

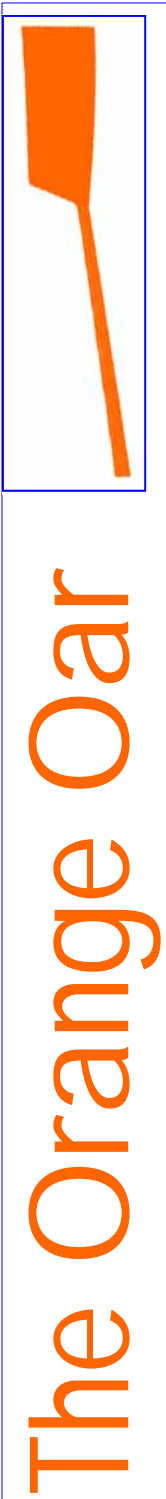


Sit ready...Ready all...

- SARA Board told "Dr. Gross wants to win yesterday"
- New Vice-Presidents, Directors for SARA
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- Orange Alums headed for showdown in The Boat Race?

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SARA Board Hears Athletics Department's Plans for Rowing, Elects New Directors



Men's Captains Mike Beck, Chad Taylor and Matt Morrow brief SARA Board members outside the Compson Erg Room before SARA's Annual Meeting January 20

A "Culture of Giving"

Rob Edson brought a message to the SARA annual meeting in January, "If we're going to row, we want to win," Edson told a room full of SARA directors at Archbold Gymnasium. "If we compete, we want to compete to win." Edson, who is Senior Associate Athletics Director, said both the women's and men's programs have the full support of Director of Athletics Daryl Gross. "Dr. Gross wants to win yesterday," he said. To make that happen, Edson said the athletics department is looking for "revenue enhancement." "We're trying to be progressive," he said. "And that's going to be a challenge."

Scott Sidwell and Lisa Moore of the Orange Club told SARA a plan is being made to raise and use funds effectively for the rowing programs. "Our office is really about the Culture of Giving," Moore said.

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SARA Board: Bigger, Younger

SARA directors at the annual meeting voted to raise their maximum number from 21 to 25, then voted in two new directors, Martha Mogish Rowe '82 and Skye Michiels '99 and elected the first woman to serve on the executive committee. Tracy Rude Smith '90 was elected second vice-president of SARA.

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Letter from the President

Fellow SARA members:

A few of us were talking after the Annual SARA meeting at the "birth of Joey" party and one of the Alums exclaimed passionately "What is SARA's function? What do we do?" I was tempted to quote the mission in the bylaws that we are an organization whose purpose it is "to aid, encourage, foster, support, and promote the sport of rowing at Syracuse University" Instead my thoughts went to the day's meeting and how it became clearer to me as I looked around the room at the many men and women SARA board members, visitors from the SU Athletic Department, parents and coaches that we exist as a guarantee that the rowing programs remain a vital part of the University, that the wonderful experiences and memories that we all had as undergraduates would be assured for future generations of students.



SARA President Tom Darling

SARA is the lifeline to the undergraduates. To most of us rowing was a gift. Someone gave it to you, a coach, or a friend. It introduced you to many people you might not have otherwise met and challenged you to learn more about yourself and those around you.

Recently I was saddened to hear about the loss of the Men's rowing program at Rutgers University and the Women's program at the University of Cincinnati. I do not want this to happen at Syracuse. We must increase the membership of the organization so we can act as a true advocate for the rowing programs when needed. We must seriously look at the pros and cons of becoming an NCAA sanctioned sport. It is amazing what a passionate group of people who all received the same gift can do together. It is the strength of our organization that will ensure the future of the Men's and Women's rowing programs at SU.

We reached a milestone in SARA's history by electing the first woman Vice President to the Board, Tracy Rude Smith, Class of '90. Tracy will be working with SARA VP Jason Premo, Class of '98. Tracy has volunteered to redesign the web-site (www.saracrew.org) that will have information for both the Men's and Women's alumni. I am sure she will do an excellent job. Both the Men's and Women alumni will benefit greatly by the sharing of ideas, our mutual goals and supporting each other in the years ahead.

A friend of mine used to say that "when there is more than one rower in a room you have reached critical mass" I am pretty sure he didn't mean that as a compliment but unfortunately for him no one gave him the gift. What is SARA's function? What do we do? We keep giving the gift and by giving back we get more in return.

Go to the Races, Cheer on your Team and Please Get involved.

Good luck to both the Men's and Women's Teams this spring.

Tom

SU Women Feature Youth, Speed, Depth

Head Coach Kris Sanford says things are going to get better this season for the Syracuse Women’s team and better still in 2008. “It’s two years now since we’ve been to the NCAA,” she told directors at the SARA Annual Meeting. “We’re better right now than we’ve been in a long time.”

Of five NCAA appearances under Coach Sanford, four have been at-large (varsity eight only) and one has been as a team (V 8, 2V8, V4). She says Athletics Director Daryl Gross wants to see full team bids for SU.

“We changed the way we recruit with the intent that we have to build a deeper team. We have more of a team than in the past. The team is deep and it’s young.”

Of 45 team members, Sanford said 21 are freshmen. “Our depth is in our freshmen and our sophomores.” We’re going to be fast in the lower boats; 2V, four, and the V8 will be young and faster than last year. I think the future looks great.”



SU’s Liz Henwood & teammates ride the Tower of Terror at Walt Disney World



Orange and Blue teams pose together for a Winter Break Training Postcard from Melbourne

There is upper class leadership on the team, including tri-captains Katie Schneider and Nora Creahan, both seniors, and junior Allison Doodeman. “We also have a really strong senior class this year that has done an amazing job at being role models for the underclassmen,” Schneider told *The Orange Oar*.

The women were wrapping up a practice that included erg work and rowing in the refurbished tanks when SARA members visited, January 20. They’d just finished winter break training in Melbourne, Florida, a trip that included some tough work in the wind and a trip to Disney World. They’ll head for Oak Ridge, Tennessee, site of this year’s NCAA competition for Spring Break training in March.

“I really felt that winter training in Melbourne this year brought us together as a team both on and off the water,” sophomore coxswain Katelyn Todd told *The Orange Oar*. “The practices were more
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SARA Board (from Page one)

Tom Darling '81 was re-elected president, (See *Letter from the President— Page 2*) along with Colin Goodale '90 as treasurer and Joe Paduda '80 as secretary. Jason Premo '98 becomes vice-president, succeeding Barry Weiss '83. "If things follow the course they often have, Jason would become president in 2008, and Tracy in 2010," said John Nicholson '68, chair of the nominating committee.

The higher maximum reflects the addition of several hundred alumnae to SARA ranks and provides more opportunities to have women on the board. The board also re-elected Kristin Walker Bidwell '90, Sheila Roock '85, Lynne Dellapella Pascale '81 and Emme Entwistle Aronson '85.

One of the founders of SARA, Dr. Bruce Chamberlain '41, moved at his request to the SARA Advisory Board, along with Slye Rowe '92 and former SARA President Jerry Jacobi '81. "I plan to stay involved with SARA and the crews and get to the races whenever I can," Dr. Chamberlain told *The Orange Oar*. "My enthusiasm for SU rowing is as strong as ever."

Martha Mogish Rowe starred in basketball as well as rowing for SU and is the first woman named a Letterwinner of Distinction. Skye Michiels has been an active supporter of SU rowing since his graduation and a major organizer of crew alumni in the Philadelphia area.

SARA is looking to have a mix of directors from as many areas and as many eras of SU rowing as possible, Nicholson said. "This continues our movement toward getting younger alums involved while keeping the institutional knowledge of veteran directors." Nicholson said he is one of several directors who plan to stay involved but leave the board next year to make room for younger alums.

Other directors who were re-elected to one-year terms are: Joe Bufano '99, Bob Donabella '81, Paul Dudzick '67, Gerry Henwood '80, Ken Hutton '69, Ted Kakas '64, Chris Ludden '91, Bryan Mahon '82, Jeff Pesot '90, Joe Peter '69, Don Plath '68, Bill Purdy '79, Charlie Roberts '61, Art Sibley '80 and Barry Weiss '83.

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Masters Report

Ted Kakas '64

The 2007 Masters Nationals will be held in Oak Ridge Tenn. on Aug 9 - 12. We are currently considering making substantial changes to the schedule that would include heats and finals on the same day for each event. We are also considering combining differing events with limited entries in the same time slot but with an eye to similar speed. We are trying to avoid scheduling the same events but with back to back to back age groups. The current back to back situation prevents competitors from competing in two different age races in the same category as they are scheduled at the same time. We will also try to spread out the events for each age group evenly over all 4 days to avoid unnecessary hot seating and schedule conflicts.

Having said this— all is still in the planning stage and we have yet to put it to paper. The schedule for the Masters Nationals will be posted no later than March 31st along with the entry packet.

While we are on the Masters Nationals, the bids to host the 2008 regatta were due no later than Jan 31st. A substantial change but one that will allow us to negotiate with each bidder and select the site at least a year in advance. One rule change that might effect some of you was that AA (21 - 26) competitors (who were previously limited to competing in only the AA and A categories) can now compete in any age category as long as the average age of the crew meets the minimum required age. This rule change is for the MN's but may well be adopted for other masters regattas

Lastly, as some of you may be aware the Masters Committee (and this year a group of masters competitors) has for the last three year asked for permission to demonstrate Static Refereeing at the Masters Nationals but once again we were turned down by the Referee's Commission. Static Refereeing would not only eliminate the inevitable wakes but would allow us to considerably narrow the race centers but to no avail at this point.

Row Hard,
Ted Kakas

(Giving—from Page One)

“We’re trying to avoid the ‘bake sale’ approach. We need to keep coming back year after year.” She pointed out that alums of both the men’s and women’s teams give at a higher rate than alumni overall. Of roughly 400 women’s rowing alums 158 (about 40 percent) have donated “at some level” to SU. And she said of 538 alums listed for men’s crew which has been around much longer, 66 percent give. “You’re way ahead of the game,” Moore said. “We have a great core group of support here,” Sidwell said. “(The question is) how do take that core group and turn it into a plan.”



Rob Edson and Scott Sidwell listen at SARA Annuul Meeting as Lisa Moore outlines plans to raise money for Women’s and Men’s rowing programs at Syracuse University.

Improvements discussed to make SU crews competitive at the top level included a new boathouse and endowed scholarships for athletes on both teams. First, however, there has to be a plan. “What’s it going to take to get from here to there and how do we develop a plan that gives us a reasonable shot?” Edson said. “It’s never going to happen as quickly as any of us wants it to, but we have to make progress.”

Edson said one big problem for the men’s program is that men’s crew is not an NCAA sport. A key measuring stick athletics directors use for gauging success is the “Directors’ Cup” which is awarded based on points each NCAA sport team gains for a school. Since men’s crew is not an NCAA sport there are no Directors’ Cup points for success in it.

Men’s crew coaches shot down a proposal to make it one last summer, partially for fear that NCAA control would destroy the Intercollegiate Rowing Association Regatta as the men’s national championship. Men’s Head Coach Dave Reischman has been lobbying for a change while trying to find a way to continue the IRA tradition. “This is one of my passions – to try and wake up some of my fellow rowing coaches,” Reischman said.

“The reality is that men’s crew could use some more structure,” Edson said. “It would benefit us (SU).”

There’s also concern that becoming an NCAA sport would kill freshman programs because freshmen will be eligible to row in varsity boats immediately. Women’s Head Coach Kris Sanford said women’s teams have maintained freshman competition as NCAA members while still being able to elevate rowers who are ready to the varsity boat. But she said freshman squads are smaller now. “We used to have a freshman eight and a four,” she said. “Now we’re lucky to have a freshman eight.”

Note was made of Rutgers dropping men’s crew as a varsity sport after this season. “If there’s a Rutgers a year, there’s going to be a change in men’s rowing,” Edson said.

“As long as men’s crew presents itself as loosely organized, we’re putting ourselves on the chopping block nationally,” Reischman said.

The hope is that making a plan and raising significant money not only will keep men’s and women’s rowing alive at Syracuse University but will bring both teams to championship competition. “Be prepared,” Moore said. “We’re going to be asking.”

Women (from Page 3)

strenuous than on previous training trips so we needed each other for support more so than in the past.”

The Orange Women will be road warriors this spring, with no home races currently scheduled. Sanford said that makes support from alums at away races more important than ever. And she says Orange supporters should like what they see.

“We’re moving in the right direction. It’s never as fast as you want to go but I think our depth and speed will start to show up this year and even more so next year.”



SU Women at work in the tanks



Stretching it out together

SU WOMEN’S ROWING CALENDAR 2007

Saturday March 31	Cornell/Yale	Ithaca
Saturday April 7	Penn/Northeastern	Philadelphia
Sat-Sun April 14-15	Charles River Classic	Boston
Sunday April 29	Big East Championships	Worcester, MA
Sunday May 13	Eastern Sprints	Camden, NJ
Fri-Sat-Sun May 25-26-27	NCAA Championships	Oak Ridge, TN

SU Men: Great Expectations

There's probably more pressure on the Syracuse University Men's Crew in 2007 than there's been in quite some time. The squad is talented and deep with seven of the nine back from a varsity boat that missed the Grand Final by two-tenths of a second at the Eastern Sprints and by debris in the lane at the IRA. That was after an undefeated regular season.

"It's an interesting team I have," Coach Dave Reischman told alumni at the SARA Annual Meeting. "They're very passionate about what they're doing. My biggest challenge as a coach is in helping them deal with those expectations and focus on the day-to-day. They get frustrated because they have such high aspirations."



SU Men erg as SARA Directors watch



Coaches and Coxes urge SU Men on

The Senior Class is so talented and diverse that the squad could not come up with captains. The 12 seniors told Reischman it was all of them or none. So he named all 12 captains. Taking a break from a team workout in the Bill Compson Erg Room, three of them, Mike Beck, Matt Morrow and coxswain Chad Taylor told alumni they expect to do well, but they were not about to overstate it. "As far as we can tell the season is looking pretty bright – we're going to be in the mix," Beck said.

The Orange Men spent Winter Break rowing in Miami, dealing with a good deal of wind, an injury or two and a lot of competition in eights and fours. "I think they (workouts) were better than they were in the past," Morrow said.

Princeton and Yale, the teams that edged SU in the Sprints, look strong again and the three teams were close in fall competition. Reischman is looking for the combination that will put Syracuse in front.

Toward that end he and Women's Coach Kris Sanford have been bringing an atmosphere of champions and championships to the Jock Stratton Crew Room. Banners honoring the
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1978 IRA Champions and the Women's NCAA Finals team hang on the south end of the room. By the time it's done, every IRA champion and NCAA crew from SU will be honored, along with SU's Olympians. "We want focuses on championships in our programs," Reischman said.

Recruiting is said to be going well, with Coach Phil Marshall's freshman squad this year, and prospects for the next group. "It's amazing what a couple of wins does for your recruiting," Reischman said. "This year we've got a lot of kids telling us we're number one on their lists. The real challenge to winning medals is not having one great class. It's having several back to back."

Beck said the seniors recognize what they have to do. "It's our responsibility to make sure whatever we started here (carries through.) Our goal is to be better than the year before... which leaves us in a good position, I would say."

Reischman is not one for making predictions but he did make one for this year's squad. "We're going to get ready to give everybody the fight of their lives."



SU Men moving on the Miami River



Windy Workout in South Florida

Return to Henley

Head Coach Dave Reischman told alumni at the SARA Annual Meeting that Syracuse will return to Henley this year. Asked for a status report, Reischman replied, "We're going. I've committed to taking at least an eight. I'd like to take two if the guys are up to it." Logistics were still to be worked out.

The Henley Royal Regatta is July 4-8. Look for details on the SU trip and alumni plans for travel in upcoming editions of *The Orange Oar* and at www.saracrew.org.

University of Cincinnati Women's Rowing Dropped

Rick Tremblay, SU '78

(This letter is the latest sign of rowing programs becoming the victim of budget cuts. Previous news has been of men's programs. The author rowed for Syracuse University. His daughter is a senior on the Bearcats Women's Varsity.)

Shortly after Thanksgiving the University of Cincinnati Athletic Director announced the elimination of the women's varsity rowing team after the 2007 spring season and changing rowing to a club sport. The announcement included adding varsity women's lacrosse at UC beginning in 07/08. Though having lacrosse at UC is a great addition, eliminating women's rowing as a varsity sport is a tremendous loss to the university, the mid-west, and to the Big East.

Even though my daughter, Elizabeth, is able to finish her last year of eligibility to row at UC this year, she is devastated by this decision, like all present and past rowers would be if the same thing happened at their university. Adding lacrosse and eliminating rowing has brought about further inequity for women's athletics at UC.

Presently, the rowing team has engaged legal council to help get the rowing team reinstated. An injunction was filed last week (see attached). A hearing is expected shortly and hopefully a decision will be made in favor of the UC women rowers.

No information has been provided by the athletic administration or the university administration to explain the reason to eliminate rowing. This decision was a total surprise. The coaches were informed of this decision at the same time as the rowers. The Athletic Director has yet to have any follow-up meetings with the rowing team and coaches after making the 2 minute announcement after Thanksgiving, which didn't even include an opportunity for Q&A's.

I am asking your help to share your displeasure with this decision via e-mails to the UC Athletic Director, the UC President, and the Board of Trustees (I listed the e-mail addressed below). If you can think of other measures to take, please let me know what steps you recommend the rowers and myself to take. Please feel free to forward this e-mail to others who may be willing to help. I'm sure the elimination of rowing at UC can only hurt the women's rowing Big East Conference. Hopefully, it doesn't have a ripple effect. Any assistance or guidance on this matter is greatly appreciated.

Rick Tremblay '78 (GO ORANGE !!!!)

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SUPPORT RUTGERS MEN

Joe Bufano '99

This is very important! Please take a minute to visit the link below and help out our fellow competitors at Rutgers. The Syracuse Alumni Rowing Association board meeting with the administration this past weekend indicated that we need to be vigilant, supportive and open minded with the Syracuse Men's Rowing program. Although the administration is not at the point of cutting our own program, it is a reality that could happen in the future. Especially with Syracuse considering adding NCAA hockey programs. Dave Reischman is in the process of attempting to lobby other coaches and administrators to get men's crew acknowledged as an NCAA sport. Please email or call me if you have questions and want to help.

Joe Bufano

email: jjbufano23@hotmail.com

http://www.rutgerscrew.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=81&Itemid=72

BACKSPASH—NEWS OF OUR ALUMNI

1960s

Gary MacLachlan '67 – continues as fire chief in DeWitt and sends a blast from the past, asking “Where were you when this picture was taken?” This was a reception prior to ‘76 Crew leaving for Henley. Note the stylish black socks on Frosh Coach **Drew Harrison '68**.



Arnie Burdick, Sid Mang, Nancy Sanford, Les Dye, Bill Sanford, Bill Compson, Gary MacLachlan, Sandy Pisani, Jim Breuer, Margaret Stratton, Joe Peter, Jim Postelthwait, Jim Stratton, Lee Harrison, Drew Harrison, Jock Stratton.

1970s

Rick Tremblay '78 – “My oldest daughter, Elizabeth, is in her fourth year of rowing at the University of Cincinnati. (See Rick’s separate article on that program being dropped.) She usually pulls on the 4 or 6 oar for the varsity boat. She met up with Gerry Henwood’s daughter, also named Elizabeth, this past summer as they were doing club rowing out of the Harvard and Amherst boathouses, respectively.”

I also stopped by to see **Andy Mogish '78** and his son, Thomas, in the fall. (Andy’s wife Georgette was doing her flight attendant duties for US Air. I think she’s been doing this for over 30 years now.) Thomas is 10-years-old and I can see there’s potential for him as a future SU oarsman. His bedroom is appropriately decorated with orange and blue.”

Hope to see a bunch of the ‘old oars’ at the women’s Big East Championship in the spring.”

1980s

Steve Buergin '81 – is a physician assistant who recently returned to duty in Iraq. The following is from an e-mail sent to his teammate SARA President Tom Darling and published with Steve’s permission:

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“It's often difficult for some people to understand why I would volunteer to go back to Iraq, especially when things are so much worse than the first time I went. Actually, it is more a privilege than a duty, to do what I do there, and I thank God for giving me this opportunity again. I have never done anything more rewarding, felt more appreciated, needed, and worthwhile, in my entire life. I almost feel selfish and self-serving. I have never felt we should be in Iraq in the first place, but we are, and the men and women who are out there "really" putting their lives on the line, deserve the best shot at life if they happen to be wounded out there, doing what they believe is right for our country and the people of Iraq. I see their dedication to our country and the mission and to their brother and sister soldiers and it gives me new hope for this generation of kids that I had begun to lose confidence in.

I believe you, SARA and the sport of rowing, has and will continue to play a big part in developing our youth in to the type of individuals that I have come to be very proud of. I'll write more in the desert, and look forward to the IRA's in June. “

Chip Chase '83 - (on left) spent most of 2005 deployed to Kuwait in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.



Chip Chase (left) on duty in Kuwait

Rick Holland '83 – “I am leaving the newspaper business after five great years. Couldn't continue to take the vow of poverty that accompanies work in that profession. On Feb. 5, I start a new position as a Promotional Writer for Fidelity Investments in their Marlboro, MA offices.”



Dr. Pete Hilgartner '84 - is running the Hilgartner Chiropractic Clinic in Leesburg, Virginia with his wife Dr. Lolin Hilgartner. He and Lolin have an eleven-year-old son, Caleb, who is a division one travel soccer player.

After graduating SU, Pete trained with the U.S. National Team but hurt his back He joined the U.S. Marines, went through OCS and served in Hawaii, Okinawa, and the Pacific Rim before the first Gulf War when he commanded 250 marines. He went off active duty into the reserves and went to chiropractic college, continuing in the active reserve until 2000, when he resigned his commission as a major.

Pete has gotten back into rowing now and ran into SARA President **Tom Darling '81** at FISA Masters Worlds. He says it was a fluke. A friend called and asked about rowing in the Masters. Pete says it had been more than 20 years, but after two months of training he was ready. He sculls and can still row either side sweep, .any seat ,too, Pete says.

The Drs. Hilgartner

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Joe Kieffer '88 – is on the board of Quaker City Rowing Foundation and a member of Fairmount Rowing Association. He's also an active competitive oarsman along with two children rowing in high school and is active in a fund raising campaign to build a boathouse for Mount Saint Joseph Academy.

Joe sent along this scene of SU rowing “back in the day” Courtesy of former Syracuse Charger Lee Silverberg who now rows with him at Fairmount Rowing Club in Philadelphia.



Beth Gummere '89 and her partner Karen Carlson from the Santa Cruz Rowing Club won the Monterey Bay Crossing on August 19th. The Monterey Bay Crossing is a 22-nautical mile open water rowing race from Santa Cruz to Monterey, CA. Their time was 4 hours, 9 minutes.

“The first thing we did when we arrived at shore was go for a swim and then immediately thereafter, drink champagne,” Beth says.

Beth and Karen also got 3rd place in the women's doubles at the Catalina Crossing on 9/9 - this is a 32-nautical mile open ocean race off the coast of southern California from Marina Del Rey to Catalina Island.



Beth (left) and Karen rest after four hours and 22 miles



Champagne for the victors



Tee-shirts too. Race Organizer Tom Dixel takes notes.

1990s

Tracy (Rude) Smith '90 - “Attached is a photo of my two greatest life achievements: Grace (10) and Jack (9). Jack has been projected to be 6’7” and Grace 6’ so I will be looking to Kris and Dave to help defray the SU tuition. This photo was taken this past fall on the way up to the summit of Mount Washington. They are good little hikers and proven to be fearless and faithful trail companions! We’re always looking for our next adventure.

(Editor’s note: Tracy’s next adventure is as second vice-president of SARA—see Page One)



Jack & Grace Take a Hike

BACKSPLASH—NEWS OF OUR ALUMNI

Debbie (Zuckman) Cholon '97 – and her husband Derek are proud parents again. Dylan Brianna Cholon was born on January 28 at 6:46 p.m., weighing in at 8 pounds 15 ounces. Dylan has an older sister named Devon.



Dylan and Debbie



Caroline Carlson, '98 – “I moved to NC when I left Syracuse to go to grad school at UNC Chapel Hill. Since then I graduated with my masters in public health, and now I am a project manager for Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina. I haven't rowed in a while, but I have been running a bit. I have done two marathons so far and several shorter races. I just got engaged to David Delgross and we are planning to get married sometime within the next year or so. We just built a house in Durham, NC and we have a 3 year-old Weimaraner named Sadie. I plan on attending the reunion this year and I hope everyone else will be there too!!

David & Caroline in D.C.

John Curtin '98 – evidences his wry sense of humor with the following note: “still lives in Philadelphia, still works for Pulte Homes and still lives in the same house as his last entry in the Orange Oar. Although John does aspire to buy a new place and move uptown, he awaits the perfect time to buy during this downturn in the real estate market. John also aspires for bigger and better career ventures, but for now is complacent and lazy in his current position. He continues to share good times with all of the Philadelphia Syracuse Crew contingent through festive monthly dinners. John also dabbles in coxing for various crews across the country and in Philadelphia, including PennAC and the University Boat Club. He's a coxswain for hire, you could say. John is still single and has no children to speak of.”

Larry Jones '98 – “A good bit of news from me for the Orange Oar. My wife, Danielle (Class of 1997) and I welcomed our first child on January 11, 2007. She was 7lbs 5oz, 21.5 inches long. Both mom and baby are doing great.” The Joneses live in Wallingford, CT, about 20 minutes north of New Haven.



The Jones Family

Rich Sangillo, '98 - and Krystle Salvador joyfully announce their engagement January 19th, 2007. The couple plan to be married in early 2008 in Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Danielle Keck '99 – got a visit from Elyse Blazey '98 and Kate Schenck '99 in Portland Maine over Labor Day Weekend. “The three of us went lobstering and Elyse dressed for the job. We caught seven lobsters on the "Lucky Catch".



Lobster Ladies



Elyse Shows Off Her Catch

Skye Michiels '99 – is engaged to Kristen Sudimack. When he's not busy with real estate, getting engaged or becoming one the new SARA directors, Skye likes to hang with “The Philly Contingent” which includes: Back Row: **Tim '98** and Kathryn **Daughton**; **Chris'99** and Stephanie **Kemezis** and their son Brayden; Anne Daughton; Kristen Sudimack (Skye Michiels fiancée); Jennifer Serrero. Front Row: **Mike'98** and **Dana Cellucci** and their son Chase; **Pat Daughton'99**, **Skye** and **John Curtain '98**.



The Philly Contingent

2000s

Andrew Wright '04 and **Dan O'Shaughnessy '06**—are on track to race against each other in The Boat Race. **Wright** is training with the Oxford crew and is one of the Vice Presidents of the OUBC for the 2007 Boat Race Campaign. **O'Shaughnessy**, last year's varsity co-captain at SU continues training with the Cambridge crew. He's studying economics.



Andrew Wright—Oxford



Dan O'Shaughnessy– Cambridge

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And just to prove that Andrew and Dan are not the only Orange Alums still competing, here is a PARTIAL list of SU veterans who competed at the Head of the Charles this past fall:

- Bryan Mahon '82** 8+ Masters Thames River Sculls
- Bill Purdy '79** Masters 4+ Olympic 1980 Crew
- Andy Hobbs '83** - Master 2X - Delaware Boat Club
- Joey Peter '69** 60+ Master's 8+ Victoria City, Canada.
- Drew Harrison '68** Stroke
- Steve Rogers '69** #5,
- Dick Yochum '68** #3
- Bill Hawkey '53** - 70+ eight, Senior-Masters 50+ Compote RA
- Andy Washburn '75** - Senior Master 1X -Naragansett Boat Club
- Tom Lowe '83** - Senior Master 1X Riverside Boat Club
- Rich Lewis '83** - Senior Master 1X Potomac Boat Club
- Tom Darling '81** - Senior Master 1X Cambridge Boat Club

And apologies to others who competed but are not on the list.

PARTING SHOTS: SCENES FROM THE SARA ANNUAL MEETING



Chip Gibson '04 and Nick Alexander '04 catch up on the Orange



Sanford and...Daughter - Bill '63 and Coach Kris



Scott Sidwell, Joe Paduda '80, and Gerry Henwood '80



Coach Dave "Makin' Copies"



New 2nd VP Tracy Smith '90



New VP Jason Premo '98

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Saturday April 14	Rutgers (Ten Eyck Cup)	Syracuse
Saturday April 21	Cornell/Navy (Goes Cup)	Annapolis
Saturday April 28	BU/Columbia (Conlan Cup)	New York
Sunday May 13	Eastern Sprints	Worcester
Sunday May 20	Dartmouth (Packard Cup)	Syracuse
Thursday May 31	I.R.A Regatta	Camden
Friday June 1	I.R.A Regatta	Camden
Saturday June 2	I.R.A Regatta	Camden