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Walter ’91 and Richardson ’67 Nominated for Alumni Trustees

Lou Richardson ’67 and Amy Walter ’91 have each been nominated to serve a three-year term on Colby’s Board of Trustees as alumni trustees. 

An overseer since 2003, Richardson served on the visiting committees for the Psychology and Theater and Dance departments and chaired the College Relations Visiting Committee in 2009. She is former chair of the executive committee of the Alumni Council, a member of the President’s Advisory Committee, and a Career Center volunteer. Richardson is controller at Xerox Corporation in Waltham, Mass., where she has worked since 1979. She lives in Wellesley, Mass.

Walter joined ABC News as its political director in August 2010 after serving as editor-in-chief of National Journal’s “The Hotline.” Based in Washington, Walter oversees all political coverage on ABC and ABCNews.com and provides on-air analysis. She has been a regular contributor to the NewsHour with Jim Lehrer on PBS and has appeared on CNN, C-SPAN, CBS’s Face the Nation, NBC’s Meet the Press, and HBO’s Real Time with Bill Maher. Walter is a member of the Goldfarb Center’s Washington liaison board, is an admissions volunteer, and was a class agent and Career Center volunteer. She lives in Arlington, Va.

According to alumni association bylaws, other nominations may be made by petition to the executive secretary of the Alumni Council with signatures of one percent of the members of the association. If there are no nominations before May 1, Walter and Richardson will be declared elected by the chair of the Alumni Council.

1920s-30s
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1940
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1941
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1944
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There are still a few of us keeping busy and out of trouble. Of course no one has written! I actually did have a chance to chat on the phone with Nancy Pattison McCarthy during the summer. Her family still has a home right near the shore of Penobscot Bay. She and her daughter were up visiting her sister, who at that time was in a local health-care facility. It really was very special to have a chance to chat.

I’ve had two rather spectacular trips this year. In May my cousin and I had a two-week cruise “doing” the Mediterranean. We started with several days in Rome, and on a Sunday we found our group, along with about 10,000 other tourists, visiting the Vatican. Somehow I got separated from my group! No one came looking for me and eventually it registered that I had to get myself back to the hotel. I found a Vatican guard who spoke English and he assured me it happened all the time. However his next question left me speechless. “What hotel are you staying at?” I didn’t have the foggiest notion! Eventually with the help of several guards and their friends, they located the company that had supplied the bluetooth and hearing devices that we had been listening to and got the named of the hotel. I got a cab and arrived back at the hotel. I paid in dollars and also Euros and it amounted to almost $60! Didn’t care. I was so relieved to be reunited with the group.

Lesson learned ... when traveling always know what hotel you are staying in! The other trip I have just returned from we cruised the Danube from Bucharest to Budapest. It was most interesting as we visited Romania, Bulgaria, Serbia, Croatia, and Hungary. All these countries are once again free and struggling to get back on their feet and eventually be able to become member of the European Union, if they wish.

1945
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Maurice Whitten gave several talks in August and September including “These Old Autodrives” and “Whittens’ Maine Travelogue.” On Sept. 25 he spoke at a meeting at Gambo Falls, the site of the old gunpowder mills in Gorham, Maine. Whitten wrote the book The Gunpowder Mills of Maine.

1946
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1947
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1948
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Dorothy Worthley Cleaver wrote and thanked us for the work we are doing. Here is the text of her interesting letter. “My life has changed after the death of my husband, Charles, last July. He was 89 and we had a wonderful life together; spending lots of it in the wilderness canoeing in Maine and the wild rivers of the Northwest Territory and fishing, hunting, snowmobiling, and even writing some poetry. We spent as little time as possible with a roof over our heads. Our five children created a moving memorial service for Chuck in our yard on the Kennebec River in Skowhegan with 130 friends and beautiful weather. I continue to canoe our river with our great little Springer in the bow and I enjoy living in our home by the river despite a dropped foot from back surgery. I do what I can to help those less fortunate especially at the ballot box! We have amazing grandchildren and most are in college now. One girl graduated from Swarthmore, another is at Amherst, and one is a junior at UVM. Our only grandson graduated from the University of Massachusetts. Four more to go to college! Maybe one will choose Colby!”

Howell Clement wanted to know how we spent the summer without a boat. David had told him that we are approaching our 60th wedding anniversary, which beats Howell and Norma by two years. They met in Owensboro, Ky., a town that Dorothy and I visited when I was travelling in that area on business. Dave Choate took a cruise to Panama and Costa Rica for a month and returned in mid November. He’ll fill us in for the next edition of Colby.

Janet Gay Hawkins wrote, “I just returned from a marvelous and informative trip to the lake country of Italy–Lake Como and Lake Maggiore. Beautiful country, good food, and lots of history. Then some of us continued on to Cyprus, which is interesting and full of ancient history. Forgot to mention the food, which was outstanding. Other than that trip and maybe another one to France in the spring, all is quiet.”

As for us, we returned to Florida in mid June and remained there until late July. In Massachusetts we play golf with our daughters and their families and my brother. In August we drove to Maine and visited a friend near Castine. Then we drove to New Brunswick and went to St.
1950
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Last September Alice (Allie) Jennings Castelli was among a group of volunteers honored for their many years of service to SARAH, a nonprofit Connecticut shoreline organization dedicated to serving the needs of people with handicaps. Since he was 16, Allie’s son Peter has benefited enormously by his association with this organization. Her son Bill and daughter Martha both have chicken coops in their backyards, with permission from their town zoning committee, and are providing friends and family with fresh eggs. “You might see son Dan’s handiwork,” said Art White. “Thanks to all who wrote in!” Betsy Fisher Kearney Caldwell’s husband, Roy, got stranded in Paris for a week when the volcano in Iceland stopped his plans. She was still hobbling after foot surgery so couldn’t go. Betsy had a great visit from Jim and Elsa Warendorf. “Hulm ’51 in the spring. They played seven rubbers of bridge in one short afternoon.” Thanks to all who wrote in!

1951
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Stanley Sorrentino’s wife, Hope, passed away Sept. 10 after 62 happy years together. They were married in Stanley’s sophomore year and lived off campus for two years. “She is with me in my heart and our children are a great comfort to me,” Stanley said. • Charlie Tobin stays busy in Sun City Center, Fla., and gets out a fair amount. He’s not sure if he can attend our 60th reunion in June. • Even after 59 years as an alumnus, Al Stone was never able to entice any of his five children to attend Colby. However, his grandson Peter Stone ’10 graduated last May and will be followed by his sister, Elizabeth ’14. Al offered this reflection after attending Peter’s graduation: “As I stood on the quadrangle on a brilliant June day, witnessing my second Colby graduation, my mind wandered back to a similar day in 1951. We were part of the dream of Mayflower Hill, now fulfilled with the help of so many of our classmates. There is much to be proud of and those of us who remain in this world are now approaching our last chance to insure the dream for the future. Remembering the help we all had during our student years, as we approach our 60th anniversary, we must give our last full measure to Colby to help this new generation of students.”

1952
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40S NEWSMAKERS

Surgical pathologist Stephen Sternberg ’41 received a 2011 distinguished pathologist award from the United States & Canadian Academy of Pathology. Sternberg spent his entire career at the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center and authored two widely used reference books on anatomiological pathology. He was also the first editor of The American Journal of Surgical Pathology.

30S/40S MILESTONES


1949
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My well of news from our classmates has gone dry! I did get a couple of e-mails with messages, which I pass on here. • Audrie Drummond Owsley writes the sad news that Audrey Fountain Jordan has acute vascular dementia and is in a 24/7 full care facility in Florida. • Conrad and Martha Jackson White have been “migrated” to a new e-mail address: sirineca@frontier.com. • I went on an Elderhostel/Road Scholar trip to Scotland at the end of August and into September. It was the fulfillment of a lifetime wish to see the Inverness and the land of the Chisholms. • The Scots had a great proclivity to shoot themselves in the foot! • I’ll be hoping to hear from some of you for my next column.
Hayes e-mailed after a quiet spell. His former wife, Ruth, died following a lengthy illness. After her death, Walt invited a woman named Gail, who was his first boss when he retired from the Army, to Mesa, Ariz., to check out the area. He hadn’t seen her in 16 years. She liked what she saw and accepted Walt’s offer for her old job as his boss. They were married Aug. 28.

“We are very happy,” reports Walt. Paul and Mimi Russell Aldrich took a 12-day trip down the Danube, from Vienna to the Black Sea, visiting Austria, Slovakia, Serbia, Croatia, Bulgaria, Hungary, and Romania. “Our lecturers and tour guides gave us an education like we’ve never before experienced. It seems their countries have withstood one form of chaos after another. In Bucharest we sat next to our guide for the day. She has worked in government and private tourism positions all her life. We suggested she must be much busier now that the borders are open. She replied, ‘Oh, no. We had many more tourists before, but they were all from communist countries, especially East Germany. And that was wonderful.’ And then, almost as a change of subject, she said, ‘But now I’m free!’” Bob Kline wrote with memories of Robert A. Jones, who died Aug. 12. Known as Jonesy, he was a freshman member of our class but didn’t continue past that year. Bob met up with Robert 10 years later when they both worked at Pratt & Whitney in North Haven. Their girlfriends were best friends and when each couple married in 1959, Bob and Robert were each other’s best man. They both lived in Connecticut and worked for United, retiring on the same day in May 1991. Best wishes for a good winter and especially for good health.

1953

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Nelly Beveridge received a call from George Pirie, who was at the University of Colorado stadium watching the University of Georgia team get beat. George has a daughter on Georgia’s swim team and a son-in-law who is the swim coach there. George recently played golf with Frank Placentini. George also visited Joyce and Chuck Spencer while in Colorado. Chuck is recovering from back and neck surgery. Nelly sent the obituary notice of Robert McAuliffe ’54, who died Aug. 8. Bob and Helen (Connolly) have four children. Nelly keeps busy with volunteer work and golf. John Lee took a cruise last summer from Barcelona down the eastern coastline of Spain, docking at Gibraltar, then down the coasts of France, Brittany, and Normandy. He said it was an “eye-opener” to see middle schoolers and teens staring in awe of the World War II veterans in wheelchairs and standing when taps were blown at the Normandy cemetery. “There’s hope yet,” John said. John’s daughter, Wendy, is a civilian intelligence analyst under naval intelligence in Baghdad and John’s grandson, a West Point graduate, is a first lieutenant in Kuwait but pending assignment in Afghanistan. More of John’s extended family is affiliated with the military, so, as John says, “in one way or another, the Lee clan is trying to repay this wonderful country for giving me a home.”

Ginnie Falkenbury Aroson says that the husband of Sophia Hadjiigeorgiou Krallis, who died in 2007, has been writing to her since Sophia died. Mike Wechsler Edelson says they’re taking a river cruise down the Rhine in Germany. Mike is working on a new book of poems called Pathways, including photos working alongside a landscape gardener. Her family is growing. In addition to her 10 children, she now has 10 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Priscilla Eaton Billington attended Family Homecoming Weekend at Colby in October. Ray ’54, Steven, and Katie attended the football game but Priscilla left the “windy hill” for an inside venue to watch girls’ volleyball. Both teams won. I want to note with close to some notes about Martha Friedlaender, who passed away Sept. 3. I was always in awe of Marty and saw her a lot in my sociology classes. I remember how she “edged up” into the class seats, wiggling until she was comfortable. In addition, she was always well prepared for classes. Tommi Thompson Staples remembers it wasn’t easy for Marty in college when there was a social blindness towards special needs. One reunion, Tommi says, Marty wanted to take a shower. She had to call her because she couldn’t reach the faucets! Having access was wearing on her. She told Tommi that whenever she saw a children’s water fountain, she always took a drink whether or not she was thirsty. Carolyn English Caci, who didn’t know Marty that well at Colby, wrote, “It wasn’t until we drove together to the 25th reunion that we discovered how much we enjoyed being together. Thus began visits, from Marty to NYC every few months to my Massachusetts home, where she quickly became one of the family. She was such an inspiration to everyone who met her. She never thought of herself as handicapped.” Marty had many lasting friends like Ginny Falkenbury Aroson, Carol Carlson Van Alstyne, Mimi Price Patten, and Penny Pendleton Schultz. Carolann called Marty every Sunday noon no matter where she was, even when she was abroad. Marty was loved.

1954

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I don’t know about the rest of you but, for me the days pass WAY too quickly. Carol Dyer Wauters is still biking and hiking in the shadows of the Grand Tetons during spring, summer, and fall with an occasional river trip for excitement and a change of pace. Conservation activities and volunteer work at her granddaughter’s elementary school occupy several hours each week. Carol is still hopeful of changing the political scene so is pushing hard for a Democratic slate in a very heavily Republican area.

Lois McCarty Carlson put her garden to bed between late fall and rounds of golf. In February she will be skiing with a group of seniors (most of whom are her juniors) at Vail and Beaver Creek, Colo. Lois intends to continue with these activities until she “drops.” Ann and I have become the Hotchkiss School volleyball team’s official grandparents. We have followed them all over New England in their quest for yet another N.E. prep school championship.

1955

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Bud and Carol Dauphinee Keene have worked hard to renovate their pre-revolutionary Colonial home, built in 1750, complete with wainscoting cut from the original wallboard and three fireplaces. Located in the historical village of Westport, N.H., “This Old House” borders the Ashuelot River at the foot of Franklin Mountain. The couple harvested several acres of blueberries this summer.

Jo Bailey Campbell visited Carol and Bud last spring and saw the work in progress. She was quite impressed! Now Carol and Bud can relax by any one of their cozy fires this winter! Jane Bull Shaver was sorry to lose touch with her 1954 classmates but she had just finished another semester at SCSU. She has been studying on campus for 31 years and says she is still in love with learning! Remarkably, she is on her sixth degree program, currently doing a B.A. in history and literature, mainly European. She tells us, “As the CLL is presently under control, I’m hoping to do a semester in Scotland.” In the summer she’s involved in various fiber arts, mostly quilting, knitting, and stained glass. Her grandson, Colin, started at Springfield (MA) College, majoring in sports management. His sister is Jane’s travelling companion, since they both love art history. They’ve been to Scotland, England, Ireland and Ireland and spent eight days in Paris looking at art. “The total of grands stands at nine grandchildren and four and one-third great-grandchildren!” Jo Bailey Campbell had a great vacation in Duck, Outer Banks, N.C., in September, with her brother Sam. They visited Sam’s son, David, and family. They had a string of perfect days and the house was close to the beach with a pool for swimming. Jo says that “those memories will warm her heart this winter.” Judy Orne Shoery gave a talk at the Cushing, Maine, Historical Society in September about her grandmother, Helen Knowlton Orne, who, through perseverance and hard work, became the first woman lawyer in the State of Maine. In order to be admitted to the bar and have a practice, she had to change a part of the Maine State Law, which she accomplished. Judy has done extensive research about this story and provided many letters and photographs to corroborate the facts. She’s in the process of writing a book on her grandmother’s journey. Keeping up with Colby’s current events and news is so easy online. Search for “Out of the Blue” (a great one) or check out insideColby (by students, for students), or any other news listings on Colby’s website to keep
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Greetings classmates, once again, from the Outer Cape, where we awoke this morn- ing to our first hard frost and newspaper headlines declaring that Massachusetts is, alas, navy blue. • By now you have received mailings from both the College and reunion chair David Sortor with dates and details of “Our Last Hurrah”—our reunion June 2-5, 2011. Our hope is that many of you are inspired to attend. • Class news other than reunion plans is rather scant. I did hear from Robert Weiss that he and his wife, Susan, recently moved to Charlotte, N.C. Bob retired two years ago and is enjoying “considerable time with our two youngest grandsons, 6 and 9.”

• Janet Nordgren Meryweather reports that she had visits from Brian and Jean Farmer White this fall. They were visiting a granddaughter at College and en route to Nova Scotia. Janet also mentioned that her oldest granddaughter, Jennie D’Amico, graduated from Harvard in June and was married on 10-10-10, her husband’s birthday! • Well 50ers, we have been anticipating our 55th college reunion in the past several columns and now the time is fast upon us. When you read this brief article you will, or will not, have made your reservations. In either event, John and I send our best wishes to each and every one of you. By the way, John shot a 78 yesterday!

1957
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A gorgeous summer here in Maine has faded into the colors of fall. Summer memories for us include a wonderful dinner at Dick and Perk Perkins Canton’s home in Bridgton, Maine, on Long Lake. What a spot, and in the cooking department, Perk could easily give Julia Child a run for her money! Also enjoying the evening were Sheldon and Audrey Hittinger Katz and Larry ’56 and Jean Van Curan Pugh ’55.

• Ken Haruta has attended tennis camps in many states once every summer for the past 25 years, but never did he encounter such hot days as last July at Swarthmore College. When the temperature reached 105 degrees, the camp director fortunately moved the session indoors! • Nancy Hansen Marchbank informs us that Jim is the proud owner of a new knee. This intentionally followed a “magical” trip to Tuscany in July with their son Robert and his family. A cruise out of nearby Baltimore is on the docket for them in February. Thoughts of last year’s 30 inches of snow still haunt them and made the winter sail to warmer climes an easy decision! • It was great to hear, at long last, from Dick Phillips, who lives with his “S.E.” (spousal equivalent) in Chestnut Hill near Boston College. Dick has been in the investment business since 1960 with Oppenheimer in Boston. He also plays the Dixieland banjo with the Stone Street Strummers in Foxboro and enjoys skiing and traveling to such interesting places as Hong Kong, Russia, and Vietnam. Dick hadn’t been back to see the College since 1957 and could not believe at our 50th reunion how beautiful the campus has become. He made an appointment with his wife to hopped into their ’89 Volkswagen camper and had a great motor home trip to the north shore of the St. Lawrence River to see the whales, among other things. They then took a ferry across the river to travel the Gaspe Peninsula. On the return trip they stopped in Houlton, Maine, to have breakfast with Woody Barnes ’56 and Fred Moonhouse ’56. With an eye toward winter, Conk was firing up the outside wood furnace and getting the skis waxed for another season on the mountains.

• Bobbi Santora Hindert took her oldest granddaughter to Santa Fe, N.M., for a week last summer to experience the Santa Fe School of Cooking and the many natural wonders of the Southwest. • Marilyn and Tom Brackin chose the most beautiful of Maine summers to spend three weeks at Christmas Cove near Boothbay. The Brackin’s family joined them, making their stay extra nice. On a sad note, Tom wrote that they joined the Bobbies and the Dick Brackins in a memorial for Bump Bean ’51, a pillar of the early Eight groups and a popular active alumnus. Tom still works at his agency, sings with the local symphonic chorus, and helps out at the historical society. • After 20 years abroad, Don Dinwoodie’s oldest son and family returned to Colorado Springs and will share in the joy of horseback riding around the Dinwoodie’s ranch. Their third son, William, is now in New Zealand studying to be a marine biologist. • With retirement looming on the horizon, Don Tracy will have more time on his hands to learn to play the spinet piano, “which has sat in the living room for decades.” His wife, Linda, has high hopes that Don will learn how to cook (that’s every wife’s fantasy). Whether a “Mozart” or an “Emmeri” develops is really secondary to the enjoyment of their four children and families living nearby. • In late summer Guy and I caught up to Bob and Sue Fairchild Bean and Ellie Shorey Harris and her friend Harry. We had many chuckles and it was great to see them all in such fine form. All of our Colby friends mean a great deal, especially as the years are ticking away much too quickly. Please keep in touch!

1958
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Despite Archie Twitchell’s decision to stop dancing 40 years ago when the twist came in, he and his partner recently started taking dance lessons. “So far we’ve managed the basics of the waltz, rhumba, cha cha, two step, and jive. Last year we started square dance lessons. At a recent session my partner danced with me and his partner hopped onto their ‘89 Volkswagen camper and had a great motor home trip to the north shore of the St. Lawrence River to see the whales, among other things. They then took a ferry across the river to travel the Gaspe Peninsula. On the return trip they stopped in Houlton, Maine, to have breakfast with Woody Barnes ’56 and Fred Moonhouse ’56. With an eye toward winter, Conk was firing up the outside wood furnace and getting the skis waxed for another season on the mountains.

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1959
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Libbe Latham Hale is a semi-retired psychologist living in Thousand Oaks, Calif. She travels and enjoys life. Her son-in-law (married to her daughter the doctor) was the astronaut in charge of the group that created Google Sky. • Wilbur Hayes never expected to see Down Under. Nevertheless, this past July he went on a group tour from Wilkes University visiting Australia, New Zealand, and Fiji. He looked for a duck-billed platypus but only saw an Australian naval submarine named Platypus. He enjoyed seeing the six-million-year-old rock in the Australian Outback as well as the customary wom- bats, koalas, and wallabies at the Wildlife World in Sydney. Domestic travel in the United States may be next for Wilbur. • Elaine (Healey) ’62 and Paul Reichert planned to host members of the Friendship Force from Ottawa, Canada, in Florida for a week in November, after which they headed to Massachusetts for Thanksgiving. By the time you read this news, they will be enjoying the warm Florida sun, without snow to
shovel, and eating fresh-picked oranges and grapefruit. Their oldest granddaughter enlisted in the Army while a senior in high school, and upon graduation went to basic training. She spent a year in Iraq, was back in the states for a year, and now is in Afghanistan. She should be back in the states in January or February. • I recently had two wonderful Road Scholar trips to South Dakota and Natchez, Miss. I always enjoy hearing from you.

1960
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Lucky Christov made a final decision that retirement is for sissies and became involved with yet another business. He became a partner in a Hong Kong-based trading company that provides agricultural fertilizers to India and some other areas with lesser needs for food. His previous experience as an investment banker served him well and provided needed capital to get this off the ground. He’s still wrestling with some health issues (who isn’t!) but, all in all, living in Southern California has its benefits. His son has improved his surfing style, and they play tennis and have a great guitar act playing “House of the Rising Sun.” • Molly Lynn Watt spent three weeks in China, where she was honored by the People’s Education Press for work she did with them in 1986!

• Eunice Bucholz Spooner received reunion CDs from three people and is waiting for more so that she can make a class reunion CD. If she was healthy she waiting for more so that she can make a class reunion CD. If she was healthy she

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was packing for a trip to NYC, Dubai, and Cairo, and leaving the next day! • Kay White, who also enjoyed our reunion, is president of the Village Club Foundation, which just gave $90,000 to 49 tri-county nonprofit agencies. This was important because Michigan is having hard times and these grants really help. She is also going to a fundraising training in Chicago, so her volunteer work keeps her busy. • Gingy Clark Heyer reports that all is well in western Montana. She and Pete took a 2,500-mile road trip around the Southwest and marveled at the beauty. Monument Valley was the highlight. From September through December, they spend time in VA, Florida, and Chicago with their children and grandchildren, celebrating birthdays, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. Gingy enjoyed receiving the 50th reunion book and reading all the bios. • Kim Kimball Chase had a beautiful summer on Long Island, Maine. She hasn’t connected with any classmates yet but is taking the reunion book south in hopes of finding classmates on the way. Kim had lots of company this year and says it always fun to share her little island. Let her know if you’re in the area. • Ken Ngro and I get together about once a month for brunch or lunch. He has some really great ideas about planning a mini reunion for our class in either 2012 or 2013 (Colby’s 200th birthday). Thoughts include a Red Sox game, a cruise up to Maine or Nova Scotia, and then a visit to Colby. We do need to know what Colby plans for the big event. Let us know your thoughts on this.

1961
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Bebe Clark Mutz reports, “I’m most looking forward to seeing classmates at our 50th reunion. I think another nice thing will be that everyone there will be as old as I am.” • Janet Haskins Mandaville spent a conversation-filled visit with Judy Hoffman Hakola recently. The great time included a tour of the new Orono Public Library, a project Judy worked on from its inception. They plan to attend reunion and hope Penny Dean Robb will join them! • Wendy Ihlstrom Nielsen looks forward to seeing classmates at reunion. “It was so much fun to see members of the Class of ’59 when Bob ’59 and I returned for his 50th almost two years ago.” Wendy and Bob witnessed the inspiring Passion Play in Oberammergau, Germany, in September. “We took the beautiful alpine route from northern Italy through Switzerland and Austria to Germany. Home in Connecticut, I sing in a choir and am a docent at an art museum. In March we become grandparents again and head to Arizona to see our newest family member. Life is good!” • Nancy Tozier Knox writes, “Our summer consisted of surgeries, physical therapy, and occupational therapy. My husband, Jim, had a total spinal fusion in June and had recuperated enough by the end of August to take care of me after having a total right shoulder replacement! So, both of us are loaded with steel and titanium and screws. Our kids came to camp for their vacations and helped us out. Our daughter, Debra, drove our car to Florida for us and took her daughter, Crosby, to check out a few colleges on the way. We flew down. We are now settled in our Florida home. More PT will be on the schedule for both of us this winter, along with lots of time exercising in the pool. We are looking forward to the 50th reunion and being back to normal (or as normal as folks our age can be).” • Gale Holtz Golden was just awarded Vermont Social Worker of the Year. Gale is a clinical associate professor of psychiatry at the University of Vermont in Burlington and recently wrote In the Grip of Desire: A Therapist at Work with Sexual Secrets. • In addition to developing Pihanakaliani Ranch into a retreat center, your correspondent teaches both an online and a “hybrid” course for Hawai’i Community College.

• Please make every effort to return to Colby for our 50th reunion; the alma mater experience you’ll always remember is only a few months from now! See you there!

1962
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Lots of news from ’62! I’ll start with a brief message from John Chapman that reads, “I’m out. Michael McCabe, Nancy MacKenzie Keating, Nancy Rowe Adams, and Debby Price are witnesses!” In his own inimitable way, John is saying that he finally took the plunge into retirement, and the four of us helped him celebrate! • Malcolm MacLean and his wife, Debby, enjoyed a wonderful trip to Venice and Paris last spring, and last fall they attended the Colby-Tufts football game at Tufts. • Brenda Wrobleski Ewelw Gottschalk wrote of many exotic travels, including a trip for travel agents to Ecuador and the Galapagos and a pending excursion to Vietnam and Bangkok. She described her daughter’s wedding in an outdoor ceremony in the foothills of the Rockies, with the bridesmaids in saris and the groom and his party in kilts to reflect

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month. • Joyce Arnold Kottra: I retired from my job as a school principal in '99 and worked for a few more years at the Chicago Children’s Museum on Navy Pier and then became an “insitter” (taking care of B&Bs for absent innkeepers) and traveling geography teacher before settling down in a new home with retired coach and teacher Pete Kottra. We keep up a busy schedule of travel, golf, gardening, and volunteer work as well as staying in touch with our five kids, 13 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. As a Rotarian, I’m in the middle of developing and supporting a new program called Literacy For Life providing free monthly programs on language, math, economic, environmental, and technology literacy. Who said retirement would be “lazy days?” • Ike Balbus: After 41 years of university teaching, the last 34 at the University of Illinois at Chicago, I officially retired August 15. I say “officially” because I will continue to teach there part time, at least for the next few years. • Charlie Angell: I’m still teaching and advising in my 42nd year at what is now Bridgewater State University. I don’t—most days—feel like retiring, and so far no one’s told me I’ve worn out my welcome. Leslie and I like retiring, and so far no one’s told me to retire yet. She’s involved with planning her high school 50th reunion. • David Hatch is “fully retired” in Venice, Florida. He’s working for several veterinarian practices. • Bob Gracia: While I was mowing my lawn for the last time this season, Fred Hopengarten was engaged in a most worthy enterprise: he became a member of the bar of the U.S. Supreme Court. Fred had a photo of him and Justice Samuel Alito at www.anten-nazoning.com. Impressive, and he still found time to return to Boston and attend Colby’s October campaign celebration. • Ron and Linda Miller are relocating to Colorado Springs. We received a family gathering in Norway, where he and his family live just five minutes away from Barbie in Concord, Mass. • Ed Mowry’s Peruvian adventure on an Amazon river boat and exploration of the Sacred Valley and Machu Picchu was a highlight of 2010 for him. He’s working for several veterinarian practices throughout California, with an emphasis on emergency medicine, enjoying his Kindle and iPad while on the road. • Sandy Miller is still madly making and selling her creations in her store when she is not visiting her grandchildren and her parents, 92 and 94. • Eric Meindl spent most of his summer on road trips all over the country, covering about 7,000 miles. Included in his travels was a trip to his home in Mississippi and visits to the spectacular scenery of Colorado. He also found time to visit old friend Ed Scherer. • Nick Hadsig also had on his traveling activities. A highlight of the class dinner was that it was the first time since returning members included Ben Beaver, Gardner Gray, and Cy Ludwig ’83, a guiding force of the Eight. It was great fun to have them stay and reminisce.” • Jean Martin Fowler and I remind you that our 50th is June 5-8, 2014! • Meg Fallon Wheeler Ginny Grelotti Connolly loves time with her four children, their spouses, and her eight grandchildren. She had another “cousins’ trip to Europe” this year’s trip was two weeks in France—Paris, a river cruise into Provence, and the French Riviera—plus lots of shared memories of the cousins’ growing up together. Ginny has no plans to retire yet. She’s involved with planning her high school 50th reunion. • Another European traveler, Pam Harris Holden, had 25 days in Germany this fall, so she can check off Germany from her list destination: Eastern Europe in the fall of 2012. • Alaska was the destination of choice for Anne Ruggles Gere and family last summer, the highlight of which was several days inside Denali National Park. • Iowan Rick Zimmermann reported on his newest family member, a wire-haired pointing Griffon, “the ultimate hunting pet.” Rick’s only “bucket talk” was an upcoming scouring of his knees, between hunting and spring skiing season. The children and grandchildren are fine, and, despite working too hard and bemoaning the lack of a men’s soccer team nearby, he reports that life is good. • That is echoed by Terry Eagle, who writes, “Our lives have been seriously changed by a 14-month-old grandson in NYC and a nine-month-old granddaughter in CA. Wonderful how life gets better and better.” • Life has been quite a journey for Barbie Wise Lynch, who reports that her divorce is now final after a 10-year separation, she’s doing fine after a rather virulent form of breast cancer several years ago, and she’s still enjoying her work as a real estate broker. Her grandson Charlie is a huge plus in her life, as will be his little brother, who was due in late December. Charlie and family live just five minutes away from Barbie in Concord, Mass. • Ed Mowry’s Peruvian adventure on an Amazon river boat and exploration of the Sacred Valley and Machu Picchu was a highlight of 2010 for him. He’s working for several veterinarian practices throughout California, with an emphasis on emergency medicine, enjoying his Kindle and iPad while on the road. Goal for early 2011? Forty days of skiing at Mammoth Mountain. • Congratulations to Barry Willdorff on the release of his historical novel, The Flight of the Sorceress, an e-book. Read more about it at Barry’s website, www.agaucheypress.com. • Here’s Mary Sue Hilton Week’s list of classmates she wants to see at our 45th reunion (June 2-5): Paula McNamara, Lou Friedler, Paul Colcher, Bill Koster, Jerry and Deedee Wilson Van Atta, Bass Kilgorman, Lee Oestreicher, Larry Angelo, Bill Doll, Alicia Young Turner, and Greg Chabot—“and many others.... Where’s John Tara anyway? I know these are mostly men, but I generally see my Colby women friends!” DO NOT disappoint Mary Sue! • Terry Saunders Lane’s news continues from past reports: “Still working, still babysitting for two grandchildren, still traveling, still trying to figure out what to do when I grow up.” • Bill Koster and his wife, Ginger, are retired and living in Boston. They’re owners of a tugboat, which they cruise between Boston and Long Island. Bill returned to academia this summer as guest of Colby Assistant Professor of Chemistry Kevin Rice ’96 to attend the third annual Colby Undergraduate Summer Research Retreat in The Forks, Maine. He was awed by the sophistication of the Colby students. This fall Bill returned to Colby for orientation as a new Colby overseer. A bonus was reconnecting after 46 years with new trustee John McClain ’69, an Alpha Delta fraternity brother. • It would mean a lot to Len Nelson of Tequesta, Fla., to hear from classmates as he fights continuing illness and the accompanying feelings of isolation. E-mail him at nelsonlen@rocket mail.com or phone him at 561-746-3568. Show your true Colby colors, classmates. We’re thinking of you, Lennie.
shoes as he was in Amsterdam, where he continues to expand the study-abroad program for Widener University. Ed is dean of the school of hospitality management and hopes to see more Colby graduates coming into the field of global tourism. • Jean Howard Blythe enjoyed a reunion with Diana Weatherby and Elaine Dignam Meyrail at her camp on Clearwater Lake near Farmington, Maine. Diane is retired from the Department of Defense and lives near Washington, D.C. Elaine lives in Providence, R.I., and teaches English to foreign students on a volunteer basis. When not by the shores of Clearwater Lake, Jean and her husband, John, live in Athens, Ga. • Lee Potter has retired! That is big news, at least to Linda (Mitchell ’66). For the past 15 years, Lee has been working at MassMutual in Hingham, Mass., and commuting home for weekends in Vermont. When Lee bid farewell to MassMutual, the company surprised him by bringing his sons, Ben and Drum, to the party. Now that he is settled in Vermont, Lee will work on perfecting his skiing and becoming an expert handyman. I can hear This Old House calling his name. Some things don’t change, even when you’re old enough to receive Medicare—and that is good. • Tim Crowell and his wife, Pat, will be climbing all 46 major Adirondack peaks by the end of the year. • Dave Chait has decided to forgo retirement and continues to work as an ENT physician at Boy’s Town National Hospital in Omaha. He also took his third surgical mission to the Dominican Republic and offered his services to more than 100 children in Santiago. Dave is considering slowing down next year and moving to Mexico City. He would love to hear from Gerry Marcus, so if you read this Gerry, send an e-mail to the alumni office and they will get you in touch with Dave. • Caroline Kresky continues her work as a litigation partner for a national law firm based in South Carolina and intends to do so for the foreseeable future. Caroline comes to New England, as her firm has expanded the Boston office. Last summer she attended Colby Alumni College. • Judy Gerrie Heine and Kathy Denehy Lewis met for lunch at a midway point between Kathy in Mont Vernon, N.H., and Judy in Medfield, Mass. They are both ADPi sorority sisters and roommates when they moved to Hartford for their first jobs after Colby. They hadn’t met for quite a while because Kathy, like many others, was busy taking care of her mother. Since her mom passed away, she has been busy taking care of her grandmother, and dad all preceded him. • Jane Finkeldey Stephenson retired after 38 years as a medical social worker at Dartmouth-Hitchcock. She writes: “Gregg Crawford and Donna Massey ’69 were here for our annual Big Chill fall weekend. Dana Helkes was supposed to fly in from Charleston, S.C., but had to cancel. We also spent a summer weekend with Jean (Petersen ’69) and Chris Balsley and Chris and Bob Goldstein ’67. We all loved the article by Carl Glickman in the last Colby magazine and remember their sunrise wedding on the pond.” The Stephensons planned to see John ’66 and Linda Brooks Perkins while in Maine last fall. • In mid October Mary Jo Baur and Steve Campbell spent a lovely afternoon in LA with Phil and Hethie Shores Parmesano. After a wonderful lunch, they toured the city and then went back to San Diego to finish a two-week stay with Mary Jo’s daughter, Christine. • Dick Moriarty works at UMass Medical School doing a mix of pediatric primary care, infectious disease, and travel medicine. He’s traveled to Liberia twice in the last two years to help the Liberian government hospital in Monrovia restart their pediatric training program, which was devastated by their long civil war. Going from a top-tier hospital like UMass to a hospital where there are few resources is a real shock. Rich reports that the Liberian medical students and nurses are determined to learn and motivated to improve the quality of the care they can deliver.

1968

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Jann Semanticz Czarnecki writes: “My husband, Gerry, and I just returned from Nova Scotia, where we visited Ron and Brenda Cornfield Roberts. They own a wonderful antique shop in Indian Harbor. While I was there I got in contact with John Bubar, who teaches at UMaine Presque Isle. He continues his yearly sojourn to Givourney, France, to work in Monet’s garden. Brenda also contacted Bill Soller, a health science professor of the Robert Morris University of Pittsburgh, in San Francisco. After Colby he got his Ph.D. at Cornell and worked to spearhead efforts to get aspirin therapy accepted by the government. On the way home we stayed with Jane Morrison Bubar at her picturesque mountainside home in Dixfield, Maine, and visited her son and daughter-in-law, Joshua ’93 and Beth Cronin Bubar ’93, and their three kids in Turner. When we returned we visited Clarke and Cathie Smith Keenan on Martha’s Vineyard. Cathie is a master gardener and their backyard is spectacular (so is their Westwood, Mass. backyard hillside). At the Keenan’s we caught up with Katrina Noyes ’03 and Justin Ossolinski ’03. Katrina is on her way to Jordan to work with the Queen Noor Foundation, and Justin, who works for the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute, is going to the Red Sea to dive on some coral reefs to get core samples. Otto Wielen ’69 contacted me from his summer getaway in Santa Fe, where we have joined him the past two years. He is a big opera buff who loves Santa Fe’s outdoor venue.” • Ken Young reports: “I’m working with Roger Woolsey, Colby Career Center director, developing the Colby Entrepreneurial Alliance and its partner, the Kennebec Valley Entrepreneurial Network. These programs focus on ramping up entrepreneurial training, skills building, and experiential learning in the Kennebec Valley in ways that connect Colby students and others with entrepreneurs. Saw Steve Ford and Mary several times this summer. Their daughter, Millie, lives down the street from us. Sarah Young returned from 30-plus months as a Peace Corps volunteer in Zambia. She and her mother, Anne, vacationed in the Western Cape Province of South Africa prior to reentry. Sarah starts graduate school in September. • John Morgan: ‘Had such a great summer here in Colorado that I didn’t want it to end. I notified the principal at the middle school where I have worked for 10 years that I was going to retire and devote my life to photography and fly-fishing full time. Contributions are gladly accepted in the form of cash and dinner invitations. Paula Van Meter, Bob Hughes, and Phil Merrill are alive and doing well, too, by the way.” • Phil Merrill moved to Brookline, Mass., to be close to wife Barbara’s work, the Mentor Network. His son, Nicholas ’14, is a freshman at Colby. That makes him a fourth-generation Cobian. His maternal great-grandmother, maternal grandmother, and dad all preceded him. • Jane Finkeldey Stephenson retired after 38 years as a medical social worker at Dartmouth-Hitchcock. She writes: “Gregg Crawford and Donna Massey ’69 were here for our annual Big Chill fall weekend. Dana Helkes was supposed to fly in from Charleston, S.C., but had to cancel. We also spent a summer weekend with Jean (Petersen ’69) and Chris Balsley and Chris and Bob Goldstein ’67. We all loved the article by Carl Glickman in the last Colby magazine and remember their sunrise wedding on the pond.” The Stephensons planned to see John ’66 and Linda Brooks Perkins while in Maine last fall. • In mid October Mary Jo Baur and Steve Campbell spent a lovely afternoon in LA with Phil and Hethie Shores Parmesano. After a wonderful lunch, they toured the city and then went back to San Diego to finish a two-week stay with Mary Jo’s daughter, Christine. • Dick Moriarty works at UMass Medical School doing a mix of pediatric primary care, infectious disease, and travel medicine. He’s traveled to Liberia twice in the last two years to help the Liberian government hospital in Monrovia restart their pediatric training program, which was devastated by their long civil war. Going from a top-tier hospital like UMass to a hospital where there are few resources is a real shock. Rich reports that the Liberian medical students and nurses are determined to learn and motivated to improve the quality of the care they can deliver.

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I recently caught up with Alfred (Buz) Brown, who now lives in Boulder, Colo., with his wife, Martha. Buz is the CEO and chairman of ION Engineering, where they are scaling up technology to remove carbon dioxide from power plant emissions and other industrial processes. Appropriately, ION recently received an award for the Boulder Big Idea Company of the Year. As Buz relates, “solving big problems like greenhouse gas reduction takes big solutions and big efforts.” Both of Buz and Martha’s sons, Nate, 28, and Ned, 21, live in Boulder but only show up for occasional weekends. Nate is doing his own start-up based on wound healing technology he developed in the chemical engineering department at the University of Colorado (CU) and Ned is a junior at CU. Martha is continuing her bronze sculpture activities. While still working hard, Buz and family find time to take advantage of the Colorado environment: cycling, hiking, fly fishing, and skiing. He even plans to enter a few ski tours
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this winter. » Next quarter I hope to hear from more classmates. Tell me about your holidays, winter vacations, and any other news that you would like to share with the Class of 1970.

1971
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WHAT? Our 40th class reunion? This June? June 2-5? How can this be? Who’s been counting these years as they’ve rolled by? (There must be some mistake.) You must consider coming to reunion—you never know how many more we might have left to attend! At least consider making a donation to our class gift, about which you will hear more from Frank Apantaku. » Mike “Ralph” Round Haley, Class of 1971, of Ketchikan, Alaska, where he’s the assistant general manager for Southern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association (www.ssraa.org). He’s also on the board of Oceans Alaska (www.oceansalaska.org), which recently hosted its first ever Alaska Shellfish Festival to try to jumpstart a shellfish industry for coastal Alaskan communities. Mike recently returned to NH for a reunion with his siblings (including Nancy Round Haley ’72), all of whom are eligible for AARP membership now. (Aren’t we all?) Mike contacted Dave Nelson and Janet Beals in Vail, Colo., to see about getting his itinerant son a “ski bum” job for the winter. » Getting together with the usual crowd in August, Leslie Anderson writes that Debbie Messer Zlatin, Pat Trow Parent, Mary Jukes Howard, Karen Hoerner Neel, and Jan Blatchford Gordon welcomed Sue Farwell Philson into the fold this time. Leslie also did a painting commission for Pam Harris Holdien ’66 and encountered a bunch of Pam’s Colby friends, all Class of ’66. Six degrees of Colby separation? » Mary Owen was with us at Colby for only a year and a half but would welcome contact from roommates and friends. She lives in Seattle and is an internist who does volunteer medicine in Uganda with victims of the Congolese civil war. Mary also works with underserved coastal tribes in Washington State. You can reach her at docowen1@yahoo.com. » Ken Didsbury was promoted to assistant head of school for academics at the Benjamín School in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla. He and his wife bought a house in Scarborough, Maine, where they spend part of each summer. Ken is working with Bill Anthony to get some classmates to Florida for a weekend of saltwater fishing. » A Katrina memoir, Leaving New Orleans: An Unsettling Tale, written by Sally Cole Mooney, is now available on Amazon.com.

As you may remember, Sally was one of the thousands adversely affected by Hurricane Katrina, and she’s found catharsis in writing this memoir to good reviews. She includes a short Colby memory in her book, and Sue Farwell Philson makes a cameo appearance. She and numerous others are making plans for our 40th reunion. (So, you see? You don’t want to miss anything by not coming, right?) » Jerome Layman has moved from Pembrok, Mass., to Sandwich, Mass., and now enjoys life on the Cape. » As he endures the ongoing anxiety of his son’s college application process, Bill Hladky is perceiving maturity as an evolution of perceptions, a process or work in progress rather than a state of being. Good luck, Bill, and Jacob, his son. » Jon Stone, who is expecting another grandson in January, said he played in a senior softball championship in Florida but came in second. Senior? » Life continues to be busy for me as my local a cappella group’s concert season begins. Although we rehearse year round, we have a very busy fall and holiday season with gigs all over Massachusetts. I continue to be involved with the Yale Alumni Chorus Foundation board as well. So music keeps me happy along with the administrative duties that accompany it. Come to reunion!

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Kathy O’Dell spent Memorial Day weekend in Juneau, Alaska, with Aja Razumyn (formerly Julie Pfragne) and two other friends to mark the shared event of turning 60 in 2010. They celebrated by hiking, whale watching (successfully), and drinking Alaskan beer. » Joy Bemak Hanes is amazed that we’re 60 now. She’s back in school taking appraisal studies classes to become a certified appraiser for personal property, mostly in antiques and decorative art. She has recently been in touch with Bob Britton ’71, as well as other more senior classmates. “Facebook is truly amazing! The antiques business seems to be going forward, despite the economy; I guess people will never stop needing to be surrounded with beautiful objects.” » Carolyn “Lindy” Dewey lives in Whitefish, Mont., next to the crown jewel of the continent, Glacier National Park. She has created a lifestyle there with lots of outdoor activities and is growing within a community of health-minded friends. » At the end of November Nancy Capers Melien retired from 30 years of teaching eighth grade English. Not to be bored in retirement, she began a garden design diploma course so that she will have a second career. » My best wishes to the Class of 1972 for a wonderful 2011!

1973
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Not much news to report this time—everyone must have had a busy fall. » It was a treat to hear from Dean Eaton with his “first contribution ever!” After 18 years in business, Dean has relocated his kitchen store to downtown Keene, N.H. Dean recently completed a renovation of an old Kresse’s department store back to the 1920s tin ceiling and hardwood floors and is now the largest independently owned kitchen store in New England. He invites everyone to take a tour of Your Kitchen Store at www.yourkitchenstore.com or in person. On a personal note, his wife, Carol, is doing well as she awaits her third kidney surgery as well as a broken right fibula and is now the largest independently owned kitchen store in New England. He invites everyone to take a tour of Your Kitchen Store at www.yourkitchenstore.com or in person. 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Within one week last summer, Sue Conant Cook and her family returned from a trip to Africa. Jim ’78 and Sue celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary, daughter Emily ’11 celebrated her 21st birthday, and son David turned 18! The family visited Jim’s sister in Rustenburg, South Africa, and Claudia and Kate Mulumbe P’02 in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe. Sue said there were so many opportunities for a local experience in addition to animal safaris and viewing Victoria Falls. • Mike ’76 and Mary Bastron Harper built a vacation home four years ago on Lake Okoboji in Iowa. Last summer Mary spent a morning with Deb Watthen Finn ’74 when Deb was in the area attending a wedding. In October Mary and Mike traveled to Austin for their oldest daughter’s wedding. • Last August Lt. Col. [US Army Ret.] Pete Cox joined the board of directors of the Cold War Air Museum near Dallas. The museum is a nonprofit dedicated to the restoration and maintenance of Cold War-era aircraft with a special emphasis on aircraft flown by the former Soviet Union. Pete works on and flies rotary-winged aircraft and is one of the few in the U.S. to hold a civilian rating in the Mi-24 Hind helicopter. • For me, I always enjoy visiting quilt shops in my travels, and last April my daughter met me in Paducah, Ky., where we attended a large quilt show. Paducah is a neat, little town! Hopefully, next time around Laurie and I both will hear from many more of you—we’ll make you sound interesting, even if you don’t think you are!

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Hi everyone! As you work your way through the remainder of winter, remember our 35th reunion is just around the corner. Meanwhile, let’s start with news left over from last quarter. • Hank Osborne works for a large New England-based nonprofit doing PR and marketing communications. His two sons are rapidly approaching six feet and likely to pass Hank (at 6’3”) soon. Both play lacrosse. Hank notes that, with California, Florida, and New Hampshire as evidence, he has proven that he can kill a perfectly healthy lawn in under a year. He’s been playing guitar onstage more and more with whatever assortment of bass, guitar, sax, or violin that shows up at the local Concord, N.H., clubs. • Mark and Diane Lockwood Wendorf have been back in Maine for two years. Diane is adjusting to small-town life in lake country—Sanford—and Mark is serving a church in North Yarmouth. Last August Diane had planned to officiate at the wedding of Jenn Mizen ’08, one of Di’s former youth group members. Mark and Di’s son, Josh, was living at home and working as a bike mechanic. Meanwhile, Di was hoping to spend some time with her roommate Toby Bobbitt. • Across the country Irl “Bucky” Marshall and his wife, Tracy, moved to Cave Creek, Ariz., where they are Realty Executives real estate agents. Bucky is still president of Satellite Broadcasting, Inc., a satellite transmission services brokerage he founded in 1984. He writes, “Too many cold winters in Maine and living at 10,000 feet in Colorado has necessitated a move to warmer climes.” • Lydia McAnerney is at a new juncture since both children have graduated from high school. Her eldest is a sophomore at Augustus College in Minneapolis, and her youngest is taking a gap year before attending Clark University in Massachusetts next fall. Lydia continues to work in enrollment and development at Great River School, a Montessori/IB junior and senior high school in Minnesota. She feels so lucky to work with great people at a unique charter school. • Harry Nelson filled me in on a great ad hoc reunion in southern Maine last September—the remnant of a gathering for a charitable golf tournament that honored Dan Mallove’s father. About 16 alumni gathered to enjoy a hike at the Morse Mountain Preserve to Sewall Beach, followed by a fun dinner at the home of Mike Boyson and Nancy Grant. A closely contested three-team golf scramble soon followed at Belgrade Lakes Golf Club, with the winning team comprising Gary Thornberg, Rick Clunie, Mike, and…. well, of course, Harry himself! Harry sent a photo of some of the group, which I will try to post on our Facebook group. That’s right—our class now has an official Facebook group. If you’re a Facebook member, join Colby College Class of 1976, where you can exchange class news, post and see others’ photos, and learn about our upcoming reunion. It’s our turn for reunion: our 35th, coming up June 2-5. Make your plans now to be in Waterville for a fun and nostalgia-packed weekend. If you can help with planning and publicity, please contact Paul Boghossian at paulboghossian@gmail.com. Also start sending in your reunion gifts to the Colby Fund. And continue to send me news. Best wishes to you all!

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Alan Taylor reports that his latest book, The Civil War of 1812: American Citizens, British Subjects, Irish Rebels, and Indian Allies, was published in October. • Howard...
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Ellis is in his 26th year of special education teaching, which involves working with middle school students who have an emotional disabilities. Since 1993 he’s worked for the Lewiston school department. Howard loves his job, despite the challenges. He has two children and has lived in Maine for more than 17 years. 

* Beth Shinj just finished a Ph.D. program in early medieval history at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland. She’s teaching part time while seeking a full-time position in history or religious studies. 

* Jeff Sanderson, Gary Newton ’72, Anwnt Simesso, and Pam Landry Teichman got together recently in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia (see photo in the Alumni at Large section of the fall issue of Colby). It’s an old friend from Dana Hall being class correspondent to induce Richard Clampitt to send in his first-ever class news contribution. 

Rich and his wife, Rachel Hurst (Pomona ’79 but attended a semester at Colby in the fall of ’76), took their annual Maine vacation at Christmas Cove over the July 4th weekend. It’s a big trip, too, since Rich lives in San Diego (going on 30 years now). After graduating with a law degree from University of California, Hastings, Rich joined a small San Diego law firm. He’s now a partner and co-chair of the business transactions group at Gordon & Rees. Rich and Rachel enjoy adventure travel and skiing, among other pursuits. Two years ago they climbed Mt. Kilimanjaro and went on safari. Rich wishes all his Colby friends well and invites anyone who’s visiting the San Diego area to look him up.

1978

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Doug and Marjorie Gonzalez Blackwell’s daughter Laura was married in August in Chatham at the Wequassett Inn. Marjorie writes “It was a four-day event where friends and family gathered for a cookout, a rehearsal dinner, wedding overlooking Pleasant Bay, and a brunch on Chatham harbor. Doug was the legal officiant at the ceremony, which was fun, and in true Colby tradition got the place rocking by playing a song with the band. Laura is in Maine getting her Ph.D. in pediatric psychology and married Jonathan Pas, a health care analyst with Hewitt Associates.” Their other daughter, Courtney, graduated with honors from Northwestern with a degree in theater and English and started her master’s at Harvard in arts and education. Marjorie is a realtor and was the top sales agent in her office in July. Doug recently left Eclipsys, where he was SVP and GM of their remote application hosting business, and is looking for the next gig. They’ve lived in West Hartford, Conn., for the past eight years but spend as much time as possible at their house in Chatham. 

* Martin Connolly “is hunkering down for another winter in Billings, Mont...” where he works as a night auditor and front desk agent at the Best Western Clock Tower Inn. He is also pursuing two other areas of interest: working for an attorney in a criminal defense practice and teaching English as a foreign language. He is fluent in Spanish and learning French and German. 

* Lise Greenfield Shanahan sent her youngest off to Berkeley. She and husband Bill enjoy the empty nest in San Diego. She writes that now that she is off “volunteer” mode, there is more time for tennis and she has taken up golf. Lise looks forward to our next reunion. 

* Stephen Jacobs writes, “I recently had a competition with my old roommate, Nick Levintow, in a 5K race. He ran his in Maryland and I ran mine in Maine. He smoked me, turning in a time of 23:31 to my 24:39.” Stephen traveled with his daughter, Emily, to the Grand Canyon, Bryce, and Zion, took a Pink Jeep tour in Sedona, and ended up with a night on the strip in Las Vegas. 

* Diane Weisman Miller writes from Kansas that she “continues my efforts to fund breast cancer research through my network of golf tournaments.” She was back in Maine last summer and enjoyed just about all the lobster a human could eat! 

* Jean Sullivan Varriale summarizes the last 32 years with, “Got married to a great guy who I met at graduate school. We have a 10-year-old, Anna, who keeps us young, has boundless energy, and aspires to be Mia Hamm. I’ve had my own consulting business (financial services research) for 10 years and surprisingly it still pays the mortgage.”

For Marcia Gomez ’79, M.D., working as senior advisor on migrant health at the Office of Minority and Special Populations in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is a natural fit. Born and raised in the Dominican Republic, Gomez has a deeply personal connection to and passion for her work.

A Spanish major with an avid interest in medicine while at Colby, Gomez worked for three years with the Department of Health in New York City in special services for children. She then went to medical school abroad, with her last two years of rotations in Chicago. After medical school, she did research at the University of Illinois-Chicago, and did work connecting refugee and immigrant families with medical services in Chicago.

Much of Gomez’s research centered on disenfranchised communities with medically disadvantaged populations, including those at high risk for AIDS, especially among ethnic minorities. Her subsequent work in the HIV/AIDS bureau of the federal Health Resources and Services Administration made her responsible for funds and programs providing services to AIDS patients nationwide, including Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. She also provided training and technical assistance internationally.

In her present position, Gomez now oversees funding used for research and direct health-care aid to refugees and to migrant and seasonal workers. Her guidance and recommendations provide assistance to disenfranchised communities throughout the United States that are suffering from poor health care or no health care.

“I am giving back to my communities that I grew up in,” said Gomez. “I’m giving back the best way I can, through care and support.” She says her personal connection to the communities she works with makes her job all the more fulfilling.

Gomez says Colby is one community for which she is particularly thankful. She was pleasantly surprised during a recent visit to campus by the tremendous growth Colby has seen in recent years, she said. As a student of color while at Colby, Gomez is especially impressed by the College’s efforts to attract more students from underrepresented groups.

“The programs and experiences offered at Colby, now even more than before, will prepare students for tremendous futures,” Gomez said.

“I have a passion for the work I am doing, and it’s exciting even to just talk about,” she said. This passion, she says, is imperative in life and work.

“Life does not go from A to B, but if you take every opportunity you are given, learn from it, and do well by it, the transition will be much more valuable.”

———Alexandra DeaneHuers ’11
country. (A far cry from their honeymoon in Napa and Sonoma—but still fun!) Son Eric is a senior in high school, so they’ve spared the last year visiting colleges and narrowing down the choices. Colby didn’t make the cut, primarily due to the distance from Chicago. Their daughter, Katie, is a sophomore who wants to be a music major and is already looking at various schools. David recommends a book called Colleges That Change Lives (www.ctcl.org) to fellow parents who have not yet gone through the college selection process. His other recommendation is to become a Facebook friend of Bishop Savas Zembillas for a daily dose of scripture, current events, and quirky music videos! • Sarah MacColl works for Distant Journeys, a hiking company headquartered in Camden, Maine. She backpacked the Tour du Mont Blanc in September and went to Turkey in October. Her plans for the holidays were to stay home! Sarah is an ACE advanced health and fitness specialist and IDEA elite personal trainer. • In June Geoff Emanuel and five other Colby alumni/students participated in the Newport Bermuda Yacht Race. Colby colleagues included Fred Madeira ’80, owner/skipper of the yacht Resolute, a J-44 out of Cumberland, Maine, Tim Hussey ’78, Charlie Hurd ’78, John Madeira ’14 (Fred’s son), and Philip Hussey’ 14 (Tim’s son). • Hope to hear from more of your next column. Happy New Year!

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Erin Iretan Elliott and I had lunch in October at a beautiful outdoor seafood restaurant in Sausalito, Calif. It was great to catch up after 30 years! • Michael Fanger’s daughter, Rachel, started her first year at Muhlenberg College. His son, Jonathan, is a sophomore at St. Joe’s Prep in Philadelphia, and Michael’s company, Eastern Funding LLC, is celebrating the fifth anniversary of their merger with Brookline Bank. • The Class of ’80 Tau Delta Phi brothers organized a mini reunion last September at Glenn Rieger’s Chesapeake Bay summer home. Herb Perry, Artie Sullivan, Chris Cornwall, Jim D’Isidoro, Paul Faulkner, Tim Bernard, Mike Costello, Brian McPherson ’82, and Glenn enjoyed a weekend of golfing, fishing, water skiing, and bonfires on the beach. • Kitty Way Dove reports that life is good in DC. She and her family spent some fun time this summer in Blue Hill, Maine, sailing and eating lobster with Lindy Williams ’79. • Sean and Lisa McDonough O’Neill look forward to visiting their son, Richard, who’s in his freshman year at Boulder. Lisa saw Kitty, Sarah Stiles Bright, and Kurt Cerulli ’78 in Marblehead last fall at the service for Suze Connolly Leverett’s mother. • Alice Domar has joined with two partners to take comprehensive care centers national. She hopes that by the time this magazine comes out the first “Integrative Care for Fertility: A Domar Center” of many will have opened. Alice has been traveling the country speaking on stress and fertility and was scheduled to speak in Taiwan in November. • Esme McTighe’s daughter, Petra, is a freshman at Harvard and her son, Niall, is a junior there. Last summer Niall qualified for the 2012 Olympic swimming trials. • Bill Linnell is the program manager for Jobs for Maine’s Graduates at the A.R. Gould College of the Coast of the American Community Center in South Portland. Bill helps kids in the juvenile corrections system get jobs and reintegrate into the community. This fall he coached the school’s first (in 30 years) high school boys and girls soccer teams. Bill reconnected with Ronnie-Jo (Posner ’78) and John Carpenter this fall at the service for Bill Moody, father of Jay Moody. • Ted Reed and Sue Polli’s ’78 enjoy life in the UK more than they expected. They live in the Surrey Hills, halfway between London and the Channel. Ted reports that “village life is warm and inclusive, but perhaps that’s because ours has three pubs, a garage, and a church—and that’s it!” Ted and Sue’s youngest daughter is in eighth grade at an international school and their oldest is a freshman at Colby. They expect to be back in their Maine home sometime in 2012. • In October Karen Caine Babbitt, Linda Davis, Brenda Bowen, Robin MacLeod Goodridge, Jean Minkel, Cornelia Armbrecht Brofka, Alli- son Erenstein Jacobsen, Betsy Morrell, Sarah Stiles Bright, Carol Sly, and Sue Erb Pettigrew gathered at the Black Point Inn in Maine to celebrate the life of our late classmate Hilary Morton Shontz. • Elliott Pratt sent along a great picture of a recent Colby tailgate party that included Elliott and son Chris ’14, Joanne Shannon O’Donnell and daughter Colleen ’13, Patty Valavanis Smith, Esme McTighe, and Gato Talbot Ashton. Photos of the Tau Delt gathering, the gathering for Hilary, and the tailgate party are on our class page at www.colby.edu/alumni.

1981
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Mike Cronan hosted a memorial get together at his Newburyport home after Joel “Sluggo” Potvin’s sad passing last March. A cocktail party was followed by a dinner boat cruise out of Plum Island. Joel’s brothers from Lambda Chi Alpha came out in force: Dennis Ring, Joe Daley, Steve Pfaff and wife Darlene Howland, Harry Hadariats, Dave Biggar, John Densmore, Steve Dodge, and Al Bruzzese. Other classes were represented by Tim Porter ’78, Jim Gagne ’78, Gerry Skinder ’78, Bob Dorval ’79, Ralph Peterson ’79, RJ Welch ’82, John Lemoine ’83, and Charlie Covacov ’83. The Joel Potvin Memorial Fund has been set up at the Newburyport Bank, 63 State St., Newburyport, MA, 01950, for those who would care to make a donation. • Karen Pfeiffer Jones’s son Andrew is a freshman at SUNY Purchase, while younger son Alex is a high school junior. Mary’s great visit home included: a wonderful time in the Berkshires with Karen Baumstark Porter, Michele Adams Prince, Susan Robertson Kuzia ’82, and Tracy Don McDonald ’82. • Dani Nemec Micsan’s daughter, Rachel, started her first year at Pfeiffer ‘82. Dani Nemec Micsan has started entering local 5K races and has placed in the top three for her female age group (“wince”). Dani’s daughter Jessica is a senior at Virginia Tech, daughter Julia finished a successful spring semester abroad in Budapest, Hungary, and son Joseph is a high school sophomore. • Sally Forsin Buffum started a new job last June running the credit department at Middlessex Savings Bank in Natick, Mass. She and husband David ’80 became empty nesters last fall with both sons away at college. • Kimberly Hokanson left her job at Bates and relocated to Medfield, Mass., after being named director of annual giving at Wellesley College. • Phil and Beth Pniowski Wilson celebrated their 25th anniversary last year with a two-week trip to Alaska. Beth notes that the scenery was spectacular and highly recommends visiting the 49th state. • Celebrating their 26th anniversary are Joe and Mary Cole Connolly. Mary’s oldest son, Stephen, graduated from Loyola Marymount University, got his master’s at San Jose State, and “has a job! with benefits! and health insurance! I swearmate the job with benefits thing makes parents as happy as the two-year-old out-of-diapers thing.” Mary’s son Kevin is a senior at UC Davis, while daughter Christine is a sophomore at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo. Mary and Joe remain die-hard Boston sports fans. She saw the Red Sox play in three different ballparks last summer, including Fenway Park, where she was in a luxury box! • Bob Ryan flew to Maine in October and visited Pam Ellis, who is excited to work on our 30th reunion. While in Boston to attend Colby’s Reach-
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Mark brought his family to Colby for the first time last July on their way to Moosehead Lake. It certainly brought back memories as he walked around what used to be KDR, but he could hardly find his way around downtown Waterville. He wonders what became of Willie Perez ’85 and Tracy Smith Black ’84. He would love to hear from them. He feels very blessed for the life he has, built on the foundation begun at Colby. It’s soon going to be time to think about our—gasp—30th reunion! Can it be possible? In the meantime, please send in the news you want to share with everyone for our next column.

1983
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Sean Duffy and his wife expected their first child in early December. Sean welcomes any parenting tips. Aside from that, Sean plans to attend many 50th birthday parties with classmates over the next few months.

Rick Hauser celebrated his 50th at his amazing hillside spread in Vermont, where Rick retired last year. On the business front, the Duffy Agency opened its Boston office last summer and has won two new accounts—the Boston Globe and the United Nations—and will work on integrated campaigns involving traditional and social media for both.

1984
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I hope everyone is enjoying winter. Lots of good news this issue. Congratulations to one of my favorite couples, Ben and Tracy Weiner Cetopelis, on their Oct. 10 nuptials in Canton, Ohio! Former roommates Kitty Wilbur and Genevieve Hammond ’86 traveled from Boston for the event and, judging from the pictures, everyone had a fabulous time.

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Cory Humphreys Serrano, her husband, and two daughters, 15 and 17, have lived in Needham, Mass., for the past 18 years. “It seems like New England might in fact have better beaches and mountains than Ohio, as disloyal as that sounds!” Cory was a banker for more than 12 years and has sold software to financial institutions off and on for the past 10. Cory and her younger daughter had a great time at the 25th reunion and loved seeing everyone.

nathan” Waldo” Emerson’s 23rd teaching skiing in Jackson Hole, Wyo., where he also is a real estate agent with Sotheby’s Interiоn Reаlty.

John Robinson still teaches at Southern New Hampshire University in Manchester. He planned to see Dan Allegretti in December to celebrate what would have been Frank Zappa’s 70th birthday by going to a concert by Frank’s son, Dweezil. John is sorry to have missed the 25th reunion.

Rick and Kathryn Clarke Anderson are new Colby parents; their daughter, Emily ’14, is a freshman. Rick enjoyed following her and the Colby women’s soccer team around New England last fall. Ben Lowry continues to run his own law practice handling social security disability cases in the Old Port section of Portland, Maine. He has also gotten back into the swing of baseball, playing on four different teams and travelling to Florida for several tournaments, where he teamed up with his old White Mule teammate John Collins. They have had a blast playing ball and hanging out together again after 25 years.

In May Stephen Reed opened a new law firm in downtown Boston called Beck, Reed, Riden LLP. They specialize in management-side labor and employment law, non-compete litigation, and general
business litigation. He is very excited about this new venture, and so far it’s going very well. □ Best wishes for the new year and hope to hear from fellow classmates soon!

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Mark your calendars now! Our 25th reunion is June 2-5! Although reunion is still a few months away, the celebrations have already begun. By all reports the pre-reunion parties held in Boston, New York, and Portland were great fun. Some of you expressed wishes that pre-reunion gatherings be held beyond the East Coast. To that I say—just pick a date and a place! We can help you get out the word and get organized. But most of all make your plans now for June in Waterville. It is going to be a laugh riot! □ If you aren’t going to make it to reunion, your reason best be as bulletproof as the one I just heard from Barb Falcone Smith. Instead of traveling up to Waterville from Louisville, Ky., where she works doing technology graduated from Full Sail University, yarn loves it.

Ylo芊es reunion. Note that Ricardo says he feels very lucky and while awaiting the arrival of child number two, Mary, off to Pace University this fall to miss reunion and send a huge hug and thank you for reading. Stay well.

1988
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It must have been an uneventful autumn for the Class of ‘89, because I only got updates from FOUR of you. Be warned: if you don’t send in more news, I’ll be forced to regale you with tales of my life. No one wants that. □ Laura Thornton Pellegino and her family moved back to New Canaan, Conn., after two years in London. Although she’s setting in, she misses life in London. While there Laura caught up with Tom Cahill and his family. Now that she’s back she sees Catherine Andrew Rogers a lot and is in touch with Ed ‘88 and Jen Emmet Barr and Tina Clifford Comparato. Laura just finished her first marathon and is training for another in the spring. □ Gretchen Kreahling McKay has been chosen by her employer, McDaniel College, to chair the steering committee for the college’s reaccreditation visit in spring 2013. She was also selected to participate in a week-long art history seminar this summer at the Birmingham Museum of Art on late medieval and early Renaissance workshop practices in Italy. □ Speaking of European, Lawrence Collins is still “playing music like crazy” in Bordeaux. He was on tour in Holland and Belgium in November, and he is working on his 10th album, to be released in the spring. Follow him on Facebook or Myspace under Lawrence Collins Band. Lawrence visited the U.S. recently and saw his Colby bandmate Mike Henry ’91, who is a screenwriter in L.A. Lawrence also keeps in touch with Gerry Hadden, Dan Sullivan (who, Lawrence says, is “still trying to sell me a Ford after 20 years”), and Kristin Herbst ’91. □ Count Maria Douglass as another classmate living abroad. After 15 years in Russia, Maria and her family are off to Saudi Arabia, where Maria will head up recommendations on future land uses and development strategies for a swath of land in central Missouri.

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For the first time in their 10th anniversary—and that they are planning their trip to join us for our reunion in June. As I said, distance is no excuse!

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they are all “looking forward to living on the beach at the Red Sea—it’ll be a nice change from Russian winters.” Is your house big enough for visitors, Maria? • Please write and let me know how you’re doing. Otherwise, you’ll be reading “All About Anita” in the next column!

1990

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Jeff Cox checked in from RI in Rochester, N.Y., where he’s heading his 12th year as director of international student services. He also just finished up his master’s in “service leadership and innovation.” As if that wasn’t enough, he and his wife, Nikki, are raising two middle school girls. He also reports that Rebecca Scott publishes her test book, 15 Miles, has been published (available on Amazon) if you are looking for a read that is hard to put down. • Sam Tucker, anxious to regift the “most lame classmate for not attending reunion” award, thinks that Ken Barber may be more deserving. The two, who live five houses apart, met up at a Halloween party where Sam promptly whipped out his yardstick. He promises to report back on whether Ken actually lives closer to campus. When not measuring the streets of Portland, Maine, where he lives with his wife, Lindsay, and kids Finley, 6, and Reese, 4, Sam spends most of his time on public land and water protection on the Colorado Plateau—the beautiful arid region surrounding the four corners states of Colorado, Utah, New Mexico, and Arizona. He looked forward to winter, which means only one thing: pond hockey. • Congratulations to Steve Nahley on his new in-house legal position at Barclays Capital heading up their commercial real estate group. • Eric Coyne Gliesser reports that Lisa Livens Freeman and Nicole Theriault Randall and their families all got together recently. It was a great evening although not very relaxing with their combined six boys, 2 to 9, running all over the place. • Congratulations to Tina Wright on completing the Nation’s Triathlon and raising more than $7K for blood cancer research with Team in Training. • Mike Eisenstadt was disappointed to report that his deposit on the RV was never refunded due to an excess of bodily fluids and trash found in the vehicle upon its return. Rumor has it the vehicle may have to be retired permanently from the fleet. • Matt Frymier became president of Sterling Stamos Capital Management, a private equity and hedge fund firm. His new office is on Sand Hill road in Menlo Park, Calif., so he’s hoping to sneak in a bike ride with Eileen Kinney Lindgren, who lives down this way. His four kids (5, 4, and 21-month-old twins) are doing great and look forward to a great ski season at Northstar at Tahoe! • Upon leaving Mayflower Hill after reunion last June, Steve Coan realized that he had never accomplished several of the long term goals he set for himself upon graduating back in 1990. Deciding there was no better time than the present, he quit his job and began training for his dream climb up Mt. Kilimanjaro. He expected (hoped) to begin his ascent on Christmas Day and ring in the 2011 New Year at the summit. Good luck Steve!

1991

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Greetings, classmates! It’s apparently a quiet season as far as class news goes. People must be really busy—but we did hear from as few classmates so here’s the news! • Erika Mailman and husband Alan Howard welcomed a daughter, Reid Reilly. • Christine Murphy Abbattei works these days at Deloitte LLP in the chief talent officer as the manager of strategy. She’s lucky to work from home in Hanover, N.H., where her husband, Tom ’89, is working in executive education at Tuck/Dartmouth. She’s also mom to two wonderful kids, Clare, 11, and Ben, 10, as well as a variety of animals including dogs, fish, and a pony! • A note also arrived from overseas: Kristin Lorraine Herbstner wrote, “I’m really good. It’s still nice and warm in southern France but now there’s a little snow topping the Pyrenees—it’s just beautiful. I wanted to send out a call to the Colby community for participants for some new work I’m creating, for which I’ll be traveling back to the U.S. several times in 2011. This is open to participants in all demographics willing to be photographed (portraits) and interviewed and to experience consciousness expansion with the artist. For details see www.theuniverseisart.com. I’ve had the great pleasure of seeing many folks I hadn’t seen in a really long time: Gerry Hadden ’89 here in southern France, Don ’89 and Liz Helft Darby in Palto Alto, Lizzie Frado Mazzola ’92 and Leaf Ives Gurr in Boston, and Samantha Strawberry Eddy in northern Spain. I’ve reconnected with other Colby grads on Facebook. We plan to stay in southern France for a while, but we’ll also be passing through Boston and San Francisco with increasing regularity and look forward to catching up with more locals when we do.” • I hope 2010 was good to everyone. 2011 brings our 20th class reunion (can you believe it?), so I hope all of us will mark our calendars for June 2-5. I look forward to seeing many of you back on the Hill. In the meantime, you don’t have to wait for a reminder to be in touch—feel free to drop me a note anytime!

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Happy New Year everyone. As usual, thanks to those who wrote in. • Kristin (Wildman ’98) and Jun Shirahama welcomed their first child, a son, Connor Dan, July 12. • Amy Vreeland married James Dow Oct. 3, 2009, at the Falmouth Yacht Club in Falmouth, Mass. The couple honeymooned in French Polynesia and moved to Newton, Mass., last summer. Amy manages general corporate communications at Tuck/Dartmouth in Boston and celebrated 10 years with the company in 2010. • Jason Nixon is now the global lifestyle editor for Delta Sky magazine and travels the world on assignment. This year he’s gone from Cairo and Istanbul to India, Colombia, and Guatemala. His interior design firm designed a room at the Showtime Showhouse in Manhattan based around the show Weeds, and the room landed on the front page of the Los Angeles Times. But he most enjoys plodding about in his garden with dog Jasper at home in New York’s Catskill Mountains. • Lisa Black Avolio stays busy with kids Chancellor, 2 1/2, and Charlotte, 1. She and her husband, Peter, teach yoga, and she is the full-time director of two yoga studios and planned to open a third in December. She looks forward to a weekend get together with Tabby Biddle, Whitney Adams Ward, Dakota Glenn Smith, and Helen Hopkins Kellogg. • In December Alondra Pearcy graduated from the University of New Hampshire with a Ph.D. in composition. In August she took a new position as associate professor of rhetoric at Wentworth in Boston. Her second book of poetry, Lid to the Shadow, received the Slope Editions Book Prize and will be published early in 2011. • Eric Johnson and his family relocated to NYC in September. He still works for PIMCO, but will do so from the East Coast for the next 18 to 24 months. Their son, Drew, loves city living so far—their apartment in Chinatown in N.Y.C and paid tribute to John Lennon’s 70th birthday in Strawberry Fields in Central Park. • Mike Saad met Janine Deforge Olson, Kristin Schuler Scammon, Sarah Oelkers Bullwinkle, and Erin McMternan Aaron in New England last fall. Janine and her husband, Sven, hosted a get-together that included baked stuffed lobster. Mike currently lives in San Francisco with his partner, Jason, and often sees Suzie Girard. • Jason Soules and his bride, Carolyn Collings, completed the Ironman Lake Placid in July (Jason’s first, Carolyn’s fourth) and followed it up by getting married in October in Vermont. Dan O’Grady, Jack Higgins, and Dana McClintock were in the wedding. Dan lives in Plymouth, Mass. Jack is still in Boston, and Dana is in NJ but works in NY. • Crawford Strunk and wife Shelly welcomed Emma Claire June 6. Her older brothers, Asa, 3 and Everett, 2, are very happy. Crawford is still at Toledo Children’s Hospital in “peds heme/onc” and runs the pediatric sickle cell disease program. • Thanks for keeping us up to date with your news! Keep those e-mails coming!
Raffetto lives in Boston, a few doors down from his office. “I’m still working at Arnold Worldwide in May 4. 4: Chris Davenport’s wife, Heather, gave birth to twins, Harrison and Annie, in April. Jason Reiffer and his wife, Laura, welcomed their first child, Norah, in April. 4: Karin Hansen lives in Marblehead, Mass., and works at Boston Children’s Museum as the visual arts director. 4: Brooke Lorenzen Frutos welcomed a baby girl, Mackenzie Elizabeth, into her family in June. Ed Bourque writes that he was finally awarded his Ph.D. in geography from King’s College London in August. He now works on global water issues at a small USAID subcontractor just outside of DC. 4: Cathy (Neuger ‘97) and Gregg LeBlanc bought a new house in Sudbury, two miles from their old house, also in Sudbury. Gregg says that the family needed more space, but sheepishly admits that he was living too far from the new Chick-Fil-A on the other side of the Burlington Turnpike. It also seems that Gregg’s son likes pie as much as I do. Go figure. In a loosely related story, Shaquille O’Neal bought a house in Sudbury at about the same time. Gregg, if you need some street cred with Shaq, if you need some street cred with the Diesel, tell him about your exploits related to Shaq. • Kitter and Erica Casano Spater welcomed their second daughter, Anna, in September. 4: The ‘96 birthing wagon (heeyaaa) stayed in motion as Annie (Clougherty ’94) and Kevin Emerson welcomed a son, Elliott, May 4. 4: Renee Hoffman Skeffington had her second child, Claire, Aug. 25. Claire joins brother James, 2. Renee’s husband, Jim Sr., is director, business and strategy development, at CVS/Caremark, and Renee works as a senior vice president and head of consultant relations at Acadia Asset Management. The couple resides on Beacon Hill. • Tina Garand Branson still lives in WA with British husband Paul, daughter Emma, 10, and son Luke, 5. Tina is a practicing physician assistant in a local women’s health clinic, and she reports a recent visit from Heather Hunt Swales, a newly minted cardiologist. 4: And, of course, more babies: Anna Goldsmith and husband Jeff Stern welcomed a son, Leo Coolidge. Anna shares that Leo is quite fond of trucks, Cheerios, and Clair Pag-nano, who apparently lives nearby. Here’s a deal for you baby Leo: If your mom takes a picture of you in a Colby shirt, eating a bowl of Cheerios in a truck driven by Clair, I will send you a check for 50 bucks. No joke. Anyhow, Anna still runs a copywriting agency, The Hired Pens, in Somerville, Mass. The firm moved to Davis Square across from Anna’s favorite coffee shop, and probably within a whiff of Redbones BBQ, which is preposterously good by the way. 4: And on a personal note, my wife and I are expecting our second daughter in November, and we recently hosted Dr. Ryan “The Chief” Sullivan and his brood. Chief and wife Lina have two awesome kids who enjoy playing Wii. Chief shares that he visited Daniel Rheuma and wife Susan MacAulay in Chicago this summer. Dan and Susan welcomed a second son, Hunter, in August 2009. 4: I need to round this stuff out, so send more notes. Please.

1997

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Quiet quarter for the Class of 1997. Looks like I won’t have to worry about word count this time. • Chad Card spent his summer in Palestine and Israel studying Arabic. On his way home to Salt Lake City, where he is finishing his Ph.D. in Middle East studies, he stopped on the East Coast to spend an evening with Maura and Andrew Morse and their daughter, Isabel. • Zoe Kaplan Presley was happy to share that she is working as a mental health therapist at the Native American Rehabilitation Association in Portland, Ore. Last summer she and Margot Higgins had a great time hiking through the Tahoe Sierras. • Happy baby news to share: Yossi and Mika Hadani Melamed welcomed their second daughter, Margot Shiri, July 31. • Ashley and Carter Davis welcomed a son, Gibbs, Aug. 5. He joins big sisters Maise, 3. • Jamie McGoey and her husband, Richard Pizzi, are now proud parents of a baby girl, Reilly Alice, born Sept. 30. • Katie and Andrew Weber welcomed a baby girl, Lilian Annabel, this September as well. • Marjorie Mae was born to Michael and Audrin Briggs Crossley Sept. 24. • It’s a boy for Kara and Mark House. Matthew Robert was born Sept. 9 and joins big sisters Sophia and Laura. Mark now works at Robot in Bedford, Mass. He and his family recently attended the first birthday party of Callum Sullivan, son of Amy and Chris Sullivan and little brother to Teaghan. Mark was happy to see other Colby classmates there, including John and Erika Moore Coombs, Wellington and Heather Derby LaGrone, and Tom DeCoff. • Melissa Kim and her husband, Clint Highfill, became parents this summer. Their son, Axel Kim Highfill, was born June 15. When she sent her news, she was preparing to return to work as principal for the Alice Deal Middle School in Washington, D.C., as her maternity leave came to a close. Back in May 2009, Melissa completed a doctorate from UPenn. • Hope everyone out there is doing well. I’m looking forward to getting LOTS of news for the next column.

1998

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Dawn Seckler married Greg Baltus at the Hunter Museum in Chattanooga, Tenn., in May. Dawn teaches Russian at Williams...
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College in Massachusetts. • Eric and Kari Christensen Anderson welcomed a son, Caden Eric. Big sister Clara is enamored with him after accepting she got a baby brother, not a sister as she requested. They’re settling into the routine of two, and Kari is back to work with both kids at onsite daycare. • Jon Rose and Charline Costanzo left New York City and moved to Seattle this summer with their daughter, Marie. So far it really feels like the right place for them—now they just need to lure some East Coast friends to the left side of the country! • Jessica Rice Healey moved back to the Boston area with her husband and two-year-old daughter after living in the DC area since graduation. • Leah Bernstein Jacobson has gone back to school for a master’s in public health in policy and management at Yale. Also, Leah and her husband welcomed their second daughter, Lily Raphaella, Aug. 5. • Mark and Emily Taxson Meadows welcomed Julia Elizabeth Sept. 20. She joins brother Finley, 2 1/2. • Scott Shirey and his wife, Angela, had a beautiful baby girl Aug. 31—Oliver Summer! • After staying home with her two boys for two years, Kristen Paratore Bock started part-time work coordinating and teaching a workplace ESL program for employees at Boston University dining services. Kristen writes, “So far it’s been a lot of fun and I’m learning a ton. It feels good to get out of the house for a few hours a week. Otherwise we’ve been enjoying life in Lexington, Mass.” • Emily Lane and her husband, Carroll, had a baby girl, Eliza Robin, Aug. 19. • The first annual EOS was held in Hilton Head, S.C., with Brian Gill, Dave Dodwell, Pete Felmy, Jon Foster, Dave Gustafson ’99, and Dave Neskey ’99. Andrew Littell wasn’t able to make it as he was attending a quilting conference in Boise, Idaho. • Thank you for all your contributions and enjoy the winter!

1999

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Ryan Aldrich married Elizabeth Lokey (Middlebury ’00), July 4 in Beaver Creek, Colo. Alex and Becky Thornton Leach, Matt Smith ’00, Steve Smith ’00, Pete Hanby ’01, Alex Parrillo, and Aaron Whitmore attended. The couple honeymooned in Turkey then moved to Boise to start jobs at Boise State and the College of Idaho. • Jamie (Hinson ’02) and James Scribner welcomed Walden Nicole June 20. • John and Mary Antrim Maddox welcomed Jack to the world June 22. • Juliana Pechia and husband David welcomed little sister Harper Metcalf March 12. Big sister Paisley is happy as could be. Juliana and her husband work at Indian Mountain School in Lakeville, Conn. • Allison Birdsong successfully ran in the New York City Marathon Nov. 8, where tons of Colby friends cheered her on! • Mary Schwalm is a staff photojournalist at the Eagle-Tribune in North Andover, Mass. • Daniel and Kelly Williams Ramot welcomed their third child, Eden Lily, in June. She joined brothers Noam and Raphael. They still love life on the Upper West Side of Manhattan. • Judy Ring Long became the breaking news editor at the Bangor Daily News in June. She’s required to make news decisions.

Craig Jude’s students in Woodbourne, N.Y., have had some interesting reasons for missing physiology class.

Occasionally a student, running late, will get caught at a checkpoint manned by guards. “Three of my students said they might have to miss an exam in a couple of weeks,” Jude said, “because their parole hearings are the next day.”

But Jude ’99, who teaches a college course at Woodbourne Correctional Facility, a medium-security men’s prison about 25 miles west of Poughkeepsie, said absences are few and far between. He has found his students to be respectful of him and each other. “If you were just to talk to any of them, I don’t think you would think they would belong in prison,” he said.

All of the students in the Bard [College] Prison Initiative, are incarcerated in New York. Established in 1995, the program enrolls about 200 who can earn associates and bachelors degrees from Bard.

Students admitted are the best and brightest from a population where, at Woodbourne for example, 80 percent have a violent felony conviction, according to published reports. But, no matter what their offense (their professor doesn’t ask), the students are motivated, competitive (some very much aware of their high GPAs), and determined to learn, Jude said.

“There are definitely some very bright students,” he said. “On a couple of exams I’ve had people who have not missed a single question—on a 50- to 75-question exam. Their ability to recall and retain the information is pretty impressive.”

He said the range of grades is comparable to those at Colby, where he taught two years ago, though the course is taught differently for a couple of reasons. One, the students at Woodbourne are likely to have less preparation. Two, faculty in the prison are not allowed to bring in anything other than papers and books. No computers. Not even a cell phone.

For Jude, who also taught at Dartmouth, where he earned his Ph.D. in biology, it was a big change. “Even something like a CD or a DVD has to be specially cleared,” Jude said. “It’s definitely taking a step back in the way you have to teach.”

There are other differences. Guards monitor the class through a wall that is all windows. The professor enters the prison through metal detectors and security doors. There is no time in the lab for physiology because of the logistical problems it would create. Also, according to Jude, while students at Colby and Dartmouth often would wait until after class to admit they were stumped, not so in his prison class.

“They don’t have the same fear of looking foolish in front of the professor. They’ll ask anything that they’re unclear about,” Jude said.

While all college students have a lot to juggle, Jude’s take a four-course load, work a full-time job in prison, and have highly regimented lives. “That’s one of the comments that the students make a lot,” Jude said, “that one of the big misconceptions about prison is that they have nothing but time on their hands.”

He said his students say they want a college degree so they can get a good job and stay away from crime after they’re released. According to Bard, programs like this one reduce reincarceration rates from 60 percent to less than 15 percent.

Jude, whose wife, Brooke Frappier Jude ’00, teaches biology at Bard proper, said he’s learned some things as well in his prison teaching stint.

“It gets you seeing that it’s not just the people who have always been on that track toward an elite college that can do the work,” he said. “Anyone who is sufficiently motivated, even if they’ve made mistakes in their lives, can do the work and process the same information. It’s just a question of getting the opportunity to do so.”

—Gerry Boyle ’78
on deadline at night with additional focus on presenting news in a timely fashion on their award-winning website. Judy interned at the BDN her senior year at Colby. She lives in nearby Orrington, her hometown, with her husband of 10 years and various furry pets. • Andrew Wnek and his wife, Christmas, welcomed their first baby, Amelia Grace, Sept. 9. • Last fall Molly Frazier left the ad world in the Big Apple for student life in Beantown. She lives in Cambridge and is pursuing an M.L.I.S. in anticipation of becoming an archivist. • Ben and Delphine Burke Liston welcomed their daughter, Mavee Eleanor, in May in Guatemala, where Delphine had been working for a nonprofit public health organization for the past two years. They’ve moved back to the U.S. and live in Boca Raton, Fla., where Beave is a middle school counselor at St. Andrews School while Delphine takes care of Mavee. • Jenny (O’Donnell ’00) and James Spidle had a great visit with Danielle and Jon Holtz at Sugarloaf over Columbus Day weekend. • Cate Tynan O’Dwyer and her husband welcomed Patrick Trescott July 22. He joins proud big brother, Dylan, 4. • Nick and Jessie Davis Keppeller and daughter Sloane, 1, traveled to Buenos Aires in November and celebrated Thanksgiving over carne asada. • Peter Hans recently ran into Michael in Jackson, Calif., Norway, which was quite ironic because they had already planned a summer trip to Norway together. They now plan to be in Cleveland with Ross Frankenfield. Michael was able to secure a summer job as Indians bat boy, Pat will be selling cracker jacks, and Ross will be providing color commentary for the Indians home network, SportsTime Ohio. • Michael Farrell made a fire movie he’s pleased about. See it at poisspinner.com/ andsoitgoes.html. • Jon Allen wonders if you need a permit to “whip out” your glue gun in Texas? He has been sailing across the Pacific Ocean with his fiancé, Jenny, and will spend six months in New Zealand before continuing the journey westward through Australia (Whitsunday Island and Great Barrier Reef) and Southeast Asia (PNG, Indonesia, and Thailand) before completing the circle in the Mediterranean in 2012. • This fall Kelly Fanning, Reed Bundy, Chris Greenfield ’96, Liz Magyar Stockwell ’98, and Dan Zipin ’99 ran the Reach the Beach 200-mile relay from Franconia Notch, N.H., to Hampton Beach, N.H. The race went extremely well and the team was especially proud because of their name: Sharks with Frickin’ Laser Beams Attached to Their Heads, a throwback to their Colby iPaper days. • Kim McCarron Camuso was excited about the arrival of her first niece, Lila. Kim and her husband, Josh, celebrated their sixth anniversary in June. Kim is working on her M.B.A. at the Whittiermore School of Business and Economics at UNH and expects to graduate in 2012. • Morgan McDevitt and his wife welcomed Sloane Agnes Aug. 19. Sloane joins big sister, Kathryn. • Mark Oleszek completed his Ph.D. in political science at the University of California, Berkeley, and will teach American politics at Albright College next fall. Between now and then he’ll work in the U.S. Senate as an APSA Congressional Fellow. • At the end of April Kevin and Kate Davies Grugan welcomed their twins, Hope and Jack. They live outside Philadelphia, where Kate is finishing up a post-doctorate at Penn doing cancer research. • Corey Dwyer Mason and his husband expect their first baby at the beginning of March. She is still in Fairfield, Conn., enjoying coaching varsity cross country at Greens Farms Academy. • Megan Davis and Jared Woodward Poor expect baby number three in March to join Jesse, 3 1/2, and Max, 1 1/2. They plan to stay near Burlington, Vt., but are looking for a house that can accommodate their larger family. • Bryan and Miranda Eberle Freberg welcomed a baby boy, Liam Matthew, Sept. 30. Everyone is healthy and doing well! • On Dec. 5 Benjamin Schlitt married Hilary Henderson in Houston. • Dawson Martin’s broadcast, This Week’s Guide to the Galaxy (www.geeksguideshow.com) was picked up by the Gawker-affiliated website io9, which has more than three million readers and was named one of the top science blogs by the Times. • Alex Moskos continues to live the dream. • Jessica Lauren Creel Gualano celebrated the one-year anniversary of her wine retail and education studio, The Wine Studio, in Asheville, N.C. She is also working towards her diploma from the Wine and Spirits Education Trust.

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Welcome to the world Abigail Sarah, daughter of Edan and Annie Miller Orgad. Abigail was born Nov. 11. • David and Lindsay Scott McGehee also welcomed a baby girl, Clare Scott, May 8. • Eric Lanzas and his wife, Maggie, had a baby girl named Anabel Noah Aug. 14. She’s already seen her first moose and should be providing color commentary for the Indians home network, SportsTime Ohio. • Michael Farrell made a fire movie he’s pleased about. See it at poisspinner.com/ andsoitgoes.html. • Jon Allen wonders if you need a permit to “whip out” your glue gun in Texas? He has been sailing across the Pacific Ocean with his fiancé, Jenny, and will spend six months in New Zealand before continuing the journey westward through Australia (Whitsunday Island and Great Barrier Reef) and Southeast Asia (PNG, Indonesia, and Thailand) before completing the circle in the Mediterranean in 2012. • This fall Kelly Fanning, Reed Bundy, Chris Greenfield ’96, Liz Magyar Stockwell ’98, and Dan Zipin ’99 ran the Reach the Beach 200-mile relay from Franconia Notch, N.H., to Hampton Beach, N.H. The race went extremely well and the team was especially proud because of their name: Sharks with Frickin’ Laser Beams Attached to Their Heads, a throwback to their Colby iPaper days. • Kim McCarron Camuso was excited about the arrival of her first niece, Lila. Kim and her husband, Josh, celebrated their sixth anniversary in June. Kim is working on her M.B.A. at the Whittiermore School of Business and Economics at UNH and expects to graduate in 2012. • Morgan McDevitt and his wife welcomed Sloane Agnes Aug. 19. Sloane joins big sister, Kathryn. • Mark Oleszek completed his Ph.D. in political science at the University of California, Berkeley, and will teach American politics at Albright College next fall. Between now and then he’ll work in the U.S. Senate as an APSA Congressional Fellow. • At the end of April Kevin and Kate Davies Grugan welcomed their twins, Hope and Jack. They live outside Philadelphia, where Kate is finishing up a post-doctorate at Penn doing cancer research. • Corey Dwyer Mason and his husband expect their first baby at the beginning of March. She is still in Fairfield, Conn., enjoying coaching varsity cross country at Greens Farms Academy. • Megan Davis and Jared Woodward Poor expect baby number three in March to join Jesse, 3 1/2, and Max, 1 1/2. They plan to stay near Burlington, Vt., but are looking for a house that can accommodate their larger family. • Bryan and Miranda Eberle Freberg welcomed a baby boy, Liam Matthew, Sept. 30. Everyone is healthy and doing well! • On Dec. 5 Benjamin Schlitt married Hilary Henderson in Houston. • Dawson Martin’s broadcast, This Week’s Guide to the Galaxy (www.geeksguideshow.com) was picked up by the Gawker-affiliated website io9, which has more than three million readers and was named one of the top science blogs by the Times. • Alex Moskos continues to live the dream. • Jessica Lauren Creel Gualano celebrated the one-year anniversary of her wine retail and education studio, The Wine Studio, in Asheville, N.C. She is also working towards her diploma from the Wine and Spirits Education Trust.

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Wedding bells… Emily Darman Allen married USMC Captain Aaron Anderson Tyler May 15 at the U.S. Naval Academy chapel in Annapolis, Md. Attending were Abigail Newkirk, Leah Robertson, Zack Brown, and Vivienne Ho. Also in attendance were dedicated crew fans and Hume Center benefactors, Dorothy and Alan Hume. • Karlie Jaffe was married Aug. 1 in South Portland to Jay Efron. Helping celebrate were Leah Robertson, Zack Brown, Adam Birt, and Pete Loovero. Apparently, Leah has a future in party planning as Karlie reports that she was the best planner on the PLANET, helping to organize a surprise bridal shower, bachelorette party, and all the reception tables the morning of the wedding. • Allegra Roundy married David Sandak Aug. 14 in West Bath, Maine. See the Class of 2003 webpage (www. colby.edu/alumni) to see a picture from the wedding! • Meredith Pfaff married Brad Wolcott Aug. 21 in Boston at the New England Aquarium. The wedding
party included Cara Dionisi Bradford ’04, Kate Trainor, Anna Schierbert Scherr Morrow, Marcia Ingrama Baum ’02, and Whitney Pearce Fitts ’02. Other alumni in attendance included Becca Ayrun ’04, Anna Averdame ’02, James Bradford ’04, Brock and Stacy Thurston Barton, Alex and Brittany Lasor Burgess ’04, Adam Cohen, Lauren Gremelspacher, Mike Higgins ’02, Jasmine Ash Hodgson, Abby Kussell ’02, Ian MacPherson, Christine O’Donnell, Dan Parise, Brad Petersen, Jacob Selheimer, Zach Shull, and Becca Bruce Vail ’02. The couple resides in Charlestown, Mass. | Andrea Taylor married Patrick Geovan (Georgetown ’02) Oct. 9 on Peaks Island, Maine. Laura Brown Kittredge and Alex Gerushnu ’04 were in the wedding, and guests included Matt Tabas, Deborah Doctors, Kate Hughes Herd, Alex Suchman ’02, and Anne Tricomi ’02. | In other news, John Brightjent joined the foreign service with USAID last summer. He is back in Rochester, N.Y., where Lesley Loss Weitz ’87 met her husband, Joanne. | They regu...
summer! Jake surprised Lindsay while they were in San Francisco visiting friends. He bought a six-hour ferry to break up the monotony. And it's even farther from Istanbul.

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After earning her veterinary degree, working in the States was out of the question (visa issues, general state of the job market) so Barutcuoglu stayed in Canada. There were openings in northern Ontario and St. John’s—both places were pretty remote, but at least the Atlantic was familiar. “I found there's a good circus arts community here and I’m into that kind of stuff,” she said, “so I figured, there's something to do, weather is crappy Atlantic weather, I can deal with that, let’s go.”

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At the veterinary clinic, Barutcuoglu’s patients include “cats, dogs, rabbits, guinea pigs, rats—the whole nine yards,” and she loves seeing a previously debilitated animal leave the clinic “purring or wagging.” And the hours? They’re about what a new doctor treating humans would expect—long. “Like, for example, [Friday] I worked eight hours, [then] was on call all night, so didn’t go to bed ‘til four o’clock. This morning I woke up, worked for another seven hours, and Monday I’m on call again. That’s relatively standard. … There aren’t enough vets here.”

And so Barutcuoglu is on the move again. After sticking out the year, she was headed across the country to another wet, remote place at the other end of the Trans-Canada Highway: Sechelt, British Columbia.

There are friends from vet school there, and Colby friends in Vancouver. It will be a nice change, but that’s probably not the end of the story. “Newfoundland isn’t a place anyone plans on coming to,” said Barutcuoglu, “But they come, … and then they try to leave.” She stopped for a moment and then admitted, “And I’ve heard that once they’re gone they start trying to come back.”

—Martin Connelly '08

Animal Planet | Hande Barutcuoglu ’05

Hande Barutcuoglu ’05 is Turkish, she is a veterinarian, and she lives in St. John’s, Newfoundland (Canada). St. John’s (pop. 180,000) is the easternmost, and oldest, city in North America, and it’s a good place to bring up with anybody who says Waterville is remote. It’s a 20-hour drive from Colby, with a six-hour ferry to break up the monotony. And it’s even farther from Istanbul.

The way Barutcuoglu tells it, it’s not such a crazy story. Her high school guidance counselor in Turkey suggested Colby (“I got in and said, ‘Yeah sure, why not? … Let’s go to Maine.’”), and she completed a B.A. in biology (“For some reason Colby gives out a bachelor of arts for a biology degree, which blows my mind to this day”), with veterinary school being the plan all along.

In fact, Barutcuoglu doesn’t recall when she decided to become a veterinarian, only that she could never see herself doing anything else. U.S. vet schools are nigh impossible to get into as an international student, she said, and so she ended up in Guelph, Ontario. This is still a big deal. While U.S. vet schools have around two seats for international students per class, Canadian schools offer just eight or 10 international spots. “Most of those are taken by Americans,” said Barutcuoglu, “but still.”

After earning her veterinary degree, working in the States was out of the question (visa issues, general state of the job market) so Barutcuoglu stayed in Canada. There were openings in northern Ontario and St. John’s—both places were pretty remote, but at least the Atlantic was familiar. “I found there's a good circus arts community here and I’m into that kind of stuff,” she said, “so I figured, there’s something to do, weather is crappy Atlantic weather, I can deal with that, let’s go.”

Barutcuoglu is a member of the Acro-Adix School of Acrobatics (acro-adix.com), where she practices flying trapeze, static trapeze, and aerial silks (“Everybody needs something to do,” she said, “so I figured, there’s something to do, weather is crappy Atlantic weather, I can deal with that, let’s go.”)

At the veterinary clinic, Barutcuoglu’s patients include “cats, dogs, rabbits, guinea pigs, rats—the whole nine yards,” and she loves seeing a previously debilitated animal leave the clinic “purring or wagging.” And the hours? They’re about what a new doctor treating humans would expect—long. “Like, for example, [Friday] I worked eight hours, [then] was on call all night, so didn’t go to bed ‘til four o’clock. This morning I woke up, worked for another seven hours, and Monday I’m on call again. That’s relatively standard. … There aren’t enough vets here.”

And so Barutcuoglu is on the move again. After sticking out the year, she was headed across the country to another wet, remote place at the other end of the Trans-Canada Highway: Sechelt, British Columbia.

There are friends from vet school there, and Colby friends in Vancouver. It will be a nice change, but that’s probably not the end of the story. “Newfoundland isn’t a place anyone plans on coming to,” said Barutcuoglu, “But they come, … and then they try to leave.” She stopped for a moment and then admitted, “And I’ve heard that once they’re gone they start trying to come back.”

—Martin Connelly '08
married in August in Massachusetts. It was a fantastic day with Colby alumni from 1975, 1976, 2000, 2004, and, of course, 2006 in attendance. They honeymooned in Maui and enjoy life on the West Coast.

* Bethany Peck gave up her ski patrol job in Snowmass, Colo., and moved back to Portland. She started at Maine Law in September.

### 2007

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Austin Phillips married Brian Kupke ’09 in August at a rowing club in Westport, Conn. Several Colby grads attended including Elyse Atkind and Lane Phillips ’10 as bridesmaids and Andy McEvoy ’09 and Spencer Crim ’09. Austin and Brian live in Knoxville, Tenn., with their little mutt, Lexi. Austin is a second-year law student at the University of Tennessee and Brian works for Apple.

* Caitlin Sateia and Kristopher King were engaged Aug. 22 on Wiggins Pass Beach, Bonita Springs, Fla., in the pouring rain. They spent most of their free time last year traveling, including hiking and camping trips to the national parks of Utah, Arizona, Washington, and Alaska. They now live in Watertoan, Mass., and are in the midst of planning their fall 2012 wedding.

* Liz Boehme is in her second year of grad school getting an M.A. in English literature at the University of Montana in Missoula. Hugh Murphy is growing away at his first year of dental school at USC.

* Mindy Favreau married William Woerter June 12—they honeyed away in Philadelphia Marathon Nov. 21. They honeymooned in Main’s record holder in cross country plans to run her first marathon, and loves it. She met up with Alicia Reszzel, who won the Yamone Siu ‘03 received an Excellence in Pro Bono Advocacy award from Sanctuary for Families, a nonprofit that serves domestic violence and trafficking victims and their children. Skinner was commended for her “zealous representation of multiple clients ... as well as her linguistically sensitive representation of monolingual Spanish-speaking clients.” Yvonne Siu ’03 wrote and coordinated two articles in a seven-page “Work-Life Balance” report for Corporate Voices for Working Families (CVWF). The report ran in USA Today Dec. 3 in New York, Los Angeles, and Washington, D.C., and was republished in 16 big-city newspapers nationwide. The report explores changing demographic and economic forces affecting Americans, how work-life balance improves satisfaction at work and at home, and how businesses can help, reports Siu, manager of communications and government relations for CVWF. Baseball has changed the lives of many boys in Phillipse Township outside Cape Town, South Africa, thanks in part to coach Rob Rosenbaum ’07. Baseball offers an alternative to the daily temptations of guns, drugs, and crime. Players for the Phillipse Angels commit to academic tutoring, too—“It’s the commitment to something bigger than yourself,” Rosenbaum said in a CNN video. “You transfer that to the rest of your life and you’ve got a much better chance.”

* Katrina Gravel ’15 won the Harvard Pilgrim Maine Coast Half Marathon Nov. 7. Gravel, in her first attempt at this distance, ran the challenging course with a time of 1:26:53 with temperatures in the 40s and a biting wind. This state of Maine record holder in cross country plans to run her first marathon, the Vermont City Marathon, next spring with boyfriend Dan Vassallo ’07, who won the Philadelphia Marathon Nov. 21.

#### MILESTONES


* Pan Massachusetts Challenge, a two-day 200-mile bike ride across Massachusetts that raises money for cancer research.

* Heather Todd graduated from Claremont Graduate University with a master’s in history and archival studies. She’s currently employed as the lead bookseller at Spellbinder Books in Bishph, Calif., and loves it. She met up with Cassandra Newell, Stella Kim, Amy Weinforter, Chantal Balsedent, Haley Blum, and Julia Gilstine in Maine at the Poland Springs Resort during Greg Engel ’07 and Alicia Thibeault’s wedding. They had a wonderful time!

* Julie Wilson has been promoted to the producers team at Random House and collaborated on their fall audio book productions. Julie, Nicholas Cade, Ben Herbst, Diana Sternberg ’09, and Romeo Raika ’06 oversaw six successful happy hour fundraiser benefiting Engaging Achievement (www.engagingachievement.org) last October. Proceeds helps provide underserved students in New York public schools opportunities to form personal relationships with major colleges and universities.

* Jamie Poster works as an AmeriCorps Vista member for the Pocahontas Opera House in Marlinton, W.V.

* Amanda Roehn continues to love life in North Carolina and at Duke. She’s excited for her first Duke basketball season and is also hoping to make it up to Colby this spring for softball games.

* Avi David and Cassie Jendzejec are traveling around India and up to Kathmandu, Nepal, where they’ll teach and trek in the Himalayas for much of this year.

* Brad Woodworth is continuing his sail around the world and greatly enjoys the experience. He left Canada in May and stopped off in the Caribbean, Panama, and Galapagos before a three-week stop in Picharl Island. He wrote from Vanuatu. He planned to sail to Bali and then cross the Indian Ocean, hoping to arrive in Reunion sometime in early January.

* Sam Jones reported that Matt Hirsch completed an eight-week SCUBA course, receiving certification to lead expeditions in Aruba. Matt’s taken to the Aruba lifestyle—rarely wearing a shirt, letting his hair grow to ridiculous lengths, and foraging the sea for his meals. Whenever Sam talks to him, he always says, “The sea is such a plentiful bounty.”

* Laura Pomponi finished her master’s in deaf education and lives with Emily Plum and Liz Petit. She’s working as a transitional kindergarten teacher at SEEM Collaborative in North Reading, Mass.

* Emily Wilson and Martin Connolly were married by Jack Davidson in Arlington, Vt., Aug. 14. Many friends and family were on hand to celebrate including Joel Alex, Christine Avena, David Brand,
Maxx Brown ’06, Rocío Orantes Carey ’07, Liz Clark, Cynthia Davies ’04, Meaghan Jerrett, Angela Martinelli, MaryClaire McGovern, Jake Obstfeld ’09, Brian Putnam, Tom Treat, Ned Warner ’09, and Kerry Whittaker, all of whom, it must be said, were pretty excited too. Thanks for all of the interesting updates!

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Maria Ryden and Jason Stigliano visited Elyse Apantaku and Ben Hauptman at their Brunswick apartment. They relived their favorite college adventures such as playing multiplayer video games and eating doughnuts late at night at Tim Hortons. * This summer Brookes Moody lived and worked on a 60-foot sailboat and competed in, among other things, the Newport-Bermuda Race. She now lives in New York City, where she’s pursuing a master’s in fine arts in creative writing with a concentration in poetry at the New School. * Sam Hoff lives with Logan King and Sam Witherspoon in a nice apartment in Boston’s North End. The three of them walk to work in the financial district each day. In November Sam met up with Travis Townsend, Henry Sears, Steve Holt, and Harry Goldstein in Chicago for a long weekend to welcome Griffin Richards back to the U.S. after his year volunteering in Rwanda. * Since Henry Powell last wrote he started working at a local gelato company, Maple’s Organics, in South Portland, Maine. Quickly he became the production manager for the whole company and has been making all the gelati from scratch (starting by separating 300 egg yolks from the whites) every week. Maple’s Organics won best dessert at the Common Ground Fair, where Henry ran into many Colby friends including Emily Jenkins, Reva Eiferman, Lauren Pongan, and Emma Balazs. * Kat Brzozowski is still an editor at Thomas Dunne Books, a division of St. Martin’s Press, and lives with Wes Miller ’08. * Ned Warner lives with Tom Treat ’08 in Boulder, Colo. They spend their time brewing beer, making beef jerky, skiing, hiking, and fishing. * Lokesh Todt continues to work at Analysis Group and has met up with quite a few Colby ’09 kids. He attended the Welcome to the City event in Boston. * Zac Bloom ran away from Los Angeles to New York City in August to begin work as an account executive at RJW Collective, an advertising agency. He’s currently debating the wisdom of returning to a place where water freezes without the aid of a major appliance. * David Way works as a member of the AmeriCorps Victim Assistance Program of New Hampshire. He works with victims of domestic abuse and sexual assault in a crisis center housed in theYWCA of New Hampshire (located in Manchester). * Meg Lancaster completed a master’s program last spring and now teaches fifth grade in Georgetown, Mass. * Austin Nicholas flew to Shanghai and Tokyo in June with Gustaf Lonaeus and met up with Menya Hinga and Chao Zheng, who both live in Japan. * Brooke Barron lives in DC, where she works as a legislative analyst for the Office of Congressional Relations at the Department of Agriculture. It’s a great mix of policy and politics. She lives with Liza Hester and sees a lot of Suzanne Merkelson, Liz O’Neill, Andreas Marcotte, Dylan Perry, John Wagner, Molly Corbett, and Shirrima Cooray. Really fun DC crew—everyone’s doing well. * Willa Rose Vogel lives in Ithaca, N.Y., where she works as a training curriculum developer at Taitem Engineering. She really enjoys Ithaca and finds lots of time to travel on the weekends. * It’s great to hear from you guys—keep sharing!

O B I T U A R I E S

Nancy Nivison Hamilton ’33, Nov. 13, 2010, in Deer Isle, Maine, at 98. She was an accomplished pianist and organist and was a founding member of the Pioneer Valley (Mass.) Symphony. She worked as a home decorator with Hamilton Interiors, a family-owned business. Survivors include her children, Douglas, Margaret Smith, and Barbara Martin, seven grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

Annabelle White Messer Jameson ’36, Oct. 12, 2010, in Rockport, Maine, at 94. She taught high school in Maine for 23 years while also raising her children. Active with the historical society, her church, and Delta Kappa Gamma sorority, she loved to garden, read, and fish. She was widowed twice but is survived by her daughters, Nancy Howard, Lorna Pyzynski, Diane Jerome, and Lorraine Tames, seven grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, and four great-great-grandchildren.

Marion Libby Warren ’36, Nov. 3, 2010, in Brunswick, Maine, at 97. She earned a teaching degree from Presque Isle Normal School and was a homemaker most of her life. She was a den mother for Cub Scouts, a member of the Baptist Church, and delivered Meals on Wheels. Survivors include her children, Paul, Vernon, Cathy Blackstone, and Mary Sharp, seven grandchildren, and 13 great-grandchildren.

Pearl Hoyt Coffin ’37, Nov. 28, 2010, in Dover-Foxcroft, Maine, at 95. She was a homemaker and mother who belonged to the Baptist church. Survivors include her daughters, Elaine, Donna, and Norma, 10 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren, and four great-great-grandchildren.

Katherine Coffin Mills ’39, Oct. 4, 2010, in Farningtom, Maine, at 93. She taught high school English for 35 years, retiring in 1991 as head of the English department at Mount Blue High School. She earned a master’s in English in 1972 and was mentor and public speaking coach to many. She traveled widely, volunteered with numerous organizations, and was active with civic organizations. She was preceded by her former husband, S. Peter Mills ’34. Survivors include her children, Peter, David, Janet ’69, Paul, and Dora Anne, five grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, and two siblings.

Edwin F. Savage ’39, Nov. 29, 2010, in Benton, Maine, at 92. He graduated from Kansas City University Dental School and then served in the Navy. He established a dental practice in Fairfield, Maine, and served on the Fairfield town council and in other municipal offices. He was married twice and had five children.

Ruth Blake Thompson ’40, Nov. 5, 2010, in Montpelier, Vt., at 91. A mother and homemaker, she volunteered and taught Sunday school and sewing classes. Survivors include her sister, Mary Louise Endicott, three children, four grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

Elmer L. Baxter ’41, Nov. 21, 2010, in Bar Harbor, Maine, at 91. He served as an Air Force meteorologist in World War II and the Korean War, stationed in Greenland and Newfoundland. He worked in insurance, was active with his church, and was a scoutmaster. He spoke Russian and Esperanto, which he taught to seniors, and he loved railroads and volunteered as a conductor for the Maine Narrow Gauge Railroad. He was predeceased by his wife, Elizabeth (Sweetser ’41). Survivors include his sons, Ledyard ’67, David ’70, and Benjamin, four grandchildren, and a great-grandchild.

M. Eleanor King Clark ’41, Nov. 28, 2010, in Kennebunkport, Maine, at 91. She ran a hotel in Kennebunkport with her husband for nearly 25 years while also raising her children, leading a Girl Scout troop, and substitute teaching. She later worked as a teaching assistant...
Mildred Van Valkenburg Demartini ’41, Sept. 22, 2010, in Vero Beach, Fla., at 89. A homemaker and mother, she belonged to AAUW and played duplicate bridge. Survivors include her husband of 66 years, Felix, three children, nine grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Virginia Moore Fremon ’41, Nov. 29, 2010, in Hackettstown, N.J., at 92. She earned her B.S. at Columbia Presbyterian School of Nursing and then worked as an R.N. at the hospital there. She was active with her church and sang in the choir. She was also an equestrian. Survivors include her husband, Richard, four children, seven grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and a sister.

Priscilla Hathorn White ’42, Dec. 15, 2010, in Dover-Foxcroft, Maine, at 89. She was a Maine high school teacher for 49 years, retiring from Foxcroft Academy in 1991. She was active with local and state teachers associations and other community organizations, including Daughters of the American Revolution. Survivors include her sons, Robert and Jere, six grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

Leonard G. Cohen ’43, Nov. 30, 2010, in Longboat Key, Fla., at 88. He served in World War II, earned his dental degree from the University of Pittsburgh in 1946, and then served in the dental corps during the Korean War. He practiced dentistry after the war for 40 years in New Bedford, Mass., where he was also active with his synagogue. Survivors include his wife of nearly 66 years, Florence, two daughters, and a grandson.

Ruth Howes Mistark ’43, Oct. 10, 2010, in Scarborough, Maine, at 89. She earned a master’s in occupational therapy from Tufts in 1946, and then was a welder and shipfitter with Fore River Shipyard during World War II. She later worked in OT in Worcester, Mass. She retired and moved to Cliff Island, Maine, and was a caterer for 20 years. She also enjoyed reading, needle crafts, and cooking. She was predeceased by father, Seth Howes Class of 1914. Survivors included her sister, Katherine Howes Brooks ’44 and her son, James.

Katherine Howes Brooks ’44, Dec. 5, 2010, in Portland, Maine, at 88. She traveled and lived around the world while her husband was in the foreign service. She taught English at foreign colleges, managed a commissary, and wrote poetry. She was predeceased by her father, Seth Howes Class of 1914, her husband, Wendall Brooks ’42, and her sister, Ruth Howes Mistark ’43. Survivors include her daughters, Wendie Geiger and Katherine Brooks, two grandchildren, and a great-granddaughter.

Harold L. Vigue ’44, Oct. 17, 2010, in Waterville, Maine, at 88. He left Colby to serve with the Army Air Corps during World War II and received the Soldier’s Medal for non-combat valor. He returned to Colby and then began a 40-year career with the John Hancock Life Insurance Company. He served on the Cumberland County Civic Center board and was appointed to the Maine Agent’s Ethics Committee for Life and Health Insurance. He sang in the church choir and belonged to the Lions Club. Survivors include his wife, Ruth, two daughters, four grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, and a sister.

Beaverley Hayward Teague ’49, Oct. 18, 2010, in Fairfield, Maine, at 82. A dedicated mother and housewife, she belonged to the Methodist church, the women’s club, and the Maine Children’s Home for Little Wanderers. In 1976 Maine Governor Longley appointed her to the Governor’s Committee on Children and Youth. Survivors include her children, Jennifer Morrisseau and Jack Teague; and four grandchildren.

Henry F. Poirier ’50, Sept. 21, 2010, in Waterville, Maine, at 85. Following high school he served in the Navy during World War II. After Colby he earned a D.D.S. from the University of Montreal. He practiced dentistry in Waterville for more than 40 years and belonged to the Maine Dental Association. He was a member of the Lions Club, enjoyed tennis and golf, and was an energetic skier who raced in the first Sugarloaf Schuss. Survivors include his twin sister, Henrietta St. Onge, three children, and two grandchildren.

Geoffrey S. Lyford ’51, Oct. 10, 2010, in Edmonton, Alberta, at 84. He worked as a systems designer in upstate New York until he emigrated during the Vietnam War. He worked in systems with the University of Calgary, studied urban design, and then worked with Canada’s federal government designing municipalities within parks, such as Banff and Jasper. Survivors include his wife, Florence (Roshanna) McDonell ’51, three sons, four grandchildren, and three siblings.

Robert M. Roth ’51, Oct. 18, 2010, in West Hartford, Conn., at 80. He served as a first lieutenant in the Korean War. He worked as a stockbroker, and in 1967 he started Mark Securities. He umpired Little League, coached midget football, and started a girls’ softball league. He served on the board of education, supported local charities, and loved to golf. Survivors include his wife of 55 years, Helen (Palen ’51), three children, and seven grandchildren.

Joan Acheson Bridge ’52, Nov. 14, 2010, in Augusta, Maine, at 79. She earned a master’s from the University of Maine. She taught elementary school in New Hampshire and then French and Spanish at Cony High School in Maine. She was known as a humorous storyteller and she loved dogs. Survivors include her children, Allyn Bridge and Allison Pederson, two grandsons, and four brothers.

Henry L. Malloy ’52, Oct. 22, 2010, in Waccabuc, N.Y., at 79. He earned his bachelor’s from Villanova and
then served in the Navy. He worked in advertising and insurance, retiring as vice president of Republic Hogg Robinson, now Wells Fargo. Survivors include his wife, Vivien, five children, eight grandchildren, and a brother.

Jean Paula Whitcomb Thornton ’52, Oct. 29, 2010, in Randolph, Vt., at 80. She was a proud homemaker and mother of nine who supported her children’s activities. She loved to knit and was known for giving anyone a ride in her little yellow car. Survivors include nine children, 23 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Hershel L. Alpert ’53, Nov. 26, 2010, in New Bedford, Mass., at 78. After serving in the Army, he worked in the family business, eventually becoming president of Alpert’s Furniture as well as its subsidiaries. He was named retailer of the year by numerous organizations, chaired home furnishing associations, and worked as a consultant. He also served on the boards of community organizations. He was predeceased by his wife, Barbara (Weiss ’53). Survivors include his children, Beth, Bruce, Peter, and Scott, seven grandchildren, a sister, and a brother-in-law, Robert Weiss ’56.

John R. Faulkner ’53, Dec. 6, 2010, in Houlton, Maine, at 79. He built a 30-year career in the newspaper business, including stints as manager and editor of the Houlton Pioneer Times and then business manager and eventually executive editor at Northeast Publishing Company. In 2004 was inducted to the Maine Press Association Hall of Fame. He was a fly-fisherman and a hunter as well as a master gardener. Survivors include his wife, Esther, three sons, and a grandson.

Elizabeth Winkler Laffey ’53, Oct. 3, 2010, in Vero Beach, Fla., at 79. She was a mother and a housewife who also ran a girls’ summer camp in Massachusetts with her husband. Survivors include her husband of 57 years, George ’53, two children, and four grandchildren.

Frank D. Kirby ’63, Nov. 23, 2010, in Rocky Hill, Conn., at 69. He earned his law degree from New York University and then practiced as a bankruptcy attorney for 43 years in Boston and Worcester, Mass. He was a lifelong rugby player, an avid skier, and a golfer. Survivors include his wife, Jacqueline, two children, a grandson, two siblings, and his mother.

John E. Dahlfred ’66, Oct. 1, 2010, in Boston, Mass., at 66. He joined the Army and served in Vietnam. He worked in the technology industry before starting his own business as a sales rep. He was also an antiques dealer who enjoyed antique preservation and travel. Survivors include his wife, Sandra, two sons, Karl ’98 and James, two stepdaughters, two grandchildren, and six step-grandchildren.

Anne Paul Schmidt ’67, Nov. 14, 2010, in New London, Conn., at 65. She earned two master’s degrees from Syracuse University. She was director of major gifts in Connecticut for the American Cancer Society and also served as executive director for the New London office. She volunteered with the garden club, New London Main Street, and the Rotary Club. Survivors include her husband, William, four children, and five grandchildren.

James R. Vaughan ’67, Oct. 15, 2010, in Middletown, Conn., at 64. He worked in personnel and ran his own recruiting agency for more than 20 years. He coached and umpired Little League, was a music aficionado, a food critic, and a collector of baseball cards and tin soldiers. Survivors include his wife, Linda (Allen ’67), three children, four grandchildren, two siblings, and nieces and nephews, including Rebecca Allen ’98.

Priscilla C. Austin ’68, Dec. 7, 2010, in Holden, Mass., at 63. She earned an M.B.A. from Simmons School of Management and worked as an administrative assistant and a paralegal. She sang in the Boston choral music community and performed with various ensembles. Survivors include her husband, Murray Kohn, and a brother.

Bruce D. McClellan ’78, Oct. 5, 2010, in Springfield, Mass., at 55. He worked a variety of jobs, most recently in the computer industry, and was an engaged husband and father. He died after a brief illness. Survivors include his wife, Kathleen, three children, his parents, and three siblings.

Sean S. Smith ’79, Oct. 18, 2010, in Littleton, Colo., at 52. He worked for 25 years as a teacher, advisor, coach, academic dean, and middle school principal at Colorado Academy, where he started a summer program for underprivileged children. He pursued graduate work at the University of St. Andrews (Scotland) from 1988 to 1990 and was head class agent at Colby. He loved to fish, ski, and backpack. He died from brain cancer. Survivors include his wife, Debra Perkins-Smith ’77, and two children.

Kevin J. Farley ’86, Sept. 28, 2010, in Santa Cruz, Calif., at 46. He worked in the computer technology industry, most recently with iControl Networks in Palo Alto. He was an outdoor enthusiast who championed the environment and animals. He died from melanoma. Survivors include his siblings, Pam, Rick, Kathy Thomas, Maureen Scott, and Jean D’Olimpio.

Charles W. Bassett, Oct. 19, 2010, in Waterville, Maine, at 78. He earned a Ph.D. from the University of Kansas and in 1969 came to Colby. He played a pivotal role in establishing the American Studies Program and served as its director for 25 years. He chaired the English Department in the 1980s, and was named a Dana Professor in 1983 and Lee Family Professor of English and American Studies in 1994. In 1994 he won the first Mary C. Turpie Award from the American Studies Association. He was the first recipient of the Senior Class Teaching Award, later named for him, and he won the first Alumni Association award for service to alumni. Survivors include his children, David and Elizabeth, and three grandchildren.

Robert G. Doel, Nov. 21, 2010, in Waterville, Maine, at 79. Educated at Heidelberg College, Kent State, and the University of Wisconsin, Madison, he came to Colby in 1965 and taught sociology for 20 years. In retirement he sailed the coast of Maine and Canada and hiked and fished in the Pacific Northwest and in Argentina. Survivors include his wife, Priscilla Doel, professor emerita of Portuguese and Spanish, and a daughter.

Robert E.L. Strider II, M.A. ’57, Litt.D. ’79, Nov. 28, 2010, in Boston, Mass., at 93. President of Colby from 1960 to 1979, he came to the College as dean of faculty in 1957 and was a life trustee as president emeritus. He earned a B.A. and a Ph.D. at Harvard and held honorary degrees from Colby and 10 other colleges. Predeceased by his wife, Helen Bell Strider, he is survived by his children, Mary Bruenn, Robert, William, and Elizabeth Dain, three grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren, a sister, Barbara Kuehn, and brother David Strider. (See story, page 5.)