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## Emma James nominated as young alumna trustee

Emma James '04 is nominated for the position of young alumna trustee for the term beginning July 1, 2007. James was selected by the Alumni Council's nominating committee from a field of 40 candidates nominated by faculty and staff for the position, which is reserved for an alumnus or alumna who graduated within the previous seven years of the beginning of her or his first term.

Nominated for her first three-year term (renewable once), James lives in New York City where she was to complete her LL.M degree at Columbia University School of Law in May 2007.

A native of New Zealand, James came to Colby as a Davis United World College Scholar from India. At Colby she was president of the International Club and a student representative to Student Affairs Committee of the

Board of Trustees. She graduated magna cum laude as a government and international studies major after three years. She also received a B.A. in law, with honors, at the University of Cambridge (UK) in 2006.

James has experience as a disaster and emergency response advisor in various countries in South Asia. She succeeds Nancy Joachim '98, the current young alumna trustee, who completes her second term at Commencement.

In accordance with the bylaws of the Alumni Association, other nominations may be made by petition to the executive secretary of the Alumni Council with the signatures of one percent of the members of the association on or before June 15, 2007. If there are no nominations by petition, James will be declared elected by the chair of the Alumni Council.

### 20S/30s milestones

**Deaths:** **Kathleen V. Poland '26**, January 6, 2007, in Weld, Maine, at 101. ♦ **F. Christine Booth '26**, April 10, 2007, in Lawrence, Mass., at 101. **Amelia Bliss Theriault '31**, March 1, 2007, in Waterville, Maine, at 97. ♦ **Helen Simmons Dempsey '32**, February 26, 2007, in Brewer, Maine, at 96. ♦ **Dorcas Paul Frost '32**, January 29, 2007, in York, Maine, at 96. ♦ **Ruth Stubbs Frazer '34**, January 3, 2007, in Pittsburgh, Pa., at 93. ♦ **Elinor Chick Ross '35**, February 20, 2007, in Concord, Mass., at 94. ♦ **Helena Tebbetts Bessette '35**, March 30, 2007, in Lake Placid, Fla., at 92. ♦ **Elizabeth Wilkinson Ryan '37**, October 26, 2006, in New York, N.Y. at 90. ♦ **Clifford R. Nelson '38**, January 27, 2007, in Star, Idaho, at 90. ♦ **Helen Carter Guptill '39**, January 18, 2007, in Newton, N.C., at 88.

**38** The *Marblehead* (Mass.) *Reporter* published a charming article about **Martha Bessom Gorman**, a lifelong resident there. Martha and her sister were the founders of the Tiny Tot School in 1945, considered "way ahead of its time." After losing her husband, James, Martha and her sister sold the school and she went into public school teaching. For 12 years she taught kindergarten in Topsfield. Since retiring she remains active with her church, the humane society, the DAR, and as a volunteer for the historic Lee Mansion. She still enjoys her favorite team, the Red Sox, never missing a game on TV. She adores her six grandchildren, their spouses, and her seven great-grandchildren.

**42** **Martha Rogers Beach's** granddaughter is serving in Iraq. Martha receives frequent e-mails from Iraq, which she finds amazing when she thinks of mail security during World War II. She even receives pictures of her granddaughter and her working mates! Her granddaughter has many people praying for her and

the rest of the soldiers overseas.

**44** Had a nice letter from **Nan Grahn Christensen**. She is content with her life at her retirement village in Florida, where she does aerobics, swims year around, and plays bridge. They have lectures, movies, study groups, and travel and tour opportunities. She visited her son in Montecito, Calif., near Santa Barbara. She mentioned that the media really play up the hurricane threats, but even though the last one, Wilma, blew *hard* she was not evacuated and survived nicely. ♦ **Judy (Corrine) Jones Zimmerman**, in South Burlington, Vt., was recovering from a fractured hip, which called for surgery to remove her hip ball, joint, and bone fragments. She was hospitalized for 12 days and in rehab for three months. She has had quite a recovery period and still has more to go. Before this all happened she and her husband had traveled to Washington, D.C., and found it wonderful. She has five married children, 14 grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren with

one more expected. ♦ **Kay Howes Brooks** also dropped a line. She is fine and is debating a trip to Ireland with her granddaughter. She's not sure she wants to put up with all of the hassle of flying and security! ♦ Wonderful write-up in the Bangor paper of Hussey's General Store. To refresh your memory, **Elwin Hussey** of Windsor, Maine, entered Colby in 1940 so was class of 1944 (though he graduated in 1943). He commuted from Windsor daily and in his spare time worked in his father's store. The write-up was about a wedding ceremony held in the store's parking lot that is famous for selling "guns, wedding gowns, and beer," and just about everything else. The bride's gown, of course, came from Hussey's, and her father held a shotgun (also from Hussey's). Elwin admitted that this shotgun wedding was really something different. This was all done to celebrate Elwin's 84th birthday. ♦ Yes, I have traveled again this year! This time to Brazil. I went alone and joined a group of 23 others in Rio de Janeiro. Our hotel was on Copacabana Beach and we took in all of the sights. Then on to Salvador, Brasilia, and Manaus, where we boarded a cruise ship and sailed the Amazon for a week. Absolutely amazing. Although it was the beginning of their rainy season, we lucked out with only two brief, heavy showers. The temperature was in the high 90s and the humidity was almost as high, but we always came back from our exploration river trip to our air conditioned ship. The natives hoped for rain soon, as the river was down 35 feet. Of course it is spring there and they will be getting the snow melt from the Andes soon. —*Josephine Pitts McAlary*

**45** **Floyd Harding** and his late wife, Jean, were honored on August 26, 2006, for their dedication and service to their community and area residents in Presque Isle, Maine. Northern Maine Community College played host to the event, "A Lifetime and Legacy of Laughter, Love and Service: An Evening Honoring the Many Contributions of Floyd and Jean Harding." The event was designed to recognize the contributions of Floyd and nine other individuals, all considered the founders of NMCC.

**46** **Hannah Karp Laipson** was a professor at Assumption College and Worcester Community College but is now retired and teaching for WISE, the Worcester Institute for Senior Education. Hannah was the first president and they now have 450 members. **Carol Robin Epstein** goes to the meetings. ♦ **Emily Holbrook Pelissier** is active in her women's club and she is so sad about her pal **Betty Scalise Kilham's** passing, as we all are. ♦ **Andy and Dorothy Allen Goettman** will stay in Benson, N.C., after living in Florida, Texas, and Virginia. They were invited to build an apartment onto their son's home. They stay active with golf, bridge, and church activities. They pass by Colby often when they visit Moose Lake Camp, where the family lived in the summer for 30 years. ♦ **Shirley Armstrong Howe** has four sons and four grandchildren. She and her husband have traveled in many countries and all over the U.S.A. ♦ **Chuck and I** stay busy, with Chuck golfing and me painting portraits of people, houses, tepees, etc. Keeps us both happy. —*Shirley Martin Dudley*

**47** Elinor Crewe Farnham Frolio, wife of **Stan Frolio**, passed away on May 30, 2006, in South Dartmouth, Mass. Stan now lives in their condo in Waterville, N.H. \* Alice and **Richard Sampson** enjoy bell ringing for the Salvation Army since they believe in keeping active and in helping those in need. The centerpiece of their last year was Alumni College, which they always enjoy, both subject matter and friends on and off campus. Richard and Alice like spending a month in Maine and make the trip more enjoyable by traveling to and from Colby by way of Canada. They are up to their usual activities: church, politics, and concerts in Appleton at Lawrence University and in Oshkosh at UW-O. Last year, there was much

to do with the midterm elections, including phone banking and the like. They are looking forward to this years' reunion. \* Last September **David Weber** was going to enjoy a trip through western Canada by rail with his great Colby friend William Atherton '48. All planned, until William had a slight physical alert which forced him to cancel. However, David and his wife had a fine time traveling from Calgary to Drumheller, Banff, Lake Louise, Columbia Icefield, Jasper, Kamloops, and Vancouver. David just published his article on a visit to Colophon, the ancient Greek city-state located just north of Ephesus in Turkey. He'll gladly e-mail photos and the article if any Colbyites would like them. He can be

reached at 21 Jasmine Creek Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92625.

**48** Information from **Peg Clark Atkins** arrived too late for the last issue, but here it is. On September 30 some of our classmates met at Celia Farnham Sturtevant's home for lunch. **Fran Hyde Stephan** and **Carol Stoll Baker** were the program and described the Alumni College on China that they attended last spring. **Ann Mc Alary Sevens**, **Millie Hammond Bauer**, Carol, Fran, and Peg represented the Class of '48. Peg and her husband are well and busy. Peg's recent activities included an inventory of church choral music, a family reunion for 39, and women's clubs. \* We had dinner with Carol Stoll Baker in October and caught up on each other's lives. We also visited **Marvin Joslow** in September on our last sail to Martha's Vineyard for the season. Marvin gave David a special collection of mounted U.S. coins minted in 1926, the year of David's birth. \* **Ronnie Farkas** writes: "After 36 years of wintering in Hawaii we have made a move to be closer to our mainland roots." He and Selma will spend winters in La Jolla, Calif., where the climate is ideal and cultural options are varied. "We still maintain our summer home in Falmouth, Mass., and will return there at the end of May or after the snow melts (whichever comes later)." They took a cruise to Italy, Greece, and Turkey last summer and were planning a trip through the Panama Canal and along the Mexican coast in March. They celebrated 55 years of marriage on December 2, 2006. "We were lucky enough to get it right the first time." \* **Everett Rockwell** wrote "Life goes on at Betmar in Zephyrhills, Fla. Since Mim's passing I have reentered life here in the chorus, Little Theatre, Dessert Theatre, volunteering at the pool, and working with a group of my peers on strengthening an extensive volunteer operation in our park. I'd like to make the June Reunion. In anticipation I have been practicing at cribbage at every opportunity. Hope to see many of you there." \* **Aaron Sandler** sent us an e-mail and said he had no news but was looking forward to another mini-reunion in Florida. \* **Charlie** and **Libby Hall Cousins** say there is little to report from a couple of octogenarians down in Duxbury. They have given up all sinful things like tennis, skiing, etc.

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and indulge in water aerobics, duplicate bridge, puttering, and reminiscing about Colby days. Four sons and 10 grandchildren keep them occupied with a toe in the 21st century. One granddaughter is applying to Colby. She may revive their interest in the alma mater. They keep in touch with Louise Kelley Pape Rochester '47, Carol Carpenter Bisbee '49, **Chuck Sanborn**, Dick Marcyes '47, and Earl Bosworth '49. They closed with, "If

## 40s newsmakers



Ernest Marriner '40

**Ernest Marriner '40** was awarded the Andrus Award for Community Service by the AARP in Maine in recognition of his commitment to volunteer work and community service. Serving on the AARP Capital City Task Force and National Policy Council, Marriner pushes for legislative change in Augusta, bringing with him experience in management from a previous position as a city manager with specialization in revenue and taxation.

## milestones

*Deaths:* **Ralph E. Delano '40**, June 24, 2006, in Benson, N.C., at 90. ♦ **Ruth Rowell Higgins '40**, January 1, 2007, in Ellsworth, Maine, at 87. ♦ **Catharine P. Fussell '41**, March 22, 2007, in Kennett Square, Pa., at 87. ♦ **Thomas J. Huse '41**, December 16, 2006, in Belmont, Mass., at 91. ♦ **Virginia B. Mosher '41**, April 20, 2007, in Waterville, Maine, at 86. ♦ **Robert S. Rice '42**, January 24, 2007, in Seattle, Wash., at 87. ♦ **Charles G. Barletta '43**, February 18, 2007, in Eastchester, N.Y., at 85. ♦ **Jeannette Nielson Braddock '43**, October 4, 2006, in Rochester, N.Y., at 85. ♦ **Philip C. Buck '43**, March 29, 2007, in Manchester, N.H., at 86. ♦ **Eloise Knowlton Handy '45**, December 2, 2006, in Tucson, Ariz., at 83. ♦ **Ralph K. Harley Jr. '43**, January 1, 2007, in Sandwich, Mass., at 85. ♦ **Ernest G. Weidul '43**, April 22, 2007, in Kennebunkport, Maine, at 86. ♦ **Betty Riker Howell '46**, February 14, 2007, in Englewood, Fla., at 82. ♦ **N. Paul Bromley '47**, July 25, 2006, in Huntington, W.Va., at 81. ♦ **Mary E. Leavitt '47**, January 13, 2007, in York Harbor, Maine, at 80. ♦ **William R. Atherton '48**, January 17, 2007, in Schenectady, N.Y., at 83. ♦ **Joyce Palmer Beaulieu '48**, January 13, 2007, in Brooksville, Fla., at 80. ♦ **Burton J. Hinckley '48**, March 5, 2007, in Merrimack, N.H., at 83. ♦ **Gertrude McKusick '48**, February 28, 2007, in Old Town, Maine, at 81. ♦ **Roberta Longley Mahoney '49**, March 22, 2007, in Caribou, Maine, at 79. ♦ **John W. Washington '49**, July 29, 2004, in East Boothbay, Maine, at 78. ♦ **Richard N. Kohn '42**, February 21, 2007, in Key Biscayne, Fla., at 87. ♦ **June E. Donna '43**, March 15, 2007, in Arlington, Va. ♦ **Daniel J. Shanahan Jr. '49**, January 16, 2007, in Springfield, Va., at 81.



## ALUMNI AT LARGE

your travels take you down to the South Shore, we would love to have you drop in to see us." \* Joe and **Joan Crawley Pollock** enjoyed two weeklong Elderhostels on the Oregon coast—one about sea birds, the next about Oregon's natural wonders and indigenous plants. They were surprised to find dunes near Florence, Ore., like you would see in the Sahara. They rode over the dunes in a jeep, and in places the wind had covered tall pines with sand. Joan added, "If you are old enough and have never attended an Elderhostel, find out about them. They have all been fascinating and we have attended many." \* We were saddened to learn that on November 25, 2006, our dear friend **Marvin Joslow** passed away. Ever since 1957 we would visit Marvin in Menemsha, on Martha's Vineyard. Our children met one another in Menemsha and we built a strong bond with the Joslows. For the last few years our daughter Deborah Marson '75 spent some of the summer at the Vineyard and visited Marvin. Marvin fought a courageous battle with cancer and when we last visited him in September, as described earlier, we feared that it might be the last time. Somehow, the Vineyard just will not be the same without him, though we intend to stay in contact with his wife, Betty. \* We have settled into our Florida routine and returned to Massachusetts for Thanksgiving. We see many Colby people in the area, play a lot of golf, and generally enjoy the warm climate. —David and Dorothy Marson

**49** On November 21, 2006, flags at Colby were lowered in honor of our classmate **Jeanne Littlefield Hammond**, who died November 19. Jeanne was the administrative clerk in the Registrar's Office for 35 years, retiring in 1997. Jeanne was honored in 2004 for 50 years of service to Business and Professional Women, having joined the Waterville chapter in 1955. She was also involved with AAUW, The Red Hat Society, American Legion Auxiliary, Albion Historical Society, and Maine Women's Lobby. Our sympathy to Jeanne's seven children and 15 grandchildren. \* When **Shirley Kydd Bastien** and I were freshmen living in Hedman Hall, little did we dream that in 2006 we would be celebrating Thanksgiving together with our families at Shirley's lovely old Cape in Skowhegan. After dinner, resplendent in our bright orange

vests as it was still deer season, we all walked down through the fields of the old farm to the Kennebec. A real traditional day enjoyed by both our families. \* And speaking of the Kennebec brings me to a course I took this fall at the Mid-Coast Senior College affiliated with the University of Maine. Having lived on the Kennebec when at Colby and living now in its proximity, I thought it was time to learn something about it. The fall semester started at the beginning with the bedrock formation and progressed to 1820 when Maine became a state. I had no idea the Kennebec drains 40 percent of the State of Maine and that just above Bath it is 96 percent fresh water! This spring we'll learn about the ice industry that flourished on the river during the 19th century and the burgeoning shipbuilding. Maybe some of you know these things about the Kennebec, but it's opening my eyes to a river I more or less just took for granted. \* That's all I have for this issue, but keep the news coming and I will pass it on to all of you. —Anne Hagar Eustis

**50** I was happy to receive e-mails from **Hal Mercer** and **Allen Pease**. I hope more of you will e-mail me since it is an easy way to communicate. Otherwise, send me a note, as we all enjoy hearing news from members of our class. Hal writes: "The Mercers are alive and well here in White Plains. 2006 was the year of the cruises. Hawaii in February for 14 days out of San Diego and back. We ended the year cruising the Caribbean in November and now this year we're planning a barge tour of France, after spending some time in Paris. Spent the holidays with our children and five granddaughters. I've been retired for three years but took on a new position—presidency of White Plains Rural Cemetery (big title, little pay). Thankfully, we have a good manager and excellent crew. See you soon in Waterville." \* **Allen Pease** writes that about 25 years ago he began collecting genealogy items and in December 2006 decided to pass the information to family members by publishing an 80-page book, *Ancestors, Descendants, and Relatives of Allen Pease and Spouse Violet Call*. He says "hardly a best seller, but has value as a reference to our extended families. You surely can learn a lot about genealogy from the Internet." \* A Christmas note from Bob and **Dale Avery Benson**,

## 50s newsmakers



Jim Bishop '58

For his active and extensive involvement in the community of Sedona, Arizona, **Jim Bishop '58** was named the city's Volunteer of the Year. An accomplished writer, editor, and creative writing instructor with a passion for grassroots organizing, arts advocacy, and the environment, Bishop is at the forefront of numerous local projects such as Sedona Recycles, Keep Sedona Beautiful, and a campaign to develop a community park. ♦ **Robert Auriemma '59**

continues mentoring many stars on the hockey rink. Currently in his fourth decade as hockey coach at Brick Township High School in New Jersey, Auriemma has coached the likes of New Jersey Devils center Jim Dowd, who described his former coach as "one of the biggest influences on my life" in the *Asbury Park Press*.



Robert Auriemma '59

## milestones

**Deaths:** **Francis N. Blondin '50**, January 25, 2007, in Manchester, N.H., at 82. ♦ **James C. Tabor Sr. '51**, January 3, 2007, in New Haven, Conn., at 79. ♦ **Robert C. Vergobbi '51**, January 19, 2007, in Brooklyn Heights, N.Y., at 80. ♦ **Frederic C. Ives '52**, February 19, 2007, in Simsbury, Conn., at 76. ♦ **John H. McGowan Jr. '52**, February 22, 2007, in St. Louis, Mo., at 79. ♦ **Jerome D. Barry '53**, July 29, 2006, in Melrose, Mass., at 77. ♦ **Norma Shea Black '53**, April 9, 2007, in Natick, Mass., at 76. ♦ **Judith Holt Boone '53**, March 16, 2006, in Presque Isle, Maine, at 74. ♦ **Marcia Leland Coleman '55**, March 10, 2007, in Falls Church, Va., at 73. ♦ **Bruce M. Sullivan '55**, January 7, 2007, in Old Field, N.Y., at 77. ♦ **J. Wood Tyson Jr. '55**, January 25, 2007, in Roswell, Ga., at 74. ♦ **Peter M. Byrnes '56**, April 2, 2007, in Pembroke, Mass., at 72. ♦ **Sandra Doolittle Hunt '58**, April 17, 2007, in Branford, Conn., at 71. ♦ **Joan Peppard Boehm '58**, April 19, 2007, in Portland, Maine, at 72. ♦ **Howard V. Clarke '58**, February 17, 2007, in Melvin Village, N.H., at 71. ♦ **Richard F. Estes Jr. '58**, December 3, 2006, in St. Petersburg, Fla., at 70. **Irving B. Haynes '50**, August 27, 2005, in Lincoln, R.I., at 78.

who live in Virginia Beach, Va.: "We have many blessing for which we are thankful including 56 happy years of marriage, some family close by, nine grandchildren, two great-grandsons, and one great-granddaughter. Our health has been good and we have taken the opportunity to travel a lot. The highlight was a cruise in January to Hawaii to celebrate our 55th. We also went to San Antonio, New England, Colorado, British Columbia, and Alaska. It has been a full year. Bob sings in the men's choir at church and we are both involved in the Gideons' ministry." Dale and Bob had a good visit with **Dick and Lou Kilkenny Borah** and Jim and **Charlotte "Stubby" Crandall Graves** over

dinner in N.H. last October. \* **John Harriman** and my sister, Ann Jennings Taussig '49, spent Thanksgiving with Bill and me and our family here in Conn. John lives in La Mesa, Calif., where he does a lot of gardening. He also spends time in Mexico, where he owns a home. Ann and John visited Harriet (Sargent '48) and **George Wiswell** at High Meadow Farm in Reading, Vt., this summer. George said Ann and John arrived "just as a surprise 80th birthday party was starting with our three sons to commemorate the fact that we had just reached that milestone and were looking forward to what else we could enjoy during the next 80!" —Elisabeth "Dudie" Jennings Maley

**51** Judy and **John Linscott**, while on a cruise to Bermuda last September, asked another couple if they might share their table for breakfast. As conversation developed Colby was mentioned and a discovery was made: the other couple was Lucy and **Dick Bowen**! Dick and John were classmates, so it was a wonderful reunion far from home. \* **Charlie Tobin** has not had many changes in his life since he last sent in news. He spends six months from November to May in Florida at Sun City on the west coast. When he gets back to New England he opens the Old Wharf Inn in Dennis Port on Cape Cod for the season. They have a new Web site: [www.oldwharfinn.com](http://www.oldwharfinn.com). He adds that there is no reason for classmates not to visit him now, as the directions are on the Web. Charlie plans to visit Colby again this year to see his grandson, Jonathan Amadei '08. \* **Ernie Fortin** writes, "Word here in Sarasota one year ago was—'better purchase hurricane shutters for your windows and doors or else hurricanes might get you.' So, I did. Today I have just removed all the hurricane shutters. WHY? No hurricanes appeared at all in the six-month Florida season. Hooray for 2006—here's hoping for 2007." Ernie had a pleasant surprise recently when Dennis Dionne '61 and his wife, Mary, moved near Sarasota at the Meadows near Ernie and his wife, Patti. Dennis and Ernie worked for the same corporation for many years. Speaking of the Meadows, Ernie says that it has 8,000 people and 3,500 domiciles, three golf courses, and 16 tennis courts. Most of them call it paradise. He enjoys being vice president of the board. They are governed by a nine-member board of directors and a large group of fellow volunteers. \* **Ted Shiro**, our noted athlete, was interviewed in his Naples, Fla., home upon the death of Red Auerbach, the famous coach of the Boston Celtics.

**54** **Sherman Saperstein** has been dubbed "Grampa Moses" by his friends because of his fanciful pen-and-ink drawings. He had 32 of them in a show that opened on October 19, 2006, at the Northern Trust Bank of Phoenix, Ariz. The \$3,000 that was raised from sales was donated to autism research. Sherm's advice to classmates: "It's not too late to say, 'Never say never.'" \* **Karl Decker**, who continues to do a regular piece on small Vermont towns (those of

us who attended his presentation at our 50th class reunion were tremendously impressed), suggests that if you know of a small Vermont town that you would like to get placed on his list of "towns to do," send him an e-mail at [cotswold17@aol.com](mailto:cotswold17@aol.com). After four terms, **Merrilyn Healey Decker** stepped down as president of the local branch of AAUW but has stayed involved. Karl reports that their children and grandchildren are healthy and productive. \* **Vic Scalise** bumped into **Ned Shenton** while having lunch one day. Vic and Mary will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary in 2007 by taking a cruise with friends around the British Isles. \* I end this column with a recommendation to all of you aging golfers out there. Consider getting some hybrid golf clubs (3, 4, 5, and 6). I wish that they had been invented 15 years ago. —*Art Eddy*

**55** Not much news this time, but it was really nice to hear from new contributors **Jane Bull Shaver** and **Conny Putnam Barker**. Jane and I discovered we have a mutual friend who is married to an old Air Force friend of Jack's. Jane also writes that she recently enjoyed a trip to England, Scotland, and Ireland with her granddaughter Carrie. Carrie had just finished her freshman year at Wheelock and Jane, being forward thinking, offered her an "early graduation trip" where they could share their common interest in art history. They hit as many museums as possible and will never forget their enjoyable time together. Jane continues to be astudent and this year will receive her degree in art history, which will make her fifth degree since Colby's. Conny and her husband have had a summer home on Orrs Island, Maine, for the last 10 years. The area was so appealing that they moved to Thornton Oaks, a fine retirement community in Brunswick. There is so much to offer in a college town—even if Bowdoin is the college! \* Christine and **Ross Bear** celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with an "incredible cruise to Alaska." In February 2007 he was planning a rendezvous in Florida with the **Dick Temples**, the **Charlie Macomers**, and the **Ralph Cuccuros**. \* **John Dutton**, his wife Jane, and their son William enjoyed a very educational and nostalgic 17-day tour of England and Scotland, which included visits to his ancestral clan. John is an accomplished photogra-

pher. He planned to attend a pilot-training class reunion in February and a family reunion in New Hampshire with his two sons. \* Reunions with good friends are always memorable. Jack and I had the pleasure in late summer visiting Dick and **Jean Hahlbohm Hampton** at their lovely home on the golf course at the Ipswich Country Club. Dick still plays golf several times a week and Jean is very active in all manner of club activities. They treated us to a stirring performance of *Jesus Christ Superstar* at the theater-in-the-round at the North Shore Music Circus. Knowing how culturally inclined I am, Jean and Dick took us to the Burnham Shipbuilding Museum in Essex. A very informative tour ended with us viewing an ancient graveyard where we could barely read the names of many of my ancestors. I had very few relatives that ever owned up to it. \* **Archie** and **Jean Hawes Anderson** stayed with us following the Colby-Bowdoin football game. There was a fabulous tailgate before the game provided by Eddie Woodin '69 and his talented cohorts. Eddie was a fine football player in the sixties. Colby lost to Bowdoin for the first time in many years. The weather was beautiful. On the way back to our home from Waterville, Dick hit a deer, which we determined had dropped off a vehicle. Thankfully no one was injured, but it might be that Maine is truly Vacationland but deer-hunting season is a time to *beware*. \* My best to all. —*Ann Burnham Deering*

**56** Warm wishes to you all from the Outer Cape. **John** and I returned recently from an O.A.T. tour to Greece and the Cyclades Islands. Thanks to those gorgeous computer images, we can revisit the archeological sites at will and marvel again. \* Thank you, **Celeste Travers Roach**, for your travel news and literary note. "I laughed to find the recent book *Mayflower* mentioned many places on the South Shore. Apparently your old beach, Wessagussett, was the site of a famous Pilgrim/Indian skirmish. Naturally, I thought of you! My hometown of Marshfield was there, too." \* Mini reunions are in the news. **Judi Pen-nock Lilley** wrote about a mini ChiO meeting at **Heppy Reed Powers's** home in Kittery. "**Barbara Nardozi Saxon**, **Janine King Greene**, and I were joined by our little sisters, Mary Danforth Lozier '57 and Meredith Winter Kantor. Lobsters at Chauncy

## 1950s Correspondents

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Creek and talk, talk, talk. What fun!" Judi and her husband spent more than a month in Cumberland Foreside getting reacquainted with Maine and welcoming their first New England grandchild. Her travel tale was of another 50th anniversary trip. "Hard to believe all you Dekes witnessed that Quaker wedding in Strathmore, Pa., 50 years ago!" Her extended trip to see family and then on to see Tess and **John Jubinsky** in Hawaii sounds fabulous. "We are now back home in Chapel Hill and Tar Heel basketball. You've got to love it or move." \* **Janet Stebbins Walsh** also had a mini-reunion. "When we were at Colby, I had a chat with **Joan Kyritz O'Rourke** of Pompano Beach and realized that I passed her en route to visit my mother. I contacted her and we spent an afternoon on her sailboat and enjoyed the stupendous view from her 21st-floor condo overlooking the Florida coastline." \* A quick note from **Richard Abedon**: "My big Colby news is that I had lunch at The Breakers in Palm Beach overlooking the ocean with a Colby legend and great benefactor Harold Alfond. Harold is now 92 years old and just as sharp as ever. It is a privilege to be in his company. He is a very special person." \* **Janet Nordgren Meryweather** is back to her normal routines after incredible surgery. She writes that the Maine State Garden Club toured her 18 cultivated garden plots as part of its 75th convention held in Bar Harbor. Martha Stewart and Patrick Chasse, along with 373 others, enjoyed the beauty of her labors. Janet's mini-reunion was at the Colby-Bowdoin football game, where she saw Pete and **Hope Palmer Bramhall** as well as Karl '54 and Jane Millett Dornish '55, Jack Deering '55, Archie '55 and Jean Hawes Anderson '55, John and Ann Dillingham Ingraham '55 to name a few. **Nancy Hubbard Greene** also saw Janet recently. Nancy is an Alaskan resident as Otto has a charter fishing business there. Janet saw **Jean Farmer White** while in Seattle visiting her daughter. \* The Colby-South Carolina connection has expanded as the Dataw Island contingent grows. Warren '57 and **Barbara Faltings Kinsman**, Naomi and **Hugh Anderson**, Sherry and **Don Rice**, **Harry** and **Marilyn Brooks Wey**, and Pam and **Karl Honsberger** met for dinner and chewed over the 50th. Don also reported that his son, Timothy Rice '81, and Timothy's

wife, Elise, bought a home at Oldfield, just 10 minutes from Don and Sherry. \* We love hearing about all of you who continue to have loving relationships with old classmates. It is what makes our Colby experience so relevant today. John and I certainly cherish those of you with whom we've kept close contact. In closing, please let me hear from you. Just a few lines will be adequate. Until next time, we send best wishes to all of you. —*Joan Williams Marshall*

**57** In this issue is news from three classmates whom we have not heard from in years. **Jo Hayward-Haines** has lived in Ontario, Canada, for the past 30 years. Jo is actively engaged in social justice and peacemaking work as well as painting and writing a memoir of her husband, who passed away suddenly four years ago. Jo has a son, two daughters, and three grandchildren, and I deducted from her e-mail that she and her family live near Peterborough. She is looking forward to seeing everyone at reunion. \* **Don Dinwoodie** seems to have the best reasons in the world to travel, and his travels take him worldwide! He has a new grandson in Edinborough, Scotland, two grandchildren in Barcelona, two in Colorado Springs, and one in Eugene, Ore. Your frequent flier miles must be adding up at this point! Don just started a new business, LLCs for real estate investments in Mexico, a market that is exploding. He is also developing a Web site, "The Good Old Guys," for men over 60. Seems it would apply to all of us! \* **Fred Hammond** is looking forward to an October trip to Greece. On the home front Fred is busy helping researchers at the Beverly Historical Society. Fred, too, plans to see everyone at our 50th. \* It was nice to hear from **Evelyn (Rose) Stinson Ebsworth**, who enjoyed an autumn trip with her husband to Maine, after visiting two of their children in N.Y.C. and two others in Washington, D.C. While in Maine, they spent a few days birding in the Scarborough area before driving to Deer Isle to visit her brother. Before flying back home, their road trip to the Canadian border took them through the colorful blueberry barrens of Washington County. \* I think this column will arrive just as you are getting ready to pack your suitcases for the trip to Waterville and our BIG WEEKEND! We are looking forward to seeing as many of you as

can possibly make the trip—on foot or horseback (or as in **Jim Marchbank's** case, on motorcycle) or all means in between! See you then! —*Guy and Eleanor Ewing Vigue*

**58** **Tony Kalloch** reports that on a pilgrimage to Jaffrey, N.H., to help grandson Sam celebrate his third birthday, he stopped in nearby Hancock to see Bob Pettegrew '57. Bob looks terrific and has a "lovely home hidden away in the woods beside a babbling brook." Tony's family expects the arrival of a baby girl in June! \* **Philippa Blume** fills us in. Divorced in 1981, she ran a baking business for five years distributing a special cookie product in the Bay area, including to Nieman Marcus. Since then she's been a realtor. Her daughter, Deborah, is a pilates instructor in Cambridge, Mass., and her son, Aaron, is a marriage and family therapist in Berkeley. Recent travels include the Galapagos, Alaska, and Buenos Aires to pursue her love of the tango, which she does four to five nights a week! \* **Jim Bishop** was named volunteer of the year in Sedona, Ariz., for roles such as president of Sedona Recycles, vice president of Keep Sedona Beautiful, and co-chair of a campaign to create a community park. His latest book, *Lost in the New West, Tall Tales But True*, is circulating in Manhattan among, as he puts it, "the cognoscenti, one hopes." \* **Dave Adams** has been retired for over six years. He "completely and abruptly stepped away from all things medical, figuring the last thing a heart patient needs is a part-time cardiologist!" He hasn't been bored. He and Pam (Brockway '60) live on an island. Maintaining a couple of old boats and keeping up with the Maine coastal climate keeps them busy. Dave is active in Physicians for Social Responsibility and the Bicycle Coalition of Maine, so "progressive politics and physical fitness serve as ongoing causes." They "try to interfere in the lives of our nine grandchildren only a teeny bit!" \* **Judy Brown Dickson** plans to be at our 50th! Like most of us, she thought she'd have lots of time when she retired from teaching, a year ago, but it only goes faster than ever! Last summer she bought a house in Homer, Alaska, where she hopes to look out over Kachemak Bay and the glaciers for at least 10 years. Travels include Greece, twice and probably one more time. Meanwhile she keeps

culling through treasures and collections from her "bush household and her Anchorage household." \* **Helen Payson Seager** continues her great love, music. She conducts the Chapel Choral in her retirement community in Hingham, Mass. One member of this group is Beverly Ambrose Peterson '54. Whooping cough decked Helen during the summer and she spent about three months recovering. She wants to know if anyone has heard from **Betty Vogel Leighton**, and challenges Betty, the youngest in our class, to come to our 50th! \* Good to hear from **John Baxter**, who reports seeing Jack and **Susan Bower Hendrickson** at a Luther family reunion in Seekonk, Mass. Susan's mother was a Luther as is John's wife. He said catching up made the reunion weekend much more enjoyable! \* As for me, I make no pretense of containing my great joy in the recent arrival of Sabrina Bo Glover. My son, Tim, who lives here in Wilmington, traveled with wife Corinne and son Nathan to China to get her, and she's one adorable little China doll! She was making remarkable progress adjusting to life in the U.S. after just a week here at the tender age of nine months. What a magnificent gift she is! \* Hope everyone has "Maine" written in neon lights on your June 2008 calendars. Let's see if we can set an attendance record for our 50th! —*Beryl Scott Glover*

**59** **Hugh Nazor** and **Linda Smalley Murnik** enjoy living in the high desert of northern New Mexico. Life in the 7,000-foot-high dry air and bright sun has been great. They have returned to their house at Indian Point in Georgetown, Maine, every summer. While it has been like an extended vacation, they are now ready to move back to reality, friends, children, more time on the water, and better medical care. Their new townhouse in Portland was scheduled to be ready at the first of the year. They "look forward to seeing any Colby acquaintances who remember either of us." \* **Art Goldschmidt** has been tutoring and then assisting a State College (Pa.) Area High School senior who is teaching a course in Middle East history to six of his classmates, successfully so far. The student doesn't plan to apply to Colby, but when Art went to speak for the College at the high school's counseling office 12 other students turned up, more than



*"The youth of a nation are the trustees of posterity."*

Benjamin Disraeli



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the total number he has seen in his 35 years as Colby's local representative! Art is teaching his own Middle East courses at the Community Academy for Lifelong Learning in State College, Penn State Elderhostel, and the Chautauqua Institution's special studies program. \* **Al Wilbur** reports that in the summer of 2005 they spent nearly four weeks touring historic Turkey, including Greek, Roman, and Moslem sites of historic and religious interest. Their trip took them along the Asian, eastern part of Turkey and included Gallipoli, Ephesus, Cannakale, Ismir, Anatolia, and Konya, the last being perhaps the most fundamentalist Muslim city in the country. They also took the old Silk Road to Ankara. Their first and last days were in Istanbul. In the summer of 2006 they drove through Italy, from Rome to Assisi, Venice, Perugia, Siena, and Florence before going south to Naples, Sorrento, the Amalfi coast, and Capri. Upon their return, Al's younger son, Paul, informed him that he had become the grandfather of twin girls. It was a great homecoming gift! \* As always, I enjoy hearing from all of you. —*Joanne K. Woods*

**61** Aloha classmates! Not too much news this time with only three responses to the quarterly e-mail prompt. \* **Ed Ruscitti** reported that, "last time **Sandy Graham** phoned me regarding a donation to the Colby Alumni Fund our discussion morphed into where certain classmates were located. One of the names that came up was **Bruce Turner**." Sandy then gave Ed Bruce's address in Dennis, Mass., near Ed's home on Cape Cod. Discovery: Ed finds Bruce lives just one mile from his house. Ed continues, "We connected last spring and continue to get together when our schedules permit." Your neighbors may be classmates and only a phone call away! \* Our former class president **Penny Dietz Sullivan** and Paul have their house on the market and are planning a move to New Bern, N.C., to build and, hopefully, retire. They are not making firm plans yet in the slow market. Penny saw **Carla Possinger Short** post-reunion last summer. "She's fine and still raising chickens for Perdue." All is well with Penny's business, GURU NETworks, Inc., and Penny, like most of us, is enjoying her grandchildren. \* **Willie De Kadt Juhlin** says she is "thoroughly

enjoying my second year of retirement after having taught English as a Second Language to middle schoolers for over 25 years. In addition to spending time with my family and five grandchildren, I still have time to do some volunteer work, 'do' lunch, and travel. I just came back from a fabulous two-week art-history tour to Belgium and The Netherlands. Additional time was spent in Holland and Sweden reconnecting with relatives and longtime friends. I still have a big house in northern New Jersey, so if anyone is in the area I'd love to see you." \* Your correspondent's home, Pihanakalani Ranch, sustained a bit of damage during the 6.9 October 15, 2006, earthquake. Pa'aulo was in a direct line with the epicenter, located offshore. The shaker was the scariest natural event I've ever experienced. We lost all our "good" china and crystal (all thrift store items survived!), several light fixtures were totally destroyed, and every mirror and frame detached from the walls. Chimneys, fireplaces, and hot water heaters all moved several inches and one of our wall-mounted bureaus tore away from its fasteners. We are grateful no person or animal was injured. The frequent aftershocks, expected for up to a year, are quite unsettling. —*Diane Scrafton Cohen Ferreira*

**63** It seems there is a rite of passage with turning 65, namely going to the local Social Security office to work out the appropriate Medicare status. The day after finishing the paperwork, I had jury duty. For those of us who arrived, not one was impaneled. It turned out that every case was settled before going to court. \* **Bunny Read McEldowney** just retired from teaching English to middle schoolers in Evergreen, Colo. This year she and her husband have traveled to Jordan, Egypt, Guatemala, and throughout the U.S. She loves volunteering for an organization called Friendship Bridge, which gives micro-credit loans to indigenous women in Guatemala. The family, including their three children and five grandchildren, spent Thanksgiving together in Santa Fe, N.M. \* A note from **Jane Melanson Dahmen** contained the sad news that **Bonnie Brown Potter**'s husband, Barry '60, died September 25, 2006, of cancer. Bonnie lives in Chamberlain, Maine, and I am sure she would like to hear from college friends. Please use the alumni Web site for her address. \* Since 2003



## 60s newsmakers



Betsy Tyson Smith '64

**Betsy Tyson Smith '64** is fighting the good fight as cofounder and executive director of the Virginia Thurston Healing Garden in Harvard, Mass., a center of education and care for breast cancer survivors that integrates therapy with the healing environment of nature. A psychotherapist and two-time breast cancer survivor, Smith was recently named a "Fighting and Fabulous" individual by the Ellie Fund and Men With Heart, two Boston-area organizations that provide support

to breast cancer survivors. ♦ On the eve of his fourth decade serving as commissioner of the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Committee (MIRC), **Elmer C. Bartels '62** had a scholarship fund and day named for him. The scholarship will enable a disabled boy or girl to attend a summer camp of their choice, while January 12 was named Elmer C. Bartels Day by Newton Mayor David Cohen. A paraplegic since an injury suffered during a hockey game at Colby, Bartel is the longest-serving state director

of vocational rehabilitation in the country today. ♦ **Jerry Shapiro '64** received the Award for Sustained Excellence in Scholarship from Santa Clara University in California, where he has been attached to the department of counseling psychology for 23 years. The university's highest award for scholarly achievement was presented to Shapiro in recognition of his work on fatherhood, men and mental health, family therapy, and hypnosis. Shapiro has published 18 books, including his best-selling title, *When Men are Pregnant*.



Elmer C. Bartels '62

## milestones

**Deaths:** **H. Eugenia Hall Wormser '60**, January 27, 2007, in Topsham, Maine, at 68. ♦ **Jo Ann Gantt Scanlan '61**, November 15, 2006, in Eliot, Maine, at 67. ♦ **James L. Davis '62**, October 17, 2003, in Bradenton, Fla., at 63.

**Byron Petrakis** has served as dean at Chester College of New England, a small liberal arts school in Chester, N.H. Prior to this return to college teaching and administrative work, Byron managed the 1686 House Restaurant owned by his wife's family in Kingston, N.H. He is still running and has done so for 30 years, although he has not done any marathons since Boston, in 2003. He says, "The training is too hard!" ♦ Another runner sharing news is **Beth Simonds Branson**. She says, "Having spent much of my life as a non-athlete, I surprised family, friends, and myself by becoming a fairly passionate runner about five years ago. I compete in 5K and 10K road races around the Greater Portland area, and in October I suc-

cessfully ran the Maine Marathon. I was the oldest female in the race and the top awardee in the 65-and-over age group." ♦ **Pauline Ryder Kezer** adds more information about **Edie Sewall Thompson's** work as the grants chair of the board of directors of the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation in Connecticut. Edie and her committee rank applicants for grants and suggest funding levels for the board to approve. The number of grants is impressive at about 30 totaling \$550,000. Also \$280,000 is awarded to national breast cancer research through the Susan G. Komen Cancer Foundation. ♦ **Allen** and **Rosemary Blankenship Hubbard** write from Lincolnton, N.C., that they have become active in civic

groups such as Rotary, Habitat for Humanity, and Meals on Wheels. Allen has a part-time job working in a pipe organ shop and Rosemary does part-time writing for the local newspaper. They drove to Davidson College to see Colby play Davidson in basketball and enjoyed the experience even though they were the only ones cheering for Colby and the score was not favorable. As Allen says, "Basketball is a religion down here." ♦ **MacKenzie Smith** would like to know the whereabouts of **Dave Columbia**. If someone knows where he is, please e-mail MacKenzie at MacKenzie\_Smith@msn.com. —Karen Forslund Fall

**64 Jerry Shapiro** sends his best news ever—he was the 2006 recipient of Santa Clara University's "Sustained Excellence in Scholarship" Award. "Basically a lifetime achievement award, it comes as I am starting to cut back on regular duties." He retired from psychotherapy practice in December 2006 and will relinquish the department chair this June. Congrats, Jerry! ♦ **Jean Martin Fowler** thanks all the generous members of the Class of 1964 for the wonderful response to the Alumni Fund last year. We exceeded our class money goal and number of participants. Current, and especially future, students of Colby thank you! As for the Fowlers, Michael had a bout with cancer and got to experience first-hand the work of the cancer center for which he had been fund raising for the last ten years! The outcome was good. Meanwhile, they are moving to a townhouse. "We have loved living out in the country with only fox and deer for neighbors. However, we are ready to let someone else handle the work associated with this kind of property. Since we also have a place in Florida we can go away in the winter without worrying about the impact of Pennsylvania snowstorms!" ♦ **Dick York** writes, "After running my own sailboat business for 20 years here in Seattle, I should know better than to try a small business again, but my wife, Kristi, who is still employed at Seattle Pacific University, and I have done it. Our company is Creative Bookwear Apparel (creativebookwearapparel.com), selling reading and whimsical themed apparel and accessories. Our classmate **Jim Harris** got us into it. We have met many authors and developed some fine friendships. We attended the Texas Library Associa-

tion meeting in Houston this year and spent time with Lew Krinsky '65, whom I hadn't seen since leaving Colby. We also traveled to Orlando and San Antonio this year." If anyone is passing through Seattle, contact Jim and Kristi at 206-783-5664 or at rkkyork@msn.com. ♦ **Jim Simon** patented a new intubation tube. He says, "It's been a very frustrating path, but a life's dream." His wife, Hilde (Mills College 1971), is a successful landscape designer and contractor. Oldest son, Davey, is a UCSC grad and flies Citation jet charters; daughter, Katie, is a UCSB grad and manager of Oakville Grocery at Fisherman's Wharf; youngest, Bob, is a junior at USF and a rugby player. "I feel like I'm in a time warp reading about my classmates retiring and about their grandchildren," Jim says. They often see **Peter** and **Kris Meyer Gordon**. ♦ **Paul Tessier** is completing six years in the Maine Legislature, where he was on committees including Legal and Veterans Affairs and Appropriations and Financial Affairs. He is married, has four children and seven grandchildren, and enjoys skiing, reading, politics, and traveling. ♦ **Joy** and **Steve Schoeman** enjoyed a second voyage on the Queen Mary 2, this time to Halifax, N.S. They planned a third voyage in May. Steve's daughters, Laurie and Amy, are both urban planners. Steve plays clarinet in the Westfield Community Band and sings in the choir of Temple Emanu-El in Westfield, N.J. ♦ **Susan Woodward** is plotting her escape from the world of real estate and running a company. The plan is to buy an RV next fall and start taking two or three months off in the slow season to travel with Bijou, her cat. "If it is as much fun as I anticipate it will be, after a few years I will sell my house and the business and almost everything I own (I've already started on the latter) and hit the road full time. I've been reading lots of books on the subject and spending time at RV dealers. This week I took the first step and bought a dinghy, which is the vehicle you tow. It's all very exciting!" —Sara Shaw Rhoades

**65** Our classmates are apparently very actively involved in a variety of tasks and, for those not on holiday, responding to a request for class news was low on the priority list ♦ So we learn that Sue (Cook '67) and **Nick Locsin** have yet to complete their new



home in Woolwich, Maine. You recall they were in the process of building it. Apparently a visit with **Al "Caesar" Seferian** last fall interrupted all the hammering and banging. Caesar is still in Reston, Va., according to Nick, but he does not elaborate. \* Last issue had news of **Linda Cotton Wells** earning a master's in education from Lesley College in Cambridge, Mass. Currently living in Greer, S.C., she purchased land for a retirement home in Brevard, N.C. Linda has nine grandchildren, with the oldest just starting college. She is still working on her family history. (Your correspondent has the same hobby—it is never finished. I've learned I am a distant cousin of **George Hooker** and **Bucky Smith**. Our lines converge in the Hartford Colony about 1640. No evidence to date that Linda is a cousin, but our projects are in progress.) \* Bruce and **Jan Buffinton Browning** went on a Scandinavian/Baltic cruise in June 2006, visiting Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Finland, Estonia, and St. Petersburg. "Cathedrals, palaces—the Hermitage Museum is fantastic." A future column may contain news of their next trip, on the Rhine. Jan reports spotting **Rick Davis** at an insurance event in November 2006. \* Frank '66 and **Susan Brown Musche** reported a grandchild in progress (due January 2007) from daughter Sandra. Daughter Jessica is to be married in July 2007, and son, Steven, is "enjoying snowboarding and partying at University of Colorado. School is OK, too." \* **David Hatch** remains our "most retired" and lives in Ft. Myers, Fla., "biking, fishing, beaching, and playing tennis. I don't miss the snow and ice of New England at all. An occasional hurricane has been enough foul weather here." \* Your correspondent has been on holiday, too. In 2006 I visited Jamaica, Panama, Romania, and Turks/Caicos. "So many beaches—so little time." \* Whether you are building a retirement palace in Woolwich or on a hilltop in Brevard or have found your bliss in Ft. Meyers, the joy of having the time to pursue your dreams has arrived. Enjoy! Do it now. Hail, Colby, Hail! —*Richard Bankart*

**66** Several members of the reunion planning committee met at the Union Club in Boston in October. Never mind that they no longer had a reunion to plan. Instead they discussed future committee gatherings.

A winter ski date at **Linda Mitchell Potter's** in Vermont? A spring function at Class President **Mary and Stan Marchut's** in Connecticut? A summer beach party at **Brian Shacter's** on Cape Cod? This group has not lost the partying skills they undoubtedly learned at Colby. Mandy and **Fran Finizio, Debbie Anglim Higgins, Barry Clark Hews,** and organizer-par-excellence **Linda O'Connor McDonough** joined Linda, Stan, Mary, and Brian in Boston. \* **Karen Riendeau Remine** retired for the fifth—and maybe the last—time! No longer a church secretary, she enjoys touring with her friend, Joe, on his motorcycle, discovering culinary hot-spots. She loved reunion and returned to Colby in July for Alumni College, which she recommends. \* In January 2007 **Ed Mowry's** veterinary hospital in La Costa, Calif., sold, and he started work as a subcontracted vet at other hospitals. This brings flexibility and chances to travel in New England. Ed's wife, Maureen, teaches college English. Both daughters are teachers, too. Ed suggested we all report on the best recent books we've read, an idea **Ted Houghton** would approve, as he is an avid reader and sends regular reports. Ted's latest reading included *Evolution's Captain* by Peter Nichols and *Krakatoa: The Day the World Exploded* by Simon Winchester. R. Vers Ted and Liz spent another winter on the road following their annual volunteer work at a campground in Flagler Beach, Fla. \* **Diane Leach Wilbur** retired as accounting manager at WCSH TV6 in August. After a difficult spring her mother passed away peacefully in July at age 91. Diane had time in the summer and fall to grieve and to spend peaceful days walking and reading at beaches in her hometown, Scarborough, Maine. She was looking forward to spending April in St. Augustine, Fla. \* Highlights from 2006 for **Bob Adams** of Fairfax, Va., include the Dominican Republic in January, Maine for our 40th reunion in June, and a 40th anniversary Alaskan cruise with Janice in the fall. Bob says he showed **George Cain** how to celebrate July 4 in Monterey, Mass., with smuggled pyrotechnics. Don't tell. His most important highlight—three grandchildren who live nearby and do indeed "complete the circle of love." Bob still works in order to afford his retirement needs—\$10,000 a month for another ten years, he figures. \* **Steve Rand** is the third and last generation of his

family to run Rand's Hardware in Plymouth, N.H. A successor is lined up after Steve used all his survival skills to deal with challenges in his 35-year career there. Check out [www.rands.doitbest.com](http://www.rands.doitbest.com). Steve was on the search committee for Plymouth State's new president and is proud of the school's growth and recognition as a comprehensive regional university, part of the UNH system. \* Another veteran of a 35-year career, **Carl Floyd** retired in 2002 from the Naval Undersea Warfare Center but works part time for Science Applications International Corp. as a consultant on submarine periscopes. Hobbies include woodworking (musical instruments), reading, and travel, with recent trips to the Poconos, Italy, and his camp in Farmington, Maine. Both Carl's daughters are gifted musically. Lynne is a singer, and Rebecca is a flutist. \* **Gary Knight** of Livermore Falls, Maine, was successful in his first political campaign for a State House seat, despite the thumping most Republicans took and living in a union district. Lots of hard work and door-to-door campaigning paid off. His narrow victory was confirmed in a recount. \* **Bill Latvis** is livening up Portland, Maine, big time. His family entertainment venue, Jokers, has been open for nine years. He and his partner opened up Turf, "the classiest sports grill in Maine" (18 TVs plus a full menu and bar) next to Joker's two years ago. They also own and rent out the Portland Sports Center, next to Turf's. The DOME, as they call it, is a 45,000-square-foot indoor artificial field for teams or concerts. Enough? Nope—a new club, The Gold Room, offers Friday-night comedy and Saturday-night dance bands. Bill invites any classmate and guests on a Friday or Saturday night free of charge. "Just give me a call so I can reserve a table. The more the merrier!" Thanks, Bill! Any takers? \* **Ellie Caito Thompson** says she had a wonderful time at Reunion and encourages EVERYONE to attend our next. I'll second that. —*Meg Fallon Wheeler*

**67** On October 11, 2006, **Kurt Swenson** celebrated the birth of his first grandchild, Hadley Bowen Swenson, in Boston. She is the daughter of his son Jake and Jake's wife, Ashley, who were married in 2004. They live in Sudbury and both work for Staples at its headquarters in Framingham, where Jake is the manager of social responsibility (environmental and

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## In Country | Parker "Chip" Wood '67

Parker "Chip" Wood '67 was on the verge of being drafted when he decided to take some measure of control in shaping his future—he enlisted in the Army to get a guaranteed spot in Officer Candidate School. An administrative science major at Colby, Wood went to work immediately after his four years of Army service. At the same time, he used his veteran's benefits to attend night school and get an M.B.A. from Golden Gate University and advance his business career.

But nearly 40 years after he was dispatched to Vietnam, Wood has seen his war-time experiences vividly revived.

By the time Wood arrived in Vietnam in September 1969 as leader of the 3rd Platoon from Bravo Company, 5th Battalion, 7th Cavalry Regiment, he'd been through Basic Training at Fort Dix, Advanced Infantry Training, Officer Candidate School, and a jungle warfare school in Panama. For the first eight months in Vietnam, he and his men patrolled areas between Saigon and the Cambodian border, following up on intelligence reports about North Vietnamese forces entering the region.

Things changed when Wood's company moved into Cambodia in the spring of 1970. "Initially, we didn't encounter much," he recalled, "but gradually the resistance built to the point where we were involved in firefights almost every day."

The most intense fighting took place over several days, as the company slowly advanced up a steep jungle ridgeline. "We had virtually no room to maneuver, so we were really vulnerable to hit-and-run ambushes," he said. "My platoon was relatively lucky, but the ambushes took a heavy toll on the company."

Before the fighting was over, about a quarter of the company had been killed or wounded.

The fighting reached a crescendo as Wood's company staged its final assault to take the top of the ridge. "One of our guys literally tripped over a piece of corrugated metal," Wood recalled. "He turned and yelled that he'd found something, and in almost the same instant he was shot and killed."

After the fighting stopped, the soldiers discovered why they'd endured so much resistance. The corrugated metal covered the entrance to a bunker—part of a huge complex that contained the largest cache of weapons discovered during the entire Vietnam War.

Wood eventually moved to battalion headquarters at a forward-fire base, where he was in charge of intelligence operations and coordinating air strikes

and close air support for the units in the field.

More than 30 years later, he saw a brief item in a veterans' newsletter about a film project being put together by CBS combat photographer Norman Lloyd. It was Lloyd who, as a rookie cameraman, followed Bravo Company's 1st Platoon through the Cambodian jungle, exposing himself to the same intense battle conditions. Wood's unit often worked with the 1st Platoon, and Wood appeared here and there in Lloyd's footage, surviving reels of which sat in CBS's vaults for years as Lloyd built a formidable career at *60 Minutes* and became Ed Bradley's principal photographer.

"I sent Norman an e-mail telling him I was the Third Platoon leader," he said, "and got a note back from him saying he had enough information for his project."



Parker "Chip" Wood '67, right, in Vietnam in 1969 or 1970. With Wood is a South Vietnamese scout who accompanied Wood when he was a platoon leader in combat in Vietnam and Cambodia.

A couple of months later, Lloyd called and said he'd figured out who Wood was in the footage. Lloyd drove from the San Francisco Bay Area to interview Wood at home in Salinas, California; part of that interview is included in Lloyd's documentary *Commitment and Sacrifice*, which juxtaposes the vintage Vietnam footage with freshly shot images of the war in Iraq to show

the continuity and reality of a soldier's life. "It's his way of showing what a soldier endures and does for his country," Wood explained. "It's his way of paying homage."

When the film was finished last year, Lloyd entered it in various film festivals, including the Tribeca Film Festival in New York. But perhaps the best reception was from veterans themselves, with whom Wood recently reconnected. Now semi-retired from the athletic-field turf industry, Wood remembers Lloyd's reaction when he learned that the Veterans' Administration had purchased copies of the film for every clinic and organization in the nation treating soldiers for posttraumatic stress disorder.

"Norman told me if nothing else happens with this film," Wood said, "it is more than enough reason for having put it all together."

—Steve Heacock

See the trailer for *Commitment and Sacrifice* and purchase DVDs at [www.commitmentandsacrifice.com](http://www.commitmentandsacrifice.com). A version of the film called *Shakey's Hill* showing only the Vietnam footage was part of the 2007 GI Film Festival, May 26-28, in Washington, D.C.

ethics) and Ashley is a marketing manager. Kurt's oldest son, Todd, has been living in Santa Monica, Calif., since September with a girlfriend, and Kurt has hopes it will progress beyond the friends stage. Todd teaches "A Course in Miracles" and is a frequent guest on a radio program originating in Los Angeles dealing with religion and expanded perception. Kurt appeared in November as an independent witness in a case involving a granite company where Judge Allan van Gestel '57 presided. After the judge heard Kurt's educational background, he advised the parties that he also attended Colby but had decided cases against litigants who were graduates of Colby and lawyers who were graduates of Colby. Kurt reports he was impressed that the judge made this disclosure, given that Kurt was not even a party to the litigation and did not stand to gain or lose anything. \* The C Club dinner held on campus on October 6, 2006, honored **Mike Picher**, who received the Carl Nelson Sports Achievement Award. Classmates present, besides Mike's wife, **Pam Cooper Picher**, included **Lou Richardson**, **Irv Faunce**, **Paul Cronin**, **Nat Furlong Graceffa**, **Jennifer and Eugene "Kip" Coughlin**, **Sue (Grigg '68)** and **Brad Coady**, and **Linda (Mitchell '66)** and **Lee Potter**. Other friends on hand included **Jon Eustis '69**, **Ken '68** and **Jeanne Merola Mukai '69**, **Art Brennan '68**, **Jeff Lathrop '68**, **Dick Gilmore '66**, **Don Short '64**, and **Rollie Morneau '65**. Mike told of having knocked out five of Rollie's teeth accidentally with his stick during a hockey practice. Not having spoken to Rollie for more than 30 years, Mike called to invite him to a testimonial dinner for coach Charlie Holt. As soon as Mike said "Hi Rollie, this is Mike Picher," Rollie replied, "You!? I think of you every morning when I brush my teeth!" \* **Ann Christensen** was pleased and proud to announce that her work "Mainly Marsh" was accepted into the CambridgeART open competition. "Blue" has been awarded Best in Show. The juror was Carole Anne Meehan, Vita Brevis Director at the ICA, Boston. \* As you read this, our 40th reunion is upon us. Make up your mind to attend. —Robert Gracia

**68 Ken Young** attended the wedding of **Steve Ford's** daughter, Vicki, in Hallowell, Maine, in the summer. \* **George Rideout** writes, "My wife, Mary (Weller '69), went



to be with the Lord on October 15, 2006." George writes extensively of Mary and their spiritual commitments, including their membership in the Inter-Varsity Christian fellowship at Colby. Mary ultimately transferred to the University of Michigan where she graduated as a math major. George and Mary married in 1968 and, after studies at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, they went to Nigeria and spent 10 years teaching in Nigerian high schools and eight years at Kent Academy, a school for the children of missionaries, Nigerians, and families of foreign business persons. After 18 years they returned to the U.S. with their children Amy, Drew, Ian, and Kevin. Mary studied for a master's in special education at Framingham State College and founded Westgate Christian Academy, where she served as preschool director. "Mary found great joy seeing WCA students and their families being richly blessed by a quality education and the opportunity to find a personal relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ." Mary was diagnosed with ovarian cancer in 2003 and, despite extensive surgeries and treatments, made time to visit her four married children and 14 grandchildren. Our condolences go to George and his family. \* **Tony Jordan** writes: "My Colby roommate, **Peter Rouse**, who was Tom Daschle's chief of staff, has been chosen for that same post by Barack Obama. Ah, reflected glory, and so close to the corridors of power. My saxophone quartet, the Annandale Saxophone Quartet, aka The Sax Faction, has begun performing and will start recording in the new year." \* **Judith de Luce**, chair and professor of classics, was the featured speaker at the fall commencement ceremonies at Miami University (Ohio). A member of Miami's faculty for 32 years, last fall she was named the university's 2006-2007 Effective Educator. Judith's research interests include aging in the ancient world, women's studies, and technology in the classroom. —*Peter Jost*

**69** Excited to be heading back to Ireland this summer is **Bill Lyons**. Bill will be teaching in the summer law program at the University of Limerick, where he taught a similar program in 2004. The program is a joint venture by the universities of Kansas, Nebraska, and Limerick law schools and involves approximately 20 U.S. law students. The course will

cover, among other topics, differing cultural and legal views on the right of a child to claim a share of his/her parent's property when the parent dies and whether a person should be able to use an estate planning tool called a "trust" to control the use and enjoyment of property well after that person's death. Bill's wife, Karen (Knapp '70), hopes to spend her time there teaching an Elderhostel course. During the 2007 fall semester Bill will also be a visiting professor at the Vermont Law School in South Royalton, Vt. \* Continuing his tradition of expressing school spirit, **Eddie Woodin** was the host for his eighth annual tailgate party before the Colby-Bowdoin football game last fall and managed to feed 150 former classmates and friends. Ed says the party gets bigger every year and this year they even had a professional photographer. He plans on doing the same thing next year in Brunswick, where he hopes to see even more friends and acquaintances. \* Congratulations to **Chris Christensen**, who extends his gratitude to the "good folks of Merrimack" who reelected him to a fourth term in the New Hampshire House of Representatives. \* **Bonnie Allen Rotenberg** sends word that her daughter, Lee '09, took the fall semester off and went to India, where she had a variety of extraordinary experiences, including a week in a silent monastery where she could only talk for 45 minutes per day. \* In Lowell, Mass., **Steve Fisher** is enjoying the freedom of his spiritually-oriented psychotherapy private practice ([www.healingspringscounseling.com](http://www.healingspringscounseling.com)) and his involvement in a variety of interfaith activities, including leadership of the Greater Lowell Interfaith Leadership Alliance. Steve was also a key promoter of a recent conference titled "Contemplative Prayer and Meditation as an Interfaith Grounding for World Peace." Steve says, "I am so grateful that Colby Chaplain Fred Hudson helped me to see myself, get my bearings, and encouraged my seeking." \* Thanks to all of you who sent in news. I hope many more of you will take a few minutes to send in some news about yourselves and your families for the next issue! —*Ray Gerbi*

**70** **Norma Fay Rivero**, updating us on the political situation in Venezuela, wrote about her countrymen and women's efforts against the "all powerful state apparatus." Norma,

we wish your country and you well in your struggle for democracy. \* **Al Dostie** recently did a whirlwind tour of the Middle East: Kuwait, Dubai, Abu Dhabi, Bahrain, and Saudi Arabia on a consulting gig. "Bad timing by the consulting contractor I worked for—Ramadan! No food or drink, even water, from sunrise to sunset, and very few banks and businesses willing to meet with us. Hope to go back next year. Excellent business climate with lots of money!" \* **Dick and Susan Kalendarian Moxley** are the proud new owners of a condominium in Walnut Creek, Calif. Susan, who works for a Silicon Valley software company, writes that **Ginny Pierce Basulto** enjoys grandmothering Gabrielle. Ginny is looking forward to the birth of another grandchild this spring, and **Karen Teravainen Kara'a** welcomed her second grandchild last fall. \* **Steve Cline** enjoyed dinner with **Ken and Brenda Hess Jordan** when he was in Chicago last summer. We're happy to hear that both Ken and Brenda are well and enjoying Chicagoland. \* **Mike Tibbetts's** newsy e-mail reports that "life is good and getting better every day." Mike, director of the Alcoholism Council of Cincinnati, and wife, Linda, have three children and six grandchildren, and they call Dayton, Ohio, home. An eighth generation Maine-iac, Mike is grateful for the values, knowledge, and experience imparted by our great state. Mike notes that **Rich Davis** is also doing well. \* "If you have one kid (sophomore daughter Sparky, one of two girls on the soccer team) and don't work, you need a seven-passenger Expedition," writes **Clare Bonelli**. Clare is a band-backer, school board member, youth group leader, etc. Her husband, Mike Sweedo, is a consultant, certified latent-print examiner, and crime-scene analyst in Arizona and nationally. \* Midcoast Maine residents and Dylan fans **Jeff Carty** and **Sandra Haimila** attended Bob's concert in Portland last November. Steve and I also went, but didn't see Jeff or Sandra among the many fans, young and old. Jeff, a social work administrator, and Sandra, an editor, report that both sons are also English majors, Peter at Colby, Class of 2007, and Bill in grad school in North Carolina. Jeff blames Benbow! \* I enjoyed catching up with my freshman roommate, **Cindy Wallace McKee**. Cindy and husband Michael make their home

in Chevy Chase, Md. Son Patrick is a senior at Harvard and Graham is a sophomore at Amherst. \* **Judith Smith Lucarelli**, former math teacher and former Maine deputy education commissioner (1999-2003), is the new school superintendent in Bucksport, Maine. Judy's career in education has included teaching and administrative positions in Maine and Alaska. \* Congratulations to **Huey (James Coleman)**, who writes, "*Portland Magazine* has an annual article on the 10 Most Intriguing People in Maine. I was pleasantly surprised to be asked to be a part of this list for 2006. It is an honor to be in a group that includes Seth Westcott, Stockard Channing, Anita Shreve, and the other fine people." You can see the article in the November issue or go to [www.filmsbyhuey.com/](http://www.filmsbyhuey.com/) and click on latest news. —*Deb Fitton Mansfield*

**72** **Nancy Brunnckow Marion** writes, "Michael and I did the '55 and older' thing and downsized from a house to a condominium (Hudson, Mass.) last spring. We are enjoying meeting new people and not having to mow a lawn, weed a garden, or rake up leaves. More time for our passion, golf. People always ask me if I still skate and the answer is yes, but golf has taken priority. Daughter Stephanie will be an M.D. next spring (NYMC) then faces internship and residency in pediatrics. Needless to say, we don't see her a lot, but are quite proud. Son Mark is a chemical engineer working in Cambridge at TIAX and enjoying being in his 20s, independent, unmarried, with tons of friends." Nancy and Michael plan on attending Reunion and hope to see lots of classmates there! \* From **Rob Haskell**: "I have been happily retired since age 47 in northern California. Eight years later it is nice to be home to watch the sunrises and sunsets over the Bay while having views of the parks of the local sports' teams: baseball's Athletics and Giants and football's Raiders and 49ers. At least once each season I have the San Francisco teams' colored balloons wash up on the beach next to my home. Once or twice each baseball season, I get to see the Boston Red Sox play the Athletics for a playoff spot. This year, the BoSox come twice for six games. As a 20-year Athletics' season ticket holder, I have nice seats to enjoy the contests. To keep myself busy I volunteer at the local



## 70s newsmakers



Elizabeth R. Krupnick '73

As newly appointed editor-in-chief of the *Boston Herald*, **Kevin R. Convey '77** received what he described as “not only an honor, [but also] the realization of a career-long dream.” Beginning his stint at the Herald as a business reporter in 1981, Convey was previously attached to newspapers in New Bedford, Mass., and Brunswick, Maine. His top priority on the new job? Increasing the appeal of the daily's online version, while maintaining its traditional strengths in print. ♦ **Elizabeth R. Krupnick '73** is the

new senior vice president and chief marketing officer at the executive search and consulting firm Heidrick & Struggles International, Inc., in New York. Founder of TKO Communications Consulting, where she worked prior to Heidrick, Krupnick has held top level communications jobs at MasterCard International, Prudential, and Aetna. She also lectures at New York University as adjunct professor in the graduate program in corporate communications. ♦ The *Bangor Daily News* named **Rick Levasseur '79** night news editor. Winner of several Maine Press Association awards and a past president of the Maine Press Association, Levasseur has worn many hats, including feature writer, assistant editor, and assignment editor, since joining the *Bangor Daily News* fresh out of Colby as part-time district correspondent.

food bank and Red Cross, take adult school classes, and perform with the local town chorus several times each year. My parents, both Colby alumni, recently turned 90. Bob '37 and Mary Fairbanks Haskell '37 graduated from Colby at ages 19 and 20 after skipping a few grades before getting to the predecessor of the Mayflower Hill campus near downtown Waterville. I really appreciate all of us who find it redundant or unnecessary to list our tome of ailments and latest operations and hospitalizations.” Thank you for your optimism! ♦ **John and Janet Shreve Martland** write: “Our oldest son, Douglas Shreve Martland, was married on July 15, 2006! Janet and I just returned from a 10-day tour of China—Shanghai, Three River Gorge cruise, panda bears, terra cotta soldiers, summer palace, Forbidden City, and more!” ♦ **Steve and Marilyn McDougal Meyerhans** live in central Maine where they still own two apple orchards, The Apple Farm in Fairfield and Lakeside Orchards in Manchester. “We have grown the farms into a pretty substantial business. Far too much work! But still a challenge. One of our markets is Colby, where you will find our apples in the dining halls. Our kids, Noah and Kate '01, are off in the world so we are settled into empty nest time.” ♦ **Steve and Nancy Round Haley** spent a week in

the late fall on the Mayan Riviera in Mexico. “It was a great vacation with very few people and warm weather! (It even came with hurricane insurance, which we did not need, thank goodness!)” They spent a week over Thanksgiving in Denver with their oldest daughter, Kaylen. “That is the nice part about being retired—we don't have to rush out and back!” They are looking forward to the 35th reunion in June, and Nancy contacted **Janet Veasey McLetchie, Norma Ouellet O'Reilly, and Carol Johnson** for a get-together in Boston last winter. ♦ With our 35th around the corner, I hope that June weekend is a 2007 priority! —*Janet Holm Gerber*

**73 Jill Jones Bickford West** is a licensed social worker who works at a hospital as a care manager and also moonlights in child protective services. She lives with her husband, Bob, two dogs, and two cats in the house where she grew up. Her two sons were married in the last five years and she now has two grandsons. Her daughter is working toward a B.A. in fine arts at Savannah College of Art and Design, majoring in fashion. Jill says that “any of you who remember me will find that ironic. I do recognize the independence part of her though.” ♦ For the past 29 years **Jim King** has been living in the U.K., mostly in Edinburgh, Scotland,

where he lives with his partner. He has taken early retirement and continues researching 12th-century sculpture. He was recently elected a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of London, something he had always hoped to achieve. Jim remembers the wonderful times at Colby and sends greetings to his many Colby friends with whom he has lost touch. ♦ Trustees of the University of Maine recently extended the contract of **Eric Rolfson** as UMaine's associate vice president for development. ♦ Mark and I recently had dinner with **Janet Perethian Bigelow** and her new husband, Dale Stauffer. Dale and Jan were married at their new home on September 30, 2006. Guests included Colby friends **Penny Wolf Burns** and '72 classmates Johna Sencabaugh Wasdyke, Karen Sawyer, and Beth Morton. ♦ Keep your news coming! —*Roberta Rollins Wallace*

**74 Robin Sweeney Peabody** spent a week in Paris with her sister and two sisters-in-law in October. She lived there during her high school years and hadn't been back since she and her husband, Jay '72, lived in Brussels in the '80s. Robin is resigning from her job as administrative/business manager at a law firm to travel internationally with Jay next year. She reported that **Debbie Wathen Finn** has a new job headquartered in Denver. She also stated that Candy Poinier Speakman '72 responded to an employment ad Robin placed and they had fun catching up after all these years. ♦ **David Inglehart** is the associate director of college counseling and communications coordinator at Hebron Academy in Hebron, Maine. In 1995 David founded Troubadour Interactive and began producing a series of multimedia textbooks on American and European history. ♦ **Cindy Vietor Kahle** writes that all is well in Houston. She was in China with her family last summer visiting Beijing, Shanghai, and the terra cotta soldiers, also spending three days on a river trip on the Yangtze River. Her children are all in school; N.Y.U. master's program for Carter, Vanderbilt University for Walker, and Page is a senior at Deerfield Academy. ♦ **Tom Bolmer**, who works for Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, went on a two-week science tech-support job on the USCG icebreaker *Healy* out of Seattle and hopes go to the Bering Sea and the Arctic in the spring for a mapping survey. —*S. Ann Earon*

**75 Mike '76 and Mary Bastron Harper** took a great trip to Scotland, visiting abbeys, battlefields, and castles. Their son is working in New York and their older daughter graduates from Amherst in the spring. Their youngest daughter is a junior in high school. Mary Jo is president of the County Medical Alliance and spends much time on local health projects in Rochester, Minn. They have been busy building a vacation home on Lake Okojobi. ♦ **Celeste Keefe Wesner** was named head of the World Languages Department at Roswell (Ga.) High School, where she has taught Spanish for 19 years. She and her husband, Steve, celebrate their 23rd anniversary this spring. They have two teenagers: Marina, 19, is a junior majoring in journalism and broadcasting at the University of Pittsburgh, and James, 15, is a 10th grader. Celeste earned her national certification in Spanish and now mentors others. ♦ **Barbie Carroll Peterson** and **Bev O'Brien Carne** had a great time at **Deb Marson's** Boston wedding. Barbie is a freelance tech writer and proofreader, but her true love is interactive multimedia. She has been taking classes and has now been asked to teach a Web page design class for a community outreach program. ♦ **Dave and Flo Gutowski Harlor** have four children and two Scotties. Their oldest son is a junior at Colgate studying economics in London, and their daughter is a freshman at University of Oregon. A son and daughter are still in high school. Besides working as a sales rep for a computer systems reseller, Flo has been volunteering at the high school PTSA, mountain biking, and involved in her church. The Harlors live in Denver but like to escape to Breckenridge for skiing. ♦ **Carol Majdalany Williams** has taken a job teaching middle school science at the Washington (Conn.) Montessori School after years of consulting at the local waterfowl sanctuary. Carol has two sons, aged 11 and 12. ♦ **Malcolm Foster** ran into **Bob Walsh** at the Colby-Middlebury game. Both report that You Know Whose Pub has not changed in 30 years. Malcolm's son, Blake '07, is a senior at Colby, and daughter, Merrill, was admitted to the Maryland Bar. ♦ **Omar '74 and Jacquelyn Lindsey Wynn** have sent their only child to college in North Carolina. Jackie has been busy with work and travel and Omar with the

renovation of the National Museum of American History, so they have yet to appreciate the empty nest. Jackie, who is active with the Alumni Council, ran into many Colbyites at the alumni event at the Washington Capitals hockey game. \* Some of you may have known my brother, Greg Billington '78. At Colby he was an American studies major, a Zete, and a basketball and baseball letterman. As I write this article, he has just lost his two year battle against cancer. He was an involved uncle, alumni basketball player, financial analyst, golfer, runner, and loyal friend. I will miss him very much and urge you all to schedule a colonoscopy. —*Dianne Billington Stronach*

**76** Greetings from Jersey! I heard from two Pittsburgh Marys, (and both started with remembrances of **Sally Janney**). **Mary Mabon Colonna** is busy raising four kids and keeping the legal system in check. **Mary Tuttle Lemonick** moved to Pittsburgh in 1992 and earned her master's in library and information science from the University of Pittsburgh last year. Husband Dave is a marathon runner and doctor who heads a local hospital emergency department. Their son, Sam, is a junior at Carleton, where he plays lacrosse and sails and is classmates with other '70s Colby kids. Daughter Sally, a freshmen at Colorado College, has already tackled backpacking and skiing. Mary hopes the empty nest will leave time for them to travel on Dave's new Harley. Last summer Mary did a Chewonki whitewater kayaking trip (for women) on the West Branch of the Penobscot River—and is hooked! \* **Peter Labombarde**'s family had an eventful year. Daughter Katherine, 14, started high school in August and twins Evan and Jocelyn, 12, moved up to junior high. Peter spent much of last year caring for his dad, who passed away in August. Peter is active on the New England Division Board of American Cancer Society and was D.C.-bound last fall to work for better cancer legislation and funding. He sees **Becca Hushing McCole** regularly and keeps in touch with Libby Corydon-Apicella '74. \* Our gal in Minnesota, **Lydia McAnerney**, changed jobs last summer. She's now development director at the Montessori Charter High School where Andrew and Rebecca, her 10th- and ninth-grade kids attend. Her job change let John leave a long stint at

the local hospital to concentrate on landscaping; he's an artist in stone. They're busy with scouts, gardening, and school, but get to the Winnipeg Folk Festival in the summer and other local music happenings. She hopes to get to Maine this summer. \* **Roland Martel** has been with Illinois Tool Works for 13 years and was recently elected executive vice president of the firm's global automotive components businesses. \* **David Bodine** has been appointed branch chief with the Division of Intramural Research at the National Institutes of Health (NIH). Specifically he will head the Genetics and Molecular Biology Branch. His work involves the potential of certain stem cells as a vehicle for gene therapy. His initiative is also to help train the next generation of genetics and genomics scientists. To learn more about David's research, visit [www.genome.gov/100000336](http://www.genome.gov/100000336) or see the winter *Colby* magazine. \* **Frank Malinoski** was promoted to senior vice president, medical and scientific affairs, for MedImmune. Frank will oversee marketed products and public policy in the therapeutic areas of cancer, infectious disease, and vaccines. \* **Scott L. Smith** sent his first news since graduating! He noted that his Colby roommate **Sam Gowan** was a geology major and rugby player; 30 years later Scott has a stepson, Sam '08, who's a geology major and rugby player at Colby! Scott's oldest stepson went to Bates; his youngest to Hamilton (when Scott refused to write tuition checks to Bowdoin). Scott recalled "Operation Graduation," successfully completed with classmates **Scott McDermott**, **Robert Anderson**, and **Ted Shanahan**. Finally, Scott wrote, "in a nutshell, I'm happily married, three grown boys, assistant head of Bement School in Deerfield, Mass., and feeling much older than 52 years!" \* Finally, I'll shamelessly plug the musical I'm directing for my local community theater. If you're in central Jersey this July come over to Spotlight Players' production of *Moby Dick the Musical*, a mangling of Melville's classic that is simultaneously reverent and camp. Hey, I was an American studies and music major—it *had* to catch up to me sooner or later! \* Keep those cards and e-mails coming! —*Robert Weinstein*

**77** For this issue we have both quantity and quality in our class news. **David Bogan** was named Chief

Technology Officer of Computer Sciences Corporation, the world's third largest IT services company. Dave hasn't done too badly for an English major. More importantly, Dave became an organ donor in October 2006, when he donated one of his kidneys to a friend with a genetic disorder that would have eventually killed her. He says it was probably the best thing he's ever done. (And I think I'm making a sacrifice when I loan my shifty brother-in-law money.) \* **Steve Ford** is still farming cotton in Alabama. He writes that the 2006 drought was the worst in 50 years, so it was not an easy year. He still teaches economics part time at the University of the South, and he's now a trustee for the National Center for Food and Agricultural Policy, a D.C. think-tank. He was also elected to his county school board. Steve says that none of that is as much fun, however, as being dad to two great kids. \* **Peter Skoler** called **Steve "Beardo" Roy** out of the blue (note the subtle Colby reference), and asked Steve where his youngest son, Derek, was going to school, figuring Derek had gone to Colby. Peter was surprised to hear that Derek is at NYU, where Peter's son, Ben, is in the class of '08 and daughter, Ella, is class of '10. Steve came to Boston to visit Peter, play golf, and take in a Sox game. They subsequently met in New York and enjoyed a great evening with families at SOB (Sounds of Brazil), where Derek (a music business major) is working. Daughter Ella has a friend in her dorm whose parents went to Colby. Turns out she is **Mike** and **Ann Atherton Poulin**'s daughter. Peter says that Mike was one of the first people he met at Colby. They were both subjected to Flunk-em-all Small's calculus class. Peter sends a delayed thanks to **Rich "Jed" Clampitt**, saying he wouldn't have passed without Jed's help. \* Speaking of Steve Roy, he recently saw **Dave Lillich** in Maine and played golf with him, too. He went to a Bob Marley (the comedian, not the dead reggae singer) show with **Mike** and **Denise Martell Martin**. He also bumps into **Lisa Tripler**, **Heidi Neumann Hansen**, and **Bob "Nemo" Keefe** occasionally. \* **Tim Knowlton** dropped a line. He is CEO of Curtis Brown, Ltd., in New York City. Send more news next time, Tim. \* **Jonathan Smith** had a good visit last fall with **Brett Thacher** and his family at their home in Canton, N.Y. Brett's wife, Pamela, is a profes-

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sor of psychology at St. Lawrence in Canton, where they've been for the last four years. They are busy raising three boys, ages 7, 5, and 3. Jon and Brett spent a good part of the time working on Brett's lake-house project near Canton on a lake reminiscent of the Belgrades. A former captain of the Colby Woodsmen's team, Brett is reportedly in hoggy heaven with the woodlot on the property. Jon says Brett can still wield an axe and a crosscut saw with the best of them. If any of our classmates travel to St. Lawrence college-hunting with their kids, Brett would love to be contacted. Jon also talked with **Nat Rosenblatt**, **Paul "Pidge" Black**, and **Boyd Allen '75**. \* **Jeff Gottesfeld** and his wife are now writing for a highbrow television program. Jeff won't let me reveal the name of the show (he doesn't like to brag), but keep your eye out for the writing credits when you are watching your favorite daytime drama. \* I'll see everyone at our 30th reunion. —*Mark Lyons*

**78** Congratulations to **Francie Palmer Christopher**, who writes, "I just received my Ph.D. from the University of Kansas in TESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages) and have accepted a position in the School of Education at Northwest Missouri State University to direct their master's in TESOL program. I was married in March 2004 to Franklin Christopher. We have five children between us, ages 16 to 25. The oldest is in medical school, the second just graduated from Brown, the third and fourth are in college, and the youngest is still in high school. We stay busy commuting between Annapolis, Md., where we live aboard a 40-foot sailboat, work in Kansas City, and Portland, Ore., where we keep an apartment." \* It was great to hear from **Alex Jackson Rieser**. She has been practicing law since graduating from Washington University School of Law in 1983. Specializing in birth injuries, particularly cerebral palsy and brain trauma cases, Alex represents doctors and hospitals. She and her husband, David, (an environmental lawyer who specializes in brownfield cases) have two children, Graham, a sophomore in high school, and Alanna, a sixth grader. Alex writes: "Our kids are great, and neither wants to become an attorney (we take particular pride in that). They are both lots of fun and very nice kids." After earning a

degree in interior design, for the past few years Alex has been buying second homes and renovating, designing, and then selling them. She serves on the board of two local youth organizations, enjoys opera, and loves to travel. After visiting Rio, Buenos Aires, and South Africa last year, she writes that plans for next year are much less elaborate! —*Lea Jackson Morrissey and Janet Santry Houser*

**79** I was happy to hear from **Julie Sydow Palmason**, whom I enjoyed spending time with at our 25th reunion. Julie writes from Littleton, Mass., where she has just celebrated her 23rd anniversary working for Digital/Compaq/HP, having dodged many pink slips. She is currently working in sales, helping sales reps with computer applications so they can spend more time with customers. Julie's two children are 16 and 14 years old, with the oldest just receiving his learner's permit and thus promising future relief for mom's taxi service. While attending a Colby Boston Club event in Waltham, Julie bumped into Jack McBride '80 and **Barb Croft Spillane** and enjoyed catching up with them. Last year Julie and **Lou Ann Takacs Brown** celebrated their high school reunion (Framingham South, Mass.). Julie reports that Lou-Ann is doing great, raising three daughters, lots of dogs, and a few horses! In her spare time, Julie started a prayer shawl group at her church, knitting shawls for cancer patients at a local hospital as well as others in need of a warm hug. She first learned to knit during a cold Jan Plan in 1976 (I spent that same Jan Plan knitting while watching the Winter Olympics) and after a long hiatus started up again several years ago. Julie finds it a nice break from work and says it keeps her out of trouble. She sends a happy milestone birthday wish to all us '79ers! \* It was a nice surprise to hear from **Peter Greenberg**, who writes he's still alive. Peter and wife, Marge, have been married 22 years and have a 15-year-old son, Michael, and a 13-year-old daughter, Sarah. He still lives in Longmeadow, Mass., and has been running his third-generation family tire and automotive repair business since he returned in 1983. The business has nine locations in western New England. If you need an expert opinion e-mail him at peter@city-tire.com—he'll be glad to talk with you. Peter keeps in touch with **Bill Mills** and **Donnie Lavoie**, trying to

get together at least once a year. Skiing is still a passion as is road biking for Peter. He rode in the Pan-Mass Challenge fund-raising event for Dana-Farber for the last three years and raised lots of money too! Peter is looking forward to our 30th, as he has been away from Colby and classmates for a long time. \* **Nick Mencher** recently took a position with TIAA-CREF, developing products for institutional business. \* I can always count on **Sam Koch** to send me news. He writes that Maren and **Dave LaLiberty** joined the Koch family for Thanksgiving. The Koch's have added a new addition to the family, a cat named Willy Moe Koch. Best of all, all four Koch children, Chris, Jeff, Ben, and Katie, received great report cards! Thanks Sam! \* After eight years at Ent Federal Credit Union, I left to work for Classic Homes/Classic Communities, a local builder, as a senior staff accountant for land development. It has been a good move despite the housing market decline just after I made the leap. Nice thing is that my commute has not changed much, since my new office is just a couple of blocks down the street from Ent. —*Cheri Bailey Powers*

**80** Classmates have been in the news lately. I received a clipping featuring **Sue McLeod MacReynolds** who joined the DC Metro office of Hay Group, a global consulting firm that works with leaders to transform strategy into reality. "Sue has an excellent reputation as a world-class executive coach and consultant to top executives." \* The *Kalamazoo* (Mich.) *Gazette* had a piece about **Geoff Becker**, who was reading from his latest novel at a theater in town. Geoff is associate professor of English at Towson University in Maryland. He and his wife, Nora Sturgess, (associate professor of art at Towson) welcomed the arrival of Bruno Aaron Sturgess Becker in May. \* **Diana Herrmann** reports that her firm teamed up with former Janus high-yield investment professionals to launch Aquila Three Peaks High Income Fund in June 2006. Diana was looking forward to her upcoming vacation to Bhutan in spring '07 and reported that she had recently attended her Darien (Conn.) High School's 30th reunion and caught up with **Carolyn Weeks Diprospero** and **Cathy Palmer Smith**. Cathy just finished performing in a community theater production of the musical

*Oliver* in Concord, N.H.—her first time back onstage since Colby days! Cathy is working as a liaison for Community Bridges, an organization that supports individuals with developmental disabilities. \* **Roni Wechsler Ford**, a dermatologist in Gaithersburg, Md., celebrated her 10th year in practice. She recently took on a new associate and is busier than ever. Her two boys, Jonathan, 12, and Brandon, 5, are doing well and they recently added Casey, a long-haired miniature Dachshund, to the family. Roni was sorry she missed the 25th reunion but is very interested in getting together in 2008 if anything materializes. \* **Mimi Brodsky Kress** writes from D.C. that, despite the downward trend in housing, the high-end custom home market is still keeping her busy. She traveled to Vermont last summer to visit **Mike and Gretchen Huebsch Daly** at their dairy farm in the Northeast Kingdom. **Debbie Pugh Kelton** also joined them: "You should've seen us sitting on the front porch shucking the corn and popping peas out of the shell—reminded me of living in Winslow!" Mimi's son, Max, is 16 and daughter, Jenna, is 11 and a very busy middle-schooler into musical theater and horseback riding. \* In September I attended a surprise 50th birthday party for my old roommate, Miguel Browne '78, and ran into **Doug Herbert**, **Mark Garvin**, **Doug Deangelis**, and a number of other Colby grads from the 70s including Lindy Williams '79. And this past December **Rachel Lavengood** and I attended the "Reaching the World: A Campaign for Colby" kickoff dinner in Seattle. It was an impressive program and a great reminder of why it's important to support Colby and the amazing students the College continues to attract. —*Tom Marlitt*

**81** I enjoyed a wonderful Thanksgiving with old pal Lee Johnson '79 at her home in Plaistow, N.H. \* **Cheryl Carr Holt** is a new math teacher at Northfield (Vt.) Middle/High School. \* **Bill Clifford** was promoted to executive VP and chief administrative officer for TD Banknorth Insurance Agency in South Portland. \* Waterville watercolor artist **Pam Ellis** won prizes last summer including best-in-show at the WCSH-6 Portland Sidewalk Art Festival. At the festival she saw former Colby clergyman Father Paul



Cote, who “looked and sounded great” and updated her on **Jay Donegan** and others. See Pam’s works at [www.pjellisart.com](http://www.pjellisart.com). \* **Beth Pniewski Wilson** visited **Lynn McLaren** at Lynn’s new home in Snoqualmie, Wash., east of Seattle—“the other end of the Mass Pike.” Despite rain, they toured wineries. Beth regularly sees **Renee Ross Nadler** and **Jamie Bourne** on the commuter train to Boston from Acton, where Renee has lived for six years. Jamie and **Laura Littlefield Bourne** recently moved to Acton, which is a hotbed for the Class of ’81—Beth noticed reading our 25th Reunion book that eight of us reside there! \* In September new Houston resident **Bob Ryan** and Lew Krinsky ’65 waved the Colby flag at the Houston Asian Junior Chamber Education Fair. Bob wants to organize a Houston-area Colby, CBB, or NESAC social group and would love to hear from anyone interested. \* Celebrating 22 years of marital bliss, **Mary Coe Connolly** is in her sixth year as assistant dean of students at the all-boy Bellarmine Prep School in San Jose, Calif. Her children are Stephen, 20, a junior at Loyola Marymount University, Kevin, 17, a senior at Bellarmine, and Christine, 15, a sophomore at Archbishop Mitty High School. One of her year’s highlights was watching son Kevin’s varsity baseball team win the league and section championship and be named the number-one high school team in California and number five in the nation. Mary will soon earn a post-bachelor’s certificate in college counseling at UCLA. \* **Tory Sneff Schulte** lives in Ashburn, Va., with her husband, three girls (ages 16, 13, 11), a cat, and a big yellow lab. She is busy playing USTA tennis in Virginia, Maryland, and D.C., while working full time as director of sales and marketing at ORBCOMM Inc., a satellite data communications company. Tory writes, “If anyone is embarking on a trip to Washington please contact me. Toni and Susan, I miss you!” \* **Jim Trumm** and **Susan Doktor** left Boston 10 years ago for Jim’s hometown, Ottawa Hills, a suburb of Toledo, Ohio. Jim, who practiced law in Boston, teaches humanities and writing at Owens Community College. Susan is creative director for Calphalon, a manufacturer of premium kitchen housewares. Twin sons, Joshua and Spencer, are in 10th grade. Golden retriever Sophie keeps the family

warm, safe, and smiling. Susan, a passionate cook and compulsive entertainer, loves to throw parties. Those who lived near Susan in Foss may remember. She recently performed the title role in the Toledo Harvest Theater production of *The Country Girl*, by Clifford Odets. Jim and Susan are enjoying the heck out of raising teenagers. They marked 28 years in love in October. \* Jim and **Dani Nemec Micsan** have one son, Joseph, 12, and two daughters. Julia, 16, recently attended New York City’s International Modeling and Talent Association’s competition. Dani is waiting for her to be discovered, so “I can buy my McMansion.” Jessica, 18, entered Virginia Tech with enough AP credits to require only 12 credits a semester. Dani wonders, “Why wasn’t I that smart?” \* Melissa and **Jon Light** enjoyed seeing everyone at Reunion. Jim’s business concerns have taken him to Chicago, San Francisco, Paris, and Panama City. Last fall they attended parents’ weekend at Duke, where sons Matthew and Ryan are freshman. Hearing about their freshman year and visiting Colby several times made Jon yearn for his years at Colby again. —*Steph Vratton*

**82** Henry and **Jen Maire Hagemann** and their two daughters happily split the year between Florida and Marion, Mass. That’s possible since their youngest, Leita, 16, is now homeschooled. Oldest daughter, Katie, is in her second year at Yale. Last summer the family bought a 1937 47’ custom Rhodes ketch, which Henry has sailed since he was 17! Jen reports she met up with **Heather MacDuffie** in Southwest Harbor, Maine, when they picked the boat up for the summer. \* I received my first *really* long-distance e-mail from **Abby Smith**. She writes from New Zealand that she and her family are about to enlarge their home as the two boys just keep getting bigger. Abby reports that “Ned, 11, and David, 7, are both keen cricketers, and I have taken the training and become an accredited cricket coach. Given that I never played an organized sport in my life, maybe it shows the value of a liberal arts education! My husband, Hamish Spencer, was promoted to full professor this year and we celebrated big time.” Abby lectures in the marine science department at the University of Otago and does sedimentological research on the university’s new research vessel. Abby won’t be able to

## 80s newsmakers

Massachusetts Attorney General Martha Coakley is full of praise for **Jeffrey D. Clements ’84**, the newly appointed chief of the Public Protection and Advocacy Bureau of the Attorney General’s Office. “Jeff shares my commitment to important public protection issues, including tackling identity theft and fraud, safeguarding our environment, ensuring access to affordable healthcare, and fighting for the civil rights of all citizens of this Commonwealth,” Coakley said of Clements, whose experience in the public and private sector includes being assistant attorney general



James E. Donahue ’88

in the Consumer Protection and Antitrust Division from 1996 to 2000. ♦ **James E. Donahue ’88** is the new president and chief executive officer of Old Sturbridge Village, the region’s oldest outdoor history museum, which recreates life in 1830s New England. With a background in leadership, education, and fund raising, Donahue is the CEO of Bradford Dunn Institute for Learning Differences in Providence, R.I., which includes the Hasbro Center for Teaching Excellence and CVS Highlander Charter School. “I want OSV to be a model once again for living museums nationally. My hope is that ten years from now folks from around the country will take lessons from us,” he said in a statement following his appointment. ♦ It’s an uphill battle to the White House for Hillary Clinton, according to **Elizabeth Ossoff ’81**, political psychologist at St. Anselm’s College in Massachusetts. “She doesn’t fit the mold,” Ossoff told *USA Today*. It will be “a difficult but very interesting race. A lot of things are going to get brought up, and people are going to have to face their opinions.” One issue is that Clinton’s public image has been less than warm. “She hasn’t been terribly accessible. She’s going to have to let people in. People have to see her and get to know her as a person,” said Ossoff, who acknowledges that gender and Clinton’s marriage add to the baggage that she brings with her to the race.

## milestones

**Deaths:** **Francesca Casoli Shira ’84**, July 1, 2005, in Rochester, N.Y., at 42.

**Marriages:** **Dorcas Benner Riley ’80** to John A. Bechard in Mt. Vernon, Maine.

make reunion but writes, “Living in New Zealand is great, but it is far from the old homestead. I visit the family in Lexington, Mass., when I can, and am so grateful for the regular contact that e-mail and digital cameras make possible. I won’t see you in June, but wishing all of you well.” \* Each time a request for news goes out, I inevitably receive a humorous chain of e-mails, which I love, by the way. In the past, it has included Mike Fraser ’83, **Dan Ferguson**, **Steve Brown**, and **Matt Maley**. This time, it was **Chris Murphy**, **Brian Coakley**, **Bill Storey**, and **Brian Russell** who kept me entertained. I am happy to report that all of the above still have a healthy sense of humor! Brian Russell finally

succumbed and sent me some news that I could print. (And I know he will get grief, so I apologize Brian.) Brian and Kathy (Nickerson ’84) have three beautiful daughters and he sent me a great photo of Kathy and the girls at Fenway Park last summer. Alexandra is a freshman in high school, Caroline is in sixth grade, and Sammy is in third. Kathy is teaching at a local preschool, an easy 1.5 mile commute from their home! Brian was at Colby for Coach Jim Wescott’s retirement a few years ago and saw many old friends and was amazed at how the campus has changed. \* I hope Brian *and all of you* can make it to Colby for this special 25th reunion! See you in June! —*Janice McKeown*

## Banking On It | Julie Sands Causey '85

When Julie Sands Causey '85 left her Minnesota home for Colby, she didn't know that she'd end up back where she started, on home turf, working for the bank that had been in her family since her grandfather bought it in the wake of the Depression. She also didn't know it would be such a good fit.

"I've been back here for thirteen years," she said, "after twelve years on the East Coast, working and doing graduate school. Washington, D.C., was a great place to be young and single. It was a great place to be married. And it was a terrible place to have two tiny kids."

Causey first left the Midwest for Maine to study economics at Colby, spent two years with a Washington D.C. consulting firm, then went to Philadelphia to study at the Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania. M.B.A. in hand, she went back to D.C. for more consulting work, until she returned to Minnesota to found a consulting firm for Minnesota-based multinational companies. After more than a decade away, she found the call of Lake Wobegon impossible to resist.

Back in the Midwest, Causey soon found herself being sucked into the family affairs. "I never had the slightest intention of joining the family bank," she said. "I joined the board in 1999 to sort of anchor that third generation. I was very involved in my career at that point. I signed up for six to ten meetings a year. Then I slid down that slippery slope and ended up chairing the board."

Western Bank mainly deals with small businesses and nonprofits, and Causey finds that more gratifying than multinational business. "We've done a lot of economic development work," she said, "and working with entrepreneurs of color and immigrant entrepreneurs. It's very much an urban bank. It's been on University Avenue for ninety years, which is the central corridor between Minneapolis and St. Paul. And that's great, because I believe a lot in cities and the opportunities that are created by keeping urban economies healthy."

Causey sent her kids to the local public primary school, where 17 languages are spoken and where 30 percent of students didn't grow up speaking English. "I think where we send our kids to school,"



Julie Sands Causey '85 and family

she said, "and how we've chosen to support this neighborhood, and the work that I do at the bank in terms of economic development and small business is all pretty integrated in terms of a choice my husband and I have made about living in the city, being in the city, and supporting the city."

But she's getting out of the city as well. She and her husband, an East Coast transplant, have built a place up north, across the border. "He fell for [moving back] pretty easily, and he's really taken to it. He's catching fish in the summer. One of the fun things we've been doing is we're building an off-the-grid cabin in Canada, on one of those border lakes."

By off the grid, she means a 12-mile boat ride in, solar power, woodheat, and composting toilets. "My husband thinks having a cabin up in Canada is part of the fun of living in the Midwest. You don't get to do that in Washington, D.C." Causey said.

Last year she was appointed as an overseer at Colby. She hopes that will help keep up with the College, which she feels left her well prepared to chair a community-focused bank.

"This sort of job is a combination of some pretty rigorous technical skills," she said. "Finance, economics, public speaking. But it's also a lot of heart and soul. And I think from Colby I really got both of those two sides."

—Frank Bures

**84** Sharon Kehoe Miller and her husband, Dan, have a new addition. On November 10, 2006, they brought home their newly adopted son, Curtis Martin, from Guatemala City—just a week shy of his first birthday. \* **Barbara Duncan Marchetti** sold her company, Preferred Resource Group, to one of her clients, 24 Seven, and has re-branded as C-suite, with offices in Boston and New York. They do retained executive searches for the fashion and retail sectors. Barbara is in N.Y.C. weekly to meet with top fashion and luxury brands. If anyone knows of someone from those verticals looking to make a career move, have them contact Barbara at [www.c-suiteinc.com](http://www.c-suiteinc.com). \* **Anne 'Tieds' Tiedemann** has been out of touch for years, but there's nothing like moving to a new place for reconnecting. Anne has been working at Kroll for the last 18 years, which has taken her from N.Y.C. to Miami followed by eight years in London, and now she finds herself in Hong Kong, Asia Pacific headquarters for Kroll. Anne's wondering if any other Colby alumni have found their way to Asia; she'd love to meet up and learn more about this thriving, dynamic place. She's traveling the region and learning a tremendous amount. \* **Samuel R. Staley**, Ph.D., has had two books out—one on traffic congestion that's generating a bit of a stir, including an endorsement from Secretary of Transportation Mary Peters. More information at <http://www.reason.org/road/>. Sam's first novel came out in November. *The Pirate of Panther Bay* is a story of a female pirate captain fighting the Spanish colonial administration in the 18th century. The story twists and turns through love, mutiny, and revenge. More at <http://www.pantherbay.com>. Other than that, Sam loves the ski season when he hits the slopes with the family! \* **Frederick Canby** spent one week with his wife, Denise, and kids Adriana, 12, and Karl, 8, and friends on Devil Island, Maine, just off the coast from Stonington. Professionally he maintains his dental practice (specializing in endodontics) in Leesburg, Va. He's still a Navy reservist attached to a Marine battalion and was executive officer for a humanitarian exercise in 2006 involving medical, dental, veterinarian, and optometric assets from all military branches. \* **Valerie Miller** got engaged on her birthday, July 30,



to Laine Brancato. He is a N.Y.C. police officer; she is a lieutenant in the N.Y.C. Fire Department. They intend to get married in late 2007 or early 2008. Her son, Theodore, is 13 and in eighth grade. \* Dan and **Mary Lou McCulloch Jones** are still in northern Florida, enjoying every moment. Dave retired from the Navy after 20 years and is currently with Jacksonville International Airport. They celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary last August. They have three children: Duncan, 17, Cameron, 13, and Nora, 11. Mary Lou continues to work part time as a women's stylist at Banana Republic. \* **Andrew Christy** was recently in Jakarta and spent some time with **Ed McCartin** while there. Andrew is the director of global marketing for Church's Chicken, and Indonesia is a big market for them. Ed is based in Jakarta as CEO of Paiton Energy. —*Cynthia Mulliken Lazzara*

**85** Greetings Class of 1985. I fear you have lost interest in this column and I may soon face the need to construct my own news to entertain you. After my last plea for updates only a few brave and kind souls chose to reply. **Todd Lachman** wrote on yet another career move. The Lachmans move so frequently it's hard to tell which side of the country they call home at any given moment. Last year they moved from Belvedere, Calif., to Mountain Lakes, N.J., because Todd accepted the position of president of Mars U.S. Snackfood, based in Hackettstown, N.J. Yes, Todd is now the Candyman! He started at Mars in October and his family (Kyle, 11, Paul, 9, and Isabella, 6) followed soon after. My own son, Niklas, upon hearing this news, immediately asked that I contact Todd to ask for a product-testing position. Todd laments the move only because, as he says, "I'll have to switch from Lake Tahoe skiing to Vermont, and I got pretty spoiled with our Alpine Meadows season passes." \* **Lynn Brunelle** always keeps me up to date. Unlike many of you, she actually enjoys the mass e-mail request for news and uses it to keep in touch. Thanks Lynn! Work for her is very good. She feels lucky to have three books coming out in the spring and to be working on two TV shows due to air sometime next year. One of Lynn's new television shows is for kids—entrepreneurial concepts—making it fun and accessible. The other is a travel/photo

show with photographer Art Wolfe, who travels to the edges of the earth to take jaw-dropping images showing us how cool this planet truly is. Lynn had a six-degrees-of-separation moment working with an amazing animation company in Vancouver. "I thought I recognized the artwork on their reel—it was **Linc Peirce's** cartoons, which they produce for the cartoon channel. Small world! He's so talented!" Speaking of Linc, his wife Jessica says only Colby people call him Linc. I saw him and his family here at Exeter this fall when they brought their son for a campus tour. Linc's cartoon, *Big Nate*, is still going strong, and Linc also keeps busy doing a radio show for the University of Southern Maine's campus station. I promised him I'd tune in on my way north to ski this winter. I hope to hear from more of you soon. —*Gretchen Bean Bergill*

**86** Unfortunately Colby discovered that the lead item in my last column, about **Andrew Burns**, was entirely untrue. We regret that the magazine was supplied with false information. \* A Colby Club of Boston lunch with Oak Human Rights Fellow Joan Carling became a mini class reunion in October: **Jay Allen, Chris Engstrom, Cathy Woodward Gill, Randy Mitchell, and Jessica Flood Leitz** were all there for the compelling talk and some catching up. \* October was also time for **Jessica Flood Leitz's** annual "birthdays" celebration with pals **Robin Clisby Pelczar, Lisa Foley, Amy Barnes Hurley, Laura Goepfert Stolp, and Terry Appleton**. They shopped along Boston's Newbury Street followed by dinner and drinks. \* Brian '85 and **Kristen Feifert Clark** know all about celebrating birthdays, with kids Taylor, 14, Kaelen, 12, Madison, 9, and MacKenzie, 7! Having moved from Greenville, N.C., to Sutton, Mass., they have many house projects going at their "cool colonial." In their "spare" time Brian works at UMass and Kristen is a certified nurse midwife. Kristen notes that soccer rules their universe with the kids all on traveling soccer teams. \* Hockey rules **Greg Cronin's** universe and, by the time you read this, his second season as Northeastern University's head hockey coach will be finished. We hope it was another winning season! \* While Kristen Feifert Clark was moving out of North Carolina, **Tom McCallum** and

family were moving in! Leaving San Francisco for Raleigh/Durham, Tom's now running investor relations for R. H. Donnelley and running after his two boys, Lachlan, 4, and Declan, 2. \* **Walter Peczon** enjoys running after the kids, too. He and wife Rina have three daughters, Haley, 5, Brianna, 4, and Charlie, 2. Walter "finally ended his 20-year career in financial services to found a new business in outsourcing services in the medical field" and is now CEO of Scripsys, a job that allows him to work from home in Orange County, Calif. \* **Geoff Alexander** reports he was connecting with old roommates **Chapman Mayo** (living in Minnesota), **Kyle Hagstrom** (Arizona), **Ted Allyn** (Washington State), as well as **Rich Deering** (Maine) and **Charlie Clippert** (Minnesota) for a Utah ski trip in March. Geoff is counting on a large bottle of Advil and some liquid refreshments to offset aging knees and stiff backs. \* **Karen Kozma Saules** was promoted to full professor at Eastern Michigan University, where she developed a psychology training clinic and a clinical psychology Ph.D. program. Happily married to husband Pete, she appreciates his ever-vigilant efforts to keep her from being a workaholic. To that end, they spent Thanksgiving fishing in the Florida Keys. Karen enjoyed **Linda Michaud Peters's** visit last summer. \* **Peter Coley** and wife, Sandrine Deschaux, welcomed daughter, Juliette Smythe Coley, home to Cambridgeport, Mass., in January 2006. Peter is busy at Citizens Bank Investments and with ongoing charitable work for the Cancer Research Institute and the Atlantic Salmon Federation. \* **Cary Hills** and **Joan Handweg** and daughter moved outside of Seattle, where Cary bought a veterinarian practice, mostly for large animals. \* **Anne Butter** was thrilled that Scott and **Lisa Rydin Lillioott** asked her to be godmother to their "beautiful, precocious, and totally charming" son Erik. \* Living in Manchester, N.H., **Scott Baxter** loves his job as VP, District Sales Manager for Citigroup Commercial Payment Solutions. His son, Griffin, turned 7 and is doing very well in first grade. \* I caught up with **Dan Shiffman**, wife Jessica, son Isaac, 16, and daughter Emma, 9, for a day last summer during their annual trip home. Dan won a Fulbright that took him to an international university in Japan for a year.

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Substitute teaching in English at the Osaka International School, he loved the students and their enthusiasm so much that he accepted a full-time job there. Job perks so far have included a trip to Korea as coach for the girls' tennis team and a teaching workshop in Singapore. \* Keep the news coming! —*Henrietta "Hank" Yelle*

**87** **Kristine Davidson** made a career change in June 2005. After nearly 13 years teaching music in the North Haven (Maine) Community School, she is now selling real estate at Vinalhaven Realty. Anyone looking for a property on either North Haven or Vinalhaven should give her a call. She would love to help! \* **Bill Clendenen** says "Life has been busy here in Oregon. My family is well. We had a busy summer of boating on Oregon's lakes. We were evacuated once from a forest fire while camping, but all in all a great summer. I ran my first marathon. My time for the Portland Marathon was 3:35 and am fighting my 40s. Anyway, I hope to get to the reunion in June." \* Congratulations to **Laura Zegel**, who married Robert Tucker on August 5, 2006, in Stockton Springs, Maine. \* **Jon Doeher** started a new job at KPMG Corporate Finance in Minneapolis. He is a director in the Investment Banking Group and will be advising financial services companies on mergers and acquisitions. \* **Elseke Membreno-Zenteno** writes, "Up until last August my family and I were living in Monterrey, Mexico. My husband is a professor of sociology and had been working in a university in Mexico in a new school for public affairs and public policy. We were finally settling down when an old friend called up my husband and said he needed his help. Long story short, we are now living in San Diego, Calif., where my husband is the executive director of the Center for U.S.-Mexican Studies. So my job of late has been to set up house and help my kids settle into their new environment. Honestly, it has been much easier for them than for me! After living in Mexico for eight years it has been hard for me to adapt to the U.S. So many things have changed. But we are enjoying ourselves. Who can complain about California!" \* Thanks for the updates and I hope to see many of you at our 20th reunion! —*Kathleen Harnett Linger*

**89** The e-mail requests for updates must be working. One convinced **Christine Roberts Tascione** to write for the first time in 16 years. Christine and husband Mark live in Coral Springs, Fla., with their cat, Colby. Christine works in the hotel industry as director of sales administration for LXR Luxury Resorts. Christine saw Katie Maloney '88 and Dante Self Bartolomeo '91 last summer. Katie lives in Cumberland, Maine, with her boyfriend and spends time restoring the home they bought. \* **Quinn and Ingrid Kasaks Moyer** managed to see about half of our class last year. Michelle and **Bruce Whiting** and their three kids and Barbara and **Dave Losier** came to Toronto to see the Red Sox play the Blue Jays. In September Ingrid and Quinn traveled to Napa to **Mike D'Agostino** and Kimberly Clark's wedding. **Brad Lord** was best man and **Mark Silvern, Anthony Mazzola, Scott Wentzell, and R. Scott Williamson** were in the wedding. After that Ingrid went to Cape Cod for **Callie Knowles Clapp's** surprise 40th birthday party, organized by Callie's husband, Bill '87. At the clambake were **Ferrall McMahon Dietrich, Stacey Mitchell, and Sue Bratone Childs**. Ingrid keeps too busy, she says, with three kids' activities, including so much time at the rink they've offered her a cot. She still works at Moyer Aggregates and volunteers as president of the skating club. \* **Dave and Cindy Cohen Fernandez** live with their three girls in Mansfield, Mass. Dave finished his 13th Pan Mass Challenge, a 192-mile bike ride to benefit the Jimmy Fund. Dave and Cindy planned to spend New Year's Eve at **Rob and Hilary Barnes Hoopes's** new house in Bethesda, Md., with Suzi and **Matt Sotir, Stephanie and Marc Rando, and Danielle Archambault**. Cindy planned a visit to Boulder, Colo., to visit **Julie Lewis Petersen**, leaving Dave to fend for himself with the kids. Dave reports that **Kristen Palmer** teaches in Westford, Mass., and leads her students on camping trips every year. \* **Peter Kimpton** lives in Londonderry, N.H., with his wife, Cathy, and son, Samuel. He works at Electronics For Imaging (EFI) in Meredith, N.H., marketing really large inkjet printers. In the past year he's been to Europe three times and all over the U.S. He expects to do some traveling in Asia and Latin America in 2007. Peter says the last good book he read was "*Click, Clack, Moo*—about

400 times." \* By the time you read this, **Bob and Sue Banta Gallagher** and their two kids will be settling into their new home in Atlanta. After eight years in Scituate, Mass., Bob was asked to head up PWC's corporate investigations practice in Atlanta. If you live in Atlanta, get in touch and welcome Bob and Sue to the area! \* **Sonja Hall Morrison** lives in Bellingham, Wash., with her two kids and husband, Christopher, who's gaining fame as a glass artist. Check out [www.morrisonglassart.net](http://www.morrisonglassart.net). Sonja teaches French at Sehome High School and loves her job. She travels to France for three weeks every other year with her students, which allows her to keep in touch with friends from her year in Caen, including Olivier Laurent, who worked with Colby in Caen, and Isabelle Rimbert Alvino, an exchange student at Colby. Despite living in Washington for 12 years, Sonja says she is still "an east coaster at heart." She visits her parents in Maine every year and misses cross-country skiing. \* **Bill and Anne Webster Stauffer** live in Scarborough, Maine, where they are having a blast raising their two little girls, Sarah and Tory, who were adopted from China. Bill reports that **Greg Russell** and his wife just traveled to China to adopt their second baby. The Stauffers recently had dinner at **Patty Carlson Ruprecht's** farm in Pownal, Maine, where they feasted on lamb that Patty and her husband raised. \* **Sue Chaffee Cuyler** writes that life is good in Boston. She saw **Margaret Hartnett Boyd**, who was visiting from Idaho. Margaret, a photographer ([www.margaretboydphotography.com](http://www.margaretboydphotography.com)), took some fabulous photos of Sue's two little boys. \* **Forsyth Kineon** finally made her way back to New England after living in D.C., Seattle, Philadelphia, and Connecticut. She's now in Arlington, Mass., working as the executive director of a small nonprofit called the Organization for the Assabet River. After years in government, running a nonprofit is a challenge. Forsyth writes that her life has taken her from Antarctica to Belize and the Galapagos. She is settling into life in Mass., doing triathalons and sailing. She keeps up with Nina Colhoun Wilson '88 and saw Sandy Colhoun '91 and his new wife at Nina's 40th birthday party. She also hears from Ann Armstrong Baines '88, who lives in Philly and works at DuPont, and bumped into Tom Tompkins '87 and Matt Murphy '87 in

Marblehead. \* **Leslie Dougherty Biddle** was elected partner at Goldman Sachs in October. Congratulations, Leslie! —*Anita Terry*

**90** **Jill Vollweiler** ran the ING N.Y.C. Marathon and finished in 3:03:23. She ran along with Joan Benoit Samuelson, Hicham El-Guerrouj, and Lance Armstrong. When she's not running, Jill works as a tasting-room manager at Sharpe Hill Vineyard, a family-owned winery in Pomfret, Conn. \* **Reed Bernhard** married Dr. Tiffany MacInnes (Bowdoin '95) and they had their first child, a healthy boy named Grady. They moved to Hawaii in December, where Reed flies a corporate jet for the Commander of Naval Forces in the Pacific. \* **Dover Norris-York** welcomed her fourth daughter, Deja, 6, into her family in August. \* **Candace Bye Correa** started her own company, called Eliquus, offering upscale equestrian gifts. She is based in L.A. and has been married for more than 10 years. \* **Andrew Richter** and his wife, Melissa, had their second son, Corbin Drew Richter, last October. \* Printed recently in the *Los Angeles Times*: **Nick Childs's** film, *The Shovel*, was one of the 600 films selected for the LA Shorts Fest. Nick directed the 15-minute film, which features David Strathairn as a man whose late-night confrontation with a neighbor turns nightmarish. \* **Tricia (O'Sullivan '91) and Rob Hyland** live in Mansfield, Mass., with their three sons, Nick and Sam, 6, and Matt, 2. Rob works for Kimberly-Clark as a sales representative calling on BJ's Wholesale Club. \* **Kathrine Cole Aydelott** wrote that since August 2005 she has been at the Yale University Library on a 28-month term position as a reference librarian and course-support specialist working to coordinate pedagogy, technology, and library and gallery collections with faculty. Last summer she attended Colby's reunion with her husband, Jack '91, where she ran into **Franc-Eric Wiedmer**. \* **Drew Eaton** sent in his new e-mail address, [drew.eaton@sbcglobal.net](mailto:drew.eaton@sbcglobal.net). \* Finally, I'm afraid I made a mistake in the last class update... it is **Carol E. Lockwood** who lives in Hawaii and just had a son, not Carolyn Lockwood '89. Sorry! —*Barbara "Bebe" Clark Bullock*

**91** **Rebekah Mitchell** was recently featured in a press release on MarketWire.com announcing the

opening of HubbubPR, the “industry’s first agency deliberately built for the globally networked economy.” Her role as a cofounder of this new online PR community follows 15 years of varied PR work in addition to starting her own consulting business in 2004. \* In October **David Donnelly** and his continuing battle for “clean elections” were the subjects of an article in the *Washington Post*. He is the national campaign director for the Public Campaign Action Fund and director of its Campaign Money Watch, which recently “launched a Web site that showed more than 250 federal candidates had signed a Voters First Pledge supporting its Clean Up Congress campaign that calls for public financing, stronger ethics, and more disclosure about fundraising.” \* **Dave Unruh** reports from Pennsylvania that he has been working for two years as director of major gifts at Penn after almost 10 years at Carnegie Mellon in Pittsburgh. He periodically sees former roommate **Tremaine Cooper** and recently lunched with **Candi Green** in N.Y.C. Dave and his wife celebrated the first birthday of their second son, Dylan; older brother Morgan started kindergarten this year. \* **Deborah “Del” Lloyd** sent an e-mail from sunny Phoenix, Ariz. She just started a new job as a project manager in the Wholesale Technology Program office at Wells Fargo. When not juggling multiple projects and multiple technologies at work, she serves as a board member and chair of the membership committee for the Women’s Metropolitan Arts Council of the Phoenix Museum of Art. She also volunteers as a mentor for the Fresh Start Women’s Foundation, and she is starting her own life-coaching business, having worked with her own life coach for more than 10 years. \* From Arkansas came a note from **Rebecca Brackett Price**. After living in Dallas for 15 years, she and her husband moved to Fayetteville, Ark., which is home to the University of Arkansas and is similar, she says, to a New England town. She is helping her husband run his business, and they are in the process of renovating a house built in 1899. \* **Terence McAllister** recently completed six years of active duty with the U.S. Air Force and returned home to Massachusetts to open his own medical practice, Performance Pediatrics, in Plymouth. He writes, “After working in the world’s largest bureaucracy (the

## 90s milestones

*Marriages:* **Jerome M. Hermesen** ’92 to Jacqueline B. Odell on Cape Cod ♦ **Eric D. Johnson** ’92 to Jennifer Gesicki in Park City, Utah ♦ **Abigale O. Knapp** ’93 to Reuben Govender in New York, N.Y. ♦ **Diantha Neskey** ’93 to Gary Duvall in Chatham, Mass. ♦ **Lincoln M. Farr** ’97 to Elizabeth M. Lastique in New York, N.Y. ♦ **Rebecca L. Allen** ’98 to Gregory Sc. Nagurny Jr., in Stowe, Vt. ♦ **Scott Bridman** ’98 to Jennifer Honeyman in North Wales, Pa. ♦ **John S. Brunero III** ’98 to Anita Thompson in Portsmouth, N.H. ♦ **Gregory M. Wehmeyer** ’98 to **Vanessa M. Wade** ’00 in Sharon, Mass. ♦ **Joel A. Blain** ’99 to Lauren M. Chellis in Old Saybrook, Conn. ♦ **Ian P. McGinn** ’99 to Kathryn M. Fleming in Dover, N.H.

*Births:* A son, Anderson Mastrovita Longsjo, to **Mark** ’92 and **Poppyann Mastrovita Longsjo** ’93 ♦ A daughter, Robyn Susan Felmly, to **Peter** ’98 and **Sarah Eno Felmly** ’98

U.S. military), I am looking forward to the challenge of starting out on my own.” \* As for me, I am enjoying my third season of working for Cape Ann Divers in Gloucester, Mass. My responsibilities alternate between working in the shop and serving as a mate on the Cape Ann Diver II, a 45-foot dive boat that covers dive sites from York, Maine, to Falmouth, Mass. I even meet the occasional Colby alum (like Shawn Gager ’92) on one of our guided shore dives or on the boat. \* Thanks for the news, everyone! To all of the classmates out there who I haven’t heard from yet, I encourage you to write. No news is too small and I look forward to hearing from you. —*David Shumway*

**92** It looks like Class Notes ’92 is catching on. You all have the fever to reconnect. Either that or you know I’ll make stuff up if you don’t check in. \* **Zach Shapiro** (recently named to the Higgins Class Notes Hall of Fame for frequent submissions) is now the senior rabbi of Temple Akiba in Culver City (Los Angeles). Zach recently saw Lucy Yeager ’93 in Tampa. He also bumped into Greg Christopher ’94, a friend of the groom at a wedding where he was officiating. \* **Christy O’Rourke** recently changed her e-mail address. \* **Jim** and **Natalie Minton Kavanaugh** added number four to their clan. Baby Cate Kavanaugh joins sisters Lily and Annie and brother James. Natalie still works at Fidelity in Boston. \* **Kendra Smith** lives in Portland, Ore., and works for a regional surface-water utility doing watershed planning and stream restoration. She and

husband Jon built their own home and are building a guest house for any Colby folks who might like to visit the Northwest. Kendra regularly sees Fred Stewart ’91 and his family. Heidi and **Chris Frothingham** and their two daughters, Emma and Molly, have moved to town and made connections. **Ted Bosco** also lives in Portland—going on 12 years. Speaking of Ted—I miss you kid! Thanks for checking in! Ted brought up some fond memories of all the guys I must keep from this article. \* **Jason** and **Diana Barton Gleeson** are still in Cranston, R.I., and have two beautiful kids, Maeve and Cooper. \* **Sarah Haynes Cooney** was named senior program manager for Platform Leader Military Aircraft for Lockheed Martin Palmdale. She’ll be responsible for program execution, business management, financial performance, and growth. She was recognized as a 2004 Top Performer as a member of the HTS900 proposal team. A former captain in the Air Force, she has two children, Timothy, 10, and Erin, 5. \* **Elizabeth A. Kowal**, Esq., has been named associate director for the Office of Career Services at Roger Williams University. Elizabeth will implement and supervise on- and off-campus interview programs, provide career counseling, direct and administer student programming, job fairs, and multicultural diversity employment programs. \* **Eric Johnson** (my freshman year geology partner, he reminded me. I will never forget Oolitic hematite because of you brother!) admits he’s been slacking on keeping in touch. He writes: “It’s been a busy year. My wife, Jennifer,

and I moved to Orange County in January when I started working at PIMCO. In August, we got married in Park City, Utah. There were a handful of Colby classmates in attendance, including Felicia and **John O’Brien**, who made the trip from Boston. **Laura Dwyer** did a reading during the ceremony. And my best man, **Matt Brown**, and his wife, Lisa, made the trip from Boulder. Brownie also organized a pre-wedding golf trip where we played a few ugly rounds with OB, **Jeremy Carver**, and **Wright Dickinson**.” \* After three years, Scott ’91 and **Margaret Igoe Osborne** are back in Frederick, Md., with their two girls. \* **Chris** and **Whitney Adams Ward** welcomed their third child, Sasha, in July. Keep it up Ward family—you’re running up my taxes in Hingham! \* **Bruce Reed** is in San Francisco where he and his wife live with their two kids, Lindsay and Jackson. \* Last time **Sarah Poriss** logged into class notes was 1995. Sarah reconnected with **Tracey Hardman** in the late ’90s while at UConn Law School and working for the attorney general’s office in Hartford. Sarah spent the last four years at a small firm litigating consumer protection matters on behalf of “the little guy.” Last September she left to start her own practice assisting people with identity-theft and credit and debt problems. Sarah regularly speaks to groups about how the credit reporting system works and how to improve credit scores. She vacations often in Maine with long-time boyfriend Paul Spirito, who grew up in Saco. —*William Higgins*

**93** News is slower than usual, but some of you are real troupers and keep it coming in. **Bill Charron** lives in N.Y.C. with his wife, Deborah, and two kids, Sydney, 27 months, and Wyatt, 8 months. He was just made partner at his law firm, Pryor, Cashman, Sherman & Flynn. Bill adds that **Jamie Perlman** got his M.B.A. and was recently made a director at Snocap out in San Francisco, and that **Dave Rea** is senior counsel at GlaxoSmithKline in Philadelphia (where he lives with wife Andrea and son Andrew). Finally, Bill points out the ads with Abe Lincoln and a beaver on TV, which are the doing of **Chris Benecchi**, who brought that ad to America for his company, Takeda Pharmaceuticals in Chicago. Chris is doing well with wife Megan and two kids, Andrew and Elizabeth. \* **John**



## TEACHING PRINCIPLES | Melissa Kim '97

Melissa Kim '97 is no stranger to new frontiers—personal or professional.

As a third grader, she crossed her first frontier when her father moved the family from Seoul, South Korea, to Yardley, Pennsylvania, to pursue his postdoctoral work and give his daughters more life choices Kim found herself immersed in a new culture and in a new language.

When Kim became principal two years ago of Washington, D.C.'s 800-student Alice Deal Junior High, she encountered another frontier. "There are a lot of women principals at the elementary level, but not at the middle school and certainly not many Asian women principals," Kim said. "I don't have a network like that. I've always been the only Asian kid doing something."

Her example as a minority woman doing professional work is a powerful one for the immigrant and minority children in her hallways, she says. She firmly believes many underprivileged kids struggle because they don't see role models in leadership positions.

She is shouldering impressive burdens for a 31-year-old educator. As Alice Deal's principal, she has plenty to contend with just to run the school.

But beginning this summer, she also has to manage a two-year, \$43-million renovation that will transform her school from a traditional grades seven to nine junior high into a contemporary grades six to eight middle school.

As a sociology major at Colby, Kim wasn't sure she wanted to work in education as her father had done. International business sounded interesting, and she got a serious job offer senior year. But she also had done a student practicum in a "dynamite" Waterville fifth-grade classroom.

Kim decided she could have an international business career later and went off to work in the Washington, D.C., schools with Teach for America. "I was going to do it for a few years, but it hooked me," she said.

Ten years later Kim has held positions in several D.C. schools and in Arlington, Virginia, prior to taking over Alice Deal in the city's Tenleytown section.

Although she earned her stripes in the classroom, Kim says she prefers the greater reach she now has as an administrator. "As a principal I impact many more students and families by being a teacher for the teachers," she explained via e-mail. "I still love teaching students as well. When I go in to observe classrooms, I often jump in and



Melissa Kim '97 with two students at Alice Deal Junior High School in Washington D.C., where Kim is principal.

support the teacher's lesson."

It was while working at Shadd Elementary School, also in D.C., that Kim saw how dedication, high expectation, and teamwork can change educational experiences for children. Shadd had performed miserably for nine consecutive years when the superintendent shut it down and hired all new staff—including Kim.

"The whole school culture from top to bottom was a mess," Kim said, and the new staff teamed up to turn things around. In Kim's five years at Shadd, test scores went up and parents became more involved. It was no mystery how the staff made Shadd work, Kim says, and she has taken those lessons with her.

"I think the difference is that the teachers went in with a shared purpose. There was the fact that we all wanted to be there. We put in long hours, cried together, yelled and screamed together. We went into the community. On Saturday we would go in and pick up students and take them to basketball games."

The attitude towards learning was, "We're not going to let go of you 'til you get it," Kim said. "It was a beautiful thing."

She earned her master's in educational administration while at Shadd and then launched her administrative career through a program called New Leaders for New Schools at Washington's Capital Hill Cluster School.

Eventually Kim would like to be an urban superintendent where she can set direction for an entire school district. In preparation, she commutes to the University of Pennsylvania for executive doctoral classes.

Meanwhile she still enjoys running a school. "It's a lot of fun still. It's challenging, certainly," she said.

And when things get tough? Kim reminds herself, "You didn't choose it because it's easy."

—Julia Hanauer-Milne

'90 and **Beth Hermanson Kinsley** had their second baby, Louisa, in February 2006 (their son, Johnny, is 3). They live in Scituate, Mass., where she was recently made senior counsel at Goodwin Procter LLP. \* **Siobhan McCloskey** is a second-year law student at Vermont Law School in South Royalton (which she says has rugby parties that make her nostalgic for Colby). "I love living up in Vermont with my two dogs and am also taking care of five horses in my spare time. I would love to hear from any Colby alums in the area. I can be reached at [smccloskey@vermontlaw.edu](mailto:smccloskey@vermontlaw.edu)." \* **Sarah Burditt McDougall** moved to Bend, Ore., with her husband and cat last summer and loves the endless variety of outdoor activities and microbrews. She spent a weekend in Sedona, Ariz., with **Annie Mahoney**, **Kristen Mobilia**, and **Laura Thompson**. Sarah adds that **Janine Deforge Olson** and her family headed to Europe for a couple of weeks during a recent job transition, and that **Lael Hinman Stanczak** and her family live in Singapore. Sarah also gets regular photos from **Jason** and **Amy Duncan Kirkfield**, who "have the cutest twins!" \* **Amy Kraunz** and her husband, Marcus Brown, live in L.A. and welcomed another redhead earlier this year: daughter Arden Skylar Kraunz-Brown. \* **Susan Krolicki Newmeyer** had a daughter, Alice, on October 13, 2006, and took a six-month maternity leave ("an odd experience") from Johnson & Johnson. \* Speaking of all these new moms and dads, **Doug Morriane** still lives and works in N.Y.C. and just released a new children's video series for toddlers, called *Jack the Cuddly Dog*. He's inviting all new parents to check it out at [www.jackthecuddlydog.com](http://www.jackthecuddlydog.com). He recently finished shooting for the second episode while hiking across the Grand Canyon and filming coal trains in New Mexico with Soren Peters '97. Doug sees **Suzanne Furlong Kiggins** often in N.Y.C. and encourages folks to check out her original paintings at [www.royalmagpie.com](http://www.royalmagpie.com). \* Those are this quarter's personal, academic, and professional achievements. Happy 2007, and best wishes to all 1993 mules!

—Krista Stein

**94** In November 2005 **Alyssa Schwenk** married Ray Adams in Southampton, N.Y. Alyssa is an attorney in the U.S. Army Judge Advocate General's (JAG) Corps. In



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late November 2005 Alyssa deployed to Iraq for one year as a command judge advocate for a unit stationed in Baqubah, near the border with Iran. Her husband is an FBI agent and an infantry officer in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve. In March 2006 he also deployed to Iraq; they both hoped to return to the states by year end. \* **Michelle Tadros Eidson** wrote from the hospital (wow) to tell me she'd just given birth to Casey Crowell Eidson on November 20, 2006. She and her husband, Sam, were excited to welcome their first into the world! \* **Larry Rulison** (who married one of my pals from my semester abroad—in Los Angeles—and yes, I'm a big risk taker) and his wife, Jennifer, had a baby boy on September 20, 2006. His name is William Henry Rulison and he'll be called Henry. \* **Bekah Freeman Schulze** had a baby girl, Ann (Annie) Halligan Schulze, on November 6, 2006. \* Jason and **Stephanie Cain Sherman** expected their second child in January. They still enjoy life in Brooklyn. \* **Sandy Benson Sargent** and her husband were expecting their second child in April. The new little person will join older sister Alessandra. The family lives in Bow, N.H., and Sandy works at the Concord Hospital. \* My own mom and sister were shopping one day in Acton, Mass., and ran into my old roommate **Kristin Spiller Moody**, who is teaching at Newton North. Her husband, **Alex**, works at a bank, and they live in North Andover. Kristin, I promise you'll hear from me before this gets published! \* **Andie Sulak** and her husband headed back up to the mountains after 10 years in the San Francisco Bay Area. They moved to Truckee, Calif., (near Lake Tahoe) in December. I'll pray for snow for you guys Andie! Andie also told me that **Ham Thompson** got married in May. Congrats to Ham! \* **Josh** and **Laura Pavlenko Lutton** moved with their two boys (Ted, 4 and Cal, 2) from Chicago to the 'burbs (Glencoe, Ill.) so they could be closer to Josh's job at Motorola. The adjustment has been entertaining (for me to read

about) as they had to buy a second car and a lawn mower. Oh the reality of the 'burbs! Laura saw **Jonathan Kaplan** last fall when he was in town to swim in a 5K in Lake Michigan. They had a ball catching up. \* **David Holtzman** recently moved to beautiful Pocahontas County, W.V., to work as a freelance writer. He left a position as associate editor at *Shelterforce* magazine in Montclair, N.J. \* **Mala Rafik** has been named the co-chair of the Boston Bar Association's Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Section. Mala is a partner at Rosenfeld & Rafik, PC, in Boston. \* **Beth Scoville** started a new job teaching at Rockland Country Day School. \* **Rob Underwood's** e-mail message kept jamming up my files, so he gets to go last, and I might even make some stuff up. Rob recently moved from BearingPoint to Deloitte Consulting, LLP, to work in their strategy practice as a senior manager. He also finished the N.Y.C. Marathon in November with a time of eight hours, 10 minutes. Guess which part I made up. \* That's all from beautiful Denver. —*Jessie Newman*

**95** On May 29, 2006, Frank and **Patricia Jurriaans Hunkins** had a baby girl, Flora Eudia Hunkins, who joins big brother Blake, age 3. \* Tamsyn Young and **Jonathan Frothingham** got married August 5, 2006. They were married by Peter Caruso '93 on Cuttyhunk Island, Mass. Jonathan Howe '96 was their photographer, and 22 other Colby grads helped them celebrate the following weekend in Portland, Maine. Tamsyn grew up in West Paris, Maine, where they have moved into their first home. \* After graduating from Tufts Medical School, **Mike Yunes** married his fiancée, Susan. He completed his residency in radiation oncology and practices at Baystate Medical Center in Springfield, Mass. They had their second child, Tyler, on October 4, 2006. Daughter Samantha turned 2 in October. "We enjoy living in western Massachusetts as a typical suburbanite family and enjoy keeping in touch with old friends from Colby,"

writes Mike. \* **Sarah English** is getting married in Seattle this August. She attended **Jen Merrick's** wedding in July 2006. \* Brian and **Katherine Marshall Meuse** welcomed their first child, Matilda Marshall Meuse, on October 12, 2006—their fourth wedding anniversary. Katherine works at the Copyright Clearance Center as a business analyst and her husband started a job at O'Neill Library, Boston College, as a systems analyst. \* Ben and **Jen (Jaye) Gennaco** expected their first child in January. Jen teaches writing part time at Andover College in Lewiston, Maine. She's also freelance copyediting. In July Jen and Ben enjoyed visiting Maui and an inactive volcano in Haleakala National Park, but "the most exciting part was seeing green sea turtles and sting rays while snorkeling," Jen said. \* **Ryan Hastings** got married to "a wonderful woman from Dublin, Ireland, named Sinead Kelly" in summer 2006 in Lake Tahoe, where Ryan's been living for 10 years. \* Ginny and **Drew Snow** and their children, Charlotte and Anders, moved to London for a three-year tour. They are living just outside of the city and are having a great time getting acclimated. \* Colleen and **Jason Hallee** welcomed their first child, Lauren Shea Hallee, on October 29, 2006. They are very excited and are trying to get used to functioning on less sleep. They live in Yarmouth, Maine, and Jason works for Inverness Medical (formerly Binax, Inc.)—"the world's largest producer of over-the-counter pregnancy tests, which came in handy for Colleen and me recently," writes Jason. He has worked for Binax/Inverness Medical more than nine years. He says other alums expecting children were: Sandra and John Serbin '94, Julie and **Dennis Nations**, and Heather and Jason Hearst '94. \* **Debbie Butler** got married on September 9, 2006. \* **Margaret Suggs Herath** works as an administrative assistant to an Ameriprise financial advisor in Belleville, Ill. She passed her NASD Series 7 and 66 exams and became a NASD registered representative. "I never would have guessed I'd be doing that when I majored in history at Colby!" writes Margaret. She enjoys working in the financial advice field but was recently on maternity leave! Her twin boys, Adam Guerry Herath and Zachary Richard Herath, were born November 29, 2006. "Both boys are healthy and doing well.

I'm relearning how to live on little sleep, but otherwise doing well. Having **Ariana Talbot Vance** here to help has been a godsend!" \* Manu and **Deb Whedon Fernandez** are proud parents of Lucas Francisco, born December 30, 2005. Lucas's big brothers, Thomas and Julian, couldn't be happier. **Bryan Carey**, Lucas's godfather, and Sarah Sweeney were married November 5, 2006, in Washington, D.C. \* Finally, I am engaged! I proposed to Lindsey Slotnick near Pocha Pond on Martha's Vineyard in August 2006 and we are planning to get married in July 2007 in Berkshire County, Mass. —*Yugbo Yamaguchi*

**96** Becca and **Marc Small** welcomed their first child, Eliza Cecile Small, November 7. They moved to Salt Lake City, where Becca works as an ecologist at the University of Utah Natural History Museum. Marc works part time writing grant proposals and developing programs for the Utah Federation for Youth while being a stay-at-home dad for the year. \* Daniel and **Suzanne Arnold Ennis** welcomed their second, Cameron Bruce Ennis, November 4. He joins sister Caroline, who's almost 2. \* Kitter and **Erica Casano Spater** had a girl, Georgia Evelyn Spater, November 21. They live in Portsmouth, N.H., and recently ran into **Chip** and **Kate Swenson Paterson** and their adorable 2-year-old son, Baden. \* Michael and **Corey Burnham-Howard**, along with 2-year old Abigail, welcomed another girl, Riley, in July. They live in north-central Massachusetts, where Corey juggles full-time care of the girls, legal editing and writing, and serving as director and vice president for a nonprofit she started with **Kirstin Rohrer McPolin**. Real Mama, Inc., provides easily-digestible information to busy mothers and other caregivers on environmental and children's health, legislative happenings, and ideas for environmentally-conscious children's activities. Kirstin, husband Greg, and daughter Emma, welcomed a baby boy, Manuel, last spring, and recently moved into a new home in New Jersey. Corey notes that Marc and **Courtney Marum Robaczynski**, who live in Connecticut with daughter Sabrina, welcomed another baby girl, Soren, in July. \* Dan and **Kristen Drake Patterson** welcomed their first, Owen Redlund, October 16, 2006. Living and working in Madagascar, they

returned to Kristen's hometown, in Ohio, for the birth. Owen was born on Kristen's birthday in the same hospital where she was born! \* **Jess Boyles** ran a summer school in San Francisco and loved the city so much she relocated from Boston in October. **Andy Meeks**, **Chris Greenfield**, and Sarah Muzzy '97 were among folks who organized her sendoff from the East Coast. Chris attended with his wife, Renee, and their 4-month-old girl, Lavery. On the drive Jess saw **Ben Otto** in Iowa. (Ben was returning from a summer in Nepal and planning a year in Indonesia.) Since arriving in San Francisco, Jess spent time with **Jess Wolk** and **Dave Thibodeau** and was looking forward to seeing **Annie** (Clougherty '94) and **Kevin Emerson** and their 1-year-old daughter, Willow, in Sonoma at Thanksgiving. Jess also was in touch with **Caleb Dolan**, who married Joanna Sanborne last summer and is still running his amazing school in North Carolina. Later Jess got to meet **John Daly** and **Joy Christoferson's** baby boy, Kieran. \* **Chris McMath** practices pediatrics in Rochester, N.H., and lives in Dover, enjoying New England after three years in Cleveland doing a pediatric residency. Chris got a new bike and is enjoying riding as a reward for studying for the general pediatric board exam in October. \* **Megan Nicholson** was married December 30, 2005, in Williamstown, Mass., to Thomas Walters, whom she met in medical school at U of Rochester. **Kristen Zolla**, **Sylvia Haller**, and Julie Lynch '97 attended. Megan finished her internal medicine residency at Maine Medical Center in June 2006, and she and Thomas moved back to the Rochester area, where she has a geriatrics fellowship and he joined a family practice. \* Paul and **Tina Garand Branson** and daughter Emma, 5, announce the birth of Luke, born January 11, 2006! At Dr. **Heather Hunt's** wedding to Dr. Colin Swales, Tina was a bridesmaid along with maid of honor **Sheila Grant Orphanides**. Tina is a physician's assistant in a women's health clinic in Yakima, Wash., where they enjoy windsurfing and skiing! \* **Katherine Campbell** rode in the Pan Mass Challenge with her husband, **Matt Maleska**, and **Chip** and **Kate Drake Paterson**. They met Meghan Jeans '97 on the 200-mile ride from Sturbridge to Provincetown to raise money for the Dana Farber Cancer Institute.

## 00s newsmakers

The spirit of adventure need not surrender to office life, said **Benjamin Mackay '00** in a *Boston Globe* article on action-oriented college degrees and careers. A recent MBA graduate from Babson College in Wellesley, Mass., Mackay promises that his next step does not involve a cubicle or nine-to-five daily routine. "I'm trying to figure out how to chase the same adventures in the business world," he said, referring to past stints as avalanche controller at a ski slope, wilderness guide in Alaska, and grape picker in the vineyards of France. ♦ **Jordan Burke '04** was the overall women's winner at the Winter Triathlon in Woodstock, Vt., held in February. A figure skater and skier while at Colby, Burke clocked a time of 30:42, covering a one-mile skate, a three-mile cross country ski, and a one-mile snowshoe. The victory was reported in Vermont's *Valley News* by Erin Hanrahan '04, who happened to have been Burke's COOT co-leader in 2003.



Jordan Burke '04

## milestones

**Deaths:** **Carrie E. Brooke '00**, March 31, 2007, in Bozeman, Mont., at 29. ♦ **Matthew H. Todesca '00**, April 14, 2007, in Milton, Mass., at 28. ♦ **Meghan R. Kuhn '08**, May 5, 2007, in Plymouth, Mass., at 21.

**Births:** A daughter, Brynne Elizabeth Barron, to **Will Barron '01** and **Karen Macke '00** ♦ A son, Wyatt Christopher Tuff, to **Ben '03** and **Gretchen Black Tuff '04**

**Marriages:** **Chris Davis '00** to **Missy Fiebelkorn '00** in Breckenridge, Colo. ♦ **Kathryn MacLeay '00** to Joseph Crespo in Stowe, Vt. ♦ **Vanessa M. Wade '00** to **Gregory M. Wehmeyer '98** in Sharon, Mass. ♦ **Peter J. Rice '04** to Betsy Lucas in Lyme, N.H.

Kate notes that both Matt and Chip are cancer survivors. \* Last, but not least, in political news, **Andrew Rice** was elected to State Senate in Oklahoma! —*Mark Mortensen*

**97** Following an appeal to those who haven't supplied information recently, it was great to hear from so many new people. \* **Peter Nealis** reports from Cleveland, Ohio, where he is practicing corporate and securities law. He and his wife, Melanie, have their hands full with a son, Jackson, born in September 2005. Peter often sees **Andy Kruppa** in the city. \* **Sarah Holmes** reported on her wedding, which took place October 14, 2006, in Concord, Mass. Sarah and her husband, Jesse Tucker, have settled in the Boston area, where she is the vice president of Pentec, Inc., a firm that specializes in handwriting and document examination. \* **Nick Lamia**, who spent the last four years working for Edward Jones in Edinburgh, Scotland, has returned to the

U.S. He was planning his first trip to Colby in over four years to take in the Colby-Bowdoin hockey games in early December. \* **Steve DiLella** completed his master's in public policy at Trinity and took a job coordinating housing programs for Connecticut's Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services. He married Tricia Zenobi in Old Saybrook, Conn., October 6. \* **Lisa Tinanoff** lives and works in Baltimore, where she is a veterinarian at a small-animal hospital. She's preparing for her wedding this August. She maintains contact with **Jen Adams**, who is now a doctor and who got married last year, and **Rico DelSesto**, who is doing chemistry research at Los Alamos in New Mexico. \* **Matt Burgener** and his wife, Mery, welcomed their first child, a daughter named Reese, February 22, 2006. Matt is VP of eCommerce Sales and Fulfillment in Bank of America's Home Equity business in Charlotte, N.C. \* **Larry Benesh** continues to work at Microsoft but spent six

months working in Shanghai, China, before returning home in late December. He and his wife, **Rebecca Hoogs**, bought a house in Seattle last spring. Rebecca works for Seattle Arts and Lectures as education director. She published three poems in *Poetry* magazine this year. They regularly see **Doug Schultz**, who passed the Washington State Bar within the last year. \* Rachel and **Andrew Glos** welcomed Cordelia Elizabeth Ulbrich Glos in August of 2005. They currently live in southern New Jersey, where Andrew serves as a United Methodist minister in Lumberton, N.J. \* **Tony Hernandez** reports his engagement to Sarah McIntosh in Buenos Aires. \* **Dan Roehl**, who married Erika (Shiloh) Reiher in August 2003, continues to live in Washington, D.C., where he works as policy director for Congressman Mark Green (R-WI). \* I had the pleasure of running into **Mike Choate** in the Red Robin in Augusta in late November. Mike is still working with Delta Ambulance in Waterville, though he was planning to begin training in helicopter rescue. \* After living in Washington, D.C., since graduation, **Chad Higgins** relocated to Boston for a job with the law firm Goodwin Procter. **Mary Rosenfeld** was host for Chad's welcome party in mid-December. Mary is working in law with Hinckley, Allen & Snyder LLP, with a focus in construction, engineering, and general litigation. —*Pat McBride*

**00** **Mark Edgar** was married to Kara Leehive in Bermuda on September 16, 2006. Guests included **Bill Polin**, **Brian Hanseth**, **John "JR" Kuhl**, **Steve Smith**, **Heather Daur**, **Scott Paladini '02**, **Ross Freedman '02**, **Bev Nalbandian Madden '80**, and **Janice Kassman**. The couple honeymooned in South Africa in wine country and enjoyed a safari. \* After teaching kindergarten in Hawaii for five years, **Katie Mitchell** moved to southern California to live with her husband, Ian Brooks. They were married in Boothbay Harbor, Maine, on October 7, 2006. Several Colby grads helped celebrate, including **Heather Daur**, **Kate MacLeay Crespo**, **Sarah Church Murphy**, **Hilary Smyth Wirtz**, **Jen Usher**, **Becky Rasmussen Dalrymple**, **Lauren Borchardt**, **Craig Belanger**, **Erik '97** and **May Cummings Mitchell '96**. \* **Erin Roberts** was married to Ted Keysor '97 on June 3, 2006,



in Bristol, R.I. They currently live in Boston. \* **Lisa Gordon** writes from New York that she is still causing trouble with **Meghann Foye** every weekend. They saw Shakira at Madison Square Garden and Meghann shared a drink with Davy Jones after his concert on Long Island. \* **Alison Silberman** completed the New York City marathon, running for the Lance Armstrong Foundation team. She raised more than \$12,000 for cancer research and advocacy. \* **Limi Perry Bauer** is finally headed back to the U.S. "As exciting and interesting as it often is to be an expat, I can't wait to come back home. I've been in Frankfurt for four years and in Seoul for one. We're moving to New York where my husband has work, and I'll be taking care of my mother and two children." \* **Dave Ferguson** is living and working in Manhattan, still swinging wildly in the film production industry. He is currently the locations coordinator for the feature film *P.S. I Love You*, filming in Manhattan, Brooklyn, and Ireland. He reports that he talked to **Ian Smith**, who is back in the People's Republic of China to study and teach, and that "Ian seems to be at the end of his rope." \* **Rebecca Solomon Letwin** is living with her husband, Noah, in Baltimore, where he is attending dental school. Rebecca has one year left until she gets her master's in interior design, she and continues to work for the interior design firm Forrester Perkins in Washington, D.C. She recently saw **Keryn Kwedor**, Sarah Martin Kennedy '01, and Sarah Richards Kim '01 for a reunion of the four former roommates. They went to Big G's and then had a picnic on Runnalls Hill. \* **Hilary Smyth Wirtz** writes: "I am still working in development at Milton Academy and living in Concord, Mass., at Concord Academy where my husband teaches. We bought a house in Harpswell, Maine, and have enjoyed having lots of Colby visitors including **Heather Daur**, **Sarah Church Murphy**, **Kate MacLeay Crespo**, **Lauren Borchardt**, and **Jen Usher**." \* Thank you for all of your news!

—Caroline Calhoun

**01** Cheers! Loving London—even better now that Bret and **Michelle Chandler Oettmeier** are here! Michelle works for interior design firm Colefax & Fowler. \* **Pete Hanby** moved to Philadelphia to study landscape architecture

at UPenn. \* **Pierce Cole** is a mortgage broker in Wells, Maine. He was named JV girls basketball coach at Wells High School. He enjoyed the wedding of **Christian Brunet** and **Whitney Dayton** in Dallas October 21, 2006, with many Colbians. \* **Beth Festa** joined the Connecticut law firm Halloran & Sage LLP as an associate. \* **Evan Reece**'s new company launched [www.liftopia.com](http://www.liftopia.com)—check it out for a ski vacation. \* **Tim Grayson** is a middle school teacher at Teton Science Schools' Journeys School in Jackson Hole. He moved to Wyoming to pursue environmental education and work on tele turns. He hoped to enjoy another snowy winter with **Jon Natkin**. Jon and **Erik Balsbaugh** completed a 6,000-mile bike ride raising money for a children's literacy program. They managed not to kill each other, but Erik reportedly threatened to turn around halfway. \* **Chad Creelman** was on crutches after crashing his bicycle into a guard rail (Tour de France-style) in La Jolla doing 25 mph. He's a business analytics manager at College Loan Corporation, is training for next year's velodrome (track-bike) series, and enjoying the So-Cal lifestyle. \* **Vanessa Pickett** married Andrew Moore last June and moved to Chapel Hill. \* **Tim Wiswell** is still in Moscow trading Russian equities at Deutsche Bank. He started a music TV channel called World Music Channel. [www.wmc-tv.ru](http://www.wmc-tv.ru) is only available in Russian, but an English version is coming. \* **Dubek '99** and **Sarah Richards Kim** welcomed son Edison in June. They live in New York. Sarah started medical school in September. \* **Sarah Goodrich** and Mike Alto '00 are engaged. \* **Brooke Fitzsimmons** is engaged to Todd Welsch. \* **Francesca** and **Dave Green** welcomed Cooper Thompson Green October 7, 2006. Dave is teaching chemistry and environmental science at Stratton Mountain School. He worked last summer for *Brew Your Own*, a home-brewer's journal, and is a ski patrol at Killington. \* **Liz Frankel** is literary associate at The Public Theater. \* **Karin Felmly** got engaged and is planning a June 2007 wedding in Rangeley, Maine. She attended **Jutika Kalghatgi**'s fall wedding with **Debbie Schwartz**, **Eli Carmichael**, **Liz Frankel**, and **Lambie Bickford**. \* **Aida Khan** moved home to Karachi, Pakistan,

and worked for Standard Chartered Bank. She married in July and moved to Islamabad, where her husband has a hotel. They honeymooned in Greece. \* **Catherine Flemming** got her master's in counseling from Wake Forest in 2005 and was the director of missions and lay ministry at a Methodist church in Winston-Salem, N.C. She moved to Haiti to serve in a home for street boys, learn a language, and deal with issues of race and affluence. \* **Yuki Kodera** and **Coji Watanabe** married October 7, 2006, in Kyoto, Japan, at a Shinto shrine in Yuki's hometown. They've been together since senior year. Coji works for Bank of America as a financial consultant. Yuki is an international student advisor, primarily to Japanese students in U.S. colleges. They live in San Diego. \* **Tara Thwing** is a project manager for Management Systems International, a development contractor in D.C. \* **Kristin Moresi** finished law school last spring and passed the Massachusetts bar. She's clerking for a federal judge in Roanoke, Va. She talks to **Hadley Moore**, who lives in Northampton, Mass., and is getting her Ph.D. in childhood psychology. \* **Shanna Brownstein** finished at Global Routes in Northampton, Mass., in December 2005 and traveled before beginning a master's in public affairs at Columbia. She hung out with **Sarah Breul**, who was working in Bangkok, and with **Calla Fankhanel**, who was in Dublin on business but who lives in Rome. \* **Elizabeth Richards** is finishing a Ph.D. in art history at Cornell and was to teach at SUNY Cortland. Her first publication is a chapter in an anthology, *Visualizing Rituals: Critical Analysis of Art and Ritual Practice*. She recently opened [www.ejewelrydesigns.etsy.com](http://www.ejewelrydesigns.etsy.com) to sell her jewelry.

—Dana Fowler Charette

**02** Congrats to **Andrea Grafeo**, who recently got engaged and is planning a September 2007 wedding. Andrea and her fiancé live in Cambridge, where Andrea works as a physical therapist at Children's Hospital Boston. \* **Whitney Pearce Fitts** got married in September 2006 in her hometown, Annisquam, Mass., with three generations of Colby alums present. \* **Michael Rogalus** earned an M.S. from UConn in environmental engineering and moved to Vermont, where he works at an environmental engineering con-

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## Homecoming | Ly Tran '05

After graduating from Colby, Ly Tran '05 packed her bags. She wasn't headed for her home, in Hanoi, Vietnam, but rather to Urubamba, Peru. As an intern acting as volunteer affairs coordinator for ProWorld, a development organization with a focus on community health, youth development, education, and ecotourism, Tran was put in charge of organizing cultural and educational activities for international volunteers and being a liaison with the local community in the rural Andes.

Pretty intrepid for someone who arrived in Peru with just two semesters of Spanish at Colby, but not too different from having left Vietnam six years earlier headed for Wales without knowing much English.

Tran took Spanish lessons for two months, then picked up the nuances of the language from her host family, colleagues, local residents—and her young charges. “The kids ended up teaching me the language,” she said, referring to the Peruvian children at the local shelter where she taught for the first two months in Urubamba. In addition to her official duties, she volunteered her time teaching arts and crafts and dance to kindergarten students. She even gave lessons on “African dance”, courtesy of a semester abroad she had done in Ghana. The bulk of Tran's time in Urubamba was devoted to her internship and volunteer work at Kanchay Wasi, a shelter for victims of domestic abuse. Visa complications cut short her stay though, and so, a year after graduation, she was back in Vietnam.

Tran's credentials and international experience—she's lived in Ghana, Peru, Wales (where she attended United World College of the Atlantic) and, of course, Waterville—landed her a job in Hanoi as consultant to UNICEF (the United Nations Fund for Children). Her duties focused on bilingual education for ethnic minorities and on early childhood development. “I got to travel a lot around the country,” she said, “but other than that, it was mostly translation work.”

While her volunteer stint in Peru was “a great way to ease into life after Colby,” Tran has found the transition from college to home quite challenging.

“I realize I have changed a lot and that now I need to build a new life back home,” she said. “It can be tough to connect with people, even those you were



Ly Tran '05, above with colleagues in Urubamba, Peru, where she worked in 2005, and below, with school children in Hanoi, Vietnam, where Tran worked for UNICEF.

friends with before.

“To people here, I sometimes come across as unrealistic and different,” she said, making a reference to the idealism she cultivated in the UWC and Colby.

The best part of returning home, she said, is being with her family after six years of living abroad. During this interview, held shortly after the Vietnamese New Year holidays, Tran excused herself a few times to speak in Vietnamese to a family member. She recently became an aunt for the second time.

After almost a year on the job with UNICEF, Tran is already thinking of her next job.

“I would like to get a better understanding of development work here in Vietnam, preferably within an NGO,” she said. “Ideally, it would be something more hands-on than my current job, which leans toward technical input and consulting.”

Graduate school also is on the horizon. Tran said she is still unsure about what field of study to pursue, but she is considering programs in education and development. For the time being she was making contacts with education practitioners through her work.

It may be that before long those well-traveled bags will be packed one more time.

—Adriana Nordin Manan '07

sulting firm. Michael and **Meghan Kreider** got engaged at Colby last April after Meghan completed her M.S. in water resources at UVM. Congrats! \* **Liz Brandt Bozek** got married June 24, 2006, at St. Paul's School in Concord, N.H., where both she and her husband attended school. **Kara Hubbard** was a bridesmaid and **Abby Kussell** and **Lizzy Rice** were greeters. \* **Avery Roth** is living in London and works for Lehman Brothers. She ran in the New York City Marathon (her first marathon) and completed it in 4:44:49. Avery was also bridesmaid in the **Jennifer Romak** and Michael Siegel '00 wedding, alongside **Sarah Piampiano**, who was the maid of honor. Sarah recently moved to N.Y. and works in investment banking. \* **Kristin Elder** got engaged in June 2006; **Katie Barnes**, **MK Brennan**, and **Zahra Khilji** will be in the wedding. \* **Amanda Cuiffo** works at Norwich University as assistant director of athletics and head volleyball coach. She bought a house in Northfield, Vt., and lives with her two-year-old yellow lab. \* **Eric Laurits** is still in Denver as a member of the Denver Center Theatre Company. In May 2006, Eric launched his photography business full time. \* **Sam Patel** is in Mexico, though he worked for the Pittsburgh Steelers marketing department for the 2006 championship season. Sam is planning to make a movie about robots. \* **Rachel Meiklejohn** wants to thank *Colby* magazine for helping her discover that Nicole Neault '00 is living in Albuquerque. Rachel has lived in or near the Navajo Nation in New Mexico since graduation and currently works as a program director for Teach for America there. \* **Brian Wezowicz** is an assistant editor for The History Channel. \* **Bridget Zakielarz** graduated from the University of Rochester's medical school in May 2006 after spending the month of April working with pediatric patients with HIV in South Africa. She moved to Baltimore in June to start her residency in pediatrics at the University of Maryland. \* **Sally Hall** lives and works in Portland, Ore., where she works for a publishing firm that focuses on sustainable business. She has been there one year so far and reports it's the longest she's ever lived anywhere. \* **Kathryn Dalton** married Saeben Haverington (UMass '00) on August 12, 2006, in Newburyport, Mass. Kathryn is graduating in June from the University of New England

Medical School and is moving to Michigan to start her residency in general surgery. The couple expected a son, Cagan Ross Haverington, this spring. \* **Amy "Rez" Reznitsky** married Sara Pullen on June 24, 2006. Colby alums in attendance included Sawyer Steele '03, **Carolyn Lindley**, Ashley Brooks '00, Michelle Medeiros '99, Emily Stevens '01, **Max Sadler**, **Jessica Bennett**, Courtney Archambault '99, Imani Nissanka '00, Sarah Andel '00, and Fleur Hopper '00. \* Glad to hear good news from you all and see you soon at reunion.  
—*Sarah Dressler*

**03** Several MORE engagement and wedding announcements... they just keep rolling in: **Josh Weitz** and **Lesley Loss** are engaged. Josh proposed on the summit of a mountain in the Adirondacks. \* **Kate Zimmerman** and Jonathan Marlow '02 were engaged last spring. They plan an October 2007 wedding in Kennebunkport, Maine. \* Another Colby couple, **Scott Maggs** and **Rachel Merrick**, are also engaged and planning a fall 2007 wedding. They currently live in the D.C. area but hope to return to New England when Rachel graduates from law school. Scott works as a senior project coordinator for a consulting firm in Virginia. They attended **Chrissy Wallace's** wedding in June 2006. \* **Alicia Ford** is engaged to Justin Pelletier (BU). She chose **Donna Pitteri** to be her maid of honor. \* **Abbie Newcomb** is now engaged to Tim Knickelbein, and they're planning a July 2007 wedding. \* **Abbie Newkirk** had much to report. She was a bridesmaid in the wedding of **Vanessa Haleco** and Justin Meyer in September 2006 in San Francisco, where Colby was well represented. **Doan Trang Nguyen** was maid of honor and **Joanne Head**, **Matt Mahoney**, **Mike Valkevich**, **Jason Graham**, **Ben Pearce**, and Maria Nguyen '05 all attended. Abbie moved to the UK to attend the University of Newcastle's museum studies program at the International Center for Cultural and Heritage Studies. \* We have several first-time contributors: **Sam Shaw** spent two weeks hiking and photographing Denali National Park in Alaska. He took a "doors-off" flight over Mt. McKinley to get aerial photographs of the mountain and surrounding landscape. Spotted on the trip were moose, wolves, caribou, bears, Dall sheep, and lots of willow ptarmigan.

(What?!!). \* **Tim Clark** started medical school in Philadelphia after a going-away party with some close friends including **Kim Langone** and **Michelle Keady**. \* **Brie Drummond** has been studying seabirds on the Aleutian Islands in Alaska for the last four summers while getting her M.S. in biology at Dalhousie University in Nova Scotia. When she's not in Alaska chasing birds, she lives with **Carrie Morin** who is in dental school at Dalhousie. \* **Amanda Surette Smith** is a Presidential Management Fellow with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. She lives with her husband, Mason Smith '04, in Alexandria, Va. She received her master of public health degree from George Washington University in August. (Congrats!) \* **Sean Flood** finally left his beloved Maine and accepted a great new job with Bank of America in Boston. He is a client manager analyst for the commercial bank. He completed the bank's credit management development program and is living in Southie. He reports "loving the change of scenery." They don't have all those tall buildings in Maine, Sean! \* **Tracy Schloss** graduated from University of Michigan Law School this past December. She was a dean's public service fellow. She is now clerking for a year in federal district court in Philadelphia with her sights on becoming a public defender. \* I reported that **Meredith Millen** married Trevor Eide '04 in the fall issue of *Colby*; however, that information was incorrect. In fact, Meredith is now living in Brighton and working for Boston College Student Services. She reports being excited to start her graduate work in speech-language pathology at Mass. General Hospital Institute of Health Professions in Boston in the fall. \* Congrats to all with big news! I'm so happy to hear from all of you each season. Keep it flowing!  
—*Lauren Tiberio*

**04** After two years in Boston doing psychology research for Harvard Medical School, **Kerry Whittaker** is attending Uniformed Services University's Ph.D. program for medical psychology in Bethesda, Md. \* **Ian Cochran** graduated from Northeastern University's paramedic program and now works as paramedic in the metro Boston area. \* Colby crew alumnae entered a women's eight into the Head of the Charles. They finished 25th out of

51. The '04 participants included **Katie O'Neill**, **Laura Mistretta**, and **Erica Bauer**. \* **Sarah Wolfrum** started at John Snow, Inc. (JSI), in Boston, working on domestic HIV/AIDS projects. \* **Laura Barrow** and **Phil Geiger** recently got engaged. \* **Emma McCandless** and **Karen Prager** also are engaged, with their ceremony slated for January 2008. \* **Meredith Collins** is in her third year of med school at Ohio State. She has finished the first two years as first in her class. She's been doing research in otolaryngology and hoped to have a publication out in the spring. \* After working in Boston for the past two years, **Kelly McGowan** moved to Saco, Maine, to become an eighth grade English teacher. \* **Cassie Cote** got engaged to Andrew Grantham (brother of Jason Grantham '02) in November. They are planning an August 2007 wedding in Falmouth, Maine. Cassie is working at the Mitchell Institute in Portland doing major gifts development. \* **Carolyn Plant** is loving being back at Colby and working as an admissions and financial aid counselor. \* Last summer, **Emily Weiser** worked with birds in Alaska, first on the Prudhoe Bay oil fields then on a remote island off the Kenai Peninsula. She then moved on to Rota, one of the Northern Mariana Islands (near Guam), and worked with an endangered species of crow until April. \* **Anne Olmsted** works at Neighborhood House Charter School in Dorchester, Mass., as a kid-lab teacher. She also starred as Eve in Wakefield Repertory Theater production of *Children of Eden*. \* **Camille Dugan Campanile** and her husband, Ray, announced the birth of their second child, a son born September 29, 2006. Raphael weighed in at 7 lbs. 9 oz, and was 21 1/2 inches long. Big sister Francesca (two years old already!) is enthusiastic about her baby brother. Camille teaches yoga part time. \* **Christina Dotchin** recently went to Chicago for a school fair (representing Proctor Academy) and had dinner with **Anne Christman**, who had participated in the Chicago Marathon that weekend. \* **Boryana Miteva** got engaged to Boris Tzvetkov, who graduated from Colgate in 2003. Boryana has been working in Boston at CRA International, an economic litigation and business consulting firm. \* **Marley Orr** has a new advertising job at McCann Erickson Worldgroup

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as an online/digital account executive on the Microsoft account. Last fall she traveled to Greece for vacation, visiting the island of Santorini and the city of Athens. She volunteers on a fundraising committee for the California Pacific Medical Center. \* **Reese Carey Kelly** (formerly **Laura Anne Reese**) legally changed her name recently. She also had an essay published titled "Gay Marriage: Why now? Why at all?" in the book *Introducing the New Sexuality Studies: Original Essays and Interviews*. She is still in graduate school in sociology at SUNY Albany, where she is assisting the chair of the women's studies department to institute a new minor in LGBTQ studies. \* After finishing two years with AmeriCorps, **Jackie Dupont** returned to graduate school



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at the University of Maine, Orono, where she is pursuing her master's in clinical social work. She is still working for Hardy Girls Healthy Women in Waterville. \* **Mike Schnurr** is attending Georgetown Law School, where he spends all of his time in the library. —*Kate Weiler*

**05** **Warner Nickerson** made the U.S. Ski Team and raced in the World Cup giant slalom at Beaver Creek in December. \* **Beth Scherer, Annie Szender,** and **Erin Rockney** live together in Alexandria, Va. **Caroline Andresen**, previously living with Beth and Annie, relocated to Kenya in October. \* **Shannon Emerson** remains at IBM Business Consulting Services along with **Kevin Yardi** and **Chris Van Wagenen**. \* **Melissa Mullen** is in her second year of the chemistry Ph.D. program at Penn State. \* **Aaron Blazar** works at Atlantic-ACM with **Whitney Jones** and **Charlie Reed '06**. In October he ventured to Homecoming in a Cruise America RV with his boy-band entourage: **Matt Lynes, Sheldon Stevenson, Mac Lynch, Jon Gilboy,** and **Will van der Veen**. \* **Ted Farwell** made the U.S. rowing team and competed at the World Rowing Championships in England. \* **Lisa Andracke** moved to Brooklyn, where she is working on a documentary about the Dodgers for HBO Sports. \* **Jon Eisenberg** is a raft, bike, and kayak guide in the Futaleufu River valley in Chile. \* **Andrea Palmer** relocated to Austin, Texas, and lives with **Elizabeth Brown**. She is an ESL teacher's assistant; Elizabeth is a legal secretary. \* **Adelin Cai** is at Cornell finishing her master's in public policy with a concentration in human rights and social justice. Last summer she worked at the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs. \* **Jonathan Devers** is engaged to Anna Locke '07 with a June 2007 wedding planned. \* **Andy Orr** was in South Africa, where **Taylor Bemis** and his girlfriend visited. \* **Mary Medlin** competed in two triathlons in August—a sprint in Salem, Mass., (she placed second), and an Olympic distance in Lakeville, Mass. \* **Lauren Smith** moved to D.C. to finish BU's Washington journalism program. She writes for *Scripps Howard* and the *Bangor Daily*. \* **Karina Johnson** ran a Manchester, Conn., road race in

December then relocated to Waterville, where she is assistant track coach with Colby's men's distance team. \* **Becca Nisetich** ran the Chicago Marathon in October; **Laura Ellis** and **Jess Foster** came to cheer. Becca qualified for the 2007 Boston Marathon. Applying to Ph.D. programs, she'll publish a paper in *Rethinking and Rereading Kate Chopin* next year. \* **Nels Leader** and **Jeff Lederman** ran the N.Y.C. Marathon in November in support of the Lance Armstrong Foundation. \* **Elizabeth Johnson, Laura Cimini,** and **Julia Benedict**, who works in advertising sales at E! Online, live together in N.Y.C. with their French bulldog puppy, Dexter. \* **Scarlett Slenker**, in her first year at Vermont Law, ran into **Wendy Sicard** atop Mount Mansfield in October. \* **Carreau Mueller** lives with **Anne Holt** and **Mary Olsson** in Brookline, Mass. She works in development at Harvard while taking classes and applying to grad school. She took a fall road trip with **Andrew Raser** and **Rob Mehlich** to visit **Steve Whelpley** and **Ted Farwell** in Philadelphia. \* **Courtney Smith** finished her master's in education and traveled to Belize in January to help build an orphanage. She plans to relocate to Aspen. \* **Kate Crocker** married Tom Jordan on August 6, 2005, at Colby—honeymoon in Bermuda. \* **Hannah Emery** presented her Colby honors thesis at the Pacific Sociological Association's annual conference in California in March. \* **Heather Hansman, Steph Pierce,** and **Katie Lynch** live in Vail and are showing newcomers **Taka Bennett '06**, **Tim Stenovec '06**, and **Liz Turner '06** the ropes. \* **Megan Loosigian** is teaching Spanish at The Governor's Academy and rowed in a Colby alumnae boat at the Head of the Charles. \* **Kathryn Gregory** married last September and works with teenagers in Hartford. \* **Jen Andrews** works for InterVarsity Christian Fellowship at Mount Holyoke and UMass with **Patrick Harner**. \* **Melissa Yosua** and **Ben Davis** are planning a summer wedding; both study at Drew Theological Seminary in New Jersey. \* **Nick Von Mertens** is in his second year teaching English in Saga, Japan. He spent Thanksgiving with **Mark Chapman** in Shanghai where Mark works. \* **Kevin Selby** is in his sec-

ond year at Harvard Medical School. It's easier than Colby, he claims.

—*Katie Gagne*

**06** **Kim Devine** lives in the Boston area with **Ronny Bachrach**. She went through a 12-week buyers' program at TJX Companies and is now an allocation analyst for the A.J. Wright division of the company. \* **Anuradha Bhatnagar** is in her first year of an MBA program at IIM-Calcutta in India and will be spending the summer at Morgan Stanley in London. \* **Shari Katz** landed her first job and big break as a dancer for the Regent Seven Seas Cruise Lines on *The Voyager*, a six-star world tour cruise ship that traveled around the Caribbean during December and then to South America, Africa, Asia, and Europe. \* **Jenny Mooney** moved to Butte, Colo., in November to teach adaptive skiing for the winter at the Adaptive Sports Center. \* **Todd Rockwood** and **Troy Lieberman** are living in a house in Clarendon in Arlington, Va., and are working at IBM Business Consulting in Fairfax. \* **Dan Burke** moved to Portland, Maine, and is doing temp work at L.L. Bean. \* **Taka Bennett** and **Tim Stenovec** are living together in Vail, Colo., where Taka works at the Steadman-Hawkins Clinic and Tim is a producer and host for Plum TV, a local cable channel. **Zach Russem** also works at Plum. \* **Noah Balazs** loves being an assistant teacher in his first grade classroom on the North Shore. He had a chance to visit Colby with **Sarah Ayres** and got to catch up with a lot of people. He works and teaches with another Colby grad, **Britt Palmedo '03**. \* After taking a CTEFL (ESL certification) course in Florence, Italy, **Melina Markos** now lives in Sassari, on the island Sardegna, and works there at Inlingua, an international language school with more than 200 language schools worldwide. \* **Mikey Nguyen** is an investment analyst for Prytania, a structured finance asset management firm in London. He writes that London has its charm but, needless to say, is a totally different world from the beautiful Mayflower Hill. He misses Colby and the people he met at Colby. \* **Heather Lerssch** is a teacher at the Leadership School at Camp Kieve, in Nobleboro, Maine, where she works with Kieve's program for experiential learning. \* **Fraser Moncure** is

leaving N.Y.C. and roommate **Juan Urruela** and moving to Kansas City to live with **Bryan Sanders**. Bryan is going to work on the presidential campaign of Senator Sam Brownback. Meanwhile Bryan and Fraser are working on a screenplay on the life of John Brown. \* **Greyson Brooks** is living in Wellesley, Mass., and working as a curatorial assistant at Harvard's Museum of Comparative Zoology in Cambridge. He just received his international teacher's license, a TESOL certificate, and a mediation certificate for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and he will soon start mentoring homeless children. \* **Kendra King** moved to Aspen and will be teaching snowboarding at Snowmass and bartending at Eric's Bar. \* **Meghan Race** lives in Avon, Colo., and works in Vail. \* **Emilie Slack** is spending the year in New Zealand. She lived in Tauranga, working as a bartender/server until March and then traveled to Southeast Asia for a month or so. \* After graduation **Charlie Hale** moved to Cairo, Egypt, to work on his Arabic with the State Department. He's now living in San Francisco with roommate **Matt Morrison**, working for Google, and loving California. **Emilie Coulson, Bram Geller,** and **Katie Himmelmann '07** visited in January. \* Life for **Barbara Hough** is falling into place in Massachusetts. She teaches private flute lessons in Norwood and in Haverhill she teaches music to first and second graders.

—*Jen Coliflores*





# OBITUARIES



**Kathleen V. Poland '26**, January 6, 2007, in Weld, Maine, at 101. She taught school for 47 years in Rumford, Maine, and in the Oxford Hills school system. She was an avid reader and at the time of her death was the holder of the Livermore Falls Boston Post Cane, presented to the oldest resident of the community. She is survived by five nieces and four nephews.

**F. Christine Booth '26**, April 10, 2007, in Lawrence, Mass., at 101. A lifelong resident of Lawrence, she taught Latin and mathematics at Chelmsford (Mass.) High School for 43 years. Survivors include her cousin Eleanor King Clark '41.

**Amelia Bliss Theriault '31**, March 1, 2007, in Waterville, Maine, at 97. She earned her degree from Acadia University in Canada and returned to Waterville to work at the Maine Children's Home for Little Wanderers. She was predeceased by her husband, Joseph F. Theriault '28.

**Helen Simmons Dempsey '32**, February 26, 2007, in Brewer, Maine, at 96. While raising her family she taught fourth grade in Bangor until she retired in 1975. She volunteered with Literacy Volunteers and sat on the board of the Philip Strickland House. Predeceased by her brother Dana M. Simmons '31, she is survived by her daughters, Rae McKechnie and Dee Osgood, a stepdaughter, 14 grandchildren, and 28 great-grandchildren.

**Dorcas Paul Frost '32**, January 29, 2007, in York, Maine, at 96. For more than 35 years she worked as an executive secretary at General Electric. Predeceased by her mother, Clara Norton Paul 1906, survivors include her brother, Roger.

**Ruth Stubbs Frazer '34**, January 3, 2007, in Pittsburgh, Pa., at 93. A school teacher in Maine and Pennsylvania, she was a sponsor of the Colby Book Award for many years. Widowed twice, she raised four children. She was predeceased by her brother-in-law, Robert F. Estes '35.

**Elinor Chick Ross '35**, February 20, 2007, in Concord, Mass., at 94. She taught English and history in Maine and Massachusetts until she married in 1946, at which time she devoted herself to her family. She was active in her church, knitted and crocheted, and was a baseball and hockey fan. Predeceased by her husband, Elbridge R. Ross Jr. '35, she is survived by her son, Gordon, her daughter, Wilma, and one grandson.

**Helena Tebbetts Bessette '35**, March 30, 2007, in Lake Placid, Fla., at 92. She worked as an executive secretary for General Electric in Burlington, Vt., for more than 40 years. She rode horses and was a member of the Vermont 251 Club, having visited all the towns in the state. Predeceased by her sister, Annette Tebbetts Audette '36, she is survived by her son, David Simonds, and five grandchildren.

**Elizabeth Wilkinson Ryan '37**, October 26, 2006, in New York, N.Y. at 90. She received her master's in zoology from Columbia in 1939 and became a freelance editor with a focus on science. She traveled widely and lived in New York City until her final days. Survivors include her nephew, Alan B. Moss '71.

**Clifford R. Nelson '38**, January 27, 2007, in Star, Idaho, at 90. He held various positions in manufacturing and was involved with the American Kite Flying Club. He and his wife, Bernice, raised two children.

**Helen Carter Guptill '39**, January 18, 2007, in Newton, N.C., at 88. After raising her children she became a kindergarten teacher in Connecticut. Survivors include her husband of 69 years, Rev. Nathanael M. Guptill '39, two daughters, Judith Guptill Simmons '65 and Lois Smith, a son, Timothy, five grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

**Ralph E. Delano '40**, June 24, 2006, in Benson, N.C., at 90. After serving as a sergeant in the Army during World War II, he built a career in the newspaper industry. He became editor and publisher of the *Four-Oaks Benson News Review* and taught journalism for 10 years. A Kiwanian and a Sunday school teacher, he also sang in barbershop quartets. Along with his wife, the late Muriel Howe Delano '42, he raised two sons.

**Ruth Rowell Higgins '40**, January 1, 2007, in Ellsworth, Maine, at 87. She received a degree from Simmons College School of Library Science and, aside from two years of service in World War II as an Army librarian, worked in the New York Public Library, retiring as principal librarian in 1979. Predeceased by her sister, Eleanor Rowell Dorsett '33, and her brother Howard Rowell '43, she is survived by her daughter, Eleanor Kuhns, and her sons, Howard and Robert; her brother Robert C. Rowell '49; four grandchildren; and several nephews and nieces, including Janet Dorsett Wachsmann '69.

**Catharine P. Fussell '41**, March 22, 2007, in Kennett Square, Pa., at 87. After earning a master's from Cornell and a doctorate from Columbia, she became a biological researcher at Fels Research Institute

in Philadelphia and later taught biology and conducted research at Penn State. She helped preserve historic Woodlands Cemetery in Philadelphia and enjoyed ocean voyages. Predeceased by her sister Sarah Fussell Cobb '42, she is survived by her sister Anna Fussell Lang and nephews and nieces, including Shirley Cobb Rich '64.

**Thomas J. Huse '41**, December 16, 2006, in Belmont, Mass., at 91. He served with the military police during World War II then worked as an interviewer for the Massachusetts Division of Employment Security until he retired in 1984. He leaves his sister, Barbara Stackpole, and several cousins including Lawrence P. Fitton '42.

**Virginia B. Mosher '41**, April 20, 2007, in Waterville, Maine, at 86. She was an x-ray technician for 14 years and ran the training school for x-ray technicians at Central Maine General Hospital. Later she worked as a chemist. A champion bowler, she was inducted into the South Carolina State Women's Bowling Hall of Fame. Predeceased by her brother, Bertram G. Mosher '36, she is survived by many nieces, nephews, and cousins, including Elizabeth Connor Bullard '87.

**Robert S. Rice '42**, January 24, 2007, in Seattle, Wash., at 87. A pilot for the Navy in World War II, he retired as a lieutenant commander having earned five battle stars. He worked in banking, sales, and later was president of Thoren-Rice, Ltd. He served as a class president and class agent for Colby and was awarded a Colby Brick in 1987. He traveled worldwide, hitchhiked across the country six times, played duplicate bridge, and flew for pleasure. Survivors include

his children, Judy Simon, Bill Rice, Shelley Rice, and Gordon Thoren, two grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

**Charles G. Barletta '43**, February 18, 2007, in Eastchester, N.Y., at 85. He left Colby to serve as a radio operator in India during World War II. After the war he managed his mother's floral business in Mt. Vernon, N.Y., eventually becoming its owner. In retirement he wrote essays for his local newspaper. His wife, Evelyn, two children, and four grandchildren survive him.

**Jeannette Nielson Braddock '43**, October 4, 2006, in Rochester, N.Y., at 85. She was employed at the University of Rochester in the department of pharmacology and was active with AAUW. Predeceased by her husband, Thomas R. Braddock '43, she is survived by her children, Allan '70, Douglas, and Carolyn, a sister, and two grandchildren.

**Philip C. Buck '43**, March 29, 2007, in Manchester, N.H., at 86. After serving in the Air Force during World War II, he returned to Waterville and worked for the Harris Baking Company. Predeceased by his wife, Mary Reny Buck '42, he is survived by his son, Michael, and a brother.

**June E. Donna '43**, March 15, 2007, in Arlington, Va. She worked in Washington, D.C., as a secretary for the Veterans Administration, the Commerce Department, and the office of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. After she retired in 1979 she wrote and published poetry. Survivors include nieces and nephews.

**Eloise Knowlton Handy '45**, December 2, 2006, in Tucson, Ariz., at 83. After leaving Colby she earned two degrees in education from Wheelock College. She taught in schools in New York, Germany, and Connecticut

before retiring in 1987. Survivors include her husband, Elmer.

**Ralph K. Harley Jr. '43**, January 1, 2007, in Sandwich, Mass., at 85. He served in the Army in Europe during World War II and afterward established a career in sales. He belonged to the Masons and loved the game of golf. His wife of 60 years, Ruth, a son and two daughters, and two grandchildren survive him. He was predeceased by his father, Ralph K. Harley '20.

**Ernest G. Weidul '43**, April 22, 2007, in Kennebunkport, Maine, at 86. During World War II he served in the Army in China and the Far East. After the war he worked for the State Department as a foreign service attaché in Taiwan, Iran, India, and Thailand. He retired to Kennebunkport, where he ran a gallery and antique store with his wife. He wrote poetry and was a charming storyteller. His children, Linda Ketcham, Lori Jackson, and Brian Weidul, three grandsons, and one great-granddaughter survive him.

**Betty Riker Howell '46**, February 14, 2007, in Englewood, Fla., at 82. She graduated from Cornell, earned a certificate in physical therapy from Columbia, and worked in New Jersey schools as a physical therapist. Her husband of 57 years, Monroe, a son, her sister, and five grandchildren survive her.

**N. Paul Bromley '47**, July 25, 2006, in Huntington, W.Va., at 81. He served in World War II in the medical corps. He received degrees in law and business, worked as an attorney, and later as a professor of finance at Marshall University. He and his wife raised four children.

**Mary E. Leavitt '47**, January 13, 2007, in York Harbor, Maine, at 80. She taught school for several

years before marrying and having children. She kept her hand in teaching through substituting yet participated fully in her children's lives. Known for her ability to bat a homer and catch flounder, she also bottled homemade root beer and was a vegetable gardener. She leaves her three sons, David, Scott, and Mark, and their six children.

**William R. Atherton '48**, January 17, 2007, in Schenectady, N.Y., at 83. He served in the Navy during World War II, then received a master's in education from Trinity College and another from Union College in science education. He taught chemistry and physics at schools in Maine, Massachusetts, and Connecticut and served on various committees promoting science education. Predeceased by his wife, Virginia Howard Atherton '44, and his aunt, Ninetta Runnals 1908, survivors include his children, William, Peter, Leslie Reed, and Gail Harting, nine grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, his niece Ann Atherton Poulin '77, and his cousin Priscilla Hathorn White '42.

**Burton J. Hinckley '48**, March 5, 2007, in Merrimack, N.H., at 83. He was a radio operator for the Air Force during World War II. He earned his master's in education from the University of Maine and was an ordained minister. He taught and coached high school, served as a minister for four years, and was a guidance counselor for 22 years. He played the organ and enjoyed Big Band music. Survivors include his wife of 61 years, Jean, a daughter, two brothers, a sister, two grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

**Gertrude McKusick '48**, February 28, 2007, in Old Town, Maine, at 81. She earned her master's in business from Husson College and taught business administration at

Beal College in Bangor. She worked with the Girl Scout Council, first in Brewer, Maine, then in Schenectady, N.Y. Survivors include numerous nieces and nephews.

**Roberta Longley Mahoney '49**, March 22, 2007, in Caribou, Maine, at 79. A mother and a housewife, she worked at Head Start teaching children to read. Survivors include her children, David, Katherine, and Patricia, six grandchildren, and her sister.

**Daniel J. Shanahan Jr. '49**, January 16, 2007, in Springfield, Va., at 81. He worked for the Army Corps of Engineers and is survived by his wife, Barbara Hart Shanahan '49, five children, and 12 grandchildren.

**Francis N. Blondin '50**, January 25, 2007, in Manchester, N.H., at 82. He served as a Marine in both World War II and the Korean War and later became a claims supervisor for Equifax. He was active with the Knights of Columbus and with his church. In addition, he coached Little League, was interested in genealogy, and rooted for the Red Sox. His wife, Dorothy, a son and two daughters, his sister, and two grandchildren survive him.

**Joseph Verrengia '50**, February 27, 2007, in Farmington, Maine, at 84. During World War II he served in the Army in the Philippines and Australia. He worked as a sales manager for Warner Lambert for more than 30 years before retiring in 1984. His wife, Christine Winter Verrengia '50, and a brother survive him. He was predeceased by his cousin, Remo M. Verrengia '44.

**James C. Tabor Sr. '51**, January 3, 2007, in New Haven, Conn., at 79. An Army veteran of World War II, he worked for more than 35 years at Liberty Mutual Insurance Co. He was

a member and past president of the Jaycees and a former commissioner of the Park and Recreation Department in Cheshire, R.I. His wife of 56 years, Mae, two sons and two daughters, a sister, seven grandchildren, and one great-grandson survive him.

**Robert C. Vergobbi '51**, January 19, 2007, in Brooklyn Heights, N.Y., at 80. He received an MBA from Columbia University in 1957. He was an economist and worked for IBM Corporation until he retired. For several years he lived in Nice, France, but lived out the last 50 years of his life in New York City. Survivors include his twin brother, Richard, a niece, and a nephew.

**Frederic C. Ives '52**, February 19, 2007, in Simsbury, Conn., at 76. A lieutenant in the Korean War, he served as an Air Force navigator. He spent the next 36 years working for Aetna Life and Casualty. In retirement, he volunteered at the New England Air Museum and as a Little League coach. Predeceased by his brother, John H. Ives '49, he is survived by his wife, Marilyn, three sons, a sister, Nancy Ives Quinlan '54, and eight grandchildren.

**John H. McGowan Jr. '52**, February 22, 2007, in St. Louis, Mo., at 79. He was drafted into the Army and served in Japan during World War II. He studied philosophy and math at Columbia University then taught at Colby, the University of Northern Illinois, and Biddeford High School. He retired in Waterville and continued his lifetime tradition of spending summers on Snow Pond. Survivors include two brothers, David J. McGowan '72 and Robert G. McGowan, two sisters, Terry McGowan Heavey and Rosemary McGowan Phillips, and his step-mother.

**Norma Shea Black '53**, April 9, 2007, in Natick, Mass., at 76. After

raising her children, she worked as a receptionist for the Wellesley College Club. A member of the Natick Garden Club, she played bridge and loved her dog, Gertie. Survivors include her children, James, Allen, Bruce, Robert, and Nancy Blume, a sister, and five grandchildren.

**Marcia Leland Coleman '55**, March 10, 2007, in Falls Church, Va., at 73. She worked for the CIA from 1955 to 1958, was a homemaker until 1972, then began working as a library aide and reading assistant in public schools. She learned to speak Spanish in 1979 for her job mediating housing disputes for the county government. She belonged to AAUW and the Northern Virginia Fair Housing Commission. Survivors include her daughter, Cardie MacDonald, a brother, and three grandchildren.

**Bruce M. Sullivan '55**, January 7, 2007, in Old Field, N.Y., at 77. He served in the Army before he came to Colby. After Colby, he earned his law degree at Yale University and became a self-employed lawyer. His wife, Margaret, and his son, Angus, survive him.

**J. Wood Tyson Jr. '55**, January 25, 2007, in Roswell, Ga., at 74. He served in the Army then established a career in sales with Koppers Company. Survivors include his wife, Lynn, four children, a brother, Richard D. Tyson '60, a sister, six grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews, including Chandler C. Tyson '95.

**Peter M. Byrnes '56**, April 2, 2007, in Pembroke, Mass., at 72. A self-taught carpenter, he owned a custom contractor business on Long Island. His wife, Virginia Birnie Byrnes '56, two daughters, his mother, and two grandchildren survive him.

**Howard V. Clarke '58**, February 17, 2007, in Melvin Village, N.H., at 71. He left Colby in 1957 for the

Navy and served in the Pacific. After graduating from Colby in 1963 he joined Hathaway Shirt Company and worked in sales, advancing to national sales manager for Christian Dior accessories. Later he worked in sales for Pendleton Woolen Mills. He golfed, played tennis, and was a scuba diver. He leaves his wife, Ann, his son, Howard, his daughter and son-in-law, Kathryn Clarke '85 and Richard O. Anderson '85, and four grandchildren.

**Joan Peppard Boehm '58**, April 19, 2007, in Portland, Maine, at 72. A housewife and mother, she was active with AAUW and volunteered to raise funds for the pediatrics department at Maine Medical Center. She was a reader, was talented at needlepoint and cross-stitch, and traveled extensively in Europe, the Middle East, and along the coast of Maine. Survivors include her husband, Charles G. Boehm '59, her daughter, Melinda E. Boehm '83, her son, Charles Boehm, a sister, and four grandsons.

**Richard F. Estes Jr. '58**, December 3, 2006, in St. Petersburg, Fla., at 70. He received a master's from the University of Pennsylvania in 1967 and worked as a planner for the state of New York. His wife, Margaret, a son, a stepson, a sister and a brother, and two grandchildren survive him.

**Sandra Doolittle Hunt '58**, April 17, 2007, in Branford, Conn., at 71. She received her MSW from the University of Connecticut and was a hospital social worker, had a private practice, and worked for 20 years at Lyman Hall High School. She sat on many community boards, including the Wallingford (Conn.) Symphony, and was an accomplished pianist. Her husband, Buell, a son and a daughter, and two grandchildren survive her.

**H. Eugenia Hall Wormser '60**, January 27, 2007, in Topsham, Maine, at 68. She earned a MLS degree from

Carnegie Mellon University and worked in the Washington, D.C., public library system. She also was a librarian for the Audubon Society of the Mid-Atlantic States. She leaves her husband, Michael '59, a son, an aunt, and several cousins.

**Jo Ann Gantt Scanlan '61**, November 15, 2006, in Eliot, Maine, at 67. She was a housewife and a mother who loved to ski and motorcycle. Her husband, Jim, three daughters, and two grandchildren survive her.

**Carrie E. Brooke '00**, March 31, 2007, in Bozeman, Mont., at 29. She was working on her master's in fisheries biology at Montana State University when she was diagnosed with bipolar disorder. She loved to ski, bike, and rock climb. Survivors include her parents, Lawrence and Donna Brooke, who established a scholarship fund in Carrie's honor for students at Colby with learning challenges.

**Matthew H. Todesca '00**, April 14, 2007, in Milton, Mass., at 28. Preceding his sudden death he worked on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange for R.J. Murphy & Associates in New York. Survivors include his mother, Janine Hermsdorf, and his sister, Lauren Todesca '06.

**Meghan R. Kuhn '08**, May 5, 2007, in Plymouth, Mass., at 21. She died suddenly at home in her sleep. She was a history major with minors in environmental studies and in science, technology, and society. She is survived by her parents, Brian and Nancy Kuhn, two brothers and a sister, and her grandparents.