



# SAINT JOSEPH'S UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS

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## LETTER FROM THE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

Dear Hawks,

With another academic year upon us and new varsity seasons already underway, it is important both to reflect upon the achievements of 2007-08 as well as plan for a unique set of opportunities in 2008-09.

Certainly the most recent academic year was one for the history books. Who could forget the dramatic "closing night" of Alumni Memorial Fieldhouse? Dr. Jack, Clifford, and Jameer were all in the house as the Hawks upset No. 8 Xavier on national television. The men's basketball team captured one of only six non-BCS at-large bids to the NCAA Tournament, and the program's fourth NCAA appearance in eight seasons, marking a run of success not seen at Saint Joseph's in over 40 years. The women's basketball team also won its regular-season Fieldhouse Finale, before closing the building as host of the 2008 Atlantic 10 Women's Basketball Championship.

Overall, 432 student-athletes competed in 20 varsity sports. To us, their most important statistics are a 2.98 cumulative grade point average, an 86 percent graduation rate, and a 98.8 percent retention and eligibility rate. At Saint Joseph's, "student" athletes are exactly that.

Looking ahead, it's possible that 2008-09 will be even more historic. The University's formal acquisition of the James J. Maguire '58 campus has occurred and with it, the migration of five varsity sports – baseball, softball, field hockey, and men's and women's tennis – and all recreation and intramural sports to the former Episcopal Academy has begun.

Construction on the Michael J. Hagan '85 Arena and Basketball Center is both on schedule and visually compelling while the resurfacing of Finnesey Field is complete and the new seasons are underway. In addition, the main Department of Athletics offices have relocated to Barry Hall.

Finally, the financial support to bolster the many enhancements this year is particularly noteworthy. Annual financial support by you and 1,676 others totaled \$882,961 to the Hawk Athletic Fund, which are both all-time highs.

On behalf of all those who wear the Crimson and Gray, we thank you again for everything you do. It is indeed because of you that The Hawk Will Never Die!

Sincerely,  
Don DiJulia  
Associate Vice President  
Director of Athletics



## CALATHES AND CUNFER EARN CLASS OF 1950 AWARDS

**P**at Calathes (basketball) and **Rebecca Cunfer** (field hockey) were the 2008 recipients of the Class of 1950 Award as SJU's outstanding senior student-athletes and were honored at the University's Commencement on May 10.

Cunfer was named the Atlantic 10 Field Hockey Student-Athlete of the Year for the second consecutive season. She was selected to both the 2007 Atlantic 10 All-Conference Second Team and the Atlantic 10 All-Tournament Team, while helping the Hawks reach the conference title game. Cunfer, who graduated magna cum laude in international relations and political science, is a three-time honoree on the A-10 All-Academic Team and earned an Atlantic 10 Post-Graduate Scholarship.

Calathes led the Hawks in scoring (17.5 ppg) and rebounding (7.5 rpg) this season while earning Atlantic 10 All Conference First Team and A-10 All Championship Team honors. The 6-10 guard was named the Big 5 Co-Player of the Year and helped the Hawks reach the conference title game and the NCAA Tournament. Calathes, who graduated with a degree in marketing, finished his career with 1,251 points and 630 rebounds, becoming one of just 26 players in school history to record over 1,000 points and 500 rebounds.



Rebecca Cunfer



Pat Calathes

## FIVE HAWKS HONORED AS BEST IN BIG 5 AND A-10



Brooke Darreff

Saint Joseph's had five student-athletes considered among the best in the Atlantic 10 and Big 5 in 2007-08, as those Hawks earned top player or rookie honors from the leagues.

Softball player **Brooke Darreff** was one of the nation's top hitters, batting .461, and became just the second Hawk to earn Atlantic 10 Player of the Year honors. The sophomore turned in one of the finest seasons in SJU history at the plate, leading the team with 53 hits and 33 RBI. She was named to the NFCA/Louisville Slugger All-Mid-Atlantic Region First Team and the ECAC All-Star Team. Darreff ranked fifth in the nation with her batting average, and first in the conference, while setting a new single-season Hawks' record.



Jen Wrublesky

Field hockey player **Jen Wrublesky** was named the Atlantic 10 Rookie of the Year after leading the Hawks in scoring with 10 goals and 24 points. The freshman also became the lone SJU player to earn All-Conference First Team honors.

**Colin Baker** led the way for the men's soccer team in 2007 and earned the A-10's Rookie of the Year award. He topped the squad in scoring with eight goals and became the first SJU player to earn the league's top freshman honor since 2000 (Andrew Kulinski). Baker also earned the city's award, being named the Soccer Seven William Wilkinson Freshman of the Year.



Colin Baker

**Pat Calathes** saved his best for his final season in a Hawk uniform. The senior guard led the men's basketball team in scoring and rebounding, while posting career-best averages. He was chosen the Big 5 Co-Player of the Year, sharing the Robert Geasey Award with Temple's Mark Tyndale. It marked the 12th time in the storied history of the Big 5 that a Saint Joseph's player won the MVP award either outright or shared.



Pat Calathes

Women's basketball player **Sarah Acker** had a standout season on the court, leading the Hawks in scoring (11.9), rebounding (8.7) and blocks (46). She was chosen as the Big 5 Rookie of the Year and became the first Hawk to earn All-Big 5 First Team honors as a freshman.



Sarah Acker

## STUDENT-ATHLETES CONTINUE CLASSROOM EXCELLENCE

Saint Joseph's student-athletes continued their excellence in the classroom. A total of 225 student-athletes earned Honor Roll accolades for the Spring 2008 semester, recognizing grade-point averages of 3.0 or higher. There were 79 student-athletes named to the Atlantic 10 Commissioner's Honor Roll, citing a GPA of 3.5 or better. A total of 146 Hawks earned SJU Athletic Director's Honor Roll accolades, noting their grade-point averages of 3.0 or higher. In the Fall 2007 semester, 207 student-athletes were named to the Athletic Director's Honor Roll, while 55 earned A-10 Commissioner's Honor Roll status. In addition, Saint Joseph's Academic Progress Rate (APR) was 988, which translates into 98.8 percent of student-athletes being retained, eligible and graduating.

Five Saint Joseph's teams – women's basketball, women's soccer, softball, women's tennis and men's soccer – earned a Public Recognition Award from the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) for earning high scores in the 2008 Academic Progress Rate (APR) compilation. These teams posted multi-year APR scores in the top 10 percent of all squads in their respective sports, posting APR scores ranging from 965 to a perfect 1,000 over the data collection period.

Field hockey standout **Rebecca Cunfer** made her mark in both the record books and the classroom. The senior, who graduated with honors, was named the Atlantic 10 Field Hockey Student-Athlete of the Year for the second season in a row.

She was also one of four student-athletes to receive a post-graduate scholarship from the Atlantic 10. Twice named to the field hockey All-Conference team at goalkeeper, Cunfer garnered All-Championship team honors after leading Saint Joseph's to the final of the 2007 Atlantic 10 Championship. The all-time leader in wins (41) in Saint Joseph's history, Cunfer ranks second in program annals in shutouts with 17 and fifth in saves with 358. The Manheim, Pa., native was a four-time member of the National Field Hockey Association's Academic Squad, a three-time Academic All-Conference selection and a selection to the 2008 *ESPN the Magazine/CoSIDA* Academic All-District 2 Second Team.



Rebecca Cunfer

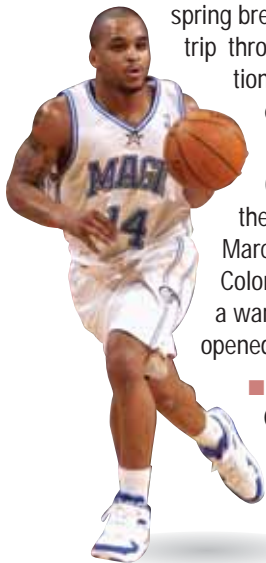
Rower **Debbie Bateman** continued to receive recognition for her excellence in the classroom. Bateman was named the 2008 Atlantic 10 Women's Rowing Student-Athlete of the Year and was a selection to the 2008 *ESPN the Magazine/CoSIDA* Academic All-District 2 First Team. She was also chosen as the *Philadelphia Inquirer/Philly SIDA* Academic All-Area Performer of the Year for her sport for the second consecutive season. The junior marketing major with a 3.9 grade-point average was a member of the Hawks' Varsity 8 that captured the Kelly Cup and earned a silver medal in the Atlantic 10 Championships.



Debbie Bateman

## NOTEWORTHY HAWKS

- The men's soccer program celebrated its 50th anniversary with a dinner that brought together nearly 150 former players, coaches and friends. All three of the program's head coaches – **Jack Ruggero, Jack Dunn and Tom Turner** – were in attendance.



*Jameer Nelson*

- The women's soccer team traveled to Brazil during spring break for an off-season trip. Having secured the trip through fundraisers, the Hawks played exhibitions against local Brazilian teams while also experiencing the South American culture.

- The baseball team played Atlantic 10 foe George Washington in the first-ever game at the new Nationals Park in Washington, D.C. on March 22. The game between the Hawks and Colonials provided the Washington Nationals with a warm-up event for the major league facility that opened a week later.

- Former men's basketball standout **Rap Curry '94** was inducted into the Big 5 Hall of Fame. **Marvin O'Connor '02** was inducted

into the SJU Men's Basketball Hall of Fame while women's all-time leading scorer and current assistant coach **Susan Moran '02** was inducted into the Saint Joseph's Women's Basketball Hall of Fame.

- Former Hawk stars **Delonte West and Dwayne Jones** were both members of the NBA's Cleveland Cavaliers in 2007-08. West was traded to Seattle from the Boston Celtics and then to Cleveland to be reunited with former SJU teammate Jones. **Jameer Nelson** completed his fourth year with the Orlando Magic as the team's starting point guard.
- **Tim Klarich** has been selected to serve as The Hawk mascot for 2008-09. He is a senior marketing major from Philadelphia.
- Saint Joseph's had three alumni participating in the 2008 Olympics in Beijing. **Renee Hykel '01** was a member of the United States Rowing Team and competed in the Women's Lightweight Double Sculls. **Mike Teti '78**, an SJU Hall of Famer, was the head coach of the U.S. Men's Rowing Team. **Tim Mulqueen '87** served as an assistant coach for the U.S. Men's Soccer Team. SJU's Director of Marketing **Nino Vanin** was also in Beijing working as the Ticket Manager for Visa.

## HAWKS IN THE COMMUNITY

Saint Joseph's teams and coaches exemplified the Jesuit ideal of being "persons for others," participating in a variety of community service projects.

- **Over 250 student-athletes from Saint Joseph's University participated in the 21st Annual Martin Luther King Day of Service** at 12 different sites in the Philadelphia area. The Athletic Department, along with Campus Ministry, organized the event for the second year in the row, as the number of student-athletes involved more than tripled.
- **The men's basketball team continued its "Hawks Helping Others" Christmas project** for the 13th consecutive season. Helped by donations from SJU fans, the Hawks purchased, wrapped and delivered Christmas gifts to needy families in West Philadelphia.
- **The women's basketball team held "Think Pink" Day on February 9** when it hosted Duquesne at the Fieldhouse. Fans were encouraged to wear pink in support of breast cancer awareness and received a discounted ticket price. A portion of the proceeds from ticket sales and a memorabilia auction at the game went to the Pennsylvania Breast Cancer Coalition (PBCC). Student-athletes from both teams wore special pink t-shirts for warm-ups, as well as pink shoelaces and wristbands.
- **The softball team volunteered at the Inglis House while the men's lacrosse and men's rowing teams volunteered at Morris Park.**
- **The women's lacrosse joined the "Friends of Jaclyn Foundation"**, an organization dedicated to raising the awareness for pediatric brain tumors. Through this participation, the Hawks "adopted" a 13-year old girl to be part of the



team, and she sat on the bench at SJU's game with St. Bonaventure on March 30.

- **Student-athletes from all teams participated in the annual "Hand in Hand" event**, which aids individuals with special needs from Philadelphia and the surrounding area. This Saint Joseph's University organization hosts the festival, which is the largest event run on campus, and also strives to create awareness through educational components and service opportunities.
- **Head men's basketball coach Phil Martelli again served as the co-chair of the Coaches vs. Cancer of Philadelphia.** During the 2007-08 campaign, the group raised more than \$1.2 million to help further the American Cancer Society's life-saving mission of eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives, and diminishing suffering through research, education, advocacy and service. Since its inception in 1996, the Philadelphia Coaches vs. Cancer program has raised a total of \$4.5 million. Women's basketball coach **Cindy Griffin** and her team joined with the city's women's teams to run a Coaches vs. Cancer Girls Basketball Clinic to also raise money for the cause.



*The softball team visited patients at the Inglis House on Martin Luther King Day.*



*Members of the men's rowing team helped clean up Morris Park on MLK Day.*

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## FIELDHOUSE EXPANSION AND RENOVATION MAKING PROGRESS



*The official Groundbreaking Ceremony took place on October 6, 2007.*

In front of hundreds of fans, coaches, and student-athletes, Saint Joseph's University celebrated the expansion and renovation of its Fieldhouse, and a dedicated center for men's and women's basketball, with a luncheon and groundbreaking ceremony on October 6, 2007.

The Fieldhouse, home to Saint Joseph's University basketball since 1949, will be named for **Michael J. Hagan '85** at the conclusion of the multi-year project. Hagan, chairman and former chief executive officer of Horsham-based NutriSystem, Inc., and his wife Joyce, are contributing \$10 million as the lead benefactors for the most comprehensive enhancement of athletic facilities in Saint Joseph's history.

The actual construction of the project began in the fall with the demolition of Flanigan Hall and Barry Annex. That was followed by the renovation of Barry Hall into offices for the athletic administration.

Once the basketball season was completed in March, work began on the exterior of Alumni Memorial Fieldhouse and the foundation was laid for the basketball center that will be adjacent to the Fieldhouse. This basketball center will house state-of-the-art facilities for men's and women's basketball, and will include new locker rooms, coaches' offices, meeting areas and dedicated academic and

study space. The entire center will incorporate video and multimedia technology and will include a new Hall of Fame Room and expanded media relations capacity.

The majority of the athletic department staff (approximately 40 people) moved into the new offices of Barry Hall on May 19, 2008. The offices are the permanent sites for some staff members, but are temporary for others.

The steel for the basketball center was erected on June 10 and completed the following week, while crews continued working to clear the interior of the Fieldhouse.

The facelift for Finnesey Field also began during this time, with the removal of the old turf and replacement with TigerTurf. This surface is approved for both soccer and lacrosse and was completed in time for the 2008 soccer seasons to commence. Resurfacing was also planned for the Finnesey Field Track in the future.

The field hockey team will not use Finnesey Field in 2008 but will play its home games at Drexel University's Buckley Field while awaiting the completion of its field on the James Maguire '58 Campus for 2009. Baseball and softball will also eventually move to the Maguire Campus for competition and practice, marking the first time both programs will have on-campus fields in nearly 50 years.

These extensive improvements to the athletic and recreation facilities will greatly enhance the experience for Saint Joseph's student-athletes, students, fans and community for years to come.

## RAMSAY, NELSON AND OTHER HAWK GREATS SEND THE FIELDHOUSE OUT IN STYLE

Saint Joseph's celebrated its past and its present with a rousing send-off to Alumni Memorial Fieldhouse on March 6 with the Hawks' nationally-televised game against eighth-ranked Xavier.

Prior to the game, a standing-room only crowd witnessed a parade of former men's and women's basketball players, coaches and Hawk mascots, who helped celebrate the final regular season game at Alumni Memorial Fieldhouse before the historic building closed for renovations.

Leading the way were Saint Joseph's Hall of Famers **Dr. Jack Ramsay** (upper right) and **Mike Bantom** (lower left), as well as recent standout and current Orlando Magic guard **Jameer Nelson**. All three spoke about the "magic" of the Fieldhouse, as did **University President Timothy R. Lannon, S.J.**

Other former coaches in attendance included **Jack McKinney, John Griffin, Jim Lynam** and **Paul Westhead**, while the players were

represented by **Clifford Anderson, Bernard Blunt** and **Rap Curry**, to name a few. SJU women's basketball history was also celebrated by the appearances of first coach **Ellen Ryan**, all-time leading scorer **Susan Moran**, and current head coach **Cindy Griffin**, among others.

The pre-game events continued with the annual "Senior Night" ceremony, where **Pat Calathes, Rob Ferguson** and **Arvydas Lidzius** were honored, along with Hawk mascot **Jim Miller** and managers **Brett Sullivan** and **Ryan Whalen**.

Once all of the celebrations were finished, the game itself did not disappoint the 3,200-plus in attendance. Calathes led the way with 17 points as the Hawks pulled off the upset, defeating the No.8 Musketeers, 71-66, marking the highest-ranked team ever defeated by SJU at Alumni Memorial Fieldhouse. The victory, which boosted the Hawks on their run to the NCAA Tournament, will go down in Saint Joseph's history as one of the most memorable nights in 59 seasons at Alumni Memorial Fieldhouse.





*Construction of the Basketball Center has progressed quickly.*



*Crews removed the back wall of the Fieldhouse during the renovation.*



*New TigerTurf was laid on Finnesey Field for the start of the 2008 soccer seasons.*



*Jameer Nelson spoke to the crowd at the Fieldhouse Finale.*



*A host of former SJU coaches and players were honored that evening.*

## MEN'S BASKETBALL RETURNS TO NCAA TOURNAMENT

The Saint Joseph's men's basketball team made its return to the NCAA Tournament in 2007-08 in a season that tested the resiliency of the Hawks.



After starting the season 7-4, the Hawks opened 2008 looking like a team destined for success, racking up victories in eight of the first nine games of the calendar year. Among the highlights were a dramatic last-second win at Temple, a 22-point rout of rival Villanova and two conference wins over UMass. Individual milestones were also achieved as **Phil Martelli** earned his 250th career win in a 40-point romp of Big 5 foe Penn. **Rob Ferguson** and **Pat Calathes** each joined the 1,000-point club on separate occasions, as did **Ahmad Nivins** later in the year.

A few losses in late February dimmed the Hawks' postseason hopes, but the Fieldhouse became a source of inspiration as SJU pulled off the 71-66 upset of No. 8 Xavier on Senior Night in the final game in the Fieldhouse.

Despite a loss at Dayton, SJU confidently headed into the Atlantic 10 Tournament at Boardwalk Hall, where the Hawks defeated Fordham and Richmond and then nationally-ranked Xavier again to earn a spot in the A-10 title game against Temple. Making their third championship game appearance in the past four years, the Hawks battled Temple in a game similar to the other two, but the Owls prevailed, 69-64, in front of a large Philadelphia crowd.

Selection Sunday became a tense waiting game for the Hawks, but the postseason hopes that seemed to have faded were suddenly brought to light with the announcement of the field of 65. An ecstatic and relieved group of Hawks found themselves the owners of SJU's first tournament bid since 2004, and the fifth under Martelli.

The Hawks drew the 11th seed in the East Region and a date with sixth-seeded Oklahoma in Birmingham. Ferguson saved one of his best games for his last, but Saint Joseph's couldn't dig out of a double-digit hole and suffered a 72-64 loss that closed the book on the exciting and unpredictable ride of the 2007-08 Hawks.

## HAWKS' EXPOSURE INCREASED THROUGH MULTIMEDIA

Saint Joseph's Athletics continues to increase its exposure through the internet, with the official website, SJUHawks.com, generating close to three million page views in 2007-08. More Hawk fans than ever were also able to access SJU games via audio and video streaming.

In 2007-08, SJUHawks.com provided the following:

- Video streaming of most or all home games for men's and women's basketball; field hockey; men's and women's soccer; and men's and women's lacrosse
- Video interviews with SJU coaches and student-athletes and team highlights
- Video streaming of men's basketball away games for All-Access subscribers
- Audio broadcast of all men's and women's basketball games free of charge to fans, provided by Stretch Internet
- Gametracker (live in-game stats) for men's and women's basketball
- Online auctions that included autographed SJU memorabilia

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# TEAM HIGHLIGHTS



Randy Mower

**BASEBALL** - The Hawks surpassed their overall (18) and conference (9) win totals from 2007. Pitchers **Randy Mower**, **Dominic Favazza**, and **Chris Prescott** combined to throw SJU's sixth no-hitter, the first in 38 years, in an 11-0 win over Saint Peter's.

**MEN'S BASKETBALL** - The Hawks earned a bid to the NCAA Tournament and reached the Atlantic 10 Championship game for the third time in four years. **Pat Calathes** was the Big 5 Co-Player of the Year and was an All-Atlantic 10 First Team selection with teammate **Ahmad Nivins** garnering third-team honors.

**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL** - Saint Joseph's captured both the Brown Classic and Hilton Philadelphia Hawk Classic titles, while freshman **Sarah Acker** was named the Big 5 Rookie of the Year.



Andrea Florida

**MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY** - **Kyle Murray** received All-Conference honors for his ninth-place finish at the A-10 Championship. The Hawks placed fifth at the conference meet.

**WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY** - **Andrea Florida** recorded her third straight All-Conference performance, finishing 12th in the A-10 Championship.

**FIELD HOCKEY** - The Hawks reached the Atlantic 10 Championship game for the second year in a row. **Rebecca Cunfer** was the A-10's Field Hockey Student-Athlete of the Year for the second time while **Jen Wrublesky** was the A-10 Rookie of the Year.



Josh Webb



Jenna Martino

**GOLF** - **Jim Ridgway** carded a pair of holes-in-one in the opening round of the Princeton Invitational. Freshman **Josh Webb** earned All-Conference honors.

**WOMEN'S LACROSSE** - **Jenna Martino** was an Atlantic 10 All-Conference First Team selection while five other Hawks earned All-Conference, All-Rookie and All-Academic awards, the most in the team's history.

**MEN'S LACROSSE** - Junior goalkeeper **Erik Hotaling** moved up to second all-time in career saves (468) and held his spot as the Hawks' all-time leader in goals against average (9.02).

**WOMEN'S SOCCER** - Sophomore goalkeeper **Megan Bastianelli** set the single-season record for saves (138) while helping the team post three shutouts.

**MEN'S SOCCER** - The Hawks posted their highest victory total (5) in four years and top scorer **Colin Baker** was named the Rookie of the Year in both the Atlantic 10 and Soccer Seven.



Kyle Murray



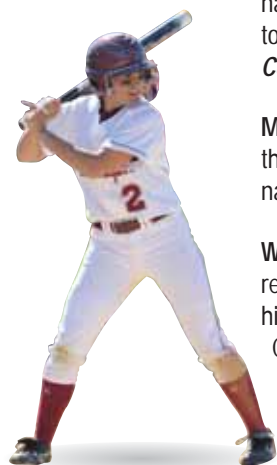
Erik Hotaling



Megan Bastianelli



Ahmad Nivins



*Erika Rosenwinkel*

**SOFTBALL** - Atlantic 10 Player of the Year **Brooke Darreff** was among the nation's leading hitters (.461 batting average) and junior **Erika Rosenwinkel** topped the nation in doubles, averaging 0.45 per game. Senior **Lauren Cognigni** set the school's all-time record for strikeouts (534).

**MEN'S ROWING** - The Varsity 8 captured the Bergen Cup as the city's champion for the first time since 1978 and was named Row2k.com's national "Crew of the Week."

**WOMEN'S ROWING** - The Varsity 8 won the Kelly Cup, representing the city championship, for the first time in school history and the Hawks placed third at the Atlantic 10 Championships.

**WOMEN'S TENNIS** - The team posted eight victories, with four Hawks recording 10 or more singles wins.

**MEN'S TENNIS** - **Pat Adams** was named to the Atlantic 10 All-Conference Second Team and the Hawks tied for ninth at the A-10 Championship.

**MEN'S INDOOR TRACK** - Both the 4x800m Relay and the Distance Medley Relay squads earned silver medals at the A-10 Championships.

*Pat Adams*



**WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK** - Senior captain **Jordan Teuber** broke the school record in the 200 meters while **Andrea Florida** earned Academic All-Conference honors.

**WOMEN'S OUTDOOR TRACK** - **Jordan Teuber** set the school record in the 200 meters four times in consecutive weeks, and earned All-A-10 Second Team honors along with **Kristen Pierce** (400 meter hurdles). The 4x400-meter relay squad finished second at the A-10 meet in school-record time.

**MEN'S OUTDOOR TRACK** - Two relay teams (Distance Medley, 4x800 meters) each earned Atlantic 10 All-Conference honors with second-place finishes at the A-10 Championships.



*Men's Rowing*



*Women's Rowing*

## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL CONTINUES WINNING WAYS



*Sarah Acker*

The 2007-08 season proved to be another successful year on Hawk Hill. Despite the loss of its top scorers to graduation, Saint Joseph's quickly proved there would be no transition needed. Led by a solid group of upperclassmen and a talented group of newcomers, the Hawks posted the program's 33rd winning season that included a pair of in-season tournament titles and several individual accolades along the way.

Starting with a last-second come-from-behind win at Lehigh to start the season, the Hawks posted a 3-1 record to start the season, but quickly found out where they stood as the Hawks hosted No. 5 Rutgers to cap November. Despite trailing by as many as 12 in the first half, Saint Joseph's fought back

and took the lead in second half, only to have the Scarlet Knights pull out the victory in the waning minutes.

Saint Joseph's began and ended December in similar fashion, bringing home hardware to Hawk Hill. Opening the month with wins over Manhattan and Brown, en route to the Brown Basketball Classic title, the team returned the Philadelphia Hilton Hawk Classic trophy to SJU with an impressive win over No. 15 Auburn in the title game. Earning the sixth seed in the Atlantic 10 Championship after posting an 8-6 conference record, the Hawks made easy work of Saint Louis in the A-10 opening round, but eventual Atlantic 10 champion Xavier proved too much for Saint Joseph's, as the Hawks ended their season with a 17-14 record.

Facing another challenging schedule, **Cindy Griffin's** squad answered the bell in 2007-08, notching 17 victories. More importantly, the combination of experienced leaders and skilled players helped to build another successful season on Hawk Hill.

## CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP

Saint Joseph's University Corporate Sponsorship continued to be extremely successful during 2007-08 increasing our number of corporate partners to over 100. We appreciate the support of all our corporate partners including: Brighten Health Group, Copy Products, Dunkin Donuts, Emerald Advisers, Hifi House, Independence Blue Cross, Keystone Mercy Health Plan, Kildare Capital, Lehigh Valley Dairy, NovaCare, Scotland Run Golf Club, Smithfield Global Products and Verizon Wireless. Thank you for your continued support!



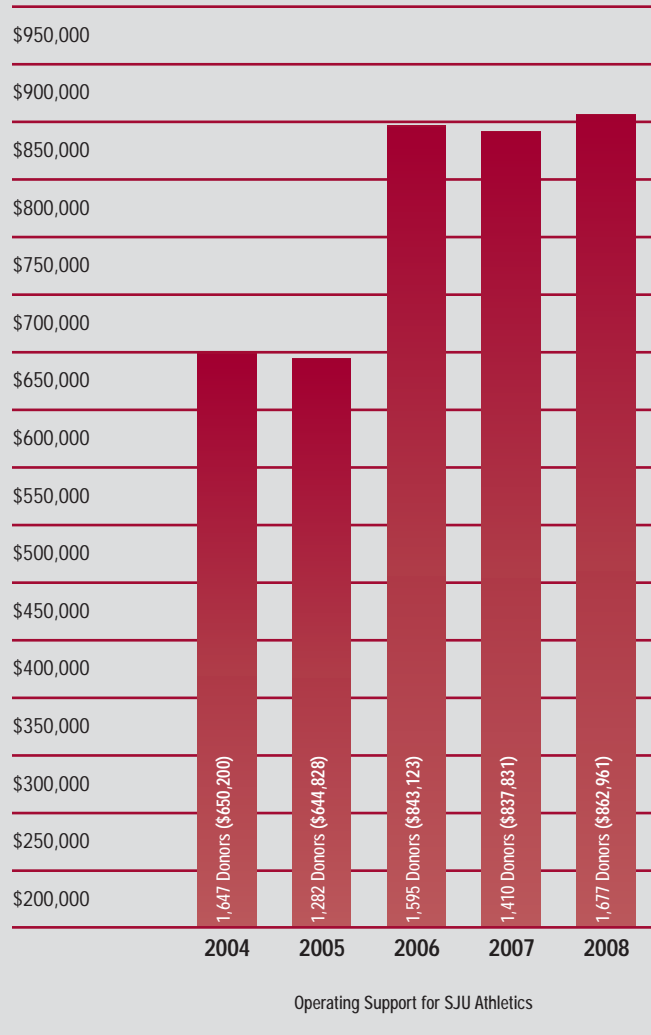
## RECREATION AND FITNESS

Saint Joseph's Campus Recreation had another successful year in 2007-08, and the program is expected to be enhanced with the move to the Maguire Campus in the Fall of 2008.

The intramural program continues to flourish and had almost 2,000 participants in six sports. Club sports also to grow in both participation and the number of sports, which is currently at 17.

Instructional programming added new classes in 2008, and SJU offered martial arts and kickboxing classes in addition to aerobics, yoga, pilates and boot camp.

**THANK YOU!** Financial support of Saint Joseph's University Athletics continues to be strong with our highest number of donors and donations! The generous support of the Hawk faithful adds to the experience of our student-athletes both in the classroom and in their athletic endeavors.



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