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Golden Anniversaries are symbolized as five decades worth of success and achievement. 50 years is a landmark for any event, as it demonstrates how years of diligence and devotion can turn dreams into realities. The visions seen by those who began the undertaking of Sacred Heart University back in 1963, have flourished into an unbelievable account of accomplishments. This edition of the Prologue Yearbook is sealed in gold to represent the monumental milestone of Sacred Heart University’s past 50 years. The history of its making is found throughout the book, as the very beginnings of the school are inscribed, along with a taste of what SHU was like throughout its eventful years. Sacred Heart has withstood the changes of time, as the SHU community proudly carries on the traditions that were once set forth by those in 1963. Encompassing these traditions are especially shown in the opening of the University’s mission statement; “The University aims to assist in the development of people knowledgeable of self, rooted in faith, educated in mind, compassionate in heart, responsive to social and civic obligations, and able to respond to an ever-changing world.” Professors, staff, faculty and the Board of Trustees have remained true to Sacred Heart’s mission of upholding an institution of higher learning. Students have been taught the importance of their role as an individual, in not just a community, but within a global society. Sacred Heart has also given them the knowledge to achieve their own personal goals. These traditions, missions and successes have made this 50th Anniversary a special celebration for Sacred Heart University as a whole.

- Erin McGunnigle
Letter from the Editor:

It has been a pleasure to be the Editor-in-Chief for the last few years, and now a true honor to be given the opportunity to create the 50th Anniversary Edition of the Prologue Yearbook. This edition was created by the hard working and dedicated Assistant Editor, Ashliegh Betso and Photo Editor, Sean Elliott.

Being a senior and graduating in the 50th year of Sacred Heart University makes this experience even more special. In just four years of being a student at SHU, I have witnessed many changes, additions and expansions to the university. The campus has been transformed since I was led on my first tour of the school. We can all recall the construction that went on outside our freshmen residence halls, the upgrades of the dining halls, classrooms and corridors, and the building of Linda E. McMahon Commons. It is a whole other experience to then look back on 50 years of Sacred Heart and see how far this university has come. The memories of the university that are embedded in this book tie together the history of this establishment that eventually culminated into our final year as undergrad students. From an overall perspective, our time here at SHU has been relatively short. Yet our contributions will continue to impact future students just as those who established the initial vision of this school has had on us. This book highlights the memories we seniors have created in just a single year, while simultaneously giving us a glimpse of how far the university has come over the past 50 years.
During the next 50 years when you flip through these pages, I hope the memories from SHU arise within you and that the photos and articles will preserve your timeless college days forever. Remember the fun times you shared with your friends at your last Homecoming, the excitement of each Senior Pub Night, and how we tried to hold onto the fleeting moments of our last days as SHU undergrads during Senior Week.

Whether it was within the classroom, on the field, with your club or organization, on the Edgerton stage or with your fellow brothers and sisters in Greek Life, hold with you the accomplishments you’ve made at SHU. Keep your Pioneer pride alive in order to reach your goals. My wish for you is to apply the lessons you’ve learned from your professors and the faculty and staff in all aspects of your lives, that you become successful, but above all are happy with the choices you make and the lives you lead.

And wherever life may take you, always keep SHU in your heart.
Dedication:

This year, as is customary, the Student Government Senior Class board and the Yearbook staff collaborated to pick a person for the dedication. While there are so many individuals at Sacred Heart that are fantastic professors, administrators and supporting staff members, we are confident that the person we picked is truly deserving of the recognition this year.

When considering whom we wanted to honor today, it was important that this person be involved with the student body. He indeed exemplifies this characteristic, as nearly everyone knows him by name. He is a landmark on this campus, and can be seen stopping to talk to students up and down the hallways every day. His gentle words filled with wisdom are something that many students have enjoyed over the course of his time here. Even though he is in a position typically considered to be a more serious role, he is quick with wit and a joke to lighten the mood when necessary. He takes the time to understand the students here at Sacred Heart, and it shows through his ability to make us laugh and smile even when we aren’t feeling our greatest. Through his work, he is constantly trying to improve all of our lives.

From time being spent at basketball games or sitting here in the Edgerton during performances and other events, he is always present to support us.
Father Jerry Ryle

It is his continuous support that has made him such a welcoming portrayal of Sacred Heart and someone that many respect. Through his work in Campus Ministry, Father Jerry has truly become someone on this campus that we will miss dearly after this year. You are someone who has so much worth sharing to the world, and it shows through your words to all of us in private conversations and on Sundays. It is hard to believe you have been here for only five years, given you are so dearly loved by all and considered a foundation for Campus Ministry. While it is difficult to say today how the next director will approach the role, it is easy for us to say you will be truly missed by many after this year. As much as it is difficult to say good-bye, we accept you are making a choice that is ultimately for the best. It is for the reasons that we stated above and the many more personal experiences you’ve had with students and individuals alike on this campus, that we would be remiss if we didn’t honor you tonight. You have had an unmeasured impact on this university’s atmosphere.

Thank you for all that you do for all of us, Father Jerry!
Letter From 2014 Class President:

To President Petillo, the Board of Trustees, distinguished members of the faculty, I am truly honored to be standing here for the 50th Anniversary Commencement Ceremonies celebrating alongside a plethora of alumni, special guests, family members and friends who have gathered here today. Most of all, it is an honor to be here representing my peers, the Class of 2014.

50 Years ago, a group of individuals with like minds founded an institution. The institution was one in which lay people could continue to educate the nation’s young men and women utilizing the Catholic Intellectual Tradition. It was built upon commitment to excellence, pursuit of truth and knowledge and the promotion of the common good to society. Through the generations, we have truly strived to meet the ideals that we were originally founded upon. Sacred Heart University, as an institution, now dedicates 60,000 hours to the community: locally, nationally, and across the globe. That incredible accomplishment is due to our compassion, and the atmosphere Sacred Heart has cultivated throughout the past fifty years.

At Sacred Heart, we owe so much to those around us. Our time here is more than an education, and more than just a simple opportunity; it is an unforgettable experience. The faculty and staff here provide us with countless opportunities in and out of the classroom to expand our learning. A full education does not occur simply in the two hours we spend in each class. It occurs when professors bring us new ideas and outside opinions, guest speakers, and immerse us in the course materials as much as possible. Advising our extracurricular clubs and organizations, our professors and the administration has become a larger part of our experience here.

In the spirit of our 50th Anniversary and an example of how truly fortunate we are to have such an incredible atmosphere here at Sacred Heart, I want to tell a relatively unknown piece of our history known as Chubby. John “Chubby” Katona was a former employee of Sacred Heart. One of four people responsible for the maintenance on campus, Chubby was a Korean War Veteran who never married and lived not far from here. Every student knew Chubby, and knew him for his readiness to help with anything and everything that needed to be done. A quiet man, Chubby never sought out recognition for his deeds. During his time as a mere handyman, John anonymously aided at least twenty students by paying for their tuition to ensure they could continue their education and it is because of this I honor him today. Even though he didn’t have much wealth, it was his mission to do what he could to help others. Chubby represents what Sacred Heart aspires to be, and it is my belief that many of the members here continue to exemplify similar traits. We are a family dedicated to service, and dedicated to growing together through our learning.
Peter Brostowin

As I stand here, I would of course be remiss if I didn’t speak of traditions. In the past fifty years, events and traditions have come and gone. Time has truly changed our university, and it will continue to do so. From the time we were freshmen to now, our university has expanded its reach. New career opportunities and new buildings have emerged in an effort to allow us the best experience here. Campus continues to change, and it has been up to us to capitalize on it. Our arteries somehow managed to survive the couple years of Coyote Jack’s we had while it lasted and we outlasted the glory days of the Mahogany Room, but with these changes came the celebrated opening of Linda’s. Sacred Heart’s commitment to creating new tradition continues with the new construction of the John F. Welch College of Business, which my friends in the business program are assuredly upset they will not have the luxury of enjoying.

Today, however, we are pioneers ourselves, being the first class to walk across this stage here at the Webster Bank Arena. While our hearts remain on campus today, the two most dangerous phrases in the English language all of us here today must make sure to never accept as true are “if it ain’t broke, don’t fix it” and “we’ve always done it this way”.

We have the ability to enact change in our respective fields. We as an institution have crossed the country and the globe to aid others and improve the universal quality of life. While our undergraduate careers have come to a close, it is our charge, our duty to continue along the mission we undertook as students of Sacred Heart. Never stop. Be the change.

I implore my peers who don’t plan on continuing their education here next year: walk around campus before you leave. Not standing on campus field today, it is hard to tell when the truth will settle in. Say good-bye to the place we have called home together, and look back upon your time as you do so. You might be amazed at just how many particular events you remember and the friends you spent your days and nights with. Incredible memories have been forged at 5151 Park Avenue over the past fifty years, and you have been a part of that. As I end, I would like to quote the great John J. Petillo: “The Class of 2014 may be the best class yet”... I’m paraphrasing of course, but you catch my drift.

Congratulations friends, may the future lead us back home to Sacred Heart.
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The 3rd Annual Presidential Gala proved to be another great success! Hosted by President John J. Petillo, every student was greeted by the man himself. Some of the boys took the opportunity to sport their own bow-ties as the attire was "dress to impress." The Billy Joel cover band, "Big Shot" kept the crowd dancing into the night. All enjoyed the delicious food and had an overall fun-filled night with their friends.
From alumni and staff, to families and students, our Sacred Heart community came together to celebrate Homecoming. All enjoyed the annual festivities Sacred Heart had to offer. Alumni attended the annual awards luncheon, honoring the distinguished alumni who have had a great impact on their communities. Later on, they made their way down to Red's pub to celebrate their accomplishments and reconnect with one another. On Saturday, September 28th, the community gathered in the stands to support their Pioneer football team as they played against CCSU. The Sacred Heart Marching Band made their annual gameday march up to Campus Field. The spirited fans created a sea of red as they cheered on our players.
Sacred Heart University’s 23rd Annual Family Weekend kicked off on Friday, October 4th. As always, this year’s Family Weekend brought parents, siblings, and loved ones of our students to campus showing them what the community at Sacred Heart is all about. On Friday night, parents enjoyed the Wine and Cheese party in the University Commons Auditorium and journeyed through the decades at the Dueling Piano show in the Edgeron Theatre. Leading up to the football game against Wagner, families were welcomed to join the “Pioneer Tailgate Party” on the Pitt Center Lawn for food, giveaways, music and activities. The night ended with a performance from the “Doo-Wop Group” and a scrumptious dessert reception. After morning mass in the Chapel of the Holy Spirit and a continental breakfast with President John J. Petillo, students said goodbye to their families and loved ones.
To celebrate Sacred Heart University's 50th Anniversary, Two Roads Brewing Company, launched a new craft beer on Friday, September 13th called Via Cordis. Via Cordis is Latin for “way of the heart.” The launch party was held in Red's and those who attended enjoyed free samples of the brew.
On Saturday, April 12th those invited to the Discovery Gala arrived at Linda McMahon Commons for a special 50th Anniversary Celebration. They were welcomed by a red carpet, fine food, cocktails and entertainment. Afterwards, The Beach Boys performed "Surfin' USA," "Good Vibrations," and much more in the Edgerton Theatre as the entertainment for the night.
"An Uneasy Peace: Northern Ireland's Search for Resolution" is the inaugural collaboration between the Department of Art & Design Gallery at the Edgerton Center and Vision Project. The exhibit explores the continuing struggle in Northern Ireland to find a peaceful solution for coexistence in a region with a very troubled history. The exhibit features the journalistic work of freelance photographer Mariusz Smiejek. The show was curated by Richard Falco, who wrote the text as part of the exhibition design team. He is the president of Vision Project and the coordinator of multimedia journalism in the master's in communication program at SHU. Visuals and exhibition design are by Art & Design Chair and Professor, Jonathan Walker.

- Sacred Heart News Stories, February 2014

On September 20th, Kevin Nealon, Saturday Night Live and Sacred Heart Alumnus, came back to SHU for Homecoming weekend.
On October 14th, the unveiling of "The Spirit of SHU" left the crowd speechless in the Art Gallery. Art & Design Professor Nathan Lewis created the spectacular mural and was present for the unveiling ceremony. "His ambition was to create a 'portrait' of the University - a mural of separate images and moments which, when seen together, give the work an identity of its own." The mural highlights over 70 individuals from all over the Sacred Heart campus.
To celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the The Beatles' first appearance on the Ed Sullivan Show, SHU Students, Faculty and Staff performed a live tribute concert featuring hits of the "The Fab Four." In their outstanding performance, the talented musicians of SHU included a narration and a slideshow highlighting points of The Beatles influential career. Two months later, The Beach Boys performed in front of a full house in the Edgeron Theatre on April 12th as part of the 25th Anniversary Discovery Gala.
"Tis the Season...

As the leaves begin to fall, the community of Sacred Heart comes together to give thanks and celebrate the holiday season with one another. The Annual Turkey Drive is put into full swing and those who attend and assist in the planning of the community service event are always left with a rewarding feeling within. Those who receive the turkeys are extremely thankful to be able to put on a proper Thanksgiving dinner for their families; their smiles of gratitude warm the hearts of those around them. In addition to the Turkey Drive, departments and organizations also donate food for the St. Charles Food Pantry in Bridgeport, Connecticut at the Interfaith Thanksgiving Prayer Service.

Following Thanksgiving, the Christmas spirit is tangible around campus as the lights are strung on the trees and the beautiful wreaths are hung on the buildings. Hot cocoa is present at various events hosted by different clubs and organizations and candy canes are always found at the fundraising tables outside of 653's. The Christmas Tree Lighting event spreads Christmas cheer to faculty, staff and students each year. They gather around the fur tree outside the Library with its candles to sing carols and watch as the tree is illuminated with colorful lights. Father Jerry leads the carols, heartily singing "Joy to the World," his personal favorite and offers his blessing. Sacred Heart does a wonderful job with making each holiday season special and this one proved itself to be yet another heart-warming experience for all those involved.

On September 18th, the 50th Anniversary Student Affairs Lecture Series presented "Talking Baseball and Beyond" featuring Dwight Gooden, Bobby Valentine and author Ellis Henican. Fans attended a private meet and greet before the show in the Edgerton Atrium.
Late Night Breakfast is a much needed event for students to attend as they are studying for their winter and spring finals. Residential Life puts on these events once a semester so students can break away from the library and classrooms they are studying in to enjoy plates of pancakes, scrambled eggs, hash browns, bacon and orange juice. The Residential and Student Life offices, as well as other faculty and staff members, serve the breakfast and the much needed coffee to all the tables in 63's and in the Mahogany Room.

On November 13th, Joanna Leone hosted the "Slices of Life," a Colloquia within the Human Journey Colloquia Series. The Colloquia proved to be a hit. The SHU Italian Club sponsored the event and was held in the University Commons Auditorium.
Sacred Heart University contributes countless hours of community service, not only throughout the Bridgeport area, but also in numerous cities and states, and countries around the world. Featured here are the North End Clean-Up, the Softball Game Fundraiser, the Habitat for Humanity Home Tour and the Hall House Mentorship. These photos are only a snapshot of Sacred Heart's dedication to the community.
The a cappella group, Pentatonix, performed at the Edgerton Theatre on September 25th for our fall concert. These vocal sensations were the winners of NBC Season 3, “The Sing Off.” In the spring, students hit the Pitt to see Steve Aoki live in concert. The highlight of the night was when Steve Aoki threw six sheets of cake out at the audience and students were engulfed in the whipped cream and icing.
On Friday, October 25th, students, faculty and staff celebrated the start of the 2013-2014 basketball season at SHU Hoops Madness. Student Government joins with Athletics to put on the event for the school. School spirit is seen throughout the crowds as they support the basketball team and the winter sports. The Double Up Dance Group performed for the audience after the men’s and women’s basketball team put on their dunk showcases. Then in the winter, students made their way to the stands for Pack the Pitt and cheer on the men’s basketball team as they played Mount St. Mary’s.

Students enjoyed the giveaways, prizes and activities Student Government provided them during the night.
Senior Pub Nights

Once a month, Seniors are treated to special nights in Red’s, as it is open exclusively to the seniors. The Student Government Senior Class Board puts on these events. According to the season and the holidays, the board decides on a fun theme for the night. Dressing up for the themes add an exciting twist to each Senior Pub night. From celebrating the Olympics to wearing green on St. Patrick’s Day, seniors get to experience their final unifying class events together before graduation.
Who wouldn't want to watch their professors or staff members dance on stage?! "Dancing With Heart" has become one of SHU's most popular events on campus and includes various members from different departments paired with our very own students. Ranging from interpretive dance, all the way to the infamous Bobby V bustin' out the Charleston, the event was a total success! Steve McNicholas and Professor Susan Gannon performed a mash-up of old school and contemporary hip hop and took first place!
Hosted by the Junior Class Student Government Board, the highly anticipated Mr. SHU event was held in the Edgerton Theatre on May 2nd. The contestants showcased unique talents in pursuit of becoming the next Mr. SHU. Seniors Jeff Daley, Pete Brostowin, Tyler Duhamel, and CJ Bazile were some of the contestants who participated in the competition. After the ‘behind the scenes’ videos were played and they strutted their swim and evening wear to the audience, Jeff Daley was crowned by Eddie Kennedy, the former Mr. SHU. Jeff Daley and his crew played the drums to the beat of the popular song, “Pompeii.” His talent exceeded the expectation for the night and helped win him the title of Mr. SHU of 2014.
The Student Events Team organizes and works the fun-filled weekend for students and their siblings to enjoy together. This year's theme was "Alley Siblings" and allowed for all those who attended to sail through an entertaining weekend full of pirate-themed activities. The "Washed Ashore" event kicked off the weekend on Friday, February 14th with Sand Art, a Mechanical Shark, Tropical Smoothies and the showing of the 'Pirates of the Caribbean'. On Saturday, the kids followed the clues on their maps on a campus-wide treasure hunt, ending in the UC Auditorium with a Stuff-A-Bear event as their treasure. Later, they enjoyed a tropical bird show and got to hold a parrot, meerkat, and a toucan. The Siblings Brunch and Bingo on Sunday was a perfect ending to the thrilling weekend.
Under the leadership of Lily Dipaola and Jessica LaFlam, the Relay for Life committee at Sacred Heart raised the most money they have ever seen! With their amazing Kick-Off in November, their fundraising efforts throughout the year, and the 12 hour event itself in March, the fund-raising group of students raised over $44,000! The 12 hour long event brings together so many students with one cause in mind, raising awareness and funds for Cancer Research and Treatment. With club members, fellow athletes, Greek Life, friends and teammates, Relay Teams are created throughout the year. They then set up booths at the event selling goods or sponsoring activities to raise more money. This event connects students together on a deeper level and brings us out of our daily lives as students to remind us of the importance of living each day to its fullest.
Performing Arts Programs

The Performing Arts Program consists of Band, Choir, Theatre and Dance. In the Instrumental Ensembles, students perform in the University, Concert, Marching and Pep Bands, the Chamber, String, Jazz and Guitar Ensembles and are part of the Guard. The vocally talented students are found within the Concert, Liturgical and Pioneer Choirs, in SHU L.O.V.E., and in 4 Heart Harmony. Ranging genres of dance are offered within the Dance Program as it encompasses the SHU Dance Ensemble, SHU Dance Company, Ballroom Dance, Irish Step and Hip Hop Ensembles. The passion and dedication of the students within the Instrumental, Vocal and Dance Ensembles shine through in all their performances whether it be at a sporting event or their annual shows and concerts in the Edgerton Theatre. These groups of well-rounded, talented students remarkably contribute to the university and provide spectacular entertainment for any audience.
The Theatre Arts Program hosted numerous productions full of excitement and wonderful talent that kept their audiences on the edge of their chairs and always wanting more. For the first time, TAP put on 3 productions in one semester, including "Boeing Boeing." The comedic play, starring John Coletta and Declan Lynch, features how the perfect life of Bernard begins to fall apart. In addition, TAP expanded the TheatreFest program over the entire year. TAP also celebrated SHU's 50th Anniversary with "Chicago" the Musical. This production showcased the largest cast the program has ever seen. Katherine Boeglin, Mike Kenny, Sarah Cohen, Lindsay McGrath and Declan Lynch starred in the brilliant musical.
Campus Life Leadership Awards

Dr. Marian Calabrese Outstanding Faculty Award: Andrew Luzowski
Assistant Professor of Mathematics

Outstanding Staff Member Award: Christine Barrows
Chartwells Staff

Outstanding Administrator Award: Andy Kolar
Assistant Director of Bands

Outstanding Graduate Assistant Award: Emily Corden
Greek Life/Student Union Graduate Assistant
Hosted by the Student Life Department, the Campus Life Leadership Awards is held every year to recognize the amazing talent our students, faculty and staff have on campus. The ceremony honors the members of the SHU Community who went above the call of duty throughout the 2013-2014 school year. From club sports athletes and work study students, to Greek Life and Club and Organization members, awards were happily given out and proudly received. Winners shared hugs with those around them at the dessert reception in the Edgerion Atrium.

Outstanding Involvement Awards

First Year Pioneer Award: Theresa Fletcher
Junior Pioneer Award: Jillian Newell

Sophomore Pioneer Award: Cory Rivera
Senior Pioneer Award: Connor Cassidy

The Doug Bohn ‘Unsung Hero’ Award: Megan Atkinson
The John Croissy Outstanding Leader Award: Erin McGinnigle
Thomas Patrick Melady, former Sacred Heart University President, passed away on January 6th, 2014. He served as President from 1976-1986 and was named President Emeritus when he moved on. Thomas Melady led an important life as he served as an American ambassador under three presidents and as a sub-cabinet officer for a fourth and was always active in foreign affairs and international relations. His vision played an important role in Sacred Heart becoming not only a nationally known University it is today, but also in our reputation as a special place where members of the community are treated with respect and dignity.

- Dr. John J. Petillo, President of Sacred Heart University
On March 19th, the Sacred Heart community celebrated our Annual Founder's Day. Founder's Day represents the anniversary of the signing of the charter that established Sacred Heart University in 1963 and traditionally, faculty and staff are honored for the milestone number of years that they have worked at SHU.
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Business Admin Club
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American Medical Student Association
Computer Science Club
Exercise Science Club
History Club
Business Admin Club

Criminal Justice Club

Math Club
Philosophy/Religious Studies/Theology Club
Pre-Physical Therapy Club
Social Work Club
Sports Media Club

Marketing Club
Politics & International Studies
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Public Relations Club
Sports Management Club
Student Athletic Training Organization
Education Club

Fashion Club

Media Clubs
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Prologue Yearbook
SHU Box
Spectrum Newspaper

The Pulse
WHRT

Multicultural Clubs
Celtic Club
Italian Club
La Hiperidad

Muslim Student Association
United Campus Alliance
Finance and Economics Club

Gay Straight Alliance

Recreational & Social Clubs
- Capoeira Club
- Magic the Gathering
- Students Today, Alumni Tomorrow
- Gay Straight Alliance
- Martial Arts Club
- Hall Councils
- National Residence Hall Honorary
- Heart Attack
- Residence Hall Association
HEART ATTACK

Italian Club

Service Clubs
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- Rotaract Club
SHU Box

Sports Management Club

Student Government Executive Board
Student Events Team
Council of Clubs and Organizations
Student Government Senate
Class Boards
Sports
Men's Basketball ended the 2014 season with a 5-26 record overall. Their season opener against Fairfield University was played at the Webster Bank Arena. In the 2013-14 season, Louis Montes led the Pioneers in scoring with 384 points and Phil Gaetano lead the team in steals with 30.

On March 1st, the basketball court in the Pilt Center was dedicated to Dave Bike and named 'Coach Bike Court' in front of the proud audience. Dave Bike spent 35 seasons as the Pioneers' Head Men's Basketball Coach. Bike led Sacred Heart to 530 wins during his career, including the 1986 NCAA Division II National Championship.
Women's Basketball finished the 2013-14 season with a 12-18 record overall and had four graduating seniors: Ericka Norman, Blair Koniszewski, Enjoli Bland, and Elise Lorenz. Gabrielle Washington led the Pioneers in points with 539 and in steals with 33.
Sacred Heart Baseball finished their 2014 season with a 29-28 record overall and 13-11 in conference. The Pioneers had six graduating seniors on the team: Derick Horn, Conor McEvoy, Kody Kerski, Nick Leiningen, Robbie Maguire, and Dan Perez. Conor McEvoy led the team in AVG and OBP with .340 and .439 respectively. Kody Kerski led the team in wins with 7 and strikeouts with 74. The Pioneers made it to the NEC Conference Tournament, but were beaten by Bryant in 12 innings, 6-2.
Sacred Heart Softball finished their 2014 season with a 12-30 record overall. The Pioneers had four graduating seniors: Annie Dreher, Jade Bowins, Noelle Cahill, and Taylor Lane. Annie Dreher was second on the team in AVG with .261 and Jade Bowins was second on the team in OBP with .321.
The Sacred Heart Bowling team finished off an extremely successful 2013-14 season at the USBC Nationals. They finished in the top six in the USBC Intercollegiate Team Championship in Reno, Nevada and after being one of four teams undefeated after day one, the Pioneers were knocked out of the bracket by the eventual champion Robert Morris-Illinois and runner-up Lindenwood. Nicole Trudell and Katelyn Wilson led the team, averaging 197 throughout the tournament. The Pioneers had two graduating seniors, Nicole Trudell and Chevi Panzanella.
The Sacred Heart Cheerleading team claimed the program's highest finish at the National Cheerleading Association National Championship in Daytona Beach, Fl. closing out their 2013-14 season. After having to revamp their routine at the last moment, the Pioneers landed a tenth place finish. The team had two graduating seniors this year, Mae Murtagh and Melissa Poli.
The Sacred Heart Cross Country Men's and Women's teams had a very successful 2013 season. The women won the NEC Championship and the men made it to the NEC Championships and finished fifth. The women's team had four graduating seniors: Hayle Boyle, Brianna Castrogiovanni, Teresa Gagliostro, and Catherine Westby. The men had one graduating senior, Kevin Schumann.
The Sacred Heart Equestrian team sent three riders to the IHSA Western Semi Final Championship: Margaret Vogel, Allison Buccos, and Noelle Bianculli. They were competing for a chance to advance to the National Championship and Buccos went on to compete in the IHSA National Championship at the University of Findlay in Ohio placing sixth. Vogel and Buccos claimed blue ribbons in Novice Horsemanship and Intermediate Horsemanship. Bianculli was named Reserve Champion in Intermediate Horsemanship.
The Men's Fencing team ended the 2014 season with another very successful campaign. They finished 11th, Sacred Heart's highest-ever team finish at the NCAA Fencing Championships. They also swept all five matches at the NFC Championship on their way to winning their fifth consecutive Championship. Sacred Heart finished with a conference record of 20-2. Graduating senior Kevin Almerini was recognized as the graduating male athlete with the highest GPA in Sacred Heart Athletics.
The Women's Fencing team finished their 2014 season competing in the NCAA National Championship. They also won their first ever NFC Championship sweeping each match and finishing 6-0. In addition, Dr. Tom Vrabel won the Collegiate Varsity Coach of the Year award as head coach of both the men's and women's fencing teams.
In September, the Field Hockey team beat La Salle after Christine Mace provided the game-winner in overtime. Field Hockey finished their 2013 season with a 4-13 record. They had three graduating seniors: Jen O'Malley, Stephanie Frye, and Melinda Feyko. Their Senior Day was on November 3rd against Bryant.
The Sacred Heart Football team recorded their best season in almost ten years, going 10-3, taking home the NEC Championship title and reaching the FCS playoffs. They played Fordham in the first round and lost a hard fought game 37-27. They went 4-2 in the NEC conference and 5-1 at home. The Pioneers had 13 graduating seniors: Robert Dim, Chris Rogers, Greg Moore, Ray Hodgson, Rickey Moore, Jr., Alex Aitkens, J.D. Roussel, Valentino Perrina, Matt Colucci, Andrew Brigley, Joe Tulino, Paul Link, Jaime Martinez, Robert Volk, and Cameron Ziny.
The Men's Golf team opened its fall season with two rounds of play at the Turnin Stone Tiger Invitational. In March, the team finished with a tie for fifth at Hogs Neck Golf Course. Then in May, Peter Ballo tied for seventh at the NCAA San Antonio Regional and had a one-over 73. They had one graduating senior, Ross Kronberg.
The Women's Golf team opened its 2013 fall season with a seventh-place finish at the Dartmouth Women's Invitational. Senior Jennifer Clinton was the Pioneers' top finisher, wrapping up the tournament in a tie for 20th. The Pioneers had team scores of 332 in both rounds. They closed the 2014 season with a fourth-place finish at the Northeast Conference Women's Golf Championship, held at the LPGA International Champions Course. They had one graduating senior, Jennifer Clinton.
Men's Ice Hockey ended their 2013-14 season with a 12-24 record. The Pioneers earned their first win of the season over #4 nationally ranked UMass-Lowell, 2-1. This was the highest ranked team Sacred Heart had ever beaten in program history. They also beat UConn on senior day at the Milford Ice Pavilion. The Pioneers had three graduating seniors: Chad Filteau, Neil Fachini, and Chris Paliafito.
The Women's Ice Hockey team finished their 2013-14 season with a 3-15-7 record. Casey Stathopoulos led the team in goals and points with 7 and 16 respectively. The Pioneers had 9 graduating seniors: Alexius Schutt, Mandy Montgomery, Catie Ladner, Sara Hanna, Erin Marley, Jennie Robinson, Mandy Montgomery, and Cassandra Briffett.
Sacred Heart Men's Lacrosse closed out the 2014 season with a 6-9 record overall, doubling their wins from last season. The Pioneers also made it to the NEC Tournament for the second consecutive year. They had 12 graduating seniors: Matt Gannon, Mike Mawdsley, Alex Miller, Seth Richard, Cody Marquis, Tim Caton, Jared Carrier, Alec Dvoretsky, Andrew Newbold, Ryan Hughes, Joe Burek, and Tom Horak.
The Women's Lacrosse team finished their 2014 season with a 4-11 record and finished 5th in the conference. In the Pioneer's home finale, they beat Long Island University 16-8, their highest scoring game all season. Shelby Vaccaro scored a game-high five goals in her final home game as a Pioneer. They had two graduating seniors: Shelby Vaccaro and Jacqueline Zlevor.
MEN'S SOCCER

The Sacred Heart Men's Soccer team finished their 2013 season with a 5-13 overall record and 2-5 in the NEC. They wrapped up the season with a 2-0 win over Fairleigh Dickinson. The Pioneers had seven graduating seniors: Marcelo Simoes, Joey Lyons, Aaron Burrell, Ronaldo Vieira, Andrew Borts, Konstantine Dekaneas, and Evan Kennedy.
Women's Soccer finished their 2013 season with a record of 5-12-1 overall and a 2-5-1 in the NEC. They had two graduating seniors: Rebecca Senetccen and Alyssa Brandofino. Brandofino is Sacred Heart's all-time assists leader with 15.
The Sacred Heart Rowing team opened its fall season at the Head of the Riverfront in Hartford. The Pioneers competed in two events, the Collegiate 4+ and the Open 2x. The Collegiate 4+ crew of Christina Pesci, Jaclyn Smith, Christina Fratto, Jillian Gray, and Catherine Lott placed ninth in the 2.5 mile race with a time of 20:02.57. Sacred Heart Women's Rowing team wrapped up its fall season at the Fall Metropolitan Championships hosted by Iona. The Pioneers had four crews compete with two earning top-three finishes.
Sacred Heart's Men's Tennis team wrapped up their 2014 season with a 6-13 record. They earned the fifth seed in the NEC tournament and lost in the semi-final round to Bryant. The Pioneers had two graduating seniors: Kevin Budrawich and Luka Bagi.
The Sacred Heart Women's Tennis team finished their Fall slate at the three day event, the NJIT Women's Tennis Invitational in Newark. Senior Gabi Kaldan was named Northeast Conference Player of the Week in the end of March. Kaldan went undefeated 4-0 that week with two singles and two doubles wins against Robert Morris and Fairleigh Dickinson. The team finished out the season at the NEC tournament.
The Sacred Heart Indoor Track and Field teams competed for the first time in 2014 at the Yale Collegiate Invitational at Coxe Cage. Soon after, Senior Brianna Castrogivanni was named NEC Women's Track Athlete of the Week after setting a Sacred Heart program record in the mile at the BU Limited Open. Individual and team success continued into the outdoor season with the Men's team taking 4th place at the NEC Outdoor Championship and the Women's team taking 2nd place. SHU had four top-10 performances at the ECAC/IC4A Championships at Princeton on the first two days and then three top-15 performances on final day of competition.
Sacred Heart Men's Volleyball team wrapped up their season with a 3-2 win at Rutgers-Newark and finished the season with a 10-18 record overall. Enzo Mackenzie led the Pioneers in kills with 259. They had four graduating seniors: Brad Borsay, Jason Kinney, Will LeClerc, and Jose Juelle.
Sacred Heart Women’s Volleyball finished their season with a 15-16 record overall and 8-5 in the NEC. They ended their season falling to CCSU 3-0 in the semifinal match of the 2013 Northeast Conference Championship. Dianis Mercado, who was named to the 2013 All-NEC first team, led the match with 14 kills, while 2013 NEC Rookie of the Year Sarah Kruftka had 13. The Pioneers had one graduating senior this year: Dianis Mercado. She completed her career at Sacred Heart as the all-time leader in Attacks, 2nd all-time in Kills, and 4th all-time in Service Aces.
WRESTLING

In the 2013-14 season, Sacred Heart wrestling earned its first dual meet win since 2010 by defeating Davidson in the final match of the day on December 7th. The team continued their success with three Pioneers placing at the 81st Annual Wilkes Open on December 28th: Kyle Brady and Andrew Polidore each wrestled to third place finishes, while Zach Moran wrestled his way into fourth. Pioneers Wrestling also enjoyed success in the social media rankings, moving all the way up to #12 on the Best of Brand rankings. They had three graduating seniors: Zach Moran, Andrew Polidore, and Sam Morison.
CLUB SPORTS

Photos of various sports activities including baseball, weightlifting, lacrosse, and basketball.
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WOMEN'S RUGBY

Tri-State Conference Champions
FIGURE SKATING
ISI National Champions

SOFTBALL
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MEN’S VOLLEYBALL
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CLUB SPORTS AWARDS

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Women's Rugby: Tri-State Conference Champions

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Kyle Linares: Men's Basketball

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Marissa DeFede: Gymnastics

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