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Father John E. Brooks, S.J.
U.S. Army Veteran, World War II

Father Brooks entered the College of the Holy Cross in 1942. Later that year on December 8, he left the College to enlist in the United States Army.

After training he served as a 'telephone repeater technician' in Company A, 3160th Signal Service Battalion at the rank of Technician 4th Grade (T-4).

His overseas service extended from June 16, 1944 to December 27, 1945. He participated in the Battles and Campaigns of Northern France, Rhineland, the Ardennes and Central Europe. He separated from the service on January 12, 1946. He returned to the College and graduated as a member of the Class of 1949.

To Father Brooks and all who have served, the O'Callahan Society says

Thank you

(Note: while President of the College in the 1980s, Father Brooks served for several years, along with the then presidents of Auburn University, Baylor University and the University of Wyoming, as a member of the United States Air Force ROTC Advisory Committee.)



HOLY CROSS NROTC UNIT: 1941

Saturday, September 17

*O'Callahan Society Eleventh Annual Dinner
Honoring
Father John E. Brooks, S.J., President Emeritus
and
Captain Harry Moore, USN*

*For their successful efforts to maintain
Navy and Air ROTC on campus in 1971*

5:30 PM

*Hogan Campus Center, College of the Holy Cross
Worcester, Massachusetts*



*HOLY CROSS NROTC UNIT: 2011
SEVENTY YEARS OF UNBROKEN SERVICE*



Captain R. Harrell, USN - Commanding Officer, Holy Cross and Yale NROTC Units

The O'Callahan Society

The principal mission, by charter, of the O'Callahan Society, formed as a committee in the mid 90s, is:

To support the Naval ROTC Unit at Holy Cross which serves the College of the Holy Cross, Worcester Polytechnic Institute and Worcester State University

Other missions include:

Honoring Father Joseph T. O'Callahan - Jesuit priest, Holy Cross professor and the first Navy chaplain to receive the Medal of Honor, Remembering and honoring all veterans, particularly those from the College of the Holy Cross, Worcester Polytechnic Institute and Worcester State University.

This year's dinner, Saturday, September 17th, marks our Eleventh Annual Speaker Event. Proceeds from the evening will be used primarily to further our principal mission but also to honor and remember the men and women who have or are serving in the nation's armed services.

We would like to thank all who participate in our efforts either by attending our functions and/or supporting them through donations or ad purchases.

The Society also extends a heartfelt and sincere thanks to Captain Ronald Harrell, USN and his staff for their enthusiastic support of our missions. We are especially grateful for their efforts and hard work to help us prepare for this year's program.

O'Callahan Society Guest Speakers

2001

*LTGEN Bernard Trainor, USMC (Ret.), Holy Cross '51
Noted Author and Military Commentator*

2002

*RDML Thomas Steffins, USN, Holy Cross '69
Director, Force Protection, U.S. Atlantic Fleet*

2003

*(in cooperation with Holy Cross Archives & Special Collections)
Jay O'Callahan, Holy Cross '60
Renowned Storyteller*

2004

*CAPT Robert Kelly, USCGR
General Counsel, HawkEye Systems, LLC*

2005

*RADM Louis Iasiello, CHC, USN
Chief of Navy Chaplains*

2006

*RDML William McCarthy, USN, Holy Cross '76
Commander, Operational Test and Evaluation Force*

2007

*RDML Arnold Lotring, USN, Holy Cross '78
Commander, Naval Service Training Command*

2008

*VADM Bruce MacDonald, JAGC, USN, Holy Cross '78
Navy Judge Advocate General*

2009

*VADM Peter Daly, USN, Holy Cross '77
Deputy Commander
United States Fleet Forces*

2010

RDML William McCarthy, USN (Ret.), Holy Cross '78
CAPT Ronald Harrell, USN**

** CDR Bernadette Semple, USN, Holy Cross '82, College Trustee, was the scheduled speaker for 2010 but was forced to cancel at the last moment.*

The Navy Hymn

Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm hath bound the restless wave,
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep,
Its own appointed limits keep.
O hear us when we cry to thee,
For those in peril on the sea!

Eternal Father, grant we pray,
To all Marines, both night and day,
The courage, honor, strength, and skill
Their land to serve, thy law fulfill;
Be thou the shield forevermore
From every peril to the Corps.

Eternal Father, Lord of hosts,
Watch over those who guard our coasts.
Protect them from the raging seas
And give them light and life and peace.
Grant them from thy great throne above
The shield and shelter of thy love.

Saturday, September 17, 2011

The O'Callahan Society

presents its

Eleventh Annual Dinner

5:30 PM

Ballroom, Hogan Campus Center

This year, the O'Callahan Society is pleased to honor two men - who through their vision and reasoned approach - resisted pressures in the early 1970s to end Navy and Air Force ROTC programs at Holy Cross. Their efforts persuaded faculty and students to retain both units for the good of the nation and of the College.

Our program book this year features the Reverend John E. Brooks, S.J., President Emeritus of the College and Captain Harry R. Moore, USN, Commanding Officer of the NROTC Unit from 1970 to 1972.

Our theme is 'Why We Honor Them' and beginning on the following page we look briefly at the times in which their leadership prevailed, the outcome of their efforts and the men themselves.

The importance of their achievement, especially given the tone of the period, should not be minimized. As the Society has maintained since its inception, Holy Cross may have hosted the only NROTC Unit at a small liberal arts college since the mid-70s.

As a practical matter, this meant that for about four decades, the United States Navy and Marine Corps had only one regular source of officers educated at small liberal-arts institutions - officers educated to possess, as Father Brooks has said,

"an open-mindedness...reflected in
- one's respect for other points of view
- one's tolerance for ambiguity
- one's passion for the truth, respect for facts and
willingness to pursue them to uncomfortable conclusions"
(Father John E. Brooks, S.J., October 17, 2009)

Thank you for join us as we pay tribute to two remarkable individuals. Your presence honors us as we honor them.

Why We Honor Them - The Times

For those who lived through them, the late 60s and early 70s were characterized by levels of resistance to military service not seen, perhaps, since the violent, widespread draft riots of the Civil War.

By 1968, protests of the Vietnam draft reached college campuses across the nation and incidents, such as two noted below, became common occurrences.

University of Wisconsin/Milwaukee

September 25, 1969: Members of the UWM Chapter of the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) hold an impromptu protest in Chapman Hall, where they threaten to firebomb the Chancellor's Office and demand that UWM's ROTC program be disbanded. A firebomb is actually thrown into the Mitchell Hall ROTC offices....two student protesters are arrested.

(University of Wisconsin/Milwaukee website, August 2011)

University of Oregon/Eugene

Angry Mob Struck Twice Against ROTC

"The first of Wednesday's two assaults the Reserve Officers Training Corps offices at the University of Oregon was more intense and destructive, but less frightening than the second a few hours later. The first occurred almost immediately after the university faculty had decided—in a 14-vote margin—to retain ROTC as part of the university's curriculum...

The offices were made a shambles in the 15 or 20 minutes that the estimated 150 young people were there. Doors were kicked in, desks and tables were overturned, shelves were pulled off walls and littered glass glittered everywhere. There was a blackened spot in one office where a fire had been started."

(Eugene [Oregon] Register Guard, April 16, 1970)



(<http://depts.washington.edu/antiwar/>, September 3, 2011)

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In memory of

*Tom Short, NROTC 1970
A Great Friend, A Great Marine Officer*

Jim Leonard, Jim Matthews, Paul Atanasio



CONGRATULATIONS FATHER BROOKS
CONTINUED LONG LIFE FOR HOLY CROSS NROTC
FROM THE NAVY WARDROOM CLUB
R. J. ZEMAITIS, PRESIDENT, H.C. 52
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*Best Dishes from the Grasks
of Des Moines, Iowa*

E. Stephen Grask '50 (NROTC)

J. Philip Grask '54 (NROTC)

George F. Grask '73

Gerald H. Grask '75

Paul S. Grask '76

Kate Daly Grask '78

Why We Honor Them - The Times

Not unexpectedly, campus unrest affected Holy Cross as well. As the Unit History observes... "as the nation entered the Vietnam War, the ... NROTC Unit came under attack not only from external critics but from within the College itself. In the Fall of 1970 debates regarding the program raged on campus." (The History begins on Page 7)

Not only did debates rage, some physical actions were taken against both ROTC units on campus.

In his book, ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~, Father A. Kuzniewski, S.J. recounts three incidents directed towards the Air Force presence.

- In September 1969 a peace sign was painted on the roof of what the perpetrators believed to be the AFROTC building; its was actually a storage building behind the AF building. (Page 417)
- In May 1970, the US invades Cambodia and student protestors at Kent State are killed. At Holy Cross, on May 4th, classes are suspended and police hired to protect ROTC facilities, particularly the wooden Air Force building. The following day, following a symposium which called for banishing both ROTC programs from campus, 200 students with torches massed outside the Air Force building. (Page 423)
- During and after the debate over retention of the programs, campus radicals made a final effort to oust the AFROTC unit. A potentially serious episode occurred in November 1971 when 200 protestors assembled next to the Air Force building and threatened to destroy it. (Page 447)

Although the events described by Father Kuzniewski were directed against the Air Force, the Navy unit was not immune to protestor attention. O'Callahan Board member Jim Delehaunty, NROTC, Class of 1967,

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(University of Wisconsin/Milwaukee website, August 2011)

Why We Honor Them - The Times

recalls that, in the Fall of 1971 when *"I was on the NROTC staff, something was thrown through the MOI's [Marine Office Instructor] office in O'Kane; it may have...been a dud fire bomb"*

After 1971, the furor over the programs began to subside and both survived. Today, both programs continue to serve the nation. In 1990, the Air Force unit moved to Worcester Polytechnic University to join the Army ROTC unit already located there.

Why We Honor Them - The Philosophy

As noted earlier in this book, Father Brooks has defined a liberal arts philosophy as including: *opened-mindedness, respect for other points of view, tolerance for ambiguity and respect for truth and for fact.*

While consideration of 'philosophy' relative to the ROTC debate may strike some as esoteric, the fact is that the principles noted above were precisely those brought by Father Brooks and Captain Moore to their discussions with both proponents and opponents of the Navy and Air Force presence at the College of the Holy Cross.

While many sources, including the Unit History, cite the thoughtful approach of these two men in the often highly charged and emotional atmosphere on campus, none is as succinct to this writer as a letter dated November 10, 1993 from Captain Richard Schnorf, Unit Commanding Officer from 1972-75 to Captain Tim Winters, then Unit CO. He says:

*I ... think ... it was a brilliant maneuver on the part of the Navy to send Captain Harry Moore to Holy Cross... Captain Moore was the ideal naval officer for the assignment - literally the right man at the right time. A scholar himself, Captain Moore gained the confidence of Fr. Brooks, and **these reasonable men carefully and unemotionally worked out** ... a solution to the problem. (Emphasis added)*

*I have always felt that had two other individuals other than Fr. Brooks and Capt. Moore been handed the problem ... Holy Cross may have followed its Ivy sisters in eliminating ROTC ... As it was, not only did the unit survive, it survived as a more viable unit than it had been prior to the demonstrations. [Note: this is a reference to academic changes to the program made as the result of willingness of Captain Moore to review course content and make necessary revisions.] Captain Schnorf continues: *The only liberal arts NROTC ... in the northeast was academically much stronger ... opponents never again were able seriously to threaten the unit's existence.**

IN MEMORY

JOHN A. (JACK) BARRY
DONALD S. (DON) CARR
JOSEPH M. (JOE) LOUGHRAN

CAREER MARINES
CLASS OF '55
SEMPER FIDELIS

GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

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In memory of our classmates

*CPT John J. Burke, USMC
February 5, 1968*

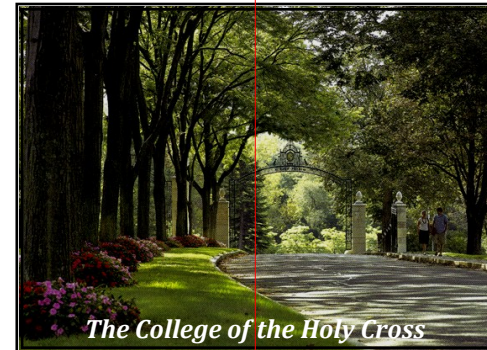
*LTJG Thomas E. Gilliam, USN
August 22, 1967*

*"Dulce bellum inexpertis"
Erasmus*

*Holy Cross, 1965 ROTC Unit
William S. Thomas '65*

Why We Honor Them - The Outcome

As noted earlier both units survived and we are pleased to present, the history, staffing and current strength of both programs. The Navy history begins below; the Air Force on page 11. Because we believe all ROTC programs are important to the creation of a diversified officer corps for all services, we are also pleased to present the same information for the Army ROTC unit at WPI. The Army history begins on page 14.



***History of the College of the Holy Cross
Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Worcester State University
Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps Unit***

The Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps (NROTC) Program was established in 1926 to provide a broad base of citizens knowledgeable in the arts and sciences of Naval Warfare. The program provided an opportunity for young men to undertake careers in the naval profession.

In May 1941, as war loomed, the College of the Holy Cross was selected to participate in the expansion of the NROTC program. Captain C. Julian Wheeler and his staff began the task of molding 115 freshmen into naval officers of a caliber comparable to those from the Naval Academy.

Just over seven months later, the United States was thrust into World War II after the attack on Pearl Harbor. As a result, efforts to move students as quickly as possible through officer training while maintaining high standards became even more imperative. In addition, new officer programs were developed, and, on July 1, 1943, Holy Cross hosted a unit of the Navy's "V-12 Program" designed to commission line officers and specialists in three years.

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History of the Unit

Practically the entire student body of the College, including NROTC cadets (now midshipmen), was enrolled in this program. Enrollees served on active duty as apprentice seamen and received \$50 per month which was quickly spent on war bonds, insurance, cleaning, laundry and other expenses. The first year's quota of 621 students counted 300 in the "basic" course, 133 in pre-med and 188 in the NROTC Unit. All operated under a rigid schedule with personnel inspections before each meal and weekend "liberty" dependent on academic and military performance.

In January 1944, the need for new officers grew more urgent and the Navy ordered immediate commissioning, in early 1945, of all senior NROTC students. On July 1, 1946, the V-12 program was ended after commissioning as naval officers 313 men from 5 classes. These included at least one member who achieved flag rank, i.e., Rear Admiral Owen Oberg, USN.

During World War II, two members of the Holy Cross community were awarded the Medal of Honor. 1st Lieutenant John V. Power, USMC received the award posthumously for heroic actions in the Battle of Namar Island, Kwajalein Atoll, Marshall Islands on February 1, 1944.

Father Joseph T. O'Callahan was cited for heroism as a naval chaplain on the carrier *USS Franklin* on March 19, 1945. Father O'Callahan was the first Navy chaplain to receive the Medal which presented to him in 1946 by President Harry S Truman. "Father Joe" returned to Holy Cross after the war and continued to teach.

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On board the **USS Franklin**: Father O'Callahan praying for YN3 Bob Blanchard, 19 Mar 1945

*Remembering
Colonel Irwing J. Yarock, Inf. USI (Ret.)
A friend of the Unit*

*Remembering
Russ Keene, Holy Cross USN
Class of 1963*

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE O'CALLAHAN SOCIETY
FOR SELECTING SUCH A DISTINGUISHED HONOREE

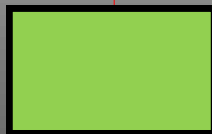
AND

CONGRATULATIONS TO

FR. JOHN E. BROOKS, S.J.

FOR HIS DISTINGUISHED CAREER AS
TEACHER, PRESIDENT AND FRIEND

Andrew J. Simons, HC 1960
LTJG, USNR (Long Retired!)
Vice Dean Emeritus
St. John's University School of Law
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Jamaica, NY 11439
simonsa@stjohns.edu



History of the Unit

He died on the 19th anniversary of the attack on the *Franklin*, i.e., March 19, 1964 and is buried in the small Jesuit cemetery at the College.

After World War II, the NROTC program continued and evolved into the "Holloway Plan" passed by Congress in 1946. The Plan was designed to provide the Navy and Marine Corps with a source of officers to complement those from the U.S. Naval Academy. It enrolled midshipmen ("Regulars") who attended the College with Navy scholarships and received commissions as Ensigns, United States Navy.

It also provided for non-scholarship midshipmen ("contract students") who received commissions as Ensigns, United States Naval Reserves or Second Lieutenants, United States Marine Corps Reserve.

In the 1950s and early 60s, the Unit continued to commission an average of 40 officers a year who received four years training in ordnance, gunnery, electrical and steam engineering, navigation and similar subjects deemed essential for the basic education of a naval officer.

However, as the nation entered the Vietnam War, the Holy Cross NROTC Unit came under attack not only from external critics but from within the College itself.

In the Fall of 1970 debates regarding the program raged on campus. The Unit's Commanding Officer, Captain Harry R. Moore, USN urged NROTC proponents to conduct themselves with "self-possession, reason and restraint". This attitude prevailed and "rhetorical emotionalism" was left to the Unit's opponents. In the end, the Student Faculty Senate voted to retain the Navy and Air Force officer training programs.

The controversy regarding the NROTC did perform a useful function by highlighting deficiencies in the program's curriculum. As a result, changes were made to improve the quality of content and instruction. Midshipmen officers, for example, were challenged to learn leadership skills not only in traditional ways but also those involving the campus and civic community in which the Unit resides. This expanded focus is evident today in such events as the "Annual Apheresis Drive" conducted within the Unit to aid local hospitals.

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History of the Unit

By the time the Vietnam Era ended, Holy Cross had the distinction of being the only liberal arts college in New England to retain a Naval ROTC Unit. Until the very recent expansion of NROTC units, it was, to the best of our knowledge, one of the few, perhaps the only, small private liberal arts college in the country to educate young men and women for service in the United States Navy and Marine Corps.

The Vietnam War also saw the third member of the Holy Cross/Navy family receive the Medal of Honor. Then Lieutenant Thomas Kelley, Class of 1960 and OCS graduate, was awarded the Medal for his actions in extricating his riverboat flotilla from an ambush on June 15, 1969.

Although Lieutenant Kelley, now Captain Kelley, USN (Ret.), suffered severe head wounds early in the ambush, he continued to exercise effective command until all his boats and crews had reached relative safety. Captain Kelley resides in Massachusetts and serves the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as Secretary of the Department of Veterans Services.

During the 1970s and 80s, the Unit continued to evolve. In 1976, 2nd Lieutenant Kelley J. McAvoy became the first woman in the United States to graduate from the NROTC "Marine Option" program; she was also the first woman commissioned from the Holy Cross NROTC Program.

In the same year, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Worcester State College (now Worcester State University) and Holy Cross formed a consortium to allow students from each school to become members of the NROTC Unit and receive commissions as Ensigns in the United States Navy or Second Lieutenants in the United States Marine Corps. In 1980, Ensign Thomas E. Repanier, USN, a graduate of WPI, became the first student to be commissioned through the consortium. In recent years, Clark University, Assumption College and Central New England College have participated in the consortium.

Today, with 70 years service to the nation, and the Navy Department, Worcester's Naval ROTC Unit graduates young women and men who are not only well educated in the skills needed to be fine officers - they are also educated in the values needed to be fine citizens of the country and the world. They embody the Navy's core values of

Honor, Courage and Commitment

In Memoriam

Lieutenant (Junior Grade) Mark R. Caldwell, US Navy

Clark University/NROTC Holy Cross 1981

Lost on active duty, 24 November 1983, VR-24

"Rest well my friend, your duty done"

CAPT Steve Greene, USN (Ret.) '81



*History of AFROTC Detachment 340,
Worcester Polytechnic Institute*



(US AFROTC Detachment 340, WPI)

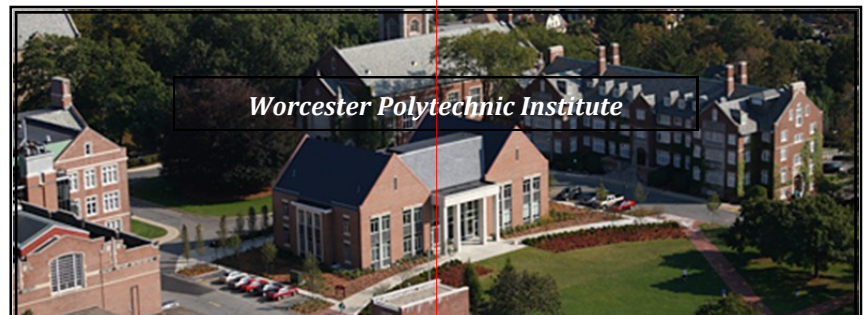
The National Defense Act of 1916 established ROTC. The U.S. Army activated the first Air Service ROTC units in 1920, and by 1923 seven Air Service ROTC units had been established. After World War II, Air Service ROTC units were organized at 78 colleges and universities throughout the nation. With the birth of the Air Force in 1947, these units were converted to AFROTC units.

In April 1951, AFROTC Detachment 340 was established in Worcester, Massachusetts at the College of the Holy Cross as part of the then fledgling AFROTC program. Detachment 340 was one of 62 detachments activated that year.

October 1951 saw 267 freshmen chosen from more than 450 applicants to represent the first class of the newly established AFROTC unit. The



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History of AFROTC Detachment 340

first commander of Detachment 340 was Col James T. Murray who is the namesake of the Arnold Air Society Squadron. In November of this same year, the color guard was formed. The subsequent November produced the first joint (Air Force/Navy) military ball held at the Holy Cross field house.

In 1952, Air University assumed responsibility for the AFROTC program that consisted of four-year programs at 188 academic institutions.

In December 1956, top cadets (Category 1) were introduced to flying in their senior year through pilot training programs, resulting in the issuance of a private pilot's license.

An experimental program to commission women through AFROTC was first conducted from 1956 to 1960. After eight more years of male-only AFROTC, women were again allowed to enroll in the senior program in 1969 and into the junior program four years later. Detachment 340 enrolled its first two female cadets in 1972. Since then, the number of women in Detachment 340 has increased steadily and their presence has contributed greatly to the success of the program.

The 1960s continued to generate a number of changes to Detachment 340. In October 1962, it had the largest corps of cadets in its history with 247 registered cadets, representing the fourth largest enrollment in the nation that year. In January 1963, Cadet Richard D. Brown was awarded the Legion of Valor Bronze Cross of Achievement. This was the highest award given in AFROTC at the time and was presented by a group of Medal of Honor recipients.

One major transformation to the entire AFROTC program was the implementation of President Lyndon B. Johnson's ROTC Vitalization Act in 1964. This Act permitted the Air Force to award college scholarships. In July 1965, as a direct result of this act, six cadets received full tuition scholarships totaling \$1975.

1972 saw the first official dining-in being held as well as the initial Commissioning ceremony. In 1973, the College of the Holy Cross became a member of the Worcester Consortium. This allowed students from nine other colleges in the Consortium to participate in AFROTC. Throughout the 1980's, the Detachment continued to flourish and in November 1992 it earned its 2nd consecutive Air Force Organizational Excellence Award, becoming the first unit in the nation to receive successive awards.

*In tribute to
Rev. John E. Brooks, S.J.*

and

Capt. Harry Moore, USN

and graduates of the

Holy Cross NROTC Unit

J. Kenneth Poggenburg, Jr. Holy Cross '56

In Thanksgiving to

Holy Cross NROTC

'Serving God and Country'

Father Rich Burton

Class of 1981

I believe the combination of a Holy Cross education and NROTC leadership training subsequently will provide an individual with what is necessary for a successful life in the military and beyond.

Best Wishes

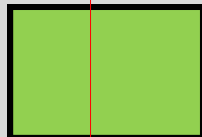
CAPT John J. Smith, USNR - Ret. Class of 1964

Thank You Father Brooks

*In Memory of
Captain Harry R. Moore, USN*

*Congratulations to the
NROTC Class of 2012*

*Captain Brendan J. O'Donnell, USN (Ret.)
Class of 1971*



History of AFROTC Detachment 340

The most recent major change for Detachment 340 occurred in the spring of 1990. It was then that Detachment 340 transferred from Holy Cross over to Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

Today, AFROTC is under the supervision of the Air Education and Training Command, and holds a mission to develop quality leaders for the Air Force. The senior program is conducted at 144 institutions throughout the continental US, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico.

Also, students from colleges located near these host AFROTC institutions can attend AFROTC classes through approximately 1000 cross-town enrollment programs or consortium agreements. Additionally, Air Force Junior ROTC (AFJROTC) programs provide citizenship training and an aerospace education program at 869 secondary high schools throughout the nation and at selective US dependent schools in Europe and Guam.

The senior program provides professional training for university students who desire to be Air Force officers. In a partnership arrangement, the university educates the students and grants them a degree; the AFROTC detachment ensures students have the knowledge and the capability to apply their degree within the Air Force.

Since Detachment 340 began, there have been more than 600 Air Force officers trained and commissioned. The current enrollment this year is 63 cadets from schools throughout the Worcester Consortium.



O'Callahan Society

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*History of Army ROTC 'Bay State Battalion'
Worcester Polytechnic Institute*



The United States Army ROTC as we know it today dates from the National Defense Act of 1916. World War I prevented the full development of civilian educators and military professionals working together. At the conclusion of WWI, the program was fully implemented on college campuses. The success of this effort was demonstrated in WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Desert Storm, and recently Afghanistan and Iraq. In 1964, the ROTC Vitalization Act improved the program by adding scholarships and expanding Junior ROTC opportunities. Women joined the program in 1972.

The first attempt at organizing a military unit on the WPI campus was in 1870 when a group of students founded a company known as the Salisbury Guard. It was not until the late spring of 1918, a full year after America cast its lot with the Allies, that the War Department developed plans for the Student Army Training Corps (SATC) to go into effect in the fall. The formal opening of the program at WPI took place on 10 October 1918.

With the advent of the Korean Conflict in June 1950, WPI again decided to participate in a military program. The trustees made application to the Department of the Army on 20 November 1950 for a Senior Division Reserve Officer's Training Corps Unit. Orders activating the first Army ROTC unit in the history of the college were issued by the Department of the Army on 6 February 1951. The unit started functioning on 1 April 1951 in order to prepare for its first academic year of 1951-1952.

Today, WPI's Army ROTC offers officer training for students from the Worcester Consortium, Fitchburg State, and the University of Massachusetts at Lowell. Although a mandatory course for all males in the 1960s, ROTC is now a completely voluntary activity taken as a series of electives

With Thanks

for

Father O'Callahan

and

Admiral Holloway

Ed Dilworth

NROTC Class of '54

Donald Fitzpatrick
Captain, United States Navy (Ret.)
O'Callahan Society Member
O'Callahan Society Executive Committee Member
NROTC Instructor 1961—1964

THE O'Callahan Society

WELL DONE

Best Wishes
Anthony J. Monteleone '57
CAPT - USNR - R
Monteleone & Monteleone, Esq.
Mount Kisco, New York

Compliments of
Commander William A. Dempsey, U.S.N.R. (Ret.)
Holy Cross, Class of 1963



History of Army ROTC 'Bay State Battalion' Worcester Polytechnic Institute

beyond the normal course of study. Army ROTC in the Bay State Battalion prepares college students for bright futures as officers in the US Army, and provides commissions for the Regular Army, the Army Reserve, and National Guard. ROTC enhances the full-time college curriculum of each cadet with training in the military sciences, building leadership skills sought after in the civilian workforce.



Why We Honor Them - The Outcome (continued)

The 2011 strengths the ROTC units serving Worcester are given on the following page.

The staff members for each unit for 2011 are shown as follows:

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Army - Page 22

Air Force - Page 23

The roster of Commanding Officers for the NROTC Unit at the College of the Holy Cross from its establishment to the present is shown on page 20.

The NROTC Midshipmen Battalion in 2011

Currently, NROTC Unit strength stands at 65 midshipmen:

Class	Holy Cross	WPI	WSU	Total
2012	7	5	4	16
2013	9	8	1	18
2014	6	8	3	17
2015	8	4	2	14
Totals	30	25	10	65

GOD BLESS THE MIDS AND CADETS

CDR Paul F. Quinn, USN (RET)

Class of '72

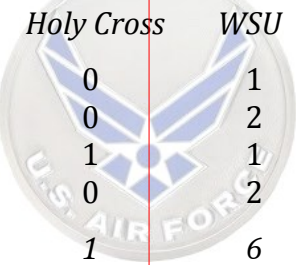
U.S. Navy 1972-1992

Senior Naval Science Instructor, Curtis HS, Staten Island, NY 1992-2005

Secretary, USS THE SULLIVANS (DDG 68) Foundation

THANK YOU, CAPT MOORE

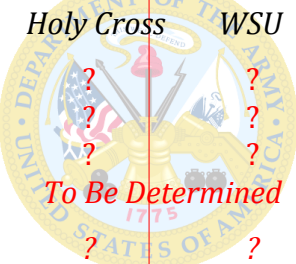
Air Force ROTC Detachment 340 Strength in 2011



Class	WPI	Holy Cross	WSU	Other	Total
2012	7	0	1	2	10
2013	9	0	2	1	12
2014	12	1	1	9	23
2015	12	0	2	3	17
Totals	40	1	6	15	62

The Detachment 340 Consortium is shown elsewhere in this book

Army ROTC Bay State Battalion in 2011



Class	WPI	Holy Cross	WSU	Other	Total
2012	2	?	?	12	14
2013	7	?	?	11	18
2014	11	?	?	17	28
2015	<i>To Be Determined</i>				
Totals	20	?	?	40	60

The Army ROTC Consortium is shown elsewhere in this book

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Complements of

Frank Fanning, Class of 1963

Lieutenant, USNR (Ret.)

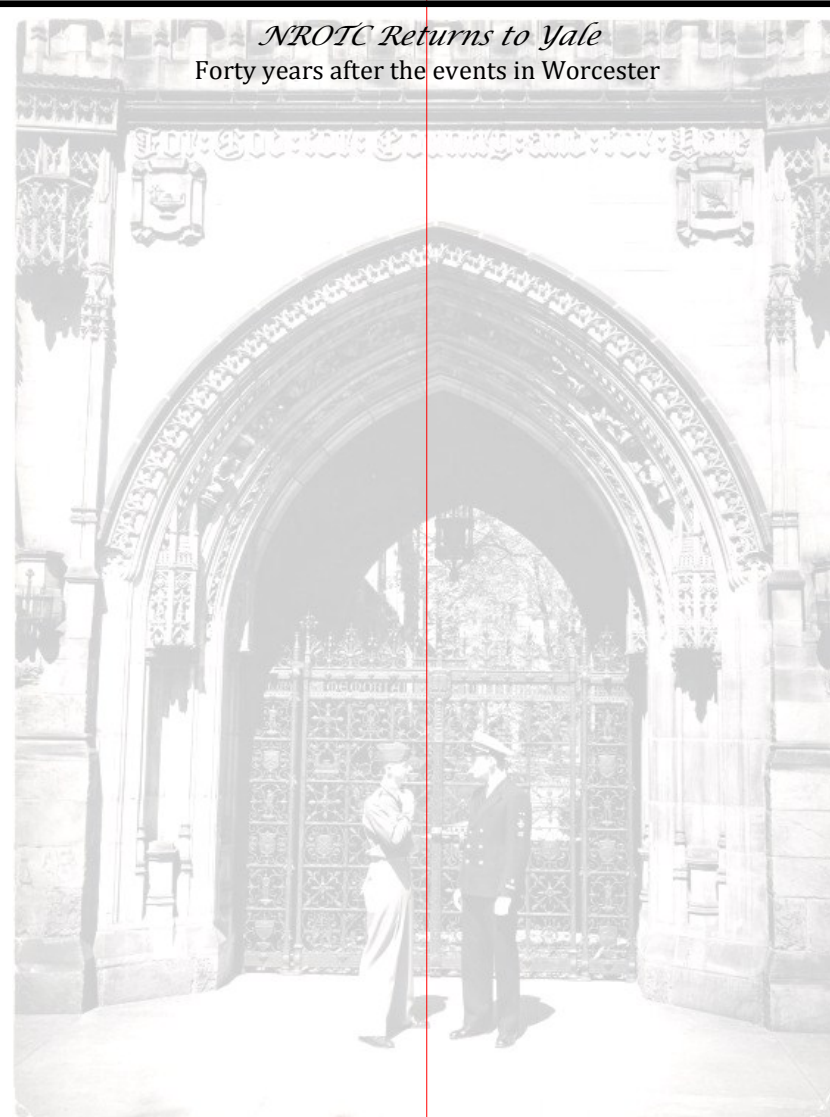
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Congratulations to the Holy Cross NROTC Unit on its 70th anniversary

*Captain Kevin M. Healy, USN (Ret.)
Holy Cross, Class of 1960*

and Mrs. Healy

NROTC Returns to Yale
Forty years after the events in Worcester





*Recipients of the Medal of Honor
The College of the Holy Cross*

Lieutenant Commander Joseph T. O'Callahan, Navy Chaplain Corps,

U.S.N.R. Holy Cross Professor

Lieutenant Thomas S. Kelly, U.S.N

Holy Cross, Class of 1960

1st Lieutenant John D. Power, U.S.M.C.R

*Holy Cross, Class of 1941**



*Recipients of the Navy Cross from
The College of the Holy Cross
and Worcester Polytechnic Institute*

Lieutenant Commander Edward R. J. Griffin, U.S.N

Holy Cross, Class of 1918

Lieutenant Willard T. Gove, U.S.N.R

W.P.I., Class of 1940

Lieutenant Edward W. Parlin, Jr., U.S.N.R

Holy Cross, Class of 1941

2nd Lieutenant Martin J. O'Brien, U.S.M.C.R

*Holy Cross, Class of 1941**

** awarded posthumously*

**United State Marine Corps
In Memory of A Fallen Marine
Lt. James F. McGoey**

**College of the Holy Cross - Class of 1949
Killed in Action - Korea - September 2, 1951**

**"When you go home
Tell them for us and say
For your tomorrow
We gave our today"**

**Presented to Holy Cross
in honor of his memory
by his fellow officers of the
First Special Basic Class
Quantico, Virginia - 1950**

**(Plaque in O'Callahan Room, NROTC Unit,
Carlin Hall, Holy Cross, Worcester, Massachusetts)**

**Don
Croft**

SEPTEMBER 11, 2001

Power USMC



"In memory of
LTJG Frank J. Malinski, USN
Class of 1961

Battalion Commander NROTC 1960-61
Perished on the submarine
USS Thresher (SSN-593)
on April 10, 1963

Donated by his NROTC classmates June 8, 1991"

(Plaque in O'Callahan Room, NROTC Unit,
Carlin Hall, Holy Cross, Worcester, Massachusetts)



Holy Cross NROTC Unit Recipients of the Silver Star

*Captain Anthony A. Alstin, USMC
2nd Lieutenant Thomas J. Albergini, USMCR
Lieutenant (JG) John P. Connors, USN*

*Captain Michael P. Downs, USMC
Private First Class George J. Fox, USMCR
1st Lieutenant Robert A. Herron, USMCR*

*Lieutenant (JG) Robert P. Hickey, Jr., USN
2nd Lieutenant William K. Joyce, Jr., USMCR
1st Lieutenant James J. F. McJoy, USMCR*



*Lieutenant (JG) John E. McInerney, Jr., USNR
Lieutenant (JG) Edmund P. McNamara, USNR
1st Lieutenant Robert S. Morrison, USMC*

*1st Lieutenant Paul D. Mullaney, USMC
Captain Philip J. Mylod, USMCR
Colonel Robert E. Parrott, USMC*

*2nd Lieutenant Richard D. Porrello, USMC
1st Lieutenant Timothy J. Shorten, USMCR
1st Lieutenant Silas J. Titus, USMCR*

** awarded posthumously*

Unit Commanding Officers: 1941 to Present

1941 to 1942: Captain Julian C. Wheeler, USN

1942 to 1944?: Captain Guy E. Davis, USN*

1944? to 1945: Captain Frederick C. Sachse, USN*

1945 to 1947: Captain Emory P. Hylant, USN

1947 to 1950: Captain Edward J. Burke, USN

1950 to 1955: Captain John A. Glick, USN

1955 to 1958: Captain Harry H. McIlhenny, USN

1958 to 1960: Captain Prentis K. Will, USN

1960 to 1962: Captain Charles W. Kinsella, USN

1962 to 1965: Captain Paul C. Rooney, USN

1965 to 1970: Captain Edward F. Hayes, USN

1970 to 1972: Captain Harry R. Moore, USN

1972 to 1975: Captain Richard A. Schnorf, USN

1975 to 1978: Captain Thomas R. Overdoff, USN

1978 to 1981: Captain John R. Wheeler, USN

1981 to 1985: Captain Edward F. Jardine, USN

1985 to 1989: Captain R.S. Badgett, USN

1989 to 1991: Captain Bernard L. Patterson III, USN

1991 to 1994: Captain Tim Winters, USN

1994 to 1998: Captain William S. Boniface, USN

1998 to 2001: Captain Daniel J. Brennock, USN

2001 to 2003: Captain Terence P. Labrecque, USN

2003 to 2005: Captain Gerald K. Stair, USN

2005 to 2009: Captain Robert McNaught, USN

2009 to 2010: Commander John Bishop, USN

(Acting Commanding Officer)

2010 to present: Captain Ronald Harrell, USN

* records indicate that there may have been an Acting CO during this period

Executive Committee of the O'Callahan NROTC Society (December 31, 2010)

CDR William A. Dempsey, USNR (Ret), Chairman, Holy Cross

CAPT John T. Nugent, USNR (Ret), Vice Chairman, Holy Cross

Thomas O'Keefe, USAF, Treasurer, Holy Cross

Mr. Lester Paquin, Secretary

Mr. James Delehaunty, USN, Holy Cross

CAPT Donald Fitzpatrick, USN (Ret)

CAPT Richard J. Walsh, USNR (Ret), Holy Cross

CDR John Tata, USNR (Ret.), WPI

Master Sergeant Alan Jackson USA (Ret.), WSU

Executive Committee of the O'Callahan NROTC Society (Changes as of August 2011)

At its meeting on August 9, 2011, the Executive Committee accepted, with regrets, the resignation of Jack Nugent as Vice Chairman. Jack's responsibilities in his community work and as a Deacon of the Church preclude

NROTC Staff 2011

***Captain Ronald L. Harrell, USN
Commanding Officer***

***Commander James O. Godwin, USN
Executive Officer***

***Lieutenant Mary Crabbe, USN
Naval Science Instructor***

***Lieutenant Austin Rasbach, USN
Naval Science Instructor***

***Lt James Lee, USN
Naval Science Instructor***

***Captain Chris Reinke, USMC
Marine Officer Instructor***

***GySgt (Sel) Steve Youngs, USMC
Assistant Marine Officer Instructor***

***SKC/SW Dominic Dilorenzo, USN (Ret.)
Supply Officer***

CDR John Bishop, USN (Ret.)

***Ms. Cindy Hayes
College Secretary***

Army ROTC: Bay State Battalion Staff 2011

Lieutenant Colonel **Ciro Stefano, USA**
Professor of Military Science

Major **Joseph Tryon, USA**
Executive Officer

Major **Kazim Mohammed, USA**
Enrollment Officer

Master Sergeant **Javier Montanez, USA**
Senior Military Instructor

Captain **Ted Painter, USA**
Assistant Professor / Operations Officer

Sergeant First Class **Louis Ruiz, USA**
Assistant Professor / Operations NCO

Lieutenant Colonel **Fedencia Pagaduan, USA**
Assistant Professor - FSC Liaison

Sergeant First Class **Eric Hennings, USA**
Assistant Professor - FSC Liaison

Sergeant First Class **David Wallace, USA**
Assistant Professor - UML Liaison

Phillip Cyr, Civilian
Supply Tech

Evelyn LaCroix, Civilian
Human Resource Technician

Brenda May, Civilian
UML Human Resource Technician

Kim Richardson, Civilian
Administrative Assistant

Connecticut Veterans Hall of Fame

The O'Callahan Society is pleased to recognize an honor bestowed last year on one of its founding members, Captain William McGurk, USNR (Ret.), College of the Holy Cross, NROTC, Class of 1963. Bill is the former President and CEO of the Rockville Bank, South Windsor, Connecticut and is an active civic volunteer.

In a ceremony held in Hartford on November 2010, Bill, together with nine other veterans from the State of Connecticut, was inducted into the Connecticut Veterans Hall of Fame.

The Hall of Fame was created in 2005 *"to pay ... tribute to men and women from Connecticut who have served our nation with distinction in the military and ... returned home to enrich their communities and state through distinguished careers and years of public service."* Governor M. Jodi Rell, November 22, 2010

***Bill - Well Deserved, and,
Bravo Zulu***



"Bravo Zulu"

...originates from the Allied Signals Book (ATP 1), which in the aggregate is for official use only. Signals are sent as letters and/or numbers, which have meanings by themselves sometimes or in certain combinations.

A single table in ATP 1 is called "governing groups," that is, the entire signal that follows the governing group is to be performed according to the "governor." The letter "B" indicates this table, and the second letter (A through Z) gives more specific information.

For example, "BA" might mean "You have permission to . . . (do whatever the rest of the flashing light, flag hoist or radio transmission says) "BZ" happens to be the last item in the governing groups table. It means "well done".

From: <http://www.navy.mil/navydata/questions/bzulu.html>, September 2011

KEVIN J. COLLINS '61

USAF

*Any man
Who may be asked in this century
What he did to make his life
Worthwhile...
Can respond with a
Good deal
of
Pride and Satisfaction,
"I served in the United States Navy."*

*President John F. Kennedy, August 1, 1963
United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland*

*Best Wishes,
Captain William J. McGurk
USNR (Ret)
Class of 1963*



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Air Force ROTC Staff 2011

*Lieutenant Colonel Cynthia A. Provost, USAF
Commander and Professor of Aerospace Studies*

*Capt Jeremy T. Kruger, USAF
Operations Flight Commander*

*Capt Bryan R. Kaanta, USAF
Recruiting Flight Commander*

*Technical Sergeant Seymour M. Brookes, USAF
NCOIC, Personnel*

*Staff Sergeant Corey L. Taulton, USAF
NCOIC, Knowledge Operations Management*

*Mr. Ray A. Verrier
Program Assistant*

*To all who are serving or have served,
the O'Callahan Society says*

"Thank You"

June 14, 1775: United States Army

October 13, 1775: United States Navy

November 10, 1775: United States Marine Corps

August 4, 1790: United States Coast Guard

September 18, 1947: United States Air Force



*Saturday, October 2, 2010
O'Callahan NROTC Society
College of the Holy Cross*

Schedule of Events

10:00 AM

*Hogan Campus Center
Second Annual Meeting
O'Callahan NROTC Society*

1:00 PM

*Fitton Field
Football: Holy Cross vs. Fordham*

6:00 PM

*Hogan Campus Center
Tenth Annual Dinner*

Speaker:

*Commander Bernadette Semple, USN
Class of 1982*



Yale Veterans Association

celebrates the restoration of NROTC at Yale



and salutes our consortium partners at

College of the Holy Cross





***Colonel Philip J. Crowley, USAF (Ret.),
College of the Holy Cross, Class of 1973***

Philip J. "P.J." Crowley is the former United States Assistant Secretary of State for Public Affairs, serving from 2009 to 2011.

He was educated at the College of the Holy Cross, graduating with a B.A. in English in June 1973. He was a cadet in the USAF ROTC on campus while a student and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant upon graduation. During the Clinton administration, he was appointed Special Assistant to the President for national security affairs. Colonel Crowley retired from the Air Force in 1999.

In 2002, he joined the Center for American Progress as a senior fellow in 2003, later becoming the Center's director of national defense and homeland security.

Earlier this year, he was named the 2011-2012 recipient of the General Omar N. Bradley Chair in Strategic Leadership, a joint initiative among the United States Army War College, Dickinson College and the Pennsylvania State University – Dickinson School of Law.

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Why We Honor Them - The Men

Father Brooks' *Curriculum Vitae* is given below. His leadership with respect to the preservation of ROTC programs at Holy Cross is described on pages 28 and 29.

Captain Moore's CV begins on page 30.

Reverend John E. Brooks, S.J.

For 24 years, Reverend John E. Brooks, S.J., as President of the College of the Holy Cross, generated an enthusiasm and spirit among alumni, administrators, faculty and contributed significantly to the present strength and reputation of the College. Father Brooks retired as President on June 30, 1994, but remains at Holy Cross as President Emeritus.

An indefatigable worker and popular administrator, he visited alumni in 50 to 55 cities annually, articulating the College's mission and gaining generous and needed support for Holy Cross. In recent years, more than 50 percent of all Holy Cross alumni have contributed annually to the College - a distinguished record that places Holy Cross at the very forefront of private, undergraduate colleges in the United States. When Father Brooks took office in 1970, Holy Cross had an endowment of \$4 million. Today it is over **\$500** million.

Father Brooks' tenure as President was a period of many accomplishments *"including the College's transition to coeducation, an increase in the ... endowment, 23 years of balanced budgets, and the development of Holy Cross into a nationally recognized liberal arts institution of the highest reputation."* (*Holy Cross Website*)

Father Brooks grew up in the West Roxbury section of Boston and entered Holy Cross in 1942. Following Army service during World War II, he graduated in 1949 with a degree in physics.

He entered the New England Province of the Society of Jesus in 1950. After earning a Master of Arts degree in philosophy from Boston College in 1954, he returned to Holy Cross as an instructor in mathematics and physics. In 1956, he began his study of theology at Weston College and was ordained a priest in 1959 by the late Richard Cardinal Cushing of Boston.

Why we honor him: Captain Harry R. Moore, USN

the Air Force and Navy programs on campus would not have succeeded without Captain Moore.

At the O'Callahan Society's inaugural meeting in October 2009, he tells us *"...that the retention of the Holy Cross NROTC Unit was preserved primarily in those troubled days and weeks by the dedicated labor, attention to detail, compelling arguments, patience and persistence of Captain Moore. Without his dedicated commitment and hard work, there would be no NROTC Unit on the Holy Cross campus..."*.

Captain Moore's 'dedicated labor, attention to detail, compelling arguments, patience and persistence' did not go unnoticed and in June 1972 on the occasion of his retirement, Captain Moore received the Legion of Merit, presented by Father Brooks.

In retirement the captain obtained a law degree and practiced law in Bedford, Virginia until 2001 the year his wife Marcella died. Annually he shared the fruits of his hobby, beekeeping, with Father Brooks until he passed away in November 2007.



(June 1972, Father Brooks, President of the College of the Holy Cross presents the Legion of Merit to Captain Harry R. Moore, USN)



Why we honor him: Captain Harry R. Moore, USN

Captain Harry R. Moore, USN, entered the service in 1942 and advanced to the rank of Quartermaster Second Class while on duty in the South Pacific. In 1944, he entered the V-12 Program at the University of Notre Dame and was commissioned an Ensign the following year.

Captain Moore saw serve in the *USS Hambleton (DMS-20)*, *USS Hawk (AMS-17)*, *USS Tanger (AM-385)*, *USS Newport News (CA-148)*, *USS Midway (CVA-41)* and *USS Daniel Joy (DE-585)*.

In 1960, Captain Moore served as the Executive Officer of the Mine Warfare School; he then commanded Mine Division 85. In 1963, he graduated from the Naval Warfare Course at the Naval War College and in May 1965, assumed command of the *USS Purvis*, Newport and completed his tour at St. Raphael, France in February 1967.

Captain Moore was next assigned as Naval Attache and Naval Attache for Air to Pakistan. In May 1968, he reported as Chief Staff Officer, Mine Flotilla Three, Long Beach, California. In August 1968, he assumed duties as Flotilla Commander.

In July 1969, Captain Moore was assigned to Washington, DC as a Navy Action Officer and in August 1970 assumed his duties as Commanding Officer of the Holy Cross NROTC Unit. He assumed command as faculty and students efforts to remove both the Navy and Air Forces units from campus began to gain momentum; they reached their peak in 1971.

Many, especially Father Brooks, believe that Captain Moore's assignment to Holy Cross during this period was most fortunate. They give the Captain much of the credit for providing the leadership and example necessary to preserve the units on campus.

Father Brooks, in particular, believes that the effort to preserve

Reverend John E. Brooks, S.J. 2

In 1956, he began his study of theology at Weston College and was ordained a priest in 1959 by the late Richard Cardinal Cushing of Boston.

That year, Father Brooks earned a Master of Science degree in geophysics from Boston College. He next earned a Doctor of Sacred Theology degree from the Gregorian University in Rome in 1963.

That same year, he returned to Holy Cross as a faculty member in the Department of Religious Studies and was named department chair in 1964. In 1968, he became Academic Vice President and Dean of the College. Two years later, in 1970, he succeeded the Reverend Raymond J. Swords, S.J., whose ten year presidency was the longest at the College to that time. Father Brooks was the first president elected by a combination Jesuit - lay board of trustees. All previous presidents were elected by Jesuits.

He holds honorary degrees from St. Ambrose College, Davenport, Iowa, Anna Maria College, Paxton, Massachusetts, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Worcester, Massachusetts, Saint Anselm College, Manchester, New Hampshire and the University of New England, Biddeford, Maine. He has served on the Boards of Trustees of Spring Hill College, Mobile, Alabama, Canisius College, Buffalo, New York, Saint Peter's College, Jersey City, New Jersey, the College of the Holy Cross and Anna Maria College, Paxton, Massachusetts.

Father Brooks is a past president of the New England Colleges Fund, Inc. and past president of the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. He formerly served as chair of both the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities in Massachusetts and the Worcester Consortium for Higher Education.

In 2011, Father Brooks received the *Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam* Award from the New England Province of Jesuits during the 11th annual Jesuit Gala on April 12 at the Marriott Copley Place in Boston. The Province's AMDG award honors those who selflessly give of themselves for the greater glory of God.



Why we honor him: Father Brooks and the ROTC

In 1994 Fr Brooks authorized the Society's predecessor the Reverend Joseph T. O'Callahan NROTC Scholarship Committee. The mission of the committee like that of the Society is to support the viability of the NROTC program at the College.

In the 1980's during his tenure on the Air Force's ROTC policy committee he has always insisted that the officer corps should include among their numbers those well grounded in the liberal arts as well as technically educated officers

In 1970, following the US's invasion of Cambodia, passions were running against ROTC on campus well as the Vietnam War. By that time twenty four campus, many in the Northeast had expelled their ROTC programs.

Although the College had adopted a policy opposing the war, Fr Brooks led a process that examined role of the military in our society and ROTC on campus. This led to a campus wide vote that affirmed the Navy and Air Force programs. A condition of the vote was that the ROTC courses meet the same academic standards as all other courses. The condition was met by a vetting process conducted by the faculty. This process was completed in the spring of 1971.

During Fr Brooks' presidency several hundred ROTC students were commissioned as Navy, Marine Corps and Air Force officers. From their numbers over fifteen have risen to flag rank (Admiral or General), including retired Vice Admiral Bruce MacDonald '78

Why we honor him: Father Brooks and the ROTC

United States Navy Judge Advocate General. Dr. Mark T. Maybury '86 now serves as Chief Scientist of the Air Force.

Fr Brooks is also being honor for his closed association with his Jesuit mentor the Reverend Joseph T. O' Callahan S.J. Fr O' Callahan is the first Navy chaplain to receive the Medal of Honor for deeds aboard the USS Franklin in 1945 that saved it from sinking. Prior to entering the Society of Jesus Fr. Brooks served three years in the Army during World War II. (Please see back cover.)

Captain Harry R. Moore USN Award

***Presented to Reverend John E. Brooks, S.J.
President Emeritus, College of the Holy Cross***

***In recognition of his long service to and support of ROTC
at the College of the Holy Cross.***

At the beginning of his tenure as President of the College when many colleges and universities were banishing ROTC programs from their campuses Father Brooks led a collaborative process that not only retained these programs at the College but also strengthened them academically.

Always champion for liberal arts education for military officers, Father Brooks served on the Air Forces ROTC Advisory Committee of select college and university presidents. He also was instrumental forming a similar body for Navy ROTC.

In the final years of his presidency when there were concerns about the viability of the NROTC Unit, Father Brooks supported enhancement of the College's recruitment for the Unit. This led to the establishment of a committee that later became the O'Callahan Society. He continues to serve on the Society's governing Board.

By his outstanding leadership, judgment and service Father Brooks has made an enduring contribution to the College of the Holy Cross and the United States of America.

By the O'Callahan Society, September 17, 2011

CDR William A. Dempsey, USNR (Ret.), '63, Co-Chair

RADM William J. McCarthy, USN (Ret.), '76, Co-Chair



Members of NROTC Staff, December 1941
Front Row (L-R): LCDR C.W. Hamill, CAPT C. Julian Wheeler, LT. J.C. McGoughran. Back row (L-R): Chief Yeoman J.D. Redding, Chief Boatswain's Mate R.L. Wortham,





**Captain Harry R. Moore USN, Commanding Officer
and Professor of Naval Science, 1970 -1972**

In honoring Father Brooks, the O' Callahan Society also honors Captain Moore. When Father Brooks assumed his duties a President of the College in 1970, Captain Moore assumed his responsibilities at the NROTC Unit. This was a turbulent time across the country as well as on campus. Many ROTC programs were being banished from campuses, especially in the northeast.

Twenty-four years later on the occasion of Father Brooks' retirement from his presidency, Captain Richard Schnorf USN (Ret), the captain's successor, observed that the appointment of Captain Moore by the Navy was "a brilliant maneuver". He went on to say *"...Captain Moore was the ideal naval officer for the assignment...a scholar himself, Captain Moore, gained the confidence of Fr. Brooks, and these reasonable men carefully worked out the guidelines for a solution to the problem....the [NROTC] unit survived as a more viable unit than it had been...the only liberal arts NROTC Unit in the north-east was academically much stronger..."*

At the captain's retirement ceremony in 1972 Father Brooks presented to him the Legion of Merit (below). The citation, signed by Admiral Elmo Zumwalt, Chief of Naval Operations, read in part *"... Captain Moore was instrumental in completely reviewing and revising the entire NROTC curricula at the College of the Holy Cross. All existing courses were critically examined in order to ensure both ... academic and professional suitability and acceptability to the College of the Holy Cross and the United States Navy."*

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In 2009 in addressing the Society's inaugural meeting, Father Brooks spoke of his admiration for two naval officers, CDR Joseph T O'Callahan USN Chaplin Corps and Captain Moore. Father Brooks assured us *"...that the retention of the Holy Cross NROTC Unit was preserved primarily in those troubled days and weeks by the dedicated labor, attention to detail, compelling arguments, patience and persistence of Captain Moore. Without his dedicated commitment and hard work, there would be no NROTC Unit on the Holy Cross campus..."*

Worcester's NROTC Consortium

Established in 1941 to educate Holy Cross students to become Navy and Marine Corps officers, the NROTC Unit became a multi-campus unit in 1976 and now draws students from three of Worcester's institutions of higher learning, Holy Cross, WPI and WSU.



The United States Army ROTC as we know it today dates from the National Defense Act of 1916. World War I prevented the full development of civilian educators and military professionals working together. At the conclusion of WWI, the program was fully implemented on college campuses. The success of this effort was demonstrated in WWI, Korea, Vietnam, Desert Storm, and recently Afghanistan and Iraq. In 1964, the ROTC Vitalization Act improved the program by adding scholarships and expanding Junior ROTC opportunities. Women joined the program in 1972.

The first attempt at organizing a military unit on the WPI campus was in 1870 when a group of students founded a company known as the Salisbury Guard. It was not until the late spring of 1918, a full year after America cast its lot with the Allies, that the War Department developed plans for the Student Army Training Corps (SATC) to go into effect in the fall. The formal opening of the program at WPI took place on 10 October 1918. With the advent of the Korean Conflict in June 1950, WPI again decided to participate in a military program. The trustees made application to the Department of the Army on 20 November 1950 for a Senior Division Reserve Officer's Training Corps Unit. Orders activating the first Army ROTC unit in the history of the college were issued by the Department of the Army on 6 February 1951. The unit started functioning on 1 April 1951 in order to prepare for its first academic year of 1951-1952.

Today, WPI's Army ROTC offers officer training for students from the Worcester Consortium, Fitchburg State, and the University of Massachusetts at Lowell. Although a mandatory course for all males in the 1960s, ROTC is now a completely voluntary activity taken as a series of electives beyond the normal course of study. Army ROTC the Bay State Battalion prepares college students for bright futures as officers in the US Army, and provides commissions for the Regular Army, the Army Reserve, and the National Guard. ROTC enhances the full-time college curriculum of each cadet with training in the military sciences, building leadership skills sought after in the civilian

