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# SARA BOARD VOTES IN WOMEN, EXPANDS FOCUS

Darling Seeks to Involve More Alumni and Alumnae in Crew Support







Sheila Roock

**Tracy Smith** 

Kristin Bidwell

# NEW SARA PRESIDENT CALLS FOR ACTION, INVOLVEMENT

The Tom Darling Administration roared off the starting line, Jan. 21, adding three women to the SARA Board of Directors and hundreds to SARA membership, moving the annual meeting to January, and approving initiatives to involve more alums in SARA activities and consider restructuring or abolishing SARA dues.

Darling '81, who stepped up as interim president when Jerry Jacobi '81, stepped aside, was elected to a full term as president, along with Vice-President Barry Weiss '83, Treasurer Colin Goodale '90, and Secretary Joe Paduda '80. Darling compared the meeting to winter training. "If you do the work in the winter and make attainable goals, the long term goals are going to happen, "Darling said.

Following up on a proposal made at the winter 2005 meeting, the board took major steps to involve alumnae of SU's women's rowing program in SARA. Sheila Roock '84, Kristin Bidwell '90 and Tracy Smith '90 were elected unanimously to the board, and Women's Head (See SARA Board—Page 4)

# "Cautious Optimism" Men's Team Outlook

Syracuse University's men's crew is aiming high this spring. "They've got a lot of ambition," Head Coach Dave Reischman told SARA directors at the annual meeting at Archbold Gymnasium, January 21. "It's my job to let them know what it takes to realize that ambition. It's my job to focus on the work ethic."

The squad was back indoors for a lot of erg work and rowing in the newly refurbished tanks, after spending a week on the water in Miami over Winter Break. They did a lot of rowing in fours and Reischman said it helped him start to get a good feel for who will be in which (See Men's Outlook— Page 2)

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## Men's Outlook (from Page One)

eight once the season starts. But he noted there's a lot more work indoors and another trip to Florida during Spring Break before then.

The major strength of the squad is in the Junior class, Reischman's first recruits, who went undefeated as freshman until illness knocked their stroke out of action just before the Eastern Sprints. But the squad also has senior leadership in Co-captains Tyler Page and Dan O'Shaughnessy (a Canadian National Team Member), who answered questions for SARA directors during a morning visit to the Bill Compson Erg Room, saying team spirit and attitude are high. "We can't wait to get on the water," O'Shaughnessy said. "Everyone is pushing everyone else hard"

"We just need to keep working hard," Page said.

Reischman described his own attitude as "cautious optimism." "I've got a great squad this year," he said. "They've got a lot of commitment. They make it fun for us as coaches." As he spoke, more than three eights worth of varsity oarsmen were blasting away on the ergs. That was the assigned workout. Reischman said oarsmen are doing additional work on their own. "Their motto is 'friends don't let friends erg alone," he said.



O'Shaughnessy, Page answer questions from SARA board members at practice session.

Assistant Coach Phil Marshall described the frosh squad as "deeper than we were last year, significantly," although the squad is carrying only an eight and a four. "We look for a couple of guys who are difference-makers and the rest fall in," he said, noting there are several solid walk-ons. "We'll be fit – that much I can guarantee you."

As for recruiting, Marshall told SARA directors, "We're having a productive and positive experience. We've had a couple through the door who can be difference makers." He indicated SU also is in the hunt for other solid experienced recruits for the fall.

The men open at Rutgers, April 8, with the Goes Cup race against Cornell and Navy, the following weekend, the only home race this season. As always, Reischman is pointing his squad for the IRA. Last year the varsity finished 14<sup>th</sup> overall, but rowed its best race in the third level final. This year's squad expects to finish much higher. "The guys are pretty fired up," Reischman said.



SU Men Practice in the Compson Room. "Friends Don't Let Friends Erg Alone"

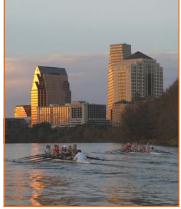
# Orange Women Try Texas, Friendly Competition

Fresh from another appearance at the NCAA's, Women's Head Coach Kris Sanford is downplaying expectations just a bit for 2006. "We lost a very strong senior class," Sanford told SARA directors at

the annual meeting, January 21. But she also cited a very strong crop of freshmen, indicating things are looking up. And since Women's Rowing is an NCAA sport, some of those freshmen could very well have an impact in the varsity eight, immediately.

Sanford has been making some changes to keep it fresh and interesting for the squad. Instead of the usual Winter Break trip to Florida, the Orange Women went to Austin, Texas. "We were looking for a change," she told *The Orange Oar*. "It turned out wonderful. The weather was great, the accommodations and location of the hotel and boathouse were perfect and the waterway was very rowable all the time. We will definitely go back next January."

"We accomplished our goals of putting in lots of miles and improving our technique as well as beginning to fold the experienced freshmen in with the varsity. It was very exciting to see the level of competition that the freshmen brought with them - they are going to be a great asset to the team."



On the Water in Austin

The women's squad also has begun what Sanford calls a new tradition- Orange Team vs. Blue Team. "We were looking for a way to encourage friendly competition, to help keep winter training exciting, and a way to make freshmen feel a connection to the team immediately. Frosh Coach Sarah Cannon came up with the idea (modeling it after Princeton swimming) of having a team competition that goes all year. "The idea has evolved to putting every freshman on the Orange or Blue team in the fall," Sanford said. "They join the upperclassmen, as once you are on a team you are there for life."

Throughout the year, the teams are involved in various competitions and the winning teams receive points for them. There is a team champion every year that is recorded on a plaque. "We have found that the team has really embraced the concept and it is helping to make our whole program more competitive while being really fun. People take great pride in their teams going as far as dressing in uniforms on competition days." (See "Women's Outlook—Page 5)

# SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S ROWING SCHEDULE 2006

March 18	Columbia/UCF	Melbourne, FL
March 25-26	Stanford Invitational	Redwood Shores, CA
April 1	Cornell/Yale	Syracuse, NY
April 8	Penn/Northeastern	Syracuse, NY
April 15	Dartmouth/Radcliffe	Hanover, NH
April 30	Big East	Worcester, MA
May 26-28	NCAA Championship	West Windsor, NJ

## SARA Board (from page One)

Coach Kris Sanford and Assistant Coach Sarah Cannon became ex-officio members of the board. All five attended the meeting. The board then voted to include all women who've rowed for SU as members of SARA, with the first year free of charge – the same deal men always have received upon graduation.

"It's a great time for this because there are a lot of women out there who are really excited," Sanford told the board. "We're looking to get people to recognize their ties to Syracuse University. We're excited to see where we can fit in"



### **President Tom Darling takes notes**

"This is a very special time in Syracuse Women's Rowing history," Smith told *The Orange Oar*. "The combined dynamics of a new SARA President, two supportive head coaches and the sincere and enthusiastic support of the SARA board make this an opportune time for Syracuse Women's Rowing to join the organization to help bring together the men's and women's team alums for personal and professional support of SU Rowing and of each other. I can't wait to get started"

Three alumni also were voted onto the board – Paul Dudzick '67, Jerry Henwood '80 and Brian Mahon '82. Both Henwood and Mahon have daughters on the SU Women's Team. 16 other directors were re-elected to the board.

On a motion from Bob Donabella '81, the board unanimously approved moving the annual meeting to January so that both men and women members can attend, rather than be conflicted by an end of season meeting at the IRA. No annual meeting was held last May, so this meeting wound up as the annual meeting. Everyone elected is to serve until January, 2007.

Men's Head Coach Dave Reischman told the board he plans an annual fundraising effort each fall.

"I don't need to go to you guys every time I need a boat or a new set of oars," Reischman said. "What I need SARA to do is be friends-raisers. You guys are the vehicle back to the program."

Darling assigned board members from five-year periods to contact teammates and report back in a concerted effort to involve as many alums as possible in supporting SU rowing, especially at races and spring and fall events. He also set up committees to organize those spring and fall events.

After Reischman suggested it might be a good idea to do away with SARA dues, and declare all alumni SARA members, John Nicholson '68, was appointed to head a committee to investigate the pros and cons of such a proposal and report back to the board. One concern raised is SARA's traditional and unbending independence from the University and how that would be affected if SARA had no dues as a continuing source of revenue. Current dues are 25 dollars-a-year for graduates one-six years out, and 50-dollars- a-year for everyone else. Lifetime memberships cost 500 dollars.



Fueled by Dunkin' Donuts, SARA Board Members Discuss the Issues at Annual Meeting

### Chamberlain to be Honored

Reischman also told the board of plans to dedicate a new eight-oared shell to SARA co-founder **Dr. Bruce Chamberlain '41**, this spring. The christening is set for the SU boathouse on April 15, the day of the Goes Cup races with Cornell and Navy

Dr. Chamberlain is expected to attend and the hope is that family members and friends also will be there for the ceremony. "Doc" has been involved in SU Crew well over 60 years and continues active on the SARA board. "I can't think of anyone more deserving of having a shell named for him than Dr. Chamberlain," Reischman said.

## Women's Outlook (from Page 3)

Sometimes they dress in costumes, as in the fall Turkey Trot Competition. On the last day of training in Austin, the competition was a round robin of 1000M races - all orange against blue. Blue won three out of four. The teams were tied with nine points each as second semester got underway.



"Our hope is that in the future this helps the freshman immediately feel like they are part of something and that it also becomes a way for alums to connect back with the team," Sanford said. "Down the road it will be fun to see reunions where alums from the Orange and Blue team come together with the current team and race together Orange against Blue. The idea has been a huge success so far and we are excited to keep it going."

Orange in Turkey Trot Costumes

The Women's squad includes two legacies of the SU Men's Crew. Freshman Liz Henwood is the daughter of **Jerry Henwood '80**, and sophomore Erica Mahon is the daughter of **Brian Mahon '82**. Not entirely coincidentally, Jerry and Brian were elected to the SARA Board of Directors at the January 21 meeting.

Mahon gets credit for another addition to the team. He recommended Cannon, who came aboard as freshman coach this fall. Sanford said Cannon is doing a lot for recruiting. "She's a personable person that people like to talk to."



Erica Mahon and Liz Henwood

The Orange Women have plenty of travel ahead, opening in Florida during Spring break and then heading to the West Coast for the Stanford Invitational. They do have two home races this season – Cornell and Yale on April 1, Penn and Northeastern a week later. As far as a return trip to the NCAA's, "We'll point for the Big East (April 30) and see where we can go from there," Sanford said.



SU Women Battle the Ergometers in Saturday Morning Practice

### MASTERS ROWING REPORT

**Ted Kakas, '64,** is chairman of the U.S. Masters Rowing Committee. Here's his latest report to the Orange Oar.

The US Rowing Masters Committee tried hard at the Convention to get approval to DEMONSTRATE Static Refereeing at this years Masters Nationals. We made a strong presentation to the Referee's Commission and to the Board of Directors. After being totally rejected by the Referee's Commission our pitch to the Board was more of a heads up as to what we will be pushing in the future.

Static Refereeing calls for officials along the side of the course and NO following launches. It has been used for at least 15 years at the FISA World Masters Regatta and was in effect at the World Masters Games in Edmonton last summer.

Of course, the FISA World Masters in Princeton NJ this September will be conducted under Static Refereeing rules. Hopefully there will be a lot of you competing there and the Masters Committee encourages you to let the Referees' Commission and Board of Directors know your feelings about the use of Static Refereeing at our Masters Nationals in the following years.

- 2) This years Masters Nationals will be at Green Lake in Seattle, Aug 10 13.
- 3) There will not be any handicapping at the Masters Nationals this summer. All single entries will be raced in the next youngest race with an open lane and, of course, will be able to finish ahead of the younger crews but will NOT factor in the medal awards they will be awarded a gold medal as the fastest crew in their age category. In addition if a crew sees that they will likely be the only entry in their age group they can enter the younger event even up and compete for a medal in the younger race.
- 4) The Master's Committee voted unanimously to add a 4-event in the Masters Nationals this summer the first since at least 1981.
- 5) The Masters Committee has petitioned the Head of the Charles to add a 60 plus event for both men and women in the 2X, 4+ and 8. At this point we are led to believe at least some of those events will include a 60-year-old category.
- 6) Lastly, due to the \$1 per seat contribution collected at the Masters Nationals we raised just over \$11,000 and that was split equally between the Men's and Women's Junior teams.

Row hard, Ted Kakas

### A CALL FOR ALUMNI OARSMEN

Captain **Bob Price** '88 is looking for oarsmen to help SU regain the IRA Alumni Race title. After three straight victories, the Orange Eight has finished second to Cornell's Big Red the past two years.

"We must avoid a Red three-peat, and get ready for our gold-medal run, "Price said. "We need to get the title back to its natural owners. All interested alumni should e-mail me at <a href="mailto:last500@aol.com">last500@aol.com</a>, let me know their age, current fitness level, and provide good contact info."

# **Network Orange Makes Progress**

Efforts are ongoing in collecting information for "Network Orange" - an interactive directory of former SU rowers and coxswains. Email and mail survey campaigns have resulted in roughly 175 alumni adding their names and information to the Network (Didn't receive a survey? See below).

So far we've received information from alumni graduating as long as 68 years ago, currently living as far away as China, and working in a wide variety of careers including Architecture, Education, Financial Services, Law, and of course Coaching. The goal of Network Orange is to allow alumni and current oarsmen to use this information to network, gain career or relocation advice, or simply to get back in touch with an old friend and teammate. We've already been able to help an oarsman who graduated more than 50 years ago get back in touch with one of his teammates!

The goal is to continue adding names to the Network (hint hint), and go live as early as this spring. Keep checking the website: <a href="http://www.saracrew.org">http://www.saracrew.org</a>

Anyone wishing to contribute information to or inquire about the Network can contact Jason

Premo: jmpremo@hotmail.com (315) 546-4735

# **BACKSPLASH—NEWS OF OUR ALUMNI**

### 1940s

**Dr. Bruce Chamberlain '41** – lives at The Nottingham in Syracuse and remains active in SARA as a director. "Doc" was a founder of SARA. He'll be honored this spring with a shell named for him. (See separate article.)

C. Douglas Richards '48 – lives in Laurel on Long Island. He sends word that his granddaughter rowed with the Havergal School in Toronto.

### 1950s

Floyd McCormick '50 – says he is "still rowing but not competitively, locally." Floyd lives in Kingston, NY.

Robert Cromwell '51 – lives in Bloomfield, CT and comments, "Wow! 54 years have gone by."

**Davis Glass '53** – lives in Cantonment, FL. In his words, "I'm the third son of **Walter L. Glass, Class of 1916,** captain of the championship crew of the IRA Regatta of 1916. On or about 1960 he endowed a new shell named after a classmate who died in combat in WWI. Coach TenEyck was his mentor when he was a member of the Duluth Rowing Club. SU crews made a clean sweep during the Regatta of 1916 – Varsity, JV and Frosh."

**Bill Hawkey '53** – continues to compete at the highest levels. Bill (left) and his 2- partner, Klaas tenBroeke, 1953 Dutch National Champion, celebrated another successful racing season in 2005: Masters sprints, Nationals, FISA Worlds and five head races.

"We're looking forward to 2006 racing and hope to get an over 70 8+ together."



Bill Hawkey and Klaas tenBroeke

**Bob Curran '54** – now lives in Naples, Florida but reports he still spends summer on "beautiful Canandaigua Lake." Bob was captain of the SU Crew in 1954.

**Henry Einhorn '54** – is retired but continues conducting classes at Boston University. He reports the arrival of a seventh grandchild in October.

**Andrew Clark '56** – lives in Syracuse and apparently is in great shape. In his words, "I can't spell the word DOCT(E)OR – or is it MONEY? I don't take any "drugs" or "pills" for anything. I don't need eyewear. I jog, drink beer, eat pizza, love ice cream, and chase girls (women.) You got an 80-pound sack of cement you need moved? Call me."

**Lance Osadchey '59** – lives in Bradford, VT and is retired but keeping busy. "Some skiing --working on my science experiment---some traveling--- enjoying----- playing with dog----garden----children----encouraging Syracuse crew"



Lance Osadchey

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### 1960s

**Charlie Mills '60** – and Brenda are in Haymarket, Virginia. He works for Universal Electronics (from home) and travels throughout the East. "Spent a week with Jerry and Marilyn Winkelstein this summer at their place outside Bar Harbor, Maine. Great time. Winky recently retired from Johns Hopkins (they both are), is becoming an accomplished woodworker and stone wall builder in Maine." Charlie stroked the Pan Am Champion Eight in 1959.

**Tom Rouen '60** – lives in Camp Hill, PA and continues as a strong contributor to SU rowing. Tom also rowed in that Pan Am Championship Eight.

**Andy Geiger '61** – is "enjoying retirement after a 43-year career in intercollegiate athletics." Andy wrapped his career as A.D at Ohio State and still lives in Columbus but reportedly is planning a move to Seattle.

**Jerry Winkelstein, M.D. '61 -** recently retired from the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine where he was a Professor of Pediatrics, Medicine and Pathology and directed the Division of Allergy and Immunology. Jerry coxed the Pan Am Games Championship Eight in 1959.

"In the last few years I have reconnected with Charlie Mills and Tommy (TR) Rouen, two of my teammates on the Pan American Crew. We all live within an hour or so of each other so we have been able to get together on a regular basis and that has been wonderful. My memories of Syracuse University are inseparable from those of the crew team. In fact, my memories of the crew team are the best that I have of those four years."

**Bill Sanford '63** – Bill keeps busy watching his daughters' teams and babysitting. He and Nancy were in Miami over Winter Break watching **Jennifer (Sanford) Wendry'93** coach the University of Connecticut Women's Crew. Daughter Kris, of course, heads the SU women's program. The Sanfords now live in a house on a bluff high above the race- course on Onondaga Lake. He's staying active in politics, consulting and crew.

**John Hintermaier '64** – is married to Jane Mary Kissel and lives in South Lyon, Michigan. He works for GM Powertrain Group. He has four children and six grandchildren. His daughter Liesl Marie rowed for the University of Michigan Women's Crew 1984-1988. John reports, "Michigan amateur athletics have really come on in scholastic rowing since the late 1990s. I am planning to pursue more coaching after I finish my Masters degree Online."

**Dick Yochum '68** – is retired in Webster, NY (near Rochester) after a career in social services. "Pappy" continues coaching the Pittsford High School Crew.

**Joe Peter '69**—and wife, Jan hosted "Joey's annual birthday party" after the January 21 SARA meeting. Joe continues to cox winning crews all over the U.S and Canada, and is a very active member of the SARA Board and the Orange Pack.

Jonathan Schmitz '69 - in his words "My oldest daughter Kenleigh and her husband Mike Larock both SU Grads class of '97 have just opened a Tea & Coffee Bar, combined with an art gallery/home furnishings business called "the Drawing Room" in our rear carriage house in Cos Cob, CT.: <a href="https://www.thedrawingroom.cc">www.thedrawingroom.cc</a>. My second daughter is getting a master's degree in painting at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts (PAFA) this spring and my wife Karen and I are still doing interior design & decoration and I get out and run 2-3 times a week. Maybe there will be some time for rowing at the Greenwich Rowing Club this year, I hope!"

### 1970s

**Paul Buff '70** – lives in Quechee, VT, just across the river from Hanover, NH. In his words, "We enjoy Vermont life by skiing, hiking and biking. Occasionally see crew races at nearby Dartmouth. Our son Craig Westney, SU '91 and two grandsons live in Danbury, CT and visit often. Enjoyed visiting with **Bill Sanford '63**, at Power Ten Dinner in NYC in January ('05) with classmates **Jeff Harriman, Chuck Harris, Duane Hickling and Captain Bill Willson."** 

**Jeff Harriman '70** – in his words, "It was good to see Dick 'Pappy' Yochum out in Colorado this summer. Went to see my son Jeff, Jr. run in the Chicago Marathon and hooked up with **Duane Hickling.** We followed the race on Duane's tandem

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racing bike. Also got to see **Bill Willson**, **Chuck Harris and Paul Buff** at the Power Ten dinner honoring **Bill Sanford** '63 last winter. It was also our 35-year reunion. My wife Diane and I are ready for another winter teaching skiing at Beaver Creek Resort in Colorado and would love to hear from any former oarsmen classmates."

**Bill Bater '79** - is still in Long Beach, CA working for Wells Fargo Bank providing advice on environmental issues, but he says "I perform these duties from the comfort of my home, which allows me to pursue other activities. I am still active in



Jerry Henwood '80, Jerry Jacobi '81 and Bill Bater '79 catch up at SU Fall Gathering .

rowing and compete in the Head of Charles, The San Diego Crew Classic and all other local races in the SW area. It is always good to go back east in the fall to get my dose of fall colors and weather and more importantly to see all the SU alumni that are still rowing.

"I am still coaching (6th season) the Long Beach Jr. Boys. I am excited about this season as I have some good guys who like to work hard and are strong. My son and I visited Syracuse this fall and watched a practice or two and took in a football game during the Crew's Alumni Weekend. It was good to see those alumni from days of rowing at SU.

"My family is well and my kids are getting bigger all the time. My son played high school football this fall as a 9th grader and loved it - he certainly is not going to be a lightweight. My daughter plays soccer and rides horses and has a blast doing both. My wife is busy keeping the household functioning while home schooling my daughter and working part time at a High School as a Dean of Admissions. SO our lives are very busy."

### 1980s

Steve Anthony '80 – is in North Andover, MA. Steve says "sorry to have missed the October reunion...hopefully next time."

**Hugh Duffy, Student Manager '80** – "Have been with National Park Service almost 23 years, mostly in Denver, am project manager now for design / construction projects in our nation's capitol. Have enjoyed all the newsletters, race reports over the years, all have been vivid reminders of the lake, canals and crew room: observing all the hard work that goes into racing. I look back fondly on those times, and am still valuing the lessons the coaches Bill and **Drew (Harrison '68)** and the 1978, 1979, 1980 crews taught me. What very important times they were for me! I enjoyed the October 2005 event with my wife Dawn, I hope to take it in every couple years or so. Two boys: Joshua, 13, Joseph, 11; am trying to keep up with them on the ski slopes. Give a holler if you make it to Denver."

David Allen '81 – reports "coxing for the Dartmouth Alumni now and again. Learned to scull at St. Paul's." David lives in Amherst, NH.

**Diane Kulpinski,** '82 – lives in Bend, Oregon where she is a professional photographer specializing in youth sports. In her words, "Even though I only rowed my frosh year, I still remember those days fondly. Over the years I did keep in touch with a couple of my crewmates that are still back east, - in particular **Shari Hersh** and **Lynn Delapella** - but I've lost touch with them in the past 8-10 years or so. However, one crewmate - **Debra Macy** - has lived in the same town as me since the early 90s and we see each other around town all the time!"

**Ashton Richards '82** – and his wife Hannah report the birth of their first child, Tobin Lee Richards December 12, weighing in @ 8 pounds 13 oz and 21+ inches. "I am already working on his slide control as that seemed to elude his father through much of his college career." They live in Atlanta, where Ashton is chair of the history department at Westminster, a private day school. The girls' rowing program he started there is about to begin its fourth season.

Clair Berg (Meyerowitz), '84 – is living in Abington, PA. "Doing great! Worked in publishing in New York, then married and have kids. Started working part-time in publishing again recently."

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Michael "Woody" Wodchis '84 – is living and working in Austin, TX, married to Karen, with two children - Kaye (7) and Vaughn (5). He is Vice President of Marketing for NFP Insurance Services, Inc. (NYSE: NFP). "See how us Texans enjoyed the Holiday season – I love rubbing it in!"



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Woody and family "pool" resources

**Linda Zembsch '84 -** lives in South Portland, ME. "After college I went to Kenya with the Peace Corps. I taught at a girls' high school in a remote village in western Kenya. Upon returning to the USA, I worked as a cook on a schooner off the coast of Maine, then delivered a boat to the Caribbean. After returning to Maine, I got my teaching certificate and worked in Portland, teaching middle school ESL. Now I stay at home married to David Burkey, with two children – Sarah, 12, and Ben, 10. Life is good."

Emme Aronson (Melissa Entwistle) '85 – in her words, "I am a Mom to a very active little 4-year old girl Toby. She plays in mud and loves sparkle lip gloss - a girl after my own heart!

"My husband Phillip and I wrote a book called. Morning Has Broken, A Couples Journey Through Depression, New American Libraries, Jan 2006. Our children's book What are You Hungry For? Will be out in September 2006. I am about to get into young adult (chic lit) novels based on self-esteem and body image issues. Anyone who has 9-12 year old girls, please know I am immersing myself into the trials and tribulations of their lives. Any stories moms would like to pass along to me would be most appreciative. After years of lecturing to this age demographic I feel offering something tangible could help her feel more empowered.

"I am looking forward to hearing from my teammates. Wishing you health and much happiness!" Emme also has been working on launching a new line of sportswear on QVC called: me by EMME(tm) <a href="http://www.mebyemme.com">www.mebyemme.com</a> <a href="http://www.mebyemme.com">http://www.mebyemme.com</a> sizes 4-26.

**Donald Miller '85** – lives in Chico, CA. He reports, "I miss rowing and am glad to be back in contact with SARA after the many relocations demanded by academia."

**Annie Czaja '86 -** has been living in Switzerland for the last 14 years. "I earn my living as a Pastry Chef/Chocolatier and am currently working for Lindt. I did my training over here in Zürich. My husband, Rolf, and I will be moving to the USA in December (editor's note: she wrote this last fall) and we look forward to opening our own business. He is also a chef. It would be great to hear from anyone who froze with me out in a shell....

P.S. I kept my maiden name (Czaja). I just didn't want to be called Frau Strub!!"

**Claire (Heinz) Boggs, '86 -** is married to David Boggs and living in a Palm Harbor, suburb of Tampa about 10 miles from the Gulf of Mexico. They have two boys: Connor (2 and 1/2) and Cody (14 months). She works as Project Director for a market research company.

**Karen Morrison Harr '87** - lives in Canonsburg, PA. "I am a full-time MOM. Can't wait until 2006. I HOPE someone is dying to get in touch with me. Some of my wildest antics to date have been with the SU crew team: men's and women's."

**Shevaun (Webster) Fennell '89** – is in Peoria, IL and works at her family's business, Chillicothe Metal Co. Inc, (Illinois) and Pritchard-Brown (Maryland) - both package generators for major engine dealers. She's also "running, triathlons, and some erging. Chasing my two daughters (Kaila-5 and Kiera-3) and coaching soccer."

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**Cami and Family** 

**Cami** (**Engler**) **Remy '89**— married 2002 to Chris Remy and currently resides on a five- acre farm in East Haddam, CT. Cami and Chris have a 15-month-old son, Nicholas, and another baby on the way in August '06.

Beth Gummere '89 – in her words "Living in Santa Cruz County with Elliott Ferdig and our three children who wear fur and walk on all fours. I own three businesses, two that I won't bore you with, but one of which, Monterey Bay Rowing, is rowing-related. We are the California dealer for Echo open water shells. I'm also Instructor/Coach and Treasurer at Santa Cruz Rowing Clubwww.scrowing.org - which is open-water sculling in the beautiful Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary (many otters, dolphins, and whales, no jet skis!) If any of the Women's Rowing Alumnae are ever in Santa Cruz, I'd be happy to take you out for a row/sightseeing tour on the Bay!"

**Kim (Jordan) Pedone '89 and '93** – lives in East Syracuse. "I have two girls - Ellie (2 yrs) and Anna (4 months). They have both been on the erg and took to it just as I did when I first got on - they cried. After years of criminal defense work and civil litigation, I now clerk for an Appellate Division Justice. I have yet to find the time to work out and I'd love to hear from people who knew me when I was in shape."

### 1990s

**Kristin Walker Bidwell '90** – lives in Pelham, NY and is an Advertising/Marketing Consultant in Consumer Relationship Marketing (CRM) -- at home since 9/11 and is active on several not-for-profit organizations/boards, Junior League, Pelham

Rowing Association, Manor Club, Huguenot Church, PTA. She has four children -- Ian (8), Alec (7), Hayley (4) and Molly (9 months) with her husband of 11 years -- Jon Bidwell (Managing Director with Chubb Corporation and a former rower.)

**Andrew Butler '92** – and his wife Jill have a new son, Charles Thomas. His sister Brooke Ashley is two-and-a-half. They live in Culver City, CA, near Los Angeles.

Ally (Rosa) Bocchieri '93 – is in Mountain View, CA "My husband Bob (also an SU alum) and I got married in 2001 just shortly after moving to California from Austin, TX. We just had our first child, Olivia Kathryn on 6/10/05. By day I am an outside sales rep for an electronic component manufacturer out of Austin, TX who I have been with for the past 8 years. By early AM and weekends I am the varsity women's coach of NorCal Crew (www.norcalcrew.org) a team that I helped begin four years ago."



Chris Ludden '91, Kristin Bidwell '90 at Joey Peter's Party

**Beth (Clagett) Marks '93** – lives in Buffalo. "My husband Ted and I have 3 boys aged 13, 11, and 9. After taking 7 years off work when the boys were small I am now sit on a couple of boards and am in my second career doing development work for not-for-profits. Ted and I keep a single and a double at the West Side Rowing Club, and although I don't get out as much as I'd like I enjoy getting out on the water. Our oldest son has participated in the learn to row program at West Side and may be a rower yet."

**Andrew & Jennifer Maude '95** – are parents of their first child, Alexander, who was born September 27, 2005. They live in Woodstock, GA.

**Jennifer Bognar Harms '96**—has been married 6 1/2 years. Second son, Connor John Harms was born October 19 - 8 lbs, 11 oz. 21 inches long, joining 3 1/2-year-old Kyle. She says "Can't wait to get them two of them rowing!" They live in Wall, NJ.

Molly Tibbetts '96 – is an art director and lives in Charlestown, MA. She says she is "currently, working A LOT - Rowing too much or not enough."

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**Michael Fegley '97** – and his wife Sheri are now the parents of three. Baby girl Victoria joins Thomas, 3 and Alexa, 2. They live in Tamaqua, PA.

**Deborah M. (Zuckman) Cholon '97** – is doing microbiology research at Duke University and living in Durham, NC. "I got married in June 2001 and we had a little girl September 2004!"

**Elyse Blazey '98 -** is head of PR at a law firm on Wall Street. "I recently bought an apartment in Manhattan. Stayed in touch with many of the girls I rowed with 94 - 97 (blew out shoulder end of Junior year). Always happy to meet up with an SU alum in NYC!"

Mike Celluci '98 - "My wife (Dana) and I are expecting our first child in April. We currently live in West Chester, PA.

**John Curtin III '98** - "After trying my hand at highway engineering for a small Philadelphia consulting firm I realized a more lucrative, less stagnant career lie ahead in my future. So for the past 3 years I've been doing land entitlements for a national homebuilder, Pulte Homes. I live in Philadelphia where I bought a lovely 93-old row home with uneven floors and a leaky shower in one of the many diversified, yet appropriately gentrified neighborhoods just south of Center City, Phillythanks to everyone's real estate agent, **Skye Michiels, Class of '99**. I continue to travel and explore new countries, yet always keep in touch with the boys from '98 and '99.

"Although work, family, friends and life consume more hours each year, I look forward to the few weekends each year we can digress to the lifestyle we all enjoyed at SU. Weekends in Old Forge, Killington, Vegas and New York to name a few.

"I still have a loud mouth so I take every advantage of getting into that coxswain's seat at the Head of the Chuck every year. And it has paid off, thanks to a mentor and a menace, John Tytus, who allowed me to cox his women's Club 8 in the 2004 HOCR where I won gold after 12 years of competition. It truly is one of the most difficult races to win in the world.

"Other than, still single- and content."

**Paris Daskalakis '98** – married **Pamela Meyer**, October 29 in Connecticut. They met when Pam joined the women's freshman team in 1997. They live in New York City.

**Rachel Dent '98** – lives in Kings Beach, CA. "Lived in Boston for a bunch of years after graduation. Then I decided to move out of the city and into the mountains and snowboard a whole bunch. So now I live in North Lake Tahoe and I work from home doing database software consulting, so I can mix my need of money with my love of powder."

Josh Kaplan '98 - is pursuing his Masters Degree in Design Planning at the Institute of Design in Chicago.

**Doug Markel '98** – "I quit my job and moved to Telluride to ski for the winter."

James Bettini '99 – "Thanks to an opportunity I had through work, I spent two months in London this summer working as a reinsurance broker at Lloyd's. While there, I did have a chance to attend the Henley Royal Regatta, and as luck would have it, I ran into S.U. alums Chris Liwski '02 and Karl Sudar '01 who were both there competing. Small world, huh?!" (Editor's note: news of his spouse below.)

Sara Gardner '99 - is a software engineering manager for Yahoo! in New York City. In her words, "I run of team of nine software engineers and QA analysts. I have been at this job for the last six years. (Who knows if that's good or bad?) Other then that I'm working on my wedding (Tafuri is my maid of honor), taking class towards my masters at NYU and supporting my fiancé through architecture school. If you have girls interested in sales or technology jobs in NY or California and want to work for Yahoo send them my way. We are constantly recruiting."

**Francesca A. Iacovangelo, Esq. '99 - Manager** – "What am I doing now? I have no clue. Got my JD from Villanova Law, passed three bars, PA, NJ & NY, practiced as a Public Defender for 2 1/2 years in West Chester, PA, outside Philly....had a shore house and learned to surf! Just came back to Syracuse in July to get a masters in Broadcast Journalism at Newhouse, hoping to fulfill my dream of being on ESPN someday. No husband, no boyfriend, no kids, but my brothers and sisters keep popping 'em out...as of yesterday I have five nieces and three nephews!"

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**Danielle Keck '99** – "I just moved to Portland (Maine) for a new job. I am still with Philip Morris USA, and am currently the District Manager of Maine and NH. Since graduation, I have lived in New Jersey, Providence, RI, and now Maine. I just bought a condo and I am looking for a cute guy in a Carhart Jacket:) just kidding. Single, no kids, working lots-but looking to enjoy the slow pace of Maine. Its state motto is "the way life should be" and it is known as being Vacationland. Shea' Keck is now taking reservations, give me a call if you are ever in Northern New England."

Vallerie Peck Bettini '99 – "Jamie Bettini '99 and I have been married three years now and couldn't be happier in our new condo just outside of Boston. I work for Arnold (an ad agency in Boston) as an Account Manager on the Vonage account; it keeps me pretty busy. Over the past three years we have been fortunate enough to spend a lot of time with friends (mostly former SU rowers) and have attended over a dozen weddings rower weddings; it has been fabulous. We recently attended the class day race at SU and had a blast cheering on the men's '98 and '99 boats."

**Joan (Rubinger) McFadden '99** – lives in Stockton, CA. She married Kevin McFadden in 2003. Brand new baby, Troy, born Oct. 4, 2005. "We own two Spud Shack restaurants (one in US, one in Canada) with the goal to eventually franchise. I started a junior crew last year, (<a href="www.deltablades.org">www.deltablades.org</a>), and I LOVE coaching. Kevin coaches volleyball on the side and talks of getting back into coaching Division I someday."

Carolyn Stephanik – '99 – lives in Ocean City, NJ (just a few miles from Atlantic City). "Since graduation, I lived in Syracuse but moved to the beach in 2001. I originally started out as a personal trainer coached rowing for a year but last fall found a job in a medical imaging facility and have been there since. I just had a beautiful baby girl in July (Madison Leigh) and my fiancé, Jason, and I are finally getting married next summer after 3 1/2 years. If anyone ever makes it down to the Jersey Shore- give me a call."

**Jennifer** ("BABE") Tafuri '99 – "Well, I have been all over since graduation, but I finally landed in Boise Idaho. I moved here in 2002, to work for Abbott Laboratories, and the Metabolic/ Diabetic Pharmaceutical Sales rep for the area. I am currently in the middle of completing my master's degree with George Fox University. I have my sweet albino boxer, Doc Hollywood aka "WOOD". We are having a bunch of fun, and I would love to hear from everyone more often!"

Mike "Clappa" Castrilli - graduate assistant '99 - "After two tries at Catholic priesthood (although you think it may be a joke, it is not) I am now back in Washington. D.C. working as a management consultant with Booz Allen Hamilton. I just took on a new role as a recruiter for the team, so if anyone is looking for a job in economics and business analysis, hit me up! It would be great to hear from some of the women I worked with in 1999, send me an email and say hello! It is great to see so many familiar names in these emails like Francesca Italiano, Babe Tafuri, Meredith Kyle and Katie who married a Ross."

### 2000s

**Matt Liwski '00** – "I got married over Labor Day weekend to Kristine Allison Holmes the most beautiful angel in the world. I'm halfway through my second year of residency in Pittsburgh PA and everything is going great!" Matt is a DPM.

**Nyala Karim Watkins '00** – " I've just started a new job as a specialist for a non-profit healthcare org that does nothing but give money away to patients who can't afford their medicine. There are some crazy days, but it's fulfilling. The fun part is that I work with two of my four sisters. Before this I worked at a Sociology firm. I got my steel plate removed from my leg last year and completed physical therapy so I'm ready to start working on my marathon goal. I'm not married, but I sure have been going to a lot of weddings lately."

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**Jenna Riegelman '00** – lives in Acton, MA and is still working at Raytheon as an Electrical Engineer. In 2005 she finished her master's in computer and electrical engineering from UMass, Amherst. "I was accepted into a masters program at work where they pay you (1/2 salary) to go to school full time. But, you have to do all your courses in two semesters. I recently bought a condo out in the "burbs" of Boston. I'm getting use to being among the apple trees and pumpkin patches. I love it!"

**Krista Karns '00 -** works at Verizon Communications in Burlington, Vermont as an Outside Plant Engineer and is getting her master's in business from St. Michael's College. "I own my own condo and love living in Vermont."

Missy Morrell '00 - "I recently moved back to Boston after living in LA for 5 years right after college. I must say that I think I'm crazy because I loved my job and the weather...but family will always come first. In LA I was casting the very silly NBC Soap Opera "Passions"...yes, I know it's crazy, but I loved hiring those nutty actors. I now work as a Business Affairs Manager at Arnold Worldwide (Advertising Agency) in the Prudential. As a side business I am trying to stay true to my passion by teaching acting classes at CP Casting, and also private lessons to inspiring actors. I've been very fortunate to keep in touch with many of my old teammates who are very dear to me. It's so great hearing what everyone is up to...what a successful group of women you all turned out to be!"

**Meredith Noyes '00 – "**Running my own Graphic Design/Illustration business and its going extremely well! I also own a greeting card line - <u>www.itgirlscards.com</u>. My five-year-old daughter Chloe just entered preschool. I still have fond memories of crew."

**Helen Tanger '01** – is back in Amsterdam after spending 2000-01 at SU. "Doing my internships for med school, only 80 more weeks to go. Trying to keep myself at top level rowing in the Dutch National team because I am still addicted to rowing. Coaching girls at my local club, which is really fun. Besides all that, I am trying to find some time to spend with my friends, and maybe when life is less hectic, find some time to visit SU again!"

**Froukje Wegman '01** – also is back in Amsterdam. "I'm doing my internship for medicine (2 years) which is actually a job of 40-60 hours a week, but no payment. Still one year to go. I stopped rowing last year and started coaching the freshmens' eight (heavyweight men) at our rowing club. This year I want to pick up rowing again and see if I've got enough motivation to train for the OS '08."

**Meredith Kyle '01-** "I'm still living in good old Syracuse...working as an Exercise Physiologist at the Institute for Human Performance (part of Upstate Medical University). We primarily run research based exercise programs. Last winter we finished a research study on the benefits of exercise in people with cancer with help from a grant from the Lance Armstrong Foundation. Currently, we are starting a study that examines the effects of a strength-training program in women with breast cancer. I am also coaching both a high school and a masters rowing program in Syracuse."

**Kate Modolo '01** – is in Atlanta. "I'm loving being married to the infamous Ross(aroni) - we got married last October and thankfully are not expecting any children for at least

a decade or so. Job wise, I'm currently the manager, Corporate Communications - ground operations for Atlantic Southeast Airlines – a wholly owned subsidiary of SkyWest, Inc as of Sept. 8 when Delta sold us. Needless to say, lots of communicating to do around here! Ross is coaching the novice women's rowing team at Georgia Tech and I venture out for water practices to help out. Let me just say that we were spoiled in Syracuse both from an equipment standpoint and a commitment standpoint. They may be the smartest girls in the country, but damn if they can figure out what the finish position is!"

**Heather DiLoreto '02** – is currently working as a Project Engineer for a construction company, working on part of the Woodrow Wilson Bridge Project. Just recently bought a house in VA and has been busy planning her wedding.

**Rachael** (**Kirchhoff**) **Posey '02** – "Currently I am finishing up my PhD in biomedical engineering at Marquette University and the Medical College of Wisconsin. I will (most likely) be graduating next May, and we are going to be moving next June. My husband, Zack, is going to be graduating from medical school in May and starting a residency next July, so we are not yet sure where we will be moving for that, he has applied to places throughout the country."

Christine Getzler Vaughan '02 - "I'm hiding from the "real world" in my last year of PhD work in Public Administration at

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ASU, finished my MA in Political Science last year. Right now I work as a Research Assistant at the Center for the Future of Arizona and as a rowing coach with Rio Salado Rowing Club Juniors (yes, there is rowing in AZ). In the next year-ish I'll be moving to start work as a Foreign Service Officer where I will be dragging my husband and our dog around the world."

Odette Mitchell-Servilio '02 – lives in Boulder, where she is the head coach for the Women's Novice Team at the University of Colorado and during the daylight hours, teaches Middle School Social Studies and High School Leadership. She also is finishing up her master's at the University of Denver. "I probably won't make it to the reunion in May (have to save up for Heather DiLoreto's wedding!!) But I would still be interested in being some sort of contact or help for the Rocky Mountain area rowers should we have any transplants out here!"

**Lesley Wolf '03** – lives in Brookyln and is a fashion design assistant for Izod. She also does occasional freelance costume design/seamstress jobs, as well as DJ gigs, playing shows with her band, and was training for a 10K race in Central Park in December.

Michelle Garren '04 - is living in the Boston area. "I'm working as a Research Engineer at Reebok and taking classes towards my masters in engineering management at Northeastern University. I should be graduating this May. I'm also helping coach Boston College a couple days a week, which I love because it's great to be back on the water!"

**Charles W. Gibson '04** – Chip is living in Wellesley Hills, MA and reports "earning a legitimate paycheck at Brown Brothers Harriman in Boston."

Anna Goodale '05 - "I am in Princeton rowing for the National Team, painting murals and babysitting."

**Beth Landgraf '05** – lives in Bryn Mawr, PA. In her words, "At graduation time, I was convinced that I wanted to work in athletics, so I took the only route possible to poor souls like myself... a paid internship! So now, I'm an intern at Villanova University

doing ticket office and marketing work. I'm also coaching for Villanova working mainly with novice walk-ons. I do enjoy it but am sad each morning when I step into my launch and enviously eye the girls getting into the shell...I do miss rowing. Still running but not as much as I used to.

Carolyn Taylor '05 – lives in Brooklyn and is working as an IT assistant for a commercial mortgage brokerage called Meridian Capital in downtown Manhattan. "I'm learning a lot about finances and real estate, and I really love living in the City...even though most of my salary goes towards rent, and I can't afford a gym membership! My 15-year-old brother just started rowing for his high school, so I have to live vicariously through him, and don't worry Kris, he's much taller than I am so he'll do just fine."

**Makiko Muraoka '05** – is in Rockville Centre NY. " I distribute for a great health/beauty company, my website is insideandout.mynuskin.com if anyone is interested. I just moved from CA to Long Island, where my boyfriend (Elliot) works for Didit.com (yes a .com that survived.)

### In Memoriam

**Alfred Corry '43** – of Greensboro, NC, died August 3, 2005. He lettered for the Orange in 1943 and was a member of SARA.

**Paul Eckhardt '64** – of Stormville, NY, died October 1, 2005. Paul was a member of the 1961 Eastern Sprints Freshman Champion Crew. He was active in SARA and a strong supporter of rowing at Syracuse. He'd been a mathematics teacher and supervisor in the Carmel, NY school district until he retired in 2000, and co-authored two mathematics textbooks.

William Smeltzer '58 – of Newtown Square, PA, died June 13, 2005. He was a three-year crew letterman at SU and a member of SARA.

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April 8	Rutgers (Ten Eyck Cup)	New Brunswick, NJ
April 15	Navy, Cornell (Goes Trophy)	Syracuse
April 22	BU, Columbia (Conlan Cup)	Boston, MA
April 29	Temple	Philadelphia, PA
May 13	Dartmouth (Packard Cup)	Hanover, NH
May 21	Eastern Sprints	Worcester, MA
June 1-3	I.R.A. Regatta	Camden, NJ