

2007 Women's Rowing

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ROWING TERMS

Head Race: Races are against the clock with the boats starting on timed intervals. Races are typically 2.5 - 3.5 miles in length.

Sprint Race: It is 2000m in length and is a straight "sprint" usually two to six crews across and lasting from six to eight minutes.

Coxswain: The onboard strategist, tactician and coach who is responsible for steering the shell. The coxswain is also responsible for informing the crew as to where they are in the race and how they are doing.

Sculling: The type of rowing where each rower has two oars.

Sweep Rowing: The type of rowing where each rower has one oar and rows either the port or starboard side of the shell.

Catch: The point at which the blade (wide part at the end of the oar) enters the water.

Feather: The motion used by rowers to get the blade out of the water.

Crab: When a rower does not feather her oar cleanly. This can cause the boat to slow down and could catapult the rower out of the boat. A crab usually disrupts the crew's synchronized motion (which is called their "flow" or "swing").



2007 OUTLOOK

The focus of the non-championship fall season was sculling and small boat rowing. This has become a trademark for the Massachusetts women and one that makes UMass stand out from most collegiate programs. This small boat effort was highlighted by a second place finish at the prestigious Head of the Charles by Hannah Brewster and Sarah Marsan in the Under 23 Double, (first collegiate crew); as well as wins at the Textile River Regatta, Head of the Housatonic and Head of the Fish in singles, doubles and quads. With small boats practicing every day, on the weekends the Minutewomen would jump into the eight only after they had at least one sculling or small boat race completed at each regatta. The strongest "V" eight was only put together once for the Head of the Fish and that yielded another first place "Fish head trophy" for the varsity lounge.

The 45 returning members of the 2006 Atlantic 10 Team Champions demonstrate the depth and commitment of the UMass program this coming spring. Senior captains Gabrielle Papineau and Tara Guinan have high hopes for the spring season. They will hopefully join Hannah Brewster and Sarah Marsan in this year's varsity eight. Walking the walk this past fall were seniors Ellen Maskrey, Kristen Boyce, and Lizzy Hayashida. All will be completing their fourth year behind an oar at UMass. Coach Dietz said, "sophomores Haley Fitzpatrick, Airlina Burrill and Erin Kelly all made a statement this fall that they will be a big part of this year's boat moving effort".

Rachael Nealer and Amanda Mawn both saw some time in the 2006 varsity eight but spent this past semester in Australia and Spain. They will be joining

the team in DeLand Florida for winter training. Coach Dietz said that he is "confident that they did some training while away".

Rounding out what will be a competitive selection for the varsity eight will be coxswains Dana Pulda from Shrewsbury, Massachusetts, Molly Morgan from Albany, New York and Jeanine LeDoux of Milton, Mass. All have been improving daily and shared duty in the varsity eight this year. Competition for the first boat will be fierce for every seat including that of coxswain.

Joining the coaching staff this season is Conny Kirsch. A successful competitor in her own right, Kirsch brings a wealth of collegiate and international experience to the UMass program.

Heather Putnam, a 1998 UMass graduate, returns to Amherst to pursue her Master's in Education. Heather has coached at Princeton, Navy and, most recently, Rutgers and has been well received by coaches and athletes alike this past semester.

After four years of racing for UMass, Stephanie Hopf has moved into the coaching launch to help Coach Binkowski develop the 50 walk-on novices that tried out for the team first semester. While they were learning how to row, the recruited freshmen were busy on the water winning their fall series head races. The novices won the eight at the Head of the Textile and the Housatonic and also won the four at the Housatonic and the Fish. Sarah Albert, Samantha Smith, Jenna Oelschlegel and Anna Kenseth have all demonstrated that they are ready to compete for a seat in the boat, and not just the novice eight, but possibly the varsity eight as well.

Assistant Coach Alex Binkowski in his third year at UMass is excited for the

spring season. "It was a good year for recruiting and we have attracted a strong group of athletic women to the program," said Coach Binkowski. Coach Dietz insists that "These walk-on women are still the lifeblood of our UMass program; they are what makes us the best team in the Atlantic 10."

Senior lightweights Annie Malinkevich, Maria Arcari, Abby Lively all saw success during the preseason and are looking forward to winter training camp in DeLand, Florida, this January. Brittany Cartin and Sarah Potts will also be contributing to the lightweight crews in hopes of winning the lightweight four at the A-10 championships.

Coach Dietz is in his 13th season as the head of the Minutewomen. His team has now won eleven consecutive Atlantic 10 crowns - a feat that has not been accomplished by any other team, in any sport, at an Atlantic 10 school since the inception of the conference.

With only comparative times from their Atlantic 10 rivals to go on during the preseason, Coach Dietz is not anxious to make a prediction for another Atlantic 10 Team Championship. "We take nothing lightly or for granted, success in rowing can only come from hard work and we have a lot of that to do between now and the Championship in April. With nine events at that championship, anything can happen. The team will have to keep focused through the winter."

The season will open on March 31st with the Yankee Cup Regatta in Kingston, RI. Here all the NE State schools will vie for the Yankee Cup. The 2007 season will also see the Minutewomen facing strong programs from University of Texas, USC, Boston University, Dartmouth, Columbia, and Northeastern University.



11-Time Atlantic 10 Champions

2007 Women's Rowing

2007 ROSTER

Name	Yr.	Ht.	Team	Hometown /High School
Sarah Albert	Fr.	5-8	Novice	Lexington, Mass. / Choate Rosemary H.S.
Maria Arcari	Sr.	5-0	Varsity	Westborough, Mass. / Shenendehowa H.S.
Kristen Boyce	Sr.	5-8	Varsity	Andover, Mass. / Austin Prep
Hannah Brewster	Jr.	6-0	Varsity	Plymouth, Mass. / Cape Cod Academy
Airlina Burrell	So.	5-9	Varsity	Eastham, Mass. / Nauset Regional H.S.
Meghan Caffrey	Fr.	5-6	Novice	Duxbury Mass. / Duxbury H.S.
Brittany Cartin	So.	5-4	Varsity	New Milford, Conn. / New Milford H.S.
Claire Champine	So.	5-5	Novice	Westborough, Mass. / Westborough H.S.
Melissa D'Amico	Fr.	5-3	Novice	Watertown, Mass. / Watertown H.S.
Lindsay Dawson	Fr.	5-6	Novice	Easton, Mass. / Easton Area H.S.
Meaghan Dempster	Sr.	5-4	Varsity	Milton, Mass. / Milton H.S.
Allison Donzanti	Fr.	5-4	Novice	West Chester, PA/The Agnes Irwin School
Shelby Fallon	Fr.	5-8	Novice	Greenville, R.I. / Smithfield H.S.
Chelsea Finnegan	Fr.	5-7	Novice	Alexandria, Va. / TC Williams H.S.
Haley Fitzgerald	So.	5-7	Varsity	Burke, Va. / Lake Braddock H.S.
Tara Guinan	Sr.	5-5	Varsity	Poughkeepsie, N.Y. / Arlington H.S.
Ashley Han	Fr.	5-2	Novice	Wilbraham, Mass. / Minnechaug H.S.
Elizabeth Hayashida	Sr.	5-8	Varsity	Holmden, N.J. / Holmden H.S.
Mary-Frances Heck	Jr.	5-11	Varsity	Newton, Mass. / Mount Alvernia H.S.
Andrea Hoey	Jr.	5-4	Varsity	Sparta, N.J. / Sparta H.S.
Katarina Karottki	So.	5-6	Varsity	Lisle, Ill. / Naperville North H.S.
Erin Kelly	So.	5-8	Varsity	Stoughton, Mass. / Fontbonne Academy
Anna Kenseth	Fr.	6-0	Novice	Foxboro, Mass. / Foxboro H.S.
Kathryn Kern	Fr.	5-9	Novice	Lexington, Mass. / Lexington H.S.
Jeanine LeDoux	Jr.	5-2	Varsity	Milton, Mass. / Milton H.S.
Abby Lively	Sr.	5-2	Varsity	Rowe, Mass. / Mohawk Trail Regional H.S.
Anna Malinkevich	Sr.	5-6	Varsity	Shrewsbury, Mass. / Shrewsbury H.S.
Julie Markus	Jr.	5-8	Varsity	Farmington, Conn. / Farmington H.S.
Sarah Marsan	Jr.	5-10	Varsity	Cincinnati, Ohio / Oak Hills H.S.
Ellen Maskrey	Sr.	5-7	Varsity	Pittsburgh, Pa. / North Allegheny H.S.
Amanda Mawn	Jr.	5-11	Varsity	Milton, Mass. / Milton H.S.
Andrea Morand	So.	5-8	Varsity	Shrewsbury, Mass. / Shrewsbury H.S.
Molly Morgan	So.	5-2	Varsity	Delmar, N.Y. / Bethlehem Central H.S.
Courtney Mulvihill	Jr.	5-9	Varsity	Absecon, N.J. / Holy Spirit H.S.
Rachael Nealer	Jr.	5-7	Varsity	Newbury, Mass. / Triton Regional H.S.
Jenna Oelschlegel	Fr.	6-0	Novice	Dumfries, Va. / Forest Park H.S.
Gabrielle Papineau	Sr.	5-10	Varsity	Ottawa, Ontario / Gloucester H.S.
Karen Plevock	So.	5-10	Varsity	Weymouth, Mass. / Fontbanne Academy
Sarah Potts	Jr.	5-4	Varsity	East Falmouth, Mass. / Falmouth H.S.
Dana Pulda	Jr.	5-0	Varsity	Worcester, Mass. / Doherty H.S.
Julie Pulda	Fr.	5-5	Novice	Worcester, Mass. / Doherty H.S.
Emily Reynolds	So.	5-8	Varsity	Malden, Mass. / Malden H.S.
Stephanie Rist	Jr.	5-6	Varsity	Poughkeepsie, N.Y. / Spackenhill H.S.
Jennifer Rivero	Fr.	5-7	Novice	Scituate, Mass. / Scituate H.S.
Jessica Romain	Fr.	5-5	Novice	Subury, Mass. / Lincoln-Sudbury H.S.
Laura Silverman	Fr.	5-5	Novice	Glenview, Ill. / New Trier H.S.
Samantha Smith	So.	5-5	Novice	Bayville, N.Y. / Locust Valley H.S.
Karalyn Walk	Sr.	5-8	Varsity	West Milford, N.J. / West Milford Township H.S.
Anna Welch	Jr.	5-11	Varsity	Branford, Conn. / Norwalk H.S.

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Jim Dietz, 13th Season (Northeastern '72)

Asst. Coach: Alex Binkowski, 3rd Season (Wayne State '84)

Asst. Coach: Conny Kirsch, 1st Season (Ohio State '03)

Asst. Coach: Stefanie Hopf, 1st Season (Massachusetts '06)

Asst. Coach: Heather Putnam, 1st Season (Massachusetts '98)



HEAD COACH JIM DIETZ



Jim
DIETZ
Head Coach
13th Season

Dietz's Career Highlights

- Won 11 straight Atlantic 10 titles
- Seven-time A-10 Coach of the Year
- Has led program to 45 Atlantic 10 gold medals, including nine in 11 starts by the varsity eight.
- In 1997 & 1998, both varsity eights placed second at NCAAs.
- Coached the 1988, 1992 and 2000 U.S. Olympic Teams.
- Member of the 1972, 1976 and 1980 U.S. Olympic Teams.

Now in his 13th year at the helm of the University of Massachusetts women's crew, Jim Dietz has molded his program into one of the nation's finest.

The only crew coach in UMass history, the Minutewomen have dominated regular-season racing and have captured 11 consecutive Atlantic 10 team championships, including the 2006 crown, under Dietz's direction. His squads have produced 45 Atlantic 10 gold medals in eight league championship events, including nine in 11 starts by his varsity eight boats. For his efforts, Dietz has been honored as Atlantic 10 Conference Coach of the Year on seven occasions, the last of which came in 2005.

Recognized internationally for his coaching ability, Dietz guided UMass to a fourth-place team finish at the 1998 NCAA Championship in Gainesville, Ga., and his varsity eights earned silver medals at both the 1997 and 1998 NCAA meets. Six of his student-athletes have earned a total of seven Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association All-America citations.

Dietz's success does not end on the water, though, as his program has produced a league-leading 24 Atlantic 10 Academic All-Conference performers, nine Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association National Scholar Athletes who have earned a total of 15 citations, and four U.S. Rowing Association Academic All-Americans. In addition, his teams annually lead UMass' Atlantic 10 Commissioner's Honor Roll selections.

Before coming to Amherst to start the UMass program from scratch, Dietz spent nine years as the head coach of the Coast Guard Academy crew program (1985-1994). Though his primary responsibilities were with the men's heavyweight eight, he was also in charge of the overall program which included four assistant coaches and over 90 student-athletes.

Dietz's crew experience began in 1964, when he competed for the New York Athletic Club in all classes of rowing and sculling events. As a high school student, he won all United States and Canadian Scholastic championships in single and double sculls from 1964 through 1967, and won the first Junior World Championship in single sculls at Ratzeburg, Germany, in 1967.

During his competitive years, Dietz won 45 United States and 37 Canadian national championship titles. He was a member of almost every U.S. National Team from 1967-1983, including U.S. Olympic entries in 1972, 1976 and 1980. In addition, Dietz captured medals at the Pan American Games in 1967, 1975, 1979 and 1983. He was also a member of seven World Championship teams.

A 1972 graduate of Northeastern University with a bachelor of science degree in marketing, Dietz has been inducted into the Northeastern University Hall of Fame, as well as the New York Athletic Club (NYAC) Hall of Fame. A Veteran Award winner of the NYAC and a Power Ten Award winner of Manhattan, Dietz also earned the prestigious Athlete of the Quarter Century honor for his past performances at the Head of the Charles Regatta.

Since 1976, Dietz has been involved with the United States Olympic Committee, and in both 1988 and 1992 he served as the U.S. Olympic Quad coach in Seoul, South Korea, and Barcelona, Spain.

In 1987, Dietz founded the Thames River Sculls, a non-profit sculling center. Over the years, members of this program have won numerous titles at the U.S. Scholastic championship and U.S.R.A. Elite Nationals. Several members have gone on to race for the United States on World and Olympic teams. The Thames River/Pre-Elite women's crews have participated in the Nation's Cup Regatta (under 23 World Championships) winning the 1996 meet in Belgium.

Dietz coached the 2000 U.S. Olympic Team in Sydney, Australia, taking the bronze medal in the women's lightweight double. In 1999, he coached the U.S. National Team, taking medals at both the Pan American Games and the World Rowing Championships. In 2003, his women's lightweight double finished fourth at the World Championship in Milan, Italy.

Dietz, and his wife Pamela, reside in Amherst with their two sons, James II (21) and Michael (18).



Jim Dietz has been named Atlantic 10 Coach of the Year seven times in his career.

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ASSISTANT COACHES



Alex
BINKOWSKI
Assistant Coach
3rd Season

Alex Binkowski is in his third year at UMass as an assistant coach. He has worked hard to develop the talent UMass has in its novice program to move up and fill slots on the varsity. The novice boats have continued to race well and his fall recruiting has resulted in one of the largest novice squads in recent years.

He joined the program after a stint at Indiana University, where he served as a volunteer assistant during the 2003 season. In 2001, Alex was a Women's Junior National Team assistant coach. He coached the Junior Women's Single to a victory in the C-Final and 13th place overall at the World Junior Rowing Championships in Duisburg, Germany. He then joined St. Ignatius College Preparatory School as head coach/associate program coordinator for the 2001-2002 school year.

Alex joined the Oak Ridge Rowing Association and worked as a volunteer coach with its nationally competitive high school program after moving to Tennessee. He became the head coach at Girls' Preparatory School in Chattanooga, where he tripled the size of the program and oversaw the building of a new boathouse and dock. His GPS teams won three consecutive South East Region Junior Women's Points Trophies and qualified multiple boats each year for the Youth Invite. After completing a Master's degree at the University of Illinois, Alex began coaching the Kansas State University high school squad and soon took over the duties as head coach for the collegiate team, where he helped revive the club. While in Kansas, he also began sculling and joined the Topeka Rowing Association/Washburn University team, where he coached collegiate and high school athletes.

Alex began his involvement in rowing as a member of the last squad of varsity rowers at Wayne State University from 1982 to '84, and capped his undergraduate career rowing in the varsity eight at Dad Vails to a fourth place finish. As a member of the Detroit Boat Club, he earned four national championship medals competing in the U.S. Rowing Nationals in 1983 and 1984 in the Senior Eight, Senior Four, Senior Lightweight Four, and Elite Lightweight Four.

Alex resides with his wife, Donna, and three children, Emma, Anastasia, and Shannon in Hadley, Mass.



Stefanie
HOPF
Assistant Coach
1st Season

Stephanie Hopf is in her first season coaching at UMass after completing a successful tenure with the UMass rowing team over the past four years.

Hopf was part of four of the 11 year Atlantic 10 Championship winning streak at UMass. Hopf won the 2005 U.S. Rowing National Championship Regatta in the Womens' Intermediate Two with Hannah Brewster as stroke.

A 2006 graduate of UMass, Hopf will be assisting in coaching the novice team while also working as a Nutrition Assistant at a local hospital. She is also working towards attaining the title of RD through an internship program. A member of the Atlantic 10 Commissioners Honor Roll and Deans List in her undergraduate stay in Amherst, she earned the Novice of the Year Award in 2001.



Conny
KIRSCH
Assistant Coach
1st Season

Conny Kirsch, a former All-American rower at Ohio State, is in her first year as an assistant coach.

Kirsch rowed for the German National Team from 1995-1998, taking first in the Junior World Championships in the quad in 1995 and in the double in 1997. She took second in the quad in 1996 and second in the double in the 1998 Under-23 Nations Cup.

Kirsch came to the United States in 1998, when she joined the Ohio State rowing team. She was named First Team All-American and Big Ten Athlete of the Year in 2002. Her Buckeye varsity eight finished fourth that season at the NCAA Championship. She graduated from The Ohio State University in 2003 with a B.A. in psychology and women's studies. She also earned a master's in counselor education from The Ohio State University in 2006.

After her rowing career, she coached for the Greater Columbus (Ohio) Rowing Association, while doing an internship counseling urban youth in Columbus, Ohio. She also worked for athlete support services at Ohio State, where she worked closely with at-risk student-athletes to develop individual achievement plans.



Heather
PUTNAM
Grad Asst. Coach
1st Season

Heather Putnam returns to her alma mater as a graduate assistant coach. She is enrolled in the School of Education, pursuing an M.Ed. and certification in secondary English.

Putnam coached at Rutgers University the last four years, where she led the novice/freshman squad from 2002 - 2006 and assisted with the varsity boats. In her third spring season with the Scarlet Knights, Putnam's 2005 novice eight won the Big East Championship and finished 7th overall at the Eastern Sprints. Her crews also brought home Big East silver medals in 2003 and 2004, and a bronze medal in 2006.

Prior to Rutgers, Putnam spent the 2001-02 season at the U.S. Naval Academy coaching the freshmen/novice women. Following a successful fall campaign in which Navy's novices won the Navy Day Regatta, the Head of the Schuylkill and the combined men's and women's points trophy at the Princeton Freshmen Invite, Putnam's first novice eight went 15 and 1 in regular spring season competition. Both her first and second novice eights then went on to qualify for the Grand Finals at Eastern Sprints. Finishing 6th overall, the 2002 novices were Navy's first ever women's crews to qualify for an Eastern Sprints Final in an eight-oared event.

Putnam served as an intern for the Princeton Lightweight Women from 1999-2001. Her 2001 novice lightweight eight won gold at the Eastern Sprints and both freshmen classes went on to contribute to IRA national titles in 2001, 2002 and 2003.

A native of Massachusetts, Putnam graduated with honors from UMass in 1998, with a B.A. in Comparative Literature. Putnam picked up the sport of rowing as a novice walk-on freshman year. Her rowing career was highlighted by an Eastern Sprints gold medal in the Varsity Lightweight Eight.



VARSITY PROFILES



**Maria
ARCARI**
Senior • 5-0
Clifton Park, N.Y.
Shenendehowa HS

2006 (Junior): Rowed in the lightweight eight that placed sixth in the ECAC Metro Cup ... rowed in the lightweight four that finished third at the Textile Regatta, second at the Head of the Housatonic, and third in the Head of the Fish.

2005 (Sophomore): Rowed in the fourth seat of the lightweight eight ... the boat finished third at the Atlantic 10 Championships and the Yankee Cup, fourth at the ECAC Championships, and third in the petite finals at the Knecht Cup ... rowed in the bow seat lightweight four that finished second in the petite finals at the Knecht Cup.

2004 (Freshman): Sat in the bow seat in the novice eight that placed first in the Head of the Textile and third in the Head of the Connecticut ... sat bow in the lightweight boat that rowed at the A-10's and placed second at ECAC's.

Before UMass: Rowed for four years in high school ... as a senior, won the New York State Championship in the lightweight eight ... as a junior, finished third in the New York State Championship in the four... also participated in club gymnastics.

Personal: Co-champion of the second annual Hot Cocoa Walk ... majoring in Psychology with a minor in Education... Born December 14, 1984.



**Kristen
BOYCE**
Senior • 5-8
Andover, Mass.
Austin Prep

2006 (Junior): Sat in the third seat in the varsity four that won the Yankee Cup ... rowed in the second varsity eight that won the A-10 Championship, the ECAC Metro Cup, and the Dad Vail Regatta ... placed first in the Open Quad at the Textile Regatta and third at the Head of the Housatonic ... rowed in the sixth seat of the varsity eight that placed eighth at the Head of the Housatonic ... also rowed in the second seat in the varsity eight that finished 36th at the Head of the Charles, and first in the Head of the Fish.

Fall 2005 (Junior): Studied abroad at Deakin University in Melbourne, Australia.

2005 (Sophomore): Rowed in the second seat of the second varsity eight that finished third at the Yankee Cup ... also rowed in the stroke seat of the varsity four that finished first at the Atlantic 10 Championships and fourth in the petite at the Knecht Cup.

2004 (Freshman): Rowed in the first novice eight that took silver at the Atlantic 10 Championships and gold at ECAC's.

Before UMass: Captained the cross country and track teams her junior and senior seasons ... recognized as team MVP in those campaigns.

Personal: Majoring in Management ... born October 3, 1984.



**Hannah
BREWSTER**
Senior • 6-0
Plymouth, Mass.
Cape Cod Acad.

Fall 2006 (Junior): Rowed in the varsity eight that placed first at the Head of the Fish, ... finished first in the open doubles at the Textile Regatta and the quad at the Head of the Fish ... placed second in the women's single at the Textile Regatta, the women's doubles at the Head of the Charles, and the women's single at the Head of the Fish ... also finished fifth in the women's single at the Head of the Housatonic.

2006 (Sophomore): Placed first in the quad at the A-10 Championships ... rowed in the varsity eight that finished first in the Yankee Cup, Knecht Cup, ECAC Metro Cup and second in the Dad Vail Regatta

Fall 2005 (Sophomore): Stroked the collegiate double at the Head of the Charles.

2005 (Freshman): Named a National Scholar Athlete by the Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association ... rowed in the fifth seat of the varsity eight ... the boat won the Yankee Cup, Knecht Cup, the Atlantic 10 Championships, and the ECAC Championships ... rowed in the varsity quad that won the Knecht Cup and the Atlantic 10 Championship.

2004: Rowed in the seventh seat of the first novice eight that placed second at the A-10's and first at the ECAC's.

Before UMass: Rowed for Cape Cod Rowing from eighth grade until graduating high school ... went to the U.S. Junior National Team Development camp in 2002 and placed third in the junior quad at U.S. Rowing Nationals ... was a

member of the cross country ski team in high school.

Personal: Majoring in Kinesiology ... born July 2, 1985.



**Airlina
BURRILL**
Sophomore • 5-9
Eastham, Mass.
Nauset Reg. HS

Fall 2006 (Sophomore): Rowed in the varsity eight boat that finished eighth at the Head of the Housatonic, 36th at the Head of the Charles, and won the Head of the Fish.

2006 (Freshman): Rowed in the seventh seat of the novice eight that won the Yankee Cup and placed ninth in the Knecht Cup, fifth at the A-10 Championships, fourth at the ECAC Metro Cup fifth at the Dad Vail Regatta.

Before UMass: In high school, played soccer for four years, softball for three, and basketball for two ... was a co-captain of the soccer team, a league all-star in softball, and a member of the National Honor Society.

Personal: Born December 6, 1987.



**Brittany
CARTIN**
Sophomore • 5-4
New Milford, Conn.
New Milford HS

Fall 2006 (Sophomore): Rowed in the lightweight four that finished second at the Head of the Housatonic and third at the Head of the Fish.

2006 (Freshman): Rowed in the second seat of the lightweight eight that won the Yankee Cup and placed sixth in the ECAC Metro Cup ... sat in the second seat of the second novice eight which won at the A-10 Championships.

Fall 2005 (Freshman): Rowed in the novice four at the Head of the Connecticut and the novice eight at the Head of the Fish.

Before UMass: Rowed a year and a half for GMS Rowing Center and placed first in the women's eight at Junior Regionals. Also played softball and was a member of the National Honor Society.

Personal: Majoring in Nutrition...born October 10, 1987.

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Meaghan DEMPSTER

Senior • 5-4
Milton, Mass.
Milton HS

2005: Member of the novice team, but did not compete because of a back injury.

Before UMass: Transferred from Catholic University, where she played lacrosse ... in high school, captained both the cross country and indoor track teams, as well as playing lacrosse ... named most valuable runner in cross country as a senior.

Personal: Majoring in Sociology and Spanish ... born August 16, 1984.



Haley FITZGERALD

Sophomore • 5-7
Burke, Va.
Lake Braddock HS

Fall 2006 (Sophomore): Her quad finished first at the Textile Regatta ... At the Head of the Charles, she rowed in the quad and the varsity eight boats. The quad boat finished third while the varsity eight finished 36th in the championship race ... the varsity eight also won their race in the Head of the Fish.

2006 (Freshman): Rowed third seat in the first novice eight ... finishing first at the Yankee Cup, ninth at the Knecht Cup and fifth at the A-10 Championship.

Before UMass: Rowed for the Northern Virginia Rowing Club and Lake Braddock, where she was captain for three years ... finished sixth at Mid-Atlantic erg sprints in 2002, 2004 and 2005 ... won the Baltimore Burn 2005 team and individual events and finished eighth in the National Championships in 2005.

Personal: Born October 17, 1986.



Tara GUINAN

Senior • 5-5
Poughkeepsie, N.Y.
Arlington HS

Fall 2006 (Senior): Rowed in the quad boat that finished first at both the Textile Regatta and the Head of the Fish and also third at the Head of the Housatonic ... raced in the varsity eight boat which placed eighth at the Head of the Housatonic and defeated the rest of the field at the Head of the Fish ... in

the championship race of the Head of the Charles, the varsity eight finished 36th.

2005 (Junior): Rowed in the seventh seat of the second varsity eight ... the boat finished second at the Atlantic 10 Championships, third at the Yankee Cup and fifth in the petite finals at the Knecht Cup ... she also finished third, teaming with Melissa Stewart in the varsity pairs at the Knecht Cup.

2004 (Sophomore): Sat in the bow seat of the first novice eight that took bronze at the A-10 Championships and gold at the ECAC's.

Before UMass: Rowed for four years at Arlington ... in 2002, placed first at US Rowing Nationals ... in 2001, placed first at New York State Rowing Championships.

Personal: Enrolled in the School of Management ... born on August 12, 1985 ... has a twin sister named Kate.



Elizabeth HAYASHIDA

Senior • 5-8
Holmdel, N.J.
Holmdel HS

Fall 2006 (Senior): Rowed in the second varsity eight boat that placed second at the Head of the Fish.

2006 (Junior): Rowed in the second varsity eight boats placing first at the Yankee Cup, the A-10 Championship helping the team to its 11th straight Championship and the ECAC Championship.

Fall 2005 (Junior): Rowed in the bow seat of the four at the Head of the Fish and in the club eight at the Head of the Textile.

2005 (Sophomore): Rowed in the sixth seat of the first novice eight ... the boat finished second at the Atlantic 10 Championships and second in the petite finals at the Knecht Cup.

Before UMass: Played softball at Holmdel for four years as a pitcher and centerfielder ... aspires to be a lawyer.

Personal: Born December 14, 1984.



Mary-Frances HECK

Junior • 5-11
Newton, Mass.
Mount Alvernia HS

Fall 2006 (Junior): In the fall, rowed on the second varsity eight boat which placed second at the Head of the Fish.

2006 (Sophomore): Rowed in the novice eight which finished fifth at the A-10 Championships and fourth at the ECAC Championship.

Before UMass: Transferred from Tulane ... played high school volleyball and golf.

Personal: Majoring in History with minors in Religious Studies and Art History ... born June 20, 1986.



Andrea HOEY

Junior • 5-4
Sparta, N.J.
Sparta HS

2006 (Sophomore): Rowed in the third seat for the second Novice eight at the Yankee cup in R.I. and the Knecht cup finishing 2nd ... rowed with the novice eight in the 4th seat at the Atlantic 10 championships, finished first by almost a minute over second place.

Before UMass: Was the captain of Sparta's varsity and competition cheerleading squads ... also served as a coach for the little league cheerleading program.

Personal: Majoring in Psychology ... born September 9, 1985.



Katarina KAROTKI

Sophomore • 5-6
Lisle, Ill
Naperville North HS

2006 (Freshman): Did not race due to injury

Before UMass: Named to both the all-academic and all-conference teams in soccer four times in high school ... her teams won four DVC titles, three section championships, and was a state finalist in 2004 ... also played basketball ... was an Illinois State Scholar, AP Scholar, and National Honor Society member.



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Personal: Majoring in Sport Management and Spanish ... born May 18, 1986 ... was an announcer for the UMass soccer broadcast on the internet this fall.



Erin KELLY
Sophomore • 5-8
Stoughton, Mass.
Fontbonne Acad.

Fall 2006 (Sophomore): Rowed in the varsity eight boat that finished eighth at the Head of the Housatonic and 36th at the Head of the Charles rowed on the second varsity eight boat at the Head of the Fish and placed second.

2006 (Freshman): Raced in the second novice eight boat that placed second at the Knecht Cup and first at both the A-10 Championship and the ECAC Championships.

Before UMass: Played soccer and ran track for three years in high school ... on club soccer and swim teams, too.

Personal: Majoring in nursing ... born April 25, 1987.



Jeanine LeDOUX
Junior • 5-2
Milton, Mass.
Milton HS

Fall 2006 (Junior): Coxed the varsity eight to eighth place at the Head of the Housatonic ... at the Textile Regatta rowed in the Lightweight-four finishing in 3rd place while acting as coxswain.

2006 (Sophomore): Raced in the varsity eight as the coxswain at the Atlantic 10 championship and ECAC championship finishing 5th and 4th respectively.

Before UMass: Played tennis for two years and was a member of the National Honor Society.

Personal: Majoring in Molecular Biology, concentrating in Pre-Med ... born June 6, 1986.



Abby LIVELY
Senior • 5-2
Rowe, Mass.
Mohawk Reg. HS

Fall 2006 (Senior): Raced in the lightweight four boat that came in third at the Textile Regatta and the Head of the Fish.

2006 (Junior): Rowed in the lightweight four and eight boats that finished second at the Yankee Cup ... her lightweight four boat took first place at the A-10 Championship.

Fall 2005 (Junior): Won two silvers at the head of the Fish, rowing in the lightweight four and lightweight eight, and in the lightweight eight that won bronze at the Head of the Textile.

2005 (Sophomore): Rowed in the sixth seat of the lightweight eight ... the boat finished third at the Atlantic 10 Championships, fourth at the ECAC Championships, and third in the petite final at the Knecht Cup ... also rowed in the second seat of the lightweight four that was third at A-10's and second in the petite finals at the Knecht Cup.

Before UMass: Played softball for four years and a member of the soccer team for two seasons.

Personal: Majoring in Kinesiology ... born May 31, 1984.



Anna MALINKEVICH
Senior • 5-6
Shrewsbury, Mass.
Shrewsbury HS

Fall 2006 (Senior): Finished first in a single and third on the lightweight four at the Textile Regatta ... at the Head of the Housatonic, placed second in the lightweight four.

2006 (Junior): Competed in the lightweight eight and lightweight four at the Yankee Cup and the Kencht Cup ... rowed on the lightweight four boat that placed first at the A-10 Championship ... also rowed on the same boats in the ECAC Championships.



Julie MARKUS
Junior • 5-8
Farmington, Conn.
Farmington HS

2005 (Freshman): Rowed in the third seat of the first novice eight ... the boat finished second at the Atlantic 10 Championships, third at the Yankee Cup, second in the petite final at the Knecht Cup.

Before UMass: Rowed for three years at Farmington High.

Personal: Born on September 7, 1986 in Halifax, Nova Scotia.



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Sarah
MARSAN
Junior • 5-10
Cincinnati, Ohio
Oak Hills HS

Fall 2006 (Junior): Rowed with Hannah Brewster in the open double that took first place at the Textile Regatta ... she also finished second in the youth double at the Head of the Charles and sat fourth seat in the varsity eight boat that placed first at the Head of the Fish.

2006 (Sophomore): Rowed fourth seat in the varsity eight boat that placed first at the Yankee Cup, Knecht Cup and the ECAC Championships.

2005 (Freshman): Rowed in the sixth seat at the Head of the Charles.

Before UMass: Rowed for Mercyhurst in Erie, Penn ... sat in the fifth seat of the boat that finished second at NCAA Division II national championship.

Before UMass: Played both soccer and basketball in high school and club soccer for Team Thunder Elite ... rowed her senior year for Clermont Crew, finishing second in the double at the U.S. Rowing Junior Invationals.

Personal: Majoring in Marketing ... born January 24, 1986.



Ellen
MASKREY
Junior • 5-7
Pittsburgh, Pa.
North Allegheny HS

Fall 2006 (Junior): Rowed with Gabrielle Papineau in the open double that took second place at the Textile Regatta and again with her in the pair that finished second at the Head of the Housatonic ... rowed on the varsity eight boat that competed at the Head of the Charles and placed first at the Head of the Fish.

2006 (Sophomore): Rowed second seat in the varsity eight boat that placed first at the Yankee Cup and the Knecht Cup ... at the ECAC Championships, raced seventh seat in the varsity eight which finished first.

Fall 2005 (Sophomore): Rowed in the bow in the collegiate double at the Head of the Charles.

2005 (Freshman): Rowed in the stroke seat of the varsity eight ... the boat won the Yankee Cup, Knecht Cup, the Atlantic 10 Championships and the ECAC Championships.

2004: Sat in the seventh seat in the first novice eight boat that took second place in the Atlantic 10 Championships ... stroke on the first novice eight that finished first in the ECAC Championships.

Before UMass: Rowed four years in high school ... rowed in the third seat in the quad at the U.S. Rowing Junior Invationals, finishing fifth in 2003 and 12th in 2002 ... in her senior year, rowed bow in a double that came in third at the Stotesbury Cup Regatta.

Personal: Majoring in Marketing ... born January 18, 1985.



Amanda
MAWN
Junior • 5-11
Milton, Mass.
Milton HS

2006 (Sophomore): Rowed on the second varsity eight boat that took first place at the Yankee Cup, fifth at the Knecht Cup and first at the A-10 Championships ... also placed fourth in the varsity four at the Knecht Cup ... rowed on the varsity eight boat that won its race at the ECAC Championships.

Fall 2005 (Junior): Rowed in the third seat in the women's open eight at the Head of the Textile, finishing eighth out of 24 ... rowed in the seventh seat in the collegiate eight at the Head of the Charles.

2005 (Sophomore): Rowed in the seventh seat of the first novice eight ... the boat finished second at the Atlantic 10 Championships, third at the Yankee Cup, second in the petite final at the Knecht Cup.

Before UMass: Ran cross country and indoor track ... did Irish Step Dancing

and was a member of the National Honor Society.

Personal: Majoring in History ... born on July 28, 1986.



Andrea
MORAND
Sophomore • 5-9
Shrewsbury, Mass.
Shrewsbury HS

2006 (Freshman): Rowed in the novice four boat that finished second at the Yankee Cup and third at the A-10 Championship ... rowed in the second novice eight that placed first at the ECAC Championships.

Before UMass: Rowed for three years in high school, participating and placing at the New Hampshire Championships, the Mass Public Regatta, and the NEIRA's.

Personal: Majoring in Kinesiology ... born August 10, 1987.



Molly
MORGAN
Sophomore • 5-2
Delmar, N.Y.
Bethlehem Central HS

Fall 2006 (Sophomore): At the Head of the Housatonic, coxed the novice four that finished first and the novice eight that also finished first ... was the coxswain for the first place novice four and the fifth place varsity four at the Head of the Fish.

2006 (Freshman): Coxed the varsity four to second place at the Yankee Cup and third place at the ECAC Championships.



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Fall 2005 (Freshman): Was the coxswain for the first novice eight, which finished 11th at the Head of the Fish ... also coxed the novice four which finished fifth at the Head of the Connecticut and ninth at the Head of the Fish.

Before UMass: Rowed four years for Angry Fish Rowing Club in Albany, N.Y. Played goalie for the field hockey team, ran indoor track, and was the editor of the school newspaper.

Personal: Majoring in History ... born July 13, 1987.



**Courtney
MULVIHILL**
Junior • 5-9
Absecon, N.J.
Holy Spirit HS

2005 (Sophomore): Rowed in the stroke seat of the first novice eight ... the boat finished second at the Atlantic 10 Championships, third at the Yankee Cup, second in the petite final at the Knecht Cup.

Before UMass: Rowed four years at Holy Spirit, her crew won the Stotesbury Cup in 2001 and 2002 ... also played basketball for two seasons.

Personal: Majoring in History ... born May 23, 1986.



**Rachel
NEALER**
Junior • 5-7
Newbury, Mass.
Triton Reg. HS

2006 (Sophomore): Sat in the second seat of the varsity eight boat that placed first at the Yankee Cup, the Knecht Cup and fourth at the A-10 Championship.

Fall 2005 (Sophomore): Rowed in the second seat of the varsity eight at the Head of the Charles, the sixth seat at the Head of the Textile, and the third seat of the Head of the Fish.

2005 (Freshman): Rowed in the fourth seat of the first novice eight ... the boat finished second at the Atlantic 10 Championships, third at the Yankee Cup, second in the petite final at the Knecht Cup.

Before UMass: Played tennis and basketball for three years, while swimming for the North Shore YMCA Swimming team ... a member of the National Honor Society.

Personal: Born April 13, 1986.



**Gabrielle
PAPINEAU**
Grad. Student • 5-10
Ottawa, Canada
Gloucester HS

Fall 2006 (Graduate): Finished second at the Textile Regatta in both the open double and the women's pair ... in the women's pair at the Head of the Housatonic, she and Ellen Maskrey finished second ... she also rowed on the varsity eight that placed 36th at the Head of the Charles and first at the Head of the Fish.

2006 (Senior): Rowed in the varsity eight boat ... the boat finished first at the Yankee Cup, the Knecht Cup and the ECAC Championship.

Fall 2005 (Senior): Rowed in the fifth seat of the varsity eight at the Head of the Charles and the Head of the Fish.

2005 (Junior): Named National Scholar Athlete by the Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association ... rowed in the sixth seat of the varsity eight ... the boat won the Yankee Cup, Knecht Cup, the Atlantic 10 Championships, and the ECAC Championships ... the ECAC race set the course record ... teamed with Faith Harkins to finish second in the varsity pairs at the Knecht Cup.

2004 (Sophomore): Sat in the fifth seat in the junior varsity eight, winning silver at the A-10 Championships and gold at the ECAC's ... rowed in Ottawa in the Open women's Under-23 eight, placing 3rd at the Royal Canadian Henley Regatta ... she also won the Ontario Championship in the four and the eight.

Before UMass: Rowed for a club in Ottawa in 2003 ... played basketball in high school and also played ringette for 10 years.

Personal: Majoring in Kinesiology ... born January 11, 1984.



**Karen
PLEVOCK**
Sophomore • 5-10
Weymouth, Mass.
Fontbonne Acad.

Fall 2006 (Sophomore): Rowed on the varsity four boat which finished twelfth at the Head of the Housatonic.

2006 (Freshman): Rowed second seat in the first novice eight ... the boat finished first at the Yankee Cup, fifth at the A-10 Championship and fourth at the ECAC Championship.

Before UMass: Ran outdoor track for four years and indoor for three, serving as captain of both teams ... also played soccer for three years.

Personal: Majoring in Biology with a Pre-Med focus ... born December 9, 1986.



**Sarah
POTTS**
Junior • 5-4
E. Falmouth, Mass.
Falmouth HS

Fall 2006 (Junior): Rowed on the lightweight four that finished fourth at the Textile Regatta second at the Head of the Housatonic and third at the Head of the Fish.

2006 (Sophomore): Rowed on the novice four boat that finished fourth at the Yankee Cup, third at the A-10 Championship ... also a part of the novice eight boat that placed fourth at the ECAC Championships.



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2005 (Sophomore): Started, coached and managed the UMass women's collegiate synchronized skating team, the MassAttack, now known as the MassachusETTES ... the team placed ninth in the qualifying round at the U.S. Synchronized Skating Championship.

Before UMass: Was a competitive figure skater for 17 years and a synchronized skater for seven years, skating on the 2003-04 U.S. National Champion team and won a gold medal.

Personal: Majoring in Sport Management ... born July 28, 1986.



Dana PULDA
Junior • 5-0
Worcester, Mass.
Doherty HS

Fall 2006 (Junior): Coxed the novice eight at the Textile Regatta, finishing second ... she coxed the lightweight four to a second place finish at the Head of the Housatonic and to a 36th place finish in the championship race at the Head of the Charles ... at the Head of the Fish, her varsity eight boat finished in first place.

2006 (Sophomore): Coxed the varsity eight to victory at the Yankee Cup, the Knecht Cup and the ECAC Championship.

Fall 2005 (Sophomore): Coxed the varsity eight at the Head of the Charles, the Head of the Fish and the Head of the Textile ... the boat was fourth at the Head of the Fish.

2005 (Freshman): Was the coxswain for the first novice eight ... the boat finished second at the Atlantic 10 Championships, third at the Yankee Cup and second in the petite final at the Knecht Cup ... also coxed the lightweight four that finished third at the A-10's



Before UMass: Rowed four years at Doherty High, serving as the coxswain ... placed first in the Mass Public State Championship in 2002 ... a member of the National Honor Society.

Personal: Member of the Commonwealth College, majoring in Communications and Film Studies ... born April 15, 1986 ... mother Kathy attended UMass. Sister Julie is also on the rowing team.



Emily REYNOLDS
Sophomore • 5-8
Malden, Mass.
Malden HS

2006 (Freshman): Rowed in the second novice eight boat which placed second at the Yankee Cup, second at the Knecht Cup and first at both the A-10 Championship and the ECAC Championship.

Before UMass: Played soccer for four years, basketball for three and lacrosse for two, in addition to running outdoor track for two years ... was also the sports editor of the school newspaper and a member of the National Honor Society.

Personal: Majoring in Journalism ... born May 21, 1987.



Stephanie RIST
Junior • 5-6
Poughkeepsie, N.Y.
Spackenhill HS

Fall 2005: Rowed in the fifth seat in the collegiate eight at the Head of the Charles and in the fifth seat of the second varsity eight at the Head of the Fish.

2005: Rowed in the fifth seat of the first novice eight ... the boat finished

second at the Atlantic 10 Championships, third at the Yankee Cup and second in the petite final at the Knecht Cup.

Before UMass: Captained the rowing team her senior year that she had been a rower on since the seventh grade ... a Poughkeepsie Journal first-team all star ... race walked for three years at Doherty.

Personal: Born November 11, 1986.



Karalyn WALK
Senior • 5-8
West Milford, N.J.
West Milford HS

Fall 2006 (Senior): Rowed on the second varsity eight boat which finished second at the Head of the Fish.

2006 (Junior): Rowed on the varsity four boat placing second at the Yankee Cup, third at the A-10 Championship and third at the ECAC Championship.

Fall 2005 (Junior): Rowed in the third seat of the club eight at the Head of the Textile, the third seat in the club four at the Head of the Fish and the Head of the Connecticut.

2005 (Sophomore): Rowed in the third seat of the novice four ... the boat finished third at the Yankee Cup, third at the Atlantic 10 Championships and third in the petite final at the Knecht Cup.

Before UMass: A decorated alpine skier who raced all four years at West Milford ... named all-New Jersey twice, all-conference once, all-county team four times and team MVP three times ... also played soccer for three seasons and was a member of the National Art Honor Society.

Personal: Born March 1, 1985.



Anna WELCH
Junior • 5-11
Branford, Conn.
Norwalk HS

Fall 2006 (Junior): Rowed in the second varsity eight boat which placed second at the Head of the Fish.

2006 (Sophomore): Rowed in the novice eight boat which finished first at the Yankee Cup, in the novice four boat which finished third at the A-10 Championship.

Personal: Born February 13, 1985.



NOVICE PROFILES



Sarah ALBERT
Freshman • 5-8
Lexington, Mass.
Choate Rosemary Hall HS

Fall 2006 (Freshman): Rowed in the novice eight which placed first at the Textile Regatta ... at the Head of the Housatonic, competed in the novice eight and four boats, both of which took first place ... raced in the novice four, first place, and the novice eight, sixth place, at the Head of the Fish.

Before UMass: Rowed stroke for three years in high school ... also won four letters in swimming.

Personal: Intends to major in Journalism ... born May 22, 1988.



Meghan CAFFREY
Sophomore • 5-6
Duxbury, Mass.
Duxbury HS

Before UMass: Won three varsity letters in golf at Duxbury High School ... was also on the cheerleading team for four years serving as captain senior year.

Personal: Performed in UMass Concert Band ... majoring in Marketing ... born August 15, 1987.



Claire CHAMPINE
5-5 • Sophomore
Westborough, Mass.
Westborough HS

Before UMass: Attended Westborough High School.

Personal: Intends to major in Kinesiology ... born December 1, 1984.



Melissa D'AMICO
Sophomore • 5-3
Watertown, Mass.
Watertown HS

Fall 2006 (Freshman): Coxed the novice eight boat that took sixth place at the Head of the Fish.

Before UMass: Captained her cross-country, indoor track and spring track and field teams her senior year ... won varsity letters in each sport three consecutive years.

Personal: Plans to major in Journalism ... born December 13, 1987.



Lindsay DAWSON
Freshman • 5-6
Easton, Mass.
Easton Area HS

Before UMass: Won three varsity letters in high school for swimming.

Personal: National Honor Society member and also played cross country and soccer. Intends to major in Biochemistry with a focus in Pre-Dental. Born September 3, 1987.



Allison DONZANTI
Freshman • 5-4
West Chester, Pa.
Agnes Irwin School

Fall 2006 (Freshman): Rowed in the novice eight boat that took first at the Textile Regatta and the Head of the Housatonic ... At the Head of the Fish, her novice eight boat finished sixth and her novice four boat came ahead of the rest of pack.

Before UMass: Rowed in high school earning recognition junior year as the most improved rower.

Personal: Planning to major in Political Science ... Born October 23, 1987.



Shelby FALLON
Freshman • 5-8
Smithfield, R.I.
Smithfield HS

Before UMass: Attended Smithfield High School.

Personal: Intends to major in Legal Studies. Born May 13, 1988.



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Chelsea
FINNEGAN
Freshman • 5-7
Alexandria, Va.
TC Williams HS

Fall 2006 (Freshman): Rowed in the novice eight placing first at the Textile Regatta, first at the Head of the Housatonic and sixth at the Head of the Fish.

Before UMass: Won four varsity letters for crew in high school.

Personal: Intends to major in Political Science ... Born April 11, 1988.



Ashley
HAN
Freshman • 5-2
Wilbraham, Mass.
Minnechaug Reg. HS

Before UMass: Danced ballet through high school and continues it at UMass.

Personal: Serves as a House Council Secretary.



Anna
KENSETH
Freshman • 6-0
Foxboro, Mass.
Foxboro HS

Fall 2006 (Freshman): Rowed in the novice eight boat that placed in sixth place at the Head of the Fish.

Before UMass: Played varsity volleyball for four years in high-school and was a two-time Hockomock League All-Star ... won an MIAA Sportsmanship Award in basketball ... four year varsity tennis player, as well.

Personal: Born April 19, 1988.



Kathryn
KERN
Sophomore • 5-9
Lexington, Mass.
Lexington HS

Before UMass: Threw shot put for the varsity track and field team at Lexington high school for three years.

Personal: Intends to major in Math. Born July 23, 1987.



Jenna
OELSCHLEGEL
Freshman • 6-0
Dumfries, Va.
Forest Park HS

Fall 2006 (Freshman): Rowed in the novice eight placing first at the Textile Regatta and Head of the Housatonic ... competed in the novice four, placing first at the Head of the Housatonic and the Head of the Fish.

Before UMass: Rowed varsity for three years at Forest Park High School placing first in the Walter Mess Regatta ... holds the record for the openweight 2K.

Personal: National Honor Society member in high school ... majoring in Anthropology ... born October 17, 1987.



Julie
PULDA
Freshman • 5-5
Worcester, Mass.
Doherty HS

Fall 2006 (Freshman): Rowed in the novice eight placing first at the Textile Regatta, first at the Head of the Housatonic and sixth at the Head of the Fish.

Before UMass: Was the varsity captain both junior and senior years while winning the crew coach's award as a senior ... Won gold medal at the Massachusetts State Championship two consecutive years.

Personal: Sister, Dana, is also on the rowing team ... Graduated in top 5% of her class and was a National Honor Society member ... plans to major in Biology with a Pre-Med concentration ... born December 19, 1987.



Jennifer
RIVERO
Freshman • 5-7
Scituate, Mass.
Scituate HS

Before UMass: Started on her high school's varsity field hockey team ... sang in both the jazz choir and the women's choir.

Personal: Born September 10, 1987.



Jessica
ROMAIN
Freshman • 5-5
Sudbury, Mass.
Lincoln-Sudbury HS

Fall 2006 (Freshman): Rowed in the novice eight placing first at the Textile Regatta and Head of the Housatonic ... raced in the novice four boat that took first place at the Head of the Housatonic and the Head of the Fish.

Before UMass: Won letters in cross-country running and spring track and was state champion in spring track ... also won four letters in cross-country skiing, serving as captain senior year.

Personal: Intends to major in Psychology ... born November 20, 1987.



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**Laura
SILVERMAN**
Freshman • 5-5
Glenview, Ill.
New Trier HS

Before UMass: Danced in a pre-professional company for two years.

Personal: House Council President of Van Meter/Butterfield Cluster and majoring in Legal Studies.



**Samantha
SMITH**
Sophomore • 5-5
Bayville, N.Y.
Locust Valley HS

Fall 2006 (Freshman): Rowed in the novice eight placing first at the Textile Regatta and Head of the Housatonic ... was on the crew of the novice four boat that placed first at the Head of the Housatonic and the Head of the Fish.

Before UMass: Competed in US rowing nationals in summer 2006 ... rowed at the Head of the Charles in 2004.

Personal: Transfer from Fordham College ... born December 26, 2006.



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MINUTEWOMEN HONORS

Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association All-Americans

Francesca Beaudoin	2000 (first team)
Lea Jakobsen	2005 (first team)
Amy Lawless	1999 (first team)
Neyla Leslie	1999 (second team)
Katie O'Brien	2004 (first team)
Sara Pollmann	2001, 2002 (second team)
Sara Praguski	1999 (second team)

Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association All-Region

Francesca Beaudoin	1999, 2000 (first team)
Lizzy Boyle	2004 (first team)
Carrie Champigny	2004 (second team)
Lea Jakobsen	2004 (second team)
	2005 (first team)
Amy Lawless	1999 (first team)
Neyla Leslie	1999 (first team)
Megan Mastropolo	2002, 2003 (second team)
Katie O'Brien	2003, 2004 (first team)
Sara Pollmann	2001, 2002 (first team)
Sara Praguski	1999 (first team)
	2000, 2001 (second team)
Heather Walker	2001 (second team)

Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association National Scholar Athlete

Francesca Beaudoin	1999, 2000
Kary Bredenberg	2000
Hannah Brewster	2005
Gwen Callahan	1999
Alicia Conway	2000
Kristina Ferraro	2005
Catherine Garipey	2004, 2005
Mila Gorzkowski	2001
Megan Mastropolo	2002, 2003
Katie O'Brien	2002, 2003, 2004
Gabrielle Papineau	2005
Sara Praguski	1999, 2000, 2001

A-10 Conference Coach of the Year

Jim Dietz	1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2003, 2004, 2005
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U.S. Rowing Association Academic All-American

Francesca Beaudoin	1998, 1999
Michelle Borkhuis	1995
Jennifer Strong	1996
Wendy Wilbur	1995

U.S. Olympians

Sara Jones	2000 (8+), 2004 (pair)
Jim Dietz	1988, 1992, 2000 (Coach)
	1972, 1976, 1980 (Rower)

U.S. National Team Members

Michelle Borkhuis	1997, 1998, 2001, 2002
Deanna Groark	1997, 1998
Sara Jones	1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004
Wendy Wilbur	1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002
Laura Simon	2002 (Coach)

Canadian U-23 National Team

Catherine Garipey	2005
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A-10 Academic All-Conference Selections

2006	Hannah Brewster, Abby Lively, Gabrielle Papineau
2004	Katie O'Brien
2003	Mila Gorzkowski, Megan Mastropolo, Katie O'Brien
2002	Mila Gorzkowski, Megan Mastropolo, Alpna Sharma
2001	Amy Folta, Sara Praguski
2000	Francesca Beaudoin, Sara Praguski
1999	Francesca Beaudoin, Sara Praguski, Molly Wallace
1998	Ilana Greenberg, Heather Putnam, Jen Strong
1997	Melissa Allen, Heather Putnam, Jen Strong
1996	Jen Strong

A-10 Student-Athlete of the Year

2006	Abby Lively
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UMass celebrates another ECAC Championship



The 2004 Varsity 8 Team



A-10 CHAMPIONSHIPS

2006 -at Collingswood, N.J., 1st, 45 points

Second Varsity Eight Final	8:43.8
Lightweight Four Final	9:58.0
Quad Final	8:49.9
Novice Eight-B Final	9:37.8

2005 -at Collingswood, N.J., 1st, 45 points

Varsity Eight Final	6:59.3
Varsity Four Final	8:30.1
Quad Final	7:30.7

2004 -at Collingswood, N.J., 1st, 42 points

Varsity Eight Final	6:43.0
Varsity Four Final	8:15.7
Quad Final	7:33.2

2003—at Collingswood, N.J., 1st, 45 points

Varsity Eight Final	7:08.9
Second Varsity Eight Final	7:23.6
Lightweight Eight Final	7:39.0
Quad Final	7:55.1

2002—at Collingswood, N.J., 1st, 44 points

Varsity Eight Final	6:48.66
Second Varsity Eight Final	7:11.15
Quad Final	7:43.50
Novice Eight-A Final	7:23.70
Novice Four Final	8:27.43

2001—at Collingswood, N.J., 1st, 47 points

Second Varsity Eight Final	7:02.87
Lightweight Four Final	8:32.90
Quad Final	7:48.90

2000—at Collingswood, N.J., 1st, 49 points

Varsity Eight Final	6:51.5
Second Varsity Eight Final	7:16.6
Quad Final	7:54.4

1999—at Collingswood, N.J., 1st, 49 points

Varsity Eight Final	6:51.52
Second Varsity Eight Final	7:04.20
Lightweight Four Final	8:09.36
Quad Final	7:42.91
Novice Eight-A Final	7:30.19
Novice Eight-B Final	7:54.06

1998—at Collingswood, N.J., 1st, 54 points

Varsity Eight Final	6:32.10
Second Varsity Eight Final	6:43.78
Lightweight Eight Final	6:47.00
Quad Final	7:03.50
Novice Eight-A Final	6:54.80
Novice Eight-B Final	7:10.0

1997—at Collingswood, N.J., 1st, 49 points

Varsity Eight Final	6:26.60
Second Varsity Eight Final	6:57.20
Novice Eight-B Final	7:40.30
Novice Four Final	8:47.37

1996—at Philadelphia, Pa., 1st, 47 points

Varsity Eight Final	6:31.79
Second Varsity Eight Final	6:48.55
Lightweight Eight Final,	6:56.00
Novice Eight-B Final	7:31.09



2006 YEAR IN REVIEW

1ST VARSITY EIGHT:

- Coxwain: Dana Pulda
- 8: Catherine Gariepy
- 7: Gabrielle Papineau
- 6: Hannah Brewster
- 5: Sarah Marsan
- 4: Katie Berger
- 3: Ellen Maskrey
- 2: Rachael Nealer
- Bow:** Stephanie Hopf

Yankee Cup (UNH, URI, UConn, UMass)	1st Place
Columbia Regatta	2nd Place
Knecht Cup Regatta	1st Place
Boston Univ. Regatta	3rd Place
Atlantic 10 Conference Championships	1st Place
	<i>11th Conference Title</i>
Princeton Regatta	3rd Place
ECAC Collegiate Championships	1st Place

11-Time Atlantic 10 Champions

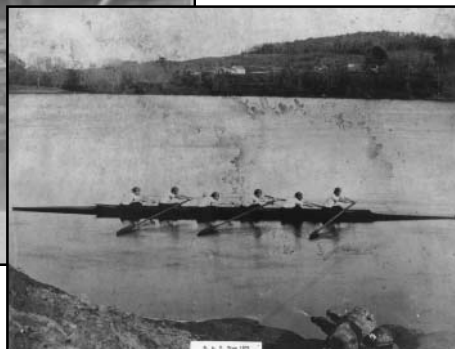
2007 Women's Rowing

THE 1871 CLUB

The 1871 Club was established to recognize the on-the-water accomplishments of the men and women who have taken their pursuit of rowing excellence beyond the University of Massachusetts Crew. The name is derived from the first crew to represent the Massachusetts Agricultural College in collegiate athletic competition in 1871.

To gain induction, a rower is required to be named to the United States National Rowing Team or have a victory in a senior or elite National Championship event. In the 30 years since the first member was inducted, the club has grown to include Olympians and a World Champion. We are proud of their efforts and accomplishments and hope they continue on their chosen path of hard work, humility, and dedication.

Robert Hansen	'67	Robert Spausta	'70
Charles Leonard	'71	Richard Jamara	'74
Barbara O'Rielly	'74	Debbie Kirshmer Loomer	'75
Mary Leonard	'76	Ginny Peebles-Kaurman	'78
Rick Edwards	'78	K.C. Dietz	'79
Karl Leibich	'80	Kathy Bellows	'80
Becky Stephenson	'81	John Frackleton	'81
Elaine Stanley	'83	Deb Fine	'83
Ellen Haskins	'84	Michelle Holiday	'87
Stew Stokes	'88	Kevin McKenna	'88
Mary Lockyer	'91	Matt Collins	'91
Chris Marino	'91	Rich Scannell	'91
Brian Jewet	'92	Deanna Cook Runerman	'92
Deanna Groark	'95	Jennifer Strong	'95
Wendy Wilbur	'95	Sarah Jones	'95
Jeff Capobianco	'95	Jay West	'95
Laura Simon	'96	Michelle Borkhuis	'96
Carolyn McGonagle	'96	Ryan Banks	'04
Wes Piermarini	'03	Lea Jakobsen	'05
Lizzy Boyle	'05		
Mike Baker	'05		



UMASS A World Class

The University of Massachusetts Amherst is a coeducational, nationally ranked research institution located in a beautiful, culturally rich New England town surrounded by hills, forests, lakes and meadows, just a few hours from Boston and New York City.

UNLIMITED OPPORTUNITY

UMass is a public land-grant university that was founded in 1863 and is assisted by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Its size, diversity, and the richness of its academic and extracurricular offerings, provide almost unlimited possibilities for personal growth and professional development. A distinctive feature of UMass is the opportunity for undergraduates to become directly involved in research, and get hands-on experience in numerous areas through internships or field experience. UMass also offers a wide range of service learning and volunteer opportunities.

ENROLLMENT

Each year about 18,000 undergraduates and 6,000 graduate students attend UMass from all 50 states and nearly 100 foreign countries. Students can earn bachelor's degrees in nearly 100 areas, associate's degrees in six, master's degrees in 68, and doctorates in 50, within the University's 10 undergraduate schools and colleges, and the Graduate School.

TOP FACULTY

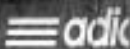
In recent years, UMass faculty members have won an impressive array of the world's most prestigious awards, including: the Nobel Prize; the Pulitzer Prize; the National Book Award for Poetry; the Tanner Prize for Poetry; the American Book Award for Fiction; the Draper Award in Engineering; and numerous MacArthur, Guggenheim, Sloan, Woodrow Wilson, and Fulbright Fellowships. Faculty member Lynn Margulis has been named one of the 100 most influential scientists in history for her work on symbiosis theory. And the UMass faculty love to teach. In any given year, about 90 percent of regular faculty do some teaching of undergraduate students. The student/ faculty ratio is 18:1.

FORMER STUDENTS

UMass alumni have achieved distinction in virtually every field and are an impressive and diverse group. They include: Jack Welch, former president of General Electric Co., and Jack Smith, president of General Motors; entertainer Bill Cosby; actors Richard Gere, Bill Pullman and Tsidi Le Loka; singer Natalie Cole; authors William Manchester, Paul Theroux, Valerie Martin, and Brett Lott; former Boston Celtics head coach Rick Pitino; and Olympians Briana Scurry (soccer) and Danielle Henderson (softball). Many graduates also continue their education at some of the most prestigious graduate and professional schools in the world.

UMass Amherst grants approximately 15 percent of all of the nation's Ph.D. degrees in polymer science.

Science Watch magazine in 2003 ranked UMass Amherst's computer science program ninth in the nation.



UNIVERSITY

UMass Amherst sits on nearly 1,450-acres in the scenic Pioneer Valley of Western Massachusetts, 90 miles from Boston and 175 miles from New York City. The campus provides a rich cultural environment in a rural setting close to major urban centers.

In 2003, *U.S. News & World Report's* list of the nation's best schools of education once again included UMass Amherst's among the top 50.

88 bachelor's degree programs, 68 master's and 50 doctoral programs in 10 schools and colleges

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Supported research activities total more than \$100 million per year.

The university's library system is the largest at a state-supported institution in New England with more than 5.7 million items.

AMHERST And the Surroundings

Amherst and the surrounding communities are a great area for running, biking and many other outdoor activities.

The five-college area is home to: 24,000 college students and offers 100 restaurants, live music, movies, theater and dancing.

Boston has been named "Best Sports City" by The Sporting News for three of the past four years.



Surrounding Area

It is conveniently located in the heart of the Pioneer Valley, one hour from Hartford, two hours from Boston and less than three hours from New York City.

Edward B. Fiske of the New York Times called Amherst one of the nation's "Ten Best College Towns."



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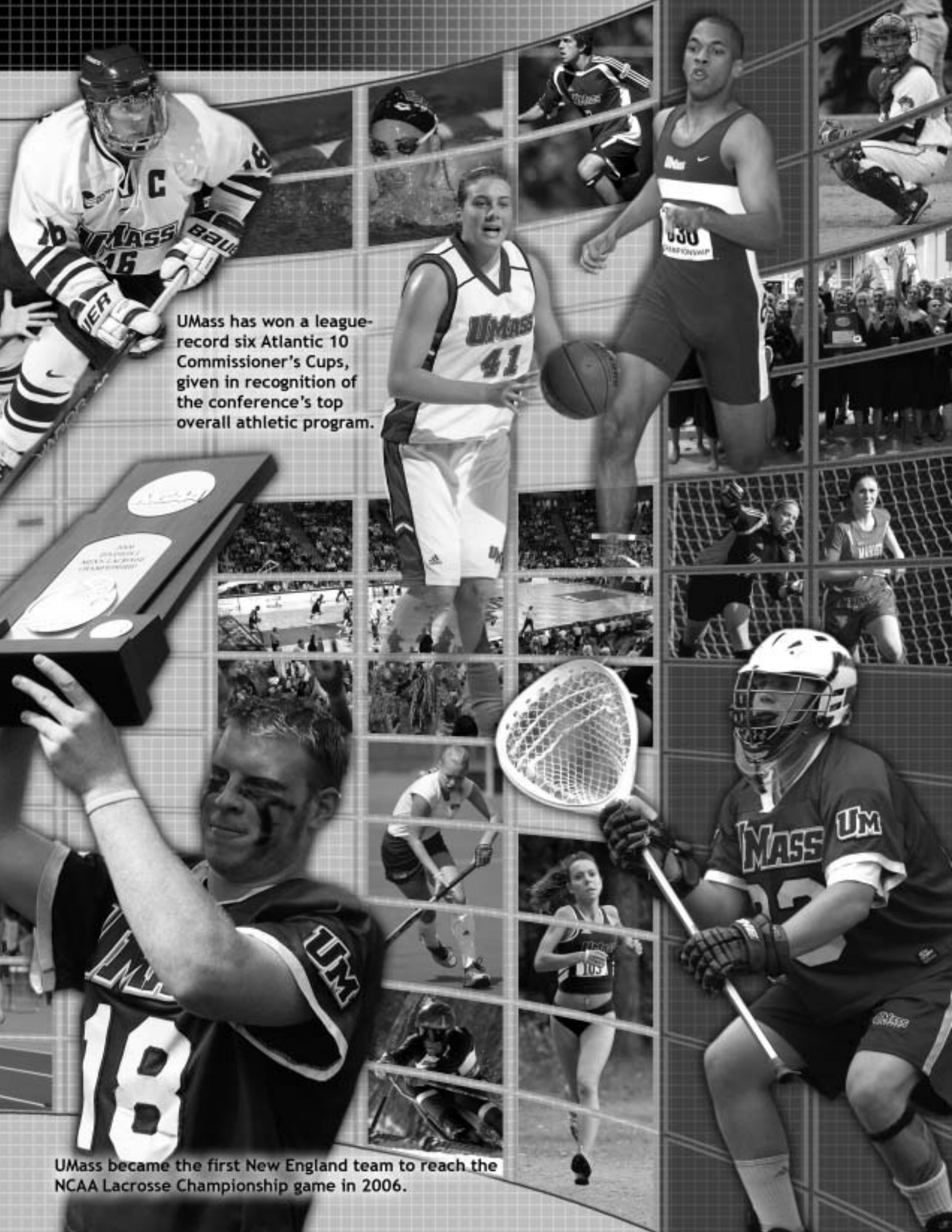
2006
SOFTBALL
CHAMPION

UMass softball has won 18 Atlantic 10 Championships.

UMass has had 14 conference champions over the last three seasons.



UMass' Sam the Minutemen was the National Runner-Up for the 2005 Capital One Mascot of the Year.



UMass has won a league-record six Atlantic 10 Commissioner's Cups, given in recognition of the conference's top overall athletic program.

UMass became the first New England team to reach the NCAA Lacrosse Championship game in 2006.

NOTABLE UMASS ALUMNI



Steve Buckley

Jeff Corwin



The Lyons Family,
Three Generations of
UMass Alumni



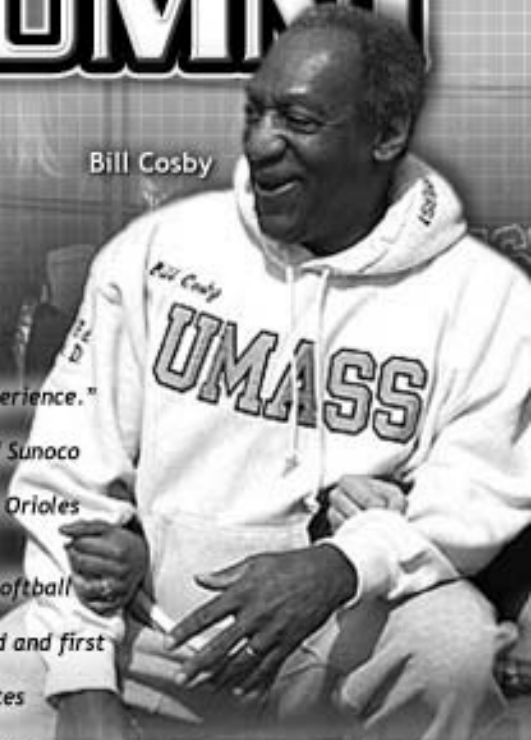
Danielle Henderson

ALUMNI
ASSOCIATION



NORM ABRAM '72, "America's most famous carpenter"
KENNY ARONOFF '75, drummer
HERBERT BIX '60, Pulitzer Prize winner and historian
DICK BRESCIANI '60, Vice President, Boston Red Sox
PHIL BUCK '91, explorer
STEVE BUCKLEY '78, Boston Herald Sports Columnist
MARCUS CAMBY '96, professional basketball player
JACK CANFIELD '72G, best-selling author
NATALIE COLE '72, Grammy-winning singer
CATHERINE "CADY" COLEMAN '91 PH.D., astronaut
JEFF CORWIN '02G, *Animal Planet's* "The Jeff Corwin Experience."
BILL COSBY '72G, '76 ED.D., actor, comedian, writer
JOHN G. DROSDICK '68G, chairman, CEO and president of Sunoco
JULIUS ERVING '86H, NBA Hall of Famer
MIKE FLANAGAN '75, Executive Vice President, Baltimore Orioles
RICHARD GERE '71, actor
DAVEY HEARN '82, U.S. Olympian—Whitewater Slalom
DANIELLE HENDERSON '99, Olympic Gold Medal winner—Softball
RUSSELL HULSE '72G, '75 PH.D., Nobel Prize winner
MADELEINE KUNIN '56, former ambassador to Switzerland and first woman governor of Vermont
DAVE LITTLEFIELD '84, General Manager, Pittsburgh Pirates
TAJ MAHAL '63, composer and singer
BURKE MAGNUS '94G, ESPN Vice President & General Manager
BOB MEERS '66, Former President of Reebok
RICK PITINO '75, Louisville Head Basketball Coach
SCOTT PRIOR '71, artist
BILL PULLMAN '80G, actor
BRIANA SCURRY '95, Olympic Gold Medal winner—Soccer
AL SKINNER '74, Boston College Head Basketball Coach
JACK SMITH '60, Chairman of the Board of General Motors
BUFFY SAINTE-MARIE '70, singer
DAVE STRADER '77, ESPN & NHL's Florida Panthers Broadcaster
JEFF TAYLOR '01, Founder of Monster.com
PAUL THEROUX '63, author
JACK WELCH '57, retired CEO of General Electric

Bill Cosby



Rick Pitino coaching current UMass basketball coach Travis Ford during his days at Kentucky.



Julius Erving



Dave Strader



Bill Pullman



Jeff Taylor



Briana Scurry

