Letters

Can't Wait to See You at...



(Left to right: Linda Myers '96, Kimberly Foley T-5, Gary Wereszynski '97, Stefanie Greenberg '97, Craig Brewer '96, and Michelle Hoffman '98)

AN ALTERNATIVE VIEW: Readers identified the Yellowjacket-clad group that appeared in the image below as the student staff of Orientation '95-pictured above in more customary attire.

Recognizing Rocky

The identities of the students sporting Yellowjacket costumes who were featured in the January-February issue (Class Notes) have been revealed.

In a post on Facebook, Lisa Hardy Norwood '86, '95W (MS), assistant dean at the Hajim School of Engineering & Applied Sciences, shared the photo and the story behind it, sparking a conversation.

She fills us in:

"It's from the summer of 1995 when I was the orientation director, and these were the members of the student orientation staff: Gary Wereszynski '97, Stefanie Greenberg Chautin '97, Michelle Hoffman '98, Kim Foley '95, Linda Myers Dickey '96, and Craig Brewer '96. "Every spring, the students would get together for a photoshoot for the save-the-date postcards we used to send to incoming students. (This was pre-email and internet.) For whatever reason, this student staff decided to dress up as Yellowjackets!"

Prompted by the post, Eleanor Oi '13S (MBA), the current director of orientation, worked with Melissa Mead, the John M. and Barbara Keil University Archivist and Rochester Collections Librarian, to find another view of the Orientation '95 team.



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Remembering Dean Harper

We were saddened to learn of Professor Dean Harper's passing in the January-February issue of *Rochester Review*. Dr. Harper certainly made many valuable contributions to the University throughout his impressive tenure. Most notably, he remained a staunch advocate for the study of sociology, even after the department was downsized and eventually eliminated. Through research and teaching in areas such as public health, psychiatry, and mental illness, he was able to keep sociology alive at the University.

Dr. Harper also holds a special place in our Rochester story: he was the only professor all three of us had!

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Basketball Coaches Claim National Titles

Two basketball coaches with ties to Rochester returned as national champions during this spring's "March Madness."

In the NCAA Division I men's tournament, Jay Wright, who got his first coaching job at Rochester under former head Mike Neer '88W (MS), led the Villanova Wildcats to the Philadelphia university's second national title in three years. Wright began his coaching career as a Rochester assistant in the mid-80s, on his way from college at Bucknell University to his first Division I coaching job at Drexel University in 1986. He accepted the Villanova job in 2001 and has since won national titles in 2016 and 2018.

Meanwhile, in the National Junior College Athletic Association's Division II women's national championship, head coach Tim Parrinello '91 led the Lady Tribunes over

defending champion Kirkwood Community College to win the program's fifth national championship.



FIRST JOB: Villanova's Jay Wright (right), began his coaching career with Rochester's Mike Neer (left).

Parrinello, who was named Coach of the Tournament, has presided over all five MCC national title runs. The others came in 2001, 2004, 2005, and 2006.

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