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# Sports LETTER

## Gallagher named Kraus award winner at Block H Banquet

The Statesmen Athletic Association and the Hobart Athletics Department honored the top student-athletes of 2005-06 at the 41st Annual Block H Awards Banquet on May 1. Senior hockey defenseman **GREG GALLAGHER** took home top honors as the Francis L. "Babe" Kraus '24 Memorial Award winner. The Kraus Award is presented to Hobart's most outstanding senior athlete.

The other major award winners were senior basketball guard and football wide receiver **COLBY FEANE**, who was presented with the William C. Stiles '43 Memorial Award for leadership, determination, and character, while first-year hockey goalie **KEITH LONGO** earned the Abe Solomon Memorial Award as Hobart's Rookie of the Year.

Hobart and the SAA also presented two special awards. Longtime supporter of Hobart Athletics **JOHN COLLINS** received the Coach Bill Maxwell Memorial Award which recognizes sportsmanship, courage, teamwork and/or service to the campus community. A retired New York City police officer, Collins, who is the father of four William Smith graduates, has been active in many areas of the HWS community.

The other special award, the William J. Napier '57 Memorial Award, was presented to **CLARENCE BUTLER**, dean of Hobart College. The honor was bestowed upon him in recognition of his 27 years of service to Hobart Athletics, Hobart College, and the Geneva community. Butler retired at the end of the academic year.

Gallagher is just the second Hobart hockey player to be named to the American Hockey Coaches Association East All-America teams. A two-time All-ECAC West selection and ECAC West All-Academic pick, Gallagher solidified the blue line with his versatile play. A team captain, he tied for the ECAC West lead and was 15th in the nation in points by a defenseman (5-18-23). A



Athletics Director Mike Hanna '68 (second from left) stands with Solomon Award winner Keith Longo (far left), Kraus Award winner Greg Gallagher (third from left) and Stiles Award winner Colby Feane following the 41st annual Block H Awards Dinner.

four-year starter, he recorded 64 points, including 50 assists, in 102 career games.

Gallagher and his teammates led Hobart to a 20-8-0 record this season, advancing to the NCAA tournament semifinals for the first time in the program's history. Gallagher and his classmates are the most successful graduating class in terms of wins (63) and winning percentage (.646, 63-32-11) to graduate from the Statesmen hockey program. In the 24 seasons prior to their arrival on campus, Hobart had just four winning seasons, but Gallagher and Co. produced four consecutive winning slates.

Feane led the Statesmen basketball team in scoring (13.0), three-point shooting percentage (.361), assists (2.9), and steals (1.8) this season. He was a two-time All-Liberty League pick, as well as a 2004-05 second-team NABC All-East selection. He stands second on the career steals list (163), third on the career three-point field goal percentage list (.401), and 13th in career scoring (1,101).

A two-sport star, Feane also played wide receiver for the Hobart football team. Although slowed by a preseason injury, he returned to play in six games as the Statesmen advanced to the regional semifinal of the NCAA tournament this season, making 19 catches for 274 yards and a touchdown. Feane and his classmates on the gridiron leave Hobart with more

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Surrounded by members of his family, longtime Hobart supporter John Collins (center) received the Coach Bill Maxwell Memorial Award.

wins (32-10) than any other graduating class. In 29 games, he recorded 75 catches for 890 yards and four touchdowns.

In his first season as the Statesmen backstop, Longo anchored the Hobart defense that posted a season record low 2.52 goals against average. A three-time ECAC Rookie of the Week, he led the ECAC West and was sixth in the nation in save percentage (.928), while ranking second in the conference and 11th in the nation in goals against average (2.19). Longo broke the program single-season records for save percentage and goals against average. He also holds the Hobart season and career records for shutouts with three. Longo matched his season-high in saves (38) at Norwich and against St. Norbert, both in the NCAA Tournament.

Sponsored by the Statesmen Athletic Association, the department's coaching staff also presented individual awards in each of the College's 11 varsity sports, more than 50 in all. Those awards and the winners (in italics) are listed below:

### CROSS COUNTRY



**The John L. Brown '32 Award** is presented to the runner who has shown the most improvement during the season or throughout his career. The award is named for former Hobart cross country and baseball coach, John Brown, and recognizes his dedication to sports and to young people. The award is endowed through the generous loyalty of Dr. Stergeos G. Arvantides '53. *Joseph P. Bochyński '08*

**The Charles P. McCoy '68 Award** is awarded to the outstanding cross country runner of the year. Donated by the SAA. *Eric D. Barnes '06*

**The Dr. Augustus H. "Gus" Hillman '26 Memorial Award** is presented in memory of Gus Hillman for his love of the sport of cross country. The award recognizes the outstanding sportsmanship, leadership, and determination of a member of the cross country team. The award has been endowed through the generous loyalty of the children and grandchildren of Dr. Hillman, a charter member of the Hobart College Athletic Hall of Fame. *Alexander J. Bryce '09*

**The Rookie Award for Cross Country**  
*William S. Jordan IV*

### FOOTBALL

**The Tryon Football Award** is presented to the outstanding lineman of the football team whose sportsmanship, team play, and performance have contributed significantly to the team. The award recognizes the devotion of J. Edward "Eddie" Tryon, a teacher of young men and head coach of Hobart football 1946-1962, and is endowed through the generous loyalty of John B. Phillips '51. *Richard R. Eicheldinger '06*

**The Shirley A. Zornow WS '47 Memorial Award** is awarded to the member of the football team who has demonstrated significant improvement, untiring perseverance and the will to win during the football season and over the course of his career. The award recognizes Shirley Zornow and her enthusiasm for and support of the Hobart football program. The Shirley Zornow Memorial Award is endowed through the generous loyalty of her husband and past president of the SAA, F. Ross Zornow '45. *Nolan M. Robinson '07*

**Mike Roberti '90 Memorial Award** is awarded to a member of the football team who, by his character, outstanding sportsmanship, and positive influence on his fellow players has contributed most to the game. The Roberti Award was established through the leadership of Tom Bernacki '89 and Tim Kirwan '89, and through the generous loyalty of Mike's teammates and friends. *Douglas V. Blakowski '07*

**The Michael Theodore Silver '39 Memorial Award** is presented to the member of the football team whose scholarship, sportsmanship, and perseverance have proved to be superior. The award recognizes the outstanding athletic ability of Ted Silver, his love for the sport of football, and his loyalty to Hobart College. This award is endowed through the generous loyalty of his brother, Ralph S. Silver Jr. '33. *Ryan M. Smith '06*

**The Harter Family Award** is presented to the member of the football team whose love of the game and desire to win is outstanding — "He came to play and he came to win." This award is donated in memory of their father Donald R. Harter '39 through the generous loyalty of Geoff Harter '70 and Pete Harter '68. Don Harter served on the Colleges Board of Trustees from 1964-78, was a charter member of the SAA, and in 1992 he was inducted into the Hobart College Athletic Hall of Fame. *Tony L. Clemente '06 & Jimmy Gradis '06*

**The Robert L. Cullen '37 Memorial Football Award** is presented to the member of the football team whose performance on special teams has been inspirational and outstanding. The award recognizes Robert L. Cullen '37 for his contributions to intercollegiate athletics, a long-time coach of football and lacrosse at Cornell University, and as a standout quarterback and defensive back for the Hobart teams of 1934-36. The award is endowed through the generous loyalty of Donald S. "Bud" Ames '64. *James M.*

*Anderson '06*

**The Bill Middleton Memorial Football Award** is presented to the member of the football team whose performance has been most valuable to the team and whose character reflects the courage, perseverance, and optimism of William M. Middleton '76. Bill Middleton was a four-year letterman and an outstanding defensive lineman whose inspirational play helped lead the Statesmen to a combined 27-8-1 record from 1972-75. The Middleton Award is endowed through the thoughtful generosity of 43 of Bill's teammates, coaches, and friends. *Shawn M. Mizro '07*

**The Rookie Award for Football**  
*Ryan B. Aruck '09*

### GOLF



**The A.H. Beretta Memorial Golf Award** is awarded to the member of the golf team whose sense of fair play, performance, and leadership best exemplifies the qualities of Hobart College's longtime administrator and golf coach. Donated by the SAA. *Brian C. Kilduff '09*

**The Stan Chizinski '49 Award** is presented to a member of the golf team whose performance as a golfer and whose dedication to his teammates has been outstanding. This award honors Stan Chizinski, head coach of Hobart golf, 1948-75, for his love of the game of golf, for his friendship to Hobart athletics, and for his devotion as a teacher. Donated by the SAA. *Andrew T. Slocum '06*

**The O'Connor Golf Award** was given for the first time at the 2006 Block H Dinner to the Hobart golfer who has demonstrated significant improvement, untiring perseverance, and the will to win during the season or over the course of his career. This award is endowed through the generous loyalty of Thomas L. O'Connor '95. *Michael R. Gonzalez '07*

**The Rookie Award for Golf**  
*George F. Gorton '09*

### SOCCER

**The Ray Demuth Award** is awarded to the member of the soccer team who has demonstrated significant improvement, untiring perseverance, and the will to win during the season or over the course of his career. Named for Raymond W. Demuth, coach of Hobart soccer, 1953-1975, and endowed by Thomas B. Poole '61, captain of the 1960 soccer team. *Benjamin H. Crosky '07*

**The Stephen R. Murphy '77 Memorial Award** is presented to the member of the soccer team whose performance has been most valuable to the team and whose determination and commitment to team play have been inspirational to his teammates and coaches. The award recognizes Steve Murphy for his respect for his fellow competitors and for his love of the sport of soccer. The award is endowed through the generous loyalty of Anne Cross. *Micke Subotowicz '06*

**The Geoffrey S. Perselay '75 Award** is presented to the soccer player whose determination and hard work throughout the season have been inspirational to the Hobart soccer team. The award is endowed through the generous loyalty of Geoff Perselay. *Peter J. Smith '06*

**The Rookie Award for Soccer**  
*Phillip A. DaCosta '09*

**BASKETBALL**

**The Kent Butler '54 Memorial Basketball Award** is awarded to the member of the basketball team who has demonstrated significant improvement, untiring perseverance, and the will to win during the season or over the course of his career. The award is endowed through the generous loyalty of Dr. Robert E. Ford '54. *John R. Grazioli '08*

**The Statesmen Basketball Award** is presented to a member of the basketball team whose scholarship, leadership, and all-around value to the squad have proved to be superior. Donated by the SAA. *Joseph M. Virgilio '06*

**The Bob Ford '54 Basketball Award** is awarded to the member of the team who has proved to be most valuable to the team. The award is endowed through the generous loyalty of the late Dr. Kent H. Butler '54. *Colby L. Feane '06*

**The Rookie Award for Basketball**  
*Douglas W. Murphy '09*

**HOCKEY**



**The Boswell Award**, endowed through the generous loyalty of Charles P. Boswell '50, is presented to the member of the hockey team who has proved to be most valuable to the team. *Gregory P. Gallagher '06 & Edward C. Poirier '06*

**The D. Michael Hazelton '85 Memorial Award** is presented to the member of the hockey team who has shown the most improvement. The award is endowed through the generous loyalty of Robert E. Kandel '65. *Conor L. Bradley '07*

**The Holden Award** is presented to the member of the hockey team whose sportsmanship, character, and leadership have had a significant impact on the Hobart ice hockey program. The award is endowed by Henry R. Holden '63 and Scott W. Holden '84. *William S. Brame '06, Lee L. Carrier '06, & Colby T. McVey '06*

**The Rookie Award for Hockey**  
*Keith A. Longo '09*

**SQUASH**



**The Dr. Frank P. Smith '36 Memorial Award** is awarded for leadership in Hobart Squash Racquets. Donated by the SAA. *Andrew J. Childs '06 & Prateek Patni '07*

**The Most Improved Player Award** is presented to the member of the team who has made the most improvement. Donated by the SAA. *John J. Keating IV '07*

**The R. Chapin Siebert '75 Memorial Squash Trophy Award** is named in memory of R. Chapin "Chape" Siebert '75 in recognition of his love for the sport of squash. Chape earned four varsity letters, captained the 1974 and '75 teams, and received the Dr. Frank P. Smith '36 Squash Trophy Award in 1975. It's with great pride that his sister Margaret Boucher and former teammates Robert W. Loring '73 and Sherman C. Bedford '73 endowed this award. *Brian P. Shiver '07*

**The Rookie Award for Squash**  
*Cale R. Forgues '09*

**CREW**



**The Ford Weiskittel Crew Award** is given presented to the oarsman who, in his all-around performance, has proven to be most valuable to his team. The award is endowed through the generous loyalty of Ford Weiskittel, volunteer assistant coach for Hobart Crew. *John-Michael B. Chadonic '06*

**The Most Improved Rower Award** recognizes the oarsman who has demonstrated the most improvement during the season or over the course of his career. The SAA and Hobart Crew are deeply grateful for the generous loyalty of Robert E. Kandel '65 for endowing this award.

*Timothy P. Faxon '06*

**The Charles "Chip" Hart '90 Award** is presented to the oarsman whose determination and commitment throughout the season have been inspirational to the team. This award recognizes Chip Hart for his dedication to the Friends of Hobart Rowing. Donated by the SAA. *R. Gardner Loring '06*

**Rookie Award for Crew**  
*Jacob P. Podkaminer '08 & Michael J. Talarico '09*

**LACROSSE**



**The Lt. John Vandeverg '50 Memorial Award**, donated by the SAA, is presented to the lacrosse player showing the most improvement. *Michael H. Solomon '06 & Patrick C. Meade '06*

**The Crook Family Award** is presented to the member of the lacrosse team whose leadership, outstanding play, sportsmanship, and all-around value to the team have proved to be superior. The award is endowed in honor of his family through the generous loyalty of D. Clifford Crook III '63. *Andrew W. Narog '06*

**The Kent W. Marbury '62 Memorial Award** is presented to a member of the team who, through dedication and hard work, best exemplifies the characteristics of Kent Marbury. The award is endowed through the generous loyalty of David & Judy Paragamian. *Mark E. Conklin '06*

**The C.R.A.G. Outstanding Defensive Player Award** is presently to a member of the lacrosse team in recognition of his outstanding defensive play. The award recognizes the starting defense of the 1972 Statesmen—Hobart's first national championship team. The award is endowed through the generous loyalty of the four athletes who comprised one of the most outstanding defensive units in the rich history of Hobart lacrosse: goalie Dave Creighton '72, defensemen Bob Raleigh '73, Tim Anderson '73 and Tom Gaggin '72. *Christopher E. Keough '07*

**The Van Arsdale Award** is presented to the member of the team whose scholarship, leadership, and determination have proven to be superior. This award recognizes William P. Van Arsdale, a great friend to Hobart lacrosse, and his sons, Guy Van Arsdale '83 and Marc Van Arsdale '85, both lacrosse All-Americans at Hobart. The award is endowed through the generous loyalty of John B. Phillips '51. *Michael E. Conklin '06*

**The William H. Dobbins '40 Memorial Award** is presented to the player who, through his con-

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tributions to the team and achievements as an offensive player, best reflects the skills of Hobart Hall of Famer Bill Dobbin and the impact this great attackman had on the College and the sport of lacrosse. The award is endowed through the generous loyalty of Richard J. Lyttle '41. *Daryl D. Veltman '08*

**Rookie Award for Lacrosse**  
*David A. O'Quinn '09*

### SAILING



**The Most Valuable Sailor Award** is presented to the sailor who has proven to be most valuable in his all-around performance to the team. Donated by the SAA. *Trevor O. Moore '07*

**The Most Improved Sailor Award** is presented to the sailor demonstrating the most improvement during the season or during his career. Donated by the SAA. *Austin A. Kana '09*

**The Class of 1994 Award** is presented to the member of the team who exhibited an extraordinary commitment to the welfare of the team, who through the donation of time and effort beyond practice, while not apparent in mere racing performance, ensured the current and future success of the sailing team. This award was donated by the members of the Sailing Team Class of 1994. *Zach S. Goldman '06*

**Rookie Award for Sailing**  
*John C. Sampson '09*

### TENNIS



**The Myron V. Jacobs '37 Award** is awarded to the member of the tennis team who has demonstrated excellence as a tennis player and as a citizen of the College community. The award is named for Myron V. Jacobs '37 in recognition of

his loyalty to Hobart College and his love for tennis, and is endowed through the generous loyalty of his nephew, Perry M. Jacobstein '61. *Charles Davis III '08*

**The William A. Walley '61 Tennis Award**—endowed through the generous loyalty of William A. Walley, captain of the 1961 tennis team—is presented to a member of the team who best exemplifies the tenets of good sportsmanship, team work, individual play, and leadership. *Adam E. Raffa '06*

**Rookie Award for Tennis**  
*James V. Micheroni '09*



Tennis senior *Jed Stuart* receives his Hobart watch from President *Mark Gearan*.



## *In Memoriam* *Bradford G. Wilby* *July 7, 1980-June 2, 2006*

Hobart College Assistant Soccer Coach Brad Wilby, 25, a native of Haddonfield, N.J., died at Geneva General Hospital on Friday, June 2, after collapsing during a workout on campus.

"We are all deeply saddened by Brad's passing," Hobart and William Smith President Mark D. Gearan said. "He was an extraordinary young man whose presence on campus and in our community was significant in many ways. A valued friend, colleague, and mentor on our campus and in the community, Brad made an important difference in the lives of our student-athletes as well as many young soccer players in the local community."

Wilby joined the Hobart coaching staff prior to the start of the 2004 season. He was involved with all facets of the program, concentrating on recruiting, the defense, and the goalies. In addition to his coaching duties, Wilby volunteered his time with youth groups in the community, including the YMCA, sharing his love of soccer.

"Brad was an incredible human being who touched so many people's lives in so many different ways," Hobart Soccer Head Coach Shawn Griffin said. "He was quite simply one of the nicest guys in the world. He was both a mentor and true friend to everyone he knew. He possessed an incredibly beautiful smile that complemented his warm and caring personality that he carried with him everywhere he went. As beautiful as his appearance on the outside was, it was what was on the inside of Brad Wilby that truly defined who he was as a person. Brad Wilby defined the word character. He was loyal, caring, generous, helpful, honest, loving and hard-working. He was always willing to help people. He was genuine.

"I was very fortunate to be able to spend a lot of quality time with Brad, both professionally and socially. I got to know him on a very personal level and thought of him as a member of my own family. He will be missed in a big way. We all loved him and lost a great friend in Brad Wilby. God bless you, Brad."

A 2004 graduate of Plymouth State University, Wilby played goalie for the Panther soccer team. A starter in 67 of 71 games, he posted a 1.17 goals against average, a .797 save percentage, 19 shutouts, and a 37-24-5 record. As a senior, Wilby was named to the National Soccer Coaches Association of America All-New England first team and received Plymouth State's Paul E. Arnold Varsity Club Male Athlete of the Year Award after leading the Panthers to a share of the Little East Conference regular season title and the semifinals of the ECAC New England Tournament.

"Off the field, Brad was a gentle giant, kind and selfless with a heart of gold," Plymouth State Head Soccer Coach Rob Wright told SoccerNewEngland.com. "On the field he was a supremely talented player whose ability was there for all to witness. He will be truly missed by so many of us who have been left to look back grateful on the time that he spent with us and enriched our lives."

Wilby graduated from Haddonfield Memorial High School, where he played on two New Jersey state championship soccer teams. He is survived by his parents, Robert and Susan Wilby, and two sisters, Rebecca Jamison and Melissa Wilby.

The Wilby family has been overwhelmed by the outpouring of support by all those whose lives Brad touched.

"We had no idea he touched so many people," Susan Wilby told the Haddon Herald. "He was like a pebble thrown into a lake, the ripples just kind of rolling on forever."

Memorial donations may be made to the Bradford G. Wilby Scholarship Fund, c/o Commerce Bank, 100 Haddon Ave., Haddonfield, NJ 08033. Contributions will be used to establish a scholarship at Plymouth State University.

"I've been in college athletics for 35 years and he's one of the brightest most promising coaches I've ever been around," Hobart Athletics Director Mike Hanna said. "Brad was a young man of great character, with a terrific passion for the profession of coaching. He was deeply respectful of all the people he came in contact with and he was very grateful for the opportunities that came his way."

