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- Dozens of Alumni Return for Fall Crew Festivities
- SU Men and Women in Fall Competition
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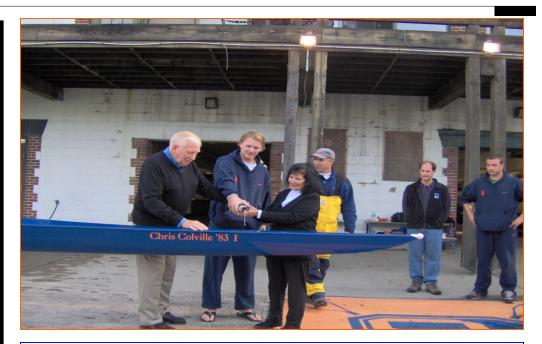
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Roy and Kay Colville join Co-captain Tyler Page in christening Chris Colville '83 I

Colville Shells Dedication Hilites Fall Crew Weekend

More than 100 Orange men and women, current team members and dozens of alumni dating back to the late 1950s stood and applauded as two shells named in honor of Chris Colville, '83 were christened in front of the SU boathouse, October 15, as a stirring cap to the fall weekend gathering.

Colville coxed the last SU crew to win an IRA championship, the varsity four in 1983. He died August 27, 1997 from complications associated with his lifelong battle with cystic fibrosis.

"These shells are from Chris," Gordon Hull, '83 told the crowd. "Chris' involvement with SU crew was perfectly visceral and passionate; he (See Fall Weekend– Page 4)

Jacobi Steps Down

Citing a heavy schedule and some philosophical issues, Jerry Jacobi, '81, stepped down this fall as SARA president. Tom Darling, '81, agreed to move up from vice-president to take over the reins and former SARA President Barry Weiss, '83, volunteered to handle the vice-presidential duties on an interim basis.

Jacobi told board members of his decision at the crew fall gathering at the SU boathouse, saying he would make his resignation official in a letter

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Fellow SARA members:

As interim President of SARA I would like to first recognize past president, Jerry Jacobi's commitment to the success of SARA and to Syracuse Rowing. I was part of the eight that won the Freshman IRA in 1978 with Jerry in the stroke seat. He was a tenacious competitor and team player who made us all work even harder. Jerry has done the same for SARA, running our meetings, leading our fundraising efforts, sending recruits to SU campus from the West Side Rowing Club, and competing in the SU Alumni IRA boat. As a former National Team member Jerry has proven his commitment to the success of rowing and the Syracuse University Rowing Program. Thank you Jerry for your time and efforts to getting a winning tradition back at SU.

It is important we continue with our goals of increasing our membership base. We are considering adding SU Women alumnae to the SARA Board at the next board meeting in January. The women's program has been in existence for 25 years and we can all benefit by sharing and communicating our goals between both teams and alumni.

All of us with SARA need to contact past teammates from our era and motivate them to join SARA. There is power in numbers. As a former Olympian and rowing coach I am reminded of the phrase "a chain is only as strong as its weakest link". This means each of us involved with SARA both men and women must increase our commitment and efforts a little bit more in order to strengthen the entire organization as a whole. This means each of us needs to contact at least one lost alum and forward his or her information to the Orange Oar Editor, John Nicholson jsnich@twcny.rr.com., so they may receive notification that the OO newsletter is available on our website www.saracrew.org, coaches report from Dave and also join the Orange network Recruiting is a large part of a team's success just as we must recruit alumni who are committed to supporting our program. Please find them and make us stronger.

In addition to increasing our alumni base and fundraising efforts we also need to continue our commitment to Dave and his specific goals. As Alumni we are not at practice every day. Each day Dave is struggling with recruiting, fundraising efforts, and the administrative responsibilities as well as the other daily stresses of being a Head coach. Dave has put together a list of needs and we need to help him reach his goals.

Here is Dave's short list which can be found in its entirety in the OO September 2005 issue; refurbish the crew room (\$45,000), update the boathouse locker room (\$30,000), update the rowing fleet (\$27,000), new coaches launch



SARA President Tom Darling

(\$15,000), In addition to Dave's short list he has added a list of what is needed to win a national championship; increase to 10 full scholarships, new indoor facility, new boathouse, change policy so ESF students are eligible to row again, change the SU early decision admissions policy, and continue supporting two trips to Florida. Dave has set the bar high like any good coach would do and we must respond like his athletes have done with enthusiasm and commitment.

I was fortunate over the past year to watch our men's and women's teams competing in Boston and at the IRA's. I felt proud watching them row by because I could see the intensity in each athlete's efforts. It is inspirational to see athletes trying to reach beyond their own physical limits and learn something about each other in the process. This transcends the sport itself and produces something worth working towards - another SU National Championship. During this Olympic year we all should be reminded of the Olympic creed:

"The most important thing in the Olympic Games is not to win but to take part, just as the most important thing in life is not the triumph but the struggle. The essential thing is not to have conquered but to have fought well."

All we can ask from our SU Men's and Women's team is to have fought well., Winning is only the icing on the cake. What we learn from competing lasts us a lifetime. This is why as alumni we must support our teams even more when they are struggling then when they are winning.

Thanks for your support.

Row well

Thomas Darling, '81 SARA Interim President

Orange Women Look to Rebuild

Head Coach Kris Sanford drove a shell trailer to Austin, Texas and back over Winter Break as the Orange Women tried out a different venue for early winter training. The long journey might be symbolic of the road ahead as SU tries to rebuild after losing a strong graduating Class of '05 that saw the varsity eight make the NCAA's. "We are in the process of trying to fill some really big shoes," Sanford told *The Orange Oar*. "I think the team is working really hard and is trying to fill those shoes - it is just going to take some time."

Sanford was less than thrilled with the results of the fall season, but said she is optimistic about prospects for the spring and beyond. "Talent wise we have a great freshman class. Our number one erger on the whole team is a freshman (Kristin DeSanti from Saratoga) who only rowed for two weeks in high school. Now we just have to get her to transfer it to a boat!"

"Katie Lynch, from West Side Rowing Club, is a 5'8 lightweight who already made the varsity this fall. She is one of the very few athletes I have ever coached who actually can push themselves to 'see stars!"

There are a couple of men's crew connections to the current women's team. "Another really good freshman is Liz Henwood (Gerry Henwood's daughter)," Sanford said. "I think she may leave Syracuse in four years being one of the best rowers ever to come through the program. She just has a lot of great natural ability. It's also interesting to note that we have Brian Mahon's daughter, Erica Mahon on the team as a sophomore. She battled a back injury as a freshman but has the potential to make the varsity this year."

One thing is certain; the Orange Women will know all about that long road. They're planning to open against Columbia during spring training in Florida and then compete in California at the Stanford Invitational before the home opener

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S ROWING SCHEDULE 2006

January 5-14	Winter Training	Austin, TX
January 21	SARA Meeting	Syracuse, NY
March 18	Columbia/UCF (tentative)	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/Radcliff	Hanover, NH
April 30	Big East	Worcester, MA
May 6	UMass/Villanova	Syracuse, NY
May 26-28	NCAA Championship	West Windsor, NJ

FALL WEEKEND (FROM PAGE ONE)

he loved his teammates and he loved the thrill of competing against other crews. Those of us who raced with him have lost a brother."

His parents Roy and Kay did the honors, pouring champagne over the bows. Brother Roy, Jr. also attended the ceremony.

Money for the shells came from the Chris Colville fund, with many of the contributions coming from his teammates in the Class of 1983. "Crew meant everything to him," said Barry Weiss '83, co-chair with Hull of the Colville Fund.



Alums and Crews at Colville Dedication Ceremony

The weekend also included a Friday night cocktail party at the boathouse and Saturday morning class races, alumni races and some recreational rowing for men and women alums. The early '60s had a strong showing, with several members of the 1961 Eastern Sprints Freshman Champions on hand. Some of them are still competing.

The Classes of '98 and '99 put eights on the water, joining the undergraduate Class Day races around the island and back under the Longbranch Bridge. The '98 boat was a prewedding party, with groom Tim Daughton in the middle of the boat dressed in yellow and his teammates attired in pink. In spite of a long night before, the '98s rowed through the '99s on the back of the island, to take the bragging rights. All survived to attend Daughton's wedding later that day, while older alums packed themselves off to the Dome to see SU versus Rutgers.

Except for the result at the Dome, the proverbial "good time was had by all" and the plan is to make the fall gathering an annual event.

Men Finish Fall Season Strong; Tough Training Ahead for Spring

Coach Dave Reischman's varsity heads into 2006 winter training with dedication and some high expectations. The junior class is Reischman's first recruiting class and its members have moved into key positions in the varsity eight.

For the first time, this fall the Orange men closed the fall season with a head race at home. What began as SU versus Cornell grew into the Syracuse Invitational - a 5,000 meter race including 66 men's and women's crews from seven colleges and universities as Colgate, UConn, Rochester, Buffalo and Mercyhurst joined in. The men's varsity squad raced in half a dozen fours and the frosh in eights. Both men's and women's teams finished strong.

Earlier, the Orange Men had raced as usual at the Stonehurst Invitational in Rochester, the Head of the Charles, and the Princeton Chase, where both the eight and the four took third. Only Princeton and Yale finished ahead of the V8.

We decided to interpret the results to mean that we are on track and that there were a lot of crews that seem to be about similar speed," Reischman told *The Orange Oar*. "The crew that comes out on top of that heap will be the crew that uses the time between mid November and April 1 the wisest." The squad has two week-long sessions on the water in Florida and a lot more in the tanks and on the ergs before the opener at Rutgers, April 8.

Results of fall racing: **SU** Athletics



Boathouse Bustles at Syracuse Invitational

Jacobi (from page One)

SARA Secretary Joe Paduda. Jacobi expressed a wish to stay on as a board member. He had been president of SARA since June 2004.

Darling agreed to serve as president at least until the winter SARA meeting, which he has scheduled for January 21 at Archbold Gymnasium on the SU campus. Board members will be asked to vote then on a slate of officers to carry through until the SARA Annual Meeting at the IRA in June. No annual meeting was held last June, so officers and board members elected in 2004 have continued to serve.

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Ted Kakas, '64, Chuck Rayfield, '63, Walt Barber, '63, Giles Van der Bogert, '64



Dick Hersh, '64, Frank Benson, '62 Jim Edmonds, '59—words from the wise?



Bill Bater '79, former Frosh Coach Larry Laszlo, confer with Coach Dave Reischman



Retired Women's Coach Craig Milburn with son, Aiden. Note resemblance to Grandpa Bill Sanford



Barry Weiss '83 and Gordon Hull '83 reminisce with the Colville family among the shells.



Paul Dudzik, '67 and Carl Parlato, '63

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Dr. Bruce Baker, '60 and Gordon Hull, '83



Alumni Eight in a Recreational Row



'98 Boat—Bill Bater '79 Jason Premo, Paris Daskalakis, Phil Kaputa, Tim Daughton , Mike Celluci, Josh Kaplan, Doug Markel, Coach Bill Sanford, John Curtin.



'99 Boat - Josh Stratton ('00), Scott Christian, Glenn Heyer ('00), Chris Kemezis, Pat Daughton, Skye Michiels, Jay Hillebrecht, Joe Bufano, Jamie Bettini.



Bob Donabella '81, Jeff Pesot '90, Bill Sanford, '63



'99 Crew takes it to the (boat) house

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Joe Peter, '69 and Paul Dudzick, '67



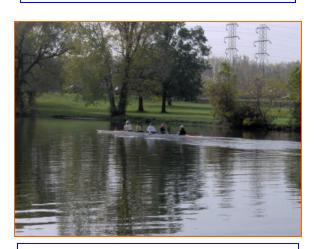
Men of the '60s — Dick Hersh, Ted Kakas, Frank Benson, Giles van der Bogert, Dan Hogan, Charlie Roberts , Bill Sanford, Walt Barber, Carl Parlato, Jim Edmonds, Paul Dudzick



Winning '98 Crew/Wedding Party Lands



'99 Crew Heads for the Docks



Alumnae Four Powers Down the River



Gordon Hull speaks at Colville Dedication

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SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY MEN'S CREW SCHEDULE 2006

January 6-14, 2006 January 21 March 10-19, 2006	Winter Training SARA Meeting Spring Training	Miami, FL Syracuse, NY Melbourne, FL
April 8, 2006	Rutgers (Ten Eyck Cup)	New Brunswick, NJ
April 15, 2006	Navy, Cornell (Goes Trophy)	Syracuse, NY
April 22, 2006	BU, Columbia (Conlan Cup)	Boston, MA
April 29, 2006	Georgetown, Temple	Washington, DC (Tentative)
May 13, 2006	Dartmouth (Packard Cup)	Hanover, NH
May 21, 2006	Eastern Sprints	Worcester, MA
June 1-3, 2006	I.R.A. Regatta	Camden, NJ