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# Men's Crews—Top Ten in a Speedy Season



Close Racing—Typical of SU Men's Boats in 2011

They were fast crews in a fast league. The varsity eight was ranked as high as seventh in the nation and as low as 12th. It made the Grand Final at the Eastern Sprints and finished fifth. The JV did it one better in Worcester, taking the bronze medal – the first time an SU crew had medaled at the Sprints since 1978 and the first time for an SU JV since 1962. In the end, both wound up at number nine – ninth at the IRA and ninth in the nation.

"Goals are a tricky thing," Head Coach Dave Reischman said in an email, in answer to a question from The Orange Oar. "Our goal is always to have our best racing of the year at the IRA and there was disappointment among the guys because we did not do that to our satisfaction. We had good races at the IRA, but not great races, and the IRA demands great races.'

senior-led teams did some very impressive things along the way.

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## SU Women—Changes in Justin Moore's Year One

He put eight new faces in the varsity boat. He pushed the team members harder than they'd ever been pushed, challenging them to work for excellence. He left the third varsity home from the Eastern Sprints, saying it had not earned the trip. Now, at the end of his first season as head coach of SU Women's Rowing, Justin Moore says he is encouraged.

"When I arrived in September of 2010 we were really far behind the standards of the best teams in the country," Moore told The Orange Oar.

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# Still it was a season to remember and these

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# Letter from the President



Hello SARA Friends~

There have been many changes and challenges this year but the optimism at the Syracuse University boathouse is palpable.

I hope that you've been able to follow the men's and women's racing – both by the SARA-sponsored live audio broadcasts of many of the 2011 spring races and by the detailed and thoughtful race reports that we've received from our esteemed coaches. It's clear that competition is keener than ever with boats at dual races, Sprints and IRAs often separated by fractions of a second. While this may be nerve-wracking for the SU Coaching staff, I know that I speak for many alums when I say that the racing lately has been absolutely thrilling.

SARA's initiatives this year have been based on enhancing the collegiate rowing experience for Syracuse University athletes, supporting our coaching staff, and celebrating our common experience of representing SU and competing in this remarkable and life-changing sport. We've seen more alums than ever attending the races and supporting the crews. Multiple emails and conversations with SU athletes this year confirm that our efforts have not gone unnoticed or unappreciated. Thanks to everyone for coming out to support our teams.

You'll see in this edition of the Orange Oar that we've got some pretty exciting things coming up in the next few months.

Please mark your calendars for NOVEMBER 5, 2011. Syracuse Alumni Rowing Association will be inducting Coach Bill Sanford into the Hall of Fame. To say that Coach has influenced the lives of many seems like such a vast understatement -- the man is truly a Syracuse Rowing icon and we are so pleased to be able to honor him during the weekend of the Syracuse Invitational Regatta. Details to follow soon.

Over the summer we'll be finalizing the second printing of the famous Mark of the Oarsmen. This amazing book chronicles the story of the inception and first half-century plus of rowing history at Syracuse University. SARA Treasurer Joe Kieffer has worked tirelessly to cue up this hard-covered second run of the currently out-of-print book. Additional details on the book availability will be coming shortly.

The SARA Endowment "Racing Start" Campaign is in the final few meters and we've raised over \$25k to kick off this important funding vehicle. If you have not already been contacted or donated, I urge you to consider a tax-deductible contribution. Perhaps the best by-product of this campaign was the personal outreach conducted by the designated endowment "class captains". Thank you to everyone who stepped up – but especially to those that took the time making the calls to reach out to their teammates to bring this initial fundraising effort home.

Thank you all for your amazing support – it has truly been a fantastic year. See you all at the fall races!

Yours in SARA Service, Tracy

# Men (from Page One)



#### The Season

It started with a series of scrimmages at Princeton – SU trailing the Tigers and beating Georgetown. The first US Rowing/Coaches poll put Princeton's varsity eight at number four and SU at seven. Two weeks without racing dropped SU to ninth, then twelfth. A win over Cornell and Navy in the Goes Trophy race at Ithaca moved the Orange back up to eighth. A close loss to then #6 BU, while beating Columbia in miserable conditions at home moved Syracuse into a seventh place tie with Brown.

A week later SU was in seventh alone and held that spot through the Eastern Sprints and into the IRA. But BU had slid in those weeks and Brown vaulted back over the Orange, then came in fourth at the Sprints more than a length ahead of SU. Harvard won it with Princeton and Wisconsin next.

The JV opened with a loss to Princeton and win over Georgetown in exhibition racing, then lost to Navy by a couple of seconds, but beat Cornell. BU got the better of the Orange by a length, with Columbia well behind. Heading into the Sprints, Reischman changed up the V8 and JV8 – moving Dan Berry up to the varsity bow and putting Tyler Toprowski at seven in the JV. He also did some rearranging in the middle of the varsity boat. Both eights found more speed as evidenced at the Sprints.

The frosh also lost to Princeton and beat Georgetown, then lost to Navy but beat Cornell. The Orange freshmen trailed BU and Columbia at home, and finished tenth at the Sprints.

The last home racing for the Orange turned out to be a sweep for SU – all four Orange crews including the varsity four with cox, beat Dartmouth and the Packard Cup returned to Syracuse. There were ten days to get set for the IRA.

"After the Sprints we made some subtle changes to our rhythm that we thought allowed us to be more aggressive in the first 1000m of the race and still have the ability to sustain our speed through the second 1000m," Reischman said. "To do well at the IRA you HAVE to get faster from what you did at Sprints. We had a great lead up to the IRA with all boats—practices went well and our times for various pieces were really dropping. The boats were really moving well."

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#### The Regatta

The varsity four made some noise, under grad assistant Joe DeLeo's tutelage, winning in what amounted to an exhibition at the Sprints, and then advancing directly to the IRA semi-finals, before sliding to the Petites and finishing twelfth overall.

The freshmen under first year Coach Shawn Bagnall improved over the course of the season but were a bit undersized and wound up in the third level final at the IRA, finishing third there  $-15^{th}$  overall.



V4 stroke Tim Daigle, Grad. Asst. Joe DeLeo



Frosh Eight Fights on the Cooper River

And then there were the two big boats.

Friday, June 3 proved not to be the Orange's day. After a stumble in the morning heat on Thursday, the varsity had to get into the upper semifinals by way of the repechage, and did it – just – by taking third. SU trailed Cornell in both races. The Orange varsity would just miss the Big Red again on Friday, and both wound up in the Petite Final.



Orange in a Battle



Varsity Eight

The JV rolled through the morning heat and right to the Friday semi, only to fall .6 of a second short of making the Grand Final – edged out by – Cornell. The Big Red went to the Grands and SU to the Petites.

On Saturday the JV battled Brown and BU for second, with Yale about a length ahead. Brown edged SU, which in turn edged BU.

The Varsity battled Cornell for the fourth time in three days, and lost for the fourth time – this time by half a length. Stanford squeezed in between them for second.

And it was over.

Reischman is not one to make excuses. He did offer <u>reasons</u> for the Orange falling short of its goals in Camden. "Some of that was the tailwinds—they were absolutely brutal on the first two days--and we didn't handle it as well as the other crews," he said.

"In the end, the tailwind bounced us around and we didn't execute at the level we had seen in practice. We are talking pretty small margins of error here—maybe a ½ length over 2k? But as tight as racing was that weekend, that was enough to keep us out of the Grand finals. The JV missed the grand by 0.6 seconds and the varsity finished two spots below their seed by 1.6 seconds. Our effort was there all weekend. The guys were racing really hard! The execution on the race course was just a bit off and that was the difference."

#### The Future

The world turns, seniors graduate, juniors sophomores and freshmen move up. Reischman has said before he does not believe in rebuilding years. He has some core athletes back.

Chris Lutz (7), Chris Bickford (6), Dan Turner (4) and Kynan Reelick (2) are back from the V8, along with Cox Isaac Budmen, Stroke Aidan Barrett, Tyler Toporowski (7) Namanja Bogdanovic (6), Mason Leasure (5), Brendan Murphy (4), Steve Connors (2) and Nick Pickard (bow) from the JV. Cox Matt Cosman and oarsmen Jim Behr and Kyle Rogers from the V4+ are also due back. Barrett, Behr, Bickford, Bogdanovic, Budmen, Connors, Lutz and Reelick will be seniors. The rest will be juniors. There are others on the roster also hoping to move up.



Moving up in 2011-2012? JV Cox Isaac Budmen, 7– Tyler Toporowski, 5– Mason Leasure



Bill Bater '79 chats with Coach Reischman. Son Will was a soph on SU squad.

"I told the returning guys two things after the racing," Reischman said. "(1) It's easy to forget the disappointment they were now feeling in the middle of February when you have been on the erg for the last five weeks or in the middle of July when sitting down and having a milkshake sounds like a better idea than getting in a long workout. I told them I wanted them to remember this disappointment and work with purpose until next year's IRA.

"(2) I told them every seat in the boathouse is up for grabs and that I will know how serious they are about taking one of those seats by the end of the first week of practice in the fall."

# Thanks to Tracy Smith for IRA Photos

#### **Reischman Praises Class of 2011**



The Graduating Class: Matt Hopeck, Vince Berry, Kyle Daugherty, Dan Berry, Chip Keyes, Matt Sisk, Ken Marfilius, Dan Turner, Tim Daigle, and Mike Gennaro.

"I have been really fortunate throughout my coaching career to work with some outstanding young men. This year's senior class ranks right up there with the best of them. It is hard to imagine showing up to the first day of practice next year and not having them around because they have defined our program with their toughness, work ethic, and personalities for the last four years. To watch these guys practice and mature into the young men they are today has been an honor. As we were meeting for the last time after the racing I was struck by how incredibly lucky I have been in my coaching career to be a small part in helping these guys find their way."

#### The Men's Class of 2015

And here's a list of incoming freshmen recruited by Coach Shawn Bagnall in his first group.

Cameron Bierwith	6'5", 195	Brewster Academy, NH
Max Caywood	6'6", 185	Highland Park Crew, VA
John Delaney	6'4", 185	La Salle College High School, PA
Clark Ely	6'2", 190	Norwalk River Rowing Assoc., CT
Kyle Forrester	6'1", 200	Stockton Rowing Club, CA
Sam Jasper	6'5", 195	Twin Cities Rowing, MN
Christian Mund	Cox	Essex Rowing Club, MA
Zac Munsell	5'11", 185	St. Joseph's Prep, PA
Pat O'Shaughnessy-Hunter	6'0", 185	Brockville College Inst., ON
Michael O'Donnell	6'4", 195	Northfield Mount Hermon School, MA
Connor O'Sullivan	6'3", 180	Iona Prep, NY
Daniel Thom	6'1", 165	Yorktown High School, VA
Stephen Thomas	6'3", 200	Pittsford Rowing, NY
Michael Tobin	6'1", 190	Christian Brothers Academy, NJ
Kevin Tompkins	Cox	Canisius High School, NY
Doug Wetzel	6'2", 190	Gainesville Area Rowing, FL

Coach Reischman says, "In addition to this group there will be some non-recruited experienced rowers and a strong group of walk-ons that will try out for the squad. We are pretty excited to get this group on campus and get to work with them."

## Women—from Page One

"We are closing that gap in ways that are exciting - moving in the right trajectory. But there is still a lot of work that remains to be done."



#### The Fall

Half the 2010 varsity eight was gone to graduation or other pursuits – arguably the best rower, Natalie Mastracci left to pursue the Olympic dream in Canada (Natalie was named to the Canadian Senior Team this spring and will be racing in Russia this month) – and when Moore and his assistants Andrea Buch and Alicea Kochis put the returning athletes through some rigorous physical testing, just about every one came up short. The coach made his expectations clear but there was a long way to go.

Moore says the Princeton Chase was the low point of the year. "I think the Princeton Chase was probably one of the darkest and starkest reminders," he told *The Orange Oar*. "We were two minutes behind the fastest crews. That translates to nearly a minute behind Princeton over 2,000 meters. We lost to Virginia E with our varsity boat – it just showed us how far from being good we were.

"It represented the hole that we'd dug for ourselves and that we had to make (a strong) effort to get out of. Fall results do matter – the best athletes in rowing today are fit year-round."

Moore said then that if the crew worked hard enough and some things fell into place, there was a chance to get past Notre Dame and Louisville and win the Big East.

#### The Spring

The spring season – a season with no home races – opened in Boston March 26, with a varsity eight loss to Boston University by less than a length. The 2V and V4+ also lost, with only the third varsity getting a win. Two weeks later as Cornell upset Yale in Connecticut, SU was far behind.

Two more trips to Boston brought losses to Penn and Northeastern, then Dartmouth, Radcliffe and Minnesota, then Louisville and Minnesota again – but wait – the V8 and 2V did beat BU. Progress!

The Big East did not go as hoped. Notre Dame repeated as team champion and Louisville won the Varsity Eights with not only the Cardinals and Irish, but also Georgetown and Rutgers ahead of SU. The 2V was fourth and the v4+ third.

"I think we missed that mark pretty well," Moore said. "We raced Louisville twice - eleven seconds behind both times, 8.5 behind Notre Dame. We lost to Georgetown by seven and we lost to Rutgers by four and those were not results that are (usual) for Syracuse."

"I think what really was reflected is that we were in such a huge hole we created a situation where it was impossible to crawl out of that hole and catch some of the better crews in the league."

#### The Sprints

The season ended at the Eastern Sprints, as it has the past few years. The third varsity did not make the trip. "I think people need to understand that there is an expectation for performance at the Division One level and results in every boat class," Moore told *The Orange Oar.* "I don't want people to think that just because you're in the third varsity all you have to do is show up and

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that's enough. You have to make a demonstrated commitment to it and you have to show results.

"To race at the Sprints is a privilege, not a right. I think it's important that these young women don't go and go with an expectation of ending up in the third level final. That's not what Syracuse University Women's Rowing is going to be about."

"I think we'll find out whether these women got the message in September," Moore said. "Their fitness when they return to school will tell us a great deal about whether or not they want to be serious collegiate athletes."





Varsity Eight—Exceeding the Sprints Seed

2V Eight—Fights to the Petites at Sprints

All three Syracuse crews that went wound up in the Petite Finals – the varsity eight finishing tenth overall, the 2V and V4+ finished eleventh. Both the V8 and V4+ finished higher than their seeds – a goal going in.

Moore called it by far the best part of the season. "It really showed the progress that the team made. "Early in season we lost to BU by 3 ½ or 4 seconds – at the end of the season we came back and wound up beating BU by open water in both cases. We closed the gap with Penn. We beat Georgetown. It was just really great to see the women racing in tight quarters and ending up, on the positive side of the win/loss equation. Every day they showed up and said, 'how can we become faster?' Every boat was able to race really well in heat or final at the Eastern Sprints. There was evidence of tangible results at the end of the season."

#### The Future

Senior Captain Rachael Ogundiran, who battled back from rib injuries and finished the season in the 2V is gone, along with Brandis Arcadia, Ali Sayer and coxswain Mikela Almeida from the 2V, plus grad student Chelsea MacPherson from the V8 and Jacque Lee from the V4+. In theory everybody else is back.

Moore built a varsity eight that included four juniors - cox Allison Todd (right), stroke Emma Karpowicz, Carmen Failla (5) Tiffany Macon (4), sophomore Macey Miller (2) and three freshmen – Miranda Williams (7), Maggie McCrudden (3), and







Rebecca Soja (bow.) The 2V included two juniors – stroke Keriann Miller and Annie Couwenhoven (5) and three sophs-Gina Biascochea (3) Emily Moomey (2) and Kate Severino (bow). The V4+ had a junior- stroke Mary Carlson, two sophomores – cox Christina Herb and Laura Adams (bow) and a freshman – Ciara Shaneauer (3). Add to them a powerful recruiting class of immediately eligible freshmen and there's reason for optimism.

Out in Sacramento May 29, Williams College continued the dynasty Moore built there, winning the Division III championship again. He's in D-I now – looking to build a program whose season will not end at he Sprints.

"I came here with a mission and that mission is far from being completed," Moore said. "I came to Syracuse knowing it was going to be a challenge. I believed I was the right guy to meet that challenge. I continue to be excited about meeting that challenge and I think the women are excited. I can't wait for September."

# Moore Praises the Class of 2011



Chelsea MacPherson, Brandis Arcadia, Ali Sayer, Mikela Almeida, Jacqueline Lee, and Rachael Ogundiran

"Given the circumstances and given the change I don't think I could have asked for more from the graduating class of 2011. I think these women made every effort to buy into my message to be physical leaders and to be consistent leaders and to have the actions match the rhetoric. I am tremendously grateful to class of 2011 for their effort. Their attitude is going to be a huge part of the change in this program that we hope to see taking place."

#### The Women's Class of 2015

And here's the first group to sign with SU under Coach Moore—eight rowers and two coxswains from around the world, with plenty of experience in the sport.

Rose Aschbrock	5'10"	Auckland, New Zealand/North Shore Rowing Club	
Sienna DeSantis	5'8"	Boston, Mass./Community Rowing Inc.	
Anna Kaszycki	5'8"	Brisbane, Australia/Toowong Rowing Club	
Caroline Habjan	5'7"	New Milford, Conn./GMS	
Georgia Hamilton	5'11"	Mississauga, Ontario/Don Rowing Club	
Katherine Isaza	5'0"	Norwalk, Conn./Connecticut Boat Club	
Holly Johnston	5'11"	Rotorua, New Zealand/Clemson University	
Glaura Paiva	5'0"	Greenwich, Conn./Greenwich	
Georgia Pinter	5'6"	Easton, Conn./Saugatuck Rowing	
Leah Reidy	5'9"	Latham, N.Y./Shaker	

For more on their experience from suathletics.com click here <a href="http://www.suathletics.com/news/2011/5/27/www.suath

"We're excited about the physical capacity and also level of athletic maturity," Coach Moore told *The Orange Oar*. "They have experience in top flight rowing - not only nationally but internationally."

#### Alums Feed the Women's Team and Coaches on the Eve of the Eastern Sprints By Lynne Della Pelle Pascale '81

When Coaches Justin Moore, Alicea Kochis, Andrea Buch and the Syracuse Women's Rowing team arrived at Dr. Kristin Brodie's house on the Seneca River, they anticipated a turkey dinner on a beautiful late spring evening on the night before leaving for Eastern Sprints. And a wonderful dinner they had. But rowers are a prankish lot and the playfulness doesn't end even though graduation day was a distant memory.

To prepare for the dinner, alums Kristin Brodie, Sheila Roock, Martha Mogish and Lynne Pascale roasted turkeys, made sides and turned over thirty pounds of potatoes into mountains of mash for the coaches and the rowers. Rowers grouped by class year made their way down the buffet and then outside on Dr. Brodie's deck to watch the river flow by and enjoy a calm moment together before leaving the next morning for Camden.

After eating dinner and before desert, the whole group went out to the garden in front of the house for some photos. It was then that Kristin made the challenge: the person who dropped a fifty dollar bill in the foyer would have to earn the money back by doing at least as many pushups as her youngest daughter Tammy (a sophomore at Liverpool High School and a state-qualifying pentathlete with some serious guns).







Coach Moore 'fessed up to dropping the fifty -dollar bill and said he would make it more sporting by offering to double what Tammy could do. So, with the team lined up to watch, Tammy dropped to the lawn and keeping her back straight and chin almost touching the ground each time, pumped out fifty pushups, one for each dollar lost. The team roared its approval. Coach Moore realized he had been set up with a ringer. Now he was on the hook for one hundred pushups all at once. He gamely began and with only a few breaks, made his way to one hundred pushups. Coach Moore's son Quinn, age six, decided to help out and he got down to business, adding about twenty to his dad's total.

The alums weren't done with the fun, though. Senior Rachel Ogundiran won the wishbone challenge offered up by Kristin Brodie. Before dessert was served, Lynne Pascale handed out the words to the old folksong, *Fifteen Miles on the Erie Canal* along with the mock-up lyrics created in the late 1970's by the women's team. Now the challenge was to sing to earn the last part of dinner. So everyone - alums, rowers and coaches - sang together on the banks of the river before tucking into some apple pie.

#### PRE-ELITE CAMP IN SYRACUSE INCLUDES FOUR ORANGE WOMEN

SU is hosting the 2011 USRowing Women's National Team Pre-Elite Camp with Orange Women's Coach Justin Moore in charged from June 12-July 12. Seventeen athletes are here using the boathouse and on-campus crew facilities. Moore says they'll do three workouts a day – rowing at eight o'clock each morning, Monday-Saturday, back out for a technical row between 11:30 and 12:30, and then a session of running or ergs later in the day. It all leads up to the Club Nationals in Indianapolis, Indiana July 12-17.

SU has four women in the camp. 2011 grad Rachael Ogundiran is working on her sculling. Rising sophomore Maggie McCrudden, who made the V8 as a freshman, is sculling and learning how to step up her training – Moore says she is a potential US team member. Gina Biascochea is working on her sculling and sweep oar rowing. She's a rising junior was in the 2V for Syracuse this season. Rising senior Allison Todd is one of two coxswains in camp. She was the V8 cox this season for SU.

# Coach Hopes Grads' Example Will Lead to Increased Support – A "Call to Arms" to SU Alumnae and All Rowing Supporters



They are fresh out of SU and their four years with Orange Women's Rowing but they already have made a new mark on the program. Chelsea MacPherson, Brandis Arcadia, Ali Sayer, Mikela Almeida, Jacqueline Lee, and Rachael Ogundiran - want to continue to "Lead the women of Syracuse" To this end, the class of 2011 have agreed to fund the purchase of a new 2-/2x shell. And they've already written the first checks.

"As far as I know this is the first class of women who have come together to sponsor the purchase of a shell," Coach Justin Moore said. "The fact that they have made this commitment, despite outstanding student loans and a poor job-market, should inform us as to how valuable they believe their rowing education to be."

Now the coach is asking others to follow their example. Here's some of what he said in an email to SARA leadership:

- "#1 With great privilege/opportunity comes great responsibility. Women's rowing is at the forefront of the women's collegiate athletic movement. It is essential that people understand that running a top-rate athletic program, regardless of whether or not it is a men's program or a women's program is an expensive venture. Rowing is an "equipment intensive sport". To provide the seats necessary to allow as many women as possible to row requires that SU maintains the following fleet:
  - 1) Eight 8+s
  - 2) Six 4+s
  - *3) Eight 2-/2x*
  - 4) Four 1xs
- 5) Not to mention coaching launches, oars, indoor rowing equipment, uniforms etc. The more women who participate, the more the cost. It is great that the opportunity exists, but we still need to fund the experience.
- #2 SU Women's Rowing needs your help. If there is value in the athletic experience, if the goal of teaching women to develop a "habit of excellence" and the discipline necessary to cultivate this habit on a daily basis, then it is essential that you support the women's rowing program. There is much we are trying to accomplish, winning a Big East Championship, and medaling at the NCAA championship.
- #3 The modern woman needs to lead in ways she has never been asked to before. I am tremendously pleased that the names of these six women (the 2011 grads) will remain in the program for the next eight years. I cannot thank them enough for their generosity and continued commitment to SU Women's Rowing."

The challenge is out there and the new grads have taken it up. Now the trick is to get others – many others who have come before them – to join in. Look for more on the campaign on the SARA blog and through emails in the weeks and months ahead.

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Lifetime Members Gordon Hull & Barry Weiss get together near Hull's Vineyard in California

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John Campbell '67

Grafton Chase '83

Roy Clark '72

Alexander Cmil '92

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Tom Darling '81

Rachel DeMaine

Tom Denver '66

Hamilton Dixon '55

Bob Donabella '81

Paul Dudzick '68

Bill Duffield '86

Carl Fabend '59

Gary Gardner '62

Charles "Chip" Gibson '04

John Gilbert '85

Robert Giromini '75

Fred Gliesing '78

Colin Goodale '90

Barton Green '56

Daniel Hanavan '80

Scott Hansen '88

Jeffrey Harriman '70

Andrew Harrison '68

Lawrence Hawkins '59

Rob Heinstein '89

John Hession '72

Andrew Hobbs '83

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Linn Hyde '64

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Joe Paduda '80

Andrew Papp '78

Jonathan Parella '91

Jeff Pesot '90

Joe Peter '69

Nils Peterson'70

Bob Price '88

Bill Purdy '79

Tracy Reed '95

Henry Ridgely '70

Jay Rhodes '89

Ashton Richards '82

Charlie Roberts '61

Thomas Rouen '60

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Kevin Rung '80

Bill Sanford '63

Howard Sashin '81

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Richard Skomra '83

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Dirk Stribrny '90

Elliot Sussin '77

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SARA would like to recognize the following alumni for their commitment and financial support during 2011. Below are those that have paid their regular membership dues since January 2011. Thank you!

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Josh Stratton '01, Jason Premo '98, Ryan Patton '10 at the IRA—SARA Members in Good Standing



Ted Kakas '64, Steve Rogers '69, Bill Bater '79, Tom Darling '81, Andy Hobbs '83, Bob Price '88

# SARA Dues and How to Pay them

Lifetime membership contribution is \$500. If you would like to become a lifetime member please mail your check to Syracuse Alumni Rowing Association, PO Box 7202, Syracuse, NY 13261 or use the Pay/Pal account listed on the SARA blog. http://syracusealumnirowing.blogspot.com/

Annual dues are \$50 for those who graduated more than five years ago and "Friends of SARA," \$25 for those who graduated within the past five years and free for those who have just graduated. Checks should also be sent to the address above or you may use Pay/Pal.

Thank you for your support!

#### 'A Racing Start' – Final Week of SARA Men's Rowing Endowment Update as of June 10, 2011

As we enter the final week of this year's SARA Endowment campaign, we have raised over \$25,000, with more than 100 alumni and friends contributing. Officially set to end on Tuesday, June 21, 2011 at 8am, the 2,000 hour campaign has seen the Classes 1980 – 1984 sprint out to overall 'dollar' lead setting the bar and admiration of other class years. In a dog fight for 'number of contributors', the graduates from Classes of 1995 – 1999, led by past SARA President Jason Premo, have nosed out ahead with a few seats over the Classes of 2005 – 2010 and 2000 – 2004. This last week will determine who will get measured for their SU betting shirts. Does any class year have anything left in the tank for these final days?

It is not too late to make a donation and a difference. Any single donation of a \$1,000 or more receives a betting shirt. Any donation of \$5,000 or more receives an SU oar or mounted SU blade. If there are specific questions about the endowment or if there is a large donation, please contact Joe Kieffer <a href="mailto:jkieffer@email.com">jkieffer@email.com</a> / +1 267 228 1341) or Tracy Smith <a href="mailto:tr.smith1@comcast.net">tr.smith1@comcast.net</a>

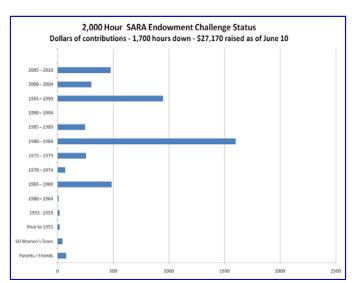
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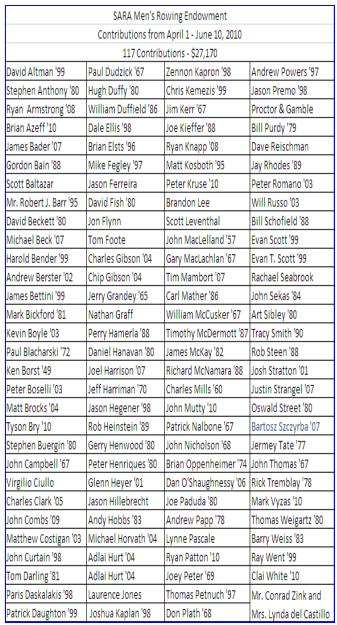
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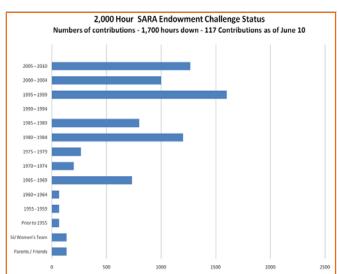
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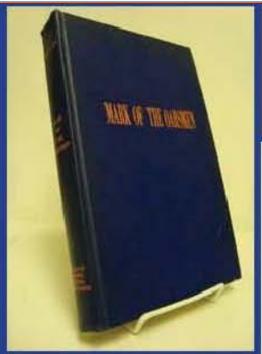
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# MARK OF THE OARSMEN

# Coming Soon!

SARA is proud to announce it has arranged for a second edition, hard-cover run of the currently out-of print landmark work, Mark of the Oarsmen.

Authored by Malcolm Alama with much support and insight from SARA Hall of Famer Doc Chamberlain, this book documents the history of Syracuse rowing from its begin-

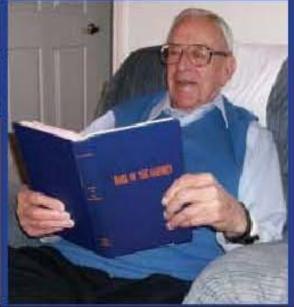
nings in the 1890's to the victory of SU's fabled Pan Am crew of 1959.

This book is a must-have for anyone involved with Syracuse rowing. If you've ever wanted to know more about Jim Ten Eyck, Tip Goes, and Loren Schoel; were curious about how they actually raced four miles at a 36 on Onondaga, want to see pictures of the first rowing tanks in the US (still available for viewing in Archbold), or have been searching desperately for a stroke-by-stroke account of SU's first IRA win, you've got to get this book.



Mark of the Oarsmen will be available soon and Dr. Chamberlain has indicated that he will be signing a limited number of copies.

Stay tuned for additional order details and pricing!



# ORANGE ALUMNI EIGHT WINS IRA MASTERS— THE VIEW FROM THE BOW

The Syracuse Alumni Eight regained the IRA title in Camden, winning over Cornell and Penn in what turned out to be a rout. A new face in the boat belongs to the man in the bow, Joe Paduda '80. Since Joe is a published author as well as SARA Secretary, we asked him for a first-hand account.



When I told my lovely bride I'd been asked to row bow seat in the SU Alumni Eight at IRAs she said something like: "oh, that will be great - a race just for fun!".

Uhh, not exactly. In fact, pretty far from it. Make no mistake, old guys race to win, and if you don't, it's a lot less 'fun'.

Fortunately, the stars aligned early on the morning of championship day at the IRAs, and win we did. Then again, given the lineup in our Hudson (thanks Coach Reischman - Dave brought down a boat just for us to race in) winning was pretty likely. Stroked by the inestimable Bob Price, cox Joey Peter's lineup included Bill (multiple Olympian) Purdy in 7, Andy (older but even more fit) Hobbs in 6, Tom (multiple Olympian) Darling in 5, Bill (former World Champion USA Ltwt Eight Stroke) Bater in 4, Steve (perennial powerhouse) Rogers in 3, Ted (row hard, which he absolutely does) in 2, and me, the newcomer, in bow.



Paduda (left) confers with Joe Peter as Tom Darling focuses and Andy Hobbs stretches



Hobbs and Bill Purdy discuss strategy or perhaps the state of the world.

At the line, we were instructed that by some weird happenstance, our crew was the youngest of the three entries. Therefore Cornell would leave the line a full forty (!!) seconds before us, and Penn would get a four second head start. Doing the math quickly, I figured that was about a ten length, or 190 meter, head start for the Big Red. No matter.

The countdown began, and Cornell departed. Ten seconds to go, we sat ready. Penn was off, and then we drove off the line, looking to make up as much of the difference as possible as quickly as possible. Bob and Bill had us off at a 42 for the first twenty, then we shifted to race pace of just a tad above 36. About ten strokes into the settle, Joey called lengthen, the rating came down to 34+ and we started to swing. About this time, the announcer was telling the crowd (reportedly with a tone of

incredulity) that SU was at a 35 and moving, and the fans (both of them) erupted.

Penn came up on our left (not that I was looking...) pretty quickly; I had the cox, Joey called a power ten, and we moved about six seats. We rowed through Penn right around the 500 meter mark, and just a few strokes later I started to hear the Cornell cox exhorting the crew.



That was good news, as the legs were burning, and I was starting to doubt my ability to live through the next few minutes, knowing Bob would do whatever was necessary to put our bow across the line before Cornell (who had won the event in 2010-SU in second)). For several weeks, my dreams had been punctuated by nightmares of Joey calling the rating up to 38 with 40 to go, as Cornell stayed just out of reach.

SU Alumni Eight—IRA Winners Again

At the 800, Joey called another ten to move on Cornell, telling us they were about four lengths up and we were moving. As cox'ns lie a lot, I had my doubts. A few strokes after the ten, we heard we'd moved over a length. Just past the thousand, I inadvertently caught a glimpse of the Big Red's stern to my right, and Joey called for a ten to move thru Cornell. The puddles from the engine room got even bigger, and before the ten was over we were in the lead.

From there to the finish line (the Alumni race is a full 2,000 meters) it was a LOT of fun. We powered across the line a full twelve seconds ahead of Penn who was a good distance up on Cornell. I hadn't been

Bowman and SARA Secretary Paduda (right) celebrates with Treasurer Joe Kieffer and President Tracy Smith

in a boat that moved like that for at least twenty years; our time was 6:26, not bad for a boat that averaged somewhere in the mid-fifties.

The Alumni Race at the IRA is about way more than fun. It's the camaraderie. It's also about that great feeling you get rowing in a fast eight that sets up beautifully, swings, and jumps at each catch. And it's about honoring the hundreds of men and women who've donned the orange and lined up at the start. And oh, yeah, it's also about winning.

I'm thinking we need to bet shirts next year...

# **Bill Sanford to Syracuse Rowing Hall of Fame**

It was never a question of if and now we know when Bill Sanford will be inducted in the Syracuse Rowing hall of Fame—this November 5. Sanford, a Syracuse guy who walked on as a freshman, became captain, then freshman coach and finally head coach for 35 years, retired in 2002. He still stays close to the squad, welcomed by Coach Dave Reischman and often rides in the coach's launch during home races. He and wife Nancy now live in a house on a bluff overlooking Onondaga Lake. They tend to be surrounded by grandchildren (right.)



Sanford's induction will be part of the SARA fall weekend and will follow the racing at the Syracuse Invitational. Now we know when. Save the date! More information coming on the SARA blog.

# **BACKSPLASH—NEWS OF OUR ALUMNI**

**Larry Wiener '58** – "At 74 years of age I find myself in a growth mode. Still chairman of Pension Investors, the largest administration firm in Florida, I have recently taken on the added responsibility as Chairman of the Board of a bank holding company. It presents a major challenge and I am quite excited about it."

(Larry was cox on the '55 freshman IRA champs and is based in Hollywood, Florida.)

**Charlie Mills '60** - "I just wanted to say that Brenda and I are heading on a two week trip to Germany and France on June 27. I am a member of the Manassas Chorale and we have been invited to join about 150 singers from all over the country to perform for the troops in these two countries. We will be performing at several military bases and two cemeteries...one of which, and what I consider a wonderful honor, we will be performing for and remembering those who gave their lives at Normandy Beach on July 4th."



**Bill Sanford '63** – F.O.C.U.S Greater Syracuse honored the long-time SU men's coach and former chairman of the Onondaga County Legislature, June 9, with a Wisdom Keeper award. Bill has been involved in countless activities over the years and said recently he might be proudest of having been a founder of the Syracuse Chargers, which is still thriving.

Family and friends came out so support Bill and his wife Nancy at the dinner – among them were Joe and Jan Peter, Paul and Lenore Dudzick, George Chapman, Larry Lazslo, Colin Goodale, Coach Dave Reischman, Lynne Pascale, Don Plath, Craig and Kris Sanford Milburn and a host of grandchildren.

SU Chancellor Nancy Cantor also was honored as a Wisdom Keeper.

# **BACKSPLASH—NEWS OF OUR ALUMNI**

Coleen Fuerst '70 – is president of Durham Boat Company and writes that she has been have been living in Durham, NH since Nov. of 1972 with her husband Jim Dreher. She is still racing – and winning – took the Grand Master Women's 2x at the Head of the Charles last fall, rowing in the bow with Marybeth Weathersby stroking.





Coleen (standing on left) notes that she was "SU Class of '70, the class that was on the go; but too bad half us could not row."

**Joe Kieffer '88** – continues his global travels with Cappemini as Vice President for their BPO service line. Joe serves on the board for Quaker City Rowing Foundation and is the Vice President



dent of Fairmount Rowing Association in Philadelphia. Joe's daughter, Lawren, is a rising senior at Brown University and part of the women's rowing team which recently won the NCAA Division I national championship in Sacramento, CA. His son, Harrison, graduated from St. Joseph Prep and will row for Mercyhurst College this Fall. Gwynedd is playing volleyball and rowing for Mount St. Joseph Academy in Philadelphia.

**Tracy Smith '90** – sends a note from Newton, Mass., of justifiable pride about her 14-year-old daughter Grace. (on left - with teammate Julia Luft) "She's been rowing for Community Rowing here in Boston for the past few



years. I took her with me to the SU Women's team dinner on April 16 when the women rowed in Boston and it made quite an impression on her. I hope that she'll row for Justin one day."



**Suzanne B. Wasserman '94 - "**Had baby Eva in February. Currently living in Boston with Eva (left) and my husband Chad and dog Buster!"

Pete Kruse '10 - is nine months through his year in London and continuing to try to make the most of his time abroad. In addition to traveling and working, he ran his first marathon on May 22nd with his dad in Edinburgh, Scotland. Pete will return to the States in the end of August.

(Kruses on right)



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