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ON THE COVER

The cover illustration is by Philadelphia illustrator Jon Reinfurt, who worked with *Colby News* Editor Ruth Jacobs when she was at *Maine Times*. Reinfurt was selected because his collage style was a good match for our cover story, "Unconventional Wisdom," by Stephen Collins '74. After reading a draft of the article, Reinfurt created this striking representation of the forces behind the world's conflicts.

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The Next Big Thing

Bill Carr '89, vice president for digital media at Amazon.com, oversees the company's new digital download service, Unbox, which delivers television shows, movies, and other video for the world's largest Internet retailer.

Where He Is Coming From

Charles Terrell '70 remembers arriving on campus by taxi and getting his first glimpse of a fixture of college life: a Frisbee. Read, in his own words, the story of Terrell's remarkable journey from Washington, D.C., to Mayflower Hill and beyond.

Smith's Reference Belittles Sit-in

We write in response to your story about Earl Smith's recently published history of Colby, *Mayflower Hill* ("History with a Twist," fall 2006 *Colby*). While Dean Smith's book has received a number of accolades since its publication this past fall, in at least one very important respect it falls short—specifically, its account of the April 16, 1999, occupation of President Bill Cotter's office by students of color and their allies.

Dean Smith's version of this critical event is both incomplete and inaccurate. In so doing it belittles and ridicules the commitment and energy of the nearly 100 Colby students, faculty, and staff who participated in the sit-in. The sit-in itself garners only one short sentence in Smith's volume—followed by this footnote:

Many students who occupied the office were enrolled in Pamela Thoma's course "Gender, Race, and the Politics of Difference" with a syllabus requiring participation in a community or campus "action" and a three-to-five-page paper describing it. The papers were due the following week. ... (P. 336-337)

The not too subtle implication here is that the motivation of those engaged in this important aspect of our democratic legacy wasn't genuine, but, rather, they were simply involved in a self-serving attempt to meet the requirements of a course. This insinuation is patently false, and profoundly disrespectful, both to Professor Thoma (who was not aware that a sit-in was being planned) and to those students of hers who participated. In point of fact, while the sit-in was motivated by a long list of grievances that increased over time, it was a genuinely spontaneous event. It took energy and courage for the students involved to plan the sit-in, to write the list of demands they presented to President Cotter, and to engage in the negotiations that followed. Moreover, the students (now alumni) involved were some of Colby's best and brightest—none of whom were there simply to complete a course assignment, but instead were there to participate

in a longstanding tradition of civil disobedience (for a much more accurate account of the 1999 sit in, see www.colby.edu/education/activism/stories/sitin.html).

We often wonder, why do so many students of color experience Colby as alienating and unwelcoming? Perhaps it is because, as an institution, we continue to tell incomplete and misleading stories about ourselves. *Mayflower Hill* represented an opportunity to set the record straight, and to tell the truth about an important event in our recent history. Unfortunately, it failed.

If we are truly committed to preparing a citizenry able to think critically and to act on behalf of social justice (as our precepts indicate), then we should applaud the actions of these students, whether or not we agree with their position. For to trivialize and dismiss their actions, in the end, is to trivialize and diminish the value of a Colby education.

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Mark Tappan, Professor of Education

In Wartime, Comic Relief

Earl Smith's vivid account of the 1970 day Maine's senators came to Mayflower Hill brought back memories. I too recall an atmosphere thick with antiwar fervor. However, my recollection of the reaction to Waterville's own Ed Muskie is a little different.

The crowd did indeed respond to Muskie's prepared remarks with applause that was often polite and occasionally enthusiastic, but many in attendance remained highly skeptical of the senator.

Some suspected his stance on Vietnam may have had more to do with political calculations than deeply held principles. Cynics—there were many in 1970—wondered if he was doing much more than pandering. If memory serves, Muskie had initially declined to attend the Colby event, changing his mind only after Margaret Chase Smith agreed to be there.

I stood at the very back of the crowd that day, enabling me to take in the entire scene. A small group of middle-aged men appeared next to me while Muskie spoke from his notes. These men could have come from central casting in response to a call for local politicians. They were suited, paunchy, and cocky. One puffed on a cigar.

They listened intently to the long, detailed, pointed, sometimes angry questions that followed Muskie's prepared remarks. As members of the crowd murmured or shouted support of the questioners, the men by me grinned broadly, bobbed their heads, and guffawed. The smoker took the cigar from his mouth long enough to call out, "You're in trouble now, Ed," or "How you gonna handle that one, Ed?"

I couldn't decide if they were old foes, acquaintances, or even friends of Muskie's, but the men in suits clearly enjoyed the spectacle of the senator's discomfort. They provided an amusing little scene at a time comic relief was in short supply.

Jon Weems '70
 Morgantown, West Virginia

Echoes of Woodsmen Past

I'm writing to thank you for your [Inside Colby] podcast piece on the woodsmen's team. I was captain of the women's team for two and a half years. I received the link to "Inside Colby" from the alumni mass e-mailing [Out of the Blue] and hadn't heard anything about it before.

Listening to your story while sitting at my desk at work, I was taken immediately back to the great feeling of being on that field—chopping after a day of class, throwing my ax over my shoulder and walking back to the cabin at dusk, or earning my "crazy Colby girls" reputation

at a meet with other teams.

As soon as I finished listening I e-mailed the link to Meghan Fallon '98, whom I hadn't been in touch with for years. She and I were both so glad to hear the spirit of the team alive in the voices in your story. The woodsmen were truly the outstanding experience of my time at Colby and I was thrilled to hear them honored through your work. Thank you!

Nelia Dwyer '00
East Burke, Vermont

Editor's note: to hear the Inside Colby podcast on the woodsmen's team, go online to www.colby.edu/mag and type in the keyword "woodsmen."

False Allure of College Rankings

In his essay "Putting College Rankings in Perspective," (fall 2006 *Colby*) President Adams couldn't have better captured the false allure of the ratings game. Whatever the field of endeavor, be it academia, medicine, law, or athletics, the companies that sell their products using these ratings exploit our penchant for commendation and ranking, and it's wise advice not to take them seriously.

Spending weekends at Colby each fall, observing the energy and commitment, listening to my son and his friends tell of their experiences, I've come away wishing that I might have ignored the rankings and chosen a school like Colby over the very popular and highly ranked "Ivy" that I attended. So, right you are—even though I couldn't help but smile when I read the "New Ivy" rating confirming the wisdom of my son's decision.

Jeff Chanin P'09
Tiburon, California

Trying to differentiate between the top 10 to 20 colleges seems fruitless. The stories are legion of students from unheralded schools who are successful (one of the finest trial lawyers I know in Los Angeles graduated from an unaccredited law school) and those with pedigreed

backgrounds who fail to live up to their promise. I chose Colby (and was awarded admission) as an early-decision applicant, so I did not have to contend with multiple school rankings—indeed in my day, I don't believe that there was such a beast.

With the understanding that our emphasis is on maintaining a quality product, I see no reason to be proud or ashamed whether ranked 12th or 18th.

Robert J. Ryan '81
Houston, Texas

After Their Time

Perhaps it's my Orwellian-induced fear of history being rewritten, but a desire to set the record straight (pun unintended) drives me to point out that in the printed version of your article "Rock Never Dies: Sixties Rock Finds New Fans Among Today's Students," (summer 2006 *Colby*), roughly half of the album covers displayed in the accompanying photographs and collages were released in the seventies. Most notably amiss was Fleetwood Mac's 1977 album *Rumors*, which only predated the MTV era by a mere four years.

John D. Ervin
Technical Director
Colby Theater and Dance
Waterville, Maine

"Four Fingers" is a Life Lesson

From the Colby football stands and from the sidelines of Seaverns Field we've seen them. Four fingers held high in the autumn air, some bloodied, some taped and swollen. Raised by the players at the beginning of the fourth quarter, they serve as a silent reminder that the last quarter of a football game is a very special place in time: Four Fingers recall the months of hard work and preparation that have led to these precious final fifteen minutes. Four Fingers beckon each player to find those last reserves of strength, resolve, and stamina. Regardless of the score or the particular game situation, those Four Fingers carry one very singular message: *Finish Strong*.

We should hope that for some of those players, the significance of Four Fingers

might just carry over beyond the last game. Can lessons learned on the gridiron extend to life beyond football? Can Four Fingers still be recalled during, say, senior spring? Perhaps one more hour's work revising a final history term paper or after graduation, getting one more opinion on that job offer or in later life.

For many of us, however, we anticipate the approaching conclusion of a task by a slow and sometimes imperceptible reduction of effort—a bit like easing off the gas pedal as we bring our car to the crest of a hill.

During a recent checkup, I asked my primary care physician what he thought might be the most important thing I could do to ensure a long life. (I'm 60.) He responded, "Don't retire." While kicking back in Margaritaville is certainly an inviting thought, it got me thinking that as I approach my life's fourth quarter—well, maybe not quite yet—but when I do, perhaps I should be reminding myself of Seaverns Field in the fall, of those tired but determined Mules, and of Four Fingers held high.

Jim Sullivan P'06, '10
Rye, New Hampshire

Teachers' Program Resonates

I am very impressed with and encouraged by this innovative program ("Back for the Future: With eyes on their own curriculum, Waterville High School social studies teachers attend Colby," spring 2006 *Colby*). I am a former high school teacher and current anthropology doctoral candidate, and it is my goal to integrate anthropology into secondary curricula wherever I end up teaching. I can use this program at Colby as a way to promote this idea on other campuses. Thank you for your willingness to think outside the box and foster greater collaboration between the university and the community. We can all benefit from such initiatives.

Carol Conzelman
Boulder, Colorado



It certainly wasn't the first time I had the urge to be a student again. But the day I read "Unconventional Wisdom" by Steve Collins (P. 16) I thought about calling Dick Whitmore for that old seatbelt that used to keep him on the bench. I thought I might have to strap myself to my editor's chair.

The article is about Colby faculty members who teach students how to see past the often simplistic and sometimes erroneous conventional explanations for the conflicts that rage around the world. Professors in the story—Catherine Besteman, Guilain Deneoux, Walter Hatch, Ken Rodman, Yossi Roisman—go beyond merely conveying their extensive knowledge and finely distilled insights.

They are enthusiastically committed to helping Colby students become knowledgeable, inquisitive, and critical as the students consider the global issues that confront us all.

Read the story. You won't read the newspaper in the same way again.

Also, in this issue we welcome Steve Heacock, not as Colby's first associate vice president of communications, which he is, but as the newest member of *Colby's* stable of staff writers. Heacock came to Mayflower Hill last fall from Haverford College, where he was editor of the alumni magazine and executive director of marketing and communications. He makes his first appearance on our pages with his profile of David Bodine '76 (P. 22), a research branch chief at the National Institutes of Health's National Human Genome Research Institute. Heacock's challenge: profiling a subject who would much rather talk about the other researchers in his cutting-edge lab—including a parade of Colby alumni and students—than talk about himself. Heacock was up to the task, and we look forward to bringing you more of his work.

This is an issue of *Colby* replete with remarkable stories: Liliana Andonova's students coming up with *real* remedies for world poverty; Leo Trudel '07, who was homeschooled off the grid in northern Maine; and the unlikely journey of Charles Terrell '70, who transcended his own modest circumstances and others' expectations and came to shape Colby—and later the lives of hundreds of students. Read his story, in his own words, and find an extended version of his recollections in *Colby Online*.

Education, inspiration, perspective: we hope we've given you some of each.



Gerry Boyle '78, P'07J
Managing Editor

Perhaps you've already noted a change in this issue of Colby: the paper. In keeping with sustainability initiatives at the College, we are now printing Colby on paper that is made from 100-percent post-consumer fiber and was produced using biomass energy. (Our ink has been soy-based for a while.)

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Albee Reveals Creative Magic

For playwright Edward Albee, the creative act is “a form of black magic. If you talk about it too much, it will go away.”

Before a standing-room-only audience in Given Auditorium in November, the three-time Pulitzer Prize winner did talk about the creative process, his work, and the path that led the self-described “lapsed poet and failed novelist” to become one of the most important playwrights of our time.

Albee was 28 and working as a Western Union messenger when his first serious play, *The Zoo Story*, was produced in West Berlin. He went on to write many award-winning, long-running, and critically acclaimed plays, including *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?* and *The Sandbox*. All of his works involve characters that are three-dimensional. They “have a past and, unless you kill them off, a future,” Albee said.

“By the time I become aware that I have been thinking about a play, I’m aware of the characters,” he said, “I’m aware of the situation that they’re in. Not what the play means, the metaphor, the symbolism—I try to stay away from that stuff—but who these people are and why they are occupying that space in my mind.”



Playwright Edward Albee with Mindy Favreau '07 and Rishi Chatrath '08 at a president's house reception.

Albee engaged in a short improvisation session, assuming the voices of characters assembled from traits tossed out by the audience. While the exercise got the audience laughing, it did have a substantive subtext. “The creative act is the translation in the mind from the unconscious to the conscious mind to either the page or the canvas or whatever,” Albee said. ... “If somebody is good at it, you can’t stop them.”

At 78, he has not stopped writing and is currently working on a play called *Me, Myself, and I*, about identical twins, he said. Albee

said some of his best plays have been the most unpopular, “but that is the nature of our culture. Our culture is not based on the virtue of excellence but on the virtue of popularity.”

He warned of the stultifying effect of “the dead hand of commerce” on creative arts. Most theatergoers now are middle-aged and older white people—audiences that do not reflect the people of the United States. “Most of the people who can afford to go to the theater have already made up their minds about what they are going to think about just about everything,” he said. —Gerry Boyle '78



Serendipity and Sports Illustrated

Colby ground out a four-overtime 10-7 victory at Bates on October 28. For their efforts, the Mules appeared in the December 4 issue of *Sports Illustrated*. Heavy rain turned Bates's Garcelon Field into a quagmire—but it was not enough to deter the intrepid Daryn Slover, a staff shooter for the *Lewiston Sun Journal* on a freelance assignment for Bates.

Harris '93 Named ABC Anchor

ABC News announced in November that Dan Harris '93 is the new anchor of “World News Sunday.” He continues as a New York-based correspondent for ABC News broadcasts on television, radio, and



online. A government major at Colby, Harris returned as the commencement speaker in 2005 and was awarded an honorary doctor of laws degree. In January Colby named Harris an overseer of the College.

Human Rights Lessons from High Commissioner

Mary Robinson can smell the blood in Somali churches following the genocide in 1994. She remembers the sight of prisoners in Rwanda, packed so closely that they could not move and developed gangrene. She recalled these scenes to draw a parallel to what is happening now in Darfur, she told a Colby audience at the second annual Senator George J. Mitchell Distinguished International Lecture in October.

“After Rwanda we said, ‘never again,’ and yet we are not really focusing the world’s attention,” she said. “We could relieve the suffering of those women who are being raped when they go for firewood, when they go for water, those villages that are being decimated.”

After serving as president of Ireland from 1990 to 1997, Robinson became the second United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights. In that role she traveled the world to gain a deep understanding of human rights abuses. In the subsequent decade, she says, things haven’t changed. “We haven’t got over the problem of the gross violations that require world attention,” she said.



ROB KEVIT '09

Former President of Ireland and United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights Mary Robinson

The crisis in Darfur, she said, is “getting worse and worse.” With the world’s attention focused on Iraq, Afghanistan, and Europe, “there’s not the political will,” she said, to devote the necessary forces to Sudan.

So what can college students do about this and other atrocities happening globally? Start small. “Often a very good thing is to work locally and work from the local out. ... Human rights, as Eleanor Roosevelt said, matter in small places.” It’s a lesson students can take from Colby to [wherever] they land—including their future workplaces.

“If human rights are going to matter in small places close to home, they have to matter a great deal more in the corridors of power.” That includes the boardrooms of major companies, she said. “Some of you, when you go where you’re going to go, will be able to be very influential in these areas.”

If the students’ activism on the issue of Darfur and Colby’s investments (see below) is any indication, they already are having an impact. —*Ruth Jacobs*

Colby Takes Stand on Sudan and Burma

On October 21 Colby trustees voted to divest of the College’s only direct investment in Sudan and to avoid direct investments in any companies that could financially support the Sudanese government.

The board agreed that there are some countries whose governments have “crossed a bright line” and engaged in activities that the Colby community declares to be so reprehensible that the College must sever any ties to those places. Sudan is such a country, the board agreed.

Colby also will write to the CEO of one other company that may be doing business in Burma/Myanmar and to managers of pooled investment funds to relay the College’s concerns regarding Sudan and Burma. The board included as part of its official action that using the endowment for political expression in this way should be extremely rare.

The board’s decision followed an intensive six-month review of the College’s investment portfolio, which was prompted by student activism in the spring of 2006. A delegation of about 20 students rallied outside trustee meetings in April to press their case for the College to adopt a policy of shareholder activism.

President William Adams said in a statement to the Colby community: “Actions such as divestment should be considered only under the most exceptional circumstances, which could include the placement of a country on the United States list of country-to-country sanctions, followed by a clear understanding and broad international consensus that the country’s government is in severe violation

of internationally accepted norms for government behavior, followed by Colby’s discovery that it holds assets that may support the activities of that government.”

President Emeritus and Life Trustee William Cotter cited as precedent the divestiture from apartheid South Africa in the 1980s, when Colby was a national leader in what was ultimately an effective campaign.

“This sets a very high threshold for this kind of activity, and it should be high,” Adams told the trustees.

The outcome, he said, “demonstrates the board’s interest in partnering with students to maintain the very high standards of Colby College.” —*Stephen Collins ’74*

“[This] demonstrates the board’s interest in partnering with students to maintain the very high standards of Colby College”

President William Adams

Wit & Wisdom

“One student asked me at the ball why there were so many chaperones.”

Special Assistant to the President Janice Kassman, who explained to the student that the chaperones were actually Colby trustees, who made Colby's first Fall Ball possible last October.

“It's easy to go for the immediate reward. Choosing what might be better in the long term is a risk, and that's a much tougher call.”

Trustee Robert E. Diamond Jr. '73, as the commencement speaker at the University of Connecticut.

“She loved it. But she said they needed a bigger net. And why did they have to be so rough?”

Tony Marin (Physical Plant) after taking his mother to Colby's Alford Arena for the first hockey game of her life.

“In a rational world you would think all this would be dead by now. Immigration policy, however, behaves in a politically very irrational way.”

Harvard economist George J. Borjas, in Lovejoy 100, responding to a question about where the immigration debate in Congress might be headed following the November elections.

“It makes me smile when I think I am the president of the Colby Muslim Group.”

Adriana Nordin Manan '07, quoted in a Portland Press Herald article about spirituality on campuses. She said she couldn't imagine herself in a Muslim club at home in Malaysia, but that, as a religious minority in Maine, she felt an urge to educate her classmates about Islam.

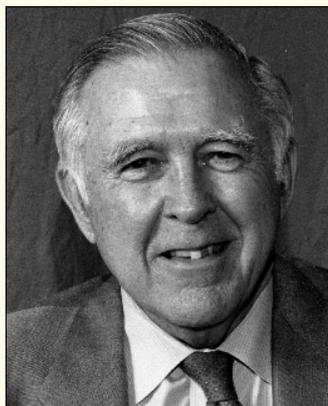
“I love this woman. You will learn a lot from her even if it has nothing to do with what you are supposed to be learning.”

A comment on RateMyProfessors.com about Professor of English Phyllis Mannocchi.

Robert Anthony: A Lifetime of Service to Colby

Robert N. Anthony '38, L.H.D. '63, a life trustee at Colby who was described by the Harvard Business School (HBS) as “a giant in field of management accounting,” died December 1 in Hanover, N.H., at age 90.

Anthony joined the HBS faculty in 1940 and was the Ross Graham Walker Professor of Management Controls, Emeritus, at the time of



Robert Anthony '38, L.H.D. '63

his death. He was world renowned as a scholar, author, and innovator in the field of management accounting and control. He also distinguished himself in public service as assistant secretary of defense (1965-68) and as an advisor to the Comptroller General and other government agencies.

He was named to Colby's Board of Trustees in 1959 and had a long history of service and generosity to the College. He was chair of the board from 1978 to 1983 and was one of only four life trustees at the time of his death. He received the Colby Brick Award, the Marriner Distinguished Service Award, and the Distinguished Alumnus Award. He was a principal donor to the Anthony-Mitchell-Schupf Residence Hall.

At Colby he was a member of Phi Beta Kappa. He earned a master's degree in 1940 and a doctorate in 1952, both from Harvard, serving in the Pacific with the U.S. Navy during World War II.

“He had a monumental impact, not only on his students through his teaching and textbooks, but also on the business, nonprofit, and government worlds,” said Professor Regina E. Herzlinger, a for-

mer student who became Anthony's colleague on the HBS faculty.

At the request of the Federal Accounting Standards Board (FASB) he studied nonprofit organizations' accounting procedures and recommended that they produce the same sorts of financial reports as profit-making organizations. FASB standard number 34, on capitalizing the cost of

interest, is directly traceable to his work.

During the Vietnam War Anthony served as assistant secretary of defense under his former Harvard colleague Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara. He was responsible for building and presenting to Congress an \$80-billion budget and for managing a monumental effort to overhaul the department's accounting and control system. “He changed the way the Defense Department operated,” a colleague said.

He also served locally. A past president of the American Accounting Association and a member of the Accounting Hall of Fame (at Ohio State), he took pride that he was elected town auditor of Waterville Valley, N.H., where he spent much of his retirement. In 1986 he said, “I had opposition the first time, but I haven't had any since. I got 24 votes last year; that's all there were.”

Anthony is survived by his wife, Katherine Yeager Anthony; a son, Robert Jr., M.D.; a daughter, Victoria '77; five grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his first wife, Gretchen Lynch Anthony.

NWF Recognizes Colby

The National Wildlife Federation awarded Colby special recognition for campus ecology in 2006. Reasons cited for the distinction included: silver LEED certification from the U.S. Green Building Council for the Schair-Swenson-Watson Alumni Center, the commitment of Colby's dining services to buy locally produced foods, and the College's waste reduction through the RESCUE program.

More Colbians Teach for America

In his first semester as a fifth-grade teacher at a Navajo school in Crown Point, New Mexico, Brandon Smithwood '06 searched for new ways to try to convince his young students that education is important. He explained to sometimes-disgruntled parents that a passing grade means nothing if the student hasn't grown academically. Smithwood tries to make a real difference in his students' lives.

"I hope I am," he said. "It's hard."

Smithwood is part of a bumper crop of Colby graduates that joined the Teach for America corps last year. Eleven members of the Class of 2006 made the two-year commitment to teach in schools in low-income communities—more than the previous three years combined, according to Ryan Weaver '07, a Teach For America campus campaign manager.

Those teachers, chosen from 33 applicants, are fanned out across

"[At Colby] I was very interested in environmental and social activism. ... This was an excellent opportunity to do something that, every day, you weren't just debating or sending your congressman a letter. Every day you were working to make a difference"

Brandon Smithwood '06

said his teaching job has introduced him to Navajo culture, the Southwest—and to "the culture of poverty."

"[At Colby] I was very interested in environmental and social activism, things like that," he said, from Crown Point. "This was an excellent opportunity to do something that, every day, you weren't just debating or sending your congressman a letter. Every day you were working to make a difference." —G.B.

the country, from New Mexico to Mississippi to Newark, N.J.

The increase is part of an overall boom in applications to Teach for America, with some 19,000 students asking to go into classrooms last year, triple the number in 2000. Teach for America officials cite September 11 and the New Orleans flood as catalysts for the outpouring of altruism among young people.

Smithwood, a government major and environmental studies minor from Massachusetts,



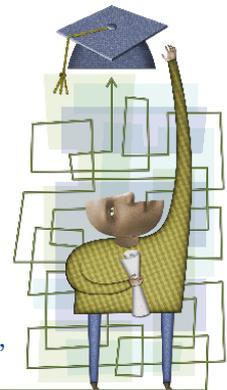
Watts Weighs In After an election-night appearance on CNN that lasted into the morning, former Republican Congressman J.C. Watts Jr. made his way to Mayflower Hill on November 8 to deliver a speech about American values. Regardless of race, political affiliation, and other factors, he said, "I believe that most Americans ... that their values are no different from mine and vice versa."

A 100th Birthday Gift

To celebrate her 100th birthday, philanthropist Kathryn Wasserman Davis has launched "100 Projects for Peace"—a program offering \$10,000 grants to 100 students who proposed grassroots projects with innovative approaches to world peace. Grants are available to students who attend colleges that are part of the Davis United World Colleges program, a scholarship fund set up by her son, Shelby M.C. Davis. Colby was one of the first five colleges selected for that program.

And the Survey Says!

Colby recently changed the requirements for Dean's List and Latin honors. In the last issue we asked, "Should the standards for academic honors be consistent across colleges and universities?"



76% Yes

20% No

Consider This . . .

As employers increasingly look at graduates' profiles on online networking sites, students at Colby are reacting by "cleaning up" their pages, including removing photos (see "Facetime," P. 12). Is it ethical for employers to look at personal Web pages?

To answer, go to www.colby.edu/mag.



Wylie's a Winner

Mark Wylie '88 works for a nonprofit organization called Best Buddies, which pairs young, intellectually disabled people with mentors. But that's not how he came to fame. As a contestant on the NBC show "The Biggest Loser," Wylie, an audience favorite, finished third on December 13 when his total weight loss of 129 pounds was announced during the show's finale.

Green Building Pros

All five members of the Physical Plant Department's project management team responsible for construction projects have been accredited by the U.S. Green Building Council's LEED program. The LEED green building rating system is the national benchmark for sustainable construction, and certification requires experience and testing. "It's one of the College's goals to build sustainable buildings, and we need to be looking at renovations and other projects in a green way," said Patricia Murphy, director of physical plant.

ANOTHER ONE UP, MORE TO COME

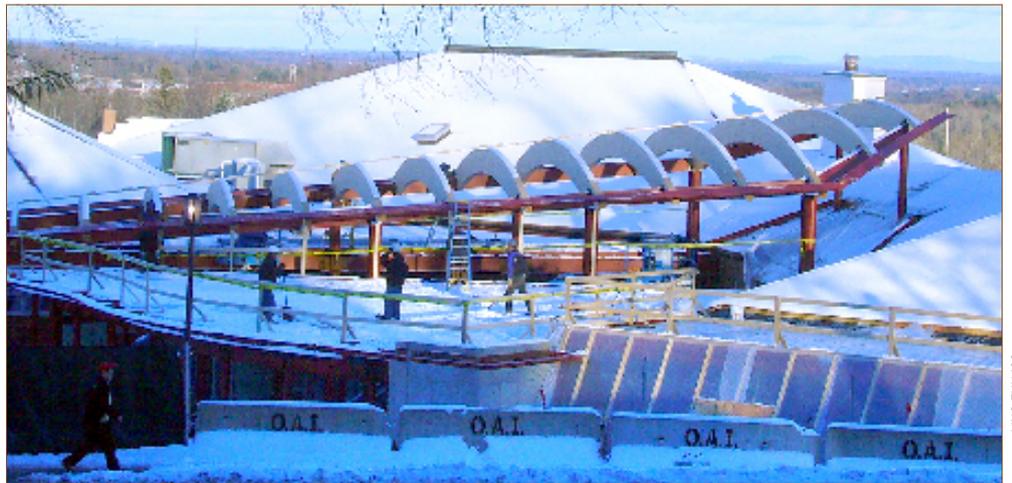
The Diamond Building, now Colby's largest academic facility except for Miller Library, opened for business with the start of second semester. At the same time, the first phase of renovation and expansion at Cotter Union stayed on track for a fall 2007 reopening of the student center, as construction continues transforming Mayflower Hill.

A second phase of expansion at Cotter Union—a 9,000-square-foot bookstore—was approved by trustees at their January 20 meeting, with construction to begin this year and occupancy planned in the summer of 2008.

The Diamond Building is a 53,500-square-foot facility located at the south end of the new Colby Green next to Lunder House, the admissions building. It contains classrooms, a large auditorium equipped with advanced teleconferencing capabilities, a GIS lab, and offices for four social science departments and four interdisciplinary programs as well as for student research teams. It also is the home of the Goldfarb Center for Public Affairs and Civic Engagement.

The naming gift was given by Robert Diamond '73 and his wife, Jennifer, and the building incorporates state-of-the-art green-building systems in anticipation of LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certification.

Formal dedications of the Diamond Building and of the Goldfarb Center are planned for the weekend of April 12-14, with a series of



Construction on the new Pulver Pavilion in the Cotter Union continues.

panel discussions on how Colby engages the local community, the nation, and the world.

Across the street the Pulver Pavilion, centerpiece of a new and improved Cotter Union, was taking shape this winter in an effort to revitalize that facility as a true hub of social life on campus. The \$10-million project will add 8,000 square feet to the student center, unifying the two existing wings with a café, snack bar, and social space. Work on the new bookstore is expected to begin in earnest following this year's Commencement.

Designed by architect Peter Bohlin of Bohlin Cywinski Jackson (who also designed the Diamond Building), the Pulver Pavilion will reorient Cotter Union so that a main en-

trance will face Miller Library, contributing to a sense of a center of the campus. Traffic patterns and uses of space throughout the building will be improved. The naming gift for the pavilion was given by trustee David Pulver '63, his wife, Carol, and their daughter, Stephanie '93.

Construction crews won't rest following these projects. Discussion continued this winter regarding a new science building on the opposite end of the Colby Green from Diamond, and options were being weighed for renovation of the former fraternity houses on Roberts Row—with the first expected to be redone in the summer of 2008—and of the Roberts Building itself. —S.C.

Soft Landing

Paula Shagin '09 makes a snow angel on campus after one of the first substantial snowfalls on Mayflower Hill in January. It was an unseasonably warm and snowless start to winter, but in Maine it is best to keep in mind Mark Twain's comment, "One of the brightest gems in the New England weather is the dazzling uncertainty of it."

Photo by Adam Musial '09



From Democracy's Front Lines

BY STUART KRUSELL '85

For members of the Class of '85, the concept of a career in "democracy promotion" meant a political campaign or government service. None of us saw the sweeping changes coming within a few years of our graduation as freedom spread across previously oppressed countries.

Rapidly expanding requests for assistance in making this transition redefined the profession. My own opportunity to engage in this exciting career came thanks to the Colby network. An informational interview with Liz Dugan '78, a vice president at the International Republican Institute (IRI), led to an offer to work in East Timor as it prepared for its first legislative elections. Since then, Cambodia, Bangladesh, Malaysia, Egypt, and Iraq (working with Jeremy Greenfield '00) have been added to the list. As I write this, I ready for my next assignment: Morocco.

In each of these countries I have been privileged to work alongside dedicated and extremely brave local citizens who put their lives and livelihoods on the line fighting for a better life for their neighbors and future generations. Echoes of Elijah Parish Lovejoy, in a variety of languages, are easy to hear.

For the past year, my work has taken me to the Palestinian Territories. During the 2006 elections, I visited a dozen or more polling stations. Each stop offered the chance to engage local voters in impromptu focus groups. A consistent question posed was, "What one message do you want to convey to people in the U.S.?"

"Tell them what you saw," was the reply. "Tell them about how Palestinians held free and fair elections. Tell them that we are committed to democracy and to peace." It was the same answer every time.

Critics of policies aimed at encouraging democratic transitions discount such answers, citing the win by the Islamic Party, Hamas, as evidence that such efforts are doomed to failure, especially in the volatile Middle East. A look at the facts, and firsthand experience, offer a more hopeful view.

While the rules of the election gave Hamas a significant victory in terms of seats, the reality is that the vote was far from a mandate as Hamas garnered only 44 percent, with Fateh getting 42 percent and other parties making up the rest. Exit polls conducted by IRI's partner, Birzeit University, revealed that 43 percent of those voting for Hamas did so to end corruption, while only 19 percent stated religious reasons.

Far from being a radical endorsement of Islamic rule, the Palestinian people sought a government that was more responsive to

their needs. Sadly, Hamas has shown itself to be less than democratic and representative, preferring to offer more blame than solutions to the critical issues facing it. Governing is not the same as opposing. If the democratic process continues emerging, failure to deliver will dampen Hamas's appeal.

Contrary to the opinion currently in vogue, democracy promotion is not solely a U.S. initiative nor is it being imposed; it is a goal of

people from across the globe who understand the fruits of freedom. I have witnessed the impact of a Romanian who suffered under Nicolae Ceausescu speaking to Iraqis and Egyptians. The message resonates because both sides understand suffering and share the desire for democratic reform as the best way to end oppression.

People in the Middle East are no less capable of wanting democratic rule or being able to exercise it than others across the world. Their history may make them all the more willing to hear the call of freedom. What they need is long-term support and patience as they struggle to emerge from years of oppression. Democracy is not simply a matter of holding elections or the results of a ballot or two.

As many a Colby government or history major will tell you, few expected the U.S. experiment in self-rule to be a success when it began more than 200 years ago. A civil war, civil rights battle, and other significant,

painful challenges are reminders that democracy is a process based on ideals—a process that can get fairly messy. Countries from South Africa to Indonesia, from Brazil to India, can attest to this reality.

The challenges and opportunities surrounding democracy promotion will likely be as dynamic and unpredictable for the Class of 2010 as they have been for my generation. The debate will be spirited and vital to creating a peaceful future. Colby will undoubtedly give those students the same great preparation for engaging in that debate.

For me, every conversation with a Palestinian civil society leader, Iraqi party leader, or Cambodian farmer has been an exhilarating reminder of Colby's, and my own, founding roots. As members of this community, we have been fortunate to enjoy the fruits nourished by those roots. We should welcome the chance to share with others the knowledge and tools necessary for nurturing their own roots of freedom.

Stuart Krusell '85 is the International Republican Institute's director of operations for Morocco.



Stuart Krusell '85 (seated, in white shirt), with International Republican Institute office staff in Baghdad.

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Sarah Bassie
Liz Palm
Justin Sulcowski
Jai Shrestha
Tunde Bamigboye
Ekaterina Gorbenova

Friends in Other Networks
Networks with the most friends:
Colby (113)
St Andrews (23)
New Hampshire (21)
Boston, MA (18)
Northeastern (8)
Iowa College (8)
Kansas State (5)

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Brianna M. Tufts Colby '07

Sex: Female
Relationship Status: In a Relationship with Michael Jay Walsh (Cornell)
Looking For: Friendship
Birthday: March 1, 1985
Political Views: Liberal

Mini-Feed
Displaying 5 status. See All

January 14
Brianna and Alex Becker are now friends. 8:37am
Brianna and Owen Roberts are now friends. 12:27am

January 8
Brianna and Michael Brown are now friends. 12:03am

December 12
Michael Jay Walsh tagged Brianna in seven photos. 11:08pm
Tagged in: Wedding Crashers - 25 Photos

December 11
Brianna discussed Goodbye to EAHS in the group The Hawk Pound. 5:57pm

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Interests: cross-country, track, crafts, music, conservation
Favorite Music: none really
Favorite TV Shows: Nick at Nite
Favorite Movies: Big Business, French Kiss, Buggy Malone, Hotel Rwanda,
Favorite Books: Secret Life of Bees, Angels and Demons
Favorite Quotes: In this life we cannot do great things. We can only do small things with great love. - Mother Teresa
About Me: Happy go lucky all the time :)

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High School: Exeter Area High School '03

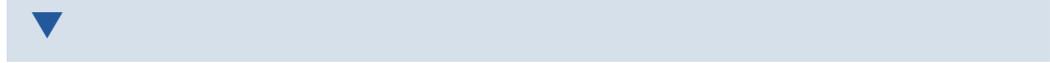
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Displaying 10 of 57 wall posts. See All

USED WITH PERMISSION OF BRIANNA TUFTS '07

facetime

Employers—and the occasional student—are finding Facebook can provide a glimpse of the reality beyond the interview



Brianna Tufts '07 had been warned that potential employers might check profiles on Facebook, a social networking Web site frequented by millions of college students. So she removed a few pictures, the ones that seemed to show too clearly “the revelries of the weekend.”

Then Tufts, a mathematics major, economics minor, and cross country runner, turned the tables. She searched the Facebook site for an employee of the Boston consulting firm she was considering. Lo and behold, there was a 70-member Facebook network for some of the company’s employees. Tufts was able to learn where they did undergraduate and graduate work and to see their profile photos.

“I could look down at all the little [photo] clips,” Tufts said. “They all looked relatively young. I would say that half of the pictures looked like they were either out at bars or at dinner parties. ... It made me think, ‘These people must be good at their jobs but they still have fun on weekends.’”

By Gerry Boyle '78

This was a recent development in the constantly evolving world of online socializing, in which young people (older readers, see sidebar) profile themselves on a Web page and then create a web of “friends.” Facebook is part diary, part documentary, part communications hub—and, increasingly, a quick and easy way to peek into someone’s life.

Employers, especially in the 20-something-heavy industries of technology and finance, have figured this out, and students like Tufts, weighing job options as graduation looms, have figured out that employers have figured it out. Facebook and sites like it are now recognized as a way for people other than just friends to glimpse the person behind the formal persona.

“It’s hard to tell what someone’s really like in an interview,” said Harrison Wreschner ’03, now with a New York hedge fund but until last year an analyst at the investment house Bear Stearns. “Everyone’s had career counseling. Everyone puts up a façade.”

Wreschner and Michael Henderson-Cohen ’04 were the unofficial Colby team at Bear Stearns, where Cohen is an associate. Because Bear Stearns has no official recruiting presence at Colby, Wreschner and Henderson-Cohen, who were supported in their job hunts by Colby alumni, took it upon themselves to review résumés, to do initial phone interviews, and to talk to human resources about candidates they thought would be competitive.

In that process, Henderson-Cohen, like many of his colleagues, sometimes takes a look at a candidate’s Facebook page. While he stressed that it’s unlikely that a Facebook page would have much bearing on whether an applicant is hired, he’s hardly alone in taking a peek.

According to a recent poll by the National Association of Colleges and Employers, more than a quarter of organizations acknowledged that they checked out candidates by Googling them or skimming their profiles on social networking sites. In the high-tech sector, it was nearly half.

That’s no surprise for students like Jon Forsythe ’07.

An economics major and football player, Forsythe was in an airport waiting for a flight to take him on his semester abroad last spring when his cell phone rang. It was Henderson-Cohen at Bear Stearns. Forsythe had applied for a summer internship, and his strong grades, solid résumé, and presence during initial phone interviews had impressed the Colby alums.

They called to tell him as much, and during the conversation Henderson-Cohen noted that he had looked at Forsythe’s Facebook profile and had seen a silly photo of Forsythe being kissed playfully by his girlfriend.

“They thought I’d be a fun guy to hang out with,” Forsythe said.

The conversation was pleasant. But along with an article about Facebook and employers that was circulated to players by Football Coach Ed Mestieri, it did get Forsythe thinking—and prompted him to take a closer look at his Facebook page. “I just kind of cleaned up my profile,” he said.

A photo was removed (not the kiss). “I even changed my interests in the books,” he said. “I put *Econometrics* [*Using Econometrics: A Practical Guide*] as my favorite book.”

What was it before?

“I don’t know. *Jurassic Park* or something. Less mature stuff.”

While Forsythe may have cleaned up his Facebook profile later, the image of him as a fun guy didn’t detract from his strength as a candidate.

“We definitely didn’t look down on the fact that he liked to have fun at school—and still could maintain good grades,” said Henderson-Cohen. “That’s definitely the kind of candidate you want to see. It’s all about balance.”

What would set off alarm bells?

“Excessive alcohol use or things that don’t relay a sense of responsibility that you might be trying to portray in trying to land a job,” Henderson-Cohen said. In fact, he had just heard from a colleague at another Wall Street firm about a candidate who had photos of himself on his profile engaging in illegal drug use. That application was tossed.

But regular college socializing is another matter, Henderson-Cohen said.

“I think it’s only normal to see those kinds of photos because that’s what college life is like,” he said. And while smart, hard-working students are sought after, the strongest candidates also have social skills and lives. “I would notice,” he said, “if *all* the pictures were from the library.”

Facebook for Dummies

▼ What is it?

Social networking site, with more than 14 million users, second only to MySpace. Anyone can join but primarily used by college and high school students.

▼ Who started it?

Begun in 2004, when founder Mark Zuckerberg was an undergraduate at Harvard.

▼ How widespread?

In a recent survey, Facebook placed second to the iPod in popularity with college students. (Bear tied with Facebook.)

▼ Who can have a profile?

Anybody, but users are segmented by company, region, or school. To be grouped with a college or school, you need an e-mail address issued by that school.

▼ What do you get?

A place to profile yourself: college, class year, interests, favorite music, books, movies. Also offers a place to post public messages or send private notes. Profiles give you unlimited space to post photos—of the weekend’s parties, your semester abroad, your roommate, your messy dorm room, or anything else.

▼ Who can see your stuff?

Anyone at your college or, depending on privacy settings you control, anyone who is friends with you or anyone who is friends with someone who is friends with you.

▼ Friends?

Profiles include a list of your “friends.” Often they number in the hundreds. Facebook “friends” are not necessarily the same as real friends. Often they’re more like acquaintances you don’t dislike. [Users collect them like people used to collect postcards.]

▼ How does that work?

Let’s say you go to a party and meet a student from across campus or from another college. The next morning, that student, procrastinating before writing her English paper, checks out your Facebook profile. She clicks on the icon that says she wants to be your friend. She has “friended” you. If you accept, she’s added to your list, and vice versa.

▼ Isn’t “friend” a noun?

Not anymore.

▼ Why do I feel so old?

Because this is Facebook. Probably you are.

Sources: facebook.com, mashable.com

Or, as Andrea Linney '07J put it, "If you don't have that social interaction, what does that say about you? I would be more willing to choose somebody [for a job] who had had interaction than someone who had been closeted most of their college life."

Wreschner, who graduated before Facebook emerged on college campuses, said he has neither had a Facebook account nor has he actually done a Facebook search, though he has seen the results of searches done by younger colleagues. But, he said, he sees it as a way for employers to supplement applicants' résumés and academic records.

"They'll tell you from the very beginning," he said, "personality makes a difference. We're going to end up spending fifteen hours a day with you; we want to make sure we like you. And if you've got hundreds of résumés and they end up taking forty kids—there are a lot of kids with 4.0s from Harvard. How do you delineate? Do you fit? Do you blend well in the interview? ... People do look to [Facebook] to a point to get an idea of what your personality is like."

Unless, of course, applicants choose to make their Facebook profile private. In that setting, the page is accessible only to people the profilee has accepted as Facebook friends. Linney, concerned about reports of Facebook snooping, has done just that. "I just checked everything off," she said. "Now, unless you're my real friend or I give permission to be my friend, you don't have access to anything."

And how many Facebook friends does she have? "I have about a hundred and sixty-nine," she said. "Some people have three hundred or more. I would say that only a handful are true friends, though. I think most of them are, well, I met you once or twice."

If Facebook culture redefines "friend," it also gives new meaning to the notion of privacy. If 300 people have access to photos, writings, and messages, can a Facebook inspection by a potential employer really be called an invasion of privacy?

Yes, Linney said, if the snooping is being done behind your back. With plans to teach English in China after graduation, she wasn't concerned about landing a job on Wall Street, she said, but she still objected to having her Facebook profile perused by a potential employer. "It's one thing to check your background in terms of a criminal record that would affect how you teach the kids," Linney said. "But I don't see how your college social life would affect how you interact with kids or your coworkers."

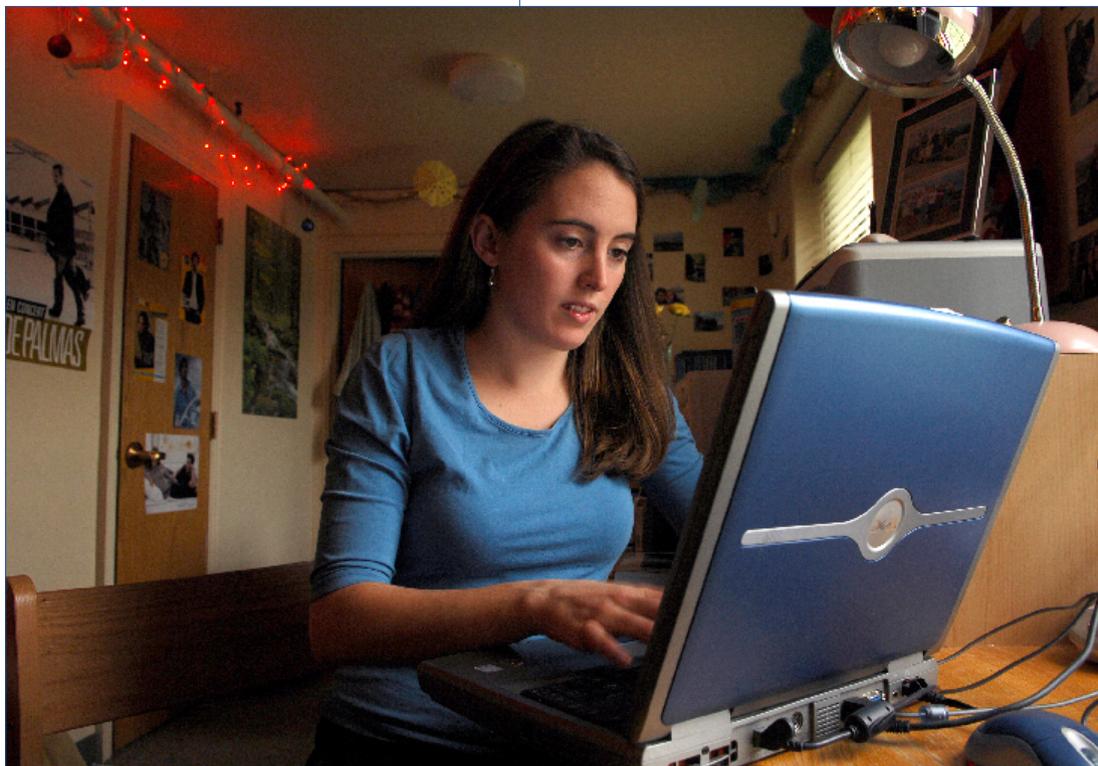
But how you portray your college social life could be a factor in determining who those coworkers are.

On Wall Street last fall, the buzz was about a video profile submitted by a college senior looking for a job at a major brokerage house. The promotional video included footage of the student playing tennis, skiing, bench pressing in the gym, and ballroom dancing. Could a Facebook profile be created expressly for the purpose of landing a job?

"The idea of tailoring a Facebook profile is probably over the top ...," said Wreschner. "But I could see some sort of ultra-competitive person trying to demonstrate just how balanced their life is. Pictures of them in the library, them doing community service. Them at a party—with a Solo cup. I think it could get a little out of hand."

▼ Facebooking

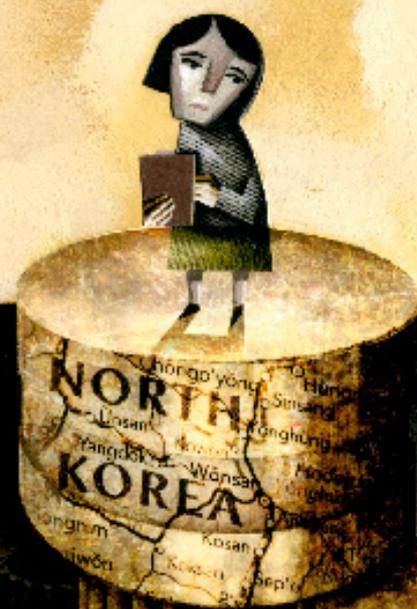
Brianna Tufts '07 (below) is one of a growing number of students aware of the potential for employers to use Facebook profiles.



FRED FIELD

▼ Harrison Wreschner '03

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Story by Stephen Collins '74

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*Colby professors teach students to examine
the complex forces that shape cultures—and conflicts*

Wisdom

Conventional wisdom has it that the cold-blooded killing in Iraq is sectarian. That wars raging in sub-Saharan Africa are tribal. And that the coiffed (and perhaps crazed) North Korean dictator launching missiles and testing nukes is the biggest danger lurking in East Asia.

In a world as complex and confounding as ours, such clichés can provide a rough conceptual shorthand, and perhaps even some cold comfort, as we try to understand geopolitical conflicts thousands of miles away and as we struggle to keep track of what seems like a growing list of 21st-century hot spots.

Of course it's never that simple.

As the recent American elections flowed into a winter of considerable discontent about the way the world is going, a round of visits with Colby professors who study and teach about these and other conflicts illuminated two things. First, the fascinating, often overlooked, complexities of each situation. Second, the unique opportunities in the undergraduate years, when a student's primary job can be to excavate and analyze one such hot spot while the rest of us rely on day-to-day or weekly news coverage.

Sectarianism?

In concert with his academic interests, Professor of Government Guilain Denoex, who has lived all over the Middle East, does extensive consulting work for the U.S. government. He sees sectarian differences as part of a much larger problem, and said, "You cannot understand the Middle East today without studying history."

Iraq has been "historically hard to govern, to keep together. You can go back all the way to the Abbasid caliphs [in the ninth century]. Mesopotamia was known to be particularly unruly," Denoex said. He moves nimbly from there to a list of contemporary developments that add a new order of magnitude in the very old instability. Most prominent: "the advent of the Internet and satellite television," which has led to a more informed public opinion—one that governments no longer can ignore.

Trouble in East Asia?

Assistant Professor of Government Walter Hatch said, "For people who teach international relations there is a truism about how much we have come to miss the Cold War, because it was so predictable and stable in so many ways that the current environment is not."

Hatch, who teaches Conflict in East Asia, sees the North Korea problem through the lens of U.S. and South Korean foreign policies

that are totally out of sync, such that the two allies can't even agree on what happened in either the missile test or the nuclear test conducted last year. It's a fertile and frightening field to plow, and students in his Conflict in East Asia course gravitate to the Korean nuclear crisis over other problems in the region. But, warns Hatch, the question of Taiwan's sovereignty "is just as likely to lead to war in East Asia, in this case between China and the U.S."

"I find the Taiwan issue much more difficult to explain to my students," he said. "Our [U.S.] policy—we call it 'strategic ambiguity'—it's so difficult to teach."

Tribalism?

About Africa, which she studies, Professor of Anthropology Catherine Besteman said, "People say, 'Oh, they're all killing themselves because they're different tribes,' and that's all the explanation that we need. ... Well, it doesn't take a rocket scientist to see that people don't kill each other just because they are

a member of a different ethnic group.

The entire world would be fratricidal if that was all somebody needed to kill somebody else."



Starting near the beginning, Professor of Classics Joseph Roisman uses

Thucydides's first analytical account of war in a Technology, War, and Society course he team teaches. "I always ask my students, 'Why do you study history?'" Roisman said. "They keep repeating what they heard in high school—that you study history to learn from the mistakes of the past.

"My next question is, 'Do they learn from the mistakes of the past?' And here most people say, 'No, they don't.' And why they don't? Because people always think the conditions are different, that it's not the same, that they can do better than their predecessors, they have a better way to solve this problem."

Roisman lines up with Thucydides, suggesting that wars are caused by human nature, that human nature doesn't change, that therefore we're not likely to prevent future wars. "The viability of historical lessons is very limited in my view," he said.

So why teach history? For the same reason Thucydides recorded it: "Because it gives you a better understanding," Roisman said, of what causes wars and how they progress.

Kenneth Rodman, the William R. Cotter Distinguished Teaching Professor of Government, studies international sanctions, the International Criminal Court, and various other

tribunals that operate in the transition from conflict to civil society.

“One of the things that students often have,” he said, “is an oversimplified view of these kinds of issues.” It’s not unusual for students to come into a discussion on one extreme end of the political spectrum. But by studying source documents—international treaties, conventions, and statutes—students learn how international law differs from criminal law, and they see a broad range of theoretical perspectives beyond what they get in episodic news coverage. This can “help them make more sense out of what they hear on NPR or read in the *New Yorker* or even *Newsweek*,” Rodman said.

“One of the things that students will get from taking a course like mine is a more sophisticated understanding of when and how international law actually does matter. And I think they might be more skeptical of people who either try to make sweeping claims that it’s completely irrelevant or that it plays the same role that domestic law does,” Rodman said. “The goal isn’t to make them less liberal or less conservative, the goal is to ground them in understanding what these tensions are or what the court can

with economic and massive military aid. Barre was a U.S. client in the Cold War balance, and Somalia was a strategic site for military bases if conflict were to erupt in the Middle East. The region was flooded with arms from both sides, but neither the U.S. nor the U.S.S.R. (which backed Ethiopia) had any accountability for their actions, she says. When the U.S. cut off aid to Barre, in 1989, he was finished, and civil society collapsed. “What’s ironic [about U.S. goals] is that, by the time there *was* conflict in the Persian Gulf, we were out of Somalia because there was a civil war,” Besteman said.

Among the reasons for the collapse were efforts to convert Somalia to a capitalist democracy, she said. Neoclassical, neo-liberal economic policy pushed individualizing and privatizing everything, she says. Study teams like hers also were sent to Uganda, Senegal, Kenya, and other countries. “What we found was remarkably similar and devastating. Individualization was a highly corrupt process. The people who were grabbing up the land were bureaucrats and businessmen, and the farmers were uniformly being dispossessed of their land. This frenzy of privatization was enabled, facilitated, and supported, in the case of

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Kenneth Rodman, professor of government

or can’t do. ... It encourages students to adopt a more mature approach to looking at issues. Get the evidence before you make sweeping generalizations.”

As an anthropologist, Besteman views conflict and reconciliation through an ethnographic lens. She is interested in what ordinary citizens do and feel, how they act and react. She has a book under review about South Africans’ views of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (“quite ineffective,” according to most people she talked to) and how some South Africans are trying to reinvent a social world in the wake of apartheid.

But earlier in her career she got dragged into the conflict in Somalia, where she had been studying the effects of land reform imposed by privatization and other Western economic structures. As the political situation in Somalia unraveled in the late 1980s, she ended up trying to explain the incipient conflict there, even briefing the American ambassador as the situation devolved.

“It’s a localized history, but it’s also a very globalized history,” she said. During the Cold War, the U.S. propped up dictator Siad Barre

Somalia, by European and American aid forces.”

Whether it’s Somalia or Rwanda or Darfur, “Anthropologists are interested in those [political] questions, but we’re also interested in what happened at the village level,” she said. “How does that translate into homicidal mania? What are peoples’ mind frames? What are the discourses that are operating? What are the kinds of emotional states that cause people to see murder as their best alternative in the immediacy of the situation?”

Racism, she said, often plays a huge role, and it certainly did in conflicts in Somalia, Sudan, Rwanda, and elsewhere in Africa. “It’s all about race and the ways in which political language operates to demonize or marginalize sectors of the population who then become targets for reasons that may have absolutely nothing to do with them. But as people’s frustrations play out—as people’s life opportunities or their hopes go unrealized, and the world is collapsing around them, and avenues for a sustainable, fulfilling life are being cut off left and right—people look for somebody to blame. Often it is the stigmatized minority that’s the easiest target. ‘It’s all their fault.’”

Besteman sees parallels in the current debate about

immigration in the U.S., where people sow paranoia with lines like: “[They’re] swarming over the border, taking our jobs, swamping our culture, our schools, our health systems, sticking people up in the alley.”

“It takes a lot to get people to kill each other,” Besteman said. “Most human beings do everything they can to avoid killing each other.” So, as an anthropologist she asks, “How do you get people to kill each other? It’s a profoundly unnatural human tendency.”

Hatch’s Conflict in East Asia course includes case studies and student debates about post-World War II reconciliation issues between China and Japan, about U.S. policy regarding Taiwanese sovereignty, and about nagging problems with Kim Jong Il and North Korea’s nuclear weapons program.

Hatch was in Seoul last July when North Korea tested a long-range missile, and he recalls his South Korean friends poking fun at him for being so concerned. “That’s all I wanted to talk about,” he said, “and their reaction was, ‘So what? What’s the big deal? You Americans just overreact all the time.’ I was really forced to reflect on this.”

“People [over there] seemed to be finding ways to defend North Korea in this whole process,” he said. “I thought it was bizarre that these two [the U.S. and South Korea] allies couldn’t even agree on what happened.”

Where the *International Herald Tribune* reported that the missile had fizzled and the test was unsuccessful, the South Korean press suggested that the North Koreans had probably detonated their own missile intentionally. Similarly, Hatch said, the Western press reported that, based on the small seismic fingerprint, the nuclear test was unsuccessful, while the South Korean press described it as just another step towards a successful nuclear program—a program it blamed on America’s belligerence.

The discrepancy reflects the difference in attitudes between the U.S., which refuses to negotiate with the “rogue state” and whose president called North Korea part of an “Axis of Evil,” and South Korea, whose current policy is “complete appeasement,” Hatch said.

The U.S. policy of refusing even to talk has created a situation “where you’ve got Kim Jong Il in the north acting like a six year old, making all these loud noises and screaming sounds, wanting attention, and behaving like a cornered animal, which North

Korea is to a large degree through its own fault,” he said.

Meanwhile South Korea, with a goal of reunification, refuses to acknowledge that there’s anything wrong going on, despite North Korea’s weapons tests, its widespread human rights abuses, kidnappings, and massive counterfeiting of American currency. “Whatever,” seems to be the South Korean policy. “We ignore it” Hatch said. “Toward the north in general, there’s a sentimental, almost nostalgic notion of a great national family divided.”

“I guess I can understand the goal [reunification], but the fact that these two long-standing partners are so out of sync on their policies makes for a disaster at this point,” he said.

So, how does he help students understand it? “The first thing in this course, and I think its useful in a lot of approaches to security issues, is to get away from teaching the students that everything is up the U.S. to solve,” he said. “It’s a truly regional issue. ...

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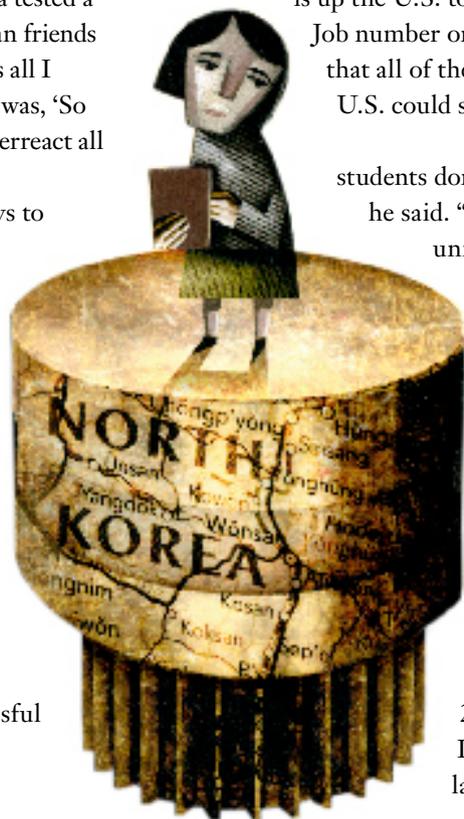
It’s easy to forget that today’s college students don’t really remember the Reagan administration, he said. “They’ve been brought up in this incredibly unique time—probably unique since the Roman Empire—where you have one country that is truly the only superpower in the world.”

Beyond his work at Colby, Deneoux accepts assignments from the U.S. State Department and other organizations, often analyzing political realities and governmental functions in far-flung countries. “I was in Morocco in August,” he said in November. “I was in Lebanon, actually, in December of last year [2005]. I was in Azerbaijan before that. Palestine in 2005, doing an evaluation of the Palestinian Legislative Council. Those would be the last four.”

Besides giving him access to places and officials

he could not get to otherwise, his consulting work employs an analytical framework that’s valuable in teaching students how to approach the world’s hot spots. In his seminar titled Political Violence, Revolutions, and Ethnic Conflict, he spends half the semester giving students “the analytical tools to make sense of specific instances of political conflict,” then turns each student loose on one area.

They are likely to identify dozens of factors or variables in a



given situation, but they need to be able to narrow the field to three or four, Denoeux says. “Ultimately, what does it boil down to? What are the structural forces that account for the distinctive features of that conflict?”

Student papers show elaborate diagrams of, for example, causes of the second war in Chechnya in the late 1990s. András Rozmer '05 charted underlying factors ranging from economic opportunities to corrupt Russian leadership to Islamist radicals, with immediate causes including Russian political opportunism and an intra-Chechen split that created instability.

In an analysis of the Sudan, Shane Hoffman '00 looked at “resources, internal and external political actors, and the extensive manipulation of ethnic and cultural identity” to try to understand the ongoing civil war.

In 2003 Denoeux published an acclaimed article in the magazine *Arabics Trends* debunking as simplistic the notion that the world is engaged in a “clash of civilizations.” In it he wrote that, “Neither Islam nor the West can afford to see the clash of civilizations become a self-fulfilling prophecy,” and he suggested

among the different Arab countries. “What I particularly dislike is the expression ‘the Arab Street,’” Denoeux said. “It conveys the idea of a manipulative elite and an easily manipulated, easily aroused, and rather poorly informed mass Arab public.” In fact the average Arab is well informed, he maintains, and is quite sophisticated in understanding politics. Savvy populations that are being heard and seen in great numbers are creating constraints on Arab governments and even on American policy.

While Denoeux focuses on giving his students the analytical framework for understanding the dynamics of a place as complicated as the Middle East, those skills come with a warning. “I tell my students, ‘once you’re hooked, once you get the bug, that’s it,’” he said, counting himself as one irrevocably fascinated by the region and its politics.

In January a second-annual briefing on world conflict issued by the Human Security Centre (www.humansecuritycentre.org) at the University of British Columbia suggested that, though it may seem counterintuitive, armed conflicts, genocides, military coups, and the numbers of refugees worldwide actually continued a decline in 2006.

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nine crucial points for leaders to try to avert such a catastrophe. (See www.mafhoum.com/press4/127P56.htm)

In November 2006 Denoeux identified a range of factors beyond religion, geostrategic location, and oil that complicate—and help to explain—the political situation in the Middle East. Among them: population explosions that have created major youth bulges throughout the region, failed political and economic development models, and the spread of information through the Internet and satellite television. “The media revolution has led events taking place in Palestine to almost immediately reverberate in Islamabad or Rabat. Like that,” he said, snapping his fingers, “these images are sent into peoples’ living rooms.

“These are forces that have nothing to do with Islam ... that are fundamentally reshaping the politics of these countries—that are driving a lot of these conflicts,” he said.

Look closer, though, and you’ll see tremendous differences

But the report was not all positive, and Colby professors will not run out of case studies anytime soon. Four of six regions in the world have seen conflicts increase since 2002, there has been a “huge spike” in the death toll from terrorism, and negotiated settlements to end conflicts fail far too frequently, the report said.

For the foreseeable future, the need to analyze such complex situations continues unabated, and students who can understand the world’s troubles in ways that can help lead to solutions provide hope for the future. Denoeux and others on the faculty are doing all they can to make sure Colby students are ready.

Denoeux said that in the 16 years he’s been at Colby, “the caliber of the students has increased—there’s no doubt in my mind. But the students will only do it if they’re challenged and pressed to do it. Press them very hard and they can deliver creative work. ... That puts more pressure on us; we need to make sure we aim higher in what we demand from students.”

CELL MATES



David Bodine enlists Colby researchers in a bid to unlock the genetic mysteries of blood disorders

By Steve Heacock

Tucked away in glass-sheathed Building 49 on the sprawling 300-acre home campus of the National Institutes of Health, in Bethesda, Maryland, David Bodine '76 stalks the halls—examining slides, studying results, and exhorting his colleagues as they divine the mysteries of blood cells.

Bodine is rangy and fit; it's apparent that he has kept up his running (he ran track and cross country at Colby). Don't expect a white lab coat. If you see him at work, he will likely be wearing Nike running shoes, baggy gray sweats, and a faded tennis shirt. "As you probably noticed," said one colleague at the National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI) with a wry smile, "fashion is very important to Dave."

What *is* important to Bodine is the diligence and the professional collegiality of his "section"—his laboratory. Bodine's team is figuring out why blood cell development doesn't always work properly—and how to fix it when it goes wrong. The team's focus is a group of diverse inherited blood diseases (most are anemias) having to do with faulty or reduced production of red blood cells that develop from stem cells in bone marrow. Red cells contain hemoglobin, the essential protein that carries oxygen to the cells of the body. He is clearly energized by his work and by the science going on around him, and he is eager to mentor young scientists—many of whom are from Colby.



Don't let the sweatpants fool you. Bodine is a leader in his field, and his research could lead to groundbreaking ways to treat serious blood disorders.

Next year will be Bodine's 23rd at the NIH, where he recently was named chief of the Genetics and Molecular Biology Branch. The promotion last fall is the latest in an accomplished career that began in 1984 at the NIH's Clinical Hematology Branch of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute. As a senior staff fellow, he launched his own lab in 1988, and five years later he was recruited to the NHGRI's Hematopoiesis Section of the Genetics and Molecular Biology Branch. He received tenure in 1995. He has won a slew of awards, including the NIH National Research Service Award and the NHGRI Mentor of the Year Award.

This is no small thing, coming from one of the largest and most esteemed centers of biomedical research in the world, an organization that employs more than 19,000 people. The NHGRI alone employs 750. Bodine's branch consists of approximately 60 researchers and scientists, and his lab is made up of a dozen scientists.

He clearly has put his stamp on his lab.

"He has this saying, every day," said André Pilon '03, one of a long line of Colby students and graduates who have gone to work with Bodine. "He walks in every morning and asks us, 'What are you doing to thrust back the boundaries of ignorance today?'"

It appears that Bodine and his colleagues are doing plenty.

They are hard at work studying the genetic underpinnings of hematopoiesis, the process of blood formation. Hematopoietic stem cells, found in bone marrow, turn into red blood cells and the many different types of white blood cells. Anemia, leukemia, and a variety of other blood diseases disrupt the process.

"Very broadly, we're talking about red cells that are arresting their maturation just short of being *good* red blood cells," Bodine said one blustery November day, as windswept rain lashed Building 49. "We are learning how to regulate red cell production in animals. Gene therapy? Someday, I hope. But a drug that would do an end run around invasive gene therapy would be just as desirable. Our job is to come up with the targets, understand why the cells work and don't work, and determine what is correctable."

One of the curious aspects of some of these blood disorders is their propensity to afflict certain populations. Some African, Asian, and Mediterranean populations are more prone than others to hereditary blood diseases like thalassemia and other anemias. Approximately 100,000 babies are born worldwide every year with severe forms of thalassemia, which most often limit life expectancy to between 20 and 30 years but also can cause death in newborns. Genetic evidence suggests that in Sicily, for example, 6 to 12 percent of the population could transmit thalassemia to their children.

"Some of the broader questions," Bodine said, "are why are there so many people with this disease gene in these particular geographical areas? And why doesn't natural selection make it go away?" In the case of thalassemia, the affected red blood cells provide a poor host for the parasite that causes malaria, which is endemic to these parts of the world, so it is an evolutionary tradeoff.

Pilon's work focuses on gene regulation, figuring out which genetic "pathways" are wrong in defective red blood cells. He studies mice that are missing a key protein called a transcription factor. He analyzes red blood cell maturation in these mice to determine why the hematopoietic cells do not generate the proper number and quality of red cells.

He has discovered that these cells do not divide correctly and cannot mature (or differentiate) into the cells they need to become.

"My work is to find out the molecular biology that lies under all of that," Pilon said. "The DNA is the genetic material or code in the cells. RNA is the message that tells the cell to make the transcription factor that, in turn, triggers production of other proteins needed for cell division. Certain genes are 'turned on' when this process happens, and I'm trying to figure out why they *aren't* turned on in these defective cells. I have to see how the transcription factor causes a gene to be activated or repressed."

Pilon has been in the Ph.D. program at George Washington University since 2004, part of the NIH Graduate Partnerships Program. At Colby he worked in the research laboratory of Julie Mil-



PHOTO BY ROBERT VISSER

David Bodine '76, center, confers with researchers Serena Vayda '03, left, and André Pilon '03 at the National Institutes of Health's Genetics and Molecular Biology Branch laboratory. Vayda and Pilon are members of Bodine's team, which investigates causes of red blood cell disorders.

lard, the Dr. Gerald and Myra Dorros Professor of Life Sciences and chair of Chemistry, and discovered that the biochemistry program was a feeder for Bodine's NIH lab. Once Pilon started working for Bodine, he recruited one of his Colby classmates, Serena Vayda '03.

On the face of it, Vayda, a biology major with an environmental science concentration, was perhaps not an obvious natural fit for Bodine's lab. But she has flourished. Working in the Flow Cytometry Core Facility, her work is highly specific and technical. Using flow cytometry, Vayda can analyze single cells, determine their size, and analyze proteins on the cell surfaces. The flow cytometer scans 10,000 cells per second. "We're trying to come up with a new way to correct defective cells, and that could mean gene therapy," she said. "You could introduce a therapeutic gene into a cell using a virus. But you have to know just what cells you have targeted. Eventually, a corrected non-stem cell just dies, but a corrected stem cell will keep making blood cells forever."

Vayda plans to enter medical school next fall, perhaps to pursue hematology.

The Colby-Bodine connection has also benefited Emily Devlin '07, a Colby senior from Pennington, N.J., who managed to spend eight months in Bodine's lab. She worked with the Biology Department to turn her Washington Semester into NIH lab work, tacking Jan Plan on the front end of that semester and a summer internship on the back end. She plans to return after graduation, work in Bodine's lab again, and eventually enter an M.D./Ph.D. program.

Supervised closely by Bodine, Devlin was given two projects to work on by herself. "That was really fun," she said. "He is involved with everyone in that lab. He is constantly educating everyone. He trained me and taught me a tremendous amount." One project Devlin worked on was generating a mouse model for a rare blood disease, Diamond Blackfan Anemia. This is the project she will return to later this year. Devlin's other project focused on DNA regulatory elements in the beta-globin gene clusters. Her father, with a Ph.D. in toxicology, and her mother, an engineer, were enthusiastic about Devlin's NIH opportunity.

Pilon and Devlin, with encouragement and guidance from Bodine, traveled to Orlando in December to present at the 48th annual meeting of the American Society of Hematology. Both researchers gave 10-minute talks in front of approximately 200 people. Their work had been chosen from nearly 7,000 submissions for about 875 oral presentations. Word got back to Bodine, he said, that Pilon and Devlin were the most polished and poised presenters in their sessions.

"It impresses me that Colby trains these students in a certain way," he said. "The hands-on approach is really there in Julie Millard's lab. We have students and graduates from other schools here, too, of course. But the Colby kids start so much faster. The day they get here they are doing the science. The others are great, too, but they have to ramp up. The Colby kids come here knowing how to keep a notebook, organize their time, and keep data."

Pilon agreed. "The amount of research and hands-on science is really rigorous [at Colby]," he said. "Even in the first years, you're not just staring down the barrel of a microscope sketching pictures of cell structures. You're doing real science and learning important techniques in the lab courses. And then you move on to Julie Millard and it's a research-mentor relationship. ... Then to get the opportunity to

THE COLBY—NIH PIPELINE

Professor Julie Millard, the Dr. Gerald and Myra Dorros Professor of Life Sciences and chair of the Chemistry Department, and her colleagues know "Bodine material" when they see it. But the honor, which goes to especially promising, budding scientists, carries an admonition.

"I tell each one before they go to Bethesda," Millard said, "Don't mess it up for the next one."

It seems to be working. André Pilon '03, in the Ph.D. program at George Washington University and currently working with Bodine in the lab, says it's obvious that people are "coming here for a reason. Dave has a genuine interest in us doing well."

"He knows research and good academic training are the building blocks," said Whitney King, the Dr. Frank and Theodora Miselis Professor of Chemistry and associate chair of the department. "On the reaccreditation committee, we are looking at outcomes, and in the sciences he was a logical person to talk to. Dave gave us very high marks and helps us with external reviews of all kinds. He is helping us become a better institution as an outside evaluator. His professional credibility is just tremendous. The unspoken qualification to get into grad school is research. It's not required, but it's a qualification. Dave's mentoring and encouragement go a long way in helping us step up in that area."

Millard, now in her 16th year at Colby, stresses undergraduate research as an integral part of the Colby chemistry experience.

"Working in a lab and presenting at a conference or meeting are goals for us here," she said. "We've provided research opportunities for as long as anyone can remember. And David Bodine has been extremely helpful. He came up to do a chemistry seminar, the Howard Hughes Medical Institute grant overseers invited him as an outside expert—he's just been a great resource. When we were starting to do work with cells, he sent us a whole line of cells and all the media we needed. If I recommend someone, he takes them. He's just brilliant at letting them blossom there. They all come back with rave reviews about the lab—and they all love David Bodine."

NIH/COLBY ALUMNI

Laurie Girard Eidt '93: Graduate of Washington University, Physical Therapist, Stamford, Conn.

Stephanie Andriole '98: Graduate of Sarah Lawrence College, Genetic Counselor, New York City

Claire Overgaag '98: Graduate of Massachusetts General Hospital Institute for Health Professionals, Nurse Practitioner, San Francisco area

Douglas Nilson '99: Graduate of Northwestern Medical School, Emergency Medicine, Providence, Rhode Island

Tiffany Frazar '01: Graduate of University of Vermont Medical School, Resident in Pediatrics, Boston, Mass.

Lindsey Rowland '01: Graduate of St. George's University School of Veterinary Medicine

Jessica Weisbein '01: Graduate of University of Pennsylvania Medical School

André Pilon '03: Currently serving in NIH lab

Serena Vayda '03: Currently serving in NIH lab

Nicholas Markham '04: Attending Vanderbilt Medical School, M.D./Ph.D. Program

Erin Parry '06: Attending the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, M.D./Ph.D. Program

Emily Devlin '07: Currently at Colby, slated to return to NIH lab



work with Dave here and go to Orlando, where we can hit up the big names in hematology, the ones who write the books. It gives us a chance to give our talks, maybe attract the attention of someone whose lab we might want to visit. It gives us a chance to line up our post-doc experience.”

Before Millard and her colleagues Frank Fekete and Judy Stone from the Biology Department started sending students to Bodine, there was Professor Art Champlin. Champlin, who passed away unexpectedly in 2003, taught Bodine at Colby in the early '70s. And it was Champlin, along with a fellow biology professor, the late Miriam Bennett, who mentored Bodine and gave him the support and encouragement he needed to thrive. “I never can repay them for the time and trouble they took with me,” said Bodine.

Bodine double majored (biology and environmental studies) and graduated cum laude with distinction in both. He also won the Webster Chester Biology Award. Bodine earned his master's in human genetics at Rutgers and his Ph.D. in zoology and genetics at the University of Maine, followed by research at the Jackson Laboratory in Bar Harbor. In between his course work at Orono and the beginning of his research at the Jackson Lab, Bodine returned to Waterville, living briefly with Champlin and his wife, Betsy '65 (now Betsy Stark Roberts, who returned in 1971 to work in the Biology Department for 33 years).

Bodine volunteered to work in the Biology Department and, in his spare time, built a garden for the Champlins; the garden was still intact when Roberts sold the house in 2005. His interest in gardening continues. When spring bulbs are blooming at his Chevy Chase, Maryland, home (where he lives with his wife, Susan, a lawyer and assistant administrator in the EPA's Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response, and their two sons, Christopher and Steven), Roberts is sure to find out by e-mail. Living

inside the Beltway and gardening in Hardiness Zone 6 haven't turned Bodine into an Orioles or a Nationals fan, though: his NIH e-mail handle remains tedyz— for Red Sox legends Ted Williams and Carl Yastrzemski.

Bodine received his Ph.D. in 1984 and did his post-doctoral and staff fellowships at the NIH's Clinical Hematology Branch of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute in Bethesda. And, as his career has progressed, he's focused some of his considerable energy on Colby.

“He is very devoted to Colby and to Colby students,” Roberts said. “He thinks of that as a very important part of his work and he's always looking for more. He would write to Art, to me, asking what we thought about certain students at Colby. I think it goes back to the mentoring he got while he was a student at Colby. He is dedicated to providing it to other Colby students.”

He also is dedicated to his profession, and that means publishing at the highest level and taking leadership roles in professional societies. He has long held leadership positions in the American Society of Hematology, the International Society of Experimental Hematology, the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, and the American Society of Gene Therapy, where he will serve as president beginning in 2008. He has been published widely throughout his career and has served on the editorial boards of *Experimental Hematology*, *Gene Therapy*, the *British Journal of Hematology*, *Molecular Therapy*, and *Blood*, the official journal of the American Society of Hematology and the most-cited peer-reviewed journal in the field.

His curriculum vitae runs more than 25 pages.

But throughout his distinguished career, one of Bodine's experiences at the Jackson Laboratory has stayed with him—and speaks to the essence of his love for his work.

“One Saturday morning I was doing an experiment that everyone thought was dumb,” he said. “I had a good hypothesis, though, and I really believed in that experiment. It required forty or fifty vials that had to be analyzed individually by a scintillation counter. I remember waiting by the counter so that I could see each value as it was recorded. I could have gone away and come back for the printout at the end of the analysis, but I was so excited to see the result, I could not wait. If anyone had seen me, they'd have thought I was nuts. But, I thought, ‘I'm the only one in the world doing this and I can't wait to see the results. This must be the right place for me.’”



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David Bodine '76 at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Maryland.

PAYOFF

KAREN PRISBY'S RISE TO THE TOP OF DIII CROSS COUNTRY IS THE RESULT OF PRIORITIES, HARD WORK

GERRY BOYLE '78 STORY

CHERYL TREWORGY PHOTO

Women's cross country and track coach Debbie Aitken knew there was a runner from Cathedral High School in Massachusetts headed to Colby.

But Karen Prisby '07 wasn't a top recruit; in fact she was barely a recruit at all. "I knew she had applied," Aitken recalled. "But she hadn't done anything remarkable in high school."

Prisby was lead runner for her high school team, but by no means was she a star. She made the Colby cross country team as a first-year but initially was 20th among 22 women runners. "I remember her saying, 'Well, my [high school] coach never wanted me to run that much because he was afraid I was going to get hurt,'" Aitken said.

Prisby soon started making up for lost time.

By sophomore year she was in the top seven for the Mules, ran third for the team at the NCAA Division III championships, and finished 65th in the national meet. Junior year she was Maine champion, All-NESCAC, All-New England Division III, and 19th at nationals, earning her All-America status.

But she saved her best for last.

In November 2006 at the national championships in West Chester, Ohio, Prisby sped over a hilly and muddy course at a 6:29-per-mile pace, coming in 12th and earning All-America honors again. For Aitken, Prisby's ascent was unprecedented. "I have never seen anyone who has gone from where she was in high school, and even here [at Colby] freshman year, and improve to twelfth in the nation," Aitken said.

How did she do it? "I just add on about ten miles per week every year," Prisby said.

That has meant gradually increasing her training runs to 70 miles per week from the 35 to 40 she did as a first-year. But don't let the soft-spoken chemistry major fool you. Her steady climb into DIII running's highest

For the second year in a row **WOMEN'S SOCCER** made the NESCAC semifinals, ending with a 9-3-3 record. Goalkeeper **LIZA BENSON '07**, forward **LAURA WILLIAMSON '07**, midfielder **KATIE MCCABE '08**, and defender **MOLLIE PUSKAR '08** each earned all-conference honors, and Benson made the first team for the second straight year. Williamson became Colby's all-time leading scorer and made the all-NESCAC team all four years. Head Coach **JEN HOLSTEN '90** became the first Colby women's soccer coach to reach 100 career victories. . . . **MEN'S SOCCER** had one of its best seasons in years with a 6-5-3 record. Co-captains **DANIEL KIERNAN '07** and **JOSH KAHANE '07** each made the NESCAC all-conference second team. **JIM PILGRIM '07** led the team in scoring with four goals for eight points. . . . For complete season highlights for all fall sports, go to *Colby Online* at www.colby.edu/mag/sports_shorts.



echelons is also the result of a disciplined and studied effort (carefully monitored by Aitken) involving nutrition, weight training, rest, and, perhaps most important of all, a setting of priorities.

Prisby, her coach said, "has more determination than anyone I've ever met." That from a coach whose office wall is papered with photos of her past All-Americans.

Once Aitken was convinced Prisby's body could handle the additional load, the coach designed a training program to help the natural long-distance runner increase her speed over the three-plus mile cross country courses. Prisby works in the weight room twice a week. She follows a planned diet and makes sure she gets plenty of rest—no small feat on a college campus. Her priorities at Colby are academics (she was interviewing for environmental engineering jobs during Jan Plan) and running.

"I guess it's a priority over living a crazy college life," Prisby said. "If it comes down to going out to a party and drinking or getting enough rest, I'm not going to [party]. Some people don't do that and that's fine. My priority is running."

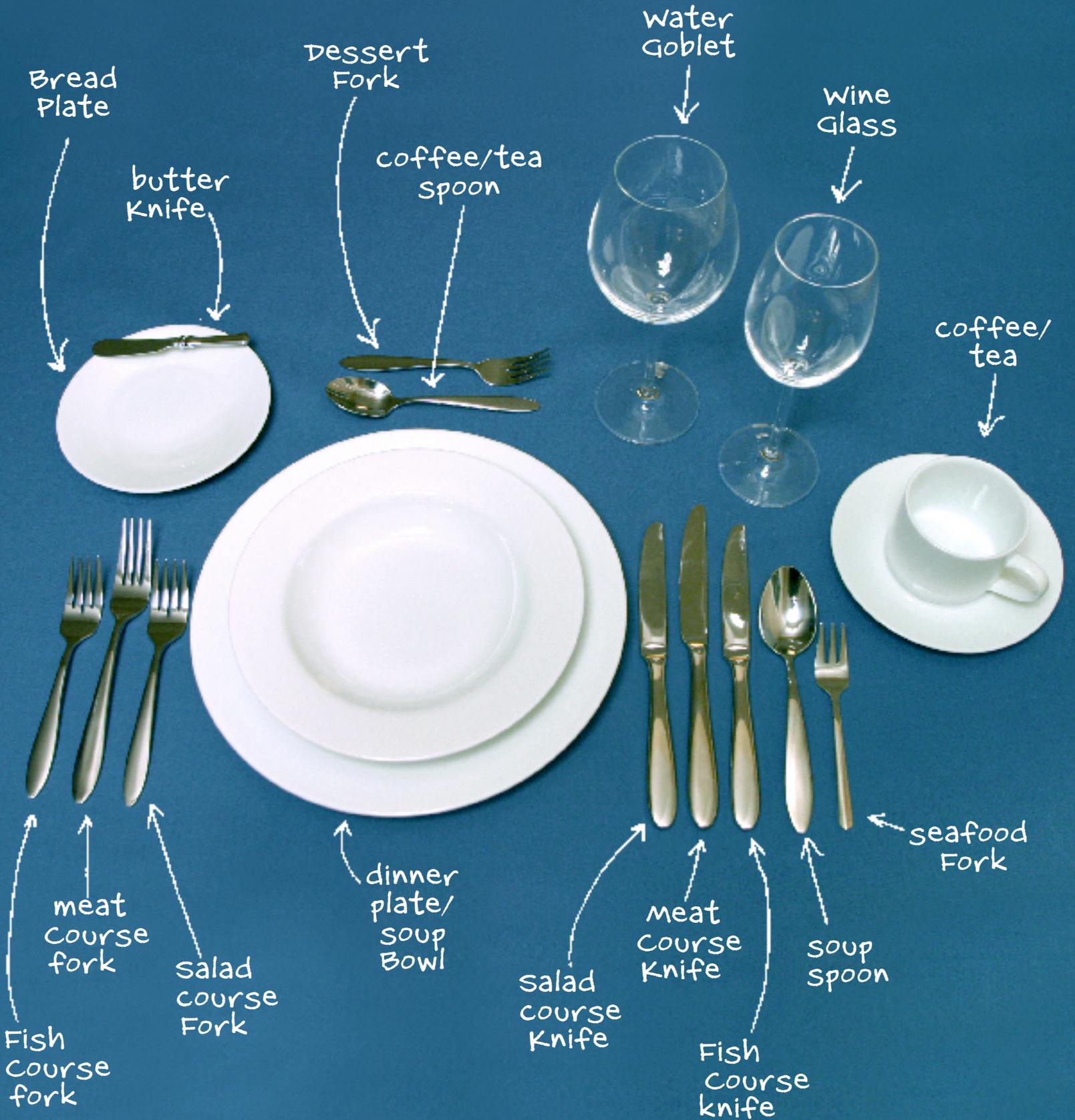
In fact, Prisby's goal for the NCAA cross country championship meet last fall was top 10, up from 19th in 2005. Now she has set her formidable sights on the indoor and outdoor track seasons. The goal: All-America in the 5,000-meter run for indoor and 10,000-meter run for outdoor.

So far, so good. At the indoor season opener in January, the Southern Maine Invitational, Prisby won the 3,000-meter run with a time of 10:21.43. The second-place runner trailed her by 30 seconds.

"That's the greatest thing about it," she said. "Seeing the results of all those hours of training pay off. . . . I just love to run."

Karen Prisby '07 en route to her 12th-place finish at the NCAA Division III cross country championships.

FROM THE HILL



AND DON'T SLURP YOUR SOUP

Students sit down to a five-course lesson on dining etiquette

EMILY JUDEM '06 STORY

FRED FIELD PHOTO

For the last three years Michael “Kip” Kiprof '07 has dined in establishments where the favorites tend toward pizza and burgers and diners arrive in their pajamas. But next year Kiprof will be working for Barclays Capital in New York City, and he suspects college eating habits won't impress clients and bosses.

“I've heard of cases of people being fired for not behaving well at the table,” Kiprof said.

On November 16 he was one of 60 Colby seniors who traded sweatpants and dining hall trays for dress clothes, a five-course dinner, and an etiquette lesson. The students were joined by some 40 area alumni for the fifth semi-annual etiquette dinner, sponsored by the Student Alumni Association and emceed by Varun Avasthi, director of dining services.

The etiquette dinner is part of a “real life” series aimed at teaching real-world-bound students practical skills they don't learn in class. According to Avasthi, etiquette is important for college seniors entering the professional world. “The basis of it is you're going out into the world for the first time in a working environment, and you have to know how to conduct yourself,” he said.

For that reason the etiquette meal always includes foods that are difficult to eat politely. This year the challenge began with a skewered-beef appetizer, which Avasthi advised one should eat “very delicately, and as nicely as you possibly can, without hurting yourself in the process.” Italian wedding soup and lemon sorbet were served before the main course, which included sun-

dried tomato, leek, and ricotta-stuffed chicken roulade, potato pancakes, and a vegetable medley. Finally, guests were served coffee and cheesecake in phyllo cups.

While enjoying the offerings, guests learned how to correctly sip soup, politely tell a coworker she has food in her teeth, and even the correct way to spit food out. As Avasthi put it, “You don't want to put chewed food back on the plate for everybody else to see what you did with it.”

Whether it was that lesson or the finer points of dining manners, the Colbians were eager learners.

Kiprof said the event taught him several helpful guidelines for professional dinner engagements, such as how to order wine for clients. “Apparently when you're choosing wine you propose to the table, ‘Does anyone prefer red over white?’... I thought you'd order what you like and then force other people to drink [it].”

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Suzi Swartz '07 hopes to be an English language assistant in Austria next year and doesn't see herself ordering wine for her boss anytime soon. “Unless you're working in some Fortune 500 company and you're going out with the CEO ... how many of us are really going to go to a five-star restaurant?” Swartz asked. But still, she says etiquette might come in handy. “I think a lot of times the eating atmosphere in Europe is a little less casual than here.”

Andrew O'Connell-Shevenell '07J doesn't want to work on Wall Street, either. He plans to travel to China next year in order to study the

mind-body connection through meditation and other practices—an endeavor that is unlikely to include many cocktail parties. But he said the lessons weren't wasted.

“There is this dynamic of elitism [associated with etiquette], but at least you have that skill,” O'Connell-Shevenell said. “So if you need to enter that world, you can enter that world. Because we're certainly in a place where that world exists, and that world has money and that world has power. And if you want to be able to move things around, you've got to be able to enter that world.”

Whether students attended the dinner to learn rules they'll have to follow every day, to acquire skills they'll rarely use, to meet alumni, or just to eat some good food, all seemed to enjoy themselves. “It was a lot of fun,” said O'Connell-Shevenell. “It feels cool to just ... know how to not be a slob.”

Q&A

TRUSTEE CHARLES TERRELL '70 ON CULTURE SHOCK, PEPPER HALL, AND AN ACT OF DEFIANCE THAT PRESAGED A CAREER DEVOTED TO CHANGING THE FACE OF HIGHER EDUCATION

It was 1966 when Charles Terrell '70, the adopted son of a Washington, D.C., dishwasher, arrived on Mayflower Hill. Terrell majored in history, was active in student government, and went on to a distinguished career in higher education. Now vice president of the American Association of Medical Colleges, Division of Diversity Policy and Programs, Terrell still is remembered at Colby for the week in March 1970 when he and 17 classmates occupied Lorimer Chapel for a week to protest College policies relating to minority and scholarship students. In an interview with Colby magazine Managing Editor Gerry Boyle '78 at Terrell's home in the Brookline section of Boston, Terrell spoke about his experiences before, during, and after Colby. The following is an excerpt.

It was massive culture shock when I arrived at Colby. [Growing up in Washington, D.C.] I only saw white people on television or once in a blue moon when we went downtown to go shopping. Otherwise everything was black. Black undertakers, black lawyers, black doctors. Everybody black. So when I got to Colby, of course the landscape was completely foreign.

It would be politically incorrect to do this now, but Colby put all of the black men— ... there were twenty of us, only two of us graduated—but all of the black guys started out in Pepper Hall. And they tended to stay in Pepper Hall. I'm pretty sure that was a conscious decision to put us all together. ... It was easier, though some of the conversations you would have, when you're in the bathroom and you're trying to comb your hair and they're looking at you ... and I'd do the same thing. ...

So I say this because it was a difficult cultural transition, but there was just enough of a critical mass of black kids that I didn't feel completely alienated. And the guys in Pepper Hall were incredible.

We had a fraternity there. We had a wonderful time. It was very easy to find a niche. ...

But you are most known for leading the chapel takeover, which I understand has bothered you at times.

Yes. Because, interestingly, I was vice president of the freshman class. I was president of the sophomore class. I was president of the junior class. People tend to forget that I was a citizen of the institution. And I ran for president of student government. [I] lost but I was always actively involved. I was always interested in issues. I wasn't focused on the issues we raised with the [Lorimer] Chapel [takeover] until senior year.

Quite frankly, what happened was Alpha Delta Phi, that group of guys in Pepper, we had to disband the fraternity in 1969. My roommate and I—we were going to have this wonderful suite in Pepper Hall—both of us got apartments downtown. I lived on Front Street. I lived above Senator Mitchell's parents. They were so wonderful to me. Very sweet. All I did was go up to campus to class, study, work. I still had two jobs.

Sebsibe Mamo ['70] and I were good friends. He said, "There are a lot of things happening. We have quite a cohort of black and Latin students." He said, "They've started quite an organization." I said, "I've made my contribution." He said, "Come to one meeting for me."

The meeting that we went to was the meeting they were holding for elections for SOBU (Student Organization for Black Unity). We were just talking about things as a group and I was nominated and Terry—I forget Terry's last name—was nominated. I said, "If elected I will not serve. I have other things to do." We had about three or four ballots and Terry and I tied. The next ballot I won by one. For some reason I couldn't keep my promise. That's when, as a group, we started coming together [about] what we thought we needed. Now there was a critical mass of us.

Our primary issue—and this tends to get forgotten—we felt there was disparate treatment of students on scholarship and those who were not. If you were on scholarship, you had to maintain an increasingly high GPA to keep your scholarship. I saw a number of black students leave. If they needed a 2.4, they got a 2.3. I always made it but just. It was a very stressful thing we lived with. Every semester I wondered if I was going to be allowed to stay, just because I might fall below.

That central demand for us was why not treat us all the same? If we're here on a scholarship, if we're negotiating an environment that may be more challenging for us than for others, if we're required to work ten hours a week and some of us have other jobs and our friends don't have to work at all—we're not saying we should not have to maintain satisfactory academic progress, but why should we have to maintain a higher level than these other kids who have no responsibilities? That was key for us. We saw many of us who didn't make it.

In Earl Smith's book [*Mayflower Hill*] he writes that the trustees took up the issue and didn't want to water down standards for the minority students. How can that be? We weren't wanting to water down standards. We just didn't want to have to pack our bags if we fell below a certain standard, and other students could stay with a 2.0 or 2.1. It was a challenge to the College and a challenge to [President] Strider. That's what happened. I got involved in it unexpectedly with a critical mass of black and Latin students who wanted to make changes.

We picked the chapel because we felt if we tried to do Eustis we'd really be disrupting the central functioning of the College. We said, "Let's pick the chapel. It symbolizes the College. It will upset them but it won't stop anything."

So I have some great memories of blasting the Temptations and Motown across the College, of students trying to help us. We had meeting after meeting. We were very disciplined. We had newspapers and radio and television people calling. No matter where I was, no one spoke until they found me.



Charles Terrell '70, center, is shown with a group of student protesters on the steps of Lorimer Chapel in March 1970. The group occupied the chapel for a week to draw attention to College policies that were unfair to minority and underprivileged students.

We were struggling. There were campus meetings and a support group outside. We were always thinking, what are we going to do? We knew we could only be in there for so long. When we were served with the injunction to vacate, we were told if we left voluntarily we could go back to class and finish out the semester without repercussion. But if they had to force us out, that would not be the case. We were really torn. I would say about half the people felt that we would fail if we left on our own accord.

It may have been self-serving, in retrospect, but they did tend to listen to me and I just suggested that—many of them were freshmen—I just said to them, “What are we gonna do if they evict us?” I said, “I don’t have anywhere to go. Do you guys have anywhere to go? We made our point. If they evict us, we’re not going to get any more than we’re going to get if we leave on our own. Let’s just go. We can keep our careers. We’ve done something courageous.” We had a quite a battle but finally they agreed to do that. After all these years, I’m glad it happened that way instead of the other.

So I’m pleased with the points that we tried to make. That [requirement for financial-aid students] was changed. I view that as our legacy and our gift to students. The focus of my career in higher education is to provide access for the under-served, low-income, and underrepresented students. I think that’s what we were trying to do and I think we did that.

My whole life has been in higher education, though now in a strange branch of it, in medical education, which wasn’t my plan. But again, my job is to change the face of medicine and make it like the face of America. [These are] the same issues that we’re dealing with on undergraduate campuses like Colby and other places. ...

I think we go through cycles. For underrepresented minority students, I think we’ve suffered through maybe two or three generations of children raising children, and I think the great similarity between underrepresented students and low-income and poor students is that poverty may be much more of the issue than race or ethnicity.

When you look at what needs to be done, it’s extraordinary. ... It’s incredible being back in Washington, D.C. I have my Colby and my master’s and my doctoral degrees in my den, framed here [at his Brookline home]. In my office in Washington, D.C., I have my junior high school diploma and my high school diploma because all kinds of people come into my office. I don’t give a damn about what they think about where I went to college but I want them to know I’m a product of the Washington, D.C., school system. Quite often they will look and they’ll say, “You went to McKinley?” That’s important to me because now people don’t typically say that with any kind of pride at all.

For the full interview with Charles Terrell '70, go to www.colby.mag, keyword **terrell**.





Learning by Doing

Liliana Andonova's students develop practical solutions to global problems

RUTH JACOBS STORY

FRED FIELD PHOTO

Before banker Muhammad Yunus brought attention to micro-lending by winning the Nobel Peace Prize in 2006, Assistant Professor of Environmental Studies and Government Liliana Andonova had created a course on poverty alleviation and sustainable development and had assigned Yunus's book, *Banker to the Poor: Micro-Lending and the Battle Against World Poverty*. As she sees it, extreme poverty is one of the three major challenges of the 21st century, right up there with climate change, which she tackles in another course. (The third, she says, is security: "I don't work on security, but climate change and poverty are right down my alley.")

Now in her third year at Colby, Andonova guides her students through these complex global issues—and teaches them to find practical solutions. Her students begin by acquiring in-depth knowledge of their subject, then put that knowledge to use in exercises that might include negotiating a proposed international treaty on emissions or interviewing local volunteers in Paraguay. "It's a completely different kind of framework—of learning and participating," said Renzo Mendoza Castro '07, who took the climate-change course last spring and the new sustainable-development course in the fall.

In Climate Change Politics, using the Kyoto Protocol as a starting point, students collectively created a treaty more likely to be ratified by key countries. Each student represented a country in the negotiations. "Every student got to know in depth the country they were representing," said Mendoza. "We learned a lot about how countries make concessions and stand strong on certain things." Mendoza represented Peru, his home country. And in February he is traveling to Chicago with Andonova to present a paper about this course at the International Studies Association's annual convention.

Mendoza's paper will discuss the international solution that his class devised, a solution that

Andonova called "very, very ingenious." One of the reasons the U.S. pulled out of Kyoto, she says, was the failure of some developing nations (and major polluters) to ratify. Her students found a way to appeal to those countries, namely China and India. The class set emissions targets for developing countries to just slightly below "business as usual," making the target attainable. If the countries dropped below target, they could sell their credits to the international market.

"Even though it looks weak, it commits countries to a target and it's no longer a question of whether they're in or out of the treaty," she said. "It's important that they're in, because we have seen that if countries have at least some commitments, even if those commitments are not perfect, industry starts to organize, industry starts to look for alternative technologies. The incentives to innovate are much greater than if you don't have any commitments at all."

And so goes the discussion—from the environment to governmental policies to the economy and technology. It's the web of interdisciplinary study. As Andonova explains, "You need to understand both the politics of environmental policy as well as how different pieces of environmental legislation affect societies—both politically as well in socioeconomic terms—which translates back into politics. So I don't think you can neatly separate these things."

The same is true when studying poverty and sustainable development in Andonova's Environmental Policy Practicum course. Seniors majoring in environmental studies, government, and international studies read diverse theoretical texts about challenges and new ideas around sustainable development. Then Andonova explored a real civic engagement piece: "What could a group of very committed, interested, and intelligent students do?" she asked.

Focusing on the town of Carapegua, Paraguay, students collected information on the progress of

a research institute working to help the municipality adopt a development path in line with the United Nations' Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). The institute had trained volunteers to work with people in this community, one of the poorest in Paraguay, according to Andonova, on everything from marketing handmade items to giving vaccinations.

Students each explored one area of reform, from health to infrastructure to education to agriculture. Some students conducted phone interviews and surveys; some received original documents that classmates then translated into English. What was working, they asked, and what was not? They planned to share their findings with officials from the institute and leaders in the community of Carapegua. Beyond helping the town determine a path ahead, said Andonova, "Having the attention put on that project and having an assessment of its impact is helpful in sustaining it, in making it last."

She should know. Prior to coming to Colby, Andonova studied the role of local and global institutions in climate-change policies while at the Earth Institute at Columbia University. Before that, while earning her Ph.D. in politics from Harvard, the native of Bulgaria focused on how European Union integration influences environmental policies in Central and Eastern Europe.

From Harvard to Columbia, Andonova met people she has engaged in her Colby courses. Some have visited Mayflower Hill, and, in October, students in her poverty course traveled to Washington, D.C., to meet with others. Students flew out early one morning, visited The World Bank, the Millennium Challenge Corporation, and the World Resources Institute, then flew home. "They took a six o'clock morning flight to Washington to be there for a nine-thirty meeting... college students waking up at four-thirty to go to a meeting!" she said with a chuckle. "That means they were interested."



b.good for Goodness Sake

Boston entrepreneurs cook up a winning recipe of fresh food, a friendly uncle, and a dearly beloved El Camino

BRENDAN SULLIVAN '06 STORY

MARY SCHWALM '99 PHOTO

For childhood friends Jon Olinto '98 and Anthony Ackil, business has always been about combinations. Their endeavors—from attempting to create cigar vending machines or massage parlors with upscale appeal—never included just one ingredient. Their latest recipe for success? Lean beef, a comically deadpan 70-year-old Korean War veteran, and a barely functioning El Camino with a red flame paint job.

A strange combination it may be, but it is one that has landed the entrepreneurs a thriving fast-food business in the Boston area: b.good. The second restaurant in the chain recently opened in Cambridge, Mass., and a third is slated to open in Brookline this spring. B.good aims to

make fast food healthy, or at least healthier, by serving lean beef burgers, baked (not fried) French fries, and other home-style items whose nutrition facts are proudly displayed on the menu.

“It is kind of the anti-McDonald’s,” said Tony Rosenfeld '97, a co-owner who joined Olinto and Ackil as culinary advisor and head chef during the early development stages of b.good. “We serve real food, homemade by people instead of mass produced by machines. And instead of Ronald McDonald we have Uncle Faris,” Rosenfeld said.

While the owners work “insane” hours, Uncle Faris (Faris Ackil, Anthony Ackil’s 70-year-old uncle) serves as the company mascot, appearing on



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Tony Rosenfeld '97,
co-owner of b.good restaurants

ventional marketing, opting to interact more directly with its customers. Patrons have named several selections on the menu, including a couple of items named for TV characters. Where else can you order a “Cousin Oliver” from *The Brady Bunch*?

The owners also hold an annual spinach eating contest in which the winners score free burgers for life. Figuring the victors would come in no more than once a week for a free meal, the prize was thought to be fun and harmless. Olinto, a former management consultant, is not so sure anymore. “One winner, an offensive lineman at Harvard, vowed to eat a thousand burgers before graduating, so he comes in here almost every day for his free food,” said Olinto.

Despite signing away the revenues from all those hamburgers (valued at more than \$5,000), b.good has managed to thrive since its grand opening in Boston’s Back Bay in 2004. The success is due in part to clever advertising, including e-mail newsletters, free T-shirts, and, of course, the company vehicle—a 1979 El Camino, bought for \$1,650 off Craigslist and dubbed “El Tio.” “We originally planned to put the fry machine in the back of the El Camino and drive around handing out fries, but it turned out not to be mechanically feasible,” Olinto said.

The restaurant’s combination of healthy food and healthy sense of humor has pushed it past the food industry’s dreaded “first two years,” a period from which only 10 percent of new restaurants emerge. Rosenfeld said. As its business slogan says, b.good promises “real.food.fast”—a combination that has made the chain a success, real fast.

T-shirts, posters, and in online videos in which he shares everything from offbeat wisdom to memories of the Korean War. In one promotional video, he urges, “Always treat your body well by eating at b.good, as eating at other fast food establishments may cause gastric discomfort or even pregnancy.” Uncle Faris’s comedic appeal has landed him some local fame. He threw the first pitch at a Red Sox game last season—after chatting up catcher Jason Varitek in the dugout.

Faris is an appropriate symbol of the restaurant. The two founders grew up in his kitchen and say they used his loyalty as a model of their business-to-customer relationships. The restaurant shies away from con-

Opposite page, Jon Olinto '98, left, and Tony Rosenfeld '97 work the grill at b.good, which they cofounded in Boston in 2004. Above, Olinto and Rosenfeld at one of their two locations. A third restaurant was expected to open this spring.

Late to School

For Leo Trudel, a classroom was something new and different

GERRY BOYLE '78 STORY

FRED FIELD PHOTO

When Leo Trudel '07 was applying to college, he was at a bit of a disadvantage.

Trudel, now an economics and government double major, hadn't graduated with honors or been elected class president. He had no GPA. He was disappointed by his first SAT scores but not entirely surprised.

"Those were the first tests I ever took in my life," Trudel said.

Not just standardized tests. Tests of any kind.

Trudel, who hails from the northern Maine woods (literally), had never been in a formal school until college. He was short on academic credentials but, in the highly competitive world of college admissions, with applicants looking for any way to stand out, Trudel jumped off the page.

"Normally you would say, 'Well, this is never going to work,'" said Steve Thomas, Colby's director of admissions. "But there was something electric about him. His story is just so compelling."

In fact, Trudel's presence may be the only thing electric about him. He was raised outside the town of Cabot, Vermont, where he lived off the grid with his parents and three sisters.

But off the grid in Vermont was suburban compared to the family's next stop: Township 18, Range 10, an unorganized (as in no town, no services) swath of rugged forest on the Canadian border 14 miles west of Fort Kent, Maine.

The Trudels—Rhode Island native Julie, a stay-at-home mom, and Massachusetts-raised Leo Jr., a college professor in business and economics—bought 280 acres of land, including a 30-acre island in the St. John River. They built a house and barns, cutting logs and moving them with draft horses to their own sawmill.

That the Trudels are the township's only residents is no surprise, considering that the most convenient way to get to the family farm is truly over the river and through the woods.

"It's very difficult to get there because we have to rely on the road the paper companies built," Trudel said. "Even then, it's an extra hour to drive all the way around. Normally we just canoe across if we want to get in and out."

With the road impassable during winter and Maine's spring "mud season," the family paddled or poled back and forth year-round, preferring

to come and go through Canada because the St. Francis River is narrower. They stayed off the river only in the spring when ice was coming downstream. "That's the one time we are literally locked either in or out, because the ice breaks up," he said. "The river's moving, there are ice chunks, and it's dangerous. We just stay on the farm."

With horses, cattle, sheep, and chickens, along with gardens that supplied the family with "everything but grain," there was plenty to do. And along with chores, there was the need for education. While some home-schooling methods are structured, the Trudels' was based on the children's curiosity.

"My mother had this philosophy when we were young that if we were motivated to learn then we would do it," Trudel said. "She was always supportive. If we had a question, she was ruthless about finding the answer for us. Otherwise she just assumed we would do most of the work ourselves."

For Trudel it was one independent study after another. When he was 12 it was chemistry. The family took chemistry books from the local library and his mother, who has a bachelor's degree from Franklin Pierce College in New Hampshire, brought textbooks home and helped Trudel with the material, he said.

"Otherwise, there was no order to what we learned," he said. "There was no particular level at which we started or ended. It was just wherever we wanted to be."

Books were supplemented by discussion. "We talked around the dinner table," Trudel said. "If I was doing chores with my father ... he would give me these business problems. Or give me a verbal business plan and ask me to determine what the profit would be. That was my type of schooling."

When he was 17, Trudel joined in extracurricular activities at a high school. As a homeschooler, he joined the cross country team at Fort Kent High School, following that with wrestling and a part in the school play. Still, when he went to apply to college (his choice, not his parents') Trudel was a mystery. Thomas, who admits two or three homeschoolers each year, still was astounded. And captivated. "He was just completely raw," he said. "But there was this will you really couldn't deny."

Though Trudel was denied admission, he was advised to go to the University of Maine, retake the SATs, and apply again. He did just that, earned nearly a 4.0 GPA at the University of Maine at Fort Kent, brought up his ACT scores, and showed up in Thomas's office again.

He was accepted, but the biggest challenge was ahead of him. "My first few semesters were extremely hard," Trudel said.

His earlier free-form education made it hard for him to adjust to the structure of Colby courses. "I love learning," he said. "I usually like doing research, but I don't particularly like sitting through class. I don't like tests. I don't like having to learn a set number of things that I don't see as particularly useful or applicable. But that's an old complaint."

Michael Donihue '79, associate professor of economics, said Trudel clearly was less prepared than other students in his macroeconomics class. Trudel survived, Donihue said, because of "his sheer determination and his ability to display knowledge outside of traditional exams."

And the adjustment to the cultural and social side of Colby?

"In this case it was just that everything was easier," Trudell said, smiling. "I didn't have to chop wood and start a fire to get hot water."

With that spare time, Trudel went out for the football team, not only as a walk-on, but a walk-on who had never put on a helmet or caught a pass. A skeptical Coach Ed Mestieri had him film games and practices that first season. Trudel eventually joined the team. A strong safety, he said he was pretty much a practice player but loved every minute of his football experience. "I liked the competition. I liked pushing myself to my limit every single day and getting a little bit better. I liked the brotherhood of the team," Trudel said.

Said Mestieri: "He was respected. That's the key word."

And how did other Colby students react when he told them about his background? Trudel said he tells close friends but soon gave up on sharing his experience with casual acquaintances. "The typical response is that they don't believe me," he said. "They actually think I'm making it up."

Leo Trudel '07 poles his canoe on the St. Francis River in northern Maine. The river is the international boundary, separating the Trudel family's land in Maine from New Brunswick. The family often canoes to its land, saving a long drive on rough and sometimes impassable logging roads.



*For the more photos of Leo Trudel's home,
go to www.colby.mag, keyword trudel.*



Equal Opportunity?

HEATHER JOHNSON FINDS THAT EVEN MODEST WEALTH OPENS DOORS

ADRIANA NORDIN MANAN '07 STORY

RYAN HULVAT PHOTO

America may be the land of opportunity, but is that opportunity equal? Hardly, says sociologist Heather Johnson '94, whose new book shows that even the modest wealth of America's middle class opens doors that remain closed to a large sector of our society.

The American Dream and the Power of Wealth: Choosing Schools and Inheriting Inequality in the Land of Opportunity (Routledge, 2006) explores the role that wealth plays in determining access to education—and how people perceive (or misperceive) this, given America's ideals of equality, fairness, and equal opportunity.

Johnson, assistant professor of sociology at Lehigh University, has illuminated a stark but often overlooked fact: income pays the monthly bills, but wealth pays for big-ticket items like the downpayment on a house or tuition at a private school. And big-ticket advantages—or the lack of them—shape our lives and our society.

The differences are not easily identified, but, according to Johnson, understanding them is essential to any discussion of the widening socioeconomic gap in America.

“While income is usually earned through an occupation of some sort, wealth is the money we own,” Johnson said in a recent interview. “From research conducted by sociologists across the country we know that across the financial spectrum most families use income for necessities such as food, housing, and the more day-to-day expenses. On the other hand, large pivotal moments throughout the course of life are being funded by wealth.”

American Dream began with Johnson's doctoral dissertation research at Northeastern University. She ultimately interviewed more than 200 white and black families from various socioeconomic backgrounds in cities across the country.

“The families with histories of wealth, even in small amounts, were the most fascinating to me,” Johnson said. “Even if they acknowledged the history of wealth in their families as giving them huge advantages in life... they would always say that all their accomplishments were individually earned and personally achieved.”

This disconnect is to be expected, says John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Professor of Sociology and African-American Studies Cheryl Townsend Gilkes, who knew the author when Johnson was a student at Colby.



“One of the problems in this country is that people of privilege do not understand on whose shoulders they stand,” Gilkes said. “For the most part, society rewards individual achievement, and none of us made it by ourselves, although society will tell us that.”

American society loves stories of upward mobility, she said, but often people whose stories tell of digging their way out of poverty actually had a hand from a relative or friend. “I think if people were more honest about that we would have very different attitudes in our society,” Gilkes said. “Wealth does matter, and not just the fantastic wealth of the upper class but the kind of wealth building that has happened for the American middle class since World War II.”

While Johnson's study primarily is about wealth, privilege, and socioeconomic class, it inevitably moves into the ways race fits into the equation.

She uses the hypothetical example of two lawyers, one black and from modest circumstances, the other white and middle class. Though they may

Sociologist Heather Johnson '94 speaks with students at Lehigh University. Johnson's studies have found that Americans' access to education is profoundly influenced by wealth.

have similar incomes, the impact of wealth in our society could lead them to have very different lives.

Johnson writes that her research shows that the white lawyer, more likely to be from a middle or upper-middle class background, probably has advantages that are not obvious but are substantial.

He may have substantially less student-loan debt, for example. And while he is reaping the benefits of his income, the black lawyer, more likely to be a first-generation college graduate, may feel compelled to use his income to give back to his family and community.

"This is not a bad thing; it's just that by doing so he is not able to accumulate wealth the way his friend is," Johnson said. And that will affect the next generation in terms of educational opportunities, among other crucial advantages.

Gilkes, who has seen Johnson present at sociology conferences, says

her colleague "is really making a difference. One of the biggest topics [in sociology] is the study of the growing inequality in the country... and she is in the middle of it."

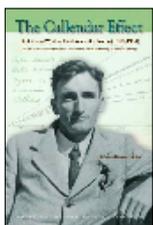
Johnson points to significant strides being made in our society in terms of issues related to gender, race, and sexual and religious orientation. "But class is still that huge elephant in the living room," she said, "that looming thing that has yet to be dealt with."

"The biggest challenge for us as a society is the ideology of the American Dream. As much as it is the heart and soul of this country and the most wonderful and beautiful thing about it, it is also in a very ironic way a major challenge for us, because until we can recognize that equal opportunity does not exist, we cannot make it exist, and until we can recognize it as a problem, we cannot have a solution. ... I truly believe that, in the United States, class is the final frontier."

RECENT RELEASES

The Callendar Effect

James Rodger Fleming (science, technology and society)
American Meteorological Society (2006)



Who discovered that global warming could be brought about by humans increasing carbon dioxide in the atmosphere? (No, it wasn't Al Gore.) In an award-winning new book, Fleming tells the story of Guy Stewart Callendar, the pioneering British scientist who discovered the dynamics of global warming—in 1938. Using never-before-published original scientific correspondence, notebooks, family letters, and photographs, science historian Fleming introduces us to one of Britain's leading engineers and explains his life and work through two World Wars to his continuing legacy as the scientist who established The Callendar Effect.

Women and Religion in the African Diaspora

Cheryl Townsend Gilkes (sociology, African-American studies),
contributor
Johns Hopkins University Press (2006)

A collection of essays exploring how women of African descent have practiced religion in their lives. The book focuses on women of Christian denominations, African and Afro-Caribbean traditions, and Islam, and it has been hailed as "truly groundbreaking." Said scholar Cornel West, "This monumental text is the definitive examination of the rich and complex doings and sufferings of religious women of African descent." Gilkes's essay is titled, "Exploring the Religious Connection: Black Women Community Workers, Religious Agency, and the Force of Faith."

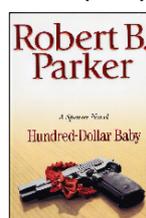
Heroes and Hero Cults in Latin America

Ben Fallaw (history, Latin American studies) and
Samuel Brunk, editors
University of Texas Press (2006)

Through original essays on 10 modern Latin American heroes, Brunk, associate professor of history at the University of Texas at El Paso,

and Fallaw bring heroes back to the debate on Latin American history, moving away from the emphasis on social and cultural factors found in more recent scholarship on the region. With charisma derived more from relationships with admirers than personal qualities, heroes not only shape history, but also "tell us a great deal about the places from where they come," Brunk and Fallaw write. In the end, the editors argue, there is no formula for Latin American heroes, who both forge, and are forged by, unique national events.

Hundred Dollar Baby
Robert B. Parker '54
Putnam (2006)



Parker has gone on to create two other successful crime-novel series but his legions of fans still clamor for his first creation, Spenser, the iconic Boston private eye. In this, the 34th in the series, Spenser comes to the aid of Boston madame April Kyle, first rescued in *Ceremony* (1982). The trail of deception leads to New York con artists and hoodlums and offers lots of airtime for sidekick Hawk and paramour Susan. This is classic

Parker: crackling dialogue, sexy repartee, and the wisest wisecracks in crime fiction.

Jews at the Crossroads: Tradition and Accommodation during the Golden Age of the Hungarian Nobility

Howard N. Lupovitch (Jewish studies)
Central European University Press (2006)

In the 18th century, Miskolc was the home of one of the largest Jewish communities in Hungary, part of a then-new moderate form of traditional Judaism. Jews were able to reconcile the demands of Magyarization and citizenship and were able to be both traditional Jews and patriotic Magyars. Unlike many historians, Lupovitch differentiates between German and Habsburg Jewish history and shows how traditional Judaism evolved to meet the challenges of the time.

Trustee Nominations

The Alumni Council's Nominating Committee has nominated Adrienne B. Clay '97 and Robert A. Rudnick '69 for alumni trustee positions.

Clay is enrolled in the Bank Street College Graduate School of Education and is a reading specialist at the Harlem Children's Zone project. Clay worked for several years at the Making Waves Education Program in San Francisco. At Stanford University she researched a 14-volume edition of the papers of Martin Luther King Jr. Clay served as a student representative to the Board of Trustees, as a member of the Educational Policy and Academic Affairs committees, and became an overseer in 2001. She is a member of the visiting committee on African-American Studies.

Rudnick lives in Washington, D.C., and is a partner specializing in tax law at the firm of Sherman and Sterling. He serves on the Business and Finance, Development, Educational Policy, and Executive committees of the board and is chair of the Compensation Committee. He was previously an overseer and served on the visiting committee to the Anthropology Department.

In accordance with the Alumni Association bylaws, 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. If there are no nominations by petition before March 15, the above candidates will be declared elected by the chair of the Alumni Council.

30s newsmakers



Edward Boulos '39

Cheverus High School in Portland, Maine, named its football stadium after Portland native **Edward Boulos '39** at a dedication ceremony on September 30. The Cheverus president said, "It is entirely appropriate that the name of Edward Boulos be forever associated with the work of Cheverus." Cheverus isn't the only educational institution where Boulos has left a legacy—two of his six children graduated from Colby (Joseph '68 and Margaret '71).

milestones

Deaths: **Gwendolyn Mardin Trefethen Haynes '32**, December 29, 2006, in Montgomery, Ala., at 96 ♦ **Florence Allen Nelson '33**, June 25, 2003, in Oceanside, Calif., at 93 ♦ **Willard C. Flynt '34**, December 25, 2006, in Plattsburgh, N.Y., at 94 ♦ **Raymond W. Farnham '36**, November 3, 2006, in Orono, Maine, at 95 ♦ **Nancy D. Libby '36**, November 25, 2006, in Hallowell, Maine, at 92 ♦ **M. Elizabeth Oliver '38**, November 26, 2006, in Columbia, Conn., at 89 ♦ **Elizabeth "Libby" Bavis Decker '39**, October 4, 2006, in Hampton, Minn., at 89.

40 A highlight of Reunion Weekend 2006 for our class was the attendance of **Jeremy** (we knew him as Horace) **Burr** and his wife, who came from their home in Ashland, Ohio. A second highlight was the recognition of Professor Pete Moss (**Doris Rose Hopengarten's** son-in-law). He received the Charles W. Bassett Faculty Award for Service to Alumni. * With two graduations this year, five of my six great-grandchildren now have bachelor's degrees. How about you? —*Ernie Marriner*

41 **Elmer and Elizabeth Sweetser Baxter** are settled in a retirement home, Dirigo Pines, in Orono, Maine. Their son David '70 has a small farm within two miles where they can get fresh vegetables. Their youngest son, Ben, lives with his two daughters in Bar Harbor. Their oldest son,

Ledyard '67, is minister of the Old Steeple Church in Aquabogue (Riverhead), N.Y. He has two sons and a two-year-old granddaughter. Elmer spends some of his favorite time at the Maine Narrow Gauge Railroad in Portland, where he volunteers on different aspects of the project. As conductor he has enjoyed meeting visitors from all over this country and many from abroad. Best of all are the young children, whom he greets with special attention. His authentic shout of "All aboard!" as the train starts its trip along the Portland waterfront has become famous.

42 **Martha Rogers Beach** had the pleasure last summer of a visit with her granddaughter and her newly adopted 1-year-old baby girl from China. Martha describes her as a real China doll. Throughout the summer other

children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren were at the cottage on Snow Pond, where they could go for day outings and then home to their own peace and quiet. The other special event was a visit with **Dorris Heaney Batt** and her husband, George, at their lovely cottage on Long Lake in Harrison, Maine. Martha helped them celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary! George and Dorris are both still going strong and were looking forward to heading to Scotland for the wedding of a granddaughter, then jaunting to Germany to visit George's relatives before heading back to their home on Kauai, Hawaii.

43 **Hubert "Beck" Beckwith's** wife, Elizabeth, has gone into a nursing home after experiencing short blackouts, which cause her to fall and suffer breaks or concussions. Fortunately, Hubert says, they have an excellent facility in the building next to where they live. He hopes many classmates will write in with their news.

44 In 2005-2006 the Class of 1944 lost nine classmates: **William Belger Jr., Joy Paddison Cook, Louis Deraney, Mary Weeks Drummond, Hyman Hillson, Bill Hutcheson, Priscilla Tallman Miller, Evelyn Gates Moriarty, and Robert Sillen.** At the Boardman Memorial Service at the close of Reunion Weekend last June, they were lovingly remembered. * Speaking of Reunion Weekend last June—it rained! First time in years the Parade of Classes was forced to confine its activities to the Wadsworth Gymnasium. Our new Schair-Swenson-Watson Alumni Center is spectacular. It accommodates all sorts of activities, including this year's Alumni College on China. I was one of 46 alums and guests who attended. It's a great event, where you

get to meet and know graduates from all decades. Dr. Edmund Ervin '36 was the oldest, and William Schmidt was of the Class of 2001. * Wonderful write-up in the Waterville *Morning Sentinel* about Naj and **Harold Joseph** as their Joseph's Clothing and Sporting Goods Store in Fairfield celebrated 60 years on Main Street. * I was sad to learn of the death of **Barbara Baylis Primiano's** husband in December 2005. They had been married 58 years. * **Gertrude Szadzewicz Collison** called. She is still in Niagara Falls but was wondering if she should move nearer her family in Worcester, Mass. She also recalled the excitement in Alaska, where she was working the year that Alaska was granted statehood. And she reminded me that she had gone to summer school at Colby in 1942 and 1943, so she graduated at the end of the summer in 1943. * I had a fantastic experience in June. With a group of 12, all from Maine, I flew 13 hours non-stop from Newark, N.J., over the North Pole to Beijing, China. We spent the next 16 days visiting Beijing, where they are preparing for the 2008 Olympics, Tianjin, Xian, Shanghai, Suzhou, and Hong Kong. What an amazing country. They have as many regular-sized cars as we do and as many bicycles as cars. But I did not really master those chop sticks! —*Josephine Pitts McAlary*

46 **Jean O'Brien Perkins** sent the following: "The campus looked great on Reunion Weekend, when I made a quick trip up with my daughter, Peg, on Saturday. My summer has been busy with visits from friends and relatives. The fall looks even busier with community activities and an adult class in art. Prof. Green would be shocked after my feeble attempts in his class. Peace to all." * **Francis Heppner** had his 15 minutes of fame

on June 6, 2006, when the Jacksonville, Fla., newspaper, *The Florida Times Union*, used his recollections of the invasion of Normandy, France, on June 6, 1944, for its front-page feature story. It included a large current picture of him in his Florida home and a small picture of him in his Army uniform in 1943 at Ft. Belvoir, Va. The story recounted his memories of jumping off the landing craft into chest deep water and surviving close calls until he was wounded in Germany in 1945 while serving in the 238 Engineer Combat Battalion. His wife, Jeanne, was quoted, saying, "He still has problems with his hip from where shrapnel hit." The story pointed out that he was able to get a good education after the war and worked at the National Archives in Washington. He told the reporter, "My whole life depended on having served in the military . . . we'd joke that thanks to Hitler, we were successes in life." * **Nancy Jacobsen** has been a "transplant" resident of Atlanta, Ga., for 21 years now. After her bypass surgery, she's been going to cardiac rehab, exercising three days a week, and losing weight and inches. "I am almost ready to try on bathing suits," she said. "I found heart surgery a scary thing to recover from, but I can see a big uplift in my energy. I had thought low energy was part of being over 80. Wrong! I'd love to hear from anyone who has gone through what they call 'a cardiac event.'" * Chuck and I are sad that we missed my reunion last

June because of a death in our family. Our nephew, 18, was just starting college when he was in a one-car accident and did not have his seat belt on. His passenger, who was wearing his seat belt, survived. We have read that 6,000 young people, between 16 and 20, die in car accidents every year. So tragic. * We would like to hear from classmates who went to our 60th. Please call or write me so I can have a report for the next edition. —*Shirley Martin Dudley*

47 Dick Sampson and his wife, Alice, attended their oldest grandchild's high school graduation in June and Colby's Alumni College in July. They are both in good health and were hoping for an Elderhostel cruise for their 50th anniversary in August. With the political arena becoming more active, Dick enjoyed reading *Team of Rivals*, a book on Lincoln and his Cabinet (by Doris Kearns Goodwin '64). * **Elizabeth Richmond Anthony** writes that for much 2005 she was taking her husband to doctors, clinics, labs, and treatments following the discovery of his cancer. The latest round of chemo made him so weak that he tottered and fell and, at last report, was recovering from a hip fracture, but Betty reports that he is determined to walk out of the hospital and recover at home, where he can listen to his classical CDs and read. Betty says he hopes that this hiatus from chemo will let him taste food again and that she is doing fine with

the help of friends who have rallied around and offered help. Both she and her husband stay optimistic, she adds to her note, "because self-pity has no place in our household." * **David Weber** had a great trip to Turkey in 2005. The best part, he says, was a visit to the ancient site of Colophon, and his article on that visit was recently published by the Book Club of California. Last April he made an exciting trip to Ecuador and says that the Galapagos Islands are all they are reported to be, the marine iguanas and giant tortoises just a beginning. His highlight, however, was a week in the eastern Ecuadoran jungle, on the upper reaches of the Amazon. * **Dorothy Cleaves Jordan's** husband, Clay, passed away on May 12, 2005. She says she misses him and their world travels and finds life lonely now, though she's sure many of you have gone through this, too. She is especially glad she moved last December from her cottage on the grounds to an apartment in the big house, where they are like family to her. Dorothy enjoys the three meals a day since, she jokes, she's forgotten how to cook. * **Donald "Skippy" Klein**, M.D., D.Sc., professor of psychiatry at Columbia University, sparked an American College of Neuropsychopharmacology scientific meeting in Washington, D.C., on Sept. 13, 2006, to discuss the development of a post-marketing drug surveillance plan that would work by cross-linked medical data bases. On a more personal note, he adds that things are going well, considering the alternative. His wife, Rachel Klein, professor of psychiatry at NYU, is the leading light at Child Study Center, helping juniors get through progressively constricting granting sphincter. His says his own work on the biopathology of panic attack indicates a dysfunction in brain opioid system quite different from ordinary fear. The Kleins oscillate between Manhattan, Paris, and North Haven. He says he remembers Colby as a long sabbatical and dating machine, but then, he writes, he was very young!

48 In August we had a telephone conversation with **Elizabeth Coombs Corke Myers**, whose granddaughter, Lauren Corke, from Acton, Mass., entered Colby's Class of 2010 in the fall. Elizabeth, whose last reunion was the 45th, says this will be an incentive to visit the

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1920s-30s

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campus. * **Everett Rockwell** wrote that on their 58th anniversary Mim passed quietly away. She had been recovering since September 2002 from an RV accident in North Dakota and had fought an impossible struggle but is now at rest. She will be remembered by many of us. His message was dated Aug. 25, 2006, when he was in Wolfboro for a celebration of Mim's life. He planned to return to Florida on September 13. * **Bertha Graves**

40s milestones

Deaths: **Philip M. Freethy '40**, October 27, 2006, in Lynn, Mass., at 88 ♦ **Calvin K. Hubbard '43**, September 22, 2006, in Prescott, Ontario, at 85 ♦ **Anson T. Perley '43**, January 5, 2007, in Damariscotta, Maine, at 85 ♦ **Alice Katkauskas Drake Deming '44**, May 28, 2006, in Hanover, N.H., at 85 ♦ **Arthur T. Eaton '44**, October 10, 2006, in Marietta, Ga., at 83 ♦ **William E. Frazier '44**, September 15, 2006, in Orlando, Fla., at 84 ♦ **Martha ♦ Wheeler Zeltsman '44**, November 2, 2006, in Whiting, N.J., at 84 ♦ **Marjorie Merrill Melvin '45**, October 2, 2006, in Bangor, Maine, at 82 ♦ **Joseph G. Ragone '45**, September 10, 2006, in North Falmouth, Mass., at 86 ♦ **Rowen Kusnitt Kessler '46**, October 25, 2006, in Castro Valley, Calif., at 82 ♦ **Marvin S. Joslow '48**, November 25, 2006, in Aquinnah, Mass., at 79 ♦ **John W. Lord '48**, October 4, 2006, in Vassalboro, Maine, at 84 ♦ **Genevieve Bennett Rymal '48**, March 23, 2006, in Auburn, Ala., at 81 ♦ **Louis Sutherland '48**, November 26, 2006, in Sorrento, Maine, at 81 ♦ **Ruth Marriner Szopa '48**, August 26, 2006, in Camden, Maine, at 79 ♦ **Jeanne Littlefield Hammond '49**, November 19, 2006, in Albion, Maine, at 79 ♦ **Claus Frederick Hinck III '49**, August 11, 2006, in New Harbor, Maine, at 83 ♦ **Lois Eaton Leavitt '49**, September 19, 2006, in Gorham, N.H., at 79 ♦ **Barbara Becker Sullivan '49**, November 7, 2006, in East Greenwich, R.I., at 78.

Nollman wrote that during the 50th reunion she and **Shirley Stowe Sarkis** got reacquainted and discovered they lived only one mile apart. They have enjoyed going to operas together. Bertha and her husband, Ed, have enjoyed traveling, especially on small ships, and on a recent trip to Canada with the Connecticut Horticultural Society met Myra (Hemenway '51) and George Bowers '50. After 32 years in Utah Bertha has been back in Connecticut for 15 years. * **Carol Stoll Baker** attended the Colby Alumni College last summer, joined by **Fran Hyde Stephan**, Howard '49 and Louise Allen Freedman '56, and George '50 and **Harriet Sargent Wiswell**. Six professors lectured every morning on China, they viewed a Chinese movie each evening, and they studied Chinese economy, history, culture, and art and had in-depth discussions. Carol highly recommends this well-conducted, interesting, and stimulating program. * **Aaron Sandler** spent July and August in St. Louis, Mo., with his dear friend Lois. He planned a big bash on Labor Day weekend to celebrate his 80th birthday in St. Louis (nobody wanted to go to Florida during the hurricane season), and 47 family members were to attend. He would like to have another reunion in Florida as we did last winter. * **Steve Szopa**, son of **Ruth Marriner Szopa**, wrote that Ruth's health worsened after the death of her husband, Gene, in April 2006, and that Ruth died on Aug. 26, 2006—but not before she and her brother, Ernest Marriner '40, completed the collection, duplication, and indexing of their father's 1,323 radio scripts. Their father was Colby Dean Ernest C. Marriner '13, whose radio program, "Little Talks on Common Things," aired on WTVL from 1948 to 1983. Steve said it gave his mother great pleasure to share her father's legacy with Colby, an institution that was a vital part of her life since childhood. * **Kay Weisman Jaffe** reported that **Carol Stoll Baker** and **Fran Hyde Stephan** stayed with the Jaffes for only two nights, but, as Kay writes, they "made hay while the sun didn't shine." They took a hilly walk to a farm before Fran and Carol went to Jacobs Pillow for the dance matinee. * **Dian and David Choate** visited Lake Louise, Banff, and Jasper in the Canadian Rockies last summer by bus. "We live in the Colorado Rockies," wrote David, "but ours don't compare with the

Canadian Rockies in their majestic snow-covered beauty." They did a little horseback riding and river rafting on the Athabasca River, then spent the 4th of July with old friends at their home on Whidbey Island in Spokane. Their next trip last fall was to be leaf peeping in Nova Scotia and a visit with David's brother. Between times David teaches English as a second language six hours a week at a school in Denver for refugees. * We Marsons looked forward to a fall trip to Waterville to visit our granddaughter, Jessica McNulty '07, then planned to return to our home in Jupiter after sailing and preparing *Hero* for winter storage. The trips are shorter, the job is smaller, and we are more selective about the weather, but we still get out there! —*David and Dorothy Marson*

49 I have some news thanks to newspaper clippings from Colby about two of our classmates and two of our classmates who responded to the e-mail from the Alumni Office. I do appreciate all the help. * The first clipping reported a gala 80th birthday celebration for **Robert Sage** at the Belmont (Mass.) Country Club last summer. Colby College is one among Bob's several trusteeships. Happy Belated Birthday, Bob! * A second clipping tells about the 50th wedding anniversary on July 2, 2006, of Gail and **John Appleton**. This celebration was at the Augusta Country Club with 75 guests from Maine, Massachusetts, Connecticut, and Perth, Australia! Congratulations, John and Gail! * **Anne Bither Shire** wrote that **Patricia Lydon Latham**, **Shirley Kydd Bastien**, and **Ethel Quincy Ryan** met recently at Anne's for their annual get-together in Down East Maine. Although their numbers have dwindled, this is a happening of 50-plus years. Every year they do something different, such as taking the CAT to Nova Scotia or spending days on Mt. Desert Island. Anne says, "Old friendships are so valuable, and we treasure ours!" * **Richard Fisch** wrote of his difficulties in flying to Mexico City and being told his paper confirmation for the flight was invalid because it was in the name of "Dick Fish" and his passport read "Richard Fisch." It seems his flight had been booked by a friend in Mexico City who had written his name as Dick Fish. It took two agents to straighten it out—one trying to convince the other that Dick Fish and Richard Fisch were, in fact, one

50s milestones

Deaths: **Richard M. Bowers '50**, November 18, 2006, in Ridgewood, N.J., at 77 * **Frederick C. Freeman '50**, December 9, 2006, in East Falmouth, Mass., at 81 * **Robert L. Lindquist '50**, September 24, 2006, in Quantico, Md., at 81 * **Shirley Raynor Ingraham '51**, September 5, 2006, in Wilton, N.H., at 76 * **Joanna D. Johnston '51**, November 9, 2006, in Keene, N.H., at 76 * **Natalie How Hermandorfer '52**, October 18, 2006, in Easton, Conn., at 78 * **Edwin W. Martens '52**, October 29, 2006, in Chatham, Mass., at 76 * **Barbara Weiss Alpert '53**, October 17, 2006, in New Bedford, Mass., at 76 * **Charles F. Fisher '53**, November 13, 2006, in Kensington, Va., at 75 * **Cecelia Lasbury Johnson '53**, December 15, 2006, in Camden, Maine, at 75 * **Norwin W. Large '53**, February 26, 2001, in Oak Park, Calif., at 68 * **Charles J. Windhorst '54**, December 25, 2006, in Stamford, Conn., at 75 * **Frank A. Lathe Jr. '55**, September 1, 2006, in Hallowell, Maine, at 73 * **Harriette Glass Siegel '55**, December 16, 2006, in Marblehead, Mass., at 73 * **Philip E. Guiles '58**, November 24, 2006, in New Gloucester, Mass., at 74 * **Davida Kovey Newman '58**, September 20, 2006, in Sharon, Mass., at 69 * **Rev. Carlyle A. Smith '58**, October 3, 2006, in Columbus, Ohio, at 85.

and the same and that he really was entitled to a boarding pass. On a less mundane note, Dick reports that as of mid-May he informally changed his last name to "Grandpa." He also says that Oliver, as with any grandchild, is a delight! * In June I was camping with my Good Sam Club in Skowhegan, and that being practically next door to Bingham, I met Warren and **Nellie MacDougall Parks** for lunch. We hadn't seen each other for a couple of years and it was great to be together again. * Please keep the news coming and I will pass it on to all of you. —*Anne Hagar Eustis*

50 Were you surprised/disappointed not to see the Class of 1950 appear at all in the last *Colby* magazine? My sister **Allie** and I were, and when I called Meg Bernier '81 in the Alumni Office and found out that, once again, we would not have a column I decided to take on the correspondent job, at least for now. * **Charlie '49** and **Ginny Davis Pearce** spent a night with us on their way to Pittsboro, N.C., for the winter and to be close to their son, Jim, and his children. * During the past year **Allie** has been on a riverboat trip to Amsterdam and Brussels. The Brussels trip was of particular interest after she read *King Leopold's Ghost* by Adam Hochschild (highly recommended!). She also made her annual trip to Santa Fe for the opera with her friend **Bob Bundgaard**. * **Bill** and I and our skilled, left-hand side of narrow roads driver, daughter **Annie**, had a great trip to Ireland. It's a beautiful country with very friendly people, as

those of you who have visited know. Our daughter is in her last year of pediatric residency at Yale New Haven Hospital and expects to be working in a local practice this year. Our two sons, **Bill '81** and **Andrew '86** (married to Margaret Davis '85), live close by. We have six grandchildren, including one grandson who is a sophomore at Colgate and a granddaughter in the application process for college in the fall. * Since our class had one of the larger "50-plus" groups attending the last reunion, we hope some of you will send information for our column. Let us know about you, classmates you are in contact with, trips, continuing education, new hobbies, grandchildren, or volunteer work. My best to you all. —*Elisabeth "Dudie" Jennings Maley*

51 The 55th reunion was a tremendous success, and as usual the great Class of 1951 excelled in our fund-raising efforts, winning the Franklin Cup for the highest participation among reunion classes with 79 percent participation. Special kudos to **Cass Lightner** and the rest of his class agent team, namely **Jane Perry Lindquist**, **Harry Wiley**, **Crif Crawford**, **Ray Reich**, **Bob Lee**, and **Bump Bean**. * **Chet Harrington** enjoyed a great summer with lots of golf, some good tennis on the grass, and a visit to Cape Cod. He was sorry to miss the class reunion, but he says Waterville in the rain was never one of his favorite occasions. He hopes everybody had a great time. * **Deb Smith Meigs** was also sorry to miss our 55th, but June was a busy month

for her family in Danville, N.H. They had the asbestos siding removed from their home and new vinyl siding put on. The highlight of the month was June 16, when their children, Warren, Guy, and Ellen '88, hosted a family dinner party in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary. * **Nancy Nilson Archibald** received word of the death of **Joan Millett Pape Coon**. Joan had been married to Dave Pape and lived in Connecticut for almost all her married life. She died Aug. 20, 2006, of complications from multiple myeloma. * **Geoffrey and Roshanna Mc Donell Lyford** had hoped to make the reunion but didn't because two knee replacements for Geoff made traveling "dicey." They've been in communication with **Bump Bean** and say they appreciate all he does for Colby and our class. Their three sons are prospering and filling their lives with meaningful activities. They're blessed with good health and wish the same for all.

52 Dick Chamberlin wrote that he is "thankful for our home on the shores of Salmon Lake in North Belgrade, Maine." In 2006 they splurged on a pontoon boat and enjoyed evening cruises around the lake and watching a nesting pair of eagles raise their two eaglets. Dick also said he was to receive an award from the Maine Medical Association recognizing his 50 years since he earned his degree as doctor of medicine." * A note from **Ellen Lewis Huff** told of a good visit talking over old times with her former roommate **Greta Anthoensen Chesley** and her husband, Bill, at their son's cottage on Pushaw Pond in Orono. The Chesleys, now retired, often visit in Vladivostok, where they are involved in helping churches. * **Dave Lynn** has written a book called *How to Write a Home Owner's Manual*. He sent a copy to the Colby bookstore, hoping they might carry it. The book is also available at Amazon.com. * **Priscilla Leach** moved last summer into her new digs in the same complex but on the first floor. She started a small flower garden and is busy with volunteer work at a craft store, attending Tai Chi classes, and knitting "chemo caps" for the local cancer center. Pris's new address is 2D John J. Brady Dr., Framingham, MA 01702. * Sad news has come from three members of our class who have lost their spouses. **Barbara Bone Leavitt's** husband, Bob, passed away unexpectedly in late August. At

about the same time, **Dave Crockett's** wife, Bee, lost her battle with colon cancer. Dave and Bee would have celebrated their 53rd anniversary on Sept. 5, 2006, and had "a wonderful life, 10 grandchildren, and a great granddaughter." **Bob Kline's** wife, Shirley, died from tobacco causes in fall 2005. Bob says his life in New Harbor, Maine, is now quite different, though he continues in his old 1750s home on the Pemaquid Peninsula. Bob would welcome Colby classmates to visit this historic area. * **Anne Plowman Stevens** anticipated a fall cruise to the southern Caribbean. She's been working at the local library and was looking forward to enjoying her grandchildren's concerts, recitals, and games. She also plans to attend the Colby and Deering H.S. reunions in '07 and '08. * **Art White** thanks everyone who participated in the Annual Fund drive for the class: "We exceeded the goals set for our class, with 62 percent in both the amount of dollars given and the number of classmates participating." Pressed for personal news, Art wrote that he and Cynthia enjoy Bath, Maine, from May to October and then return to Florida for the winter months. Art says he's developed a love for the game of golf and plays three or four times a week. His ties with Hotchkiss continue as he remains as an emeritus member of their board of trustees. * Chandler and **Nita Hale Barbour** still enjoy good health in retirement on the coast of Maine, with lots of volunteering and special projects. They took a 20-day trip to China (with Colby, Bowdoin, Bates, and Hamilton folks) in October and early November 2005. They also spent two weeks in Mexico during March 2006 exploring Mayan, Olmec, and Toltec ruins. Nita continues volunteering with Hancock County Jail inmates doing literary activities and some counseling. She's also finishing the manuscript for a fourth edition of *Families, Schools and Communities*, the text that she and her husband wrote for undergrad majors in early education. * I had a long phone conversation with **Caroline Wilkins McDonough**, who divides her time between Florida and Greenwich, Conn. In August, Caroline and Dick shared a wonderful 50th anniversary trip on the *QM2* to England with all 11 family members. During the winter months she continues her theater work with a small group in her residence community in Florida. * Best wishes to

all. Remember, our 55th reunion is coming up this June. —Jan "Sandy" Pearson Anderson

53 John Lee did, indeed, take the cruise in August to Greece that I mentioned in the summer issue. He sent me a post card as proof! * **Ginnie Falkenbury Aronson** wrote about an interesting trip with her church group. She and 13 friends went to a Malawi mission to help further their development. In years past, they built feeding pavilions for AIDS orphans. Ginnie says their congregation can sing with *soul!* * **Robert Fitzgibbons** reports that he has been on "quite a journey" since Colby. In the past 14 years he has been in Bangkok, where he owns a Thai-based law firm with two partners. His firm works on the development and financing of electric power projects throughout Asia. Robert says that if any classmates visit the Bangkok area they should e-mail (fitz@legalthai.com) and come ride motorcycles with him. * **Rick Tyler** wrote that he and his wife were at their summer place in Ogunquit, Maine, all summer. They celebrated their 50th anniversary on Sept. 1, 2006, and in October planned to travel to Greece. * **Chuck Spencer** says he sold his cabin cruiser this year and for the first time in 40 years has been without a boat. He and Joyce (Whitham '54) took an RV trip for a month. They put their pickup camper on a Terrormex train flatbed and went through Mexico's scenic Copper Canyon from near Chihuahua City west to the Gulf of California at Los Mochios. They lived in the RV on the train for five days. They then drove south from Los Mochis to Mazatan, back to the U.S., and to Colorado via Nogales, Ariz. Chuck added that they had had a short visit from Colette and **George Pirie** during the summer. * **Penny Pendleton Schultz** sent a picture of herself with Diane (Schnauffer '57) and Larry Zullinger '56 and Diane Reynolds Wright '55 atop a high hill in Bulgaria. (Check out our class page on the Colby Web site to see the photo.) They were on a bike/barge trip from Germany. Penny said she can't bike as fast or as far as in the past but admitted that not training for the trip made it more difficult to keep up with younger trippers. * **Chuck Anderson** reports that he and Jan (Pearson '52) are moving from their Harwich home to a retirement community in South Yarmouth on Cape

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Cod. * I will add that I took a trip, long overdue, with my daughter, Beth (a Dr. Dore baby), and my granddaughter, Hilary, to Guatemala. No one I asked had ever been there, but I must say that it was a wonderful experience. We stayed at the Villa Antigua on the outskirts of that city. The weather was very comfortable with daytime temperatures of 70 degrees and cool nights. We took a two-day private van trip to Honduras to see the Mayan ruins and on the way back spent a night on an island on the Rio Dulce. We also took a boat trip to Livingston, Guatemala, on the Caribbean Sea. On following days we saw the surrounding areas in the mountains near Antigua and Lake Atitlan with its gorgeous volcanoes. In fact, I never saw so many volcanoes in such a small area. It was just eight days but worth going back to see more. I recommend this trip to others who have never been to Central America. —*Barbara Easterbrooks Mailey*

54 Karl and Merrilyn Healey Decker spent a week in Maine last summer and while there visited with Lois McCarty Carlson in Cape Elizabeth. Karl spends several days a week in Vermont interviewing for his articles in *Vermont Life* magazine. Merrilyn continues to keep busy with the Bridgeport, Conn.-area branch of AAUW, which this year sponsored a student from Ghana through the Leonette Wishard '23 International Fellowship. Leonette is Colby's oldest living graduate at 104. * Diane Chamberlin Starcher visited Barbara Easterbrooks Mailey '53, her Colby roommate, in early June and followed with a week-long family celebration in Maui for their 50th wedding anniversary. Diane's sons and families were there as well as her sister, Sue Chamberlin Trauger '60. On the way back to France, Diane and her husband did some child sitting for son Bruce's two children. * Ben and Diane Stowell Duce celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on May 5, 2006. Colby folks who were present included Dick Leerburger, Ron '55 and Ellie Turner Swanson, Jo Anne Conkling Hoffman, Janice Holland Smith, and Lois McCarty Carlson. * Betty and Derek Tatlock spent a week in Tuscany to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. They stayed in an old monastery that was converted to a B&B and took several day trips to nearby hill towns. * Vic Scalise

reports that Sue Johnson will be staying in his Brookline, Mass., home while she attends a special liturgical dance program at Andover Newton Theological Seminary. Vic is serving as the Sunday preacher and chaplain for the National Funeral Director's 125th annual meeting in October 2007. * Bill and Rosemary "Penny" Thresher Edson continue to enjoy a busy retirement. For the third year, Bill will coach the LeReina High School girls' softball team and has been asked to serve on a review team for NASA's newest endeavor, the Constellation Project, which will send men back to the moon and on to Mars. (Bill, when do you have time to work on your golf game so we can kick butt at our 55th reunion?) Penny stays active playing tennis, volunteering as a docent at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library, and serving as a long-term care ombudsman. Last April, Penny and Bill celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a party hosted by their three children, spouses, and six grandchildren. In November, they took a trip to Switzerland. * Another great mini-reunion was held at the home of Janet Fraser Mitchell in Waterville. According to Allen Sandler, "Waterville has changed and now has trendy cars, outdoor bars, etc." Included in the group were Allen, Georgia Roy Eustis, Paul and Nancy Eustis Huprich, Ruthie and Al Joseph, Arlyne Rosenthal Sacks, Jane (Millett '55) and Karl Dornish, and Paul and Germaine Michaud Orloff '55. Allen, who has lived in Florida for 35 years, very much enjoys his summer trips to Maine. He hoped to take a trip to Italy and Sicily in October. * On a personal note, we became grandparents for the sixth time. Anne's son Theo and wife Leslie had a boy, David Sykes O'Neill. David is Anne's first grandchild and she has been as happy as a pig in a mud puddle. * One of the disadvantages to living to a "healthy" old age is that friends and classmates leave us. Those who have departed of late are Marcia Curtis '53, Tommy Davis, Larry Peirson, and Wally Ward. * By the time this column is published, Christmas 2006 will have passed and 2007 will be well underway. I hope that you all had a joyous former and are having a healthy, happy latter. —*Art Eddy*

55 A feature article about Barbie Ayers Haslam appeared recently in the Mendham, N.J., *Daily Record*. Barb

and several friends organized an art show 35 years ago to help raise funds to benefit their church, St. Marks. It has become a widely anticipated annual event, and the sales of the many contributed art works continue to provide money for the good works of the church. Barbara has been at the forefront as an artist, too. Her beautiful silkscreen Christmas cards and paintings have earned her acclaim and the respect of her community and, Barbie says, have proved productive both financially and spiritually for her personally. * Peter Parsons and his wife, Joy, who try to take a trip each year, had a wonderful cruise on the Baltic Sea last June. He also has great memories of our 50th and seeing old friends, and he was pleased to see Peter Ré's latest CD featured in the *Colby* summer magazine. Our Peter currently plays in a local Dixieland jazz band. * Pete Dostie spent 21 years in the U.S. Air Force after completing the ROTC program at Colby. After 49 years of marriage, he and Shirley are inveterate travelers and plan to revisit Prince Edward Island, where they honeymooned. * Carol Dauphinee Cooper and her husband, Bud Keene, moved to N.H. from Arizona in May and are renovating a house, circa 1750, in Swanzee. They saw Dottie Dunn Northcott, Kathy Flynn Carrigan, and Jo Bailey Campbell at Jo's husband's service. Our thoughts are with you, Jo. * Wonderful to hear from Marilyn Faddis Butler, who has been enjoying her Florida lifestyle for the past 12 years. Marilyn lives near her daughter in a countrified setting with rolling hills and has three dogs and two inside and two outside cats. She directs tennis activities in their community, and her husband works with neglected and abused children. * Kathy (McConaughy '56) and Lou Zambello celebrated their 50th anniversary with their children, grandchildren, and John '56 and Joanie Williams Marshall '56. Dave and Ruth McDonald Roberts visited Kathy and Lou at their cottage on Damariscotta Lake. John Reisman (my most faithful correspondent) and Jane (Daib '58) also visit the Zambellos and Mark '54 and Larry Walker Powley '54. Jane always has a reunion with her Tri-Delta sisters while in Maine. * Paul and Germaine Michaud Orloff entertained their family (21 in number) for nearly a month last summer. They also celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary by taking the family

on a three-day cruise. The children and grands and Paul celebrated by jumping in the 60-degree ocean water both mornings. The Orloffs also joined Karl '54 and Jane Millett Dornish and Putt and Ann Dillingham Ingraham for a lobster feed at Dave and Anne Burbank Palmer's camp at Great Pond. They say they felt like college kids again! * Eric and Berry Wellersdieck Piper had a great summer in California with visits from their son and family from Hawaii and birthday celebrations for the grandchildren at Lego Land. Berry still loves to remember our 50th. It's a treat for all of us that they and Bob and Sistie Restall Horne make the long trip from California to all our reunions. They planned to visit each other again this fall. * Ann Eilertson McDonough hosted a delicious luncheon last June at her lovely oceanside home in Cape Elizabeth, Maine. I shared great conversation and laughs with Ellie Small Hudson, Ginny Coggins Eilertson, Jane Phillips Hyde, and Helen Chambers Cross. * Jack and I had dinners with the Zambellos and the Pughs and luncheon with Harriet Sears Fraser last summer. We looked forward to visits with good friends Dick and Jean Hawes Anderson and Dick and Jean Hahlbohm Hampton in the fall. How lucky we are for our Colby connection with so many great people! —*Ann Burnham Deering*

56 Although you will be reading this news in winter, it is Labor Day weekend as I write. John is at the Deutsche Bank in Norton watching Tiger, and I am packing for our trip to Greece. * Jackie Huebsch Scandalios flew directly to Greece from reunion to spend the summer on her boat and was readying about now to return to California. * Speaking of boats, the Boothbay Colby contingent had several mini-reunions this year. Barbara Nardozi Saxon lives there all season and entertained Harry and Lyn Brooks Wey, Dave and Rosie Crouthamel Sortor, Pete and Hope Palmer Bramhall, Tom '54 and Susan Miller Hunt, and John Jubinsky and his lovely wife, Tess. Hope ran into Linda Powers Nickerson on the street in Boothbay. * Forrest Barnes wrote, "The biggest event this summer for Ann (Jefferson '57) and me was the reunion and seeing old friends, many whom we hadn't seen in years. The reunion book is fantastic. On our



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and inspire good actions in others.”*

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return to East Grand Lake in Orient, Maine, where we summer, I read **Willard Wyman's *High Country***, which is about the mountains of Montana where my mother grew up. Wonderful book. I also read *Cliffs of Despair*, written by the Hunts' son. Next year is Ann's 50th, and we look forward to doing it all over again. It is good to be a member of two great Colby classes." * **Margaret Darby Persons** wrote that her husband died in June after a long illness. They lived in Winter Haven, Fla., where they volunteered at the Winter Haven Christian School. We are sorry to hear your news, Margaret, and hope to see you in 2011. * We just returned from Maine, where we shared in the 50th wedding anniversary celebration of Lou '55 and **Kathy McConaughy Zambello**. It occurs to me that many of you are doing the same—**Harry and Lyn Brooks Wey** by taking their three daughters on a barge trip in France. The **Larry Pughs** celebrated during reunion. The Sortors and the Hunts also are marking anniversaries, as is **Linda Burrage Sprague**. To all of you celebrating this momentous occasion, we pay tribute and wish you continued health and happiness. No small feat! * **Janet Nordgren Meryweather** wrote that she, too, enjoyed reading *High Country* and *Cliffs of Despair*, only she was recovering from extensive metastatic surgery at Brigham and Women's Hospital. We send kudos to you, Janet, for your courage and strength. * I would be remiss if I didn't mention that mingled with all the euphoria and hype after our fantastic weekend together in June, there was, for many, a feeling of melancholy. Some said it was simply that they didn't engage with old friends as sufficiently as they'd hoped. For others, it was a sense of sadness that certain classmates were not on board. A few were disappointed that after a word with some people while standing in that fabulous tent holding a lobster roll in one hand and a cup of chowder in the other, they never saw those folks again. All agreed, God willing, to be back in five years with one agenda: mix, mix, mix. There was, from all of you, a general feeling that we as a class are terrific. We looked and acted "almost the same." That 50-year hiatus diminished for those brief days, and we looked back and laughed at ourselves. How rejuvenating is that? * Both **John** and I send you warm wishes. We continue to be

grateful for each and every one of you.
—*Joan Williams Marshall*

57 Buddy Bates tells us that he now divides his time, since his recent marriage to Connie, between Down East Maine and Colorado. As our class agent, Buddy has reconnected with many classmates and is looking forward to our reunion. * Also traveling to Waterville, from California, together this June will be **John Koehler** and **Ron Rasmussen**, who were Colby roommates for two years. Many of you know that Ron became an incomplete quadriplegic in 1997 as a result of a staph infection in his spinal cord. We are pleased to hear that Ron's first trip out of state will be to our reunion and that he'll be traveling in such great company. * Last spring, **Leslie Wyman Brancart** enjoyed a wonderful trip to the Far East to visit her son, a teaching fellow in Indonesia. She arrived home in Brunswick, Maine, the very same day the earthquake struck Indonesia, and she was able to organize from Brunswick a great deal of relief for the worst affected villages. Leslie also traveled to the Cotswolds and Border Country in England for a "literary walking tour" during the summer. They got out of Heathrow Airport right before the "big scare," as Leslie called it. * **Tom Brackin** writes from New Jersey that he and Marilyn are still active in their insurance and real estate agency. Tom also has been singing with a symphonic chorus for some time. In 2006, both he and Marilyn traveled with the chorus to Venice, Florence, Assisi, and Rome and performed in each city, with a final thrilling performance in St. Peter's Basilica. * **Bev and Bo Olsen** have bought a home in Citrus Hills, Fla., for the winter months. Escaping the cold later than usual this year, Bo will be able to sing in the "Magic of Christmas" concerts with the Portland Community Chorus and the Portland Symphony. The Olsens greatly enjoy their two grandchildren's activities, and in an effort to keep out of trouble for a little longer, Bo will be writing the *History of Ocean Park, Maine*. The town association provides family cultural, religious, educational, and recreational programs during the 10-week summer season. * In June 2006, **Bev (Jackson '60) and Tony Glockler** attended the opening of **Van Bernhard's** first one-man show of his paintings at the Newington Cropsy Foundation in Hastings-

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on-Hudson, N.Y. Titled “Land, Wind and Sea,” the show included more than 60 paintings of landscapes, seascapes, trees, and flowers. Since his Colby days, Van had an unusually varied career as a financial executive and an entrepreneur in many fields before becoming a renowned artist. Also at the opening reception were Patience and **Ken Haruta**, **Bill** and **Nancy Rollins Spence**, and **Tom Totman**. For the Glocklers, “it was an exhibit and a mini-reunion all rolled into one.” Bev and Tony recently returned from a wonderful Colby-sponsored riverboat trip from St. Petersburg to Moscow and highly recommend the trips sponsored by the College. * We would like to share a bit of excitement that arose in Yarmouth this summer. A local weekly paper reported the following: “Police received a complaint of a prowler at a Bartlett Circle (senior housing) window. The patrolman responded and found a set of false teeth outside the window.” If you are searching for a retirement community where the excitement never ends, come to Yarmouth, Maine. It sure doesn’t get any better than this. The Vignes are looking forward to seeing everyone at our 50th reunion. —*Guy and Eleanor Ewing Vigue*

58 **Leigh Bangs** wrote recently that on an MIT-sponsored trip to Iceland with his wife, Sonia, a woman approached him and said, “Are you the Leigh Bangs from the Class of 1958 at Colby College?” He admitted to being that person. **Margaret “Peggy” Fox Hutchinson** and her husband, Ben, also an MIT graduate school alumnus, were on the same marvelous trip, and they spent several evenings together getting reacquainted. Peggy hopes to attend our 50th. * **Brian Barnard** was recently in the chorus of a production of *La Traviata* (my favorite!) in his hometown of Stonington, Conn. He said he was the oldest participant, backing up a wonderfully talented, young, and professional group of opera singers: “quite a stretch for me, but great fun.” He got in a lot of golf during the summer and is on the race committee at his local yacht club, where his daughter and family also race. He and Carole (Jelinek ’59) visited San Miguel de Allende, Mexico, as well as Sarasota last spring. In Sarasota they attended a Colby event of mostly Deke football players. Brian added, “It’s always great fun to reconnect with Colby classmates!” Amen! * I was delighted to receive a note from **Marilyn Dyer**

Scott. She and husband Ron live in Golden Eagle, Ill., and have a blended family of five children and seven grandchildren, one of whom lives in New Zealand. Marilyn spent 15 years working as a clinical social worker for hospice and now volunteers there. She’s a board member of the Society of Social Work Leaders in Health Care and a care coordinator at their church. She writes that they “saw two parents through long Alzheimer’s illnesses spanning some 14 years, so trips to Maine were sparse.” They visited in New Zealand in ’04 and took a riverboat cruise in Europe in ’06. Marilyn remarked that “most of us turned 70 this year, hopefully with more wisdom about life but also a little disbelief.” I can relate to that, my friend. My 70th was in July and the overriding feeling was that I really couldn’t believe it! That is, of course, until I looked in the mirror! * A nice note from my dear roommate, **Jane Daib Reisman**, said that she and John ’55 reconnected with friends again last summer in Maine. They share a cottage on Linekin Bay with Jack and **Susan Bower Hendrickson**. While there, they entertained Olin and **Willie McDonald Sawyer**, Bob ’56 and **Fran Wren Raymond**, and **Bill** and **Cindy Allerton Rocknak**. They also saw Lou ’55 and Kathy McCoinaughy Zambello ’56 and Mark ’54 and Larry Walker Powley ’54. * I love getting news from so many of you! Keep it coming, please, as we move along toward our 50th—can it be so?—in June ’08. —*Beryl Scott Glover*

59 Sheila and **Lloyd Cohen** enjoyed a seven-day cruise to Alaska, courtesy of their daughter-in-law Adrienne and son Neal. Nine hundred strangers in the ship’s dining room sang “Happy Birthday” to Lloyd, followed by some 40 passengers on a commuter plane and 200 on an Alaska Airline jet echoing the same refrain. Lloyd keeps in constant touch via e-mail with Ted Hulbert ’58, Ray Berberian ’60, Brian Blanchard ’60, and Pete Cavari ’61. * **Wilbur Hayes**, a retired biologist, reports being part of a tour group from Wilkes University that visited Africa in June. In Uganda he was able to observe chimpanzees in their natural habitat high among the tree branches in the rain forest. Being on the ground among the “group of 13” mountain gorillas in Rwanda was, he says, an awesome experience. Wilbur previously visited Africa in 1976 (Egypt) and in 2002

(Kenya). * **Jim Plunkett** writes from Lima, Peru, that he had the opportunity to visit Willie McDonald Sawyer ’58 and her husband, Olin, in their cabin at Sebec Lake, where Willie taught Jim how to play Soduku. She also taught him how to play Monopoly when they were 12 years old in Connecticut. The visit, Jim says, was “pure pleasure.” He drove by Mayflower Hill on the way to Sebec and says he started crying. He also spent some memorable hours in Washington, D.C., with Carlos Davila ’58, who invited Jim to Peru 48 years ago for Christmas. Jim stayed, Carlos left. * **Paul Reichert** started the summer off with a trip to Virginia for a granddaughter’s high school graduation. He and Elaine (Healey ’62) then traveled to New Hampshire, where they continue paneling, electrical wiring, plumbing, and stone-wall building at the house of one of their sons. Another son had a time-share in the White Mountains, so they spent several days with his family. Paul wrote (on August 28) that instead of getting ready to go to a niece’s wedding in Connecticut and watching the shuttle lift off (they can see it from their home), they were watching for a hurricane—the projected path was just northwest of them. On their return from the wedding they planned to take 25 people to Costa Rica for two weeks. Paul says that if anyone is interested in having two pea hens, “come on down.” They spend most of the day sitting on their deck before checking out the rest of the neighborhood. * Joy and **Pete Lockwood** live in a retirement community in Florida called The Villages. It’s at 60,000 retirees and growing to 100,000. Pete says they live in their golf carts. In addition to using them for golf, they go shopping, out to dinner, and to the movies in them. They love it there, and their children and grandchildren live only an hour and a half away. They would love to share their wonderland with any classmates who live in Florida or visit in the winter. Pete’s e-mail is petelockwood@netzero.net. * As I write this I have just returned from an Alaskan cruise. I appreciate getting all the news I have been receiving. Please keep it coming. —*Joanne K. Woods*

61 Check out reunion pictures at the Blue Light Alumni Web Site (www.colby.edu/alumni), where you can also reconfirm your directory information. The site is loaded

with interesting information from all classes. If you have any pictures to add, please e-mail them to the site, using the easy-to-follow directions! * What are you doing now that you’ve never done before? And how many classmates traveled abroad or vacationed in Maine or other states in 2006? * Your correspondent is enrolled in a Tai Chi/Qigong class at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute of the University of Hawai’i; a post-reunion visit to sister Lee Scrafton Bujold ’64 in Weld and Farmington included a spa adventure on the Maine coast, definitely a “trip back east” high point! * **Terry Lee** is taking guitar lessons. He and wife Cathie are enjoying their first grandchild, Theodore Davis Witman, born in late May, just before our gathering on Mayflower Hill. * **Nancy Tozier Knox** and family have a new pontoon boat and experienced a very busy summer at her Highland Lake cottage in Falmouth, Maine, with “almost constant” company. “They all arrive with lots of children, dogs, pillows, suitcases, cell phones, iPods, video games, DVDs, and computers,” she wrote. What did we ever do during the summer without all this electronic equipment? We didn’t even have TV. Just cards, checkers, and a few games for rainy days.” Paul Hill and **Penny Dietz Sullivan** stopped at Nancy’s after our Colby reunion for another mini-reunion. And Nancy’s sister, Shirley Tozier Huling ’64, spent most of the summer at the lake—lots of Colby memories there. Nancy is one of our many classmates wintering in Florida. * Bob ’59 and **Wendy Ihlstrom Nielsen**—who celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary in August—were among the many who wrote to say how much they enjoyed the 45th reunion: “We are continually amazed at how wonderful the campus looks, and how the roominess that we felt around campus as students has shrunk because of trees growing—and new buildings.” Wendy and Bob planned travels to Arizona in late 2006 and Great Britain in 2007. * In August, Hank and **Anne Lehman Lysaght**’s son Mark married a Colby girl, who joins their other Colby daughter-in-law. “Neither of our sons went to Colby,” Anne e-mailed, “and our daughter and husband went to Carleton—at least it begins with a ‘C’! It’s nice to have a generational Colby connection. The reunion was great.” * Keep those cards and

letters coming, classmates. Aloha.
—Diane Scrafton Cohen Ferreira

62 Jody Herbold Clarey published her third mystery, *Riddled to Death*, last June. Her first book, a thriller, *Twisted Truth*, was published in 2005 and takes place in Portland, Maine. The second, *The Mysteries of Hummingbird Falls*, which takes place in Jackson, N.H., was also published in 2005 and features a retired English teacher who gets involved in investigating several murders, two current and one 12 years in the past. Her fourth book, *Skinned*, a sequel to *Twisted Truth*, was released in early November. That's what she's been doing since retirement from her private psychotherapy practice. She now winters in North Carolina and summers in New Hampshire. * **Brenda Lewison** is still editor of *City Visitor*, a visitor guide that goes into about 20,000 hotel rooms in northeast Ohio, with separate Cleveland and Akron/Canton editions. The magazines are quarterly, which means she has lots of free time to enjoy children (John and Rebecca), grandchildren (five), her garden, and travel (the entire month of October 2005 in Spain). Husband Bill is still working full time with his architectural practice. * **Ellie Tomlinson**, our class president, sent out a letter in the spring encouraging all classmates to begin thinking about our 45th reunion. More letters will follow as we focus on getting all the events set. I hope you all are planning to come back to Mayflower Hill to enjoy a wonderful weekend, June 8-10, 2007. Ellie also wrote that she didn't return to school last fall for only the third time since she started kindergarten in the fall of 1945 and then began teaching after Colby. She loves retirement—she's free to paint, bike, write, ski, play squash, work on her ancestry chart, or visit friends and relatives. And, yes, attend various meetings and do volunteer work. * **Dick Mittleman** and his wife sold their home in Providence and moved to a condo in Warren, R.I. In the winter they spend two weeks a month at their condo in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. In August they were in Portland, Maine, and had dinner with **James A. Johnson Jr.**, who is quite an expert in polygraphs. Dick is still working almost full time in the practice of business and commercial law. * Irina and **Ceylon Barclay** spent time catching up with Penny (Wheeler '64) and **Ralph Bradshaw**

during the Bradshaws' first trip back to the Blue Ridge Mountains since Ralph's Ph.D. days at Duke. Ceylon and Irina are still working, writing, publishing, and consulting in Russia. * About a year ago **Pete Beaumont** won a lottery, which permitted winners to purchase two tickets to the Ryder Cup matches being held in Ireland in September. So he and Fran, along with four other close friends, headed for Ireland to cheer on the team from the United States. * **Tony Kramer's** daughter, Stephanie, is a freshman at Colby, and Tony and his wife enjoyed driving her out and visiting New England. They had just returned from a Mediterranean cruise to Italy, France, Monaco, and Greece. They have one son still in high school, a senior. One more year and they plan to spend much more time at their place in Puerto Vallarta. * **Brenda Wroblewski Elwell Gottschalk** works full time as director of Latin America for Maxim Tours, a boutique tour operator that creates custom itineraries for safaris to Africa and trips to Central and South America. She also runs her Web-based business, www.singleparenttravel.net, on evenings and weekends. She and her husband drove to Nova Scotia for their summer vacation and planned to travel to Ecuador in December, including a cruise to the Galapagos. Brenda's kids now live in Denver, where she and Peter hope to move to next year. * There's lot more on these folks and others in our column on the *Colby* magazine Web site. —*Patricia Farnham Russell*

63 For most of us, this has been the momentous year of turning 65. My big day was in July, and earlier in June I celebrated with a wonderful tour of English arts and crafts gardens. * **Thomas Thomas** said that at 65 he is trying to decide on his next career. He and Pat (Raymond '65) are co-chairs of the peace and justice committee at their Unitarian-Universalist Fellowship and are "doing what they can to turn this country away from the destructive path the Republicans have set us on." Grandchild number eight was expected in September. * **Paul and Susan Schaeff Pineo** had an eventful 2006. After Paul retired from his law practice in Rochester, N.Y., they purchased a condo on the intra-coastal waterway in Beaufort, S.C., which they plan to use each January and February. Susan's post-polio syndrome has weakened

her muscles so much that she needs a wheelchair for getting around outdoors, and being in the South during the winter will help Paul get her outside. She writes that Beaufort is not only a lovely city with great seafood but that everything is accessible on foot. Paul also has had some health problems, since overcome, and he's happy to have retired a little earlier than first planned. They are listed in the Beaufort phone book and would love to show off their new southern town to old friends. * **Roger Jeans** retired last June after 32 years as East Asian history professor at Washington and Lee in Lexington, Va. He and his wife plan to stay in Lexington. * **Ken and Pauline Ryder Kezer** moved to Old Saybrook, Conn., where she says she loves waking up everyday and looking at the ocean. As part of the move, Pauline donated some furniture to the John Alden House and Museum in Duxbury, Mass. The furniture, handed down in her family for generations, included a highboy, side table, and Windsor chair that had belonged to an Alden of the Duxbury Militia involved with the Revolutionary War. She urges us to make a trip to Duxbury to see the museum, which is open from May through October. * A recent address change for **Allen and Rosemary Blankenship Hubbard**: they now live at 317 Cedar St., Lincolnton, NC 28092. Their three children are all married, and they have three grandsons. A fourth grandson, Adam, was lost two years ago to cerebral palsy. * **Don and Elizabeth Doe Norwat** have a first grandchild, a boy named Gavin Whittaker Norwat, born April 4, 2006, and, happily for them, living nearby. Their June trip to Scotland to visit her stepbrother was most enjoyable and was followed by a drive through England, where they visited the Lake District, Chester, Stratford-upon-Avon, Bath, and London. Elizabeth is still teaching two nights a week at the community college in Lee's Summit. * Busy running a winery, Greenbank Cellars in Washington state, **Betty Johnston Rayle** also has traveled—to Prague and Eastern Europe and will be taking a trip to Tuscany with 15 artist friends. She keeps in touch with Patch Jack Mosher '62 and Joyce Dignam Flynn '62. * News from classmates who did not finish with us is also of interest. If you know of such news, please send it in. Two weeks ago I saw **Marian Jewett Clark** at her wonderful Benefit Street Antiques store, which is open

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Father of Invention | Jim Simon '64

When Jim Simon '64 was in third grade, Helen Keller visited his classroom in Brooklyn, N.Y. The blind and deaf woman intrigued him, and he was miffed when his classmates laughed at her. Around the same time, a blind cat caught Simon's attention. Six years later, he recalled these early experiences and sketched out an idea—to invent a device to stimulate the back of the brain and help the blind see.

His mother encouraged him to start with something simpler.

He did. Eager to leave New York, Simon followed his brother, a Bates graduate, north to New England. As a Colby biology student, Simon designed an electronic stethoscope for a hard-of-hearing doctor in Waterville. And before graduating, he used a compressor and some spare parts to build Colby a refrigeration microtome, a device that freezes tissue to make it easier to slice and study.

Simon continued on to medical school at the University of Chicago with the goal not to practice medicine, he says, but rather to design medical instruments.

During medical school he designed four devices, including a thyroid clamp and a rubber board used to teach suturing. He gave the board design to Johnson & Johnson in hopes the company would manufacture it. They did, but credited another person with the concept, Simon said. After a second unsuccessful attempt to have an invention manufactured, Simon understood that transforming an idea to a commercial product was not for the faint of heart.

To protect their intellectual property, inventors need to obtain a patent, which typically requires the assistance of a patent attorney and an ability to prove that your invention is unique enough to qualify—a costly and time-consuming process.

Simon, who settled in Tiburon, Calif., had done his homework and knew the challenges of devoting himself to inventing, so he prioritized. He and his wife, Hilde, first raised their three children while he worked in emergency medicine for 11 years, was a family doctor for 17, and practiced occupational health. "I got a little sidetracked with housing and the cost of family," he said.

Simon got serious about inventing in 1999 after two of his kids were through college. While working full time giving physicals to flight instructors, Simon began applying for patents. He currently holds three.

Two are for intubation tubes, which provide oxygen to the lungs during surgery or other procedures. His tubes provide illumination to help medical personnel more accurately insert the tubes in emergency settings. Simon's then 17-year-old son, Robert, helped him develop the first tube using



Jim Simon '64 with one of his inventions, an illuminated intubation tube that provides oxygen to the lungs during surgery and other procedures.

luminescent chemicals similar to glow sticks. The second patented tube uses LEDs. Simon also holds a patent for a wall-mounted bath brush that would help handicap people wash their arms or legs.

After a patent is issued, it lasts for 20 years. If, after 20 years, the inventor hasn't found a manufacturer, the design can be produced by anyone without any royalties for the inventor.

"If you want to be an inventor you have to be very patient—and persistent," said Simon, who has approached several companies and medical schools about producing his LED intubation tube. He's come up empty-handed and financially drained. Attorney fees have cost him over \$200,000.

His only hope is to find a venture capitalist willing to invest in his product. If that fails he will publish his designs, which puts them in the public domain. Having his products in use and saving lives is important, he says.

"You want to leave the world better than the way you found it," he said. "That's the core of where I'm coming from."

Simon has run out of money to apply for more patents. Yet his glass is more than half full, admits Simon, who lives in a beautiful area and commutes to his job at the Oakland Air Traffic Control Center in his Cessna 152. And still he persists—more than 50 years since his curiosity was piqued by Helen Keller, he's started early conversations with physicists at Stanford about artificial vision.

—Laura Meader

every day but Monday on Benefit Street in Providence, R.I. Her life has been very busy with family, running a B&B in her house in Warren, and being president of the board for Tockwolton Home, an assisted-living and nursing home dating from 1850 on the east side of Providence. —Karen Forslund Falb

64 Sally Berry Dixon has been doing occupational therapy as a hand therapist for post-op cases for the past eight years, having taken the four-hour exam in 2000 to get certificated in hand specialization. She spent three years in hospitals and nine years in Florida in nursing homes working and directing stroke programs for OT. Sally writes, "I am so grateful to Colby for having directed my life outward bound in OT, as I found my profession through a January Plan (that month off to explore) when we did a little OT project at the local hospital in Waterville." Sally lives in northern California in the foothills of the Sierras with Tahoe only an hour away. Her husband, Ray, plays 18 holes of golf at 87 years young! Sally enjoys doing watercolors and oils with a large group of artists in Lincoln, Calif., where she lives. "The balance of life is really good now after traveling all over the country with my work. It's so nice to be settled," she said. "I do miss Maine and don't get back often enough. Perhaps I'll be able to make our 45th reunion. Hope so. I have three grown sons: Geoffrey lives in N.H., Scott in Boston, and Andrew here in San Raphael with his wife, Keren. With my second marriage I have joined the wonderful Dixon family, and they keep me busy following all the family events! My best to you all!" * Jim Harris spent most of July traveling throughout the Southeast with his wife, Madie. During their extended trip, they had a chance to catch up with Dennis Hammer, who motorcycled down from his home in Beaufort, S.C., to join them for dinner in Savannah, Ga. "We had a glorious time catching up on nearly 40 years," Jim reports. "After Colby, Dennis went to the University of Pennsylvania College of Dentistry, courtesy of the U.S. Navy. He retired from the Navy in 1988 and opened his own practice. After dentistry, he went back to school to get an accounting degree and now works for the State of South Carolina in the tax office. Dennis's wife of 30-plus years passed away a couple of years ago. Now, he raises and breeds

cats for fun—and profit(?)” * **Joan Phillips Thompson** had a wild and fun summer: “Company every weekend, friends and family (the downside of living on the water). We continue to enjoy three grandchildren, a girl and two boys, and are expecting our fourth (and most likely last, a boy) any minute. Two of my intermediate books are being re-released: *The Mudpack and Me* and *The Terrible Turnoff and Me* should be available at all the usual places very soon. All in all we are very grateful. Stephen ’63 has been retired for nine years and doesn’t seem to be experiencing the malaise of some of the retired. I am, of course, in constant touch with my sister, Brenda Phillips Gibbons ’62, who is living now in North Carolina with her husband, Bob. Her daughter, Susan, whose screen name is Blanchard Ryan, has made a nice career in films and has just sold a TV show to Fox. Stay tuned. Our boys are close by and they and their wives enjoy each other’s company. I remain somewhat politically active but find myself shaking my head a lot! Best to all.” * **Larry Dyhrberg** will be writing a series of columns for the *Community Leader*, a weekly insert into the *Portland Press Herald*. Larry wrote from Bayeux, France, where he will stay for a year with his wife and two daughters. While his wife teaches English at Lycee Alain Chartier in Bayeux, Larry hopes to write, work on his northern French cooking, and investigate golf courses in Normandy. —*Sara Shaw Rhoades*

65 Travel guides Howard and **Ginger Goddard Barnes** met Charley ’63 and **Pam Plumb Carey** in Santa Margherita last June for a trip to Portofino and the Cinque Terre, Italy. They followed earlier rave reviews from **Sunny Coady** and stayed in Villa in Camogli, Portofino peninsula. (Sunny had stayed there when she and **Bucky** and **Anna Owens Smith** toured that picturesque area a while back.) Ginger says, “Otherwise I’m still working for Avery Dennison and was a guest speaker at DirectEmployers’ annual meeting in Las Vegas last October. My talk was titled ‘Winning the War for Talent through Technology.’” Ginger has a herd of three granddaughters, age 4 and under, and says “retirement is just around the corner.” * **Dave Hatch** continues to recommend Ft. Myers, Fla., as a retirement destination. He enjoys fishing, biking, tennis, beaching, playing Trivial Pursuit,

and, of course, the Red Sox in spring training. * **Jay Gronlund** suggests we think of “climbing Mt. Kilimanjaro.” He and his son, Peter, a junior at Hobart, did that last August. “We reached the top, although the high altitude—almost 20,000 feet—made the final ascent a real challenge.” His daughter, Melissa, earned her master’s from Oxford in 2005 and is writing in London for *Frieze*, a contemporary art magazine. * **Ronnie** and **Randy Antik** have built a new home in Naples, Fla., and moved there in January 2006. They still have their summer home on Martha’s Vineyard. * **Linda Cotton Wells** bought a mountaintop property in Brevard, N.C., for a retirement home. She earned a master’s in education from Lesley University in October 2005. * **David Parish** and his wife were in Israel in June 2006, immediately before the war in Lebanon. This was David’s 15th trip in the last 10 years or so. After Israel they “took a cruise along the entire coast of Norway, up to within 400 miles of the North Pole, then along the eastern coast of Iceland, finally returning to Amsterdam.” The cruise stopped in several ports, allowing Dave to play golf “in among other places the Shetland Islands and several places in Iceland.” Their son, Benjamin, is a second-year resident in anesthesiology at Brigham and Women’s Hospital in Boston. Dave also reports his first grandchild. * Another travel plan breaks the pattern of moving south. Sue (Cook ’67) and **Nick Loosin** are building a home in Woolwich, Maine. Nick left Hewlett-Packard in early 2006 and is working as a consultant to them while seeking a full-time position in sales and marketing management. * Your scribe visited Panama last May. I had a partial transit of the canal in a small 92-foot wooden tour boat that seemed lost in the vastness of the locks. The adventure included two nights on Kuanidup, a little island in the San Blas archipelago on the Caribbean side. Just 11 thatched roof huts and six tourists. It looked like a post card deserted island. I even found a deflated “Wilson” lodged in the sand. The Milky Way was brilliant. I also spent 20 days of independent travel driving 4,600 kilometers of Romania last August. The old medieval Saxon-built cities of Brasov, Sibiu, and Sighisoara are visual treats with 17th-, 18th-, and 19th-century architecture. The rural beauty of Transylvania and the Maramures region in the north

are the stuff of travel brochures. Painted churches, fortified churches, tall-spired wooden churches. Oh yes, Poenari Citadel (Dracula’s castle) sits perched overlooking the Transfagarasan Road. It was raining and I chose not to climb the 1,480 steps to check it out. The full “as traveled” itinerary is available on request. * Hail, Colby, Hail! —*Richard W. Bankart*

66 I’m still receiving 40th reunion feedback—regrets from those who missed it, happy reflections from those who were there, and early enthusiasm all around for a super 45th in 2011. * Retirement is a common theme among ’66ers. **Gary Knight** retired from the banking world after a 44-year career. That’s not a misprint; he started as a teller at his family’s trust company in Livermore Falls, Maine, as a 17-year-old high school student. Gary was executive vice president and trust officer of Androscoggin Bank at the time of his retirement and promptly declared his candidacy for the Maine House of Representatives. He intends to continue his many volunteer jobs, including umpiring local ball games, and looks forward to more time with his two children and five grandchildren. * **Jan Atherton Hoffman** retired from her position as principal of Wiscasset (Maine) Primary School, where she worked for 22 years. * **Dick Bishop** retired as president and CEO of St. Joseph’s High School in Trumbull, Conn., after 30-plus years. * **Jane Hunter Bates** retired after nearly 30 years of teaching elementary school, though she still tutors math students on a part-time basis. Tuscany was her favorite part of an Italy trip last year. Her new home in Niantic, Conn., nears completion. * **Judy Kelley** retired from her social work career with the satisfaction of knowing she improved the lives of many people. She considers completing her Colby education after the devastating loss of her parents in the summer following freshman year one of her greatest achievements, along with raising two children. She hopes to move back to Maine from New York State some day. * Others of you are inching toward retirement. **John “Daisy” Carvellas** was back at St. Michael’s College in Vermont for the fall but will teach in Mexico again this winter. * **Linda Mitchell Potter** has cut back to three days a week as a school psychologist in Woodstock, Vt. She’s an avid skier, having taken up the sport at 40, and now races in

local competitions. She’s contemplating all sorts of temptations when she retires in a year or two. Opening a restaurant? Finishing her doctorate? Making cheese? Traveling? One definite will be more time with her three granddaughters. * Some of you are still accruing years and recognition in venerable professions. **John Perkins** and his wife, Linda (Brooks ’68), are in their 38th year of teaching at Kent School in Connecticut, where they both have teaching chairs and still send fine Kent grads on to Colby. Their daughter lives in Vermont, and their son coaches rowing at Columbia U. * And some of you are taking on new work challenges. **Mary Sue Hilton Weeks** is making a whole new start in her career—in jail! Last spring she became business and HR manager for the Lincoln and Sagadahoc Multi-county Jail Authority, the first regional jail north of Virginia. She’s out of the construction site trailer and into the new facility in Wiscasset, Maine; the prisoners were due in November. Mary Sue planned to spend Christmas in New Orleans with her son and his family, who lost their new home and all possessions to Katrina. Thanks to the help of family and friends, they rebounded and hope to spend Christmas in their new home on higher ground. Mary Sue’s older daughter is in Springfield, Mass., her younger daughter in New York City. She has three grandchildren. * **Russ Monbleau’s** grandchildren count continues to rise—nine, with one more on the way. Can anyone top that? * **Merrill Aldrich Egbert** provides some thoughtful words to close this column: “It is indeed nice to hear everyone’s news . . . and these days we don’t have to impress each other with our successes. Instead, it can be a great forum through which we can support each other during those tough times that come to us all sooner or later.” Yes, that’s what keeping in touch is all about. —*Meg Fallon Wheeler*

67 **Jim Begin** should win an award for reinventing himself. (Maybe **Irv Faunce** can start thinking about rocks for next June’s dinner.) Jim, who has retired and had new beginnings before, is now co-coach of the varsity tennis team at Colby. He had planned to travel and play in national senior tournaments this year. * Several years ago Don and **Joyce Demkowicz Henckler** moved to Florida, where she manages the office of major gifts for the University

60s newsmakers



Judith de Luce '68

Miami (Ohio) University named its chair of classics, Professor **Judith de Luce '68**, "2006-2007 Alumni Association Effective Educator." The award is given based on nominations by students who graduated five years previously. De Luce said she was honored to receive such an award because "it means that five years afterwards, students have thought of me and what we did in class. It's very exciting to think that you would have an influence on people." She certainly does influence her students, as one said, "Professor de Luce set the tone for the rest of my education there... more than

anything, this was where I first felt like I was at a university with all the knowledge of mankind at my fingertips."

milestones

Deaths: **Herbert F. Cluthe '60**, September 30, 2006, in Red Bank, N.J., at 68 ♦ **Barry S. Potter '60**, September 25, 2006, in Chamberlain, Maine, at 67 ♦ **William C. Swormstedt Jr. '61**, December 29, 2006, in Nashua, N.H., at 67 ♦ **Joan Phillips Boes '62**, October 28, 2006, in Ft. Collins, Colo., at 66 ♦ **Ann Starr Williams Widmann '65**, November 17, 2006, in Freeport, Maine, at 62 ♦ **Mary Weller Rideout '69**, October 15, 2006, in Wellesley, Mass., at 59 ♦ **Deborah A. Rose '69**, September 4, 2006, in Somerville, Mass., at 59.

of Central Florida. While Joyce enjoys the Sunshine State, she has enduring connections to the Pine Tree State as her son, Aaron, graduated from Colby in '03 and her mother lives in Waterville. Joyce was in Bar Harbor recently competing in an international croquet tournament. To celebrate her 60th birthday, Joyce and Don chartered a boat and sailed the British Virgin Islands. ♦ **Phyllis Hoar** also has settled in Florida, where she teaches chemistry. After she visited **Diane Weatherby** in Maryland last July, Phyllis said that the hot, steamy weather rocketed her back to cool Miami. She plans to head north again to attend our reunion. ♦ **Bonnie and Peter Jensen** left the West Coast to visit their son and fourth grandchild in Vermont. But Peter, who also has children in Los Angeles and Berkeley, says he's firmly and contentedly rooted in California. ♦ **Eric Rosen**, on the other hand, is a confirmed Bostonian and a devoted Red Sox fan. Eric and **Jim Thomas** spent an afternoon last summer at Fenway Park, where Jim's Mets and Eric's Sox provided a day of excitement. Eric, ever of the curious mind, enjoyed taking a course recently on Jewish and Christian interpretations of Genesis. He and Barbara also took time to travel to Arizona and New Hampshire. ♦ **Jim Katz** is a fan of sport, too. He and Atmo

were in Berlin during the World Cup, and Jim says anyone doubting that soccer is a religion in Europe only had to accompany him as he watched a game in a church where the altar had been pushed aside to make room for a high-definition TV and the presiding clergyman was selling snacks. Jim visited the Berlin Technical museum, where he saw the Enigma Cypher Machine, which gave the Germans such an advantage until the British deciphered its code. But his highlight was finding the world's best chocolate. This, Jim states, was worth the price of the trip. ♦ Al '64 and **Natalie Furlong Graceffa** traveled in Italy last fall and planned to contact **Barry Botelho** while there. ♦ **Sandy Miller** also has a fondness for Italy and will be traveling in Tuscany in the spring before she joins us at our reunion in June. Before her European tour, Sandy will be busy working on a line of silk scarves—a shift from the last several years when she focused on home furnishings. When not tending to her store in Milton, Mass., Sandy visits her granddaughters, 5 and 2. ♦ **Parker (Chip) Wood** and his wife, Joanie, are adjusting to Joanie's retirement in Monterey, Calif., where they enjoy the beauty of Monterey Bay racing sailboats and celebrated their 11th anniversary last fall. Parker, who has been in the area since the early '70s

when he returned from Vietnam, now runs a consulting business out of his home, but he and Joanie travel, both on business and for pleasure, and he, like Natalie and Sandy, was to be in Italy late last year. Parker also attended a moving reunion of his Vietnam unit, which experienced intense fighting, and the ordeal left a lasting impression on all the men. A cameraman traveling with the unit decided to make a documentary of the events, and Parker is assisting in the production. ♦ Remember to save next June for our 40th reunion! —*Robert Gracia*

68 John Leopold, who served nearly two decades as a district judge, and since 2002 as chief judge, for the 18th Judicial District in Colorado intended to leave the bench at the end of October. He'll continue to stay active with the senior judge contract (60 days per year) and work in the arbitration/mediation arena. John and his wife, Terri, recently took a 15-day trip to Italy. ♦ **George Vanderheiden** was appointed to a one-year term on the board of directors of Community Bank and Trust Company of Wolfeboro, N.H. ♦ **Rich Lewis** (rsl50@aol.com) had a great evening with Karen and **Thom Rippon** in New York in July, and Rich and Sebs Mamo '70, who recently retired as a recruiter for the Nassau-Suffolk, Long Island Blood Program, fish New York harbor for great striped bass as often as possible. Rich says that after 30 years working with major Japanese firms, he's reinventing his public relations and ad business and switching over to biotech and gradually picking up new clients in that field. They still represent two of the world's seven (or so) outboard motor manufacturers. ♦ Despite feeling "as if I have only just arrived at Miami (Ohio)," **Judith de Luce** was thrilled to be the 2006-2007 recipient of the Miami University Alumni Association Effective Educator Award. Meanwhile, she continues to use her passport as much as possible, last summer traveling around the U.K. and Finland. Last May she returned to Greece. "I had hoped to get to Libya, too," she said, "but apparently classicists are too dangerous; the Libyan government refused to grant us visas." ♦ **Steve Ford's** family had a busy spring: "One daughter was married in the same church in Whitefield, Maine, where her grandparents had been married 72 years before; one daughter graduated magna cum laude from Villanova Law School and will

work in New York City in the intellectual property group at Alston & Bird; my wife, after raising the five children, finally received her B.S. degree summa cum laude from the College of St. Elizabeth; and my third daughter was headed to Middlebury College after being admitted on early decision. Of the two boys, the one who graduated from Colby is working at Cambridge Associates in Boston, and the other is a junior English major at Ithaca College." Steve reminds us all that our 40th reunion is fast approaching in 2008, and he hopes that all will try to return to Waterville and make our turnout one of the biggest for a 40th reunion. Steve would welcome suggestions from any classmates about events we should consider for the reunion. Anyone who is willing to help in the planning would be most welcome. ♦ **Spencer Sullivan**, who left Colby after Jan Plan '66 and started Army flight school in Texas, retired from American Airlines a year ago. Occasionally he saw **Bob Garrett** and **John Bubar**, who were similarly employed. Spencer recently moved to Plainfield, N.J., and is still looking for a post-retirement job in aviation. ♦ **Theodore "Skip" Fucillo**, attorney and co-owner of the Cask 'n Flagon at Fenway Park, was happy to report on the Fenway renovations that increased seating from 500 to 1,110, with a large outside cafe. His daughter, Kristine '06, is now attending University of Maine Law School. Skip played golf with **Joe Boulos**, **Pete Frizzell**, and **Dick DeVincentis** on Cape Cod, and says "it was like being back in 1968." ♦ As I contemplate my 60th birthday, I realize it is too late for a "mid-life crisis," so I'll have to settle for a "mid-to-late-life crisis." And after 35 years of practice I'm still trying to decide if I really want to be a lawyer. I'd prefer to write epic poems, but my son's still at Vassar and they don't give tuition credit for literature. I guess I'll do the legal thing for a few more years and spend my weekends sailing down at the Jersey shore. ♦ For more ample word from our respondents, please check our column on the *Colby* magazine Web site. —*Peter Jost*

69 Ines Ruelius Altemose had surgery after more than a year of back problems and was able to recuperate at and work part time from her home on the Jersey shore. ♦ **Bill Lyons** recently discovered that **Sarah Hudson** is a neighbor on Wilson Point in Castine, Maine, and that **John Mc**

Clain (the vocalist for the Seraphin Jazz Ensemble who played at the Coffeehouse in the chapel) is an administrator at the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha. * **Bob Hark's** son, Ezra, graduated from Colby last May, giving Bob "a nice opportunity to spend a weekend up at the College." * **Kathy and Curt Schneider** live in Manchester, N.H., and celebrated their 37th anniversary with two weeks in Alaska, where they came across several books by Nick Jans '77. Curt and Kathy have two grandsons, Jackson and Sam, who also live in Manchester. Curt says, "they're good athletes like their dad." Their daughter, Karyn, also lives in Manchester. Recent trips include Thailand, the Bahamas, Sonoma, New Zealand, and two treks in Nepal to the Annapurna Sanctuary area and to Lukla, Namche Bazaar, and Tengboche Monastery on the trail to Everest base camp. "My major was philosophy and religion," Curt wrote, "so I wish my old profs Gus Todrank and Roland Thorwaldsen were still alive to hear of my adventures visiting Buddhist and Hindu sites in the Himalayas, Bangkok, and Kathmandu." Curt, who has worked for the High Falls Brewery of Rochester, N.Y., for 27 years, toasted his friend **Bole Steffey** on the steps of Tengboche with a Genny Cream Ale and a good cigar. * **Carol Swann-Daniels** (cswannDaniels@hotmail.com), after working in education for 35 years as a special educator, as technology coordinator, and as district supervisor of technology, took early retirement in 2004. Since then she and her husband, Jeffrey Daniels, have undertaken major home renovations, traveled to Central America, Canada, and Florida, and purchased oceanfront property in Nova Scotia for their ultimate retirement home. She continues to maintain a technology consulting partnership and consults for Rutgers University's Center for Effective School Practices, Kean University's Center for Innovative Education, and various educational technology training centers throughout N.J. In the spring of 2004, a chapter of the book *My Soul Looks Back in Wonder*, by Juan Williams, was devoted to her experiences in integrating the Richmond, Va., public schools. This in turn led to a televised interview on America's Black Forum in 2004. * **Craig Stevens** recently completed his 17th year as professor in the photography department at Savannah College of Art and Design. In July, he photographed in

Iceland as a recipient of a Presidential Research Grant. In August, he returned to Maine as he does each summer to teach in Rockport at the Maine Photographic Workshops. He has also been commissioned to create a large panoramic piece for the 1280 Restaurant at the High Museum of Art in Atlanta. His work can be seen at www.craigstevens.net. * **Charlie Miller** is managing shareholder in Bernstein Shur's Portland law office. Charlie is listed in *Best Lawyers In America* and in *Chambers USA* as a preeminent real estate attorney. Charlie and his wife, Elinor (Bartel '70), celebrated their 37th anniversary in December 2005 and have three children and two grandchildren. Ellie retired as assistant director of Pine Tree Legal Assistance after 27 years and was named director of Levey Day School. Charlie is the immediate past president of the Jewish Community Alliance of Southern Maine, and both Charlie and Ellie are past presidents of Temple Beth El in Portland. * **Chris Christensen** flew and took a train to Thurso on the north coast of Scotland to attend a family wedding. He reported on a pontoon boat ride out past the Orkney Islands, "where the clashing of the North Sea and the Atlantic Ocean create monster waves, whirlpools, and general chaos." The day after his return his son Jeffrey headed off to Colby for his first year. —*Ray Gerbi*

70 After several years in private practice, **Andy Starkis** loves his teaching position at a law school in Andover, Mass., where he directs a first-semester writing program and teaches law courses. Andy works with Kurt Olson '78 and Shaun Sutner '80. Andy's wife, Ginney (Rowe '68), is a reading specialist for Mendon-Upton (Mass.) Schools. Both dote on grandson Will. * My husband of 36 years, **Steve Mansfield**, has resigned from Penobscot Bay Medical Center in Rockport, Maine, where he served as an administrator since 1982. Steve and I often chatted with Owl's Head residents Jane (Cook '71) and **Paul Klainer** at hospital functions. Paul, physician and medical director of the Knox County Health Clinic, part of Mid-Coast Health Net, was honored by the New England Patriots' Charitable Foundation. He received the \$10,000 grand prize from Robert Kraft, CEO and chairman of the Patriots, at the Community MVP Awards at Gillette Stadium. This award

honors individuals who demonstrate extraordinary dedication, leadership, and commitment to their communities. Paul was essential in founding Mid-Coast Health Net in 1999, after he retired from his emergency and internal medicine practice in Massachusetts. He trained volunteers, opened the clinic, and served as medical director and president of the board (both volunteer positions) while working as a primary care provider. The clinic includes dental and prescription assistance programs. Paul and Jeanne's daughter, Suzanne, recently graduated from medical school. * Rev. Dr. **Peter Foss**, interim minister, First Congregational Church of Wakefield, presided over the "Old Home Sunday" service at Cotton Mountain Community Church in Wolfeboro, N.H., last August 13. (The 150-year-old church features a pump organ and is lit by oil lamps.) Peter and his wife, **Linda (Marsh)**, live in Scarborough, Maine. * Congratulations to **Steve and Laura Struckhoff Cline**, whose younger son, Peter, was married in Philadelphia in July. Laura reports that the whole family had a wonderful time. * **Huey (James Coleman)**, who completed his film, *Tony Montanaro, Theater and Inspiration*, in July, enjoyed its premiere at the Maine International Film Festival in Waterville. Huey has avoided previous reunions but reports that he enjoyed catching up with friends at the 35th and found the Love Equation band to be in great form (as did we all). * **Thom Whidden** was inducted into the America's Cup Hall of Fame in 2004 and received the 2006 Zegna Trophy at Portofino, Italy. Awarded every two years, the trophy honors individuals who have devoted their lives and careers to sailing. Thom, the most successful sailmaker in the world and the most experienced America's Cup sailor of the modern era (completing eight AC races), runs North Marine Group, which employs more than 2,000 people worldwide. They build masts and sails, including all sails for America's Cup teams and the Volvo Around the World Race, and at 10 plants in the U.S. and Sri Lanka build many carbon fiber masts for race boats in sailing countries around the world. Congratulations to Thom on the birth of his namesake grandson in March 2006. —*Deborah Fitton Mansfield*

71 **Susan Davidson Blazey** was among the hearty souls who braved the pouring rain at reunion. She's

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lived in the Washington, D.C., area for 30 years, been the purchasing manager at Fusion UV Systems in the Gaithersburg, Md., area for the past 12 years, and was heading to China in October for a sourcing conference after stopping off in Japan to visit a key supplier. * **Jim Hawkins** plans to compete in his 12th Ironman Triathlon in Lake Placid this year. The rush at seeing the finish line after 140 miles is addictive, he maintains, and he expects to be doing this for many years. He also started “open wheel car racing on oval dirt tracks” with www.granitestateminisprint.org. He says, “To be fast, you never take your foot off the gas; you just slide through the corners.” He’s also recently gotten his professional license from the state, and professional status with the school, as a high school math teacher in Attleboro, Mass. * **Carol Fall Bourgoin**, who was at reunion with her husband, Joe, is still teaching English and biology at Waterville Alternative High School. She balances the demands of what’s required in education these days with visiting family nearby, both hers and Joe’s—she married four grandchildren when she married Joe. Her own granddaughter, Acadia, lives in Texas, and Carol visits with her when she can. * **Sherry Phipps Pettyjohn** “had a great time at reunion!” She and **Nancy Hammar Austin** drove back to Massachusetts by way of the Maine coast. Later in June, Sherry took a group of students to Yellowstone and the Grand Tetons. They saw lots of bison and had a great time walking, although she says the altitude was a killer, and the students loved a raft trip on the Snake River, which amazed them since they come from Tidewater, Va., where it is very flat. No matter where they looked the entire trip, they saw beautiful mountains. **Marion Agnew Baker**, who lives on the water in the next town over, from Sherry, has gone into business selling flowers. She and Sherry sit on the dock watching the birds in the salt marsh or check out what’s in blossom in Marion’s backyard. Sometimes Marion even lets Sherry take home the flowers she didn’t sell! * **Ivan and Roz Wasserman Cooper** live in Charlotte, N.C., and have *three* daughters getting married this year! If anyone from our class is traveling south, “please give us a shout out (southern for ‘call’).” They send their best to classmates and other Colby friends. * **Leslie Anderson** and her husband, Dan Nygaard, wound up their fifth summer

in Sedgwick, Maine, and fourth in the flower farm/art gallery business. Having been in marketing and PR for more than 20 years, Leslie feels the pressure of owning your own business: “the stakes feel higher.” They did a PR campaign, published a map, and had their first “Taste of Sedgwick” event, an open studio evening (each gallery made appetizers that reflected their visual taste and style), which was a huge success. Leslie and Dan are selling their Somerville (Mass.) house and plan to buy a condo in Portland. * **Jil Eaton** finished her eighth book, *Top Dog: 12 Quick Knits for Your Big Best Friend*. The collection, designed for larger dogs, follows the success of *Puppy Knits*, which was released in October 2005 (www.minnowknits.com). Jil also is working on a ready-to-wear project: felted hand-knits for babies and doggies (www.jileaton.com). Her next book is *Yarn Soup, a Tutti & Bea Crafts Adventure*, a children’s book that will include a learn-to-knit kit. Jil’s 21-year-old son is a senior at Skidmore, and Jil and her husband, David, live in Portland. * **Pat Trow Parent** wrote that she joined a group of women writers who are inspiring her to write the novel that she feels is within her. * Please share your news. I know you like to hear about each other. —*Ann E. Miller*

73 Several classmates wrote about recent reunions with Colby friends. **Alex Wilson** reported that quite a few Lambda Chi’s and their families got together at their annual Fourth of July family holiday on Snow Pond in Oakland, Maine. Each year since 1978 the group has rented several of the same cabins that the guys rented for several weeks each spring during our undergraduate years at Colby. Classmates and friends in attendance this year were **Lloyd Benson**, **Brian Cone**, **Patty (Kelly) ’75** and **Rob Landsvik**, **Joe Mattos**, **Duncan Leith**, **Linda (Howard) ’72** and **Ron Lupton ’71**, and **Ken Bigelow ’71**. While enjoying a week of swimming, boating, water skiing, kayaking, cooking-out, and an occasional game of poker, they heard from **Bob O’Neil**, **Phil Ricci**, **Dave Lane**, and **John Krasnavage**. Alex said that this annual holiday has helped keep the Lambda Chi group of the early ’70s very closely knit. * **Wayne Millen** e-mailed to say that several Delta Upsilon brothers renewed their Fenway bleacher outing in July. It had been about 30 years since their last get-together,

but the outing was motivated by the death in May of Wayne’s brother, Gary Millen ’74. Don Borman ’72 took the lead to organize the event. About a dozen guys attended, including **Mark McGlynn**, **Dave Saccone ’74**, and **Wayne**. Everyone had a great time, and they plan to make this an annual event to raise money for a memorial fund for Gary. * Both **Jackie Nienaber Appeldorn** and **Debbie Mael Mandino** wrote about getting together with **Carol Chalker**, **Lisa Kehler Bubar**, and **Chris Mattern Way** last summer, and both Jackie and Debbie commented on how much they all treasure their Colby friendship. They stayed at Chris’s house in Stow, Mass., played a lot of bridge, and visited the “new” house that Debbie and her husband bought this spring. As Debbie said, “The house was built in 1849 and has wonderful sloped floors, which match our sloping 59- and 55-year-old bodies.” Debbie’s daughter, Michelle, is off to college this year as Debbie begins her 29th year of teaching English at Newbury College. Putting her years of experience to good use, Debbie wrote a letter to Michelle’s friends at graduation time: “How to Get in Good with Your Professors—or Suck Up 101!” Meanwhile, Jackie continues as general manager of Mohonk Mountain House, a resort in New Paltz, N.Y. She visited Colby last summer, her first time back since the 10th reunion. She was amazed at the number of new buildings and was pleased that she got to visit her old dorm room in Butler. According to Jackie, Lisa has retired from her bank position, Chris has two sons in college, and Carol is a counselor in the Beverly, Mass., school system and has a daughter and grandson living with her. * **David Thomas** is the associate registrar at Lafayette College in Easton, Pa. His oldest, Andrew, graduated from Drexel University in June and is currently the chief creative officer at Brolik Productions, an advertising agency based in Philadelphia. Daughter Michelle is a junior at Philadelphia University majoring in graphic design and communication. Son Wesley is in his first year at the University of the Arts in Philadelphia, where he’s majoring in industrial design. David said that he and his wife, Marylu, were *not* looking forward to experiencing the empty nest after all these years. That is certainly a feeling many of us understand, David! * Congrat-

ulations to **Joe Mattos** and his wife, Pam, who were both honored with education awards in the spring of 2006. Pam, director of Waterville Alternative School, received the Commissioner’s Recognition Award for work with at-risk students. Joe is assistant superintendent of Waterville schools and was the recipient of the 2006 Outstanding Maine School Superintendent Association’s Leadership Award. There was a wonderful article about them in the *Morning Sentinel*, commending both for their dedicated work with students and staff. —*Roberta Rollins Wallace*

74 **Jeff Seip** has retired to the shore of Cape Canaveral with his wife, Jeanne, after 25 years with Siemens-Westinghouse Power Corporation in international accounting. His career included international assignments as director of finance for manufacturing and service subsidiaries in Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic, Saudi Arabia, China, and Mexico. When not enjoying the benefits of the ocean he spends time finishing his ’65 Mustang fastback. * **Ann Jason Kenney** has been teaching information literacy at Rice Memorial High School and last spring published an article, “The Final Hurdle,” in *School Library Journal*. Her daughter, Madeline, started Maine Law School last fall while son Ted played high school football. * **Nancy Greer Knorr** founded an independent college preparatory high school in Charlottesville, Va., eight years ago. Her Jack Russell terrier, Sahib, goes to school with her every day and is the school mascot. Nancy and her husband, Jamie, celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary not long ago. * **Jeff Barske** is in his third year as town clerk of Thompson, Conn. His daughter Carrie is writing her thesis for a doctorate at UMass. Daughter Lindsey began her master’s/doctorate at Duke. Jeff is the president of the Thompson Lions Club, and he and his wife, Wendy, enjoy their travel trailer. They still have horses. * **Tom Bolmer** is at Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI) in the geology and geophysics department as a technician on the U.S. Coast Guard Ice Breaker *Healy*. Tom spent May in the Bering Sea and saw amazing birds and walrus. He had dinner in April with Marysue (Naegele ’75) and Dave Galvin ’75 and **Jeff Hancock** in Seattle. Tom’s wife, Elyn Montgomery ’81, left WHOI this spring after 24 years for a full-time job at USGS

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Portland Magazine included **Huey (James Coleman '70)** on the 2006 list of the 10 Most Intriguing People in Maine. Among his many film projects, Huey directs the Maine Student Film and Video Festival each year. ♦ **Jed Snyder '76** received the Superior Civilian Service award, one of the US Navy's highest civilian honors. Snyder was given the award for his service as special advisor to the commander of US Naval Forces in the Middle East. He is currently working with the commander of all U.S. Naval Forces in Europe, headquartered in Naples, Italy. Snyder is assessing the effectiveness of the Navy's operations and planning in Europe and Africa . . . and enjoying southern Italian cooking. ♦ **Frank Malinoski '76** was promoted to senior vice president of medical affairs at MedImmune, Inc., adding to his already impressive résumé that includes chief medical officer at Oxon Therapeutics, Inc., and vice president of global business development and medical affairs at Wyeth Pharmaceuticals. Malinoski joined MedImmune in 2005 as vice president of infectious disease and



Paul Harvey '78

medical affairs, and in his new position he will oversee marketed products and public policy in the therapeutic areas of cancer, infectious disease, and vaccines. ♦ **Paul Harvey Jr. '78** was inducted into the New England Basketball Hall of Fame on October 6, 2006, with others chosen among outstanding players, coaches, officials, and contributors from high schools and colleges across New England. After taking his high school team to the New England Regional tournament, he became a star worthy of recognition at Colby. From 1975 to 1978 he was one of two players in the College's history to exceed 2,000 career points.

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Deaths:

Robert J. Kessler '71, September 13, 2006, in Jamaica Plain, Mass., at 57 ♦ **Gregory R. Billington '78**, October 5, 2006, in Cambridge, Mass., at 50.

across the lot from Tom. ♦ **Mick Chapuk**, an artist who teaches adult literacy classes at Northampton Community College's Fowler Family Southside Center, is the brains behind "Some Serious Business—Art of the Lehigh Valley," an exhibition at the abandoned plant and offices of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation. The 50 artists filled 42 rooms with their creations, and the show exceeded Mick's expectations. ♦ I received the longest response to our call for news from **Jackie Olivet**, who said she hasn't sent in class news for 20 years. For the last 10 years she has been residing in Catskill, N.Y., with her life-long partner, Jean, and their two "girls," Ellie, a shepherd/hound mix, and Sophia, a border collie mix. The "girls" have entered dog agility competitions. After becoming a lawyer and practicing law for almost 20 years, Jackie started a new career

in teaching 10 years ago and is now a tenured social studies teacher at the high school level. She currently coaches the mock trial team and advises the National Honor Society. She also teaches part time in a paralegal program at a local community college. Jackie has been involved in running, biking, skiing, kayaking, and hiking, though her athletic pursuits were curtailed last summer by foot surgery. She would like to hear from **Pam Brownstein Lipstein**, **Gay Peterson**, and **Cathy Phillips Jewitt**. ♦ Thanks for the news, Jackie et al. Now, let's hear from the rest of you. —*S. Ann Earon*

76 Hi everyone! I'm very much looking forward to being your new class correspondent. Hearty thanks to **Jane Souza Dingman** and **Ann Dunlap LeBourdais** for updating us the past several years! Also a special

thanks to **Jennifer Frutchy Ford**, who served as class agent for 15 years, leading us over the \$100,000 mark last year. Meanwhile, Jenny's daughter is a freshman at Brown, and Jenny was looking forward to visiting her son, a high school junior who's in Beijing for a year abroad. Jenny works for two foundations and would welcome company skiing up at Sugarbush. ♦ **Ned Lipes** is enjoying his third year of retirement. He and his wife have a Florida home in Palm Beach Gardens. Ned invites classmates to stop by for a round of golf at the new Ray Floyd course called Old Palm. (Hmmm, invitations to *ski* in Sugarbush and *golf* in Florida—why am I *typing* in New Jersey?) ♦ **Jed Snyder** received the Navy's Superior Civilian Service award from the Secretary of the Navy. The medal recognizes Jed's work as a strategic planning advisor for the Commander of Middle East Naval Forces. Jed's now in Naples, Italy, as a senior advisor to the Commander of all U.S. Naval forces in Europe. ♦ Associate Professor **Betsy Bowen** teaches writing and literacy courses at Fairfield University. She spent time last spring in Russia, where she worked with teachers of English at universities in St. Petersburg. Betsy's husband, Jeff, also teaches English. Her son, Ben, is now 14. ♦ **Paul Kueffner**'s daughter graduated in May from the University of Vermont. While there, Paul ran into **Paul Philbin**, whose daughter was also graduating. ♦ **Wendy Swallow** remarried in 2001 to Charlie Shepard. Wendy teaches journalism at American University and lives in northwest D.C. Her beloved eldest child turned traitor by attending Bates last fall. Her two stepsons are at the University of Chicago and Yale, and her youngest son was deciding between Colby and Bowdoin! Although Wendy and Charlie are looking forward to empty-nest syndrome, she suspects it will probably feel like breaking through into the outer atmosphere—a lot of nothing! ♦ **Joth and Karen Brown Davis** have been in Bainbridge Island, Wash., for more than 20 years. Joth splits his time between his oyster and clam farm, his lab research, and teaching at the University of Washington. Karen's private practice in mediation is concerned with disputes between families with special education students and Washington's public schools. Their oldest son, Justin, a Colorado College senior, lived last year in Shanghai, China. Daughter

Hannah is a Bates sophomore (Wendy, please note!), and son Caleb is a shooting guard on the high school team and number one oysterman on his dad's farm. Karen reports seeing **Dan Mallove**, who lives nearby, and **Carol Haffenreffer Abrahams**, who visited last January. ♦ **Doug McMurrey**'s son Jay graduated from Colby last May. Sailing is Houston-based Doug's passion, and Boothbay Harbor is his family's favorite summer spot. ♦ **Elizabeth Johnson-Suenaga** writes from Kumamoto City, Japan, where she lives with her husband and two tall boys (16 and 19). She's a part-time English teacher and helps out at her husband's photo studio. ♦ **Sig and Lisa Wolman Habers** split their time between Maryland and Florida. Modern technology lets Lisa run her travel agency from anywhere, and she also helps run the family real estate development business. Lisa volunteers for Small Paws Rescue, a Bichon Frise rescue group. Active in Republican politics, she's crossed party lines as an investor in a play about Robert F. Kennedy. ♦ Our class's heartfelt condolences go out to **Stuart Michener** on the death last year of his wife, Nancy Groh Michener '77. ♦ Classmates Peter, Lydia, and Mary, I'll get to you in the next issue. Thanks to all for writing. —*Robert Weinstein*

77 **Bill Yovic** lives in Chicago with his wife, Pam. His daughter, Sydney, is a sophomore at Michigan State, and his son is a junior at beautiful St. Lawrence University in Canton, N.Y. Bill is in the medical imaging business, selling CT and MRI scanners. (I could use one of Bill's machines to help me find my short-term memory.) ♦ **Jane Hoffman** says that as an independent college admissions advisor she visited Colby, Bates, and Bowdoin (gasp!) last August. She notes that Colby was recently cited as one of "25 New Ivies" (I couldn't get in now) in a recent *Newsweek* article. Since daughter Rachel returned to Smith College as a sophomore, she is feeling nostalgic about her sophomore year in Foss-Woodman. I hope Jane is feeling nostalgic enough to come to our 30th reunion this spring. ♦ **Ehrhardt Groothoff** is working as a clinical supervisor for the San Francisco Fire Department EMS (paramedic) Division, renovating a 1940s wine country estate (anything in the cellar?), and home schooling his three kids (8, 6, and 4) with his wife, Grace. He had a great summer

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vacation in Maine, where he was joined by **Liz Lawrence** and **Vinnie Marcucci** and their kids. * **Steve Roy** writes that his family—Valerie (Jones '76), Dan, Hobart '03, and Derek—is well. Valerie made the move from big bank (Bank of America) to little bank (Pepperell in Biddeford, Maine) and loves it. Vinnie's counseling practice in Portland continues to go well after six years. He plays golf and is involved with the Portland Community Chorus as a tenor. He plans to attend our 30th. * **Ina-Lee Toll Block's** twin daughters, Marissa and Avery, completed their junior years at Skidmore and Connecticut Colleges, though they spent a semester together at the Institute of Fine and Liberal Arts in Florence, Italy, studying art history, Roman civilization, and red wine. Her son, Aaron, is attending Colby (Class of 2010), and she couldn't be happier. She continues to accept consulting assignments with the local school system. Her husband, Larry, is a cardiologist and is part of a 14-person practice. Beyond medicine, Larry loves cycling and will ride up Mt. Washington this year in what she considers the silliest bike race she has ever heard of. * **Evan Katz** lives in Groton, Mass., and is business administrator for the Andover, Mass., public schools. He also plays in the local (Way) Over Thirty Baseball League. * **Mark Fishbon** is an attorney with his own practice in Boston. This year his family vacationed all over the place with his two teenage daughters, Talia and Anna. Talia also went to Israel last summer and was there during the war but stayed out of harm's way and had a great trip. Talia is on her high school swim team, and Anna plays "too many sports to mention." * **Nancy Epstein** was ordained as a rabbi last June and continues to work as an associate professor at the Drexel University School of Public Health. * **Peter Cohn** is in his fifth year as a high school science teacher at the Art and Design High School in N.Y.C. He helps his son, Aaron, with Eagle Scout projects, his daughter, Sarah, is now baby sitting, and both kids attend Huntington (N.Y.) High School. His wife, Joanne, has taken her photography works into the digital age. I guess it's time to get rid of my Instamatic. * **Jerry Chadwick** wrote that his wife, **Ligia Campana**, traveled to both Spain and Ecuador last summer gathering material for the development of education products. Their daughter, Elizabeth,

spent several weeks in Spain (without mom and therefore had lots of fun) brushing up on her Spanish. * I'll see *everyone* at our 30th reunion. —*Mark Lyons*

78 Francie Palmer Christopher wrote that she received her Ph.D. last spring from the University of Kansas in TESOL and is directing the master's in TESOL program at the School of Education at Northwest Missouri State University. In 2004 she married Franklin Christopher, and they have five children ranging in age from 16 to 25. The oldest is in med school, the second graduated from Brown, the middle two are in college, and the youngest is in high school. They stay busy commuting between Annapolis, Md., living on a 40-foot sailboat, and working in Kansas City or Portland, Ore. * **David Kayatta** has been living in California for 10 years and also has five children. His oldest graduated from Claremont McKenna College and is going to med school. A second son is at UCLA, his daughter is a senior and considering Colby, and he also has two younger daughters. He had a great visit with **Larry Hill** when Larry was visiting family in San Diego. * **Ronni Posner Carpenter** writes that she is thrilled that the college search with her twins is over. Her sons graduated from North Yarmouth Academy and headed in different directions for college, Scott to Dickinson and Rob to Kenyon. Alison is a sophomore at NYA. Summer found John Carpenter '80 on a graduation trip to Germany with Rob and Scott for the 2006 World Cup Soccer Tournament. Ronni traveled with Alison's Maine Coast United soccer team to England, Scotland, and Paris! * **Helena Bonnell Gilman** has worked for Microsoft for 11 years and has been located the last few years at headquarters in Redmond after living outside of the U.S. for 16 years. Initially in traditional marketing, she has changed to managing on-board programs for new marketing, undergraduate, and M.B.A. hires. Helena writes, "Please tell me that we did not have such attitudes when we graduated! I have two lovely sons, Christopher and William, who are truly pushing the teenage years envelope, so hope others are experiencing the same fun and pain!" * To celebrate collective 50th birthdays and Professor Sandy Maisel's 60th birthday, **Doug Kaplan** and his wife, Ann, took a trip to Alaska with **Rick**

Abrams and **Susan Kenyon**, Robin and **Jeff Shribman**, and Sandy Maisel and Patrice Franko. Doug writes that "they had one spectacular day after another. Watched glaciers calving, lots of bald eagles diving into the water to catch salmon, bear, moose, huge snow-capped mountains, waterfalls, and humpback and killer whales." He recommends this trip to all of us. * **Phil Redo** was excited to return to Boston when he accepted a position as general manager for Greater Media in Boston. He oversees five radio stations, from FM talk to rock and country. Previously, Phil was vice president of WNYC AM/FM, an NPR station in New York. In his free time, Phil has been painting. He studied at the Art Student's League in New York and has a Web site: www.philpaints.com. Phil keeps in touch with Bob Kaake '77 and reconnected with a number of his fraternity brothers last October on the sad occasion of a memorial service for Jay Hotchkiss '77. * **Doug Giron** has been named a partner of Shechtman Halperin Savage LLP, a law firm in Pawtucket, R.I. Doug joined the firm in 1996 and focuses on commercial and business litigation and transactions. —*Janet Santry Houser and Lea Jackson Morrissey*

79 Gayle Amato spent time with daughter Amanda in April on a cruise with their girlfriends, hers being Kathy Jackson '78, then dropped off Amanda for her freshman year at Cornell in September. Gayle, who still works at Bayer Healthcare Pharmaceuticals in the clinical systems area, worked the last two years on submission data standards for New Drug Applications (NDAs). As a member of the team, Gayle received the Leveraging and Collaboration award from the FDA. * **Joseph Meyer** is back in New York after 14 years in Tokyo and two years in Hong Kong. His company, Deutsche Asset Management, also has a 20 percent-owned affiliate in the PRC, Harvest Fund Management, in Shanghai. Joseph enjoyed catching up over lunch with Chih Chien Hsu '80, who was in New York in June on business from Taiwan. * **Becky Rogers Bushong** still lives in Columbia, Md., with husband Bill and kids Ellen, 15, and Drew, 12. She is in her third year working as a nonprofit administrator at a professional association. * **Sarah Russell MacColl** is a full-time personal trainer in the Cape Elizabeth,

Maine, area and teaches lots of Pilates classes. Her son, Tike, applied early decision to Colby, and daughter Katy, 15, is a sophomore at Cape Elizabeth High School. * **Kathy Quimby Johnson** left her part-time job at UVM for full-time freelance writing. Daughter Lydia spent her spring semester last year in Ladakh, India. While on a college tour, Kathy stayed with **June Fifty O'Brien** in Chadds Ford following a trip to Baltimore. June is married to a wonderful guy and works for AstraZeneca. * Suzanne and **Sam Koch** have three sons and a daughter. Suzanne continues to work for the D.A.'s office in the child abuse division. Sam says he still loves going to work everyday coaching soccer at UMass. * **Liz** (Yanagihara '80) and **Barry Horwitz** took their daughter, Ali, to Occidental College in Los Angeles for her freshman year. Son Michael is a senior at UMass, Amherst. Liz continues her music and artwork and recently put up a Web site (www.lizhorwitz.com) with her art. Barry continues his management consulting practice, working with a number of companies and nonprofit organizations on growth strategies. They still reside in Newton, Mass. * **Laurel Johnson Black** was appointed director for the Center of Teaching Excellence at Indiana University of Pennsylvania, where she is an associate professor of English. She also runs workshops on and fulfills requests for ghost investigations with her ghost-hunting group, Ghost Researchers of Pennsylvania (GRiP). Her husband, Bill, though skeptical at times, cannot explain the EVP's (Electronic Voice Phenomena, or "ghost voices") that they have received. Laurel's course in Writing About the Paranormal is quite popular. * **Dr. Angela Mickalide**, current director of education and outreach for the Home Safety Council, recently completed a comprehensive program at the Public Health Education Leadership Institute. The program aims to strengthen the nation's health and education promotion system by building leadership capabilities among senior state and local health education managers and administrators. Angela is an adjunct associate professor of prevention and community health at the George Washington University School of Public Health and Health Services. * "Greetings from Baghdad!" wrote Capt. **Peter Krayer**. Now in his 27th year of service in the Navy and reserves, he was recalled

to active duty after several months of training and assigned to an Army Civil Affairs unit in Iraq. He is working on projects across the country that will increase the capacity of the national and provincial governments and improve the infrastructure. Home for Peter is Texas, where he is a financial manager for the U.S. General Services Administration in Fort Worth. His wife, Michelle, is a nurse and planned to attend medical school this year. Their children, Troy and John, 19, and Sharon, 17, all graduated from high school last year. Let's hope that by the time this column is printed, Peter, you'll be home safe and sound. Thank you for serving your country. * You'll find more news of our class on the *Colby* magazine Web site. —*Cheri Bailey Powers*

80 Susan Sullivan Hinrichs wrote in with a very special thank-you to last year's Alumni Fund committee, **Bob Bower, John Carpenter, Kevin Fahey, Jack McBride, Suze Connolly Levere, Leslie Mitchell, Barbara Neal, Dan O'Halloran, and Elliott Pratt.** Their hard work and perseverance are greatly appreciated. * Congratulations are in order for **Bo Preston**, who married Lynne Schmidt on Aug. 27, 2006, after a 49-year wait. Ed Rowland '81 served as groomsman, and Sandy Buck '78 and **Henry Kennedy** were also present at the ceremony. Bo reports that they had a wonderful honeymoon in Kauai, Hawaii, where they spent a lot of time reading the real estate rags with an eye to not returning to the real world. Sadly, this effort yielded no results and they are both back in Hamilton, Mass., dealing with real life. * **Aimee LaMorte Rathburn** has been incredibly busy in Denver. For nearly two years she's been training for the U.S.A. Shooting Team in women's skeet. She won Senior National Champion this year and is hoping to make the 2012 Olympics. In her "spare time" she's run for the Colorado State Legislature, trying to flip an open seat back to Republican. Unfortunately, her husband suffered a heart attack this past August and had to have emergency open-hearts surgery. For news about Aimee's campaign, visit www.AimeeRathburn.com. * After 21 years of active military service, **John Monroe** retired from the U.S. Navy Medical Corps in October 2005. He's currently working as a part-time faculty member in the ophthalmology department at UCSD and as attend-

ing physician at the VA in La Jolla, Calif. John lives in Del Mar, Calif., and keeps active with swimming, running, working out, and learning how to surf. * Larry '81 and **Tina Chen Starke** were in Maine last summer to drop off son Ben, 13, at camp. While passing through Waterville they dined at the Weather Vane (aka The Silent Woman) and ran into Michele Adams Prince '81. The Starkes also visited Las Vegas, where they spent their time indoor skydiving! (Only in Vegas!) * Barry '79 and **Liz Yanagihara Horwitz** are empty-nesters, having dropped daughter Ali off at Occidental College in the fall. Their son, Mike, is a senior at UMass. Liz continues to play flute and double bass with a number of different groups, including the Boston Civic Symphony and The Mood Swing Orchestra (an all-women's big band). She reports that her roommate and sister-in-law, **Sue Horwitz Kerr**, is still teaching at the Wellesley College Child Study Center and managed to convince her son, John, to go on a Maine college trip during the summer. * **Dan Berger's** son, Jesse, is a freshman at Sierra Nevada College in Lake Tahoe. Dan was recently in northern Thailand visiting a friend who is opening an executive retreat center in Chang Mai. * **Lynn Collins Francis's** oldest started her freshman year at Rochester Institute of Technology, and Lynn started a new full-time job in the corporate side of clinical research at Battelle CRO in Newton, Mass. After 26 years working in Boston area hospitals, she says the shorter commute is certainly appreciated. * **Patty Valavanis Smith** enjoyed a few lunches this year with **Liz Shackford Reinhardt** and **Jane Sullivan Allison.** Jane and her husband, Dwight '79, spent the fall on Semester at Sea. The last time I checked out their blog (<http://dwright-allison.blogspot.com/>) they were on their way from Japan to Hong Kong to avoid typhoon Shanshan. * As we approach our 50s, I hope the spirit of adventure that has propelled the Allison around the world will continue to inspire all of us. —*Tom Marlitt*

81 Despite a rainy weekend, those of us who braved exposure to the toll a quarter of a century has taken (or has not taken—**Suzanne Poitras** looks absolutely fabulous) rejoiced in a very merry 25th reunion. Nothing like a bear hug from the ever-effusive **Peter Coccia** to make me feel like a million bucks! Many

thanks and congratulations to **Jim** and **Laura Littlefield Bourne**, who were honored with Colby Bricks at the Friday night awards banquet. Also a big round of applause for classmate **Meg Bernier**, who did a fantastic job planning and running a wonderful program of events as well as producing a treasured class reunion book. In lieu of the traditional Parade of Classes, we all huddled in the stands of Wadsworth Gym, where I was thrilled to wave our '81 placard—so much so that Meg had to grab the staff away from me after an impressive presentation of class gifts. My teammates **Pam Woods Mosdale** and **Kim Wadkins Seymour**, along with our former team manager, **Leslie Breton**, enjoyed reminiscing at the traditional Saturday afternoon lobster bake. A wonderful stroke of luck was that Pam, husband Tom, and their two wonderful children had the room right across the hall from mine at our hotel. Even though we had not seen each other since graduation, we picked up right where we left off, howling at some favorite hockey memories. We missed **Sara Bunnell Yeager**, who couldn't attend because her son, Robert, was graduating from Cushing Academy, where Sara is now director of alumni programs. * Perhaps the highlight of the weekend was the Saturday night class dinner, at which Charlie Bassett delivered a classic speech. As most of us did countless times in Lovejoy 100, we all leaned forward and made sure we heard every word of wit and wisdom. Lobster was once again on the menu, and I will never forget watching **Faith Bramhall Rodenkirk** dine on the famous Maine delicacy, or, more accurately, make love to it. Faith also recounted a hilariously fascinating trip she and husband Don made to Las Vegas for an Easter weekend getaway. * Nice to hear from fellow Fort Weird resident **Karen Pfeiffer Jones**, who recently reunited in Nebraska with **Karen Baumstark Porter**, who lives in Omaha, **Michele Adams Prince**, **Tracy Don MacDonald '82**, and **Susan Robertson Kuzia '82.** The fab five have been getting together annually for many summers. Karen also says she left her UBS investment bank library job in New York City and is volunteering for the Friends of the Scarsdale Library. Her sons, Andrew and Alex, are in ninth and seventh grades, respectively. Karen writes, "Both boys do tae kwon do and other activities. Thank goodness for XM

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ALUMNI AT LARGE

Radio!” * **Bob McCurdy** recently caught up with his senior year roommate, **John Foster**, who had just sold his restaurant in Lexington, Ky., and was visiting his hometown in New York State, accompanied by his wife, Nancy, and two sons, Ian and Jackson. Bob and his family also traveled to London and reunited with another roommate, Brian Daly '83, who lives in London with his wife and three children. In addition, Bob reports that he and Ginny McCourt-McCurdy '82 are kept busy by their “flock”—Kate is a sophomore at McGill in Montreal; high school senior Rob performs in an “indie-rock” band called *The Morning Of*; Ryan is a sophomore in high school; and Annie is in the eighth grade. * I recently began a new position at Boston's Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in the division of cardiology. * Listen, people, I was very apprehensive to return to Mayflower Hill after so many years, but I am so glad I did. It was a magical weekend, and I can't wait to see *all* of you in 2011! In the meantime, please keep in touch. —*Steph Vratatos*

82 **Linda Hurwitz** lives in Norfolk, Va. She has been with the Virginia Symphony for 19 years now and still enjoys her music career, which combines performing and teaching children. Linda is playing several concerts featuring American composers in conjunction with Jamestown's 400th anniversary in 2007 and invites classmates to visit southern Virginia. Linda is back in touch with **Susan French Fine**, whose two sons, Josh and Zach, are growing up fast! Susan and her family had been living in Senegal but have since moved to Reston, Va. Susan is working for USAID in Washington, D.C. Linda also heard from **Claudia Goulston**, who was returning to the States from Shanghai with her husband, Bill, to set up their medical practice in Salt Lake City. Last spring Linda caught up with **Ann Foster** on Newbury Street in Boston. Ann and her husband, **Peter Van Dyck**, still live out on Cape Cod with their two sons, Max and Jackson. Linda hoped to see as many classmates as possible next spring at our reunion. I second that hope! * **Seth Medalie** and his family traveled to Italy last summer. They spent time at Lake Como and then traveled to Lucca in western Tuscany, where they rented a beautiful villa with their own vineyard. Seth says it was especially exciting to be

there during the World Cup—the country was really celebrating. Seth and his wife, Leslie, are “way too busy” keeping up with their son, Ryan (sophomore at Needham High), and their daughter, Caitlin (seventh grade in the Needham middle school), and all of their sports and social commitments. Seth doesn't recall being that scheduled as a child (and I don't think we were). On the business front, it has been more than 12 years since Seth started The Bulfinch Group with two employees in an office on Milk Street in Boston. They now have more than 100 people spread across New England and have aggressive growth plans. I can report that as busy as his life is, Seth is working hard on the 25th reunion campaign, too. * **Ruth Harkins Lawler** and her husband, Chris, are building a vacation house on Squam Lake in New Hampshire and have spent a lot of time there enjoying the lake and watching the house come along. She is active in her town garden club, and her garden was part of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society's June tour. Her twins, Hannah and Geoffrey, are juniors at Wellesley (Mass.) High this year, and, Ruth wrote, “We are all preparing for the pre-college frenzy of the next two years.” Ruth continues to horseback ride and competed in her first three-day event last summer on her mare, Hasty Pudding. * **Ann Renner Stillwater** is a nurse and yoga teacher in Harrisburg, Pa. She has been a school nurse for two years but worries that she may have to job hunt again soon since the public school system is not healthy. She has started back to school at Penn State to add a B.S.N. to her other degrees. Ann's 16-year-old daughter was to venture to the Seattle, Wash., area to help start a Sudbury Valley-style school there, so, Ann explains, “We are experiencing our empty nest a little early!” Her 20-year-old son, Chris Renner, plays keyboards for the heavy metal band Curse Icon. Ann never thought she'd want to be comfortable in a bar, but she has been finding connections even with people with body piercing and clinking clothing! You never know! Ann is looking for others from the Baltimore, D.C., Philly (or even N.Y.C.) area to share a ride to the reunion in June. E-mail her at astill@alum.colby.edu if interested. Ann has a great idea. Carpooling could make the weekend even more fun. You might even have time for a stop at L.L. Bean! The Colby alum Web site is a great place to con-

nect and find classmates. June will be here soon! —*Janice McKeown*

83 A devastating fire on Dec. 11, 2005, damaged the Centerville, Mass., home of **Paul Revere III**. Thank God the family—his wife, Stasia, Kira, 14, and Paul IV, 12—was okay, but their two dogs, Cleopatra (12-year-old golden) and Roxanne (6-year-old yellow Lab), didn't make it. A year later, the family is hanging in there, and Paul says his law practice is fabulous with more work than he can tackle. Paul regularly sees **Lisa Murray MacLean** and her children, Andrew and Amanda. **Kevin Young**, who died last year of brain cancer, was Paul's freshman year roommate, and they maintained a friendship throughout their remaining college years. Paul has spoken with Kevin's partner, George Laskaris, wishing him the best. In honor of Kevin's memory, Paul doubled his donation to Colby and urges others to do so and ask the Alumni Office to notify George of the gift in Kevin's memory. * **Jan McDonnell Trafecanty**, **Jennifer Knoll Bouchard**, **Christine Marshall Gaudette**, and **Diane Therrien Lamper** were in the process of planning their yearly weekend away. Diane wrote that their oldest daughter, Andrea, 21, finished her first year of pharmacy school in North Carolina. Son Jonathan, 15, went to Israel in the spring on a pilgrimage with the pastor of his youth group and four other people, and Diane says the Bible has truly come alive for him. Their youngest, Natalie, 8, spent *tons* of time in the water last summer. * **Mike Collins** remains deep behind the “orange curtain” in Irvine, Calif., where he's run ragged by his four boys (Eben, 14, Paul, 11, Peter, 8, and Neil, 6), his small business, Advantage Manufacturing, and his favorite cause—helping economically disadvantaged youth play baseball. Contact Mike at mike@electricmotors.com. * **Scott Russell** and Eve Ermer '86 are empty-nesters in Tunbridge Vt., now that Erik is a junior at St. Lawrence and Andrea started in the baking and pastry arts program at Johnson & Wales. Scott teaches at Thetford Academy, and Eve teaches at Hanover High School in New Hampshire. They found some time this summer to catch a couple of Red Sox games at Fenway, do a white-water rafting trip on the upper Hudson River in N.Y. state, and spend a long weekend on the beach in

Maine. * Also in an empty nest is **John Munsey**. Their “baby” daughter has gone off to Smith College, and their son is a junior at St. Lawrence University. John is managing scientist and principal at C.T. Male Associates, PC, in Latham, N.Y., and his e-mail is j.munsey@ctmale.com. * **Jenifer Ambler** took her daughter, Kate, 11, on a little self-guided tour of Colby during a summer trip to Maine. Mary Low was locked, but Foss-Woodman was open so she got to see a couple of Jenifer's old rooms. It was fun trying to explain the “Foss Fall” to Kate, says Jenifer, adding that it's amazing to think that when we started there, the computers were huge machines in the Lovejoy basement, and now they have high-speed in every room. But what really makes her envious is that the dorms now have air conditioning! * For **Becky Crook Rogers**, summer is not vacation time since she's been the camp and childcare registrar for the North YMCA branch of the YMCA of Central Ohio for more than four years. Seven hundred fifty campers in her branch this past summer attended most of the 10 weeks offered. Becky is also responsible for about 650 childcare participants during the school year. Her kids, Jamie, 16, a sophomore at Upper Arlington High School, and Michael, an eighth grader at Hastings Middle School, are both active in the orchestra program. Jamie plays violin and Michael plays the string bass. Becky's husband, Jesse, is still working for Specialized Bicycles. The bike industry is one area where the price of gas has not had a negative impact! —*Sally Lovegren Merchant*

85 **Kim Rogers** e-mailed to say that he and his new wife, who is originally from Wroclaw, Poland, moved from Seattle to Phoenix in 2005, just in time for summer in the desert. They were trying to get used to the heat while Kim settled into his new position as Phoenix district manager for Labor Ready, the nation's largest private employer handling industrial, construction, and service industry staffing. Kim also enjoyed a visit from his two children, Max and Olivia, who are 15 and 13. * **Melinda Griggs Underwood** got married in 2004 to William Corbett—no children, but a great dog named Jerome. She lives in the house she bought in Saxtons River, Vt. A month before getting married Melinda started a master's program in education through UMass, Boston,

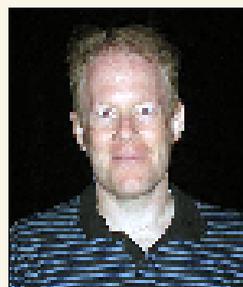
to become a teacher of the visually impaired (TVI). Melinda is working at the Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired as an itinerant teacher while finishing out her practicum. Last year she ran into **Nat Dane**, now known as Oen Kennedy, who was performing at Perkins School for the Blind. He's got two great CDs out and is dedicating himself to his music. * **Lori Gustafson Adams** is raising two teenagers and working as a technical writer for Sun Microsystems. Her family tries to squeeze in lots of family vacations before the kids grow up completely. In the last few years, they have been skiing at Whistler and in Vermont and visited Florida and California. * **Ben Lowry** enjoys his family—wife Kate, two boys, 8 and 5, and two golden retrievers—and plays a lot of golf and tennis. Those of you in southern Maine may know that several years ago Ben started his own law firm, Lowry Legal Services, in Portland's Old Port, and it has been doing well. Ben and his firm are the number two television advertising law firm in Maine, with one ad showing old photos of Ben playing baseball in his "glory days" and telling the viewers that he's "ready to go to bat for you." Ben says it gets a lot of laughs. His golf and tennis partners include Bill Sheehan '84, Dave Rosenberg '84, Brian Hesse '84, and **Phil DeSimone**. Phil, according to an article in the *Worcester Business Journal*, is very busy (when he isn't golfing with Ben) serving as the senior vice president of Spaulding & Slye, central Massachusetts's leading commercial real estate team. * **Wendell Perkins** was the subject of a four-page profile in the May 2006 issue of *Bloomberg Markets*. A senior portfolio manager for Johnson Asset Management, Wendell oversees \$1.3 billion in assets for the Racine, Wis.-based company. When he isn't managing all that money Wendell is outside of Racine managing his own 47-acre "farmette," where Wendell and his daughter raise chickens and vegetables. * **Eric Trucksess** sent news from Chappaqua, N.Y., where he and his wife, Jenn, welcomed their son, Logan Edward Trucksess, last June. Of course Eric will be about 61 by the time Logan enrolls at Colby in 2024, but who needs retirement, right? * **Stephen Langlois** e-mailed to fill me in about an exhausting rainy afternoon he and **Sean Padgett** passed in Annisquam, Mass., watching their combined four wild children run

80s newsmakers

Raphaelle Sondak '84 was hired by the Visiting Nurse Association of Hudson Valley as the new vice president for human resources. After graduating from Colby, Sondak earned a Master of Science in Human Resources Management degree, and she has been working in human resources for 21 years. Most recently, she served as the director of human resources for the American Institute for Foreign Study Inc. Sondak also teaches as an adjunct professor at Mercy College. ♦ Hollywood has



Raphaelle Sondak '84



Scott Lanier '87

discovered the talent of screenwriter **Scott Lanier '87**. He won "The Abbreviated Screenplay Contest" for his short script, *Barber's Crossing*.

The contest's prize was the full production of his screenplay using a professional cast and crew. But Hollywood isn't the only place to discover Lanier, who has written seven feature-length screenplays. He previously worked as a Disney Fellow in sitcom writing, explaining he was lucky to be among the four writers chosen for the fellowship from a pool of 1,000. But luck probably had much less to do with it than talent; watch for his work on the silver screen.

milestones

Deaths: **Jill E. Snowman '85**, August 27, 2006, in Birmingham, Ala., at 43.

Marriages: **Laura Zegel '87** to Robert Tucker in Stockton Springs, Maine ♦ **Mike D'Agostonio '89** to Kimberly Clark in Napa, Calif.

Births: A son, Bruno Aaron Sturgess Becker, to Nora Sturgess and **Geoff Becker '80** ♦ A daughter, Juliette Smythe Coley, to Sandrine Deschaux and **Peter Coley '86** ♦ A daughter, Aurora Rosario Silvestro, to Louis and **Heather Anderson Silvestro '87** ♦ A daughter, Sinclair Blaise Richman, to Tim and **Jennifer Lawrence Richman '97**

crazily through the bucolic Cape Ann village while their wives, **Ann-Meg White** and Sally Marrer, enjoyed a much-deserved peaceful, thoughtful day at the Peabody Essex Museum with **Kate Lucier O'Neil** and me. Steve says it was wonderful to have the time with the children, but both he and Sean are looking forward to another opportunity for the gents to get out on their own. I can't vouch for how hard they worked watching their children, but I can say I had fun, and the Peabody Essex Museum is well worth the trip to Salem. —*Gretchen Bean Bergill*

86 In my last column I wondered whether **Amy Bleakney Neil** held the class record for most kids with five. Nope, **Andrew Burns** has got you beat—he's got six! "Got poop? Wescoop!" says Andy. That's actually the slogan for Andy's new business. Motivated not by his kids but by "best

friend" Patches, a German shepherd/Great Dane mix, Andy bought a franchise of Pet Butler, America's pet waste clean-up service. Andy would love to hear from any dog owners in the Boston area at andyburnspetbutler@hotmail.com. * Giving up her part-time work status, **Susan Maxwell Reisert** has become pastor of the Old South Congregational Church in Hallowell, Maine—the first woman pastor in the church's 200-year history. Husband Joe, chair of Colby's Government Department, has picked up some extra dad time with their kids, Margaret, 9, and John, 6. * When **Gretchen Bean Lurie's** daughter Paige entered her eighth-grade English class at Westridge School in Pasadena, Calif., she loved describing her Colby reunion experience with her new teacher, **Anne Wullschlager '01**. Small world! * **Anne Butter** had a great time at reunion, too, catching up with many friends, including **Jen**

Imhoff Foley. Both Jen and Anne work at L.L. Bean. After five years in logistics, Anne's new role in product development, developing knits and sweaters for the men's division, lets her see more of Jen, who is in the "Direct to Business" area at Bean. * **Cathy Woodward Gill** and **Jessica Flood Leitz** thought of an original outing: they took their kids to watch **David Epstein** "do the weather" live on Channel 5. Cathy recently became director of litigation at Goodwin Procter. As if the job and four kids weren't enough, she also put on her fall 2006 calendar a 210-mile relay race in New Hampshire as well as the New York Marathon. She tossed off the Boston Marathon last April. * **Eve Ermer** had a good excuse for missing reunion—she was at daughter Andrea's high school graduation. Her son, Erik, is a junior at St. Lawrence University. Eve and husband Scott Russell '83 attended a mini-Class of '86 reunion hosted by **Karen True** and her fiancé, John Winslow, at Karen's home in Gorham, Maine. They enjoyed seeing Santiago and **Jessica Gahm-Diaz** and daughters Aisha and Avi, **Liz Walzer Rust** and son Wyatt, Rick and **Deb Pernice Duffy** and children Hannah, Joe, Caroline, and Maggie, **Janet Booth** and Otis Carroll, and **Liz Libby** and Alex Durand and daughter Allison. * **Lars** and **Barb Falcone Smith** are still enjoying Louisville, Ky., where Lars received tenure at the University of Louisville's Brandeis School of Law. Barb keeps busy with church and school activities, thanks to daughters Lindsey, 5, and Alison, 3. Lars and Barb caught up with two other Class of '86 couples last summer: **Brian** and **Laurie Clark Cornwall** paid a visit, while Lars and Barb met **Chris** and **Cindy Lloyd Brogan** and kids at the Jersey shore. * After many years in Switzerland, **Nina Shah** is back in her hometown of Weston, Mass., with her two kids. She's glad to be back, although the weather and the Big Dig have made re-assimilation a bit of a challenge. * Prior to a family vacation on Martha's Vineyard, **Helene Landers Toomey** and her kids, Grey and Cypress, visited **Hamilton Brower** in the Big Apple. They visited the Statue of Liberty and the Empire State Building and camped out in "Uncle Ham's" Greenwich Village apartment. **Dan MacDonald** joined them one evening and regaled them with hilarious stories, as always! * Tracy and **Bill Yardley**

Electric Works | Beth Murphy '88

Before she started working at the Bakken Library and Museum of Electricity and Life in Minneapolis, Beth Murphy '88 didn't have much appreciation for the link between electricity and life. But, after all, with heart, brain and nerves all electrically powered, life simply wouldn't be possible without that electrical charge.

Murphy, who majored in physics at Colby and went on to earn a Ph.D. at the University of Rochester and to teach at Gustavus Adolphus and Carthage colleges and Hamline University, didn't initially see how tightly those physics principles were woven into her daily life. Take, for example, static electricity—one of the ways electricity and magnetism interact. Come to find out, it's more than just a winter clothing issue.

"Static electricity was hard for me to get excited about," said Murphy. When she studied static electricity in school, conditions were temperamental, she said, and even when conditions were right and results were predictable, Murphy didn't always see the point. "A lot of time," she said, "the experiments didn't seem very relevant."

But in 1999 she became the director of education and exhibits at the Bakken, and since then she has developed a new enthusiasm for static electricity and other things electrical. Did you know, she asked, that the ancient Greeks first discovered static electricity by noticing that lint clung to rubbed amber? That every time you use a photocopier you're using static electricity to attract the toner to the paper?

Murphy rattles off these facts and seems almost as excited as Ben Franklin must have been when he quit his printing job to spend more time tinkering with static electricity, making electric bells, carousels, wands, and even a tiny working cannon, all of which were recently on display at the museum. Sometimes she might even get as excited as her Colby professor, the late Roger Metz, who first showed her the magic of physics.

"Whenever he solved a physics problem," Murphy said, "he always looked like the kid who got the truck he always wanted for Christmas. There was a sparkle in his eye and this piece of hair that always stuck up in back. He was so happy and excited about what he was talking about, and that really rubbed off on me."

Now she gets to pass that same feeling along to the kids who come to the Bakken for workshops and science camps. Some who have gone through



Murphy's programs have already embarked on careers in science. And that's just what Earl Bakken had in mind when he bought this house and filled it with the old electrical devices he'd been collecting.

Bakken was an electrical engineer who went from fixing broken medical devices in his garage to building the first-ever portable (i.e., cordless) pacemaker and founding the medical device giant Medtronic.

Now his old curiosities are housed in an expanded 15-room Tudor mansion on Lake Calhoun in Minneapolis, where kids can come and play the theremin (source of the strange sounds in the Beach Boys "Good Vibrations"), look at magnetic hairbrushes and socks of yesteryear, and watch electric eels swim by, looking for something to shock.

It's not exactly where Murphy thought she'd find herself when she showed up in Waterville, ready to dive into math or business or accounting. Those plans were something Metz changed.

"I did well in physics," Murphy remembered, "and he convinced me I should take a second semester. Then he talked to me about majoring in physics, and I said to him, 'Well, I don't want to be a physicist.' He said, 'You don't have to be. You can major in physics and be anything you want. Physics will teach you how to think.'"

"And I bought it."

—Frank Bures

moved to Houston after 12 years in the Boston area. As VP of marketing and business development for Duke Energy, Bill is in the natural gas pipeline business. His kids, Annie, 10, and Turner, 9, have adapted to the tropical climate easily, thanks to the backyard pool. Bill hopes his transition will be equally smooth. * I love hearing from you all. Keep the news coming!
—Henrietta "Hank" Yelle

87 According to an August 2006 edition of the *Boston Business Journal*, **Kimberly Gorton Macnamara** was named president of Slade Gorton & Co., Inc., a Boston-based, family-owned seafood distributor. * **Aimee Good** wrote that she is living in Brooklyn, N.Y., with her husband, Josh Margolis, and 3-year-old daughter, Matilda. Aimee recently was hired as the education coordinator at The Drawing Center, the only fine-arts institution to focus solely on the exhibition of drawings, both historical and contemporary. She recently saw **Tim Oakes** and **Julie Smith** in Great Barrington while they were back east from Colorado for a visit. * **Michael Ashley** sent a note that he and his wife, Debbie, had their fourth child, Benjamin Mills Ashley, on June 7, 2006. * In June 2006, **Jeff Russell** opened the Center for Classic Aircraft Skills at the Millinocket (Maine) Municipal Airport. The venture is to be a combination flight school and sightseeing service that takes would-be pilots up over the Katahdin area's famous backcountry, past the mountain, along the West Branch of the Penobscot, over Ripogenus Dam, and out across the 100-Mile Wilderness. * **Sarah Graves Stelfox** sent the following update: "Brad and I are still living in Bragg Creek, Alberta, and just finished building a passive solar, wood-heated timber-frame home. I served as general contractor, a job for which my English lit degree prepared me well (not!). If nothing else, the experience gave me no small amount of material for my annual Christmas letter, which is really all that matters. Our oldest, Will, is in grade 12 this year (I can't quite believe it, either), and Kate, 15, is doing a semester in Great Britain in the fall. Nathan is 10 and has a new 'project' every five minutes (art, cooking, gardening, painting, and that's just yesterday)." * **Keary Hanan** e-mailed to say she was about to celebrate her first wedding anniversary: "I married Paul Marcum

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on Sept. 24, 2005, in East Hampton, N.Y., with our Labrador retrievers, Bert and Sadie, walking down the aisle with us. Colby alums who were there included Anthony Fazzone '88, **Matt and Amy Rosen Moran**, Brigid Hoffman Murray '86, and George Belshaw '88. We are living in Venice, Calif. My husband is a general manager at the Yahoo! Media Group, and I am at the TV Guide Channel." They expected their first child in December. * The ever-funny **Scott Lainer** sent the following note: "I just took a job as contract copy manager at Staples in Framingham, Mass. That's their business-to-business advertising. Needless to say, I am stealing as many company supplies as I can. I am also starting a few Web ventures with work friends and writing screenplays. I recently won the Abbreviated Short Screenplay contest, in which the short film was produced. I'm living in Brookline, Mass., with my girlfriend, Vanessa, and our four imaginary children, Olaf, Shakira, Sting, and Bubba." * On the marriage front, **Laura Zegel** married Robert Tucker on Aug. 5, 2006, in Stockton Springs, Maine. * Thanks for all the great updates. —*Kathleen Harnett Linger*

88 Jo "Muffy" Guthrie sent an update, saying "by the time this comes out the old news will be that Kerri Hicks '89 has married Rich Siegel. I got to stand up for her at the wedding in October. I recently got back in touch with Dave Coleman '89, who lives with his lovely wife and two children in California as well as with Rebecca 'Beckie' Pease Henning '91, who recently returned from a trip to the Middle East. I live down the street from **Sheila Rudolph** and her family. I see Linda Elliott Langley '86 fairly frequently and recently saw her eldest daughter perform as an adorable witch's cat in a Grimm's fairytale, *Snow White*. Willa Cobb '87 remains one of my closest friends despite the distance between us. **Vanessa 'Ness' Hemsley** has also been in touch. **John Radtke** and family are still in Maine, where last I heard he was head of the Portland school board. I also heard

from Steve Graber '90, who is adjusting nicely to fatherhood. I work at Upromise and in my spare time have helped to start a nonprofit community theater in Somerville, Mass. I'm very excited about our next production, *The Margaret Ghost*, the story of Margaret Fuller, who was a huge influence in her time and has been mostly forgotten to date." * Ann and **Dean Schwartz** welcomed Nathaniel William Schwartz into their family on July 25, 2006. * After 16 years on the West Coast, **Marc Cadieux** recently moved back to the East Coast to head up risk management for SVB Financial Group's eastern division. Living in a tiny apartment in Boston with his wife and 14-month-old son really made him look forward to moving into their new house. Marc says he misses the perfect weather of California but was anticipating having four distinct seasons again. * **Garret and Sue Maddock Hinebauch** have lived in London for five years now, enjoying all that the city and close proximity to Europe have to offer. Garret was lucky enough to get to Germany for two World Cup soccer games in June and to tour around Italy and France watching games in local pubs and restaurants along the way. In London, Garret teaches eighth grade and coaches varsity girls' basketball at the American School. Sue is busy shuttling their 6-year-old son, Oliver, to his Waldorf school. They were all eagerly anticipating the arrival of a new addition to their family in November. They spend summers in the U.S., and this year made a point of meeting up with several Colby classmates. They enjoyed a day in Cape Elizabeth at the home of **Ken Ginder** and his family. **Chris and Lisa Kerney Brown** made it up to Alden Camps in Maine for a few vacation days with them in July. They also had a great visit with Charles Bassett. * Kevin and **Heidi Irving Naughton** continue to enjoy their three children, Liam, 11, and twins Daly and Claire. Heidi adds, "As anyone with three kids can agree, once your kids get involved with sports, life as you know it is over." They had a great summer, spending 10 days in

Big Sky, Mont., at Moonlight Basin and three weeks in Spruce Head on the coast of Maine. They are in the midst of a major home improvement project, so Heidi enjoys drinking morning coffee with about 20 construction workers. * **Rick Angeli** is still working in the pharmaceutical industry as a regional account manager for Schering-Plough. He and his wife, Tricia, have three children: Emily, 8, Katelyn, 6, and Rick III, 4. One of the highlights of the past year was getting together with the Hurleys, Molloyes, Cantaras, Burkes, Cunninghams, Stetsons, and Nicholsons and all 17 kids for the annual Christmas/holiday party.

89 One of four long-lost classmates, **Jana Christopher**, wrote that she finished a master's from Harvard, bought a house, traveled to Peru and Guatemala, and recently returned from living in Micronesia for three months. Jana works as a middle-school special-ed teacher in New Hampshire. * **Gretchen Krehling McKay** got tenure as an art history professor at McDaniel College and in July started a term as associate dean for academic affairs. * Kate and **Andy Ayers** had a baby girl, Lucy Cronin, on July 8. Lucy has two big brothers, Michael, 4, and Jimmy, 2. Andy is an orthopaedic surgeon in Salem, Mass., lives in Hamilton, and loves life on the North Shore. * Christina and **Brendan Cahill** welcomed Oliver Laurence on August 17. Oliver has two big sisters, Helen and Beatrice. Brendan is in N.Y.C. at Fordham University, in the Institute of International Humanitarian Affairs, where he runs training programs for humanitarian aid workers. He began a Ph.D. program in education in September. * Michael and **Courtney Ingraffia Barton** are "ecstatic" over the birth of their first child, Josephine Judith, on July 31. * **Shaun Dakin** reports that turning 40 has prompted a mid-life crisis, although he has yet to buy that red sports car. Instead, he has to content himself with son Joseph's Thomas the Tank Engine toys. * **Brett and Leslie Norton Rankin** live in York, Maine, with their three kids. Brett works in Kittery as a general ENT doctor. * **Susan Breau** married Daryl Kelley on Sept. 17, 2006, in South Portland. * Tammy and **Chip Kispert** started Beacon Strategies in their garage in Denver. The business serves as a sales and marketing consultant to emerging

technology companies. Chip enjoys working from home and spending more time with his family, including 2-year-old Ella. * Cindy and **Paul Argazzi** had a daughter, Abigail Rae, on May 3. Big brother AJ is 3. * Karen (Faunce '90) and **Steve Rand** live in Scarborough, Maine, with their kids, Mitchell and Madison. Steve sells groceries for Hannaford, and Karen was about to go back to work as a middle-school teacher. Steve reports that **Brian Connors** has managed to keep his sweet jumpshot, despite being busy with his family and work at Kimberly Clark, and that **Lyle Muir** now lives in Amsterdam and works in business development for Intralox. Steve ran into **Byrne Decker** this summer when their boys were playing baseball and says that Byrne's son didn't seem to tire as he ran the bases. Like father, like son. * **Lizzie Clapham** recently moved to Santa Barbara, where she is a naturopathic doctor and yoga teacher at her own clinic, Pathways to Natural Health. * **Jim Connolly's** son, who was diagnosed with leukemia in December 2005, is responding well to treatment. Jim and his family hosted a bike ride along the Potomac to support two Vanderbilt grads who are cycling across the country to raise funds for childhood cancer research (see www.rallyacrossamerica.org). Jim reports that **Tom Cahill** and his wife and daughter live in Paris, where Tom works for *Bloomberg News*. Jim ran into **Martha Brockelman Rebour** at the National Gallery. Martha married a man she met while living in France, and they now live in the D.C. area with their two kids. Martha works at Discovery Communications. * **Carolynn Bell** sent me a photo of her wedding to Tom Tuttle on June 10 in Hawaii, the ceremony planned to coincide with the full moon over Moanalua Bay. Carolyn works as mentorship coordinator at ASSETS High School, a school for students with dyslexia, and Tom is a middle-school science teacher at Punahou School. Their reception included 30 children, who were entertained by a magician, dress-up and coloring, and that old favorite, kick the can. * If you don't see your news here be sure to read the longer column on the class Web site. —*Anita Terry*

90 Dyanne Kaufman Hayes still lives in Manhattan's Upper West Side with her husband, James, and son, Coleman, 17 months. After 13 years of teaching elementary school,

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she entered the world of residential real estate with The Corcoran Group. Last summer she was able to get together with the families of **Elizabeth LeRoy Clothier**, **Kristen Hock Davie**, **Jen Lally Kent**, and **Sue Beevers Seem**. * **Bill and Kinda Remick Priestley's** twins, Harry and Owen, turned 1, and their big sister, Georgia, was 3 in September. * **Joseph Vecchi** had his first child, Joseph Faut Vecchi Jr. * **Jeffrey Phelps** was promoted to vice president of McElroy Insurance, in Rockland, Mass. * **Kirsten Rossner Buchanan** welcomed Avery Emerson Buchanan to her family on Nov. 3, 2005. She joins older brother Cole, who is now 5 and started in kindergarten. Ella, 4, started preschool in September. * **Caryn and David Coleman** welcomed their second child, Jared Abraham Coleman, into the family on May 13. JAC is happy and healthy, and his sister, Avery, 3, is doing well with the new addition. They still live in northern California. David is director of professional services for Yodlee Inc. Caryn is staying home with the kids and helping out at Avery's school. * **Dan Spurgin** wrote that he and his girlfriend visited **Tom Sherry** at the start of the summer. They stayed over at his farm (Whistlepig Farm) in North Carolina, where Tom grows and sells boxes of garlic. Dan also wrote that **John Robbins** and his wife, Shaye, uprooted and moved south down the coast. Dan was also in touch with **John Hutchins**. John, his wife, Susan, and his son, Jack, are all doing well. He also has chatted with **Jon and Nori Sterling Gale** and **Doug Hall**. * **Anne Pollock Waldron** wrote that it was a busy summer with her three children, Megan, 6, Meredith, 4, and Brady, 1. She completed her first sprint triathlon with her aunt Jan Anderson Cogbill '76 in July. Her husband, John, participated in his first half-ironman in August. She looks forward to coming back to Colby next May as her youngest cousin, Allison Cogbill '07, will be graduating. * **Alex Day** is working on his dissertation in modern Chinese history at the University of California at Santa Cruz. * **Graham Powis** just became head of equity capital markets at Cowen and Company. —*Barbara "Bebe" Clark Bullock*

91 This is my first column as class correspondent, so I want to thank Jen and Lesley for all their past work—and beg forgiveness in advance for any

mistakes; I'll get better as time goes on. Just keep me posted! * It was great to see everyone who was able to attend Reunion Weekend, though the weather didn't exactly cooperate. I met up with Kathrine (Cole '90) and **Jack Aydelott** on the way to the registration tables in Cotter Union (aka "the Student Center"), and it was a pleasant surprise to find **Tim Palmer**, who came all the way from Japan with his son. I usually run into **Fred and Debbie MacWalter Bright** in Duxbury, Mass., and it was nice to see them and children Mackenzie and Matthew

for the class picture and lunch in the field house. Also there for the photo were **Laurie Brown Ross**, **Jennifer Wood Jencks**, **Charlotte Reece Moore**, **Beth Perry Brown**, **Chris Brownsey** (our new class vice president), **Abigail Joan Cook Russell**, and assorted spouses and children. The class dinner in the Heights was a nice chance for everyone to get together and talk about the past, present, and future. I was fortunate to have dinner with the **Aydelotts**, **Tim Palmer**, **Fred Ramstedt**, and **Brian and Sue Gouws Korn**. **Dave Vincent** drove up

from Lewiston to join us, and I noticed a last-minute appearance from **Brian Carlson** as well. Looking around, I saw **Julie Daniele Solomita**, **Charles '92** and **Erin Kelly DiGrande**, **Dan and Lesley Eydenberg Bouvier**, **Jessica Butler**, and **John '92** and **Theresa Sullivan Brockelman**. I hope to see all of you, and many missing classmates, in 2011. * Seacoastonline.com recently ran an article on **Tim Christensen-Kirby**, whose artwork in porcelain was shown for several weeks in a solo exhibition at the Three Graces Gallery in Portsmouth, N.H. * **Niles**

90s newsmakers

Jill Vollweiler '90 was a four-time Division III All-American runner at Colby, and she hasn't stopped running since. In fact, she has won four marathons. Vollweiler talked to the Norwich, Conn., *Bulletin* about her strength in competition, "I've always been able to step up when competing. It's about mentally preparing yourself to finish the race." And she certainly can finish a race—she recently completed the New York City Marathon in three hours, three minutes. ♦ **Mala Rafik '94**, partner at Rosenfeld and Rafik, Boston, has been named co-chair of the Boston



Mala Rafik '94

Bar Association's Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Section, which addresses civil rights issues such as affirmative action, the right to vote, and same-sex marriage. As the leading plaintiffs' expert on health care and long-term disability coverage in Massachusetts, Rafik has won hundreds of cases for chronically ill and disabled individuals who have been denied health insurance. Rosenfeld said that his partner's clients "see her as their primary life support." No wonder *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly* featured her as an "up-and-coming lawyer." ♦ The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) has appointed **Adam Cote '95** to serve on its National Advisory Council. Cote is one of only three Mainers on the council, which advises the SBA and Congress on small business issues. SBA Administrator Steven Preston warmly welcomed Cote to the council. "I'm sure that he will be a strong, independent voice for small business. . . . I personally will appreciate the opportunity to draw on Adam's expertise."

milestones

Marriages: **Alyssa Schwenk '94** to Ray Adams in Southampton, N.Y. ♦ **Bryan Carey '95** to Sarah Sweeney in Washington, D.C. ♦ **J. Christian Davenport '95** to Heather S. Black in Westport, Mass. ♦ **Jonathan Frothingham '95** to Tamsyn Young on Cuttyhunk Island, Mass. ♦ **Ryan Hastings '95** to Sinead Kelly in Lake Tahoe, Nev. ♦ **Megan Nicholson '96** to Thomas Walters in Williamstown, Mass. ♦ **Jennifer M. Atwood '97** to Christopher Lesky in Boothbay Harbor, Maine ♦ **Ted Keysor '97** to **Erin Roberts '00** in Bristol, R.I. ♦ **Sarah Holmes '97** to Jesse Tucker in Concord, Mass. ♦ **Jessie R. Anderson '98** to Miles A. Wixon in Sagamore Beach, Mass. ♦ **Joshua S. Scharback '98** to Alecia C. White in Davenport, Iowa ♦ **Mary F. Antrim '99** to John S. Maddox in Richmond, Va. ♦ **David J. Burke '99** to Amy C. Mainelli in Newport, R.I. ♦ **Laurel R. Coppock '99** to Robert T. Mort III in Waltham, Mass. ♦ **Carrie Peterson '99** to Charles Baughman in Springfield, Mass. ♦ **William R. Polkinghorn '99** to Whitney H. Hamill in Boston, Mass.

Births: A daughter, Louisa Kinsley, to **John '90** and **Beth Hermanson Kinsley '93** ♦ A son, Jack Dunham Bryant, to Ellen Dunham and **Shawn Bryant '93** ♦ A daughter, Alexandra Harper Lewis, to Lisa and **Nate Lewis '93** ♦ A child, Casey Crowell Eidson, to Sam and **Michelle Tadros Eidson '94** ♦ A son, William Henry Rulison, to Jennifer and **Larry Rulison '94** ♦ A daughter, Ann Halligan Schulze, to Louis and **Bekah Freeman Schulze '94** ♦ A son, Lucas Francisco Fernandez, to Manu and **Deb Whedon Fernandez '95** ♦ Two sons, Adam Guerry Herath and Zachary Richard Herath, to John and **Margaret Suggs Herath '95** ♦ A daughter, Lauren Shea Hallee, to Colleen and **Jason Hallee '95** ♦ A daughter, Flora Eudia Hunkins, to Frank and **Patricia Jurriaans Hunkins '95** ♦ A daughter, Matilda Marshall Meuse, to Brian and **Katherine Marshall Meuse '95** ♦ A son, Tyler Yunes, to Susan and **Mike Yunes '95** ♦ A daughter, Riley Howard, to Michael and **Corey Burnham-Howard '96** ♦ A son, Cameron Bruce Ennis, to Daniel and **Suzanne Arnold Ennis '96** ♦ A daughter, Lavery Greenfield, to Renee and **Chris Greenfield '96** ♦ A son, Manuel McPolin, to Greg and **Kirstin Rohrer McPolin '96** ♦ A son, Owen Redlund Patterson, to Dan and **Kristen Drake Patterson '96** ♦ A daughter, Soren Robaczynski, to Marc and **Courtney Marum Robaczynski '96** ♦ A daughter, Eliza Cecile Small, to Becca and **Marc Small '96** ♦ A daughter, Georgia Evelyn Spater, to Kitter and **Erica Casano Spater '96** ♦ A daughter, Haley Rebecca Coombs, to **John '97** and **Erika Moore Coombs '97** ♦ A son, Edison Kim, to **Sarah Richards '01** and **Dubek Kim '99**.

Parker was hired by the Penobscot Marine Museum (Maine's oldest maritime museum) as their new executive director. After working for museums in North Carolina, New York, and Massachusetts, Niles returns to Maine with wife Sonja (Wiberg '90) and their three children. * **Erika Mailman Howard** sent me an e-mail just two days after her August wedding to Alan in Oakland, Calif. She will have two books coming out this year: *Woman of Ill Fame* in February from Heyday Books and *Hexe* (the German word for "witch") from Random House in September. * **Kay Cowperthwait** recently completed the Ironman Triathlon in Lake Placid, N.Y., and is looking forward to doing another at some point. She reports that her personal training business is growing and that daughter Sophie entered kindergarten this year. * **Dan "Jazzy D'Raymont"** and wife Bonnie moved from L.A. to N.Y. in 2004. Dan, who has continued his acting career in both movies and TV series, writes, "In *My Name Is Nigel Cook* I play Nigel Cook, a bumbling English director who thinks he is going to become the next Fellini in spite of having no experience in film. I also appeared in *Watching the Detectives* with Lucy Liu and Cillian Murphy and in *The F Word*, which is due to air on IFC. I also appeared in three TV series (two of which were set to air in January): *Home James* on VH-1, *Naked Brothers Band* on Nickelodeon, and *The Knights of Prosperity* on ABC." You can check out some of Dan's work at www.jazzyd.com. * **Andy '92** and **Margaret Mauran Zuccotti** welcomed their third child, Robert "Robby" Mauran Zuccotti, on Aug. 10, 2006. Nicky, 6, and Emma, 2, are pleased with their new little brother. Everyone is healthy but a little tired. * **Heidi Meyers Waugh**, husband Ted, and children Sara and Ethan welcomed Olivia Frances Waugh on April 19, 2006. —*David Shumway*

92 I hope you've all started preparing for our upcoming 15th reunion. I sure have. * **Bethany Grohs** and William O'Brien announced their engagement on June 29 (and I believe planned an August 26 wedding). Bethany, we will see you at reunion. * I wandered across an article by **Jason Nixon** in a magazine called *Gotham*, in which he documented his travels in search of the finest Lobster Roll. Two words, Jason: CHART ROOM in Bourne, Mass. See you at reunion. * Aimee (Flores '95) and

Cal Wheaton welcomed daughter Isabel in April. That makes two girls for Cal and Aimee—Serena Wheaton is now 3. Cal saw **Mark Mellyn** during a visit/vacation to Cape Cod. We'll see the whole Wheaton family at reunion, Cal. * **Jenn Pelson Hopkins** is living in Singapore and works at the Singapore American School. * **Amy Moody McGrath** had her second child, Michael, on April 8, 2006. (Going to be lots of kids at our reunion!) * **Chris and Whitney Adams Ward** welcomed baby Sasha to the reunion crew last June. She joins siblings Lily, 6, and Sam, 4. * **Greg and Jane DeStefano Becker** checked in after "admittedly" deleting all of my class notes solicitations. On June 29 Jane and Greg welcomed baby Daniel, who joins Natalie, 7, and Matthew, 5.5, in the Becker household. Greg is still with Johnson & Johnson and is assisting Jane with the kids and their new house. Gosh, I can't wait to get caught up with you two at reunion! Greg and Jane live in a neighborhood nearby **Kelly Harris**. Kelly, you never write in, so let's catch up at reunion. * **Mike and Cathy Ryan Kolakowski** announce the birth of their daughter, Elizabeth Rose, in November. They will be showing pictures at reunion. * **Becky Graham** was married in Ireland last spring to a countryman named Mark Forde. Deb Brown '90 and **Jen Greenleaf** were bridesmaids. Becky is working in L.A. as a film producer, but if I've gotten this correct, Jen, you will have to fly in from Amsterdam with your kids for reunion? * **Scott Alprin** has the funniest submission. Scott started his own intellectual property law firm in D.C. and recently gave a lecture in Tokyo—in Japanese—about U.S. trademark law. "I don't think my audience fully understood me," Scott wrote. "For example, my opening 'Domo arigato Mr. Roboto' joke?" Now that is good stuff, Scott. Save some material for reunion. * **David Leavy** and **Kristin Nixon Donahue** were both out of the office (again!) when the e-mail blast went out, but we will catch up with them at reunion. * **Jim Burke** just had his fourth child so we will *not* see him at reunion. * **J.C. Klick** was married to Janet Hodges on June 18. Can't wait to meet all the spouses and children at reunion! * **Jen Kosek Walker** is living in Phoenixville, Pa., with her four kids. * **Sarah Hamilton Barringer** is in Rye, N.Y., with her two kids. * **Chad Brown** checked in from Cleveland, where he and his wife,

Kristi, settled after their July wedding and posh honeymoon in Provence and Paris. Chad works with Progressive Insurance as a financial analyst. At their wedding was **Steve Earp**, who is still with SunLife of Canada. Earp will be bringing wedding photos with him to reunion. * **Anne Maddocks Michels** is an ob/gyn physician living and practicing in Pasadena, Calif. Her husband, Bill '93, works at Yahoo.com in Burbank, Calif. They have a daughter, Lindsay, a son, Will, and expected a third in November. Anne frequently sees Tom '91 and **Kristin Wallace Livezey**, who live just south of them in Encinitas, Calif., and who welcomed their second child, a son named Luke, in June 2006. * Our illustrious class leader, **Jay Hermsen**, is engaged to be married in September. He is planning reunion! Get the hint, folks? —*William Higgins*

93 **Reena Chandra Rajpal** is working at the Combat Blindness Foundation (founded by her father) in Madison, Wis. CBF is a nonprofit organization that's provided free cataracts surgery to more than 100,000 poor patients and worldwide cured thousands of children blinded from xerophthalmia (Vitamin A deficiency). CBF also helps fund an interocular lens factory in India that provides lenses, at a nominal cost, to other nonprofits and hospitals. A worthy life cause. * **Carrie Woodruff** is head of the world language department at Brookwood School in Manchester, Mass., and expected her first child right before Thanksgiving. She said that **Ariane deBraux Triay** had a baby girl, Lola; Erik '94 and **Staci Strauss Mortenson** had a baby boy, Anders; **Kristine Deupree Cramer** will have had a baby boy by the time this column runs; **Sumner Lemon** is engaged to be married in Singapore; **Anne Griffin** is starting up a food business in Moscow; and **Jule Gourdeau Whelan** is living in Freeport, Maine, and is busy with her new puppy and three adorable kids. Thanks for the scoop, Carrie! * **Sara Regan** graduated from the Art Institute of Portland, Ore., with a second bachelor's in graphic design; her online portfolio is at www.lexiesseptentrion.com. * **Heather Perry Weafer** writes that she has slowly been overcoming non-Hodgkins lymphoma and has emerged with a new son and a new book, *Confluence: Merrymeeting Bay*. Husband **Dick** is teaching fourth grade. They thank their Colby friends for all the support this past

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Rock Around the Clock | Jesse Salisbury '95

Jesse Salisbury '95 loves being a rock star.

A sculptor who works primarily with granite and basalt, Salisbury, 34, is one of Maine's emerging artists. His massive sculptures are turning up in private collections and public displays across Maine, and lately he has made his name in the international sculpture community as well.

This summer he plans to be the host for the Schoodic International Sculpture Symposium in the Schoodic section of Acadia National Park, near his home in Steuben. Salisbury plans to convene eight sculptors from around the world and to create a series of sculptures from Maine rock.

Salisbury's immersion into sculpture, at age 11, started in wood, a material he returned to at Colby at the urging of Professor Harriett Matthews (art).

"I remember my first semester in beginning sculpture I brought a block of pink granite from Down East Maine and started carving it, even though it didn't fit into the assignment," he said. "A couple of assignments went by and I was still picking away at this block of granite. I was a stubborn student, and I worked on it all semester. My second year in sculpture, Harriett managed to convince me to carve wood."

Matthews taught Salisbury technique and execution, which he has been able to translate into his large granite and basalt pieces, which sometimes tower dozens of feet above the earth.

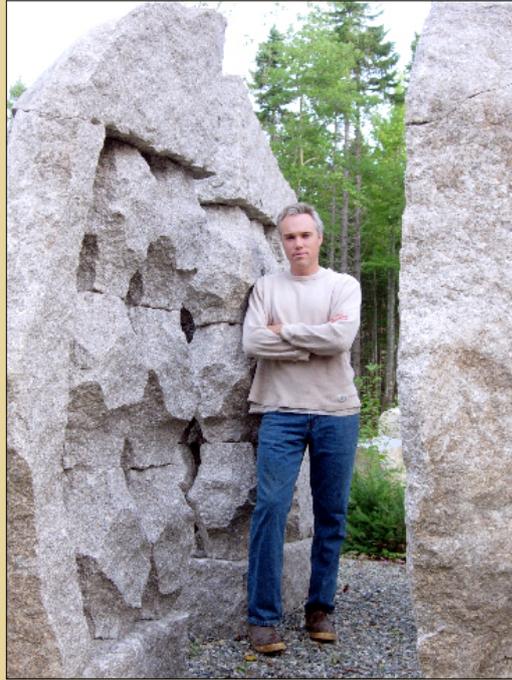
"Splitting and reassembling [the rock] are his signatures," said June LaCombe, a sculpture curator and art dealer from Pownal, who has championed Salisbury's work for several years. "By fracturing the pieces, he seems to be giving us a glimpse of their inner nature. He thinks on a huge scale, and he carries it off. He is truly unique. He starts with a giant block often, then splits it and carves it, and then reconstructs it. He's following geological and glacial patterns in the rock."

Salisbury, who lives on a 60-acre spread of trees and rocks on the Maine coast, is heavily influenced by Japanese carving technique.

Before enrolling at Colby in 1991, he worked as a pottery apprentice to a Bizen potter in Japan. He knew then he wanted to be an artist, and he came to Colby to learn about the larger world.

"I went to Colby because I wanted to study a variety of things. I thought that after college I would become a professional artist, and Colby would be a good place to acquire a variety of skills needed for a life as an artist," he said.

Salisbury graduated with a major in East Asian studies and minors in art and Chinese. He studied sculpture every semester at Colby, and he also spent six months at Nanjing University in China, studying Chinese. Today he travels regularly to



Japan for sculpture symposia, and he dreams of ways to make sculpture in China.

For now, though, he is concentrating on further establishing himself in Maine. He helped organize an international sculpture symposium at Round Top Center for the Arts in Damariscotta during the summer of 2004, and he is using that experience as a springboard for his Schoodic symposium in 2007.

He's also spearheading an effort to raise \$200,000 to stage the symposium, and has recruited Sharon Corwin, Carolyn Muzzy Director and Curator of the Colby College Museum of Art, to serve as a judge for selecting artists to participate.

His vision involves conducting the symposium regularly, which he hopes will result in a vast collection of public art pieces around Maine, all made from Maine rock.

In a slightly ironic twist, one of Salisbury's backers in the Schoodic project is Don Harward, the former president of Bates College, and Harward's wife, Ann. The Harwards are helping Salisbury with his fund-raising efforts and advising him on the Schoodic project.

"Don and Ann bought one of my sculptures in 2002. When he bought the sculpture, he shook my hand and looked at me and said, 'Let's not tell anyone you went to Colby.'"

—Bob Keyes

year. * **Rod Gerdson** writes that he's at Blair Academy in N.J. as academic dean for the 11th grade. Daughter Kate is 4 and son Jack is 1. * **Beth Curran Balter** had a daughter, Stella, and is marketing director at GenArts, a special effects software company. She's in touch with **Emily Muldoon Kathan**, **Betsy Arden Rickards**, **Lousia Merianos Anastasopoulos** (who just had her second child, James), **Kat Creeden Skulte**, **Sharon Rosen DiPietro**, and **Chris Chamberlain**, who moved to Connecticut with his wife and son. * **Greg Burns** got together with fellow '93 Mules **Greg Suffredini**, **Steve Hatch**, and **Paul Froio** as well as too many others to list here; he also says **Ryan Friel** spent his sixth or seventh summer guiding in Alaska and was a guide for the Iditarod this year. As for Greg himself, he's at Akamai and is married with three boys. * **Crawford Strunk** got married in April, and his wife was expecting; he also has a new job as attending physician in pediatric hematology/oncology at Toledo Children's Hospital. * **Libby Repass Dumas** went to Scotland and Japan recently, with her husband generously taking care of the kids. She says Scotland felt like going home and Japan was culture shock! But she loved both, especially the warm people. * **Patrick Robbins**, pursuing an M.F.A. in creative writing, also has a blog (go to Google, type "Patrick" and "Metube," and click "I'm Feeling Lucky"). * **Kimberley Blatz Orbell** and husband have two sons and love living in Wyoming. * **Scott Greenfield** had a second daughter recently and is about to go on sabbatical to Fiji, Australia, and New Zealand; we should all be so lucky! * Hope everyone is having a great winter. Cold weather means you should be spending time indoors sending me class news, right? —Krista Stein

94 Babies, babies, babies! Adam '93 and **Betsy Campbell Learner** welcomed a son, Jackson Campbell Learner, in December 2005. Betsy and Adam, both acupuncturists, live in Newmarket, N.H. * **Stephanie Cain Sherman** and her husband anticipated the arrival of their second baby in January. * **Jodi (Schwartz '96)** and **Matthew Belson** had a son, Noah Hudson Belson, in July. They live on Cape Cod, where Matt is a local newspaper reporter and Jodi is a certified nurse midwife. * **Phoebe** and **Caleb Winder** expected their first

child last September. In June, Caleb spent an evening with Franchot Tone '95, who is a music producer in Los Angeles. * Eloise Walsh joined her brother, Oscar, 2, and parents Peter and **Kimberly Valentine Walsh** in April 2006. Kim caught up with **Megan Campbell Officer** and **Chris Abbott** in N.Y.C. earlier this year. And Abigale Knapp '93 visited Kim on the beach while she was back east in July. Kim also helped **Jeff Carter** get back on his feet after a huge bike accident. * **Tara Estra** and her partner, Julie Sciandra, welcomed Maya Elizabeth Estra Sciandra, on June 2, 2006. * **Jocelyn Hiller Kane**, her husband, Marty, and daughter, Emma, 5, visited Rafael and **Marina Grande Campos** and their daughter, Amanda, 2, in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, last March. Jocelyn is currently the director of annual giving at Trinity College in Hartford, Conn. * **Keith Gleason** left corporate America after 11 years with MBNA America and is a self-employed health and life insurance agent in Maine. Now on his own schedule, he's able to spend more time with his wife, Heather (Duley '96), and children, Madison, 5, Jack, 3, and Anna, 18 months. * **Jon Mitchell** started teaching eighth and ninth grade science in Stonington, Conn. Jon finished an M.S. in environmental sciences last May. He says that **Paul White** is still in Chile and that he recently e-mailed with Keith Dupuis '93, who is doing human resources in Montana. * **Andie Sulak** is laboring on her dissertation at UC Berkeley, working in land conservation with cattle ranchers. Andie also wrote that **Stacey Warner** is working for a great nonprofit called Room to Read (<http://www.roomtoread.org>), which builds libraries in developing countries. She travels the world evaluating their projects and helped to start their Africa programs. * **Rob Underwood** left Bearing Point to join Deloitte Consulting as a senior manager in their strategy practice. Rob also planned to run the N.Y.C. Marathon last fall for the second time. * **Beth Scoville** moved to New York to start teaching social studies at Rockland Country Day School, an alternative high school in Congers, N.Y. * **Beth Tabor Robinson** spent a week in August in Boothbay Harbor, Maine, with sons Timothy, 4, and Matthew, 2. Beth recently accepted a part-time position as a reference librarian at Roger Williams University in Bristol, R.I. * **Cicely Finley Taylor** started

a new job as project manager with KIPP SHINE Prep in Houston. She also started a new business providing Spanish language instruction to area prep schools. * **Rebekah Freeman Schulze** took the position of associate dean of students at Clark University. She and her husband bought a house in North Grafton, Mass., and were awaiting the birth of their first child in November. * **Heather Lounsbury** was married on August 11 in Montego Bay, Jamaica, to Mark Lysaght, with several Colby folks in attendance. She also wrote that **Chris Austin** got married in Freeport, Maine, in October and that **John Grady** continues to do well out in L.A. * Newly single **Jonathan Kaplan** bought a new condo this summer and is still reporting for *The Hill* newspaper. Jon traveled to Senegal and Mali in December 2005 and to Bali in mid-April. In early April he hung out with **TJ Winick** in Boston. They ran into **Ingrid Kristan Renzi** and her husband in Freeport, Maine. * Check out *lots* more news from our class on the *Colby* magazine Web site! —*Jessie Newman*

95 Please be sure to look at the *Colby* magazine Web site for much more news of our classmates than I can cover here. * **Lee Paprocki** has been living in southern California for six years working as a hydrogeologist for an environmental consulting firm. She was recently engaged to Wade Major, planning to marry in upstate New York, and looking forward to exploring Australia's Great Barrier Reef for three weeks after their wedding. **Sara Charnecki**, Lee's maid of honor, and her husband, Doug Mercer, recently had a baby boy named Anthony. * **Rick Catino** is enjoying his new venture as founder of LeadBridge Partners LLC, a technology sales consulting company based in Amesbury, Mass. Rick also ran his second Falmouth Road Race last summer as part of the Jimmy Fund racing team to raise money for Dana Farber Cancer Hospital. * **Laura Finn** is a psychotherapy intern at a private practice in San Francisco and is developing her skippering skills on the bay with the St. Francis Yacht Club. * **Keith Stockmann** married Karen Estill on July 8, 2006, in Montana's Blackfoot Valley. Denise (Mailloux '97) and **Jon Bowden** were in attendance along with many other alums. Keith plans to complete his doctorate at the University of Montana's College of Forestry and Conservation in applied wildland economics before

transitioning to a full-time job as an economist with the U.S. Forest Service in Missoula * Cal '92 and Dr. **Aimee Flores Wheaton** welcomed their second daughter, Isabel Julia Wheaton, on April 26, 2006. Aimee was able to take the summer off from her job as a hospitalist physician to enjoy some time with their girls (their first daughter, Serena, turned 3 in October). They spent two weeks on Cape Cod, where they visited with their families and Cal's Colby roommate Mark Mellyn '92. * **Lindsay Bennisson Jernigan** completed a Ph.D. in clinical psychology at the University of Vermont last May. On June 24, 2006, Lindsay gave birth to her second daughter, Tessa Lynn Jernigan. They spent most of August in Maine and saw **Nicole Breen Brooker** and her husband, Seth. * **Michelle Grdina** reports that Pete and **Kelly Spooner Lombardi** were expecting their first child in December and recently completed building a house in Eagle, Colo.; that Bill and **Kathy Christy Schultz** recently moved to Monterey, Calif., and were expecting their first child in October; and that Todd and **Marissa Shaw Glowac** also expected a child, their second, in October. Michelle lives in Boston and plans reunions at Harvard University's Alumni Association. She traveled to Colombia in September with **Alisa Masson** and **Michelle Wyemura**, who live in Connecticut and Seattle, respectively. * **Regina Wlodarski Kruger** spent a week on Cape Cod last summer with her husband and kids, Megan and Anika. She met up with **Lenia Ascenso** and her spouse, Michelle, in Provincetown, Mass., for a night. Regina's been building her Mary Kay business and is now on target to earn her first career car. * After more than six years in China **Hannah Beech** is moving to Bangkok, Thailand, where she'll be *Time* magazine's Southeast Asia bureau chief. "I'm excited by the opportunity to roam the 10 countries that constitute my new beat," writes Hannah. She spent a month in London doing a stint of editing and got to catch up with **Beth Herbert Gibb**, who lives and works in nearby Brighton. * Frank and **Patricia Jurriaans Hunkins** had a baby girl, Flora Eudia Hunkins, on May 29, 2006. Flora has a big brother, Blake Francis Hunkins, who is 3. —*Yubgo Yamaguchi*

97 While all engagements and weddings are noteworthy, few have

received as much attention as the marriage of **Molly Bracken** and Tom Dunne. Their courtship—a circuitous route to the altar—and ceremony were profiled in the September 3 edition of the *New York Times*. Congrats to both of them. * **Simone Kaplan** announced her engagement to Curt Cote. Simone, who earned her master's from Northwestern in 2000, is employed as a copy editor by ERA Economic Consulting in Boston. * **June Chan Chin** welcomed her third child, Jonathan, who was born in July. June earned her law degree from NYU but remains at home with her ever-growing family on the Jersey shore. * **Anna Thomson Patterson** recently moved to Bozeman, Mont., and is working as a freelance graphics designer. She often sees fellow Bozeman resident **Hilary Peterson Klug**, who gave birth to a daughter, Carson Elizabeth, on August 4. * **Wendy Morris Levine** also joined the ranks of motherhood, giving birth to son Wyatt on August 25. * **Matt and Kelley Winchester Nelson** moved in 2004 to Minnesota, where she is the director of diversity planning at The Blake School and Matt works in sales for Sun Microsystems. Kelly and Matt welcomed their first child, Tyler James Nelson, in November 2004. * **Katrina Brown Nygaard** gave birth to Theodor Alvin Nygaard last spring and reports that **Lynn Kenoyer Johnson** and her husband, Lars, welcomed Amelia Lily in June. Amelia is 18 years away from finding her way onto the Colby basketball court! * **Ashley Ring Gair** is finishing up her fourth year of medical school at the University of Colorado, is in the midst of applying for pediatric residencies, and will likely move again in June. She and her husband, David, enjoyed a sea-kayaking trip off the coast of Vancouver Island. * **David and Alicia Nemiccolo MacLeay** have been busy working on their online outdoor gear guide, Trailspace.com, with Dave as its publisher and Alicia as editor in chief. They are in the process of expanding the site's editorial content and coverage of the outdoor gear industry, in addition to its thousands of independent gear reviews. This is a great resource for all active Colby graduates out there! * **Brent Ryan** reports that **Marc and Chrissy Killheffer Sinclair** recently celebrated the one-year birthday of their twins. Brent and Derek Luke '98 continue to thrive in the beer-making industry and recently purchased a till to

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make rum. * **Jerrod DeShaw** and his wife, Sarah, welcomed daughter Brooks in the spring. Jerrod lives in the same building as **Glenn Forger**, who was expecting the arrival of his first child. * **CJ Polcari** completed his pediatric residency at Brown and recently was engaged to Christine Griffin, also a pediatric resident. They plan a July 2007 wedding in Boston. * **Geoff Schroeder** returned from Chengdu, China, having received a grant from the Fort Collins, Colo., school district to travel and study Chinese schooling methods and serve as a guest teacher. While in China, he enjoyed a three-day trek through a mountainous Buddhist retreat, and he and his wife, Cara, will take a sabbatical from teaching to travel to South America this winter. * **David McLaughlin** and his wife, Jenna (DeSimone '98), welcomed Sydney Rose in July, and **John Hebert** and his wife, Amy, had their second son, Samuel Aaron, on September 1 in Presque Isle. * **Galen Carr**, wife Jenni, and son Miles are leaving Boston for Burlington, Vt., but Galen will continue in his scouting role with the Boston Red Sox. * **Steve Kidd** finished filming *Underdog*, a live-action Disney movie remake of the cartoon, in which he is playing "Bomb Squad Captain." Might be a perfect fit for all those new '97 parents. * Don't forget to plan a return trip to Waterville this June for our 10th reunion! —*Pat McBride*

98 **Shana Bondi Orton** wrote that Jacob Thomas Orton was born to her and her husband, Eric, on April 19, 2006, in San Francisco, Calif. * **John Dahlfred** '66 wrote that **Karl Dahlfred** and his wife, Sun, are now parents of a son, Joshua, born May 24, 2006. Karl received his master's of divinity from Gordon Conwell and lived in Anaheim, Calif., before he returned to Thailand in November for a long-term missionary assignment. * **David** and **Beth Anderson Goldman** announce the birth of their son, Jacob Barry Goldman, on July 11, 2006. David graduated from the University of Maine School of Law in May and took the Maine bar exam two weeks after their baby was born. David started work as a clerk at the Maine Superior Court last summer, and Beth works from their Maine home as editor-in-chief of *Country Accents* decorating magazine. * **Greg Noblet** visited **Jon Neil Foster** in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., after finishing third

in Northern Florida's Annual Trampoline Contest. * **Jay Scott-Harris** writes that he sang backup for Mariah Carey at her Aug. 21, 2006, world tour concert at the TD Banknorth Center in Boston, Mass. * **Sarah Kopczynski** appended an article about her research that appeared in the August 2 edition of the *Anchorage Daily News* (Alaska). * **Tracey Keefe Sharis** wrote, "Mike and I had a baby girl, Katelyn Margaret, on May 1, 2006. Also, Lauren Graham Harkins '97 had a baby boy, Adam "Finn" Finnian, on July 31, 2006. Lauren has a daughter, Isabel, who is 2. And **Susan Matlock Siris** has a daughter, Madeline, who turned 1 in the fall." * **Sara Rigelhaupt** completed the Boston Marathon last April, her first marathon, in 3 hours and 39 minutes, raising money for Dana Farber's Cancer Institute and the Jimmy Fund. * **Becky Allen** got married on July 22, 2006, to Greg Nagurny in Stowe, Vt. They are living in Richmond, Vt. Becky is a high school math teacher at Harwood Union High School, and Greg is a lawyer in Burlington. Becky wrote, "**Mignon Winger Lewis** was one of my matrons of honor. **Myles Merrell** did a reading in the ceremony. Other Colby people in attendance were my aunt and uncle, Jim '67 and Linda Allen Vaughan '67, Shana Dumont '99, **Devin Colman**, **Josh Walton**, **Shanna Brownstein** '01, **Ken Raiche**, **Will Chamberlain**, **Kristen Haley** '99, **Darren** and **Kendra Ammann Perry**, **EJ Levin Hammann**, **Nicky Moody**, **Jeff Brown**, **Dan Noyes**, and **Kate Dutcher** '09." * **Erik Dreisbach** was married last June to Melissa Arentshorst in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. Colby alums in attendance included **Vlad Dorjets**, **Josh Scharback**, **Merritt Duff**, **Jamie Yourdon** '99, and **Ben Grasso** '99. * **Devin Colman** and his wife, Jennifer, had a baby boy, Thomas Robert, on March 30, 2006. Devin completed his master's in historic preservation last spring and started a historic preservation consulting business in Burlington, Vt. * On May 20, 2006, **Anne Miller** married Tom Crumlish. Yawa Duse-Anthony '97 and Mark Mortensen '96 traveled down to Atlanta for the celebration. * **Geoffrey Herrick** started his second and final year in Berkeley's M.B.A. program. He spent last summer working in JPMorgan's real estate investment banking group in N.Y.C. and lived with Andy Brown '99, who was also in New York for a

summer internship. In July, Geoffrey swam four miles across Long Island sound with former teammates **Peter Bowden**, Larry Spollen '99, Blake Hamill '02, and Brian White '00." * **Stephanie Small** and Kurt Kelley '99 were married on June 17, 2006, in Georgetown, Maine. * It's always wonderful to hear your news. —*Brian M. Gill*

99 Two classmates moved to Hawaii! We should all be jealous of **Emily Etchells McCarren**, who moved to Honolulu with her husband and dog to start teaching at the Punahou School; and **Becky Pollard**, who left Washington, D.C., and her job in the Senate, also for Honolulu. Becky's working in public affairs for Queen's Medical Center and served as a media and legislative consultant for the U.S. House campaign of Matt Matsunaga. She loves being back near the ocean and mountains and has been exploring with the help of Katie Mitchell '00. * **Justin Harvey** married Arri Anna in June. Tons of Colby people were in attendance, including groomsmen **Ty Dewing** and **Andrew Porter** '98. Justin started his first year at Tuck Business School last fall. * **Christina-Marie Chiyoka Barnett** (who works as an associate producer for Animal Planet) and **Kevin Miller** (who graduated from the University of Rhode Island '00 and is an ocean engineer and diver for the U.S. Department of the Navy in Washington, D.C.) were married in June in Queenstown, Md. **Courtney Smith** was maid of honor, and several other alums were in attendance, including **Emily Dowd**, **Katie White**, **Leanna Hush**, and **Jen Lavigne**, who finished a judicial clerkship, ran her first marathon, and married Arman Kline '00 in Boothbay Harbor, Maine, in September. * **Flannery Higgins** married her long-time boyfriend, **Todd Ellis**, in Camden, Maine, on July 22. **Krista Brown Ward** was her matron of honor. Colby friends in attendance included **Molly Frazier**, Jon '97 and **Jodi Siviski Pataki**, **Julie McMaster**, **Melissa Murphy Hanlon**, and **Chris** and **Sarah Banner Frazar**. * **Carrie Peterson** and **Charlie Baughman** married in July. **Anna Thompson Ward**, **Johanna Reardon Prince**, and **Erica Blauch** were all bridesmaids at their biking- and skiing-themed wedding. * **Ezra Dyer** got married in September. * **Siddha Parker** and **Teal Parker Axt** welcomed William

Blackwell Parker into the world on June 2, 2006, and say that parenthood couldn't be better! * **Danielle Driscoll Millett** and her husband expected their first child in November. Last summer, **Julie Simpson** visited them in Chatham, and so did **Suni Thakor** (who introduced Danielle and her husband). * **Chris** and **Amy Walker Brady** had a baby girl, Ella Walker Brady, on July 7, 2006. She's doing great, and they are all having fun adjusting to life with baby Brady. * **Eric Wittlake** and his wife of two years, Ariana Moore (Smith College '98), were expecting their first baby, a boy, last fall. They live in Portland, Ore. * **Melanie Puza Pearl** received her Ph.D. in psychology from Teachers College, Columbia University, and started a post-doc at Akron Children's Hospital in Ohio. She and her husband, Mike '98, expected their first child, a son, in November. * **Donn** '99 and **Kristen North Downey** had a baby girl, Louise North Downey, on July 13, 2006. They couldn't be happier. * **Allison** (Clougher '98) and **Kris Keelty** welcomed Rebecca Lynn Keelty into their world on Aug. 11, 2006. She weighed 7lbs., 14oz., and mother and baby are doing well. * **Darcy Cornell Foley** lives in Sturbridge, Mass., with her husband and their first son, Camden, who was born Dec. 23, 2005. Darcy is a teacher at a private school in Worcester. * **Holly Moirs** married Brian Pressley in 2004, and on June 10, 2006, they welcomed daughter Lila Grace. Lila has already had the pleasure of meeting **Marty** and **Beth Johnson Milkovits**, **Rachel Palmer Davis**, and **Heather Piper Jackson** '98. She also enjoys spending time with her "aunties" **Brooke Pisarsky** '98 and **Sarah Morgan** '96. After working as an editor at an educational publishing company for seven years, Holly is now a freelance editor. She is also a freelance writer and has written four books for middle school and high school students, all published by Walch Publishing. **Brian**, **Lila**, and **Holly** currently live in Topsham, Maine. * Lots more news of our classmates continues on the *Colby* magazine Web site. —*Lindsay Hayes*

00 Congratulations to our newly engaged and married classmates and to new parents! **Peter Hans** and **Sarah Macrini** married on May 27, 2006, in Houston, Texas. * **Emily Young** and **Nick Williams** were married on June

10, 2006, in Boston. (Check the *Colby* magazine Web site for more on the great festivities.) Nick is an account representative for the New England Revolution in Foxboro, and Emily is features writer for the *Eagle-Tribune* in North Andover. * **Skip Newberry** and Olivia Zirker were married in Bend, Ore., in June 2006. Skip co-founded a company called Lawyer Prep (www.lawyerprep.com), which provides law firms with customized trainingsolutions. * **Kate MacLeay** and Joe Crespo (Duke '96) married on July 1, 2006, in Stowe, Vt., with many alums in attendance. Kate graduated last June from the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth with an M.B.A. and after the wed-

ding moved back to Boston to do mergers and acquisitions advisory for Lane Berry, a boutique investment bank. * **Vanessa Wade** and Greg Wehmeyer '98 got married on July 7, 2006, in an outdoor ceremony in Sharon, Mass. (quite a Colby reunion with 20 alums attending). Vanessa started as the school psychologist for the middle and high schools in Mansfield, Mass. * **Reed Bundy** and **Kelly Fanning** got engaged last spring. A few weeks later they ran the Boston Marathon on behalf of Children's Hospital Boston. Kelly is an internal consultant for Blue Cross Blue Shield, and Reed is finishing up grad school at Tufts. * **Mark Harries** is engaged to Rebecca Maurer,

with plans to marry in the summer or fall of 2007. They live near Allentown, Pa., where Mark is the fourth generation of his family to work for his family's business, a textile factory called Bally Ribbon Mills. He's also attending Lehigh University for his M.B.A. * **Trish Akins** got engaged to Jason Elliott during a trip to South Africa. * **Jeannine Bergquist** wrote that **Caitlin Nelson** is engaged and is in a nursing program at the University of Southern Maine, where Jeannine is also in her final year of grad school doing an internship in school psychology. Jeannine also said that **Brendan '01** and **Katie Larochele Gavin** had a baby boy last spring; that **Ann Birenbaum** is finishing up school in San Francisco and spent part of her summer in Guatemala; and that **Christy Nuss Twomey** lives in Wyoming with her husband and their two boys. * **Caitlin Smith** writes from Santa Cruz that she and her boyfriend, **Ron Turturici**, are planning to marry next summer in Carmel Valley, Calif. * **Suzanne** and **James Mason** celebrated their one-year anniversary on June 4, 2006. James has been living in Raleigh, N.C., and is working as an environmental specialist for the North Carolina Department of Transportation and as a park attendant at a nature preserve. * **Jennifer (Brown)** and **Whitney Thayer Fellows** welcomed a baby boy, **Brendan**, into their family on June 27, 2006. Whitney works for a masonry and construction supply company, and Jenn is taking a year off from her job as a school social worker to be home in Jericho, Vt., with **Brendan**. * **Jay Zarnetske** and his wife, **Phoebe (Lehmann '01)**, finished M.S. degrees at Utah State University in the College of Natural Resources and entered Ph.D. programs at Oregon State University. * **Christie Beveridge** bumped into **Kat Johnson**, **Chris Marks**, and **Chrissie Marzano** while running the 100 on 100 Relay Race in Vermont. Chrissie adds that in September, she, **Nick Lombardi '98**, and **Brendan Kearney '98** (members of the Flab Twelve Team) competed against **Kat, Lara Bonn**, and **Sarah Mahoney '99** (Team Save-up Dynomites) in the Reach the Beach Relay. * **Jed Donnelly** works in Boston for an executive recruiter. He writes that **Darren Ireland** lives in Anchorage, Alaska, and works as an environmental consultant. —*Caroline Calhoun*

01 Cheers from London! My

00s newsmakers

Jonathan Natkin '01 and **Eric Balsbaugh '01** embarked on a 6,000 mile bicycle ride for Reach Out and Read, an organization that promotes early literacy by training pediatricians to routinely emphasize reading at children's checkups. Embarking on their journey on August 20 in Jackson Hole, Wyo., and planning to finish on December 10 at Key West, Fla., Natkin and Balsbaugh have exceeded by \$4,000 their goal of raising \$6,000 for the organization. And they've had some other goals

along the way as well—their objective in Del Rio, Texas, for example, was to stop at every taco stand and restaurant on Veterans Boulevard. ♦ **Brooke McNally '03** has recently been hired as a communications and political strategist with Hoopes Strategies in Washington, D.C. Only three years out of college, McNally has worked for Venture Communications and served as press secretary for Massachusetts Representative John Tierney. She told the *National Journal* why she loves what she does. "You have to



Brooke McNally '03

be up-to-speed and up-to-date on any number of issues on a given day, and it constantly changes. There's no rest for the weary." At Hoopes, McNally has another advantage to accompany her obvious talent—the firm's founder is **Robert Hoopes '89**.

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Births: A son, **Edison Kim**, to **Dubek '99** and **Sarah Richards Kim '01** ♦ A son, **Cooper Thompson Green**, to **Francesca** and **Dave Green '01** ♦ A son, **Raphael Campanile**, to **Ray** and **Camille Dugan Campanile '04**

Marriages: **Mark Edgar '00** to **Kara Leehive** in Bermuda. ♦ **Morgan D. McDevitt '00** to **Suzanne M. Murtha** in Denver, Colo. ♦ **Katie Mitchell '00** to **Ian Brooks** in Boothbay Harbor, Maine ♦ **Erin Roberts '00** to **Ted Keysor '97** in Bristol, R.I. ♦ **Patricia M. Calong '01** to **Chris Russo** in Belleville, Ill. ♦ **Yuki Kodera '01** to **Coji Watanabe '01** in Kyoto, Japan ♦ **Elizabeth K. Brandt '02** to **Mark Bozek Jr.** in Concord, N.H. ♦ **Whitney Pearce '02** to **Gavin Fitts** in Annisquam, Mass. ♦ **Amy "Rez" Reznitsky '02** to **Sara Pullen** in Northfield, Mass. ♦ **Jasmine M. Ashe '03** to **Edward Hodgson** in Falmouth, Maine ♦ **Melanie Ouellette '02** to **Eric Karlins** in St. John Plantation, Maine ♦ **Vanessa Haleco '03** to **Justin Meyer** in San Francisco, Calif. ♦ **Kate Crocker '05** to **Tom Jordan** in Waterville, Maine

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husband, **Jon**, and I moved in London in the fall, and it's been an amazing adventure. * Congratulations to **Jon Engel** and **Jenny Bubrick** on their engagement; we're all anxiously awaiting the March 17, 2007, wedding in Boston. * **Marc** and **Abbie Parker McEwen** had a summer filled with Colby hockey weddings, including Marc's brother, **Ross**, down on Cape Cod, and **Chris Tashjian** in New Jersey. **Abbie** and **Marc** are still living happily in Portland, have seen **Kim Condon** and **Becky Munsterer**, and were excited for another football season up on the Hill with the Parker Brothers running the show. * **Katie (LaRochelle '00)** and **Brendan Gavin** had a baby, **Greydon Francis Gavin**, born on April 15, 2006. **Brendan** is a graduate student at

Prayer Service | Sarah Miller '02

When Sarah Miller '02 says she's found her calling, she means just that.

Miller, 27, is a member of the congregation of the Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration, a Roman Catholic monastic community. A religious studies major at Colby (where her thesis was on the subject of religious life or vocations), she went on to earn her master's degree in religious studies at the University of Chicago.

In 2004 she applied to and was accepted by the Missouri-based religious order. "I'm finishing up the two years of novitiate, this being the canonical year, in which I don't really leave the monastery very much," Miller said over the phone from Tucson, Ariz., where one of the order's monasteries is located. "It's kind of a time for study and prayer in preparation for first vows, which will be in August."

In short, Miller is on track to become a nun.

The former Colby rower (she was on a JV eight boat that won New England's) knows this is an unusual choice for a Colby alumna, but she ties it directly to an experience she had as a Colby student abroad in Dijon, France. "I visited a community there that's ecumenical," she said. "They're Protestant, Catholic, and Orthodox; [it's] called Taizé. That opened my eyes to different possibilities for my future."

Back at Colby, Miller considered pursuing the priesthood in the Episcopal church but then converted to Catholicism as a senior. At the University of Chicago she mulled her options and finally decided upon the contemplative Benedictine order.

While some orders are dedicated to teaching or other activities, the central mission of the 100-member Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration is simple: the community (20 sisters and novices in a house in residential section of Tucson, nearly 50 in Missouri) prays. "I get up at three-thirty and we meet together five times a day for prayer, one of which is Mass," Miller said. "We have two and a half hours of private prayer that we each do. We usually do an hour of praying with scripture. Every sister does a half hour of adoration in chapel."

She's aware that this isn't a typical life, though interestingly she finds that her peers—who do Teach for America and other good works—are more understanding than older people. But still Miller good-naturedly answers religious life FAQ.



Sarah Miller '02, at left, with Sister Rita Clair Dohn, at the chapel of the Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration in Clyde, Missouri.

Can she leave the monastery? Yes, with the permission of the prioress, who leads the community. Still athletic, Miller goes out regularly to go running. "It's called semi-cloistered," she said. "It's like a hybrid between what you would remember, with grills and veils, and with the active teaching [order]. It's somewhere in the middle."

What do they do there besides praying? The sisters make altar hosts, vestments, and cocoa butter-based soaps, which they sell by the thousands. Check them out at monasterycreations.com.

Does she wear a habit? "We wear skirts," Miller said. "It's kind of a modified habit. Some of the sisters wear veils, but it's optional. ... As a novice, I wear colored skirts and tops. As a sister, I'll wear black and white."

Is technology allowed? There are computers in the monastery but only in offices where they are needed. There are two or three cell phones but no iPods. Miller said she's seen an iPod because her father, an attorney in Akron, Ohio, brought his when he visited. She's seen a Blackberry once, on a plane. And yes, she does e-mail, including answering prayer requests.

Miller says there was an adjustment to be made when she entered the monastery, seeing the same people day after day. And while she has had some hard days, "There's a depth that I didn't find I could reach with very many people in my life outside the monastery that I do with my sisters," she said. "We do everything together. We can do a lot more as a community that way for the world, as opposed to what each of us can do on our own."

—Gerry Boyle '78

Dartmouth. * **Stuart Luth** recently got engaged to Viviana Rodriguez and is getting married in April. * **Kelli Hall** married Paul Taylor on Aug. 26, 2006, in Chicago. **Sarah Culbertson** and **Stephanie Mendell** were two of her bridesmaids, and a crew of Colbyians were there to help celebrate. * **Amy Millett** started her master's in elementary education at NYU while teaching fifth grade in the South Bronx. * **Kristin Moresi** graduated from Wake Forest law school last May, spent the summer studying for the Massachusetts bar exam, and moved to Roanoke, Va., to clerk for U.S. District Court Judge Sam Wilson. She was able to catch up with **Hadley Moore**, who is living out in Northampton, Mass., studying for her Ph.D. * **Michael Wilmot** and Brooke Congdon '02 were married at sunset on the beach in Aruba on Aug. 1, 2006. Upon returning to the States, they followed up with a reception on the Spirit of Boston harbor cruise with **Bill Goldman**, **Ben Farrell**, **Tony Frangie**, **Chris Morgan**, **Steve Feldman**, and **Doug Otte**. Mike and Brooke bought a house in Methuen, and both stay busy as public high school teachers. * **Michelle Farrell** is still in D.C. working on her Ph.D. after receiving her master's last year. Michelle worked in Quito, Ecuador, last summer and then traveled in Venezuela. * **Jeff Calareso** finished his M.F.A. from Bennington College in the spring, then accepted a job in San Francisco as the director of StudySmart, a K-12 tutoring company. He and his wife, **Michelle-Nicholle Rahmings Calareso**, celebrated son Paxton's first birthday shortly after arriving in California. * **Erik Balsbaugh** and **Jonathan Natkin** are currently on a 6,000-mile charity bike ride around the country. More info can be found at www.ride4ror.com. * **Julia Drees** graduated with a Ph.D. in biochemistry from the University of Wisconsin, Madison, and happily moved back home to California with her husband for a post-doc position at UC San Francisco. * I wanted to give a special shoutout to 17 Summit Avenue—with the end of that lease came the end of an era. —*Dana Fowler Charette*

02 **Stephanie Spitko** and Michael Eller '00 got engaged at a baseball game on the Fourth of July. * **Bliss Woolmington** and Patrick Bernal '01 were married Sept. 3, 2006.

Jenna Wasson, Andrea Graffeo, and Sara Saltzman were bridesmaids. Other Colby attendees included Mariah Hamel, Katie Harris, and Chris Collopy. * Kirsten Ness graduated from UMaine with her master's and vacationed in Alaska last summer. * Rashad Randolph now lives in Greenwich, Conn. Rashad took classes at both Middlebury and Harvard to complete his master's. * Melanie Ouellette Karlins got married August 12 in Fort Kent, Maine. Mary Zito was a bridesmaid. Mel just started her first year of law school at George Mason University. * Carl Tugberk works for a small law firm in D.C. practicing civil litigation and is the deputy campaign manager and director of field operations for Scott Rolle's campaign for Maryland attorney general. * Tammy Sebelius reports that this was the fifth year up at Jon Ryder's lake house in upstate N.Y. Attendees included Nicki Shoemaker, Kathryn Kosuda, Zach Gazza, Russ Mink, Blake Grosch '03, John Brownell, Aaron Bond, Tom Curran, and Martin Schnermann. * Eric Laurits is a member of the Denver Center Theatre Company and is completing his final year of graduate school at the National Theatre Conservatory. Eric also runs a photography business and does lots of weddings and actor/musician publicity photos. * Katie Egan Wertheimer was married on July 15, 2006, in N.J. Bridesmaids included Jennifer Kassakian '00, Amy Bonnefond Smucker '01, Lizzy Rice, and Abby Kussell. Katie's maid of honor, Whitney Pearce, lives in Boston with her fiancé and is getting married in September. * Victor Cancel works as an employment manager at a non-profit agency called The Arc of East Middlesex in Reading, Mass., and is pursuing his J.D. at night through the Massachusetts School of Law. * Megan Laird graduated from law school and moved to N.Y.C. * Cortney Kirkendall Mouillesseaux graduated from medical school in June and stayed at UCLA to complete her pediatrics residency. * Clinton Johnson moved to Nashville and started his Ph.D. study in human services with Capella University. * Jess Rosenbloom interned at Kellogg's last summer, and Meg McCusker interned at Johnson & Johnson. —*Sarah Dressler*

03 Engagements and wed-

dings! Laurel Burnham and Dan Deacon, engaged last May, scheduled their wedding for August 2007 in Wisconsin. * Billy Thompson married Michelle Bales (UVA '02) in Charlottesville, Va., in August 2006. Peter Brush was a groomsman, and Suzanne Skinner and Anne Rudolph were in attendance. * In a rare joyful Mule/Bobcat union, Amy Greenberg married Arthur Ward (Bates '03) this past summer. Karli Jaffe, Katherine Jacobs, Andrea Taylor, and Laura Brown all shared a table at Amy's wedding. Amy and Arthur honeymooned in Italy, where Laura and Andrea, traveling for the summer, met up with them. Andrea has been in N.Y.C. since graduation and recently accepted a new marketing job at *Men's Health*. Laura made the Boston to N.Y.C. move and is now the manager of corporate volunteer teams at City Harvest, a food rescue nonprofit. * In early September 2006, Lindsey Mahoney was married in Sun Valley, Idaho, to Ian Jameson. Mules in attendance included Caren Harris, Meredith Edmunds, Erik Lisk, Jenny Grace, Susan Ellsworth, Lillie Meyers, Maia Campoamor, Tennessee Watson, Eric Eichler, Josh Garfein '04J, and Emily Posner '04J. * Christine O'Donnell finished work on her doctor of physical therapy and is now employed at Mass General Hospital. * A new chapter for many began last August/September with the start of graduate, medical, or law school. Erin Estey finished her Peace Corps service in Honduras and began a dual degree J.D./M.P.H. program at George Washington University. * Laura Levings Hooper left her home state of Washington with her husband, Steve '02, and started medical school at Tufts, where she ran into Jess Bennett '02, who also was starting her first year of med school at Tufts. * Kim Niederberger Lynch started on her M.A. at Middlebury College Language Schools. She also recently bought a house in Wayne, Maine, with husband Greg '04 and ran the Vermont City Marathon, where she saw Anna Carlson, who is living in Burlington, Vt., with Bill McCloy. Also in Vermont is Jesse DeLaughter, who started on his M.A. in international education at SIT in Brattleboro. * After living in D.C. since graduation, Sarah Barclay migrated south to Duke for a master of public policy program. Although she saw quite a bit of Rich Riedel and Dave Sandak while in D.C. and was

sad to leave, she's excited to be back in the academic world. * Gretchen Groggel started at Berkeley Law, Sara Schwartz is at Tuck (Dartmouth) for her M.B.A., Hannah Arnold started an M.A. program at the University of Michigan, and Karli Jaffe started an M.S.W. program at USM. * Clay Smith is in his second year of law school at Tulane, and Kevin Crossman, is a third-year student at Maine Law. * Laura Shufelt graduated from Harvard last May with her M.A. in education and is a resident director at USM, keeping 350 rowdy freshmen in line! * Annie Hall left Boston and is now the assistant director of college advising at the Hotchkiss School in Lakeville, Conn. She's also coaching the Hotchkiss girls' swim team. * Javaneese Hailey started her third year of teaching at a new school in D.C., Community Academy Charter School. * Jess Knox is living with Amanda McKown in San Francisco and absolutely loving life and her job in merchandising at Gap. * Jill Laramee and husband Thad Feeney returned to 04963: Oakland, Maine. Jill teaches biology and chemistry at Messalonskee High, and Thad is a geography buff at Skowhegan Area High School. They are taking full advantage of all the Colby alum perks, like the gym and library, but say they are sad not to see fellow '03ers around! * I got a robust response from everyone this time around so if you were not included, look for your news on the Colby magazine Website or in the next issue. Hope everyone is having a great winter hitting the slopes and enjoying the snow! —*Lauren Tiberio*

04 Marriages last summer! Erin Dube married fellow Teach for America corps member Adam Greenman. * Becky White was married in July, with Jon Romak, Ben Coerper, Tully Rohrer, Ariel Martin-Cone, Kellie Phelan, Alan Stimpson, Cici Malik, Diane Nelson, Annie Claffin, and Laura Barrow attending. * Lorraine Beane Baline was married in June. Rob Selover, Christine Pennypacker, Laura Snow, Alex Gershuny, and Kaz Zarnetske attended. * Sarah Starr married Ed Murphy in August in Mystic, Conn. In attendance were Miranda Bertram, Kevin Septor, and Rachel Noiseux. * Marshall White married Tracy Provost, and they have a beautiful baby named Sadie. * I saw lots of alums at the

June wedding of Kate Wheeler and Kevin Brunelle '03. Injoo Han, Becca Avrutin, and Brittney Lazar were bridesmaids, and B.L. Lippert and Lynn Cole attended. * Matt Getty is engaged to Holly Niles '03. * Cassie Cote is engaged to high school sweetheart Andrew Grantham. * Jeff Wong and Holli Grover plan a July wedding on the Cape. * Adam St. Pierre finished his master's in kinesiology, moved to Boulder, Colo., and is engaged to Bowdoin graduate Alison Flint. * Skyler Place is in a dual Ph.D. program in psychology and cognitive science at Indiana University. * Amelia Confalone is in law school at Northeastern University. * Kyle MacDonald is at the University of Maine Law School. * Jill Barnes lives in Denver, Colo. * Jenn Withnell is working at Under Armour in Baltimore. * Dawn Spinner is working for *Lucky Magazine* and living in N.Y.C. * Micah Siegel is going to medical school in Grenada. * Sarah Chapple-Sokol taught English in Dijon, France, and is now teaching English as a second language at a language institute in Boston. * Marley Orr lives in San Francisco and works at Goodby, Silverstein and Partners. She visited on the East Coast this summer with many classmates. * Tim Glew started at Tulane University School of Medicine. * Meredith Collins is in her third year of medical school at Ohio State University. * Christina Dotchin is writing her thesis for her master's-level coaching certification from USA Hockey. She is working at Proctor Academy in admissions and as the head girls' varsity ice hockey coach. * Teresa Leyro is working toward her Ph.D. in clinical psychology at the University of Vermont. * Ana Prokic is in Chicago finishing up her M.B.A. in finance and international business at Loyola University. * Allison Kolkhorst and Chris Blomberg are both at medical school at the University of New England. * Matt Clason is living in Cheshire, Conn., with Steve Kiely '06. He is an independent financial advisor with a group in Wallingford, Conn. * Katie Sweeney finished her master's in social work at BC and is working at Children's Hospital Boston, in conjunction with Dana Farber Cancer Institute, as a social work fellow on their pediatric advanced care team. * Jenn Tackaberry spent the summer as a whale-watch naturalist out of Boston

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and is now the database manager and internship coordinator for The Whale Center of New England. * **Meredith Needle** is living in Gracias, Lempira, Honduras, teaching pre-first and first grade at the Villa Verde School. * Last summer, **Alan Hartmann** summited Mt. Rainier, the most glaciated volcanic mountain in the lower 48 states. * **Rachel Tobie** moved to Portland, Ore., to get her M.A. in writing and publishing from Portland State University. * **Kristan Jiggetts** is working at *Entertainment Tonight* and is shooting her thesis film for grad school. * **Andrew McKenna-Foster** spent the summer on Nantucket working at the Maria Mitchell Association. * **Justin Juskewitch** finished his second year of medical school at the Mayo Clinic College of Medicine and is taking time off to get an M.Sc. in clinical research. * **Mahdi Beseis** is working for Deloitte in N.Y.C. * **Will Sander** is in his second year of veterinary school at the University of Wisconsin. * **Camille Dugan Campanile** is living in Vermont with her husband and 2-year-old daughter. She expected her second baby at the end of September. —*Kate Weiler*

05 **Adrienne Mohn** was recently engaged to Jason Campbell, a graduate of Fort Lewis College in Durango, Colo. * **Adrienne LeClair** is in her second year at UConn dental, where she is living with fellow dental student Holly Eydenberg '06. * **Jonathan Eisenberg** spent his summer in California as a raft guide on the Kern River. He'll be moving to Costa Rica to guide and work at a tapir restoration facility. * **Megan Loosigian** is teaching Spanish at The Governor's Academy in Byfield, Mass., after spending two weeks traveling in Montevideo, Uruguay, last summer. * **Emily Given** is living in Chapel Hill, N.C., where she is in her second year in UNC's Ph.D. program in philosophy. Last summer she caught up with **Austin Slack** and former Colby professor Jeff Kasser. * **Nora Gouge** is working as a volleyball, swimming, and track coach in New York City while studying for her master's in psychology at NYU. She has been in touch with **Todd Moore**, who also lives in N.Y.C., and has visited friends in Boston, among them **Natalia King**, who started her Ph.D. in history at Boston College, and **Mike Sirois** and **Eric Luth**, who currently are living

with Samantha Saeger '04 and Emily Quann '04. * **Sarah Webster**, who spent part of her summer in Jackson Hole, is moving to Vietnam, where she will be a teacher. * **Ilana Saxe**, **Sarah Goodrich**, and **Mallory Young** are teaching in the science department at the New Hampton School in New Hampshire. Mallory teaches geology and a fitness science class while coaching the girls' hockey team. * **Shawn Sato** spent the summer mountain climbing in Wyoming and is in his second year of medical school at the University of Iowa. * **Kate Durd** started her first year of graduate school at Northwestern in genetic counseling. * After spending time vacationing in Istanbul and Bodrum, Turkey, **Matt Ruby** relocated to Vancouver for his first year of a social psychology graduate program at the University of British Columbia. * **Karina Johnson** ran the Boston Marathon last April in 3:05:36. She is working this year as the assistant cross-country coach at Williams College. * **Lisa Reinhalter** spent an August beach weekend in Duxbury, Mass., with **Michelle Cole**, **Lisa Andracke**, **Brandy Lipton**, **Dorothy Najda**, and **Lis Maguire**. * **Laura Miller** is studying for her master's in elementary education at Manhattanville University while assisting in a first grade classroom at New Canaan Country School in Connecticut. * After a year working in New Jersey, **Hannah Emery** is studying for her Ph.D. in sociology at UC Berkeley. * **Chris Farrell** led trail crews with the Student Conservation Association in North Carolina and New Jersey last summer. In the past year, he worked at Edgewater Farm in Plainfield, N.H., and spent some time near Cape Town, South Africa, doing volunteer work in the Xhosa township of Philippi. * **Katie Toole** moved to Ellsworth, Maine, where she is an English teacher at Ellsworth High School. * **Christian Allen** moved back Stateside after a year in London and a week-long vacation in Croatia. He works at UBS in Stamford, Conn., as a scheduler on the natural gas energy desk. * **Emily Honig** is living and working in Washington, D.C., as a paralegal and is preparing law school applications. * **Scarlett Slenker** is in her first year at the Vermont Law School. * **Anne Holt** opened her first solo art show at the Camden Falls Gallery last June in downtown Camden; the show fo-

cused on New England landscape oil-on-canvas paintings. * **Peyton McElyea** and **Rich Downing** raced in the New York City triathlon in mid-July. * **Melisse Hinkle** will be relocating in December to Chicago, where she will begin her master's in broadcast journalism at the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern. * Thank you for the overwhelming amount of updates. —*Katie Gagne*

06 **Brendan Sullivan** is an editorial assistant at John Wiley & Sons, Inc., in N.Y.C. * **Rebecca Amendola** works as a fifth grade teaching assistant and sixth grade Latin teacher at the Brunswick School in Greenwich, Conn. * **Brandon Smithwood** teaches fifth grade in Crownpoint, N.M., for TFA. * **John McKee** works in the legal department at Fidelity Investments in Boston. * **Melina Markos** moved to Florence, Italy. She took a month-long TEFL language certification for teaching English and hopes to teach in Italy. * **Noah Balazs** lives with Sarah Ayres in Salem, Mass., and teaches first grade at Shore Country Day School in Beverly. Sarah is a reading teacher at the Landmark Elementary-Middle School in Manchester-by-the-Sea, Mass. * The **Emory** twins have parted ways! **Emma** is off to Senegal to teach English to little kids. **Helen** joined the Marines and is now a second lieutenant. She will be in Quantico, Va., until February and then is off to flight school in Florida. * **Nani Phillips** moved to Arlington, Va., and lives with Jon Moss '05 and Niko Schnermann '05. She is taking pre-med classes at American University and plans on applying to med school. * **Lauren Erickson** lives in San Francisco and is doing psychological research at the city's VA hospital. Other '06ers in the Bay Area include **Sarah Kelly** and **Beth Foxwell**. * **Jenn Scotland** teaches fifth grade at the Day Star School in Juticalpa, Honduras. * **Elizabeth Ghilardi** is the assistant women's lacrosse coach at Connecticut College and is working on her master's in social psychology. * **Julia Malkin** lives in Boston and is working at the Jewish Community Relations Council coordinating a city-wide community service initiative. * **Kristen Schmidt** works at Miss Porter's School in Farmington, Conn., where she coaches sports and teaches psychology. * **Josh Montague**

teaches physics to seniors at Phillips Academy in Andover, Mass., as a teaching fellow. * **Tim Stenovac**, **Steen Sehnert**, and **Matt Morrison** drove to Las Vegas after graduation and met up with **Kate Rooney**, **Charlie Hale**, **Bram Geller**, **Emilie Coulson**, and **Ben Crane** along the way. Highlights included meeting **Jon Bastian** in Aspen and hearing of his exploits among the rich and famous and among the cougars as a young Aspen socialite. * **Marie-Jeanne Sene** lives and works in Washington, D.C. * **Claire Walsh** is interning in N.Y.C. at the African Services Committee, working as a housing advocate for HIV-positive African immigrants and refugees. * **James "Taka" Bennett** works in Vail, Colo., at the Steadman-Hawkins Orthopedic Surgery Clinic doing clinical and biomechanical research. * **Jackie Roller** moved to Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., where she is taking a class to get her captain's license for boating. * **Liz Shepherd** is the assistant to the head of the middle school at Convent of the Sacred Heart in N.Y.C. Liz lives with **Kait Taylor**. * **Dan Giuliani** coaches football at Lakeside School in Seattle. * **Jessica Minty** works in Boston for Analysis Group and started running with Team New Balance Boston. * **Meg Smith** moved to Portland, Maine, and teaches history to ninth and 10th graders at Thornton Academy in Saco, where she will also assist in coaching the school's swim team. * **Charlie Hale** spent the summer working on his Arabic in Cairo, Egypt, with the State Department. Charlie works for Google in San Francisco. * **Ben Coliflores** is the special assistant to Lt. Governor Kerry Healey at the State House in Boston. * **Caitlin Peale** lives in Portland, Maine, and works as a paralegal. * **Lindsey Boyle** works i as an applications chemist at Thermo Electron in Beverly, Mass. * **Jess Seymour** teaches eighth and ninth grade Spanish at the Savannah Country Day School in Georgia. * **Adrian Walther** traveled around Europe last summer and worked in a bar in Edinburgh, Scotland, for July and August. * **Tomasz Zajackowski** works at NERA Economic Consulting in White Plains, N.Y. * **Francis Chapuredima** teaches math to ninth and 12th graders at the Berkshire School in Sheffield, Mass. * **Sam Chun** and **Brittany Hamblin** are roommates in N.Y.C. —*Jen Coliflores*



O B I T U A R I E S



Gwendolyn Mardin Trefethen Haynes '32, December 29, 2006, in Montgomery, Ala., at 96. She received her master's in French from Middlebury in 1964 and taught school in several Maine towns. She traveled extensively before retiring in Florida. Survivors include her three sons, Robert, Michael, and William, a sister and a brother, and several grandchildren.

Willard C. Flynt '34, December 25, 2006, in Plattsburgh, N.Y., at 94. He received his master's from the University of Maine and served in the Navy in both World War II and the Korean War. He worked as a guidance counselor and English teacher before dedicating himself to SUNY Plattsburgh, where he served as dean of admissions and dean of students. Later, he was special assistant to the late Senator Ronald B. Stafford. He played the tenor sax and enjoyed a good game of golf. His children, Heather and Willard R., his sister, five grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren survive him.

Raymond W. Farnham '36, November 3, 2006, in Orono, Maine, at 95. During World War II he served as an Army interviewer and counselor. He earned his master's from the University of Maine and was a teacher, coach, and principal in Maine schools. He was executive secretary of the Maine Principals' Association and was inducted to the Maine Sports Hall of Fame. Predeceased by his brothers, Roderick '31 and Albion '35, and his sister-in-law, Margaret Davis Farnham '28, he is survived by his son, Raymond Jr., and his daughters, Dian Jordan and Judy Carter, five grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and nieces and nephews including Alden C. Sprague Jr. '53, Patricia Farnham Russell '62, Margaret Farnham Rabeni '66, and Margaret Russell Ewalt '92.

Nancy D. Libby '36, November 25,

2006, in Hallowell, Maine, at 92. She taught high school English in Maine while working on her master's at Columbia. During World War II she joined the Navy. The GI Bill allowed her to earn her doctorate at Duke after the war. She then taught English literature at SUNY Fredonia for 30 years. Upon retirement, she traveled extensively, volunteered locally, and relished time with her family. Predeceased by her brother, Thomas W. Libby '35, and her nephew, Thomas E. Libby '59, she is survived by her niece, Nona Libby Thompson.

M. Elizabeth Oliver '38, November 26, 2006, in Columbia, Conn., at 89. A writer, teacher, and champion for freedom, she wrote for *Reader's Digest* and Harcourt, Inc. She ran language and writing programs in New York, Taipei, and Shanghai. At 71 she joined the Peace Corps and taught in the Philippines. She also helped re-establish the Northeast Chapter of the United Nations Association. Survivors include her sister-in-law, Frances R. Oliver, and a niece and two nephews.

Elizabeth "Libby" Bavis Decker '39, October 4, 2006, in Hampton, Minn., at 89. She earned her master's in nursing from Yale in 1942 and established a career in public health nursing. She helped establish the associate degree program in nursing at Rochester (Minnesota) Community College, where she later taught. Her children, Margaret, David, Arthur, and Ann, and four grandchildren survive her.

Calvin K. Hubbard '43, September 22, 2006, in Prescott, Ontario, at 85. He served in World War II as a navigator and a captain in the Army Air Forces in Europe, returning to Colby in 1945 to complete his education. He became a floor manager at the C.F. Hathaway Co. in Waterville, where he worked for 35 years, retiring as vice president of manufacturing

at the company's Prescott, Ontario, factory. He played cribbage, enjoyed curling, and excelled at baseball trivia. His wife, Merial, five children, nine grandchildren, and one great-grandchild survive him.

Anson T. Perley '43, January 5, 2007, in Damariscotta, Maine, at 85. He served as an Army rifleman during World War II. With his wife he operated Perley's Greenhouse and then Perley's Realty, both in Damariscotta. He was one of the founders of Damariscotta Bank & Trust Company and served as director. He was an avid camper, liked to hike, and split his own firewood. His wife of 65 years, Thelma, his son and daughter, three grandchildren, and a great-granddaughter survive him.

Alice Katkauskas Drake Deming '44, May 28, 2006, in Hanover, N.H., at 85. She earned a degree in medicine from Harvard and worked in the field of hematology. After raising her children, she moved to New England and settled in New London, N.H., where she opened an art gallery. An elder at her church, she involved herself in art enrichment programs. Her daughter, Dail Deming Mueller, her brother, and a grandson survive her.

Arthur T. Eaton '44, October 10, 2006, in Marietta, Ga., at 83. An Army officer during World War II, he served in India before earning his law degree from Boston University. He practiced in Waterville with his father, Harvey, then moved to Georgia where he worked at Lockheed-Martin for more than 30 years. His son, Brooks, and several nieces and nephews, including A. Raymond Rogers Jr. '49, survive him. He was predeceased by his brothers, Harvey Jr. '16, Fletcher '39, and John '41.

William E. Frazier '44, September 15, 2006, in Orlando, Fla., at 84. A captain in the Army Air Corps, he flew missions over Germany

during World War II. He became a stockbroker with A.G. Edwards in Orlando and was active with the Masons and the Elks. His wife of 60 years, McGee, and a daughter and a son survive him.

Martha Wheeler Zeltsman '44, November 2, 2006, in Whiting, N.J., at 84. She and her husband ran a portrait photography studio for 40 years. In 1974, she was the first woman to receive the Fellowship Award from the American Society of Photography. She taught photography, practiced flower arranging, and raised four children. She was predeceased by her father, Nathaniel E. Wheeler 1909, and her sisters, Grace Wheeler Marsh '35, Mary Louise Wheeler Bruzga '40, and Julia Wheeler Morton '40. Survivors include her brother, Nathaniel H. Wheeler '42.

Marjorie Merrill Melvin '45, October 2, 2006, in Bangor, Maine, at 82. She worked in the Waterville and Bangor public libraries and for Community Health and Counseling Center in Bangor. A dedicated mother, she was active in her church. Predeceased by her brother, Earle K. Merrill '44, she is survived by her husband of 60 years, Ernest, two children, and two grandchildren.

Joseph G. Ragone '45, September 10, 2006, in North Falmouth, Mass., at 86. A naval aviator during World War II, he served in the South Pacific and received the Distinguished Flying Cross. He became a self-employed contractor and was president of two companies. An avid golfer, he was also a yachtsman. His children, Lawrence, Richard, Linda Lovell, JoAnn Devaney, Anne Donovan, and Judith Fothergill, a brother, 25 grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and his companion, Maria Gleason, survive him.

Rowen Kusnitt Kessler '46, October

25, 2006, in Castro Valley, Calif., at 82. She worked as a medical technician until she had children and devoted herself to raising them. Later in life she traveled abroad, read mystery novels, enjoyed opera, and worked out at the gym. Her children, Arlen, Corby, Marla Levy, and Tracy Maguire, and three grandchildren survive her.

Marvin S. Joslow '48, November 25, 2006, in Aquinnah, Mass., at 79. He earned a master's from Case Western Reserve University in 1950 then served with the Navy in the Pacific. Upon his discharge he taught at college preparatory schools and later was an educational consultant. He completed graduate work at Harvard in 1962. After his retirement he served as town constable, volunteer firefighter, and president of the Chilmark (Mass.) Friends of the Library. Survivors include his wife, Betty, and three children.

John W. Lord '48, October 4, 2006, in Vassalboro, Maine, at 84. He left Colby in 1942 to serve in the U.S. Navy in the Pacific. After completing his degree, he worked as an insurance adjuster until 1991. A talented woodsman, he constructed a log cabin from materials he harvested from the land. Predeceased by his wife, Kathleen McQuillan Lord '46, and his father, Carl B. Lord '15, he is survived by his daughter, Sandra Sturtevant, and his son, Jack, three grandchildren, a sister, and his companion, Phyllis Wilcox.

Louis Sutherland '48, November 26, 2006, in Sorrento, Maine, at 81. He taught chemistry and physics at the high school and community college level. He served as Sorrento's first selectman for more than 40 years and was the town's plumbing inspector. The outdoors, travel, and dancing brought him much pleasure. His wife of 51 years, Nadine "Bobbie," two sons and a daughter, a brother and three sisters, two grandchildren, and one great-grandchild survive him.

Ruth Marriner Szopa '48, August 26, 2006, in Camden, Maine, at 79. She received her master's in art his-

tory from Radcliffe College before taking a clerical job with the CIA. Dispatched to Tehran, she married a CIA agent and accompanied him on assignments in Europe and Africa. She returned to Alexandria, Va., in 1970 and was active in social, political, and religious groups. She was predeceased by her parents, Eleanor Creech Marriner 1910 and Ernest C. Marriner '13, her uncle, Frederick W. Marriner '17, her aunt, Etta A. Creech '12, and her sister-in-law, Prudence Piper Marriner '41. Her son, Stephen, her brother, Ernest C. Marriner Jr. '40, and her nephew, John P. Marriner '70, survive her.

Jeanne Littlefield Hammond '49, November 19, 2006, in Albion, Maine, at 79. She worked in Colby's Registrar's Office for 35 years and served as registrar for the Lancaster Course in Ophthalmology, held at Colby, for 45 years. She championed equality for women as a member of the Waterville Business and Professional Women organization and the American Association of University Women. Throughout, she mothered the seven children who survive her: G. Michael, Sandra, David, Marjorie FitzGerald, Alice, Marilyn Leimbach, and Heather Carey '93. Her sister, a stepdaughter, 15 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren also survive her.

Claus Frederick Hinck III '49, August 11, 2006, in New Harbor, Maine, at 83. A veteran with the U.S. Army, he received his degree in dentistry from New York University. He practiced dentistry in Waldoboro and Bath, Maine.

Lois Eaton Leavitt '49, September 19, 2006, in Gorham, N.H., at 79. A lifetime resident of the Berlin-Gorham area and a devoted mother, she worked for Brown Company and later as a substitute teacher. Predeceased by her father, Henry A. Eaton '16, she is survived by her husband of 54 years, Ruelle (Bud), two sons, and four grandchildren.

Barbara Becker Sullivan '49, November 7, 2006, in East Green-

wich, R.I., at 78. A resident of East Greenwich for 45 years, she belonged to the Rhode Island Women's Golf Association and was a 50-year member at Potowomut Golf Club. Her son, Carl E. "Tracy", and her daughter, Jane, two sisters-in-law, and her faithful dog, Toby, survive her.

Richard M. Bowers '50, November 18, 2006, in Ridgewood, N.J., at 77. He served in the Army JAG Corps during the Korean War. He earned his law degree from Columbia University then practiced law privately. He helped protect natural areas in Connecticut. Survivors include his wife, Betty; two children; 19 grandchildren; his sister, Gloria Bowers Gill '63; his brother and sister-in-law, George N. Bowers Jr. '50 and Myra Hemenway Bowers '51; a niece, Barbara Bowers Palten '76; and a grandniece, Elizabeth H. Palten '06.

Frederick C. Freeman '50, December 9, 2006, in East Falmouth, Mass., at 81. He joined the Navy at age 18 and served in Africa and France. After Colby, he worked for 35 years as an executive for Raytheon. He and his wife founded the neighborhood watch program "Are U OK" in Fisherman's Cove, Mass. He was active in Habitat for Humanity and loved sailing and golf. His wife of 56 years, Caroline, six children, and 14 grandchildren survive him.

Robert L. Lindquist '50, September 24, 2006, in Quantico, Md., at 81. He served as a gunnery instructor during World War II before earning his Colby degree. He worked as a diplomat in Brazil for the U.S. Information Agency until 1973, when he developed and headed an ESL program in North Bethesda, Md. He taught ESL until 2005, enjoyed crabbing, and grew more than 65 varieties of roses. His wife of 57 years, Doris Koshina Lindquist '49, four children, and three grandchildren survive him.

Shirley Raynor Ingraham '51, September 5, 2006, in Wilton, N.H., at 76. She earned her master's from American International College and

taught third grade in Agawam, Mass. She moved to Florida and remained active in educational organizations while working to improve nursing care for senior citizens. Her son, Robert '76, and daughter, Cynthia Lord, a sister, two grandchildren, and her former spouse, Robert A. Ingraham '51, survive her.

Joanna D. Johnston '51, November 9, 2006, in Keene, N.H., at 76. She worked for 30 years in human resources with Unisys in California and Washington, D.C., before settling in Keene. She knitted, did jigsaw puzzles, and played bridge. Survivors include her brothers, Robert and Edward, and six nieces and nephews.

Natalie How Hermandorfer '52, October 18, 2006, in Easton, Conn., at 78. She graduated from the University of Connecticut and remained an avid UConn sports fan. Her marriage, family, and friends were her focus as were Easton's Congregational Church, library, and historical society. Her children, Wayne, Gale, and Lee Underschultz, her brother, and three grandsons survive her.

Edwin W. Martens '52, October 29, 2006, in Chatham, Mass., at 76. He served in the Air Force as a radar intercept and intelligence officer. He founded Dustex Service, Inc., and was managing director and treasurer from 1956 until the business sold in 1981. After retirement he lived aboard his boat *Wutz News* for a decade. His wife, Nancy, his son and two daughters, his brother, and six grandchildren survive him.

Barbara Weiss Alpert '53, October 17, 2006, in New Bedford, Mass., at 76. She took master's classes at Barnard College then became a permanent substitute English teacher for 20 years. Active in the Scholarship Program of the Council for Jewish Women, she assisted high school students with their college choices. Predeceased by her father, Fred M. Weiss '24, she is survived by her husband of 51 years, Hershel '53, four children, a brother, Robert B. Weiss

'56, and seven grandchildren.

Charles F. Fisher '53, November 13, 2006, in Kensington, Va., at 75. He served in the U.S. Army in Germany then earned his master's from the University of Pennsylvania. He taught English at the university level and worked with students on film projects. An authority on jazz and blues, he traveled the length of the Mississippi tracing the music's roots. His children, Eden Fisher Durbin and Jake Fisher, and four grandchildren survive him.

Cecelia Lasbury Johnson '53, December 15, 2006, in Camden, Maine, at 75. She attended Rhode Island School of Design, was a watercolorist, and served as a board member at the Cornell Fine Art Museum in Winter Park, Fla. She gardened, played tennis, and was an antiques enthusiast. She leaves three children, Dan, Joshua, and Neall; five grandchildren; a sister and two brothers, including R. Chase Lasbury '53 and his wife, Nan Murray Lasbury '53; and 10 nieces and nephews.

Charles J. Windhorst '54, December 25, 2006, in Stamford, Conn., at 75. He served in the Army, then built a career in the communications world, becoming a founding partner of Communispond. He was instrumental in establishing the Joe and Kay Peters Memorial Scholarship at Colby in honor of the couple who ran Peters' Big Little Store in Waterville. His wife, Mary, a son, James C. Windhorst '87, two daughters, Karen Breault and Jane Windhorse, two sisters, and six grandchildren survive him.

Frank A. Lathe Jr. '55, September 1, 2006, in Hallowell, Maine, at 73. He served in the U.S. Army before working in his family business, Lathe Fuel Company in Hallowell, where he became general manager. He retired in Florida and created a landscaping business. A volunteer fireman and lover of the outdoors, he had a memorable grin and a willingness to help others. His wife, Joan, his mother, a daughter and two sons, two brothers and a sister, six grandchildren, and

one great-grandchild survive him.

Harriette Glass Siegel '55, December 16, 2006, in Marblehead, Mass., at 73. She worked for the Marblehead Parks and Recreation Department for 30 years. Survivors include her husband of 52 years, Carlton, three children, a brother, two grandchildren, and a niece.

Philip E. Guiles '58, November 24, 2006, in New Gloucester, Mass., at 74. After three years in the Army, he enrolled at Colby, where he married. A businessman and devoted father, he remarried in 1988 and became a supporter of Opportunity Farm in New Gloucester. A bass singer, he also collected and restored vintage cars, planes, and motorcycles. He is survived by his wife, Catharine, his four children, including Ethan '82, two sisters and a brother, and 12 nephews and nieces, including Emilie L. Van Eeghen '74.

Davida Kovey Newman '58, September 20, 2006, in Sharon, Mass., at 69. A homemaker and mother, she was active in her synagogue. Her husband, Walter, a son and a daughter, two sisters and a brother, and two grandsons survive her.

Rev. Carlyle A. Smith '58, October 3, 2006, in Columbus, Ohio, at 85. During World War II he served as chief pharmacist's mate in the Pacific for the U.S. Navy. He became an ordained minister and served in Congregational and Baptist churches in five states. His wife, Helen, a daughter, three sons, a stepson, and six grandchildren survive him.

Herbert F. Cluthe '60, September 30, 2006, in Red Bank, N.J., at 68. He founded the Cluthe Service Corporation in Red Bank and belonged to the Fox Hollow Golf Club. A member of the Elks Lodge, he loved to grill for his family. Survivors include his daughter, Kirsten, and his son, Frederick, and a sister.

Barry S. Potter '60, September 25, 2006, in Chamberlain, Maine, at 67. He served in the U.S. Army and Army Reserves before venturing into the

business world. His entrepreneurial spirit led him to start several manufacturing businesses in Maine and he oversaw plants in Europe. A world traveler, he enjoyed skiing, tennis, and working outside on his tractor. He was a member of Colby's Alumni Council and served as chair of its Nominating Committee. His wife, Bonnie Brown Potter '63, two sons, and two sisters survive him.

William C. Swormstedt Jr. '61, December 29, 2006, in Nashua, N.H., at 67. An Army veteran, he was stationed in Germany and trained as a Polish interpreter. He worked in business for 40 years and in his spare time enjoyed cribbage. His wife, Frauke, a son and a daughter, and numerous cousins survive him.

Joan Phillips Boes '62, October 28, 2006, in Ft. Collins, Colo., at 66. While raising her family, she volunteered with the League of Women Voters and remained active playing tennis and riding horses. Her husband, Duane, three daughters, three sisters, and two grandchildren survive her.

Robert Mandell '65, May 25, 2006, in Littleton, Colo., at 64. He earned his doctorate from the University of Wisconsin and became an English professor at Colorado Women's College. His wife, Karen Willis, and a son survive him.

Ann Starr Williams Widmann '65, November 17, 2006, in Freeport, Maine, at 62. A marketing and advertising entrepreneur, she published a marine book, *Boating Digest*, and worked for *Wooden Boat* magazine and *Small Boat Journal*. She established a dog care service called Pet Sit Pals. Her husband, Tony, a daughter and a son, her brother, David E. Williams '63, two grandchildren, a niece, and a nephew survive her.

Mary Weller Rideout '69, October 15, 2006, in Wellesley, Mass., at 59. She received her bachelor's from the University of Michigan and her master's from Framingham State College. She and her husband served

as missionary teachers in Nigeria from 1970 to 1987. Upon their return, she founded Westgate Christian Academy in 1995 and was its headmistress for eight years. Her husband, George Rideout Jr. '68, four children, 14 grandchildren, two sisters, and her stepmother survive her.

Deborah A. Rose '69, September 4, 2006, in Somerville, Mass., at 59. A licensed acupuncturist and Chinese herbalist, she received her master's in acupuncture and spearheaded lobbying efforts to make acupuncture an accessible health-care option. An avid traveler, she led trips to sacred sites in France, Sicily, and Malta. She is survived by her sister, Roberta Rose Benjamin, and two nephews, including Robert A. Benjamin '82.

Robert J. Kessler '71, September 13, 2006, in Jamaica Plain, Mass., at 57. An elementary school teacher for more than 30 years in Andover, Mass., he earned his master's in education from Lesley University in 1994. He loved to travel and was well known for making others laugh. His children, Kaitlin and Stephen, and his brother survive him.

Gregory R. Billington '78, October 5, 2006, in Cambridge, Mass., at 50. He worked as an account officer for MIT and was an avid golfer and runner. His parents, Priscilla Eaton '53 and Raymond J. Billington '54, his sister, Dianne Billington Stornach '75, a brother, three nephews, one niece, and his partner, Sarah Winkley, survive him.

Jill E. Snowman '85, August 27, 2006, in Birmingham, Ala., at 43. She received an MSW from the University of New England and worked as a job trainer and a social worker. She was also active in her church. Her mother, Gilberte Michaud Snowman, three sisters and three brothers survive her.



McDONALD'S IN BEIJING? I'M LOVIN' IT

By Martin Connelly '08

For foreigners living in Beijing, especially the younger student or post-grad set (of which I'm a member), McDonald's stands at the top of a grand double standard. We who are here in part to experience the culture, must look down upon McDonald's as a western export not to be part of the China Adventure. We should be eating cows' stomach and pigs' feet, or at the very least fried scorpions. But, on the other hand, McDonald's is so good, and sometimes, I admit it—we just need a hamburger and fries.

So we go, but with great shame, pulling our hats down to cover our faces and hiding behind dark sunglasses. The other foreigners in the restaurant (in a place like Beijing there are always other foreigners in the restaurant) we look down upon, saying, "Pah, what are they doing here? There's a great street-food vendor down the street selling delicious food at a fraction of the price. What lame-o's." They're probably thinking the same of us, unless they are travelers, in which case our presence can be seen almost as a sign that all is well and good. I can almost see them thinking, "Phew, if other people are here it must mean I'm not going to hell." And they aren't—or we all are.

People here talk of an embarrassing junior cheeseburger addiction, or the time they ate four apple pies because it just needed to happen. McDonald's, in the absence of home-cooked meatloaf and mashed potatoes, is comfort food. It reminds us of our life back home, even if we would never go to the local Golden Arches if we were living back stateside.

But there is something to be said for making an occasional trip to McDonald's as part of the great China Adventure. After all, China is one of the last expanding fast-food markets on the planet, and it's not as if McDonald's were still just for Chinese businessmen trying to impress their clients, like it was back in the early '90s. With more than 600 restaurants open across the country, McDonald's China has announced that it will have 1,000 locations by the 2008 Beijing Olympics.

These days the local McDonald's is just as much a place to experience real China as the park where the old folks exercise in the morning and dance in the evening. You can bet the company isn't thriving on the miniscule western demographic. It's a place for teenagers and young families; it's a place for grandparents watching their grandchildren in the afternoon; it's a place for everybody.

More than that, McDonald's restaurants in China are distinctly Chinese. They started the customer service revolution, to be sure, but they also morphed and adapted, making the space both western and Chinese at the same time. You'd never see two-person "lovers tables" in the U.S., but here in the middle kingdom, McDonald's isn't just a good place to take a date—it's great. Cool in the summer, warm in the winter, brightly lit and, unlike the rest of the city, completely free from smoking, spitting, and raucous drinking games. I wouldn't be caught dead taking a date to McDonald's back home, but here, it might be a nice change from the local family-style restaurant.

So, when all is said and done, what does this all mean? It means that I don't have to feel bad about grabbing the occasional burger (though if I do it too often the chances of that date diminish in kind), but when I do go I should look at it through ethnographer's eyes, seeing the whole process as a learning experience. Or maybe it's all one extensive rationalization, and this all comes down to the fact that, to paraphrase an old song, I want my Mickey D's.

Martin Connelly '08 spent his fall semester in Beijing working as a television copyeditor and an elementary school English teacher. He enjoys walking back alleys, talking to old folks, and eating the bagels and cream cheese that his mother brought for Thanksgiving.

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The Mentor

In a steady stream, Colby-trained scientists have joined David Bodine '76, left, at the National Institutes of Health. Bodine, a branch chief at the NIH's National Human Genome Research Institute, leads a dedicated team working to answer the puzzling questions posed by genetic blood disorders. **Page 22**