15-16. The appeal is for help obtaining items he believes the squad needs, for short-term success and to achieve a national championship. (See lists on pages 3 and 4) The challenge is not to wait for success, but in essence to get in and pull now.

A **Crew Alumni Day** is set for Saturday, Oct. 15 with the squad rowing in the morning, and chance for alumni to get into a shell and take a few strokes – a little friendly competition is not ruled out for those in shape for it. That will be followed by breakfast with the team at the boathouse, and a football game against Rutgers at the Carrier Dome.

SARA's annual meeting including election of officers is to be held the same day, after being postponed from its usual spring date. (See Letter from the President- page 2)

Reischman also wants to continue the "Practice with the Orange Day" that started this year during IRA Camp. Alums come out and ride with the coach for a practice session, and get to know the team over a meal afterwards. "It is important for our athletes to get a sense of history and a sense that they are representing literally 100 years of Syracuse rowing when they come down the course," Reischman said.

Syracuse has a solid squad returning with only one member of the varsity eight having graduated, and three-and-a-half eights in training during the fall. SU's varsity finished second in the Third Level final at the IRA, losing by less than a second to Cornell after making up a lot of water in the last



500 meters.

"Our Coxswain Chad Taylor called the cadence up with 350m to go and then pulled the trigger again at 250m and we started to take seats," Reischman said.

"Our charge ended up 8/100s of a second short but we left everything we had on the race course." (See Reischman—Page 3)

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# **REFURBISHED CREW ROOM- TANKS AND ERG AREA**





#### *Reischman (from page one)*

"In the final we came off the line at 45 and rowed 40 through the 500m. The cadence "settled" to a 38 in the second 500m but was back at 39 in the third 500m and we sprinted up to a 44. I remember talking to **Jeff Pesot** about cadences a couple of years back and he said race cadence was whatever it took to keep you in the race. We threw everything we had at them."

"The last 250 of the V8's race was one of the best pieces of racing I have seen," SARA Secretary Joe Paduda, who was among dozens of alums in the crowd, said. "The guys took four seats in 250 meters off Cornell. They(Cornell) got the last stroke in, and we ran out of race course."

"I couldn't be happier with how the varsity eight raced at the IRA and give them a lot of

credit for continuing to fight after a disappointing regular season and Eastern Sprints," Reischman said. "I hope what they learned can transfer over to the rest of the squad and we can pick up next year racing at that level from the first race of the season."

But he wants nobody to get the wrong idea. "It is important that you all realize that no one in my program aspires to be in a third level final. Ever."

Here's where alumni are being asked to play an even bigger role. The short-term items he lists, "would have an affect not only on recruiting but the day to day running of our program. I believe most of these items are obtainable by managing the resources we have (i.e. endowment accounts, etc.)"

The larger items will take more alumni digging deeper.

"Our athletic department supports our program at the same level as other top programs in the country," Reischman said. In a letter to SARA members and alumni in general, he wrote, "There isn't a single men's rowing program in the country that receives help from their athletic department when it comes to facilities improvements and equipment purchases. None. It doesn't happen anywhere else and it isn't going to happen at Syracuse."

"We all want a program that we can be proud of and that we can enjoy watching come down the race course," Reischman said. "I also understand that in today's society we all want to support a winner. My question for you is this: Are we going to get there faster by people sitting on the fence waiting for results or are we going to get there faster by alums showing up and supporting the team now and encouraging the guys to keep their heads up and to keep working hard? I want to thank those alums (and there have been many) that have chosen the latter option."

### SU Men's Crew 2005 IRA Results

Varsity Eight: 14th out of 24

Junior Varsity Eight: 12th out of 18

Frosh Eight: 17th out of 24

Frosh Four: 14th out of 21

# **Men's Crew Short Term Program Needs**

- 1. Paint/Floor/Carpeting in the Tank Room: This project is already underway with ODC. The purpose is to change the "Ten Minute Impression" of the facility that gets the most traffic from recruits. We have completed tank modifications and are trying to get done paint and flooring this summer. Est. Cost is an additional \$45,000.
- 2. Locker room at the Boathouse: Again an attempt to change the "Ten Minute Impression." We currently have old metal lockers in various shades of paint and a carpet on the floor that hasn't been replaced in 20 years. I am looking for something simple here and I don't expect the cost to exceed \$30,000.
- 3. Update our fleet of rowing shells: We need to do the following:
  - New Racing Eight: Cost is \$29,000. We can sell one of our current racing shells for \$18,000. Net cost of \$11,000.
  - Two New Fours: Cost is \$15,000 per boat. We can sell two of our older ones at \$9,000 each. Net cost is \$12,000.
  - Used Single Scull: Price for this is around \$4,000.

4. New Coaching Launch: Our 3rd coaching boat that our GA uses has been deemed a safety hazard by our boat mechanic. They have welded it twice already and it is starting to crack again. They are currently keeping their eyes open for a used boat

# **Coaches' List of Crew Needs for a National Championship**

- 1. <u>Increase Scholarships to 10 Full Rides</u>: Current levels don't allow for more than full tuitions and combining this amount with need based aid usually still puts us under financial aid packages from our competitors. Also, just equalizing financial packages won't be a difference maker--we need to beat them.
- New Indoor Facility: Our current indoor facility was built in 1908! We have been able to add paint and a few modifications over the years but that has been a "stop the bleeding" job at best. Feasibility studies by ODC have made remodeling of existing space an impossibility. Current space is functional. A new space would ease scheduling issues and have a major impact on recruit appeal.
- 3. <u>New Boathouse</u>: Current boathouse was built in 1937 with the addition of a new deck and remodeling to accommodate a women's locker room in 1987. Facility is functional but not at the level of the schools' we compete against on a national level. In the last 10 years all of our major competitors have built or currently have planned new facilities. These include: Princeton, Brown, Yale, Boston University, Northeastern, Wisconsin, Washington, Cal, Stanford, Dartmouth, Columbia, St. Joseph's, Trinity, Colgate. The last three weren't competitors for recruits until they completed new facilities. The following schools have boathouse plans completed and fund raising underway: Georgetown, Cornell, Rutgers. Again the impact is for recruit appeal.
- 4. <u>ESF Students eligible to row</u>: Until the late 1980's walk on students from ESF made up 30-40% of the team. Something soured between the SU/ESF relationship and this stopped. Cornell still allows the SUNY Ag school athletes to row and they make up a big part of their squad. This would greatly increase the quality and number of walk on athletes we could recruit.
- 5. <u>Admissions</u>: As I have stated before, we have the ability to admit the students that we need to. Our recruiting could benefit from early decisions regarding admissions and financial aid packages. Being able to come up with firm answers by December 1st would be a huge help.

6. <u>Continuation of two trips to Florida</u>: This is important to equalize water time with Schools in our league and to combat the "harsh winter" issue in recruiting.

## ORANGE ALUMS EXCEL ON THE WATER

At the USRowing Masters National Championships in Worcester, MA:

Tom Darling '83 won the Texas Rowing Cup at the Masters in the Men's B 2x, rowing with Jon Grant for Cambridge Boat Club. Tom also rowed in the boats that won the A 4X, E 2X, took second in the B 8 + and fourth in the C2X.

Rowing for Occoquan, Bill Purdy '79 took gold in C4+, D8 and E8, edging Bob Price's '88 Potomac Boat Club in the C4+ by 0.08 seconds. Price also made the final of the B 2x, rowing with Chris Kobach.

Bill Hawkey '53 also picked up a gold and a silver. (See Backsplash)

At the World Rowing Championships in Japan:

Anna Goodale '05 rowed in the U.S. eight and Helen Tanger '01 rowed for the Netherlands. Both made the finals with Tanger's boat edging Goodale's for the bronze medal.

# Cannon Joins Women's Rowing Staff as Asst. Coach Milburn Retires and Moves into Consulting

The SU Women's Crew has a new assistant coach. **Sarah Cannon** succeeds Craig Milburn who served as assistant coach for the Orange from the fall of 1994 until the spring of 2005.

Cannon's responsibilities will include recruiting, coaching the novice and assisting head coach Kris Sanford in all aspects of the program.

"Sarah is going to be a great fit for our program," Sanford said. "She is a very approachable, positive person who is extremely competitive and knows what it takes to be successful."

Cannon spent three years as assistant women's rowing coach at Connecticut College. Her third varsity eight won a gold medal at the 2003 New England Championship, while the novice eight she coached in 2004 made it to the grand final of the ECAC Championship. In 2005, Cannon's varsity four advanced to the petite final of the New England Championship.

She served as camp administrator/assistant coach at the U.S. Junior Women's Selection and Development Camp in New London, Conn., this summer.

Cannon worked for a year in the Seattle area and coached for the Lake Washington Rowing Club.

Cannon earned her bachelor's degree in geology from Bates College in 2000. She was captain of the rowing team at Bates from 1998-2000. She earned her team's Rookie of the Year award in 1997 and was MVP as a senior.

**Andrew Kelly** is the new graduate assistant. He was assistant coache at St. Joseph's Prep in 2004-05. Kelly coxed at Penns from 2002-04.and served as the heavyweight captain in 2003-04, the first coxswain to do so since 1967.



## **Coach Sarah Cannon**

**Craig Milburn** leaves coaching to join his father-in-law, long time SU Men's Coach Bill Sanford in his consulting business. Craig and Kris became parents of a son, Aiden Edward on July 2.

**Coach Kris Sanford** had taken a leave of late in March absence during her pregnancy, but now is back for her ninth season as head coach of women's rowing at SU.

This year, she was elected by her peers to serve as President of the BIG EAST Coaches Association, while currently serving on the executive committee of the Eastern Association of Women's Rowing Colleges (EAWRC).

(Note—this article borrows liberally and in some cases verbatim from stories that appear on the Syracuse University Athletics website.)



Justin Stangel (stroke), Dan O'Shaughnessy (6 seat) at work with the SU Eight last spring.

#### O'Shaughnessy, Stangel Shine

Varsity Oarsmen Dan O'Shaughnessy and Justin Stangel had productive summers in international competition.

O'Shaughnessy made the Canadian National Team in the four with coxswain, competing in the FISA World Rowing Championships in Gifu, Japan. He's back as a senior for at SU this season.

Stangel won gold at the Canadian Henley in the Senior B single and the Championship Eight while rowing for Vesper Boat Club of Philadelphia. He's a junior.

### Alumni Eight Second at IRA

The Syracuse University Alumni Eight, stroked and captained by Bob Price and coxed by the ageless Joe Peter, took silver in the Masters Race at the IRA for the second year in a row, after three straight golds. Again, it was the Big Red of Cornell who beat the Orange by just under five seconds.

SARA's Joe Paduda reports that SU edged Brown for second, despite being "out-Olympianed."

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# **BACKSPLASH...NEWS OF OUR ALUMNI**

### 1950s

**Bill Hawkey '53**— "The 2005 rowing season has gone well for me so far. Did well in the Masters Nationals, getting a gold in the H8+ and a silver in the H 4+. They also gave me two more gold medals, one for showing up and one for being 74 and not needing a tow up to the starting line. Next stop Strathclyde Scotland for the FISA Worlds, on September 9, 10 and 11. I'll be rowing in five races; an H2-, an H4-, a G4-, a H4+ and a G8+. Then, in October, it's head race time followed by skiing and erging. Next year I'll be an "I". Can't wait.

**Tom Lotz '57**— a USRowing licensed referee, is now the southeast region representative to the Referee Commission for US Rowing. Tom says "We are always looking for more refs, and I can help folks get started. "Tom visited with Coach Dave Reischman in Syracuse over the Labor Day Weekend.

## 1960s

**Bill Sanford '63**— reports a boatload of early '60s alums coming back for the weekend of Oct. 15. , **Frank Benson, Gary Gardner, Tony Johnson, and Richard Thome '62, Charlie Rayfield '63, Dave Norris, Dan Hogan, Giles VanDeBogert, Ted Kakas, Steve Gladstone and Dick Hersh '64** (all members of the '61 Eastern Sprints champion frosh crew.)

## 1990s

**Michael Love '92**— My wife (Aimee - '93 - SU Volleyball) and I had a baby girl, Taylor Nicole, on June 27th. She is our 3rd child joining her 2 older brothers, Adam and Kyle. We currently live in Ashburn, VA and I work for Sprint / Nextel in Reston, VA.

**Patrick Daughton '99**— is engaged to Anne Eberlein. They are planning a June of 2006 wedding in Philadelphia.

**Jason Hillebrecht '99**— is set to defend his PhD thesis late this fall at UCONN. He is studying Bio-Chemistry.

**Skye Michiels '99**— is the Michiels in *The Michiels-Herzog Real Estate Team* with Coldwell Banker Preferred - Olde City in Philadelphia. (*Editor's note: Skye passed along all the Class of '99 notes.*)

**Vince Sera '99**— is entering his last semester of his Master's Program at Lehigh University. Vince is also a grad assistant for the Lehigh crew team.

## 2000s

**Doug Shaw '01**— married Allison Singer on August 20, in Westchester, NY. She is a Syracuse grad from the College of Nursing '99.

**Peter Romano '03**— "I've recently started a new job with Parametric Technology Corp in Needham, MA, as a Territory Coordinator in their Global Services Division. I also am still volunteering for the BU men's crew team, helping out the coaching staff with the varsity squad."

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## SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY MEN'S CREW SCHEDULE 2005-2006

October 9, 2005	Stonehurst Invitational	Rochester, NY
October 15, 2005	Class Day/Alumni Day	Syracuse, NY
October 23, 2005	Head of the Charles	Boston, MA
	1 Varsity 8, 1 Varsity 4	
October 30, 2005	Princeton Chase	Princeton, NJ
	2 Varsity 8's	
November 5, 2005	Syracuse Fall Race	Syracuse, NY
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January 6-14, 2006	Winter Training	Miami, FL
March 10-19, 2006	Spring Training	Melbourne, FL
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April 8, 2006	Ten Eyck Cup	New Brunswick, NJ
April 15, 2006	Goes Trophy (Navy, Syracuse)	Syracuse, NY
April 22, 2006	Conlan Cup (BU, Columbia)	Boston, MA
April 29, 2006	Georgetown, Temple	Washington, DC
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May 13, 2006	Packard Cup (Dartmouth)	Hanover, NH
May 21, 2006	Eastern Sprints	Worcester, MA
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June 1-3, 2006	I.R.A. Regatta	Camden, NJ
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