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## O'CALLAHAN SOCIETY DINNER

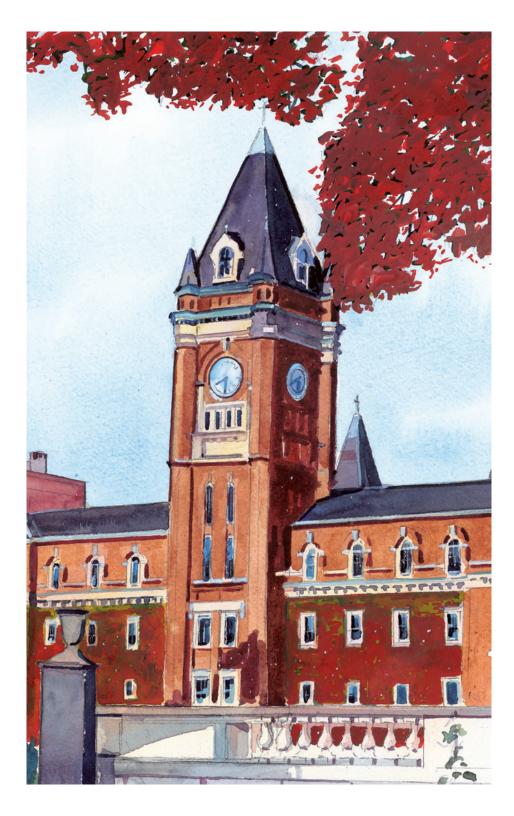
75th Anniversary of NROTC Celebration

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 24, 2016

HOGAN CAMPUS CENTER COLLEGE OF THE HOLY CROSS









CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF WASHINGTON, D.C. 20318-9999

24 September 2016

#### IN HONOR OF THE O'CALLAHAN SOCIETY AND THE 75<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF NROTC AT THE COLLEGE OF THE HOLY CROSS

As a former Marine Officer Instructor at the College, I know well the special place the late Father Joseph O'Callahan holds in the Holy Cross community. A Medal of Honor recipient and one of America's national treasures, his unwavering faith, selfless sense of patriotic duty, and courage in the face of demanding combat conditions, have inspired many who have followed in his footsteps—Joe Dunford included.

Father O'Callahan's story reminds us that the freedom we enjoy today has been earned by the courage, commitment, and sacrifice of Americans who have answered the call to serve since Lexington and Concord. We are fortunate to have inherited the traditions of American military leadership from those who have gone before us. The more important traditions are intangible—loyalty, trust, courage, self-sacrifice, and commitment. Those are the traditions that truly define our character.

To the midshipmen reading this message, even though we may have never met, I want you to know that I am confident in each of you and in your character. I join your NROTC staff and Holy Cross alumni in having every confidence that you will measure up to the future tasks at hand.

Congratulations to all of you on this important anniversary of the Battalion, representing 75 years of passing on our intangible traditions. Best wishes for a memorable and enjoyable observance.

Sincerely,

JOSEPH F. DUNFORD, JR. General, U.S. Marine Corps

## Chairman's Welcome BILL MCCARTHY '76



Dear Members, Friends, and Guests,

Welcome to the sixteenth annual O'Callahan Society Dinner! This year we are celebrating the 75th Anniversary of the establishment of the Naval ROTC program at the College of the Holy Cross. We are fortunate to have in our midst this evening two members of the first class, Ambassador J. William Middendorf and Mr. Edwin P. Meyer.

Over the years, we have been fortunate to welcome a number of distinguished flag and general officers as our speakers. Our guest of honor and speaker this evening is Vice Admiral Pete Daly, U.S. Navy (Retired). Vice Admiral Daly presently serves as the Chief Executive Officer of the U.S. Naval Institute, a non-profit organization dedicated to the professional development of the Sea Services. We are honored to have Vice Admiral Daly back to speak once again.

It is a special pleasure to welcome the Rev. Philip L. Boroughs, S.J., 32nd president of Holy Cross and a strong supporter of the NROTC Consortium. Father Boroughs has graciously agreed to offer this evening's invocation.

We are pleased to welcome Captain Mark Edwards as he takes the helm of the Holy Cross NROTC Consortium. Tonight the O'Callahan Society is pleased to welcome the new class of incoming midshipmen. We welcome each of you to the Navy/Marine Corps Family, we congratulate you on the successes that brought you here, and we thank you and your families for your willingness to serve our country.

We would also like to extend a special welcome to all past and present members of the armed forces and their families for the sacrifices they have made. We are honored you are joining us this evening.

Earlier today the Society held its annual meeting, where we reviewed the Society's activities over the last year and set the course for the coming year. The highlights of some of last year's projects are described elsewhere in this program. Afterwards, members and friends were hosted by the Midshipmen Battalion and Unit Staff at a pregame tailgate party in Carlin Quad outside the O'Callahan Wardroom.

As always, an evening such as this requires the work of a number of dedicated individuals. I would like to thank Lester Paquin, our MC this evening and a member of the Society ab initio; Tom Cadigan '02 in the Alumni Relations Office; Tom Parsons and his staff of Graphic Arts; LT Carrier of the Unit Staff and the Midshipmen Battalion Staff for their support.

Once again, I want to add a special thanks to Jim Delehaunty '67, the Executive Co-chair of the O'Callahan Society. Jim continues to be the driving force in all of the Society's accomplishments. To both Jim and his bride, Kathy, our heartfelt thanks for your lifelong dedication to Holy Cross!

Have a wonderful evening! Bill McCarthy '76, Co-chair

# Today's Events HOMECOMING AND DINNER PROGRAM

## Society Annual Meeting

9:30 a.m. Coffee 10:00 a.m. Meeting *Hogan Campus Center, Room 403* 

## NROTC Battalion Tailgate

11:00 a.m. Tailgate Carlin Quad

## Holy Cross v Dartmouth

1:00 p.m. Football Game *Fitton Field* 

## Society Annual Dinner

6:00 p.m. Reception Father Dunn Room 7:00 p.m. Patriotic Opening Hogan Campus Center, Ballroom 7:15 p.m. Dinner Hogan Campus Center, Ballroom

## **Evening Program**

Colors Ceremony/National Anthem

Invocation Rev. Philip L. Boroughs, S.J. President, College of the Holy Cross

Introduction Lester Paquin

Dinner

Keynote Speaker Vice Adm. Peter Daly '77, USN (Ret.) *CEO, U.S. Naval Institute* 

Benedication Rev. Robert L Keane, S.J. *Captain, CHC, USN (Ret)* 





#### 2015

VADM Bill Moran, USN Chief of Naval Personnel

### 2014

Admiral Michelle J. Howard, USN Vice Chief of Naval Operations

### 2013

Vice Admiral Barry Costello USN (Ret) Holy Cross '73 *Commander, Third Fleet* 

## 2012

RADM Garry J. Bonelli Deputy Commander, Naval Special Warfare Command

### 2011

Philip J. Crowley, COL, USAF (Ret.), Holy Cross '73 Former Assistant Secretary of State for Public Affairs

### 2010

CAPT Ronald Harrell, USN Professor of Naval Science, Commanding Officer, Holy Cross NROTC

### 2009

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

#### 2008

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

## Looking Back PAST SPEAKERS

### 2007

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

#### 2006

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

### 2005

RADM Louis Iasiello, CHC, USN Chief of Navy Chaplains

## 2004

Robert Kelly, CAPT, USCGR General Counsel, HawkEye Systems

## 2003

Jay O'Callahan, Holy Cross '60 *Renowned Storyteller* 

### 2002

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

### 2001

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



Peter Daly is the Chief Executive Officer of the United States Naval Institute. Comprising more than 50,000 members, the Institute has served for more than 140 years as an independent forum that fosters increased understanding of the sea services and their enduring contributions to the Nation.

Prior to accepting the CEO post in 2011, Vice Admiral Daly served as Deputy Commander and Chief of Staff, U.S. Fleet Forces Command. His Navy career, spanning more than 30 years, includes command of the destroyer USS *Russell* (DDG 59); Command of Destroyer Squadron 31; and Command of Carrier Strike Group 11 – *Nimitz* Strike Group. During each of these commands, he deployed to the 5th and 7th Fleet Areas of Responsibility – participating in Operation *Desert Strike* in 1996 in Russell and as Sea Combat Commander for the *Lincoln* Battle

Group in the Gulf immediately after the attack on USS *Cole* in 2000. As *Nimitz* Strike Group Commander in 2005, he led Task Forces 50, 152 and 58 in support of Operations *Enduring Freedom* and *Iraqi Freedom* and maritime intercept operations in the Arabian Gulf.

He is a 1977 graduate of the College of the Holy Cross (A.B. Economics), receiving a regular commission through the Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps program. He is proud to count his grandfather in the Holy Cross Class of 1916, father in the Class of 1943, and his son, John, in the Class of 2015.

## Keynote Speaker VICE ADMIRAL PETER DALY '77, USN (Ret.) CEO U.S. Naval Institute

## The NROTC at Holy Cross THE UNIT COMMANDER



Captain Edwards is a native of Lighthouse Point, Florida. In 1986 he graduated from the University of Oklahoma with a Bachelor of Arts in Russian Studies and was commissioned as an Ensign in May 1990. After commissioning he reported to Pensacola for Naval Flight School earning his Wings of Gold in April 1992. His first tour was with the Saberhawks of Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron LIGHT 47 at North Island, CA where he made three deployments to the Persian Gulf and the Pacific Ocean serving aboard the RODNEY M. DAVIS (FFG 60), PAUL F FOSTER (DD- 973), HMCS PROVIDER, and USS OLDENDORF (DD-972). Subsequent sea tours include Officer-in-Charge of helicopter detachments

aboard CONSTELLATION (CV-64) and STENNIS (CV-74) and Airboss aboard SHREVEPORT (LPD-12) making deployments to the Mediterranean and Red Seas in support of exercises BRIGHT STAR and INFINITE MOONLIGHT. During his tenure aboard the SHREVEPORT he earned his Officer of the Deck (Underway) and Command Duty Officer Qualifications.

Significant shore assignments include Helicopter Training Squadron EIGHT as Instructor pilot where he developed the Navy's first GPS IFR training procedures, OPNAV N5SC strategy office in the Pentagon as Action Officer where he rewrote the Navy's FAO program and served as the Navy focal point for the Chairman's Risk Assessment, Executive Fellow at the RAND Corporation where he participated in several studies for Project Air Force, RAND's National Security Research Division, and DoD staffs, and on the Executive Agent for Space Staff working directly for the Secretary of the Air Force responsible for orchestrating the Defense Space Council and Air Force-NASA-NRO Summits. And most recently as Afghan Hand Management Element Forward in Afghanistan, he was responsible for over 200 Soldiers, Sailors, Marines, Airman and civilians serving as direct advisors to Afghans across their Security Forces, ministries, and presidential offices for Operation RESOLUTE SUPPORT.

His command tours include command of the Boomers of Training Squadron TWENTY-SEVEN in Corpus Christi, TX from 2008-2009 conducting primary joint flight training to newly commissioned officers and the KUNAR Provisional Reconstruction Team in Asadabad, Afghanistan in 2010, a joint and interagency team in support of NATO'S ISAF and Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Captain Edwards holds Masters from Troy State University in International Relations and the Naval War College in National Security and Strategic Studies. Additionally,

while at the Naval War College he was selected to participate in the CNO's Halsey Group which war-gamed Navy anti-access strategies and capabilities.

In May 2016 he assumed command of Holy Cross NROTC Consortium that includes Worcester State University, Worcester Polytechnic Institute and Brown University.

Captain Edwards' personal awards include Defense Superior Service Medal, Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, four Navy/ Marine Corps Commendation Medals, Army Combat Action Badge and Navy Combat Action ribbon along with various unit and campaign awards. Additionally, he has flown over 4700 flight hours with more than 600 shipboard landings.

## 2016 NROTC FACULTY AND STAFF

Captain Mark Edwards USN Commanding Officer, Chair Naval Science

Commander Christopher Benjamin, USN Executive Officer

Captain Timothy Wrenn, USMC Marine Officer Instructor

Lieutenant Ryan Kelly, USN Surface Warfare Instructor

Lieutenant Christopher Johnson, USN Submarine Warfare Instructor

Lieutenant Colby Carrier, USN Aviation Warfare Instructor

SSgt Patrick DeForge, USMC Assistant Marine Office Instructor

Mr. John Bishop, Commander, USN, Ret Unit Human Resource Technician

Mr. Dominic Dilorenzo, Chief Petty Officer, USN, Ret Unit Supply Technician

Mrs. Cynthia Hayes College Secretary

# The NROTC at Holy Cross 2016 NROTC GRADUATES



#### **ENS Grant Brining, USN**

Groton, MA Worcester Polytechnic Institute Mechanical Engineering Submarines Charleston, SC

#### ENS Brendan Butler, USN

Weymouth, MA College of the Holy Cross Biology Surface Warfare USS Mesa Verde LPD-19 Norfolk, VA

### ENS Evan Farrell, USN

Congers, NY College of the Holy Cross Physics Submarines Charleston, SC

### ENS Jonathan Fitzgerald, USN

Gardenia, CA College of the Holy Cross Chinese Surface Warfare USS Kidd DDG-100 Everett, WA

## 2nd Lieutenant Kory Fitzpatrick, USMC

Auburn, MA Worcester State University Sociology Marine Ground Quantico, VA

#### ENS Lauren Hunt, USN

Kingston, MA Worcester Polytechnic University Mechanical Engineering Naval Flight Officer Pensacola, FL

# The NROTC at Holy Cross PAST NROTC UNIT COMMANDERS

CAPT Vernon Kemper, 2014-2016 CAPT Calvin Slocumb, 2013-2014 CAPT Ronald Harrell, 2010–2012 CAPT Robert McNaught, 2005-2009 CAPT Gerald K. Stair, 2003-2005 CAPT Terence P. Labrecque, 2001-2003 CAPT Daniel J. Brennock, 1998-2001 CAPT William S. Boniface, 1994–1998 CAPT Tim Winters, 1991–1994 CAPT Bernard L. Patterson III, 1989-1991 CAPT R.S. Badgett, 1985–1989 CAPT Edward F. Jardine, 1981–1985 CAPT John R. Wheeler, 1978-1981 CAPT Thomas R. Overdof, 1975–1978 CAPT Richard A. Schnorf, 1972–1975 CAPT Harry R. Moore, 1970–1972 CAPT Edward R. Hayes, 1965-1970 CAPT Paul C. Rooney, 1962–1965 CAPT Charles W. Kinsella, 1960–1962 CAPT Prentis K. Will, 1958–1960 CAPT Harry H. McIlhenny, 1955–1958 CAPT John A. Glick, 1950–1955 CAPT Edward J. Burke, 1947–1950 CAPT Emory P. Hylant, 1945–1947 CAPT Frederick C. Sachse, 1944-1945 CAPT Guy E. David, 1942-1944 CAPT Julian C. Wheeler, 1941-1942

## Rev. Joseph T. O'Callahan, S.J., 1905-1964 FATHER O'CALLAHAN AND USS FRANKLIN



In 1938 the Reverend Joseph T. O'Callahan, S.J. came to the College of the Holy Cross to chair the mathematics department. In the summer of 1940 with war raging in Europe, he was commissioned a lieutenant junior grade into the Chaplain Corps of the U.S. Navy, its first Jesuit chaplain. Upon reporting to Pensacola Naval Air Station in November, in addition to his chaplain duties, his duties included teaching calculus to young naval aviators. Later Father O'Callahan reported to the aircraft carrier USS RANGER and took part in combat operations in the Atlantic and the invasion of North Africa. In the spring of 1944, he was transferred west, eventually reporting to Pearl Harbor Naval Station in December.

On March 2, 1945, Lieutenant Commander O'Callahan boarded the aircraft carrier USS FRANKLIN to assume the duties of the senior chaplain

to more than 3000 Sailors, Marines, aviators and officers. In the early hours of the next morning, the ship weighed anchor for the western Pacific. On March 19, he and his shipmates stepped onto the pages of history.

While conducting combat air operations against the Japanese home islands, FRANKLIN was attacked by a single enemy aircraft. Its bombs set off conflagrations and explosions that were fueled by the carrier's stores of gasoline and munitions. The ship was ravaged for more than twenty-four hours, resulting in over a 1000 casualties including over 800 dead. If the fires and the detonations were not controlled, FRANKLIN would sink with greater loss of life.





From FRANKLIN's bridge, Captain Leslie Gehres observed Father O'Callahan moving about the chaos on the flight deck. The chaplain was easily recognized by his helmet, emblazoned with a white cross.

He was not only ministering to the injured and dying, he was also organizing, leading and inspiring his dazed and disoriented shipmates to fight the fires and jettison dangerous ordnance that had not yet detonated from the heat. At one point, after receiving a thumbs up from Father O'Callahan on the flight deck, the captain declared to his Marine orderly, "That's the bravest man I ever saw."

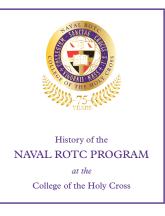
For his actions that helped save their ship, Captain Gehres recommended his chaplain for the Medal of Honor. When Father O'Callahan received the award from President Harry Truman in January 1946 he was Commander O'Callahan, the first Navy chaplain to receive that honor.

Father O'Callahan returned to the College to teach theology and philosophy. However, in a few years, the injuries that he suffered on that fateful day forced him to give up classroom teaching. Living on campus, he remained mentally active, serving as a mentor to young Jesuits and writing an account of his Navy service that was published in 1956.

Father O'Callahan died in 1964 at age 58. He was buried with military honors in the Jesuit cemetery. This is one of three places on campus where he is remembered. His headstone is different from the ones of his brother Jesuits. In addition to the traditional Jesuit Latin inscription it is also inscribed with the date and place of his heroic actions and its recognition in the Medal of Honor.



## 75 Years of NROTC at Holy Cross A HISTORY



To mark this anniversary, the O'Callahan Society has published *History of the College of the Holy Cross Naval ROTC Unit*. Although several Society members contributed to this four-month effort, Brendan O'Donnell '71 is its principal researcher and author. Without his dedication we would not have it. In addition to our members we received help from Sarah Campbell in the College's Special Collections and Archives office, Lisa Villa at CrossWorks, Tom Cadigan in Alumni Office, Paul Brennan former XO NROTC Unit, John Bishop Unit human resources and former Unit XO and Ensigns Evan Farrell '16 and Lauren Hunt WPI '16 on temporary assignment at the NROTC-Unit.

You can find this history in the O'Callahan Collection in CrossWorks, the College's digital repository. A limited number of the printed version is also available.

I am grateful for the work of this 75th Anniversary committee.

Sincerely,

Jim Delehaunty '67

O'Callahan Society Co-Chair





## Total commissioned 2371; Women commissioned 97

Holy Cross – 2048 includes 441 2nd LT's WPI – 240 since '78 WSU -54 since '84 Assumption -19 '76- '91 Clark -8 '81- '91 CNE – 2 '84- '91

### Milestones

| 1941        | July - Commanding Officer arrives on campus  |  |
|-------------|--|--|
|             | September - More than a quarter of freshmen, 115, enroll in NROTC  |  |
| 1943        | July - V-12 program established; 621 enlisted sailors arrive on campus/enroll in proscribed courses; over the 3 years WPI enrolled 609 in this program             |  |
| 1944        | February - 48 NROTC midshipmen graduate, are commissioned and ship out to the fleet  |  |
| 1951        | Air Force ROTC Detachment 340 established at Holy Cross  |  |
| 1959 & 1960 | 81 commissioned in each class, largest in Unit history   |  |
| 1966        | 13 Marines commission, largest in Unit history   |  |
| 1970        | Committee recommends phase out of ROTC; Faculty-Student<br>Assembly rejects recommendation in favor of review of ROTC<br>courses and activities; completed in 1971 |  |
| 1976        | First Holy Cross woman and first cross enrolled student commissioned   |  |
| 1978        | First two WPI students commissioned  |  |
| 1984        | First WSU student commissioned   |  |
| 1990        | Air Force ROTC detachment relocates to WPI   |  |
| 2011        | Navy agrees to return NROTC to Yale after 40 years; tasks<br>Commanding Officer to stand up Yale Unit  |  |
| 2015        | Brown reauthorizes NROTC for its students  |  |
| 2016        | Yale Unit detaches from Holy Cross; Brown student enrolls in Holy Cross NROTC program  |  |

Congratulations to the Holy Cross Naval ROTC Unit on its 75th Anniversary

Best Wishes to the Class of 2017



CAPT. Brendan J. O'Donnell, '71 USN (Ret.) Mrs. Barbara J. O'Donnell MAJ & Mrs. Brendan N. O'Donnell, USAF CDR & Mrs. Sean M. O'Donnell, USN MAJ & Mrs. Daniel J. O'Donnell, USA



## David Johnson '73

"In Memory of past, current and future Navy Divers"

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Thank You to the O'Callahan Society for your continued support of the Holy Cross Midshipmen.

Bill and Kelly Byrne P17



Congratulations to the O'Callahan Society for 75 years in memory of Rev. O'Callahan and also the many men and women that have followed by his example.

> Congratulations and Best of Luck to Midshipman Cruess and the class of 2017

In Memory of Lawrence J. (Larry) Celmer

> Captain of Marines Holy Cross Class of 1962

On March 18, 1967 in the Quang Ngai Province of Vietnam, Captain Celmer made the ultimate sacrifice of his life, for his God, his Country and his beloved Marine Corps. May he continue to rest in peace and always walk with God. Lest we forget.

Semper Fidelis, 1962 Holy Cross NROTC UNIT, AFROTC UNIT and Fellow Classmates

# To our Midshipmen:

Thank you for choosing to serve you are truly "men and women for others."

The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men (and women) to do nothing.

- Edmund Burke

~ Bill McCarthy '76 Rear Adm. U.S. Navy (ret)

Go Cross! In Memory of George J. Fox '40

> William L. Fox Jr. '70 William L. Fox III '99 Peter J. Fox '04

Congratulations HC NROTCU on 75 Years of Service to the United States

CAPT Gregory Hilton '87

In memory of our classmates

CPT John J. Burke, USMC February 5, 1968

LTJG Thomas E. Gilliam, USN August 22, 1967

> "Dulve bellum inexpertis" *Erasmus*

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Holy Cross, 1965 ROTC Unit William S. Thomas '65 God bless our Midshipmen Our active duty personnel Our veterans and GOD BLESS AMERICA



USS THE SULLIVANS DDG 68 Image courtesy of Lockheed Martin

"We stick together" — The fighting Sullivans

CDR Paul F. Quinn, USN (RET) Class of '72 Secretary, USS THE SULLIVANS (DDG 68) Foundation In Memory of Lt. Col. Louis C. Renaud USAF (Ret.) '41

In Honor of

James D. Goddard Sgt USMC '51

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LtCol Susan Goddard Dooley USMC (Ret) '81

## Thank You for your service!

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Bill Walsh '70 Jack Walsh '06

# Remembering

Lieutenant (JG) Russ Keene, United States Navy Holy Cross/NROTC, Class of 1963

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Bill Dempsey'63 USNR (Ret.)

In memory of Major Patrick L. Townsend

NROTC College of the Holy Cross 1977/1981 Founding Member of the O'Callahan Society



# Congratulations Holy Cross NROTC

## on

75 years of dedicated service to God and Country

Always standing Purple Strong and Purple Proud!



Best wishes, Michael J. O'Neil, HC '71 The Midshipmen of the College of the Holy Cross Crusader Battalion NROTC Unit

Request the pleasure of your company honoring

The 241st Navy and Marine Corps Birthday Ball Celebration

Friday, the Eleventh of November two thousand and sixteen six o' clock in the evening

at the Worcester DCU Center 50 Foster St, Worcester, MA 01608

If Interested Please Contact Ms. Cynthia Hayes chayes@holycross.edu (508)-793-2433 Military: Dinner Dress Blues/Blue Dress "A"s/Evening Dress Civilian: Black Tie \$60 for all Guests







In Memory of Rev. John E. Brooks, S.J. And with congratulations to graduates of the Holy Cross NROTC Unit

J. Kenneth Poggenburg, Jr. '56

Donald Fitzpatrick

Captain United States Navy (Ret.) O'Callahan Society Member O'Callahan Society Executive Committee Member NR OTC Instructor 1961-1964

If your dreams don't scare you, they are not enough... –Ellen Johnson Sirleaf

We are so proud of you! ~ Michael & Christine Carey P17

To the Memory of LT Joseph C. Zemaitis, USAF '51

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## Bob Zemaitis '52

## Welcome Back from Summer Cruise Congratulations, Class of 2017

In Memory of

Thomas M Delehaunty LTjg USNR Hellcat Pilot - 92 combat sorties with VF-46 Aboard USS Independence CV -22



Kath & Jim Delehaunty '67, P90



Major Burzak USMC (MOI '83-'85)

Thirty plus years on and counting... looking for a few good parties to become members of the O'Callahan Society

Join today... add your name to the Society's e-mail list by contacting us at ocallahan@holycross.edu.

Non sibi sed patriae

Semper Fidelis

## founded 1840 Sabutene THE O'CALLAHAN SOCIETY

Authorized by the late Rev. John Brooks, S.J., '49, the O'Callahan Committee was formed in 1994 to support the ROTC at the College. Among other things, the Committee sought donations to fund the recognition of student achievements and the activities that enhance their experiences as they prepare for commissions in the armed forces.

In 2009 the O'Callahan Society was formed under auspices of the College's Alumni Office. It's mission is "...to safeguard and advance the values and traditions associated with the Jesuit, liberal arts education tradition of military and naval officers and to support the continued viability of the NROTC program ..."To facilitate donations, the College and the Society established the O'Callahan Society Initiatives Fund at Holy Cross. Donations to the College and designated to the O'Callahan Fund support the NROTC Unit at the College.

# BEST WISHES TO THE BATTALION

Bob Riley '51 LCDR (SC), USN (ret)

## Bravo Zulu to the 75 Committee

| Tom Cadigan '02         | On Campus      |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| LT Colby Carrier        | On Campus      |
| Sue Dooley '81          | Seaside, CA    |
| Jim Holland '78         | Milton, MA     |
| ENS Lauren Hunt WPI '16 | On Campus      |
| Tom Kelley '60          | Somerville, MA |
| Bren O'Donnell '71      | Fairfax, VA    |
| Patrick O'Neil '05      | Southboro, MA  |
| Lester Paquin           | Barre, MA      |
| Karen Tsiantis '87      | Norfolk, VA    |

## For planning & executing this year's dinner Bill McCarthy '76 Jim Delehaunty '67 *Co-Chairs, O'Callahan Society*

## THE NAVY HYMN

The "Navy Hymn" is Eternal Father, Strong to Save. The original words were written as a poem in 1860 by William Whiting of Winchester, England, for a student who was about to sail for the United States. The melody, published in 1861, was composed by fellow Englishman, Rev. John Bacchus Dykes, an Episcopalian clergyman. The original words are:

> Verse 1: Eternal Father, strong to save, Whose arm hath bound the restless wave, Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep Its own appointed limits keep; Oh, hear us when we cry to Thee, For those in peril on the sea!

Verse 2: O Christ! Whose voice the waters heard And hushed their raging at Thy word, Who walked'st on the foaming deep, And calm amidst its rage didst sleep; Oh, hear us when we cry to Thee, For those in peril on the sea!

Verse 3: Most Holy Spirit! Who didst brood Upon the chaos dark and rude, And bid its angry tumult cease,And give, for wild confusion, peace;Oh, hear us when we cry to Thee, For those in peril on the sea!

Verse 4: O Trinity of love and power! Our brethren shield in danger's hour; From rock and tempest, fire and foe, Protect them wheresoe'er they go; Thus evermore shall rise to Thee Glad hymns of praise from land and sea.