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CATCHING UP | ALUMNI PROFILES

A Grand Experiment | John Walden ’07

After studying plants, woody and otherwise, at Colby, John Walden ’07 made his way into an industry where he studies the simplest plants of all: algae.

Walden works for Solix BioSystems, a company that designs and builds systems for the growth, harvesting, and evaluation of algae. The company and Walden reflect growing interest in industrial cultivation of algae that can produce a type of oil that backers hope will compete successfully with fossil fuels, among other uses. “I was always interested in having directly applicable research,” he said. “Growing algae for energy—I can get behind this concept.”

Walden is a research associate at Solix BioSystem’s Fort Collins, Colo., facility, where he monitors algae growing under specially designed panels. He checks for contaminants like viruses or bacteria (yes, algae can get sick) and determines optimum feeding levels. Experiments are run, data is tabulated, new science emerges.

“Right now people are just trying to get them to grow as fast as possible,” Walden said. “They’re looking for that golden bug that just grows gangbusters and is resistant to contaminants.”

It’s a new industry and a new science that, he says, requires nimble problem-solving skills.

“There’s no book you can go to,” Walden said. “That was an aspect of Colby—thinking outside of the box.”

His education and background helped position him to be an outside-the-box scientist. Walden grew up in Santa Fe, N.M. His mother, Natalie Walden, is a singer; his father, Russell Walden, is a pianist and musical director for Judy Collins. “We were always a musical family,” he said. “They called us the Von Waldens.”

Walden discovered opera in eighth grade, singing in the children’s choir in a Santa Fe Opera production of Carmen. He went on to study opera with Elizabeth Patches, who taught voice as a faculty applied music associate. “I love the technicality of it, the beauty of it, the skill, all of it encapsulated in such a high art form with such precision and refinement,” he said.

But music didn’t trump his interest in science, though he applied (as a biology major) to music conservatories after Colby. After he was rejected, he went on a road trip across the United States, lived with a Colby friend in Buenos Aires for three months, and returned home to land the job at Solix.

Walden said he still studies opera (he sang arias recently at a Fort Collins eatery), but he also has discovered a third interest. “White Dragon fist-style kung fu,” he said. “It started out as a great way to stay in shape and meet some people and turned into sort of a whole way of life. I’m training there six nights a week to become an instructor, eventually.”

To Walden it’s a variation on a theme: diligently applying himself to a task and mastering it. “The rewards that come from that are really wonderful,” he said, “whether it’s being able to sing that song perfectly or do that perfect kick or learning that technique to make the experiment perfect.”

—Gerry Boyle ’78, with Laura Meader

House and Home | Todd Pritsky ’91

A guy who once pontificated from a saggy armchair in his Mary Low dorm room is seeking a wider audience for his political vision. Todd Pritsky ’91 is running for Vermont House of Representatives.

Two years ago he ran as an independent but came up short. “I was a complete neophyte,” he said. This time around, he’s grounding his effort in the Democratic Party.

One thing that won’t change, he says, is his stance as an average guy. Last campaign, he went door to door with his toddler in his arms, saying, “This is my son, and he’s why I’m running. I want him to have health care, educational opportunities, and food that’s pure.”

Dressed in jeans and his campaign T-shirt (with son Sam in a campaign onesie), Pritsky wanted to show voters that he wasn’t “some rich, well-financed guy, but just like you.”

A Russian and philosophy double major, he credits Colby for fostering his critical thinking. “I was taught to look at the world and see interconnectedness,” he said. “I have a liberal view of the world, which is sometimes a hard sell in politics.”

For 17 years Pritsky taught and consulted on technology and information security for global telecommunications companies, federal and state governments, and academic institutions.

His political ambitions spring from being a stay-at-home dad. As he puts it, “I can no longer run around the country and world for peace and justice work.” As the father of a 2-year-old, he says he feels pressure to ensure his child grows up in a “place that’s nice.”

—Erika Mailman ’91

Todd Pritsky ’91, a former technology consultant, is running for the Vermont House of Representatives.
What’s in your career sandwich? Jocelyn Wooten Giangrande ’88 has built a business around helping women answer that question.

An ambitious employee with an undergraduate psychology degree from Colby and a master’s in human resources management from Marygrove College, Giangrande rose quickly through the Hilton Hotels Corp. ranks. Eventually, she became the executive director of human resources—a position that gave her a clear view of how women and men succeed or fail in their careers.

Giangrande observed how men and women spoke during presentations, how they negotiated salaries or jobs, how their body language exuded confidence or self-doubt. “I saw a lot of differences between men and women,” she said. “And I was always fascinated by that.”

Giangrande’s experiences in the corporate world—both personal challenges and obstacles she saw other women face—prompted her to start a business counseling women on how to succeed in the workplace.

In 2008 Giangrande launched Sisters Achieving Success Harmony Empowerment (SASHE), and she has since counseled hundreds of women across the country on how to fulfill their career goals.

She also is the author of What’s in Your Sandwich? 10 Sure-fire Ingredients for Career Success, published last fall. Much like a cookbook, it has Giangrande and other “chefs” (executive leaders) advise women on identifying key ingredients missing from their career goals and strategies.

Giangrande said she learned from experience that a strong work ethic, topped with lots of ambition and accolades, is not enough to succeed.

“My mother was a single parent and put herself through college and worked the whole time,” she said. “She pulled herself up by the bootstraps, and I was going to do the same. I prided myself on learning things on my own.”

But when her own career stalled, Giangrande realized the importance of mentors and sponsors. Now she believes one of the most important ingredients in a career sandwich is networking, which men are much more comfortable doing.

“Men and women manage their careers completely differently,” said Giangrande, who lives in Michigan with her husband and son. “Men have lots of sponsors. They build relationships and have a lot of support. They network, tap into those leads and contacts.”

But women, she explained, traditionally focus more on the quality of their work instead of seeking advice and guidance from an experienced supervisor or colleague.

“As women, we work really hard to meet our goals and objectives, and then we wonder, ‘Why don’t we get the recognition that we deserve?’ We tend to keep our noses to the grindstone. We don’t always build support and relationships, and at the end of the day that’s what matters.”

Women, Giangrande said, also typically have poor negotiating skills when it comes to asking for raises or getting paid appropriately.

“We second-guess our worth, and sometimes we don’t even know our worth,” she said.

“Men have lots of sponsors. They build

“So we feel uncomfortable with negotiations. A lot of women in the workplace tend to take the first or second offer and never really negotiate or research what the industry or organization pays.”

Businesses are also to blame for salary inequity, Giangrande said. Women, according to the federal Bureau of Labor and a Career Builder survey, make up 51 percent of management positions, but men are three times more likely to earn six figures and twice as likely to earn $50,000 or more.

The gender pay gap is unacceptable, Giangrande said. She coaches women on how to minimize the salary disparity and educates businesses on the benefits of hiring women in upper-management jobs and paying them fairly.

“Studies show that if you have an inclusive environment with all different types of styles and community, then you really leverage the full potential of the organization,” Giangrande said. “When organizations have women in leadership roles, it brings different perspectives and innovative solutions. And if you diversify your leadership, the company performs better financially.”

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In between counseling women and corporations, Giangrande blogs about career tips on her website, jocelyngiangrande.com. Her posts range from “The Ten Things You Should Never Say to Your Boss” to “Career Lessons You Can Learn from the Super Bowl.”

A career sandwich is never really complete, Giangrande advised. Ingredients may need to be added or improvised on an ongoing basis.

“After every speaking event, every workshop, I do a reflection and I focus on what I did well, what I’m proud of, and what I want to change,” Giangrande said. “Every experience is a learning experience. If you look at it that way, you don’t have to feel defeated when things don’t go well. It’s all part of being a success and being successful.”

—Barbara Walsh
Ben Harding ’42, who served in World War II, was awarded the medals he earned serving in the Naval Reserve. He was presented the WWII Victory, American Campaign, Pacific Campaign, and European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign medals.

Rheumatoid arthritis hampers me a bit but I find there is still a lot I can do. Activity in the local historical association has been most interesting and my book, More River Town History, was published in November. Although I’m 91, I’m able to be quite active and enjoy a mile walk whenever weather permits. I’m still in my own home and can drive my car. Don’t know why I should be so fortunate.” - Margaret Campbell Timberlake enjoys a rather low-key life. She’s still in her house, which is a challenge, and enjoys an occasional getaway, though not far away! Her friends are an inspiration and she too feels very fortunate. - On Oct. 20 Ben Harding, who served in World War II, was awarded the medals he earned serving in the Naval Reserve. He received the awards from Maine U.S. Representative Chellie Pingree at a ceremony in Thomaston, Maine. Ben was presented the WWII Victory, American Campaign, Pacific Campaign, and European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign medals. Ben writes, “Representative Pingree and her staff did an outstanding job.” Thank you for your service Ben.

1920s-30s
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Theodora (Teddy) Wright Weston was published in November.

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Word at Christmas from Lois Peterson Johnson. She flew to Fla. and spent September with her son, Bob, and his wife. She planned to fly to Tucson for Christmas with her daughter and her family. These are direct flights and she travels alone. She sang in a local community chorus of 100 voices with her daughter at Christmas and found it fantastic. Back in the dark ages of the early 1940s, she and I sang (alto) in Colby’s Glee Club under director John Thomas. What a coincidence that here in Maine I too sing in a community chorus of 135 voices. However, now I am a tenor!

1945
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How nice to hear from Connie Daviau Bolinger, who is 87, active in book clubs, and involved with Women on a Journey through her church. She has 16 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren. “I’m always glad to hear from Colby friends,” she writes. - Joan Gay Kent has retired to Peconic Landing, a continuous care community in Greenport, N.Y., on Long Island Sound, complete with cottages, apartments, recreation and dining facilities, beach, and views. Joan has a ground-floor, one-bedroom apartment with a patio, so her cat can go outside. Her sister has a cottage, which is about the same size as Joan’s New Salem house was. She’s met a number of very smart fellow residents and there’s plenty of intellectual activity: a volunteer-run library, good music programs (auditorium, pianos), study groups, and all sorts of exercise and fitness stuff. Joan writes, “I’m a little short of energy and full of arthritic aches and pains. However, my physicist says ‘there’s nothing the matter with your brain,’ which is cheering.” - Floyd Harding is thrilled to have a new great-grandson named Colby Dustin Kennedy. The young Colby’s parents chose the name because Floyd has talked so favorably about Colby College throughout his life. Floyd, who wrote in from Lady Lake, Fla., hopes his great-grandson will receive a scholarship, like Floyd did, to attend Colby, which was “the greatest gift and benefit of my life.”
of Alumni At Large I noted the item submitted by Chet Harrington ’51 regarding George ’51 and Lorraine Arcese Wales ’54. Coincidentally, my daughter, Linda, served as chair of the English literature department at Denison for five years. In a very recent e-mail she tells me that she doesn’t know George but does know Lorraine.” The long reach of Colby persists.

1949
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As I write this on Feb. 29, I’m reminded by Virginia Young Ellis that today is Mary Lou Roberts Friberg’s 21st birthday. Happy Birthday, Lou! Ginny goes on to say that she and Lou “try to get together once a month for lunch with their husbands to relive old times. Lots of Colby memories and remembering other classmates.” Oh, to be 21 again! • I remember on my 21st birthday Haroldene Whitcomb Wolf took me down to Waterville and treated me to my first banana split. Guess she thought it was high time I sampled that ice cream delight! She was right. Remember, Deanie? • Martha Jackson White writes, “Just the usual news from the N.C. mountains. Conrad and I celebrate 61 years of marriage, and have two children and two grandchildren. Son and daughter-in-law live in HoHoKus, N.J. and are ardent mountain bikers and just participated in MasterWorld cyclo-cross races. Daughter, son-in-law, and two grandkids live close by us here. Granddaughter Jessica is on the honor roll at Coastal Carolina University as a physical theater major, Dawson is honor rolling as sixth grader in a local charter school. Conrad and I have been singing together for 64 years—ever since Colby glee club days—and now singing with the Western Carolina Community Chorus at Western Carolina University. Still happy about living in Glenville, N.C.” • Another newsy e-mail sent me from James Pearl. “In 1990 my partner in business and I liquidated our company. Three years later I began a new company and have run it for 19 years, until last January 27, when final documents were signed and I had sold the company to a local individual. I have been retained as a consultant for a year, and for the first month I am putting more hours into the job than when I was running the company. I have saved the best for last. We have a wayward daughter, a stepdaughter to me, who gave us a little boy, Carter, four years ago this April. My wife, Elizabeth, and I have had this child in our care since birth. A couple of years

Charlie Bassett
loved a good story.

Charlie Bassett, Lee Family Professor of American Studies and English, Emeritus

Charlie Bassett loved teaching the American short story. And here at Colby, we love to tell his. Professor Bassett established a charitable remainder unitrust that, after providing him with variable income during his lifetime, endowed the Charles W. Bassett Fund for American Studies when he died, in 2010. He also put a charitable gift annuity in place that provided him with guaranteed, fixed annuity payments for his lifetime. The remainder endowed a scholarship. Charlie arranged for a bequest to leave his prized collection of rare, first-edition John O’Hara books to Colby’s Special Collections. Loved by colleagues and students as a teacher, mentor, and friend, Charlie Bassett was a Colby legend in his own time. That legend now endures, in memory and through his generosity. Charlie’s story is part of Colby’s history, but future generations of students will forever benefit from Professor Bassett’s gift planning.

Let’s talk.

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ago we obtained legal custody of the child and are now in the process of adopting him. If someone prior to Carter’s birth had asked me about raising a child at my age, I would have said “no way.” How wrong I would have been. This little boy has been a huge blessing. We are great pals and do things together. He has a John Deere miniature tractor, and he rides and I walk with the dog. We are very proud of him. He is in a preschool program and can count and recite colors in Spanish. This really impresses us. His favorite pastime is playing with his cars and trucks. I realize now what I missed with my kids. I was just too busy with business to spend the necessary time with them. The Lord has given me a second chance. I love it.” * I was sorry to see in the Portland paper in January the obituary for John Appleton, a fellow business administration major. Our heartfelt sympathies to Gail and their family. * On that sad note, I end this column. Many, many thanks to those who sent me their news. My next deadline is June 1, so keep it in mind! 

**1950**

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Bill ’51 and Ellen Kenerson Gelotte keep busy as partners in a musical arts center called the Meadowbrook U.S. Cellular Pavilion on Lake Winnipesaukee in Gilford, N.H. They have been nominated for Music Venue of the Year by the Academy of Country Music four times in the last five years and for the prestigious Pollstar Rock Rocks Award the last two years running. The summer schedule for concerts and other programs can be seen at www.meadowbrook.net. * This May Pat Root Wheeler is closing the nursery school she has owned and operated for 42 years in Jaffrey, N.H. She started the Sandbox Nursery School in 1970 when her youngest was 4. It has to be some kind of a record that one year she had four generations in the same room. Please send me your news!*

**1951**

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Here is news from the greatest class in Colby’s history. * Jim and Els Warendorf Hulm moved from the lake to a condo in Wolfeboro, N.H. No more yard work, and more leisure time to reminisce about their great days at Colby. They saw the wonderful Joan Kelby Cannell ’52, widow of our friend and athlete Bob Cannell. Els also saw Louis and Nancy Nelson Cedrone ’52. She invites us all to see their new digs. Els has three daughters and six grandchildren. * Stan Sorrentino moved to Compton, R.L., with an ocean view and lots of lobsters. Let’s visit Stan! * John Linscott is heavy into the music world and will have a special event—a reading of his new musical Love and Lobsters. We can’t wait to see it on Broadway! It is the story of a New York jazz singer who tires of the N.Y. scene and returns to Maine and falls in love with a lobsterman. The show opens in Freeport May 24 at the Factory Stage. Order tickets now. Good luck John, and let us know when the DVD is available. * Cif Crawford writes from Boulder, Colo. They got all the snow that we didn’t get this winter, and it’s been cold there. They left for Hawaii and San Francisco to warm up with friends. They would enjoy our Philadelphia flower show, the biggest and best in the world. The theme this year is Hawaii, so we’re enjoying the orchids and hula dancing right here. * Fenton Mitchell writes from Harbor City, Calif. He works full time with his promotional products company and travels to Europe and sometimes to Maine. * We heard from Ed Bittar. Ed came to Colby from the Middle East and was a wonderful source of news about different cultures, and hope. Ed still loves America, best of all. I’m anxious to see his updated bio. * While in Naples in February, Jane and I had dinner with Ted Shiro. He’s on the mend again and will be playing tennis while looking for a new girlfriend. He will never change. * Lorraine (Arcese ’54) and George Wales are doing very well in Granville, Ohio, at Denison, and Walt Russell is ready to run to the White House. He will get my vote. * Bob Brotherlin writes from Fla. about the good time he had at our 60th reunion in 2011 and also at Alumni College that year. Some folks at the 60th thought we should all meet again for our 61st, as Colby is such a pleasant place to spend the weekend. Hopefully we’ll see some of you at Colby for reunion this June. Bob enjoys Florida and the golf there. * Thanks for your correspondence and remember Colby in your will. We all thank President Bro Adams for keeping the Colby tradition alive and well. Good luck to the great class.

**1952**

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Happy spring, one and all, and thanks to the following ’52ers for their news. From Dick Chamberlain: "I continue to work as a medical consultant to the Social Security Disability unit in Winthrop, Maine. Interesting and challenging work with an increasing volume of applicants prompted by the number of people still being laid off." Dick is impressed by news from Colby, such as the new heating plant, which uses biomass as fuel. That cuts fuel costs and pollution. * Art White has been to many Colby-Bowdoin games. "I went with Cherie Sistham White ’65 and her husband, Bob (my nephew), Saw Bob Kline and Jack Deering ’55 and had a nice visit." * From my fellow Cape Codder, Don Hailer: "Our 42

**Polly Wakefield Simmons ’52, with her husband, is codirector of the Elyria Hospitality Center of North Central Ohio, which provides free food to the hungry in that area.**

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**50s NEWSMAKER**

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**1953**

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Here I am reporting from the “snow-less” Northeast, so different from January 2011. I had a nice note from Bobbie Studley Barnett after her trip through South America and Antarctica. She said it was a wonderful getaway, taking in thousands of penguins, glaciers and fjords, beautiful beaches of gray sand, the rivers and Straits of Magellan on Christmas Day, and ending up in Argentina. Now she expects to be home for a while. Bobbie gets together with Joey Leader Creedon frequently. She wants me to make the Cape trip, but I seldom go south of Boston anymore, even though most of my family lives there. * Priscilla Eaton Billington went to a Colby meeting in Fla. Al and Joan Lamont were there. Paula
Lunder took her to meet Bro Adams after she saw Priscilla’s nametag with a “history” of Colby classes listed thereon—“53, P’T5, P’T78, and grandparent ‘11 and ‘15. Priscilla says she will have family from the Northeast visiting during spring break.  
  • Paul Applebaum writes that his 80th birthday was one of the most memorable days of his life. He and Lois celebrated with a family dinner, which included three children, all five grandchildren, and both great-grandchildren. His oldest daughter presented him with a hardcover photo study of the family over the years. Paul and Lois are enjoying retirement at Laguna Woods, Calif., a retirement community of 18,500 offering 250 clubs and a private golf course, so there is something to do all the time.  
  • Joyce Maguire Demers mentioned that the news request went out on Valentine’s Day, bringing back memories from years ago and a party at DU. Ken Castonguay was her Valentine. She remembered the tricks they played on “Fearless Lee” and the “great times at Colby back then.” Joyce is still in touch with Ken via e-mail.  
  • Carolyn English Caci is still working one day a week at U. Mass Lowell where she gets a week’s worth of hugs while adjusting to a life without her lowell where she gets a week’s worth of still working one day a week at U. Mass Theater: a unique theatrical experience.  

1954
  Art Eddy 
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  Vic Scalice and his new wife, Carolyn Elizabeth Fowler, live in Seattle, because “I lost the coin toss,” he said, but he concedes that Seattle IS a beautiful place. He keeps body and mind together by participating in an aquatic exercise class and writing daily. He met Ken Nigro ’60 while attending the 2012 Red Sox Fantasy Baseball Camp in Fort Myers, Fla. Vic and Carolyn will be at their Ocean Park, Maine, summer home in June and July, and he will be preaching throughout New England.  
  • Judy Jenkins Totman ’53 will have a one-woman exhibit in the fall at Great Bay Community College in Portsmouth, N.H. She will show her Stampede Series, featuring 14 renderings of wild horses in Montana plus a new series: OOMH (Out of My Head).  

1955
  Kathie Flynn Carrigan 
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  Hi everyone. This is Ann Burnham Deering subbing for Kathie Flynn Carrigan, who is recovering, slowly but well, from a fall right before Christmas. This column will be brief as only two class members sent news. Today is March 1 and beautiful snow is falling fast. We expect up to a foot, and the winter sports lovers will finally be happy. Simultaneously Jack and I are watching robins and cardinals in our yard. Crazy Maine weather!  
  • Dave Roberts sends greetings from Minnesota, where he spends eight months under the watchful eyes of his caring Colby daughters, Susan Roberts Dangle ‘86 and Linda Roberts Pagnano ‘88. In June he returns to Waterville and Jefferson, Maine, for the summer. He enjoys visits, actual and telecomm, from Minot Greene, Sue Biven Staples, Kathy McConaughy Zambello, John Dutton, Nate Miller, Gil Alfano, Robert “Whitle” Thurston ’54, Audrey Keef ’54, Ruthann Simmons Mackinnon ’56 et al. “Colby’s chain of friendship cannot be broken!” Thanks, Dave.  

1956
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  Warren ’57 and Babs Faltings Kinsman have seen lots of Colby folks: last spring a trip to Portugal last october for the 25th anniversary of the discovery of two postcards that led to finding family connections dating back to the late 1800s and Geronimo. Her e-mail is fascinating but too long to detail here. Send me your e-mail address and I will forward it.  
  • Karl Demish reports that Dick Randlett, in appreciation for all that Colby did for him, has endowed an annual scholarship through the Hartland, Maine (his home town), library to encourage young people from Hartland and neighboring small towns to attend college.  
  • Andy Anderson sent a CD full of photos from our 55th reunion last June as well as a note saying he had a great and healthy year and spent lots of time with family over the holidays. His oldest daughter married July 30. He would like to have the addresses of the Haggetts, Bramhalls, and Lunders.  
  • Hope Palmer Bramhall writes about a granddaughter, Adriana Tweomly ‘13, at Colby and her sister Hannah hoping to be accepted into the Class of ’16. A trip to Pittsburgh to watch a grandson swim for Pitt in the Big East was great fun! Hope’s daughter Alison had returned from a month in Tanzania, where she taught art to “street kids” and orphans in Moshi. She is a self-supporting artist and was able to get 57 pounds of art supplies donated. She also took a week for a private safari during migration season, then climbed part of Kilimanjaro, and finally spent a weekend in Zanzibar for a little R&R before returning home. All of this was done solo.  

1957
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  This has been the winter that wasn’t! Great for our age group to get out and walk, but terrible for winter sports enthusiasts.  
  • Leave it to Nancy and John Conkling to find great skiing conditions at Sunday River in Bethel, Maine. They will head to Sanibel Island, Fla. in March for a delightful contrast in temperature. Back in September, those two “old hippies” (John’s term not mine) left N.H. in their ‘89 VW pop-top camper and traveled to Ellsworth, Maine, to visit Babs Faltings ’56 and Warren Kinsman for socializing and a tour of Mt. Desert Island; then off they headed to Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island to enjoy the gorgeous scenery on the way to the Shellfish Festival in Charlottetown. Plenty of mileage put on that old VW!  

Allan van Gestel ’57, now in his 51st year as a member of the Massachusetts bar, was awarded the Boston University School of Law’s Silver Shingle Award for Distinguished Service to the Profession.
They sold their former home of 46 years and are now enjoying their new home. During the winter, they walk daily at the Colby field house. Their hobby is making wine, mostly from concentrated juice kits. Bill has about 300 bottles of various sorts in the wine cellar. Life is good! • Charlie Smith was selected to serve on the Half Crown-Marsh Conservation District (for historic architecture) in Cambridge, Mass. • Allan van Gestel, now in his 51st year as a member of the Massachusetts bar, was awarded the B.U. School of Law’s Silver Shingle Award for Distinguished Service to the Profession. • Don Tracy writes there is always a great deal happening within his family circle, but the highlight there is always a great deal happening to the Profession. • Sally Dixon Hartin enjoyed a wonderful Christmas weekend in Walpole, Mass., where two of their daughters and families live; 31 members of their clan gathered, including 17 grandchildren. Sounds like a great reunion! • Don Dinwoodie welcomes the return of his Spanish family back to Colorado Springs. • Bob Pettigrew is still very busy and anything but retired, serving on three nonprofit boards, running a capital campaign for a live theater operation, and doing business development work for a bank management firm. • Mikki Chomicz Manno recently returned from a three-week trip to the Pacific, including New Zealand to Perth, Australia. It was a great trip with perfect weather, interesting excursions and lectures, plus the good company of nine friends. • The day Ron Rasmussen received our latest request for news happened to be his 77th birthday. Ron sent a wonderful quote from Mark Twain: “Birthdays are mind over matter; if you don’t mind, it doesn’t matter.” • And if we don’t “get the boot” at our upcoming 55th reunion, we shall carry on in the next Colby magazine. Hope to see you all in June!

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Judy Brown Dickson wrote from the MV Discovery in Australia, on a trip with Road Scholar (formerly Elderhostel). From Hong Kong the group traveled up the coast of China, to Japan, Taiwan, Manila, Indonesia, and Australia. In Bali, Singapore, Malaysia, Myanmar, and Mumbai, India. “Then we’ll be on land for several stops ending in Delhi. The best of these will be the Taj Mahal! This is my birthday present to myself for making the 3/4 century mark!” • Tours out Beryl Scott Glover was at Tanglewood in late August when other classmates (see Winter news) and I were also there attending the rehearsal of Beethoven’s Ninth Symphony. Unfortunately we missed making contact. After the rehearsal, on a bright and warm summer afternoon, I headed back to VT, knowing that Hurricane Irene was on the way but assuming it wouldn’t do any damage in my state. I guess you all know the end of THAT story. If I hadn’t kept driving north that day I might have been marooned for many more, with roads and bridges out all along Route 7. As for Tanglewood, Beryl reports it is her mecca. “I’ve been going to rehearsals since the very early days with Koussevitzky, which makes me one of a decreasing number of old guard. Have a zillion stories to tell about it.” • John Edes was mourning the death of Charlie Twigg ’57 and remembering the long lunch the two enjoyed two months before Charlie’s death. “He was a great basketball player and was captain in 1957, when we played Division One teams.” I’m sure many of us remember Charlie’s skills on the court and send condolences to his family. • Helen Payson Seager’s brother, Albion, a Bowdoin grad and football cheerleader there, died after long illnesses. He was inducted into the State of Maine Baseball Hall of Fame.

Lydia Katz Pease ’59 has been volunteering with the Lancaster County Master Gardeners for 10 years and recently has been working to increase the use of native plants to support bird populations.

1959
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As I was writing this column I received the sad news that our class president, Jay Whitman, passed away at home Feb. 17 after a short battle with a little known cancer, neuroendocrine carcinoma. His wife, Chris Rand Whitman, and his daughter and son were with him. He will be greatly missed forward to our next reunion. • Russ Longley’s typical day includes consulting for a Canadian aerospace company, working out, taking ballet and dance lessons for national competitions, piano/organ lessons, and an occasional round of golf. During 2011 he won top bronze student awards at St. Louis Star Ball and Heart of America Dancesport Championship in Kansas City, and this year he won 14 first-place awards at Nashville Starz Ball dancing Smooth American style. His goal is to learn/play a snappy Tango piece, record it, get up, fluff his tux tails, and dance with his instructor. • Lydia Katz Pease has been volunteering with the Lancaster County Master Gardeners for 10 years and recently has been working to increase the use of native plants to support bird populations and decrease the use of invasive plants. We really need to think about pollinators, fruit and grain production, and the environment! She encourages all of us to rip out some of our lawns and plant something native that will absorb the rains and help the environment. She has been amazed at how beautiful some of our native plants are, and they take less care once established. Just call your local master gardener or e-mail Lydia at lydia@lydiapease.com. • Elaine (Healey ’62) and Paul Reichert and their youngest son and his wife are now looking for “the house” or land to build on in N.H. They planned a trip to New Zealand and Australia, but would be back to attend Elaine’s 50th reunion. • Gay Fawcett was in the south of France for the month of February and it was freezing. When she wrote she was with Georgia Johnson Manin at her nice apartment in Nice. • Bob and Mary Twiss Kopchains continue to enjoy life in S.C. Travel is a bit more limited these days, but they don’t give up easily, even though airlines are such a PAIN! They keep up by phone with Bill and Dottie Reynolds Gay as well as Sue Moutlon Russell, who has permanently returned to her original home in Portsmouth, N.H. Sue recently related a coincidence: she and Rick Seavey grew up in the same town before attending Colby and have stayed in touch ever since. Rick has relocated to S.C. and attended a “Crèche Festival” at Mepkin Abbey, a Trappist monastery near Charleston. He was surprised that more than 20 of the crèches had been lent to the abbey for display by “Mary and Bob Kopchains.” He knew there aren’t many Kopchains in this world! Their collection is the result of many years of travel. They learned about Mepkin Abbey’s beautiful festival from a neighbor and were flattered that the abbey was interested in displaying some of theirs.
60s Newsmakers

Whisky Creek Press recently published Burning Questions, the first in a trilogy of mystery-thriller novels by Barry Willdorf ’66. It recounts the 1957 fire that gutted the Oceanside Hotel in Gloucester, Mass. Willdorf’s previous novel, The Flight of the Sorceress, won a 2011 Global E-Book Award and was a finalist for an Electronic Publishing Industry Coalition historical fiction award. • PaxVax Corporation, established in 2007 to develop and commercialize innovative and socially responsible vaccines against infectious diseases, appointed Jonathan Smith ’68 executive vice president and chief scientific officer. Business Wire reported Smith has more than 25 years experience in virology, infectious diseases, immunology, and vaccine development.

They were also pleased to learn that, as a result, they made a connection with their past. • Keep the news coming!

1960

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Sandra Mayer Zinman still works part time as a children’s librarian in New Rochelle, N.Y., and is active on the boards of two musical organizations—Performers of Westchester and the Westchester Choral Society. Sandy enjoys a busy musical life, attending concerts, ballets, and operas. Westchester and the Westchester Choral N.Y., and is active on the boards of two

1961

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Peggy Bartlett Gray spent February in Sun Valley, Idaho, where, she says, “The skiing is great! The old bodies are hanging in there on this great mountain. Vermont has little snow this winter, so we are happy to be here. We drove out and will tune in with Colorado buddies and wherever else the spirit takes us on our way back.” • Bob DiNapoli reports on “A heavenly week in Rome with my son. It may have been almost 40 years between visits. Glad to say it hasn’t changed much. Nice to know nothing new can be built taller than St. Peter’s.” • Bill Byers says he “had a great talk with Ned Gow, who lives across the street from where I am; Canaan and Tolland, Conn. respectively. We had lots of laughs and warm recalls of Colby in the late ’50s leading to May of ’61. I’ve been persuaded to attend the 200th anniversary in 2013. (“Remember Snoop Hero!”) My wife Susi and I traveled to Troutman, N.C., to see son Chris and enjoy several days among the potters of Seagrove, the center of the North Carolina Piedmont. Susi is a potter and I photograph potters and their work. Plans include travel with truck and 5th-wheel RV to Mesa, Ariz., in January and February 2012. I continue with timber stand management in Blue Hill, Maine; also, photo work and landscaping/gardening from our home in Tolland. We are just off I-84, and if some classmates are driving along, give a call.” Judith Hoffman Hakola continues teaching one semester and one summer course annually at the University of Maine. She “really enjoys working with senior civil engineering students as they write their detailed capstone engineering reports.” She’s still enthusiastic about the Maine literature courses she teaches, and she leads two book discussion groups for the local library (Pam Taylor ’62 is a member of one). The club involvement ensures that she reads more than her “beloved mysteries.” Judy says, “My life really revolves around books! And, no, I don’t have—or plan to get—a Kindle!” • Ed Ruscitti reports just returning “from 18 glorious days in Sint Maarten (Sant Martin). This recent trip was my 11th straight year visiting SM. If any classmate wishes to contact me for suggestions or comments about that Dutch/French Caribbean gem, my e-mail address is emr1198@comcast.net.” • Dean and Sandy Nolet Quinlan celebrated their seventh anniversary in December, with blended families boasting 20 grandchildren. Sandy and Dean enjoy frequent reunions around Carcassonne in southern France with the Five Fabulous French Fannings (FFFF) and in Minnesota with the Marvelous Minnesota Mortensons (MMMM). Both Sandy and Dean enjoy golf and attended the Bethel Inn Golf School for three days—“and graduated!” • Jeanette Benn Anderson sends good wishes to all and looks forward to a winter escape in Florida with husband Bob. Most of the fun ‘61ers plan seems to involve warmer climes. • In fact, Mary Sawyer Bartlett writes from Naples that her life is filled with play—bridge, golf, dog, park, shopping. She also is an AARP tax assistance volunteer. • Your correspondent recently spent a very fast four days in New York City, grateful for unseasonably warm weather. I attended a family celebration, including a mini-reunion with sister Lee Scranton Bujold ’64, who flew in from Farmington, Maine. Finally, you never know when you’ll meet another Colby alum: at my monthly writing group, Margaret “Peggo” Horstmann-Hodes ’77, from Concord, N.H., cousin of a member, attended as a guest. Check out peggohodes.com to hear a beautiful voice!
spending time in the Far East. He has a home in Qaij awaiting his retirement and a son in Albany. Hopefully Frank will catch us up at reunion. • Boyd and Mary “Muff” Symonds Leavitt are leaving Porterville, Calif., for a new adventure in Eagle, Idaho. Muff will probably miss her active civic involvement in Porterville. Details forthcoming at reunion. Right now she and Boyd are enjoying Italy. • Pete Hutchinson wrote that he and Marty live in the Acton, Mass., area with their two daughters close by. He reminisces about when all freshman hockey uniforms had been issued prior to tryouts. Hunter Shotwell was the only person who made the team who hadn’t been issued a uniform. Hunter transferred to West Point after freshman year and was KIA on his second tour in Vietnam. Hunter is listed at the Vietnam Memorial (panel w67, line 4) for anyone visiting D.C. Thanks for the memory, Pete. • Bob Reinstein is mostly retired after six different careers in more than 50 years. He currently divides his time between Washington, D.C., and two homes in Finland. He has lived up and down the NE corridor from Washington to Maine and in six European countries. He has three children, three grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren. Is that a first mention of great-grands from anyone? • Dick Mittelman and wife Linda spend most of the winter in Ft. Lauderdale playing golf and riding bikes, but Dick is in daily contact with his clients via iPad2. Their oldest grandchild got accepted early-decision to Duke. Dick and Linda will miss our 50th reunion as they celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on a Danube cruise. Dick, come to the class reunion before you embark. Phyllis Marder Jansen is making plans to join us for reunion. • Pete Duggan finally sold his house near West Point. He and wife Mary Vance have moved full time to Naples, Fla. Pete is fully retired from the Storm King School and looking forward to traveling. He keeps in close touch with Bruce Marshall and Rich Simkins. Hopefully, the Duggans will work their move around our reunion. • Malcolm MacLean has checked in. He plans to be at reunion too.

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Greetings to all, and thank you to those writing for the first time. • Al Carville, Betsy Dee Norwat, and Tom Thomas sent greetings but no news to report at this time. • Dan Traister, Shirley Parry, Barbara Kreps DeLisio ’64, and Barbara Howard Traister ’65 met in Parkside, Md., in January to attend a memorial service for English Professor R. Mark Benbow, who died in October. • Barb Halnes Chase has no news for now but promises some for the summer issue. • After 11 years of retirement, Gordon Moog is fulfilling one of his life’s ambitions by, among other things, being a ski bum! In the winter he works at a family-oriented ski area in northeastern Washington State as a volunteer mountain host. The pay is great: a free season’s pass and all the hot chocolate, coffee, and Pepsi he can drink. Whether it’s summoning the ski patrol to attend to the injured or reuniting lost children with their parents, it’s great! ’59. They’ll be in Naples until the end of March, and they’ll see Pat Ey Ingram and husband Jack and expect to meet up with Jane Melanson Dahmen, who had an art opening in Florida in February. She’s staying on Sanibel Island with a friend. They say “most Colby friends while in Naples, but most are of Skeeter’s vintage!” Karen says she can’t wait to see everybody in 2013! In our last column, Ruth Pratley Madell was on her way to celebrate her birthday in Dublin and promised to raise a glass of Guinness to us all. “Well, I hoisted several,” she says. In addition to spending time in Dublin, she toured Galway and the Connorama area: “Lots of sheep, peat bogs, and the little town where they filmed The Quiet Man.” She and her daughter traveled by rail south and north from Dublin. They walked from Killiney to Dalkey so they could see Bono’s house. “It was a great way to celebrate a big birthday.” • Bonnie Brown Potter, Jane Melanson Dahmen, and Paule French, your 50th-reunion book committee, have begun their work. The deadline for your bio is Nov. 15, 2012. We hope your creative juices are flowing!

Gordon Moog ’63 and his wife, Beverly, spend summers with National Forest Service archeologists, restoring, repairing, and upgrading historic structures in Montana, Idaho, and Washington.

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Sally Page Carville reports, “I’m heading for the Peace Corps again, this time in Guyana. I will be part of a team providing training in a community education program for information communication technology. OK, it doesn’t really sound like a Peace Corps assignment—no digging latrines?—but it’s what is needed in much of the developing world now. And I’m not really sure that my nearly 70-year-old body could do much digging! I’ll be back in 2014!” Sally visited Anne Gellhorn Campbell and Sherry Worthley Horton just before leaving. • Nick Ruf writes, “My wife, Louise, and I have both been writing and playing music which can be heard free by logging on to Noisehead.com and looking up the band ‘Johnny and Louise’—Johnny because John is my first name and because it doesn’t have the unfortunate rhymes that Nick does.” • Steve Schoeman tells me, “My wife and I and Shirley Cobb Rich ran into each other this January on Queen Mary II’s world segment cruise to Cape Town. We got together for drinks and good conversation and reminiscing about the good times when we were at Colby.” • Sue Sawyer McAlary writes, “So far, Chicagoland is having the winter that wasn’t. It has been great for the Handicapped Riding Center (horseback) where I volunteer. We have been able to be outside, which everyone loves. • Betsy Crockett Tyson-Smith says, “I must be one of the few almost-70-year-olds still working! I have a private counseling practice specializing in people with cancer and other life-threatening illnesses. Also, I have just been published in PULSE—Voices From the Heart of Medicine, an e-zine that encourages caregivers to tell their personal experiences of illness and treatment. My story is called ‘50 Minutes.’ I have been writing a lot about healing as an essential component of medical curative treatment for cancer. Someday my husband and I will retire to our cottage in Georgetown, Maine, where lots of Colby professors were: Perez, Birge, and Carpenter. Also, I have met Bob Ipcar ’62’s wonderful, talented artist mother, Dahlvik Ipcar, and have several of her books and posters.” • Jim Simon sent an interesting article from a Tel Aiviv publication: www.businesswire.com/news/home/20120220005250/en/ETView-Medical-Ltd.-Announces-Exclusive-Patent-License • Jonathan Allen sends this: “These days I am semi-retired but still work part time as a consultant in radio frequency and electronic instrumentation, especially for the solar energy industry. I have also done some writing and speaking to explain the science of climate change. My wife, Shirley, has retired from her job as a lawyer with the N.J. Attorney General’s office. Our daughter is in graduate school pursuing a dual degree, an M.A. in international relations at Johns Hopkins SAIS and an M.B.A. at Wharton. She hopes to finish in about another year and work in renewable energy development for third-world countries. We are all in good health and enjoying life.” • Judy Fassett Aydelott reports, “My husband Pete and I spend the warm months in the White Mountains in Franconia, N.H., and working with our local Habitat for Humanity. It’s amazing how many different skills we’ve acquired and that we can actually cut and sheetrock a room. In the winter we head to St. Simons Island and our rather unique volunteer opportunity with the International Seafarer’s Center at the Port of Brunswick, Georgia. We visit
ships in port to determine if the seafarers are treated well and what needs we can fill. These men and women are away from home six to 18 months, and we look out for them and try to help in many ways. Pete takes the seafarers in one of our vans to any destination, from a medical/dental visit to the shopping areas of Brunswick, and I run the seafarers’ center, where there is a shop and recreation facilities.*

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WE’RE ON THE ROAD! “We don’t take vacations based on how many weeks vacation we are allowed. We now just plan trips to take whenever we want.” — Harold Kowel
• Linda Wakefield LaRou winters in Vero Beach, Fla., and summers in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. She works the backstretch at the Saratoga racetrack and felt the need to learn some Spanish, so she went to Antigua, Guatemala, for a two-week study, living with a family and other students. Afterwards she toured the country and saw the sights at Tikal, Chichicastenango, and Lake Atitlan. The adventure included a volcanic explosion and a 6.3 magnitude earthquake. ¡Buena! • Charlie Bonsal is working part time and travels the country and rhubarb prepared in various exotic ways.” [Hey, he collects dust!] • Randy Antk report he “has flunked retirement.” In 2007 he started a public foundation in Naples, Fla., which hosts the Imagine Solutions conferences with private-sector speakers focusing on education, healthcare, economy, social entrepreneurs, etc. • Eliot Terborgh is having trouble understanding the word “retirement.” He’s landed another part-time C.F.O. job with a biotech startup called Bioiscion. “I just can’t shake the entrepreneurial spirit I’ve had ever since running the DU bar.” • Maria Harding Anderson retired and now has time “to devote to my English smocking sideline, enjoy my two sewing guilds, visiting my daughter and family in Troy, Mich., and my son who lives locally in Andover, Mass.” She has had visits from Linda Cotton Wells, who retired from teaching in S.C. and now travels a lot, and from Jan Wood Parsons, also retired but teaching a course at Boston University. • Dave Hatch and Dale Rotters Haas will marry this fall. They bicycle 50 to 60 miles a week in Florida. • Jim Foritano is still working, reviewing the visual arts and writing theater critiques for Artscope and its blog. “Google the website and read the gushing prejudice that my mentors and torments in the Colby English Department would have red-lined with relish and mustard. The best

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“teaching fall protection techniques to technicians who do high work on towers, high wires, and bucket trucks. I’m 70, and the next oldest guy is 49.” Charlie and his wife covered 12,000 miles in a couple of months visiting family in Maine, Maryland, Florida, Louisiana, New Mexico, California, and Washington. At home in Utah he enjoys fishing, camping, and horseback riding with his four grandchildren. • Jean (Hoffman ’66) and Neil Clipsham will take a cruise to Alaska in August. He’s been revamping the basement woodshop with new equipment and a dust collection system. [Your scribe believes this is our first classmate heavily into dust and has offered his own collection stored “everywhere in my apartment” to the Clipshams.] Neil has also become a chef with a specialty of “Brussels sprouts voyages, as ever, are interior.” Jim writes. • Margo Beach moved back to Waterville to care for her mother, Martha Rogers Beach ’42. She has reunited with Waterville High classmates. When her mother rallied, she moved to her own place and has had visits from John ’63 and Nancy Godfrey Winslow, TJ and Nancy Ryan Morrione, Tim and Adora Clark Hill, Linda Stearns, and Nancy Newall Burnham. Margo audited a Colby course in women’s, gender, and sexuality studies. The class had 12 young women and one young man. “I recently made their eyes grow wide with stories of 10 p.m. curfews, only two phones for an entire dorm, and occasional panty raids (a concept they found totally puzzling).” • The aforementioned TJ is Dana Professor of Sociology Thomas Morrione who “is still at it, teaching a course on nonprofits and philanthropy.” Nancy Ryan Morrione is “hard at it reading applications and consulting with the new dean of admission at Colby.” • I must sign off to pack some dust for the Clipshams. HAIL, COLBY, HAIL!

1966
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“Life is good,” report two classmates. • For Barbie Wise Lynch that’s thanks to the birth of her third grandson and to reconnecting with old high school buddies helping plan an upcoming 50th reunion. • For Mac Donaldson, life is good because, “Thanks to just two days of work at the boatyard each week, I have time with grandkids and pursuit of innumerable hobbies.” • Gayle Jobson Poinsette and Garfield Barnes invite all classmates to their new home in Plainfield, VT., for a summer party on the deck, a swim in the pond, and an overnight in one of their guestrooms. • Vermont Linda Mitchell Potter spent most of last summer caring for husband Lee ’67 after his bypass surgery. Following his cardiac rehab, they were able to go on a long fall cruise. Hurricane Irene did terrible damage in their area of Vermont but, luckily, their main house and ski house were fine. Avid skiers, they hope to ski in Europe next winter. • Budge and Anne Ruggles Gere had their annual winter ski vacation in Utah. • Sue Turner went snowshoeing with Marty DeCou Dick in the Rockies in February, and while in Denver she had lunch with Jay Felt. Sue’s plans for a spring camping trip to National Parks in southern Utah and the Grand Canyon were underway. • Congrats to Peter Grabosky, reelected vice president of the Asian Criminological Society and recipient of the 2011 Prix Hermann Mannheim awarded by the International Centre of Comparative Criminology at the University of Montreal. Google Peter’s name and the prize name to read more about our accomplished Aussie classmate. • Through Ellie Caito Thompson, John ’65 and Gretchen Wollam O’Connor became acquainted with the MS Dream Center in Rhode Island. A few years ago the O’Connors did a documentary film at the center about Ellie and her husband’s swim therapy for his multiple sclerosis. Now they have entered a new film about the center in the Neuro Film Festival. Gretchen and John have done other film projects. John as videographer, Gretchen doing film production and editing, and son Mark providing background music. • Karen Rendeau-Pacheco found a new career as a volunteer visitor to shut-ins, many in their 90’s, one of whom has two sons who are Colby alums. On a different subject, Karen says the students who lived on third floor Coburn our freshman year were a cohesive group that has mostly stayed in touch. E-mail her at KarenR0042@aol.com if you’re interested in a reunion. • Peter Anderson recently spoke to the geology department of San Jose State, where he earned his graduate degree 35 years ago. His topic was engineering geology, the specialized area in which he spent his career. Lots of nostalgia, as the department had changed very little (unlike Colby’s), the auditorium where he took his first graduate class, and the professor who greeted him taught that first class and later became his thesis advisor. • In June Jim and Susan Footer Hummer will finish their time in England, having enjoyed the proximity to London, theaters, museums, and even some good food. They will travel to European cities in their remaining time overseas and will miss their delightful English friends but are ready to return to life in Maine. • Terry Saunders Lane attended the Burning Man Festival (www. burningman.com) in northern Nevada last August. “It is a crazy one-week event attended by 50,000 people who camp out, see art installations, dance, and dress up in wild costumes. Needless to say, we were some of the older attendees!” • Be sure to visit www.colby.edu/alumni, look for “class pages” on the right-hand side, and drop down to Class of 1966. There are lots of great memories and reunion pictures have been added recently.

1967
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As we write this column, the reunion committee is working to make the 45th a memorable weekend for the Class of 1967. This is also the year most of us will turn 67 years old. We may be adding another birthday, but we’re nowhere near slowing down! • Charlotte Killiam has traveled a lot to visit family and friends, and she enjoyed a gathering of cousins that celebrated her grandparents’ 100th anniversary (Nov. 9) in Kents Hill, Maine. She even had the dress rehearsal of the opera “The Student Prince” at the Colby Centre of Comparative Criminology in the University of Montreal. Google Peter’s name and the prize name to read more about our accomplished Aussie classmate. • Through Ellie Caito Thompson, John ’65 and Gretchen Wollam O’Connor became acquainted with the MS Dream Center in Rhode Island. A few years ago the O’Connors did a documentary film at the center about Ellie and her husband’s swim therapy for his multiple sclerosis. Now they have entered a new film about the center in the Neuro Film Festival. Gretchen and John have done other film projects. John as videographer, Gretchen doing film production and editing, and son Mark providing background music. • Karen Rendeau-Pacheco found a new career as a volunteer visitor to shut-ins, many in their 90’s, one of whom has two sons who are Colby alums. On a different subject, Karen says the students who lived on third floor Coburn our freshman year were a cohesive group that has mostly stayed in touch. E-mail her at KarenR0042@aol.com if you’re interested in a reunion. • Peter Anderson recently spoke to the geology department of San Jose State, where he earned his graduate degree 35 years ago. His topic was engineering geology, the specialized area in which he spent his career. Lots of nostalgia, as the department had changed very little (unlike Colby’s), the auditorium where he took his first graduate class, and the professor who greeted him taught that first class and later became his thesis advisor. • In June Jim and Susan Footer Hummer will finish their time in England, having enjoyed the proximity to London, theaters, museums, and even some good food. They will travel to European cities in their remaining time overseas and will miss their delightful English friends but are ready to return to life in Maine. • Terry Saunders Lane attended the Burning Man Festival (www. burningman.com) in northern Nevada last August. “It is a crazy one-week event attended by 50,000 people who camp out, see art installations, dance, and dress up in wild costumes. Needless to say, we were some of the older attendees!” • Be sure to visit www.colby.edu/alumni, look for “class pages” on the right-hand side, and drop down to Class of 1966. There are lots of great memories and reunion pictures have been added recently.

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Nancy Gottlund Ghtern R’71 has released a documentary film she directed, filmed, and edited. After I Pick the Fruit documents the lives of migrant women who live and work in upstate New York.
Pam and I were also able to welcome a new grandchild, our sixth. Our granddaughter Jordan was born Feb. 10 in Bangor to our son Chris and his wife, Aimee. I wish you all a healthy, peaceful, and fun summer!

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Greg Andrews has been living in Rangeley, Maine, since winter 2009-10. He and his wife, Elyse, own and operate four online stores and have a small retail store in Rangeley (“SnowSource—Where Snow Lovers Shop”). They handle all packing and shipping for the online stores (95 percent of the total business) out of the back of their shop. Greg and Elyse have two grown daughters, Stephanie and Briana, and seven grandchildren—all age eight and younger. • Sarah Vose Mackenzie and husband Cal are both Fulbright scholars in Vietnam for the spring semester. Sarah is at Vietnam National University giving lectures and support to the teacher preparation faculty and master’s and doctoral students. Cal is at the Institute for American Studies at the Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences. Sally says they enjoy their lives in Hanoi and recently visited Angkor Wat in Cambodia. They plan to visit Laos and Myanmar as well as other parts of Vietnam before returning to the states. They report that Vietnam is a booming, optimistic, and energetic place.

• Martha Belden Kleinerman recently returned from her first-ever trip to Hawaii. She was visiting her youngest son, the third mate on a cruise ship that travels weekly to four of the islands. He has been working on the same ship for a few years, so he knows all the best places to explore around the various ports. It was a great trip! Martha reports she is a proud grandmother for the third time, and the best part is that her daughter lives close by so she sees this grandchild quite often. Other news from Martha is that Mark Zaccaria, a fellow Rhode Islander, was named state chairman of the GOP last winter. Congratulations Mark! • Mike Self writes, “Went from no grandbabies to having one back in October to finding out my daughter is expecting twins in August... wow... we might have a hockey team eventually if they keep going.”

• Barrett Hurwitz and his wife visited the American Indian Museum in Washington, D.C., during his wife’s school vacation. • Bill Aldrich has done extensive bicycling since graduating, including bicycling across Iowa in 2008, across N.Y. in 2010, and to Colby reunions in 2005 and 2010. He says somehow bike riding affords him more time to view the surroundings and to talk with complete strangers, such as people behind the counters at coffee shops and a young couple starting a farm near Bowdoinham. Bill has a request he would like passed on: Could the reunion committees consider publicizing the option of riding from Portland (or from Brunswick after Amtrak extends its service there in 2012) to Colby? He doesn’t want to volunteer as a leader, but would be happy to help organize it. Since no one joined him before, he missed sharing that common experience. • As for us, Bob and I are enjoying some much-needed down time now that we have 24/7 in-home care for his 92-year-old mother, who is still living in her condo. In January we flew to St. Lucia to join friends on their 46-foot sailboat. They have been living aboard and cruising between New England and the Caribbean for seven years. We have a marvelous time exploring the harbors in St. Lucia—Rodney Bay, Marigot, and the Pitons. What a spectacularly beautiful island! Our next boating adventure will be aboard a 55-foot Fleming powerboat with other friends, cruising south down the Intercoastal Waterway from Annapolis for several weeks. Hope everyone has a wonderful spring and early summer.

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Spring? It’s spring already? What happened to winter? We in the Northeast experienced the warmest and un-snowiest winter on record! You know how much I love the cold and the snow; I’ve been pretty grumpy all winter. I hope the rest of you had a peaceful and calm winter season.

• Writing that retirement is great, Eric Jeorg says he doesn’t miss a thing about his 37 years at Covidien (formerly Kendall Company). It all seems like a blur to him now. He, wife Kathie, and two cats are now enjoying life in Augusta, Ga. • From high in the sky, Rich Abramson writes he will retire as superintendent of schools in Maine’s Arundel, Wells-Ogunquit, and Maranacook schools after 17 years on the job. He’ll continue his education consultation work in the next chapter of his life. He and his wife, Paula, recently returned from a “wonder cruise” in the Aegean Sea, with stops in the Greek islands and Istanbul. (I loved Istanbul, too!) They will celebrate their 40th anniversary with a cruise along the Dalmatian coast ending with a week in Tuscany. Rich will continue his health and wellness work by serving on the nonprofit side of Dannon Corporation’s schools advisory committee. • Bill Hladky discovered the surprising joy of skiing! His son is enduring the uphill climb of tough courses with no whining or complaints or cries of desperation. • The son of another classmate, Nancy Nekest Dumurt, made dean’s list in his sophomore year in college, and his parents are proud. • Martha Smith Mickles was knee deep in printing, mounting, and framing a show of photographs that hung at the Maine State Museum in Augusta in March. It was moving to the Portland Public Library in April. She enjoys hearing from Jim Hawkins, Field Rechardt, and Debbie Wentworth Lansing through Facebook. • One of three owners of a “ginormous Biergarten,” Pilsener Haus in Hoboken, N.J., Joel Goldfarb says that if anyone takes the ferry across the Hudson, and if he’s there, you will get, on him, a free liter of the best European draft!

• Jerome Layman went to Calif, and had a great visit with Larie Trippet on a boat ride in the delta north of San Francisco. • Alaska is where the snow is this year, and Mike Round writes from there about his two intrepid children. His daughter biked more than 5,000 miles from Oregon to Florida taking two months-plus. His son spent the winter touring Europe with a backpack. Mike is waiting for retirement to get his traveling in. Meanwhile, the salmon fishing season is about to begin. • Nancy Gottlund Ghertner and other 9 Lawrence St. (Waterville) alums connected in Bluff, Utah, for an amazing long weekend in Sept. 2011. She has just released a documentary film she has directed, filmed, and edited this very fancy ball at the Lightner Museum in honor of Don Pedro Menendez, who founded St. Augustine. I felt like I was in the movie The Great Gatsby and am richer for having met so many wonderful people. The ball was only one of several very formal and magnificent events, the memories of which will last me a lifetime.

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Randall G. Wieting has moved with his family (wife, son age 17, daughter age 16) to Kingston, Ont., where he built and opened a garden center (www.kingstonnurseries.com). He says, “Just when we should be retiring, we are starting a whole new venture!” • Anne Howard Cotton writes that she and her husband, Lee, moved to Kiahw Island, S.C., where they built a house and are enjoying the warmer weather, beautiful marshes and beaches. Anne says that in S.C. life is at a slower pace. • Janet Holm Gerber says her news hasn’t changed much. She is still very happy with work, home, and children, so no update from her. “Just wanted you to know I appreciate your work for our class,” she wrote. “Happy Valentine’s Day!” (Thanks. Much appreciated.) • Frances “Frannie” Birkhbine Welch received her Valentine’s gift a few days early when her daughter Catherine Welch ’05 home-birthed Frannie’s first grandchild in Brunswick, Maine. She is loving every moment with them and even takes a week off from teaching high school to be with them. “The joy I’ve had in these past five days is indescribable.” (I’m not a grandparent yet, but I look forward to it!) • From a golf community in sunny Florida, Nancy Brunnkow Marion writes that she and husband Michael are totally retired and actively involved in tennis leagues, golf leagues, bocce leagues, and painting courses. Nancy enjoys New England, but appreciates the wonderful lifestyle that comes with fabulous winter weather. Their son Mark is marrying in April in Colorado, and their daughter and son-in-law (also in

Nancy Gottlund Ghertner ’71 has released a documentary film she directed, filmed, and edited. After I Pick the Fruit documents the lives of migrant women who live and work in upstate New York.
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Colorado) are making them grandparents in June. So she is sorry to miss our 40th reunion in June but sends her best to all the Class of ’72. “And speaking of our 40th reunion (I feel like a broken record here, but I know how easy it is to forget important things at our age), make plans now to return to Colby June 1-3. Dick Valone, Donna Power Stowe, Art Young, Larry Bigelow, Clark Ruff, Chris Pinkham, and I have been busy planning events for it. Please check out our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/pages/Colby-College-Class-of-1972/227500213979919 and add some pictures or comments. (Pictures would be helpful so that we can all recognize each other at the reunion.) Looking forward to seeing you then—and recognizing you!

1973

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Ken Gross’s interest in music continues. He contributed five unissued Coleman Hawkins titles from three different recording sessions to an upcoming Myosaic record box set. The New Magnolia Jazz Band is Ken’s Dixieland band—check out YouTube from a 2009 gig at York Beach, Maine, by typing in “York Beach” and “Ain’t Misbehavin” and you will be treated to an eight-minute version. • Jon Fink and family are happily settling into Portland, Ore., after 30 years in Phoenix. His volcanological appetite has been satisfied by daily views of Mount St. Helens, Hood, Adams, and Rainer from his bathroom window. Work as vice president for research and strategic partnerships at Portland State is varied and fun and includes travel to India, Vietnam, and Indonesia. • He’s seen Seth Dunn and Dorothy “Dee” Kelsey in the past year. • Sue Yovic Hoeller writes from Arkansas. She and husband Ted recently spent a day with Jay and Robin Sweeney Peabody ’74 in Denver, where they had a client meeting. Carl and Janice Johnson Peterson stopped by to see Susie’s mother in Tampa to celebrate her 81st birthday with brother Bill Yovic ’77. Sue and Ted recently were certified to teach an innovative entrepreneurial course titled “Who Owns the Icehouse?” It’s geared to those who own businesses or plan to in the near future. Sue definitely plans to join us next year at our 40th! • From Concord, Mass., Dave Delong writes that he is about to publish a book, Graduate to a Great Job: How to Make Your College Degree Pay Off in Today’s Job Market. His other book, Buddy, Can You Spare a Job? The New Realities of the Job Market for Aging Baby Boomers, is aimed at older job seekers. Dave and wife Sue have two wonderful daughters who are still in school, so Dave plans to work for another 10 years. • Ingrid Svenson Crook plans to take a group of 15 students to France for 10 days this summer, then stay on for two-plus weeks with husband Scott and friends to visit Bretagne and the Dordogne Valley. Ingrid is teaching French and Spanish this year, but hopes to return to teaching German next year. Other plans include retiring in two to three years. Ingrid is another classmate who does NOT MISS SNOW AT ALL. • Jean Strael Moss writes about adventures with Chris Hannon (director of Smith College library) and Penny Wolf Burns (Jean and Penny are godmothers to each other’s kids). Through Chris she reconnected with Janet Gilles Foley (they spent junior year in Caen together) and Janet is now working part time at Jean’s business, Olde Ipswich Tours. Jean stresses how much she LOVES working with her old college friend and how there is nothing more wonderful than reconnecting with Colby friends. Janet, Penny, and Jean went on an Olde Ipswich Tour to Burgundy and Provence in September, with Janet as one of the 12 guests and Penny as a co-leader. Check out her website (www.ipswichtours.com). Jean, husband John, and daughter Nicole are headed to Corsica for a 10-day vacation as type. • In January Bob Diamond met with Colby alumni in N.Y. when he attended Professor Jennifer Yoder’s lecture Germany and the Eurozone Crisis. In February he joined Colby trustees in Boston for their annual winter meeting. He looks forward to May and youngest-son Charlie’s commencement, where the speaker will be former British Prime Minister Tony Blair. “Now is an exciting time to get involved in Colby,” he wrote, “as we approach the bicentennial and reunion in 2013.” Bob, I remember at our last reunion you happily announced your son Charlie was accepted to Colby and would be a freshman in the fall. Congratulations! •

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We are sitting here on Leap Day writing the column with a forecast of 10-14 inches of snow coming our way. Vicki and her husband Brian are scheduled to leave tomorrow for a month in Florida. Good timing Vick. Got great responses from some classmates we haven’t heard from in years. • Andrea Hicks Sato writes that she is working at Dannon in White Plains, N.Y., as head of sales training and communications after a 13-year stint at Heineken in sales and marketing. Her kids are 22 and 21, and the youngest is graduating from Clemson this May. Andrea reports she sees Amy Caponetto Galloway a few times a year. • David (Vito) Famulari responded after a 38-year silence. After graduating oh so many years ago, he ended up on a New Bedford fishing boat. After 13 years as a fishing boat captain on Georges Bank, he moved from Newport, R.I. to Miami to attend law school. He has been there ever since practicing admiralty and maritime law. Vito and wife Nancy have been married for 27 years and have a son, Leo, an Oberlin grad, who is turning 26. Vito does get up to New England a few times a year, so we better see him in Maine in June 2014. He wanted us to include his e-mail address (dfamulari@admiraltylawyers.com) for anyone who might like to reconnect. • Callie Dusty Leaf writes that her daughter Gina graduated from the University of California Irvine last June and recently got a job working with elementary and preschool children. Her youngest son, Matthew, is transferring to Oregon State in Corvallis in April to major in food science technology. She looks forward to retiring next January from defense contractor QinetiQ North America. • Karen Sawitz is a pediatrician in the clinic and occasionally the emergency room at St. Barnabas Hospital in the Bronx. Her husband is retiring from his face-manufacturing business and looks forward to pursuing creative interests. Son David is in his final semester at Vassar, and daughter Abigail is a freshman at Hamilton. Karen rediscovered knitting and will attend a conference in Freepoart, her first trip back to Maine in 15 years. • Jim Lazour and wife Laura live in Arlington, Va., with a houseful of cats. Jim has been...
a few trips to Puglia, Italy, were required! Younger daughter Elise is on her way to a career in the thespian arts. » Karen Chadbourne has begun an intensely rewarding counseling internship at a group home for adolescent girls as part of a master’s degree program leading to a “retirement” career in counseling. Karen spent several years working with art therapy at the local children's hospital, and she plans to bring the expressive arts into her counseling activities. A recent school project in Hollis, Maine, involved co-leading a women’s group in building a medicine wheel, based on Native American

Lisa Turtz Birnbaum '75 finds it rewarding to work in private practice as a psychiatrist for two medical groups in the Bronx. Many patients improve greatly with medication adjustments, she reports.

Mt. Holyoke, is majoring in English with a studio art minor.

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Spring has sprung, and so has news from classmates! » Dana Pope writes that his job in real estate business development and managing apartment buildings on the East Coast is going great. Dana is treasurer of Westbrook Land Trust and president of Norfolk Hunt Club, a horseback riding club outside Boston. Dana’s wife, Carolyn

premed sophomore at Tufts, is the light of their lives. » Ken Curtis writes from Japan, where he has lived for almost 25 years. His two sons, Chris ‘14 and Roddy ‘15, are the fourth consecutive generation of Ken’s family to attend Colby. The streak started in the early 20th century with Ken’s grandmother and great-uncle, both from Solon, Maine. His sons’ attendance has given Ken several recent opportunities to visit campus. » Rich and Janet Breslin Gil马丁 still live on the ocean in Hull, Mass. Their older son, Jason, graduated from Bryant University last May and worked as an intern for the United Nations in London; he was also selected as a member of the English national lacrosse team. Their younger son, Kento, is finishing his sophomore year as a history major at Wheaton College. » I’m saddened to report that in February we lost another classmate. Paul Bither, my sophomore-year roommate. Paul spent his career in Indianapolis as an optometrist specializing in low-vision care and rehabilitative services. Paul adored his family, including his wife, Carol, a licensed marriage and family therapist. Son Brian is finishing up his master’s at Duke Divinity School and was recently engaged. Daughter Amy graduated from Gordon College last year and started a career in publishing. Back in February many of you learned about Paul from my quarterly e-mail to our class. Make sure Colby’s Alumni Office has your current e-mail address so you can be included. » Finally, as you get this we are approaching the end of the fundraising year. Please help our class maintain its leadership position with a donation to Colby. Your gift both builds the future for Colby and honors our connections to each other through the years. Thanks!

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Final reminder: June 1-3 is our 35th reunion! » Mark Richardson reports that Kent Wommack, who worked for the Nature Conservancy for many years, will speak on Saturday. » Frank “Sandy” Pardez says the musical group Pearl (featuring R.P. Higgins, Sandy, Sara Frolio O’Leary ’79, Geoff Becker ’80, John Stivers ’81, and Tom Stratton ’81) will perform Saturday night, with possible guest appearances from Leslie Warren Van Berkum and Peggy Horstmann-Hodes. » Kevin Leddy has enjoyed a fascinating ride in the cable television business since he graduated. He got in on the ground floor with the predecessor to Time Warner Cable 31 years ago. His current position uses his government major and the teachings of his

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favorite professors, Sandy Maisel and Al Mavrinac. Among the challenging aspects of Kevin’s work is the requisite interaction with the U.S. Senate and House Commerce Committees, the F.C.C. and F.T.C. Kevin and wife Kristen live in Wilton, Conn. Their daughter Erin is at Bowdoin, son Ryan attends the University of Richmond, and daughter Morgan is in eighth grade. Kevin would like to reconnect with old friends from DKE.  

- **Hendrix “Hal” Bodden** spent a snowy weekend in late October at the Mt. Washington Hotel in Bretton Woods with a shady crew that included Alan MacEwan, Curt Gowdy ’75, Peter Boone ’75, Peter Clark ’75, Liz Richards Julian ’75, Carla Call Stewart ’75, Malcolm Foster ’75, John O’Meara ’76, and Paul Boghosian ’76.  

- **Ken Beland** is in his third year of his new career teaching biology, ecology, and anatomy at John Bapst High School in Bangor, Maine. He’s happy to see, each year, students of his going on to Colby. An unanticipated spinal stenosis injury eliminated beloved activities like running and hockey from his schedule. In partial compensation, he’s very much enjoying reading the latest novels by Gerry Boyle ’78.  

- **Ken Colton** finds that Professor Wayne Smith continues to cast a long shadow on his life. Ken is still a member of the American Chemical Society and was recently quoted in the ACS’s weekly publication. His work combines chemistry and patent law. Daughter Caroline is a sophomore at Rhode Island School of Design, and son Chris is in middle school.  

- **Jonathan Fenton** teaches English and social studies to fifth graders at the Marian W. Cross School in Norwich, Vt. His wife, Corinne, is a part-time educational assistant to kindergartners at Marion Cross. Colby. She notes that Maddie Dewhirst, the team’s star center, will be entering Colby as a freshman this fall. Alix continues to work in research at Dartmouth Medical School and the VA Hospital.  

- **Vinnie Martucci** and wife Liz Lawrence ’76 have lived near Woodstock, N.Y., for 30 years. Liz is a registered nurse at Kingston Hospital and Vinnie teaches jazz at SUNY New Paltz. Last fall Vinnie performed with the jazz faculty at the Central Conservatory in Beijing and also led clinics and master classes. Their daughter, Katie, who won a N.Y. state all-state jazz vocalist award and performed with a group of all-state musicians at the Eastman School of Music in December, is considering attending Colby. Son Jimmy is a high school sophomore who’s into soccer, wrestling, and drums. It all fits somehow, Vinnie says.

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Empty nests seem to be the theme!  

- **Jeff Bernard** writes, “Janet and I are experiencing the empty nest syndrome but enjoying life. Our son Andrew is in his second year at Oxford University and studying in Cairo for a year. It has been quite tumultuous over there, so we will be happy to have him on American soil this summer.”  

- **Donna Dietzko Vincenti** is an attorney with offices in Lakeville and New Hartford, Conn. Still happily married after 28-plus years, Donna and her husband have three “past-college-tuition age” sons. She’s writing a book about her recovery from a horrific head-on collision in 2008. Keep us posted on the publication date!  

- **Larry Hill** had a successful second year with his consulting business, Full 360, and employs 10 full-time employees. Last year he hiked in the White Mountains with John Geismar and son Brad and Mike Slavin. He took in JazzFest in New Orleans in February. Son Harry Jr. is a junior at Greenwich High, just beginning the college search.  

- **Anne and Tom Gilligan** celebrate their 30th anniversary in June, “and we have three great kids.

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Andrea James Spangenthal shared a great photo (posted online) of herself, Jan Morris Whelan, Sue Fraser Sullivan, and Sam Koch, along with spouses, when they met in Northampton, Mass., at the beginning of February for dinner. Last fall Andrea went for a fun sail with Bob Larmie Wayne and Blair Washburn Tracy (again with spouses) on Blair’s boat, having another fun day and evening in Padanaram, Mass.  

- **Louise “Robin” Reid** had a great trip to Italy last October and plans to return soon for a writing retreat. Her monthly newspaper, Rural Route Today, is on hiatus to be reborn as a quarterly. The paper highlights Vermont and the Champlain Valley’s rural lifestyles, as well as contemporary agricultural and silvicultural production and the people who work the land for a living.  

- **George Powers** finally gave up after three years at a startup company that was languishing, and he went to work at Riverbed Tech, which is thriving. He is based in Sunnyvale, Calif., with occasional days at the San Francisco office and a day working from home. That saves on the commute and he gets to help herd the kids off to school. George’s oldest son is in the Army and now deployed in Afghanistan, where he repairs helicopters at the large base in Kandahar.  

- All of the children in Laurie Ahearn Borden’s blended family have finally turned 21! Laurie is in a chaplaincy program at Fletcher Allen Health Care in Burlington, Vt., and will finish in April.  

A very short e-mail from Gerry White—“I’m hanging out in Saudi Arabia.” Yup, that’s it.  

- **Jan Barker McFarland, Sara Russell MacColl, Leslie Harrison ’78, Penny Janzen Winn ’80, Amanda Parke, Patty Valavanis Smith ’80, and Carol Doherty Moroney** met last winter for a boisterous dinner at the Blue Mermaid Island Grill in Portsmouth, N.H. The group (with a few missing members) has been gathering since 1979, talking, drinking, sailing, welcoming the twins of Linda Alter ’80, golfing, and laughing. Penny summed things up nicely about how old they are getting, “Our children are now the same age we were when we first met.”  

- A sad ending to my column. Geoff Parker e-mailed to say that Carol Neidig White passed away Feb. 13 from a complication while recovering from a cancerous episode. Carol leaves a husband, Phil, daughter Jordan, and son Parker. My condolences to the family.
Looking like a good time was had by all (judging by the bottles in the background). • Tamara Hannah recently joined the law firm of Belongia, Franklin & Shapiro in an of counsel position to assist with transactional real estate and entertainment practice in Chicago. She’s still involved in the real estate world in Miami and Chicago. • Lori Batcheller contributed a chapter to the just-released book Until They Have Faces. Lori was in Steamboat in February, skiing nearly three feet of powder and was then off to N.M. to teach yoga for a week. • Michael Fanger’s daughter, Rachel, is a sophomore at Muhlenberg, and his son, Jonathan, is a junior at St. Joe’s Prep in Philly. Michael’s wife, Linda, teaches government at Burlington Community College, and Michael is still CEO of Eastern Funding LLC, which celebrated its 15th year. Mike was planning a March ski trip in Colo. with economics at Hampden-Sydney College in Virginia, is one of about six women in the U.S. who coach men’s collegiate rugby. In her seventh season, she was elected to serve as the Virginia Rugby Union’s men’s college coordinator, and her team earned VRU’s 2011 Men’s Collegiate Sportsmanship Award. Saranna credits Mark Govoni, who started the Colby women’s rugby team. “Without him, I never would have gotten into the game and become a coach.” A photo of coach Thornton and her team is on our class page. • Dani Nemec Micsan is contemplating retirement from the federal government after husband Jim retired with 30 years of service. She is reaching out to any Colby grads living in southern California, because her daughter has decided to move to L.A. and “Mom has jitters!” • Our condolences and best wishes for a new beginning to David Rocks, who lost his wife, Nordic ski team. Will ‘12, who graced this magazine’s fall cover for an article on Colby’s Environmental Studies Program, will graduate in May with a double major in environmental science and biology, and a geology minor. “We each had Professor Russ Cole, one at the beginning and the other at the end of his career at Colby. He has been a great influence on both of us.”

Saranna Robinson Thornton ’81, a professor of economics at Hampden-Sydney College in Virginia, is one of a half-dozen women in the country who coach men’s collegiate rugby. Saranna is in her seventh season.
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Scott ’84 and Jane MacKenzie Morrill celebrated their 50th birthdays by participating in the Toronto Zombie March last October. Scott said, “Since Jane expects to live to at least 100, she figured she is half dead, just like a zombie.” Scott and Jane live in Tualatin, Ore. • Becky Crooks Rogers is now very part time with the YMCA and is back in school at Columbus State pursuing HR management. She is pursuing her master’s in counseling ministries. She and husband Jess traveled to Cancun over the holidays. They have been participating in the advanced wisdom course area of Landmark Education. Becky says her life has been completely altered. Their boys are grown; her son Michael is pursuing international law at Ohio State. • Life is grand for the Ballotti crew. Two of Geoff Ballotti’s five girls have fled the N.J. farm to warmer climes at Rollins and College of Charleston (after applying to Colby of course). Leslie has the other two, who are still home mucking the stalls of her 25 rescue horses every morning before sunrise and working the camp she runs for autistic children. Tough love! • I heard corroborating stories from both divorced co-parents about Samantha Dow. Ashley Lasbury wrote that her eldest daughter, Samantha, is part of Colby’s Class of 2015. She spent her first semester in Dijon, France, and is now on campus. Ashley and Samantha’s sister Eleanor spent 10 days with Samantha in France at the end of October. Ashley is working at Peoples United Bank as a part-time teller as well as teaching breastfeeding classes at Maine Medical Center. Proud and busy papa Scott Dow took time off to learn to fly gliders last year and will take a week to go flying again this spring. • Heading to the ‘Loaf’s spring break was Boyd McHugh and his clan. Son Brad is enjoying his sophomore year at Hampden College, and daughter Carrena is in high school at NYU. Any Sugarloafers should call Boyd at 1(800) SKI-CENTER. • From July 2010 through the end of 2011, John Northrop worked on the Gulf Coast oil spill, filling several roles for BP in the incident management team as part of the logistics and supply-chain leadership. “These 18 months were the most interesting and intense months of my life.” Twelve hour days were common as the logistics section supported beach cleanup operations in the four affected Gulf States. John worked in Houma, La., for about two months, then the consolidated command post in New Orleans until last August. He rejoined BP in June 2011 (started as a contractor) and moved back to Houston (from Chicago) with his family in August. He took a new role as global procurement manager in the upstream procurement and supply-chain management (PSCM) team, so is no longer working the spill. Son Jack started kindergarten this year, and Addy is in pre-K. John speaks often with Phin Gayn and occasionally with Richard “Jamie” O’Neil and Ray “Chip” Kelley, and he Facebooks several of our classmates (Sail Lovegren Merchant, Nancy Pratt Hurley, Chico, Jen Naylor, etc.) • Gearing up for the Houston-to-Austin MS 150 in April. I’m not an efficient user of LinkedIn, but please, do find me, Sail Lovegren Merchant, on Facebook to send me information and stay in touch. I’m doing summer house and cottage rentals in Northeast Harbor, Maine. Check out www.summerhousecot-tagerentals.com. Best wishes to everyone!

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First, apologies for missing the winter edition. Unfortunately some December work deadlines and a poorly timed notebook computer meltdown resulted in a missed deadline. Next time I’ll use the dog-ate-my-homework excuse. I think I was able to save most of the submissions, but please feel free to update and resubmit if yours got lost. • I’ve just returned from a frenzied trip to Florida, where I met Lauren Mogensen and a gaggle (coven/priest/murder?) of girlfriends for a middle-age rampage through Disney World to celebrate Leap Day. What better way to use an extra day than to terrorize small children at the “happiest place on Earth,” with a group of not-quite-50-year-old women sporting tiaras on Space Mountain at 6 a.m.? • Dana Hanley, Class of ’84 version of POTUS, reported. Weitzman was head of the Washington Animal Rescue League and chair of the D.C. Board of Veterinary Medicine and cohosted The Animal House, an NPR program that explores animal science, pet health and behavior, and wildlife conservation. • Former St. Lawrence University vice president Michael P. Archibald ’87 joined Scripps College in Claremont, Calif., as vice president of institutional advancement. At St. Lawrence Archibald completed two campaigns that raised more than $300 million in gifts and pledges and helped secure funding for several campus facilities.

In January Peter Jordan ’80 took the reins as president at Tarrant County College’s South Campus in Fort Worth, Texas. The college enrolls nearly 50,000 students pursuing associate and technical degrees. According to Fort Worth’s Star Telegram, Jordan has worked in education for more than 30 years. • Paragon Technologies Inc., a Pennsylvania-based supplier of “smart” material handling systems and software-driven distribution center solutions, announced the appointment of Samuel Weiser ’81 to its board of directors. Weiser is president and CEO of Premier Exhibitions Inc. • The San Diego Humane Society and SPCA named Gary Weitzman ’82 its new president and CEO, the San Diego Union-Tribune reported. Weitzman was head of the Washington Animal Rescue League and chair of the D.C. Board of Veterinary Medicine and cohosted The Animal House, an NPR program that explores animal science, pet health and behavior, and wildlife conservation.
City (if you ignore the outcome of the game) with Sean Padgett, Rick Anderson, Steve Reed, Ed Maggiacomo, Mark Howard, and Eric Betke. Sounds like they all had a great time “skipping a good hard three days, drinking ‘a bit,’ and having updates about Colby from Rick, whose daughter, Emily is a sophomore. Steve sent a great picture; check it out at on our class page at www.colby.edu/alumni. Catherine Stehman-Breen lives in southern California and works for Amgen, a biotech company. Her son is a freshman at Bowdoin and, “although he likes to heckle Colby, he recently visited a friend at Colby and gave it the thumbs up for fun.” Catherine and her family try to spend as much time as they can at their house in York, Maine. Eliot Kolody writes that his son Jack is playing bass alongside drummer Sam Horner, son of Christopher Horner, in the Middle School Jazz Ensemble at Germantown Academy in Fort Washington, Pa. Christopher teaches music at Germantown Academy and conducts the Middle School Jazz Ensemble. Imogen Hinds completed all of the coursework for her Ed.D. and will work hard to finish her dissertation and earn her degree by the end of 2012. She is senior associate director of undergraduate housing operations/health, safety, and sustainability programs at Stanford University. She loves her work spending 15 years in real estate working for himself.

1986
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Bill Northfield notes that after so much fun at reunion last June he continued the excitement a week later with his first-ever parachute jump—and broke his ankle in a crash landing. That pretty much wrapped up the summer for Bill, but he is walking again and hopes to be playing tennis by this summer. Jim Campbell was sorry to miss reunion but is pleased to announce that he and wife Judy Richard Campbell recently made their last EVER college tuition payment. Oldest daughter graduated two years ago and is working in theatrical production/design, middle daughter is graduating this May, and their youngest is a sophomore at UMaine with an Army ROTC scholarship (like father, like son). Jim and Judy celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary this May. Jim shared a few beers and good laughs with Colby roommate Mike Lalikos and family recently when they were in the area for vacation. Hamilton Brower was also sorry to miss reunion when he had to head off on a consulting job to Brazil—helping an old friend launch a new line of all-natural suntan products, Sol de Janeiro. Rio, Bahia, and Punta Arenas beach—wow, Ham, we feel terrible for you! When Ham got home he finished writing and publishing his first book, Magnificent Words To Live By, which is the accomplishment he is most proud of so far in his life. After a big heart attack two years ago (he’s doing fine now, he says), Ham felt he had some learned life wisdom to share with his nieces and nephews—and now with the wider world. He’s busy with book signings these days. Anne Butler had so much fun doing the Trek Across Maine last June (and staying in a Colby dorm) that she’ll do it again, riding 180 miles in three days to benefit the American Lung Association. Donations welcome online: search Trek Across Maine Anne Butler. Sharing another never-to-be-forgotten experience, Doug Scalise wrote about getting some serious exercise this February when he relived his Colby baseball days at the Red Sox Fantasy Camp in Fort Myers, Fla., with 120 “campers” age 30-plus from all over the U.S. and Canada, including his dad, Vic Scalise ’54. Doug hit around .600 for the week, pitched a complete game in the playoffs opening-round, and drove in the winning run. Then started and got the win in the divisional championship. His team, coached by former Red Sox third baseman and manager Butch Hobson, made it to the championship game, the first game played in the Red Sox new Jet Blue Park. To top it all, Doug received the “under 50” MVP award at the closing banquet. Doug and wife Jill Wertz-Scalise ’88 also had a memorable experience in May 2011 helping lead a group of 40 people on a pilgrimage in Israel and Jordan. David Mace sent a note from the capital of the Green Mountain State, Montpelier. After losing his communications job in the state government change of administration last year, he’s now doing the same type of work for the Federal Emergency Management Agency. What was supposed to be a temporary job became a long-term assignment after Tropical Storm Irene hit Vermont. Whether you have a once-in-a-lifetime experience to share or want to describe a moment from everyday life, I’d love to hear from you—and so would everyone else. Take care, be well. Hank

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Hi classmates. Okay, my first order of business is an embarrassing correction. Bruce Dalbeck married Chris Bennett, head of the pediatrics department at Interned in Portland, Maine. But last issue I wrote her name as Barrett, which is even more inexcusable since I attended the wedding. (But she looks like a Barrett. I swear!) Bruce is a former management consultant experiencing a welcome midlife crisis and switching to work with older folks through caregiving, hospice, and companionship. (Likely I will be among his first customers.) Brad Fay’s first book, The Face to Face Book, will be published by Simon & Schuster’s Free Press imprint in May, just one week prior to our 25th reunion, where he’ll do a book signing and lecture. Copies will even be available in Colby’s bookstore. Written with his longtime business partner, Ed Keller, it’s a contrarian perspective for the social media age. Says Brad, “face-to-face interactions matter most, which is a pretty good reason to attend this year’s reunion.” (Plus the free cheese platter.) From loyal writer Jeff Russell, “2011 was an interesting year. You know, the usual adventures. I got eliminated, again, from a corporate job. My Subaru died at mile marker 13. My beloved Dad died. My dear father-in-law died. I got pneumonia. My son flunked chemistry. The bank account flat-lined. Other than that it wasn’t too bad. It was a fabulous summer at the lake and the fall flying was terrific. Onward into 2012. My new company is up and running. I put a new engine in the car. Both of my lungs healed nicely. I didn’t crash anything. Junior is now taking creative writing. I peeked at my bank account this morning. [So did I, Jeff. Hope that’s cool.] In short, I suspect that my year actually resembles a lot of our situations as we slide gently into middle age. Fortunately, our liberal arts education has prepared us well to navigate constant change in a thoughtful, enlightened manner with a big smile on our faces.” [It did? Dang, I must have skipped that class.] The lovely and always-articulate Karen Schneck writes, “Several years ago I left my successful, albeit relatively brief, career in real estate to return to the restaurant industry. Nearly two decades had been spent putting my philosophy degree to use as a bread baker/pastry chef, obtaining a degree from the Culinary Institute in Hyde Park, N.Y., and in restaurant kitchens in and around NYC. [Where some rats are so big they actually wait tables.] Then, two years ago, I finally caught up with my entrepreneurial spirit, and my husband and I opened The Village Market and Bakery/Omnivore Catered Events in the Hudson Valley. [In case you’re wondering, omnivore means people who eat all kinds.] We have an incredible 13-year-old son and are grateful for our self-determined life in the woods. I think of my Colby days fondly and my dearest friends remain those that I met during the years spent in Waterville. The icing on the cake is that my awesome niece just applied for Colby Class of 2016. Who knows what will happen if she’s accepted at both Bowdoin and Colby! [She will pick Colby if what will happen, Karen!] Eitherway it seems Maine will figure in her future.” Ad man Andrew Jeske is “still living north of N.Y. in the Westchester ‘burbs. Naomi, Ben, and Sam, otherwise known as Tall, Grande, and Vente, are just swell and, respectively, 4, 7, and 12. Our most-recent thrill was last year’s summer vacation in Italy and Morocco. [Neither country will ever be the same.] I’m a creative director at Young & Rubicam in N.Y. and, while the life of a mad man is certainly not the life of a Mad Man, all’s well.” (I’m glad, man.)
ALUMNI AT LARGE

1988
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Tim Weissman lives in Falmouth, Maine, with wife Michelle and 13-year-old twins, Nick and Alex. The couple owns and operates Mariner Beverages, a fine wine and craft beer distributor in Portland. The boys keep busy with sports and have already tasted Colby life while attending basketball camp there. Tim sees Gary Donaldson, Bran Claztor, and Lucy Lennon Tucker ‘87 around Portland. • Dave and Leslie Migliaccio Mitchell live in New Marlborough, Mass., where Leslie started a volunteer-run theater company, Welton Guthrie. • Maria Louisa Arroyo ’89 works at the Peck Full-Service Community School in Holyoke, Mass. She facilitates poetry workshops throughout New England and performs her poetry from Chicago to Puerto Rico.

1989
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Another good crop of not-so-frequent writers this time. Keep the news coming, and if you’ve never written in, there’s no time like the present! • Maria Louisa Arroyo works at the Peck Full-Service Community School in Holyoke, Mass. She also facilitates poetry workshops throughout New England and performs her poetry in places as varied as Chicago and Puerto Rico. Maria’s son Shaheen is a high school sophomore and wants to be a cardiologist. He’s considering Colby, but Tufts is in the running, too. White Mules are better than Jumbos, Shaheen! • Michael Diamond and his partner live in Silicon Valley, where Michael is relocating to.

1990
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My apologies to Gretchen Schwarze Mezrich for not correctly crediting her as the vascualr surgeon on the faculty at UW Medical School. • Contrary to my last column, Gretchen Granger Hartley did not attend medical school, actually lives in Portland, Maine, sold her business last spring, and is now spending more time with her kids. She sees Carolyn White Lancia, Doug Hall, and Jay Stabile around town. This summer she spent some time with Megan Blumenreich while Megan’s family was...
vacationing in Maine. Gretchen also got together with Stacey Parker, Sara Hurvis Youklin, Katie Erickson, Kinda Remick Priestley, and Wendy Kynerski Morrison.

* Chip Gavin still sees the Blue Light burning several times each week while working in Maine. He and wife Andrea (Krasner ’93) recently visited Jen Milisop Millard and her kids in San Francisco. * Megan Wahl Hegenbarth is teaching middle school math and science at Wilmington (Del.) Friends School. Family life is busy for her and her husband and their four kids. * Mike Eisenstadt checked in from Dave and Buster’s Arcade, where he was busy dominating a pop-a-shot basketball game against Steve Chmielewski, Joe Vecchi, Jeff Phelps, Gary Doherty in a pop-a-shot basketball game against Steve Chmielewski, Joe Vecchi, Jeff Phelps, Gary Doherty and science at Wilmington (Del.) Public Schools. During the summer and greatest news.

* Kristen Peterson Miller is practicing law and fishing for king salmon and crab in Alaska. She travels to Maine frequently to visit family, get a lobster fix, and often has mini-reunions in Boston with Kelly Cogan Calnan, Mya-lisa King, Maeve Costin Giangregorio, Clare Deangelas Connelly, Kristen Fryling Bingel, and Susan Kachen Oubari. When in Atlanta she catches up with Danica Fogledst Henry. Kristen reports all are doing great. * Malcolm Chase is a managing director for investments at Oppenheimer in Providence, R.I. As two of his three boys are in high school, he will be back at Colby very soon on the college tour.

* Congratulations to Richard Marcus, who married Cristina Atilio Nov. 26 in Boston. He works in Los Angeles as a cinematographer.

* Mim Siegel Lombardo is in publishing at Alexander Street Press. She lives in Easton, Mass., with her husband, two kids, and their new dog. * Lisa Schahtman Grisson had a fantastic visit with Kaki Martin and Joc Jones. She is getting her M.F.A. in creative writing and living in Los Angeles. * Anne Mary Cirillo lives in Boise, Idaho, and works as a photographer and art teacher with the local art museum and as an educational consultant. Her oldest daughter is a freshman in college while her youngest is a high school junior. On a road trip east last summer, she was lucky enough to see Melissa Lawton Bennett, who lives in Conn. with her husband and two kids.

1991

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Greetings classmates! Here is the latest and greatest news. * Monise Reed is in her 17th year teaching music in Lawrence (Mass.) Public Schools. During the summer she is program coordinator for a camp run by the Boston Symphony Orchestra called "Days in the Arts." This fall the camp was featured in an online Symphony magazine article. She received her master’s in music education from BU in 2010 and is working on her Ed.S. in educational leadership at UMass Lowell.

* Laurie Brown Withrow writes, "I was so sorry to have had to miss the reunion last year. I really wanted to attend, but the arrival of our baby boy, Jack, last spring, and 10 and 12 year olds with lots of activities, got in the way! I live in Scituate, Mass., and live the life of a very busy stay-at-home mom. I pretty much spend my life at baseball fields, basketball gyms, and every other activity in between, and now carrying a baby there too. We were very fortunate to have been able to purchase a home in Nantucket last year and look forward to spending more time there in the future. I also have been active helping with the Republican Party in Massachusetts during my ‘spare’ time. I have enjoyed getting back in touch with many Colby friends through Facebook and around the South Shore of Massachusetts."

* On Oct. 6 Sandy Colhoun and wife Selina welcomed their son Stuart into the world. * Also welcoming a child was Matt Hughes and wife Tracy. Benjamin Clark, their fourth, arrived in November. So the gang, Charlie, Henry, and Abby, now has Ben, an additional culprit in parenting-induced brain damage. Matt reports life is good, but exhausting. He says Denver remains a great place to live, and his IT consulting business is solid despite the economic climate. * Libby Marsh and husband Adam had their second baby girl. Nora Lynn Sopo was born Jan. 9 in San Francisco. She is adored by big sister Beatrice Rose, who decided to call her “Gabby Sabby” instead of Nora. Libby is on maternity leave until June, when she will return to Human Rights Watch as deputy director of foundation relations. This July she will have been at HRW for seven years. * After more than six years, Del Lloyd is leaving Wells Fargo for Silicon Valley Bank. She will start at SVB in April as an IT portfolio manager, and she will manage a team of project and program managers for the online channel. SVB is opening a new technology and operations office in Tempe, Ariz., so she doesn’t even have to move. Deb and husband Lee will take a two-week vacation to New Zealand prior to starting her new job in April. * As for me, I’ve been driving and diving. In November I drove from Gloucester, Mass., to Gainesville, Fla., then to San Antonio, Texas, and on to Santa Cruz, Calif., (a total of 4,429 miles) to help family members empty storage units. In December and early January I drove from Gloucester to Key Largo, Fla., and back for a week of diving, including a New Year’s Day dive on the Vandenberg, a ship sunk as an artificial reef off Key West. I also managed a trip to N.H. to visit Katherine (Cole ’90) and Jack Aydelott to watch the New England Patriots win the AFC championship. (Unfortunately the Super Bowl had a different outcome.) Thanks for all the news, everyone—keep it coming!

1992

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Spring is here and reunion is almost here. Here’s the latest on fellow classmates.

* Zach Shapiro has been rabbi at Temple Akiba in Culver City since 2006. Members of the congregation include Matthew Meyer ’91 and his wife, Erica, and Greg ’91 and Dakota Glenn Smith. Zach recently had a mini-reunion with Rebecca Graham Forde and Jeremy Samuels ’93 where, among other things, they sang through their memories of BMRI. * Mark Boles enjoyed the end of summer with an impromptu epic gathering that included Ben Beattie, George Linge, Jason Eslick, and Steven Swartz. Ben is expecting his second child this spring. Steven had his first child last summer. Mark gets to see Rachel Klein-Ash fairly often as well as Katie Martin and Kelly John have rebranded their interior design firm as Macdap Cottage. Their Brooklyn home was featured in the April 2012 issue of British House & Garden magazine. Jason remains global lifestyle editor at Delta Sky magazine and, according to him, lives his life out of a bright pink suitcase. * Jim Condon had a show titled Realms and Origins: Paintings by Jim Condon and Alberto Rey at the Roberts Wesleyan Gallery (www.roberts.edu/davinsongallery/). It ran March 5 to April 5 in Rochester, N.Y.

It doubt it was a success. * I’m looking for the next volunteer to replace me as class correspondent. My term ends at reunion, and we need someone to take up the cause and keep fellow classmates updated. Let me know and I’ll be indebted to you forever, or at least the next five years. * It’s time for a road trip to Colby! Reunion is just around the corner and we’re hoping to see you there. We’ve been talking and planning for months now and can’t wait to see all of you back on campus May 31-June 3. We hope to stay in East Quad for the weekend. Friday we’ll have an informal get-together, Saturday is the reunion lobster bake, class gift presentation, and later our private class dinner. This year we hope to host a dessert panel with some ’92 classmates who have done some pretty interesting things with their lives since leaving the Hill. Also, plan on participating in our 20-for-$20 raffle.

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Evans Arevian. Mark’s wife, Kate LaVigne ’95, is in a book club with several of them. Mark had a family ski trip last Christmas and bumped into Chris and Whitney Adams Ward and their three kids. Though they see each other all the time in Hingham, Mass., it was pretty magical that Chris and Mark were able to get a few runs in with their daughters, Sasha and Chase, respectively. By the way, the girls tore up the slopes. Mark recently took a job as senior vice president/director of account services for the ad agency UniWorld Group, which requires him to commute from Hingham to N.Y.C. weekly. * Jason Nixon has been watching and rewatching Romy and Michelle’s high school reunion in anticipation of his 20th Colby reunion this summer. He and partner In an effort to boost our participation numbers (our goal is 100 percent), committee members have generously donated items for a raffle, and selections will be made at our class dinner. Anyone who already made a gift to the Colby Fund will be entered in the raffle, so go online and make your gift now! Register and give at www.colby.edu/reunion. Can’t wait to see you.

1993

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This column comes from Hong Kong, where I relocated in January with my husband, Tom, and our boys, Jed, 11, Ty, 9, and Luke, 6, are enjoying the city lights and mild weather
almost as much as I am. • Despite limited snow in Vermont, John Cully hosted a ski weekend with David Beatus, Mark Burns, and David Higgins. John says, “Hard to believe we’re all fitter and better looking than ever!” John, I know what you mean—it just gets better after 40, doesn’t it? John is still building custom bike frames and working as a marketing consultant focused on marketing communications and branding. His daughter turns 11 this year and, though he is selling her hard on Colby, she wants to know how the Quidditch team is doing before making any decisions. • Anne Griffin has enjoyed a snowy winter in Bulgaria, skiing every chance she gets but she lost at Sanski Ski Resort. Her pottery export business, Bulgarian Pottery and Gifts, just fulfilled its first orders for Home Goods, TJ Maxx, and Marshalls. • Tyler Rohrer is still running a successful software company—Liquiware Labs—with offices in Atlanta and Chicago, but he chose to remain in York, Maine, after selling the last venture to VMware in Palo Alto, Calif. Tyler’s wife and their kids, Emma, Jack, and Molly, recently welcomed a German short-haired pointer puppy named Cooper. If you’re in Maine this July, you can watch Tyler compete in the New England Forest Rally (www.rally-america.com). Tyler promises it’s “always fun to watch grown men play with cars in the Maine woods!”

Charles Beatus hosted a ski weekend in Turks and Caicos to celebrate. In the days before the reunion, he welcomed their third son, Maxwell Carver, 1906-2010,” appears in Carbon Balance Journal of Aesthetics & Protest, an art/cultural/activist project the cofounded in Los Angeles in 2003. He’s worked in Milan and Copenhagen and is on his way to London and Norway, where he’s excited to see northern lights again. • Matt Tandy and wife Libby purchased a ski house in Jackson, N.H., and invited Bill Bradley, Matt O’Connell ’96, and Jason Hall for the weekend. Jason reports he, Bill, Matt, and Dean Snell ’96 won the Colby alumni golf tournament at Reunion Weekend 2011; the reigning champs invite any and all challengers at our next reunion in June. • Michelle Ordina, Kathy Christy Schultz, and Sandra Jewers Dow spent MLK weekend together in the Berkshires. They enjoyed hiking, wine tasting, catching up, and reliving a lot of great Colby memories. • Keith Stockmann earned his Ph.D. in forestry and economics from University of Montana in 2006 and published a number of articles in forestry-related journals. His most recent, “Estimates of carbon stored in harvested wood products from the United States Forest Service northern region, 1906-2010,” appears in Carbon Balance.

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I fell right back into old Lake House days this February with Elizabeth Laborzit Smith, Jessica Matzkin Schactman, Allison Guth Wells, Michelle Tadors Eidson, and Stephanie Goff Govenmell. We met in Steamboat, Colo., for a ski weekend. Little snow but lots of laughs (and I didn’t have to run a marathon to see them). Elizabeth lives in N.Y.C., is mom to three boys, and works with her husband’s cinematography/photography/production company. Jessica has three children and is dean of students at Blair Academy in Blairstown, N.J. (and left us a little early to attend the Super Bowl with her husband—she saw Brady, we danced to Madonna). Michelle has two darlings and is vice president of business development at Platte River Partners in Denver. Allison is busy with three children in Syracuse, N.Y. Stephanie has twin boys and is managing director of alumni relations at Harvard Business School. Amazing women and seriously fun times! • Karlene Burrell-McRae writes that she began a new job as assistant dean of the college/director of the Black Cultural Center at Swarthmore College. Kebbba Tolbert is the new assistant coach of track and field at Harvard. • Missy Fraser Gramer says turning 40 in February was not as painful as she thought. Her family. Ted, Abby, 10, and John and Ryan, both 5, spent a week in Turks and Caicos to celebrate. In the fall she spent a week in Disney World with Tracy Karsch Palumbo and her family. She also had tea with Brookie Skulley in Boston and enjoyed catching up on their friends. • Tiffany Hoyt Tinson and husband Jim welcomed their third son, Maxwell Carver, Nov. 30. His big brothers, Connor, 9, and Will, 6, couldn’t be more proud of little Max. She never imagined celebrating her 40th birthday with a baby in tow, but says he is a tremendous blessing and she loves spending her days with him while his brothers are in school. • Rebecca Shulze has accepted a new position as assistant dean for academic support services/assistant professor of psychology at Becker College in Worcester. • Katie Morrison is pastor on staff at Montclair Presbyterian Church in Oakland. She is thrilled to be back working with children, youth, and families. Katie and her curran Reichert are celebrating their 10th wedding anniversary in February, and their daughter, Ellis Jane, is 2 1/2. • Congratulations to Jonathan Kaplan who married Allison Price (Penn ’98) in Rock Hall, Md., Oct. 1. Erik Belenky and wife, Sally came in from Atlanta. They then took a three-week trip through Vietnam, Cambo-do, and Hong Kong following the wedding. • Yuhgo Yamaguchi
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We bounced back nicely after a sparse update last issue. Nice to hear from some of you for the first time after 16-plus years of life after Colby. Please keep sending updates—particularly those of you who haven’t submitted in a few years. We really do enjoy reading about how everyone is doing. • Matt Medwick lives in Israel with wife Keren and their four kids, Nadav, Ma’ayan, Yoav, and Itamar. Matt is a surgeon and director of the hematology and oncology pain department at Tel HaShomer Medical Center. He also teaches at Tel Aviv University Medical School. • Darrell Sofield and wife Ruth returned to Bellingham, Wash., from a sabbatical in Switzerland. “We lived without a car, did some fun research, and explored the country by biking, skiing, running, and taking the trains.” • Peter Duback and his family rented back into the Midwest after 11 years in D.C. and NYC. Peter is director of product strategy at Robert W. Baird. His family is focused on work and raising their twins, Natalie and Grace, 5, Decosta ’93’s Baltimore Ravens (Eric is the director of player personnel). It was a most ripping victory!” • Marc Herbst lives in Leipzig, Germany, with wife Cristina and a 4-year-old son, Marc teaches and lectures at museums and universities through the Journal of Aesthetics & Protest, an art/cultural/activist project he cofounded in Los Angeles in 2003. He’s worked in Milan and Copenhagen and is on his way to London and Norway, where he’s excited to see northern lights again. • Matt Tandy and wife Libby purchased a ski house in Jackson, N.H., and invited Bill Bradley, Matt O’Connell ’96, and Jason Hall for the weekend. Jason reports he, Bill, Matt, and Dean Snell ’96 won the Colby alumni golf tourney at Reunion Weekend 2011; the reigning champs invite any and all challengers at our next reunion in June. • Michelle Ordina, Kathy Christy Schultz, and Sandra Jewers Dow spent MLK weekend together in the Berkshires. They enjoyed hiking, wine tasting, catching up, and reliving a lot of great Colby memories. • Keith Stockmann earned his Ph.D. in forestry and economics from University of Montana in 2006 and published a number of articles in forestry-related journals. His most recent, “Estimates of carbon stored in harvested wood products from the United States Forest Service northern region, 1906-2010,” appears in Carbon Balance.
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The Maine Sports Hall of Fame will induct Matthew Hancock '90 among eight new members during its 37th annual awards banquet in May. Hancock was named NCAA Division III Player of the Year as a senior and was a three-time All-American. • Amanda Halowell '93 serves as head chef and manager for Nebo Lodge Restaurant on North Haven, Maine, which was recently highlighted in Maine Island Living magazine. The restaurant serves only locally and organically grown, produced, and harvested fare. • Manufacturing Insecurity: Power, Water, Waste, and the Silences of Sustainability and Suffering in Northwest Alaska,” a doctoral dissertation by Laura Eichelberger '99 at the University of Arizona, was on a top-40 list of best dissertations in sociocultural anthropology in 2011. The list was published on the blog AnthropologyWorks.

and Management. He lives in Montana with wife Karen and their golden retriever, Reggie. He and Jon Bowden took a ski trip to Jackson Hole in March. Jon is creating a Web series called "Back of the House," to be released online in June. • Finally some very sad news from Emily Goetcheus Stephens. Her son, Gabriel Montgomery, passed away in February. Gabriel is survived by his loving parents, Emily and Glenn Howard Stephens, four grandparents, an aunt, two uncles, and four cousins.

1996

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I asked, and you answered with an epic outpouring. • I got JC Panio’s out-of-office message, but he promised to reply upon his return. • Condolences first to Nicole Jalbert Pirani for being married to Kevin Pirani for the past decade. You can’t get those years back, Nicole. Nicole’s business, Blooms of Hope, turned five and received four cousins.

Hannah in February. They are hoping to move from their Boston condo to a new home in Dorchester in April. Julie sees Jill Rathbun, who lives in Sannahs, Maine, and Kristina Dix Johnson, who works in Cambridge, Mass., quite a bit. • In September 2010 Jennifer Robbins started her own full-service market research firm in Boston, Anderson Robbins Research, with Chris Anderson ‘93. She reports the business is thriving and she has enjoyed networking and reconnecting with many Colby alums in the Boston area this past year. Jen lives in Andover, Mass., with their daughters, Olivia, Emma, Ben, and Luke. Kate and Josh are settling into a new home in New Jersey, where Josh recently accepted a job at Campbell’s. Jen often sees Karen Griffin ’96 and Moriah Marsh ’96. • Toy Evans got engaged to Pete Rhodes, whom she met while backcountry skiing in N.H. They are planning a July wedding on Cape Cod. She has worked in fisheries habitat monitoring and restoration at the Division of Marine Fisheries in Gloucester, Mass., for about seven years. She recently saw Curt and Simone Kaplan Cote and their two daughters at their home in Andover, Mass. • It was a big year for Mike Otslau and his wife. They relocated from Colorado to northern California and welcomed their second daughter! • Gwynne Rogers is engaged to Will Villota and is planning a September wedding. She’s moving to Portland, Ore., and would love to connect with Colby alums there. • Mark and Susanna Montezemolo welcomed daughter Regina in September. Writes Susanna, “It has been amazing to watch her grow over the months. I just wish she would learn to sleep.” Sus is back to work at the Center for Responsible Lending, where she has been for about three years, and Sus (and Reggie) see Cary Gibson often. • Kim Cheah and Erik Richardson tied the knot last January in Penang, Malaysia • Marc Fairbrother began a new job as an account supervisor at the VIA Agency in Portland, Maine, a full-service advertising agency that was named 2011 Small Agency of the Year by Ad Age magazine. He heads up regional and national accounts in financial services and consumer-packaged goods. • Rebecca Durham Whited won a photo contest for the band Alma Desnuda and had a whirlwind trip to California to see their concert and the ocean. • After a successful stint running the unwind of Lehman Brothers’ European capital markets and derivatives portfolios, Andrew Weber decided to take some time off in September. However, he was “called back into action in November with the collapse of MF Global,” where he is advising the special joint administrators of MF Global U.K. “So much for a break with Katy and
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16-month-old Lily!” Andrew asked me to remind everyone of the matching challenge that he offered to increase class giving for the bicentennial. Between the bicentennial and our reunion, we have two very good reasons to give to the Colby Fund this year:
• After a summer backpacking in Germany, France, and Croatia, Monika Thiele is back at United Nations Environment Programme working full-time as a program officer covering ecosystem management, particularly oceans and coasts. She’s also North American Focal Point for the Convention on Migratory Species (CMS), covering issues from bats and birds to whales and sharks and beyond. She writes, “I love living in D.C. and can’t believe I’ve been here 13 years already. Looking forward to reunion and seeing everyone on Mayflower Hill!” Well said, Monika!

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Congratulations to Emily Hammann who welcomed a little girl, Whitney Blake, Nov. 1. Big brother Tucker, 3, insists that she is his baby and is very protective and loves him. Whitney joined his baby and is very protective and loves her brother, who is probably a match. Her first transplant, from her mother, lasted 17 years. They hope that by the time the next one is necessary, stem cell organ growth will be tested and able to grow the next one from her own cells.
• Sarah Hewins accepted a job at Endicott College as a faculty member in the interior design department. Ellis and Jen Munson Bailey welcomed a son, Ethan Theodore, Dec. 17. He made his debut two weeks before his due date, so they were able to be home for Christmas and celebrate their new family for the holidays.
• Becca Plummer and Jake Berg had a baby boy, Adam, in September. They are enjoying the newest addition, as is big brother Noah, 5.
• Mike and Melissa Knight DuBois recently welcomed “Peanut,” a miniature Juliana piglet, to their family. Last June they bought 30 acres of land in Unity, Maine, just one exit past Colby and right across the street from the MOGA fairgrounds. There is no living structure yet, but they had enormous amounts of fun camping there on Sandy Stream nearly every weekend last summer.
• Adam ‘98 and Christie Browning Rana and their two sons, William and Harrison, are finally settling down in the Portland, Maine, area this summer after Adam’s 10-year journey in NYC and Boston to be an orthopedic surgeon. Adam will work at Maine Medical Center in Portland beginning in September and hopes to live in the Cape Elizabeth or Falmouth areas. Their oldest son will start kindergarten in the fall, and they’re very excited to start the next chapter of their lives. If you’re in or near the area, please reach out. They don’t know many people there, but know a large Colby community exists and would love to reconnect (christie_rana@yahoo.com).

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Oliver Griswald is gearing up for Election 2012, where he’ll be writing ads and advising on social media strategy for a number of candidates. Oliver is enjoying life in D.C. with wife Ellen and daughter Amelia, who turned one in January. He sees Braxton Williams and wife Shannon regularly.
• Josh Young and wife Jacqueline were expecting their first child March 8.
• Amanda (Carucci) 100 and Tim Boggs expect their third daughter this summer. They live in Hoboken, N.J., with Sophie, 4, and Sadie, 2.
• Alex Wall reports that his wife, Marie, will receive a second kidney transplant this spring from her brother, who is probably a match. Her first transplant, from her mother, lasted 17 years. They hope that by the time the next one is necessary, stem cell organ growth will be tested and able to grow the next one from her own cells.

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Matt Stokes and wife Ana just had their second child, Matthew Jr. They joined their daughter, Nicole, 4.
• Pete Hans and wife Sarah welcomed their second child, Nicholas Joseph, Dec. 21. The event was celebrated with Ross Frankenfield and Michael Siegel.


Jason Flesh and wife Amie had a little girl named Clementine Mark Oct. 30.
• Kim Nagy will marry Mark Monnin this June in Kennebunk, Maine. On Feb. 10, Alex and Becky Tho, Mainichi welcomed their son, Cameron Haines, into the world with great joy.
• Keep the news coming!

2001
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I attended the amazing wedding of Melinda Mraz and Matthew Barber in September on Southport Island, Maine. It was great to see Sean ‘00 and Becca Bischoff Luoma before their son Colton Luoma arrived Nov. and his fiancée are still sailing westward, back to where they started in 2009. They had a great summer cruising from New Zealand to Vanuatu, Papua New Guinea, Australia, and Indonesia. They enjoyed winter in Thailand but looked forward to the Maldives (pending political unrest) and a return to the Western world (Turkey, Greece, and Croatia) this summer. They’ll complete their three-year circumnavigation in Mallorca next September and will celebrate by getting married in Valldemossa.
• This May Kim McCarron Camuso will be three-quarters through her M.B.A. at Whittier School of Business, UNH. She and husband Josh are expecting their first child, a boy, in July.
• Ashley Smith Leavell and husband welcomed their son, Parker Thomas Leavel, Jan. 27. They are smitten but do miss sleep! Ashley managed to submit her Ph.D. dissertation (in developmental psychology) less than a week before the birth and hopes to graduate from NYU this May.
• Skip Newberry and wife Olivia welcomed Louisa “Lemon” Elena. She joins Linus, 2 and a half. Skip left the mayor’s office last fall to become president of the Software Association of Oregon and was recently recognized by Portland Business Journal as one of “40 Under 40.”
• Abby Campbell Rowe and husband Brewer live in Newport, R.I., with their Adelaide, 3, and Exie, almost 1. Abby operates a stroller fitness program in Newport, which she loves. They planned a spring weekend getaway with Tacy Conard Quin, Sarah Hubbell Hoff, and Chloe Chtitck Patton and were looking forward to catching up. While still busy with her clinical practice as a family nurse practitioner, Katie Reber Colcher joined the faculty of Georgetown University School of Nursing and Health Studies and enjoys the challenge of teaching.
• In October I had lunch with the Portland Journal-100 at the Portland Yacht Club in Portland. He’ll be back east in July for the wedding of David Willis and Kristyn Morrissey and looks forward to catching up with old Colby friends.
husband Robert Small are living in Ky. and that winter was great and that daughter welcomed baby Jack on Jan. 31. They live to their family Feb. 1. has a new job as executive director for Call- and the Pintos (callingallcrows.org). and activism. Recent projects include that partners with musicians and fans to ing All Crows, a small nonprofit in b oston (Emmy lou according to their 3-year-old, at U.Penn in Philadelphia. a software company, and Sarah works at a residential architecture firm in San Francisco. Anabel bought a house in South Portland, Maine. Fred is a firefighter/paramedic for the South Portland Fire Department, became a SWAT medic on the Southern Maine Regional SWAT Team, and is an instructor in the EMT and paramedic program at Southern Maine Community College.

2002 Sally Hall Bell classnotes2002@alum.colby.edu

Greetings, and here’s to our 10th reunion in June! Thanks to those who wrote in. I look forward to hearing your stories and meeting your families in person on the Hill at our reunion. Spencer and Whitney Alford Malozzi are enjoying their daughter, Annie Pouch, born during Hurricane Irene last August. David Manning was married last summer in St. John’s, Newfoundland, to Nicole Ball. Alums in attendance were Robert Nagle, Michael Higgins, James Laiberty, Paul Rahman, Erin Chisholm ’04, and Fred Perwone ’01. Abby Kussell is engaged to Charlie Hopper of Con- necticut College. They will be married over Columbus Day weekend in Nantucket. Fraser Ross Maloney and wife Kim had an M.B.A., and, who is going back to school for in linguistics at SUNY buffalo and teaches latin and German at D’youville College in Buffalo. He and Anna Randall Painter will celebrate their 10th anniversary this year. Anna is teaching second grade in Buffalo. They have been in contact with Richard Hallquist, who is going back to school for an M.B.A., and Katie Stimac Mendelson, who just had her first baby. Hannah Smith Harrison illustrated a picture book, Just Like You. All profits go to charities that benefit children with special needs (www.justlikeyoufoundation.org). Actress Dot Marie Jones (from Glee) is a spokesperson for the book! Fred Floberg and his wife bought a house in South Portland, Maine. Fred is a firefighter/paramedic for the South Portland Fire Department, became a SWAT medic on the Southern Maine Regional SWAT Team, and is an instructor in the EMT and paramedic program at Southern Maine Community College.

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Hello Class of 2003! Just when I think I’ve heard from everyone, I get a few more first-time updates! Amy Greenberg/Ward do sustainability work at McKinstry and he works at National Renewable Energy Laboratory. Carl Tugberk married Jennifer Summers Aug. 27 in Washington, D.C. In attendance were Jay Freedman ’01 (groomsman), Russ Casper (groomsman), Chris Long, and Ben Cooper ’03. Unfortunately Simon Amich, Peter Morelli, Justin Gallagher, and David Friedman couldn’t make it due to Hurricane Irene. Katie Egan Wertheimer reports she is expecting baby number two any day and that son Mason is anxiously awaiting his new sibling. Mike Ames wrote with an animated story of an October gathering including Jack Phillips, Gabe Duncan-Roeltman, Bill Spencer, and John Shea in Woods Hole, Mass., where they nearly set fire to a historic building and made several gallons of cioppino. As for me, I’ve become a jack-of-all-trades as an entrepreneur, educator, adventurer in the Pacific Northwest, and a Colby 10th reunion advocate. Join us in June—it won’t feel like home without you.

Caroline Riss ’03 spent 2011 in Uganda, where she was field director for the nonprofit Kasisi Project, which promotes environmental conservation. She now works in Montana as an attorney in a domestic violence unit.
ALUMNI AT LARGE

Woolley married Alexis Rubin (Bates '03) in Staatsburg, N.Y., in 2011, and was excited to have such venerable Colby guests as Mairead Carney ’02, Helena Tubis ’02, Scott and Rachael Merrick-Magee. Mac Cathles, Evan McGee, Pete Chapin, Danielle O’Stein, Michael Pincus ’02, Lucy Brandes Baker, Dan Morrison, and Joshua Martensen ’02. Amazing photos at http://greenweddingshoes.com/a-whimsical-fun-diy-wedding-alexis-evan. Evan’s sister did the flowers and wedding design, Jory Raphael ’02 did their website, a mutual friend did the video, and his mom made a wedding yurt. The newlyweds honeymooned in British Columbia and hiked the West Coast Trail. They ended their honeymoon at another wedding—Evan McGee’s—in the San Juan Islands. + Amanda McKown and Sean O’Grady were married last October on the Russian River in Sonoma, Calif., with lots of Colby grads in attendance. Amanda and Sean live in San Francisco; she’s a strategy consultant, he’s a chiropractor. ● Lindsay Tarasuk Arostey and her husband welcomed Jacoby “Jake” William Jan. 16, MLK Day. Lindsay, a die-hard Yankees fan, is still coping with the fact that his name came from the Red Sox centerfielder. They live in Pittsburgh and would love to catch up with anyone visiting. ● Jonathan and Sarah Mason Esk added Mason Theodore to the family Sept. 4. Sarah reports he’s got big feet—he’ll be a Colby swimmer like his dad! ● Sarah Barclay Hoffman and her husband announce the birth of Frederick Elliott. Born Dec. 15, he is healthy, happy, and the light of their lives. Sarah was elected board chair of the McClendon Center, a nonprofit in Washington, D.C., that serves adults with mental illness. ● Hope everyone has a wonderful spring!

2004

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Skyler Place is leaving academia to join a Boston-based health technology startup. ● Chris Blier returned from India, where he had been living and working since early December. He traveled throughout India, Sri Lanka, Hong Kong, Malaysia, the UAE, and Oman—a great experience but he is happy to be back. ● Alicia Burrows will graduate in May from William & Mary’s Mason School of Business with an M.B.A. She is still on active duty in the Army and is heading just north of Baltimore for her next duty station. ● Thomas ’03 and Karima Ummah Jackson welcomed their second baby girl, Nala Grace, July 10. Mom, dad, and big sister, Nia Bella, are so grateful to have her around. Karima took a position at the University of New Haven as director of the international services office. ● Chrissy Jones relocated to the D.C. metro area in October after living in Boston for six years and working at the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. She took a job with Boatman Hamilton as a senior consultant on the health team. She often sees Jason and Jennifer Kalman Beal and their daughter, Mackenzie, since they live in the area. ● Jordana Pickman completed her M.P.H. at the University of Washington last spring and now lives in Aspen working for the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Office of Planning and Partnerships. She is getting married this August to Topher Sabella in the San Juan Islands off the coast of Washington State. Jordana also attended Zoe Halowell’s wedding in Bozeman, Mont. Zoe married Bob Downs on Bridger Bowl ski mountain with all in attendance wearing one-piece ski suits. ● B.L. Lippert married Jessica Hopkins in 2010 and they have a son, Case Robert, born last August. ● Ted ’05 and Katie O’Neill Farwell moved to Minneapolis after they graduated from business school at the University of Wisconsin. She is working in marketing at General Mills on the Progresso brand. She saw Erica Bauer and Pete Morelli ’02 at a XC ski race called the Birkebeiner. ● Kate Sweeney graduated from Dalhousie University with a D.B.S. and will be working at East Milton Dental in Milton, Mass. (obviously she would LOVE to have some fellow Colby grads as patients come June... fingers crossed). She is getting married in September to Michael Regan, a St. Anselm’s alumnus. ● Kirsten Helmelke lives in Chicago and works as a medical writing program manager for Astellas Pharma. ● Diane Nelson Iachini finished a general practice residency in dentistry at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center last July. She married Errol Iachini last October in Madison, Va. She is working as a dentist and living in Richmond, Va. ● Andrew McKenna-Foster went to Kyrgyzstan in January to visit his brother. It brought back fond memories of some of the super cold winters at Colby. He has not gotten married yet and, as far as he knows, he is not expecting children anytime soon. ● Christina Dotchin is coaching the girls varsity ice hockey team at Proctor Academy. They won the New England Prep School girls ice hockey championships for Division II this season. ● Ian Cochran left his job as a paramedic to start med school this fall at the University of New England. He is heading slightly terrified yet very excited! ● Kirsten “Kaz” Zarnetske graduated with her doctor of physical therapy from the University of Vermont in May 2011 and is coaching the volleyball team at Ummah Jackson in Anchorage, where she works at the only long-term acute care hospital (St. Elias Specialty Hospital) in the state. She has spent her time rock climbing, hiking, ice climbing, fly fishing, and back-country skiing. ● Nick Gambino and wife Meghan were thrilled to welcome their first baby, Emma Catherine, in March 2011.

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On Feb. 18 **Todd Basnight** and **Toinette Rivas** were married in Key Biscayne, Fla. Many 2006 alumni attended, including **Stephen Luke**, **Holly Eydenberg**, **Adam Rafsky**, **Juan Urruela**, **Andrew Fitzpatrick**, **Matthew Birchby**, **Jack Sisson**, **Fraser Moncure**, **Ted Wright**, **Will Thompson**, **Daniel Osar**, **Charlie Northrop**, **David Gutman**, **Erika Nelson**, **Amelieese Radke**, **Jessica Moore**, **Juliana Chessin**, **Jessica Wansart**, **Lara Golann**, and **Kaitlin Hilby**. **Alex Kozen** is working on his Ph.D. in materials science at the University of Maryland, College Park. His band, Show Pony, played at the South by Southwest Festival in Texas. Their family forward to catching up with many of the Colby alumni living in N.Y. Enjoy the spring!

**2007**

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Julia Ciszek got married in June to her high school sweetheart, Tim Welch (Northwestern ’08), in Rockport, Mass. Lisa Helstrom and Jessica Laniewski were bridesmaids, and Mariah Whitney and Anna Khabatsky attended. Cammie Dale ’06 and Brian Libby live in Red Bank, N.J., with plans to move to Miami in September. Brian works in M&A and start-up for ambulatory surgery centers. He has also started a new business venture, www.thepartyshirtstore.com. Josh Handelman is back and forth between Honolulu and D.C. working for Mazie Hirono, U.S. Senate candidate for Hawaii. Anyone who wants a place to crash in Hawaii should look him up! Alex Harris is moving from SoCal up to Corvallis, Ore., for her third-year rotations for medical school. She is looking forward to quality time with Erica Cizerek ’08 up in the middle of Oregon. Robin Respaut took a job at Reuters in Times Square in January. She’ll work in the new investigative and enterprise reporting unit. CJ Donnelly, John McCormick, Kevin Shers, Karl Gasteazoro, and Eric Fitch ’08 dominate their rec soccer league in Washington, D.C.

Kate Braemer is working at a brand new Salvation Army community center in North Philly as their high school/girl’s leadership/critical thinking educator. Her husband, Josh Taylor ’05, is now a manager of an organic farm called Mill Hollow. In July, Naomi Branz finishes the teaching credential/master’s program at UC-Santa Cruz and will look for a job teaching middle school math in the Bay Area. Alex Heilmann got engaged over Thanksgiving to Adrian Wilbert (CU-Boulder) and they will be married in Maine this October. She will start her internship at DJU’s health and counseling center this fall, which will be the final year of her Psy.D. program.

Liza Benson will wrap up coursework to be a physician’s assistant at Univ. of Washington-Seattle over reunion weekend and will move back to Jackson, Wyo. She’ll start clinical rotations for a year throughout Wyoming, Montana, and Idaho. Liz Stovall finished her first year at University of Chicago’s Harris School of Public Policy, where she is pursuing a master’s in public policy. She visited Karl Gasteazoro and Emma Emery ’06 in D.C. and went on vacation in Florida with Cindy Meadow.

It was a big year for Colby Souders—he got engaged to Kristi Dolloff at Johnson Pond and graduated with a Ph.D. in cell and molecular biology from Texas A&M. They can’t wait to move back to the East Coast and visit all their buddies!

**2008**

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No surprise that the Class of 2008 has lots to report! I’m having a great time living in Boston and reconnecting with lots of Colby alums. Most recently Patrick Sanders came up from D.C. to visit. We had a fabulous time that included a lovely dinner in the North End with Victoria Hayne, Stephanie Lubin-Levy, and Virginia Brown, followed by a trip to Mike’s Pastries. Other updates from Boston, you ask? Michelle Easton is graduating this spring from Northeastern with her master’s in public administration.

Gretchen Markiewicz is enjoying work at Raytheon BBN Technologies in Cambridge, doing machine-learning research in speech technology. Although not right in Boston, Julia Gilstein recently joined the EBSCO Publishing editorial team in Ipswich. She has also started a freelance editing and writing business, so send folks her way! Check it out at jgilstein-editing.com.

Tara Allain married Keith Boyer in October at the Wequassett on Cape Cod. She graduated from Columbia with her master’s in nursing as a family nurse practitioner and is working at a community and family health center in the Bronx.

Eva Dougan returned from the Peace Corps in the Dominican Republic, where she sheltered fellow PCV Tim Roberts ’05 during Hurricane Irene last August. Later that week they built a 15,000-liter water tank and ate goat liver.

Patrick Collins met with the owner of the Tampa Bay Rays, as his father’s company is hoping to partner with them. If any Colby alumni are in the Bay area during the 2012 baseball season, let Patrick know. He tells me that, if his suite is open, Colby alumni are welcome! Amanda Roehn accepted a position as development coordinator for Ole Miss Athletics. She moved to Mississippi and loves it so far!

Martin “Moxie” and Emily Wilson Connelly, as well as the rest of the Connellys, have started a tea company. They are importing really tasty Fair Trade organic whole leaf

**Alex Kozen ’06** is working on his Ph.D. in materials science at the University of Maryland. In March his band, Show Pony, played at the South by Southwest Festival in Texas.

recently enjoyed a vacation on Ko Samui, Thailand, and Abe enjoys playing ice hockey in his free time as part of an expat league.

Katie Shagory and Caroline Andresen recently met up in eastern Afghanistan at FOB Urgun for a conference with stakeholders on stabilization efforts in Paktika. Katie is one of the first-ever female intelligence officers in an infantry battalion in Paktika province. Caroline manages the evaluation team for a USAID stabilization program implemented across eastern Afghanistan.

Melissa Piante Dubois and husband Jeff welcomed a son, Penn Asher, Jan. 15. Melissa is enjoying a few months at home with the baby before returning to work at Cornell. Melissa Hinkle is still working at the Rivers School in Weston as the associate director of communications, where she also teaches a video storytelling elective. She was recently accepted into a new all-female a cappella group, “No Parachute,” that is starting up in the Boston area. She continues to work with her family’s business, Hinkle Nosing Glass, L.L.C. They had a booth at the Boston Wine Expo, where they had great success.

Jacklyn Ode just got a job as the deputy White House liaison for the Department of Homeland Security in D.C. As for me, I will spend 10 weeks this summer interning at Monitor Group in their NYC office and look forward to catching up with many of the Colby alumni living in N.Y. Enjoy the spring!
**ALUMNI AT LARGE**

Hutchins, Erica Jeb Block ’10, Ramsey Meigs ’11, and Julia Knoef ’13 gathered on an awesome houseboat for New Year’s in Amsterdam. They celebrated in woodsmen tradition with good food, wine, and shenanigans. **Kate Humphrey** will graduate in April from the University of Michigan with a master’s in urban planning. She’s on the job hunt now! **David Way** continues working in the AVAP (AmeriCorps Victim Assistance Program) as a court advocate. He supports victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.

He’s currently placed at Bridges in Nashua, N.H. **Guy Sack** started his master’s in social-organizational psychology at Columbia in the fall. He’s also interning with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission in New York and researching a job mentoring program for foster youth in Vero Beach, Fla., called Career Pathways.

**Nikolai Barnwell ’09** heads an investment firm called 88mph [a reference to the movie Back to the Future] that builds Internet companies in East Africa. They recently opened Africa’s largest coworking space.

**2010**

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Jim Rockafellow works in the creative department of an advertising firm in Portland, Maine. He regularly sees Emily Hanley, Annelise Wiersema, and Nic Robichaud ’09. **Bonnie Foley and Jay Mangold** got married New Year’s Eve in Scottsdale, Ariz., with Professor Sandy Maisel performing the ceremony. Members of the Colby Eight Rob Woodhouse ’12, Raleigh Werner ’11, Austin Sutherland ’11, and Logan Hunter ’11 performed and Danielle Carlson, Victoria Gonzalez, Joey Byelby, and Nick Bromley all attended. **Stephanie Kramer** is getting her M.S.W. at DePaul University in Chicago, where she lives with her fiancé and their two rescue dogs. **Laure-Helene Caseau**

May with a M.S. in genetic counseling. **Erik Johnson** is a U.S. economist with IHS Global Insight and was recently interviewed on NPR’s All Things Considered about the state of the housing market and his 2012 forecast. **Whist** working as a research technician at Massachusetts General Hospital, Tyler Scullen takes oboe lessons and is becoming a certified yoga instructor. He spent a great weekend skiing with Ashley Spellman, Caroline Holland, and Nate Bangura ’11. **Erica Block**, Sara Hutchins ’09, Maxx Brown ’06, and Theo Papa-demetriou ’11 represented Colby Alumni at the 2012 New York City Timbersports Summit. **Ross Neht** lives in Minneapolis with Leigh Bullion and is looking forward to Henry Powell ’09 moving there in the spring. **Jack D’Isidoro**, Hamdi Sheriff, Stephan Cizmar ’11, Fletcher Schoen, Christopher Copeland, Nate Bangura ’11, and Jacob Roundtree hosted the inaugural Playa Hater’s Ball in Boston this February. **Dan Prunier** and Roger Bel live in Boston together with a woman they met on Craigslist. **While** pursuing creative projects in Santa Monica, Casey Sullivan covers a law firm business beat—basically a law reporter, except instead of covering athletes she covers lawyers! **While** planning for graduate school, Bridget Elv started a job as a major donor fundraiser for Wellbeing of Women, a U.K.-based research charity. **Ashley Spellman** flew from LA to NYC to spend part of her spring break with Blythe Miller. They had an amazing time listening to singing waiters and shopping for strange items on Canal Street. **Jess Balakus** is doing a second AmeriCorps term at the Maine Department of Environmental Protection and planning for graduate school soon. **Ashley Wagner**, Kersten Vasey, Anna Christo and Kathleen Whalen all live in South Boston together, working hard and enjoying the urbanification of Southie. **Carin Rising**, Jack D’Isidoro, Lane Phillips, Jennifer Li, Elisabeth Russell, David Babcock, and Chris Darrah rang in 2012 together at a party in NYC followed by a concert that lasted till the early morning hours.

**2011**

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Hi everyone! I’m your class correspondent and I look forward to sharing news about our classmates in this column. Our first full column will run in the next issue. But before then, I hope to see you on Mayflower Hill May 31-June 3 for our first reunion event. Register online at www.colby.edu/reunion.
Mary Palmer Mills '33, Mar. 17, 2012, in Palo Alto, Calif., at 100. Following graduation from Colby, she taught school for several years. She is survived by her nephew, David Palmer '57, and two nieces. She was predeceased by her daughter, Sherry Ann, and her two brothers, Albert '30 and Norman '30.

Eleanor Ross Howard '37, Jan. 11, 2012, in Hodgdon, N.J., at 95. After earning an M.S. at the University of Iowa, she founded the biology department at Ricker College. She taught there for many years and received an honorary doctorate there in 1974. Her interests included music, cooking, and handwork. She is survived by a son, Elwood, two daughters, Barbara Howard Traister '65 and Jean Howard, four grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Dorothy Cunningham Vendetti '36, March 7, 2012, in Bradenton, Fla., at 98. A member of Delta Delta Delta sorority, she married Anthony M. Vendetti. She worked at the Worcester Telegram and Gazette in Massachusetts and retired as woman’s editor of Portsmouth Herald in New Hampshire. She moved to Florida from Rye, N.H., in 1969 and was a member of Congregational United Church of Christ.

Lester Jolovitz '39, Feb. 29, 2012, in Naples, Fla., at 94. He graduated from Boston University School of Law in 1942 and, after serving in the medical corps in Europe during World War II for three years, he returned to practice law in Waterville for 46 years. He was associate judge of the municipal court for 16 years and was president of the Kennebec Bar Association. He retired in 1990. He is survived by his wife, Barbara, brother Alvin '42, daughter Leslie, stepson Karl, stepdaughter Deborah, five grandsons, and four great-grandchildren.

Constance Pratt Spinney '40, Jan. 19, 2011, in Fitchburg, Mass., at 93. Her career in medical technology led her to work at several hospitals including Athol Memorial Hospital, where she served as director of the laboratory for 20 years. She most enjoyed spending time with family and friends. She is survived by four children, five grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren.

Joseph E. Croteau '41, Dec. 19, 2011, in Greeneville, S.C., at 93. In the Navy he served in Guam and Okinawa during World War II and afterward worked for Metropolitan Life Insurance in Lewiston, Maine, retiring in 1976. A painter, bridge player, and stamp collector, he is survived by his wife of 70 years, Linwood Workman '40, sons John '65 and Philip, four grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

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Dorris Heaney Batt '42, Jan. 10, 2012, in Princeville, Hawaii, at 91. She earned a master’s in teaching from Columbia, taught school, raised three children, and worked in her family’s florist business in Beacon, N.Y. She and her husband moved to Hawaii in 1976 to become caretakers and guides at a historical house museum. In 1991 her daughter, a White House staff florist, invited her to help decorate the White House for Christmas. She is survived by two daughters, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

Barbara Grant Huntley '42, Jan. 12, 2012, in Barrington, R.I., at 91. Following graduation from the Bentley School of Accounting in Boston, she spent a long career in financial administration until her retirement as bursar of Middlesex Community College in Billerica, Mass. Her interests included investing, travel, and attending theatrical productions. She is survived by two nephews.

Mabelle Spencer Shirley '42, March 8, 2012, in Springvale, Maine, at 92. She was employed at Nasson College in Springvale and the Lions Den. An avid cook, she also enjoyed knitting and crocheting. Predeceased by her husband of 54 years, Cleveland “Tim” Shirley Sr., and her son Cleveland Jr., she is survived by two sons, a daughter, five grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

Sylvia Rakofsky Weller '43, April 23, 2011, in Brewster, Mass., at 89. Described as a private woman, she was predeceased by her husband, the late Herbert Weller, after 65 years of marriage. She is survived by three daughters, four grandchildren including Rachel Herl Lamson '94, and four great-grandchildren.

Eugene Struckhoff '44, Dec. 9, 2011, in Baltimore, Md., at 91. He graduated from Harvard Law School and actively pursued his philanthropic interests by playing a lead role in creating 140 community foundations across the United States. He also served on Colby’s Board of Trustees. He is survived by his wife of 69 years, Norma, his son, Eugene Struckhoff III, his daughter, Laura Struckhoff Cline ’70, and her husband, Steven Cline ’70, a niece, Mary Ellen Verrengia Parsons ’72, three grandchildren, a granddaughter, and a great-granddaughter.

Thomas E. Linzée '45, Jan. 6, 2012, in Marion, Mass., at 89. He left Colby to serve as a radio operator in the Army Air Corps, and his B-17 was shot down over the Battle of the Bulge. He graduated from Boston University and held a variety of jobs, including a legal aid for mental health patients in New York. He is survived by his wife of 68 years, four children, six grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.
ALUMNI AT LARGE

Sherwood J. Tarlow ’45, Feb. 26, 2012, in Palm Desert, Calif., at 87. He earned his J.D. from Boston University in 1947, was appointed judge of probate for Dukes County, Mass., in 1964, and launched successful business ventures in broadcasting and banking. Philanthropic contributions included an endowed chair at BU Medical Center, scholarships at BU and Colby, and support of medical charities. Survivors include his wife of 47 years, Helen Rene, two sons, Douglas and Edward, a daughter, Nancy Carden, six grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

Clarence W. Barry ’46, Mar. 24, 2012, in Brentwood, N.H., at 86. A master builder of pipe organs and harpsichords, he was a church organist and choir director and wrote many articles about musical instruments. He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Louise Verheyden, two daughters, three sons, 12 grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his brother, George ’54, and his son, Robert ’75.

John A. Appleton ’49, Jan. 16, 2012, in East Winthrop, Maine, at 83. He spent 38 years with the Maine Department of Transportation, retiring in 1990 as director of the Right of Way Division. He was an avid sports fan, and he spent the last 18 winters with his wife in Dunedin, Fla. He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Gail, and by his daughter, Terry Appleton ’86, a sister, and two nieces.

Shirley Kydd Bastien ’49, Feb. 15, 2012, in Skowhegan, Maine, at 84. She worked at hospitals in clinical nursing and nursing/health education, and was a representative to the New England Hospital Association and American Hospital Association. She earned a master’s in adult education at the University of Southern Maine. She was predeceased by her husband, Wilbur Bastien ’49. She is survived by her daughter, Melissa Bastien, her son, Peter, and two grandchildren.

DANA PROFESSOR EMERITUS DONALDSON KOONS, 1917–2012

E. Donaldson Koons, chair of Colby’s Geology Department for 41 years and Maine’s first commissioner of the Department of Conservation, died April 9 in Waterville at 94. Hired as chair of the department, he arrived at Colby in January 1947 and retired as Dana Professor in 1982. He continued to teach JanPlans another six years, and regularly attended Geology Department events until last fall.

Koons was advisor to the Outing Club and helped restore the Mountain Farm Ski Area as the Colby Ski Slope in the late 1940s. He chaired Maine’s Water and Air Environmental Improvement Commission from 1969 to 1972 and was appointed to the Maine Department of Environmental Protection board in 1972. He was named commissioner of the Department of Conservation and chair of the Land Use Regulation Commission and served 1973-74. He chaired the boards of Coburn Classical Institute, Oak-Grove Coburn, and Unity College, and at age 82 he served as interim president of Unity.

Born in Korea in 1917, he attended Wooster College and transferred to Columbia, where he earned bachelor’s, master’s, and doctoral degrees. He served in military intelligence in East Asia during World War II. An expert on the geology of the Grand Canyon area, he rafted the Colorado River through the canyon at age 90 with family and friends.

Predeceased by his wife, Elizabeth Orquist Koons, he is survived by four children, Robert ’68, John ’72, Peter, and Linnea Koons Matthews ’79, and five grandchildren. A memorial service is planned at 2 p.m. July 29 in Lorimer Chapel.

Jean Beauchamp Johnsrud ’49, Feb. 7, 2012, in Bridgewater, N.J., at 84. A fifth-grade teacher before her marriage, her interests included reading, playing bridge, knitting, and traveling by RV and cruise ship. Predeceased by her husband, Alfred Johnsrud, she is survived by her two sons, Charles and David, her daughter, Alison Linton, and 13 grandchildren.

Thomas G. Blake ’50, April 2, 2012, in Guilford, Maine, at 86. He attended Boston University School of Law and associated with W.G. Blake’s Insurance Agency until his retirement. He is survived by his wife, Barbara Moulton, three daughters, eight grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, and his brother, Frederick.

Robert S. Lee ’51, March 7, 2012, in Beverly, Mass., at 84. Previous president and owner of Hotwatt Inc., he served three terms as a Colby trustee. His interests included tennis, music, sailing, hang-gliding, windsurfing, fishing, and travel. He was predeceased by his wife of 51 years, Jean. He is survived by son Peter Lee ’80, daughters Cindy Lee and Sally Lee ’84, daughter-in-law Lynne Seeley ’80, nephew Roger Lee ’77, and grandchildren Spencer and Travis.

Robert Shapiro ’52, Jan. 6, 2012, in Chestnut Hill, Mass., at 81. A long-time trustee of Brandeis University, he earned a master’s in education at Boston University in 1970 and a degree family therapy in 1992. He served as dean at Franklin Pierce College and became a certified chaplain in 2007. In the 1980s he was vice president of Sporto Corp., which manufactured footwear. He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Valya, two sons, Bram and Stephen, and five grandchildren.

Robert H. Harris ’53, Jan. 17, 2012, in Yarmouth, Maine, at 80. He served in the Air Force, winning a Good Conduct Medal and a National Defense Service Medal. He earned a B.S. from Emerson College in Boston. He retired in 2009 following an almost 50-year career in the insurance industry. He loved to travel and remained active. He is survived by two daughters, a son, two stepdaughters, a sister, and five grandchildren.

A. Rodney Warren ’53, Oct. 5, 2011, in Mims, Fla., at 80. After a career running Warren’s Country Kitchen and The Hungry Mate restaurants in Pocasset, Mass., he...
spent most of his career as a senior high school principal. He is survived by his wife, Yvonne, a daughter, Jill Palenstijn, and two grandchildren.

Robert V. Blacker Jr. ’54, Jan. 11, 2012, in Watertown, Conn., at 81. He served in the Korean conflict in the Air Force. A graduate of the University of Connecticut School of Pharmacy, he owned Rielly and Burns Pharmacy and Apothecary in Waterbury. He was an avid golfer and a member of the Elks Club. He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Elaine, and by three daughters, a sister, and four grandchildren.

Alan R. Lindsay ’54, Jan. 21, 2012, in Medford, Mass., at 79. He retired in 1995 after a 35-year career in education, including 27 years as a junior high school principal. He is survived by his wife, Yvonne, a daughter, Jill Palenstijn, and two grandchildren.

John B. Jacobs ’55, Jan. 22, 2012, in Edmonds, Wash., at 78. He spent most of his career as a service and sales engineer for Albany International. He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Thresa, two brothers, Donald ’51 and Robert ’54, two daughters, Suzanne Versnel and Frannie Galley, two sons, Donald and John, nieces Marguerite Holden Leiman ’82 and Elizabeth Eddy Griffin ’85, nephew, John Holden ’85, and five grandchildren.

James D. Carr ’55, Jan. 30, 2012, in Worcester, Mass., at 79. He was president and treasurer of the Acme Roofing Company, where he worked for over 50 years. He was a long-time Rotary member. He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Barbara, two sons, James and Jeffrey, three brothers, five grandchildren, and a great-grandson.

Priscilla Boyden Johnston ’56, Aug. 16, 2011, in Cary, N.C., at 77. A homemaker, she enjoyed traveling, nature, and painting. She is survived by a sister, two sons, Jim and Andy, a daughter, Robin Johnston, and three grandchildren.

Herbert S. Bolin ’63, Dec. 12, 2012, in Raleigh, N.C., at 70. He earned a master’s degree at Florida State in 1970 and became president of Distinctive Theme Props and served as the director of state parks museums with the N.C. Division of Parks and Recreation. He is survived by his wife, Angie, three daughters, Allison Williams, Chrissy Rand, and Faith Hacker, and 11 grandchildren.

David L. Cox Jr. ’63, Aug. 27, 2011, in Bonita Springs, Fla., at 71. He served in the Air Force, rising to the rank of captain, then worked as a farmer and raised a family in Fort Collins, Colo. He enjoyed his dogs, playing hockey, woodworking, painting, and ice cream. He is survived by his wife, Cherri Lynn, three children, two stepchildren, six grandchildren, and his ex-wife.

Gordon W. Bowie ’65, Jan. 5, 2012, in Arlington, Va., at 67. His career in music included playing in ensembles and orchestras and conducting community bands in Maryland and Maine. Among other works he composed “USS Maine” for the christening of a Trident submarine. He was a copyright examiner in the Performing Arts Division of the U.S. Copyright Office. He earned his Ph.D. from the University of Maine in 1993. He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Mary Stimson Bowie ’64, his mother, Gail, and a son, Gavin.

Nelson J. Denny ’68, April 5, 2012, in Lyme, Conn., at 65. After earning his degree in philosophy at Colby he attended Yale School of Architecture and became an architect. He designed and built many homes on the Connecticut shoreline in and around Branford. He is survived by his sister, Joyce Hausmann, and by nephews and cousins.

Carol Neidig White ’79, Feb. 13, 2012, in Fort Myers, Fla., at 60. As an avid skier and pilot, he was past president of Advantage Payroll Services in Auburn, Maine, and more recently owner of the Hampton Inn & Suites in Carson City. He is survived by his son, Andrew, his mother, his former wife, three brothers, and one sister.

Marie S. Willey ’85, Feb. 2, 2012, in Waterville, Maine, at 96. She graduated from Colby with honors three days before her 70th birthday. She was an accomplished painter in her later years and completed more than 100 paintings. She is survived by three children, six grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, Paul Willey ’42.